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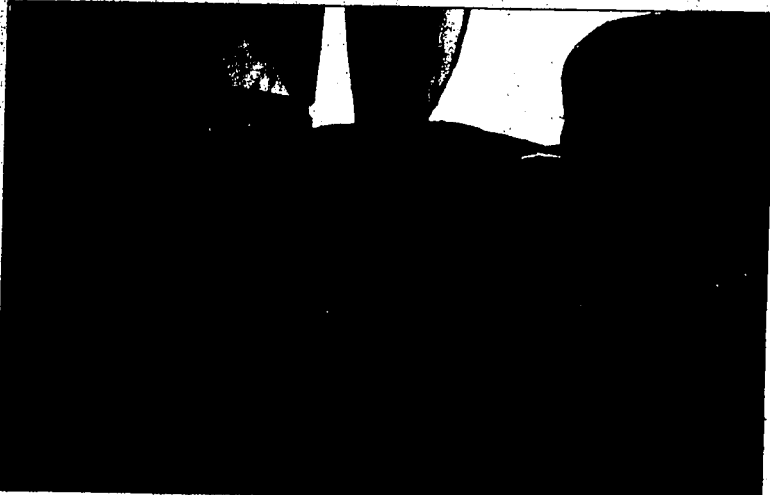
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# Lonely and at a loss



LEA M. COLLARD/The Times-News

Shortly before having her job at Simplot offered back to her through a temporary hiring agency, Candy Sanchez worries that she might lose her house. If she doesn't find a job that pays enough. Her daughter, Jacqueline, plays nearby. Sanchez is a single mom with three children and a mortgage. Her time-back is only a temporary respite from her dilemma of finding a permanent job that will pay enough to support her family.

## Heyburn mom wonders what to do after temp job ends

By Virginia S. Hutchins  
Times-News writer

HEYBURN - A temp agency's phone call suspended Candy Sanchez's job search, her worries and her contemplated household cuts.

Until when, however, she has no idea. "Now at least I'm working - even if I don't know for how long," she said Friday.

Late last week, a temporary-labor firm supplying workers to J.R. Simplot Co.'s Heyburn spud plant called Sanchez back to the job from which Simplot layoffs displaced her at the end of October. Some of her former Simplot co-workers said no to similar proposals, opting to look elsewhere instead of returning as temps.

But Sanchez said she was promised the same pay she earned as a staffer - \$10.28 per hour - and she reported for work the same day the call came.

In the week-long interim

### Couple ponders future - D1

Between the layoff and the temp job, however, the mother of three carried a heavy burden. One her little children can't understand.

Mom was at home more than usual, a fact they clearly enjoyed. But the loss of her paycheck - whenever it hits - could change the children's lives in other ways, too.

Perhaps a move out of state. Perhaps no more cable television. Certainly bare-budget holidays.

"We're going to be broke. No Christmas presents. Serious. It's pretty close," Sanchez said shortly before the temp agency called.

That afternoon at her well-tended home, the Heyburn woman supervised the energetic play of Jacqueline, 2, and Juan, 3 1/2, and mediated their minor quarrels. Kindergartner Casandra, 5, tried to teach Juan to write numbers on a draw-and-

### About this series

By the time potato processor J.R. Simplot Co. shuts down its Heyburn plant in 2004, it will directly eliminate about 650 jobs.

Writer Virginia S. Hutchins and photographer Lea M. Collard are putting a human face on that job loss as they follow seven of the displaced or soon-to-be-displaced workers through the process of starting over. Here Hutchins and Collard introduce readers to packing operator Candy Sanchez. See today's Money section for updates on a couple of her former co-workers. The Times-News will check in with the workers periodically as they ponder their options and chart their futures over the coming months or years.

erase board, and introduced Chihuahua-mix Fifi to her visitors. Even the oldest of the children couldn't comprehend the loneliness, depression and uncertainty that confronted Sanchez, 25, following her permanent layoff from Simplot. "Probably she wants Christmas gifts, but she won't be able to understand why not," Sanchez said. Sanchez worked her last day as

a packaging operator on Simplot's regular staff Oct. 31, after almost five years with the company. With the paycheck, she also loses a familiar work environment and contact with on-the-job friends - which she says account for most of her friendships. "I was used to that job already and I knew everybody from there," Sanchez said. "I knew

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# Saddam: Iraq had no choice

## Says country was forced to accept resolution

The Associated Press

BAGHDAD, Iraq - President Saddam Hussein said Saturday he had no choice but to accept a tough, new U.N. weapons inspection resolution because the United States and Israel had shown their "claws and teeth" and declared unilateral war on the Iraqi people.

In an open letter to Iraq's parliament, Saddam said he hoped the weapons inspectors would help the U.N. Security Council "to see the truth as it really is about Iraq being completely free of weapons of mass destruction."

The advance team of inspectors is expected in Baghdad today after a four-year absence. Under a new resolution approved last week, the inspectors are empowered to go anywhere and interview anyone to determine if Iraq still has banned weapons. Failure to cooper-

ate fully will probably bring a U.S.-led attack.

Saddam told Parliament in the letter he accepted the resolution "because Zionism and the American administration has ... after showing its claws and teeth, decided to wage war unilaterally against our people."

"If the unjust persist in their wrongdoing, then you know that the potentials and obligations that we carry from our resolution to withstand all injustice will ensure their defeat," he added.

The Revolutionary Command Council, the top decision-making body headed by Saddam, decided on Wednesday to accept the resolution. The rubber-stamp parliament had earlier recommended rejecting it but later

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Unidentified members of the UN weapons inspection team for Iraq arrive at Larnaca airport in Cyprus on Saturday. They are due to fly into Baghdad on Monday.

## Salmon arguments hold steadfast

By Shelley Hidenour  
Times-News writer

BURLEY - Not many people seem to have had a chance yet to review a proposed amendment to the 2000 fish and wildlife program, but people appear to be lining up in their traditional roles in support or opposition.

The Northwest Power Planning Council released its proposed changes in late October. Council members say they'll make a decision in February. Written comments on the plan may be submitted through Jan. 10.

The major change from plan the council approved in 1994 is the move away from the endorsement of 1 million acre feet of upper Snake River storage water for flow augmentation.

The council also generally supports the National Marine Fisheries 2000 biological opinion, which moved away from advocating lower Snake River dam breaching in favor of scientific reviews of alternative processes to recover endangered salmon.

The power council's plan calls for reducing spring and summer flows into the Columbia River Basin. That action would allow more water to stay in the system for farming, industry, other fish and power production.

The idea came from upper basin Indian tribes and the Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks, who want to change dam releases to benefit the whole basin, not just salmon protected by the Endangered Species Act.

Council members acknowledge their draft amendment contains some controversial recommendations but say overall it's fish intended to improve habitat for fish that live and migrate through the Columbia River and its major tributaries, while also providing more flexibility in power generation and protection of resident fish and wildlife.

Some question whether reducing springtime flows for salmon will meet the demands of the court-ordered biological opinion from National Marine Fisheries governing the operation of federal dams in the Columbia River Basin.

### Environmental group disagrees

The change in direction isn't viewed favorably by Bert Bowler, the native fisheries director of Idaho Rivers United.

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## Media raises concerns over secrecy efforts

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - With the homeland security terrorists' quest to shield their information from the public that it needs to know, media and watchdog groups say.

At issue is whether the legislation to create the massive federal agency will erect prohibitive barriers to openness by making it easier to deny requests under the Freedom of Information Act.

The Senate is expected to pass the bill, already approved by the House, this week. Today, senators will vote on an amendment

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**MILLIONAIRE MONEY INSIDE!**  
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Your nightly cocktail may keep you awake.  
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Tuesday

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Thursday

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Saturday

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Get your Thanksgiving food ideas in this special section.  
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### TWIN FALLS FORECAST

Today: High clouds and sun mixed. Breezy at times. Highs in the mid 40s.  
 Tonight: Mostly to partly cloudy.  
 Tomorrow: Partly sunny skies.  
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### IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS.  
 A weather disturbance will produce some light and high mountain snow showers today and early tonight, otherwise expect partly to mostly cloudy skies.



Yesterday's State Extreme: High: 50 at Lewiston; Low: 8 at Starkey. Weather keys: sunny, pc partly cloudy, m mostly cloudy, c cloudy, r rain, drizzle, s snow, sh snow shower, h high, w wind, m misting.

### TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Today	Tonight	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
High 47	Low 25	45/25	48/28	47/27	

### ALMANAC - TWIN FALLS

Temperature	Precipitation	Humidity	Barometric Pressure	Sunrise and Sunset
Today's High: 47 Today's Low: 25 Normal High/Low: 46/27 Record High: 63 in 1999 Record Low: 8 in 1985	Today's Total: 0.00 Longest Day: 14:57 Water Year to Date: 5.87 Avg. Wind: 7 mph Temp & Precipitation valid through 6pm yesterday	Today's Forecast: Low 25% Avg. Wind: 7 mph Temp & Precipitation valid through 6pm yesterday	Today's Forecast: 30.00 Normal: 30.00 Record: 30.00	Today's Sunrise: 7:53 AM Today's Sunset: 5:13 PM Winter Solstice: 7:58 AM Summer Solstice: 5:13 PM

### MOON PHASES AND MOONSET

Today: Full Moon  
 Tomorrow: Waning Gibbous  
 Next Full Moon: Dec 11

### REGIONAL FORECAST

City	Today	Tomorrow	Tuesday
Boise	43-52	42-52	42-52
Bonanza Ferry	43-52	42-52	42-52
Butte	43-52	42-52	42-52
Coeur d'Alene	43-52	42-52	42-52
Idaho Falls	43-52	42-52	42-52
Jerome	43-52	42-52	42-52
Malheur	43-52	42-52	42-52
McCall	43-52	42-52	42-52
Meridian	43-52	42-52	42-52
Postlehole	43-52	42-52	42-52
Rupert	43-52	42-52	42-52
Shoshone	43-52	42-52	42-52
Starbuck	43-52	42-52	42-52
Twin Falls	43-52	42-52	42-52
Waltersburg	43-52	42-52	42-52

### NATIONAL FORECAST

City	Today	Tomorrow	Tuesday
Albany	61-70	53-60	50-58
Albuquerque	61-70	53-60	50-58
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### WORLD FORECAST

City	Today	Tomorrow	Tuesday
London	50-60	50-60	50-60
Paris	50-60	50-60	50-60
Rome	50-60	50-60	50-60
Tokyo	50-60	50-60	50-60
Sydney	50-60	50-60	50-60
Los Angeles	50-60	50-60	50-60
New York	50-60	50-60	50-60
Hong Kong	50-60	50-60	50-60
Auckland	50-60	50-60	50-60
Wellington	50-60	50-60	50-60
Christchurch	50-60	50-60	50-60
Dunedin	50-60	50-60	50-60
Hamilton	50-60	50-60	50-60
Wellington	50-60	50-60	50-60
Christchurch	50-60	50-60	50-60
Dunedin	50-60	50-60	50-60
Hamilton	50-60	50-60	50-60

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Edmonton	45-55	45-55	45-55
Halifax	45-55	45-55	45-55
London	45-55	45-55	45-55
Ottawa	45-55	45-55	45-55
Quebec	45-55	45-55	45-55
Regina	45-55	45-55	45-55
Saskatoon	45-55	45-55	45-55
Vancouver	45-55	45-55	45-55
Winnipeg	45-55	45-55	45-55

### TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP

## Teen-age girl runs away from area survival school excursion

**The Times-News**  
 SHOSHONE - A teen-age girl ran away from a youth survival excursion Saturday, prompting an intensive search throughout Shoshone, Lincoln County Sheriff's Deputy Kevin Ellis said.

The group was in the Preacher Creek area about 7 miles north and 9 miles west of Shoshone when the girl ran away, Ellis said. "She wasn't lost. She knew where she was at. She didn't want to be where she was at, so she ran away," he said. Search and rescue crews, including searchers in an airplane, covered the area and found nothing. The girl's name was then entered into the national law enforcement computer data base as a runaway. "We just wanted to make sure she wasn't in the desert area in Idaho or something like that for the night," Ellis said.

## Secret

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 that would strip the bill of language exempting advisory committees from public disclosure rules. "This unnecessary blanket authority," said Sen. Robert Byrd, D-W.Va., a vociferous opponent of the legislation, "will give the president carte blanche to expand the culture of secrecy that now permeates this administration." Bush administration officials and the business community argue that the very nature of the new Cabinet-level department puts a premium on discretion and that the private sector needs assurances of confidentiality if it is to cooperate with. "They all want experienced people," Sanchez said. "The Twin Falls job market is attractive, and perhaps promising." "But then winter's coming," Sanchez said, thinking of icy highways. She started buying her house in May, so it isn't easy to pick up and take off for another city. If a new job doesn't bring enough pay, the family might be moving anyway. "Maybe I'm going to have to sell it," she said. "That's something she yearns to avoid." The possibility of a roommate to share costs, has crossed her mind. But a roommate would have to be someone Sanchez could trust with the children. Her top job pick? "No clue," was Sanchez's first answer. But with more conversation her preferences began to take shape: an office environment, paperwork, computers. But Sanchez doesn't have that yet. And the only job experience that, to her, seems applicable is her use of the computers attached to Simplot's packaging machines. If she had the money, she said she'd like to go to college and prepare for secretarial work on papers work. "They won't do it. They want retraining help for displaced workers, and Sanchez might check into that again." Whenassandra, Juan and Jacquene get a little older, their mom plans to stress the importance of graduating from high school. Cassandra has a good start, she likes kindergarten and says she wants to be a doctor. "I would like them to finish high school then go to college," Sanchez said. "They won't have the same problem that I do."

## Salmon

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 Like many people, Bowler and others in the organization were busy late last week reviewing the proposal. "No one contacted by *The Times-News* had yet had an opportunity to fully digest the lengthy document, but all were working at it in advance of this week's public hearings." Bowler's initial concern with the proposed changes is that the power council appears to be giving hydropower concerns precedence over fish concerns. "They're giving the benefit of doubt to the hydropower part and, in my opinion, it should go to the fish," Bowler said. "It reminds me of the amendment to the 1980 Power Act, which he said gives fish and power equal treatment." Bowler also believes the council is de-emphasizing the recommendations from biological studies "which support flow augmentation as a beneficial to salmon." "They're really looking to cast a lot of doubt on the biological information and opinion," he said. "It appears they are looking for a lot of additional studies and review and a lot of these have already been done." "The power council has said it wants to reevaluate many studies, which Bowler says will "take a lot of time and probably not result in a lot of information in either the short or long term." Bowler referred to ongoing studies about augmentation when the water from reservoirs is warmer than the water in streams, which some irrigators claim defeats the purpose of stream augmentation. Those studies show the augmentation process is beneficial, especially when the flow is coupled with cooler water from some reservoirs, he said. While Bowler remains an advocate for continuing the flow augmentation, he doesn't believe that process will ever be adequate to recover salmon in the basin. The only way to recover the salmon population to levels that could allow the fish to be removed from the endangered species list is to take out the dams on the Snake River, he said. He views flow augmentation as "very minimal attempts to keep the fish going." Stream augmentation is "an incremental benefit," but he worries that the power council "is looking to minimize those incremental benefits."

## Absorbing the data

**Hearing set**  
 A public hearing on the Northwest Power Planning Council's proposed changes to the fish and wildlife program runs from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. Monday at the Best Western Burley Inn. Council members Jim Kempton, a former Albon state representative, and Judi Danielson will conduct the hearing. Another hearing is scheduled at 6 p.m. Tuesday in Boise, in the first-floor meeting room of the J.R. Williams Building at 700 W. State the council's proposed changes can be seen on its Web page at <http://www.nwccouncil.org/>.

direction was termed "politically courageous," by Norm Semanko, executive director of Idaho Water Users Association. Semanko's group is pleased with the change of direction, saying there isn't evidence to support the claim that stream augmentation is beneficial to salmon recovery. And because there's never been any meaningful benefit to the salmon under the current plan, Semanko says, "it's about time the plan got revisited." He's concerned that some people will see the change represents a step backward in salmon recovery efforts, but he says that's not the case. "We know it's not working. Let's try to find something else that could work. We've been doing augmentation for a long time and it's not working. The data just isn't there." Vince Alberdi, general manager of the Twin Falls Canal Co., agreed with Semanko. "We concern that the change of plan is a good thing," he said. The big reason the change in direction gets Alberdi's support is that it reduces less water in the river, and "from the irrigators' perspective that's good." He agreed with Semanko that because flow augmentation hasn't been proven to benefit fish, it makes good sense to change the plan. "If it doesn't hurt the fish and it can sustain irrigation, it's win-win."

## Simplot

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 "What I was doing," The emotional effect of the loss? "Sometimes depressed," she said. "But then I need to be positive, because I have three kids." These kids, and precious few resources. Born in Mexico and raised in California, Sanchez came to Mini-Cassia at age 15. She said Minjo High School after 11th grade because she got married, then got pregnant. Now separated from her husband, she's four tests away from a five-test ZED, with a scary savings total of zero, a house payment, a few other debts and no expectation of financial help from relatives. She has thought about moving back to California, where she still has family. "If I find a job, then I stay," Sanchez said. "But if I don't... The petite woman with quiet voice and demeanor is nervous both about learning a new job and about meeting new people - and not too certain how to go about either. So far just one potato processor has Sanchez's application. Where to apply next in Mini-Cassia? "I don't know. Because they're not hiring," she said. "I don't really know what to do." Her search of the listings at Job Service didn't turn up any openings she thought herself qualified for.

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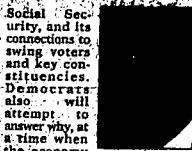
# Democrats look for a leader

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Amid the Democratic wreckage from this year's midterm elections, the next battle is already beginning to take shape: Who can lead the party out of the wilderness?

At least half a dozen Democrats who hope to pick up the pieces of a party left in disarray may decide by year's end whether to challenge President Bush in 2004 in a presidential campaign that suddenly looks far more daunting than it did only a few months ago. Bush's success in the midterm elections exposed both the absence of a Democratic message for the post-Clinton era and a leadership vacuum that cries out to be filled.

The battle for the Democratic nomination, which will begin in earnest at the turn of the year, will force the party through a painful re-examination of its core values, its stance on issues ranging from terrorism to health care to



Al Gore

Social Secretary, and its connections to swing voters and key constituencies.

Democracy also will attempt to answer why, at a time when the economy was weak and there was pessimism about the country's direction, they could not overcome an outpouring of voters motivated primarily by Bush's leadership appeal.

The prospective presidential field includes such well-known names as former vice president Al Gore, Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle (S.D.), House Minority Leader Dick Gephardt (Mo.) and Sen. Joe Lieberman (Conn.). Other possibilities are Sens. John Edwards (N.C.) and John Kerry (Mass.) and Vermont Gov. Howard Dean, none of whom

would turn a head on Main Street anywhere in the country — except perhaps in Iowa and New Hampshire, where they already have logged time.

There is much brave talk among the prospective candidates, who say they never underestimated the political skills of the president, though their party never anticipated the strength of Bush's appeal in the midterm campaign. "I don't admire the direction he's taking the country, but I do admire the way he plays the game," Dean said.

Dean is the first of the Democrats to declare his candidacy, with Kerry likely to be next to file. Most of the rest will decide by the end of the year. But it is Gore who has the greatest ability to shape the early stages of the race, and already he has begun to do so.

In the past two months, Gore has signaled two things about a run for the presidency in 2004. First, he will run against the left that he did in 2000 or in his first

campaign in 1988, far enough left to make it difficult for any of his rivals to outflank him on issues that excite and energize the Democrats' base in organized labor and the minority community.

Gore was the first prominent Democrat to challenge Bush on Iraq, arguing that before this country goes to war against Saddam Hussein, the administration should focus on winning the war against terrorism launched after Sept. 11, 2001. That was a change from 1991, when Gore was one of the few Democrats to support the resolution authorizing Bush's father, President George H.W. Bush, to go to war in the Persian Gulf.

Domestically, Gore dropped another bombshell this week when, in answer to a question at an event to promote a new book, he declared that he now believes a single-payer health care system is the best way to solve the problem of health insurance for millions of Americans without health insurance.

# Rescuers find body of man lost in collapse of garage

ROCKVILLE, Md. — Rescue crews on Saturday found the body of a construction worker who went missing after a deadly parking garage collapse.

Two other workers were killed when the floors of the unfinished garage crashed down on them Friday afternoon, and another one hospitalized in critical condition.

Rescue crews who had held out hope of finding the missing worker spent Saturday gingerly lifting away concrete slabs before his body was discovered. Crews had searched through the night in pouring rain, using cameras on long, snaking cables to peer into dark crevices in the rubble but found no signs of life.

The cause of the collapse was still unclear Saturday. Just before the floors fell, workers heard a popping noise but no explosion, Pringer said. "It was just a bang or a pop, and then the floors collapsed," he said.

## Nation in brief

The nation's 16th president. The state's leaders engaged in a great squabble, testing whether those plans could long endure. But on Monday they will dedicate the first portion of the Abraham Lincoln Library and Museum, as a final resting place for documents and artifacts of the man who led the country through its most harrowing trial.

The facility will house the state's historical library, including one of the nation's best Lincoln collections. It will be home to items ranging from an original copy of the Gettysburg Address to a lantern used by grave robbers who tried to steal Lincoln's body.

"We are able to present not only the Lincoln story but the entire history of the state of Illinois in a very wonderful way," said Maynard Crossland, director of the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency.

Aquarium has been a dangerous place — for the sharks.

Six bonnethead sharks and two black-tip reef sharks died between Sept. 30 and Oct. 31 in a quarantine tank at the aquarium, which opened in June 2000 with plans to display 17 of the toothy creatures.

Only five sharks — two bamboo sharks, two horn and one leopard — remain alive at the \$16.8 million aquarium, which even before its opening received more attention for its dead fish than its live ones.

Two of the eight sharks were killed by another shark and two died of bacterial infections they may have acquired before they were brought to the aquarium. Test results on the others are still being conducted, but zoo officials believe they may have died from deworming medication.

Mooney Cadet approached the same runway as a man who was landing his Piper Lance, Fairfield police Lt. Steven Gutkin said.

Both men were killed, but no one on the ground was hurt, despite that the wreckage fell in a densely populated suburban area about 20 miles northwest of New York City.

Investigators did not know Saturday afternoon whether a mechanical malfunctioning component contributed to the crash, or whether either pilot reported a problem to air traffic controllers.

The National Transportation Safety Board, which is leading the investigation, expects to release preliminary findings by Wednesday.

—compiled from wire reports

Struggles behind, Lincoln library will open soon

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. — Four years and nine months ago, Illinois' governor brought forth plans for a library dedicated to

Eight sharks die at troubled Pittsburgh aquarium

PITTSBURGH — A shark tank at the Pittsburgh Zoo & PPG

Two planes approached same runway before crash

FAIRFIELD, N.J. — Investigators carried debris from the deadly midair collision of two small planes to a hangar Saturday to look for clues.

The planes collided Friday evening when a pilot practicing touch-and-go landings in a

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# History of fault suggests trouble for L.A.

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Southern California is overdue for the next "Big One," say geologists who have uncovered a detailed history of more than a dozen major earthquakes in the past 1,500 years on a stretch of the San Andreas fault.

Digging into layers of peat and debris that drape a section of the fault near Wrightwood, a small town in the Los Angeles basin that divide the Los Angeles basin from the Mojave Desert, geologists dated 14 earthquakes that each measured an estimated magnitude of 7.5.

Since 534, those quakes occurred every 105 years on average. The interval has been as short as 62 years and as long as 192.

The last was in 1857 — 145 years ago.

The chronology, the longest for any one fault in the United States and probably the world, is detailed in several studies appearing this month in a special issue of the Bulletin of the Seismological Society of America devoted to paleoseismology, or the study of ancient earthquakes, and to the 800-mile-long San Andreas.

"As far back as we look, we see these earthquakes happening, so I'd say there's a very high probability of it happening again in the lifetimes of most people living in Southern California right now," said Tom Fumal, a research geologist with the U.S. Geological Survey and a co-

author of several of the issue's 14 studies.

Similar results from other San Andreas sites southeast of Wrightwood reinforce the suggestion that the southernmost 120-mile section of the fault is near failure.

"When I am stuck in traffic and I am listening to the news about homeland security and trying to prevent terrorist attacks, I am thinking, What about the 'terrorists' that is going to strike no matter what we do?" said Lisa Grant, a University of California, Irvine, geologist and lead editor of the special issue.

Based on recurrence models, there is about a 30 percent probability that a quake nearly as large as the magnitude-7.9 that

rocked Alaska on Nov. 3 will strike the southern San Andreas in the next 30 years. That number is in line with previous estimates.

"Basically, the overarching significance to the general public is we are overdue," said Kerry Sieh, a California Institute of Technology geologist, a paleoseismic expert who was not connected with the latest research.

Were a major quake to strike the region, home of nearly 13 million people, it would cause an estimated \$50 billion in damage and kill a few thousand people, said Guy Morrow, vice president of engineering for Risk Management Solutions, a San Francisco Bay Area risk modeling company.

# Actor has had enough of Senate's frustrating pace

WASHINGTON (AP) — Tennessee Sen. Fred Thompson isn't all that different from Arthur Branch, the character he plays on television's "Law & Order." Both are conservative, no-nonsense Southerners who like to take care of business quickly.

That's not a problem for Branch, a district attorney in the fast-paced NBC drama. But for Thompson, the Senate's pace has often been frustrating, which is partly why he is leaving after eight years is spent on unimportant matters and partisan bickering.

"On important stuff, where the interests are really dug in on both sides, it's extremely difficult to get anything done," he said during a recent interview.

For example, Thompson helped lead the effort to pass campaign finance reform, which

involved a decade-long fight before it finally passed this year. A court challenge to the law worries him that "it may be long before that's over with."

Thompson's frustration also was evident in 1997 when he led hearings into funding abuses during the 1996 presidential election. He criticized the Clinton administration for not cooperating and disagreeing with members of his own party over a time limit on the investigation and some of the hearings' content.

The proceedings ended without proving — as Thompson had claimed — that China plotted to influence U.S. elections with illegal money. As a result, Thompson's political star dimmed.

"They ran me for a while, and then they took me out of the race, and all the time I was kind of a bystander," Thompson said of speculation over his presidential prospects.



Sen. Fred Thompson

# Biographer: Kennedy was in greater pain than previously known

NEW YORK (AP) — President John F. Kennedy suffered more pain and illness than previously known, and took as many as eight medications a day, according to a published report.

Newly disclosed medical files from the last eight years of Kennedy's life, including X-rays and prescription records, show he took painkillers, anti-anxiety

drugs, stimulants and sleeping pills, as well as hormones to keep him alive, according to a story for Sunday editions of The New York Times.

The records were revealed by historian Robert Dallek, who is writing a biography, "An Unfinished Life: John F. Kennedy, 1917-1963," to be published next year by Little, Brown.

Dallek was allowed to examine the documents last spring by a committee of three longtime Kennedy family associates, who for decades refused all requests to look at the records. He reviewed the documents with the assistance of physician Jeffrey A. Kelman, but was not allowed to make photocopies, the newspaper said.

Their findings appear in the December issue of The Atlantic.

As president, Kennedy was famous for having a bad back, and since his death, biographers have pieced together details of other illnesses, including persistent digestive problems and Addison's disease, a life-threatening lack of adrenal function, the newspaper said.

# Appeals judge criticizes acts of Supreme Court

WASHINGTON (AP) — An appeals court judge accused the country's highest court on Saturday of ignoring the Constitution, dodging tough cases and awaiting an opportunity to strike down the death penalty.

Judge Laurence H. Silberman, a semiretired judge on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia, used a speech at the conservative legal group the Federalist Society for the unusually harsh criticism of the Supreme Court.

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"The court's policy choices masquerading as constitutional law are generally accepted so long as they are well received by elites. Ironically, the Supreme Court has become what the Constitution framers envisioned for the role of the Senate," Silberman said. "I think elite public opinion is the primary guide to the Supreme Court."

Silberman was appointed to the bench by President Reagan in 1985. He took senior status in 2000. He serves on a review court which considers the government's authority for searches and wiretaps.

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The judge said the Supreme Court "has behaved irresponsibly in ducking" affirmative action cases. He also said he believes a majority of the nine justices want to abolish capital punishment but they may be put off by public support for the death penalty.

Justice Sandra Day O'Connor, who is considered a swing vote in capital cases, has been testing the waters to see how people would respond to a ruling that declared executions unconstitutional, Silberman said.

Law professors and other lawyers at the event said they do not expect the Supreme Court to strike down capital punishment.

"It would be a very sudden and dramatic reversal," said Kent Scheidegger, legal director of the pro-death penalty Criminal Justice Legal Foundation.

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# Iraq

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The final decision to the Iraq War. Addressing the legislators as (repealed) brothers and comrades, Saddam said "your enemy has returned, once again, to camouflaging its schemes under the cover of the Security Council, which has ... infringed upon all that may represent the sanctity of international unity."

Saddam's comments came shortly before the Iraqi military announced that a U.S.-British airstrike in southern Iraq on Friday killed seven civilians and wounded four.

The unidentified military spokesman told the official Iraqi news agency that warplanes bombed areas in Najaf province, 93 miles south of Baghdad on Friday.

The report didn't provide further details. The U.S. military did not comment immediately and it was impossible to independently verify the claim.

On Friday, a Pentagon statement said the bombing was in response to Iraq's firing surface-to-air missiles and anti-aircraft guns at American and British warplanes patrolling a no-fly zone.

The U.N. team will begin preliminary inspections of suspected weapons sites on Nov. 27, according to chief inspector Hans Blix. He has 60 days to report back to the council with his findings.

"We hope and expect to have full Iraqi cooperation," Blix said Saturday in Paris. "A denial of access or a delayed access ... this would be a serious thing."

Under the resolution, Iraq must declare all weapons programs to the United Nations by

## A LOOK AT HOW UNITED NATIONS WEAPONS INSPECTORS WILL WORK IN IRAQ Improved ways to find weapons



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## Report: Libya offers safe haven for Saddam's family if U.S. attacks

LONDON (AP) — A London newspaper reported Saturday that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has made secret plans for his family and leading members of his regime to be given political asylum in Libya in the event of a war with the United States. The article in The Times was later denied by Libyan Foreign Ministry spokesman Hassouna Al-Shawish who labeled it "a fabrication," according to the official Libyan news agency, JANA.

Quoting unnamed diplomatic sources in Tripoli, The Times said Libyan leader Colonel Moammar Qadhafi had accepted a deal from Saddam to pay \$3.5 billion into Libyan banks in return for the safe haven.

The Times said Qadhafi stopped

short of agreeing to provide refuge for Saddam or for Uday, his eldest son. But it said that sanctuary would be provided to Saddam's extended family and around 12 senior officials of his Baghdad regime.

Syria had agreed to provide an overland escape route, allowing the Iraqis to fly on to Libya, the paper said.

It said General Ali Hasan al-Majid, a cousin and trusted member of Saddam's clan, had traveled to Tripoli to negotiate the deal.

JANA quoted Al-Shawish as saying the visit by al-Majid in September was part of a tour to a number of Arab countries as a personal envoy of Saddam to outline the latest developments in Iraq.

Dec. 8. The Iraqi declaration will then be compared with previous data gathered by inspectors. Blix said access to suspected sites would be key to the mission's success, adding that Iraq would be held accountable for blocking inspectors' work.

The United States believes Iraq has been illegally rearming for several years. Inspectors out of Iraq since December 1998, have not been able to verify that claim.

In Baghdad, a government newspaper on Saturday urged

the arms experts to resist U.S. pressure and not create pretexts that could open the way for an attack on Iraq.

"The inspectors should not mix up the cards, creating a crisis and fabricating pretexts that aim to harm the people of Iraq," the daily Al-Jumhuriya said in a front-page editorial.

"They should adopt an honest, objective and professional attitude to their work and not to bend to U.S. pressure," it said.

In Cairo, Amr Moussa, secretary general of the Arab League,

also urged the inspectors to carry out their mission in "a neutral and honest way which will endorse their credibility." Arab countries have urged Iraq to cooperate with inspectors, and warned that a U.S.-Iraq war could create instability throughout the volatile region.

In Syria, Masoud Barzani, leader of one of the two anti-Saddam Kurdish parties in control of northern Iraq, said Saturday that Iraq's acceptance of the U.N. resolution would only delay a U.S. attack.

## Spy plane downed in China takes flight

ATLANTA (AP) — The Navy spy plane downed after colliding with a Chinese fighter jet last year has taken its first test flight, 16 months after it was shipped back to the United States in pieces.

The repaired EP-3, a four-engine surveillance and reconnaissance airplane, took off from Robins Air Reserve Base on Friday morning and flew for about two hours.

"Everything went smoothly on the first test flight," said Jim Saye, a spokesman at Lockheed Martin's plant in Marietta.

The EP-3 was flying off the China coast April 1, 2001, when it was met by two Chinese fighters. One slammed into the EP-3's left wing, severely damaging both planes and killing the Chinese pilot.

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**Bush says war against terror advances at home, abroad**

WASHINGTON (AP) — Afraid new signs Osama bin Laden may be alive and threatening new terror attacks, President Bush said Saturday that important progress is being made toward combating and controlling terrorists abroad and at home.

"This was a productive week in the war against terror," Bush said in his weekly radio address. "Our war against terrorists and their supporters is advancing on all fronts."

Bush cited a breakthrough in Congress to create Homeland Security Department on his terms, "able to move people and resources without bureaucratic rules and lengthy labor negotiations." The new department would put 170,000 federal workers and dozens of agencies under one umbrella, coordinating the efforts of the Customs Service, the Coast Guard, the Immigration and Naturalization Service, the Federal Emergency

Management Agency and the Transportation Security Administration.

The president also credited U.S. efforts to enlist 90 nations in a worldwide coalition against terrorism and said \$113 million in terrorist assets have been seized. He reminded his radio audience that American advisers are training counterterrorism units in the Philippines, in Yemen and in the former Soviet republic of Georgia and have "captured and interrogated thousands of terrorists."

