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Shoshone tire pile gets smaller

By Jennifer Sandmann
Times-News writer

SHOSHONE - The tire pile on Idaho Highway 75 north of Shoshone is getting smaller. Former property owner Craig Hadden reports he has removed more than 57,000 tires from the pile. He estimated the pile had reached about 2 million when he started cleanup in April.

Property owner removes some; tire owner faces charges

"He has removed a lot of tires," said Bill Allred of the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality in Twin Falls. "There is a substantial change." In other developments, the state has brought three criminal misdemeanor charges against Tom Floyd, the owner of

Caldwell-based Idaho Tire Recovery Inc., the business that created the tire pile. Floyd pleaded innocent and requested a jury trial. He is charged with one count of violating solid waste management regulations and two counts of violating solid waste management site

operation standards. The misdemeanor charges are punishable by up to a \$5,000 fine and a year in jail, said Ron Sutcliffe, the deputy attorney general prosecuting the case. Floyd and his attorney, former Idaho Attorney General David Leroy of Boise, are seeking to

move the criminal case from Shoshone to Boise. The state objects, saying many of its witnesses are in the Shoshone area. Floyd has maintained that a former employee embezzled money from Idaho Tire Recovery, destroying the business financially. He said content plant shutdowns - the plants

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CHARITABLE DECISION



Amie Newman ponders one of the wreaths on display at the Inaugural Festival of Wreaths in Jerome on Thursday. The event is a fund-raiser for the St. Bonedick hospital foundation, and the money raised will go to buy new, state-of-the-art surgery equipment. The festival, in the old Wells Fargo Bank building, will be open from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. today and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and will feature entertainment and an ornament-making table for children on both days. The cost is \$5 for adults, \$4 for seniors and \$1 for children.

Iraq's weapons declaration deadline approaches

Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON - Armed with a list of key concerns, U.S. and U.N. experts are poised this weekend to quickly assess Baghdad's first formal accounting in four years of any weapons of mass destruction in its arsenal, a potential tripwire for an American invasion of Iraq. Although Iraq continues to insist it has no such weapons, it has promised to meet a Sunday deadline to give the U.N. Security Council a "full and complete declaration" of all its efforts to develop nuclear bombs, produce deadly biological microbes or chemical warfare agents, or build ballistic missiles. A highly skeptical Bush administration has assembled a team of experts to scour the expected deluge of Arabic and English documents. It may take several weeks



U.S. Army Brig. General Lloyd Austin, right, gives battle instructions during live-fire exercises Wednesday in the Kuwaiti desert near the border with Iraq. "There are men and women who have lived and breathed this stuff for years," a U.S. official said. "They can breeze through

this thing and put Post-It notes on inaccuracies." Analysts will be looking for what the Iraqis say about how they disposed of hundreds of tons of raw materials for blister and nerve gases, details of Iraq's program to develop the deadly VX nerve agent and proof that Iraq has destroyed stocks of deadly biological agents, among other things. "A lot will depend on how long the list is and what's on it - or not on it," a senior U.S. official said. U.S. and U.N. officials view the declaration as a crucial test of Iraq's stated intention to cooperate with the U.N. resolution calling for Baghdad to disarm. Most expect Baghdad to comply enough to avoid imminent attack, but to inject as much ambiguity into the process as possible.

Freshmen lawmakers gear up for work

The Times-News and The Associated Press

BOISE - The largest contingent of freshman legislators took the oath of office on Thursday as the Idaho Legislature organized in preparation for the January general session. "It's quite a feeling that you only get to experience once in your life," freshman Sen. Tom Gannon, R-Buhl, said about raising his hand and taking the oath in the Senate chambers. "I never thought I would be able to serve the public at this level. It's quite humbling." Committee decisions

During his first day Gannon even managed to get elected as vice chairman of the Senate Education Committee, in addition to being appointed to the Senate Agriculture Committee and the Senate Local Government and Taxation Committee. Only two others of the 13 freshman senators managed a position of leadership.

Gannon, a retired Navy commander and Buhl planning and zoning clerk these days, admitted he's a little puzzled, though honored, why he won a vice chairmanship of that particular committee. But Senate Minority Leader, Sen. Kenneth D. Ketchum, pointed out that senators can only serve as a chairman or vice chairman of one committee, and that those in leadership - such as he - cannot head committees. That leaves a pool of about 10 of the 35 senators from which to choose vice chairmen. Gannon said the appointments to ag and local government committees are just what he wanted. It was on the Senate Agriculture Committee from which nutrient management plans for dairies originated a few years ago, and the eastern side of Gannon's District 23 has a number of dairies. "I thought it was important to get on the committees where I can represent my constituents best," Gannon said. Stennett, who sits on the Ag

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Panel rejects bailout; United nears default

Bankruptcy would not affect passengers for months, analysts say

Los Angeles Times

A United Airlines bankruptcy filing became almost certain Wednesday when a federal panel rejected a \$1.8-billion U.S. loan guarantee that the carrier needed to avoid running out of cash this winter. Despite United's furious effort in recent weeks to line up \$5.2 billion in labor cost savings in order to win approval of the bailout, the Air Transportation Stabilization Board said the airline's recovery plan still "is not financially sound" and that it would not put taxpayers' money at risk.

Flying United? - E2

United's passengers would not see major changes immediately, because a company keeps operating under Chapter 11 while it attempts to reorganize. "Nobody over the Christmas season is going to be significantly impacted," said Ron Kohlmann, vice president of Unisys RZA, an aviation consulting firm. Even with the loan backing, "United would face a high probability of another liquidity crisis within the next few years," the ATSB said. The board was created after the Sept. 11 attacks to judge which airlines could tap \$10 billion in guarantees that were part of the industry's post-Sept. 11 aid package.

Top airlines

United Airlines, one of the world's biggest carriers, is on the brink of bankruptcy.

Top airlines, in billions of passenger miles (km) flown, 2001:

United	116 (187)
American Airlines	106 (170)
Delta	97 (156)
Northwest	73 (117)
British Airways	64 (103)
Air France	59 (95)
Continental	58 (93)
Lufthansa	58 (91)
Southwest	56 (91)
Japan Airlines	51 (82)
US Airways	46 (74)

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States start blaming feds for fiscal woes

Governors point to tax cuts, spending mandates

The Washington Post

The nation's governors are increasingly fingering the federal government as a major culprit in their widening fiscal crises, pointing to billions of dollars in tax cuts and to spending mandates that Congress and the Bush administration have foisted on the states. Last month, the National Governors' Association (NGA) declared that the states are facing their worst fiscal crisis since World War II, as governors and legislators struggle to close budget shortfalls totaling \$67 billion. Standard & Poor's, a credit rating agency, has warned of a possible downgrade for bonds issued by nine states, including California, Indiana and Arizona.

Governors of both political parties are ratcheting up their demands and emphasizing Washington's responsibilities. As the Council of State Governments convenes in Richmond today, Virginia Gov. Mark Warner (D) plans to appear with state lawmakers and other governors, including Parris N. Glendening (D) of Maryland, to demand federal help to cover mandated expenditures for Medicaid, road construction and emergency response. Warner's speech follows a meeting Monday in North Carolina, where a group of governors met with Education Secretary Roderick Paige to insist that the administration provide adequate

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TWIN FALLS FORECAST

Today: No change in temperature with increasing clouds. Highs in the 40s.

Tonight: Mostly cloudy, but dry. Lows in the 20s.

Tomorrow: Mostly cloudy and quiet. Highs in the upper 30s to the lower 40s.

BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST

Today: No change in temperature with increasing clouds. Highs in the 40s.

Tonight: A quiet, calm night. Lows in the 20s.

Tomorrow: Partly to mostly cloudy and continued dry.

TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Weather icons for Today, Tonight, Saturday, Sunday, Monday, Tuesday with corresponding temperature forecasts.

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Table with columns for Temperature, Precipitation, Humidity, Moon Phases, and Sunrise and Sunset.

Yesterday's Weather

Table showing weather conditions and temperatures for various cities including Boise, Coeur d'Alene, and others.

IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS.

Will be a beautiful couple of days to enjoy the outdoors and the mountains. With a quiet weather pattern in place, skies will be partly to mostly cloudy and temperatures will be close to average.

NORTHERN UTAH

A ridge of high pressure will dominate the weather for the next couple of days, leaving the region with mostly sunny skies and quiet conditions.

Weather by State

Table listing weather forecasts for various states including Alaska, Arizona, California, etc.

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Table with columns for City, Today, Tomorrow, Sunday, and High/Low temperatures.

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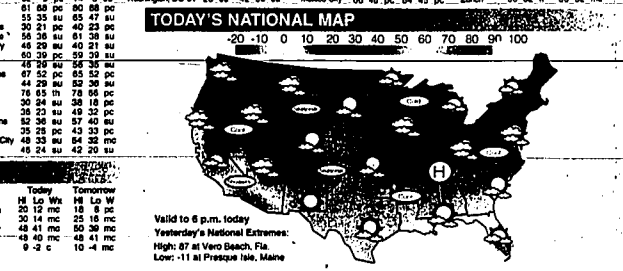
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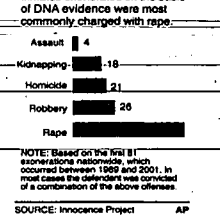
State: Toss famed rape convictions

NEW-YORK (AP) - The district attorney asked a judge Thursday to throw out the convictions of five young men in one of the nation's most notorious rape cases: the 1989 attack on a Central Park jogger who was beaten and left for dead.

gang of "wilding" youths. DNA evidence has backed his claim. The final decision on the convictions rests with state Supreme Court Justice Charles Tejada, who is expected to rule by Feb. 15.

investment banker, have already completed jail terms ranging from six years to 11.5 years. Exoneration could open the door to civil suits against the city and the men, now in their late 20s, from having to register as sex offenders for the rest of their lives.

DNA exonerations



Fiscal

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worse, Leavitt said, Washington has so far blocked efforts by the governors to impose new sales taxes on the Internet, a medium that governors believe is costing their states billions of dollars in lost revenue.

Tires

Continued from A1. down for the winter, as sidewall cutters don't work well in the cold, Hadden said. Marking the sidewalls has been the main avenue for moving tires off the site, he said.

Session

Continued from A1. Affairs Committee, said one of his goals for the session is to make sure that nutrient-management plans, through statute, wording, are clearly available to the public.

Leadership

In leadership roles in both houses, some Magic Valley lawmakers didn't fare as well as they hoped. Neither Rep. Leon Smith, R-Twin Falls, nor was running for assistant majority leader, nor Rep. Scott Bedke, R-Boise, was running for caucus chairman.

Deficit

A deficit estimated at \$160 million on a \$1.9 billion budget is facing a Legislature that has few members who worked through the last budget crisis in the early 1980s.

State and local fire, police and medical rescue units were supposed to receive \$3.5 billion this October to finance homeland security programs that Washington wants.

On the spending side, governors say they are struggling to fund new burdens imposed by the federal election reform law, homeland security requests, and education testing requirements, all of which were supposed to be financed in whole or in part by the federal government.

Most importantly, the governor say they are simply losing control of their Medicaid budgets. For that, they largely blame Washington. When Medicaid and Medicare were created, Congress envisioned Medicare as the health insurance program for the elderly, while Medicaid would cover the poor through combined state and federal contributions.

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NATION

\$1B went to TV advertisements this election

WASHINGTON (AP) - Political parties, candidates and interest groups spent about \$1 billion on television advertising for the midterm congressional elections, racing to use up reserves of now-banned campaign contributions.

A campaign finance law that took effect Nov. 6, the day after the vote, prohibits national party committees from raising and spending soft money - the unlimited contributions from corporations, unions and others that parties use for activities such as issue ads, get-out-the-vote drives and operating costs.

"There were so few races in play that there was a lot of money chasing a few races," said Ken

Pharmaceutical firms weighed in with the most

Goldstein, a political scientist who is director of the Wisconsin Advertising Project. "Advertising matters at the margins, and can influence 2, 3 or 4 percentage points of the vote."

"But we are living in a time where politics and elections are decided at the margins," he said.

The United Seniors Association, a group backed heavily by pharmaceutical companies, spent \$8.7 million for television ads, with much of that supporting Republican House candidates. That was almost three times more than any other group spent on campaign

ads. United Seniors spent the money on more than 15,000 ads in 35 markets.

The Democratic-leaning AFL-CIO was a distant second, spending \$3.5 million on more than 5,600 ads in nearly 15 markets. Next were the business-backed GOP-leaning Americans for Job Security, at \$1.5 million, and the Democratic-leaning groups Emily's List, at \$1.3 million. The Sierra Club spent \$1.2 million and the Florida Education Association \$1.1 million.

Republican House candidates spent almost 20 percent less than

their Democratic opponents, according to the final report of the Wisconsin Advertising Project, which monitors data from the 100 top media markets around the country. That covers 85 percent of the population. Senate Democratic candidates also outspent Republicans and Democrats got more financial help from their party and interest groups.

Spending on congressional races year was close to \$320 million, almost twice as much as in 1998. The \$1 billion in advertising included just over \$420 million spent on governors' races and \$64 million spent on other races. The rest was spent in other areas such as issue ads.

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Coming Sunday

Survey finds retirees face increased health premiums

WASHINGTON (AP) - Faced with escalating health costs, more than half of employers plan to raise premiums and increase copayments for retirees over the next three years, and nearly a quarter say they are likely to eliminate health coverage for future retirees, a new survey shows.

"This study is the latest bad news for American workers on the health care front," said Drew Altman, president of the Kaiser Family Foundation, which conducted the survey along with the consulting firm Hewitt Associates. "Current retirees are being asked to pay more for their health coverage and current workers are less likely to get health benefits from their employer when they retire."

The survey interviewed 435 large private-sector firms - those with 1,000 or more workers - that currently offer health benefits to retirees. Collectively, the surveyed firms have 7.4 million employees and 3.3 million retirees. The survey was conducted online between July 2, 2002 and Sept. 9, 2002.

The survey offers a glimpse of the dilemma companies face in providing benefits for retirees, who are likely to have more health issues than younger people. For instance, between 2001 and 2002, the surveyed employers saw the total cost of providing retiree benefits increase by an average 16 percent. The cost of

Higher health costs

A recent poll of 435 large employers shows that many expect to raise premiums for retirees' health coverage.

Percentage of employers that ...

... plan to continue offering coverage to current retirees ...

... expect to increase retiree premiums ...

... expect to increase prescription drug copayment or coinsurance ...

... are likely to eliminate coverage for future retirees.

SOURCE: Kaiser Family Foundation AP

providing health benefits to active workers during the same period rose 13.7 percent.

Among those surveyed, 82 percent of employers said they plan to increase retiree premiums over the next three years. Eighty-five percent of those plan to increase prescription drug copayments.

The majority of employers, 95 percent, said they will continue offering health insurance to current retirees in the next three years. But future retirees may face an uncertainty.

Man gets 30 years for diluting drugs

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) - A pharmacist who diluted chemotherapy drugs given to thousands of cancer patients was sentenced to the maximum of 30 years in prison Thursday after the victims' families tearfully told how the scheme had cost them precious days with their loved ones.

"Your crimes are a shock to the civilized conscience," U.S. District Judge Ortie Smith told Robert R. Courtney. "They are beyond understanding."

Courtney, 50, was also ordered to pay \$10.4 million in restitution and a \$25,000 fine. He showed no emotion as the judge announced his sentence.

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NATION

Federal panel backs Los Alamos lab whistleblower

LOS ALAMOS, N.M. (AP) - A federal panel found that Los Alamos National Laboratory retaliated against a whistleblower and ordered the lab to raise his salary, retroactively and pay him \$40,000 in legal fees. Los Alamos also must remove negative comments from a performance evaluation for auditor Joe Gutierrez, the Labor Department panel said. Gutierrez filed a complaint against the lab in 1997, a year after he went public with documents showing that the lab lied about emissions of airborne radioactive materials in the mid-1990s, in violation of the Clean Air Act. Gutierrez said he had learned of the violations while working on an internal assessment, but said his bosses would not acknowledge or act on the information. He went public, he said, in the interests of public health. The evidence later helped convince a federal judge that the lab had violated air-emission regulations. The lab had appealed two previous decisions in Gutierrez's favor. Jim Danneskiold, a spokesman for the lab, declined Thursday to discuss the latest ruling, issued Nov. 13, or any further appeal. "Because the case has not run its entire course yet," Danneskiold said. He said he did not know when that would happen, and could not specify what those issues are. "Hopefully the lab won't appeal this so we can get this behind us, and we can all move forward," said Gutierrez, who now works on technology-transfer issues at the lab.

Judge rules in favor of Air Force workers

WICHITA FALLS, Texas (AP) - A judge has ordered the reinstatement of two civilian Air Force employees who were fired three years ago after reporting that a servicewoman's affairs with Saudi and fellow military personnel posed a security risk. Robert Smyth and Richard Krape, who were responsible for background checks on Air Force personnel, lost their jobs in 1999. The men, who worked as agents for the Defense Security Service at Sheppard Air Force Base, reported that a noncommissioned officer was granted top security clearance after having an affair with a supervisor. They also said she had affairs with other military personnel and with Saudi Arabian men.

Coming Sunday The lost art of letter-writing



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NATION

Lobbies push for new lawsuit limits from GOP

WASHINGTON (AP) - Capitalizing on GOP control of Congress and the White House, lobbying interests as diverse as doctors and asbestos users are pressing for new limitations on when, where and how consumers can file lawsuits. In some cases, they already have the blessing of President Bush, who succeeded in winning Texas governor in the 1990s. Lobbyists have taken a verbal cue from the president, who often refers to proposals to limit lawsuits as "job creation bills." They're recasting pitches that have traditionally lampooned the faltering economy, arguing that legal curbs will help struggling businesses, preserve jobs and protect access to health care. "It became an economic development issue," said Bruce Josten, the lobbyist for the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, among the politically powerful groups leading the charge to restrain malpractice lawsuits. And in the subtle game of influence, groups tend to avoid traditional terms like "tort reform" or "malpractice liability limits" to describe their current efforts. "We think that plays into the hands of the people who don't want to fix the broken system," said Dr. Donald Palmisano, a New Orleans physician and attorney who takes over as American Medical Association president, next year. The AMA is among those that have honed their arguments to convince Americans that limits on their right to sue would benefit consumers. The group has armed itself with statistics showing that emergency room doctors, obstetricians, surgeons and other physicians have abandoned some parts of the country because of costly malpractice lawsuits and the expensive insurance they must carry to protect themselves. That means patients in some communities are forced to drive long distances for health care, the doctors argue. AMA is lobbying for a federal law limiting noneconomic damage awards, such as those for pain and suffering, to \$250,000 in medical lawsuits. Their proposal would impose a federal cap in states that have no limits. The group's political action committee gave about 60 percent of its \$2.1 million in donations in the last election to Republicans, according to the non-partisan Center for Responsive Politics, which studies donations.

FEC levies big fine in Mattel campaign contribution case

WASHINGTON (AP) - Mattel Inc., maker of Barbie dolls and other famous toys, agreed along with two of its former employees to pay \$477,000 in fines for making political donations in the names of other people, the third-largest fine ever imposed by the Federal Election Commission. The fines, announced Thursday, stem from \$120,714 in donations that came out of Mattel funds from 1996 to 2000. The money went to 23 Democrats and Republicans, two party committees and five political action committees. Among the recipients: the Democratic National Committee, the Gore 2000 presidential campaign, committees for California's Democratic senators Barbara Boxer and Dianne Feinstein. Several Republicans also were among the recipients, including committees for Reps. Lincoln Diaz-Balart and Heena Ros-Lehtinen, both of Florida, and Steven Kuykendall of California. The FEC said it found no evidence that any of the recipients were aware that the toy maker was the true source of the donations. The reimbursement arrangement involved Mattel senior vice president Fermin Cuza and Mattel consultant Alan Schwartz, according to agreements with the FEC. Cuza was in charge of government affairs for the toy company. Mattel at Cuza's direction paid Schwartz's firm for consulting services and Schwartz used the money to make donations to federal candidates and political committees. Schwartz also used money from Mattel to reimburse people, including Cuza, for donations to political committees, according to the documents.

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EDITORIAL

Lawmakers should repeal some mandatory sentences

As Idaho moves closer to the 2003 legislative session, there's no shortage of ideas on how to deal with next year's looming budget deficit.

Most Idaho households adhere to that principle: Why can't state government?

On the second point from the conference, former Gov. Phil Batt made a potentially valuable suggestion on how to cut state government costs. Batt recommended that legislators revise Idaho's mandatory sentencing laws. He suggested many of them are excessive and costly.

Our view: To help Idaho's budget crisis, legislators should cut spending and review mandatory prison sentences.

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

Though many sound proposals have come from Gov. Dirk Kempthorne's blue-ribbon committee, the Associated Taxpayers of Idaho's annual conference this week offered some especially valuable insights.

One of them was a philosophical reminder on why spending should be controlled. The second was a practical suggestion on how to do it.

On the first, national tax guru Scott Hodge of the Tax Foundation of Washington, D.C., pointed out that many state economies are still growing — though not as rapidly as during the 1990s boom. The reason major revenue shortages are piling up for many states, including Idaho, is their spending habits.

"What is really at the heart of the problem is overspending and bad budgeting," Hodge said.

He got that right. And he's not the first to say it. We've reminded readers and state leaders for months that overspending, not underfunding, is the root of Idaho's trouble.

Jeff Youtz, Idaho's chief budget analyst, confirmed at the conference that Idaho's economy has grown about 4.7 percent this year. Which begs the question: If Idaho's economy is still expanding, why are we blaming our shortfalls on a recession?

If you can't pay your bills you should cut your expenses.

Mandatory sentencing laws tend to be popular because they let legislators appear hard-nosed. The drawback is, such laws take discretion away from judges. And, as Batt pointed out, judges are more qualified to hand down sentences than legislators are.

A more flexible approach to first-time and nonviolent offenders could save the state budget. (Voters, however, still have to hold their local judges accountable for sentencing wisely.)

Some mandatory sentences may still be effective in laying down the law for certain crimes. But a thorough review by the Legislature may reveal some that should be revised or repealed.

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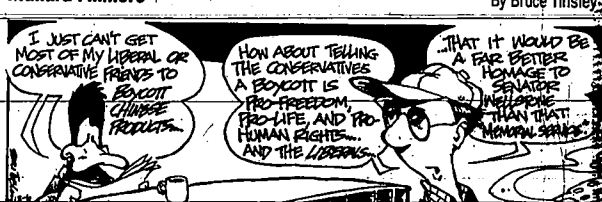
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Kissinger's Saudi pals litter 9/11 money trail

Henry Kissinger says he intends to lead his Sept. 11 investigation commission down the money trail. He can't state government. They will be wearing innocent expressions and clutching Saudi petrodollars.

ZEV CHAFETS

The Saudis fund schools all over the world — and all over this country — that propagate the Wahhabi values of theocracy, sexual inequality, intolerance and jihad. Some of these institutions are in New York and Washington. Kissinger can get the addresses from the FBI.

America's Islamic organizations also live along the money trail. The Council on American-Islamic Relations, for example, just accepted a half-million dollars from a nephew of the Saudi king to "put Islamic materials" into American libraries. Let's hope they won't be combustible.



observed, "If the reputation builds that the Saudis take care of their friends when they leave office, you'd be surprised how much better friends you have who are just coming into office."

The Bandar principle also applies to the American academy. Kissinger's alma mater, Harvard, recently was embarrassed by the revelation that it had accepted gifts from the Osama bin Laden family. But Harvard is far from alone. Elite universities have received millions over the years from the Saudi government.

won't disclose the donor, so we are left to guess. My guess is the Saudi royal family. I am sorry to say Kissinger may even encounter a few journalists along the money trail. The Saudis have long made a practice of giving their Western media guests gifts (Rolex watches are usually involved). Some give them back. Others, not wanting to offend, strap them on. Are they influenced by Saudi hospitality? Look at the coverage of the kingdom over the past 10 years, see which reporters have failed to notice they were in a fascist theocracy and decide for yourself.

Excuse me: whose Web site boasts that the company "has contributed enormously to the creation of the modern Kingdom of Saudi Arabia." Actually, Kissinger did once receive a personal gift from the Saudis. But it probably won't do the kingdom much good. Back when he was the first Jewish secretary of state, Kissinger was presented with a copy of the infamous anti-Semitic forgery "The Protocols of the Elders of Zion," by his thoughtful host, Saudi King Faisal.

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Generic holiday greeting robs season of meaning

The desire not to offend has stripped "the reason for the season" of all meaning. Advertisers and store employees have substituted the joyful and heartfelt wishes of "Merry Christmas" and "Happy Hanukkah" with the diluted and mushy greeting "Happy Holidays."



"Christian theme." I've seen "A Christmas Carol" on many occasions and have yet to discover a "Christian" theme in it, unless you consider that "conversion" of Scrooge by the "ghosts" of Christmas Past, Christmas Present and Christmas yet to come a religious act. It is a story about charity, kindness and good will which, the last I checked, was a theme not only in all religions but also among humanists and other non-theists.

