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U.S.: Saddam exile is OK

Rumsfeld: Departure of Iraqi leader could avert military action

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WASHINGTON — Top Bush administration officials said Sunday they would welcome Saddam Hussein seeking exile outside Iraq, saying it could avert military action to topple the Iraqi president.

"To avoid a war, I would be personally — would recommend that some provision be made so that the senior leadership in that country and their families could be provided haven in some other country," Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld said on ABC's "This Week."

"And I think that that would be

a fair trade to avoid a war."

Also, Iraqi officials told chief U.N. weapons inspector Hans Blix on Sunday they have found four more empty chemical warheads, Blix said after holding meetings here to warn President Saddam Hussein's government that "time is running out" for it to increase its cooperation with inspectors.

The disclosure of the four warheads with internal plastic sleeves, designed to fit atop 122mm rockets and disperse deadly sarin gas, has both encouraged and concerned Blix, who said he welcomed efforts by Iraq to search for the munitions and to admit their existence but ques-

tioned whether the finding could be the "tip of an iceberg" of undeclared weapons.

On "Fox News Sunday," Rumsfeld said Iraq's Arab neighbors are urging Saddam to step down and go into exile in a bid to prevent war. "It would be a good thing for the world if he left," Rumsfeld said. But Saddam and Iraqi Cabinet ministers have said they would fight to the end.

On Thursday, inspectors visiting an army munitions depot southwest of Baghdad discovered a cache of a dozen empty chemical warheads of the same specification



Iraqi president Saddam Hussein, center, meets with a group of Iraqi officers in Baghdad Sunday. Saddam on Sunday held a series of meetings with senior cabinet members and top military brass as the chief U.N. weapons inspectors held talks with an Iraqi delegation at the Foreign Ministry.

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A FRESH START



Rebecca Dahl jokes with her brothers Jacob, Jared and Justin while eating lunch at Jack in the Box in Twin Falls. Dahl spent last semester going to Castleford High School part time, the College of Southern Idaho part time and participating on the Castleford volleyball team. She is spending her brief rest between semesters hanging out and relaxing with her family. "I'm hardly ever home," Dahl said, "so I like spending time with them when I can."

New semester brings new opportunities to students

By Robert Meyer
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — After a rigorous semester, senior Rebecca Dahl expressed relief to have the first half of the school year over. Not that she doesn't enjoy school; she does. But a schedule like hers can take its toll on the hardest of students. In addition to four classes at Castleford High School, the 17-year-old was enrolled in three classes at the College of Southern Idaho, which requires daily travel to the Twin Falls campus.

It will be more of the same during her next and final semester, which begins today at Castleford and most other schools across the Magic Valley. Twin Falls School District stu-

dents don't return to class until Wednesday, as teacher in-service is planned today and Tuesday. College of Southern Idaho classes began Tuesday.

Needless to say, Dahl said her weekend between semesters would be dedicated to relaxation and enjoyment.

"I'm going to go out to do some fun things," she said Friday.

For students, primarily in the upper grades, the weekend was a time to reflect and relax. And if the first semester didn't go so well, there's always hope for improvement in the new semester.

That's an attitude that teacher Sonia Alexander sees in many of her 10th-grade students at Twin Falls High School.

"Some are coming in a little

remorseful," she said. "They want to succeed."

Alexander had her students write in their class journals about their goals for the remainder of the school year. For her as a teacher, the new semester provides the time to revisit class expectations.

For many of her sophomores, the first semester at high school is a big adjustment from junior high school. Thus, during the first semester there's plenty of hand-holding: constant reminders to turn in assignments or to be on time to class.

By this point in the school year, however, enough time has passed for the students to acclimate to the academic and social ways of high school life. From this point on, Alexander will

demand much more from her students, requiring them to take responsibility for their actions.

The break in semesters provided a welcome respite even for those students who did well in school. After all, doing well requires effort.

"Things were working for me this semester," Benjamin Graybeal, a senior at Castleford, said Friday.

Still, the last few weeks exacted much from Graybeal. In addition to studying for finals and the finals themselves, Graybeal had to deal with approaching deadlines for scholarships and college applications.

"All came due at the same time. It was pretty stressful," he

MLK's family wants an end to wait for leader

The Associated Press

ATLANTA — In the 34 years since Martin Luther King Jr.'s death, people have watched for a new leader to emerge who could carry the banner for political and social justice with as much influence among American blacks.

But as the nation commemorates the civil rights leader's life, his family and activists say counting on a single charismatic figure may be counterproductive.

"I think that what Martin would be happy with is that every person would follow his teachings and not depend on a leader," said his widow, Coretta Scott King. "What he wanted to do was elevate the whole of human kind and (have) individu-



A march in honor of Martin Luther King Jr. leaves Southport Elementary School Sunday in Southport, N.C. The event was sponsored by the Martin Luther King Celebration Committee of Southport.

Report: Russia submits nuke settlement plan to N. Korea

The Associated Press

SEOUL, South Korea — Russia presented a settlement plan to North Korean leaders Sunday and U.S. diplomats broadened offers of aid to the impoverished North, speeding the pace of diplomacy to resolve the nuclear crisis on the Korean peninsula.

Also, South Korea's president-elect declared he didn't mean to suggest the United States considered a military strike on the North, saying his comments Saturday were misinterpreted by the media.

Washington for weeks has insisted on a peaceful solution to the dispute, and on Sunday U.S.

Spy says he planned to poison U.S. troops

Knight Ridder News Service

KUWAIT CITY — American military officials in Kuwait were reviewing security procedures Sunday after an accused Iraqi spy allegedly told Kuwaiti authorities that he planned to kill American troops by poisoning their food.

Military officials would not comment directly on the report, which was first published Saturday in a leading Arabic newspaper. But they said the threat would be scrutinized and appropriate measures taken.

"There are threats out there, and we continually assess those threats and take steps to mitigate the risks to our forces in the region," said Col. Rick Thomas, a U.S. military spokesman.

The alleged spy, Sgt. Mohammed Hamad Fahd Al-Juwayed, 40, of the Kuwaiti National Guard, also planned to help Iraqi agents assassinate leading political figures and blow up oil and power facilities, said a Kuwaiti government official, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

American embassy spokesman John Moran said the arrest "shows that Saddam Hussein continues to harbor aggressive intentions towards Kuwait."

The story of the alleged plot was reprinted Sunday in local English language papers. The Kuwaiti official confirmed its accuracy.

"They did not catch him with any poison, but he admitted during interrogation that he planned to poison the American troops who are now in Kuwait," said the official.

The arrest was announced Friday, but the official said Kuwaiti police actually took Al-Juwayed into custody about 10 days ago after watching him for more than a year.

The official said the alleged spy met several times in neighboring Jordan with a Yemeni and Syrian who were working for Iraqi intelligence. The official said the Kuwait government has asked Jordan for help in arresting the men, whose identities remain unclear.

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envoys were in Japan and China to seek regional advice and cooperation on ending the standoff over North Korea's nuclear ambitions.

China and Russia, among the communist North's only remaining allies, are seen as key in pressing it to back down or in acting as intermediaries for the United States.

French President Jacques Chirac said in an interview pub-

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TWIN FALLS FORECAST

Today: Mostly cloudy skies with areas of fog likely early. Highs in the lower 30s.
Tonight: Dense areas of fog possible, otherwise partly to mostly cloudy and dry. Lows middle to upper 20s.
Tomorrow: Cloudy skies and breezy with a low rain and snow showers. The best chance will be late. Highs mid 30s.

BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST

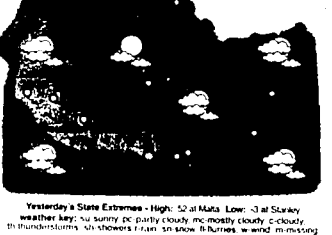
Today: Mostly cloudy skies and areas of fog early. Highs in the lower to middle 30s.
Tonight: Dense areas of fog possible, otherwise partly to mostly cloudy and dry. Lows middle 20s.
Tomorrow: Cloudy and breezy with a high rain and snow showers. The best chance will be late. Highs upper 30s.

IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS. Today will be mostly dry, but a few snow showers can't be ruled out by tonight. Snow showers will become heavy on Tuesday and Wednesday. Higher elevations have a significant chance of snowfall.
Today Highs 25 to 40 Tonight's Lows 12 to 22
BOISE Cloudy to mostly cloudy skies for the next few days and areas of dense fog. Scattered rain and snow showers will become possible on Tuesday and Wednesday. Most of the moisture will be just to the north.
Today Highs 40 to 50 Tonight's Lows 30 to 35

NORTHERN IDAHO

Dry and cool for today with scattered snow showers developing for Tuesday and Wednesday.
Today Highs 40 to 50 Tonight's Lows 30 to 35



Yesterday's State Extremes - High: 52 at Mada. Low: -3 at Starkey.
Weather key: ☀ Sunny ☁ Partly cloudy ☁ Mostly cloudy ☁ Cloudy ☁ Thunderstorms ☁ Snow showers ☁ Fog ☁ Haze ☁ Windy ☁

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Today: Mostly cloudy skies and fog. High 31.
Tonight: Areas of fog, otherwise partly to mostly cloudy. Low 27.
Tuesday: Cloudy skies and spotty rain and snow showers. High 31 / Low 27.
Wednesday: Scattered rain and snow showers. High 38 / Low 33.
Thursday: Heavy rain and snow showers. High 43 / Low 39.

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Temperature: Yesterday's High 34, Low 24.
Precipitation: Yesterday's High 0.00", Low 0.15".
Humidity: Yesterday's High 60%, Low 52%.

Moon Phases: Today New Moon, Tomorrow First Qtr, Wednesday Full Moon, Thursday Last Qtr, Friday New Moon.

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Boy dies after falling through ice

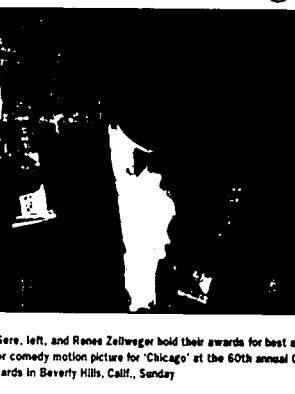
OCEAN CITY, Md. (AP) - Two boys fell through ice on a partially frozen man-made lake Sunday evening, and one of the boys died. The 10-year-old boy was submerged in the lake about 40 minutes. The second boy, 10, was pulled from the lake quickly by firefighters and taken to a hospital. The boy's condition wasn't immediately available. The man-made lake is near a park athletic complex, where the boys were attending an indoor lacrosse event, Neeh told The Salisbury Daily Times.

Iraq

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that were not listed in a December weapons declaration Iraq provided was complete and accurate.
Blay said Iraq officials insisted the U.N. inspectors were "too fazed, overbooked times" but said they would scour the country for other such devices, which Iraq is prohibited from possessing under various U.N. Security Council resolutions mandating the nation's disarmament.
They said they were surprised by what they had found, and they said they wanted to make sure they found all of them in the country, he said. "We look forward to that."
He said Iraq officials also provided him with three documents that U.N. inspectors had requested more than four years ago. He did not describe the contents of the size of the documents.
Although Blay records the war-head disclosure and the document handed over as positive steps, he warned that Iraq still needs to make fundamental changes in the way it is dealing with the inspectors. He said he pressed Iraq officials to turn over more information related to past weapons programs, to encourage scientists to consent to private interviews with inspectors, and to allow high-technology U.S. surveillance aircraft to fly over the country.
"We do not think that war is inevitable," Blay said as he arrived here with Mohamed ElBaradei, director of the International Atomic Energy Agency, the U.N.-chartered nuclear watchdog. "We think that the inspection process that we are conducting is the peaceful alternative."
But he said the process requires a very active Iraq cooperation.
Secretary of State Colin Powell said earlier today what about what the United States has sought since the Clinton administration a change in leadership in Iraq. "As the challenge before us then would be to see whether or not that new regime would commit itself to eliminating weapons of mass destruction, satisfying the international community that they are interested in the welfare of their people, and not in threatening their own people or threatening their neighbors," Powell said.

'Chicago' and 'The Hours' win big at Golden Globes

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. (AP) - The sultry jazz musical "Chicago" won the Golden Globe for best musical-comedy Sunday while "The Hours" was honored as best film drama.
Dramatic performance honors went to Jack Nicholson for playing a depressed retiree in "About Schmidt" and Nicole Kidman for her role as suicidal writer Virginia Woolf in "The Hours."
"I don't know whether to be happy or ashamed because I thought we made a comedy," Nicholson said. The tragicomic "About Schmidt" features him as an aging man searching for meaning at the end of his life.
Kidman, who disguised her face with prosthetics for the role, said she was just glad "The Hours" was made into a film. "It was a tricky movie in terms of the subject matter," she said.
"Chicago" co-stars Renee Zellweger and Richard Gere won for best musical-comedy acting, and Meryl Streep and Cate Blanchett received supporting performer honors for the lumpy screenwriting comedy "Adaptation."
Martin Scorsese received the best director for the Civil War era immigrant saga "Gangs of New York," a film he had wanted to make for decades that, once completed, was delayed for more than a year by Miramax films.
"Maybe 'dream come true' is a cliché because clichés are true. But it really is," he said.
Zellweger, who played a star-



Richard Gere, left, and Renee Zellweger hold their awards for best actor in musical and comedy motion picture for 'Chicago' at the 60th annual Golden Globe Awards in Beverly Hills, Calif., Sunday.

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(She's) won two others, for "The French Lieutenant's Woman" in 1982 and "Kramer vs. Kramer" in 1980.
"Blending reality and fiction, 'Adaptation' follows the agonized efforts of screenwriter Charlie Kaufman as he adapts author Susan Orlean's book "The Orchid Thief" for the screen. Kaufman jokingly fantasizes in the film's climax that Orlean was a drug addict, would be a killer.
"Susan Orlean? I apologize for the second half," said Streep, who played her in the film.
Cooper, who played a stringy-haired and toothless orchid poacher chronicled in Orlean's book, offered his thanks, saying, "You've given millions and millions of stringy-haired and toothless people a lot of hope."
He also thanked co-star Nicolas Cage as well as "Nic Cage," a reference to Cage's portrayal of screenwriter Charlie Kaufman and his fictitious twin brother, Donald.
Kaufman lost the best screenplay prize, however, to Alexander Payne and Jim Taylor for "About Schmidt," adapted from the novel by Louis Begley and starring Jack Nicholson as a retiree looking for meaning in his life.
"Josh ruckers U2 won the best movie song award for "The Hands That Build America" from "Gangs of New York" and composer Elliot Goldenthal received the best original score award for "Frida."

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lished Sunday that the escalating crisis was a matter for the U.N. Security Council.
France has no confidence in the North Korean regime "whether it comes to human rights or guaranteeing it will not become a nuclear power," Chirac told Le Figaro newspaper.
If the issue goes before the Council, France would propose forming an ad hoc group to address it as well as the five permanent members of the Council - United States, Britain, France, Russia and China - the group would include Japan and South Korea, he said.
France currently holds the rotating Security Council presidency and could raise the issue any time this month.
China and Russia, among the communist North's only remaining allies, are seen as pressing to get it back down or in acting as intermediaries for the United States.

Students

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District, 2003 testing is already under way.
The district started administering the Idaho Standards Achievement Test Jan. 8 and will continue doing so until Feb. 7. By then, all students grades 2-9 should have taken the test.
The Idaho Reading Indicator, too, is being taken by K-3 students until Jan. 31.
Second- and third-graders receive the brunt of testing, having to take both the ISAT and IRI. They'll incur the same in April and May when the spring IRI and ISAT return.
Fourth- and eighth graders will receive extra testing this spring, too. A handful of schools has been randomly selected to take the National Assessment of Educational Progress, a federal standardized test that is applied to a random list of schools nationwide. NAEP is similar to the Iowa Test of Basic Skills, the predominant standardized test in Idaho for the last decade. It was phased out last year,

recipient who was also nominated in the dramatic actress category for her work in "The Hours," said she wasn't prepared to win for "Adaptation."
" Oh my God, I've just been nominated 789 times and I was getting so settled over there for a long winter's nap," she said. "I didn't have anything prepared because it's been like (since) the Pleistocene era that I won anything."
The actress last won a Golden Globe in 1983, for "Sophie's

replaced by the ISAT levels test.
Here's the NAEP schedule for the Twin Falls School District: Jan. 29, Robert Stuart Junior High; Feb. 21, Sawtooth Elementary; March 4, Vera C. O'Leary Junior High; March 6, Rickel Elementary; March 7, Oregon Trail Elementary.

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Abortion foes predict new limits this year

WASHINGTON (AP) — Anti-abortion activists mark the week's 30th anniversary of the Supreme Court's Roe v. Wade decision say they have their first chance in years to put their dent in the abortion "rights" now that Republicans control the House, Senate and the White House.

"We will pass the first significant pro-life legislation actually limiting abortions in 30 years," said Sen. Sam Brownback, R-Kan., a leading abortion foe. He predicted Congress will move quickly to pass a measure banning a late-term abortion procedure called partial birth abortion by opponents.

Congress passed a measure twice, in 1996 and 1997, banning the procedure, in which the fetus is partially delivered before its skull is punctured. President Clinton vetoed it each time. The House passed the measure again last year, but the then-Democratic-controlled Senate never took up the measure.

"We will pass a partial birth abortion ban," Brownback said. "That's going to happen, people. It's been a long fight. We're finally turning some of the tide."

President Bush has said he would sign the bill, one of several abortion-related measures Republicans will push this legislative session. Their optimism is expected to be apparent Wednesday when thousands of marchers converge on Washington to mark the anniversary of the Supreme Court's decision three decades ago legalizing abortion.

"I think we'll hear a great deal of hyperbole about Roe being at

U.S. views on abortion

A large majority of Americans continue to favor abortion rights, but over half want to limit the circumstances.

Should it be legal?

Legal, any circumstances	Now	1992
Legal, any circumstances	24%	31%
Legal, certain circumstances	57%	53%
Illegal, all circumstances	18%	14%
No opinion	1%	2%

Legal at what stage of pregnancy?

Each item asked as a separate question	Percentage
Second three months	25%
Last three months	10%

Limiting circumstances

Percent who say abortion should be legal when

- Woman's life endangered: 85%
- Woman's physical health endangered: 77%
- Pregnancy result of rape, incest: 76%

Other limiting proposals

Percent who favor laws

- Requiring doctors to tell patients about alternatives before having abortion: 88%
- Requiring 24-hour waiting period before having an abortion: 78%

Source: Pew Research Center. Survey of 1,002 adults, Jan. 10-12, 2003; 3% error margin.

risk from the abortion side. I hope they're right," said Rep. Chris Smith, R-N.J. "From our side, we're going to assert even more, with compassion but with earnestness, that the Holocaust of the unborn has to stop."

But Douglas Johnson, legislative director for the National Right to Life Committee, said passing anti-abortion bills will continue to be difficult in the

100-member Senate, where 60 votes are needed to overcome parliamentary tactics for blocking action on most bills. The Senate has 51 Republicans, 48 Democrats and one independent.

"This is not a Senate that's going to be approving sweeping legislation to challenge Roe," Johnson said. "It is a Congress now in which we have a chance for a fair debate on these sorts of

On the Net

National Right to Life Committee: <http://www.nrlc.org>
Planned Parenthood Federation of America: <http://www.pfpa.org>

reformers that are supported by most Americans."

