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### Wasn't it?

With high temperatures expected in the 50s today, this month will go down as the warmest January on record, according to figures from the National Weather Service. The month's lowest temperature in Twin Falls, Id. Thursday, was 36.4 degrees - higher than the record of 36.0 degrees in 1998, and nearly 10 degrees warmer than the historical average.

"It's a little Banana Belt this year," says a staff member at Gen. Campbell's house.

"We've got our front door open."

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### Snowpack levels

Watershed	% of Avg.	% mean
Upper Snake River	77%	46%
Southern Snake	60%	37%
Salmon	60%	51%
Snake	61%	32%
Big Wood	62%	58%
Little Wood	119%	69%
Hewley Fort/Teton	78%	47%
Big Lost	101%	59%
Little Lost	72%	42%

As of Jan. 30

\*A comparison of basin snowpack, on the basis of 1979-2002 averages. For more information, see www.nws.gov

## DEFENDING HIS CASE



Gov. Dirk Kempthorne, right, looks over the WOW Logistics warehouse in Jerome while walking to a grand opening ceremony with the director of WOW Development Group, Bob Rosal.

## Kempthorne stops in T.F., defends proposal

By Robert Meyer  
 Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - He says it's something he doesn't want to do. In fact, if anyone has a better way to solve the state's financial troubles, Gov. Dirk Kempthorne said he welcomes the input.

There's just no getting around his proposed 1.5-cent sales tax increase, Kempthorne said during a Thursday visit with the Twin Falls Kiwanis Club and later with The Times-News' editorial board.

"None of us like taxes," he said. "As a conservative, it is not in my nature to consider raising taxes."

But Idaho, like most other states, has been hurt by the national economy, experiencing economic difficulties not seen in decades, he said.

Unlike the federal government, Idaho is prohibited by its constitution from raising a budget deficit.

### M.V. gains new jobs, economic praise

By Virginia S. Hutchins  
 Times-News writer

JEROME - Expect to see one of Jerome's newest employers add capacity and jobs this year.

After just a couple of months in operation in its new 232,690-square-foot warehouse here, WOW Logistics announced plans for more construction - if storage demand continues at its rapid clip.

Much of the ground work is already done for a 70,000-square-foot addition to be completed later this year, if demand merits, WOW Logistics' chief financial officer and co-owner, Tom Oswald, told the company's grand-opening crowd Thursday. The expansion will be to the north of the existing warehouse.

The topography of WOW Logistics' land in south Jerome allows the potential for another 150,000-square-foot expansion on top of that, Oswald said. But the land's slope will necessitate substantial ground work.

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It's far that route that several Republican governors, Kempthorne included, are calling for the increase at the same time the Republican president is calling for tax cuts.

Kempthorne promises that the sales tax hike would be temporary, with a sunset clause built into the legislation.

"The success of Kempthorne's plan is uncertain," says...

## Iraqi generals could get a deal

Arab nations consider plan that would let them overthrow Saddam, retain control of nation

The Associated Press

RIYADH, Saudi Arabia - Arab countries are considering an international undertaking to offer amnesty to some of Saddam Hussein's generals to encourage them to overthrow him and avoid a new war, according to Arab officials.

The undertaking envisions the international community - perhaps through the U.N. Security Council - agreeing to exempt from prosecution all but about 100 of Saddam's top military and political aides, the officials said.

That could encourage some Iraqi generals to overthrow Saddam without fear they might have to answer later for crimes committed by his regime.

Such a move would spare Iraq and the rest of the Middle East from the devastating effects of a new war. The United States and Britain have threatened to

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launch an attack if Saddam does not surrender weapons of mass destruction, which the Iraqis maintain they no longer hold.

It would also keep intact the Iraqi army in order to maintain order in a post-Saddam Iraq and prevent the country from descending into civil war among rival Shiite Muslims, Sunni Muslims and Kurds.

"It's worth telling the Iraqi military leadership that if you fight against Saddam, we will grant you," said one official on condition of anonymity, adding that those who didn't turn on their leader could face potential war crimes prosecution.

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Soldiers from the 3rd Battalion, 68th Armored Regiment, and inspectors from Burlington Northern Santa Fe railroad walk up and down cars which carry M1 Abrams tanks at the Fort Hood, Texas, Railroad Wednesday night. The equipment-laden trains will travel to Corpus Christi, Texas, where they will be loaded on ships bound for Southwest Asia.

## College students use cell phones to cheat on exams

Maryland collegians use text messages to send answers

The Associated Press

ROCKVILLE, Md. - Six University of Maryland students have admitted cheating on an accounting exam by using their cell phones to receive text messages with the answers, the school said Thursday. Another six students were implicated in the case.

The scheme worked this way: Test takers brought their cell phones into the exam with them. They used the phones to contact friends outside the classroom. The friends looked up the exam answer key that had been posted on the Internet by the professor on the Internet before the test. Then once the test had started, they sent the answers to the test-takers.

Officials with the university business school said they caught the students in a sting. A false answer key with bogus answers was posted online after the exam began last month, then the exams were checked to see which test takers put down the bogus answers.

It appears most of the 12 students hatched the plan independently of each other, said John Zacker, head of the university's office of judicial programs. He said it was the biggest cheating scheme uncovered on campus involving cell phones.

"This is the first related cases in past semesters, but not in these numbers," he said.

The case highlights the struggle schools face as they try to keep up with technologically savvy students.

Hirotsubishi University in Japan failed 26 students in December for receiving e-mailed exam answers on their cell phones.

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## TWIN FALLS FORECAST

Today: Cloudy with brisk winds. A few rain showers may surface. Highs near 55.

Tonight: Scattered rain showers expected. Lows near 30.

Tomorrow: A few degrees cooler with slushy showers possible. Highs near 42.

## BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST

Today: Windy and cloudy with periods of light rain possible. Highs upper 40s to upper 50s.

Tonight: Continued windy and cloudy with rain showers expected. Lows middle 30s to near 40.

Tomorrow: Windy and slightly cooler. Areas of rain, possibly mixed with snow at times. Highs in the 40s.

## IDAHO'S FORECAST

**SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS.**  
Strong winds and low clouds expected. Rain showers likely with high peak snow developing. Saturday will remain windy with periods of rain and snow expected.

**BOISE**  
Cloudy, windy and mild today. Light rain showers possible. A better chance for rain surfacing Saturday with brisk winds continuing.

**NORTHERN UTAH**  
Windy and mild with increasing clouds today. Windy again Saturday with more clouds and afternoon rain showers likely.

Yesterday's State Emblem - High: 57 at Coatsford. Low: 13 at Victorville. Weather key: su-sunny, p-partly cloudy, m-mostly cloudy, c-cloudy, r-rain, dr-drizzle, sh-showers, sn-snow, B-burrows, w-wind, m-mist

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Wind: 10 mph  
Humidity: 65%

Today: 54  
Tomorrow: 52  
Next Day: 50

## MOON PHASES

Feb. 1: New Moon  
Feb. 8: First Cr.  
Feb. 15: Full Moon  
Feb. 23: Last Cr.