Railroad Race," which recounts the dangers faced and the sacrifices made by an Irish immigrant, a Chinese immigrant and a runaway slave in the building of the transcontinental railroad. Understanding racial diversity apparently is more important than learning about charity.

lectual debate and an engagement with conflicting ideas. Their robots children of a decent education (as it would rob them of physicist Timmer's) at the schools and away with athletic contests because some might feel bad if they lost.

Teens today are no different from years ago

A headline in the Dec. 4 issue of The Times-News drew my attention. The headline, "Cops nab teen-ager," needs some clarification. Was the culprit's crime being a teen-ager or was it bank robbery? Wouldn't it have been less insulting if the headline had read, "Police apprehend teenage bank robber," or some such heading?

Letters

If you think this is from a disgruntled teen-ager or the parent of same, guess again. I was a teen-ager 75 years ago. If you find a troublesome or similitude teen-ager, you only have to look back one generation to find the reason in nearly all cases. My assessment of teen-agers is that they are no different than my generation was — just better informed and probably smarter.

Leave basketball program off Sundays; pick another day

The Bible says, "Remember the Sabbath Day to keep it holy." That special day, since the time of Christ, has been typically observed on Sunday throughout the USA and in our community. In Saturday's paper, it was announced that the city of Twin Falls and Twin Falls School District 411 will open a Twin Falls junior high school on Sunday for recreational basketball and pickup games. I love basketball as my

favorite sport; however, there is a time and a place for everything. The Lord's day is not the right time, and leading the community in this misdirection using a taxpayer-built and owned building and use of taxpayer resources to open, heat, light and staff this building is the wrong place. Please pick another day. Has this "Sunday school basketball" program been approved by our elected City Council and School Board? DAVID BASTOW Twin Falls

The boom of China's economy just keeps on booming

Hardly anyone visits China without being dazzled by the factories, office buildings and raw ambition. For two decades, the economy has grown about 9 percent a year. Output (gross domestic product) has passed \$1 trillion. From 1990 to 2000, the number of phones per 1,000 people rose from six to 178. On a recent trip, the American economist Donald



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bad idea of permanently large trade surpluses, a policy now limited. When countries consistently run surpluses, they accu-

mulate huge reserves of foreign exchange, mainly dollars. Foreign exchange reserves now total \$453 billion for Japan (up \$58 billion since last December), \$257 billion for China (up \$42 billion) and \$117 billion for South Korea (up \$14 billion). The trading system cannot flourish if too many countries strive for surpluses. This breaks the spending cycle. China could diminish its surplus by revaluing

its currency, the renminbi. Its exports would become more expensive, its imports cheaper. But China refuses, because it too has problems. It is dismantling inefficient state-owned companies. Urban unemployment is "unprecedentedly high" at 11 percent to 13 percent, says Lardy. There may be 200 million people "underemployed" in rural

areas. Entering the World Trade Organization, China also faces more import competition. China wants all the export-led growth and foreign investment it can get. The true problem is not China alone. It's Asia's collective export obsession, which is self-defeating and deflationary. All countries cannot achieve their desired exports, because markets abroad — mainly the United

States — cannot absorb them all. There are winners and losers. Japan, once a winner, is now a loser. Its trade surplus reflects low imports, not a vibrant economy. All of Asia needs to base its prosperity more on domestic spending and less on exports — both for its own sake and everyone else's.

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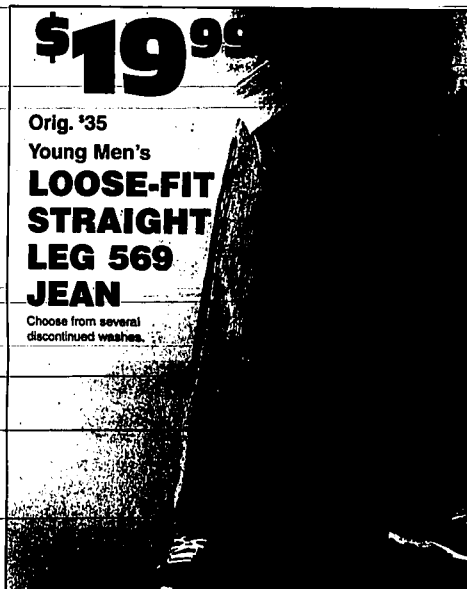
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Just how China evolves — politically and economically — is one of the big questions of the 21st century.

It is now foretold in the rising anxiety that China's economic expansion comes increasingly at the expense of other countries. The theory: Low labor costs and an undervalued currency suck investment and jobs from elsewhere. Legions of multinational firms are relocating in China, whose exports threaten global deflation.

The companies that have moved to China can cut prices to gain market share and force their competitors to follow suit, writes economist Stephen Roach of Morgan Stanley. Consider the evidence.

China's low-priced exports are up 21 percent in the first 10 months of 2002, although overall world trade is stagnating.

The story is similar for foreign direct investment by multinational companies: Globally, foreign investment is declining. In China, it's risen 20 percent to \$46 billion in 2002 (through October). The new investment is diversifying China's exports away from clothes, toys and low-end consumer electronics.

Of course, skepticism is justified. We've heard this story before.

First it was Japan, then South Korea and Mexico. Manufacturing couldn't survive in high-wage, advanced countries. The scare stories didn't come true.

Countries sell abroad so they can buy abroad. China still needs sophisticated products (power plants, industrial machinery, aircraft) that are made elsewhere.

Still, China is not Japan or Mexico. Size alone (population: 1.3 billion) makes it special, and there are other reasons to worry. Free trade, a wonderful theory, says that by specializing in what they do best, all countries benefit.

This is usually true. But it's less true when there's a world slump, as now. Low-cost producers survive; others struggle. Fears that China will gain jobs and investment at others' expense are not unfounded.

Deflation is a general decline in prices. It does not exist in the United States, whose inflation remains about 1 percent to 2 percent. Many American economists consider it unlikely. But once started, deflation could feed on itself.

Falling prices would squeeze profits, causing companies to fire workers, cut investment or fail.

People and firms would spend less, widening the gap between supply and demand and deepening deflation. Although falling prices would normally be good, too much good could be destructive.

Prices of Asian imports have dropped 20 percent in the past five years, says Roach. Again, this would be good if Asian countries spent abroad what they earned abroad. Unfortunately, they don't. Japan pioneered the

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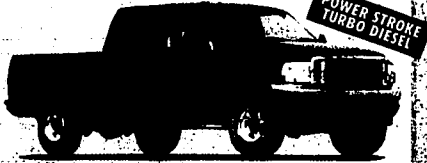
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AROUND THE VALLEY

Richfield home is destroyed in fire

RICHFIELD - One of the oldest homes in Richfield was destroyed by a fire early Thursday morning.

Firefighters were called out at about 12:30 a.m., and it took about an hour and a half to bring the blaze under control, according to Mayor Charles Buttcane, who was at the scene.

The home, owned by Alice Behr, was being rented by Silvia Vaughn and her son, who were not home at the time, Buttcane said. It was not known if the home and furnishings were insured.

The fire department was called out again around 5:30 p.m., when, apparently, hot embers between the aluminum siding restarted the blaze, Buttcane said.

The cause of the fire is not known, said city clerk LuAnn Swainston.

CSI plans Magic Mud pottery show and sale

TWIN FALLS - The College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Department is having its annual Magic Mud pottery sale and show today and Saturday.

At least 15 pottery students and established artists will have their works for sale. CSI Art Professor Bill West says he and his students look forward to this event all year as a chance to show off their work and their facilities.

At noon today, visitors will be able to see a kiln opening, revealing freshly fired ceramics. Refreshments will be served both days.

Participants include: LaVar Street, Elbeth James, Sheryl and Bill West, Stephanie Serrano, Aubrey Toupin, Megan Crumrine, Jo Dyer, Alta Harris, Kaila Jackson, Debra Richards, Donna Flannery, Blair Clemon, Allene Wagner, and Art Waters.

Items for sale will include pitchers, cups, bowls, casserole dishes, platters, teapots and many other functional, decorative and collectible items. Proceeds from the sale help defray materials and field-trip costs for the art students.

The event will run from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. today and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday at the Art Complex, which is located on Falls Avenue north from the Twin Falls city water reservoir.

Gooding craft show starts today at 10 a.m.

GOODING - The seventh annual Gooding Holiday Craft Show will be held from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. today and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday at the Gooding Accelerated Learning Center, 906 Main St. in Gooding.

Admission is free. Dozens of local artists and bakers will sell a variety of items.

'Christmas Chorale' in M.V. mall is Saturday

TWIN FALLS - Sounds of the Season at the Magic Valley mall's "Christmas Chorale" will be Saturday in the Canyon Cafe Food Court.

The event features the second- and third-graders from Kimberly Elementary School at noon, the Old Time Fiddlers at 1 p.m. and the Salvation Army Band at 2 p.m.

For more information, call Kimberly Williams, marketing director at the mall, at 733-3000.

Dietrich tree lighting ceremony is Saturday

DIETRICH - A festive holiday tree lighting ceremony will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday in the Dietrich city park.

Dietrich will have a memorial tree, and people will hang ornaments in memory of loved ones. The ornaments will be stored and taken care of for next year.

There will be chili and hot chocolate served. There is no charge for the event, which is organized by the Dietrich High School seniors, but donations are welcomed to help pay for the senior trip in the spring.

The ceremony is sponsored by American Corps representatives Michelle Gaskill and Cathy Whitaker, working as youth asset builders.

Gaskill said the hope is that there will be enough interest to light the entire park next year.

Compiled from staff reports

Educators speak with Hispanic parents

By Robert Meyer Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Historically, Hispanic parents have a low rate of involvement in the region's public schools.

Of course, it's no wonder, given that many of those parents don't speak English.

But educators at Robert Stuart Junior High School want to change that, regardless of what language is spoken at home.

Thursday's forum in the school's cafeteria was the first

step in bridging that gap, allowing teachers and administrators to hear directly from the Hispanic community about its problems or concerns.

Both sides appeared to have a sincere desire to cooperate and held the same goal: a good and fair education for the children.

Some 20 parents were broken into groups and sat at tables that had translators and teachers.

Racism in the classroom was a fear of some parents. Student complaints of incidences in which they were told to stop

speaking Spanish in class only fueled those fears.

Others were concerned that teachers weren't helping the Hispanic children as much as they should.

Teachers were quick to assure parents that racism wasn't at work, that students can speak another language in class, as long as it isn't disruptive.

But when it came down to it, most concerns were universal and not limited to race.

After all, more than 26 different languages are spoken at the district's schools. However,

Hispanics are the most visible minority at Robert Stuart, making up nearly 25 percent of the student body.

"These parents have the very same concerns I have about my kids," said Michelle Downard, president of Robert Stuart's Parent-Teacher-Student Organization. "Unfortunately they're putting it down to the fact that they don't understand or the teachers won't help them."

Still, school officials wanted to reach out to Hispanic parents, seeking greater involve-

ment.

Some proposals put forth by parents included developing an after-school club for not just sports but based around other common interests, eliminating any cultural barriers.

Also suggested was an idea similar to "bring your child to work day" but reversed into "bring your parents to school day." Of course, that already exists in the form of parent-teacher conferences.

For that matter, the lack of Please see EDUCATORS, Page B3.

BELTIN' OUT THE TUNES



Chad Searle and Hanalee Koyle, both 8-year-old third-graders at Dworshak Elementary School, sing 'Santa is a Good Old Boy' at the Burley Festival of Trees Thursday. In the Dworshak music program, any third-grader who is willing to give up lunch hours can sing at the festival, regardless of talent.

Burley third-graders put on Christmas music show

By Nate Johnson Times-News writer

BURLEY - One soloist hung a third below the pitch for two bars, a group of singers missed a rest and plowed straight into the next verse, and sometimes the choir abandoned total variation in favor of good old-fashioned shouting.

It was some of the best Christmas music you are likely to hear this season.

Despite the errors, the choir galvanized the audience at Burley's Festival of Trees Thursday. Children danced in the aisles. Grandfathers laughed out loud. Any choir would have been proud of the effect the songs had on the listeners, especially a choir with an average age of 8.

The children's joy overflowed the stage and flooded the audience.

Although the choir's volume usually ranged from forte to fortissimo, the Dworshak third-

grade singers are much more than a bunch of screaming kids. The choir has developed musical skills. The children know every word of their songs.

All the boys and girls are comfortable enough on stage to let loose and sing their hearts out. These kids are good, and they know it.

Music teacher Loretta Peterson takes a democratic approach to performance instruction. Every music pupil sings at the Festival of Trees. Any pupil can come up to the microphone to perform a special part as long as he demonstrates a commitment to singing.

"Everyone who tries out gets some kind of part, even if they can't carry a tune in a bucket with a lid," Peterson said. In third grade it's too early to tell children they are not good

enough, Peterson said. A boy who seems tone deaf at that age might develop into a fine singer.

"You've just got to assume they are all virtuosos until they prove otherwise," Peterson said.

Instead of weeding out the children who seem to have little talent, Peterson cultivates pupils with enthusiasm for music. The children who want to sing special parts have to check Peterson's door every morning.

If their parts are posted on the door, the children go in at lunch to practice. Children who miss too many practices lose their parts.

At first no one wants to sing solos, Peterson said. As children see their peers taking the microphone, they become more and more comfortable singing alone.

Even if the children never become singers, even if they have no talent, they will know they had the courage to step up to the microphone, Peterson said.

Many of the pupils do become singers.

"So often we find these children who are stunned to find out how talented they are," Peterson said.

For these pupils Peterson offers the "Silent Night" solo as a special prize. Pupils audition for the part in front of their class. Peterson records the best performances and gives the tapes to people in the community to judge.

Even the singers without precocious singing ability are worth watching. The choir's enthusiasm is infectious.

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Festival of Lights parade rolls into downtown T.F.

By Steve Crump Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Organizers expect between 5,000 and 6,000 spectators for the 10th annual downtown Festival of Lights Christmas parade tonight, sponsored by Historic Old Towne.

There were 23 entries as of Thursday afternoon for the parade, which will start at 6:30 p.m. at the intersection of Fifth and Main Avenue, near Krengel's True Value Hardware.

The parade will travel northwest on Main, ending in the parking lot of Magic Valley High School.

"We'll have a few new things this year," said Richard Crowley, executive director of Historic Old Towne. "We'll have choirs along

the parade route starting about 5, and merchants will be handing out hot drinks."

Santa Claus, riding on the last float in the parade, will pause at the fountain on Main for a bit of lighting legerdemain, Crowley said.

Because the Festival of Trees is going on in the Radco Rondevo Events Center, parking will be at a premium in some locations downtown. Crowley urges parade watchers to use the parking lots off Second Avenue. Up to 350 spaces are available there.

Most downtown merchants will be open until 8 tonight.

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Blaine County approves new ski trails

By Karen Bosack Times-News correspondent

HAILEY - A new cross-country ski loop passed all its hurdles except the biggest one Thursday night.

The 8- to 10-kilometer trail system proposed for Quigley Canyon just east of the new Wood River High School easily won the approval of the Blaine County Planning and Zoning Commission.

But, for now at least, it appears a more formidable challenge will be garnering the snow needed to make that dream a reality.

Nordic ski coach Rick Kapala said his ski team kids were trying to win over the snow gods Thursday by sacrificing a bunch of old skis on a bonfire, doing a ceremonial snow dance and roasting hot dogs.

"Every year for the last five

Waiting for snow

The new Quigley Canyon trails need 12 inches of snow before grooming can commence.

Staff will begin getting them ready as soon as that happens, said Shelley Preston, trails coordinator for the Blaine County Recreation District. Day passes are \$9 for adults and \$2 for children. Season passes good for Quigley and another 120 kilometers of trails north of Ketchum are available for \$84 at the recreation district office and several Ketchum and Hailey outdoor shops.

parking lot on Quigley Road across an alfalfa field to Quigley Pond where it will loop back. A couple of bubble loops will play out from the main trail.

There will be a 2-kilometer doggie loop near the trailhead and a 670-square-foot pre-manufactured warming hut with two Porta-potties at the south side of the trail system near the high school football field.

People have expressed a desire for Nordic trails on the property for several years, but the impetus to do it this year came from school kids who got excited about the sport after watching some of the top Olympians in the world race last year in Sun Valley, Perry said.

Kapala, head Nordic coach for the Sun Valley Ski Education Foundation, said he's had 15 kids sign up for the team so far and

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United Way aids infants to seniors

Money helps more than 39,000 in Magic Valley

By Sandy Miller Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Money given to the United Way of South Central Idaho gives hope to more than 39,000 people each year.

It provides children with a place to go after school. It helps seniors citizens remain in their homes and hold recipients on to their independence. It helps people kick the addicts to drugs and alcohol and helps the homeless get back on their feet again.

"It's not a fund-raising organization. It's a problem-solving organization," UNITED Way Executive Director Jim Pozzo told Twin Falls Kiwanis Thursday.

United Way of South Central Idaho serves 180,000 people who live in Twin Falls, Gooding, Jerome, Lincoln, Blaine, Cassia, Minidoka and Cassia counties. United Way dollars help a variety of agencies, including the Boys and Girls Club of the Magic Valley, Salvation Army, Valley House and a number of senior citizens centers. Ninety-nine cents of every dollar stays in Twin Falls.

Pozzo said United Way is so active it comes to which agencies it funds. An allocation committee made up of a wide cross-section of the community meets once a year in February to hear from the directors of the agencies. The directors must prove that the money they receive is well spent.

"Are we getting good value from the money we are passing through those agencies?" Pozzo asked.

Pozzo said it is especially important since many of the people who give to United Way of South Central Idaho are working people who don't have a whole lot of money to spare.

"Eighty percent of the money Please see MID, Page B3

Tribes committed \$4 million to gambling issue

BOISE (AP) - Idaho's Indian tribes spent another \$480,000 in the final two weeks before the Nov. 5 election and afterward to insure voter passage of the initiative clearly legalizing the electronic gambling machines in their reservation casinos.

Campaign finance disclosure reports filed with the secretary of state on Thursday showed the initial infusion of cash, nearly all of it again from the tribes themselves, pushed to over \$4 million the money they committed to convincing voters the state has been wrong in trying to prohibit the machines.

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The most expensive Proposition campaign in state history also benefited from a cash payment from its opponents.

Straight Talk: Gambling in Idaho Inc. paid the tribes' campaign organization \$86 a week before the balloting to cover court costs in the antgambling group's failed attempt to block a vote on the initiative.

The initiative passed with nearly 58 percent of the vote after the

tribes, using two California firms that successfully engineered passage of Indian-gambling propositions in California, spent millions of dollars on an effective broadcast and newspaper advertising campaign.

But while it was enacted last month, a court challenge is expected, and the tribes still have more than \$200,000 left in their campaign fund.

The initiative's opponents raised about \$100,000 and spent nearly \$90,000, most of that on legal fees.

The machines have been responsible for the success of the

tribal casinos that have pumped huge sums of money not only into once-depressed reservation economies but also into schools and other public programs in surrounding communities.

The state had long contended that they were nothing more than slot machines clearly prohibited by the state constitution. But the tribes have argued consistently that the machines are simply electronic versions of games offered by the State Lottery and therefore legal under federal law.

A federal court suit on that issue had been put on hold pending the outcome of the election.

Committee discusses clean property, rate increases

**By Shari Chaney
Times-News writer**

RUPERT - No one from the public spoke at the Mayor's Citizen Advisory Committee meeting Thursday night, but members talked briefly about a concern of their own: messy property.

Committee member Ray Stockton said a house near his was an "absolute trash pile." A lean-to had been constructed at the edge of the house, with the roof of the lean-to coming under the roof of the neighbor's carport next door.

Stockton said the house was filled with cardboard, and pillows had been stuffed in broken windows to keep the lean-in.

City Administrator Roger Bagley said the city cannot make somebody fix the windows in his or her house. The cardboard could be a fire hazard, he said, and planning and zoning officials may want to look at the lean-to. A permit would have been needed.

Pete Ford, another committee member, mentioned a house in his neighborhood with an old, unusable car parked nearby.

Bagley said any vehicle that is not licensed or drivable needs to be removed.

"It's junk. It's wreackage. We'll cite," Bagley said.

Other committee business included:

• Sewer and garbage rate increases - The committee was briefed on the reasons behind the sewer and garbage rate increases.

Money from the sewer increase - some \$90,000 a year - will be set aside for a sewer plant upgrade, said Superintendent David Joyce. The plant is often taking in more waste than it can handle and has received a notice of violation from the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality.

Design work for a plant upgrade could happen by this time next year, Joyce said, with construction in 2005.

The city is in a better position to receive grant money if rates are paid on time, Bagley added. Those giving grants want to see that cities are trying to come up with funds themselves.

Sanitation rates will help pay for new trucks in the fleet, Bagley said. The department currently operates with three trucks, ranging from a 1987 to a 1997.

• Kraft's future - Committee member Elizabeth Burr-Jones said she was fielding questions about whether Kraft Foods was leaving the area.

Bagley said he didn't know what Kraft is going to do but assumes that since it is still investing money in upgrades to the plant, it would not leave Rupert any time soon.

Cassia P&Z bids members good-bye, looks to future

The Times-News

BURLEY - Cassia County planners said good-bye to three departing colleagues and made plans to address zoning ordinance problems in the new year.

On Thursday night the Cassia County Planning and Zoning Commission sketched out a plan for putting its zoning ordinance code into the form of a recommendation to county commissioners.

The commission also signed the resolution granting a permit to Mountain View Dairy with the

conditions that were discussed at the last meeting. The dairy owners must make a closing plan and check in with the commission if owners have not started work on the dairy in three years.

But Thursday's meeting was, for the most part, a social one. Commissioners spent some time talking and saying good-bye to departing commissioners Dale Brien and Jack Hill and resigning County Administrator Tim Hurst.

The commission should make zoning ordinance recommendations to the Cassia County Commission fairly soon, Commis-

sioner Randy Robinson said.

Commissioners planned to put together a list of the changes they would like to make to the zoning ordinance. The newly appointed commissioners would have a chance to familiarize themselves with this list before they met, Commissioner Clayne Zollinger said.

Commissioners agreed to meet on Jan. 9 to discuss the proposed amendments before holding a public hearing on the changes.

Having a solid ordinance could help those applying for confined animal feeding operation permits,

too. The commissioners who drafted the zoning ordinance had intended that anyone who met the requirements to build in the area zoned for animal feeding operations would be able to receive a permit without conditions, Hurst said.

But recently the commission has thought of new regulations and has been adding conditions to permits. These regulations, like the required plan for bankruptcy and closure, were in the ordinance, developers would know exactly what they would have to do from the beginning, Hurst said.

Educators

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parent involvement doesn't stop at Hispanics, said Joani McFarlane, eighth-grade U.S. history teacher.

She said of her 145 students, only 25 parents showed up to this semester's parent-teacher conferences.

"(Parents are) the primary teacher of the child. They have more time and more influence," she said. "If they communicate that education is not important, if they don't get involved, it sends a real clear message to the child. Why should the child care if the parent doesn't?"

Moreover, parents need to know that junior high students are at an age where they try to manipulate parents as well as teachers. For instance, making up excuses why homework was lost or not done or never assigned.

Rosie Chavez, a Robert Stuart attorney who helps translate at the forum, agreed that it's not just parents and teachers. A large burden of the education falls on the students themselves, she said.

Yes, there will always be inspirational and helpful teachers, and there will always be those who cause friction, she said. But ultimately, it's the students' responsibility to overcome.

"We just have to work with them no matter what. That's just the way life is," she said.

Ultimately, however, for parents to be involved, the language barrier will prove a difficult gap to breach, said parent Vitor Ruiz.

"They can't communicate, they defend themselves, they can't come and talk to the principal and say, 'Hey, wait a minute, what's going on with my child?'" Ruiz said. "Yes, they are here in the United States, yes, they should speak the language, but unfortunately they can't. You can't pick it up that fast."

For the school, the key is drawing in more parents, such as Ruiz, as well as other members of the community who are bilingual, said principal Craig Ainsworth.

"They are people that speak English and Spanish, those are the ones that we have to reach out to," he said.

That's the key to drawing more Hispanics into the PTSO, too, Downard said.

"There's plenty who speak both and can be that bridge."

For Chavez, Thursday's forum was an important first step.

"If there's a problem, now it's going to be easier for them to talk to people here, they're going to be more open."

Teacher McFarlane agreed. "As teachers we want everyone to succeed," she said. "We know that they as parents do care, they're just not knowing how to get involved. I think we made some real headway."

Malfunction suffocates 45 hogs at Utah farm

CEDAR CITY, Utah (AP) - Forty-five adult sows died of suffocation, Circle Four Farms said.