Abortion-rights supporters, who also have a series of events planned for the anniversary, acknowledge that the advantage in Congress has switched to abortion foes. "The Republicans are controlling every branch of government, and we have now entered the anti-choice trifecta," said Rep. Carolyn Maloney, D-N.Y.

Maloney and others pointed to a series of actions Bush has taken administratively, including an executive order that bars U.S. aid to international groups that support abortion and withholding \$34 million from international family planning programs overseas.

The administration announced last year it would begin classifying developing fetuses as unborn children as a way of extending prenatal care to low-income pregnant women. Abortion rights activists denounced the move as a backdoor way of undercutting their rights. And two weeks ago Bush declared Sunday as National Sanctity of Human Life Day. "This administration and the anti-choice members of Congress are waging a permanent witch anti-choice attacks," said John Feldt, president of the Planned Parenthood Federation of America.



Carleen Simpson, 66, holds some of the prescription drugs she takes daily Jan. 15 at her home in Saco, Maine. If she did not get her prescriptions at a discount from Canada, then she would be spending as much on drugs as she receives in Social Security payments each month.

High court will hear case on Maine drug price law

SACO, Maine (AP) — Carleen Simpson planned carefully for a retirement that would allow her to travel, including regular trips north of the border for cheaper prescription drugs.

On her first trip, she saved enough money to heat her house for a year.

"I used to worry about being a little old lady eating dog food so I could pay for my prescriptions," Simpson said. "That's a sad situation when you're living in a country that's so wealthy."

Maine legislators passed a groundbreaking law designed to lower drug prices for state residents without insurance coverage, but a drug industry legal challenge has blocked it from going into effect. On Wednesday, the U.S. Supreme Court will hear arguments on an appeal.

The Maine Rx law, enacted in 2000, would let the state negotiate for lower prices on behalf of more than 300,000 residents who pay for prescription drugs. If prices didn't drop in three years, the state could impose price controls.

Twenty-eight states support Maine's position. And a dozen states are poised to act swiftly to adopt similar laws if the Supreme Court rules in Maine's favor, said

On the Net

Maine attorney general: <http://www.state.me.us/sg/interest/interest.html>
U.S. Supreme Court: <http://www.supremecourt.gov/>
Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers: <http://www.phrma.org/>

Bernie Horn, policy director for the Center for Policy Alternatives in Washington.

For states, Maine Rx is attractive because it doesn't require federal approval and it costs taxpayers little.

The Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America, which sued to overturn Maine Rx, contends the law is unconstitutional because it regulates interstate commerce and runs afoul of Medicaid law.

The Supreme Court will hear a three-sided argument Wednesday with lawyers for the state and the drug industry opposing each other, and the Bush administration staking out middle ground by arguing that Maine Rx would be legal if restricted to low-income Mainers instead of being made widely available.

MLK

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als understand that they can make a difference."

King's eldest son urges people not to wait but to each push for solutions to the problems that hit black communities particularly hard, such as health-care costs, the growing gap between the rich and poor and the disappearance of affirmative action programs.

"Men or women who are like Martin Luther King Jr. are rare," Martin Luther King III said. "I don't believe we have the luxury to wait around until a Martin Luther King Jr. emerges."

The focus for black activism has changed over the years as well, with young so much in the past three decades that no single leader could have the overwhelming influence King had before his assassination in 1968, some activists say.

"I think that phase of the one leader is behind us now, and rightfully so," said Alvin Williams, head of Black America's Political Action Committee, a Washington-based conservative lobbying group. "During that time, African-Americans were much more similar in their backgrounds and struggles. But today, we're in all facets of American society."

The Revs. Jesse Jackson and Al Sharpton, as well as other leaders, have had success with many issues, yet their overall impact has never rivaled King's. Sharpton's recent announcement that he would seek the Democratic presidential nomination in 2004 has drawn little interest.

Rather than look to one leader, blacks should concentrate on

electing candidates at all levels of government who are sympathetic to their issues, said Rev. Joseph Lowery, former president of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, which was founded by King.

To do that, more blacks, especially those who didn't experience life before the civil rights movement, need to vote, he said.

"It's going to take their understanding of what's at stake," Lowery said. "Their future's at stake."

Many analysts have said Republicans won key elections in November because thousands of young black voters stayed home, in part because they felt neither party was addressing their issues.

A recent poll by the Joint Center for Political and Economic Studies showed that young blacks are less likely to identify with the Democratic party than their elders. Only 63 percent registered as Democrat in 2002, down from 74 percent in 2000.

But they're not turning to the Republican party either. Instead, a greater number are registering as independent.

"Increasingly you have a younger African-American voter who is being much more objective about his or her political choices," Williams said. "They don't like being taken for granted by the Democratic party, but they don't feel comfortable with the Republican party either."

Both parties need to understand the power of the black vote and better address minority

issues, Lowery said. Civil rights candidates have to be "bolder, clearer and more progressive in their outreach to young people."

King's son, the current president of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, stresses the importance of blacks voting with other minority groups to have a stronger voice.

"It's going to be a coalition of African-Americans to become citizens with Latinos and young and even poor whites to make sure that issues affecting working people will be addressed," he said.

Kmart promotes president to CEO

DETROIT (AP) — The board of Kmart Corp. named a new chief executive Sunday to replace James B. Adamson, the company director named last year to shepherd the retailer's bankruptcy reorganization.

Kmart president Julian C. Day will assume the top job, while Adamson will remain as non-executive chairman through the final months of the Chapter 11 bankruptcy, Kmart said in a statement. Day will retain his duties as president.

His appointment comes as the retailer begins to shuffle its management ahead of its expected exit from Chapter 11 by April 30. Adamson and Day were not available for interviews Sunday, the company said.

Day, 50, joined Kmart as president and chief operating officer in March 2001. Before that, he was chief financial officer at Sears, Roebuck and Co. and Safeway Inc., the supermarket chain.

Kmart filed for bankruptcy protection in January 2002. Two months later, the Troy, Mich.-based company said it would close 283 stores, affecting about 22,000 jobs.

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AROUND THE VALLEY

Hospital board will hear presentations

TWIN FALLS - Magic Valley Regional Medical Center's Hospital Board today could approve a long-term facility plan.

The board will hear presentations from Jacobsen Construction and HBE Corporation at 5:30 today inside the Sage Room of the Education Center located behind the hospital.

The hospital received eight proposals from design-build firms to help review facility needs and assist with long-term planning.

One thing the hospital learned in the process is that there's a good chance the hospital could effectively remodel and reconstruct on its current property and that it would cost significantly less than building a new hospital, Chief Executive Officer John Kee said at a recent board meeting.

The hospital was built in 1951 and has undergone a number of renovations, including a \$26.7 million expansion in 1979 that remodeled the hospital and added a three-story wing. Kee said the hospital owned property to the east, and vacating Martin Street would allow the hospital to add on to the east side of the building.

Some offices, businesses are closed for holiday

TWIN FALLS - Here's a list of offices and facilities that are open and closed today for Martin Luther King Jr. Day:

- Twin Falls City Hall will be closed.
- College of Southern Idaho offices will be closed. Classes for the spring semester will begin Tuesday.
- Public schools are in session.
- County and state government offices will be closed.
- The post office will be closed.
- The Twin Falls Public Library will be closed.
- A sampling of banks indicated they would be closed.
- The Twin Falls City Municipal Pool will be open from 1-3 p.m. and 6-8 p.m.
- The Magic Valley Mall will be open from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.
- The Social Security Administration office in Twin Falls will be closed.

Cross-country ski tour takes place Saturday

HAILEY - Cross-country skiers are invited to Ski the Rails on Saturday. The free ski tour celebrates the history of the Wind River bike path and ski trail that runs from Ketchum to Bellevue.

Information markers describing historic mining and other sites will be placed along the route, which will be groomed for skate and classic skiing. And various groups, including the Community School, Alpine Broadcasting, Power Engineers and the Idaho Mountain Express, will offer free snacks at various stops along the way.

Following the ski tour, skiers can enjoy a lunch of chicken or veggie enchiladas, black beans, Spanish rice and chips and salsa at Sun Valley Brewing Company. For \$9.50, Sun Valley beers will be available at happy hour prices.

The first shuttle bus taking skiers from Hailey to the starting point at Second Street in Ketchum will leave Sun Valley Brewing Company at 9:40 a.m. Dogs riding the shuttle should be leashed.

Shuttle buses will travel the route until 2:45 p.m., picking up skiers who don't want to travel the entire way and ferrying Ketchum skiers back to their starting point in Ketchum.

For information call 788-2117.

- compiled from staff reports

Snowpack levels

Watershed	1/14/03	1/17/03	1/19/03
Upper Snake River	70%	38%	37%
Salmon Falls	64%	34%	34%
Salmon	83%	44%	44%
Oakley	54%	29%	29%
Big Wood	12%	5%	5%
Little Wood	12%	5%	5%
Henny's Fork/Teton	7%	3%	3%
Big Lost	10%	5%	5%
Little Lost	7%	3%	3%

As of Jan. 19

*A completion of basin snowpack, on this day, with a 30-year average.

**An indicator of basin snowpack, on this date, with a 30-year average.

†The entire snow season, which usually is by the end of March.

Forest rule would remove environmental

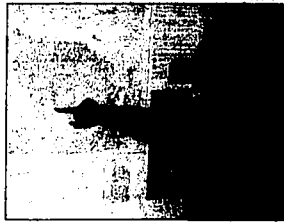
By Nate Johnson
Times-News writer

BURLEY - A new Bush administration rule seeks to define how much work people can do in national forests before they make an environmental impact.

The rule allows small logging projects to be categorically excluded from environmental reviews. Another proposed rule categorically excludes fuels reduction projects from environmental review.

"These categorical exclusions are just another way to get around public involvement," said Roger Singer, regional Sierra Club representative in Idaho.

The Forest Service shouldn't have to ask for public comment and analysis every time a worker puts a spadeful in the ground, said Jay O'Laughlin, director of the Policy Analysis Group at the college of natural resources at the University of Idaho. Public com-



Wanda Lee Parcel Ranger District District Forester Karl Folling points out the site of the Eagle Springs fire on a map. A tentative salvage logging operation at the Eagle Springs site could be categorically excluded from environmental review under a proposed rule from the Bush administration.

ment and environmental analysis is appropriate for major projects.

"We ought to sit down as a society and decide what a major project is," he said.

In a proposed rule, the Bush administration offers its definition of what a major project is not. A logging project of less than 50 acres, or 250 acres in areas where the trees are dead

or dying, would be exempt from review under the new rule.

Forest managers could also remove any trees necessary on up to 250 acres to control the spread of insects and disease without review. The projects are restricted to thinning in green forests. Such projects could not

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Proposed rule restricts appeals on Forest Service projects

By Nate Johnson
Times-News writer

BURLEY - Yet another rule proposed by the Bush administration restricts appeals of Forest Service projects.

Why so many rules on the Forest Service all of a sudden?

In a word: Fire, said Jay O'Laughlin, director of the college of natural resources at the University of Idaho. George Bush's healthy forests initiative gave a general outline of his plan for national forests, the rules are one way to fill in the specifics. The rules give Forest Service personnel more freedom to manage the forests, he said.

"It's another example of the Bush administration whittling

away at protections for our national forests and roadsides," O'Laughlin said. Roger Singer, regional Sierra Club representative in Idaho.

Singer characterized the outpouring of new rules as "death by a thousand cuts."

The appeals rule allows Forest Service officers in charge of projects to choose when comments are taken. It also restricts appeals to those based on comments.

Currently people have a 30-day period to comment after an environmental assessment or environmental impact statement is published. Additionally, comments submitted at any point during the project may be the

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NOT JUST FOR PEOPLE

Owners fork out extra for laser surgery for pets to reduce pain

By Karen Bossick
Times-News correspondent

KETCHUM - Bart, a 12-year-old German-wire-haired chocolate lab, is about to have a tumor the size of a cobblestone removed.

But there'll be no cutting. No messy bleeding.

Instead of using a scalpel, veterinarian Joanne Dixon aims an intense beam of light from a stainless steel wand the size of a pencil at the shiny white mass, tracing a line around it.

Within five minutes, she has excised the tumor. Give Bart another 15 minutes to wake up from his anesthesia, and he'll be up and running around the Sun Valley Animal Center as if nothing had happened.

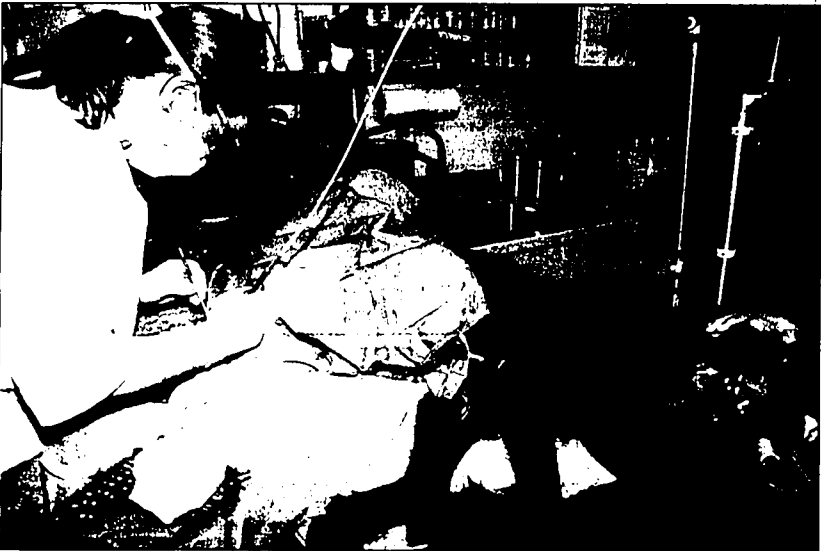
Used on humans for 30 years, laser surgery is beginning to find its way into veterinary clinics for a wide range of applications, ranging from declawing cats to treating colon cancer in German shepherds. The Sun Valley Animal Center, a couple of miles south of Ketchum, is one of the first Idaho clinics to use the procedure.

"It's like taking sunlight and concentrating it into a small beam so that it burns bad tissue," said veterinarian Randy Acker of the Sun Valley Animal Center. "It offers different settings for different applications, from eradicating a mole to cutting a line a quarter inch deep. And we can use it in areas we can't get our hands in to cut."

There's a multitude of reasons to use laser surgery on your pet dog, cat, lizard, hamster or parakeet, Dixon says.

It reduces pain in pets who can't tell you where it hurts by sealing the nerve endings as it cuts.

Similarly, it minimizes bleeding by sealing the blood vessels as it cuts so the surgeon can better distinguish the cancerous tissue from soft tissue.



Veterinarian Joanne Dixon removes a tumor from Bart, a 12-year-old dog, using laser surgery. Dixon calls it "the latest and greatest" in pet care.

- Laser surgery sterilizes as it goes, so there's less risk of infection.
- It shortens the time the animal needs to be put asleep, so there's less risk of complications from anesthesia. In fact, local anesthetic can often be used in the place of general anesthesia.
- It reduces swelling by sealing the lymphatic tissue.
- And it leaves little or no scarring.

With less pain and swelling, animals regain their mobility almost immediately.

"Before we'd bandage an animal, and they wouldn't walk for a few days. Now they walk right out of the clinic," Acker said.

Sun Valley Animal Center vets are combining their new laser surgery capabilities with endoscopy, a method by which they can feed lighted telescopes into the ears, urinary tracts,

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- Veterinarian Randy Acker

nasal cavities and abdominal areas of animals to evaluate abnormalities. Endoscopy can help reduce the need for invasive surgery.

Acker said he never envisioned that he'd one day be using such cutting-edge technology on animals when he started his practice pulling cow's teeth. It's not essential to have endoscopes and laser surgery to be a good

veterinarian, he added. But it does translate into a better quality of life for a kitty or puppy.

"The more we learned about pain management, the more desirous we became to do it. Vets have been largely complacent about pain management for years. Now we're learning to empathize with cows," he said.

Certainly, laser surgery costs more than surgery by scalpel,

reflecting the costs of the equipment involved. Opting for laser surgery adds \$38 to the bill for removing a small tumor. But owners seem willing to open their billfolds a little wider when told that their animals will suffer less pain and trauma, said Denise Young, an oral surgeon at the clinic.

"We like to provide people with choices. And more and more people want the same quality health care for their dogs that they have for themselves," she said. "It makes sense when you consider how pets have become like members of the family. People let their dogs or cats sleep in their beds, have their own special pillows, be in Christmas pictures, wear special outfits. So it's no wonder that they'd want their pets to get the same quality health care they get."

Being mom to Mexico's children

T.F. woman and family give humanitarian help across the border

By Loretta Burkhardt
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS - Annette Spaulding can't remember a time when children were not the center of her universe, nor when a concern for their well-being was not a part of her makeup.

"I've always felt that every child deserves a warm bed and a full tummy," said the stay-at-home mom with five children of her own.

Therefore, when the opportunity to take part in a humanitarian effort that would benefit children came her way, she took the necessary first step to make it happen.

Charity Anywhere

During hours on the international level, Charity Anywhere distributes donated items. The organization has assisted orphanages in El Salvador, Ecuador, Haiti, and Nicaragua and Mexico.

The next tour to Mexico will be from March 20 to April 1. For more information call Gordon Carter at 734-8041 or visit www.charityanywhere.org on the Web.

"I had to convince my husband to go," Spaulding said.

And last month - for the second time - the Spaulding family took

part in the Charity Anywhere expedition to Mexico.

As part of the Mexico Expedition Christmas 2002, the humanitarian tour included 61 volunteers and was hosted by Charity Anywhere founder Gordon Carter of Twin Falls.

And while there were many other obstacles in preparing to travel out of country with an entire family, according to convinced husband Jim Spaulding, the "lasting benefits" far outweighed the efforts.

Daughter Laci Spaulding agrees.

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The Spaulding family of Twin Falls recently returned from their second humanitarian trip to Mexico. Pictured, from left are Lacie, 15; Jim, 13; Annette; McKenzie, 10; and Laci, 17. Colman, 20, is not pictured.

Library council gets new member

by **Sharon K. Stiles** / **Times-News**

KIMBERLY - The City Council swore in a new member last week to replace a councilman who recently resigned.

Tom Koontz replaces Daren Behlin, who is no longer able to serve on the council because he moved outside city limits.

Also last week, the council, Twin Falls Canal Co. manager Vinos Alberdi and ditch rider Jay Barlogi discussed access problems to a clean-out screen. Alberdi and city attorney Bill Hollifield agreed a site inspection was required, and the findings will be brought back to the council.

Other council business included:

- **Library open house** - Library commissioner Lee McKinlay announced there would be an open house at the library from 5 to 8 p.m. Feb. 25 to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the library. She also said the library is in the process of establishing a library foundation.
- **Rabies clinic** - Code enforcement officer Terri Woolzhenhume announced the 2003 rabies clinic will be held Feb. 8 in the City Hall garage.
- **Dr. Jerry Jackson** will be on-hand giving rabies vaccinations from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Vaccinations will be \$7.50. Any dog owner who hasn't purchased this year's dog license may do so at this time.