The president did not mention bin Laden, whose survival and whereabouts resurfaced as an issue last week with the broadcast of a new audiotape attributed to the Saudi-born fugitive accused of masterminding the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks. Nor did he specifically mention new FBI warnings that bin Laden's al-Qaida network may be planning "spectacular attacks" inside the United States.

**Report: Kuwaiti police nab senior al-Qaida member**

KUWAIT CITY (AP) — Kuwaiti police have arrested a senior member of al-Qaida who was helping to plan a car bomb attack on a Yemeni hotel frequented by Americans, a newspaper reported Saturday.

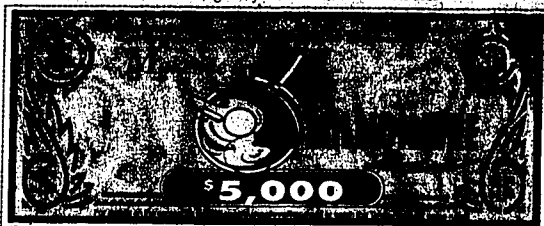
Police arrested a 21-year-old Kuwaiti identified only by the initials "M.F." two weeks ago, the Kuwaiti daily Al-Anba said.

An Interior Ministry official confirmed the newspaper report, but would provide no further details.

According to Al-Anba, the arrested Kuwaiti told police that a Yemeni national identified as Osama al-Yemeni was to drive a bomb-wired car into an unidentified hotel in the Yemeni capital, Sana'a.

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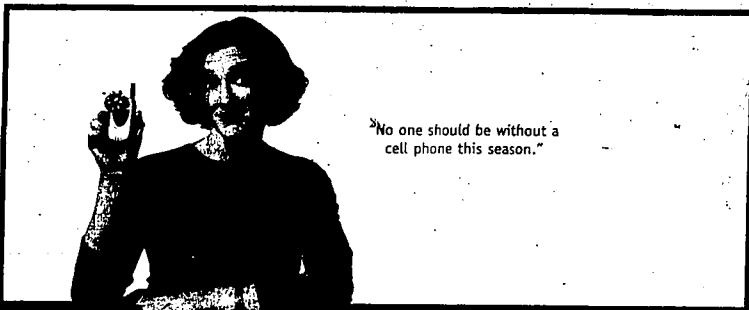
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# NATION Officials charge man in assault case

DALLAS (AP) — The 19-year-old man who was shot by a rural high school with a shotgun and a can of gasoline was charged Saturday with aggravated assault, attempted arson and carrying a weapon illegally.

Tony Cipriano's bond was set at \$1.6 million during his arraignment.

Faculty and students at Scurry-Potter High School, about 30 miles southeast of Dallas, worked together to subdue Cipriano, who school officials say, was once expelled for stealing a teacher's car.

Cipriano walked into the principal's office Friday morning and asked for former principal Travis Stodghill, who had suspended him. Secretaries called 911 and alerted students over the public address system that a "lockdown" had been initiated and that students should go to the cafeteria.

Principal Richard Sneed said he arrived in the main high school building in time to see the suspect walking down the hall, pumping the shotgun and sloshing gasoline on the walls and floor from a backpack fired with a spigot.

The principal followed the gunman into the cafeteria where it took five people to subdue the 300-pound Cipriano. They took away the weapon, which wasn't loaded, witnesses said.

At one point during the struggle, the gunman pulled a 6-inch knife with a folding blade out of his pocket, but several hands pried it loose. The gunman also talked about coming to the school to confront the former principal, Stodghill, witnesses said.

# Second 'Harry Potter' movie conjures \$28M on opening day

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Harry Potter is winking box-office magic again, though the boy wizard couldn't quite conjure up a revenue record.

"Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets," the second movie based on the fantasy book series by J.K. Rowling, took in \$28.86 million domestically on opening day Friday, distributor Warner Bros. estimated Saturday.

That's about 41 percent behind the \$32.3 billion the first film, "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone," grossed on its opening day last year.

"We're a little bit under that, but we're still going to be in the stratosphere," said Dan Faldut, Warner Bros. head of distribution. "We're on our way to a fantastic weekend."

For the full weekend, "Chamber of Secrets" is expected to take in less than the \$90.3 million gross of "Sorcerer's Stone," which was then a record debut, Faldut said.

"Spider-Man" set a new record last spring, grossing \$114.8 million in its first three days, but Faldut said "Chamber of Secrets" is on track for the third-best debut weekend ever, ahead of the \$90 million gross of the current No. 3, "Star Wars: Episode II - Attack of the Clones."

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Program. The draft mainstem amendments are available for review on the Council's website, www.nwccouncil.org or copies may be obtained by calling the Council office at (503) 222-5161 or (800) 452-5161, and requesting Council document 2002-16.

The Council is holding two public hearings in Idaho to obtain your comments on the draft amendments.

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**NATION**

**Chess prodigy Bobby Fischer was suspected by FBI to be Soviet spy**

*Knight Ridder News Service*

He was the ultimate cold warrior, humbling the mighty Soviet chess establishment through his own genius and a pounding ambition to be the best player in the world.

At a time when competition with the Soviets was being measured in moon landings and missile counts, Bobby Fischer proved that the United States could achieve mastery of an intellectual battlefield where knights and kings clashed on a black-and-white board.

But his own government once believed that he and his closest relatives might be Soviet spies.

FBI documents obtained by The Philadelphia Inquirer under the Freedom of Information Act show that intermittently, from the 1940s to the early 1970s, the

Fischers were being watched.

The FBI worried that the Russians had tried to recruit the young chess prodigy in a trip he made to Moscow in 1958.

Agents also suspected that his mother, Regina, might have been a Soviet operative.

J. Edgar Hoover's agents interviewed informants, posed as student journalists, and considered cultivating other chess players. They hounded Fischer's mother, reading her mail, questioning her neighbors, studying her canceled checks.

It all yielded little in the way of intelligence. The FBI concluded Regina Fischer was no spy, and that the Soviets had not tried to recruit her son.

But the FBI files and other documents offer insights into long-buried secrets about who Bobby Fischer is and who his parents were.

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WORLD

MYTH-MAKING MIST ENGULFS HIM

Bin Laden is many things to many people, but what of it is true?

WASHINGTON (AP) — Osama bin Laden has a fatal kidney disease. Unless it is diabetes. Or kidney stones.

He fought with distinction on the front lines of the Afghan war against the Soviets. Unless he made a petulant nuisance of himself and was tolerated only because he brought cash and road-building machines.

He snatched his trademark rifle from the cold, dead hands of a Soviet general, proving his prowess as a fighter, it is said in some quarters. In other quarters, it is said he knows little more about the gun than how to hold it.

This most wanted of men is among the least understood. Each phantom sign has only stoked the enigma. Now comes a disembodied voice on a tape that is believed to be his.

There he is, say admirers, bin Laden indeed, seemingly invincible and striking it to America once again.

But listen to those strange beeps on the tapes, say others, carefully. Could that be a dialysis machine, life support for a feeble dying man?

Myth-making and mystery surround every ounce of information about the terrorist leader known variously as Osama bin Muhammad bin Laden, Usama bin Laden, the Prince, the Emir, Abu Abdallah, Mujahid Shaykh, Hajji, the Director, the Contractor, and still more names.

"The fact we haven't been able to find him just builds the myth," said Michael S. Swetnam, co-author of a book profiling al-Qaida, and chairman of the Potomac Institute for Policy Studies in Arlington, Va.

Each cunning escape or lucky break, he said, only feeds the belief that "that man and his followers must truly be blessed by Allah."

Never mind the confounding mystery of his present. Even his past is in the eye of the beholder.

Bin Laden is the Saudi-born son of a Yemeni-born construction magnate, an outcast among more than 50 children. He made his name helping the Afghan resistance, bringing in heavy equipment to cut roads and tunnels and build hospitals and supply depots in the late 1980s.



Osama bin Laden  
Wrapped in mythic shroud

Yossef Bodansky, a terrorism adviser to the U.S. government, opened a file on him 20 years ago, when he learned of the "dedicated and very serious young man." Bin Laden will go far, he believed then, without knowing which direction. America was interested in dedicated opponents of Moscow at the time.

Exiled from Saudi Arabia in 1991 for his political opposition, bin Laden and his ancient ally, al-Qaida terrorist organization went after the United States, its interests, its people and anyone who got in the way.

"The urgent thing was communism but the next target was America," bin Laden said of that transition, adding years later: "Hostility toward America is a religious duty, and we hope to be rewarded for it by God."

There are delicious sets of images, both for those who believe the bin Laden legend and those who dismiss it.

By his own words, he was so tranquil in the face of danger that he once fell asleep during a bombardment from Russians 100 yards away. "I was never afraid of death," he said.

Adding to the enigma is a host of maladies he is said to bear, at various times: terminal kidney disease, terminal cancer, diabetes, kidney stones, hypochondria, blood disorders, missing toes. What is known for sure: He has walked with the aid of a stick and, for a man under 50, has looked

older than his years.

Swetnam said al-Qaida's deadly 1993 attacks on U.S. embassies in Africa and the Clinton administration's response — a failed attempt to kill him with cruise missiles — were transforming events for the terrorist.

"That took him from being a backwater crazy in the world to being a truly worthy opponent of the United States" in the eyes of America haters, he said.

Even the mundane business dealings of his past have become the stuff of intrigue. Bin Laden and associates amassed a near monopoly on gum arabic, an ingredient in fruit drinks, during his time in the Sudan in the early and mid-1990s, and there are still some Americans who think drinking juice helps him.

A December 1992 hotel bombing in Yemen, targeting U.S. soldiers but killing two tourists instead, was the first anti-American attack attributed to bin Laden and his group.

Then came a succession of attacks, from the streets of Somalia to the Marine barracks in Beirut and beyond, for which bin Laden claimed some responsibility or was a suspect — but whether as a mastermind or from the sidelines was not established.

In 1998, bin Laden, a man without formal religious training but complete religious pull over thousands, issued a fatwa, or religious edict, ordering Muslims to kill Americans wherever in the world they could be found.

Six months later, 224 people died, including 12 Americans, in the bombings of U.S. embassies in Kenya and Tanzania; in October 2000, 17 sailors died when a bomb struck the USS Cole at a Yemeni dock. Then the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks, with more than 3,000 people dead.

Bin Laden was last seen in November 2001, in a video shown the next month, dining in an Afghan guest house in the dying days of the Taliban.

He spoke happily of the results of Sept. 11 to his rapt audience, recited a poem and betrayed no concern about the vengeful American bombs and northern alliance forces ripping his sanctuaries apart. He was a legend to his supplicants in the dim room.

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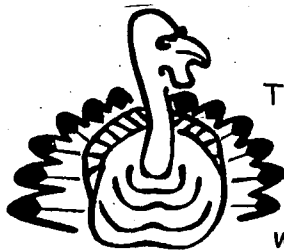
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**NATION**

# Satellites show groves of rare trees

Knight Ridder News Service

WASHINGTON — Recent images from space satellites reveal hundreds of little-known primeval forests and stands of ancient trees scattered all across the United States. Scientists say these trees — some dating before the rise of the Roman Empire — provide an unbroken record of droughts and floods that can help them understand historic disasters and predict environmental changes.

In addition to California's famed redwoods and giant sequoias, researchers have discovered that millions of very old trees remain in their pristine state in dozens of states from New England to the Carolinas and across Texas to Arizona and Nevada.

"We can still find unmolested virgin forests," said David Stahle, a forest scientist at the University of Arkansas in Fayetteville. "There are still trees that are thousands of years old, the last relics of the great forest primeval that has been heavily disturbed or completely destroyed by man."

According to Stahle, the largest old-growth forest left in the United States consists of ancient blue oaks covering more than 4,000 square miles of the California foothills. But even in the thickly populated eastern United States, Stahle thinks, more than 2,000 square miles of old-growth woodlands survive to this day.

"People used to think there were no ancient trees in the eastern United States. That is not the case," Stahle said. "The abundance of ancient forest sites strongly contradicts the common misconception that most ancient forests were destroyed by logging and agricultural development."

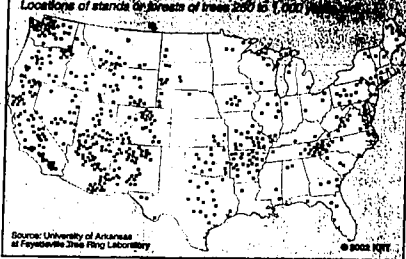
Old-growth hunter Robert Leverett, executive director of the Friends of the Mohawk Trail in Deerfield, Mass., has discovered a 626-year-old black gum tree in New Hampshire. There are 400-year-old red oaks on a Massachusetts mountain in view of the Boston skyline. Only 50 miles north of Manhattan, 500-year-old pitch pines cling to a mountainside in the Hudson River Valley.

Farther south, bald cypress trees, 1,500 to 2,000 years old, dwell along North Carolina's Black River. Stands of 900-year-old junipers survive in the Ozark Mountains of Arkansas. About 300 square miles of post oaks up to 400 years old remain in eastern Oklahoma, some only 15 miles from downtown Tulsa.

Leverett and Stahle were reluctant to identify the precise locations of old trees, for fear of endangering them. Often, park rangers will help.

"The Blue Ridge Parkway in Virginia and North Carolina still has many areas of old chestnut

## Remnants of ancient forests



oak along the windy ridgelines," Stahle said. "Millions of visitors drive by them every year without realizing the antiquity of these handsome, gnarly old oaks."

Most very old trees are found on rugged terrain, arid land or steep slopes unsuitable for development or agriculture. They are slow-growing, stunted and twisted, and hence were never harvested for lumber.

Stahle compared their worn appearance to the "silver hair and wrinkled skin" of elderly humans. "The ruggedness of the mountainous lands and individual landowner and society preferences allowed for uncut forests to slip through the cracks in almost original condition," Leverett said. "As a result, pockets of old-growth forests in New England survive today in approximately the condition we might have witnessed before Europeans came to the shores of New England in the 1600s."

To find unmolested trees, Stahle and his associates study images taken by NASA's Landsat satellite, looking for remote areas where they are likely to survive. After identifying a promising region, they select random samples and bore narrow cores about as thick as a pencil into the centers of the trunks. The cores are taken back to Stahle's Tree Ring Laboratory at the University of Arkansas, where they are polished and the tree rings are counted.

Tree rings tend to be wider in years of plentiful moisture and narrower in dry years. The patterns closely match human records of rainfall, and can be used to fill in the blanks before people began to keep weather data.

"Though they have little or no economic value, these old trees are 'archives of environmental history,'" said Ben Patrusky, executive director of the Council for the Advancement of Science Writing in New York.

The rings in California's blue oaks, dating from 1604, show that

**On the Net**  
For more information, go to the University of Arkansas Tree Ring Laboratory Web page, at [www.uark.edu/centro](http://www.uark.edu/centro).

San Francisco Bay became saltier during dry years, when less fresh water flowed into the streams feeding the bay. The most extreme salinity recorded in the last four centuries was during the California drought of 1976-77.

Tree rings show the impact of climate on human history. For example, the driest single year in records covering 800 years along the eastern coast of North America was 1587. That was the year when both Sir Walter Raleigh's "Lost Colony," on what is now Roanoke Island, N.C., disappeared and Spanish colonists abandoned their Santa Elena settlement on Parris Island off Cape of North Carolina.

In the American Southwest, the decade-long Dust Bowl drought of the 1930s was the worst in the last 500 years of tree-ring records.

An even longer set of rings, dating to 137 B.C., before Julius Caesar was born, revealed a 30- to 40-year megadrought 400 years ago that helped and Native American colonias from New Mexico to Guatemala, according to a paper published by Mexican epidemiologist Rodolfo Acuna-Soto.

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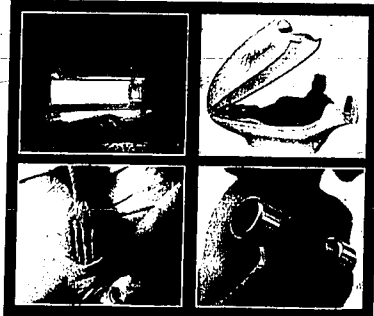


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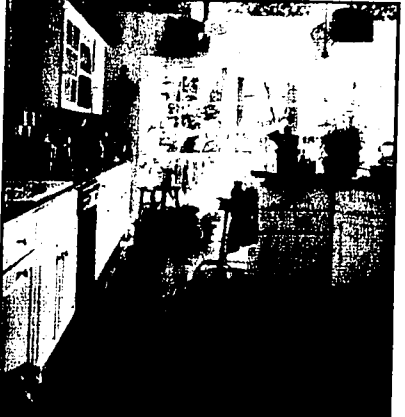
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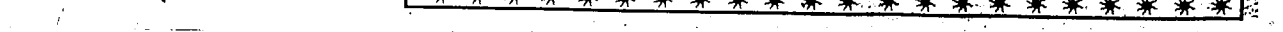


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WORLD

# Israeli troops seize West Bank city

HEBRON, West Bank (AP) — Israeli soldiers retook this divided city Saturday, imposed a curfew and herded dozens of blindfolded Palestinians into buses. It was a first response to a Palestinian ambush that killed 12 members of the security forces lured into a dead-end alley.

Israel's retaliation was expected to focus on Hebron itself, with troops staying to crush militias. An adviser to Prime Minister Ariel Sharon said there was no plan to expel Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat, as several Cabinet members demanded.

Friday night's ambush by the Islamic Jihad group heightened tensions in Hebron, home to 130,000 Palestinians and 450 Jewish settlers. About 1,000 settlers attended a rally after the end of the Sabbath, some chanting "revenge" and "death to the Arabs." Army commanders urged settler leaders to prevent vigilante action.

In the Gaza Strip, hundreds of Islamic Jihad supporters rallied in celebration. Abdullah Shami, a leader of the group, said "there is no room to give up or to surrender to this criminal Nazi enemy who seeks to exterminate Palestinians in collusion with America."



Palestinian youths hurl stones at an Israeli army tank as it patrols the main street of the northern West Bank town of Nabulus with an armored personnel carrier on Saturday.

The attack began shortly after 7:30 p.m. Friday, after Jewish worshippers had finished Sabbath prayers at the Tomb of the Patriarchs in downtown Hebron and were walking back to the Jewish settlement of Kiryat Arba, about half a mile away.

The dead included four Israeli soldiers, five border policemen

and three civilian security guards from Kiryat Arba. It was one of the highest death tolls among security forces in a single encounter since the outbreak of fighting in Sept. 2000.

An army jeep chasing the gunmen raced into an alley and came under massive fire, said Col. Noam Tibon, an army commander.

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# Nuclear reactor gets reprieve

RICHLAND, Wash. (AP) — The U.S. Department of Energy signed a de facto death warrant for an experimental reactor at Hanford nuclear reservation, and the times it has won a reprieve. As recently as Nov. 8, it was last rites time again at the Fast Flux Test Facility, but the federal government in 11th-hour negotiations with Benton County agreed to wait at least two weeks before taking any irreversible steps in permanently shutting down the FFTF.



The Fast Flux Test Facility nuclear reactor at the Hanford site near Richland, Wash., has bounced back and forth between shutdown orders and reprieves.

"It's the latest development in the peculiarly passionate fight to save the one-of-a-kind reactor that supporters contend has technological and commercial potential too valuable to destroy.

"I love the FFTF because, first and foremost, it's the outstanding example of safety and beneficial use of advanced technology," said Wanda Munn, a retired Westinghouse Hanford engineer who worked at FFTF from construction in the mid-1970s, through startup and 10 years of operation.

"There is not another facility in the world that can do as many things as well and as safely as FFTF can."

The prototype reactor's mission to test advanced nuclear fuel ended almost as soon as it started. Although it's not a breeder reactor, FFTF was built as part of the government's breeder reactor program, which was abandoned in 1983.

Still, the 400-megawatt, sodium-cooled reactor operated from 1982 until 1992. It was used for research, to produce medical and industrial isotopes and to make tritium. The Energy Department ordered the reactor shut down permanently in 1993, unable to justify the then-\$70 million operating budget, but later agreed to try to find a sustainable use for the surplus reactor.

FFTF's nuclear fuel was removed from the core, but it was kept on standby, ready for a restart, while a decade was spent studying possible projects and uses and searching for private investors without success.

In January 2001, the Clinton administration ordered FFTF dismantled. When the Bush administration took office, it also tried and failed to come up with a viable mission and, in December 2001, ordered FFTF shut down.

A few estimates suggest it could take another 10 years to shut down and entomb the reactor and cost as much as \$620 million. It has cost \$30 million to \$40 million a year to maintain the reactor on standby.

"FFTF needs to be deactivated as fast as feasible so that the tens of millions of dollars a year saved will be used for cleanup," said Gerry Pollet, director of Heart of America Northwest, a Hanford watchdog group in Seattle.

The 560-square-mile nuclear reservation, established in 1943 as part of the top secret Manhattan Project to make an atomic bomb, is the most contaminated nuclear site in the country. All nine of its production reactors have been shut down since 1987, after four decades of making plutonium for the nation's nuclear arsenal.

The FFTF is the Energy Department's newest, largest and most versatile reactor, although it's almost a quarter-century old.

"It still has at least 20 years of viable operating life with neutrons flying around in it," Munn said.

"Many advocates for FFTF are pinning their hopes on the reactor's capacity to make medical isotopes for diagnosing and treating disease as the means to save it from destruction.

"The fact that it can manufacture isotopes of an enormous variety is at the high end of why it's so valuable," Munn said. "I don't think anyone needs extra information as to how many lives can be saved with the manufacture of those isotopes."

Benton County, supported by several local governments and a cancer-fighter group called Citizens for Medical Isotopes, has sued the Energy Department in an effort to win more time to find a private sector investor willing to make radiotopes for nuclear medicine. A radiotope is a form of a radioactive element.

"This lawsuit is a ridiculous retried joke," Pollet said. "It is brought to you by the same person who sued to stop Hanford's infamous N Reactor from being deactivated, and he lost the same lawsuit in the 1980s."

N Reactor, which operated from 1963 to 1987 to generate electricity, was the last of Hanford's plutonium production reactors. Deactivation was completed in 1998.

Claude Oliver, a Benton County commissioner and the local chairman of Citizens for Medical Isotopes, contends the Energy Department is making the similar mistakes with FFTF that it did with the N Reactor — namely, failing to properly prepare an environmental impact statement on the decommissioning.

In its FFTF lawsuit, Benton County contends the Energy Department failed to properly consider in its environmental impact statement the economic, social and health matters relevant to the shutdown.

The Energy Department did not return calls from The Associated Press seeking comment.

*"There is not another facility in the world that can do as many things as well and as safely as FFTF can."*

— Wanda Munn, retired engineer

# Forest boss looks to burn more acres

LEWISTON (AP) — Clearwater National Forest Supervisor Larry Dawson burned 6,500 acres of lands this fall and wants to break that record.

"I really feel there is a log jam that is just starting to break up on the Clearwater," said Dawson, who has been on the job for a year.

He will soon roll out a number of large landscape burns the Forest Service is planning to improve habitat. And he said the agency has a reinvigorated timber program that will target up to 30 million board feet per year for the next three years.

Dawson has his opponents: environmentalists who are afraid he will try to cut too many trees and even harsher critics who say he has done too little to help struggling elk herds.

For many, like Idaho Fish and Game Commissioner Alex Irby of Orofino, Dawson's action has been slow to arrive.

The commissioner and resource manager of Konkville Timber Co. points to the Clearwater Elk Habitat Initiative that began with fanfare five years ago, but has seen little progress since. It is a partnership of government and private groups working to help the elk.

Clearwater habitat is changing, offering less browse for elk herds which have dropped by half since 1996.

Irby said he has a more positive attitude following the recent meeting because Dawson revealed his plans to burn more acres, activate two large landscape restoration projects and breath life into the forest's cationic timber program.

"In my opinion it's a pretty darn aggressive program," Irby said.

Dawson plans to identify 10,000 acres of backcountry forest suitable for prescribed burning. He also wants to target 20 to 30 million board feet of timber sales per year for the next three years in the front country and carry out the habitat projects.

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## EDITORIAL

### Take down the shroud of secrecy in caucuses

When the Idaho Legislature convenes in January, it will usher in a sizeable freshman class of 35 new lawmakers - more than one-third of the legislative branch. With that many newcomers, now would be a fitting time for Republican leaders to open their caucus meetings.

Parties traditionally use closed-door caucuses to plot political strategies against the opposition. But Idaho Republicans have faced no meaningful opposition in recent years. So when they have retreated behind closed doors, the widespread impression has been that issues were being decided in secret.

A Boise newspaper columnist reported last week that the Senate Republicans appeared ready to reconsider their closed-door tradition. One reason may be a perception among voters that term-limits repeal was engineered in caucus. Some GOP senators may feel stung by that perception.

Whatever their reasons, Republican leaders would be smart to open the doors. Even after the Democrats' pickup of 11 seats this year, the GOP still has the strength to determine policy unilaterally.

House Speaker Bruce Newcomb, R-Burley, says the House Republicans are less likely than the senators to open their caucus, but he'll raise the issue.

Legislators do have some legitimate needs for closed-door caucuses. Newcomb says caucuses always appear more negative than they are. At times, parties need to gather and let off steam. Some of the meetings are, shall we say, not exactly G-rated.

Caucuses clearly are justified when power in a statehouse is evenly divided, or nearly so. It makes sense to let party members meet privately to sort out party business and partisan strategy.

But with a bulldozer majority in both houses, the Republicans don't need much strategizing.

If Republican lawmakers wield their power by debating legislation behind closed doors, the public has no way to monitor those who shape issues. Without open government, a democratic process doesn't flourish.

Idaho Democrats pushed the issue a few years ago by opening their caucus doors. But it's always easier for the minority party to advocate openness. With little power to wield, Democrats have little to lose.

The issue is more important for Republicans. If they debate issues and count votes behind closed doors (or merely as perceived as doing so), they risk eroding Idahoans' trust.

There will be times when parties need to regroup and hash things out. But that shouldn't be a habit. It's time GOP lawmakers let the public observe the process.

**Our view:** Idaho Republican leaders should amend their use of closed-door caucus meetings in the next legislative session.

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

## Bush gains strength on campaign trails

It is perfectly plausible to argue, as many Democrats and some neutral observers are doing, that the midterm election results tell us no more than who will be running the government for the next two years. The obvious hazards to President Bush and the victorious Republicans range from a shaky economy to a possible war with Iraq. But one piece of history suggests that what happened on Nov. 5 could be a prelude to long-term Republican dominance.

That history can be found in



**DAVID S. BRODER**

Texas, where George W. Bush started from a narrow win in his first race for governor and, step by step, converted it into a broad and more lasting victory with the Republican Party. Now, he and his longtime political strategist, Karl Rove, are applying many of the same tools and techniques on a national scale.

A quick review of the relevant Texas history, using numbers compiled by my colleague, Brian Falter.

In 1994, Bush defeated Democratic Gov. Ann Richards with 53.5 percent of the votes, but Democrats captured seven of 15 down-ballot races, while losing five they had previously held. Republicans also gained one seat in the state Senate and five in the state House, but remained in the minority.

Two years later, Bush was not on the ballot but he and Rove organized the state for the national ticket and saw Bob Dole carry Texas by 5 percentage points, even as he was losing to Bill Clinton nationally. That year, too, they shut out the Democrats in the eight down-ballot offices up for election, added six more state House seats and took control of the state Senate, exactly reversing the Democrats' previous 17-14 majority.

In 1998, when Bush was running for a second term, he and Rove went for broke, in an intensive and expensive telephone canvass identified Bush supporters, of whom there were many by then, and bombarded them with phone calls and mail, all aimed at making them straight-ticket Republican voters. It paid off big

*This year, even though his own name was not on the ballot, Bush led a massive Republican mobilization effort, investing time and money in helping regain the Senate, pick up seats in the House and hold off an expected Democratic surge in governors.*

Bush won by more than a 2-to-1 margin, and Republicans elected a lieutenant governor, an attorney general and a comptroller - all previously Democratic - swept the court positions, maintained control of the state Senate and elected three more state representatives, creeping to within four votes of a House takeover.

In 2000, with Bush on the ballot for president, he beat Al Gore by 21 percentage points and, for the third election in a row, Democrats lost all the down-ballot races. Republicans remain in control today.

This did not just happen. It was

the result of a concerted effort, orchestrated by Bush and Rove, to expand and deepen the Republican base. Part of it involved wooing of conservative Democratic officeholders, but mainly it meant converting suburban ticket-splitters and independents into behaving like Republicans.

Now, look at what has happened nationally. As everyone knows, Bush prevailed over the incumbent party candidate, Gore, while losing the popular vote. But this year, even though his own name was not on the ballot, Bush led a massive Republican mobilization effort, investing time and money in helping regain the Senate, pick up seats in the House and hold off an expected Democratic surge in governors.

The presidential contest of 2004 will be, in White House terms, the equivalent of the 1998 second-term Texas gubernatorial race. Two things in particular can be expected. The intense grassroots voter contact program that Rove geared up in Texas in 1998 was attempted by the 2000 Bush presidential campaign. But as one of its architects said this week, "In a few states, even with Republican governors, had any real party infrastructure that it was of limited impact." In many places, Democrats turned out more of their voters.

This year, with the White House, the Republican National Committee and the two congressional campaign committees working in harness, the Republicans won the turnout race in almost all the battleground states except South Dakota. But White House officials say that this year's campaign is merely the platform on which they will build in 2004.

The second point is the shape of the battlefield. In Texas, Bush went after the Hispanic vote despite forecasts that he would be rebuffed, and, according to Matthew Dowd, his pollster, doubled his share of that vote from 1994 to 1998. And, as another veteran of those political wars recalled, Bush challenged Texas Democrats even in such strongholds as El Paso. He campaigned there in 1994 and lost it, went back for Dole in 1996 and lost again, but carried it in 1998. The clear implication: New York and New England, Pennsylvania, Michigan, Wisconsin, Illinois and Iowa, and even California will be on the table in 2004, no matter how strong Democrats look initially in those states.

History does not automatically repeat itself. But it would be foolish for anyone, including the Democrats, to ignore its lessons.

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## LETTERS

### A balanced view of WWII internment proves offensive

The article by Robert Mayer, "Public tents balance at monument," left me flabbergasted. "Both" points of view? In the first paragraph, that means "both" means the United States and the Japanese sides in the war. Yet many of the internees at these "relocation" centers were not only American citizens but fought and died for the United States. It is certainly not un-American to condemn the interments as an extraordinarily bad idea born of wartime hysteria as well as being blatantly racist (were German-Americans rounded up, stripped of their property and interned?). Few sensible people would argue today that the interments were just. And near the end of the article, Mayer does get around to mentioning that the defenders of the internment policy are but a small minority. This being the case, the use of words like "both" and "balance" on this topic must be construed as being misleading at best and, at worst, profoundly offensive.

ERICA DAVID  
Twin Falls

Interment National Monument input meeting article on Nov. 14. Your reporter should have stayed for the meeting, since it would have significantly changed the article.

Your reporter apparently interviewed Darrell Heider, a World War II veteran, prior to the meeting and quotes him. However, toward the end of the article, Heider announced to others attending that he had come to (to the meeting) opposed to the Minidoka Monument but after listening to everyone, he "changed his mind." Your reporter missed that.

I have much respect for Mr. Heider for leading the Johnny Horizon clean-up day for years and for his numerous community contributions, but I have to say: The difference between you and my brother, who was in the U.S. Army in the Philippines during World War II, was that his mother, father, brothers and sisters were incarcerated in an "internment camp" while he served.

Thanks to all of those who attended to the New York Times article made, it's evident there are many considerations.

MAYA HATA LEMMON  
Twin Falls

(Editor's note: Maya Hata Lemmon is a volunteer with the Friends of Minidoka, a nonprofit support group for the Minidoka Monument.)

## Web panhandling can make early retirement dream real

### BILLY FERGUSON

Friends, do you have financial problems? ... swimming in credit-card debt? Having trouble living within your means? Well, I have got a solution for you! It's called internet panhandling, and it's the latest high-tech way to avoid personal responsibility.

This new phenomenon was pioneered by a lady named Karyn Bosnak, a TV producer who found herself in deep financial straights after she moved to New York to take a \$100,000 a year job on an ill-fated courtroom program and quickly ran up \$20,000 in credit-card debt. Unfortunately, the job went away, but the bills didn't.

"In my mind I was making a lot of money, so I should live like I make a lot of money," said Bosnak, going on to add that "spending \$500 on a Gucci purse didn't seem like a big deal." Hey, I'm sure we've all been there, right?

Forced to accept a much lower paying gig on an Animal Planet show, Bosnak scaled down her voracious spending habits but still found herself carrying around bills that she estimated would take 40 years to pay off at the rate she was going. Then, inspiration struck, and www.savekaryn.com was born.

Three and a half months later, she has collected more than \$13,000 from donors around the world whose hearts have been touched by her hard-luck story. The really great part is that the IRS considers these donations to be "gifts," so they are not subject to being taxed! Coupled with the online auctioning off of a few of her high-priced goodies, the charitable donations have allowed Bosnak to break even financially.

Not surprisingly, there is talk of a book and movie deal for the story of this plucky lady's return from the edge of insolvency, and she has already appeared on the "Today" show and in People magazine.

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how can I get in on the action? I am currently negotiating for the rights to the domain name for my new Web site www.helpforretirees.com. Once I get it set up, people from around the world will be able to send me money so that I won't have to lift a finger to support myself from here on out. Once the money starts rolling in (and don't forget, it's tax free!) I'll add one of those live Web cams to the site so that my benefactors can see me enjoying the lifestyle they have helped to achieve. (Expect lots of TV watching, eating and napping.)

All my life I've been looking for my special calling, and I think now I've found it. Thank you, Karyn Bosnak, on behalf of suckers everywhere, for bringing us into the 21st century!

Bill Ferguson is a columnist for the Warner Robbins (Ga.) Daily Sun. Readers may write to him at: The Daily Sun, 15533 Watson Boulevard, Warner Robbins, Ga. 31093-3449.