"It was an unfortunate incident two weeks ago where 45 pigs accidentally died due to a ventilation system malfunction," spokesman Brian Mauldin said. "We're extreme-

ly concerned about animal welfare and (are) taking steps to make sure it doesn't happen again."

Circle Four Farms, a subsidiary of Smithfield Foods, produced about 1 million market hogs at its farms in southwest Utah last year.

Aid

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comes from hourly employees," Ponzo said.

Like many other organizations, United Way has felt the pinch of a tight economy. United Way of South Central Idaho came in \$85,000 short of its \$425,000 fundraising goal last year. Ponzo himself took a pay cut to stretch the dollars further.

But it's a new year and a new fund-raising campaign. United Way of South Central Idaho kicked off its 2003 campaign in September with a goal of raising \$450,000. The campaign will wrap up in January.

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United Way recipients

- The United Way of South Central Idaho provides funding to a number of agencies which help infants to senior citizens. Here is a list of the agencies currently receiving United Way funding.**
- American Red Cross of Greater Idaho
 - Boys and Girls Club of the Magic Valley
 - Crisis Center of the Magic Valley
 - Child Trauma Recovery Resource
 - Foster Grandparent Program
 - Girl Scouts of Silver Sage
 - Guardian Ad Litem/CASA
 - Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers
 - Magic Valley Safe Kids Coalition
 - Retired Senior Volunteer Program
 - Salvation Army
 - Senior Companion Program
 - Valley House
 - The Worker Center
 - YMCA
 - Ageless Senior Center in Kimberly
 - Jermone Senior Center
 - Hagerman Senior Center
 - Minskola Senior Center in Rupert
 - Silver and Gold Senior Center in Eden/Hazelton
 - Twin Falls Senior Center
 - West End Senior Center in Buhl
- To donate to United Way of South Central Idaho, call Executive Director Jim Ponzo at 733-4922 or see the Web site at www.uscwidwaysocid.org.

Library board gets new member

TWIN FALLS - The City Council appointed Rance Haight Monday to serve as a board member of the Twin Falls Public Library.

Haight will serve a five-year term, from January 2003 through December 2007. She replaces Kim Patterson, whose service as a board member is completed this month.

Valley in brief

admission and \$3 for seniors and students with ID.

Twin Falls P&Z board has two openings

TWIN FALLS - The city's planning and zoning commission has two openings in January.

People who are interested should have lived within the city limits for at least the past two years. Anyone who is interested should send a letter to the Twin Falls City Planning and Zoning Department, P.O. Box 1907, Twin Falls, no later than Dec. 13.

The letter should explain the reason for wanting the appointment and also list experience that demonstrates why the person would make a good commission member.

Commission members are appointed for a three-year term and can serve a maximum of two terms.

For additional information, people should call LaMar Orton at 735-7267 or Renee Carraway at 735-7269.

— compiled from staff reports

CSI chamber choir, orchestra present 'Messiah' Sunday

TWIN FALLS - The College of Southern Idaho Chamber Choir and the Magic Valley Chamber Orchestra, under the direction of Carson Wong, will present Frederick Handel's Messiah at their Christmas Concert at 3 p.m. Sunday at the CSI Fine Arts Center auditorium.

Wong says this is the first time CSI students will sing the difficult solos contained in the composition. Parts 1 and 2 of the "Messiah" will be followed by "Prophecy and Promise of the Redeemer" and "The Suffering Lamb Who Redeems." The audience will be encouraged to join in on the "Hallelujah" chorus for the finale.

Tickets are \$5 for general

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another 40 inquiries. "Over time, I don't see how we couldn't see 50,000 of kids involved," he added.

In addition, at least a dozen people have bought North Valley Trail passes solely because of the addition of the Quigley Canyon trails to the system. And a number of Hailey and Bellevue residents have expressed interest in a program there to improve their ski technique.

One person praised the trails as a way to take some traffic off

the road from skiers who would normally head north to ski.

Planning and zoning commissioners declined to restrict grooming hours after one Hailey resident testified that the noise from the piston bully grooming the bike path through town wasn't nearly as noisy as snowplows scraping snow off city streets.

Ideally, Ferry said, grooming will be done between 6 and 10 p.m. or between 6 and 10 a.m. But trails might occasionally

have to be groomed between those hours because grooming can't be done until temperatures have dropped into the 20s, he added.

Commissioner Mark Gasenica did, however, stress that any lights on the warming hut would need to be downcast to comply with Hailey's Dark Sky Ordinance. Kapala said he saw no reason for the lights even to be left on during the night.

Susan McAuley, of the Sawtooth Snowmobile Club, also

stressed that snowmobilers wished to continue to groom and use Quigley Road, as they have for the past 25 years.

The trail project will end April 1, at which time the hut and Porta-potties will be removed from the property and it will revert to an alfalfa field. If the recreation, electric and Ski Education Foundation wish to use it again for ski trails next year, they will have to go again before the Planning and Zoning Commission.

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Jerome parking violations get costly

By Dixie Thomas Reale
Times-News Correspondent

JEROME - Ignoring a parking ticket in the city of Jerome will now cost \$100.

The City Council passed an ordinance on Tuesday which set a civil penalty of \$20 for a parking violation in the city and \$100 for failure to pay the penalty.

Offenses that might attract a parking ticket are: one- and two-hour parking zone violations; parallel parking violations; parking in a disabled zone; parking in bus stop; and truck or trailer parking violations.

The penalty for a parking ticket is due at either the police station or the city hall within five days of receiving a ticket.

A person may appeal a ticket, in which case a reviewing officer will either affirm or deny the parking ticket. If the reviewing officer denies the ticket, the \$20 is immediately due. If the person fails to pay, a uniform citation will be issued and the

person must then appear in magistrate court. Failure to pay is considered an infraction and will cost \$100.

Also this week, many residential customers received incorrect utility bills for November. Residents who are low water users will find that their bills were calculated too low, and people who are high water users will find that their bills were calculated too high.

The mix-up was due to new computer software installed in the city utility office, city administrator Travis Rothweiler told the council Tuesday evening.

Staff found the errors after bills were sent out. Customer accounts have been corrected.

Residents who call their bills may be in error can call City Hall at 324-8189. Otherwise, the balance due will be adjusted on the December billing cycle.

In other council business:

- New system - The Jerome Police Department will be joining

the Idaho Law Enforcement Telecommunications System at a cost of \$6,100 for the first year.

The initial cost of the system is \$1,600 for the equipment and \$4,000 for an annual access fee and \$500 for the first year of usage. After the first year, the cost is expected to run about \$4,500 annually.

Jerome police have used parts of the system in the past through the Southern Idaho Regional Communications Center and the county. With its own system, the city will be able to enter its own data. The system will interface with mobile data computers so that officers can check licenses and vehicle registrations while on duty.

Before an officer approaches a vehicle he can have the vehicle status reported to him, increasing officer safety. Other information available to the officers through the system are searches for stolen property, checks on outstanding warrants, missing persons and dangerous people, and verifica-

tion of concealed weapons permits.

- Community development - The Jerome Gem Community Action Team performs tasks related to community and economic development. The action team works toward re-certification as a Gem Community and implements any related grants following guidelines established by the Idaho Department of Commerce.

Rothweiler was appointed as chairman of the Gem Community Action Team and the following members were appointed to one year terms: Rick Bensen, Jim Cobble, Bob Richards, Bryan Craig, Julie Thomas, Scott Bybee, Gary Phelps, Elizabeth Thomas, Wendy Davis, Art Brown and Dennis Maughan.

Governor raised money late in campaign

BOISE (AP) - Gov. Dirk Kempthorne raised cash at a breakneck pace in the final days leading up to the election, according to papers filed with the Secretary-of-State's office on Thursday.

Kempthorne's campaign reported contributions of \$13,000 collected from Oct. 21 through Nov. 15, including large donations from corporate titans such as J.R. Simplot Co., Albertsons and Bechtel BWXT Idaho and political action committees such as the Idaho Association of Realtors and the Pharmaceutical Research & Manufacturer's of America.

Altogether, Kempthorne raised \$1,059,412 since the beginning of the year and reported about \$33,516 left unspent.

Kempthorne defeated Democrat Jerry Brady with 56 percent of the vote over Brady's 42 percent in the Nov. 5 election. Libertarian Daniel Adams polled 2 percent.

During the same reporting period, Brady raised \$132,000, but \$40,000 of that amount was a personal loan to his own campaign.

Many of the eleven-figure donations came from private individuals, often as a few hundred dollars. Many of the campaign contributions came from people who had previously given.

Kempthorne's campaign spending in the final days focused primarily on television advertising, consultants and direct mailing.

Brady, a newspaper publisher and businessman from Idaho Falls, reported raising a total of \$992,359 since Jan. 1, with nearly \$287,000 of that coming from personal loans to himself.

In other campaign finance reports—listed—Thursday: Democratic candidate for attorney general Keith Roark posted nearly \$80,000 in contributions for his eventually unsuccessful race against Republican Lawrence Wasden, who is outgoing Attorney General Alan

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Lance's chief of staff.

Wasden raised \$36,000 in the same period and collected just \$174,000 during the year, compared to Roark's \$249,000. The race was the most bitter of Idaho's contests.

Wasden's large contributors included Simplot, Microsoft and Coeur d'Alene Mines. Roark had no contributions over \$100,000 during the period, but enjoyed smaller donations from unions, small

businesses and individuals, especially from the Wood River Valley area.

For the office of state controller, Republican Keith Johnson reported total contributions for the year of \$84,000. Johnson defeated Democrat Bob Sonnichsen, a banking vice president who reported \$25,000 in annual contributions, of which \$6,000 was his own money.

Johnson already worked as second in charge of the controller's office and took over the department when Democrat J.D. Williams retired earlier this fall.


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Police fear rise in teen prescription drug abuse

POCATELLO (AP) — There is a rise in prescription drug abuse among area teens, Pocatello police are warning.

Most youths need look no further than their parents' medicine cabinets for a cheap high, Capt. Kirk Nelson said.

One student was recently hospitalized after overdosing on

the drug soma — a powerful muscle relaxant — after parents of another had to call police when their 17-year-old went out of control after mixing soma with alcohol.

"We get reports all the time from school students that they see students passing pills back and forth in class," Nelson said.

"I think (prescription drug abuse) is becoming more popular," Nelson said.

Nelson said prescription drugs are easy for junior high and high school students to get, and are especially dangerous because youths consider them to be safe and take them without following suggested dosages.

Salt Lake officials worry about students' test scores

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — About two-thirds of Salt Lake City high school students who took the Utah Basic Skills Competency Test this year would not have scored high enough to graduate with a regular diploma.

This year's test, taken in the spring by 10th-graders, was a trial run for the new exam.

According to test results made

available last month, 64 percent of Salt Lake City School District students who took tests in reading, writing and math scored below 65 percent on one or more of subjects.

"We believe that what you will see illustrates a serious challenge to the district that we need to address immediately," interim superintendent J. Dale Manning told school board members Tuesday night.

"That is such a critical statistic because you have to pass all three tests," said Charles Hausman, district director of research and evaluation. "It's preliminary, but it's clearly a signal."

The state has not yet set the cutoff for passing scores, although state officials say it will probably be in the 60 percent to 70 percent range.

IDAHO LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEES

HOUSE (AP) — Here is the makeup of the Senate and House committees for the 57th Legislature. All chairmen and vice chairmen are Republicans.

Senate

Agriculture — Chairman Stan Williams, Eugene Figurs, Vice Chairman Jack Noble of Kuna, Republicans Laird Noh of Blainville, Gary Schrodner of Moscow, Don Burdette of Terrellton, Don Cameron of Boise and John Goodie of Coeur d'Alene and Democrats Fred Kennedy of Honesdale Home and Clint Stremmel of Meridian.

Education — Chairman Gary Schrodner of Blainville, Vice Chairman George of Bush, Republicans Laird Noh of Blainville, John Anderson of Boise, John Goodie of Coeur d'Alene, Ron McWilliams of Caldwell and Jack Noble of Kuna and Democrats Elliot Work of Boise and Edgar Malaspina of Lewiston.

Finance — Chairman Dean Cameron of Rupert, Vice Chairman Don Burdette of Terrellton, Republicans Mel Richardson of Idaho Falls, Steve New Plymouth and Curt McKean of Nampa and Democrats Bert Meyer of McCammon and Mari Calabretta of Lewiston.

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Utah governor asks Bush to drop plans for national monument

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Gov. Mike Leavitt has asked the president to halt efforts — initiated by Leavitt himself — to create a San Rafael Swell national monument.

The governor's letter Wednesday to President Bush comes a month after residents in Emery County, home of the San Rafael Swell, voted against the national monument idea in a nonbinding

ballot referendum.

Because of my commitment to the local citizens, I now respectfully request that you terminate the process," Leavitt wrote to Bush.

The White House is expected to honor Leavitt's request and end a monument designation process that Bush put into motion in April at Leavitt's request.

Leavitt spokeswoman Natalie

Gebauer said the governor "has been saddened by the whole deal."

"He thought (a national monument) was the right way to proceed. It gave the local people relevancy at the table," she said. She was quoted in a copyright story in The Salt Lake Tribune.

The Nov. 5 vote in Emery County was 2,151 against the monument and 1,883 in favor.

The county commission had supported creating the monument.

"I'm sorry to hear the governor has written that letter," said Gary Kofford, a Democrat elected to the Emery County Commission last month. Kofford voted in favor of the monument.

Emery County resident Mark Williams, who rallied off-highway vehicle interests to put the monu-

ment idea on the ballot and then vote no, said the governor was right to ask Bush to terminate the proposal.

"This is what I set out to accomplish," said Williams, president of the Southeastern Utah OHV Club.

Williams and other monument opponents were incensed when Leavitt announced in his State of

the State address in January that he wanted Bush to designate a 621,000-acre national monument in the heart of the San Rafael Swell, a geologic upheaval covering more than 1 million acres of federal lands in central Utah.

Off-road groups contended monument status would not protect recreational access to the public land.

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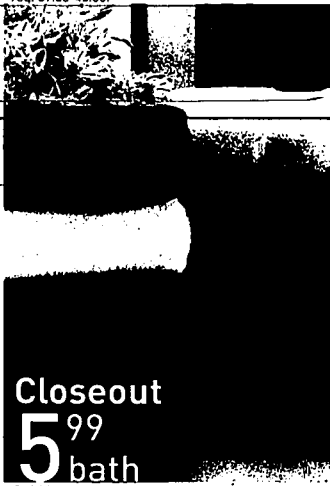
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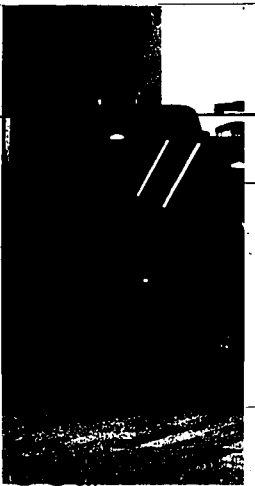
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Testimony in lawsuit reveals polygamist church's finances

NEPHI, Utah (AP) — Finances of one of Utah's largest polygamist churches have been revealed in testimony in the trial of a suit against church leader Owen Alford. Alford's church, the Bluffdale-based Apostolic United Brethren, collected just over \$4.5 million in tithing and other donations during a five-year period ending in 1991, an accountant testified in Alford's defense Tuesday.

More than \$1.2 million of those funds

was collected in cash, said David Bunker. The 88-year-old polygamist, whose church is believed to have about 4,000 members, was sued by Virginia Hill in 1997.

Hill, a one-time South American movie star, claimed Alford and some of his followers stole more than \$1.5 million from her in 1989.

She claimed she thought the money was going to purchase a southern Utah ranch.

Hill accuses Alford of conspiring to bilk her of the money and then using it to pay off church debt on a real estate development in Juab County and buy property for a used-car lot in Salt Lake City.

"One of the things I was looking for was abnormal deposits of cash — and there were none," said Bunker, who checked the church's books at the request of defense attorneys.

Bunker called AUB finances during the

five-year period "pretty predictable... there were no varying amounts with no unusual increases."

Under cross-examination by Hill's attorney, Bunker said he had not thoroughly opened the books of every AUB business, nor did he audit a credit union run by Alford's church.

Earlier Tuesday, Hill testified that she came by her millions legally.

Called by defendant John Purvin, a for-

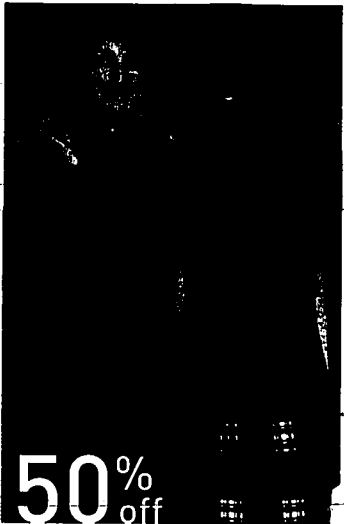
mer Alford follower who is representing himself, Hill claimed to have once won \$250,000 playing craps in Las Vegas and said a former billionaire boyfriend lavished her with gifts to the tune of \$2.5 million in cash.

Alford's attorney asked her why, if she paid taxes on the money, no paperwork existed to prove it.

Hill said she preferred keeping her money in cash.

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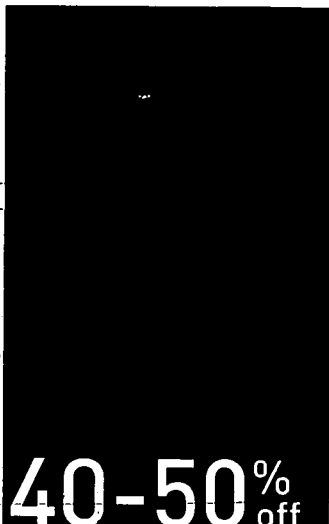


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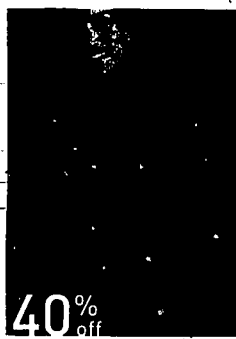
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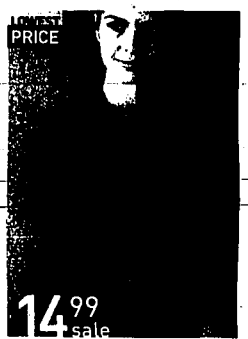
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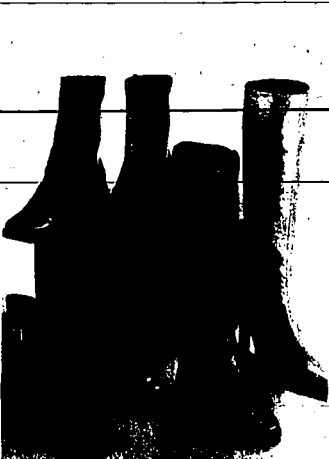


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This is a 1977 still photo made from a 16mm film made by Ivan Marx reported showing the legendary Bigfoot cavorting in the hills of northern California. The man whose prank launched the Bigfoot legend in 1958 has died, and family members say they can now reveal the truth: Ray L. Wallace was the Bigfoot in the movie.

'Bigfoot' creator dies; family admits hoax

SEATTLE (AP) — The man whose prank launched the "Bigfoot" legend in 1958 has died — and family members say they can now reveal the truth.

"Ray L. Wallace was Bigfoot. The reality is, Bigfoot just died," said his son, Michael Wallace, whose father died of heart failure Nov. 25 at a nursing facility in Centralia, about 90 miles south.

"The fact is there was no Bigfoot in popular consciousness before 1958. America got its own monster, its own Abominable Snowman, thanks to Ray Wallace," Mark Chorvinsky, editor of *Strange* magazine, told *The Seattle Times*.

"He did it just for the joke and then he was afraid to tell anybody because they'd be so mad at him," explained nephew Dale Lee Wallace, who says he still has the carved-wood feet that Wallace used to kick off the legend.

"The disclosure is not tazing Bigfoot's biggest fans, who say the legend dates back to the 1800s.

In August 1958, bulldozer operator Jerry Crew, who worked for Wallace's construction company in Humboldt County, Calif., found huge footprints circling and then leading away from his rig.

The Humboldt Times in Eureka, Calif., coined the term "Bigfoot" in a front-page story about the phenomenon.

Family members say Wallace asked a friend to carve the 16-inch-long feet that he and his brother Wilbur slipped on to create the tracks.

The nation — fascinated by tales of the Himalayan Abominable Snowman — quickly bought into the notion of a homegrown version.

"The Abominable Snowman was appropriated by Ray Wallace. It got into the press, took on a life of its own and next thing you know there's a Bigfoot, one of the

most popular monsters in the world," said Chorvinsky, who received several hundred pages of correspondence from the fan club of Bigfoot.

Wallace milked the prank for years, he said — cutting a record of supposed Bigfoot sounds, printing posters of a Bigfoot sitting peacefully with other animals and providing films and photos that purported to show the creature eating

snacks and frogs, sitting on a log and munching on cereal.

"Ray's contribution was study into the actual behavior of Bigfoot, what it eats, how it acts," said Ray Crowe, director of the International Bigfoot Society in Hillsboro, Ore.

Chorvinsky believes the family's admission raises serious doubts about key "proof" of Bigfoot's existence: the so-called Patterson film, with its grainy images of an erect ape-like creature striding away from the camera operated by rodeo rider Roger Patterson in 1967.

Wallace said he told Patterson where to spot a Bigfoot near Bluff Creek, Calif., Chorvinsky recalled.

"Ray told me that the Patterson film was a hoax, and he knew who was in the suit," Michael Wallace said his father called the Patterson film "a fake" but claimed he'd had nothing to do with it. But he said his mother admitted she had been photographed in a Bigfoot suit, and that his father "had several people he used in his movies."

Wallace never received proper credit for his role, Chorvinsky said.

"He got it off the ground, and he kept getting glossed over. He's been consistently marginalized or ignored by authors," he said.

"Because it hurts the case for Bigfoot if you talk too much about Ray Wallace."

BSU gets first patent; device could ease medical diagnosis

BOISE (AP) — Boise State University has won its first-ever patent, with a device that scans mercury levels.

Dale Russell specializes in analytical chemistry. She developed the process for easily detecting mercury molecules, and believes it could be the first step toward inventing a Star Trek-inspired wand that would instantly diagnose disease without invasive blood tests.

Though mercury analysis techniques already exist, Russell's research led to a process that is less invasive and much faster.

"I've been interested in mercury analysis ever since there was a lab accident when I was at the University of Arizona," said

Russell, who has been at Boise State University since 1995.

"Everyone was contaminated." Blood and urine samples had to be shipped to a laboratory, which reported no contamination had occurred. But when Russell and her co-workers analyzed their own samples, they found contamination.

The problem, Russell said, is that samples can rapidly lose potency, requiring a more immediate solution. She thought there had to be some way of putting a probe into a blood sample on site and getting an immediate reading.

Her research culminated in last month's patent award from Boise State University.

Congresswoman criticizes sled lawsuit

JACKSON, Wyo. (AP) — U.S. Rep. Barbara Cubin hopes a lawsuit filed by conservationists will not delay the Bush administration's plans to overturn a snowmobile ban in Yellowstone and Grand Teton national parks.

The Wyoming Republican called the lawsuit premature.

"The Bush administration rules are still open for public comment and won't be finalized until next year, but already the lawyers are coming out of the woodwork," Cubin said in a statement.

The Public Employees for Environmental Responsibility, the Fund for Animals, the

Bluewater Network and the Ecology Center filed the lawsuit in Washington, D.C. this week.

Jackson snowmobile tour operator Craig Koll, speaking for many in the three-state region, said those groups should have given the plan a chance before going to court.

"I just think it's unfortunate that they went ahead and filed that lawsuit without giving this new plan a chance to see if it works," Koll said. "I think everybody in the industry, including the Park Service, would like to see it given a chance."

The lawsuit asks a federal

judge to block a recent Interior Department plan to undo a Clinton administration phase-out of snowmobiles, which would have begun this winter. It claims the Bush plan ignores science that shows snowmobiles hurt the park.

The suit comes on the eve of the National Park Service's last public meeting on snowmobiling in the parks, set for next Tuesday in Idaho Falls.

The Park Service is hosting the meeting for local governments surrounding Yellowstone that have promoted a plan similar to the one now being considered.

Under the Bush administration

proposals released last month, starting next year snowmobile numbers would be limited to no more than 1,100 a day in the Yellowstone and Grand Teton parks and a portion of the John D. Rockefeller Jr. Memorial Parkway connecting them.

The Fund for Animals began the debate in 1997 when it sued because the Park Service never analyzed the impacts of snowmobiles and other winter access on the world's first national park. The group was angered because bison migrate out of Yellowstone on groomed roads and are shot in Montana.

Official: Crash likely involved illegal immigrants

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — A minivan carrying 14 people that collided with a logging truck in southern Utah, killing four people, probably was being driven by a smuggler of illegal immigrants, said Mexican Consul Marin Torres.