## REGIONAL FORECAST

City	Today	Tomorrow	Monday
Boise	41-52	38-48	35-45
Idaho Falls	38-48	35-45	32-42
Pocatello	35-45	32-42	29-39
Rupert	32-42	29-39	26-36
Shoshone	29-39	26-36	23-33
Twin Falls	26-36	23-33	20-30

## NATIONAL FORECAST

City	Today	Tomorrow	Monday
Atlanta	52-62	48-58	45-55
Boston	35-45	32-42	29-39
Chicago	32-42	29-39	26-36
Denver	29-39	26-36	23-33
Houston	65-75	62-72	59-69
Los Angeles	62-72	59-69	56-66
Miami	75-85	72-82	69-79
New York	45-55	42-52	39-49
San Francisco	55-65	52-62	49-59
Seattle	45-55	42-52	39-49
Washington	42-52	39-49	36-46

## TOPO'S NATIONAL MAP

Scale: 1 inch = 100 miles

## CANADIAN FORECAST

City	Today	Tomorrow	Monday
Calgary	15-25	12-22	9-19
Edmonton	12-22	9-19	6-16
Halifax	32-42	29-39	26-36
Montreal	29-39	26-36	23-33
Ottawa	26-36	23-33	20-30
Quebec	23-33	20-30	17-27
Vancouver	45-55	42-52	39-49
Winnipeg	12-22	9-19	6-16

## TOPO'S NATIONAL MAP

Scale: 1 inch = 100 miles

## Cheat

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The scope of the Maryland case is unprecedented nationally, said Diane Waryold, executive director of Duke University's Center for Academic Integrity. It is also a sign that students might have a technological edge on their older professors, she said.

"It's a generational issue," she said. "It's safe to say our students are far more sophisticated."

At least six Maryland students who confessed will fail the class and have a mark placed on their transcript that indicates they cheated. Five others either met with school

officials or are awaiting trial by the school's student honor council.

The 12th student died over the winter break. Zacker did not know the circumstances surrounding the death and would not release the student's name.

The council is also looking for the people who sent the text messages to exam-takers, Zacker said.

Provost William Destler sent a letter to faculty members over the weekend recommending they not post answer keys while an exam is ongoing. The school has no plans to ban students from bringing cell phones to class, Zacker said.

## Jobs

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Oswald expects to see the Jerome facility's floor space all filled with customers' products. Racks to utilize air space are coming next.

"We're so tight on floor space we have to go up," he said. "We can't build fast enough."

At Thursday's ceremonies, Magic Valley dairy producers garnered praise from Gov. Dirk Kempthorne and others for the economic boost they provide.

"They're the real reason Farm and Logistics landed in Jerome," said Bob Rossi, director of WOW Development Group.

Dairy manufacturers' products fill much of the new warehouse.

Kempthorne said the Wisconsin warehouse and distribution company's choice of Magic Valley adds evidence of the valley's economic vitality.

"This is one of the dynamic regions right now, in the United States," he said.

The Idaho Department of Labor estimates 2002 unemployment for Jerome, Twin Falls and Gooding

counties combined at 3.9 percent — one-tenth of a percent lower than 2001's 4.1 percent. And nearly below the state and national averages.

"You have something remarkable that's taking place here," Kempthorne said.

He gave credit of the credit to the kind of collaborative, aggressive economic-development efforts that helped Jerome recover from the 1988 loss of a Tupperware plastics plant.

"We now use Jerome as one of the shining examples of what a community can do," Kempthorne said.

But he also credited what he called Idaho's pro-business atmosphere, citing relocations of several out-of-state companies to locations elsewhere around Idaho.

"We will be one of the first states that will rebound out of this national economy," he said.

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Daniel Walock, circulation director

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## Weather

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year in southern Idaho," said Ron Abramovich, natural resource specialist for the Natural Resources Conservation Service in Boise.

While the unusually warm temperatures have kept winter gear in closets and snowplows in high-way department shops, the weather could pose problems for a variety of plants in Magic Valley, experts say. And without a return to more normal winter weather, the summer water supply for irrigators could be dangerously short.

Plants are being deceived by the unseasonable warmth, said Darlene McDonald, retail nursery manager for Kimberly Nurseries.

"What we have right now is conducive to what we'd normally see in maybe March," McDonald said. "As warm as it has been for such a long time with no snowpack, some of the bulbs are coming through and trying to bloom, and some trees are budded up more than they should be. If we have a good, hard freeze again later in the month, it will kill them, and it kills the soil, too. We could have a lot of frost damage out there."

University of Idaho extension educator Steve Salisbury said he's heard reports of alfalfa plants starting to emerge from dormancy, and some shrubs are already pulling water from the ground to support new growth. Those plants and budding fruit trees could suffer damage if the weather turns cold — and that's a good possibility,

considering that 40 percent of the normal winter season remains.

"If it doesn't turn really hard, we might all be just fine," Salisbury said. "But if it does indeed decide to become winter then we could be looking at some potential winter injury."

"If this weather continues for the next few weeks, and then we get normal frost patterns in February, March and April, there will likely be considerable plant damage," McDonald said. "It will be completely determined by how far advanced the plant is in its growth stages, and how long and hard the freeze is."

The mild winter might free up money normally spent on snow removal for extra summer work in the Twin Falls Highway District, Director Dave Burgess said.

"We definitely haven't been paying any overtime this month," he said. "So far, we have done very little plowing — a little at Magic Mountain and Jarbridge Road, and I haven't plowed in the valley at all."

Burgess estimated the district spends an average of \$50,000 annually on snow removal and sanding, so far this year, it has spent only about \$15,000.

"That might enable us to do 5 to 10 miles more salt coating and oiling this summer," he said.

The relatively warm, dry weather in southern Idaho is a result of

El Niño conditions in the Pacific, said Dave Decker, hydrometeorological technician with the Weather Service in Boise.

"That tends to steer the jet stream to the north over the western U.S. and allows a lot of the colder Arctic air to move south into the eastern half of the U.S., especially the Great Lakes," he said.

The warm weather systems passing through southern Idaho haven't been devoid of moisture, but the precipitation has come mostly in the form of rain in the valleys. And even though there has been some snow in the mountains, it remains significantly below historical averages in most areas, Abramovich said. In fact, January precipitation in southern Idaho has been 25 percent of average.

Snowpacks Thursday ranged from 51 percent of average in the Oakley basin to 115 percent in the Little Wood drainage. The upper Snake River drainage, which supplies much of the water for Magic Valley irrigators, stood at 77 percent of average, with January precipitation there measuring about 70 percent of average.

"In the past four days in the upper Snake, they've gotten a hard 2.5 inches of snow-water equivalent," Abramovich said. "That's going to help."

But the fact remains that spring-like conditions are prevail-

ing in most places. Abramovich noted that nearby snow conditions he saw Thursday above Idaho City — at elevations of 4,000 to 5,000 feet — match what he usually sees in March and April. At another spot in the Boise basin, it was raining, not snowing, at 6,100 feet.

"The rain helps a little bit, but we really need it to fall as snow so it will accumulate in the mountains and then melt in spring and summer," he said.

Salisbury and McDonald said lack of moisture is a much bigger concern than early plant growth.

"It's not even close to what we need," McDonald said. "In some places, even though there's been rain, it hasn't even been measurable precipitation."

"We need lots of moisture — a boatload of snowpack," Salisbury said. "We've got to have more snow, or it's not gonna be pretty."