• **Fire report** - Fire Chief Bud Duncan said firefighters responded to 15 incidents in December. There were eight Rock Creek Fire District calls consisting of six motor vehicle accidents, a structure fire and a tractor fire. The Kimberley incidents involved an alarm, a structure fire, a chemical spill and an investigation. Hansen had a motor vehicle accident and a residential smoke alarm investigation.

Other activities in December included a fire safety inspection at the Hansen Head Start school and an alarm system test and evacuation drill at the Mountain View Care Center.



RUBY HUTTON - Ruby Hutton, 72, of Rupert, died Saturday evening, January 18, 2003, at her home.

She was born December 22, 1930, in Minidoka, Idaho, the daughter of Walter A. and Jennie Brown Sweet Rice. She attended school in Minidoka, graduating from the eighth grade in 1947, at the age of 14. Ruby moved to Rupert with Dolly Nussbaum. She continued her education at Rupert High School, graduating in 1949. She married and later divorced. Ruby worked at Project Mutual Telephone Company for seven years, and then worked for Ore-Ida Foods until her retirement in 1995. Ruby is loved and will be missed by all.

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PAUL
 Paul Garner Loveland, an 89-year-old Paul resident, passed away January 18, 2003, at Minidoka Memorial Hospital.

He was born October 15, 1913, in Syracuse, Utah, to Ray and Clara Garner. Paul graduated from Albion Normal College. He married Veral Loveland January 11, 1934. In the Salt Lake LDS Temple, Paul and Veral settled in Paul, where they farmed and she taught school for many years. She loved teaching and touched many lives. She was active in The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, serving in many positions.

Paul is survived by one brother, Gene (Velma) Garner of Diamond Bar, California; two sisters, Lola (Bill) Doane of South Jordan, Utah, and Lucille (Rudal) Loveland of Hagerman, Idaho; and Ron (Kathy) Loveland of Rupert, 22 grandchildren, 48 great-grandchildren and 9 great-great-grandchildren.

Paul was preceded in death by her husband, Veral, her parents, and two brothers, Carl and Elmer Garner.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, January 22, 2003, at the Paul LDS Stake Center, with Bishop Michael Woodland officiating. Burial will follow at the Rupert Cemetery. Friends may call Tuesday evening from 6-8 p.m. at Hansen Mortuary Chapel and one hour prior to the service at the church on Wednesday.

TWIN FALLS

Peter Virga Carpenter
 Peter Virga Carpenter of Twin Falls, Idaho, formerly of Caldwell, beloved husband of Yvonne Lee Carpenter, completed his journey on this earth January 17, 2003, and is now in the loving arms of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Pete was a wonderful and courageous man with a great sense of humor. He loved to fish, camp, and travel in this wonderful state of Idaho.

Pete was born in Yuba City, California, on April 11, 1935, a son of Erle and Gertrude Justison Carpenter. He is survived by his wife of 36 years; a daughter, LeEllyn Espinosa, and her husband, John; a daughter, Melissa Foster, and her husband, Ron (who was like a son to him); a daughter, Sabrina Nims; and a son, Allen Duane Carpenter. Four grandchildren, Veronica, Lindsay and Maclo Fustos and Gabriele Espinosa; and one grandson, Corey Carpenter.

Pete is also survived by his mother, Gertrude Justison Carpenter, and two brothers, Lester Carpenter of Danville, California, and Michael Carpenter of Visalia, California.

We are all blessed to have known Pete and to have been a part of his family.

A celebration of his life will be held at 2 p.m. on January 23, 2003, at the Flahiff Funeral Chapel in Caldwell. Idaho. Burial will follow at Canyon Hill Cemetery, Caldwell.

Donations for continued research of MS/ALS may be made to the Mayo Clinic, c/o Dr. Richard Bernaroch, Department of Neurology, 200 First Street SW, Rochester, MN 55905.

Friends may call on Wednesday from 4-7 p.m. at Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Caldwell.

JOE EDWARD SMITH

Joe Edward Smith of Twin Falls, gravestone inurned service at 10 a.m. today at Sunset Memorial Park (Reynolds Funeral Chapel, Twin Falls).

Francisco S. Rendon Jr. of Burley, memorial service at 11 a.m. today at the Hansen Mortuary Burley Chapel.

Sharon K. Stiles of Spokane, Wash., and formerly of Rupert, the services at 2 p.m. today at the English Funeral Chapel in Post Falls. Burial service at 2 p.m. Friday at the Rupert Cemetery (Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel).

Marella J. Odum of Twin Falls, service at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Bethel Temple Apostolic Church, 3200 Ninth Ave. E.; burial at Sunset Memorial Park; friends may call from 4-8 p.m. today at White Mortuary.

Fern Barber Manning of Paul, service at 2 p.m. Tuesday at the Paul LDS Stake Center, 424 W. Ellis; burial will follow at the Paul Cemetery; friends may call from 6-8 p.m. today at Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel and one hour before the service Tuesday

SERVICES

at the church.

Jean Marie Dunne of Hailey, vigil service at 7 p.m. Tuesday at St. Charles Catholic Church in Hailey; friends may call from 6-7 p.m. Tuesday at the church; funeral at 10 a.m. Wednesday at St. Charles Catholic Church (Wood River Chapel, Hailey).

Blaine Short HEYBURN - Blaine Short, 51-year-old Heyburn resident, died Saturday, Jan. 18, 2003, in Heyburn. Services are pending and will be announced by Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel.

Vivian Andrews TWIN FALLS - Vivian Andrews, 94, of Twin Falls died Saturday, Jan. 18, 2003, in Twin Falls. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by White Mortuary of Twin Falls.

Oleen Baggett BUIII - Oleen Baggett, 91, of Buhl, died Saturday, Jan. 18, 2003, at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center. Services are pending and will be announced by White Mortuary of Twin Falls.

DEATH NOTICES

Ruby Jane Hutton RUPERT - Ruby Jane Hutton, 72, of Rupert, died Saturday evening, Jan. 18, 2003, at her home.

The funeral will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 21, 2003, at the Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 East 16th Street, Burley, where friends and family may call one hour prior to the service. Burial will be in the Rupert Cemetery. Arrangements are under the direction of Rasmussen Funeral Home, Burley.

William E. Swan SHOSHONE - William E. Swan, age 91, of Shoshone died Sunday, Jan. 19, 2003, at St. Benedict's Long Term Care Facility in Jerome.

Arrangements pending at Demary's Shoshone Chapel.

THIS WEEK AT CSI

Today
 Campus is closed for Martin Luther King Jr. Day
 Business Professionals of America Leadership Conference, all day, Canyon, Desert, Evergreen and Fine Arts buildings

Tuesday
 First day of spring semester
 Spring semester registration continues. Book store, business advising, financial aid, information, records and student information offices open until 6 p.m. Monday through Friday; testing center open until 9:30 p.m.

Ski class meeting, 1 p.m., Shields 218
 "Albertson Figures" art show in the Herrett Center's Jean B. King gallery (through Jan. 25)
 "Mingle in the Jungle," free reptile revue, 6 p.m., Herrett rainforest exhibit
 Court referral service traffic safety class, 6:30 p.m., Shields 105
 "The Search for Life in the Universe," 7 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium

Wednesday
 Idaho Department of Agriculture pesticide applicators

licensing, 8 a.m., Taylor 276
 CSI Golden Eagle women's basketball against Treasure Valley Community College, 6 p.m., gym
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Friday
 Annual Jazz Summit master classes (open to the public), 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Fine Arts building
 CSI Human Services Day, noon to 3 p.m., Taylor 277
 Huskie Bears Non-Profit Anonymous meeting, 7 p.m., Desert 113
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 Jazz Summit concert, 7:30 p.m., Fine Arts Auditorium (\$8 general admission)
 CSI Golden Eagle men's basketball against Snow College, 8 p.m., gym

Saturday
 Scholastic Aptitude Test, 7:30 a.m. to 7 p.m., Meyerhoeffer testing center
 Emergency Medical Technician testing, all day, Aspen building
 Senior Fitness Fair, all day, Physical Education Building
 Annual Jazz Summit master classes (open to the public), 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Fine Arts building
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 United Church of God meeting, 6:30 a.m., Aspen 145
 Lifetime Club meeting, 2 to 8 p.m., Shields 105
 CSI Golden Eagle women's basketball against Community College of Southern Nevada, 6:30 p.m. (MST), Las Vegas
 Jazz Summit concert, 7:30 p.m., Fine Arts Auditorium (\$8 general admission)
 CSI Cowboy Championship Boxing Smoker, 8 p.m., Eldon Evans Expo Center
 CSI Golden Eagle men's basketball against Community College of Southern Nevada, 8:30 p.m. (MST), Las Vegas

Today
 Bliss School Board, 7:30 p.m., school library
 Hailey City Council, 6 p.m., City Hall
 Hansen School Board, 7 p.m., school district's office
 Minidoka County School Board, 7 p.m., district office, Rupert
 Wendell School Board, 7 p.m., high school library

Wednesday
 Blaine County commissioners, 8:45 a.m., courthouse
 Buhl School Board, 7 p.m., district office
 Burley City Council, p.m., City Hall
 Castleford School Board, 7 p.m., school library
 Filer City Council, 7:30 p.m., council chambers
 Gooding City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall

Today
 Hagerman City Council, 7:30 p.m., City Hall
 Hailey Planning and Zoning Commission, 6:30 p.m., Hailey Town Center
 Jerome City Council, 7 p.m., council chambers, 100 E. Ave. A
 Jerome County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse
 Ketchum City Council, 5:30 p.m., City Hall
 Magic Valley Regional Airport Advisory Board, 11 a.m., Joslin Room at airport terminal
 Rupert City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall
 Shoshone City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall
 Twin Falls City Council, 5 p.m., 305 Third Ave. E.
 Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse

Thursday
 Bellevue City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall
 Blaine County Recreation District Board, 3 p.m., Wood River Inn, Hailey
 Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse

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This list is compiled from advance schedules. The Times-News suggests that you confirm the information by calling the appropriate clerk's office before attending.

TWIN FALLS - ARRAIGNMENTS

TWIN FALLS - Recent activity in 5th District Magistrate Court in Twin Falls included the following:

Samuel Calderon Ruiz, 35, 300 Lakes Blvd. S., Twin Falls, driving under the influence, public defender appointed, \$500 bond.

Samantha Kay Folsom Tarrant, 28, 4029 N. 2500 E., Twin Falls, possession of drug paraphernalia, public defender appointed, pleaded innocent.

Joe Rojas Pina, 24, 189 Washington St. S., Twin Falls, fugitive hearing set for Jan. 24, \$5,000 bond.

Devan R. Vance, 18, 618 Poplar, Buhl, manufacturing a controlled substance without a prescription, public defender appointed, no plea entered, preliminary hearing set for Jan. 24, \$10,000 bond.

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Samuel L. Therman, 30, 1176 S. 3600 E., Hazelton, driving without privileges, driving without insurance, public defender appointed, pleaded innocent.

Lois F. Munoz, 15, 34 Van Buren, Twin Falls, possession of alcohol by a minor, public defender appointed, pleaded innocent.

Tiro Manuel Munoz, 17, 2031 Highway 30, Buhl, possession of alcohol by a minor, public defender appointed, pleaded innocent.

Timoth M. Lopez, 19, 259 Pheasant Ridge, N. Twin Falls, possession of drug paraphernalia, battery domestic violence, possession of a mutilated, altered or revoked driver's license, public defender appointed, pleaded innocent.

Josh Dillon Stanger, 22, 4601 E. 3200 N., Twin Falls, conduct with a minor child under 16 (three counts), public defender appointed, no plea entered, preliminary hearing set for Jan. 24, \$20,000 bond.

Joseph Riley, 30, 465 Highway 30, Buhl, driving under the influence, pleaded guilty, \$300 fine with 160 suspended, 75-90 court costs, waived, 94 days in jail, credit for time served, 12 months probation, Magistrate Judge Howard Swmer.

Matthew Clayton Parsh, 22, 424 Second Ave. N. Hagerman, driving under the influence, pleaded guilty, \$100 fine with 160 suspended, 75-90 court costs, waived, 94 days in jail, credit for time served, 12 months probation, Magistrate Judge Howard Swmer.

Joseph P. Parsons, 18, 256 Fawnbrook Ave., Twin Falls, possession of alcohol by a minor, possession of drug paraphernalia, public defender denied, pleaded innocent, \$300 bond.

Andrew J. Stone, 28, 1122 S. Washington, Twin Falls, unlawful entry, public defender appointed, pleaded innocent.

Scott N. Croft, 18, P.O. Box 841, Rogerson, minor in possession of alcohol, public defender appointed, pleaded innocent.

TWIN FALLS CITY COURTS

TWIN FALLS - Recent activity in 5th District Court in the city of Twin Falls included the following:

Drunk-driving sentences
 Doree L. Koffler, no plea available, 24 S. Washburn Blvd., N. Twin Falls, driving under the influence, pleaded guilty, \$700 fine with \$200 suspended, \$750 court costs, 575 public defender fee, five days sheriff's work detail, 90 days in jail with 90 suspended, driving privileges suspended for 90 days, 24 months probation, 345 per month probation fee, shall not consume or possess any alcoholic beverage or be where they are present, submit to alcohol drug testing, comply with alcohol evaluation, treatment recommendations. Magistrate Judge Charles P. Brumbaugh.

Gregory G. Stromme, 31, 2815 S. 504 W., Heyburn, driving under the influence, pleaded guilty, \$1,000 fine with \$400 suspended, 575-50 court costs, 180 days in jail with 175 suspended, 180 days, 24 months probation, \$45 per month probation fee, shall not consume or possess any alcoholic beverage or be where they are present, submit to alcohol drug testing, attend court alcohol school, complete any treatment counseling ordered by the probation officer, comply with alcohol evaluation recommendations. Magistrate Judge Howard Swmer.

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Walter Koeppl, 21, 469 J Van Buren, Twin Falls, driving without privileges, pleaded guilty, \$300 fine with 160 suspended, 75-90 court costs, waived, 94 days in jail, credit for time served, 12 months probation, Magistrate Judge Howard Swmer.

Matthew Clayton Parsh, 22, 424 Second Ave. N. Hagerman, driving under the influence, pleaded guilty, \$100 fine with 160 suspended, 75-90 court costs, waived, 94 days in jail, credit for time served, 12 months probation, Magistrate Judge Howard Swmer.

Court records

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Julene M. Miller, 44, 205 N. Greenwood, Shoshone, prior that pleaded guilty, \$400 fine with \$300 suspended, 575-50 court costs, 180 days in jail with 145 suspended, 18 months probation, \$45 per month probation fee, complete any treatment counseling ordered by the probation officer, comply with alcohol evaluation recommendations. Magistrate Judge Howard Swmer.

Debra D. Garcia, 47, 201 Alexander, Twin Falls, driving without privileges, pleaded guilty, \$300 fine with 160 suspended, 75-90 court costs, 180 days in jail with 175 suspended, 180 days, 24 months probation, \$45 per month probation fee, complete any treatment counseling ordered by the probation officer, Magistrate Judge Howard Swmer.

Misdemeanor sentences
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Joseph P. Parsons, 18, 256 Fawnbrook Ave., Twin Falls, possession of alcohol by a minor, possession of drug paraphernalia, public defender denied, pleaded innocent, \$300 bond.

Andrew J. Stone, 28, 1122 S. Washington, Twin Falls, unlawful entry, public defender appointed, pleaded innocent.

Scott N. Croft, 18, P.O. Box 841, Rogerson, minor in possession of alcohol, public defender appointed, pleaded innocent.

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Even Start offers something for the whole family

By Shari Chaney
Times-News writer**RUPERT** - Books and reading can be a family affair.

Low-income families with young children are learning about family literacy through the Even Start program in Minidoka County.

Adults in qualifying families can receive help with English language skills, computer skills or earning a general equivalency diploma.

Children learn skills to prepare for and achieve in school.

"Family literacy, in my mind, is key to a greater success,"

Even Start Director Sandee Nelson said.

To be in the program, participants must have a child 8 or younger and meet certain income requirements, which vary depending on family size.

Even Start works with other community organizations to combine money and resources, Nelson said.

College of Southern Idaho provides instruction in computers, English as a second language and GED for adults. Head Start provides preschool skills and classroom space in their building. Even Start has a curriculum for children not old enough for Head Start.

Classes for both adults and children are offered at the Rupert Head Start building on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday mornings; sessions are also available on Saturdays and Wednesday evenings. Acequia Elementary was added as a new site Jan. 7. Tuesday and Thursday evening classes are offered there.

Attendance at classes fluctuates, Nelson said. Numbers are increasing as more people hear about the program and as people come back from winter vacations in Mexico.

Program officials encourage families to take to classes regularly to be the most out of the program. When grant money for next year is filled out by school district personnel, gains among students must be demonstrated as a criteria to receive additional grant money.

"We must show what we're doing is a good investment of this money," Nelson said.

While the community sees the benefits of stronger families, schools see the benefits of school-ready children.

Helen Almanza teaches ESL kindergarten at Acequia Elementary School. She said students who have been through the Even Start program settle into school routines and curriculum easily, rather than struggling.

Students already understand how to stand in line, behave in the hall, listen and focus, Almanza said. "It just makes everything go smoother."

Lecia Miller, who works with the ESL kindergarten at Memorial Elementary School in Rupert, said students whose families have attended Even Start consistently do not need to attend ESL kindergarten and do well in regular classes.

They often continue to do well through school because they had a good background in English, Miller said.

"It is worth every single penny," Almanza said.

The Minidoka County School District is the fiscal agent for the program. The district received a \$228,000 federal grant to fund the program, Nelson said.

The county had an Even Start program previously, but the grant ran out and the program ended. Nelson said Federal Programs Director Jodie Mills submitted the application and the program began again in August.

Minidoka County's Even Start program is fairly unique. The nearest Even Start program is in the Boise area. However, American Falls and Buhl officials have contacted Nelson about starting programs. Nelson also said Cassia County was trying to get a grant to begin the program.

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Program focuses on education, language skills

By Shari Chaney
Times-News writer**RUPERT** - The Even Start program has several pieces that work together to build family literacy.

The main purpose of the program is to introduce books and reading to children, said Minidoka County schools Superintendent Nick Hallett. But another piece of that puzzle is helping parents realize the importance of reading, which may mean helping them learn English or earn their general equivalency diploma.

The Even Start program addresses each of those issues, program Director Sandee Nelson said.

While mom or dad head to GED or English-as-a-second-language classes, children take part in their own activities, instructor Janice Garcia said. During daytime sessions, Even Start officials see children too young to attend school. At night, activities are provided for those 15 and younger.

Garcia, the instructor for newborn to 5-year-olds, said seven to 24 children is an average daytime attendance. A total of 45 children are enrolled.

During the day there are a variety of activities - story time, music, art. Garcia said the children are learning about colors, numbers, rhythm, how to stand in line, share toys and clean up after a project.

Activities are developed appropriately for the children's ages, Nelson noted. That's the new program at Acequia Elementary School, Acequia Principal Terry Garner is teaching a tutorial session for students ages 8 through 15.

Most of the youngest students speak Spanish, and teachers are just beginning to accrete their ears to English. Garcia said that sometimes the children are taught similar things to what their parents are learning in ESL classes, so they can work together.

Teachers are models, Garcia said. During art, teachers color with the students as a model of how to color a picture.