All 14 people were Mexican nationals and at least some of them were undocumented, authorities said.

The fatal victims included 7-year-old Yareli Soriano Guzman, who was going with her family to join her father, Torres told *The Salt Lake Tribune*. Her mother and brother were injured in the accident.

Another of the fatal victims was a 23-year-old man who was the driver.

Torres said the passengers did not know the driver, indicating he probably was a smuggler of immigrants.

"We don't need innocent lives to be put in the hands of smugglers," said Torres, who represents Utah, Idaho, Montana and half of Wyoming. "They don't have to be at the mercy of those who traffic in human lives."

A 17-year-old boy and a 21-year-old man also were killed. The survivors ranged in age from 2 to 37 and included a brother of the driver, the highway patrol said.

Names of the other dead and injured were not released, but Torres said Mexican citizens were from the Mexican state



Utah highway patrol troopers talk at the scene of an accident near Kanab, Utah, where four people died and others were injured Wednesday.

Oaxaca on the Pacific coast.

Four of passengers were taken into Immigration and Naturalization Service custody Wednesday evening, he said.

They were variously reported as believed to be headed to Florida or New Jersey, although they were westbound on the highway. Highway Patrol Sgt. Dan

Ferguson said the survivors told INS agents they were attempting to avoid immigration officials.

"Given the circumstances of the tragedy, they will probably be quickly released back to Mexico," Torres said.

The van struck the front of the truck at about 5 a.m. Wednesday on U.S. 89 about eight miles east

of Kanab, said Highway Patrol Sgt. Doug McCleve.

Ferguson and Trooper Matthew Coff said, the Ford Aerostar, which had Arizona license plates, drifted into the oncoming lanes and collided with the empty truck owned by Hardison Logging of Kanab. The truck driver was not injured.

Grass-burning opponents give Idaho an F

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — A group seeking to end grass-burning has given the state a failing grade in its annual Grass Burning Report Card.

Safe Air For Everyone gave Idaho an F for public notice and health and safety, and a D for fairness and balance in burn decisions.

"We've been promised time and time again things would change," said Patti Gora, SAFE's executive director. "While the state may have begun with good intentions to meter burns and check air quality measures before igniting additional acreage, in the end, the so-called smoke management process catered to growers while concerns for public health went out the window."

But farmers say they did not make out as well as Gora's group claims.

Linda Clovis, a spokeswoman for the North Idaho Farmers' Association, said Safe Air For Everyone is trying to force the farmers to stop burning entirely, but is ignoring other causes of poor air quality. "If Patti Gora is interested about the health of people, she needs to put the same amount of dedication toward the air stagnation problems we are having from slash burns and wood-burning stoves," she said.

Lewiston woman dies in I-15 wreck

SPENCER (AP) — A 30-year-old Lewiston woman died Wednesday in a car crash near Spencer.

The accident happened when a pole trailer came loose from a semitruck driven by 46-year-old Mary McCarty as he took an exit ramp.

"A Dodge Caravan driven by Idaho Falls resident Dennis Love collided with the trailer, according to an Idaho State Police press release."

Kimberly Ann Darnay and 1-year-old Sarah Cait Darnay were passengers in the van, which overturned. All three occupants were taken to Eastern Idaho Regional Medical Center, where Kimberly Darnay died.

All passengers were wearing seatbelts, and the accident is under investigation.

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Hallelujah

The College of Southern Idaho Chamber Choir and the Magic Valley Chamber Orchestra, under the direction of Carson Wong, will perform Handel's "Messiah" at their Christmas Concert Sunday afternoon in the CSI Fine Arts Center auditorium in Twin Falls. It's free.

Concert season

The Oakley Valley Arts Council will present free holiday concerts tonight and Saturday night in Howells Opera House in Oakley.

Park music

The second of four Advent-season Christmas in City Park concerts, sponsored by the Twin Falls chapter of Soroptimist International, is scheduled for Sunday night in Twin Falls City Park.

Tree fest

The Magic Valley Regional Medical Center's Festival of Trees will wrap up today, Saturday and Sunday at the Radio Rendezvous Events Center in downtown Twin Falls.

Love a parade?

The 11th annual downtown Twin Falls Festival of Lights Parade starts at at Magic Valley High School in downtown Twin Falls tonight, travels throughout downtown and Old Towne, and ends at the school.

Flocked homes

The Junior Club of Twin Falls will present its 13th annual Holiday Home Tour from 1-7 p.m. Sunday. For ticket information, call 432-5553.

Humbug

Halley's Company of Fools will present Douglas Jones' adaptation of Charles Dickens' "A Christmas Carol" starting Thursday at the Liberty Theater.

For times, dates and details, see Events Spotlight on Pages C3-6.

Idaho, by the book

Some local literature to fill up Christmas stockings

By Steve Crump
Times-News writer

What's new and local in south-central Idaho bookstores for Christmas:

• "Steamboats, Shoshoni, Scoundrels and Such: Seldom-Told Tales of the Western Frontier," James Varley (Big Lost River Press), \$19.95.

Varley is a former submariner and long-time Magic Valley resident who has previously written biographies of Joaquin Murrieta, Gen. Patrick Connor and the Gold Rush dancer Lola Montez.

"Shoshoni and Scoundrels," his fourth book, is an engaging assortment of short Western stories.

They include the tale of the "last Indian battle," which took place in the Magic Valley in 1911. The episode involved "Shoshone Mike" and his family, who got into a fight with some local cowboys and, after killing three Basque shepherders in Nevada, were themselves killed by a sheriff's posse near Winnemucca, Nev.

Several other stories also take place in Idaho, including the saga of missionaries Henry and Eliza Spaulding with the Nez Perce Indians of northern Idaho; the early days of Lewiston; and the rancorous battle over where Idaho's capital should be located. The book also explores the strained relationship between whites and the Nez Perce because of the perfidy of early agents and superintendents.

There's also an account of the Battle of Bear River near present-day Preston in 1863, in which dozens of Shoshoni Indians were killed by California soldiers led by Connor.

Many other stories in the book deal with California and Nevada. "Steamboats, Shoshoni and Scoundrels" is available at Barnes & Noble Bookstores in Twin Falls, at the Book Plaza in Burley, at Iconoclast Books in Ketchum, at The Book Store in Rupert, and at Ex Libris in Sun Valley.

• "Country Tales," by Gail Bowman; self-published, \$12.95.

This is a collection of amusing essays by a Twin Falls freelance writer whose 1999 self-published book on raising goats was a niche best-seller.

A one-time California bank manager, Bowman writes with grace about the transition to country life and about love, raising kids, livestock, and as she puts it, Cain.

"We found the perfect place," she writes. "It was a house in the Idaho countryside, with acreage, a spot to build an office, room to grow, and room for the kids to roam. It was only 15 minutes from town and was situated on a deserted street with no neighbors for a half a mile on either side. The best part, though, was the view: The property overlooked the

from Mountain Home Air Force Base.

It's a "Green Acres"-style saga of city folks who have to start over from scratch to become country folks, and worth the read. Available at Barnes & Noble Bookstores in Twin Falls.

• "Cow Dogs: The Cowboy's Best Friend," photography by David Stocklein; text by Shirli Woodson (Stocklein Publishing, \$35).

• "The Performance Horse: A Photographic Tribute," photography by David Stocklein; text by Jennifer Foesberg-Meyer (Stocklein Publishing, \$60).

• "Lil' Buckaroos: A Tribute to the Young Cowboy in All of Us," photography and text by

genuine cowboy. Of the current batch, not surprisingly, "Cow Dogs" is the best, filled with images that melt your heart.

"Cow dogs have the most distinctive personalities in the world and are the most intelligent, most loyal and funniest dang dogs in the world," he said. "The Performance Horse" is a hugely ambitious project, including images from rodeo, horse racing and dressage, and from all over North America. It was commissioned by Bayer's Animal Health Division and shot-written and designed in less than six months.

"Lil' Buckaroos" is 141-page photo essay on ranch kids.

"These are photos of the simple life that exists on a ranch," Stocklein writes. "Kids entertain themselves swimming in nearby lakes or riding horses or chasing the family dog or trying to train the goat. They all like to rope and ride and they all love the horses, dogs, calves, rabbits and pigs that are present on every ranch."

Stocklein's books are available at Barnes & Noble, Hastings and Waldenbooks outlets throughout southern Idaho, and at many independent bookstores in the Magic and Wood River valleys.

• "Life as a Geezer," by Phil Batt, self-published, \$9.95.

Former Gov. Phil Batt was easily Idaho's funniest politician of the '90s, and this collection of essays is about his retirement.

Or, more accurately, his geezerhood.

"At 50, I wanted to learn to accept criticism easier; to listen better; to give the opinions of my political opponents fair consideration," he writes. "At 75?"

Blah, blah, blah. Who wants to accept criticism or listen better? These were foolish concessions and I no longer worry about them."

Available at Barnes & Noble in Twin Falls and some independent bookstores in south-central Idaho.

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entire Magic Valley with clear views of the Sawtooth Mountains towering over the valley to the north, the south and the east. At night, you could sit in the living room and watch the lights from five different small towns twinkling in the darkness. True, it was right across the street from the runway of a small airport. (But how much traffic could a small-town airport have, anyway?) Turns out the Bowmans had relocated squarely in the flight path of warplanes

David Stocklein (Stocklein Publishing, \$35).

These three stunning coffee table books by Sun Valley photojournalist David Stocklein continue his book-length essays on a vanishing way of life in the West.

There have been 16 of them altogether, published by Stocklein's Ketchum-based company, ranging from cowgirls to cutting horses, each progressively more mature worked by a man who still considers himself a

Ghost story: Company of Fools reprises 'A Christmas Carol'

By Karen Bossick
Times-News correspondent

HAILEY — They say the third time's a charm. In the case of Company of Fools' "Christmas Carol," the third go-around is a charmer.

Playwright Douglas Jones' rendering of Charles Dickens' beloved Christmas tale, about to make its third run at the Liberty Theater, has become almost as synonymous with Christmas in the Wood River Valley as the annual re staging of "The Nutcracker."

It's certainly become tradition for Bellevue Elementary School teacher Kathy Oliver, who watches it first with her students and then returns with her husband Al. She's loved the play ever since seeing it in Cotton Beach, Ore., while on her honeymoon 29 years ago.

"To become my very favorite tradition, it's a real story about having the true spirit of Christmas," she said.

Andrew Alburger will reprise his role as Scrooge, the crochety

If you go ...

- **What:** Company of Fools with present Douglas Jones' rendition of Charles Dickens' "A Christmas Carol."
- **Where:** Liberty Theater, Hailey.
- **When:** Thursday and Dec. 13-14-15; Dec. 19-20-21-22.
- **Performances are at:** 7 p.m. Thursdays through Saturdays and 3 p.m. Sundays.
- **How much:** Tickets, which are \$10, sold from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday at 409 N. Main St., Hailey, by phone at 578-9122 or at www.ticketweb.com

old miser who is forced to examine his life when he's confronted with the ghosts of Christmas Past, Present and Future. Kathy Wilson will play Marley and John Glenn, Cratchit; Laine Satterfield will play Belle and Marilyn Teige, Christmas Past.

The coveted role of Tiny Tim goes this year to two sisters: Grace and Amy Jo Meares.

The two, who practiced their lines under bedcovers with a

flashlight, should be crackups if their interviews are any indication. Ask them a question and they reply in unison with the exact same words before giving one another turns.

"We dressed up like boys and put on boys hats," said Grace, 9. "But our Mom told us we probably weren't going to get the part because they were probably going to pick boys to play the part," interjected Amy Jo, 6. "But they called the next day and said they liked our acting and singing so we ended up here," Grace said.

"It seemed like it would be fun to play a boy," continued Grace, whose mother Helen Hudson starred last spring in New Theater Company's romantic comedy "I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change."

"Because we've never been boys," added Amy Jo. "But it's real easy because once you get used to playing a boy you act normal and it comes to you."

"Last year we saw Russell (Wilson) in this play," said Grace. "And we also saw the cartoon version-seeing 'Winnie the Pooh's

Christmas Carol' really helped with our acting because it gave us the general idea," Amy Jo said.

"I love this play," said Grace. "It's a play that teaches you a lesson," added Amy Jo. "Always keep Christmas in your heart."

Student matinees will be offered to school groups, including those at Idaho's Youth Ranch in Rupert, beginning Monday. Scholarships will be given students who cannot afford the price of admission, courtesy of the Papoose Club and Idaho Mountain Express.

General audience shows, set against the backdrop of a giant Victorian pop-up Christmas card, will begin Thursday and run Thursdays through Sundays through Dec. 22.

On two nights — Dec. 15 and 22 — audience members can join the cast on stage after the play for cookies, cocoa and a discussion of the play on no extra charge. "I expect everyone will leave with some chocolate," added Fools' cofounder Denise Simone, noting that Rocky Mountain Chocolate

Factory in Ketchum is sponsoring the Fools Unplugged discussions.

As with last year, the two Tiny Tims will accept donations following each night's performance — this time for the Blaine County Senior Center and Sagebrush Arena's riding program for disabled children and adults. Last year Tiny Tim collected \$1,200 for Advocates for Survivors of Domestic Violence and the Animal Shelter of the Wood River Valley.

As traditional as it's become, don't think you can skip "A Christmas Carol" this year and catch it next year. Company of Fools plans to put "A Christmas Carol" back on the books next year and stage either a fanciful, magical version of O. Henry's "The Gift of the Magi" or another Dickens' classic "Cricket on the Hearth."

"So this is it. And then we'll put 'A Christmas Carol' to bed for a bit," Simone said.

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WEEKEND

'Analyze That' hits theaters

Combined wire services

8 Crazy Nights

It has got to be a first on two counts: an animated holiday movie invoking the spirit of Hanukkah instead of Christmas, playing against the sentimentality of the season with some of the raunchiest scatological humor ever seen or heard on the screen, at least in a mainstream movie. A couple of the lines are enough to make even the thought-wedded-headed-all types wince. But on the whole, this lively, bittersweet movie works well and is sure to connect strongly with fans of Sandler at his most free-wheeling and uninhibited. With the short, 'A Day With the Meatball' (1:11, PG-13, for frequent crude and sexual humor, drinking and brief drug references).

'Analyze That'

Robert De Niro's mob boss is back for more treatment from his unrepentant psychiatrist Billy Crystal in this sequel to 'Analyze This.' Lisa Kudrow co-stars. Harold Ramis directs. (R, for language and some sexual content.)

'Bowling for Columbine'

In his troubling and troublesome look at America's gun culture, documentary writer-director Michael Moore is at least as much of a provocateur as he is a filmmaker. That style has its charms but also its limitations. Moore's concern about issues is genuine, and his showboating technique is often entertaining. But he is not the most organized person in the world, and there is a scattershot randomness about this film that is both its essence and a source of frustration. 'Bowling for Columbine' doesn't have the answers and really doesn't expect to find them. For Moore, the asking, as always, is what's important. (2:05, R, for some violent images and language.)

'Die Another Day'

The newest James Bond movie once again stars Pierce Brosnan, whose glazed implacability suggests a man who rarely gets shaken or less stirred. Perched uneasily between self-parody and the filmmakers' clear desire for a Bond vehicle to be taken seriously as an action movie, 'Die Another Day' remains caught somewhere in between. It is only intermittently entertaining, but it's hard not to be a sucker for its charms or perhaps it's just impossible not to feel nostalgic for movies you grew up with. Halle Berry, as Bond's newest love interest Jinx, brings about as much conviction as you might expect to a role that, essentially, is the bodacious equivalent of a hit of Viagra. With Toby Stephens, Rosamund Pike and Rick Yune. Directed by Lee Tamahori. (2:10, PG-13, for action violence and sexuality.)

'8 Mile'

Eminem makes his film acting debut in a fascinating, surprising, yet certain stand-off which has adroitly managed to satisfy both of its constituencies, allowing all sides to legitimately claim victory. It's an old-fashioned 'Somebody Up There Likes Me' kind of story, replete with traditional plot devices (will the underdog have to work on the night of the climactic battle?) that are decades old. This venerable structure in effect facilitates the mainstreaming of rap, enabling the civilian audiences to feel the safety and security of familiarity that's simply not in the cards when listening to Eminem's earlier, more nasty and threatening work. Directed by Curtis Hanson. With Kim Basinger, Brittany Murphy and Mekhi Phifer. (1:51, R, for strong language, sexuality, some violence and drug use.)

'Empire'

John Leguizamo stars as a gambler whose quest for the American dream leads him to partner with a powerful Wall Street investment banker. Denise Richards, Peter Sarsgaard and Isabella Rossellini co-star.

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Sun Valley "Analyze That," Magic Lantern "Bowling for Columbine," Magic Lantern "Die Another Day," Magic Lantern "Frida," SkyTime Cinemas "Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets," Sun Valley Opera House "Solaris," SkyTime Cinemas "Treasure Planet," Magic Lantern	Twin Falls "Adam Sandler's 8 Crazy Nights," Twin Cinema "Analyze That," The Orpheum "Die Another Day," Odyssey Theater "8 Mile," Odyssey Theater "Extreme Ops," Odyssey Theater "Friday After Next," Odyssey Theater "Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets," Twin Cinema "I Spy," Odyssey Theater "Jackass: The Movie," Twin Cinema "My Big Fat Greek Wedding," Twin Cinema "The Ring," Twin Cinema "The Santa Clause 2," Twin Cinema "Secretary," Lamphouse Theater	Jerome "Adam Sandler's 8 Crazy Nights," Jerome Cinema "Die Another Day," Jerome Cinema "Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets," Jerome Cinema "Treasure Planet," Jerome Cinema	Gooding "The Santa Clause 2," Gooding Cinema	Shoshone No movies this week.
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Directed by Franc Reyes. (R, for strong violence, pervasive language, drug content and some sexuality.)

'Extreme Ops'
Dude, snowboards and Serbs — what more could you want? Sweet with Devon Sawa, Bridgette Wilson-Sampras and Rufus Sewell. (1:33, PG-13, for violence/peril, language and some nudity.)

'Frida'
The brilliant Mexican painter Frida Kahlo was famous for a lot of things — her glorious paintings, her grotesque pain, her love affairs, even her gloriously warty eyebrows, which hovered above her piercing dark eyes like a bird in flight. To play the part of Kahlo in director Julie Taymor's new film, actress Salma Hayek has put aside her tweezers and daubed on a few prosthetic hairs. Instead of a flying bird, the effect is of a pair of wings that wouldn't make it through a strong breeze much less the storm that was Kahlo's life. As with much of this film, Hayek's resemblance to the artist is cosmetically faithful but fails to get at the core of a woman who painted a self-portrait in which she gives birth to her adult self, as if she were Zeus and Diana at once. (1:58, R, for sexuality/nudity and language.)

'The Friday After Next'
Ice Cube is back again, and so is Mike Epps as feckless cousins whose South-Central L.A. apartment is targeted by the Santa Claus Robber the night before Christmas Eve, setting off a day of raucous mayhem and low-down humor. Good-natured, hilarious and affectionate in tone, it is a sure-fire follow-up to 'Friday' and 'Next Friday.' With

pro or con — you'll likely think of this one. Still, even partisans of 'Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone' may well be put off by parts of the new film. 'Chamber of Secrets' displays such zeal for re-creating the book's more grotesque aspects, that it is sure to rattle the cages of the smallest viewers, sending them under their seats if not out of the theater. Because it can't seem to get the balance right, it ends up feeling like the illegitimate offspring of 'Alien' and 'The Absent-Minded Professor.' Like its predecessor, it is intelligently cast and makes good use of behind-the-camera talent like returning screenwriter Steve Kloves and new cinematographer Roger Pratt. Directed by Chris Columbus. With Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint and Emma Watson, plus Kenneth Branagh, who does some of his best film work in years. (2:41, PG, for scary moments, some creature violence and mild language.)

'I Spy'
Eddie Murphy and Owen Wilson team in this name-only remake of the hit 1960s TV show. The two have some genuinely funny moments together, but director Betty Thomas is uncomfortable with the action scenes and especially the plot, which is almost as transparent as the stealth bomber the spies are sent to Budapest to find. Rated PG-13; violence, language, sexual situations. 1 hour, 35 minutes.

'Jackass: The Movie'
A string of pranks and gags, the movie follows the same premise as the MTV show: ringleader Johnny Knoxville and his shock jocks run around executing very stupid, at times hazardous, human tricks. Can a collection of goofy antics shot in crummy-looking digital video and haphazardly

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(800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. JD & Friends is located at 1519 W. Main St.

Tonight

Ashberry Park will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Muggers Brewpub, 516 Second St. S, Twin Falls. Cover charge is \$3.

Tonight - Utah

Caroline Spine will play Liquid Joe's in Salt Lake City at 9:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$8, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TDXX. Liquid Joe's is located at 3300 South 1249 East.

Saturday - Utah

Tori Amos will sing at the E Center in Salt Lake City suburb of West Valley City at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$35, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TDXX. The E Center is located at 3200 South Decker Lake Drive.

Thursday - Boise

Hope Conspiracy will perform at JD & Friends at 6 p.m. Tickets, which are \$10, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. JD & Friends is located at 1519 W. Main St.

Dec. 13 - Boise

Neil Diamond will sing at the Idaho Center in Nampa at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$37.50 and \$57.50, can be reserved by phoning (208) 428-7666 or (208) 442-3232 or at Albertson's in Twin Falls. The Idaho Center is located at 5000 Garrity Blvd. in Nampa's east end.

Dec. 13 - Boise

Unwritten Law, Switchhitter and Authority Zero will play the Big Easy Concert House at 6:45 p.m. Tickets, which are \$15, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

Dec. 16 - Utah

Def Leppard will play the E Center in suburban Salt Lake City at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$32.50 and \$42.50, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TDXX. The E Center is located at 3200 South Decker Lake Drive.

Dec. 19 - Utah

The Boneshakers will perform at the Zephyr Club in Salt Lake City at 10 p.m. Tickets, which are \$8, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TDXX. The Zephyr Club is located at 301 South West Temple.

Dec. 31 - Boise

The Young Dubliners will play the Big Easy Concert House at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$25, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

Jan. 15 - Boise

The Wallflowers will perform at 7:30 p.m. at the Big Easy Concert House. Tickets, which are \$23.50, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4826, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

Jan. 27 - Utah

Juliana Theory will perform at the X Scape in Salt Lake City at

7:15 p.m. Tickets, which are \$12.50, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TDXX. X Scape is located at 115 South West Temple.

COUNTRY

Tonight, Saturday and Sunday

Doug Kershaw will play two shows a night at Cactus Petes Resort Casino in Jackpot. Prices for the 8 p.m. dinner show start at \$19.99 on Saturday and \$14.99 tonight and Sunday. Tickets for the 11 p.m. cocktail show are \$10 on Saturday and \$7.50 tonight and Sunday. For reservations and information, call (800) 821-1103.

Tonight

Pure Country will play for the annual Christmas party at 8:30 p.m. at Trouts Saloon, 113 Broadway Ave. N., Burley.

Tonight

Pocketchange will play classic country music from 7:11 p.m. at the 610 Club, 1054 Overland Ave., Burley.

Tonight and Saturday

Country Classics will play from 8 p.m. to midnight at Montana Steakhouse, 1926 Canyon Crest Drive, Twin Falls. No cover charge.

Saturday

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

Saturday

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

Saturday

Dusty and the Nomads will play from 8 p.m. to midnight at Spanbauer's Barn on U.S. Highway 93, east of Jerome. Cover charge is \$7. Call 324-7366.

Sunday

Pocketchange will play classic country music from 7:11 p.m. at the Pioneer Club, 1519 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls.

Wednesday through Dec. 15

Sylvia will do two shows a night at Cactus Petes Resort Casino in Jackpot. Prices for the 8 p.m. dinner show start at \$19.99 on Saturday and \$14.99 tonight and Sunday. Tickets for the 11 p.m. cocktail show are \$10 on Saturday and \$7.50 tonight and Sunday. For reservations and information, call (800) 821-1103.

Thursday - Utah

Brad Paisley and Darryl Worley will play the Dee Events Center on the campus of Weber State University in Ogden, Utah, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$21 and \$27, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TDXX.

Dec. 20 - Utah

The Bastard Sons of Johnny Cash will play Salt Lake City's Zephyr Club at 10 p.m. Tickets, which are \$8, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TDXX. The Zephyr Club is located at 301 South West Temple.

Dec. 28 - Boise

Leftover Salmon will perform at the Big Easy Concert House at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$16.50, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

Jan. 27 - Utah

Slobberbone will perform at

the Zephyr Club in Salt Lake City at 10 p.m. Tickets, which are \$5, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TDXX. The Zephyr Club is located at 301 South West Temple.

KARAOKE

Tonight

High Mountain Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Shakers, 826 Highway 81, Declo.