What are the chances of recovery between now and the end of the snow season April 1? The odds aren't favorable.

In the Snake River drainage above Jackson Lake, in 27 years when snowpack was below average on Feb. 1, only four of those years has it recovered to normal or better, Abramovich said.

"You have to be optimistic if you're a water user in southern Idaho," he said. "We've been here before, and something always comes through. We better hope it happens again."

## Kempthorne

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plan hinges on Idaho successfully pulling out of the economic mire. Kempthorne has long predicted that Idaho will be among the first states to emerge. As such, he has based his budget on a 4.1 percent projected growth rate in the state.

Meanwhile, Kempthorne said his budget calls for cuts and more cuts to state agencies. The governor says he has kept a tight rein on government spending. For example, despite the growth in Idaho's population during the last four years, the number of state employees has remained stable. Moreover, as proposed, those same employees will see their salaries remain flat for the second year in a row. However, there are limitations to how much can be trimmed, he said.

Out of the state budget, 65 percent goes to education; 20 percent goes to health and human services; and 10 percent goes to public safety, including corrections. That leaves 5 percent for the remainder for such government agencies as the Department of Agriculture and the Department of Labor.

Many of the programs of edu-

cation and health and human services are laden with federal mandates that preclude budget cuts, Kempthorne said.

There's a point at which further cuts, particularly in education, will set the state back more than a decade, he said.

"Our state is too progressive for that," he said. "I'm not willing to dismantle the state, and I won't cripple our ability to educate our children, to keep our communities safe and to care for those in need."

Kempthorne said he wants to spare Idahoans the budget repercussions of their neighbors in Oregon, who are gaining quick notoriety for such budget crunch measures as early release of prisoners, a reduction of 300 law enforcement personnel and the possibility of reducing the K-12 school week to four days.

In Idaho, some have suggested a rollback of state wages as a money-saving alternative. That is, mandating an extensive reduction in salaries among the upper echelon of state employees.

For such a plan to make a dent, Kempthorne said, the rollback would have to be at least a 10 percent reduction in wages.

Such a move would cost the state many employees, those who likely would flee to the private sector for higher pay. But even more problematic would be the reinstatement of those salaries when good economic times return.

"If people would forget there was a rollback," he said, adding that it's unlikely lawmakers or voters would approve of a 10 percent raise to state employees even if it were simply returning salaries to their original levels.

Kempthorne acknowledged the budget could be balanced — making up for the \$200 million budget gap — with a 1-cent sales tax increase. But that extra half-cent is essential to replenish the state's emergency funds which were plundered to balance the 2002-03 budget, he said.

Having sufficient reserves is essential for Idaho to receive positive bond ratings, a good measure of the state's health, he said.

"Investors want to buy Idaho paper because it's consider fiscally sound," he said.

issue, although he said he was not familiar with 2002 violations of state Ag Department standards at the Dutch Touch Dairy near Filer.

He promised to follow up with the Ag Department.

"This does nothing to help the dairy issue," he said. "(Dairies are) already having difficulties in their operations down here."

He said he's confident that what occurred at Dutch Touch Dairy is an isolated case.

"We're intent on continuing to see improvement," he said. "We need to get back to where dairies are in a favorable light with the public."

Kempthorne said he made room in his budget to tackle the dairy odor issue.

He was also quick to add that because the Dutch Touch incidents were caught by Ag Department inspectors, it illustrates the need for government services. If further cuts had come to that department, such violations might well have gone unnoticed because of lack of personnel.

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# Would-be shoe bomber receives life sentence

**BOSTON** - Richard Reid, the self-described member of al-Qaeda, ished out at the U.S. government Thursday before he was sentenced to life in prison for trying to blow up a trans-Atlantic jetliner with explosives hidden in his shoes. Reid, a 29-year-old British citizen who converted to Islam eight years ago, angrily denounced American foreign policy against Islamic countries. "Your government has sponsored the torture of Muslims in Iraq, and Turkey, and Jordan and Syria with their money and weapons," he said. Reid had faced 60 years to life in prison for trying to down the American Airlines flight bound from Paris to Miami a little more than a year ago. Prosecutors said there was enough plastic explo-

**Nation in brief**

... gives in his shoes to blow a hole in the fuselage and kill all 197 people aboard.

**Judge blocks government's pharmacy card program**

**WASHINGTON** - The Bush administration lost another round in its effort to promote discount pharmacy cards to Medicare recipients after a federal judge said the government had no legal right to impose such a program.

In a surprise ruling from the bench Wednesday, U.S. District Judge Paul L. Friedman said it was "mind-boggling" that the government would try to implement the program without having statutory authority.

Representatives of drug store and pharmacist groups said the decision effectively killed the idea in its current form.

The plan would have encouraged older people to buy the

Although declining to give details, one senior defense official, speaking on condition of anonymity, says planners intend to secure and protect the fields as rapidly as possible.

The options reportedly range from dispatching special forces into the Iraqi fields during the early fighting to using electronic jamming equipment to hinder a coordinated destruction of hundreds of wells. U.S. planners also hope those who run Iraq's oil industry might balk if ordered to destroy their own wells.

... and injured 37, occurred in a part of the factory where tables were ... and formed into sheets. ... people remained in critical condition. One person who had ... unaccounted for was located Thursday.

About 130 people were inside the West Pharmaceutical Services factory when it was rocked by the explosion and a raging fire Wednesday afternoon.

On Thursday, agents from the Federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, the FBI, the State Bureau of Investigation and the U.S. Chemical Safety Board interviewed workers but did not enter the building.

The cause of the explosion was a mystery because the plant kept relatively little volatile material on site, said Don Morel, chief executive of West. The company, based in Lionville, Pa., made syringes and IV equipment at the factory.

The state Division of Occupational Safety and Health said the plant was inspected in October and cited for 15 safety violations, seven of which were considered serious.

cards from private companies by giving some cards what amounted to a government seal of approval.

After paying a one-time enrollment fee - not more than \$25 - people could get discounts of up to 15 percent on some medicines, White House officials have said.

**Pension insurance program racks up \$3.8 billion shortfall**

**WASHINGTON** - The government program protecting workers' retirement income earned in the private employer-sponsored pension plans posted a record \$3.6 billion shortfall in 2002 after burning through its entire \$7.7 billion surplus last year.

The Pension Benefit Guaranty Corp. said Thursday that the bulk of that \$11.4 billion net loss last year was from securing a record number of underfunded pension plans at bankrupt and financially troubled companies, particularly in the steel industry.

The PBGC's executive director, Steven A. Kandarian, said

the insurance program still had sufficient assets to pay benefits to retirees "for a number of years." But officials must find new ways to financially strengthen the program to meet future obligations, he said.

The PBGC was created in 1974 to guarantee payment of basic pension benefits. About 44 million American workers and retirees currently have pensions under PBGC control.

A Treasury official said the financial report "is a wake-up call, reminding us of the work we need to do now so that retirees continue to receive in coming years the pension benefits they have earned," said Peter Fisher, treasury undersecretary for domestic finance who also sits on PBGC's board of directors.