## LETTER

### Visitor praises newspaper coverage of local issues

As a California visitor to the Mike and Karen Perry family (recently migrated to Gooding from California), I have been delighting in reading your complete coverage of local and global news.

I am a retired journalism teacher and a "stringer" for the San Francisco Chronicle and addicted to the New York Times. I have been happily appreciating your high-caliber coverage, especially Steve Crump's humor and the photography - the affectionate photography of the magical children of this Magic Valley.

I salute the emphasis on the positive in your generous

columns on education and youth instead of headlines blasting each juvenile mishap as most dailies do, so your stories will have enduring positive impact on your expanding readership.

Youngsters so appealingly personified as a musician, a creative writer, a volunteer identifies him or herself as a valued member of the community.

And your entire staff resonates a desire to set a stage for each reader to put "his highest powers to their highest use," as John F. Kennedy would say.

To you all - Bravo!

P.S. My next letter will list the good gifts to Gooding the Perrys are bringing.

MAKX DUFFIELD  
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OPINION

LETTERS

**Police should ticket drivers at Bickel Elementary School**

I read with interest your article in the Tuesday, Nov. 12, paper about the parking problems at Bickel School. After reading the article about three times to see if I missed something, I have come to wonder about our officials.

If you read the second paragraph, first sentence - "People coming to pick up kids double and triple park their vehicles in the middle of the road behind the school" - the main problem becomes obvious. The article goes on to tell of local residents attempting to talk to the offending drivers and being sworn at and called obscene names for their efforts. Anyone who would respond to having the fact that their actions are placing themselves and their children and others at risk in that manner certainly lacks the maturity necessary to be driving a car in the first place.

The article goes on as to what the plans are to remedy the problem. It is my opinion that most of what is planned is probably a good idea. However, all these things will take time and, meanwhile, the problem is unabated. Nowhere is there any mention of the one thing that not only will be the most to remedy the situation without having to wait and without even costing any appreciable amount. I refer to the fact that the photo with the article shows a long line of illegally parked vehicles and not a single policeman issuing tickets. The fastest and best way to solve this problem is for the Twin Falls Police Department to do its job. Every one of the double- and triple-parked vehicles should be ticketed. Why hasn't this been done? Evidently, according to the piece aired by KMYT on the 6 p.m. news Nov. 14, the only possible way for one of the double- or triple-parked vehicles to get ticketed is if the driver happens not to be wearing a seat belt.

Once again I state: It is not the business of government to protect people from their own stupidity, i.e., the person not wearing a seat belt. It is the business of government to protect people from the stupidity of others, i.e., the double- and triple-parked vehicles you see all over this town, not just at Bickel School.

WAYNE FRANDESEN  
Twin Falls

**America's foreign policies lack common sense**

Bush says, "If there is a mandate in any election - at least in this one - it's that the people want something done. What does he mean 'done'?" Undone might be the better word.

Our government, at all levels, spends more than 40 percent of the national income. Excessive regulation of free enterprise has swallowed \$800 billion dollars of potential reinvestment capital last year, and we wonder why we're in a recession. The government-controlled schools system fails to teach anything but robotics, and Social Security is trillions in debt. We spent \$40 billion last year on intelligence, and were blind-sided by Arab radicals who have openly and repeatedly started for 20 years they were going to blow us up. Not to mention not a single federal official was found responsible, and their heads were rolled quickly down Pennsylvania Avenue.

Does the list of government-sponsored failure ever stop? No! But what do we get for our



money? Answer: More of the same! So, with these obvious issues, both major parties neglecting. David S. Broder wrote: "There is one word that characterizes the just-finished mid-term campaign: it is avoidance." Avoidance! I prefer the word cowardice.

Now we face a war with Iraq. But Syria and Iran are the chief supporters of terror in this world with Red China as their supply depot. OK, Iraq is an easy nut to crack - we hope. And the O-I-I, yummy!

But the Red Chinese, what's with them? Maybe the clue is located in a new publication which indicates that Red China will exploit any situation, during war or peace, and use any means to defeat their principal enemy: the United States.

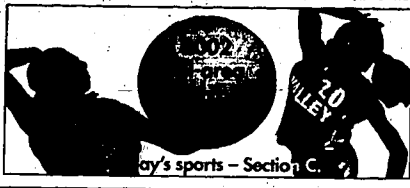
The book is called "Unrestricted Warfare" and is available through FLA

Literature and Arts Publishing and on the Internet in English translation through Foreign Broadcast Information Services. With the USA targeted as its principal enemy, it says - in a nutshell: "The first rule of unrestricted warfare is that there are no rules, with nothing forbidden, the battlefield is everywhere, and everyone will - like it or not - be a soldier." When you finish, remember: For them, even acts directed toward peace are considered military engagements. I think those cheap shoes we get from Red China are going to get very expensive.

MARK SCHUCKERT  
Twin Falls

**Drug testing should apply to all students, not a few**

I have just one comment to make to Mr. Ben Allen, principal at Twin Falls High School:



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# Police seek friends of man found dead in Idaho forest

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — Detectives are searching for friends and a former roommate of a 20-year-old man they believe was killed and left in the forest near town. Authorities declined to release the cause of death for Brendan Joseph Butler, citing the pending investigation. A woodcutter discovered the

body Wednesday morning in the Coeur d'Alene National Forest while searching for firewood on Mokins Bay Road. Authorities believed he had been killed elsewhere and his body dumped off the side of the road, Sheriff Rocky Watson said. The body may have been there for a month. Watson declined to comment about any wounds to

the body. "There's a lot of leads in this case," Watson said. "This is not a dead-end case." When detectives went by Butler's home on Silver Beach Loop, they saw no signs of the former roommate. "We haven't been able to locate him," Watson said. Butler, a former honor roll stu-

dent at Gonzaga Prep, was last seen by family members Oct. 11, Watson said. His parents called police on Oct. 15 to say they had not seen him in four days, and asked if deputies could keep an eye out for their son, Watson said. A day before he was last seen by relatives, Butler filed an application to start a new concert promotion company, Community Uplift.

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## Is Dr. Phil up to curing Petunia?

I've been watching Dr. Phil on the tube, and I gotta say, I'm sort of impressed.

Tuned in because I heard David Letterman making fun of him, but I have to admit that for a bald guy with a cheesy mustache and a PhD from the University of North Texas, Dr. Phil ain't that awful.

Dr. Phil, in case you live in a cave, used to be Oprah Winfrey's on-air psychologist, and so, naturally, he got his own gig when Oprah announced the impending abdication of her throne. Dr. Phil's show is now the second-highest rated daytime talk program on TV, right behind You-Know-Who.

And it's not hard to see why. Dr. Phil specializes in — how to put this diplomatically? — bromides. "Life is not a success-only journey." "Stop choosing to be overweight." "What is your life script?"

OK, it's television, but Dr. Phil makes a certain amount of sense. I'm wondering if he could even help Petunia, Petunia is my 8-year-old Lhasa apso, and she has an unhealthy hostility toward me. More so than your typical dog.

It's not that she doesn't care for me, she would make tasty snacks. This is a particular problem because there are many cats living in my neighborhood, and more importantly, because my girlfriend owns two.

Petunia actually got stuck under Victoria's deck the other day while in pursuit of Callie and Rose, and couldn't back out because her butt is too big.

I'm thinking Dr. Phil's straightforward style might be efficacious in exorcising Petunia's inner Cajo. I suspect as much because she uses anal and growl whenever Dr. Laura, during her brief and unfortunate tenure as a TV talk show host, would come on.

Clearly, Petunia is falling back on old, self-defeating patterns of behavior that have their unhealthy roots in puppyhood. Instead of investing the energy necessary to see behind the beady eyes and the whickers, she takes the emotionally less-threatening approach of imagining cats as humans.

This stems I think, as much from nature as much from nurture. Lhasa apsos were bred in Tibet for centuries to guard the palaces of the Dalai Lama, and in all that time, not a single cat managed to carry off a single Dalai.

Petunia's attitudes simply reflect many generations of Lhasas' marching orders. If an intruder has ankles, bite them. If it has fur, swallow it whole.

But, of course, this is 21st-century America, where we have more enlightened attitudes about both ankles and fur. Cats and dogs live in the same neighborhoods, belong to the same country clubs, even serve on the same county Republican central committee. Superficialities, such as fangs and retractable claws, are no longer valid.

Dr. Phil, I'm sure, could convince Petunia of this, persuading her to see not the kitty but the whole mammal. If dogs are nothing more than goofy, adolescent wumpys, then cats, surely, are merely stumpy tigers with an attitude.

By getting Petunia to take ownership of her cat hostility, shouldn't Dr. Phil be able to get Petunia to see how much her life would be better if she would only waddle a mile in Callie and Rose's shoes?

They're Nikes, by the way; with Petunia around, the cats need all the traction they can get.

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## CHEAPER WINTER FUN



Ashley, left, and Bonnie Luckman get advice on a snowboard from College of Southern Idaho Ski Club member Jim Callen. Ashley, who has never snowboarded, was picked out an early Christmas present at the ski club's 33rd annual Ski Swap Saturday. The ski swap continues today from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

## Ski swap helps make sport more affordable

By Shari Chaney  
 Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** — Bargain-hunting skiers and snowboarders were saving hundreds of dollars Saturday afternoon in Twin Falls.

Winter sports enthusiasts looked over skis, snowboards, boots, jackets and goggles of all shapes, sizes and colors at the College of Southern Idaho Ski Club's 33rd annual ski swap.

While she stood in line to pay for a pair of boots, Kathy McNulty said she buys a majority of her ski equipment at swaps.

"I've bought one pair of skis with bindings from a shop. The rest are from ski swaps," McNulty said. "It's the only way you can afford it. Sun Valley just raised their prices."

Members of the Conrad family

**When and where**  
 The ski swap continues from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. today at the Eldon Evans Expo Center at the College of Southern Idaho. Admission is \$1, which also buys a raffle ticket for prizes to be given away near the end of the show.

had two pairs of skis in their hands and they weren't done shopping yet, they said. Daughter Brianna is thinking of joining the ski club at Jerome Middle School where she is a student; mom Debbie was replacing her skis which she said she'd had since the 1970s.

Don's Marion Anderson said it was her first time at a ski swap, but with five children snowboarding, "it's the only way."

Daniel and Quique Gutierrez, from Nampa, were browsing

through the selection of skis. They missed the ski swap in Boise and heard from a friend there was another good selection at the CSI event.

Daniel Gutierrez said the event seemed to have a good selection along with good prices.

"It's getting to the point where it's too expensive to outfit with new gear," he said.

Quique pointed to a pair of skis with a price tag of \$329. They had been new \$600 or \$700 brand-new last year, he said.

McNulty said she was happy to see a good selection of skiing equipment. With snowboarding rising in popularity, it seemed there was more snowboarding equipment at last year's swap, she said. This year it looked to be about half and half.

Kala Schiffler, who was man-

aging the door Saturday, said business seemed to be constant. "Not too busy, but constant," she said. Friday, night was busiest; that's pretty typical, Schiffler said.

The CSI Ski Club is overseeing the sale of all merchandise at pre-determined prices, taking a 17 percent commission on all sales. Proceeds from the event will go to the CSI ski team, which is planning a trip to Banff in Alberta, Canada, Schiffler said.

Unsold items can be picked up between 2 and 3 p.m. today. Unclaimed items will be donated to the Idaho Youth Ranch.

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## Elko commissioners expect change with new members

By Karen Terrell  
 Times-News correspondent

**ELKO, Nev.** — Two newly elected commissioners will take office in January, bringing to the table their ideas and perhaps a change in the political atmosphere in Elko County.

The winners, Sheri Eklund-Brown and Charley Myers, both Republicans, campaigned on working closely with federal agencies, leaving some in the community wondering if this will be the end of the county's support of the Jarbridge Shovel Brigade and other moves against the federal government.

The current commission, including ousted Republican commissioners Brad Roberts and Nolan Lloyd, supports the efforts of the brigade, a group that has

fought to re-open the \$20 million hospital fund for helping area communities attract new business by loaning money for infrastructure repair and improvements.

Commissioner John Ellison said support for the brigade will be there, but matters should be settled with diplomacy rather than heated argument.

"I see the commission going a different direction; we will sit down and resolve problems before they become issues," Ellison predicted. "Talking the matter over before taking action is the best course."

Roberts doesn't see the problem. He said with the change in the national administration and personnel changes in federal agencies, specifically the Forest Service, better communications have developed. There is now "a

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— John Ellison, Elko commissioner

pull" in fighting with the federal government, he said.

The new commissioners had also campaigned on issues of economic development. Both are in

favor of using the \$20 million hospital fund for helping area communities attract new business by loaning money for infrastructure repair and improvements.

Ironically, in an advisory question on the Nov. 5 ballot, county residents said "no" to using the money. Interest from the fund, \$600,000 per year, is currently used to balance the county budget. The fund was established when the county hospital was sold to a private company several years ago.

The people's vote is in alignment with the current commission's stance. Commissioners Ellison and Mike Nannini said Friday that with the majority of the voters saying "no," and with two new commissioners in favor of using the fund, it was unclear

what would happen.

Ellison is in favor of allowing the area communities to use the fund as a bonding source and said he predicts issues will be on the agenda for the first commission meeting in 2003.

"The people have spoken and it's our job to do what the people want," Nannini said. He has steadfastly maintained a position of leaving the money intact and only using the interest for budgetary concerns.

But he is willing to take another look at the issue and suggested the ballot question might have been misleading to voters. The veteran commissioner said a second ballot issue might be in order and suggested it could be included during city elections next spring.

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## M-C jail inmate's complaint of poor medical treatment triggers investigation

By Nate Johnson  
 Times-News writer

**BURLEY** — Officials will investigate an inmate's claim that he did not receive proper medical treatment in the Mini-Cassia jail.

On Monday Deward Gene Krick told the County Commissioners that workers at the Mini-Cassia Criminal Justice Center had given him medication at the wrong times and sometimes failed to give him his pills at all. As a result, he has requested his attorney transplant, Krick said. Jail records show gaps in the delivery of Krick's daily medication.

The jail staff routinely pass out medication four times a day. Deputy jail Director Curtis Richins said. Jailors "hand over bowls to accommodate special needs, like those of Gene Krick," Richins said.

Jail workers are investigating the allegations Krick has made to see if they are legitimate, Richins said. If the investigation reveals problems, jail administrators will address them, he said. Jail administrators have not set a time frame for the investigation.

### Tracking the cause of rejection

It would be nearly impossible to show a direct cause-and-effect link between a

patient's failure to take a pill and the rejection of an organ, said Kim Phillips, manager of the solid organ transplant program at the University of Utah Medical Center, where Krick received his kidney transplant.

There are two forms of organ rejection, acute and chronic rejection. When a patient's immune system attacks the implant it is called acute rejection. In the case of chronic rejection, parts of the organ break down, Phillips said.

Krick said he experienced a case of chronic rejection. Doctors found 95 percent of the filtration units in his kidney were damaged and had stopped working

in March 2000, said Independent Living Advisor Pan Heward of Life Inc. Krick may have gone into acute rejection just before the doctors removed the kidney, Heward said.

No one knows exactly what causes chronic rejection, Phillips said. Almost all patients suffer some degree of organ deterioration. Patients who do not take their pills on time or at all are more likely to show signs of chronic rejection, he said.

"I think it would be difficult to know what the source of his medical troubles were," said Minidoka Prosecuting Attorney Rick Bollar said. Krick's heavy drinking "exercised his

kidney," Bollar said. Krick recently moved to Burley, but while in Minidoka County, Krick had a serious problem, Bollar said.

Krick said he never drank until he found out in March 2000 he was going to lose his kidney. The news pushed Krick into a depression and he forced himself to drink for a few months, though alcohol did not agree with him, he said. Bollar claimed Krick drank because the prosecutor didn't like him.

Krick was cited in Burley on suspicion of driving under the influence on Nov. 25, 1999, long before he said Bollar

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## BUHL



### Roland Junior 'R.J.' Ochsner

Roland Junior 'R.J.' Ochsner, 77 of Buhl, passed away Thursday, November 14, 2002, at his home.

R.J. was born August 23, 1925, in Ansley, Nebraska, the son of Edward and Nellie Ochsner. He married Florence Cigo. They were later divorced but remained very good friends. R.J. drove semi for 40 years for various companies and for himself before retiring. He spent a very short time in the Army during World War II. R.J. loved western movies and game shows. He also enjoyed listening to Country Western music.

R.J. is survived by live daughter, Sandra (Eddie) Rivis of Buhl; Marcella Armstrong of Buhl; Connie (Ray) Rogers of Arizona; Gary (Ronald) Albert of Buhl; and Gloria 'Jeanne' Ochsner of Jerome. Two sons, Ronald Ochsner of Buhl and Gary Ochsner of Buhl, and one sister, Caroline Olsen of Hawaii, one brother, Richard Ochsner of Salt Lake City, 32 grandchildren, 73 great-grandchildren and 14 great-great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, wife Florence, one son, Lonnie Dean and two sisters.

Funeral services for R.J. will be held at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, November 20, 2002, at White Sunset Memorial Chapel by the Park, Twin Falls. Burial will follow at Sunset Memorial Park. Friends and family may call on Tuesday, November 19, from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. at the mortuary.

## JEROME



### John Robert Pettigrew

John Robert Pettigrew, 52 of Jerome, died Tuesday, November 12, 2002, at his home following a battle with cancer. John was born on May 13, 1950, in Twin Falls, the son of Robert and Sylvia (Farnham) Pettigrew. He was raised on the Beacon Ranch in Jerome and attended the Pleasant and Elen Senior School. He graduated from Jerome High School in 1968. Following his graduation, he joined the U.S. Air Force in 1969 and served his country proudly until he was honorably discharged in 1973. John was employed as a police officer with the Idaho State Police for two years when he was enlisted into the U.S. Army. He served his country a second time in Korea, Kentucky, South Carolina, Colorado and Berlin. He was honorably discharged in 1986 due to medical reasons. After his service, he was employed as a substitute teacher for the Twin Falls School District for a number of years. The beginning of this school year marked his fifth year as a teacher at the Liberty Christian Academy in Jerome, where he taught speech and history. He was also employed

at Land Services Corporation until ill health forced him to retire. John is best known for his love of trains. He was the founder of the Northside Model Railroading Association. He was very involved in the Union Pacific Lifesavers Program, where he would talk about railroad crossing safety. John enjoyed teaching and interacting with the children.

John is survived by his three children, John R. Pettigrew, Jr. of Portland, Oregon; Don Jackson of Denver, Colorado; and Heidi Franklin of Atlanta, Georgia; and one brother, Dan Pettigrew of Jerome, Idaho. He was preceded in death by his parents.

A celebration of John's life will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, November 19, 2002, at the Magic Valley Evangelical Free Church, 821 East Ave. H in Jerome, with Pastor Randall Davis officiating. Burial will follow at the Jerome Cemetery. Military rites performed by Area Veterans & Auxiliary. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorials be given to the John Pettigrew Scholarship Fund at Liberty Christian Academy. Contributions may be given to funeral charges at the home of Reynolds Funeral Chapel, P.O. Box 1142, Twin Falls, Idaho 83303.

## TWIN FALLS



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### In Loving Memory Lois Buck 'Buckie' Thurber

Lois Buck 'Buckie' Thurber passed away at her home with her children at her side on November 12, 2002, following a valiant battle with cancer. She had a zest for life that spread cheer and love as well as compassion and calm to all those around her.

'Buckie' was born in Detroit, Michigan, July 31, 1930, and was raised in Groesbeek, Michigan. She attended Endicott Junior College in Beverly, Massachusetts, Mexico College, and Michigan State College.

She came to Sun Valley in 1953, where she met and fell in love with Donald E. Thurber. They were married at Trail Creek Cabin and celebrated 40 years of marriage on August 26, 1993, before Don's death later that year. They raised and were dearly loved and respected by their three children: Scott D. Thurber of Carey, Idaho; Kelly L. Thurber of Ketchikan, Iowa; and Wendy Thurber Gross of Jacksonville, Florida. She was loved and admired by her son-in-law, Dr. Gregory S. Gross. She had one grandchild, Jamie Thurber Gross, whom she cherished as the apple of her eye, and who thinks her Nana was the Queen of the Universe. She is also survived by her brother, Dr. Jack H. Buck of Ionia, Michigan. She was preceded in death by her sister, Marilyn Buck Farr, her par-



### Elwood K. 'Duke' Whitehead

Elwood K. 'Duke' Whitehead passed away at the age of 84 on November 14, 2002, with family gathered around in the LDS Hospital in Salt Lake City.

Duke was born April 1, 1918, in Twin Falls, Idaho. He married Altha Wright in Twin Falls on September 12, 1941, in the Salt Lake Temple. Duke served an LDS Mission in Toronto, Canada, and afterwards served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He worked in sales throughout his life. He and Mel Hubert, a brother-in-law, established and operated the Roll-A-Way Grocery in Twin Falls. He was top salesman for Brown and Bigelow Advertising, and he managed the Lindsey Water Softening Company, both in Twin Falls. He and his wife moved to Washington with World Book Encyclopedia, where they consistently set sales records until their retirement. They then moved to Pocatello, Idaho, where he helped son Steve establish and operate the Idaho-Atlantic Trucking Company. In 2002, he moved to St. George, Utah, serving daily in the LDS Temple. He was a dedicated church member, serving in numerous teaching and leadership positions.

Duke was preceded in death by his parents, Winifred Kempton and Lambert Melvin Whitehead of Twin Falls; his wife, Altha, a daughter, Edith Jean Whitehead of Salt Lake City; brothers, Raoul, Melvin, and

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Larry's spirit lives on in all of us and we are certain that he too was smiling down upon all of us in appreciation for your love and kindness. The best tribute we can offer to Larry's memory is to honor him through our kindness, love and compassion to others throughout our lives as he did throughout his.

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# Senators urge lamb loan cap hike

**CHEYENNE, Wyo. (AP)** — Six Western senators are urging the federal government to raise the cap on loans as a way to help sheep and lamb production.

The National Sheep-Industry Improvement Center, which was created by Congress in 1996 and receives administrative assistance from the U.S. Department of Agriculture, places a cap of \$1 million for each loan it hands out via the National Livestock Producers Association's Sheep and Goat Fund.

Sen. Craig Thomas, R-Wyo.; Mike Enzi, R-Wyo.; Tom Daschle, D-S.D.; Larry Craig, R-Idaho; Michael C. Croft, R-Idaho; and Max

Baucus, D-Mont., wrote a letter Thursday to the Senate's improvement center's board of directors, which will consider raising the cap at a meeting Monday.

Raising the maximum would enable the Mountain States Lamb Cooperative, a producers group, to purchase interest in B. Rosen and Sons Inc., a meat processing company that sells about 25 percent of all domestic fabricated lambs, the senators said.

"The Board's raising of the cap would allow MSIC to complete the purchase of 50 percent of B. Rosen and Sons and guarantee a market for lambs committed to the cooperative," the letter states. "This project clearly tar-

gets the purposes of the Sheep and Goat Fund as it directly enhances and innovates the marketing of sheep and their products."

In January, the cooperative announced it had entered into an agreement to supply its lambs to B. Rosen & Sons' facilities in Greeley, Colo., and New York.

The cooperative, created in 1999 and based in Casper, includes about 125 sheep ranchers and 400,000 committed lambs from Wyoming, Idaho, Colorado, Montana, Utah, California, Arizona, Nevada and South Dakota.

The National Sheep Industry Improvement Center was estab-

lished by Congress to aid the nation's allied sheep and goat industries.

It was created after the National Wool and Mohair Act was phased out, an act that had provided direct payments to producers from 1954 to 1995.

At the beginning of the phase-out in 1993 and January 2000, the number of sheep in the United States declined by over 3.1 million animals, or 31 percent, and the number of sheep operations fell by 25,810, or 27 percent, according to the center's Web site.

The center can deliver financial assistance through competitive loans and grants.

# Utah's Fourth District Court struggles under workload

**PROVO, Utah (AP)** — The 4th District Court is struggling to complete work left behind by Judge Ray Harding Jr., who is on suspension after being charged with felony drug possession.

Long lines of frustrated patrons and stacks of unopened mail are just some of the problems faced by the remaining staff and judges.

Harding has been on paid suspension since July 15. The court's vacancy can't be filled while he's drawing his salary of \$103,000.

Harding may be on suspension until at least March, when he is

scheduled to stand trial. He pleaded innocent to the charges against him.

Harding was arrested in July after his wife called police and handed over a bag of what appeared to be cocaine. After a search at the Betty Ford Clinic in California, he returned to Utah.

Harding left some 357 felony cases, which were distributed among the remaining nine judges, said Paul Sheffield, court administrator for the 4th District.

"It's been a big burden. Our other judges have tried to fill in

the best they can," Sheffield said. "As a result, their other cases back up, it just kind of plugs up the system."

Sheffield said budget cuts by the Utah Legislature to the courts forced them to lose four court clerk positions and one court reporter position. There was also a 12 percent cut to the travel budget and a cut in expenses.

But Harding's attorney, Ed Brass, said it is unfair to blame all the woes of the 4th District court on his client.

"He's presumed innocent, and

it's the right thing for him to be receiving a salary," Brass said. "I think to attribute budgetary issues to him is unfair."

Harding would love to be working, but that the order from the Utah Supreme Court precludes him from doing so, Brass said.

## SERVICES

Lucy D. Bruesch of Twin Falls, gathering for family and friends from 2-6 p.m. today at the Bruesch home at 1155 Florence Avenue in Twin Falls.

Jess Johnson of Twin Falls, service at 10:30 a.m. Monday at White Mortuary, burial will follow at the West End Cemetery in Buhl; friends and family may call from 4-8 p.m. today at the mortuary.

Sarnee Shaw Slane of Burley, service at 11 a.m. Monday at the Burley West Stake Center of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 2420 Parke Ave.; burial will follow at Pleasant View Cemetery; friends may call from 5-8 p.m. today at Payne Mortuary, 221 W. Main, Burley and from 10-10:45 a.m. before the funeral on Monday at the church.

Shirley Ruth Hoffmaster of Boise, memorial service at 1 p.m.

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## DEATH NOTICES

**Alberta D. Shaffer.**  
TWIN FALLS — Alberta Darlene Shaffer, 83, of Twin Falls, died Friday, Nov. 15, 2002, at Twin Falls Care Center.

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

**Robert C. Lewis**  
JEROME — Robert C. Lewis, 60, of Jerome, died Friday, Nov. 15, 2002, at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls.

Arrangements will be announced by Howe-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome.

**Jeanette F. Nelson**  
HAZELTON — Jeanette F. Nelson, 83, of Kimberly and formerly of Hazelton, died Friday, Nov. 15, 2002, at Mountain View Care Center in Kimberly.

Arrangements will be announced by Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

Monday at White Mortuary Chapel in Twin Falls.

Carrie Elizabeth Graham formerly of Nampa and Jerome, service at 11 a.m. Nov. 29 at the Jerome Cemetery (Howe-Robertson Funeral Chapel, Jerome).

Lyle J. Cullip of Twin Falls, service at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at Immanuel Lutheran Church; interment will follow at Sunset Memorial Park; friends may call from 4-8 p.m. Monday at White Mortuary.

Maxine Allred Chapman of Leli, Utah, and formerly of Twin Falls, service at 1 p.m. Tuesday at the Twin Falls 7th Ward LDS Chapel, 847 Eastland Drive N.; friends will follow at Sunset

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# Historical Society plans to save smokestacks

BOISE (AP) - The Idaho Historical Society is moving forward to permanently stabilize two dilapidated smokestacks at the Old Penitentiary in Boise that the Idaho Botanical Garden had planned to topple.

On Friday, society Executive Director Steve Guerber received an Idaho Department of Lands letter confirming the garden's agreement to hold off on tearing down the 1951 heating plant and its stacks until after Christmas, provided the society will temporarily stabilize them.

Guerber said it plans to go a step further.

## Father says blind teen will continue horseback riding despite tickets

NAMPA (AP) - Police have twice ticketed a legally blind teenager for riding her horse on city streets.

Her father said Tabitha Darling will continue to make her way through Nampa and he is prepared to go to court.

Police cited Darling, 19, Thursday and Friday after they saw her riding her horse, Trixi, south of downtown.

The citations came several weeks after the city of Nampa refused to give her permission to use the horse for transportation in town.

The Nampa City Council will consider the case again Monday. She was returning from the Holly Nursing and Rehab Center, where she is interning as a Boise State University nursing student, when she was cited both times.

Rob Darling said he encour-

aged his daughter to keep riding to protest the city's ordinance, which the family said violates federal laws that guarantee disabled people access to public places.

Tabitha's father said she intended to ride her horse Sunday morning to church, where she may see Police Chief Curtis Homer, a fellow church member.

"If he wants to cite her in the church, cite her in the foyer, he's welcome to do so," Rob Darling said.

Tabitha cannot see well enough to drive, but can ride a horse. Her family recently bought her the horse so she can be independent.

At a Nov. 4 meeting, council members expressed sympathy for Tabitha's situation, but cautioned they were concerned about public safety. They pro-

hibited her from riding while they research a possible change in the law.

The violation carries a maximum penalty of \$300 and six months in jail.

about how people stayed warm in the winter, we want to be able to point to the smokestacks. It becomes part of interpreting how the Old Pen functioned."

Ouderkirch has said it would cost \$43,000 to save them, but Guerber said he thinks the Historical Society can stabilize them for \$10,000.

Guerber said the money could be shifted from Historical Society funds dedicated to other Old Penitentiary buildings.

He also said the project would be cheap compared to the hundreds of thousands of dollars spent on other restoration projects there.

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## Board OKs water project funding

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) - Three water projects around the state have been approved for funding from the state's Water Resources Board.

The Board approved \$647,000 in loans for the projects.

The Twin Lakes-Rathdrum Creek Flood Control District 17 will borrow \$450,000 to replace the decaying 96-year-old Twin Lakes Dam. The Deep Creek Property Owners Association in Boundary County was given a \$25,000 grant to build a well house and modify well piping.

Another loan of \$175,000 will be used by the HoytBluff Water Association in Kootenai County to construct a new well and 60,000 gallon storage tank.

The board denied a request by the City of Priest River for a \$7,500 grant for a water system planning study because it exceeded the board's matching funds policy.

Another request rejected by the board was made by the Wilderness Ranch Owners Association in Boise County. They wanted to increase an existing loan to construct a new surface water treatment plant.

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# Ship bows impale fin whales in Pacific

SEATTLE (AP) — Over a period of about eight weeks, three fin whales were killed in the North Pacific with a fin whale draped over the bulbous bow, a fuel-consumption device projecting into the ship's path just below the waterline.

The first dead fin whale — the fin whale is the world's second-largest creature — arrived at the Port of Seattle on the bow of the container ship Tokyo Express on Aug. 9. The second came into Portland on the auto-transport vessel Ruby Ray on Sept. 2. The third died in the Chesapeake Bay on the bow of an oil tanker Oct. 2.

It happened before, but not in such quick succession.

"I'd have to guess there's so close together is something we've not seen before," said Brent Norberg, marine-mammal coordinator for the National Marine Fisheries Service here.

It's not clear why, though scientists speculate that the whales may have changed feeding patterns — moving into traffic lanes in search of prey. It appears "the food they're grazing on happens to be on a freeway," Norberg said.

And there may well be more such cases.

"We don't have any feel at all for what the frequency is of animals that get struck at sea and die," he said.

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In the recent cases, tests indicate two of the three fin whales were alive when they were struck. Damage to the Portland carcass suggests it was already dead.

The carcasses, which ranged from 35 to 60 feet long, apparently were tucked up against the vessels by the bulbous bows. The odd-shaped projection on cargo ships' noses have greatly increased fuel efficiency through "wave-making resistance reduction technology" developed in the early 1960s.

"I've never seen a container ship without one," noted Port of Seattle spokesman Mick Schultz.

A bulbous bow would prevent a struck animal's simply rolling off to the side, Norberg said.

There is no research on whether bulbous-bow technology could be a factor in whale deaths, Norberg said. The percentage of bulbous-bow ships involved in collisions with whales is not known.

Ships' crews "are as surprised as anyone when they pull in and the animal is there," he said.

The vessels weigh in at tens of thousands of tons. "That's a massive object moving through the water," and striking a whale would be "kind of like hitting a noodle with your car."

"The remains of the two whales that likely were alive when struck were quite fresh when they reached port, Norberg said, which suggests the strikes occurred as the vessels neared their journey's end.

That reduces the chance a whale strike would be noticed, he said. When ships near port — after a five-day straight-shot voyage from Asia, for example — they are busy taking on pilots to navigate inland waters, slowing down to enter the Strait of Juan de Fuca and making other rou-

te changes in operational strategy.

Also, "crew size is going down as vessel speed and size are going up," noted activist Fred Fellemann of Ocean Advocates. "And even if somebody did see a whale, it's not like a big ship can turn on a dime."

Unlike toothed whales, baleen whales do not echo-locate — a method of detecting objects and food by creating a series of clicks, and interpreting the reflected sound. Even so, scientists believe they have very sensitive hearing. And today's bigger, faster ships generate "significant amounts of noise," said whale expert John Calambokidis of Cascadia Research in Olympia.

Still, with few natural enemies, whales may not consider an approaching vessel a threat.

"These animals evolved over millions of years," Calambokidis said. "The arrival of huge ships that travel 20 or more knots is a very recent development — recent as in the last 100 years. It's nothing they're equipped or have evolved to recognize as a threat."

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## Education publication makes whale of a mistake

MUSKEGON, Mich. (AP) — Teacher Deb Harris could hardly believe what she was reading to her fourth-grade class. Whales in Lake Michigan?

But that's what it said in her "Michigan Studies Weekly," a newspaper distributed to 462 teachers statewide.

Harris called Utah-based Studies Weekly Inc. which prints out the teaching aid, but she said an editor stood behind the story.

"I've lived here all my life — there are no whales in Lake Michigan," Harris recalled telling the editor.