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Tonight

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

163 West U.S. Highway 30, Burley.

Tonight and Saturday

Karaoke contest will be featured from 8:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Please see CALENDAR, Page C5

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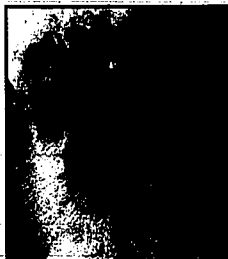
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Saturday

Kroakers Karaoke will be featured from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. at the Drill Inn, 545 F St., Rupert, and from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Big Kahuna, 9 E. Main, Declo.

Sunday

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

Tuesday

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

Tuesday through Saturday

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

Tuesday and Wednesday

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

Wednesday

Rabid Dog Entertainment will feature Karaoke from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Muggers Brewpub, 516 Second St. S., Twin Falls. No cover charge.

Wednesday

Three's Company Karaoke will be featured at 7:30 p.m. at Tonker's Place, 121 Fourth Ave. S., Twin Falls. No cover charge.

Wednesday

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

Thursday

Karaoke will be featured at 8 p.m. at Montana Steakhouse, 1826 Canyon Crest Drive, Twin Falls. No cover charge.

Thursday

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MISCELLANEOUS

Tonight - Boise

Nada Brahama will play at 9:15 p.m. at the Blues Bouquet, 1010 Main. Cover charge is \$3.

Saturday

C & R Express will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Muggers Brewpub, 516 Second St. S., Twin Falls. Cover charge is \$3.

Saturday - Boise

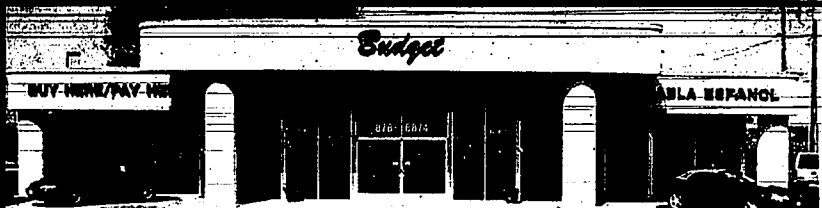
Streetwise and Cyndie Lee will play at 9:15 p.m. at the Blues Bouquet, 1010 Main. Cover charge is \$3.

Tuesday

The College of Southern Idaho Wind and Percussion ensembles will present a concert at 7:30 p.m. in the CSI Fine Arts Center auditorium. Admission is \$3 per person suggested donation to the CSI Music Activities and Scholarship Fund. For more information, call 732-6767.

Wednesday

Three Blocks from the Edge will play a variety of dance music. Please see MUSIC, Page C6



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Thursday

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

Dec. 13 - Boise

Wayne Newton will sing at the Boise State University Pavilion at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$25, \$35 and \$75, can be reserved by phoning Select-A-Seat at (208) 426-1766-pr at Albertson's in Twin Falls.

Dec. 14 - Utah

Pianist Jon Schmidt will perform at 7:30 p.m. in Kingsbury Hall on the campus of the University of Utah in Salt Lake City.

City. Tickets, which are \$12, \$15 and \$18, can be reserved by phoning ArtTix at (801) 355-2787.

Dec. 18 - Boise

Cher will sing at the Idaho Center in Nampa at 7:30 p.m. Sold out.

Dec. 19-21


Pianist Jim Brickman will play Kingsbury Hall on the campus of the University of Utah in Salt Lake City at 8 p.m. on Dec. 19-20

and at 2 p.m. on Dec. 21. Tickets, which are \$29.50, \$39.50 and \$44.50, can be reserved by phoning ArtTix at (801) 355-2787.

Jan. 17-18 - Utah

Doc Severinsen will perform with Utah Symphony in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall at 8 p.m. nightly. Tickets, which are \$22, \$29, \$36 and \$45, can be reserved by phoning Art Tix at (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

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strung together be called a movie? It's projected onto movie screens in movie theaters and comes with the imprimatur of a big movie studio, there's no reason it shouldn't, especially all the quality of the other silliness stuff out there. It's a spot, but it's unclear why anyone should shell out money to watch a bunch of guys run around in their underwear picking up their pants and, in one explicitly visible instance, soiling their underwear. (120. R, for dangerous, sometimes extremely crude gags, language and nudity.)

My Big Fat Greek Wedding

Nina Vardalos' autobiography about an on-screen stage play about growing up Greek is transcribed into a mushy, overcooked ethnic comedy with culture clash jokes whose freshness date expired 30 years ago. Vardalos, however, is affecting as the gum, withdrawn single gal who gets everyone at home riled over her engagement with a non-Greek guy (John Corbett). With Michael Constantin, Lainie Kazan, Andrea Martin and Joey Fatone. Directed by Joel Zwick. (115. PG for sensuality and language.)

The Ring

This supernatural thriller does the best it can with a splendid premise — people die seven days after watching a particular videotape — one of the creepiest, bookend notions in years. It's cycled not only by the omnipresence of video copies that turn up in our lives, but also by a sense that forces that are out of our control have a profound and unhappy effect on our lives. Naomi Watts stars as a crack reporter and it's up to her to add credibility to this strange scenario, and her presence succeeds in making us believe Ehen Kruger's efficient script (based on a Koji Suzuki's book, and the hugely popular Japanese film that resulted). Directed by Gore Verbinski, and while the premise and his competence are in making us believe Ehen Kruger's efficient script (based on a Koji Suzuki's book, and the hugely popular Japanese film that resulted). Directed by Gore Verbinski, and while the premise and his competence are in making us believe Ehen Kruger's efficient script...

Solaris

The new stripped-down version of Stanislaw Lem's novel, previously filmed in 1972 by celebrated Soviet director Andrei Tarkovsky — stars George Clooney as a psychologist and Natasha McElhone as his wife, a couple who may or may not be given another chance to experience their love-in-a-space-station moored above the strange planet that gives the film its name. The film accomplishes many if not all of its aims, but what it does most of all is reinforce Steven Soderbergh's position as Hollywood's most gifted chameleon, a filmmaker able to operate with flair in all manner of genres. Unavoidably, 'Solaris' ends up more challenging and intriguing than personally involving, and while these are far from small things, it is only human to hope for more. With Jeremy Davies and Viola Davis. (136. PG-13, for sexual nudity, brief language and thematic elements.)

Sweet Home Alabama

It's difficult to recall any actor who has grown up more gracefully in public than Reese Witherspoon, and she has her first all-grown-up role in this boot-kicker fairy tale. She plays a New York fashion designer whose storybook engagement to the JFK Jr.-like son of New York's mayors is threatened by a teeny problem. She's still legally married to her high school beau (Josh Lucas) back in Hicksville, Ala. Were this you-can-go-home-again comedy not so essentially warmhearted, its Southern stereotypes might seem offensive, but it's possible that Witherspoon could charm the grim face off an undertaker. Rated PG-13; language. 1 hour, 42 minutes.

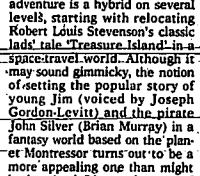
ENGAGEMENT

'Treasure Planet'

Disney's latest animated adventure is a hybrid on several levels, starting with relocating Robert Louis Stevenson's classic into a space-age world. Although it may sound gimmicky, the notion of setting the popular story of young Jim (voiced by Joseph Gordon-Levitt) and the pirate John Silver (Brian Murray) in a fantasy world based on the planet of Montrosor turns out to be a more appealing one than might be imagined. It's not that any of this is inept, it's just that filmmakers John Musker and Ron Clements ('The Little Mermaid,' 'Aladdin' and 'Hercules'), can clearly do better. What their effort here points out is how difficult it is to get things like this completely right. The genre's recent past has set the bar quite high, and 'Treasure Planet' doesn't quite make it over. With David Hyde Pierce, Emma Thompson and Martin Short. (134. PG, for adventure action and peril.)

'Wes Craven Presents: They'

Wes Craven may be 'presenting' and Dimension Films may be distributing, but this tepid, mechanical stab at terror falls way below the standard set by both the veteran horrormeister and the distribution company that has become synonymous with smart, amusing fright fests like 'Scream.' The film never generates any real fear until its very last minutes, by which time it is way too late to redeem all the dull and unimaginative events that preceded it. With Laura Regan and Jon Abraham. (130. PG-13, for terror/violence, sexual content and language.)



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Clausing served and LDS Mission in Georgia. He is attending Utah State University in Logan and works for Discover Card in Salt Lake City.

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 Stock #1199 • 4 DOOR • Automatic Transmission • Power Windows & Locks • V4 Engine
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 Stock #2414 • Automatic Transmission • Air Conditioning • Power Windows & Locks • Cruise • Cassette • CD
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 Stock #2415 • Automatic Transmission • Air Conditioning • Power Windows & Locks • V4 Engine • Cruise • CD
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The Times-News

Friday, December 6, 2002

Section D

MORNING LINE

SPORTSQUOTE

"I think I'm definitely cuter than her."

-A displeased New York Giants tight end Jeremy Shockey after reports that he wanted to be the "Anna Kournikova of football" hit the tabloids

TRIVIA

QUESTION: Which NHL coach won the most Stanley Cup championships without coaching the Montreal Canadiens?
.....answer below

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

High school boys basketball
 -TFCA at Mountain Cove, 7:30 p.m.
 -Hagerman at Camas County, 7:30 p.m.
 -Hansen at Carey, 7:30 p.m.
 -Raft River at Richfield, 7:30 p.m.
 -Gooding at Shoshone, 7:30 p.m.
 -Buhl at Glens Ferry, 7:30 p.m.
 -American Falls at Burley, 7:30 p.m.
 -Kimberly at American Falls, 7:30 p.m.
 -Minico at Rigby, 7:30 p.m.
 -Boise at Twin Falls, 6:30 p.m.
High school girls basketball
 -TFCA at Murtaugh, 7:30 p.m.
 -North Gem at Oakley, 7:30 p.m.
 -Valley at Raft River, 7:30 p.m.
 -American Falls at Filer, 7:30 p.m.
 -Pocatello at Minico, 7:30 p.m.
 -Jerome at Century, 7:30 p.m.
 -Carey-Tourneaux-TBA
 -Butte County Invitational, TBA

IN BRIEF

T.F. Bruins move tipoff to 6:30

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls Bruins have moved the time of their home opener up to 6:30 tonight instead of 7:30. The sophomore game is scheduled for 5 p.m.

Minico's Jensen signs with Idaho State

RUPERT - Three-time state triple jump champion Monica Jensen has signed to compete in track and field at Idaho State University.
 Jensen finished second in the 300 hurdles, third in the 100 hurdles and fifth in the long jump to go along with her title in the triple jump; all while competing with a cast on a broken arm.

Minico graduate gets selected as MVP

SPOKANE - Central Washington senior defensive end Lance Gibson has been selected the defensive player of the year of the Great Northwest Athletic Conference after recording 18.5 tackles for a loss and 10 quarterback sacks.
 His sack total was among the leaders in the nation.

ACTRA team roping at Copus Cove Sunday

BUHL - The Copus Cove Arena is hosting an ACTRA team roping event beginning at noon Sunday. There will be three-head progressive \$15 and there will be two ropes - a 4.5 and a 6.
 Call Dwight French at 543-6695 for any questions.

Compiled from staff reports

TRIVIA ANSWER:

Hay Day, who won five with Toronto Maple Leafs from '42-49.

Air Force mom with Navy son roots for ...

ALL ARMY

The Associated Press

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. - Sharian Gardner served eight years in the Air Force. She has a son in Japan serving as a Navy corpsman with a Marine division, and another relative in the Coast Guard.

But when it comes to football and the Army-Navy game at Giants Stadium on Saturday, Gardner is an Army fan without hesitation.

Her son, defensive lineman Clarence Holmes, is one of Army's co-captains. It's a position he has held for the past two seasons, making him just the fourth

player in Army football history to be listed as a team captain twice in his career.

"For him to play football and be there and keep his grades up and all the things he has done, I am extremely proud of him," Gardner said in a telephone interview from her home in Decatur, Ga.

What makes that accomplishment even more remarkable is to overcome to get from the suburbs of Atlanta to the plains of West Point.

Holmes didn't grow up playing football. From the time he was in grade school he helped his moth-

er raise five children, by packing groceries, flipping burgers and doing whatever he could.

There was a four- or five-year period in early 1990s when Gardner remarried, but Holmes' stepfather died of a heart attack in 1995.

"They didn't have a lot of things they wanted at particular times," Gardner said of her children. "Just the struggle of single parenthood can have an impact on the children. We always had a strong faith in God and discussed everything. We are closely knit."

Holmes started to play football in his sophomore year at Columbia High School, but family



Army defensive end and co-captain Clarence Holmes (99) stands on the Army sideline Nov. 9.

needs forced him to postpone his career until his junior year.

Within two years, however, Holmes' ability prompted 10 Please see ARMY, Page D2

Unbeaten no more

CSI women down SLCC, while men fall 86-83

The Times-News

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah - Andru Sivakova's layup at the buzzer moved the College of Southern Idaho women's basketball team to undefeated in the Scenic West Athletic Conference with a 63-61 victory over previously unbeaten and No. 14-ranked Salt Lake Community College.

The night didn't get off to a good start for the sixth-ranked CSI men's team, which suffered its first loss of the season in the SWAC opener as the Bruins defeated the Golden Eagles 86-83.

Women's game Golden Eagles 63, Bruins 61.

Twice the Golden Eagles (6-8 overall, 1-0 SWAC) took two 10-point leads in the second half - with Diana Chavez converting a layup off a steal to put CSI up 48-38 and then a 3-pointer by Sivakova with 3:45 remaining gave the Golden Eagles a 57-47 advantage.

But the SLCC Bruins (10-1, 0-1) came roaring back and tied the game with 5.5 seconds remaining when Danielle Grosbeck hit a 3-pointer.

But Jessica White took the ball the length of the court on the ensuing inbound pass before drawing the defense and finding Sivakova under the basket for the game-winning layup. Sivakova led the Eagles with 17 points.

"We've talked about putting together a full game from everybody," CSI coach Randy Rodgers told AM 1450 KEZJ. "If everybody plays well, we can beat anybody."

Both Eagle teams travel to Coeur d'Alene to take on North Idaho College Saturday.

"We have to take care of business on Saturday," Rodgers said. "You can only enjoy it for a little bit."

Men's game Bruins 86, Golden Eagles 83

The Golden Eagle men's team (12-1, 0-1) ounged up a 20-point first-half lead as the Bruins (9-3) bumbled their way back into the game as Tim Henry poured in 25 of his 30 points in the second half for SLCC.

The Bruins shot 75 percent in the second half.

"That's bitten all us year," CSI coach Guy Beach told AM KLDX 1310. "We haven't been killing teams away. It's not that we can't, it's that we don't."

The Golden Eagles, who were led by Dante Sawyer's 17 points, shot just 61 percent from the foul line.

Big Dog makes former team pay



Atlanta forward Glenn Robinson (13) drives past Milwaukee's Tim Thomas (5) Thursday at Philips Arena in Atlanta. Robinson, who was traded to Atlanta from Milwaukee during the offseason, scored 23 points.

Robinson notches 23 against Milwaukee

The Associated Press

ATLANTA - Glenn Robinson scored 23 points in his first game against his old team, and Jason Terry added 19 as the Atlanta Hawks beat the Milwaukee Bucks 98-80 Thursday night.

Robinson was traded to Atlanta in the offseason after eight seasons in Milwaukee, where he was part of the "big three" with Ray

Allen and Sam Cassell. But after the Bucks reached the Eastern Conference finals two years ago, they fell to 41-41 last season and missed the playoffs.

Shareef Abdur-Rahim and Ira Newble added 14 points apiece for the Hawks, who had lost six of eight. Terry had 12 assists and Theo Ratliff had 13 points, 15 rebounds and four blocks. Tim Thomas had 17 points for

Milwaukee, and Allen, who came off the injured list before the game, scored 16. Cassell played only 31 minutes after injuring his hip in the first half and scored 13, laboring mightily after the break and leaving for good with more than three minutes left.

The Bucks lost for the fifth time in seven games. They took their first lead of the second half on two free throws

by Thomas halfway through the third quarter, and Anthony Mason added a layup to make it 67-63. But Atlanta went on an 18-2 run that stretched into the fourth, with Newble making two open jumpers and adding two free throws.

Milwaukee closed within 81-74, but the Hawks quickly stretched the margin back into double digits and coasted from there.

Title IX commission looks for wiggle room

STEVE WILSTEIN

Nothing less than the shape of college and high school sports is at stake as the commission on Title IX cobbles together proposals that could revamp a law that has been praised, scorned and challenged for 30 years.

The worst thing the commission could do, and the last thing it wants, is to recommend weakening a law that has done more for women - athletes and non-athletes alike - than any measure since the 19th Amendment gave women the vote.

Stop Title IX from hurting some men's sports, yes. Set standards that make it easier for universities to follow, yes. Juggle the rules so much that they set back women even a fraction, an emphatic no.

Title IX, the 1972 law that outlawed sex discrimination in any school that received federal funds, spurred a cultural revolution and a boom in women's sports that no one wants to curtail.

But the cost, critics have

argued with some persuasiveness, has been a derailment of dozens of men's sports programs - most prominently wrestling, swimming and gymnastics - as schools have shifted resources to comply with a three-part test used by the federal Office of Civil Rights.

The first and most controversial part of that test, measuring whether the percentage of women athletes is roughly equal to the school's female population, is the target of a lawsuit filed by the National Wrestling Coaches Association.

The Commission on Opportunity in Athletics, assembled by Education Secretary Rod Paige to review Title IX, met in Philadelphia the past two days after holding public hearings in four other cities. In long, tedious sessions that revealed the magni-

tude of the 15-member panel's task and the implications for the next generation of athletes, the group debated details of recommendations that will be submitted to Paige in January.

For all the credentials and good intentions of the panel, co-chaired by former WNBA star Cynthia Cooper and Stanford athletic director Ted Leland, it's not clear whether their meetings will amount to much more than a dog and pony show for a Bush administration that some worry is intent on weakening Title IX.

None of the panelists suggested doing away with the proportionality test, but many favored allowing schools some "wiggle room" of up to seven percent, as Maryland athletic director Deborah Yow suggested, instead of strict compliance.

That would give schools a chance to account for walk-ons transfers and athletes who become academically ineligible, she said, while "vastly improving Please see TITLE, Page D2

QB Maddox looks to get back into game

The Associated Press

PITTSBURGH - Tommy Maddox can't wait to throw that first pass. Can't wait for that first completion. Can't wait even for that first hit.

What surprises him is that anyone would expect him to feel differently after waiting

10 years to do what he's doing now: playing in the NFL, and playing well.

That's why the Pittsburgh Steelers' quarterback was mystified when he heard talk that the serious injury in Tennessee,

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which briefly left him paralyzed three weeks ago, was a warning sign that he should quit playing.

To Maddox, it was a frightening but manageable event that was a little more than his much-interrupted career. And from what his doctors tell him, it offered no indication it would happen again.

"I know I'm going to get hit Sunday, but I know I'm going to get up and continue to play," said Maddox, whose start against Houston will be his first since the Tennessee game on Nov. 17.

That game, easily the worst of the seven he has started for Pittsburgh since the scariest moment of the NFL season. On a seemingly routine hit Please see MADDOX, Page D2



Tommy Maddox

SPORTS

Lady Bruins come back to upend Kuna

The Times-Herald

TWIN FALLS - After trailing most of the game, Twin Falls Lady Bruins came back in the fourth quarter to down Kuna 39-35 in Twin Falls Thursday...

Local sports

CAREY - Carey was down by 13 points at the end of the third quarter but the Panthers came back to claim victory over Richfield 50-46 Thursday in Carey...

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ward Bryant Pittman chipped in 15 points and grabbed 10 rebounds to lead the Dietrich Blue Devil JV team to a 66-60 victory over the ISDB Raptors Thursday.

Freddy Carillo put in 24 points for the Raptors who had a 20-point lead in the first half before five players fouled out.

Minico 61, Mountain Home 54

RUPERT - The Minico Spartans' boys basketball team outlasted Mountain Home 61-54 Thursday in a routine, outplayed opening contest behind the 21 points of junior guard Travis Noble and 18 points of Kevin Hanks.

Valley 66, Gooding 44

HAZLETON - Thanks to three excellent scorers the Valley Vikings defeated Gooding, 66-44, Thursday at Valley.

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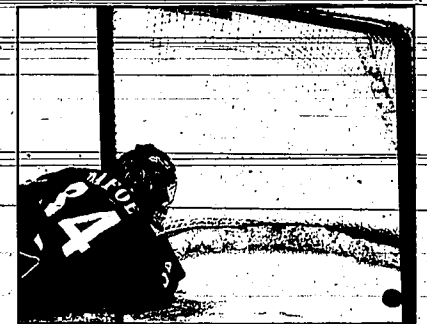
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Atlanta goalie Byron Dafoe watches the puck go into the net on a shot by Boston's Glenn Murray Thursday for the game-winning goal in overtime. The shot gave the Bruins a 4-3 win.

Bruins bully Dafoe, Thrashers in 4-3 win

BOSTON (AP) - Byron Dafoe's return to Boston wasn't any better than his departure. Dafoe made 36 saves and held Boston scoreless for two periods but Glen Murray scored his 16th goal of the season at 1:53 of overtime to lift the Bruins to a 4-3 victory over the Atlanta Thrashers.

THOSA scored his 16th of the season after Fred Brathwaite stopped his shot from the point. The left side of the net was wide open for Hossa's backhand rebound.

Lightning 3, Oilers 2

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) - The Tampa Bay Lightning have become comeback specialists. Ruslan Fedotenko scored the tiebreaking goal with three minutes left in the third period as the Lightning beat the Edmonton Oilers 3-2 Thursday night.

Flyers 3, Rangers 2 OT

PHILADELPHIA - Michael Handrus became the second player in NHL history to score an overtime goal on a penalty shot when he beat New York's Dan Blackburn with 36.7 seconds left in overtime.

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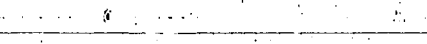
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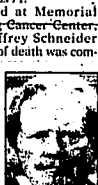
SCORES AND STATS

By Steve Moore

WHAT'S ON T.V.

Monday Night Football pioneer Arledge dies at 71

NEW YORK (AP) - Roone Arledge, a pioneering television executive at ABC News and Sports...



Roone Arledge

Arledge died at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center spokesman Jeffrey Schacter said. The cause of death was complications from cancer, ABC News reported.

Arledge's far-reaching influence can still be seen on TV when a slow-motion replay is shown at a sporting event, when Peter Jennings reads the news or when a sportscaster criticizes a player.

Arledge was single-handedly credited with bringing modern production techniques to sports coverage, then building ABC News into a power during the 1960s and '70s.

The 36-time Emmy winner was cited as one of the 100 most important Americans of the 20th century by Life magazine in 1990.

"Roone Arledge revolutionized television and with it the way people see and understand the world," ABC News President David Westin said in a statement.

He was our leader and our friend, and we will miss his passion and his will to make us all better than we were."

Roone Pinckney Arledge was born July 8, 1931, and reared on Long Island. The Columbia College graduate joined ABC Sports as a producer in 1960 after a five-year stint at NBC.

In 1961, Arledge created ABC's "Monday Night Football," one of the most popular series ever, and coined its tag

line - "the thrill of victory and the agony of defeat."

Arledge, who became president of ABC Sports in 1966, supervised coverage of 10 Olympics from 1964 to 1988, including the memorable 1972 games in Munich disrupted by a terrorist attack in which a number of Israeli athletes were killed.

When Sports Illustrated in 1994 selected 40 individuals with the greatest impact on sports over the previous 40 years, Arledge was third behind Muhammad Ali and Michael Jordan.

The reaction was harsh, though, when Arledge was selected in 1977 to resuscitate ABC's struggling news division - while still running sports.

"People in news were outraged that I hadn't been a reporter or worked my way up. The newspaper articles were brutal," he later recalled.

By the late 1980s and early 1990s, ABC was generally considered the top network news division.

"I took two divisions whose reputations were lower than low - ABC Sports and even paying its bills, and ABC News was far behind NBC and CBS they weren't even taken seriously - and I built them into the best in the world," he said.

Arledge could be prickly and elusive - he was notorious for rarely returning phone calls - and his inattention to the grunt work of management was a factor in his being gradually eased out of the news presidency.

When Westin took over in 1998, ABC News had slipped to No. 2 and was faced with tough budget decisions.

Still, not only do his innovations remain alive in TV today, so do his executive ranks sprinkled with his proteges.