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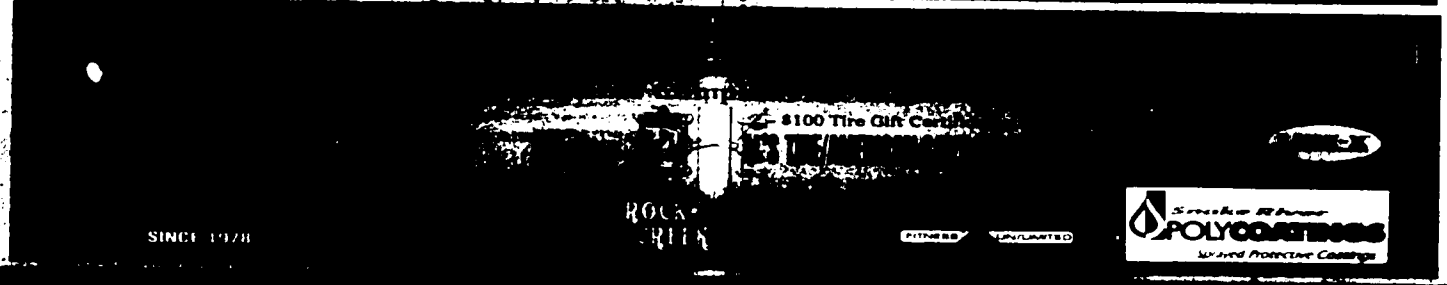
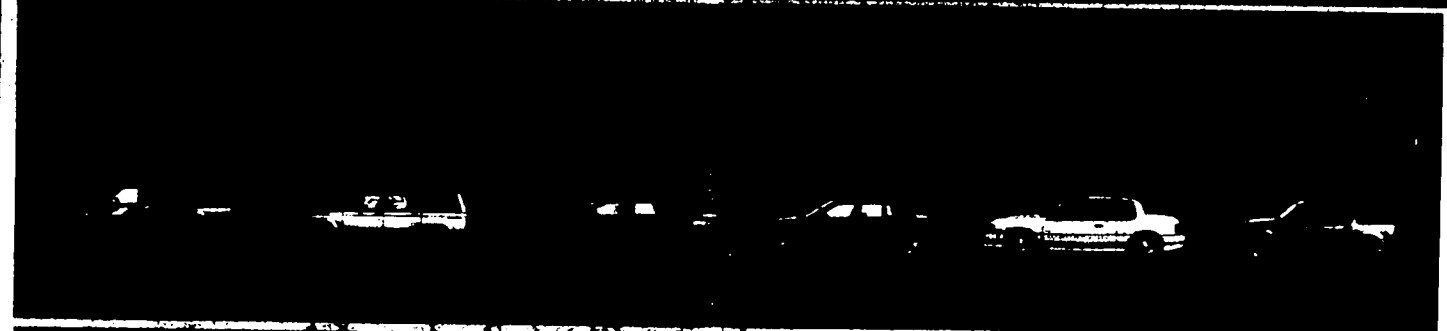
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EDITORIAL

# Money pot mentality of speed traps must change

**D**ivers familiar with Idaho's highways know there are certain roads you want to get off quickly - but you really can't. Due to low speed limits and the heavy presence of local police, stretches commonly known as speed traps force drivers to roll slowly and carefully through town.

Under Idaho law, local municipalities usually set those low speed limits. But a bill sponsored by Rep. Leon Smith, R-Twin Falls, would return the authority to set speed limits to the Idaho Transportation Department.

**Our view: State highway officials should have the authority to set speed limits on main highways. What do you think? We welcome viewpoints from our readers on this and other issues.**

Speed traps are roads whose posted speed limits drop drastically as the road changes from highway to city street. They're prime hunting areas for law enforcement to catch unwary drivers.

Such spots are most common in small towns along main state highways. Local city governments keep speed limits at a crawl, citing safety and pedestrian concerns. Officials in some areas, such as Bellevue, which has a 25 mph limit through town, make no apologies for their avid pursuit of speeders.

But revenue, not safety, can be the key reason for speed traps. Some cities rake in a good sum through speeding citations. Cities in remote locations close to high-volume tourism destinations look for out-of-town and out-of-state speeders. Municipalities know these drivers are less likely to return and fight the

guiding standard for speed limits.

Smith contends that while the state bases speed limits on studies, "Cities set speed limits on emotion." That can be good and bad, depending on the circumstance.

Rep. Wendy Jaquet, D-Ketchum, argues for local control over local issues. But concern for local prerogatives shouldn't override a broader need for a smooth-flowing state highway system.

The law should let cities be involved in discussions about speeds inside their boundaries. Both the state and the local city have interests at stake. The city will retain enforcement authority over speeders.

But authority for setting speed limits on state highways should rest with the state. Smith's bill would change the money pot mentality that creates speed traps in small towns. It's a needed change.

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### LETTER

**Laws shouldn't force seat belt use**

I am compelled to respond to the recent letter supporting a primary seat belt law.

The idea of people wearing seat belts may be a noble one, but to legislate a personal choice has no economics is immoral. The next step would be to outlaw obesity, as the nation pays more out to combat the effects of health problems caused by overeating, so the issue cannot be denied.

The next thought is that the issue is safety. As I drive through Washington State recently, I noticed signs that stated, "50% time if you do not buckle up" and "Please do not drink and drive."

If these were the issue, driving under the influence would not be tolerated. Allowing a person to drive a little bit drunk (0.8 percent blood alcohol) makes the roads more dangerous, partly because of the middle drunk driver's and partly because no one can tell if they are "legally

drunk" because the drunker they get the poorer reason they have.

A personal study shows that belted drivers use less caution while driving due to being lulled into a false sense of security. The fact that I do not wear a seat belt does not affect anyone else on the road, yet belted drivers place me in danger all the time by their complacency, by the fact that the Idaho State Police tend to allow a larger margin of error to drivers who are buckled up and also by drivers who buckle their belts at highway speeds instead of driving their vehicles.

The reason I am strongly opposed to such legislation is because I survived an accident when I was young that would have killed me if I had been buckled up. The seat belt people refuse to admit that in some circumstances a seat belt can contribute to a fatality so the laws given to support such a law need to be taken with a grain of salt.

A. GUSTAF BRYNGELSON  
Rupert

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# Blocking

**N**early a half-century ago and before he was on the Supreme Court, the eloquence and insight of Thurgood Marshall was evident in *Keyes vs. Board of Education*, held up as the illogic and futility of "separate but equal."

Now, with equivalent incisiveness, President Bush has illustrated why it is likewise illogical, immoral and unconstitutional for a public school like the University of Michigan to blatantly select students on the basis of race - even as it is good for a university to seek diversity of experience through nonracial means.

DOUGLAS KMEIC

Apparently, Bush came to this position unaided by some otherwise very bright White House advisers. Both Secretary of State Colin Powell and National Security Adviser Condoleezza Rice have since said they do not believe that racial diversity can be fully achieved by nonracial means. They are mistaken. To insist that race must be a factor indulges stereotypes and confesses an inability to differentiate group from individual assessment, which is what a fairly conducted university admissions process must do.

The equal protection clause of the Constitution outlaws quotas under any circumstances and forbids the government from employing race-based policies when race-neutral ones are available. The principled coherence of the president's argument can be appreciated best, however, when compared with the fustiness of past legalisms and cases. In *University of California vs. Bakke* (1978), the Supreme Court invalidated a racial quota but also divided the lower courts in its wake. Justice Lewis Powell suggested race could be used as



an undefined "plus factor." Whatever the now-deceased justice meant by that, it cannot possibly mean the virtual guarantee of admission of favored minorities given by the ties given by the University of Michigan.