"Whatever they do is OK," Garcia said. "As long as it's on the paper," she adds quickly.

English skills

While the children are coloring, adult students are taking a quiz of the English meaning of Spanish words.

What can knowing English mean to these students? A job, instructor Clarissa Cutler said. It can also open communication between parents and teachers when children are in school.

The problems with learning English are simple. "Our rules always change," Cutler said. Not every letter has a sound either, she noted. Say the word "write"; there is no sound, but it's in the word. In the word "listen," the 't' is silent.

Computer training

Around a partition, adults sit at laptop computers learning computer skills.

Instructor Melissa Santarosa said for many, turning the computer on was a learning experience. The students learned about the programs on the computer and how to get in and out of them. They also worked with the mouse.

For half the students, it was the first time they'd touched a computer. Santana said. For the other half, they have a computer in the home, but only the children use it.

Computer skills can mean a job or a promotion at an existing job, Santana said. For those who stay at home with children, computer skills may allow them to work with their children using the computer.

The class is working on typing skills in the



Instructor Janice Garcia watches as children in the Minidoka County Even Start program play with blocks.

Mavis Beacon program. They will also use the Internet. Santana said the class will dabble in a little bit of everything.

Computers are offered in the daytime sessions only at this point. Students spend half their time with ESL instructors and half at computers.

"Even Start provided computers. CSI provided me," Santana said.

Other services

Nelson noted the program offers GED classes, parenting classes and in-home visits too. Home visits can help extend learning from the classroom to the home, Nelson said.

Program officials talk to family members about activities at classes and how to make them a part of activities at home. They also discuss progress and set goals.

Parenting skill classes are usually held once a week for an extra hour after classes are finished. Nelson said it's a chance to talk with other parents about problems and ways to deal with them.

The classes also teach concepts such as confidence, self-esteem and responsibility, Nelson said. One activity was creating a box for each member of the family. Inside they would keep their own stuff such as homework papers. The box teaches responsibility and gives each family member a place to call his own.

Appeals

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Under the proposed rule, only comments submitted during the 30-day period will be the basis for appeal. Under the proposed rule, only comments specific to the project would be considered for appeal.

Forest Service staffers often receive comments opposing the principle of logging on public land in central Idaho. Under the proposed rule, these comments are a basis for appeal, but they would not be under the proposed rule.

Minidoka Forest District Ranger Scott Nannenga said. Such comments are more germane to those wishing to sue rather than those trying to get a local project into the existing regulations, he said.

Project managers would probably put the comment period at the end of the project.

"I think they are trying to cut down on those comments that come in at the 11th hour," he said. "It's a lot of information that we'd really like to have up front."

Forest managers would still consider comments after the comment period closed, but they would not be the basis for an appeal. If, for example, someone found a goshawk nest in the middle of a proposed logging project, managers could change their plans.

"It's an important comment I'd be crazy not to listen to those people," Nannenga said. "If it's a critical element in my decision I'd be remiss in not giving them a lot of weight to ask for new analysis."

Sometimes project managers aren't interested in new information though, Singer said.

"There have been times when our folks have gone in and found the trees have already been marked for sale," he said.

The project managers would not be likely to reassess their decisions based on such information unless it was brought forward in a timely way through the appeal process. People opposed to projects can still appeal them in court.

"Right now the judicial system is proving to be our best opportunity to contribute to the process," Singer said.

03 percent of the national forests. The new rule would allow fewer projects to be exempt from review.

Some of those categorical exemption rules are like the salvage rider of 1996, because they are not intended to increase logging, Nannenga said. The hazardous fuels rule would allow the Forest Service to do some now-prohibited prescribed burns and thinning, as well as emergency fire damage repair, without environmental review. While thinning could be interpreted to include commercial logging, none of those categorical exclusions were set up to facilitate timber harvest, Nannenga said. Forest managers should not misuse their increased flexibility under the new rules to sell lumber when it is not appropriate, he said.

"It's critical that we don't abuse any of these directions," Nannenga said.

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Teen hopes to break into record book

SANDPOINT (AP) - The longest human tongue in the world could be in the mouth of a Sandpoint High School junior.

At least that is what Cody Spade hopes. The 16-year-old is trying to get his gargantuan mouth muscle registered in the Guinness Book of World Records.

The thought he might break existing records came to Spade over Christmas break, when a friend, Kippur Kyllonen, called him.

"Kippur said his little brother got the Guinness Book of World Records for Christmas and the longest tongue was 2.22 inches," Spade said.

That tongue belongs to Umar Alvi of Britain.

Review

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Two weeks before the trip, Jim Spaulding had helped gather work-project materials and delivered them to the work site.

But on the return trip, all of the stored supplies were missing.

While some of the goods could be purchased and replaced, most of the work had to be done by some "make-do" maneuvering.

Haley had to be dug by using plastic buckets, Jim Spaulding said.

Most of the group helped with construction, but Annette Spaulding took charge of the domestic side of the tour.

For meals, water was packed up a stairway to a makeshift kitchen where all of the cooking for the entire group was done.

"It was like living on a construction site with no lights and no running water," Annette Spaulding said.

"It took every second of my time to stay on top of the projects (hesides) dealing with 60 different personalities," she said with a smile.

Nevertheless, for a lady who has never waded in my desire to do things for children, "the situation fit. I didn't want to be busy 'being busy,' (and) I wanted to do something that would make a difference."

And in a city where the needs are great, the feeling of satisfaction kept the workers going. "The

hours of work were hard - but I found that at the end of a day, the sense of accomplishment overpowered my sore muscles," Laci Spaulding said.

For Rusty Lowe, a 14-year-old volunteer, the work was also rewarding. As part of his Eagle Scout project, he and the trip he had gathered, repaired and sanitized a variety of balls for children to enjoy.

Taylor Spaulding used the opportunity to earn credit toward his Eagle Scout Award, as well. Besides the construction work, he also helped distribute children's books that had been handmade by students of Jeannine Berriochia, Twin Falls High School Spanish teacher.

The large picture books - made as part of a volunteer reading project - are written in both English and Spanish. The books are unique, laminated and coil-bound by the students.

Many other donated items were delivered to families.

And if Annette Spaulding were given the chance, what would she change where the children of Mexico are concerned?

"I'd bring all of them home with me," she said.

Times-News correspondent Leah Burns can be reached in Twin Falls at 734-3990.

Police find missing elderly man near Craig Mountain

LEWISTON (AP) - After going missing for two days, police found a 76-year-old Spokane man near Craig Mountain.

Frank Omalley Jr. left his home in Spokane at about 3 p.m. Thursday.

New Perce County Sheriff's deputies found him Saturday on a remote mountain road in the Craig Mountain area 25 miles south of Lewiston.

Dusk was falling and snow covered the road typically accessible to him only with four-wheel drive. Omalley was only wearing a light jacket, and the battery in his car was dead.

Brian Sifers, a Lewiston resident who spotted Omalley, he was walking away from a black truck, which was parked sideways, blocking the road.

When Cpl. Kevin Wilson, of the Nez Perce County Sheriff's Department began talking to Omalley, he was not able to give clear information.

Omalley provided deputies with his name and hometown. Deputies were able to match Omalley's license plate number with the one of the car belonging to the man who had been reported missing from Spokane.

Although Omalley has had major heart surgeries in recent months and may have been suffering from dementia, he appeared to be in good health.

Family members believe Omalley wouldn't have survived more exposure to the elements and thanked the citizen and deputies who rescued him.

"I just know damn well in the bottom of my heart he wouldn't have been alive in the morning," his wife Ruth Omalley said.

Local representatives will be available at the Buhl event to discuss community concerns related to human rights and justice and assist in developing regional plans to increase cultural awareness, fight racism and build healthier communities.

Cochran is the former national press secretary and chief spokesman for the Idaho-based Aryan Nations and is one of the most recognized and respected educators on hate groups on the speaker's circuit. He has lectured at universities, colleges, high schools and human rights conferences throughout the United States.

All ages are welcome; admission is free. For more information, call 735-9927 or 543-2888.

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TWIN FALLS - Floyd Cochran, a nationally known expert on racist gangs and hate crimes, will facilitate two community meetings this month.

A public meeting on racism will be held at 9 a.m. Wednesday in the KNVTV Community Room, 1100 Blue Lakes Blvd. N.

Living voices - "La Causa" - and a community conversation will be held at 7 p.m. Friday at the Eighth Street Center, 200 N. Eighth in Buhl.

La Causa is the story of Marta Hernandez, the daughter of Mexican-American migrant workers and her life-changing involvement in the Farm Workers Movement led by Cesar Chavez in the 1960s and '70s.

The "living voice" presentation is a multi-media performance with a single actress.

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MORNING LINE

SPORTSQUOTE

“Inside sources believe the controversial tattoo is something obscene like her WTA ranking.”

FoxSports.com columnist Randy Hill on Anna Kournikova's mystery tattoo

TRIVIA

QUESTION: Who holds the all-time record for Super Bowl rushing yardage?

...answer below

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

High school boys hoops
ISDB at Richfield JV, 7:30 p.m.
TFCA at Camas County, 7:30 p.m.
Oakley at Hagerman, 7:30 p.m.
Murtaugh at Hansen, 7:30 p.m.
Raft River at Castelford, 7:30 p.m.
High school girls basketball
ISDB at Richfield JV, 6 p.m.

IN BRIEF

Jerome boys hoops camp opens today

JEROME - The Jerome High School boys basketball program will host a hoops camp for boys grades 1-3 from 10 a.m. to noon today and another camp for boys grades 4-6 from 1 to 3 p.m. Registration for the first camp is at 9:30 a.m. at the high school gym and 12:30 for the older boys. The cost is \$15 for each child, including a T-shirt and admission to Tuesday's Twin Falls High-Jerome boys varsity basketball game at 7:30 p.m. For more information, call 837-6497 and leave a message.

Knights of Columbus plans free throw event

TWIN FALLS - The annual Knights of Columbus free throw contest will be held from noon to 3 p.m. Feb. 1 at the St. Edward's Catholic Church parish hall, at the corner of 7th Avenue East and Second Street East. The hall is across the street from the church.

The event, which is free, is open to boys and girls ages 10-14. Registration is at noon. There will be prizes for the top finishers in each age and gender division.

Twin Falls Legion meeting planned

TWIN FALLS - A meeting for American Legion Baseball parents and board members will be held at 7 p.m. next Monday, Jan. 27, in Room G2 at Twin Falls High School. The group will discuss the summer season and plans for its April fund-raising auction. For more information, call Stone at 733-2721.

Declo Rec opens wrestling registration

DECLO - The Declo Recreation Association will accept registration forms for boys wrestling for grades kindergarten through sixth grade through Thursday at the Declo elementary and junior high schools. Forms were sent home with the children but can also be obtained at the schools. The cost is \$10 a child. For more information, call Todd Webb at 349-5517 or Carol at 654-6893.

Compiled from staff and wire reports

TRIVIA ANSWER:
Franco Harris, Pittsburgh Steelers, 354 yards.

CSI dominates second half

Eagles pick up first conference road win

By Kevin Hall, Times-Herald Staff Writer

LAS VEGAS - Against a new comer, the College of Southern Idaho men played the role of kindly guest for 20 minutes.

The Golden Eagles turned snappy intruder during a 28-9 run in the opening 6:16 of the second half to per away the Community College of Southern Nevada, 96-80, at Lied Gymnasium in the Paul McDermott Complex at the University of Nevada-Las Vegas on Saturday.

In doing so, Southern Idaho earned its first Scenic West Athletic Conference road win of the basketball season, creeping back to 500 at 3-3 in the conference and 16-3 overall.

Jaision Williams and Dante Sawyer scored 22 points apiece and combined to shoot 9-of-17 from behind the 3-point arc to lead CSI. Sami Ibrahim had 18

Men		Women	
Team	Record	Team	Record
Dole	7-1	Dole	7-1
Snow	4-1	UVSC	5-2
UVSC	5-2	CSI	4-2
SLCC	4-3	NIC	3-3
CEU	4-3	Snow	5-2
NIC	4-4	CEU	4-3
CSI	3-3	SLCC	3-4
CNCC	1-7	CCSN	1-7
CCSN	0-8	CNCC	0-8

points in 23 minutes and Jeff Williams and Ryan Davis added 11 points each. CSI used a 48-6 advantage in 3-pointers and 59 percent shooting (19-of-32) in the second half for the win.

Daniel Artest had 22 points, Nick Porter scored 20 and Brian Lang added 17 tealed Southern Nevada, which lost its sixth in a row.

After three road losses to start the season, CSI looked on its way to dropping its fourth when the Coyotes (11-10, 0-8) took a 28-16 lead midway through the first

half. But Yakhoubia Diawara's slam dunk off a fast break and eight straight points from Sawyer, including a pair of 3-pointers, keyed a 13-4 run to pull the Eagles back within three at 32-29.

Sawyer added his third 3-pointer 2:11 later to make it a one-point game and the teams finished to a standstill tied at 42 at halftime.

CSI opened the second with its run, which included a 12-0 spurt, fueled by 3-pointers from Sawyer

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First-year foibles at CCSN

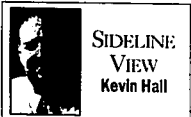
Out of rhythm, out of sync. It's become the catch phrase for George Tarkanian, the first-year men's basketball coach of fledgling Community College of Southern Nevada.

Tarkanian, whose bushy salt-and-pepper eyebrows resemble those of his father and legendary coach, Jerry, has had to deal with numerous on-again, off-again distractions here in Sin City.

The biggest problem for the cagey Coyotes has been a revolving roster like a temporary agency.

Four players had already left prior to the season, with only Daniel Artest, the younger brother of Indiana Pacer Ron, returning for his freshman campaign.

But Artest has only played in four - two since Christmas - of Southern Nevada's 21 games, including Saturday's 96-80 loss to the College of Southern Idaho.



SIDELINE VIEW
Kevin Hall

Others, such as Mackenzie Clark and Brian Lang, also just returned last week.

"We're a complete mess right now," admitted Tarkanian. "We should be a lot more competitive than what we are. We're out of rhythm, we're out of sync."

Only Saturday, did I finally see a Southern Nevada roster with numbered players on it. And on that list of names, three other players are listed, but are officially ex-Coyotes.

Not to mention the commuter school plays its games in a rented

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2003 CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIPS

Raiders overpower Titans

Oakland downs Tennessee 41-24 to advance to first Super Bowl in 19 years

The Associated Press

OAKLAND, Calif. - Tinged with a touch of gray, the Silver and Black are back in the Super Bowl.

The Oakland Raiders passed and brawled their way to a 41-24 victory over the Tennessee Titans in the AFC title game on Sunday, getting three touchdown throws from 37-year-old Rich Gannon.

Gannon's thirtysomething teammates - Jerry Rice, Bill Romanowski, Rod Woodson and, finally, Tim Brown - sent the Raiders and their maverick owner, Al Davis, to the NFL title game for the first time in 19 years.

They'll go for their fourth Super Bowl title next Sunday in San Diego, taking on the Tampa Bay Buccaneers, who beat the Philadelphia Eagles 27-10 in the NFC championship game earlier in the day.

"I've been looking at this game for 14 years and watching other people go," Brown said. "Now, I'm finally on my way. It's a great feeling."

Oakland's oft-touted "Commitment to Excellence" will be tested by a coach who knows it well - Jon Gruden, who Please see RAIDERS, Page A8



Oakland Raiders running back Charlie Garner leaps over fallen teammate Barret Robbins (63) during the third quarter of the AFC Championship in Oakland on Sunday. At right is Tennessee Titans comeback Donald Mitchell. Oakland prevailed 41-24 to advance to this Sunday's Super Bowl against the Tampa Bay Buccaneers.

Tampa Bay defense is Super

Bucs overcome history, Eagles start

By Dave Goldberg, Associated Press writer

PHILADELPHIA - The Tampa Bay Buccaneers can forget about the cold.

They're going to San Diego for the Super Bowl. After being stunned by a Philadelphia touchdown in the first minute of the NFC Championship game Sunday, the Bucs' league-leading defense shut down Donovan McNabb and company to beat the Eagles 27-10.

Tampa Bay advanced to its first NFL title game by overcoming all sorts of history - three consecutive losses at Veterans Stadium without an offensive touchdown, only one victory ever in temperatures under 40, and the hostile fans and slippery turf in the Vet's final NFL game.

After the Eagles' early flurry, sparked by Brian Mitchell's 70-yard return of the opening kickoff, it was all Tampa Bay. The Bucs led 17-10 at halftime and stifled Philadelphia after intermission.

"We had a lot of confidence," said Tampa Bay coach Jon

NFC Championship

Buccaners 27, Eagles 10

Gruden, in his first season with the team. "We won 13 games. We didn't feel we played our best earlier in Philadelphia. We just have to win one more game."

Gruden and the Bucs will play his old team, the Oakland Raiders, or the Tennessee Titans next Sunday.

"One more to go," said Warren Sapp, the talkative Tampa Bay defensive tackle. "We ain't going for no vacation."

Mike Alstott was one of several Bucs wearing short sleeves, almost in defiance of the 26-degree cold at kickoff. The wind chill was 16.

Alstott scored on a 1-yard run at the end of a 96-yard drive in the first quarter that was highlighted by Joe Jurevicius's 71-yard catch and run. Brad Johnson threw a 9-yard TD pass to Keyshawn Johnson in the second quarter, and Ronde Barber's 92-yard interception return with 3:12 left in the game clinched it after the Eagles had driven 73 yards to the Bucs 10. Martin Gramatica kicked two field goals.

"They were the better team," Eagles coach Andy Reid said. "They got after us. We didn't answer the bell on a few things."

"It's very disappointing. You come this far, 20-some odd weeks of football. You put yourself in position to strike for the Super Bowl and you lose."

Brad Johnson finished 20-of-33 for 259 yards against a Philadelphia secondary with three Pro Bowl selections, allowing the Bucs to control the ball and the clock, especially in the first half.

The defense, meanwhile, totally controlled McNabb, who finished 26-of-49 for 243 yards in just his second game back after missing six games with a broken right ankle. Simeon Rice and Barber had sacks that ended potential rallies.

That was enough to send a franchise with one of the NFL's most dismal histories to pro football's ultimate game. From 1983-96, the Bucs did not have a winning season and lost 10 or more games in 13 of those 14 seasons.

Until Dec. 29, when they beat the woeful Chicago Bears in temperatures in the 30s in Champaign, Ill., the Bucs were 0-21 when it was colder than 40.

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Tampa Bay cornerback Ronde Barber forces a fumble by Eagles quarterback Donovan McNabb during the third quarter of the NFC Championship game in Philadelphia on Sunday.