A retraction was later posted on the company's Web site with an explanation that the false information came from a different Internet site intended as a joke.

"We at Studies Weekly want this to be a lesson to you," the apology said. "Not all Web sites are true, and you cannot always believe them. When researching, you should always look for a reliable site that has credentials (proof of truthfulness)."

Studies Weekly publications have a circulation of 1.2 million readers in third through sixth grades nationwide.

The article read: "Every spring, the freshwater whales and freshwater dolphins begin their 1,300-mile migration from Hudson Bay to the warmer waters of Lake Michigan."

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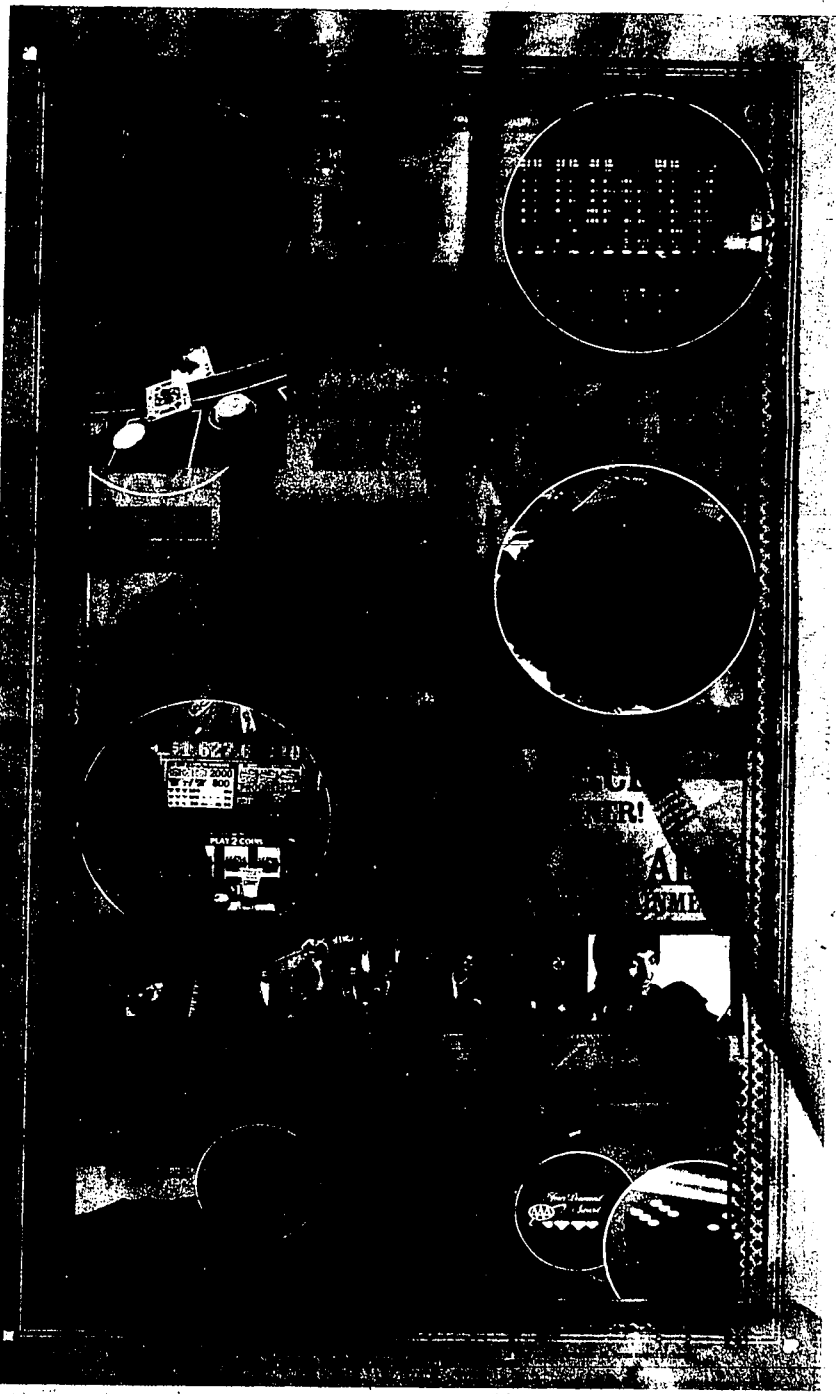
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## TEMPLE LEVINGS - TWIN FALLS

When asked about her hobbies outside of athletics, Twin Falls senior Temple Levings falls silent.

Finally, she cites recreational league volleyball, knowing it doesn't count but unable to come up with anything else.

It's that love for the game that makes her coach Jerry Sivulich describe the 5-foot-7 setter/hitter as a coach on the floor.

The love and understanding of the game came as she played with and learned from her family, Levings said.

And now, Levings is looking to follow her older sisters, Lisa and Morgan, into the college volleyball ranks.

Lisa is a junior at Fort Lewis College in Durango, Colo., and Morgan is a sophomore at Trinidad State Junior College in Trinidad, Colo.

"It really helped growing up watching and playing with them. I just want to be able to play at that level," she said. "It's so much faster and it's a tough adjustment."

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**Player of the Year**

Class 5A

## SARAH LOTT - JEROME

Athleticism and athletic intellect are what separate Sarah Lott from the rest. The 5-foot-11 senior middle's fantastic quickness and jumping ability coupled with an incredible arm swing often left opponents ducking for cover when she went up to the net looking for another point.

But it was her ability to adapt to a new system while also adjusting to playing the back row for the first time that most impressed Tiger coach Brent Clark, who was back after a four-year hiatus.

"She just picked things up so quickly," Clark said. "We would show her something and then she'd have it."

While those are the types of things that impress coaches, it was her power that awed opponents.

Clark recently spent a weekend watching Idaho's elite players at the state tournaments, which were held around the Magic Valley early this month, and he left impressed with how Lott's hitting stacked up.

"She's in the top five in the state in hitting power," he said. "In terms of overall volleyball skills, no. But

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**Player of the Year**

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## Area volleyball team packs the power

Home matches this season's power

Player of the year Raysa brought the Blue Devils to the IA state volleyball championship months after leading the ball team to a second-place

of those swings, somebody has the ball. Our 5A player of the Levings from Twin Falls did

just that.

As a setter/hitter, Levings combined the ability to distribute and put the ball away like no other this season.

In addition, we've compiled a first team and a list of honorable mentions of players who contributed above and beyond the call of duty this past season.

-Times-News writers Scott Thompson, Kevin Hall, Joe Paisley and John Derr

# CSI steamrolls Salt Lake CC

Eagles head to nationals for 10th straight year

By Joe Paisley  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - The first part of the College of Southern Idaho's mission is complete. The Eagles are headed to the National Junior College Athletic Association Division I Volleyball National Championship for the 10th straight year.

And they did so in impressive fashion. The Eagles blew Salt Lake Community College out of the CSI gym behind hard serving and a dominant performance at the net in a resounding 30-18, 30-21, 30-18 victory to clinch the Region 18 District P title and an automatic berth.

CSI (30-4) manhandled the Bruins up front in Games 2 and 3, recording 13 team blocks to one for Salt Lake. The match ended with an exclamation point. With the score 22-18, six blocks in a row, including five by Keri Coats, made it 23-18.

Kelly Palva added one of her match-high 13 kills to make it match point and Jayli Jackson sealed it with a block.

### All-Tournament Team

MVP, Kelly Palva, CSI  
Anaéds Santos, CSI  
Anaéds Urdaz, Salt Lake CC  
Emilia Viera, Salt Lake CC  
Andraza Santos, CSI

Unfortunately, Jackson tweaked her left knee while turning to celebrate with her teammates.

"It scared me more than anything," Jackson said after the match.

Jackson, finished with nine blocks, as did Coats.

"We knew they would try to hit angle a lot so we just lined up with the hitter's shoulder," Coats said.

It worked, holding all-tourney team members Anaéds Urdaz and Emilia Viera to only five kills apiece. The two recorded a combined 36 kills against North Idaho College Saturday morning to lead Salt Lake to the title match. Middle blocker Sabrina Frech led with seven kills against Southern Idaho.

The block disrupted the Bruins offense. The team managed only 028 hitting for the match, including a minus 026 in Game 3, compared to .447 for CSI.

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Mindee Magill and Andraza Santos lead the celebration following the College of Southern Idaho's victory over Salt Lake Community College Saturday at the CSI gym. The win gives the Eagles a berth in the national championship tournament.

# Pilot light is still on

Uhl leads Glens Ferry back to 2A title game

By Scott Thompson  
Times-News writer

POCATELLO - Fifth line-backer Jordan High laid Glens Ferry quarterback Scot Uhl low.

Just not nearly low enough as it turned out, however. Uhl did his best Lazarus imitation after a crushing hit by High took him out of bounds and temporarily out of the Class 2A state semifinal playoff game at Holt Arena Saturday with Firth leading 21-14 in the second half.

"Thank God he came back," said backup Pilot quarterback Zach Simons, who threw the ball three times Saturday to raise his number of attempts to six for the season.

"He's played so awesome for us and he has a cannon for an arm."

Uhl missed just two plays - one an incompletion and the other an interception by Simons in the end zone - before returning to lead the Pilots to a game-tying touchdown on Glens Ferry's next possession and ultimately to a 28-27 overtime victory.

It's the second straight year the Pilots have advanced to the Milk Bowl state championship game by defeating Firth in the semi-

### Milk Bowl 2002

Football state championship games (All Times MST)

Class 6A  
Lewiston (10-1) vs. Highland (11-0), 8 p.m. Friday, Kibbie Dome, Moscow

Class 4A  
Lake City (8-3) vs. Ashton (8-3), 2 p.m. Friday, Kibbie Dome, Moscow

Class 3A  
Snake River (11-0) vs. Wescor (7-4), 6:30 p.m. Friday, Bronco Stadium, Boise

Class 2A  
Melba (7-4) vs. Glens Ferry (9-2), 3:30 p.m. Friday, Bronco Stadium, Boise

1A 13-Man  
Mackay (9-2) vs. Ratt River (9-1), 7 p.m. Friday, Holt Arena, Pocatello

1A 8-Man  
Castleford (11-0) vs. Clark Fork (10-0), 4 p.m. Friday, Holt Arena, Pocatello

nal game:

Glens Ferry (9-2) will meet Melba (7-4) for the 2002 Milk Bowl title on Friday at 3:30 p.m. at Bronco Stadium in Boise.

"I thought maybe I was out of the game (after High's hit)," Uhl said. "But I knew I was all right when I started throwing the ball

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SPORTS

MAGIC VALLEY'S FINEST

JESSICA RITCHIE - VALLEY

Well rounded? That would also be Valley senior Jessica Ritchie, who not only excels in volleyball, basketball, and track and field but also holds a 4.0 grade-point average.

She is equally strong across the board as a volleyball player, as she is terrific blocking, hitting, serving, digging or passing. "She was our go-to girl," coach Julian Escobedo said. "Whenever we needed a sidout or something, we would go to her."

kept setting her and she kept killing it. That match was over pretty quick. A lot of Viking matches were, and Ritchie had a lot to do with that. "I just like volleyball because it's a lot of fun when the team is doing really good," Ritchie said. "And the Vikings had a lot of success, running up a 19-0 record before falling in two matches at state. "I think we did very well," Ritchie said. "We played as hard as we could. It just didn't end the way we wanted it to, I thought I did what I could to help the team. I was happy with how I played."



RAYSA PARKER - DIETRICH

Dietrich senior outside hitter Rayssa Parker is first and foremost a competitor, with more than a dash of leader thrown in. Her coach Teresa Smith points to the Blue Devils' match against Shoshone in the North Side Conference tournament when the teams were tied at a game apiece and Shoshone holding an 11-point advantage in Game 3. Armed with the best serve in the Magic Valley, Parker knocked off 11 straight points to seal the game en route to the eventual victory. "She dug really deep, stepped up and brought the team up with her," Smith said. "She just has a real intense desire to compete and win."

And volleyball isn't really her sport. "That's basketball. 'I live for it,'" she said simply. After finishing second at state in basketball a year ago, Parker said the team was motivated for the volleyball season. After a 20-0 start, the Blue Devils finished tied with, you guessed it, Shoshone, for fifth place at state. "Getting second (in basketball) told us what kind of team we are, and I think we proved that again," she said of the volleyball season. "But now, I can't wait to get out and win state."

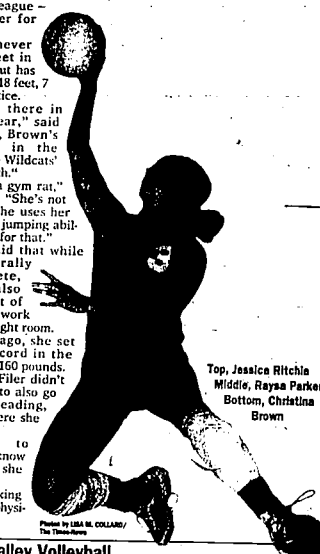


CHRISTINA BROWN - FILER

Filer Wildcat senior Christina Brown is without weakness on the volleyball court. She can hit, block, dig and pass with the best of them. But then being well-rounded on the court is just an extension of her off-the-court exploits.

She is president of the student body, enrolled in an unending list of clubs and holds a 4.0 GPA. She excels in everything from mock trial to weightlifting to volleyball, basketball, track and field and cheerleading.

In volleyball, she has played opposite, middle and outside hitter. For most of the year, she played outside for the fifth-place Filer volleyball team this season, making up for a 5-5 frame with an amazing vertical jump. As successful as she has been in volleyball, her future athletic career most likely lies in the long jump. "I'm probably too short for volleyball," she said. "Short is not a problem in the long jump for Brown, who finished second at state by a quarter inch last year after winning the event as a sophomore. She has a host of colleges - mostly Ivy League - recruiting her for the long jump. She has never cleared 18 feet in competition but has gone as far as 18 feet, 7 inches in practice. "We'll get there in meets this year," said Ed Richards, Brown's jump coach in the spring and the Wildcats' volleyball coach. "She's just a gym rat," Richards said. "She's not that tall but she uses her quickness and jumping ability to make up for that. Richards said that while she is a naturally good athlete, Brown also deserves a lot of credit for her work ethic in the weight room. Two weeks ago, she set the school record in the power clean at 160 pounds. However, if Filer didn't allow athletes to also go out for cheerleading, who knows where she might be. "If I had to choose, I don't know which I'd do," she said. Brown is thinking of becoming a physician's assistant.



Top, Jessica Ritchie Middle, Rayssa Parker Bottom, Christina Brown

All Magic Valley Volleyball

- Hitters Jillian Cutler, 5-9 jr., Murtaugh Jessica King, 5-9 jr., Wood River Katie Strunk, 5-6 fr., Shoshone Lacey Perkins, 5-7 sr., Murtaugh Sundi Brizendine, 5-6 sr., Bliss Sarah Hubsmitth, 5-5 jr., Shoshone
Middles Shay Tusow, 5-10 sr., Twin Falls Taryn Perkins, 5-9 sr., Murtaugh Janae Bingham, 5-10 sr., Filer Sheena Hingham, 5-10 sr., Dietrich Monica Jensen, 5-9 sr., Minico
Hitters Chelsi Bennett, 5-7 sr., Camas County
Setters Whitney Clark, 5-6 jr., Jerome Bryoni Southwick, 5-4 sr., Dietrich Kelsey Marlon, 5-2 sr., Shoshone Delena Willis, 5-5 sr., Magic Valley Christian Jenna DeHoney, 5-4 sr., Valley Brandi Gili, 5-2 sr., Camas County
Defensive specialists Ayleen Sorensen, 5-4 jr., Dietrich Kristen Sabala, 5-5 sr., Gooding Brienne Stanger, 5-4 sr., Hansen

All Magic Valley First Team

- Hitters Kristina Bingham, 5-10 sr., Jerome - Bingham combined with Lott to provide the best one-two punch in the valley up front as the two worked almost seamlessly together. Like Lott, she combines excellent athleticism with terrific height. Jessica Brown, 5-10 jr., Buhl - Brown was explosive for the Indians, often igniting the team's offense with thunderous kills as the Buhl frontline intimidated the opposition.
Middles Sherry King, 6-0 sr., Buhl - Tough, strong, and nimble, this multi-sport standout was the cornerstone of a terrific Indians team. Mindy Malone, 5-10 jr., Valley - Malone was always in the right place at the right time for the Vikings as she was crucial to the team's outstanding defense as she closed off the

- other team's hitting lanes. She also provided solid hitting.
Setters Lany Andersen, 5-4 sr., Murtaugh - Every good team needs a quarterback and Andersen certainly filled that role. With any one of four Perkins' girls and Jillian Cutler running around, somebody had to feed them. Whitney Richards, 5-7 sr., Wood River - Richards was able to read both sides of the court during rallies, while running the Wolverines' multifaceted attack.
Defensive specialist Krista Gambro, 5-4 jr., Twin Falls - Gambro could read hitters and angles to make tough digs look almost routine. She was also outstanding as a passer.

Levings

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CSI

Continued from C1 "That won't win you many matches," said CSI head coach Ben Stroud. Salt Lake coach Julie Morgan agreed, citing the good serving that helped set CSI's block. "They're very good," Morgan said. "But we made their block look better than it is. Our serving look better than it is. Our serving look better than it is. Our serving look better than it is."

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That resulted in many kill attempts going right into the center of the CSI block. The Eagles did not, including some Pacific-10 Conference schools who have expressed interest in her. "My No. 1 agenda is to get a college basketball scholarship," she said. "That was probably the difference right there," said Simons, who caught five passes for 74 yards including an early second-half TD and also grabbed an interception when he wasn't filling in for Uhl. "We just saw that they were blocking everything to the middle and leaving the outside wide open. After Parlet's block gave the Pilots the ball on Firth's 26-yard line, Uhl brushed himself off from High's hit and found senior Gerald Rau for their second scoring connection of the game. This one came on third-and-15 from the 25-yard line. Earlier Uhl had hit Rau on a 64-yard touchdown pass to knot the score at 7-7. Firth freshman Jesse Hoffine put the Cougars (6-5) on top 7-0 with a 5-yard TD run on their first possession of the game. Firth went into halftime up 21-7 as the Cougars' tiny line pushed the Pilots around to set up touchdown runs by senior Tyler Moser and junior Nick Anderson. "That is the most athletic line that I've seen all year," Herrmann said. "They do a fantastic job of running that offense."

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Pilots

Continued from C1 He was better than all right. The senior connected on 25-of-40 attempts for 344 yards and three touchdowns, while running in the go-ahead score in overtime. "It feels pretty good to deliver like that," Uhl said. The Pilots' victory over Firth couldn't have come much more differently than last week's 15-6 quarterfinal victory over Aberdeen. Glenns Ferry rushed for almost 300 yards in that game and passed for just 55, while the Pilots passed for 365 yards and rushed for just 10 on Saturday. "That's a real credit to the type of kids we have," Pilot coach Joel Herrmann said. "For them to be able to go from that to this in one week tells you a lot about their intelligence." Nowhere was that intelligence more on display than on special teams as Pilots Mike Anchustepui, Justin Parlet and Simons all just their hands on Cougar punts. Only Parlet's block resulted in a Pilot TD but all seemed to sap Firth's energy. "How do you overcome three blocked punts?" Firth interim head coach Jody Holder asked. "That left so good when the ball finally came into my arms and I knew it was over," Rodriguez said.

final 24 minutes of regulation. "You have to give them credit for coming all the way back," Holder said. "All the way back." Nobody scored in the fourth quarter to set up overtime, with each team starting with the ball on the 10. Uhl scrambled the 10 yards for a touchdown on the Pilots' first play of extra time and Edgar Sanchez knocked the extra point through the uprights to put Glenns Ferry on top 28-21. Firth also scored when senior Logan Berg hit teammate Christopher Likes for a 15-yard TD on second down. The Cougars decided to go for two points, but the freshman Hoffine couldn't corral the pitch and the ball bounced around until settling into the hands of the ever-present Omar Rodriguez. "That left so good when the ball finally came into my arms and I knew it was over," Rodriguez said.

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WHAT'S ON T.V.

Grid of TV listings for various sports events including Auto Racing, Boxing, Golf, Football, Hockey, Soccer, and Bowling.

Treatment of Bonds in World Series was not fair

How can we expect our young people to learn good sportsmanship when all around them witness incidents of poor, boorish behavior by the adults who are supposed to set a good example...

should be allowed his turn at bat

Did the Anaheim Angels win the World Series last year and square I don't think so. MARJORIE DUBOIS Jerome

SPORTS IN BRIEF

Ringerberg cards his first ever hole in one

Buhl - Jason Ringerberg hit his first hole in one on the No. 12 Saturday at the Clear Lake Country Club.

Hawkays fans get rowdy after win in Metrodome

MNNEAPOLIS - Thousands of Iowa fans stormed the Metrodome field on Saturday tearing down one goal post and nearly carting one of the uprights out of the stadium following the Hawkays' 45-21 win over Minnesota.

C.W. Post's Smart breaks all-division TD mark

PLEASANTVILLE, N.Y. - Ian Smart ran for another four touchdowns Saturday to set the NCAA all-division career record with 35 as C.W. Post defeated Pace 95-14.

Tri-Cities boys hoops registration is under way

REPERT - The Tri-Cities boys basketball registration is under way for the season, which runs through 6 and 9-12.

Ottka defends IBF crown for 16th time

NUREMBERG, Germany - Ulfkott Ottka defended his IBF supermiddleweight title for the 16th time Saturday, winning a unanimous decision over Denmark's Rudy Madsen.

Manute Bol sits on bench at start of debut with Ice

INDIANAPOLIS - Manute Bol sits on the bench for the start of his debut with the Indiana Pacers.

Idaho league will hold flag football tournament

BOISE - The Idaho division of the American Flag & Touch Football League is holding its championships Nov. 30 and Dec. 1.

Fund-raising dinner

HANSEN - The Hansen High School has a fund-raising dinner will hold a fund-raiser dinner on Saturday, Nov. 23 from 5:30 p.m. at the high school.

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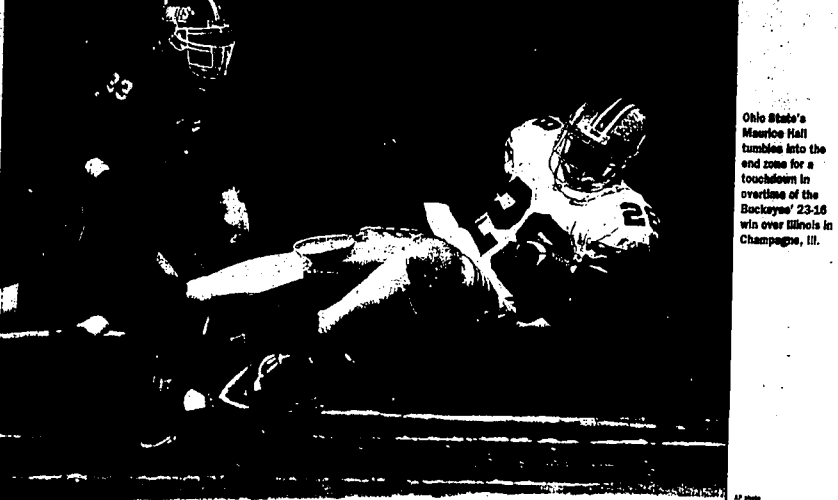
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SPORTS

# Buckeyes escape again



Ohio State's Maurice Hall tumbles into the end zone for a touchdown in overtime of the Buckeyes' 23-16 win over Illinois in Champaign, Ill.

## Overtime touchdown keeps No. 2 Ohio State undefeated

**The Associated Press**  
A national championship shot and the Big Ten title came down to one game for No. 2 Ohio State — against rival Michigan next Saturday.

### College Top 25

Illinois (4-7, 3-4 Big Ten) nearly spoiled the Buckeyes' season. John Goodman kicked a 48-yard field goal on the last play of regulation for a 16-11 tie as the ball just barely fell inside the left upright.

The lucky Buckeyes (12-0, 7-0) survived another road scare before pulling out a 23-16 overtime victory over Illinois. Ranked first in the BCS standings, Ohio State needs a win over Michigan (9-2, 5-1) to earn a trip to the BCS national title game in the Fiesta Bowl on Jan. 3.

### No. 8 USC 34, Arizona St. 13

LOS ANGELES — Carson Palmer threw for two touchdowns and ran for another and Justin Fargas ran for 125 yards and another score Saturday as No. 8 Southern California defeated Arizona State 34-13.

Even though the game is at Ohio Stadium, the Wolverines are capable spoilers. In 1995 and '96, Michigan ended undefeated bids by the Buckeyes.

### No. 11 Kansas St. 49, Nebraska 13

MANHATTAN, Kan. — Quarterback Ell Roberson ran for 228 yards and three touchdowns as Kansas State earned its most lopsided victory ever against Nebraska.

Meanwhile, No. 6 Iowa (11-1, 8-0) closed its regular season with a 45-21 win over Minnesota and clinched at least a share of the Big Ten title for the first time since 1990.

### No. 4 Oklahoma 49, Baylor 9

WACO, Texas — Quentin Griffin ran for 152 yards and three touchdowns and also had a 35-yard TD catch as Oklahoma rebounded from its first loss of the season.

The Hawkeyes, with Brad Banks throwing for two touchdowns and running for two others, are strong Rose Bowl contenders if Ohio State beats Michigan and plays in the Fiesta, but could also move into the national title picture with just a few more upsets in the final three weeks of the season.

### Texas Tech 42, Texas 38

LUBBOCK, Texas — Kliff Kingsbury knocked No. 4 Texas out of the national title chase with six touchdown passes.

There were a few on Saturday, the biggest being No. 4 Texas Tech's 42-38 win over No. 4 Texas. The loss knocked the Longhorns (9-2, 5-2 Big 12) out of both the national and conference title races.

### No. 6 Iowa 45, Minnesota 21

MINNEAPOLIS — Brad Banks made his Heisman statement by throwing two touchdown passes and running for two TDs to lead Iowa.

A brief look at other conference races:  
ACC: Florida State, a 10-14 winner over North Carolina, clinched at least a share of the 10th league crown in 11 years. A Clemson win over Maryland later Saturday night would give the Seminoles (8-3, 7-0) an automatic berth in a BCS bowl game.

### No. 15 Florida State 40, North Carolina 14

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — Adrian McPherson threw four touchdowns as Florida State clinched at least a share of the ACC title.

Big East: The next big game is Pittsburgh (8-2, 5-0) at No. 1 Miami (9-0, 4-0) on Thursday night. Both teams were off Saturday.

### No. 24 Auburn 21, Georgia 24

AUBURN, Ala. — David Greene threw a 15-yard touchdown pass to Michael Johnson on fourth-and-15 with 1:25 left to help Georgia win the SEC East.

SEC: Georgia, with a dramatic 24-21 win at Auburn, won the East and a spot in the league's title game on Dec. 7. It's the first title of any kind for the Bulldogs in 20 years. LSU, which played Alabama on Saturday night, was in control of the West.

### No. 2 Ohio State 23, Illinois 16, OT

CHAMPAIGN, Ill. — The second-ranked Buckeyes remained on the road for the national title as Maurice Hall ran 8 yards for a touchdown in overtime.

Ohio State improved to 12-0 for the first time in school history.

## Broncos rip La. Tech for ninth straight win

BOISE (AP) — Ryan Dinwiddie threw for 399 yards and four touchdowns as Boise State won its ninth straight game and clinched at least a share of the Western Athletic Conference title by defeating Louisiana Tech 36-10 Saturday.

### Regional college football

one of their final two games to qualify for the postseason.

Dinwiddie had a school-record 97-yard touchdown pass to Lou Torwood that gave the Broncos (10-1, 7-0 WAC) a 7-0 lead in the first quarter. He added a 25-yard touchdown pass to Jay Swille, a 30-yarder to Billy Wingfield and a 15-yarder to Rocky Ainsom.

Berry completed 9 of 26 passes for 81 yards. He missed the first two series of the second half after he complained of a stomach problem and vomited at halftime.

The Bulldogs (3-7, 2-4) kept the Broncos high-powered offense in check in the first half and trailed only 14-10 at halftime. But the Boise State defense got a safety and shut out Louisiana Tech in the second half.

New Mexico, which won for the third straight time, held BYU to 188 total yards.

Luke McDown threw for 330 yards for the Bulldogs, including a 28-yard touchdown pass to Erick Franklin in the second quarter.

BYU's Jon Burbridge returned an interception 80 yards for the game's first score.

The Broncos' 36 points give them 530 for the season, breaking the previous school single-game record of 494 points.

E. Washington 30, Montana 21

SPOKANE, Wash. — Quarterback Josh Blankenship threw for 344 yards and four touchdowns on Saturday as Eastern Washington handed Montana its first loss in more than a year, 30-21.

The school mark set from 1979-82.

Rich Heitz kicked a 34-yard field goal with 3:40 remaining to seal the win.

LSU has won 14 straight league games since 1995.

Montana (10-1, 5-1 Big Sky), the nation's top Division I-AA team, had won 24 straight games since a Sept. 8, 2001, loss to Hawaii.

Head coach Joe Glenn came into the game riding a 20-0 record in Big Sky Conference games.

The Grizzlies seemed prepared to extend those streaks when John Edwards hit Tyr Peterson for a 5-yard touchdown pass and a 7-0 lead with 14:48 left in the second quarter.

But Eastern Washington (6-5, 3-4 Big Sky) answered with consecutive touchdown receptions by Eric Kimble before halftime, one for 25 yards and another for 59 yards.

The Grizzlies tied the game on their first possession of the second quarter when they capped a four-play, 64-yard drive with a 27-yard touchdown reception.

Blankenship wasn't done, though. He threw touchdowns of 8 and 53 yards to wide receiver Joe Pierce, and when the game was over he had set school records for single-season passing yards (3,243) and touchdowns (29).

Jovan Griffith ran for 199 yards for Eastern Washington, finishing the season with 1,130.

Segars finished the game with 16 interceptions for 141 yards and a touchdown for Montana.

Utah 19, Troy St. 16, OT

TROY, Ala. — Dane Kidman kicked a 34-yard field goal in overtime to give Utah State a 19-16 win over Troy State on Saturday.

Kidman also kicked a 36-yard field goal with 2 seconds remaining in regulation to send the game into overtime.

Jose Fuentes threw a 10-yard touchdown pass to Chris Stallworth with 2:57 remaining to bring the Aggies (4-6) within three, 16-13. Utah State got the ball back and went on a 16-play drive that led to Kidman's tying field goal.

Utah State won possession in overtime, and James Samuel ran 13 yards to give the Aggies a first down. After a penalty and three incomplete passes, Kidman kicked a 34-yard field goal to put Utah State ahead.

Troy State (4-8) was not able to move the ball on its possession. The best chance the Trojans had was on first down, when Andrew Amerson dropped a pass in the end zone.

New Mexico 20, BYU 16

PROVO, Utah — Don'Trell Moore ran for 93 yards and scored two touchdowns as New Mexico snapped its 4-game losing streak in Provo by beating Brigham Young 20-16 Saturday.

Thomas Olmsted kicked three field goals for Troy State. Olmsted put the Trojans up 16-7 on a 27-yard field goal at the end of the first half.

Charles Moss intercepted a pass from BYU's Matt Berry with 1:48 left to secure the Lobos' first win on the road against BYU since 1971, when New Mexico coach Rocky Long was the team's quarterback.

New Mexico (6-5, 4-1 Mountain West) kept alive its chances for a conference championship and a bowl bid. Since the Lobos have a 13-game schedule, they must win

Pickett increased his total to 3,818 yards to surpass Brian Leaf, who threw for 3,637 yards for Washington State in 1997.

Saturday's win helped the Huskies (6-5, 2-4) avoid their first losing season since 1976.

The Ducks (7-4, 3-4) were ranked sixth after a 6-0 start, but they've lost four of their last five.

Virginia 14, No. 22 North Carolina State 9

CHARLOTTEVILLE, Va. — Matt Schaub threw two touchdowns passes, and Virginia batted away a pass in the end zone in the final minute as North Carolina State lost its third straight game.

Washington 42, Oregon 14

EUGENE, Ore. — Cody Pickett threw for 316 yards and four touchdowns and set the Pac-10 record for single-season passing yardage in Washington's victory.

Pickett increased his total to 3,818 yards to surpass Brian Leaf, who threw for 3,637 yards for Washington State in 1997.

Saturday's win helped the Huskies (6-5, 2-4) avoid their first losing season since 1976.

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SPORTS

Mavs' mastery continues

Dallas dumps New Jersey to remain unbeaten

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (AP) - The unbeaten streak has reached double figures for the Dallas Mavericks, whose new-found commitment to defense helped them defeat the New Jersey Nets 98-88 victory Saturday night.

Steve Nash scored 30 points, Michael Finley had 20 points and 13 rebounds, Dirk Nowitzki had 18 points and 12 rebounds and Shawn Bradley scored 12, including a pair of jumpers that started the Mavericks on a game-closing 13-5 run.

With a record of 10-0, the Mavericks are the NBA's only unbeaten team.

Dallas has held eight of its opponents under 100 points, and the defensive effort was there again down the stretch against the defending Eastern Conference champions.

Jason Kidd had 22 points, 13 assists, nine rebounds and five steals for the Nets, who lost at home for the first time this season after winning their first five.

76ers 93, Knicks 92

NEW YORK - Latrell Sprewell played in his first game of the season but couldn't reverse the Nets' sinking fortunes as Philadelphia scored 17 of the game's final 25 points.

The 76ers won on the road for the first time this season, while the loss was the fourth in a row for the Knicks.

Allen Iverson and Todd MacCulloch each scored 17 points, Keith Van Horn had 15 points and 12 rebounds and Eric Snow added 14 points for the 76ers.

Pistons 74, Nuggets 53

AUBURN HILLS, Mich. - Cliff Robinson scored 17 of his 19 points in the fourth quarter to help Detroit beat Denver after the teams combined for the lowest-scoring first half in NBA history.

Denver led 29-28 at halftime, and the 57 combined points broke a 47-year-old record by one point.