This is where many on the conservative side of the ledger would have ended the discussion. But Bush did not. Rather, he addressed political and legal reality. Politically, diversity is an educational good. Legally, moreover, few doubt that racism still exists and affects those who encounter it. This is why, in defying the new forms of racism, it is essential for Bush not to be insensitive to race. He wasn't.

Some conservative lawyers and pundits urged the president to say diversity could never matter. But his proposition was more nuanced and more congenial to the aims of higher education: Diversity as a matter of law cannot justify racial discrimination because ample race-neutral means exist to guarantee diversity. Perhaps it means taking the top students from all high schools, even those in previously under-represented districts, or discerning in personal essays or references a willingness to bring unique views into the classroom. But it cannot mean having applicants check a race box, and - if theirs is a

feared one - automatically jump forward in the selection process.

"How did we come to this? The happy end? No. The part of the success is attributable to Alberto Gonzales, the president's White House lawyer, who set the sort of Latino immigrant farm workers' overcome disadvantage and come to a life of achievement." Gonzales' life experiences allowed Bush to understand the reality of racism without giving up the core principle that public decisions based upon race are anathema.

Even though the Wolverines was pressing at the door for illic it and unconstitutional preferences, Bush and his lawyers illustrated how a genuine commitment to race-neutral inclusion is not only possible but right. Bush has made it tenable to be both for diversity and against racism.

Douglas Kmeic is dean and professor of law at the Catholic University of America.

### LETTERS

#### Out-of-town drivers burn through Bellevue

Hey, Leon Smith, if you don't like the speed limit in Bellevue, why don't you stay in Twin Falls? We don't need people like you up here. According to you folks, we are all rich anyway.

Seriously, Mr. Smith, if you take time to watch the offensive, speeding drivers that come through Bellevue, most of them have 21 and 41 license plates, throw in Oregon and Washington drivers for good measure.

You folks come up here and drive like you are on another planet. If I were to come to Twin and drive like that by your home, you would cry like an unpaid lady of the night.

The speed limit is the same in Bellevue and Carey is the same as it is in Twin. Do you not obey the limit in Twin or Boise? It is for common sense and safety.

MORGAN THOMAS  
Hulley

#### Tobacco tax should discourage smoking

This letter is in response to the elected people in Boise raising the tax to the smokers saying it is to pay for the smokers' health problems. What a big lie that is. They have spent the tobacco settlement money on everything but the smokers. This tax is a lie because they can do it and have no one fighting them.

Now if these people want to do something for the smokers, why not stop smoking. Pass a law

where there would be two places you could smoke - one in their home, and two, in their car. If caught smoking anywhere else, it would be a \$500 fine for the smoker and \$500 fine for the property owner where they were caught. To enforce this law, hire people with a camera. They would enter, say, a bowling alley, Moose hall bingo, restaurant or bar or whatever. If they see a smoker, take a picture and off to court they would go. Also, if a police officer or our camera people see a smoker smoking in a car with kids, the driver would be fined \$500 per child.

Would we ever get this kind of law passed? No, as you see these people in Boise - you know, the smart people that say us voters don't know anything - would lose their tax money. And if we did get a law, the judges we have in the Magic Valley would use their four-word vocabulary which is "reduce, suspend and court costs." So instead of a \$500 fine, it would be a \$63.50 court cost fine.

You think I am bitter? Yes, I am as smoke makes it hard for me to breathe. I would love to take my granddaughter bowling, take the family out to eat or my wife to the Moose hall bingo or whatever some smoker and their habit making me stop breathing and my lungs feel like they are going to explode. If you smokers want to know how it feels, have someone put a rope around your chest as tight as they can and their hand over your mouth for three minutes.

#### Now, to replace the lost tax money...

Just cut the governor's and smart people's pay check 30 percent.

In closing, the federal government pays the tobacco farmer to raise tobacco. Then they sue the tobacco people for selling smokers tobacco products. I say that is covering both exits of the hen house so the fox won't get away.

#### JOEL BRADY Twin Falls

#### Years of payment into Social Security are lost

Well, people, our junk yards are full of cars worn out after 50 years, just like the Social Security system.

If you are one of the many who become disabled due to disease or illness and have applied for benefits, then you know exactly what you go through.

First, you have 105 days to get your first denial. Then 60 days to file an appeal, wait for another decision, denied again, it is another 10 days. Then you have to wait to get a hearing before the appeals judge. There are only 13 criteria, you must meet one or more of them - this is the law set by Social Security.

Then it is thrown back to the state agencies. They tell you to go to vocational rehabilitation, which is coming out of your taxes, welfare goes up along with county assistance because of this.

Social Security did not offer me a job with one of its offices. How many employers want the

#### risk of hiring you?

Many of you are like me. We have paid into this system and thought when you become disabled or ill, the money you paid that has come out of every pay check would be there for you. What law is there that we need to seek an attorney to get what is rightfully ours?

Most of us defend the company we work for, but it makes you wonder what would happen if one of the people who work for this branch of government would become ill or disabled, would they need to seek legal help and be in the system for two or more years?

Would our congressmen want to change this 50-year-old law? After they're in office, they have a wonderful retirement fund set up for them, they do not need to rely on this.

Until you are one of the thousands who would become ill or disabled and need to apply for your deserved benefits, you will never understand this bad system.

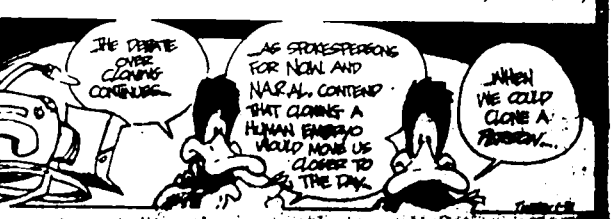
I worked and paid into Social Security for 36 years before I got sick, paid into this system. I'm not asking for something that is not mine.

Many people are so ashamed they give up, die, lose their homes while being put through this 50-year-old law.

What would happen if we all asked to cash in on all the Social Security we have paid? Could we never retire anymore?

LINDA BANCROFT  
Twin Falls

### Mallard Filmore



By Bruce Tinsley

# ...and a chance

**DAVID S. BRODER**



for me... in some respects... the worst of... Howard Dean, Joe Lieberman and Dick Gephardt... the systems of Democratic services... "People are worried," said... "They have bankrupted down for a long while, and they're not sure what will come after that."... Peter Spaulding, a Republican member of the Governor's Council... "It's more cautious than optimistic. There have been enough layoffs that people are worried about their jobs. And everyone has seen his 401(k) plan shrink."