SPORTS

USOC is dysfunctional, but athletes win medals

By Tim Dahlberg Associated Press writer

Up until now, the people running America's Olympic program probably thought they were as skilled in political intrigue as American athletes were on the ice and snow of Salt Lake City. Later this month they likely have some real proof to teach them a few lessons. With their dysfunctional organization mired in a mess that they've even by U.S. Olympic Committee standards, Olympic leaders are being called on the carpet to explain to a worried Congress just what is going on. Those listening may not like what they hear. Sure, American athletes keep stepping onto the medal stands at the Olympic Games. The U.S. team won the medal count with 97 at Sydney and had a team record of 34 medals in Salt Lake City.

run the country's Olympic program a quarter century ago that continues unabated. And that has some concerned that the turmoil may find its way down to the field of competition. This time, it's a conflict-of-interest flap involving CEO Lloyd Ward that's the issue. Three months ago, it was Ward's membership at Augusta National Golf Club in question. Before that, it was Sandra Baldwin resigning as volunteer president and Norm Blake being forced out after less than a year as a take-care CEO. It never seems to end for an organization with an annual budget of \$125 million and a mandate to produce Olympic medal winners. Ward is fairly new to the ways of the USOC, but he's only adding to the legacy of the turbulent organization he took over 14 months ago. He's the fourth chief executive since 2000, and the 12th since Sen. Ted Stevens'

Amateur Sports Act passed in 1978 to centralize America's Olympic movement. At the time Ward was hired, the USOC's executive board was so impressed with his inspirational thoughts that they gave him a standing ovation. Only last week, the board struck by a smiling Ward as he insisted he did nothing wrong in trying to steer a \$4.6 million contract for the 2003 Pan American Games to his brother's company. They approved an ethics committee report that basically said while Ward may have appeared to have a conflict of interest, he really didn't mean it. Ward wouldn't even admit to an appearance of conflict of interest. "I can't point to it as a lapse in judgment," he said. To some, it seemed like a whitewash of Olympic proportions. And it was all done behind closed doors, where the executive committee prefers to do its dirty

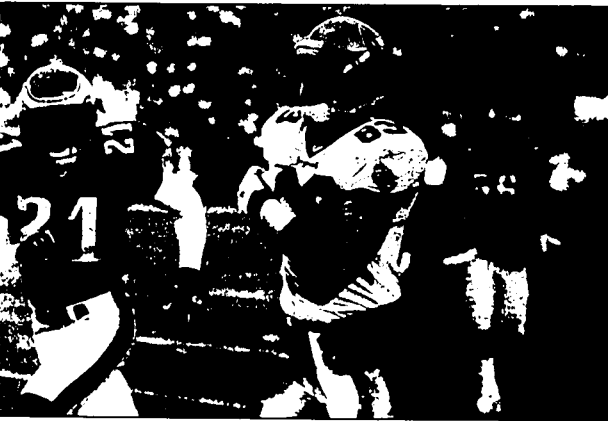
business despite the fact it is a quasi-governmental agency. "For us, that's the end of it," said Bill Stapleton, a sports agent who serves as a USOC vice president. Not quite. Members of the 23-person executive committee had barely gotten onto flights back home from Denver when the first shoe dropped. First, committee member Brian Derwin resigned in protest. Then, Pat Rodgers, the USOC's ethics compliance officer, quit, claiming he was pressured by ethics board chairman Kenneth Duberstein not to pursue the allegations against Ward. "He said that for my own good, I should find a way to make this go away," said Rodgers, who was a paid employee of the USOC. "I told him 'I'm not sure what you mean.'" Rodgers said he believed Ward was guilty of several ethics violations for trying to secure a viola-

generator contracts for his brother's company. Instead, the ethics committee issued a report saying there were no real violations and that it was upset that people outside the committee were interfering with its process. By Friday, things were really getting serious. The night before, some board members had decided the best way to handle the situation was get rid of volunteer USOC president Marty Mankamyer, whose relationship with Ward has been frosty. Then, Stevens demanded USOC leaders come to Washington to meet with him, saying the Olympic movement could not be eroded by personal problems or failure of its management." The same day, three members of the ethics committee resigned. Mankamyer, a grandnephew of Stevens, is a two-time Olympic president when Baldwin was forced to resign last year for lying about her academic credentials,

look if all in stride. She's been around long enough to know the legendary divisions within the USOC's paid leaders, staffers and volunteers and the backstabbing that goes along with it. "We may appear to be in-prime someone," Mankamyer said, "but it's a great organization." Mankamyer may think so; but Stevens isn't so sure. He said there may be some changes ahead in the structure of the USOC, which has a 23-member executive board and a 120-member board of directors. Add into that the agendas from the national governing bodies of the various Olympic sports and it's a breeding ground for turf wars and political paralysis. Try explaining that mess to Congress. Just up to talking with Congress about issues of management and governance," Mankamyer said. "I'm not sure what they will want, but my hope is that they will give us some idea of the questions they want answered."

Jurevicius catches one for newborn

PHILADELPHIA - This one was for his newborn son. For his wife, who gave birth a couple of weeks prematurely. For his teammates, who prayed for him and his family. The Tampa Bay Buccaneers are going to the Super Bowl, in large part because Joe Jurevicius found a way to put aside his worries for a day, to make one catch that changed the game and ended a week of soaring and sinking emotions. "I've been at the highest. I've been at the lowest, back at the highest," Jurevicius said.



Tampa Bay receiver Joe Jurevicius carries the ball on a 71-yard catch-and-run while the Eagles' Bobby Taylor (21) gives chase in the first quarter of the NFC Championship Sunday in Philadelphia.

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His 71-yard catch-and-run gave the Bucs the momentum they needed in a 27-10 victory against the Philadelphia Eagles on Sunday. "When my kid gets healthy and looks back on this, I want him to be proud and remember the moment," Jurevicius said. He went from "the best day of my life" on Tuesday, when his wife, Megan, gave birth to their son, Michael William, to several days and nights filled with fears and tears, and hopes and prayers that he would survive in good health. He stayed home with his family, mowing lawns, and didn't arrive in Philadelphia until late Saturday afternoon to "high fives and hugs" from his teammates. Jurevicius isn't the big playmaker on the Bucs. He's often the third or fourth option on plays. But he's a key man who would have been sorely missed. As his son struggled through the first 48 hours, Jurevicius might not make it to the game. "Family is always, he said. "Football will always remain second to me." By Thursday, after his son sta-

blehired, Jurevicius decided he had to come. "My family needed me to do this," he said. "It's what my son, my wife, my in-laws, my parents needed me to do. I needed to be out here. I needed to go run around. I needed to be hit. I needed to hit. "My son is a fighter. For everything he's gone through this week, the best I could do is hop on the plane and get down here and try to put everything behind me and play football." Jurevicius' big moment on the field came late in the first quarter, when he Bucs trailed 7-3. A line of white steam of frost was just beginning to form on the artificial turf in the last game at Veterans Stadium, and Eagles fans were whipping their white towels and roaring. On third-and-2 at the Tampa

24, Bucs quarterback Brad Johnson threw a short pass to the 6-foot-5, 230-pound Jurevicius as he cut across the middle. He picked up a block, cradled the ball in his left arm, and took off down the left side of the field before getting pushed out of bounds on the Eagles' 5-yard line. It was a moment that briefly silenced the crowd, stopped all that towel-waving, and altered the course of the game. Two plays later, Mike Alstott bolted into the end zone for a 10-7 Tampa Bay lead. The Eagles never recovered. "That play really got you going," Bucs coach Jon Gruden said. "Sixth year-old, Jurevicius seemed overwhelmed afterward at how his week, filled with so many churning emotions, turned out. "I got a chill in this locker

room before the game and it wasn't from the draft," Jurevicius said. "I knew that we were going to do something special today and we did. Right now I'm on cloud nine. I can't wait to go home and give my son the biggest kiss in the world and hug my wife and tell my family I love them." Michael Williams was born at 6 pounds, 1 ounce, and Jurevicius figures that "by the time it's all said and done he's going to be 6-foot-5, 245." For the moment, his message for his son will be simple: "Daddy's going out to try to help the Tampa Bay Buccaneers win the Super Bowl."

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Ernie Els fends off Baddeley in playoff

HONOLULU (AP) - In a thrilling battle that ended with an unlikely birdie, Ernie Els ousted the defending champion, Aaron Baddeley in a playoff Sunday to win the Sony Open and become the first player in 14 years to win the first two PGA Tour events of the season. Els took last week at Kapalua, the Big Easy had to work hard for this one. He appeared to be a beaten man when he missed the 353-yard 10th green to the left and chipped through the green, some 55 feet from the hole. Instead, Els rammed home the putt - just like Tiger Woods did to him three years ago at Kapalua - and won on the second

playoff hole when the young Aussie's 20-foot birdie putt hung on the lip. Els closed with a 3-under 67, while Baddeley had a 69 as both finished at 16-under 264. With steady nerves and a game that belies his 21 years, Baddeley holed a 12-foot birdie putt on the 18th hole to force a playoff, made another birdie in 6 feet to continue and was in much better shape than Els on No. 10, the second playoff hole. Steve Jones in 1989 was the last player to win the opening two events on tour.

Raiders

Continued from A7 left the Raiders after last season for the Oakland A's. "How ya doing, Coach?" Raiders receiver Jerry Porter quipped. "I'll see ya later." On a clear, perfect day at a stadium knowing as Black Hole, the Raiders led the work to the old drawing group of renegades they used to be as the new pass-happy team they have become. The old: 14 penalties for 127 yards, a handful of cheap shots and a heavy reliance on Steve McNair, who paid a huge price for his 190 passing yards and two rushing touchdowns. The new: Unbelievably, Oakland called exactly one running play over the first three quarters, leading the way to Gannon, the league MVP who threw 41 times for 286 yards and also scrambled for 41 more. The Raiders took the lead for good late in the second quarter, when Eric Barton stripped Tennessee's Robert Holcombe, giving Oakland the ball at the Tennessee 16. Two plays later, Gannon hit tight end Doug Jolly

for a score and a 21-17 lead. On the next play, special teams got into the act, forcing a fumble by John Simon and setting up a field goal for a seven-point lead at the half. Oakland tackled punter Craig Henrich to set up a field goal for a 10-point lead in the third. McNair was then at his gutty, gritty best, leading the Titans on a 67-yard touchdown drive to make it 27-7. Tennessee appeared to be stopped on that drive, but for Terrance Shaw got called for a personal foul, Oakland's fourth of the game. On the next play, McNair ran in from 13 yards for his second score. "McNair played like a true warrior today," said Oakland's first-year coach, Bill Callahan. "He had no quit in him, no die in him." But the Raiders kept picking on Tennessee's pass defense, rated 25th in the regular season. Gannon led Oakland on a 66-yard drive and ran for a 34-24 lead. This time, there was no denying the team. Davis built to win - and win now.

Sideline

Continued from A7 practice gym, houses visiting for in racquetball courts turned into makeshift locker rooms, and seems lost in a city built on gambling. "It's been a struggle, to say the least," said athletic director Tim Chambers, who just rolled his eyes when asked about the various problems with his year. "See, letters-of-intent were never formally signed, transcripts were lost or delayed and the program is running on a shoestring budget of around \$50,000 because of a lack of fundraising. The athletic department receives not a cent from student registration fees and is virtually self-funded, said Chambers. Because of all that, talented

basketball players such as Julian Sensley and JuVance Coleman (a former CSI recruit), left CSN with a team comprised of moderate players who opened the year 12-4, but are of, even less in Region 18. Heck, the Coyotes weren't lost in Colorado's bottom dweller Perennial Northwestern. "It's been unbelievably tough," Tarkanian said. "I think it's unfair that we compete on different standards (as CSI). That's why they're the Kentucky of JF basketball. They've got the support, they bring in players and they get them to classes." But Tarkanian, who said he accepted the CSN job in the summer of 2001 after stints at California colleges Chaffey and the Sequoias, is hopeful he can get things on track and turned around. With the phenomenal recruiting base of Las Vegas and the connections of his father, who was in the stands on Saturday, the crying Coyotes could become the next incarnation of those Runnin' Rebels of the 1980s. Once they get the rhythm.

Times News sports editor Kevin Hall covers CSI basketball.

CSI

Continued from A7 and Jeff Williams, who started the second half for a struggling Yakima Division. Ibrahim added an old-fashioned three-point play that opened some breathing room and perhaps, saved the Eagles' season. CSI head coach Guy Beach didn't want to go that far, but he said it was an important win, nonetheless. "It's a road win in Region 18," Beach said. "We came out and made some shots. In the second half, we didn't come out like they had. We have lost the game." Jeff Williams said the Eagles can fill all to take any oppo-

ment lightly in the highly competitive SWAC. "You can never look past a team in Region 18," he said. "The first half, we really lagged. But in the second half we just knew we had to get a road win. "We want to stay in the hunt for that championship." A basket by Mackenzie Clark got the Coyotes within six at 55-50 with 16:40 in the game. CSI countered with back-to-back shots in the paint by Ibrahim, two Jason Williams' pointers and a Sawyer Putback to stretch it to a 68-50 lead and leaving the Coyotes wondering what had just happened. Jason Williams, who took just

one shot in the second half in an 82-73 loss at No. 12 Dixie State College on Friday, said the Eagles pulled together defensively to get the job done. "We needed to get some stops defensively, we're just playing terrible defense," he said. "We had to come through and pick it up. We got to come out ready to play. We're beating ourselves." Beach agreed, saying the offense feeds off the Eagles' defense. "We can score points, we got to stop people," he said. "We did a great job of that in the second half." CSI returns home for six consecutive games starting

Wednesday against Treasure Valley Community College, whom CSI topped, 95-80, on Nov. 27. The Eagles then welcome in Snow College on Friday before Utah Valley State College (Jan. 30) and Dixie State (Feb. 1) come to town. 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Both parties present flawed stimulus plan

The Dallas Morning News

You really need a caffeine jolt today. So would you plan to brew a pot next week? No. You would make coffee today.

The same logic should apply to economic stimulus policies. The economy needs assistance today, yet the Democrats' \$136 billion stimulus measure amounts to a decaffeinated brew and President Bush's \$674 billion plan pours the most potent coffee later.

As an immediate economic benefit, the president's plan to eliminate the tax shareholdings pay on corporate dividends is the problematic part of an otherwise smartly crafted stimulus package. The problem is that ending double taxation of dividends will cost the federal coffers a gaudy \$364 billion while investors will not see its benefits until at least 2004.

Yes, taxing dividends twice is patently unfair and saps dollars from the pockets of average investors. Yes, allowing investors to keep more of their return will encourage investment and presumably higher stock prices. And, yes, the more indirectly provides needed capital gain tax relief, shelters some tax shelters and deters corporate management from manipulating stock performance. But the economic crisis is immediate, and these measures, while worthy and sound, don't directly return money to people quickly enough.

Now is not the time to engage this debate.

Already, a fair pile of money is sitting on the sidelines awaiting new investment opportunities. Double taxation of dividends is not keeping this money idle. Rather it's the overall economic climate, war, accounting scandals and the prospect of out-of-control deficits that scare investors. Investors want evidence that there will be a sustained recovery

Their view: This guest editorial from the Dallas Morning News says neither party has a viable economic stimulus plan to help right away.

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year later this year and policies that do not add substantially to the deficit.

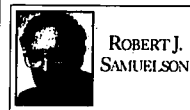
The rest of the Bush plan is right on the mark. Millions of middle-class families will gain from accelerating individual tax cuts, child credits and marriage penalty changes. Small businesses will gain from incentives for making new investments. Instead of eliminating the double tax on dividends, the president could seek other tax relief steps, like incorporating the \$55 billion, one-time tax rebate from the Democratic plan in his plan, or reducing payroll taxes.

As it stands, the president's full stimulus package will test the determination of Congress and the White House to exercise fiscal discipline. If they flunk the test, spending battles this year and the unknown costs of a looming war against Iraq could usher a return to spiraling federal deficits, higher interest rates and slow job creation.

Like runaway spending, tax cuts have a price tag.

AOL case becomes casualty in Web ambition

In 1999, America Online published a collection of Steve Case's speeches modestly titled "Looking Ahead to the Internet Century." It contained Case's musings on how the Internet would change education, democracy, philanthropy, public policy and international trade, as



ROBERT J. SAMUELSON

well as (of course) business and entertainment. Some of Case's prophecies have come to pass: Parents and students can check homework on the Net. But much of his vision remains unfulfilled, and it's doubtful that a hundred years from now people will refer to the Internet Century. Probably they will simply call it the 21st century.

Case's resignation the other day as chairman of AOL Time Warner is rightly regarded as a symbolic moment — the fall from power of someone who pronounced the Internet the source of almost all power. The historians and social archeologists of the future will surely find in his rhetoric ample evidence of the excesses of our era. No doubt they will heap much ridicule on some of his exaggerated predictions and, more to the point, identify in them the overconfidence and self-delusion that explained the period's stock market frenzy and vast overinvestment in new technologies (fiber-optic networks, for example).

It is in the realm that Case's eclipse is already being cast. The "old" economy has reassessed itself over "the new." The merchants of hype have now become its victims. But these obituaries really miss the important point about Case's failure and how it is a metaphor for a larger economic and social failure.

No one can see the future — which, of course, doesn't stop anyone from trying. Case failed, but in this, he is not especially different from anyone else.



Indeed, his earnest optimism and boundless enthusiasm define the characteristics of countless Americans who, through the decades, have pioneered new products and technologies. If they are not all-knowing, who cares as long as they continue to pioneer?

Here, unfortunately, is the true source of Case's failure and — by extension — the larger failure of the Internet's founders. They did not continue to pioneer and innovate.

The obvious truth about the Internet (though one rarely acknowledged) is that it's not especially important. Of course, it has grown spectacularly. We e-mail. We buy from eBay. We get homework from the Net. We have access to vast stores of information. But if the Internet collapsed tomorrow, most Americans would go on with their lives in a way that would not be true if, say, they could no longer drive their cars. (The same might not be true of businesses.)

During the 1990s, we were told that America's economic strength lay in its exceptional capacity to innovate. The "entrepreneurial spirit" was the key to our success. Americans took more risks than

others. These boasts were partly true. Stupendous advances occurred in basic technology. The power of computer chips increased enormously, so did the carrying capacity of fiber-optic cables. But innovation faltered in two critical ways. First, it did not create Internet products so valuable that consumers would buy them. People would pay for the basic connection — but not much else. Thus, the Internet has become a giant white elephant. Its technological capabilities are dazzling, its commercial realities are depressing. There's huge excess capacity; many Internet services lose money. The ideal and desired solution of the Internet complex — all the companies that depend on its success — would be to let everyone freely download music, films, books and almost anything else. That would induce people to buy faster computers and faster connections. But this isn't innovation. It's saving the industry by ripping off many others.

The second failure involves simplicity and reliability. When personal computers and the Internet were techie toys, they could be complicated and quirky. Indeed, many techies enjoyed

exploring the endless mysteries. But the requirements of a mass market are different. Ordinary consumers don't want to understand their appliances. They want to open the boxes and turn them on. They want them to work — all the time, not 88 percent of the time.

They don't want to discover that the Internet connection is "down" or that, suddenly and inexplicably, the printer won't print. Even now, this sort of dependability and simplicity remains elusive.

Case's undoing was not as a visionary but as a businessman, and his failure is mirrored widely throughout the Internet complex. What's now holding it back is insufficient innovation. People will not buy what they don't want or need. The scarcity of innovation has created a vacuum that is one cause of the economy's continuing lethargy. We should not be surprised. Innovation has never been easy, and — one day — it will again invigorate the Internet. Meanwhile, Case's story offers a useful lesson in national humility.

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Lieberman must calm fears on Israel in presidential bid

ZEV CHAFETS
Jerry Seinfeld is an American who happens to be Jewish. Lieberman is an Orthodox American Jew who happens to be a candidate for president.