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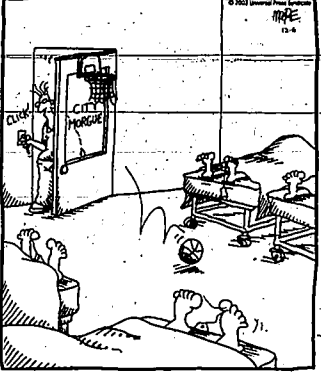
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Area ski report

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Sea Valley - The 6:30a party groomed 10 - 21 traks of 145 traks, 4 of 20 lifts, Weekday: Non-Fri: 9a-9p; Weekend/Holiday: Sat/Sun: 9a-9p

Golf PGA Target World Challenge. Second Round 2 p.m. TNT

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Football College, Cincinnati at East Carolina 6 p.m., ESPN2

Basketball NBA, N.Y. Knicks at Boston Celtics 8 p.m. ESPN

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Utah Stazz plan move to San Antonio

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - The Utah Stazz are moving to San Antonio, the third WNBA franchise either relocate or shut down this year.

Utah entered the WNBA in 1996, when it was picked as one of the league's charter franchises with Dennis Taylor as the team's president.

The team struggled early, finishing last in its first season with a 7-21 record. The Stazz had their first winning record in 2000, going 18-14.

The team reached the Western Conference finals in 2002, losing to the Los Angeles Sparks.

Glavine, Mets reach three-year deal

NEW YORK - Tom Glavine, the most sought-after pitcher in baseball, reached agreement with the New York Mets on a three-year contract, his agent said Thursday night.

Glavine, 36, had spent his whole career with the Atlanta Braves, winning two Cy Young Awards and posting five 20-win seasons.

But the Braves' NL East rival Philadelphia Phillies, showed more money interest in the left-hander than his old team.

Atlanta has won 11 straight division titles. It was one of the toughest decisions he's ever had to make," said his agent, Gregg Clifton. "There wasn't really one thing that decided it. He just decided."

Glavine was believed to have gotten a \$35 million contract with a vesting option that could make the deal worth \$42.5 million.

Franchise taking Texas A&M job

COLLEGE STATION, Texas - Dennis Franchione has left Alabama to become the new coach at Texas A&M, a close friend said Thursday.

Franchione spent just two seasons coaching the Crimson Tide. He replaces R.C. Sluom, who was fired Monday after the Aggies' 50-20 loss to Texas.

Franchione, 50, was hired by Texas A&M in 2000. He was fired after a 10-7 record in his second season. He was replaced by Mike Anderson.

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SPORTS



Chicago rookie Jay Williams brings the ball up the court past Boston Celtics' Paul Pierce during Williams' first regular-season NBA game, a 99-96 win in Boston Oct. 30.

FEAST TO FAMINE

Bulls' Williams tries to adjust to life, losses in the NBA

CHICAGO (AP) — Jay Williams would be getting ready for a game at Duke when the feeling would wash over him: "This is mine. I own this."

Then he'd go out and turn what his mind told him into reality, taking over games as if he was on the neighborhood playground instead of some mammoth arena.

His college days are over, though. And two months into his NBA career, Williams is still fighting to find that old feeling.

"It's still kind of a work in progress," he said. "I have no idea why. I can't explain it."
Williams was considered the most NBA-ready of any of the top draft picks. Yao Ming was untested, and Drew Gooden needed to bulk up. Mike Dunleavy and Dajuan Wagner were barely out of high school.

But Williams had already proven himself. He was the college player of the year, a two-time All-American in three years at Duke and he'd led the Blue Devils to a national championship in 2001.

He was smart, too. Though he left Duke a year early, he'd already gotten his degree in sociology.

So when the Chicago Bulls made him No. 2 pick in the draft behind Yao, most expected him to make an easy — and quick — transition.

Instead, his progress has come, in fits and starts.
"He's just getting acclimated to the league," Bulls coach Bill Cartwright said. "Some guys, it takes four or five years to learn the league. But he's on a fast track. ... He's learning and he's doing a good job."
Williams leads all rookies with 5.4 assists per game, more than double the average of Caron Butler, who is second. He's also fourth in scoring with 10.6 points per game, just ahead of Yao.

But Williams is only shooting 38 percent. His free-throw shooting, which cost Duke in the NCAA tournament last season, hasn't gotten much better. He's making only 54 percent from the line.

He also has committed 52 turnovers, though his 1.87 assist-to-turnover ratio is second-best among rookies.
Williams also is losing for the first time in his career. The Bulls have 14 losses going into Friday night's game in Toronto, one more than Williams experienced in his three years at Duke.

"I'll never become numb to losing. It's always going to hit me deep inside," he said. "Some people, if their team is losing, just take the loss. That's not me. It never has been — I'll just keep working harder and harder. Trust

me." Some of Williams' struggles can be tied to his position and the Bulls' triangle offense. While players like Yao and Gooden are busy learning their roles, Williams is learning his and everybody else's. Instead of worrying about how he's going to create plays for himself, he's got to think about jump-starting Chicago's entire offense.

"His job is a lot more different than those other guys," Jalen Rose said. "It's kind of like being a quarterback in the NFL. If you come in as a receiver, all you have to do is run your routes. As a quarterback, you have to make sure everybody else is running their routes and then understand where you have to be."
And the Bulls aren't running simple routes, either. Their triangle offense is a constant-motion scheme that's supposed to create a host of scoring and shooting options for all five players.

The Bulls won six championships with the triangle, but it's tough to master. And until a player does, he has to constantly think about where he's going and what he's doing.

"The athleticism or quickness of guards or big guys, that's a challenge, but not as big a challenge as learning our offense," Williams said. "It's not something you can learn in one month."
"There was part of me that thought I was going to pick it up quickly, but that's just me. I just try to learn it and get better and better each day."

Sharing playing time with Jamal Crawford, a lottery pick two years ago, probably doesn't help. Just when one of them is getting comfortable on the floor, it seems as if it's time for the other to come in.

Williams has shown flashes of how good he can be — and those flashes have been mighty impressive. After Cartwright pulled him aside before the game Nov. 9 against the New Jersey Nets and told him to play his game, Williams went out and dropped a triple-double on the Eastern Conference champs.

With 26 points, 13 assists and 14 rebounds, it was the first triple-double by a Bull since You-Know-Who in April 1997.
"I think I'm getting better. I think I'm learning," Williams said. "It's been hard, but I'm going to win on this level — and be the player I know I can be."

And what kind of player is that? "What every little kid imagines," he said. "To be a dominant player, to lead the team around, you play well and win games. And hopefully, try and get a world championship."

Steady play gives Furyk lead

Love and Woods up and down at Target challenge

THOUSAND OAKS, Calif. (AP) — Jim Furyk had a boring round compared to Tiger Woods and Davis Love III, which was fine by him Thursday in the Target World Challenge.

While both Woods and Love went eight consecutive holes without a par, Furyk picked his spots at Sherwood Country Club and avoided costly mistakes on his way to an 8-under 64 to take a one-stroke lead.

Nick Price and Padraig Harrington were at 65 after playing without a bogey, which was the best way to move up the leaderboard — and stay there — on a perfect day for scoring.

"You can make a bunch of birdies, but it's also a course where you can make a bunch of mistakes," Furyk said. "If you can eliminate those bad holes, which is difficult, you can shoot a really low round."

That's what stopped Woods (68) and Love (66).

Woods, the tournament host and defending champion of the \$3.8-million exhibition, reached the 15th hole and looked over at a large scoreboard.

"You have to shoot 10 over just to keep up," he said under his breath.

Instead, he was running in place, answering every birdie with a bogey, and vice versa.

After a par on the opening hole, Woods didn't make another par until he missed a 5-foot birdie putt on the 10th.

He really got it going in the middle of his front nine with four straight birdies that pulled him within two strokes of the lead, then hit into the hazard off the ninth tee and had to get up-and-down for a bogey.

"I've never absolutely perfect conditions. Just look at the board," Woods said, noting that only four players in the 16-man field failed to shoot par or better. "You just knew you had to take it



Tiger Woods grimaces after hitting out of bounds from the 9th tee Thursday at the Target World Challenge in Thousand Oaks, Calif.

low today." "The good news? "I didn't shoot myself out of the tournament," he said. Neither did Love, who had the most entertaining round of them all with nine birdies and an eagle. His problem was Love had only four pars. "Good day or bad day? "I like making that many birdies," Love said. "If you miss

it any place on this golf course, you can make a big number." His biggest came at the par-3 15th, when his ball came just short in a mixture of grass and rocks. Love had a decent lie, but was worried about hitting the rocks with his club and wound up advancing the ball only a few inches. He wound up with a double bogey. "I should have gotten it out,"

he said. "I just chickened out of the shot." It's hard to blame a guy for not wanting to get injured, not in a tournament that pays \$1 million to the winner and \$130,000 for last place. And not with the start of the 2003 PGA Tour season — the money that counts — only a month away.

The other secret to low scoring was lack of sleep.

Furyk, Price and Harrington — the top three guys on the leaderboard — were all in South Africa last week for the Nedbank Challenge.

"I knocked some of the rust off," Furyk said. He played with Chris DiMarco, who knocked the ball over to Sherwood — eight birdies to go with a bogey and a double bogey that put him at 67 with David Tomco and Fred Goosen.

Phil Mickelson played the par-5 even par — two bogeys and an eagle when he hit a 6-iron for his second shot on the 522-yard 11th hole. He was at 68, and gets to play with Woods on Friday.

After going 18 months without playing together, this will be the fifth time in their last eight rounds that Woods and Mickelson — Nos. 1 and 2 in the world — get to spend quality time inside the ropes.

That means more cameras, which isn't good news for Woods.

On Sunday in the Skins Game, a man without media credentials clicked a camera during his swing out of a bunker on the final hole with \$200,000 on the line. Caddie Steve Williams removed the camera and dropped it into a lake.

On Thursday, a photographer clicked at Woods stood over a 6-foot eagle putt. He paused but didn't yell, and missed the putt.

"It was early enough that I was OK," he said. "I just misread it."

Williams didn't leave the camera into the Sherwood forest, he simply asked the photographer in a strong voice not to let it again.

Woods says he has license to get angry over such incidents, even in the hit-and-piggle time of the world — "that it was! Thursday, not a final round."

"The 18th hole is a different story," he said.

Time for revenge? Peca will meet Tucker again

UNIONDALE, N.Y. (AP) — Michael Peca's knee has recovered enough for him to seek revenge on Darcy Tucker.

Whether Peca or his New York Islanders teammates take action against Tucker — or the Toronto Maple Leafs — is anyone's guess.

The Islanders say they don't expect anything to happen tonight when the teams face off on Long Island for the first time since last season's hostile playoff series. The Maple Leafs won't say anything at all.

"This is the day and age of the WWE, and it's an everybody's TV," Peca said. "So people want to come out and see the blood and everything else. We're more concerned about winning two points."

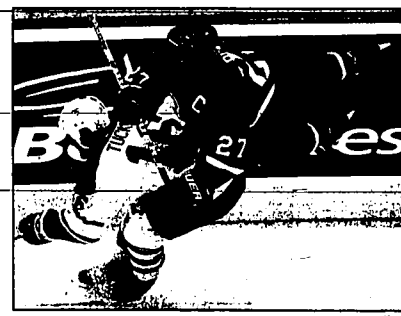
"We can't get caught up in that stuff."

All the animosity dates to New York's first postseason appearance since 1994. The Islanders beat Toronto three out four times in the regular season and looked to advance behind the leadership of their captain, Peca, in his first year with the team.

The Leafs jumped to a 2-0 lead before the Islanders tied it with wins at Nassau Coliseum. That set up the pivotal fifth game back in Toronto.

Peca and Tucker traded barbs on and off the ice. Peca said Tucker threatened during games to kill or hurt him. Peca called the talk "emotional" before Game 5 on April 26.

It was all funny until "The Hit," which was deemed dirty by



Toronto right winger Darcy Tucker (16) sends New York Islanders center Michael Peca (27) flying with a hit in Toronto April 26. Tucker's hit seriously injured Peca's left knee.

the Islanders. In the second period of a 6-3 win by the Maple Leafs, Tucker closed in on Peca and bent at the knees to deliver a check low to his legs.

Peca went end-over-end and fell on the ice. No penalty was called.

"It comes to a point where you've just got to let it go," Peca said. "You can't go on day after day with contempt. I can't carry this baggage. I don't care to carry. I'd rather focus on the more positive things in life and the game. "I'm not going to carry around

anything that's going to use up energy where I don't want it to."

Also in that game, New York defenseman Kenny Jonsson was felled by a concussion after being checked from behind by Gary Roberts.

"The Toronto game isn't about taking personal matters," Jonsson said. "We have to move forward."

Peca was gone for the playoffs — just two more games for the Islanders following a spirited home win in Game 6 — and required surgery on his left knee

that caused him to sit out until just a few weeks ago.

"The thing that happened last year with Peca, that's Peca's problem," Islanders forward Jiri Tlusty said. "I don't usually we're his teammates and we feel for the guy, but we all know that two points is more important than the revenge on Darcy Tucker."

Tucker said he went low to avoid any chance Peca could throw a shoulder into him. Now, Tucker and the Maple Leafs won't talk about it at all.

"It's last year," Tucker said. "I'm over, and guys don't want to talk about it. It's not an issue for us."

If that's true, the Maple Leafs are in the minority.

"I hope there's guys that want to get back to deliver a big message, but I think it's important that we keep everything within the rules," Peca said. "I don't think it's necessary for anybody to do anything stupid."

Incidents for this game sold quickly. Media attention is squarely focused, and league disciplinarian Colin Campbell will be considering attending, too.

"I've been in these situations before where people are building up so much that nothing happens," Peca said. "That's usually the case."

If the Islanders aren't looking for retribution, their fans might be, he said. "I think people should just be passionate about the game and just forget about anything like that."

NASCAR television ratings exceed expectations

NEW YORK (AP) — The ratings for NASCAR's race broadcasts have exceeded the high expectations of the TV networks after the first two years of a six-year, \$2.8 billion deal.

"The ratings were up 13 percent this year and 59 percent over two years," said Ken Schacter, president of NBC Sports, which shares the big contract with Fox Sports, Turner Sports, TNT and Fox.

"That's the first back-to-back increase since 1994 through 1996 in the NBA, the years Michael Jordan returned to the first retirement," he added. "This thing is a rocket. When the sea-

son began, we had hoped to simply maintain the terrific ratings and new viewers from last year."

Also on hand Thursday for the question-and-answer session were David Hill, chairman and CEO of Fox, Peter Liguori, president and CEO of FX, Jim Liberatore, vice president of Speed Channel, Mark Lazarus, president of Turner Sports, and Paul Reber, NASCAR's vice president of broadcasting.

The panel acknowledged that the networks have lost money on the deal each of the first two years, but still found plenty positive to say.

Lazarus pointed out that

Turner and TNT picked up 40 new sponsors for the 2002 Winston Cup season.

"It takes time, but we've built trust in the NASCAR community," Lazarus said. Referring to the Winston Cup race in Atlanta on Oct. 27, broadcast by NBC, he added, "The proof of that is when we go through a 3.5-hour rain delay and don't lose our audience."

Hill pointed to the increase in the ratings of races going up against the NFL, acknowledged as TV's sports king.

"Their audience also increased, so there's no cannibalization," Hill said. "I don't think there's a

cap on the growth, either. I think it can continue to grow for the next 20 years."

Schacter attributed at least part of NBC's increase to the championship battle that went down to the final race. Todd Stewarts, who will be honored here on Friday night at the NASCAR Awards ceremony, won the title by a margin of 38 points over the runner-up.

"I don't think any of us think in terms of taking on the NFL, just trying to find new fans. ... Eighty percent of America is still available to us and that's why the people we're trying to find."

Chargers have a chance against Raiders

By Dave Goldberg
The Associated Press

The Oakland Raiders got some breaks in their win Monday night over the Jets — a muffed punt by New York and a ceremony honoring Tim Brown's 1,000th career catch that seemed to give them momentum to start the second half.

But the Raiders go to San Diego this week with the AFC West lead at stake against a team that seems immune to momentum swings.

Last week against Denver, for example, the Chargers appeared to have an overtime win on Steve Christie's foot, but the kick was low and was blocked. They got a second chance when Jason Elam missed a 51-yarder, and Christie made good on his 27-yard attempt.

The Raiders are favored by three Sunday, probably because of the longterm perception that Oakland is good and San Diego isn't. But LaDainian Tomlinson has given San Diego a star of the first magnitude.

He's just 4 yards behind Priest Holmes for the league rushing lead and leads the Chargers with 60 receptions.

"We've got a superstar. That L.T. guy that we've got on this team is a beast," San Diego linebacker Junior Seau said after Tomlinson ran for 220 yards and had 11 catches against the Broncos.

Coming off their 26-20 win over the Jets, the Raiders get a confidence boost: The flight to San Diego is only an hour, making a short week a little more



Oakland Raiders knock the ball loose from New York's Chad Morton (26) in the third quarter Monday in Oakland, Calif. At left is Oakland's Alvis Whitted (87). The Raiders face San Diego on Sunday.

that season.
DOLPHINS, 38-24.
San Francisco (minus 5) at Dallas

Chad Hutchinson is coming on a bit for Dallas, but not enough.
49ERS, 24-13
New York Giants (plus 2.5) at Washington

The Giants are without a bunch of injured defenders. Now they're playing to save Jim Fassel's job.
REDSKINS, 25-20
Philadelphia (minus 3) at Seattle

A.J. Feeley gets tested.
SEAHAWKS, 10-8
New Orleans (off) at Baltimore
Not an easy game for the Saints, particularly with Aaron Brooks' sore shoulder.

SAINTS, 13-12
St. Louis (plus 4) at Kansas City

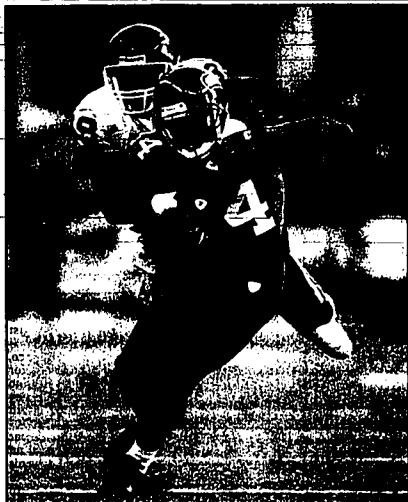
Back to Jamie Martin at quarterback for the Rams.
CHIEFS, 37-20
Houston (plus 13) at Pittsburgh
The Texans make an effort every week.

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LIONS, 5-2
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SEASON: 96-91-5 (spread), 122-69-1 (straight up)



Seattle's Bobby Engram is tackled by Kansas City's Ray Crockett Nov. 24 in Seattle. The Seahawk won the game, 39-32. Engram, as well as fellow wide receivers Darrell Jackson and Koren Robinson, have been dubbed the Three Stooges by coach Mike Holmgren.

Nyuk! Nyuk! Holmgren dubs receivers 'Stooges'

KIRKLAND, Wash. (AP) — Back in the late 1980s, the Denver Broncos' receiving corps was known as the Three Amigos.

This year, the Seattle Seahawks have the Three Stooges.
No, that's not an editorial comment directed at Seattle's 4-8 record. It's the phrase coach Mike Holmgren used this week to describe his top receivers: Bobby Engram, Darrell Jackson and Koren Robinson.

"I just get mixed up on who is Curly, Moe and who's Larry," Holmgren joked. "What do they think of it? I don't know and I don't care."

The receivers have been as good-natured about the label as they are with each other. They take an easygoing approach to most things, going out for dinner together, listening to music, playing video games or shooting pool.

"We talk football and we talk life. We just hang out a lot," Engram said. "We try to keep it upbeat. They keep me young with the music and video games. They take me out to eat every now and then. Other than that, I'm a boring old family man."

The Three Stooges are inseparable around the team's practice facility. Jackson and Robinson, who are both single, sometimes spend 12 hours each day together.

"Coach just named us that," Engram explained. "I guess when he sees one of us, he sees the other two. He started calling us Larry, Curly and Moe. We still haven't figured out who's who. Maybe we'll know by the end of the season."

Engram, who turns 24 on Friday, isn't ready to embrace the nickname. Relaxing on the floor of the Seahawks' locker room, where the receivers share a wall, he opened a discussion of the issue.

"I don't really want to be any of them," Jackson said with a laugh. "Who are you, Bobby? Which one?"

"The smart one," Engram answered.

"I don't want to be the one who

always gets poked in the eye," Jackson said.

Later, the 22-year-old Robinson assigned the names.

He identified himself as Curly "because he's the funny one." He said the 29-year-old Engram is Moe because he's "the elder one, the serious one." And Jackson is Larry because "he's always getting tricks played on him."

The three watch out for each other. In October, Engram and Robinson stayed with Jackson overnight at a Dallas hospital after he had a postgame seizure at Texas Stadium.

"They're buddies. They're friends," Holmgren said. "They kind of jab each other about who has the most catches, but it's a healthy thing."

Robinson leads the trio with 52 receptions for 856 yards and three touchdowns. Jackson is next, with 43 catches for 583 yards and two TDs while Engram has 37 catches for 472 yards.

While Engram hasn't caught a scoring pass, he has returned a punt for a TD.

Holmgren said Engram, a six-year veteran, has been a mentor to both younger players. Then he jokingly feigned concern about Jackson and Robinson being a bad influence on Engram off the field.

"Every once in a while I think Engram is going haywire," Holmgren said. "I've got to grab him and tell him, 'You're supposed to be the leader of this group.'"

Robinson admits he isn't crazy about the nickname, suggesting alternatives like "Three the Hard Way" and "The Three Musketeers."

They'd better pick something they enjoy, since it might stick.

"We've got a pretty good group right the way," Holmgren said. "They are a nice complement to one another. They practice hard and they're fun guys. They are great young guys. When I talk about hope for the future, you can start right there."

Gesser's backup relishes second chance at WSU

Cougars still have shot at conference title

PULLMAN, Wash. (AP) — For three years, Matt Keigel has watched Jason Gesser break Washington State passing and rushing records and lead the Cougars to consecutive bowl appearances for the first time.

Now Keigel has a chance to be the quarterback who helps the seventh-ranked Cougars win a conference title.

Coach Mike Price said it will be a gametime decision whether Keigel starts against UCLA on Saturday in place of Gesser, who injured his leg in a triple-overtime loss to Washington on Nov. 23.

Keigel, who played badly after taking over for Gesser with about 10 minutes remaining, acknowledged he was "personally devastated" by the 26-26 loss that cost the team sole possession of the Pac-10 Conference title.

With only two starts in four years, the junior is facing one of the biggest games in school history on Saturday. A victory over UCLA (7-4, 4-3) would send the Cougars (9-2, 6-1) to the Rose Bowl.

"In life you don't get many second chances," Keigel said. "We're fortunate enough to have a second chance as Gesser recovers from injuries to his lower right leg — a high ankle sprain, pulled calf muscle and knee bruise.

Gesser practiced this week but limped in a special molded boot



Matt Keigel



Jason Gesser

in Pullman.

The 22-year-old Keigel realizes that the situation is much different for this year's trip to L.A. "A lot more is on the line this game," Keigel said. "Back then, we were just fighting for a win, and we're fighting for a lot more this game."

In six appearances this season, Keigel is 26-of-39 for 203 yards with a touchdown and one interception. Price tried to play him for at least a series in the second quarter so he could get some game experience.

Keigel has said he contemplated transferring to another school where he could start, but Price persuaded him to stay to compete for the starting job next season and to be ready in case Gesser got hurt.

"Jason's done great, and it

intended to give him some mobility.

Keigel, a cousin of former WSU quarterback and NFL first-round draft pick Ryan Leaf, said he's prepared to start. He has played in a dozen games over the past two years and started two games in 2000 after Gesser broke his leg.

In those games, the Cougars upset USC in Los Angeles 33-27 but lost to Washington 51-3 in Pullman.

Keigel, who is well-liked by teammates, has accepted his reserve role and has improved each season.

"Now he's having his chance to go out there and play," Gesser said. "He's just got to go out

there and play pitch and catch. He had a rough game in the Apple Cup. Now, he's getting ready for the game. He's acting like a starter."

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Bronco faces fine after block

DENVER (AP) — Denver Broncos guard Steve Herndon was fined the game's pay, \$17,647, by the NFL on Thursday for an illegal block on San Diego Chargers defensive tackle Jamal Williams.

Herndon's clip came in Sunday's loss to the Chargers and ended Williams' season.

Herndon, a first-year guard, makes \$300,000 this season.

Herndon and Broncos coach Mike Shanahan apologized to Williams and the Chargers on Wednesday, the same day Williams was put on injured reserve with a dislocated left ankle. Williams had surgery Monday.

In the third quarter of San Diego's 27-17 victory, Herndon as Williams chased Denver running back Clinton Ford on a screen pass.

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Study: Melting glaciers are making Earth fat

The Baltimore Sun

The melting of Earth's glaciers is making the planet fatter, and scientists say if the trend continues, it could increase flooding, beach erosion and water shortages worldwide.

A team of researchers from Belgium and California has confirmed that Earth is becoming more plumpkin-shaped and concluded that it is because glaciers are melting and sending more water into the oceans.

"There's been a melting of the glaciers,

a rise in the oceans and a redistribution of the mass of the oceans," said Jean O. Dickey, a geophysicist at the California Institute of Technology's Jet Propulsion Laboratory.