By many measures, New Hampshire's economy is doing better than the nation's. It is an... Republican and independent voters, this President Bush faces no opposition in the primary. But New Hampshire's economic nervousness is a signal to him of a problem he has to solve, not just here but across the country. The mid-January Washington Post-ABC News poll found 53 percent of those interviewed disapprove of Bush's handling of the economy and only 43 percent approve. That is his worst rating in 21 repetitions of that question, dating back to March of 2001. And it is the first time in all those surveys that negative judgments

predominated. Other parts of that poll suggest that the campaigning Democrats have fertile ground on which to work. More of those polled oppose than support Bush's proposed elimination of taxes on corporate dividends, and by large margins they say they would prefer to see the sums Bush would use for tax cuts go into domestic programs or be used to reduce the budget deficit. By more than 2 to 1, they say that Bush's tax package favors the rich over the middle class and all people equally. All of those negative judgments might change if there were to be a strong recovery. But at least in New Hampshire, that does not appear to be in prospect. "The

New Hampshire outlook is better than Massachusetts or other surrounding states," said David S. Broder, a columnist for the New Hampshire Business and Industry Association. "But we expect very slow growth in the next couple years. There is no magic bullet."... "We have lost a lot of manufacturing jobs in the last couple years, particularly in electronics and telecommunications. Mergers and acquisitions have led some of the bigger firms to cut their work force almost in half, while adding jobs in Mexico and China."... The latest official numbers from the New Hampshire Employment Security division show unemployment climbing from 4 percent to 4.7 percent in the past year. Ross Gittel, a University of New Hampshire economist who keeps close tabs on state trends, said, "New Hampshire really

rode the high-tech boom of the 1990s. Our per capita income rose from 25th among the states to 6th. So this is a big change for us, with lots of employment being lost to China and other low-cost areas. We have had a significant decline in manufacturing, and these low-skilled people are having a hard time being re-employed. Those who find jobs are often taking lower pay... and prospects don't look too good for the short term or the medium term."... When Karl Rove comes to St. Anselm College for a scheduled visit in March, he will be reminded that without New Hampshire's four electoral votes, George Bush would not be president. And in 1992, in a soft economy, Bush's father lost New Hampshire to Bill Clinton. David S. Broder is a columnist for the Washington Post.

## Bush's hydrogen car: An H-bomb for Arabs

ZEV CHAFETS

The most important Middle Eastern message in President Bush's State of the Union address dealt with message driving. The president came before Congress and announced a \$1.2 billion federal investment in hydrogen-operated cars that will permit Detroit to bring water-motors from the "laboratory to the showroom" in time to be "the first car driven by a child born today." That's roughly 16 years.

supplies and freedom." This line got a big hand in Congress. But in the Arab world, it was greeted with sullen silence. Ruling elites see American-style freedom as a direct challenge; the masses have been taught to regard it as a perversion of nature. From the Arab point of view, freedom undermines traditional values and authority. It invites social chaos by putting the individual before family and clan and tribe. It brings with it an intellectual openness that leads to blasphemy and wanton behavior.

Until then, America needs to protect itself without apologies or illusions. And illusion No. 1 is that American-style freedom will be any more attractive to the Arab world than water-powered automobiles. Zev Chafets is a columnist for the New York Daily News.

The entire Arab economy is one big oil field. From the Atlantic Ocean to the Persian Gulf, more than 150 million people produce practically nothing. They live off what God put in the ground. Take away oil, and the main Arab contributions to the world economy are figs and carapets. Hydrocarbons may sound like a cool futuristic innovation to the Sierra Club, but to the Arab League they are a cheap ride back to the 11th century. A petroleum-free Detroit represents a far greater assault on Arab interests than a Saddam Hussein-less Baghdad. There are many tyrants in the Middle East, but only one Profit. Bush's State of the Union was full of promises that the Arab world might take as threats. For example: "If the U.S. goes to war, we will bring to the Iraqi people food and medicines and

The kind of freedom Bush is offering Iraq - and, by implication, the rest of the Arab world - is about as welcome as whiskey in the food packages or birth-control pills in the medical supplies. Another of Bush's State of the Union promises was a "democratic Palestine." More subversion there's no such thing as an Arab constitutional democracy. A constitution requires acknowledging a law greater than the Koran - something Arabs do only when huddled into it by so-called secular regimes. Democracy means granting political equality to creatures made unequal by God - women, infidels, homosexuals and strangers. If constitutional democracy is America's condition for sovereignty - in Palestine or elsewhere - then the Arabs might as well start turning in their

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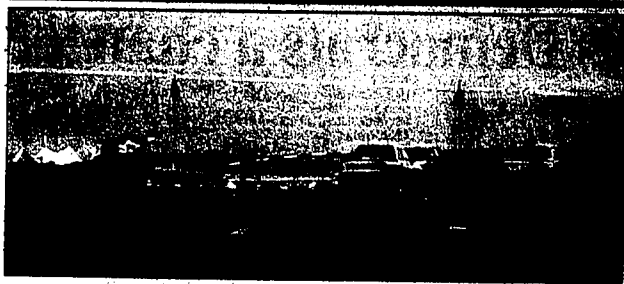
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Iraqi Kurdish troops stand guard Thursday at the entrance to Hark airstrip, 40 miles east of Irbil, which is controlled by the Kurdistan Democratic Party (KDP). Over the past weeks, residents here have reported a sudden increase of movements, such as late-night convoys of trucks and Humvees, a vehicle preferred by the U.S. military. All this has led to speculation that the airport is being readied for use by the U.S. for a northern front against Baghdad's forces, which lie less than 60 miles away.

**Iraq**

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The official said military commanders and other key figures in the Iraqi government now believe that they must stand by Saddam despite the risks of certain defeat because "if Saddam falls, we all fall."

"You want to create a wedge between him and his leadership, and the best way to do it is to just clearly state what happens to people who abandon Saddam," he said.

The officials spoke at a time when Saudi Foreign Minister Prince Saud al-Faisal was in Washington for a meeting with President Bush. The official described the amnesty option as "just a train of thought," not an initiative.

Nevertheless, Bush seems open to the idea of Saddam's leaving office - voluntarily or by force - as an alternative to war.

"Should he choose to leave the country, along with other henchmen who have tortured ... Iraqi people, we will welcome that, of course," Bush said Thursday. He added, however, that the United States would continue to insist that Iraq disarm, regardless of who governs the nation.

Outside the White House, al-Faisal was asked by reporters if he and Bush discussed Saddam's exile. "Absolutely not," he responded.

Saudi officials in Riyadh have insisted that they are not actively involved in trying to encourage Saddam to go into exile, despite widespread reports in the Middle East to the contrary.

Defense Secretary Donald H.

**Iraq developments**

Developments in the Iraq crisis:

- President Bush, moving toward a decision on war with Iraq, said he will give diplomacy "weeks not months" and that the United States would welcome Saddam Hussein going into exile.

- "Should he choose to leave the country, along with other henchmen who have tortured ... Iraqi people, we will welcome that, of course," Bush said.

- Eight European nations, in an article published in leading world newspapers, expressed deep gratitude to the United States and wrote that U.S. European ties "must not become a casualty" of Iraq's attempts to "threaten world security." The article was not signed by France or Germany.

- Britain called up 6,000 military reservists in the coming weeks for a possible war with Iraq, four times the number previously announced. It already has earmarked 35,000 troops for the Gulf.

- Jordan has agreed to allow some U.S. troops to be stationed there, including some to operate air defense missile systems and others for poten-

- tial search-and-rescue missions from Jordanian airfields. American warplanes also would be allowed to pass through Jordanian airspace during an Iraq war, according to U.S. and Jordanian officials, who discussed the arrangement on condition of anonymity.