As the Democratic nominee for vice president in 2000, Lieberman's Jewishness went largely unexamined. He was, after all, the No. 2 guy on the ticket. Besides, he ran in the last election of the Era of Grand Illusion, when America supposed itself to be living in a post-historical utopia.

There are lots of Jews in politics, and on matters of religion, they, like their Christian colleagues, come in various flavors and temperatures. Some are like warm chicken broth. Some are cold (gelatin) fish. Lieberman, by contrast, is a steaming hot mazzal. "I'm running as an American who happens to be Jewish," Lieberman said. That's nonsense

for Israeli interests.

If Lieberman wins the nomination, he will find himself under great pressure to demonstrate that he is not influenced by extraneous, i.e. Jewish, matters. In practical terms, that means bending over backward to show he is even-handed on Israel and not hostile to Israel's enemies. And if he is elected, that pressure will grow dramatically.

Lieberman seems like a standup guy. Maybe he would feel free to pursue America's war against radical Islam with the same uncomplicated toughness as President Bush. And there is no denying the sweet irony of a Jewish commander in chief conducting the anti-jihad. But it is disingenuous to pretend the presence of a red-hot Zionist in the White House would not, at the very least, complicate the war effort.

I'm not saying nativist conspiracy theories or Islamic anti-Semitism should disqualify

Lieberman, or any Jew, from the presidency. But the senator's strong Jewish identity can't be regarded, in the present circumstance, as a trivial matter. Nor should it be brushed aside, as Lieberman evidently intends. Sure, religion and ethnicity are ticklish subjects, but they will do more than tickle if, for reasons of political correctness, they aren't frankly discussed.

In 1960, John F. Kennedy assuaged fears about his Catholicism by speaking openly with skeptical Baptist ministers. Lieberman needs to do something similar with today's skeptics — most of whom belong to the dovish wing of his own party.

I, too, am a skeptic, but for a different reason. More than 30 years in Israel taught me a reluctant lesson: Politicians are like Mississippi salmon — kosher doesn't necessarily mean better.

Zev Chafets is a columnist for the New York Daily News.

SIRCOMM patrons deserve better service

There is no law that says our local police departments can't dispatch their own non-emergency calls. The city handled more than 8,000 non-emergency calls since it, 311 went into effect. I think that shows there is a need for the service. I used the 311 line recently and the phone was picked up on the second ring and my call efficiently handled.

will cause problems with 911 is without basis as far as I can see. At least for the reasons I stated in the Jan. 11 article in the Times-News. It takes only a nanosecond to transfer the call. I am on U.S. Highway 93 between Jackpot and Twin Falls four nights a week. We see many things that need attention, such as possible DUI's, etc. We don't call SIRCOMM anymore; we call the Idaho State Police. The state police does very well in getting us help if needed.

The alleged problems at SIRCOMM are not the dispatchers, in my opinion. SIRCOMM needs to realize it is a service provider. The people who use this service are paying good money for it and ought to have this service provided the way they want. This is imperative so the departments can provide a proper service to the public. No department likes to have outside interference in the running of their departments. Additionally, no agency should be forced to continue a

service it doesn't want. Taking this problem to Boise for law changes is a very good idea. It belongs there. I like the overall theory of SIRCOMM. But after 30 years of problems, the situation needs to be revisited. I wonder in the real world of business if a private company would keep putting money into a situation such as SIRCOMM. Unfortunately, many of us will need an ambulance, police officer or a fire apparatus at some

time, so this affects us all. We should all be concerned. Time is a factor in these situations and lack of accuracy could be fatal. Will the proper equipment that you pay for in taxes get to you in a time of need? DANNY CRAFTON Hansen (Editor's note: Danny Crafton is retired from a local law-enforcement office)

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NATION/WORLD

Powell disagrees with Bush on affirmative action case

WASHINGTON — Secretary of State Colin Powell said Sunday he disagrees with President Bush's position on an affirmative action case before the Supreme Court, as the White House called for more money for historically black colleges.



Colin Powell

Powell, one of two black members of Bush's Cabinet, said he supports methods the University of Michigan uses to bolster minority enrollments in its undergraduate and law school programs. The policies offer points to minority applicants and set goals for minority admissions.

"Whereas I have expressed my support for the policies used by the University of Michigan, the president, in looking at it, came to the conclusion that it was constitutionally flawed based on the legal advice he received," Powell said on the CBS program "Face the Nation."

Protesters cap a weekend of action with defiant rally

WASHINGTON — Dancing in a conga line and shouting calls for peace, demonstrators on Sunday pressed as close to the White House grounds as they could to demand that President Bush back off Iraq. Police swiftly arrested those who breached barricades.

A crowd of about 1,000 rallied in view of the Executive Mansion, capping a weekend of demonstrations that featured a huge and peaceful rally Saturday and protests around the world.

At one point Sunday, protesters flooded into a street to block traffic, police pushed and dragged them back. In the scuffle, an older woman who was part of the demonstration was pushed over. Anti-race officials said she was one of two people transported to hospitals with major injuries suffered during the demonstrations. The hospital where the woman was taken declined to release information on her injuries, saying it had not received permission from the patient to do so.

Court: IRS committed fraud in pilots' tax evasion case

SAN FRANCISCO — A federal appeals court has ruled the Internal Revenue Service committed fraud and acted deceptively after availing secret deals to two pilots in return for their testimony in a 1.2-billion pilot-suits case.

The 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals on Friday overturned a previous ruling against the pilots who were found guilty of tax evasion and were ordered to pay more than \$2 billion in penalties.

In order to remedy the IRS misconduct, the court ordered that all the pilots should receive the same deal that one of the pilots received.

As part of the secret deal, pilot John Thompson escaped paying the taxes he owed and received a \$60,000 refund through falsified tax returns prepared with help from the IRS. Thompson used the refund to pay his legal fees.

Astronauts set small fires aboard shuttle in soot study
CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. — Space shuttle Columbia's astronauts set small fires inside their orbiter laboratory Sunday in a scientific study of soot.

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The flames were contained in a chamber inside an even bigger chamber, and there was no danger of fire breaking out.

Astronauts Kalpana Chawla, an American who was born in India, and Ilan Ramon, the first Israeli in space, used a hot wire igniter and jet burner to produce flames up to 2 inches long. They collected some of the soot for analysis back on Earth.

Scientists want to better understand the production of soot, a pollutant that can lead to lung disease. They turned to space in order to eliminate the rising of hot air — the so-called buoyancy effect — and to slow the reactions inside flames for easier study.

Two young sisters safe after night lost in woods

KISSIMMEE, Fla. — Two young sisters were found safe Sunday after spending 18 hours lost in the woods, huddling together in near-freezing weather after they wandered away from their family's vacation camp site.

Elizabeth Murrell, 12, and 9-year-old sister Amanda said they found some shelter in a hollowed-out tree, and suffered few problems other than numb hands and feet.

"Basically, we just huddled up together in our jackets," Elizabeth told reporters after the girls were returned to the Tropical Palms Resort near Walt Disney World.

"I had frost on my jacket early in the morning," Elizabeth said. Amanda "could barely stand up, she was so cold."

Last recognized widow of a Civil War veteran dies at 93

BLAINE, Tenn. — Gertrude Janeway, the last widow of a Union veteran from the Civil War, has died in the three-room log cabin where she lived most of her life. She was 93.

Bedridden for years, she died Friday, more than six decades after the passing of the man she called the love of her life, John Janeway, who married her when he was 81 and she was barely 18.

"She was a special person," said the Rev. Leonard Goux, who officiated at her funeral Sunday. "Gertrude, as she was called, had a vision beyond that (cabin) that kept her going. She never had any wavering or doubt in her salvation. She was strong in that," he said.

She was to be buried Monday near her husband's slender military tombstone at tiny New Cornith Church cemetery.

'Kangaroo Jack' leads weekend box office

LOS ANGELES — A kangaroo hopped past comedian Martin Lawrence at the weekend box office.

"Kangaroo Jack," a comedy about two hapless pals trying to retrieve missing mob money from a kangaroo in Australia, edged into first place in its debut weekend, taking in \$17.7 million, according to studio estimates Sunday.

— compiled from wire reports

Turkish protesters denounce Iraq war

ANKARA, Turkey (AP) — Thousands of Turkish protesters gathered Sunday for an anti-war demonstration as America's top general arrived to push for U.S. use of Turkish bases for a possible war with neighboring Iraq.

The 2,000-strong protest was part of a weekend of anti-war demonstrations in Turkey and around the world, the largest on Saturday drawing tens of thousands of people to Washington.

About 5,000 people protested in Brussels on Sunday. About 400 protesters gathered outside a military base in Britain to urge their government not to go to war against Saddam Hussein.

Several hundred demonstrators, mostly college students, rallied Sunday outside the Justice Department in Washington, and there were smaller Turkish protests in Istanbul and other cities.

The United States is pressuring Turkey, NATO's only Muslim member, to agree to let it station troops here as it did during the



Some 2,000 Turks in Ankara protest Sunday against a possible U.S. military operation against neighboring Iraq.

1991 Gulf War. Turkey has delayed its response, however, with polls showing 80 percent of the population opposing another

conflict next door.

Gen. Richard Myers, chairman of the U.S. Joint Chiefs of Staff, flew into the southern Turkish air

base recently, and by the time he arrived to survey a no-fly zone over Iraq. He then went to Ankara. He has to give a briefing to Turkey's chief of Gen. Hilmi Dökme, the Defense Minister. Veysel Çankirli, a member of the Parliament, said that Turkey has to be careful not to get involved in the war, and "We will not let America's soldiers."

"The government should not allow this direct way to be placed," said Mehmet Bekmezci, a former pro-Islamic legislator in a speech. "It should listen to the people because the people are opposed to war."

Turkey has said that any support it extends to a U.S. military campaign against Iraq would be limited. The United States had reportedly asked to base up to 80,000 soldiers in Turkey for an Iraq conflict, but is considering sharply reducing that number, some 20,000, diplomats said.

N. Korea reactor can yield new bombs

The Baltimore Sun

It is an unavoidable hazard of the Atomic Age. The same nuclear reactors that generate the electricity we use to heat soup will always convert a fraction of their uranium fuel into plutonium — the critical ingredient for building atomic bombs.

North Korea says it only scientists to generate electricity when it restarts its Yongbyon reactor.

But that's sufficient for North Korea to build a new Nagasaki-sized atomic bomb every 10 months — or every five if its scientists are especially good at extracting the plutonium from the spent fuel, says Ivan C. Oelrich, a senior research associate at the Federation of American Scientists.

And that doesn't count the plutonium already available in the 8,000 spent fuel rods the North Koreans are believed to have cooling in storage pools. That stockpile could be reprocessed quickly into five or six bombs, intelligence officials say.

"That's the more immediate problem," Oelrich says. "If we could work some deal where we got the fuel rods under control..."

Pope urges Catholics to send children to Catholic schools

VATICAN CITY (AP) — Pope John Paul II urged Catholics on Sunday to send their children to Catholic schools, saying the education will help the young confront the "big questions of existence."

The pope made the comments during his regular Sunday appearance to pilgrims and tourists in St. Peter's Square. Among those gathered this week were students and teachers from several Catholic schools in Rome.

"While I thank those who live and work in Catholic schools, I hope that every family has the concrete possibility of choosing for their children this type of school," the pope said.

Catholic schools can help children "confront in a positive way the big questions of existence," he said.

next week, we could worry about the reactor later."

The North Koreans are believed to have a fuel-reprocessing plant, which they call a "radiochemical laboratory." American intelligence officials suspect that before it was shut down in 1994 in an agreement with the United States, the plant recovered enough plutonium to build one or two nuclear weapons.

Now there is fear the Pyongyang government is preparing to resume plutonium production. Last month it disabled the international monitoring equipment installed at the reprocessing plant and expelled the inspectors who had kept watch on it.

Just how much plutonium bomb-makers can get from spent reactor fuel depends on several factors. But a general rule of thumb, Oelrich says, is that you get a gram of plutonium per day for each megawatt of heat produced by the reactor.

The Yongbyon reactor would produce 20 to 30 grams of plutonium a day when it's running, Oelrich says, equal to the weight of seven to 10 U.S. pennies.

The creation of plutonium for bomb-making was the whole

point of the early atomic reactors built for the Manhattan Project in World War II. Plutonium created in reactors at the government's Hanford, Wash., plant powered the 21-kiloton "Fat Man" bomb dropped on Nagasaki on Aug. 9, 1945.

After the war, the United States — and later Britain, France, the Soviet Union, China, India and Pakistan — built plants to reprocess reactor fuel in order to extract the plutonium and build up their atomic arsenals.

Several nations built or planned "breeder" reactors that would produce a surplus of plutonium, intended for use as fuel in still more nuclear power plants.

But the enthusiasm for nuclear power generation waned. And the reprocessing of spent fuel has declined in recent decades amid growing concerns about nuclear proliferation, high costs and environmental worries, Oelrich says.

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Breathtaking

Caribbean iguanas while visiting the Virgins

In these times of international tension, real news professionals disdained their personal safety and headed for the world's trouble spots. This is what recently I traveled to the U.S. Virgin Islands, where I faced the very real danger that, as I returned to the States, many of my exposures would be tax-deductible.

The Virgin Islands are located in the Caribbean, which gets its name from the Indian words "Cari," meaning "body of water," and "ibana," meaning "islands." I'm really glad your computer has a spell checker. The Virgin Islands were discovered in 1493 by Christopher Columbus, who wisely elected to remain on the island pending the discovery process so as to avoid being turned into Purina Shark Chow by the people who already lived there.

Bare sailing briskly away, Columbus named the islands "Virgin Islands" because he thought they looked like reclining women, which tells you how long he had been on a non-coeducational ship.

Although the islands were originally claimed by Spain, over the years they belonged to Holland, France, England, Denmark, Poland, Wales, Nigeria and the Netherlands. A New York Yankee farm organization, before they were finally purchased by the U.S. government for \$25 million, which is coincidentally the exact amount that I spent down there on drinks with names like "Drambuie Kablooye."

This is pretty much how everybody passes the time in the Virgin Islands. You lie on the sun, listening to the soothing sounds of the wind and the surf and the precancerous lesions forming on your skin. The only remotely alarming thing I saw during my visit occurred at a small outdoor bar at a place called Sapphire Beach, where a wedding reception was going on, and the bride's bouquet was partially eaten by (I am not making this up) an iguana.

There are iguanas everywhere, roughly the size of squirrels, except that instead of being cute and furry, they look like cranky middle-aged dinosaurs. They stand around all day, glaring and thinking, "If this were 25 million years ago, I would eat the whole bride."

My son, clearly thinking inheritance, talked me into windsurfing. This involves standing on a surfboard with a sail attached to it, and then, by shifting your weight and pointing the sail in a certain direction relative to the wind, falling into the water like a sack of gravel. I estimate that I got up on the surfboard, and immediately fell back off, 50 times, in the process traveling forward a total of 11 feet.

After I staggered back to the beach, a real windsurfer appeared, looking like a Greek god, but with a better body. He was zipping effortlessly across the waves, muscles rippling, and my wife was watching him, and I said, "I bet that guy couldn't handle the pressure of producing a weekly newspaper column! Right? Honey? Right? Hello?"

So I decided to engage in a manly activity that I happen to be quite good at: building a sand castle. Not for me, of course. It was for my daughter. The problem is that she, being two, soon became bored and wandered off, leaving me to work alone, with my little blue pail and my little yellow shovel. I don't want to boast, but I made a very manly castle. I'm sure that Pterodactyls, out puffing around on his little board, was intimidated, although he pretended not to notice. But my wife was clearly impressed, because later on she accompanied me to our room for an intimate - and sometimes, frankly, wild - evening of trying to get the sand out of our daughter's hair.

And that, in a nutshell, is the situation in the U.S. Virgin Islands. In my journalistic opinion, it's perfectly safe to travel there, as long as you take certain common-sense precautions, such as iguana-proofing your bouquet. (In fact, you mess up my castle, you're dead.)

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Lung problems worsen in the cold

By Steve Crump
Times-Herms writer

TWIN FALLS - She watches the weather the way most people watch the clock, for winter is unkind to Deanie Dugger.

"It's bad," said Dugger, a 65-year-old emphysema sufferer. "I don't go outside if the wind is blowing, or if it's very cold."

And even on a calm, mild winter's day, a whiff of woodsmoke from the breeze can aggravate her problems. "I don't look forward to winter," she said.

Nor do many people with a broad range of chronic respiratory ailments such as emphysema, cystic fibrosis and asthma, says Dr. Robert Lobb, a Twin Falls physician who specializes in treating lung diseases.

"There are just so many different factors that can set off breathing problems in the winter-time if you have chronic respiratory disease," he said. "For some people, even hearing the wind blowing against the house can touch off their bronchial spasms."

"What isn't much of a threat in the Magic Valley is the kind of foul air that is routinely trapped by wintertime temperature inversions in Boise and Salt Lake City."

"We do have temperature inversions here," Lobb said. "But the terrain is flat enough and the wind blows hard enough, that they usually don't stay for long, unless when they do, they're not as severe."

A temperature inversion is a weather phenomenon in which a

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Why woodsmoke matters

A small amount of fine dust, wood smoke from fireplaces and wood stoves is the largest source of particulate matter pollution generated by residential sources. In some localities, fireplaces and woodstoves have been identified as the source of 80 percent or more of all ambient particles smaller than 2.5 microns in diameter (PM2.5) during the winter months. A large body of evidence links particulate matter with adverse health outcomes, including excess mortality, especially among those with preexisting cardiopulmonary illness.

Fireplaces and woodstoves, and even special equipment such as wood pellet combustors and Environmental Protection Agency Phase II Certified woodstoves, produce orders of magnitude more particulate matter than well-tuned oil or gas devices producing equivalent heat. Moreover, woodstoves routinely produce several times more air pollutants than original design values simply because of improper operation including their misuse as incinerators for residential refuse, maintenance, and normal equipment degradation with use.

In addition to particulate matter, woodsmoke emissions contain compounds such as carbon monoxide, various irritant gases such as nitrogen dioxide, sulfur dioxide, hydrochloric acid, and formaldehyde, and chemicals known or suspected to be carcinogens, such as polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons, and dioxin.

Monitoring of airborne particulate matter and PAH levels in many residential areas across the country shows that exposure to these pollutants is consistent with the use pattern of residential wood combustion. The sites studied are far from industrial sources and the times of maxi-

mum pollutant levels do not correlate with local traffic activity.

Outdoor PM10 levels in such residential areas have reached 2 micrograms per cubic meter during holiday evenings - comparable to the maximum recorded PM10 concentrations in nonheated tobacco smokes.

Studies have also shown that people using woodburning devices to heat their homes can be routinely exposed to excessive levels of fine particulate matter in their indoor air.

For consumers who are considering replacing their wood-burning appliances with gas-burning appliances, the American Lung Association recommends choosing vented appliances whenever possible, to minimize potential indoor air quality problems.