Richard Hamilton added 15 and Corliss Williamson 12 for Detroit, which set a franchise mark for points allowed and it was also the lowest scoring game in Pistons history.

Juan Howard scored 12 points to lead the Nuggets.

Wizards 95, Heat 65

WASHINGTON - The Washington Wizards used a torrid shooting first half to take control, and Jerry Stackhouse made the advantage stand up.

The Wizards' defense was just



The Mavericks' Steve Nash drives past the Nets' Kenyon Martin Saturday in East Rutherford, N.J. The Mavericks won, 98-88, to remain unbeaten on the season.

as effective - it was the fewest points ever allowed by Washington. The previous team mark was 69 points.

Hawks 89, Hornets 82

ATLANTA - Shaheed Abdul-Rahim scored 27 points, and Glenn Robinson 24 as Atlanta beat New Orleans.

Theo Ratliff grabbed a career-high 17 rebounds and blocked five shots for the Hawks, who won their second straight.

Jamal Mashburn scored 19 points, David Wesley 18 and P.J. Brown had 13 points and 14 rebounds for the Hornets, who had won six of their previous seven games, but made just 35 percent of their field-goal attempts.

Spurs 90, Cavaliers 77

CLEVELAND - Bruce Bowen scored 14 points, Tony Parker had 13 and San Antonio barely needed Tim Duncan in a win over Cleveland, which dropped its sixth straight.

David Robinson and Kevin Willis added 12 points apiece for the Spurs.

Ricky Davis had 22 points for the Cavs, won wireless since stunning the defending NBA champion Los Angeles Lakers in Cleveland's home opener.

Pacers 107, Timberwolves 101

MINNEAPOLIS - Ron Mercer scored 22 points off the bench,

got his first goal in nearly a year, and Yanic Perreault scored twice to lead Montreal over New Jersey.

Audette, with no goals since last Nov. 24, opened the scoring 4:01 in for his first point in 13 games this season.

Jose Theodore made 23 saves, allowing only Colin White's goal at 6:22 of the time, to help end Montreal's two-game losing streak.

Islanders 3, Penguins 2

PITTSBURGH - Adrian Aucoin put the Islanders ahead late in the first period on their only successful power play of the night and New York's Chris Osgood's goaltending to a victory over slumping Pittsburgh.

Mario Lemieux scored his first goal in four games.

Senators 4, Sabres 1

OTTAWA - Todd White scored twice as Ottawa stretched Buffalo's wireless streak to 11 games.

Wild 1, Capitals 0

ST. PAUL, Minn. - Dwayne Boleson made 17 saves for his first shutout of the season, and Pascal Dupuis scored the only goal as Minnesota beat Washington.

Sharks 7, Panthers 3

SUNRISE, Fla. - Scott Thornton had two goals and an assist, and Brad Stuart scored his first goal this season as San Jose

and Jermaine O'Neal scored 12 of his 20 points in the second half as Indiana beat Minnesota for its seventh straight win.

Off to their best start since the 1969-70 season in the ABA, the Pacers were trailed as they held off a fourth-quarter rally by the Wolves and hung on to their lead at the foul line.

Kevin Garnett led the Wolves with 27 points.

Bulls 111, Grizzlies 93

CHICAGO - Donyell Marshall scored 31 points and had 17 rebounds off the bench, and Jalen Rose also had 31 points as Chicago beat Memphis.

Dell Curry scored 10 of his 14 points in the first quarter, Jay Williams added 12 and Tyson Chandler 11 for the Bulls.

Jason Williams scored 18 points, and Wesley Person and Pau Gasol both had 14 for Memphis, which remained the NBA's only wireless team at 0-2.

The Grizzlies are 0-2 since Hubie Brown took over as coach.

Bucks 104, Celtics 85

MILWAUKEE - Ray Allen scored a season-high 31 points, including 18 in the first half, and Sam Cassell added 25 for Milwaukee.

Tim Thomas added 13 points and Tony Kukoc 11 as the Bucks continued their mastery over the Celtics in Milwaukee, beating them for the seventh straight time at home.

Safeties deal with NFL crackdown

By Mike Brubon Knight-Ridder News Service

PHILADELPHIA - Near a safety is not a safe place to be. At least it seems that way, if you consider that the safety position has become the most penalized in the NFL's current push to protect players from serious injury.

The theory in trying to prevent helmet-to-helmet and helmet-first collisions is to protect players who are in a defenseless position. Quarterbacks, kickers and punters fit into that category, and there are rules to protect them. It so happens that receivers often are defenseless ones when helmet infractions occur, and safeties are taking the brunt of the penalties.

Some think unfairly so. Nobody wants to see any player suffer serious injury. The image of New England Patriots wide receiver Darryl Stingley lying on the field after a vicious hit from a Dallas Texan is still etched in today's NFL, though the tragic event happened in 1977.

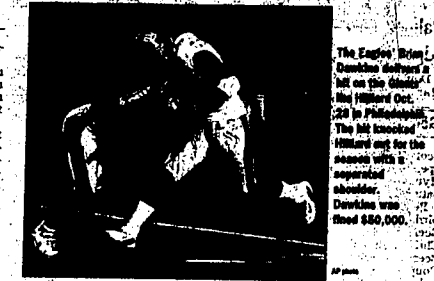
That said, in its effort to protect players, the NFL might be asking the impossible in some cases. Some of the calls on these hits presume that the safety, often coming with a full head of steam, can shift his head in a split-second or that his aim is good enough to avoid the clash of his helmet with the receiver's.

Through the first nine games of the season, the league has issued 19 fines and suspensions for 19 infractions for helmet infractions. That's actually one fewer than the total number of fines for the first nine games of 2001, but last season there were no suspensions during that time.

It's the severity of punishment that has been stepped up. Dallas Cowboys safety Darren Woodson was fined \$75,000 for a helmet-to-helmet hit on Seattle wideout Darrell Jackson.

Jackson, who suffered a concussion, had a seizure after the game. The league said it could have been life-threatening. Brian Dawkins of the Eagles drew a \$50,000 fine, which he appealed, for a helmet-first shot on New York Giants wideout Ike Hilliard. Hilliard, who suffered torn chest muscles and a dislocated shoulder, is out for the season.

Will the harsh penalties change the way players, safeties in particular, play? "I don't think players are going to change their style," said Lynch, of Tampa Bay, one of the league's fiercest tacklers. "You hit how you are taught to hit and if they are going to give us fines,



The Eagles' Brian Dawkins delivers a hit on the Dallas' Ike Hilliard Oct. 20 in Philadelphia. The hit knocked Hilliard out for the season with a separated shoulder. Dawkins was fined \$50,000.

then I guess you take them." Others say they believe the crackdown will have a chilling effect and offenses will benefit.

Chicago Bears safety Larry Whigham, another hard hitter, said in the forthcoming edition of the Sporting News that NFL commissioner Paul Tagliabue's message eventually will have an effect. Whigham said he allowed Eagles wideout, Antonio Freeman a 28-yard gain on a third-and-6 play because he was worried about being fined.

"I could have taken Freeman's head off," Whigham said. "Instead, I put my shoulder into him and missed the tackle. If I'd hit him the way I normally would have, he never would have caught the ball."

It's the kind of argument that seems destined to drag on. Either that or two things will happen eventually: the players will change or the officiating in these matters will be fine-tuned.

Until then, the commish is asking the players, "What's in your wallet?"

NFL WEEK 11 Leader of the pack. Arizona at Philadelphia 4-5 6-3. San Francisco at San Diego 7-2 6-3. Denver at Seattle 3-6 3-6. Dallas at Indianapolis 3-6 5-4. Pittsburgh at Tennessee 5-3-1 3-5. Washington at N.Y. Giants 4-5 5-4. Green Bay Packers can clinch the inaugural NFC North title this weekend, marking the earliest occurring of a division title in franchise history, but also in league history since the advent of the 16-game schedule in 1978. They need a win over Minnesota at the Metrodome, and for the New York Jets to defeat Detroit. All times MST.

Flyers skate to third straight tie

Backup goalie Legace shines in Detroit win

PHILADELPHIA (AP) - John LeClair's goal with 2:27 left helped Philadelphia into its third straight tie.

Joe Thornton and P.J. Axelsson scored for the Bruins, unbeaten in their last five (4-0-1). Despite failing to re-sign Bill Guerin, the NHL's No. 2 goal-scorer last year, and goaltender Byron Dufoe, the Bruins (11-2-3-1) are tied with Dallas for the most points in the NHL with 26.

The Flyers are 9-3-5 under new coach Ken Hitchcock.

Marty Murray gave Philadelphia a lead midway through the first period.

Red Wings 2, Maple Leafs 1

TORONTO - Backup Manny Legace made 30 saves in place of Curtis Joseph as the Detroit Red Wings won their fourth straight game by beating the Toronto Maple Leafs 2-1 Saturday night.

Legace got the start over Joseph, who asked to start against his former team, but Red Wings coach Dave Lewis said no. Fans who expected to see Joseph against his replacement, Ed Belfour, booed when Legace was announced as the starter.

Kirk Maltby and Henrik Zetterberg scored for Detroit.

Canadians 3, Devils 1

MONTREAL - Donald Audette



The Islanders' Adrian Aucoin and the Penguins' Mario Lemieux battle for the puck Saturday in Pittsburgh.

Aucoin scored the eventual game-winner and Lemieux scored his first goal in four games as New York won, 3-2.

beat Florida. Mike Ricci, Patrick Marleau, Marco Sturm and Teemu Selanne also scored for the Sharks.

Olli Jokinen, Ivan Novoseltsev, and Lance Ward had Florida's goals.

Blue Jackets 1, Predators 1

NASHVILLE, Tenn. - Geoff Sanderson and David Legwand scored first-period goals in a tie between Columbus and Nashville.

Kings 4, Oilers 1

EDMONTON, Alberta - Michael Cammalleri had his first NHL goal, one of four unanswered, scored by Los Angeles, as the Kings beat Edmonton.

# Calavecchia, Couples lead team matches

Palmer, U.S. hold edge at Warburg Cup

DANA POINT, Calif. (AP) — Mark Calavecchia had five birdies and partner Fern Golf Couples added three birdies to defeat the team of Peter Jacobson and Scott McCarron 5 and 4 in the opening round of the \$1.2 million Hyundai Team Matches on Saturday.

Peter Leonard carded seven birdies as he and partner Rich Beem defeated Jerry Kelly and Chris Smith 3 and 2. Leonard and Beem will face Calavecchia and Couples for the championship today at the St. Regis Monarch Beach and Spa.

The two-day event features players from the PGA, Senior PGA and LPGA tours. All three tours play the course to a par 70.

"This is the exact type of golf we play in the Ryder Cup," Calavecchia said. "You try to get a couple of holes ahead but if you are not careful you can lose it very quickly."

All five birdies Calavecchia recorded won the hole.

Only one of Couples' three birdies won a hole.

PGA Seniors Jim Thorpe and Doug Tewell teamed to defeat John Jacobs and Bruce Lietzke 2 and 1. Thorpe and Jacobs will play Allen Doyle and Dana Quigley for the senior title today.

Doyle and Quigley defeated Bruce Fleisher and David Graham 3 and 1.

Dottie Pepper and Julie Inaker defeated Luchi Diaz and Heather Bowie 1 and 1. They will face Lorrie Kane and Janice Moodie today.

Kane and Moodie used eight birdies to dispatch Grace Park and Be Bauer 4 and 1.

Each winning team receives \$200,000 and all the winners receive a new car.

U.S. holds edge slim lead in UBS Warburg Cup

ST. SIMONS ISLAND, Ga. — Arnold Palmer teed in a 40-foot birdie putt and let Tom Watson take care of the rest Saturday as they won six straight holes to help the Americans keep their slim lead in the UBS Warburg Cup.

The United States and the Rest of the World split the best-ball matches on a rainy day at Sea Island Golf Club, allowing the Americans to take a 6-5-5 leading going into the 12 singles matches today.

There were swift changes in momentum, typical of match play, especially in Palmer and Watson's 3-and-2 victory over Gary Player and Bernhard Langer, who was inducted into the World Golf Hall of Fame on Friday night.

The Americans were 3 down at the turn when the 73-year-old Palmer hit a 5-wood about 40 feet away. The King charged up his gallery by holing the birdie putt on the par-3 12th, and the resounding cheer was enough to wake up Watson.

They won the next hole with a par, then Watson birdied three straight to close out the match on the 16th hole.

Palmer and Player won't get any help today. For the second straight year, the captains will play each other in the opening match. Other singles matches include Curtis Strange against Sam Torrance in a showdown of the Ryder Cup captain, Mark O'Meara against Nick Faldo.

Tom Lehman and Raymond Floyd defeated Torrance and Ian Woosnam, 2 and 1; and Fred Hoeh, while Rodger Davis and Stewart Ginn cruised to a victory over Paul Azinger and Mark O'Meara, 4 and 2.

The UBS Warburg was patterned after the Ryder Cup. Each team has six players aged 40-49, six players 50 or over.



Sam Torrance, of the Rest of the World team, hits from the fairway on the first hole during the UBS Warburg Cup Saturday on St. Simons Island, Ga.

holes on their way to a 4-and-3 victory over Tom Kite and Scott Hoch, while Rodger Davis and Stewart Ginn cruised to a victory over Paul Azinger and Mark O'Meara, 4 and 2.

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Thailand's Thongchai leads Montgomerie at TCL Classic

DONGGUAN, China — Thailand's Thongchai Jaidee shot a 4-under 68 Saturday for a two-stroke lead over Colin Montgomerie after three rounds of the TCL Classic.

Thongchai had two birdies on the front nine and three on the back to reach 13-under 203.

# Hewitt will meet Ferrero for Masters Cup title

SHANGHAI, China (AP) — Top-ranked Lleyton Hewitt closed in on a second straight Masters Cup title Saturday by beating Roger Federer 7-5, 5-7, 7-5 in the semifinals.

Hewitt, already assured the year-end No. 1 ranking for the second consecutive season, will face French Open runner-up Juan Carlos Ferrero in Sunday's final. Ferrero beat Carlos Moya 6-7 (6), 6-4, 6-4 in a baseline exchange between Spaniards.

Hewitt struggled against his Swiss opponent, sealing the match on his fourth match point.

"I hate to lose; I don't know how else to put it," Hewitt said.

Federer served for the first set at 5-3, but Hewitt broke serve and won four straight games.

Hewitt's first match point came in the 10th game of the second

set, but Federer broke serve and went on to tie the match. In the third set, Hewitt broke in the ninth game and served for the match. But Federer broke serve.

Federer double-faulted the last two points of the 11th game, and Hewitt took a 6-5 lead. Federer fought off another match point before Hewitt sealed the victory and a spot in the final.

In the other semifinal, a forehand error by Moya gave Ferrero a set point at 6-5 in the first-set tiebreaker, but a crosscourt forehand was called wide — a call Ferrero questioned. When he pounded a backhand long on the next point, Moya had a set point and won it with an ace.

Ferrero was the steeper player in the next two sets, with Moya's big forehand occasionally going astray.

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# Wimmer finishes Busch season with a flourish

Driver holds on to win Ford 300, four of year's final eight races

HOMESTEAD, Fla. (AP) — Scott Wimmer won for the fourth time in the last eight races when leader Jason Keller ran out of gas Saturday and Wimmer coasted by to capture the Ford 300, the Busch Series season finale.

Wimmer, who also won last week in Phoenix, was

one of a handful of drivers to pit for gas in the waning laps of the race at Homestead-Miami Speedway. He made his stop with 12 to go. Keller gambled and tried to stretch his fuel, but ran his tank dry with one lap to go.

"I ran out of fuel off Turn 4 coming to take the white flag," Keller said. "We had to go for it. We did not come to Homestead to finish second and that was my only shot of it. We were just one lap short."

Frank Parker Jr., who lost his sponsor earlier this week and most likely will be out of a job next season if money doesn't materialize, finished second. Joe Nemechek was third and was followed by Greg Biffle, who wrapped up the Busch series title last week in Phoenix, and Bobby Hamilton Jr.

Commission rejects appeal on Martin penalty

HOMESTEAD, Fla. — Mark Martin's appeal of a 25-point penalty was turned down Saturday, making his bid to overtake Topy Stewart for the Winston Cup championship that much tougher.

Martin was docked the points for using an unapproved spring on his Ford in the Nov. 3 race at Rockingham, N.C. His Roush team argued that the



Scott Wimmer does a burnout after winning the Busch Series Ford 300 Saturday in Homestead, Fla.

infraction was not intentional and that the penalty was too severe.

Now Martin will go into the season-closing Ford 400 today 89 points behind leader Stewart. Stewart will win the championship if he finishes 22nd or better on Sunday, no matter what Martin does in the race.

Saturday's decision by a three-person panel from the National Stock Car Racing Commission also denied appeals of team owner Jack Roush's 25 car-owner points penalty and crew chief Ben Leslie's \$5,000 fine.

The commission issued a statement. "The spring rule as written is clear. The spring from the No. 6 car did not meet the requirements of the rule. NASCAR acted fairly and consistently in issuing the penalties."

Stewart apologizes for bumping photographer

HOMESTEAD, Fla. — On the brink of winning the Winston Cup championship, Tony Stewart ran into trouble in the garage area again Saturday, bumping a photographer with a forearm.

NASCAR said Stewart apologized for what the driver called an accident, and the apology was accepted by the photographer.

Stewart, who enters today's race leading Mark Martin by 89 points in their duel for the title, already is on probation for punching a photographer after an August race.

"With Tony's history, had that been any other driver, it would probably have not been an issue," NASCAR spokesman Jim Hunter said.

Minutes after the final practice for today's season-ending Ford 400, Stewart was walking swiftly from the garage toward his Joe Gibbs Racing team's hauler. He was accused of bumping Rusty Jarrett, a photographer for national photo service Getty Images.

"He came out of the garage, raised his arm and put a body block on me," said Jarrett, who was not injured.

NASCAR held a meeting in its hauler in the garage area that was attended by Jarrett, Stewart, team owner Joe Gibbs, NASCAR president Mike Helton, Winston Cup director John Darby and Hunter.

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# Oracle reaches semifinals, 11 in a row with Dickson

AUCKLAND, New Zealand (AP) — Chris Dickson has made a big difference for Oracle of San Francisco.

The America's Cup challenger syndicate followed Switzerland's Team Alinghi into the semifinals on Saturday, its 11th win in a row with Dickson in charge.

Oracle beat OneWorld by 33 seconds to complete a 40 win in their quarterfinal series. The loss forced OneWorld to fight for a spot in the semifinals through best-of-seven race repechages.

Oracle had lost four of five matches in the first two rounds when team owner Larry Ellison recalled Dickson from a constricting shore job on Oct. 23, saying: "It's his to win or lose from here on."

Dickson, a New Zealander, has transformed the campaign and Oracle is unbeaten since his appointment.

Its quarterfinal wins over OneWorld — after the teams traded 48-second wins in the first two rounds — have been by 12, 17, 19 and 33 seconds, sug-

gesting an increasing boatspeed advantage.

The top half of the quarterfinal draw — for the top four ranked teams after two rounds — has thrown OneWorld and Italy's Prada into repechages. Prada of Italy, which challenged Team New Zealand for the America's Cup two years ago, forfeited its final race of the quarterfinal with Alinghi on Friday night, giving Alinghi a 4-0 win.

Le Defi of France kept alive its quarterfinal series with

Sweden's Victory Challenge when it came from behind Saturday to win by 34 seconds. New York's Stars & Stripes improved to 31 and match point in its series with the GBR Challenge, beating the British team for the third straight time, by 34 seconds.

Oracle led around five marks Saturday and has led OneWorld around all but one mark in three races. It built a 21-second lead after the first beat into a 37-second margin by the second, the race's midpoint.

Team	R	W	L	Pts
Alinghi	10	13	3	33
Oracle	16	12	4	32
OneWorld	16	13	3	32
Prada	18	11	6	23
Victory	16	7	9	7
GBR Challenge	16	7	9	7
Stars & Stripes	16	6	10	6
Le Defi	16	2	14	2
Mascalzone Latino	16	1	15	1

(each win worth one point; one team to be eliminated after two round-robins)

**Oracle's Cup Sailing**  
 (OneWorld deducted one point by arbitration panel for pre-race violation)  
**Saturday's Races**  
 Alinghi def. Prada, fourth (Alinghi wins series, 4-0)  
 Oracle def. OneWorld by 33 seconds (Oracle wins 4-0)  
 Le Defi def. Victory by 34 seconds (Victory leads 3-1)  
 Stars & Stripes def. GBR, by 34 seconds (Stars & Stripes leads 3-1)


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## New directions, new place



Belinda Naranjo and Tony Cuellar have been enjoying their time with their son, Izak, since both were laid off from the J.R. Simplot Co. plant in Heyburn at the end of October. Naranjo is in school at the College of Southern Idaho and, if he can get funding, Cuellar hopes to go to school to become a mechanic.

## Couple contemplates move, career changes

By Virginia S. Hutchings  
Times-News writer

**B**URLEY - Relatives had better not expect more than one gift per family from Tony Cuellar and Belinda Naranjo this Christmas.

But the couple will have more time than usual to share with relatives. Time together can take the place of plentiful presents.

"Whether they like it or not," Cuellar said, laughing.

He and his wife were two of the 168 workers displaced at the end of October by J.R. Simplot Co.'s first round of permanent layoffs from its Heyburn potato-processing plant. Closure is set for April 2004.

Like some of their former co-workers, Naranjo, 26, and Cuellar, 28, depended on Simplot for both of their household's incomes.

With 3 1/2 years at Simplot, she was an employee services clerk handling scheduling and human-resource functions. He operated a cutter for the company, then did sanitation, then shifted to light-duty ranks. Layoff day arrived just before a milestone.

"I was short one day for three years," Cuellar said. "I was hoping to stay on, but nope, they kicked me out."

Despite his parents' predicament, the couple's 2-year-old son, Izak, will do some unwrapping this Christmas.

"We'll get for him first, you know, before we get for somebody else," Naranjo said.

### The jobsies life

And the holidays might make Izak more comfortable in the presence of his dad's family members.

Cuellar's relatives are in Nampa and haven't had Thanksgiving or Christmas visits from the couple for several years. Without Simplot schedules tying them down, Cuellar and Naranjo plan five days in Nampa for Thanksgiving and a longer visit for Christmas.

### About this series

**B**y the time potato processor J.R. Simplot Co. shuts down its Heyburn plant in 2004, it will directly eliminate some 700 jobs.

Write Virginia S. Hutchings and photographer Lisa M. Collard are putting a human face on that job loss as they follow seven of the displaced or soon-to-be-displaced workers through the process of starting over.

**The people**  
Hutchings and Collard in August introduced readers to Simplot forklift driver Cindy Gieshick and to waste-treatment worker Mary Lou Herbert. Readers met

forklift driver Luis Gonzalez in October and quality-assurance lab tech Maria Rivera in November.

### STARTING OVER

Last week, Hutchings and Collard introduced former spud trimmer Tony Cuellar and his wife, former employee-services clerk Belinda Naranjo. Read more about the couple on this page.

And meet packaging operator Candy Sanchez on A1 today.

### What's to come

The *Times-News* will check in with the workers periodically as they ponder their options and chart their futures over the coming months or years.

### Heyburn day care

Three days a week in Burley, Naranjo attends College of Southern Idaho classes in Western civilization, personal finance and aerobics. Next semester, which starts in January, she'll switch to full-time study. She hopes she'll have the help of Workforce Investment Act money for books, supplies, tuition, day care and transportation.

"That's just what they say. They ain't going to help with nothing, I think," Cuellar said.

His wife is more optimistic.

### Managing money

That personal finance class of Naranjo's has dealt with planning big purchases, budgeting, building credit, saving money.

"And right now, that's going to be a little hard," she said of the latter.

As their layoffs approached, Naranjo and Cuellar paid off some of their smaller bills and added extra money to some monthly payments.

"It might have to be minimum now for a while," Naranjo said. They did well financially with two full-time Simplot incomes,

they said, but they didn't put money aside for post-layoff days. Their lack of savings makes them both nervous, a little.

"Not that much, because I can always go to work," Cuellar said.

He said they still owe \$2,500 on the newest of their three vehicles. They owe Wilson-Bates for electronics; Sears, Roebuck and Co. for a batch of Izak's clothing; and the hospital for a still birth that would have been the couple's second child.

But they're up-to-date on rent payments. And with their recent debt payoffs, the \$500 they paid every two weeks on bills (that includes rent, utilities, debt and other regular bills, but not food, gas or baby-sitting) has shrunk to \$500.

The vehicle should be debt-free by March.

"I can't wait until we just have a rent payment and insurance," Cuellar said.

### Tasks at hand

The couple hopes to be paying rent in Twin Falls soon.

Naranjo in January needs to start taking degree-specific classes, in accounting. She's not eager to commute to the Twin Falls campus where those classes are offered. And Cuellar wants to start college, too, if he can collect WIA schooling benefits and big enough unemployment checks to go to college instead of a new job.

So the couple is searching out Twin Falls apartments close to CSI.

(Cuellar had favored a move to Nampa, but CSI's day-care program gave Twin Falls the edge.)

His wife, a Burley native, has left Mini-Cassia only during her participation in a Marsing Job Corps program, where the couple met.

But Cuellar won't miss Burley a bit.

"Nope, not at all. I won't miss

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### BRIEFLY IN MONEY

#### T.F. chamber plans upcoming events

**TWIN FALLS** - The Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce announced several events for the coming months:

• **November's Business After Hours** membership event will be hosted by Wells Fargo and Historic Old Towne from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Thursday in downtown Twin Falls.

The event provides an opportunity for chamber members and others to network and discuss their products and services. Finger foods, no-host beverages, live music and door prizes are planned.

• **Success By 6**, Child Link and the College of Southern Idaho's early childhood education department will host a tour and progressive snack event beginning at 5 p.m. Dec. 10 at South Central District Health, 1020 Washington St. N. (on the CSI campus).

The tour bus will include stops at Head Start, CSI Child Care and CSI's early childhood education department. For information, call Julie Blick at 733-4922 or Tiffany Eden at 732-6857.

• **December's Business After Hours** will be the chamber's annual holiday open house, co-hosted by the chamber and Soran Catering from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Dec. 12 at the Tour Club.

A Weber gas grill provided by Intermountain Gas will be the raffle prize. Finger foods and no-host beverages will be served.

• **The Magic Valley Drug Free Workplace's 2nd Annual Reasonable Suspicion Seminar** will be held Jan. 16 in the Taylor Building at CSI.

Speakers will discuss how to recognize and detect drug use in the workplace and what to do once suspicion has been established. Look for information at [twinfallschamber.com](http://twinfallschamber.com) or [www.mvdrugfree.org](http://www.mvdrugfree.org).

#### Real estate commission expands online services

**TWIN FALLS** - The Idaho Real Estate Commission made it easier for agents and brokers to do business with state government over the Internet.

The IREC has expanded its online services to include:

- Registering for IREC-sponsored courses
- Viewing continuing education credits
- Searching license records
- Doing late license renewals
- Purchasing a duplicate license
- Printing a replacement license

For brokers, updating company records and adding or removing associates.

"The commission is dedicated to improving our customers' experience online at [www.idahorealestatecommission.com](http://www.idahorealestatecommission.com)," Executive Director Donna Jones said. "Through Internet technology, we can make it easier and more convenient for agents to interact with state government."

#### Jerome chamber's holiday dinner is Thursday at 6 p.m.

**JEROME** - The Jerome Chamber of Commerce's HolidayFest 2002 will be held Thursday in the banquet room at the El Sombbrero restaurant in downtown Jerome.

A traditional holiday dinner will include turkey, ham, potatoes, stuffing, dessert and wine tasting. The Liberty Christian Academy orchestra and bell choir will provide live entertainment, and a live auction will be held.

Dinner is at 6 p.m., with the auction at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$12 per person.

For information, call 324-2711 or visit the chamber office at 1731 S. Lincoln, Suite A.

Compiled from staff reports

# YOUR BUSINESS

## MILESTONES

### Burley couple now owns First Class Weddings

**BURLEY** - Trish and Rick Hurst are the new owners of First Class Weddings, at 521 E. Main St. in Burley.

They are helped in the business by their children - Summer Blauer, Elizabeth Hurst, Andrea Hurst and Thayne Hurst.

The full-service wedding shop is also a rental store. It has a selection of wedding backdrops, tables, table linens, chairs, centerpieces, fountains, serving dishes and more. It has a floral shop and offers arrangements in silk or fresh flowers for any occasion.

Cakes are available for all occasions, including weddings, anniversaries, parties, retirements and other occasions. In addition, First Class Weddings offers tuxedo rentals and is a dealer for wedding invitations, napkins, candles, toasting glasses and miscellaneous wedding supplies.

New to the business are custom sewing and photography. The Hursts will expand their business to include children's parties, which can be catered or on site. They will also have a medium-sized room available for rental for parties or receptions.

The Hursts have lived in Burley most of their lives and have been involved in community organizations. He is employed at WTC Cassio Equipment in Heyburn as parts manager. She was formerly employed at Amalgamated Sugar Co. in Paul as accounts payable clerk.

Summer Blauer is married to Brian Blauer and, after graduating from Idaho State University, moved back to this area to work with her mother. Business hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday through Friday, or by appointment at other times by calling 878-3853.

### New store in Gooding has scrapbooking supplies

**GOODING** - Co-owners LeAnna Barlow and Jaymie Hatfield opened Our Favored in the rear of Spudland Video across from the Lincoln Inn. The new business deals with scrapbooking supplies such as acid free papers, stickers and albums. Its hand-crafted merchandise includes such things as wall hangings, wooden signs, wreaths, baskets and seasonal decorations. For information, e-mail Barlow or Hatfield at rfvathings@northrim.net, or call 934-5002.

### Barley commission plans meeting

**THE TIMES-NEWS** - COEUR D'ALENE - The Idaho Barley Commission will hold a commission meeting from noon to 4:30 p.m. Monday at the Coeur d'Alene Resort before the annual Idaho Grain Producers Association convention.

All barley growers and other interested parties are invited. Assistance for hearing-impaired or handicapped people is available by notifying the commission before the meeting; call Kelly Olson at 334-2090.

Target Corp. honored the Tri-County Drug Enforcement Team for its service to Target Stores and the surrounding area. Target's Assets Protection Division gave the DET a \$1,000 grant, which will be used for Global Positioning System units, tool kits, two-way radios and micro readers.

Target Corp.'s Assets Protection Division was created to address safety, theft and fraud issues that affect the communities it serves. Since its inception nearly 12 years ago, the division has donated more than \$1 million to law enforcement agencies throughout the country.

### Longtime retailer opens new carpeting business

**GOODING** - The Carpet Guy Inc. - at 430 Main St., next to Coyote Joe's across from the Lincoln Inn - is a new business for William Skaggs, who for years has had experience in the retail market.

The Carpet Guy offers a line of quality carpet, as well as other floor covering services such as laminated wood, vinyl and ceramic tile. Skaggs also offers a bedding department with a Sealy line of mattresses, headboards and other accessories.

Skaggs said the Carpet Guy will serve all of the Magic Valley and Sun Valley areas. The business is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and can be reached at 934-8337.

### Hobby turns into full-time mail-order business

**JEROME** - What started as a hobby for Tricia Ruby of Ruby Candle Co., six years ago, has evolved from the hobby stage, then part-time and is now a full-time wholesale mail-order business. All because she wanted to stay home with her children.

The national automotive Service Excellence certification is recognized in the truck and automotive industry. Slanus' certification covers drive train, gas and diesel engines, suspension and steering, electronics and more.

Slanus has been a heavy-duty truck mechanic for 20 years, with the last three at Van Dyk Truck Repair.

### Sun Healthcare reports Q3 earnings

**TWIN FALLS** - New Mexico-based Sun Healthcare Group Inc. reported third-quarter net revenues of \$478.4 million, operating losses of \$7.9 million and a loss before extraordinary items of \$20.2 million. That compared with year-ago net revenues of \$494.9 million, operating income of \$17.6 million and income before extraordinary items of \$8.2 million.

SunBridge Care & Rehabilitation for Twin Falls is a member of Sun. Sun operated 239 long-term and other inpatient care facilities with 27,100 licensed beds on Sept. 30, compared with 260 facilities with 29,153 licensed beds a year earlier. Nine under-performing facilities are expected to be divested within the next 12 months.

As part of its reorganization plan, Sun said it will relocate its corporate headquarters to Orange County, Calif., "in the near future." The company emerged from bankruptcy Feb. 28 and adopted the provisions of fresh-start accounting March 1.

## CAREER MOVES

### Linda S. Walker

**TWIN FALLS** - Linda S. Walker was promoted to general manager of Alliance Title and Escrow Corp.'s Twin Falls office. Walker assumed her new duties Nov. 1.

She has more than 20 years of title and escrow experience and began her career in the office she now manages. She also worked in the title and escrow industry in Canada and Oregon. She has been escrow operations manager in Twin Falls since 1994.

Walker is a past president of the Idaho Escrow Association and a current member of the American Escrow Association.

### Bill Slanus

**TWIN FALLS** - Bill Slanus of Van Dyk Truck Repair received Master ASE certification for heavy-duty truck repair.

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### Mirza Berberovic

**TWIN FALLS** - Mirza Berberovic recently joined Century 21 Greater Valley Properties as a real estate sales associate.

Berberovic and her husband and two daughters moved to Twin Falls from Europe three years ago. She speaks Bosnian and English, which gives her an opportunity to reach a wide range of the community. Berberovic can be reached at 733-2121.

### Angela Oliver

**TWIN FALLS** - Angela Oliver, formerly of the First Federal Savings Bank office in Burley, recently accepted the position of loan officer at the bank's main office in Twin Falls.

### Oliver graduated from Burley High School

**IN 1993** and started working at First Federal in April 1996 as a teller. In 1998 she moved to new accounts at the Burley office.