- Two more Iraqi specialists refused requests to submit to private interviews in the U.N. search for signs of banned weapons in Iraq, raising the number to 15, the U.N. inspection agency reported.

- Iraq said it has invited chief U.N. inspectors Hans Blix and Mohamed ElBaradei to return to Baghdad for more talks before their next report to the U.N. Security Council on Feb. 14.

- U.S. humanitarian specialists in Baghdad said a long-term U.S. offensive might result in half a million Iraqi civilian casualties including those who succumb to disease if U.S. bombed Iraq's infrastructure.

- Bush directed that up to \$15 million be made available for helping the refugee crisis that may arise from war.

Rumsfeld said last week that he favored granting immunity from war crimes prosecution even to Saddam if it would clear the way for him to go into exile.


Those remarks were echoed by Secretary of State Colin Powell, who said that if Saddam, his family and top lieutenants were to leave the country, "then in effect we would have a different regime" and the chance to avoid war.

Perhaps in response to such talk, Saddam warned his military commanders this week to be alert

for "treason" at this time of national crisis.

"Treason everywhere is a state of weakness, it is the height of human weakness," Saddam said in remarks broadcast by Iraqi television. "The basic prerequisites of proper humanity are sincerity and loyalty, and not treason."

For many Iraqi generals, the fear of war crimes prosecution ortribution from ordinary Iraqis is very real. Many of them have been identified with some of the most brutal acts of Saddam's regime.



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money it does pay into SIRCOMM is spent. That is a common complaint, Craig said. Cities want to be able to have some control over auditing and setting priorities for spending in dispatch centers, he said. Several cities are unhappy with the quality of the service that dispatchers give, Craig added.

Cities also want to be on the boards of their dispatch agencies, Craig added. In the SIRCOMM agreement, each county is represented by a commissioner, yet the city of Twin Falls accounts for about 75 percent of the calls, Craig said. Another issue that city officials are upset about, Clow noted, is the fact that cities are double taxed. City residents pay through their property taxes a

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amount of money the city pays to SIRCOMM. The system is set up to respond to non-emergency calls within city limits. But there remains a disagreement between the city and SIRCOMM about how much the city will pay. SIRCOMM director Ron Vogt said he has to pay the same number of people to work in the agency, even if the number of calls has been reduced. The reason is that he has to be fully prepared for any kind of emergency that might take place at any point in time, he has said. In addition, he said many non-emergency calls turn into emergency calls within a matter of seconds and that Twin Falls city dispatchers are not trained to handle those. The city of Twin Falls also wants more say in how the

Twain Falls Mayor Lance Clow agreed, saying, "It's not just a Twin Falls issue. There are many communities around the state that are experiencing issues with dispatch." However, Councilwoman Glenda Thompson noted that problems with the Southern Idaho Regional Communications Center seem more complex than those of other communities. That is because SIRCOMM, which

## Bail bondsman faces theft charge



A bail bonding business, a pawn shop, car title and payday loan business and used car lot at 1431 Kimberly Road - and four other locations around Twin Falls - were a hub of activity Thursday morning after police served search warrants following the arrest of Charles Legg on a warrant for grand theft.

## Twin Falls businessman bails himself out of jail as investigation continues

**By Mark Heinz**  
*Times-News writer*  
TWIN FALLS - Police with search warrants early Thursday converged on five buildings owned or used by a prominent Twin Falls bail bondsman and arrested him on a charge of grand theft, said Twin Falls police Sgt. Dan McAtee. Investigators spent years putting together their case against bondsman and business owner Charles Legg, 43, McAtee said. But Legg quickly bailed himself out, though he and his lawyer said Thursday they knew little about the case. "I don't know what they arrested me for," Legg said. "All I have is a warrant that says grand theft." "We have virtually nothing at this point," said Legg's attorney, Lynn Dunlap. "I have not seen a charge sheet." The warrant stems from alle-



Charles Legg

gations and suspicion that date back to 1998, McAtee said. The Twin Falls police and Idaho State Police have been actively investigating Legg's business since 2000. A grand jury recently handed down an indictment in the case, said Twin Falls County Prosecutor Grant Leeb. A \$20,000 warrant for a charge of grand theft was issued against Legg early Thursday, and detectives and officers started searching Legg's properties for evidence, McAtee said. Police searched Legg's business headquarters at 1431 Kimberly Road, McAtee said. That building houses his bail bonding business, a pawn shop, car title and payday loan busi-

ness and his used car lot - A-1 Auto Sales. Other sites searched included: • Legg's home at 210 Clear Springs Drive near Twin Falls. • A building at 131 Locust St., just behind the main business. • A storage facility at 288 Sidney St. • A warehouse at 305 Fifth Ave. W. An affidavit or other documents outlining probable cause for the charge and details of the case weren't available Thursday, McAtee said it wasn't clear how long it would take investigators to clear all five scenes and start handing in paperwork. Police also weren't releasing many details about the case, McAtee said. He said investigators had found some apparently stolen items on Legg's property, but declined to say how police thought the items got there. Because the charge was handed down by a grand jury, Legg will not face an arraignment or

preliminary hearing in Magistrate Court, Leeb said. Rather, the case will move directly into 5th District Court. As of Thursday, no date had been set for Legg's first appearance before a District Court judge, Leeb and Dunlap said. A felony conviction against Legg could disqualify him from continuing to work as a bondsman, McAtee said. Legg last year participated as one of the sources for a series of stories in *The Times-News* about the area's methamphetamine problem. Legg told *The Times-News* he had for a time been addicted to meth, but had kicked the habit and been clean for over two years. There was no evidence that the case against Legg involves drugs, McAtee said. *Times-News* reporter Mark Heinz can be reached at 735-2228 or by e-mail at mhein@timesnews.com

## Former mayor takes issue with leaders

**By Pat Murphy**  
*Times-News correspondent*  
HAILEY - After weeks of silence since leaving office last November, former Hailey Mayor Al Lindley has reignited his fight with City Hall. His complaints against the city come even as Mayor Susan McBryant laid to rest the sexual harassment dispute that led to Lindley's resignation. Lindley, 64, who said Thursday he wouldn't sue the city because of the cost to taxpayers, is now upset because he can't obtain a list of 13 allegations that reportedly outlined Lindley's misconduct as mayor. The list was mentioned at council meetings as grounds for the City Council's vote of lack of confidence in Lindley. After Lindley demanded to see the list, Hailey city attorney Ned Williamson wrote him on Dec. 4 that the list no longer exists. "The mayor (McBryant) tells me she discarded the list some time ago, well in advance of your

*Former Hailey Mayor Al Lindley's complaints against the city come even as Mayor Susan McBryant laid to rest the harassment dispute that led to Lindley's resignation.*

employees who accused the mayor of sexual harassment for calling them "sweetie," Lindley admitted using the term but said it was his habit and a term of respect, not harassment. As part of the settlement with the employees, the city also will implement a sexual harassment awareness program. "This is a mist use (sic) of authority for self gain," Lindley wrote in hand on his typed statement, adding, "What was the real agenda and why should the citizen pay for bad advice and a hidden agenda." Lindley said Thursday, "I'll get the truth out as I can." The sexual harassment furor had an odd climax. Lindley at first resigned abruptly rather than face a closed-door council executive session to review his conduct, then attempted to withdraw his resignation to get his job back. But the council decreed Lindley's resignation final and elected McBryant as the city's new chief executive.