If you must burn wood, here are a few important steps to reduce harmful emissions from your fireplace or woodstove:

- Use the cleanest technology available. All woodstoves manufactured after the late 1980s must meet EPA certified standards. These woodstoves give off less pollution, need less fuel, and need cleaning less often than older, noncertified wood stoves.
- Burn only clean, dry, seasoned hardwood. Wet wood produces more smoke. Soft woods like pine produce more emissions and deposit residue on your chimney.
- Never burn painted or treated wood, trash or colored paper, which give off harmful chemicals and more smoke as they burn.
- Keep your stovepipe and chimney clean. To prevent the buildup of creosote that can cause chimney fires and needless emissions.

—Source: American Lung Association



Deanie Dugger has emphysema and is one of the Magic Valley residents who suffer from wintertime weather conditions.

Will Kidman win Oscar by a nose?

The Baltimore Sun

For all the attention it's been getting, you'd think Nicole Kidman's nose was the star of "The Hours," the much-acclaimed film about three women whose lives are affected by the works of author Virginia Woolf.

To portray Woolf, Kidman sports a fake proboscis that transforms one of Hollywood's most stunning beauties into, well, a fumpy intellectual. As the cover of a recent issue of Entertainment Weekly promised: "You Won't Believe Your Eyes." That's true enough; the woman gazing out dourly from movie posters for "The Hours" bears little resemblance to the star of "Moulin Rouge" and "Eyes Wide Shut."

But Kidman is hardly the first person to tinker with appearance to satisfy the cinematic muse; heck, John Huston's "The Last of the Mohicans" was really all about famous actors (Frank Sinatra, Burt Lancaster, Robert Mitchum, et al.) wearing disguises. And anyone who's ever seen "The Wizard of Oz," here's betting you won't find her recognized Bert Lahr (The Cowardly Lion), Jack Haley (The Tin Woodman) or Ray Bolger (The Scarecrow) if you'd run into them walking down the street.

So while it's a fact that



Across Nicole Kidman, in character as author Virginia Woolf, is shown from a scene of "The Hours." Kidman dons a fake proboscis in her portrayal of Woolf, a fumpy intellectual.

Kidman's transformation is remarkable for both its subtlety and its effectiveness; she's following a path hundreds of actors have trod before. Here's a baker's dozen examples of famous faces (and other body

parts) altered for the big screen:

- Lon Chaney in "The Phantom of the Opera" (1925). The original movie chameleon, Chaney was so famous for changing

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Cash in on sewing talents

Is this the year you decide to expand your love of sewing into a profit-making venture? One of the first steps is to channel that ambition in a specific direction, considering your skills and preferences.

Many professionals choose to work at home. Here are some options:

- General seamstress or dressmaker: A good way to start gaining experience in dealing with clients and running a business. You should be able to handle a variety of sewing projects and have a clear understanding of fit. You may be provided with a pattern, but expect to consult on style and fabric.
- Bridal dressmaker: Great if you like working with special occasion fabrics and more elaborate designs. Bridal party and prom dresses are usually included in this, and it helps to have a large, clean workspace.
- Custom dressmaker: Allows you to work with select clientele and charge higher fees for creating original designs. You must be experienced in fine sewing.
- Alterations: A lucrative area, much in demand by men and women. You'd probably work on ready-made garments, doing tasks as simple as turning hems or as complicated as changing the fit of a tailored suit.
- Home decorating: Involves



SEWING
Barbara Gash

made to order window treatments, bedding and slipcovers. You need more space than the average dressmaker, if you work independently. Some prefer outfitting with local home decor stores.

• Custom embroidery: Could be a profitable specialty if you have the right equipment. You might embroider items for clubs, businesses, sports teams, schools and other groups.

• Designing: Create original pieces such as dolls, art quilts and accessories. You can sell and item yourself, or sell wholesale to shops.

• Teaching: Share skills on all levels, giving lessons at home or in classrooms.

Next week: Getting started, and where to find help.

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HEALTH & FASHION

Cassia hospital offers infant care class

Infant care class will be offered from 5-7 p.m. Tuesday in the board room at Cassia Regional Medical Center in Burley.

Topics will include infant care, feeding and bathing. Cost for the infant care class, including several other childbirth classes, is \$20.

About C-sections

Cesarean childbirth class will be offered from 6:30-9 p.m. Tuesday in the Sage Room of the Education Center at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls.

The class will include information on cesarean deliveries, postpartum care, hospital procedures and non-forming labors.

Cost is \$20. Preregistration is not required. For more information or to register, call 737-2900.

'Baby and Me'

St. Benedict's Family Medical Center will offer "Baby and Me" classes and "10:30-11:30 a.m." Tuesdays at the Health

Breathe

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layer of cold air close to the ground is trapped by a layer of warmer air above it. It can last for weeks. In mountain-ringed topography like the Treasure Valley or along the Wasatch Front.

"They're as bad as it gets if you have chronic lung disease," Lobbs said. "You end up indoors." Inverters do occasionally plague the Wood River Valley, but the Pacific storm track that crosses central Idaho usually clears them out.

"The bigger problem there is woodsmoke," Lobbs said.

"Woodsmoke contains particulate matter that really aggravates chronic respiratory disease," Lobbs said.

"Inverses do occasionally plague the Wood River Valley, but the Pacific storm track that crosses central Idaho usually clears them out."

"The health effects include increased respiratory symptoms, more hospital admissions for chronic bronchitis, infections, exacerbation of asthma and decreased breathing ability. But even clear, cold air can touch off gasping and wheezing. So can a shift in wind."

"If you're with chronic lung disease in 20 degree temperatures at sea level with no wind," Lobbs said. "The more adverse factors you add, the worse they tend to do. It's possible to control temperature, humidity and to filter out some of it all - particulate matter. It's a haven to which Dugger stays close."

"I have a harder time in the mornings," she said. "It's a little better in the afternoon."

Local pollutants, like those from food processing plants and dairies, can be a big problem for their neighbors with compromised respiratory systems, Lobbs said.

"And winter is the season for colds and the which can make it even worse," he said.

"Many here are being impacted by Magic Valley residents who can afford to do so spend their winters in milder climates and at lower elevations, although increasingly air pollution is creating its own problems in the Phoenix, Tucson and Las Vegas areas."

"I don't have any statistics handy to back it up, but it seems to me that we're putting more people in the hospital now during the winter with chronic respiratory disease than we used to," Lobbs said. "It's a real good time to see it."

To do for you

Education Center, 115 Fifth Ave. W., Jerome. This week's topic will be "Traveling With Baby." The session is for parents of children from infancy through toddler years.

The class is free. For more information, call 324-7262.

Diabetes support

Diabetes Support Group will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday at the South Central District Health office, 1020 Washington St. N., Twin Falls. Those attending the meeting will need to use the north entrance of the district health building.

Pharmacist Dick Roemer will lead the discussion on "Medications for People with Diabetes."

The free meeting is open to the public.

For more information, call Carol Gandiaga at 733-5300 or Susie Beem at 734-5900, Ext. 246.

CPR for babies

Infant cardiopulmonary resuscitation and child safety class will be offered from 7-9 p.m. Tuesday at Cassia Regional Medical Center in Burley.

Instruction will include first aid techniques to assist infants who are choking.

Cost for the Infant CPR and safety class, including several other childbirth classes, is \$20.

To register or for more information, call 677-6500.

Help for widows

Widowed Information and Consultation Services will begin a series of Coping with Widowhood meetings from 10:15-11:30 a.m. Wednesday at the College of Southern Idaho's Office on Aging in Twin Falls. The meetings will be held each Wednesday for eight weeks.

Through the sessions, widowed men and women will receive information and support in dealing with the problems of being widowed.

For more information or to register, call the Office on Aging at 736-2122.

About breastfeeding

A breastfeeding class will be held from 7-9:30 p.m. Thursday at the St. Benedict's Health Education Center, 115 Fifth Ave. W., Jerome.

The class is offered as part of the prepared childbirth classes and will include information on beginning breastfeeding. The session will be taught by a registered nurse. Participants are asked to bring two pillows and a blanket to the class.

The class is free for those who will be delivered at St. Benedict's Family Medical Center. For more information or to register, call 324-1122, Ext. 3361.

To do for you is a calendar listing of health-related activities, events and education. Information should be submitted by Thursday for publication in the following Monday's Health & Fashion. Mail notices to: The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83403, or deliver to our office at 132 Third St. W.

Just say no at the dry spa

DEAR PAULA: For Christmas last year, I received a gift certificate to receive several treatments at a local dry spa. As wonderful as the services were, the pressure to buy products was overwhelming and embarrassing, tainting the entire experience. I didn't quite know what to do. I ended up buying a few items but later that day I was mad at myself for being so weak and susceptible. Are all spas like this and what could I have done different?

—LETTY, MIAMI DEAR LETTY: Despite the joy and comfort I've received at almost every spa I've ever been to, what always gets in the way of the royally attentive services is exactly what happened to you, the persistent sales pitch to buy products delivered by the manicurist, masseuse, facialist or the person at the cash register when I check out. For the most part, I was told to buy only the ones sold at their spa because others, especially those at the drugstore or even cosmetics counters, were inferior. The presentation was so insistent that I asked them to stop talking about products.

An interesting sales method at one spa had a low-key sales pitch from the staff, but when I went to pay my bill, I was presented with a prepackaged bag of products accompanied by a prescription-like recommendation as if I had already agreed to buy them.



Be aware, that spa will pressure you to buy products that are often overpriced, unnecessary, or have less expensive and better-formulated alternatives to consider. You can take control by not giving up your assertiveness. Just because a nice person is painting your nails, rubbing your back, or taking care of your face. You only say "please" if you really want to. I appreciate your recommendations but I don't want to talk about products today, thank you. That simple sentence works every time. There have been many times when I said just that and the person performing my service apologized for their sales pressure, admitting they were embarrassed that management insists they sell, sell, sell. But just because management wants you to buy, buy, buy, doesn't mean you have to.

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Women's health symposium is set for Saturday

The Times-News

PAUL—A women's health symposium will be held from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Saturday at the United Methodist Church, 127 West Clark.

A salad luncheon will be available. A free-will offering will be taken to cover the cost of the symposium. This seminar will cover the importance of hormone balance and how it affects women's health; natural hormone replacement therapy; osteoporosis and calcium supplementation; osteoscreening with a bone density

A free-will offering will be taken to cover the cost of the symposium.

test available for \$30; cancer prevention; harmful chemicals in personal care products; new ways to gain health and wellness; introduction to aromatherapy, and essential oils and how to test nutritional supplements.

Speakers include Kent Alexander, pharmacist at Dick's Pharmacy in Twin Falls; Marty Hoffman, pharmacy educator at

Dick's Pharmacy; Danielle Bennion, of Northwest Osteoscreening; Margie Aliprandi of Cancer Prevention Coalition, a Newways International Wellness Consultant; register nurse Lisa Klamm speaking on aromatherapy and essential oils and Peggy Goodman, speaking on nutritional supplement testing.

Seating is limited. To register or set up an appointment for the bone density test, call Peggy Goodman at 431-3444.

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The Vattikuti center is one of 20 U.S. hospitals participating in the newly awarded comparison of digital and film-screen mammography.

Researchers hope to enroll 50,000 U.S. women through the fall of 2004 in the Digital Mammography Imaging Screening Trial. (For details, see www.dimag.org.) The study is funded by the National Cancer Institute and conducted the American College of Radiology Imaging Network, a professional mammography organization.

The study hopes to answer the big, unanswered question about digital mammography: Is it better at detecting breast cancer than the current gold standard, film-screen mammography?

Each woman in the study gets two free mammograms — one done with the old technology, the other with the new. The same radiologic technician performs each mammogram, to rule out differences in skills.

Each digital and film-screen X-ray will be analyzed by four physicians — two physicians at the participating hospital and two independent, national reviewers. At the national level, reviewers will look at whether the tests find the same results.

If the tests don't agree, the woman is called back for a biopsy and follow-up.

Participants will receive two more free mammograms one year after the first ones, and they will be followed by phone calls for three years to find out whether they have developed breast cancer.

Women who are pregnant, have breast implants or radiation have a lumpectomy with diagnosis are excluded from the study.

Since the federal Food and Drug Administration approved the nation's first digital mammography units two years ago, few hospitals have added the units. They cost about \$500,000

each, more than twice the price of film-screen machines. Maintenance costs also are higher.

Of more than 300 Michigan mammography centers, only seven offer the digital technology. Some mammography providers are waiting for improvements in the technology.

One problem is getting good X-ray images of large breasts. Several manufacturers are developing technology to address that issue. For now, women who wear a C cup or larger aren't offered digital mammograms at Beaumont, says Dr. Murray Rehner, the radiologist who directs the Vattikuti center, which performs 230 mammograms a day, seven days a week.

Beaumont's four digital units, added in May, perform 85 percent of the center's mammograms. Nearly all insurers now pay for digital mammography, but usually at the same rate as film-screen mammography.

Attitude

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His appearance to suit a role that fans were said to have no idea what he really looked like. In a career that included roles from an angry teen to a handsome cowboy who makes a living getting slapped to Quasimodo, the Hunchback of Notre Dame, he was never more memorable — nor more unrecognizable — than in "Frankenstein" (1931). With his eyes bulging out, his nostrils pinched and stretched and his hair all-but-obiterated, Chaney's visage was the stuff of nightmares. So startling was his appearance that lobby cards for the film were careful to blot out his face, to ensure that movie audiences jumped for real when Mary Philbin unmasked him. The strategy worked, and a horror icon for the ages was born.

Heston to help get financing for this seedy classic (and to ensure Welles sat in the director's chair), slapped on an outsized nose to go along with his outsized frame for the film's brief foray into the Mexican border town. Rarely have the results of moral decay played out so vividly.

• Bette Davis in "Whatever Happened to Baby Jane?" (1962). Davis was never exactly a beauty queen in the movies, but this was extraordinary: As aging silent-screen child star "Baby Jane" Hudson, she wore enough pancake makeup to cover the Taj Mahal. In doing so, she invented a look that not even Lon Chaney could have envisioned on his best day. Little surprise she was Oscar-nominated.

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• Boris Karloff in "Frankenstein" (1931). The opening credits for James Whale's horror classic list the monster as played by "?????". And the mystery only deepens when Henry Frankenstein's soulless creation first appears onscreen, his head the shape of a gallon pickle jar, bolts protruding from both sides of his neck, his eyes so far ahead that they seemed closer to the back of his skull than the front. It wasn't any fun for Karloff, wearing makeup maestro Jack Pierce's brilliantly macabre creation (it took hours to apply every morning, and the actor was still feeling its painful effects for months afterward), but it made his career.

• Peter Sellers in "Dr. Strangelove or How I Learned to Stop Worrying and Love the Bomb" (1964). In this film, Sellers — who earlier had played multiple roles in "The Mouse That Roared" — was perfectly cast three times, as an incredulous British army captain, a milquetoast American president and a megalomaniacal military adviser with an uncontrollable right hand. Talk about getting the most return for your casting dollar!

• Grace Kelly in "The Country Girl" (1954) and Elizabeth Taylor in "Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?" (1966). For years, the surest way for an actress to win critical acclaim was to play a role sans makeup; audiences would marvel at how plain she looked on-screen, critics would applaud her bravery and the awards would start rolling in. In 1954, two years before leaving Hollywood to become a real-life princess, Grace Kelly glammed herself down to play the determined, obsessive wife of alcoholic Bing Crosby in "The Country Girl," and won an Oscar. For Mike Nichols' "Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?," Elizabeth Taylor turned both frumpy and shrill; she, likewise, won the golden statuette.

• Jose Ferrer in "Cyrano de Bergerac" (1950) and Steve Martin in "Roxanne" (1987). Nicole Kidman is certainly not the first actor to don a fake nose in the name of art — not in a world where Edmond Rostand's "Cyrano de Bergerac," about a man of letters with an oversized schnoz who writes love letters for his word-challenged friend, has been a dramatic staple for more than a century. Ferrer won an Oscar for his starring role in a screen version of Rostand's play, while Martin's film was a modern update, with the protagonist no longer a soldier, but a small-town fire chief.

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• Laurence Olivier in "Richard III" (1956). Olivier was handsome, dashing, athletic and one of the greatest actors ever. But only one of those traits — the last — was apparent in perhaps his greatest film performance, as Shakespeare's insidiously malevolent English monarch. The actor spent three hours each day putting on his prosthetics, including a fake nose, fake hand, lunched back and black wig, but the results were worth every minute. Oscar-nominated, he lost to Yul Brynner in "The King and I."

• Orson Welles in "Touch of Evil" (1958). There's that fake nose again. Welles, who had fallen so far out of favor in Hollywood by this time that he had to depend on co-star Charlton

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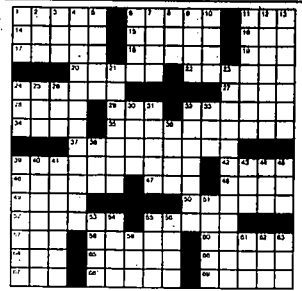
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High-priced hairdresser gets cut from budget

DEAR ABBY: I have a terrific hairdresser I'll call "Jordy." He owns the salon I have patronized for more than 20 years. His work is outstanding, and I always get compliments about my hair. However, because of his latest price increases and my being on a fixed income, I can no longer afford his services.

In years past, the price would increase a couple of dollars. But this year, Jordy increased it 10 percent. I make appointments six months in advance because it's easier to plan around a set appointment than vice versa.

My dilemma: How should I go about canceling my four appointments? Should I write Jordy a letter? What should I say? We have become quite good friends over the years, and I hate to leave, but my limited income can be stretched only so far.

—HAIR-RAISED IN KENTUCKY



DEAR ABBY: The day after the party, Vanessa called and said she had had a bad experience. She had been stolen from her home and implied that it was taken by one of the kids who had attended. I questioned Paul, he denied knowing anything about it. My son is a very young child, and thankfully, has stopped using drugs. He recently admitted to me that he and another teenage boy had stolen the radio and sold it. In spite of this, I know Paul is a good person who has made some bad choices. I asked him if he would go to Vanessa, confess and reimburse her for it. He said he was too embarrassed.

Abby, Vanessa tends to be judgmental and would most likely respond to Paul in a condemning way. I'm not defending my son's behavior, but Vanessa has never had children and does not understand the peer pressures young people face today.

Should I encourage Paul to go to Vanessa and make amends, or let it stay in the past and be forgotten?

—ANONYMOUS MOM IN A SMALL TOWN

Encourage your son to speak to Vanessa and, with cash in hand, explain to her that he did confess, was deeply embarrassed with drugs, is profoundly sorry for what he did, and hopes that she will understand and accept his apology.

Let's hope Vanessa will find it in her heart to forgive him, but even if she doesn't, your son's conscience will be clear, and he can put this sad chapter in his life behind him.

DEAR HAIR-RAISED: In light of your outstanding relationship, you should tell Jordy exactly what you have told me. If that is too embarrassing, write him a letter. Tell him that although you are

very fond of him, because you are now on a fixed income, with the latest price hike you can no longer afford to be his client. Consider asking him to recommend a less expensive shop and a hairdresser who can keep you as well-kept as ever.

It's possible that Jordy's expenses have increased dramatically, or he may have become so popular he's reducing his client list. Whatever the reason, his response will help you to see the "root" of his price increase.

P.S. He may offer you a reduced rate, given your job association.

DEAR ANONYMOUS MOM: The future is bright and inviting. Display courage of convictions. Puzzling relationships will be resolved, to your advantage. Aries represented.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You can run, but you cannot hide. A relationship can conclude its partnership or marriage. If you don't think so, wait and see. Leo, another Aquarian will play dynamic roles.

PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20): You will get things done; that includes job at hand, a relationship that has spilled over to your work. If married, there could be an addition to family. If single, you encounter future mate.

Don't throw caution to the wind, Scorpio

IF JANUARY 20TH IS YOUR BIRTHDAY ... you are emotional and sentimental, and are serious concerning romance and love. Although you have been disappointed, you are always willing to give romance another chance. You could be a gourmet cook; you enjoy food and "being in love." Capricorn, Cancer natives play important roles in your life, could be these letters in names: B, K, T. Your most memorable, the last month of the year will be September.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 19): Reach beyond the immediate; your potentials are great. Romantic interlude lends spice; don't brood about it. You could be flirting with fame and fortune. Libra featured.

TAURUS (Apr. 20-May 20): Imprint style, don't follow others. Create your own tradition. Your way today is the right way. You could fall "madly in love." Recovery comes sooner than anticipated.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Focus on home, marital status and proposals of business, career and marriage. Family member will back you if you make intelligent concession. Cancer native is involved.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Confusion exists if you attempt to please everyone. That could be a sure road to madness. Those who care about you will be pleased if you are happy. Number 3 will be lucky.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):

HOROSCOPE
Sydney Omar

Rebuild, rewrite and do additional research. Good news: What had been rejected will now be accepted. Flirtation lends spice, could be the start of something big. Scorpio is involved.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You recently had a precognitive dream. Properly interpreted, it could provide doorway to your future. Excellent for reading, writing and teaching. Sagittarius figures prominently.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Music, romance and flowers are in evidence. Decorate and remodel home. If receptive, you get everything you want for — including exciting romantic interlude. Aries is represented.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Overcome temptation to throw caution to the wind. Many are observing to see if you can stand the pressure of responsibility. Avoid self-deception. Broken relationship can be mended.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You can transform the abstract into what is practical, understandable. Your dream tonight will be important; take note of it. Capricorn, Cancer natives play roles.

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You are "average" if you never attend a high school reunion. Q. Those people who pay a lot of money to join physical fitness centers — how many drop out after three weeks?

A. Three out of four. So says a professor who has looked into the matter. Only one in 20 goes regularly, he says. Owners of such establishments count on that, I gather. If everyone who signed up showed up, the place would have to be 20 times bigger.

It's at 11 a.m. on Mondays when the most telephone operators get the most dire calls.

Numerous birds fly about 22.3 mph. Respectable speed. Gentoo penguins swim that fast.

It's known peanuts originated in South America. It's also known peanuts have been found sealed up in a Chinese structure more than 5,000 years old. How'd they get there?

Q. Why do surgeons wear spinach green smocks?

A. To neutralize the color of the blood splatters. They were white until 1914. Too messy.

Lot of lobsters are shipped by commercial jet. With the luggage. Some use seawater. That outdoes planes' underskins. A crewman who recommissions aging airliners says his job would be a bit easier if it weren't for lobsters.

With your hand you "manipulate." What a rhino does with its heavily by is "abruptate." What an elephant does with its trunk is "naspulate." A chent so advises.



REVISITED
L.M. Boyd

Report is a bullfrog's skin turns dark 12 hours before a rain.

Q. I know the price of gold. What's a recent price of frankincense and myrrh?

A. About \$15 a pound.

Why a baby walrus waits a year to get into the water isn't clear. It can swim, if necessary, on the day it's born.

You can get 100 canes out of one bamboo root. Sometimes.

No female bee is born to be queen. She's promoted into that elevated position by what she's fed. What the bee experts are still trying to figure out is who picks the baby bee for that sort of feeding. And why.

Why St. Vincent is the patron saint of wine I do not know. He never drank any.

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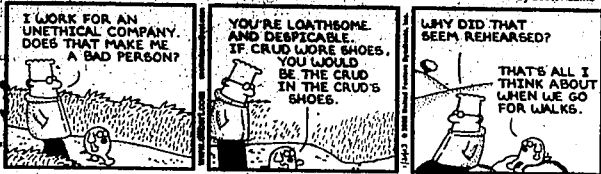
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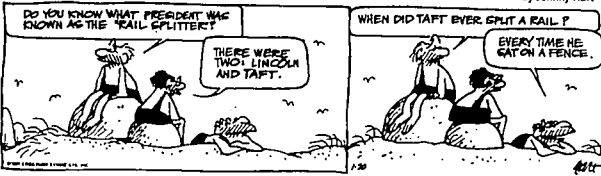
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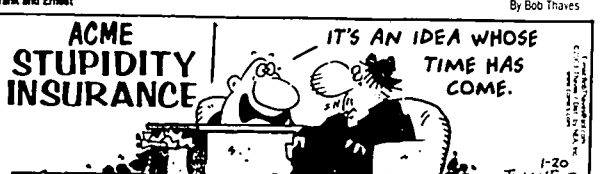
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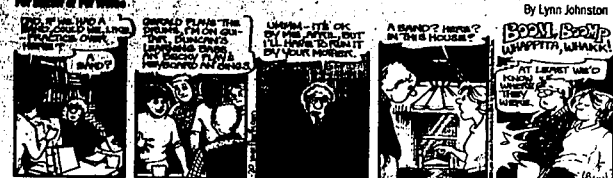
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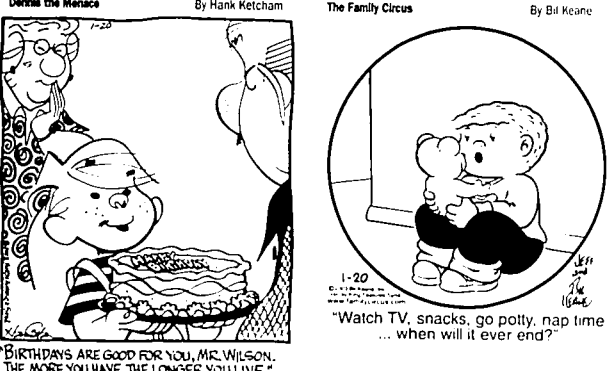
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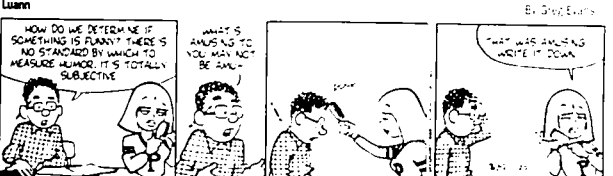
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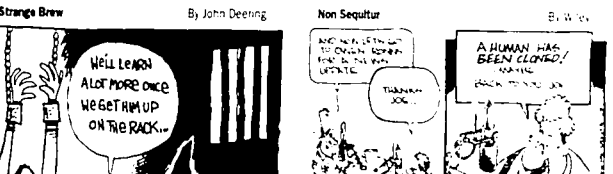
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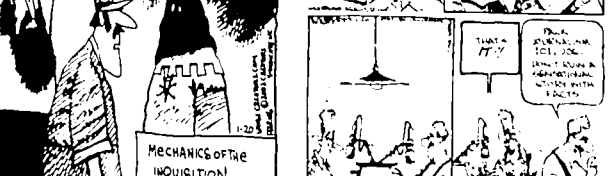
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SCHOOL DAYS

Teens, seniors become lunch buddies

SCHOOL NEWS

By Betty Taylor
Times-News correspondent

KIMBERLY — A new program is allowing teens and seniors to eat lunch together, and become buddies.

Kimberly Middle School Counselor Jeff Jones came up with the program, which is called "Senior Lunch Buddies." More than 200 students signed up for the opportunity to regularly eat lunch with the senior citizens.

"The students must have good standing with no discipline problems, or they lose the privilege of going to lunch," Jones said. "The purpose of the program is to build a bridge between the young and the elderly in the community, and to help our students understand that they can learn a lot about life by getting to know the senior citizens as they have a lot to offer."

"I enjoy talking to older people and finding out what's going on in their life," said Hailey Lancaster, an eighth-grade student who participated.

"I love it," senior citizen Willie Taylor added. "It helps us by being around kids again ... and they are always so nice." "I think it's great. It teaches kids to interact with seniors. Some are shy, but once we ask them about their family, they open up and talk to us," said Ola Cannon, another senior citizen.

Another eighth-grade student, Cody Murphy liked the good food



Hailey Lancaster eats lunch with Willie Taylor at the Kimberly Ageless Senior Center. Lancaster, a Kimberly Middle School eighth-grader, is one of many students who participate in the new Senior Lunch Buddies program.

and company. "I like getting to know people and I am a social person," student Jay Jackson added, who visited twice so far. "This is the second year for the program, and it has been a tremendous success," Jones said. "Because of the visiting of the senior center, some students

learned that the center was having some financial difficulty. So, they called a special student council meeting and voted to give all the proceeds of a scheduled dance to the center. The students also had a leaf raking event scheduled that week, and they decided to donate the money

raised from that event to the seniors. To, forty to 50 kids took sponsor sheets out and got sponsors for three hours of raking leaves. Between the two events, the teens were able to raise \$642, which they donated to the Kimberly Ageless Senior Center in November."

Wendell High School holds parent conferences

WENDELL — Parents of Wendell High School students are encouraged to pick up copies of second trimester mid-term report cards, and meet with teachers from 5-9 p.m. Thursday or from 9 a.m. to noon Friday at the school, 750 E. Main St.

Teachers will be their high school classrooms. When parents enter the school, they will receive their student's report card.

Report cards not picked up by parents during the conference times will be available next week.

For more information, call the school at 536-2100.

'Vandal Vision' is aimed at prospective students

MOSCOW — The University of Idaho will sponsor a series of

Informational receptions aimed at prospective students

The Vandal Vision Program brings the University of Idaho a number of ideas in Idaho and Alaska with representatives from academics, admissions, financial aid, housing, ROTC and Greek life," said Karl Turwiler, associate director of New Student Services.

The program includes a university overview, a question-and-answer session and refreshments. The event is free, and open to parents, teachers, counselors and any student considering enrollment at UL All programs begin at 7 p.m.

In Twin Falls, the event will be held Jan. 29 at The Ballroom, 205 Shoshone St. N.

For more information, visit: <http://www.uidaho.edu/vandalvision/>, phone toll-free 1-888-UIDAHO or e-mail: nss@uidaho.edu.

T.F. students wrestle with semester finals

It seemed like it would never be reached, but the end of the first semester is finally here. Eighteen weeks of hard labor and desperation are behind us. Now, it is one down and one to go. But while it is wonderful to be half way to summer vacation and freedom, last week students were caught in a vicious cycle of being tested, assessed, quizzed and examined until their brains turned to mush, and their eyes crossed. Finals are two days of continuous testing. After a student has taken the finals, even their solar-powered calculators are dead!

"I feel the finals should be more spread out. Who has enough time to study for all six classes, with all six tests in a row?" senior Miranda Brown said.

But not all students at TFFHS have a bad opinion of finals. "The school should not necessarily exempt students from



BRUIN BUZZ
Peri Gardner

finals (because of their attendance). Finals should be based upon a student's grades," junior Niki Magill said.

Tests and finals have taken their toll. It is very fortunate that we have a four-day weekend to recover. There is plenty of time to sleep and do easy things like eating and watching TV.

On Wednesday, everything will start over again. And this time, I'll be ready.

Peri Gardner is a staff writer with the Twin Falls High School Bruin News.

Jerome High School mourns loss of teacher

Jerome High School is mourning the loss of our special education teacher, Paul Rosenberg, who was killed in a car accident on Jan. 10.

Mr. Rosenberg touched the lives of many students, and his legacy will be found in the success of the many students he helped. I would like to thank the Idaho State Police, specifically Trooper Stevens who came to our school after leaving the scene of the accident out of concern for our students and staff. He wanted to be sure that we had prompt and accurate information so that we could handle this tragic situation in the best way possible for Mr. Rosenberg's students and colleagues. Trooper Sweeney also contacted the ISP chaplain counselor who came to our school to offer assistance. Thank you.



TIGER PRINTS
Patti O'Dell

We're in the midst of wrestling season, and the JHS wrestlers are competing well.

"We have a young team, and we are working to peak at regionals," head coach Des Case says.

Felver Larsen, Ryan Musgrave and Jose Feltes are leaders on the team and having an outstanding year.

Congratulations to Toni Bailey for making the quarterfinals in the Lincoln-Douglas debate at the Blacksnake Debate

Tournament over the weekend. Out of 50 debaters from across the state, Toni placed fifth. Great job Toni!

Parent/teacher conferences were held last week, and the turnout was good. Our goal is 100 percent attendance by parents and students. Any parent who missed the conferences will receive their student's report card and other information in the mail. Parents are encouraged to schedule conferences with teachers at any time they have a concern. The parent/teacher connection is a must!

The Idaho State Achievement Tests (ISAT) will be given this week. Students received their fall scores and set personal goals for improvement in their course work and on the tests. The ISAT skill focus this week in math is the use of geometric formulas. In

language arts, the focus is subject-verb agreement and evaluative comprehension, specifically making inferences and drawing conclusions. Parents of ninth and 10th graders can check the high school online newspaper for explanations of these concepts.

To keep up-to-date with JHS activities, check that paper daily at <http://www.d261.k12.id.us>. Click on "schools," then "High School," then "Tiger Newspaper" on the left column. You'll find alumni listings, sports news with photo, crosswords, comics and feature articles written by the journalism students. Thanks to advisor and teacher David Quinley for his efforts in bringing JHS to life in print!

Patti O'Dell is the Jerome High School principal.

Students attain high reading levels

During December, 68 certification levels were attained by students in the Accelerated Reader Program.

The Independent Reader level, students read and pass tests entirely on their own for three books, and accumulate 10 points. Students who reached this level were: second grade: Shelbi Hunter, Tyler Taylor, Kody Crocker, Danielle McLeod and Alice Northrup; third grade: Brady Adams, Pebbles Lindsey, Gody Jollard and Pedro Vega; fourth grade: Colten Ethridge and Anders Taylor; and sixth grade: Martha Hurtado.

The Super Reader Certification Level requires a transition from half point to one-point books. Students must read and pass tests entirely on their own with three books in their reading range worth one point or more, and accumulate 15 points. Students who attained this level were, second grade: Caufen Bryant, Jay

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Kathlie Bolan

Sheatter, Jordan Williams Bailey, Sarah Jones and Garrett Sant; third grade: Dakota Brown, Marissa Grissom, Rebekah Metzger, Taylor Perkins, Gage Roberts, Stacey Robertson, Mark Russell, Mariah Schoolcraft, Matthew Walsh, Bryan Boliar and Luke Scarrow; fourth grade: Jenessa Kermer, Amanda Olsen, Roberto Perez, Jacob Richards, Samantha Briggs, Clive Mawsee, Miryah Morrison, Jose Orozco, Joel Scarrow, Kyle Stein and Shane Walsh; fifth grade: Emilia Silva and Samuel Sanders; sixth grade: Wade Weckham and Betsy Torres.

The Advanced Reader level requires a student to read three books within his or her reading

range that are worth two points or more, pass the tests entirely on their own, and accumulate 20 points. Students who attained this level were, second grade: Caleb Aoi; third grade: Chase Taylor and Jordan Pederson; fourth grade: Amanda Olsen, Michelle Aoi and Tyler Canarrusa; fifth grade: Shelby Bozuto, Caleb Greenwood, Rashelle Jensen, Jann Merrick, Christina Nickell, Javier Ruiz, Tyler Gifford, Victoria Vaughn and Nathaniel Young.

The Star Reader level requires a student to read three books of at least the fifth-grade level with values of five points or more, and pass the tests successfully. Students who qualified are, fourth grade: Will Billington, Michelle Aoi and Cara Pantone; fifth grade: Joshua Olsen; and sixth grade: Amanda Cooper.

Kathlie Bolan is a teacher at Shoshone Elementary.

Community

A page for you and your neighbors.

LEARNING CITIZENSHIP



At Oakley Elementary School, students work on a different 'virtue' each month. One month, they learned about citizenship. For a class project, Brandi Bedke's third-grade class decided to choose two elderly people from the community, and raked leaves in their yards.

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All of Gooding High School bands together to get students some extra help

Students who are failing classes and cannot continue on in the class they are failing, will receive the opportunity to participate in a study skills class that is being developed just for students needing extra help.

I appreciate the patience of students, staff and all associates of Gooding High School during the collaboration period, which will be in the form of early release starting Friday. High school students only will be released at 2 p.m. on Friday.

Those students who ride the bus and/or have been assigned "extra help" will be able to stay at the school and receive assistance in completing work and re-creating work.

Landa Leguineche and Elaine Dalton will help students who

SENATOR SCENE

Gayle Yakovac

are at the school working between 2:30 p.m.

The collaboration period does not change the minutes students spend in the classroom. The student leaders worked with me and the student body to come to a congenial decision about the time they sacrificed from their lunch period for the teachers to

utilize in the collaboration period.

The Friday afternoon release was not the student's first choice. Because there are several groups affected by the scheduling, I felt compelled to minimize the conflicts with the Gooding Alternative Learning Center, Gooding Middle School, Idaho School for the Deaf and the Blind, school lunch program and all other programs basing their program on the school schedule. I thank the students for their cooperation and understanding of my dilemma.

Upon looking over the grades for students at the conclusion of the first semester, it became apparent that some students desperately need extra help. Students who are failing classes and cannot continue on in the class they are failing, will receive the opportunity to participate in a study skills class that is being developed just for students needing extra help. In this class, students will learn skills necessary for them to pass classes, as well as time to "catch

up" on critical areas of learning.

Elsewhere, the student commons area looks great as does the extended locker area, which was remodeled. The next step is to find a way to get tables for the commons area, so students can truly utilize and enjoy that space. Students, staff, leaders and maintenance all worked together to get the project completed. I am proud to be a member of the GHS crew.

Gayle Yakovac is principal of Gooding High School.

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Monday, Jan. 20, 2003

THE ACES ON BRIDGE

Bobby Wolff

"Though this may be play to you, 'tis death to us." - Sir Roger L'Estrange

There are several plays in bridge that have frightening names or appear complex, but actually reduce to quite straightforward areas of technique...

Consider the play in four spades on a club lead. Many people would win, draw trumps, and then take the diamond finesse...

Yet four hearts has 10 tricks on top - so long as you have been introduced to the secret of the end-play. Win the club lead and draw trumps...

Incidentally, note how easy the hand would be if your diamond queen were a small card. Now the distraction of the diamond finesse would no longer be available.

NORTH ♠ Q 9 4 2 ♣ Q 7 2 ♢ A Q ♠ A K 3

WEST ♠ A 10 9 8 ♣ J 10 9 8 ♢ Q 10 9

EAST ♠ K 5 ♣ K 5 4 3 2 ♢ K 5 4 3 2

SOUTH ♠ A K 8 7 5 3 ♣ J 4 ♢ 7 6 ♠ 8 7

Vulnerable: Both Dealer: South

The bidding: South West North East 2 ♣ Pass 4 ♣ All pass

Opening lead: Club queen

LEAD WITH THE ACES

South holds: ♠ 6 3 ♣ A Q 7 5 3 2 ♢ A Q 3 2

ANSWER: Lead the spade six. Partner's double suggests he has a good suit, and the auction makes spades the most likely holding...

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