Research at the Jet Propulsion Lab and the Royal Observatory of Belgium shows that melting glacier ice is flowing into the oceans and forcing sea levels to rise — albeit in a small way — along the equator.

Dickey said the study, to be published in today's issue of Science, pinpointed the warmy weather created by El Niño in

1997 and 1998 as a likely short-term cause. But she said future studies may show that it is also the result of longer-term climate change.

"I feel it's global warming, but we still can't say for sure," she said.

Earth has always been a little thick around the middle, because its rotation causes a bulge along the equator, according to Dickey and other scientists. Measurements show the planet's diameter to be about 26 miles longer through the equator than through the poles.

A U.S. Geological Survey report

released in May says many of Earth's 160,000 glaciers have been shrinking for more than a century. Other research has shown a correlation between the thinning of the glaciers and increasing global temperatures.

In August, a team of researchers at NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center reported in Science that Earth began getting plumper around the equator in 1998. The researchers bounced laser beams off satellites and measured Earth's surface based on the amount of time it took for the beams to bounce back to earth.

Thurmond turns 100 years old

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. Strom Thurmond turned 100 Thursday, joined by hundreds of friends and family on Capitol Hill where, in a career spanning nearly half a century, he went from being an anti-integration firebrand to becoming one of the Senate's most historic and beloved figures.

Thurmond, riding a wheelchair and accompanied by his two sons and his daughter, smiled and waved as he entered a Senate office building where he is being feted by fellow senators and many South Carolinians who had driven hours to celebrate with the man who has served longer and lived longer than any senator in history.

Thurmond was born in the first term of Theodore Roosevelt, was first elected when Dwight Eisenhower was president and is retiring with the modern Republican party he helped form firmly in control.

He is ending his eighth and final term a physically frail but still visible presence in the Senate. Physically confined to a wheelchair and always accompanied by aides during the last few years, he still rarely missed a Senate vote and his office maintained a reputation for constituent service.

The man who entered the Senate abetting the body's deep racial division leaves it as a much-loved legend.

He is being succeeded by fellow Republican Rep. Lindsey Graham, who was born a year after Thurmond entered the Senate.

"His first group of interns are now getting into Social Security," said Rep. Lindsey Graham, R-S.C., who last month was elected to succeed Thurmond in the Senate seat he has held for 48 years.

Thurmond, who resides at the Walter Reed Army Medical Center, arrived at his Senate office before noon as a snowstorm that swept through Washington abated.

"I am pleased to be celebrating my 100th birthday today," he said in a statement sent out by his office. "South Carolina is the finest state in our great nation and I am grateful to the people of South Carolina for allowing me this long and full career in public service. God bless the United States of America."

Several hundred people — friends, family and Washington's elite — were to honor the centenarian at ceremonies in a Senate office building.

Also did not respond immediately to mother's overdose

BOSTON (AP) — A priest fathered at least two children in the 1960s and apparently failed to call doctors immediately when their mother collapsed from an overdose, according to personnel files that contain some of the most lurid allegations yet in the Boston Archdiocese sex scandal.

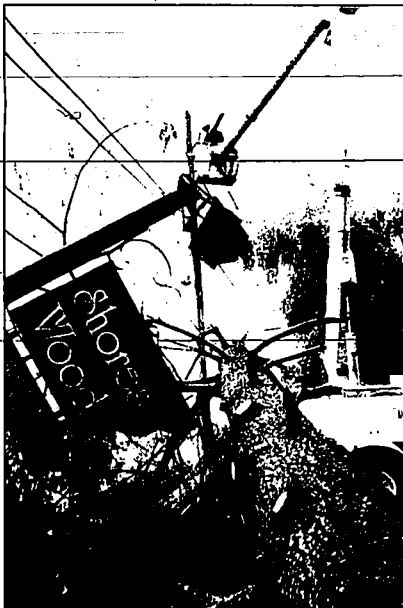
Handwritten notes in the Rev. James D. Foley's file indicate that when the woman collapsed from an apparent drug overdose, Foley got dressed, left and returned an undetermined time later before calling 911.

The woman has since died, but it was not immediately clear

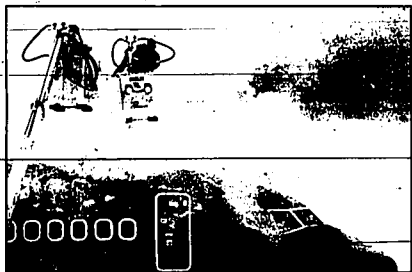
STORMS PARALYZE THE EAST



Pedestrians cross 50th Street in New York during a driving snow Thursday. Up to eight inches of snow was predicted for the New York metropolitan area Thursday as a winter storm that began in the South headed north. At least 17 people have died in the storms, mostly from traffic accidents.



Duke Power lineman Alan Taylor removes a broken piece of power pole Thursday morning in Spartanburg, S.C., where a white pine fell on it during an ice storm that hit the upstate area of South Carolina.



A Southwest Airlines jet is de-iced at Baltimore Washington International Airport in Linthicum, Md., Thursday.



Tiffany Williams, 9, tries to catch snowflakes on her tongue while playing with friends Thursday morning in Westminster, Md. More than 1.6 million homes and businesses were without electricity Thursday from Oklahoma to the Carolinas as a deadly snow and ice storm snapped power lines, canceled airline flights and shut down schools and some government offices.

Documents: Boston archdiocese priest had fathered children

when, or whether the overdose had anything to do with her death. The file contained no information on the drug she had used.

The notes, released Thursday, were among 11,000 documents that the archdiocese was ordered by a judge to hand over to attorneys representing dozens of alleged victims of church sex abuse.

When the details on Foley came to church's attention in 1993, the documents indicate, Cardinal Bernard Law and Bishop John McCormack ordered Foley to resign his post at Our Lady of Fatima Church in Sudbury and to undergo treatment at a residential center in Canada.

After his release, the archdiocese in 1994 agreed to let him live at a rectory and to celebrate

Mass while continuing his therapy, but barred him from performing other ministry duties or having anything to do with "vulnerable women."

Foley was placed in a parish in 1995 and has since been appointed associate pastor.

An initial review of the documents does not show that any further allegations of sexual impropriety surfaced against Foley. However, the order restricting his ministry duties was renewed as recently as 1998, the documents show.

Foley did not immediately return a call to his parish, and the archdiocese did not immediately return a phone message.

Files released by the plaintiffs' attorneys on Tuesday focused on eight priests. Among the allegations: a priest beat his housekeeper and threatened alleged

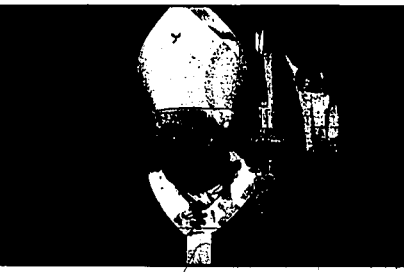
sex-abuse victims; another priest traded cocaine for sex with boys; and a third had sex with teenage girls studying to become nuns.

Thousands of other pages on more than 55 priests have yet to be made public by the attorneys.

The plaintiffs say the church failed to protect parishioners by ignoring the sex allegations and simply moving accused priests from parish to parish.

The files released Tuesday prompted renewed calls for Law to step down.

On Wednesday, the archdiocese Finance Council authorized Law to seek bankruptcy protection for the archdiocese to deal with the hundreds of sexual-molestation claims against priests. Law has not made a decision on whether to file for bankruptcy, and would have to get approval from the Vatican.



Cardinal Bernard Law stands with parishioners after Mass Sunday at the Cathedral of the Holy Cross in Boston. A financial panel of the Boston Archdiocese gave Cardinal Law permission Wednesday to file for bankruptcy. The church tries to settle lawsuits in the priest sex abuse scandal.

Symbols carved on stones in Mexico 2,600 years ago may be the earliest evidence of a writing system in the New World.

Dig finds ancient writing

Los Angeles Times

Archaeologists digging near Mexico's Gulf Coast have discovered the earliest known example of writing in the New World, pushing the date for the appearance of this crucial cultural implement back by at least 350 years to about 650 B.C.

More important, the discovery of an inscribed seal and fragments from a plaque suggests that writing was developed by the Olmec civilization and not by the Zapotec — source of the earliest previously known writing — or the Maya, who brought it to its greatest level of sophistication.

The discovery is triggering a sharp debate among Mesoamerican researchers about the origins of civilization in the region. The most commonly accepted idea now is that writing, kingship, the development of a calendar and other marks of civilization arose independently among various cultures in the area, a concept variously known as "equal partners" or "sister" cultures.

The new find provides support for the controversial idea of a "mother culture" — that the Olmec developed most of the concepts and passed them on to succeeding civilizations in much the same way that the Greeks developed European culture.

"The Olmecs were the first to have large urban centers," according to archaeologist Mary E. D. Pohl of Florida State University, who led the team making the new discovery.

"Experts praised the new find because of the precise dating of the objects, but many seemed less inclined to accept Pohl's interpretation of their significance.

Sicknesses hit another ship

MIAMI (AP) — Nearly 120 people have been sickened with symptoms consistent with a Norwalk-like virus on a fourth cruise ship to report an outbreak of a stomach ailment in recent weeks.

The Oceana, operated by P&O Cruises of Great Britain, reported that 114 passengers and three crew members have been treated for a stomach ailment in recent weeks.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said Wednesday.

More than 1,000 passengers have recently become sick on cruise ships, but cruise lines and travel agents said the problems have not significantly cut into business.

A FEMALE IN COMMAND



Gen. Khatol Mohammad Zai, left, offers sweets to her relatives to mark Eid-al-Fitr, the end of Ramadan, at her residence in Kabul, Afghanistan, Thursday. Gen. Khatol, a parachutist, is the only female general in Afghanistan.

Afghan general prevails in burqa

She becomes second woman to hold the rank

By Todd Pittman
Associated Press Writer

KABUL, Afghanistan — When the only female general in Afghanistan browses the ancient bazaar of the capital, she usually does so hidden under a flowing blue burqa that covers her head to toe.

"I get a lot of attention when I go to crowded markets in my uniform. People stare and sometimes I hear them laugh," Gen. Khatol Mohammad Zai said. "But I've heard them whispering, too. They say they're very proud."

Female soldiers are rare in Afghanistan. And female generals? Even rarer. Only one other woman in the country has ever held the rank — Health Minister Suhaila Siddiqi — but she no longer serves in the military. Zai's drive to join the air force grew out of a childhood dream to become a parachutist. Today, she's the only Afghan parachutist in the country — male or female.

Afghanistan has changed dramatically since Zai joined the armed forces with hundreds of other women in the early 1980s to prop up the pro-Moscow regime.

During that earlier war, entire villages were flattened to stop civilian support for U.S.-backed Muslim insurgents who eventually forced Soviet troops to withdraw.



Left, General Khatol wears her uniform Tuesday. Right, Gen. Khatol performs evening prayer in her residence, which was without electricity, Tuesday.

As a woman, Zai was not allowed to fight.

Women's Affairs Minister Habiba Surabi said Kabul was mostly peaceful back then, and women in the capital enjoyed basic freedoms. The burqa was not yet ubiquitous — though it was omnipresent outside the capital.

"When we were going to the university, we used to wear jeans with blouses, or even the skirts — show skirts," Surabi said of her 1980s education in Kabul. "At that time, it was accepted. Now ... it's not possible."

After Islamic conservatives seized power in 1992, women had to wear headscarves and attend single-sex schools.

The ruling Islamic factions then turned their guns on each other, killing 50,000 people — the



majority civilians. This paved the way for the takeover by the hard-line Taliban.

In 1996, the Taliban seized the capital and imposed harsher restrictions on women. Adhering to their own strict version of Islam, the Taliban banned girls from attending school and most women from working.

"There was an announcement on the radio telling women not to come to work," Zai recalled. "They said they would call us back, but they never did."

As a widow and the only breadwinner in a family of six, Zai was obligated to find another way to make a living, albeit surreptitiously. The woman soldier who had studied law at Kabul University was relegated to selling blankets and handicrafts at home to get by.

All that changed last year when the Taliban were ousted in a U.S.-led war, ushering in the current government.

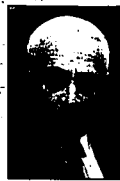
Some of the same conservatives who ruled in 1992 returned to power. But the presence of international peacekeepers and moderate President Hamid Karzai have secured a more tolerant attitude toward women.

Girls have returned to school and thousands of women have gone back to work. Zai took up her former job as physical trainer for the air force, and in March she made her first parachute jump in six years.

In April, Karzai promoted her from colonel to general after she parachuted into Kabul during a festival commemorating the 10-year anniversary of the end of communist rule.

Sharon says al-Qaida operates in Gaza Strip

JERUSALEM (AP) — Al-Qaida members have infiltrated the Gaza Strip and Lebanon and are working to target Israel, Prime Minister Ariel Sharon charged Thursday amid growing signs



Ariel Sharon

Osama bin Laden's terror network may be getting more directly involved in the Palestinian cause.

Israel has sought to link its conflict with the Palestinians to the U.S.-led war on terrorism since Sept. 11 attacks, but so far has failed to present strong evidence of al-Qaida operations in Israel, the West Bank or Gaza. Palestinian leaders have dismissed themselves from bin Laden, worried a perceived connection could undermine their cause.

Sharon did not give details and security sources on both the Israeli and Palestinian sides said they did not have information showing al-Qaida has established an infrastructure in the Palestinian areas.

The Bush administration has drawn a distinction between the U.S.-led campaign against al-Qaida and the Israeli conflict with the Palestinians. The U.S. has sought the help of Muslim nations in its war against terror and discouraged Israel from getting openly involved.

A senior Palestinian official,

speaking on condition of anonymity, said the Palestinian Authority was wary of any potential al-Qaida presence that might further weaken its control over the Palestinian areas. He said

Palestinians believe Sharon may be preparing a justification for a future invasion of Gaza.

Palestinian militant groups condemned the Sept. 11 attacks against the United States and insisted again this week that they don't want to export their fight against Israel outside the region.

But there are growing signs al-Qaida may be moving in.

A statement posted on an al-Qaida Web site Monday claimed responsibility for attacks in Kenya on Nov. 28, calling them a Ramadan greeting to the Palestinian people. U.S. officials have called the claim of responsibility credible.

Another communique on the same Web site announced establishment of a Palestinian branch of al-Qaida. "We declare that the sword of our martyrs will strike with all their strength at the Zionist and American arrogance in the region," it read.

Israel's army chief, Lt. Gen. Moshe Yaalon, warned this week that bin Laden is sending instructions to Palestinian militants in the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

Kurdish militia regains positions taken by guerrillas

SIRWAN, Iraq (AP) — Dozens of Kurdish fighters and Islamic militants were killed in a battle that saw a remote hilly area of northeastern Iraq change hands twice in 24 hours, Kurdish military officials said Thursday.

In an overnight assault, fighters of the Patriotic Union of Kurdistan regained two hilltops that had been captured by Ansar al-Islam guerrillas a day earlier, said a Patriotic Union commander, Sheik Jaffer Mustafa.

The Ansar, which is believed to have ties to al-Qaida, had seized the Patriotic Union positions near the city of Halabja as the Kurdish fighters slept, killing nearly 20 and capturing an equal number, Mustafa said.

He said he believed the Kurdish prisoners had been killed because villagers reported that Ansar members had asked them to collect their bodies.

Mustafa said about 15 Kurds were killed in the fighting. He did not know how many were wounded. Thirty fighters from the Patriotic Union suffered wounds, he said.

The battle is the latest in a long series of skirmishes between Ansar and the Patriotic Union, which has sought to drive the extremist Muslim militia from its mountain stronghold on the eastern edge of the Kurdish autonomous zone in



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northern Iraq. A statement includes militants who were trained by al-Qaida and are alleged to retain ties to the terror group led by Osama bin Laden.

The Patriotic Union, the de facto authority in northeastern Iraq, shares control of the Kurdish autonomous zone in the country's north with its rival, the Kurdistan Democratic Party.

The zone is beyond the authority of the Baghdad government and is protected by aerial patrols of U.S. and British aircraft.

Kurdish officials blamed Wednesday's high casualty toll on a tactic of guerrillas by the fighters as they prepared for the Muslim feast of Eid al-Fitr, which began Thursday.

Inmate strike ends with restored cable

STOCKHOLM, Sweden (AP) — An inmate strike at a Swedish prison ended peacefully after a popular television channel was restored, an official said Thursday.

About 50 of the 66 inmates at the Mariestad prison asked to return to their cells at bedtime Monday when the prison lost the signal to Kanal 5, a Swedish channel carried on cable or satellite, regional corrections chief Leo Rodin said.

"Riot police were called in, but the five-hour protest ended peacefully after prison officials persuaded the inmates to return to their cells. The next day, 28 inmates refused to go to work because the channel still wasn't appearing, Rodin said."

Kanal 5 spokesman Carl Fredrik Mannerberg said the prison had not adjusted its receiver when the signal switched from one satellite to another a week earlier. He sent a technician to Mariestad to adjust the receiver Tuesday, and the inmates returned to work.

"All our viewers are tremendously important," Mannerberg said. "It's not that easy for an inmate to go adjust the receiver himself. It was important for me to do this civic service ahead of Christmas."

Palestinian, Israeli parents say no to violence

By Tracy Wilkinson
Los Angeles Times

RAANANA, Israel — Both Israeli and Palestinian societies bestow a special, if undesired, status on parents whose children have been killed in conflict. It is an unhappy collective that has grown tremendously in a war now staggering through its third year.

Their status gives these families a moral authority to speak out, and a group of Israelis and Palestinians is using the platform to fight an atmosphere of hate. Calling themselves the Parents' Forum, they first came together seven years ago, and what is remarkable is that they continue even now to meet and reach out to an increasingly resistant audience.

Their message is the antithesis of today's mainstream: No to revenge. Turn the other cheek. Peace over pain.

Choosing a potent symbol for one of their latest projects, they gave blood to the other side one day last month: Jerusalem resident Rami Elhanan and other Israeli parents trudged past their army's machine guns, across the dust-covered Kalandya checkpoint, and donated blood at a Ramallah hospital. Palestinians did likewise at a Red Star of David emergency-services center in Jerusalem.

When Elhanan, a graphic designer whose daughter was killed in a suicide bombing five years ago, went on Israeli TV that night to

talk about it, the artist applying his makeup demanded: "How could you give blood to the enemy?"

That's a typical reaction, said Elhanan, a man of boundless energy and indomitable spirit.

"In Israel, bereaved families are sacred. We say anything, do anything," he said. "We use this admiration to push a new way of thinking through a narrow hole ... The whole point of this is to show that if those who paid the price, the ultimate price, can talk to each other, then anyone can."

To prove the point, Elhanan and Palestinian lumber contractor Khalid Awwad drove to Ostrovsky High School in Raanana, a middle-class suburb of Tel Aviv.

The Parents' Forum had written to dozens of schools offering to address pupils on the need for peace and reconciliation; only a few have taken them up on the offer.

Elhanan is relaxed; he has spoken to such groups before. But it is the first time they'll bring a Palestinian to an Israeli school, and Awwad is both nervous and exhilarated.

Two of Awwad's brothers — 14-year-old Said and 30-year-old Yusuf — were killed within six months by Israeli soldiers who invaded their West Bank village of Beit Umjar during the current fighting. Their mother, Fatima, a 68-year-old stalwart, joined the parent organization and then drew Khalid into its activities.



Fatima Awwad arranges flowers on her son's grave in the West Bank village of Beit Umjar. She belongs to Parents' Forum, a group of Palestinian and Israeli parents whose children have been killed in the conflict. Their message: No to revenge. Turn the other cheek. Peace over pain.

Standing before the chalkboard, Elhanan opens his talk to a class room of 29 seniors, most of whom will be going into the army in a few months. They are slumped in their chairs. Most of them have their arms crossed.

He tells them that on the fourth of September — 1997 — Thursday — at 3 p.m. — a Palestinian suicide bomber killed his 13-year-old daughter Smadar as she shopped for school supplies in Jerusalem's Ben Yehuda pedestrian mall. A friend with her was also killed.

Another was seriously injured.

It sets their attention.

Elhanan introduces Awwad, "my brother by fate."

"Our pain is equal," Elhanan says. "Both men tell the students that the deaths in their families propelled them to pursue peace and reconciliation."

"After my first brother was killed," Awwad says, speaking in flawless Hebrew. "I didn't want to see Jews anymore. My brain stopped working. But then I

thought, that's not the solution. You kill me, I kill you — it's not right. Then my second brother was killed. I have to tell you, they were my favorites of all my brothers."

"The first days were hateful, but then I calmed down. The solution is not to kill but to solve the reasons people kill."

The students are unusually attentive for a roomful of pre-17-year-olds. But they're not driven by the extremist Muslim militia.

Finally, a girl with long brown hair and a white tank top asks Awwad: "Are there other Palestinians like you?"

He pauses, then answers: "There are many who believe in peace, but they don't necessarily come out and say it. We have no democracy. People are afraid of (Islamic radical groups) Hamas and Islamic Jihad. If you're seen talking with the news, you will be seen as a collaborator."

"So what can you do?" the girl asks.

"We can only do what we are doing," he says, talking a lot and supporting each other and encouraging people from both sides to come out. And maybe one day we will have the strength to reach the decision-makers and to change things."

The Parents' Forum is the brainchild of Yitzhak Frankenthal, whose beloved "blue-eyed, golden-haired" son, a soldier, was killed and killed by Hamas in 1994.

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Notes on the economy

Magic Valley report

Lincoln income growth

Per capita income in Lincoln County has grown steadily in the past 10 years, but it's still low. From 1991 to 2001, per capita income grew 49 percent, and Lincoln County ranks 22nd out of Idaho's 44 counties in that category. Most jobs in Lincoln County are either agricultural or service jobs that tend to be lower paying, state analysts say.

Per capita income	1999	2000
Lincoln County	\$19,317	\$21,843
Idaho	\$22,371	\$23,727
U.S.	\$27,843	\$29,469

Source: Idaho Department of Labor

BRIEFLY IN MONEY

McDonald's chairman will retire at year's end

CHICAGO — McDonald's Corp. is replacing its chairman and chief executive, Jack Greenberg, as it struggles to emerge from a deep, two-year slump.

The fast food chain said Greenberg, 60, decided to retire at the end of this year after 21 years at the company. McDonald's board selected the company's president and vice chairman, Jim Cantalupo, 59, to take over the top two spots.

McDonald's — which franchises a handful of Magic Valley restaurants — has reported lower earnings in seven of the past eight quarters and recently announced it is slowing its expansion pace. Its struggles with a crowded restaurant market, sluggish economy, complaints about poor service and a depressed stock price.

Several Wall Street analysts had urged for months that Greenberg be replaced.

McDonald's stock has lost about two-thirds of its value since Greenberg was named chief executive in 1998, and it fell to a seven-year low this fall.

Every company's history, there is a time when it is appropriate to pass the baton and give a new management team the opportunity to lead, and that time has come at McDonald's," Greenberg said in a statement.

His announcement comes nine months after CEO of the board asked him to remain CEO through 2005, and he accepted. Cantalupo has worked for McDonald's for 28 years.

Kraft announces quarterly dividend of 15 cents

RUPERT — Illinois-based Kraft Foods — which has a Cheese plant in Rupert — on Thursday declared a regular quarterly dividend of 15 cents per common share of Class A and Class B stock, payable Jan. 6 to stockholders of record as of Dec. 3.

Kraft markets food brands such as Kraft cheese, Maxwell House coffee, Nabisco cookies, Oscar Mayer meats and Philadelphia cream cheese.

Ex-candidate's company seeks protection

COEUR D'ALENE — A company formed four years ago by one-time Republican congressional challenger Tony Paquin has filed for protection from creditors under federal bankruptcy laws.

Medinet Systems Inc., formerly Strativision, was set up by Paquin and his brother, Gary, at a point for political and medical content. The brothers had also set up an insurance automation software company that they sold off.

Retailers see lackluster sales



Katrina Webb struggles with a stack of toy boxes as she tries to pile them on her cart at a Kmart store during the traditional opening day of holiday shopping — the day after Thanksgiving. While shoppers turned out in droves that day, retailers reported only modest sales during November.

Big turnout during Thanksgiving weekend brings relief

The Times-News and The Associated Press

NEW YORK — A bigger-than-expected buying spree over Thanksgiving weekend, fueled by a flurry of discounts, brought some relief to the nation's major retailers, but overall November sales were modest.

Furthermore, Wall Street analysts remain cautious about whether consumers will continue to splurge on apparel and toys over the next couple of weeks, reversing what is expected to be a lackluster holiday season.

As the nation's retailers reported November sales Thursday, Wal-Mart, the world's largest retailer with stores in Burley and Jerome, announced a slim gain that met Wall Street's expectations. But plenty of department stores and mall-based apparel chains posted high-single digit declines in sales at stores open at least a year, though results were in line with analysts' modest expectations.