### Real estate associates

**Angela Oliver** at the Burley office.

**Rich Whitescarver** and **Paul Demuele**

**Marsha Demuele** and **Gary Baty**

**Law Fort** and **Kan Ling**

**Century 21 Real Estate Corp.** recently hosted an awards banquet to honor its sales associates in the Twin Falls Century 21 Greater Valley Properties office.

Rich Whitescarver, Paul Demuele, Marsha Demuele, Gary Baty, Law Fort and Kan Ling were named Top Producers for third quarter 2002. The Demueles also received the Top Quality Service Award.

Century 21 Greater Valley Properties' Keeslan Lytle, broker/owner with 31 sales associates, was awarded Second Place Southwest Idaho Top Transaction Office and Third Place Southwest Idaho Top Sales Office. Century 21 Greater Valley Properties is a full-service real estate sales office specializing in residential, commercial, land, lots, farms and recreational.

Century 21 Real Estate Corp. franchises more than 3,500 independently owned and operated offices in more than 25 countries and territories worldwide.

# Investors revive their affection for tech stocks

**NEW YORK (AP)** - Investors love affair with technology hasn't ended. In fact, many are carrying a big new torch for the sector that has been rarely seen - or at least, sustained - since the stocks began flaming out two and a half years ago.

Technology has been the focus of recent stock market rallies, with investors snatching up shares with a fervor that has been rarely seen - or at least, sustained - since the stocks began flaming out two and a half years ago.

Once again, the question on Wall Street is whether a technology rally suggests that the bear market is ending - or that investors are being foolish.

"As technology goes, so goes the market," is the thinking of many investors, said Michael Murphy, head trader at Wachovia Securities. "If this market is going to rally, tech is going to be the lead to see it."

But Chuck Hill, director of research at Thomson First Call, doubts that tech earnings are going to be strong enough to sustain the momentum.

"The numbers don't support it," said Hill. His firm tracks analysts' earnings expectations. This past week, the tech-laden Nasdaq composite index fell 3.8 percent. The two gauges less focused on technology have had more robust returns: The Dow Jones industrial average rose 0.5 percent, while the Standard & Poor's advanced almost 18 percent of 7,286.27.

Among the major indexes, it is the Nasdaq has had the strongest recovery since Oct. 9, when it and the S&P hit six-year lows and the Dow made a five-year low.

The Nasdaq has bounced back nearly 27 percent from its low of 1,144.11. The S&P has recovered 17 percent from 776.7, while the Dow has advanced almost 18 percent of 7,286.27.

Technology's surge has been in spite of some negative news, such

as **HER** fear, which has driven profit warnings from chip equipment maker Applied Materials. That's surely another sign of investors' lingering skepticism for technology.

Some analysts say the tech gains indicate that investors' optimism and the direction of the market are turning positive again.

"The stocks got to the point where they are screaming buy," Murphy said. "But some analysts say that investors are getting sick in again by a sector that still has some potential to disappoint them."

"They are buying the stocks that killed them over the last two years. To me, that is a worrisome sign," said Gary Kalbaum, market technician for Investors' Edge Partners in Orlando, Florida.

Kalbaum said he doesn't see how technology can be worth buying if other safer havens, such as homebuilders and defense stocks, are scrambling.

Another concern is that technology earnings will be weak through at least the first quarter of 2003, said Hill of Thomson First Call.

"Tech profits have picked up some, but it is at a much, much slower pace than anticipated," Hill said. "When will we get back to more robust recovery? I don't know."

Hill pointed out that analysts are continuing to cut their earnings growth forecasts for the tech sector. Analysts now expect fourth-quarter earnings to be down 32 percent from 32 percent projected on Oct. 1 and down from 60 percent on July 1.

As for the first quarter of 2003, current expectations call for earnings of 15 percent, down from 28 percent estimated on Oct. 1 and down from 60 percent on July 1.

## Simplot

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"This place at all," he said. "I don't go no family here."

Naranjo, of course, feels differently. He and his family in Twin Falls, too, and the move will put her husband half an hour closer to Nampa.

Besides the apartment quest, the business at hand includes picking out college classes. Applying for financial aid. Looking for a job for Cuellar in case college doesn't work out. ("Anything with long hours," he said. "I don't mind working long hours.") Navigating the unemployment insurance claim process and the WIA applications. And paring down possessions.

The couple doesn't want to pack up more than necessary. So Cuellar and Naranjo are divesting clothes that don't fit and toys Erik has outgrown.

"Whatever we don't use, that's what we're getting rid of," Cuellar said. Naranjo applied for rental assistance from Idaho Housing and Finance Association. But the waiting list for rent subsidies is long, and she was told not to expect an interview for four or five months.

She plans to ask Job Service whether that state agency can help the couple nail down housing in Twin Falls or provide relocation assistance.

## Career aspirations

Naranjo's application for WIA career-training benefits requires a little market research in the accounting field. She'll have to ask three companies whether they're hiring and at what wages. The state wants to be sure would-be students know what they're getting into.

Then Naranjo will interview at Job Service. If she's accepted for WIA-paid schooling, she'll be eligible for a work-search waiver while a full-time student. That means she could collect unemployment insurance checks without searching for a job.

Her husband's current top choice is a training program for automobile technicians. But it's not a solid pick, he said he might change majors after the first year of college.

Eventually, Cuellar wants to be in business for himself - in auto mechanics or otherwise. "My own little business, working from home," he said. "That's what I really want to do. Just any little small business."

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## Use these tips to pick the right health care coverage

By Amy Baldwin  
The Associated Press

Q: It's open enrollment time at my company, when employees must choose health care plans for the coming year. How can I determine which coverage is right for me?

A: You're smart to be thinking about your health care coverage. Health care benefits consultants say there have been a lot of changes to employer-sponsored plans. "With health care costs going up an average 15.4 percent (in 2003), employers are not going to be able to shoulder all of that and are going to pass it on to their employees," said Ken Sperling, of Hewitt Associates, a consulting firm.

"Now is not the time to spend 15 minutes on your enrollment materials," Sperling added. "For most employees, what they pay is going to go up, or their plan design is going to change, or the plan they are in now isn't going to be available next year."

In selecting your health insurance coverage, there are basically two factors to consider: access and cost.

Benefits consultants say to doctors with access first. "Make sure the network (of doctors) is an adequate match of your family's needs," said Leslie Miller of Marsh USA, a risk management and benefits consulting firm.

That means making sure the doctors you and your family use now will continue to participate in your plan or that they take

part in any new plan you are considering. Remember to take into account all your doctors - pediatricians, gynecologists and other specialists - not just your general practitioner.

The next step is to calculate and compare costs.

Figure out what you spend on health care this year by adding up your premiums, which are deducted from your paychecks, and your out-of-pocket expenses, such as doctor's office and prescription drug copayments and hospital or emergency room deductibles.

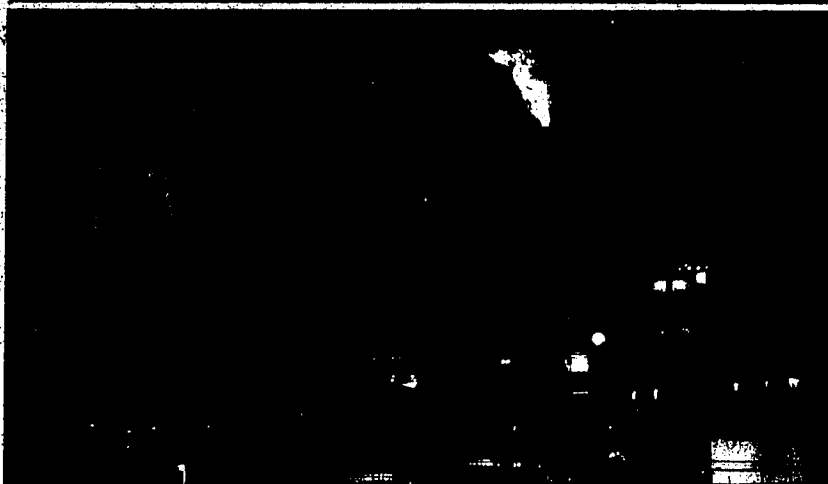
Then compare that cost with what your current plan - if it is available - will run you next year. Also run those numbers against other plans offered through your employer. If you are married, you'll want to weigh the cost of coverage through your employer against that of your spouse's.

Next, adjust those numbers to reflect other medical expenses that you anticipate next year, said Rich Niemeyer, a benefits consultant with Scheller Bradford Group.

That means, will your child need dental work? Have you been going to the doctor more often?

"For someone who isn't (often) sick, they might want a lower-cost premium where they would have higher out-of-pocket expenses, but they don't anticipate having those," Niemeyer said.

Also, check to see whether your company has a medical savings account program, which allows you to designate pre-tax dollars for certain medical expenses that might not be covered in your plan.



The flames from a blast furnace lights the sky above the ISG mill in Cleveland Oct. 2. Wilbur L. Ross bought the bankrupt LTV Corp. in February 2002, forming ISG. Ross says he expects his operation to show a profit this year.

# BACK FROM THE BRINK

## Former bankrupt steel mills, now leaner, expect profit

CLEVELAND (AP) - Not long ago, steelworkers thought their jobs had vanished permanently in an industry beset by bankruptcies. So the extra paychecks from International Steel Group that showed up in August and October were a surprise - especially since they were described as profit sharing.

"It's like buying your wife flowers. She either gets suspicious or really appreciates it. It's hard to restore faith, because of the way we were sort of thrown to the wolves with LTV," was the reaction of Ray Swagonski, who codes steel bars for processing at ISG-Cleveland, formerly the Cleveland Works of LTV Steel.

The first check amounted to 20 hours of pay, and the second was equal to one full week's pay. ISG hourly pay ranges from about \$12 to \$17.

The company's fortunes have changed since financier Wilbur L. Ross, who specializes in buying distressed businesses, resumed steel production at the now privately held venture six months ago. Ross said he expects to turn a profit this year with a leaner operation and a focus on improving relations between workers and management.

Most start-ups usually take a while to hit their stride, but Ross said, "that's not the case here." When Ross submitted a bid early this year for most of the steel assets of LTV Corp., all the company's production had stopped. LTV had filed for bankruptcy protection in December 2000.

A U.S. Bankruptcy Court judge last February approved Ross' bid of \$127 million plus other liabilities for the LTV Steel mills. Ross, ISG's chairman, said he and his partners have now put about \$236 million into ISG, where production resumed in May.

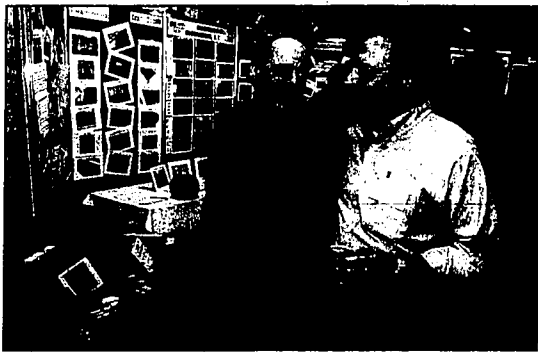
John Mang, general manager of ISG-Cleveland, said the Cleveland unit of the company expects an operating profit of \$90 million this year and \$175 million next year. He said ISG-Indiana Harbor, the company's other major revenue producer, expects similar results.

ISG has benefited from strong demand and steel prices that have risen from about \$225 a ton a year ago to about \$340, Mang said. The company is making about 25 percent less steel than LTV Steel did, but is using 48 percent fewer hourly workers and 60 percent fewer managers. Its work force is about 2,800, with 1,250 in Cleveland.

James Moss, a partner in Pittsburgh-based First River, an industrial consulting firm, said ISG may be a model of a leaner, more efficient U.S. steel industry of the future. He said its profit expectation in its first year is optimistic.

"It comes down to managerial skill and execution rather than cost structures and balance sheets essentially inherited from 100 years of steelmaking," Moss said.

Through the LTV Steel acquisition, ISG operates integrated flat rolled steel plants in Cleveland; Indiana Harbor in East Chicago,



Mark Granaki, left, president of Local 979 of the United Steelworkers of America, talks with International Steel Group general manager John Mang III during a party for employees Oct. 31 in Garfield Heights, Ohio.

*"That's what we were looking for in the first place, somebody down there with us, instead of sitting up in an office making decisions and not knowing what's going on in the plant."*

- Jimmy Conkle, ISG steelworker, on management changes

Ind., and a finishing plant in Hennepin, Ill. ISG also runs a coke plant in Warren, Ohio. In September, it acquired Riverdale, Ill.-based Acme Steel's caster and hot strip mill.

Ross, interviewed by telephone from his office at WL Ross & Co. LLC in New York, said ISG has benefited from U.S. tariffs on some imports.

The company has also been helped by the fact that it has not inherited what are known as legacy costs, the health insurance and pensions of some 82,000 retirees. Although that is a sore point with the United Steelworkers of America, Ross said he feels

strongly that the U.S. steel industry needs to be freed from those costs to compete with foreign producers.

Meanwhile, managers are trying to build a "new culture," Mang said. And Mark Granaki, president of newly formed Steelworkers Local 979, formed out of five former LTV Steel locals, said the profit sharing checks have helped set a friendlier tone.

"I worked for LTV Steel, and I never got a nickel that wasn't in a negotiated settlement," he said.

He and Mang said a permanent profit-sharing arrangement is part of ongoing contract talks.

The union and the company are working to replace a tentative agreement that allowed operations to restart last spring.

Ross said he has urged his ISG executives to build a relationship with workers similar to what he has observed at some Japanese plants. He encouraged Rodney Mott, ISG chief executive, to "take some workers out for a beer and things of that kind. Many of these workers had never seen the CEO of LTV."

Jimmy Conkle, a steelworker for 34 years at the Cleveland plant, recently attended a casual get-together with management. He said managers also frequently interact with workers in the mill.

"That's what we were looking for in the first place, somebody down there with us, instead of sitting up in an office making decisions and not knowing what's going on in the plant. They are closer to us in the job, so it's easier to tell what is going on," he said.

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# U.S. cattlemen travel to Ecuador trade talks

QUITO, ECUADOR — As trade-committee chairman for the Ranchers Cattlemen's Action Legal Fund USA, Dennis McDonald, cow/calf producer, McVilvie, Montana, traveled to Quito, Ecuador, recently with fellow R-CALF USA committee member Brett DeBruycker, also of Montana, to negotiate trade issues for the cattle industry, specifically, U.S. cow/calf producers.

The 2002 VII Business Forum for the Free Trade Area of the Americas pulled together 34 Western Hemisphere countries, excluding Cuba, to map out a multi-national blueprint of commodity trade rules and regulations that could eventually become FTAA statutes.

Completion of the FTAA is expected by 2005 and will create the world's largest "free trade" area, ending tariff borders from Canada to Chile.

According to McDonald, the Brazilian delegation was similarly focused on achieving "unfettered access" to the U.S. market. "They are going after our markets with a strong determination. They want to do away with all farm subsidies and are demanding tariff-free zones, no monetary restrictions and the elimination of tariff rate quotas," he said.

McDonald and DeBruycker urge U.S. cattle producers to be on the front and center with FTAA negotiations because the market will belong to the lowest cost producer, and cattle production costs are considerably less in South America than in the United States.

"Unless we include meaningful safeguards in this FTAA, the U.S. cattle industry and our way of life in rural America will be threatened," DeBruycker said.

## Gooding County moves to amend CAFO ordinance

GOODING — Livestock producers and anyone else interested in confined animal feeding operations and how they handle manure in Gooding County will have the chance to comment on proposed changes to the county's CAFO ordinance.

A public hearing will be held by the Gooding County planning and zoning commission 7 p.m., Nov. 21, at the Gooding County courthouse.

The proposed changes to the ordinance centering on manure storage and composting include, in part, siting setbacks from residences, site planning and management considerations.

Also in the amended CAFO ordinance is a requirement for a special-use permit for commercial composting, a requirement for removal of manure on an annual basis and a requirement that new or expanding CAFOs south of 2800 south and apply for a special-use permit and a CAFO siting permit.

A summary of the amended ordinance is available at the Gooding County clerk's office, and the planning and zoning office.

"Anyone may attend and oral testimony will be taken but only on the amended parts of the ordinance," Daubner said.



**Farmstead**  
Highlights of this week's Ag Weekly, The Times-News' weekly report on agriculture.

## Growers debate value, harm of crop reports

BURLEY — Accuracy and necessity of government crop reports and market service surveys were among the list of topics discussed at the Potato Growers of Idaho district meeting on Thursday.

Governance statistics are not always accurate, said Keith Esplin, PGI executive director, and that can lead to wrong responses in the market.

A wide range of prices has been reported from \$9 for No. 1s to \$5 for dehydrated, he said. Currently the price for french fry quality potatoes is about \$6.25. While the French fry segment, some growers expressed concern that contract prices received by most Idaho growers do not reflect prosperity for growers.

Bargaining is one tool that could help. To that end, Mike Telford, a Paul area seed grower, would like to see the government marketing service discontinued, he said.

"It is a waste of time and money and never helps us," Telford said, adding that uncertainty in the market is a positive, he said.

"The one thing that helps us out is uncertainty."

While there is a growing feeling among producers that knowing the numbers does not always help, Esplin said knowledge of the numbers could be beneficial.

"My concern is that if we don't have numbers for the growers, buyers will still have the numbers," he said.

## Wool growers hear good, bad at annual meeting

SUN VALLEY — Attendees at the annual Idaho Wool Growers Association meeting here got sheep industry news last weekend in two shades — bright and dark.

The bright side of the reports is that the market for lamb meat and wool now is not saturated and brimming with a surplus as it was last year, which depressed sales and prices.

But the dark side came in a report from Warren Ririe, of the U.S. Forest Service's rangeland management division, who said all grazing allotments in the Sawtooth National Recreation Area are in jeopardy because of lawsuits.

The legal actions filed by a coalition of environmental groups, now pending before Federal Judge B. Lynn Winmill, charge that grazing constitutes "substantial impairment" of the SNRA and should be ceased.

"There's no question," Ririe told the wool industry ranchers, "the primary goal of lawsuits is to do away with grazing."

He added, "Opponents use litigation whenever they can. (The Forest Service) is constantly in a situation that ties us up in court."

# M. V. dairymen endure low prices

By David Burgess  
Times-News writer

WENDELL — This long period of low milk prices, with Class III dipping below \$10 per hundredweight, tests dairymen and squeezes everyone in the dairy industry.

"Cash flow is so tight it makes it hard to operate," said Joe Pereira, owner of Sunrise Dairy, milking about 250 cows near Wendell. "This economy has really put a bite on everything. It's tough to make ends meet."

November and December contracts for Class III milk are under \$10, Wilson Gray, University of Idaho extension economist, said in a report in this weekend's edition of Ag Weekly.

That is far below the 15-year average price for Class III of \$12.25, and it is hitting hard.

"Continued low prices are starting to draw blood," Gray said. "It is starting to have some effect on producers."

He noted that in Magic Valley there have been some recent bankruptcy filings, and there is the expectation of more dairies folding this fall.

Pereira is managing by cutting back wherever he can.

But, "you can only cut back so much," he said. "You still have to feed the cows right."

Also helping Pereira through a tough year are the contracts he set up in March for cottonseed and soy. The "lock" contracts through Agri Trading in Gooding run October 2002-October 2003 and are saving Pereira money right now as current market prices on cottonseed and soy are higher.

"It's nice to know your fixed costs," he said.

Having prepaid for feed could be helping, he added, but dairymen who are maxed out on credit are at the most risk.

Low milk prices also are felt by suppliers to the dairy industry, said Jed Brown, chief financial officer of Standard Nutrition Co., which sells mineral supplements to local dairies from a location in Jerome. The company, based in Omaha, Neb., does business in many Upper Midwest and Pacific Northwest states and in Canada, and a little over half is dairy business, he said.

Brown said the company has been bracing for the effect of low milk prices to come down the pipe, but it has not really hit hard yet. In managing its accounts, the company has not changed its credit policy.

"We just have our ear to the ground a little more," he said. "We are reacting a little quicker when an account gets a little out of bounds."

## Milk and cheese markets

"Probably the descriptive term so far is that it has been a sideways market, kind of maintaining on the low side," Gray said. "The cheese price bobs up and down, but the milk futures seem to be unaffected by it. Whenever the cheese market gets to looking stronger, the Class III market has not reflected the changes on the cheese side."

"Both have been more or less down all year," he added.



Gray attributes the low prices in large part to oversupply.

"If you go back and look at milk production, nationally, it's been up between 2 and 3 percent each month over the same months last year. We still have considerably more cows at this time over the same time last year."

Alan Levitt, of Levitt Communications, a dairy market analyst in Illinois, agreed, saying there is more cheese out there than the market can bear.

But demand has also slowed with the national economic recession, Gray said.

Levitt is concerned that a drop in per capita consumption of cheese could signal a structural shift that the dairy industry has not yet adjusted to.

"Did something change, and did we just miss it?" he said.

Total cheese consumption isn't, but has not risen as much as population.

"Maybe it's demographics, maybe it is related to the economy. Nobody has done a comprehensive study of that, I am just raising the question," he said.

The industry has to ask itself, "How long does the market have to be down for us to decide that a structural change?" Levitt said.

The market has not seen the 3 to 4 percent annual increases in consumption that have been the recent norm.

Total U.S. cheese consumption saw 0.6 percent growth through August for the first eight months of the year, Levitt said. Last year it was 0.9 percent — about even with population growth. But, going back to 1980, there have never been two years in a row when growth in consumption was below the population growth rate.

## The near outlook

There is little expectation that the cheese market will rise before February at least, and without a rise in cheese, Class III milk won't move up either.

The cheese market is still back below support, Levitt said. "I would expect it to stay there for a couple months."

"When will prices turn up again?" "I was hoping things would perk up with the holidays, but it hasn't happened," Gray said. "It could be sometime mid next year before we come out of this. If you are optimistic, maybe it will be the second quarter next year. And that is predicated on cow numbers starting to shrink and demand picking up a little bit."

Pereira is hoping for spring. "But if I had a crystal ball, I'd be rich," he said.

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# Idaho ag stats service releases numbers on milk, beef, labor

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — The Idaho Agricultural Statistics Service on Friday released numbers on milk, beef and farm labor.

Here are the stats:

- Idaho milk production during October totaled 694 million pounds, a 3.3 percent increase from the same month last year, and 2.4 percent more than September.

That's the smallest increase from the previous year since August 1993.

Revised production for September total 678 million pounds, down 2.2 percent from the preliminary estimate, but 3.8 percent above September 2001.

Average milk production per cow in October was 1,770 pounds, or 50 pounds less than October 2001, but 40 pounds above September. The average number of milk cows during October was 392,000 head — 23,000 head more than October 2001, but unchanged from last month.

• Cattle on feed for the slaughter market in Idaho (from feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head) on Nov. 1 totaled 255,000 head, down 11 percent from the Nov. 1, 2001, inventory. The inventory was up 5 percent from the number on hand as of Oct. 1. Placements of cattle into state

feedlots (with a capacity of 1,000 or more head) during October totaled 77,000 head, down 2,000 head from October 2001 placements. Marketings during October totaled 61,000 head, up 3,000 head from October 2001 marketings.

• In Idaho, Montana and Wyoming, there were 30,000 hired workers on farms and ranches the week of Oct. 6-12, up 11 percent from the 27,000 workers in the comparable week a year ago. Hired workers worked an average of 45.1 hours during the survey week at an average wage of \$8.13 per hour, up 41 cents from last year.

Nationally, there were 1.19 million hired workers on farms and ranches the week of Oct. 6-12, down 5 percent from a year ago.

Farm operators paid their hired workers an average wage rate of \$8.93 per hour during the October survey week, up 34 cents from a year earlier. Field workers received an average of \$8.30 per hour, up 29 cents from last October. Livestock workers earned \$8.44 per hour compared with \$8.39 a year earlier.

The field and livestock worker combined wage rate, at \$8.33, was up 24 cents from last year. The number of hours worked averaged 40.4 for hired workers during the survey week, compared with 41.7 hours a year ago.

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# Experts: The only worst time to buy bonds

By Kathleen Haggerty  
Investment Advisor

Impudent shoppers who switch into the wrong time of the super-market lose time.

Impudent investors who switch into the wrong market fund lose money — and that's exactly what some professionals say is likely to happen to those who are piling into bond funds.

As of Sept. 30, an estimated \$118.8 billion had flowed into bond funds this year — well above the \$87.7 billion bond funds pulled in during all of 2001.

The driver: Most 401(k) plan participants and other investors turned away from stocks.

Bad move, say many professional investors, who worry the result of that investment decision will be every bit as ugly as the race into stocks shortly before the bubble burst in March 2000.

"If you were a disciplined investor, three years ago you would have been reducing your exposure to equities and increasing your exposure to bonds — and now you should be doing the opposite," said Peter S. Lautmann, principal and equity portfolio manager at Kitginner Lautmann Capital Management Inc.

Longer-term bonds — and longer-term bond funds in particular — carry a great deal of risk that could turn into investor losses when interest rates begin to rise.

"Most investors don't recognize that if interest rates go up, that will hurt the performance of their bond portfolio," said Jeff Bryden, managing director of fixed income at Campbell Newman Asset Management Inc. in Mequon, Wis.

For instance, look at a Treasury note that is due to mature in five years. If interest rates are unchanged in December 2003, you would have gotten a 4.97 percent total return on a five-year Treasury with a 3.85 percent yield purchased on Oct. 25, said Michael J. Steppe, partner and chief investment officer at Blackfield Investment Partners L.P., a Brookfield, Wis., money management firm.

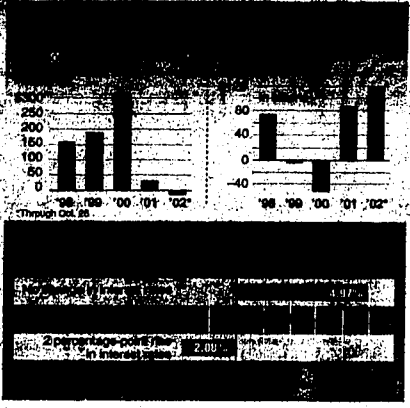
If interest rates rise by one percentage point though, that total return would drop to 1.37 percent, Steppe said. If interest rates rose by two percentage points, that return would be a negative 2.08 percent, he said.

Many say such interest rate increases are a real possibility.

A number of factors contributed to the bull market bond investors have enjoyed for the last 20 years. Interest rates peaked in 1981, then began a long slide. Add deflating inflation, shrinking budget deficits and an increase in foreign investors getting into U.S. markets, and you have a formula for strong bond performance.

But now, interest rates are near 40-year lows, and unlikely to go higher. "Under the best conditions, rates will probably remain at current levels going forward," Bryden said.

William A. Priebe's interest rate



2 percentage points  
in interest rates

forecast suggests AA corporate bonds with maturities of seven to 12 years won't provide more yield than their coupon rates — and could actually turn in overall losses.

"If we're right on our forecast that the 10-year Treasury will move to (a yield of) 4.5 percent by the end of the year, you could lose as much as 10 percent in bond funds, depending on maturity and quality," said Priebe, an equity portfolio manager and president of Geneva Capital Management Ltd. in Milwaukee.

That scenario isn't as gruesome for investors who buy individual bonds. "The bond's price can fluctuate, but if you hold it to maturity you get your money back," said Robert J. Bukowski, senior consultant at Alpha Investment Consulting Group in Milwaukee.

Bond funds are a different story. The fall-out from rising interest rates can hit bond funds particularly hard.

For example, many financial advisors put their clients into bond funds in 1967, Priebe said. By the 1980s, when interest rates had risen into double digits, some of those bond funds were 30 percent to 40 percent under water, he said.

"The real problem with a bond fund is there's no maturity. It's always been the problem," Priebe said.

Here's what happens: As rates rise, bond fund managers want to buy bonds with shorter maturities so they aren't locked into lower yields for a long time. They start

and stick to your asset allocation. The reality, if you look carefully at most fund flows, is that more investors likely don't have an asset allocation plan and are wired to do the wrong thing at the wrong time.

401(k) plan investors had a record low amount of their money in stocks in September, according to the Hewitt 401(k) index, which tracks the daily transfer activity of 1.5 million participants in large employer plans. Stock investments accounted for only 57.2 percent of balances, compared with 67 percent a year ago and nearly 75 percent at the end of 2000, Hewitt said.

Many professionals say individuals will benefit from lowering their expectations for the kind of returns they can get, and from shifting their bond allocation to shorter-maturity bond funds.

"You want to as short as possible," Lautmann said. You also want to consider money markets a viable choice, Bryden said.

For the very courageous, there are always stocks. "People always follow yesterday's hot investment idea," Priebe said. "They ought to be buying stocks right now."

selling the bonds they bought when rates were falling, which have higher yields and longer maturities.

The net asset values of the funds start declining because as their yields rise, the price of the bonds in the fund go down. The decline in the price of the fund will often make shareholders sell, which forces the manager to sell more bonds at low prices to raise cash, which causes more shareholders to sell.

Another problem: Even though the bonds the manager is selling may have declined in price, they are still worth more than the manager originally paid. Therefore, the fund is likely to incur capital gains. "So you have the worst of both worlds — a tax bill on the gains and a loss of wealth," Steppe said.

"You add to that the difficulties you've got in the corporate bond world where credits have been deteriorating, and the obvious thing is that bond funds right now are not a good place to put your money."

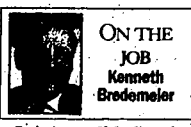
So what's a bond investor to do? Rebalance, Bukowski said.

"If you had a mix of 60 percent stocks and 40 percent bonds, you want to get back to that," he said.

That's pretty much the answer you'll get from almost anyone, from Wall Street public relations departments to industry organizations to investment professionals.

Even if you think one asset class like bonds may underperform, it's nearly impossible to time the market, they say. So be disciplined

# Worker takes advantage of her employers' time



ON THE JOB  
Kenneth Brodemeyer

When employees take advantage of their employers' goodwill, companies are faced with tough choices.

Q: My husband and I have a small business. There are four employees, and the problem is the full-time office assistant. We have always liked her very much. But she increasingly takes time off for personal reasons to the point where she works only 8 1/2 out of 10 workdays. Finally, she was told she had a certain number of paid sick days and paid vacation days. That was two years ago. Since then, she ran out of paid leave in July of each year.

She is also often tardy. We have had sick children, sick parents, family emergencies, school meetings and the like, and we believe the right thing to do is to work around such things. Our colleagues tell us we are chumps and we should fire the assistant. So what to do?

A: On the Job is sure that many employers would have long ago fired this worker. But Pam Farr, president and chief operating officer of the Cabot Advisory Group,

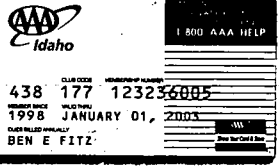
a Bedminster, N.J., firm that advises businesses on workplace problems, said the worker should get one last chance.

"They need to sit down with this worker and put in writing what is expected, reiterate the paid-leave policy and state that she has fallen short of the standards. They have to be very declarative that any further violation of the paid-leave policy will not be tolerated and could result in disciplinary action, including termination.

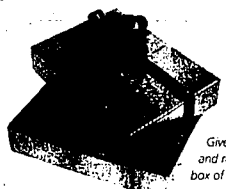
"This company has been eminently fair and patient." If the employee violates the rules again, Farr said, "they really do have to fire her."

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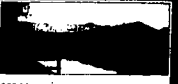
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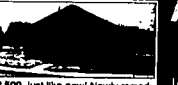
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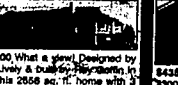
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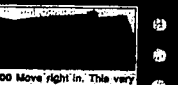
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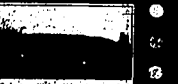
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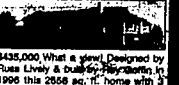
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
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
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
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
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
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
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
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Sunday, Nov. 17, 2002

THE ACES ON BRIDGE

Bobby Wolf

Dear Mr. Wolf: When I open the bidding and hear both opponents act, what should my double mean now? After one heart - one spade - pass - two diamonds, does a double by me show hearts and clubs?

ANSWER: Yes. When partner has not acted, all doubles are for takeout. This sequence sounds as if it is showing five hearts and four clubs with a strong hand.

Dear Mr. Wolf: When opener makes a jump shift, what should responder do? Holding ♠ K-3-4, ♥ 10-9-7-4-3, ♦ Q-10-5, ♣ A-2. I responded one heart to my partner's one-diamond opening. What should I rebid when he jumps to three clubs?

ANSWER: The first priority is to support partner's first suit. If you cannot do that or rebid your own six-card suit, then raise partner's second suit or bid no-trump, as appropriate. Fourth suit tends to show a hand with no sensible bid (often with weak length in that suit). With your hand, supporting to three diamonds is far better than bidding three no-trump.

Dear Mr. Wolf: I missed a game recently when I jumped my partner's one heart with four trumps and 10 points. Afterwards, my partner said that in competition everybody plays that jump raises of partner's suit are pre-emptive rather than limit. Is that so?

ANSWER: It is certainly true that the modern tendency is to play that, in competition, jump raises tend toward distributional rather than high-card values. With a stronger hand, one cue-bids instead to show limit values or better.

Dear Mr. Wolf: Last night I passed, LHO bid one heart, my partner passed, RHO raised to two hearts, and my partner doubled in balancing seat. I had ♠ J-3, ♥ Q-4-3, ♦ A-Q-4-3, ♣ 10-9-7-5 and high ace clubs. My partner said I should have bid my better suit, but I expected my partner to convert to three diamonds if he did not like clubs. What are your thoughts?

ANSWER: Actually, the best action with your hand is a bid of two no-trump. When you are facing a passed partner, this auction should not be fatal. Instead, it suggests both minors and asks partner to pick one. As a general rule, when your side has denied game interest, using two no-trump as a scramble has a lot to recommend it.

Dear Mr. Wolf: How many values do I need to respond to partner when an opponent overcalls one no-trump over his opening bid? Holding ♠ J-4, ♥ Q-10-9-7-4-3, ♦ 9-5, ♣ Q-J-2. I heard partner open one no-trump and my RHO bid one no-trump. I chose to try two hearts. Was this unreasonable?

ANSWER: Acting in this position shows something close to a minimum weak two-bid, typically a six-card suit but no more than nine points, since otherwise you would probably have doubled the opponent. On this occasion two hearts was pushy, but not wrong. In situations like this, it is human nature to judge a bid's technical merit by whether it worked or not!

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## Magic Valley reads 'Across Open Ground'

My friend Libby reads herself to sleep at night. Always has. She used to curl up with the weighty volumes such as "Gone with the Wind" or "War and Peace." Then she started having nightmares - dreaming she was falling asleep and her book was falling on her, crushing her to death. Now Libby is like me. She prefers light leisure reading. A good, 300-page novel sounds just about right.

This year, I'd bet my library card that the Magic Valley Reads committee is teasing Libby and me the perfect literary rescue net.

The committee members, from schools and businesses, are meeting at the Twin Falls Public Library twice a month to plan their second-year Magic Valley Reads calendar of events. There will be talks, workshops, receptions, movies. But none of that will happen until the end of February, giving everyone time to visit the library or bookstore and settle in by the center fire with a copy of - drum roll now - the selected book: "Across Open Ground," by Heather Parkinson.

Family, and adventure, in the American West. The teen and Magic Valley Reads, and similar "what if everybody read the same book" projects across the country, is to encourage the whole community to read. The committee's April 2002 kickoff was a successful first effort. But, according to readership surveys, the local west fiction this time around. They also want a book written by someone who will come to the community and speak.

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Denise Turner is assistant features editor at The Times-News.

# TOP of the toy LIST

## Harry Potter, Tony Hawk and dolls will dominate Christmas '02

By Steve Crump  
Times-News writer

What toys can't your kids do without this Christmas? Surprisingly, not just electronic toys.

Old-fashioned dolls and such traditional staples as LEGOs will be among the most popular playthings for Yule 2002, according to Magic Valley retailers who are selling them.

To be sure, Nintendo GameCube, Xbox, PlayStation 2 and the games they play are expected to move briskly, with Activision's Tony Hawk Pro Skater predicted to be the top seller.

The following rankings were obtained by combining the average scores from predictions for top-selling toys made by PlayDate and Toy Wishes magazine and current sales rankings from Amazon.com:

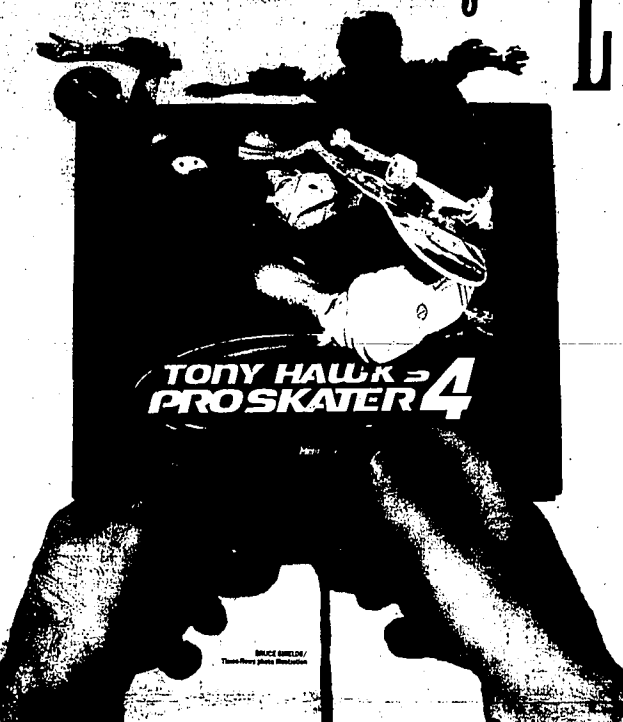
**1. Barbie as Rapunzel/Mattel** - This is a series of dolls and accessories that allow girls to play out the storyline from the movie "Barbie as Rapunzel," which was released last month. Highlights: This doll has a full 12 inches of hair, with extendable ponytail and hair extension. Target group: Girls, 5-9. Manufacturer's suggested retail price: \$19.99.

**2. Yu-Gi-Oh Trading Cards Booster Pack Collectors Tin/Upper Deck** - This accessory to the popular adventure card game for pre-adolescent boys allows collectors to increase their power during monster dueling matches. This is an assortment of the game's most recent additions, including "Legend of Blue Eyed White Dragon" booster packs, one "Magic Ruler" booster pack and one variant card. Target group: 8-14. Manufacturer's suggested retail price: \$19.99-\$24.99.

**3. My First LeapPad/Leap Frog** - This is just one accessory to the popular Quantum Pad Learning System, designed for third-through fifth-graders. Using an interactive pen, kids trigger audio that teaches math and spelling. Target group: 6-11. Manufacturer's suggested retail price: \$34.99.

**4. Bratz Funk n' Glow/MGA Entertainment** - This is a collection of five stylized dolls, each with a light-up fiber-optic jacket, and an assortment of accessories including this year's hottest item - the Bratz Salon n' Spa, which retails for \$49.99. Target group: Girls, 4-8. Manufacturer's suggested retail price: \$29.99 per doll.

**5. Harry Potter Slime Chamber Play Set/Mattel** - Kids lead the head of the basilisk with Mattel's glow-



in-the-dark Slime and place an action figure in the slime chamber, release the snake's jaw and dump slime all over the intruder. Target group: 5-8. Manufacturer's suggested retail price: \$15.99.

**6. Tony Hawk Pro Skater/Activision** - Available for PlayStation 2, Xbox and Game-Cube, this is the king of the video games this Christmas. The player starts as an amateur and chooses which skills to work on to become a skateboarding champion. The game can accommodate up to eight players with different game consoles. Target group: Boys, 13-17. Manufacturer's suggested retail price: \$39.99-\$49.99.

**7. Rescue Heroes Ultimate Rescue Vehicle/Fisher Price** - This follow-up to a line of action-adventure toys introduced in the wake of 9/11 is an arm-and-radio-controlled android that repeats "No One Gets Left Behind." Requires three AAA and 4 C batteries. Target group: Boys, 6-9. Manufacturer's suggested retail price: \$49.99.

**8. Harry Potter Chamber of Secrets/LEGO** - This 591-piece LEGO set includes several movie characters and combines with other Harry Potter LEGO sets to form the Ultimate Hogwarts Experience, where kids can build their own scenes to match the action in the Harry Potter books and movies. Target group: 6-12.

**9. Disney Toddler Princess/Playmate** - This is yet another lucrative product spinoff from Disney animated movies, in this case 14-inch dolls of Ariel from "The Little Mermaid," Belle from "Beauty and the Beast" and Cinderella. Comes with a variety of accessories, rooted hair and painted eyes. Target group: Girls, 3-6. Manufacturer's suggested retail price: \$19.99.

**10. Dora the Explorer dolls/Fisher Price & Mattel** - The intrapud 7-year-old bilingual Latina character from the daytime Nickelodeon animated series has spawned a wide variety of licensed products, notably the Dora, Swiper the Fox and Boots the Monkey 12, 1/2-inch dolls. Target group: 3-6. Manufacturer's suggested retail price: \$18.99.

**Don't expect shortages**  
D... Many retailers are expecting just a 2 to 3 percent increase in sales this Christmas season, and the availability of popular toys is critical to profits.  
"Sales have been about the same as last year for," Adams said. "But then, it's still early."

Manufacturer's suggested retail price: \$69.99.

## Throw the perfect kids' party

### Preschoolers:

- Don't go overboard on guests. "A peer or two may add to the fun, but don't invite a toddler army," advises "The Gift of Good Manners."
- Limit the guest list to four to six children or 3- and 4-year-olds will help keep the event manageable.
- Praise the positive and be willing to overlook a lot. "You don't want anyone to be mean or to get hurt," Wallace says. "Otherwise, the expectations for manners at a preschooler's party are minimal, for guests and host alike."
- Young children's feelings are easily hurt if they're left out of a party, especially if it's one attended by an older sibling. Parents might take the child out to lunch as a treat to soothe feelings of exclusion, Gregory suggests. "A 5-year-old doesn't want to hang out with a 4-year-old, but that's hard to explain to the 4-year-old," he noted.
- Offer refreshments to other partygoers who will most likely stay to enjoy the young children.

### School-age children:

- The birthday child should

### Etc...

greet each guest as he comes in and say "thank you" when gifts are handed over. Guests should greet the host parents.

- Guests shouldn't complain and should try to participate in activities, even if it's something they don't like. "Even if a guest doesn't like a game, they should play it in honor of the birthday child," Brueske said. "When it's their birthday, they'll get to pick something to play."
- Be friendly with everyone. The host should introduce children who don't know each other, such as a soccer-team friend to a classmate friend. Guests shouldn't exclude others by whispering and teasing.
- Except in case of illness or an emergency, children should go to a party they said they would attend. "It's the height of rudeness to (fail to attend) once you've accepted an invitation," Gregory said.

### company or the entertainment.

Eat and drink what's available without making special requests. (Pickety eaters should eat before the party). Politely decline an offer with "No, thank you."

- Keep the age of guests within a couple years' span.
- Parents have the right to know what activities are planned, including what music or videos will be played. Be clear on what areas of the house are off-limits, such as bedrooms.
- Kids should handle most of the hosting duties, such as greeting guests at the door. Parents should help other parents dropping children off. At the end of the party, they should make sure children leave with the right adult.

— Sources: Corinne Gregory, program director of Woodville's The Polite Child; Barbara Brueske, owner of Etiquette Unlimited in Sammamish, Wash.; "Elbow Off the Table, Napkin in the Lap, No Video Games During Dinner," by Carol McD. Wallace; "The Gift of Good Manners: A Parent's Guide to Raising Respectful, Kind, Considerate Children" by Peggy Post and Cindy Post Senning; Sealife Times

## 'Hansel and Gretel' auditions begin

### Monday

**TWIN FALLS** - Auditions will be held from 4-6 p.m. at the Episcopal Church of the Ascension for the Missoula, Mont., Children's Theater production of "Hansel and Gretel."

"Hansel and Gretel" will be performed Saturday at 3 and 7 p.m. in the O'Leary Junior High School auditorium.

Those auditioning should arrive at 4 p.m. and plan to stay for the full two hours.

Some of the cast members will be asked to stay for a rehearsal immediately following the auditions.

Among the roles to be cast as Hansel and Gretel, cooks, forest animals and Wallybirds.

The MCT touring productions are complete with costumes, scenery, props and makeup. The MCT four actors/directors will conduct rehearsals the rest of this week from 4-8 p.m. daily.

### Wednesday

**TWIN FALLS** - The Eugene, Ore., Ballet will perform "The Nutcracker" with local dancers at 7:30 p.m. in the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium. Tickets, which are \$16 for adults, \$10 for students/children, are available at Everybody's Business, Kurt's Pharmacy and Hallmark, Crowley's Old Time Soda

### To do for families

**Fountain, the Magic Valley Arts Council, Sav Mor Drug in Buhl, Arlene's Flowers in Jerome, the CSI Community Education Center, and the CSI outreach centers in Burley and Gooding.** For more information or for tickets, call 732-6288.

### Thursday

**HAILEY** - The Eugene, Ore., Ballet will perform "The Nutcracker" with local dancers at 7 p.m. in the Wood River High School auditorium, with dances from the Foothill Dance Center, the Sun Valley Ballet School and the Art of Dance. Tickets, which are \$12 for adults, \$6 for children and \$18 for reserved seats, are available at Chapter One bookstore in Ketchum. Read All About It in Hailey, Glenn's Market in Bellevue and the College of Southern Idaho office in Hailey.

Every week, To Do for Families lists family oriented events in south-central Idaho. To get an item listed in the calendar, send it to Features Department, The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls 83403. Deadline is noon on Wednesdays.

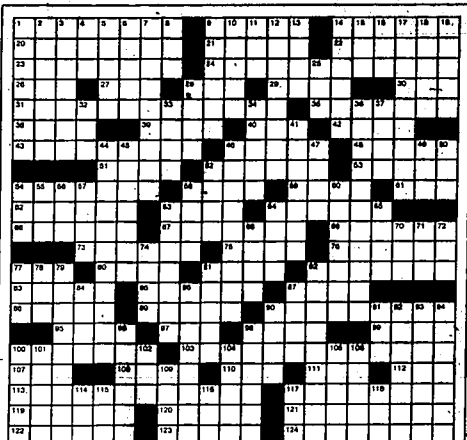
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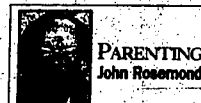


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**Parents shouldn't lose sleep over 2-year-old's wakefulness**

Q. Our 28-month-old is waking up anywhere from two to five times a night (on a bad night, about every two hours). She comes to our room crying. We simply tell her it's still nighttime and walk her back to bed. She immediately goes back to sleep and back to sleep. Sometimes all we have to do is tell her to go back to bed and she will put herself back to sleep. We are having difficulty finding the motivation behind this behavior, since she doesn't want us to lie down with her, nor is she angling to get into our bed. Plus, she doesn't fight us when we put her back to bed. She sometimes comes in saying she is scared, but again will go right back to sleep. We have a 1-month-old baby, so getting up with both kids is really wearing me out. And by the way, this started a couple of months before the baby was born but has since gotten worse.



**PARENTING**  
John Rosemond

A. I doubt there's any "motivation" behind this at all. What you're describing is a sleep disturbance, pure and simple, not some psychological phenomenon. It is not unusual for a child's sleep patterns to change around age 2. As a parent, you may have fewer naps, taking longer to fall asleep, or—as in this case—waking up periodically during the night. The fact that a "night" waker is being scared is most likely due to the fact that the parents, at the outset of the problem, asked, "Are you scared?"

Parents' children give for their own behavior amount to nothing more than ideas they've picked up from adults. Questions often confuse toddlers. Their best "defense," therefore, is to simply agree. Yes, I'm scared. In legalese, it's called "leading the witness."

When a toddler wakes up in the night crying, just comfort. Do not ask questions. Reassure the child that she is well, that you're taking care of business. Get the child back to sleep as soon as possible, in his/her own bed. When parents bring the child into bed with them or get in the child's bed, the likelihood of night-waking becoming a difficult-to-undo habit is greatly increased.

Also, know that there is a distinct difference between night-waking, nightmares and night terrors. A young child who awakens suddenly in the night is apt to be confused; thus, she starts crying. This does not mean she's had a nightmare. Nightmares generally have their onset after age 3. Contrary to what most people tend to believe, most nightmares are not psychological events. They just happen, usually for no reason.

Night terrors are hallucinations during which the child seems "trick" between sleeping and waking. This is a terrifying experience for the child, but is often equally terrifying for the parent. In each case, the best advice is to stay cool, calm and collected. Always remember that there is nothing so reassuring to a child as a parent who acts like he or she is in complete control of the situation. Conversely, there is nothing so frightening as a parent who acts like he or she doesn't know what to do.

The solution: At her bedtime, stretch a ribbon across the doorway to your daughter's room. Locate the "ceiling" of the room (it's chest height) if she walks out of her room in the middle of the night. Tell her that when she feels the ribbon, she's to go back to bed in the procedure.

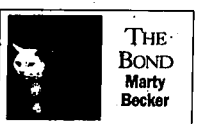
Now, this is not going to be magic. Getting it to work is going to take calm, authoritative persistence on your part. When she wakes up and comes into your room, simply take her back to her room, point out the ribbon, and remind her that the ribbon means "get back in bed and go back to sleep." In a week or so, this should be history.

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**Watch the show with your dogs**

In the Becker home, Thanksgiving means family time. We gather for a wonderful celebration with those we love, thankful for all the blessings that we enjoy. At our house, that includes the four-legged members, as we celebrate the human-animal bond as well.

And to make this holiday even more interesting, NBC just may have a new twist on the Thanksgiving Day Parade — America's greatest family holiday — family entertainment and dogs.



the chance to see most of the 150 breeds recognized by the American Kennel Club, with an entry of nearly 2,000 dogs expected for the show.

The National Dog Show makes it Thanksgiving Day TV debut in a two-hour special (10 a.m. noon MST) on NBC. The show will air immediately following the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade.

This marks the first presentation of a regular all-breed dog show on network television, with the tradition-rich Philadelphia show providing the platform for the nearly 2,000 dogs as they play. While the American Kennel Club stages more than 1,500 shows during the year, the Philadelphia show enjoys special status as a breed show (one of only six in the country), with its long history (first held in 1879), and huge audience at the parade.

John O'Hurley, the former star of NBC's hit "Seinfeld" series (the played catalog boss), will be the host the telecast. David Frey, the longtime voice of USA Network's coverage of the famed Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show, will be the co-host and provide expert color commentary.

"This is very exciting for all of us involved in the sport of showing dogs," said Frey. "We're proud of our dogs and we're proud to have them in the spotlight, and how fitting to have the chance to share it with everyone on Thanksgiving Day."

Watching at home, you'll get the chance to see most of the 150 breeds recognized by the American Kennel Club, with an entry of nearly 2,000 dogs expected for the show.

Here's how Frey suggests you can make it fun at home. "First, with your family dog at your side, find his breed in the show and root for him to win," Frey says. "After all, they may be cousins."

If you don't have a dog and you're thinking about adding one to the family, this is a great opportunity to learn about dogs that you will probably never see walking down the street — like the Chinese Crested, the Petit Basset Griffon Vendéen, the Otterhound, or the Greater Swiss Mountain Dog, for example.

"If you see these dogs as adults, and you learn about what they were originally bred to do, you'll get a pretty good idea about what their needs are — competition, grooming, exercise, personality, and more," Frey says.

"That gives you the chance to think about which dog would best fit your lifestyle."

Knowing Frey as well as I do, I'm sure that he will also talk about responsible ownership and how to be your dog's best friend, too.

NBC has promised fact-filled segments on dogs and informative pieces on pet health and wellness as part of the holiday special, appealing to America's

Get involved and have fun; after all, the dogs are happy. They get to be with their people, and while they are out there, they get a lot of little treats (called 'bait' in the dog show world)."

When it's all over, Frey says, "give your own dog a big hug and a piece of turkey meat instead of a red, white and blue ribbon, because you know he is best in show at home every day, for you and your family."

Former Twin Falls veterinarian Marty Becker is the resident veterinarian on ABC-TV's "Good Morning America" and the author of "The Healing Power of Pets: Write to Him in Care of Knight-Ridder/Tribune News Service, 790 National Press Building, Washington, D.C. 20045"

**Family suspects plain Jane's prince**

DEAR ABBY: I am a woman in my early 30s who is a well-paid professional. I like to think I have a good head on my shoulders and a pleasant personality. A year ago, I met a wonderful man, "Adam." He is younger than I am, but we are compatible and our relationship has deepened. I recently asked him to live with me and offered financial assistance so he could pursue his medical education full-time.



**DEAR ABBY**  
Abigail VanBuren

My family is in an uproar! They already disapproved of the fact that Adam is younger than I am. Now they are barely civil to him. He has stopped attending family functions with them. Adam says he's not around, they badger me to realize that he's "using me."

I finally confronted my sister and family. She tells me why the family thinks there is no chance the man is anything more than a success hesitation, the truth is that out: They think he's too good-looking for a "plain girl" like me.

I was devastated. I have always known I'm not beautiful, but I was convinced Adam saw beyond that and appreciated my other qualities. I was convinced, that is—until now. Abby, what's your take on this?

only time will tell what the future holds for the two of you. You deserve to be happy and to be respected. Allow no one to destroy that.

DEAR ABBY: I am the father of a 7-year-old son, "Taylor." His mother, "Gwen," and I had a long-term relationship, but when she became pregnant, neither of us wanted to marry. In our hearts we knew it wouldn't work and we didn't want to reject our son to a broken marriage.

Both Gwen and I have taken our roles as parents seriously. Since his birth, I have supported Taylor financially. Taylor has spent nearly every weekend at my home or my parents' since he was 3. I also spend time with my son during the week — going to the park, to the movies, etc.

I recently became engaged to a woman I'll call Stacey. We want to be married next year and are planning a large wedding. I had hoped to have Taylor serve as our ring bearer. Stacey's niece will be our flower girl.

At first, my son's mother was agreeable to the idea, but now she's against it. Gwen refuses to

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give me a concrete reason, other than "she doesn't think it's a good idea." She said our son can attend the wedding accompanied by his baby sitter but cannot be a member of the wedding party.

I am angry about this. Stacey says I should calm down and accept the situation. I'm looking to you, Abby. What do you think?

—TAYLOR'S FATHER  
IN NEW YORK  
DEAR TAYLOR'S FATHER: Listen to your fiancée. She's a wise woman. There is nothing to be gained by starting World War III. It appears that your son's mother resents the fact you are committing your life to another woman. Refusing to allow your young son to be in the wedding is her only way of asserting some control in a situation she cannot otherwise control.

Although Taylor cannot be your ring bearer, make sure he wears a boutonniere and is present in some of the wedding pictures. It will make him feel a part of the celebration — and that's what's important.

Dear Abby is written by Jeanne Phillips.

**Catch the blazing dust-bunnies from space on Tuesday**

As space-age sports go, I can't think of one that offers more one-in-a-lifetime opportunities than astronomy. I doubt any of us will live long enough to see another Michael Jordan grace the basketball universe, nor will we likely to see another Tiger Woods soon. But during my short tenure as an astronomer, we've had one of the brightest comets of the millennium (Hale-Bopp), the first naked-eye supernova in centuries (SN1987A), and the only known comet impact with a planet in human history (Shoemaker-Levy 9). Comet NEOWISE splashed into Jupiter in 1994. Of course, the cards are stacked against earthly athletes when competing against their celestial counterparts. The universe is a lot bigger than the sports world.



**SKYWATCH**  
Chris Anderson

less amazing when you appreciate that Leonids typically reach speeds of more than 40 miles per second before friction with the stratospheric vapors heats them. This year's shower is expected to be particularly strong as earth passes through a denser clump within the main stream.

So hope for clear weather, find a dark spot in the country, set up a lawn chair, bundle up with a Thermos of your favorite hot beverage, and enjoy the last good Leonid storm until 2099.

Next week: A pretty grouping of planets in the morning sky.

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# Warming the bench

## How parents, kids can handle lack of playing time

Knight-Ridder News Service

**DETROIT** When he gets sidled for a rotation, Silvero Romano tries not to feel bad. Sitting on the bench is part of hockey.

"I know we need someone out there killing a penalty or taking a shot," the eighth-grader says. "But sometimes kids complain. They ask the coach why they aren't getting their turn, or they pout and get mad and don't talk."

Silvero, 13, has played competitive hockey since he was 7. In St. Clair Shores' regular hockey leagues, everyone gets at least 2 minutes of play in a 10-minute period. But on Silvero's Saints Bantam A competitive team, the rule is the best players play.

"Hockey teaches you discipline, and a player on the bench learns a lot about real life," says Silvero's mother, Luanne Romano. "The way we look at it, more than 90 percent of the time our children are going to be in the NHL. So that means we should be out there for fun, and to have a good time, and enjoy it."

**Fun!** Have a good time? Enjoy it!

With 38 million children from 6 to 18 playing sports in school and recreation leagues, the pressure is on young athletes to be stoic team players, regardless of age.

This fall, a whole lot of kids are spending a whole lot of time not getting into the game.

"Do I have a problem with younger kids sitting on the bench? Yes, I do," says Rick Wolff, sports psychologist and chairman of the Center for Sports Parenting. "When kids are only 9 or 7 or 12, it is absolutely wrong to have a situation where the coach says, in effect, we're here to win. No coach can predict how often a kid will get to play as he gets older. You're not going to improve if you don't play."

Wolff and other youth sports advocates say teams should give playing time to all players, even through age 13, period. They say fewer kids would drop out of sports if this were the case. Nearly three-quarters of all kids drop out of sports by age 14.

Ironically, it is not until 14 that kids are developmentally ready to handle sitting on the bench as part of being on a competitive team.

That news is at odds with real life. Ever since Little League, junior soccer and youth hockey were invented, the goal has been for the best team to win. If some kids have to ride the bench most of the game.

"People think they're paying all this money for their son or daughter to play, and they should get more playing time," Romano says.

National Little League rules specify that beyond T-ball, players are guaranteed only one at-bat and two innings of play per game. Many Little Leagues offer more playing time than that. In the Ann Arbor, Mich., Arsenal premier soccer league rules allow U-10 (under age 10) players to spend half the game on the bench, but no more. That is good, says U-10 girls coach Melissa Wood. "Because if a player sits on the bench the whole time and their parents are paying a lot of money, they would be happy to get about \$800 a year to play."

In older age groups, each player must play at least one-third of the game. Lella Hofer of Ann Arbor is 9. Since August, the forward has played premier level soccer for the Western Suburban Soccer League, which feeds into the Ann Arbor Arsenal premier soccer club.

She handles her bench time with ease. "Most of the time the game is really exciting, and if you pay attention and get involved it can be interesting," she says. "Sometimes I think I could have been on the field longer, but most of the time I think the coach makes good decisions."

Her father, Tim Hofer, has been a soccer dad for 9 years, because Lella's sister Rebecca, 13, plays for Arsenal. He has learned one hard lesson: He is interested in a team should get a clear understanding about a club, team or coach's playing

## What would you do?



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**R**ead the scenarios below and decide what you would do in each case. There is no one right answer. Advice is from:

- **Sports psychologist Rick Wolff;**
- **former coach Steve Sims of Grose in High School in Michigan;**
- **weekly football players Nick Thorne, Jeremy Geller and Tony Osborne Westland John Glenn High School in Michigan;**
- **junior basketball players Ashley Kamlin and Valerie Lozon and Nicole Tomchick of Grose in High School. As you'll see, sometimes teens are tougher than the adults.**

### Can't get in the game

**Tamika, 14,** was told by the ninth-grade basketball coach at the beginning of the season that they were playing in win and some girls might not get much playing time. After eight games, Tamika has lost, but she's committed to other kids or to stir up discontent.

### Bench too dull for dad

**Jim, 25,** is on the JV lacrosse team but is playing only two minutes a game. He is flaking it in stride but his father is a coach and wonders why he's even bothering to show up if the coach isn't going to give him son more playing time. What now?

**Wolff:** As a parent, keep your mouth shut. Praise and encourage your son, if for nothing else, for having the guts to stick it out. In this case, you have no right to talk to the coach about playing time.

**Sims:** I'd tell parents to make a big deal out of the two minutes, take his picture in uniform, be there for them when they come out of the locker room. When a kid comes out the door, street clothes, the sub and starter are both great kids. You want them to have good memories.

**Ashley:** If my parent said that, I would be mad.

### Off-the-bench boys

**Gina, 11,** is the worst player on her sixth-grade volleyball team. She gets a turn to play for at least a few minutes every game. Some adults in the audience and other players suggest she goes in for oranges up, and other kids won't pass her the ball. Her mom and dad want to be on the bench.

**Sims:** The coach should intercede. Once I had a situation where I played a freshman ahead of some older players. One parent would be there when she went onto the court. At halftime, I went over to him and told him to stop. I mean, these are kids.

**Wolff:** That's horrible. That's just cruel. It's wrong to do the coach and have a very confidential conversation so the coach can go to the team and parents and have a team meeting. This situation goes beyond playing ability. It goes to cruelty.

### Benched boy's dad is steamed

**Greg's dad** is furious that the coach took his 17-year-old son out of the baseball lineup in the fourth inning for no apparent reason. He's the best player on the team. And college or pro scouts could be at the game. Greg's dad is so mad he could scream or punch something.

**Jeremy:** Maybe he's been doing something bad, or messed up in school or been drinking. The parent should find out before he starts screaming. Nick: If a coach takes a player out, there is a reason. There has never been a coach who wouldn't do what's best for

time rules before signing up their child. "It's obviously an issue, or there wouldn't be rules about it," he says. "One of the things in parents get way too involved. They look at their child's performance on the soccer field and think that's how their child will perform in life." Because parents and children don't really separate emotionally until the mid-teen years, everything that happens to a young athlete may feel as if it's happening to the parent — including feelings of rejection and anger when a child regularly sits on the bench.

### Too willing to sit

**Jul, 10,** doesn't seem to mind sitting on the bench during field hockey games — he is sitting, laughing and chattering on the benches. Her dad can see that the coach is playing the best players and is disappointed in his daughter's lack of ambition. Why doesn't she try to get into the game? What now?

**Nicole:** You know what? I'm sure she's trying. If she's not, then I'm sure she doesn't really want to play the sport, so she might as well not.

**Wolff:** Unfortunately, people ask this all the time, how to motivate a child to be a better athlete. You can sit down with your daughter and explain that nothing comes to anyone unless they work for it. But the passion and drive has to be inherent. You cannot teach this. Your child may have the best talent, but there is nothing you can do.

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### Bench after a fight

**Cedric, 13,** was benched by his soccer coach when he got into a fight with a player from the other team. He has been sitting on the bench for three games now, and his mom and dad think it's time he got back into the lineup.

**Cedric** is angry, too, and in the car on the way home from practice he calls the coach a bunch of bad names. What now?

**Nick:** If you are suspended, you should know how long the suspension should be.

**Nicole:** If someone says something mean on the court, you just have to brush it off and let it go. Don't get into fights. Try to control your own anger.

**Wolff:** First, tell your son to correct his language. That's not appropriate. Tell your son that if he is angry, he should have a chat with the coach and find out when he can contribute and play again. The parent should not intervene unless a coach is abusive.

### Coach breaks a promise

The coach told parents and girls softball players at the beginning of the season that everyone would get to play some of every game. But when the seasons get off to a bad start, the coach suddenly benches two girls permanently, including Jan-Lin, 12, in order to have a better chance of winning. She is angry and disappointed. The coach made a promise that she didn't keep. What now?

**Jeremy:** The coach really cares about the kid, he will understand.

**Wolff:** The coaches have total discretion to impose discipline — with the exception of an academic complaint. He should talk to the coach about the math issue. If it is not resolved, the parents should talk to the coach, reminding him that academics come first. There is no reason your son should miss practice otherwise.

**Sims:** Most coaches would excuse this. A school counselor can help resolve it.

**Source:** Detroit Free Press

### Coach should play the best people

**Nick:** It's better for the team to do good when the individual is to do good.

**Wolff:** The girl needs to make a first overture, even if she is scared. All coaches want to have the first contact with a player, not parents. You can help your child write a script or practice what she will say to the coach, asking how she can contribute. If she gets no satisfactory response, or if the coach denies she's right, that someone would play, that might be a time for a parent to get involved.

### Cutthroat team

**Andy, 9,** was the star of his very competitive hockey team until he hurt his knee. After four weeks on crutches, he's ready to resume his place on the team. But the coach has subbed in another boy who suddenly is the new team star. Andy is barely playing. He is dejected and his parents are angry. Too. What now?

**Sims:** The coach should play both. It's not the Stanley Cup. Why would you penalize two kids who were doing things right? They're only 9.

**Wolff:** At age 9, he should get as much time as the other kid.

**Nick:** Stick with it and try to get better. Valerie: He has to get stronger. He deserves to play, but I'm sure when he was a starter, someone wanted to be him. He should work harder.

### A clique of stars

**Amanda, 10,** plays soccer but is a bench warmer most games. Her mom disdains Amanda and three team stars to be friends. The stars usually ignore Amanda and she sits alone with her mother in the front seat. She feels excluded but begs her mom not to say anything. Her mom is really angry and feels like telling off the mean girls. What now?

**Ashley:** If they were directing comments to me, I definitely would say something. Valerie: I wouldn't want my mom to say anything. I'd feel stupid.

**Wolff:** Sit down with your daughter and talk about the situation and whether she should talk to the team. It doesn't sound like much fun. Maybe next year, she should go on another team.

### Bench for math test

**Sixteen-year-old Brad's** football coach says if he misses practice, no excuses, he'll get benched for the next game. Brad is a starter but has to take an algebra test after school today. He can't miss it and the teacher won't change it. What now?

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## BIRTHDAY PRESIDENT

Henry Flowers, dressed to look like Marilyn Monroe, recreated Monroe's "Happy Birthday, Mr. President" in his life-size photo taken in 1954 for Comedy Central's "Short Attention Span Theater." Flowers claims to be President Clinton's mistress while Clinton was governor of Arkansas, and is suing the former president for defamation.

## Sex and power: Is the equation changing?

**The Orlando Sentinel**  
"Women 'belong to the highest bidder,'" Napoleon Bonaparte reportedly observed. "Power is what they like — it is the greatest of all aphrodisiacs."

The little guy from Corsica was onto something. So say sex therapists Ruth Westheimer and historian Steven Kaplan in "Power: The Ultimate Aphrodisiac."

Remember Henry Kissinger? Before his marriage, Kissinger — he of the blank expression, stubble and monotone German accent — always seemed to have a sweet, young thing in tow while he was secretary of state. How did he account for his good fortune?

"Power is the ultimate aphrodisiac," he gamely paraphrased. "Thirty years ago and a feminist revolution later, the sex-power dynamic still seems to hold sway."

Among the Hall of Shammers who can vouch for that: Jim Bakker and Jessica Hahn; Gary Hart and Donna Rice; Bill Clinton and Catherine Flowers; Bill and Paula Jones; Bill and Monica Lewinsky; Bill and Hillary Clinton. Then there's the still-unresolved disappearance of Chandra Levy, who fell for California Congressman Gary Condit.

The sex-power dynamic remains, despite the fact that so many women today are powerful in their own right — and have access to education and jobs that would put them in power positions. And the dynamic still doesn't work in reverse.

"When you see a man walking into a restaurant with a very good-looking young woman, you say, 'He's powerful, he's made it,'" Westheimer says in an interview.

## Cancer: Don't fear unknown

**IF NOVEMBER 17TH IS YOUR BIRTHDAY ... you are powerful, passionate and impulsive. When you respond to "inner feelings," you usually are correct. You are capable of transforming "hard times" into ultimate victory.**

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## TALKING ENVIRONMENT



Soil and Water Conservation District speech contest winners were, from left, Danielle Hoagland, Jill Brubaker, Ryan Jones, Maria DeKlotz, Bonnie Richards and Matt Taylor.