Among the few exceptions was Gap — parent of the Old

Navy store in Twin Falls, which is in the midst of a turnaround and recorded a high-single digit gain in so-called same-store sales, well exceeding Wall Street projections.

Same-store sales are considered the best indicator of a retailer's health.

"It was a nice finish to a relatively soft month," said Michael P. Niemira, vice president of Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi Ltd., whose preliminary tally of 85 stores was down 0.1 percent for the month. That was at the low end of Niemira's projected range.

Niemira estimates that November sales were depressed by 2 percent overall, given that Thanksgiving came six days later than a year ago. That meant there were fewer post-Thanksgiving shopping days recorded in the month than in 2001. The Thanksgiving weekend is traditionally considered the start of the shopping season.

In fact, J.C. Penney Co.'s November reporting period didn't include Thanksgiving weekend, which came at the very end of the month. The

department store's sales were reported slightly below analysts' projections.

Consequently, analysts believe it is best to study retailers' performances for November and December combined to get the most accurate measure of consumer spending.

Analysts describe the job market as sluggish and believe that consumers, worried about job security, will continue to be frugal this holiday. Stores are seeing the need to discount aggressively, though lean inventories will help protect profit margins, analysts said.

Wal-Mart said same-store sales rose 2.6 percent, in line with the 2.7 percent gain that analysts predicted. The company also said that same-store sales for December will be up anywhere from 3 to 5 percent. Total sales were up 10.3 percent.

Here are selected same-store sales for November for leading retailers which have stores in Magic Valley:

• Costco Wholesale Corp.,

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Retail sales

Here is a look at the percent change in major retailers' sales from the same month last year.

November 2002

Wal-Mart Stores Inc.	2.6%
J.C. Penney & Co. Inc.	0.0%
TJX Cos.	1.0%
Limited Brands Inc.	2.0%
Target Corp.	6.7%
Gap Inc.	8.0%
Dillard's Inc.	7.0%
Saks Inc.	7.0%
Federated Department Stores Inc.	7.4%
May Department Stores Co.	7.9%
Sears	10.9%
Roeckeb and Co.	10.9%

* Domestic stores only
NOTE: Sales include those from stores open at least a year. Reporting periods vary slightly and not all retailers have the same fiscal year.

SOURCE: Associated Press AP

Qwest finds, ends three in-state deals

The Associated Press

DENVER — Qwest Communications International Inc. has found three contracts within its 14-state region that were not ended as promised after it merged with US West in 2000.

Qwest made the disclosure in a letter to the Federal Communications Commission this week.

The commission is in the middle of reviewing Qwest's applications to offer long-distance phone service in Idaho and eight other

states where it sells local service. Qwest gave up its long-distance service in the states as a condition of its merger with US West in 2000.

In a recent review of operations, Qwest found it was offering service on four lines in its region on a March 2002 agreement with Cable & Wireless. Qwest has not received revenue from the lines and said it would end service by Monday.

At the time of the merger, Qwest also told federal regulators it also would give up leases

of parts of the fiber optic network in its region.

Within the last month, Qwest found one lease to Onvoy Inc. and one to Timing Solutions Corp. that had not been discontinued, Qwest senior vice president for policy and law Steve Davis said Wednesday.

The Timing Solutions lease was consummated in September, three months after the merger date, and was extended after the initial six-month lease.

Davis said he did not know

why the leases were not ended sooner but said Qwest revenue has been refunded to the customers.

The leases were stopped, and the fiber was sold to the customers with Qwest agreeing to maintain it.

Separately, Qwest notified the FCC it has withdrawn a claim against Touch America, which has accused Qwest of continuing to illegally offer regional long distance service. The withdrawal was related to a recordkeeping issue, Davis said.

The winners by a whisker: St. Nicks with real beards

Knight-Ridder News Service

SEATTLE — Here's a job-security strategy you won't hear from any career consultant:

Grow a beard. Preferably one as white as snow. As the holiday shopping season kicks into full gear, the malls are deluged with more naturally bearded Santa Clauses. One Seattle holiday photography business says more than half the 40-plus Santas it has hired for shopping centers this year have real beards, a record of some sort.

Those in the know say parents

are increasingly asking for Santas with a more authentic look, who sport natural beards that can't be pulled down by curious tykes. And while real-bearded Santas can be pricier than their faux-bearded counterparts, malls say they're willing to pay more for the added draw.

"It's starting to really become the norm," said Frank Martinis, vice president of operations for Naturally Santa, a 10-year-old Colorado Springs, Colo., company that this year has dispatched some 60 real-bearded Santas across the country.

Plenty of Santas still wear cos-

tume beards, but some have been dealt bumps of coal. In October, a mall in Pleasanton, Calif., fired the fake-bearded Santa it had employed for the past 15 years and replaced him with a real-bearded St. Nick. Mall officials said they were simply responding to what their customers asked for.

That's not to say demand has vanished for Santas with mock beards. Only one of nine Santas at the downtown Nordstrom this year has a real beard. Especially popular is the store's diversity Santa program, which features African-American, Asian-

American and American Sign Language Santas.

Aaron Willis, an African-American Santa at Nordstrom, relies on a mock beard. He said his own facial hair tends to grow "kind of scraggly." But Willis figured his job is safe "because I know how to talk to the kids."

As for the potential pitfalls of a fake beard, Willis said an adhesive called spirit gum holds his beard firmly in place.

"A little kid pulled it last year, but I kind of went down with it," he said.

Real beards may not be a requirement, but they're clearly

Downturn takes toll on payrolls in Idaho

More ZILOG workers get pink slips in Nampa

The Associated Press

NAMPA — As state policymakers weigh their options for dealing with Idaho's financial crisis, the economic downturn is continuing to take a toll on payrolls.

Another 50 workers at ZILOG Inc. in Nampa get pink slips effective next week, and up to 70 workers will either be laid off or transferred to Utah by Associated Food Stores when it closes its Boise warehouse in April.

But there was one bright spot this week in an otherwise cloudy employment picture.

A Utah-based telemarketer, Marketing Solutions International Inc., announced plans to take over the Burley call center shut down last week by Tele-

Servicing Innovations Inc. and offer jobs to the 51 workers. Tele-Servicing laid off

Layoffs, however, have been more the rule. The thousands of idled workers and the subsequent closure of many businesses have only compounded the depressed economic conditions that have stricken all of Idaho for the past 18 months.

November unemployment figures are not released until today, but the October figures showed there were 5,200 fewer workers on the job around Idaho than a year before.

State income tax collections have reflected the payroll decline as well as the absence of bonuses and other special benefits that ballooned the paychecks of many workers, especially those in the high-technology sector, two and three years ago.

ZILOG spokeswoman Diana Vincent said the elimination of 30 full-time and 20 part-time jobs is necessary to keep the plant's staff in line with anticipated demand for five-inch semiconductor wafers.

The company had earlier laid off or reduced hours for more than 200 workers because it had increased its reliance on imported integrated circuit boards.

Executives are still considering a proposal to reduce plant operations for its remaining 230 Nampa employees from seven to six days early next year.

Associated Food Stores made its announcement in preparation for shifting all regional supply operations for its 95 independent grocery stores in Idaho, Nevada and Oregon to a huge warehouse in Far West, Utah.

Vice President Dave Jonckowski said the Boise facility will become a transportation hub with about 15 workers after the warehouse operations cease.

becoming more common among Santas in recent years. Naturally Santa, founded in 1992, has grown by five to 10 new accounts a year since it was founded in 1992. There's even a national Amalgamated Order of Real-Bearded Santas, which meets once a year in Southern California.

Naturally bearded fellows make up about 60 percent of the 40 to 50 Santas hired this year by Arthur & Associates, a Seattle holiday photography firm. Ten years ago, hardly any of the

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MONEY

Questions, answers for United passengers

The Washington Post

Travelers who have tickets or plan to buy tickets on United Airlines flights should see no immediate impact from the federal government's refusal to grant the carrier's request for a \$1.6-billion loan guarantee.

However, aviation industry experts said changes are inevitable in 2003. They predict the airline will file for bankruptcy reorganization, and United will be forced to reduce costs by cutting flights and using smaller aircraft. And that raises a lot of questions for United passengers.

Q: What should I do with my frequent-flyer miles, particularly if United has filed for bankruptcy?

A: Historically, every financially struggling airline has maintained its frequent-flyer program, even when it filed for bankruptcy. The airlines use their frequent-flyer miles to

build consumer loyalty and no airline, no matter how much it's struggling financially, wants to antagonize loyal customers. United affirmed that Thursday, posting a notice on its Web site saying, "Millions of miles will be able to continue accruing and redeeming frequent-flyer miles."

Even so, travelers with a lot of miles may want to consider using them now rather than later. As United tries to bring more cash into its coffers, it may try to restrict the number of seats available for frequent-flyer trips. And seats could become limited if the airline cuts flights and opts for smaller aircraft.

Q: What about the Star Alliance, the network of 14 carriers that redeem frequent-flyer miles of one carrier on any member's flight? Will I still be able to redeem my United miles with other airlines?

A: Yes. Spokesman Stephen

Roth said that even if United files for bankruptcy protection, "everything will continue as business as usual." And United has said it will continue to operate as a member of the alliance.

Q: I have a United ticket to travel over the holidays. What should I do?

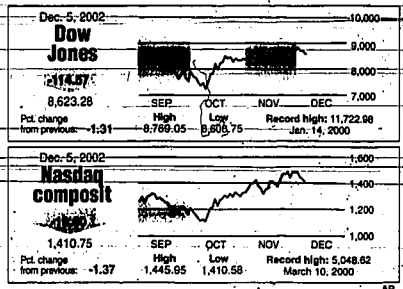
A: Nothing. "I'm fairly confident there will be no changes at United through the holiday season so travelers should not have a single worry through the first of the year," said Randy Petersen, editor of Inside Flyer magazine. His comments were repeated by many other aviation experts Thursday.

Q: What about after the first of the year? Should I book with United?

A: United will still be operating, even if it files for bankruptcy. But changes are in the works. It might restructure its routes, cutting out some flights and

turning some nonstop routes into ones that require connections. Those questions prompt many consumer advocates to caution travelers about booking far ahead.

"I would start to worry beyond February because I have no confidence about the equipment they will be using, if the flight will be nonstop and even if they are going to serve. United route I want," said Kevin Mitchell, chairman of the Business Travel Coalition. So if you want to book beyond that time, be prepared and make sure to monitor the airline's Web site or call periodically to see if your flight is still scheduled—and at the same departure time. And if you buy an advance ticket, buy it with a credit card. You can always get a refund on the credit card if the unlikely event the airline goes completely out of business.



Stocks fall on United bankruptcy threat

NEW YORK (AP)—Wall Street retreated for a fifth straight day Thursday as investors dumped stocks on worries that disappointing retail sales and United Airlines' threat of bankruptcy would curtail corporate profits. The Dow Jones industrials slid more than 110 points.

"The United Airlines news has got the market a little spooked," said Todd Clark, head of listed equity trading at Wells Fargo Securities. "We're seeing weakness in the financial stocks, part of it due to their exposure to United Airlines bonds."

"Retail sales are not great, so those are the two factors weighing on the market," he said.

The Dow dropped 114.57, or 1.3 percent, to close at 8,623.28, for a five-day loss of 308 points. The last time blue-chip stocks

dropped five straight days was during the period ended July 12. The broader market also finished lower. The Nasdaq composite index fell 19.60, or 1.4 percent, to 1,410.75. The Standard & Poor's 500 index declined 11.03, or 1.2 percent, to 906.55.

UAL jumped \$2.12, or 68 percent, to \$1 after the federal government rejected a United Airlines' request for a \$1.6-billion loan guarantee. The decision hurt the company's efforts to avoid Chapter 11 bankruptcy and prompted Dow Jones & Co. to remove UAL from the Dow Jones Transportation Average.

Citigroup, the nation's biggest banking company, dropped 71 cents to \$37.14.

Retailers also took a hit after reporting only modest November sales gains. Discounter Wal-Mart fell \$1.42 to \$55.22, while Gap dropped 59 cents to \$15.59.

Mineral economist sees reasons for gold to glisten

SPOKANE, Wash. (AP)—There's a new glimmer to gold, a minerals economist told delegates to a miners' convention Thursday.

The unsteady U.S. economy, the war on terrorism, talk of war against Iraq and dropping world production of the precious metal all show signs that gold prices are beginning to rebound, said Doug Silver, president of Balfour Holdings Inc., an Englewood, Colo., minerals consulting company.

Silver spoke to the Northwest Mining Association, where about 1,000 mining industry delegates are meeting here for their 108th

annual convention.

Gold has recently surged above \$320 an ounce after hovering around \$310. Silver said factors in the U.S. economy and investors' reactions to international events could send prices higher.

"All these different scenarios keep getting you back to gold," Silver said in an industry outlook presentation.

There's confidence in the U.S. economy, after accounting scandal rocked the stock market, could send investors after gold, he said.

"When people are uncomfortable, they go to what is comfortable," he said, noting that gold

funds have been some of the best performers on the market.

Fears over war in the Middle East and deficit spending on the war on terrorism could weaken the U.S. dollar, further raising interest gold, Silver said.

Worldwide demand for gold has been growing at 2 percent to 3 percent a year, while production has stayed the same or declined, he said. Shortage of supply could serve to ignite demand, bringing industrial investors into the gold camp, Silver said.

Mining companies are shifting their emphasis from large, open-pit mines to exploration for pocket-

ets of high-grade underground deposits, Silver said.

"The decline in exploration discoveries has nothing to do with the U.S. being picked over," Silver said. "It's everything to do with the fact that nobody has been exploring."

That is changing, as gold companies put more money into looking for gold than they have in recent years, he said.

The underground mines are more attractive because it is easier to gain permits for them than open pits, which are less expensive to operate, but harder to sell to environmental groups, Silver said.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

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MARKET SUMMARY

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Lucr	381,191	+1.71	SPDR	30,778	+0.11	CRSO	58,250	+14.11
AMC	242,123	+2.40	SPDR	30,778	+0.11	CRSO	58,250	+14.11
ADL	217,554	+10.16	SPDR	30,778	+0.11	CRSO	58,250	+14.11

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Table of closing futures prices for various commodities including soybeans, corn, wheat, and cotton. Columns include contract name, price, and change.

LIVESTOCK

Table of livestock market prices for cattle, hogs, and sheep. Columns include animal type, weight, and price.

COMMODITIES

Table of commodity prices for various goods such as oil, sugar, and metals. Columns include commodity name, price, and change.

Employees balk at seeking insurance program for addiction

The Associated Press - Alcohol-or-other-drug-problem more than 70 percent of those with chemical dependency hold jobs, according to separate research. The older employees are the less reluctant they are to seek coverage for drug or alcohol...

BEANS

Table of bean market prices for various types of beans.

CHEESE

Table of cheese market prices for various types of cheese.

POSSIBLE FUELS

Table of possible fuel market prices for various energy sources.

Beards

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Table of grain market prices for wheat, corn, and soybeans.

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Table of potato market prices for various grades of potatoes.

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Table of metal and currency market prices for various metals and currencies.

Sales

Continued from E1 - same-store sales were up 2 percent; total sales increased 7 percent. Gap, same-store sales were up 9 percent; total sales were up 14 percent.

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Table of sugar market prices for various grades of sugar.

NEW YORK CITY - Sugar futures trading on the New York Board of Trade Thursday

Table of New York City sugar futures trading data.

CHICAGO - Futures trading on the Chicago Board of Trade Thursday

Table of Chicago futures trading data.

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Dilbert By Scott Adams

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B.C. By Johnny Hart

Pickles By Brian Crane

Garfield By Jim Davis

Dennis the Menace By Hank Ketcham

The Family Circus By Bil Keane

Hi and Lois By Chance Browne

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The Wizard of Id By Brant Parker & Johnny Hart

Rose Is Rose By Pat Brady

Hagar the Horrible By Chris Browne

Zits By Jim Borgman and Jerry Scott

Beetle Bailey By Mort Walker

Luann By Greg Evans

Frank and Ernest By Bob Thaves

Strange Brew By John Deering

Non Sequitur By Wiley

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Thursday's Puzzle Solved

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Teen tries to distance herself from 'friend'

DEAR ABBY: I am a 13-year-old girl in the eighth grade. My problem is a girl in my class. "Angie" thinks she's my best friend. We met in fourth grade, and I felt sorry for her because she didn't have any friends, so I let her hang out with me. It didn't take long to learn why no one liked her. Angie is insulting, rude, lies, and can't have a conversation without saying something negative about someone else. Avoiding her isn't an option. We live within walking distance of each other, ride the same bus and are involved in many of the same after-school activities.

I have come right out and told Angie to leave me alone, but she thought I was kidding, and I couldn't convince her I was serious. She knows other kids, so I don't see why she can't leave me alone. My friends think it would be a good idea to get her to stop



following me around, but no one knows how to tell her to buzz off without being mean. Please help me, Abby. I want to make the rest of my school year a good one.

-SUPER-ANNOYED EIGHTH GRADER

DEAR SUPER-ANNOYED: Talk to Angie privately. She lacks good judgment. You will be doing her a favor to tell her exactly what you have written me. First list the characteristics you LIKE about her, then list the ones that have made you withdraw. Angie needs to understand so she can modify her behavior. You seem

to be a nice young lady. Remember that we all have our faults, and give her room - and time - to mature.

DEAR ABBY: A long time ago I promised myself I would wait until I found the right girl before having sex. The "right girl" for me is one who will love me as much as I love her, is easy to talk to, shares similar interests and has respect for herself.

As I get older, I'm finding out that not many girls fill those requirements. I don't date much because every girl I think about going out with, I come to find out has slept with a bunch of guys.

It upsets me that in today's world, sex is no longer viewed as something to be shared between two people in love, but as something that just goes along with casual relationships. When I look at the relationships of my friends, I find they are not happy. Most of

them don't trust their partners - and for good reason. After the first few dates, if I make no moves beyond some heavy kissing, the relationship seems to grow distant. I am now 23 and worried I won't ever find the right girl for me.

Are my expectations too high?

-LOSING HOPE IN GARDEN, OHIO

DEAR LOSING HOPE: Certainly not. It appears you're looking for love in all the wrong places. You won't catch a trout if you're fishing in a herring barrel. To find a girl whose values mirror your own, an excellent place to look would be a faith-based singles group. Your spiritual adviser can tell you how to find one. I'm sure many young women will appreciate you for who you are once you find them.

CONFIDENTIAL TO MY MUSLIM READERS: Happy Id al-Fitr.

Aries: Expect changes in connection with career

IF DECEMBER 6TH IS YOUR BIRTHDAY - you have unusual voice, sense of drama; you are romantic, and life without romance would be no life at all for you. Taurus, Libra and Scorpio natives play active roles in your life, could have these letters in names: F, O, K. During December, you will meditate and discover much about who you are and why you are here.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 19): Expect some changes in connection with business, career. Written word plays major role; get ideas on paper. Flirtation begins innocently but could become hot and heavy.

TAURUS (Apr. 20-May 20): Spiritual values surface; domestic harmony returns if you so desire. Relationship that was broken will be mended tonight. Toss aside

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false pride and ego.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): What was hidden will be revealed. Avoid self-deception; perceive relationships as they actually exist. Trust your extroversion perception. Pisces, Virgo play outstanding roles.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Lie low, play waiting game. Check for legal rights, permissions. You will be "in charge." Some people will depend upon you for their emotional-financial security.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Finish what you start; focus on idealism, humanitarianism. Some will tell you it's not the time; in truth, you are right on time. Know it and pro-

ceed accordingly. Aries plays role.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You give vibrations of personality, sex appeal. Be careful, do not lower your standards. Don't give up something of value for temporary pleasure. Leo plays outstanding role.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Focus on where you live, marital status. You could be involved in sale or purchase of home, property. Take time to meditate, discover the "direction of your life." Cancer native involved.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Social activities accelerate. This can be a day-and-night of love and laughter, if you so permit. Give full play to intellectual curiosity. Ask questions, and get answers, not evasions.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You will beat the odds and

could "beat the game." Tear down in order to rebuild. Relative is sincere but could be sincerely misinformed. Short trip necessary. Scorpio figures prominently.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Moon in your First House; cycle high. Circumstances turn in your favor. Events transpire to bring you closer to success, emotionally and financially.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Moon in your Twelfth House relates to secrets, clandestine relationship. Someone at home wants to "tell you something." Do not play high and mighty.

PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20): Many of your fondest hopes, wishes could become realities. Moon is in your Eleventh House; during this cycle, luck rides with you. At the track: Choose number 7 post position in seventh race.

'First string' goes back to archery competitions

Q. In team sports, the starting lineup is called "the first string," the bench team "the second string." Why?

A. First round of arrows fired from bows by competing archers of old England was called that - the first string. Second round - second string.

The egg always emerges large end first.

Writings of Chaucer indicate it was common practice in the 14th century for people as they parted to say some slight variation of "Have a nice day!"

Papago Indians along the Arizona-Mexico border in bygone times got drunk together on saguaro liquor once a year. It's told Papago priests painted bright colors on the soles of the drinkers' feet before the session started. The party was over when all the colors showed.

When Germany was still divided, surveytakers learned that more than half the lovers in West Germany preferred to turn the lights off.

Q. Did you say man and ants are the only animals that wage war?

A. No, sir, that they may be the only animals that wage war in battle formations. But research goes on.

"Tis not safe to trust a left-handed man with money," wrote Quevedo a couple of centuries ago. Another wiser 'ol, that. But really believed by many then.



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One of the most remarkable curiosities of the time, this: Almost everybody in the United States knows Iran and Iraq went to war against each other a generation ago, but almost nobody can tell you why. Go on, ask around.

Observed Porfirio Diaz, historic president of wartime Mexico: "Poor Mexico! So far from God and so close to the United States."

Q. I know that mixed drink called a "godfather" is amaretto and scotch. But what's a "god-mother"?

A. Amoretto and vodka.

An advertisement offered a carburetor device to save gasoline. Last line read: "if not satisfactory, money will be returned." When some customers complained, they got back the note: "So far, all money we have received has been satisfactory."

Q. What's an "orphan drug"?

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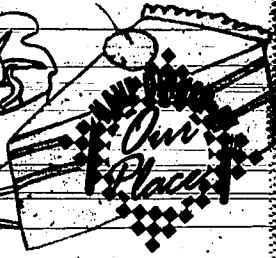
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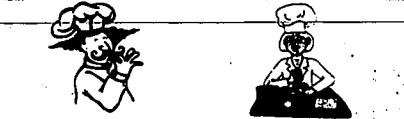
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Case No. 02-107
NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME
 To: **GREGORY MARSHALL BELL, LISA KAYE BELL, LISA KAYE GREER, and JONATHAN TYLER BELL.**

Notice is hereby given that any person having objection to the changing of Petitioner's name as aforesaid shall file written objection with the above-entitled Court within (10) days after the date of the last publication of this Notice, to-wit: the 31st day of December, 2002.

DATED: This 20th day of November, 2002, filed a Petition addressed to the above-entitled Court praying that said Court enter its Order changing Petitioner's legal names from **GREGORY MARSHALL BELL, LISA KAYE BELL, and JONATHAN TYLER BELL** to **GREGORY MARSHALL BELL, LISA KAYE GREER, and JONATHAN TYLER BELL.**

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PLACE OF MEETING:
 Trophy Room
 Idaho Department of Fish and Game
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A public hearing/open house will be held beginning at 7:00 pm MST at the address above. The Commission meeting will convene at 8:00 am on December 12.

PERSONS ATTENDING:
 Commissioners
 Director
 Staff

PURPOSE OF MEETING/AGENDA:
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Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust from RAIN TREE ENT., INC., an Idaho corporation, to TitleFact, Inc., an Idaho corporation, Trustee, and Richard G. Irwin and JoAnn Irwin, husband and wife, Sanctuary, dated February 4, 2002, recorded February 6, 2002, as Instrument No. 2002-022234, records of Twin Falls County, Idaho.

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PUBLISH: November 20, December 6, 13 and 20, 2002

A petition by Brandon Neil Humphrey, born December 28, 1986, in Salt Lake City, Utah, now residing at 715 Blue Lakes Boulevard South, Twin Falls, ID 83301, proposing a change in name to Brandon Neil Williams has been filed in the above entitled Court, the reason for the change in name being that the natural mother, Julie Williams, married Kyle Williams who has acted as the natural father since the date of their marriage. The name of the Petitioner's father is Randy L. C. Febevre, address: 8923 Hatesburg Sandy, UT 84092. Such Petition shall be heard at such time as the Court may appoint, and objections may be filed by any person who can, in such objections, show to the Court a good reason against such change of name.

WITNESS my hand and seal of District Court this 3rd day of December, 2002.

A/Tr J. Williams
 Attorney for Petitioner
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 A/J.Haley, Clerk or Deputy Clerk of the Court

PUBLISH: December 6, 13, 20 and 27, 2002

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