### Conservation speeches win honors

TWIN FALLS - Six local high school seniors won prize money for speeches given on the theme, "The Gift of Trees" at the Twin Falls Soil and Water Conservation District speech contest held at the United States Department of Agriculture office at 1441 Fillmore St. in Twin Falls.

The speeches included the theme plus an area of resource

conservation for soil, water, forestry, wildlife or range.

The winners from the Balanced Rock Soil and Water Conservation District were Danielle Hoagland and Jill Brubaker of Castletree High School, Ryan Jones, Maria DeKlotz and Bonnie Richards of Filer High School were the top winners from the Twin Falls Soil and Water Conservation District.

Matt Taylor, representing Kimberly High School, won first place for the Snake River Soil and Water Conservation District speech contest. Matt Taylor also placed in the regional competition at West Magic Reservoir held on Oct. 1.

The competition was coordinated by Cindy Snyder, outreach specialist for the three conservation districts.

## STORK REPORT

### Magic Valley Regional Medical Center

**Alisa Sophie Scott**, daughter of Julie Rose Thomas of Kimberly, was born Tuesday, Oct. 22, 2002.

**Andrew Dean Flacus**, son of Tina Louise Deane Haman and Theron Dean Flacus Jr. of Twin Falls, was born Tuesday, Oct. 22, 2002.

**Steven Justice Lee**, son of Christina Aleina Lee of Twin Falls, was born Wednesday, Oct. 23, 2002.

**Joyce Adryann Pullans**, daughter of Morgan Doris Romans of Kimberly, was born Thursday, Oct. 24, 2002.

**William James Bear**, son of Rebecca Anne Burch and Max Starr Bear of Jackpot, Nev., was born Saturday, Nov. 2, 2002.

**Mikayla Marie McLaughlin**, daughter of Danielle Marie Veilleux and David Bo James McLaughlin of Twin Falls, was born Saturday, Nov. 2, 2002.

**Andrew Garcia**, son of Sonia Carlos Moya and Jose Manuel Garcia Morales of Gooding, was born Saturday, Nov. 2, 2002.

**Alexandrea Karen Weedop**, daughter of Lindsey Marie Ellis and Marc Brent Weedop of

To announce a birth Send a copy of the birth certificate to: Melissa Morgan, P.O. Box 548 Twin Falls, ID 83303 Or fax to 734-8538. Deadline: noon Tuesday for Sunday's paper and noon Friday for Tuesday's paper. More information? Call Melissa at 735-3278

**Whitney of Hollister**, was born Wednesday, Nov. 6, 2002.

**Kayden Gene De Jong**, son of Renee E. and William J. De Jong of Wendell, was born Wednesday, Nov. 6, 2002.

**Shelby Mabelson**, son of Crissa Renee and Evan G. Mabelson of Kimberly, was born Wednesday, Nov. 6, 2002.

**Jonathan Camden James Shellon**, son of Tracy Ann and Jonathan Curtis Shell of Kimberly, was born Wednesday, Nov. 6, 2002.

**Paige Raylee Andersen**, daughter of Kasie R. Andersen of Gooding, was born Wednesday, Nov. 6, 2002.

**Kayden Gene Buhler**, son of Karie Lynn and Matthew Gene Buhler of Eden, was born Thursday, Nov. 7, 2002.

**Kyle Matthew Craig**, son of April Jeanette and Samuel Leonard Craig of Jerome, was born Friday, Nov. 8, 2002.

**Brogan Craig Jackson**, son of Angela Marie and Thomas Craig Jackson of Twin Falls, was born Saturday, Nov. 9, 2002.

**Samuel Thomas Pedigo**, son of Melissa Marie and Andrew Martin Pedigo of Twin Falls, was born Saturday, Nov. 9, 2002.

**Victoriano Alberto Rodriguez**, son of Marie B. and Fernando Rodriguez Jr. of Twin Falls, was born Saturday, Nov. 9, 2002.

### Hospital welcomes student volunteers

RUPERT - Over the summer, Minidoka Memorial Hospital again welcomed students ages 14-16 to participate in volunteer work.

This summer, there were 14 junior volunteers, and in three months, they volunteered a total of 354 hours. They were of



Junior volunteers at Minidoka Memorial Hospital were treated to a day out in Boise for Junior Volunteer Day. At the state Capitol building were Ashley Gouyon, Mayra Rodriguez, Jennifer Sibbett, Jamie Boungarter, Andrea Vergara, Shaelona Nelwort, Marisa Burr, Heather Howard, Chelal Grant, Diana Badillo and president of Idaho Hospital Association, Steven A. Millard.

service to many areas of the hospital, including the Extended Care Facility, medical floor, pharmacy, radiology and many offices, hospital says.

The main focus of the Junior Volunteer Program is to prepare students for the real world, the hospital says. Each junior volunteer was required to fill out an employment application and to go through an interview prior to starting. Because of this process, junior volunteers were screened and given the experience in the employment process.

Following the interviews, Diana Badillo, director of junior volunteers and Anita Dwight,

assistant director of nursing, held an orientation and training session to teach the volunteers the skills they would utilize in the hospital. Workshops were held throughout the summer where the junior volunteers learned employment skills

including preparing resumes, filling applications and keys to successful interviewing.

As a token of appreciation, the Idaho Hospital Association held a Junior Volunteer Day where the junior volunteers went to the Capitol in Boise.

### Costume winners take prizes home

By Mary Lou Potts Times-News correspondent

BUHL - The Buhl Chamber of Commerce Halloween costume contest was considered a tremendous success as 95 children registered for judging by the 36 businesses that participated.

The children were assigned a number when they registered, then visited the businesses for "trick or treating" and the merchants voted on the participants.

When the votes were counted, Moira Robertson collected the most. She was dressed as a bubble bath, wearing a tub filled with balloons and a shower cap.

Colby Rodig came in second for his sheep dog costume.

Andrew Goodwin was third, dressed as Uncle Sam, and Jake Kaes was fourth in his puppy dog outfit. All four children were awarded a \$50 savings bond and treated to lunch with their parents by the chamber of commerce.



Buhl Chamber of Commerce Halloween costume contest winners receive \$50 savings bonds. Presenting the bonds were bank sponsor representatives. From left are Chuck Kline of Wells Fargo Bank and second place winner, Colby Rodig; Karen Clark of US Bank and third place winner, Andrew Goodwin; Pat Hamilton of Farmers National Bank and first place winner, Moira Robertson; and Karl Castor of First Federal Savings & Loan with fourth place winner Jake Kaes.

### M-C Christmas Council seeks donations

BURLEY - The Mini-Cassia Christmas Council is in need of good winter clothing, toys, all sizes of quilts and blankets, toiletries, canned or boxed food or anything that would make a nice gift for someone of any age.

Donations can be accepted from 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturdays, (except the Saturday after Thanksgiving) at the former Valley Wholesale building, Almo Avenue and 10th Street in Burley. Monetary contributions are welcomed and needed, organizers say. Mail them to: Mini-Cassia

Christmas Council, 990 W. 400 S., Heyburn, Idaho 83336.

Children can contribute gift items at school. The school pick-up will be Nov. 26.

Families requesting a box must be given a reference. These are available at South Central Community Action, Idaho Migrant Council, Head Start, Health and Welfare or the schools. People must bring this reference with them to receive an application for a box. Application forms will be filled out between 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Nov. 16 and Nov. 23 at the

Heyburn School.

For more information concerning applications, call Elvera Richan at 436-9927 or Sylvia Lujan at 436-3684 (home) or 436-0254 (work).

The Christmas Council also has about 20 undressed stuffed dolls that need to be clothed. If anyone is interested, call Jackie Handy at 438-5550.

For other service projects, call Mary Young at 436-0241. For general information concerning the Christmas Council, call Dolly Freiberger at 436-4057 or Verlie Frost at 878-4057.

### Ronquillo receives Hispanic service award

Melina Ronquillo, a recent graduate of Burley High School, was awarded the Hispanic service award. The cash award of \$1,000 per year for up to four years is given to a graduating senior with plans to attend college in Idaho.

Ronquillo will be a mentor for Burley Junior High School students, giving at least three presentations to students encouraging them to stay in school and attend college after graduation. She also will attend a Burley Junior High School Hispanic Parent Advisory Committee, and talk to parents about the importance of students staying in school and attending college.

To be eligible for the award, funded by the Carr Foundation, students must be bilingual and attending college in Idaho full-time. The award is renewable for four years if the applicant meets the requirements each year.

### Kimberly High School student receives award

United Dairywomen of Idaho announced that Kayla Lumley has been selected to receive the Distinguished Student Award for the week of Sept. 30. The award recognizes excellence in academics, citizenship and the role of education in Idaho.

Lumley is a senior at Kimberly High School with a 4.0 grade point average. Her honors include a University of Idaho Top Scholar, United States Achievement Academy All-American Scholar, member of National Honor Society, Presidential Academic Award, listed in Who's Who Among American High School Students and lettered in softball, basketball and volleyball. She also is Business Professional of America vice president for 2002-2003, an Idaho Legion Auxiliary Girl's State Delegate in 2002 and received a national Leadership and Service Award in 2001. She

worked for more than 100 hours of community service in 2001 and 2002 and received the President's Student Service Challenge Award.

At the end of each school year, one student from each of the four market areas of participating television stations will be selected, based on overall achievement, and a \$5,000 award will be presented to the winner's school.

### ISU pharmacy college names dean's list students

The Idaho State University 2002 spring semester dean's list for the College of Pharmacy has been announced.

To qualify, students must complete at least 12 semester credits and maintain a grade point average within the top 15 percent of pre-pharmacy and pharmacy students. Students on the list include: Burley's Geneva Hines and Brenda Rogers.

Twin Falls: John DeBoard, Wendell: Jennifer Gunter.

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

### AARP schedules driver safety classes

TWIN FALLS - The American Association of Retired Persons 55 and Alive Driver Safety Program, designed to facilitate awareness of problems encountered by those over 50, will be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday and Friday at the KMYT Community Room. Participants should park on the east and north side of the building and enter the north side entrance.

The next course will be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Dec. 9-10 at

the Mini-Cassia Chamber of Commerce in Heyburn.

For pre-registration for either class, call Chuck Meyer 677-4000 or Lou Freese 423-6126.

### Historical society, senior center hold dinner

RUPERT - The Minidoka County Historical Society and the Minidoka County Senior Center will sponsor a combined Thanksgiving and member appreciation dinner at 6:30 p.m. Thursday at the center, 702 11th St., Rupert.

The meal is a potluck with

turkey, ham and beverages provided. Diners are asked to bring their own table service.

### Gooding Duplicate Bridge Club announces winners

GOODING - The Gooding Duplicate Bridge Club announced the winners for Nov. 8.

Winners for north/south: first, Henry and Dolores Robinson; second, Max Thompson and Peggy Hackley; third, Bud Povey and Lisa Hylon.

Winners for east/west: first, Velda Lawrence and Lavina

Moore; second, Carroll Bennett and Susan Faulkner; third, Les Saunders and Joe Sweeney.

Refreshments were served.

The club meets at 1 p.m. every Friday at Gooding City Hall. For a partner, call 934-8371.

### Church serves annual turkey dinner Thursday

GOODING - The United Methodist Church will serve its annual turkey dinner from 5:30 p.m. Thursday at the church, 805 Main St. in Gooding.

The cost is \$7 for adults, \$4 for children ages 4-12 and free for

children under age 4.

### Buhl library celebrates Idaho Family Reading Week

BUHL - The Buhl Public Library will join libraries across the state to celebrate the sixth annual Idaho Family Reading Week today through Saturday.

A family night pajamas story time will be held from 7-8 p.m. Tuesday at the library. Clowns Douglas and Chasers from Clowns Ministry will present a program using songs, stories, puppetry and sleight-of-hand. Both clowns will incorporate aspects

of their occupations into the program with an emphasis on safety and reading.

There will be drawings for books and book bags at the pajama story time. Parents are encouraged to bring their children in their pajamas.

The statewide theme this year is "Idaho is Wild about Reading."

The library's weekly preschool story time will emphasize families reading together, and the children's director will present story hours at some local daycares and preschools.

For information, call 543-6500.

# SENIOR CALENDAR

# Make a home more secure for older folks

The Stamford Advocates

Want a way to give back to your parents and give yourself peace of mind? Give yourself your home. Your parents will thank you.

Many accidents in the home can be prevented by removing potential hazards.

According to Dr. Barney Spivack, Stamford Health System's director of geriatric medicine, accidents are a significant cause of death in older adults, and falls account for two-thirds of these deaths.

In the April 2001 "Guideline for the Prevention of Falls in Older Persons," the American Geriatrics Society reports that after 60, there is a steady increase in the number of falls and severity of fall-related complications.

Seniors suffering from osteoporosis, especially vulnerable, are at increased risk for fractures of the wrist, spine and hip.

Falls, says Spivack, signify an increased risk of additional falls.

Still, there are other signs of senior weakness or instability that should raise the red flag for adult children.

Among them, parents holding onto furniture to help them walk or maintain balance; dizziness; visual problems; difficulty getting into or out of a chair or bathtub; impaired memory, judgment or insight.

Risk factors also exist for those on multiple medications, which could create side effects such as dizziness.

## Here's how to help

- Make sure your loved ones see an eye specialist annually.
- Ensure adequate lighting by providing 100-watt bulbs at the minimum. Ceiling fixtures should be added to rooms at only by lamps. Light the path to the bathroom with night lights or suggest older folks leave a hallway light on.
- Rooms should be free of clutter: shift furniture to open up walkways; move wires out of the traffic flow.
- Floors should be smooth, not slippery. Well-fitted, low-heeled shoes with nonskid soles are best. Even insoles. To prevent tripping, seniors should not walk around in their socks, stockings or loose slippers/shoes.
- Items on shelves should be placed within easy reach, eliminating the need for step ladders or stools.
- Staircases should be well-lit. Add handrails on both sides for support, and fluorescent tape on bottom/top carpet edges.
- Carpets and area rugs must have skid-proof backings or be tacked to the floor.
- If your loved ones use a cane or walker, make sure it's fitted for them and adjusted for their height.
- Install grab bars in showers and next to tubs and toilets. For people unsteady on their feet, place a plastic chair with a back and nonskid leg tips in the shower. Shower and tub floors should be covered by a rubber mat.
- Store a flashlight next to the bed.
- Make sure your loved ones keep a portable phone handy to prevent the need to rush for the phone.

—Source: Stamford, Conn., Advocate

# Moving? Report the change

Knight Ridder News Service

Q. My dad, who is receiving SSI benefits, is planning to live with me. Since his SSI check goes directly to the bank, does he have to report the move?

A. Yes. An SSI beneficiary must report any change in living arrangements within 10 days after the change occurs. If he doesn't, he could end up receiving an incorrect payment and have to pay it back. Failure to report or filing false reports could result in a fine, imprisonment or both.

Also, your father needs to report his new address to Social Security so that he can continue to receive mail from Social Security when necessary. To report the change, he can visit his local Social Security office or call

## Social Security Q&A

us toll free at 1-800-772-1213 (TTY 1-800-325-0778).

Q. I currently have my Social Security benefits deposited into my checking account. What do I have to do if I decide to change my financial institution and have my benefits go to another bank?

A. If you change financial institutions or open a new account, Social Security can change your direct deposit information over the telephone. Just call 1-800-772-1213 (TTY 1-800-325-0778).

This column was prepared by the Social Security Administration. For fast answers to specific Social Security questions, contact Social Security toll-free at 800-772-1213.

**Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center**  
616 Eastland Drive  
Dinner served from noon to 12:30 p.m. Suggested donation is \$2.50. The cost is \$4 for non-seniors under 60 and \$2.50 for children under 12.  
Monday: Chicken, corned beef, green peas, carrots, cole slaw salad, noodles, fruit cobbler.  
Tuesday: Chef's salad.  
Wednesday: Roast beef, potatoes, gravy, green beans, rolls, peas.  
Thursday: Pork and noodles, peas with onions, carrot salad, cauliflower, fruit, cookie.  
Friday: Cube steak, potatoes, gravy, mixed vegetables, fruit salad, baker's choice.  
Activities  
Library, Pool Room, and Bargain Center with cards, games, color television, puzzles and more. Open weekdays from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
Sunday  
Dance from 2-5 p.m.  
Monday  
Quitting from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
Foot clinic, make appointment  
Music by Haak  
Tuesday  
Ticker Tuesday  
Blood pressure check  
Wednesday  
Birthday dinner  
Quitting from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.  
Board meeting at 1 p.m.  
Elks card game  
Thursday  
Pinocle at 1 p.m.  
Friday  
Quitting  
Saturday  
Super bingo

**Camas County Senior Center**  
127 E. Willow, Parkfield  
Meals are served at 12 p.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays. The suggested donation for seniors is \$2.50. The cost is \$3 for trips and \$2 for children under age 10. To eat at a meal at the center, call ahead at 764-2226.  
Tuesday: Chicken stir fry, salad, pudding.  
Wednesday: Clam chowder, sandwiches, fruit cobbler.  
Friday: Roast beef, potatoes, onions, carrots, cabbage, Waldorf salad, apricot pie or cobbler.  
Activities  
Tuesday  
Pool from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
Quitting from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
Wednesday  
Pool from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
Quitting from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
Blood pressure check from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
Candy making at 9 a.m.  
Quitting from 1-3 p.m.  
Friday  
Pool from 10:30 a.m. to 12 p.m.  
Quitting from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

**Gooding County Senior Citizens Inc.**  
308 Senior Ave.  
All dinners at noon. Suggested donation is \$3 for seniors.  
Monday: Salisbury steak, potato, peas, pearl onions, peas, corn bread, cinnamon roll.  
Tuesday: Partridge, baked spare ribs, potato-wedges, green salad, brussel sprouts, bread, peach cobbler.  
Wednesday: Lemon pepper chicken, green peas, beets, salad, bread, mixed fruit.  
Thursday: Roast pork, potato, cauliflower, cole slaw, roll, cake.  
Activities  
Monday  
Pool at 9:30 a.m.  
Pinocle at 12:30 p.m.  
Hand and foot at 6 p.m.  
Tuesday  
Pool at 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.  
Bridge at 6:30 p.m.  
Wednesday  
Pool at 9:30 a.m.  
Shuffleboard at 6 p.m.  
Thursday  
Pool at 9:30 a.m.  
Birthday dinner  
Fiddlers at 12:30 p.m.  
TOPS at 5 p.m.  
Pinocle at 7 p.m.  
Friday  
Bridge at 1 p.m.  
Hand/foot at 1 p.m.  
Bowling at 1:30 p.m.  
Bingo at 6:30 p.m.

**Jerome Senior Center**  
212 First Ave. E.  
All dinners at noon. Suggested donation is \$3.  
Monday: Beef stew, corn bread, tossed salad, fruit, cookies.  
Tuesday: Baked chicken, parsley potatoes, beets, fruit salad, carrot cake.  
Wednesday: Soup and sandwich, cream puffs.  
Thursday: Chicken fried steak, potatoes, gravy, winter mix vegetables, green pea salad, peach cobbler.  
Friday: Barbecue ribslets, au gratin carrots, Jell-O with fruit, cake, ice cream.  
Activities  
Monday  
Aerobics at 11 a.m.  
Tuesday  
Pinocle at 1 p.m.  
Snack bar at 6 p.m.  
Early bird bingo at 8:45 p.m.  
Bingo at 7 p.m.  
Wednesday  
Aerobics at 11 a.m.  
Pinocle at 7 p.m.  
Friday  
Aerobics at 11 a.m.  
Pinocle at 1 p.m.

**Richfield Senior Center**  
Monday: Breaded chicken chunks, buttered carrots, green salad, parsley potatoes, bread pudding, orange juice, milk, coffee.  
Tuesday: Tuna fish sandwich,

es, tomato soup, apple pie, orange juice, milk, coffee.

**Shoshone Senior Center**  
216 N. Ball St. W., Shoshone  
Tuesday: Sausage gravy, biscuits, California mixed vegetables, mashed potatoes, ginger bread with lemon sauce, orange juice, milk, coffee.  
Wednesday: Taco soup, deviled eggs, corn bread, cinnamon shorts, orange juice, milk, coffee.  
Friday: Ham, mixed vegetables, sweet potatoes, fruit salad, homemade rolls, raspberry Jell-O pie, orange juice, milk, coffee.  
Activities  
Monday  
Exercise from 9:30-10 a.m.  
Coffee at 9:30 a.m.  
Quitting from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
Tuesday  
Lunch at noon  
Pinocle at 1 p.m.  
Wednesday  
Lunch at noon  
Early bird at 6 p.m.  
Bingo at 7 p.m.  
Thursday  
Exercise from 9:30-10 a.m.  
Coffee at 9:30 a.m.  
Arts and crafts at 10 a.m.  
Richfield lunch  
Friday  
Pinocle at 1 p.m.

**Silver and Gold Senior Citizens**  
203 Wilson, Eden  
Open from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through Thursday and from 8 a.m. to noon Friday. Suggested donation for seniors is \$3. All meals include salad, dessert, fruit, milk and coffee. Mondays are cookie and bread bake days and Wednesdays are cinnamon roll and maple bark bake days. Home delivered meals are delivered Monday through Friday.  
Tuesday: Hamburger, tomato soup, baked cheese sandwich, three bean salad, peach pudding.  
Wednesday: Bake day.  
Thursday: Sweet and soup pork, rice, peas, cottage cheese in Jell-O, cherry pie, rolls.  
Activities  
Wednesday  
Bingo at 7 p.m.

**Hagerman Valley Senior/Community Center**  
140 E. Lake, Hagerman  
Open 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Lunch is served at noon on Monday, Wednesday and Fridays. Suggested donation for seniors is \$3, non-seniors \$4 and children under 12, \$2. Coffee, tea, juice and bread served with all meals.  
Monday: Taco pie, salad, chips, dip, dessert.  
Wednesday: Chicken fried steak, potatoes, vegetables, chocolate cake.  
Friday: Seven bone roast, potatoes, salad.  
Thrift store open Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

**Blaine County Senior Center**  
721 Third Ave. S., Halley  
Meals are served at noon on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday. Milk, juice, coffee and tea are served with all meals.  
Tuesday: Barbecue chicken, corn bread, honey butter, potato salad, baked bean mix, citrus salad, banana pudding.  
Wednesday: Country fried steak, gravy, parsley potatoes, stewed tomatoes, cole slaw, biscuits, butterscotch brownies.  
Friday: Roast turkey, dressing, mashed potatoes, cranberry salad, sweet potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, stuffed celery, coconut cake, coconut fruit.  
Activities  
Tuesday  
Exercise at 8 a.m.  
Surprise trip  
Tuesday  
Breathe and movement at 9 a.m.  
Wednesday  
Exercise at 8 a.m.  
Thursday  
Breathe and movement at 9 a.m.

**Milkidoka County Senior Citizens Center**  
702 11th St., Rupert  
Meals are served at noon and home delivered upon request. Juice and assorted beverages are served every day with meals.  
Monday: Parmesan chicken,

rice, broccoli, rolls, ice cream, beverages.

Tuesday: Finger steaks, tater tots, green beans, Texas toast, bread, beverages.  
Wednesday: Birthday and anniversary dinner.  
Thursday: Clam chowder, vegetables, rolls, cake, beverages.  
Friday: Thanksgiving dinner.  
Center gift shop is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Monday through Friday. Quitting and pool table daily during center hours. Crafts every day.  
Volunteers are needed to do grocery shopping for shut-ins. Call Rideys at 436-1200.  
Activities  
Monday  
Exercise from 10-11 a.m.  
Songfest from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m.  
Bridge  
Tuesday  
Quitting from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
Bingo from 1-2 p.m.  
Wednesday  
Pinocle from 1-4 p.m.  
Thursday  
Exercise from 10-11 a.m.  
SHIBA Medicare supplemental insurance assistance from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Call George Schwinderman at 436-9107.  
Friday  
Pinocle from 1-4 p.m.  
Bingo at 7 p.m.

**Golden Heritage Senior Center**  
2421 Overland, Burley  
All dinners are served at noon.  
Monday: Cheesburger casserole, peas, carrots, bread, fruit medley, cookies.  
Tuesday: Beef stew, egg salad sandwich, cole slaw, fruit salad, spice cake.  
Wednesday: Sweet and sour chicken, rice, broccoli, herb roll, Clara's salad, fruit cocktail cake.  
Thursday: Ruben sandwich, tomato rice soup, green salad, assorted desserts.  
Friday: Meat loaf, parsley potatoes, mixed vegetables, dinner roll, pineapple, pumpkin cranberry bars.  
Activities  
Monday  
Pool at 10 a.m.  
Exercise at 11:15 a.m.  
Pinocle at 1 p.m.  
Tuesday  
Pool at 10 a.m.  
Exercise at 11:15 a.m.  
Bingo at 7 p.m.  
Wednesday  
Pool at 10 a.m.  
Exercise at 11 a.m.  
Pinocle at 1 p.m.  
Thursday  
Pool at 10 a.m.  
Exercise at 11 a.m.  
Friday  
Pool at 10 a.m.  
Exercise at 11 a.m.  
Bingo at 1 p.m.  
Pinocle at 1 p.m.

**West End Senior Citizens Inc.**  
1010 Main St., Buhl  
Noon meals served Monday through Friday. Buffet meal at 1 p.m. on Sunday.  
Evening meals served at 5:30 p.m. Monday and Thursday. Lunch prices are \$3.50 and evening meals will be \$2.50. Sunday dinners are \$4. Meals can be delivered Monday through Friday. Call 543-4577 for more information. Free bus service to and from meals is available Monday evening, Tuesday at noon and Thursday, noon and evening. Call the center by 10 a.m. to arrange a ride. Coffee and cinnamon rolls each morning at the center, everyone is welcome.  
Sunday: Pork chops  
Monday: Spaghetti  
Tuesday: Meat loaf  
Wednesday: Malibu chicken  
Thursday: Ham  
Friday: Fish and chips  
Activities  
Thrift shop open every day. Quitting, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. The Reseland Band plays from 8-11 p.m. the second Saturday of each month. Admission is \$3.  
Sunday  
All-you-can-eat pork chop dinner from \$4 for seniors, \$4.25 for non-seniors and \$2.50 for children under age 12.  
Monday  
Exercise from 7-8 a.m. and 10 a.m.  
Smorgy at 5:30 p.m.  
Cards at 6 p.m.  
Tuesday  
Exercise from 7-9 a.m.  
Quitting from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
Elvis the Elk will perform at 11 a.m.  
Treasure Tuesday  
Bingo at 11:45 a.m.  
Cards from 1-4 p.m.  
Wednesday  
Exercises from 7-8 a.m. and 10 a.m.  
Trip to Twin Falls  
Thursday  
Exercises from 7-8 p.m.  
Quitting from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
Blood pressure check at 11:45 a.m.  
Friday  
Smorgy at 5:30 p.m.  
Cards at 6 p.m.  
Saturday  
Exercises from 7-8 a.m. and 10 a.m.

**Filer Senior Haven**  
222 Main St., Filer  
Dinners served at noon on Tuesday and Thursday. Suggested donation is \$2.50 for seniors. Home delivered meals available each meal time.  
Tuesday: Hot beef sandwich, mashed potatoes, buttered cabbage, marinated vegetables, fruit, sauce.  
Thursday: Oven fried chicken, mashed potatoes, gravy, green peas, carrot and raisin salad, hot rolls, cake, ice cream

**Ageless Senior Citizens Inc.**  
310 Main St., Kimberly  
Monday: Chicken parry on a bun, baked potato, cole slaw,

**Bridal Registry**  
Arlean Peterson & Heidi Edgar, November 22nd  
Recollections  
128 Overland St., Burley

## Your Perfect Wedding

The following businesses can help make your wedding a memorable occasion.

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FAMILY LIFE

# Learn the big difference between 'want' and 'should'

Want had to have it now. Why? Because he was Want; that was reason enough. Should did what needed doing first. After it was done, he played with Want.

Want's parents gave him everything he asked for. Often Want got his desires immediately. Other times, he had to wait. Want hated waiting. Should's parents made sure he always had what he needed. They had him do chores so he could be a part of the family. Should didn't always like having to wait to play with Want. However, he was sure his parents did what they felt was correct for him. Should studied. Should worked. Should exercised. Should took quiet time for himself. Should also took time for Want, but after he finished everything else.

Want laughed at Should. He'd say "You should look after us wants first. We're more fun than you shoulds. We have bigger houses sooner than you do. We have fancier cars. We take extra vacations, and go to far away places."

Should asked Want how he found time to take care of his body through healthy eating, exercise, and quiet time. How did he find time to keep learning and growing as a person? Want just laughed again and said: "You only live once. Why not enjoy it now?"

Time passed, and Should and Want went their separate ways. Twenty years later, they met again at a class reunion. Want looked old, was overweight, and told Should he was on his third marriage. Should looked young, fit, alive, and was still married to his college sweetheart. Want still sought instant satisfaction through food, alcohol, excitement, and unmanaged risk. Should now had his stately home, with no



**STRESS**  
Tim O'Brien

mortgage. He was out of debt, and well on his way to complete financial independence.

Time had caused an unexpected change in Should's and Want's classmates. In college, Want was the talk of the day. He was the center of every party. He was on the cover of every magazine aimed at their age group. Everyone, like Want, had laughed at Should. You couldn't even find him in the school year book. It was all about Want.

Now, 20 years later, many classmates came to Should. They told him that as they got married, had children, and thought of the future, Should was on their minds. They realized that they could, if they wanted to, do what they should. For most, this was the turning point of their life.

When asked his secret to success, Should said, "That's easy. Get to the point where what you should do, and what you want to do are the same. Then, there is no conflict in your life, only day after day of doing both what you want and should together."

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## ENGAGEMENT

### TRACY-KRAUSER

TWIN FALLS - Laura Lee Tracy and David Michael Krauser announce their engagement.

Tracy is the daughter of Lucille and Peter Tracy, both deceased. She is employed at Valley Christian Day Care in Twin Falls.

Krauser is the son of Judith and Edwin Krauser of Pocatello. He is attending Idaho State University in Pocatello.

The wedding is planned for May 31, 2003, in Twin Falls.



Laura Tracy and David Krauser

## ANNIVERSARIES

### THE GROVESES

TWIN FALLS - Mr. and Mrs. Bus Groves of Twin Falls will be honored at an open house Nov. 24 for their 60th wedding anniversary.

Friends and relatives are invited to attend from 2-4 p.m. at the home of their daughter and son-in-law, Dan and Cheri Lane Anderson, 356 Monroe Circle, Twin Falls.

The couple requests no gifts, just the pleasure of your company.

Groves and Virginia Potter were married Nov. 25, 1942, in Smith Center, Kan. They moved to Idaho in 1947 and farmed in the valley until their retirement in 1984.

The event is being hosted by their children, Darrell (Nancy) Groves of Meridian, Bill (Kathy) Groves, Charlene (Dan) Anderson and Mary Ann Groves, all of Twin Falls.

The couple has 11 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.



Bus and Virginia Groves

### THE OTTMANS

HAZELTON - Mr. and Mrs. John M. Ottman of Hazelton will be honored at an open house Nov. 24 to celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary.

Friends and family are invited to call from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Rupert-First Christian Church. No gifts, please.

Ottman and Mary Lou Found were married Nov. 28, 1952, at the Appleton Brethren Church in Appleton, Colo.

After serving two years in the U.S. Navy, they homesteaded in Hazelton in 1957, where he was a self-employed farmer, retiring in 1998 after 50 years.

She is a homemaker and actively involved in church, including serving as choir director for 18 years and playing the piano for services.

Their children include Nancy (Barry) Gines of Gooding; Kayleen (Jim) Adams of Kimberly; Gary (Terri) Ottman of Hazelton; Connie (Bret) Heaps of Salmon; and Mark (Koxan) Ottman of Hazelton. They have 15 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.



John and Mary Ottman

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## WEDDINGS

### SYBMA-BERES

HAZELTON - James and Cynthia Sybma-Beres married June 21 at the Twin Falls Reformed Church. Officiating was Pastor Mark Cook.

The bride is the daughter of Dave and Carol Sybma of Wendall and the late Janet L. Beres.

Parents of the bridegroom are Cliff and Ginger Ridge of Ripon, Calif.

Kimberly Sybma-Beres, the bride, served as the bride's maid of honor.

A reception was held during the ceremony at the Twin Falls Reformed Church.

The bride is a graduate of Dorset College in Glens Falls, N.Y. She is employed at Atherton and Modesto.



The bridegroom is a graduate of Dorset College in Glens Falls, N.Y.

He is employed at Atherton and Modesto.

### WILLIAMS-OKELBERRY

HAZELTON - Mark and Cheryl Okelberry announce the wedding of their son, Todd Okelberry, and Angela Williams, daughter of Terry and Sharon Williams of Pocatello.

Williams graduated from Highland High School in 2000 and attended the College of Southern Idaho, where she played basketball and earned with a degree in liberal arts.

Okelberry is a 1997 graduate of Valley High School. He received a degree in agricultural mechanics from Utah State University in Logan. He served an LDS mission.

### GENTRY-SILCOCK

BURLEY - Melissa Gentry and Tyler Silcock were married Friday in the Orlando, Fla., LDS Temple.

The bride is the daughter of Cindy Gentry of Brimi, Fla., and the late Grant Gentry. She is a graduate of Liberty County Valley State College. She is currently attending the College of Southern Idaho in the nursing program.

The bridegroom is the son of Richard and Kaye Dawn Silcock of Burley. He is a graduate of Peck High School and had attended the College of Southern Idaho. He served an LDS Spanish-speaking mission in Las Vegas, Nev. He also attended Utah Valley State College. He is currently working in the family business, Art Booth in Burley.



Todd and Angela Okelberry

The wedding was held Friday. An open house to honor the couple will be held from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Saturday at the Mark Okelberry residence, 1179 S. 1900 E. in Hazelton.



Tyler and Melissa Silcock

A reception to honor the couple will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday at the Springdale Ward LDS Church, 200 S. 475 E. in Burley.

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