## Jerome commissioners mull policy for crop dusters

**By Sharon Akers**  
*Times-News correspondent*  
JEROME - Jerome County commissioners are working on guidelines for crop dusters at the Jerome County Airport since the state does not have such guidelines. Darrel Schmidt, a representative of agricultural spraying company Ken Spray of Twin Falls, told commissioners this week the Twin Falls airport has permanent pads in the asphalt that have a sealer, put in when the concrete was first poured, which keeps pesticides contained. Pits for rinsing keep the flow of water running in one direction and in the troughs. The Twin Falls pads have the ability to stop everything that flows deliberately or accidentally on the pad. Schmidt said the company also has a method that cleans insecticide containers

before they are disposed of according to Environmental Protection Agency rules. Jerome County Airport Manager Bonnie Dietrick asked Schmidt how often runoff from sprayers is neutralized. He said that the pads are cleaned at least once a week. Schmidt said maintenance of the rinsing equipment should be a priority. Ken Spray's Rod Weeks said he has seen planes drop a load of fertilizer in the middle of the ramp or pull the dump door on the runway. Commission member Alvin Chojnacky said this is the reason why the county must have sprayers operating correctly, or chemicals can't be used anymore. Chojnacky said commissioners would look at the pads in Twin Falls so commissioners can have specific guidelines for sprayers in Jerome County.

## Court arraigns woman on injury charge for drugs

**RUPERT** - Paul resident Valerie Mulligan was arraigned in magistrate court in Minidoka County Thursday. She is charged with felony injury to a child for allegedly using methamphetamine while pregnant. Mulligan, 36, gave birth to a 7-pound, 14-ounce boy on Jan. 1 at Minidoka Memorial Hospital. Alexander Salazar was the first baby of the new year born at the Rupert hospital. A preliminary hearing to determine whether sufficient evidence exists to bind Mulligan over to district court will be scheduled later.

## Twin Falls blood drive will start Monday

**TWIN FALLS** - The American Red Cross will conduct a blood drive next week in Twin Falls. The drive will be held from 1 to 7 p.m. Monday, noon to 6 p.m. Tuesday and 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday at the First Presbyterian Church, 209 Fifth Ave. N. Blood donors must be at least 17 years of age, weigh at least 110 pounds and be in good general health. For an appointment or more information, call Shariia Warren at 734-4566.

## Volunteers are wanted for Johnny Horizon Day

**TWIN FALLS** - The Twin Falls County commissioners, Twin Falls Lions Club and Southern Idaho Solid Waste are asking for community support for Johnny Horizon Cleanup Day. This will be the 34th year of the event, which is scheduled for May 3. Community members are asked to clear and mark their calendars for that day to help with the annual event. Committee and city coordinators will be available to assist individuals and organizations in preparation for this year's cleanup day. For more information closer to the date, call Darrell Heider at 423-6177, Mark Holmstead at 734-2077 or Linda Billingsley with Twin Falls County Parks at 734-9491.

## 'Alice in Wonderland' will show this weekend

**TWIN FALLS** - The Magic Valley School for the Performing Arts will present a production of Lewis Carroll's "Alice in Wonderland" tonight and Saturday at the Twin Falls Redeemed Church. The show, featuring students from the recently opened school, starts at 7:00 p.m. Tickets, which are \$5 for adults and \$3 for youngsters, are available.

Compiled from staff reports



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Dietrich High School seniors

By Jeannette Chambers
Time-News correspondent
DIETRICH - Dietrich High School seniors are going to Mexico, a trip that they're paying for themselves.

money for the trip, the entire cost of which - including the cruise and other travel, food and lodging expenses - is expected to be between \$6,000 and \$7,000.

The school is providing part of a school bus to and from Los Angeles - where the cruise starts and ends - and the fuel to get there, said Eric McEhan, senior advisor.

Students earned the money without asking for freebies or handouts, Brown said. They start...

OBITUARIES

For obituary rates and information, call 733-0933, Ext. 278, between 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Deaths in 4:30 p.m. on weekdays precede this mail address for obituaries in obits@magvalley.com. Death notices are a free service and can be placed until 9 p.m. every day.



WENDELL

Funeral services will be conducted at 2 p.m. Saturday, February 1, 2003, at White Mortuary, Chapel by the Park with Pastor Duane Burton of the Calvary Chapel officiating.

BUHL

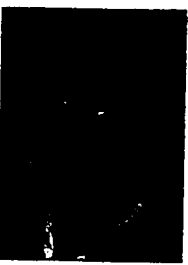
Maria Conceicao Pinho Teixeira
Maria Conceicao Pinho Teixeira, 85, of Buhl, passed away January 30, 2003, at Bridgeview Estates in Twin Falls, Idaho.

She had a talent for writing the most beautiful poems. Tami was a wonderful cook. She was always willing to try new dishes and test them on her brothers, that's why she enjoyed lighting with them. Tami had a great personality that's why she was so blessed with friends. She said once she had lots of friends good and bad but everyone who came in contact with her became her friend. Tamara's life may not have been rich and glamorous but she was truly loved by everyone who knew her and will be greatly missed.

Mom's behalf the partner get a half. We extend an appreciation to all who have consistently left plates of food, dropped by or phoned to express their friendship and care to our parents.

Funeral services will be held at 12:00 noon Monday, February 3, 2003, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 1st & 2nd Ward Chapel. Burial will follow in the Valley View Cemetery in Malta. Friends may call at the Malta Chapel on Sunday from 6-8 p.m. and from 10:45-11:45 a.m. prior to the funeral on Monday. Arrangements are under the direction of Fayne Mortuary in Burley.

PAUL



Ralph Jacketta
Our beloved husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather, Ralph Jacketta, 70, passed away Thursday, January 30, 2003.

She is survived by her three children: Kristen Lee, Chautelle Trieste, and Stephen Anthony, her mother: Sharon Grover all of Buhl, Idaho, Step-Father: George Grover, New Plymouth, Idaho, grandmothers: Lila Butler of Oregon, Edith Grover of New Plymouth, Idaho, 2 sisters: Cathy (Rita) Orr of Nampa, Idaho, Karen (Mike) Warren of Adrian, Oregon, 3 brothers: Brian (Gale) Grover, Brett (Tillie) Grover both of Fruitland, Idaho, Shaun (Belinda) Grover of Nampa, Idaho, 9 nephews, 5 nieces, one great-niece, one great-nephew, several aunts, uncles and cousins.

Memorial services will be conducted at 3 p.m. Monday, February 3, 2003, at the Free Will Baptist Church, 14th & Fruitland St., Buhl, Idaho with Pastor Earl Jenkins officiating. Funeral arrangements will be under the direction of White Mortuary, Chapel by the Park, Twin Falls, Idaho.

Norine Peterson

Norine Ovard Peterson, 85, of Paul, died Tuesday, January 28, 2003, at Cassia Regional Medical Center.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Dorothy, his father, Antonio and brothers, Neil, Abel and Lamar.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Monday, February 3, 2003, at the Free Will Baptist Church, 14th & Fruitland St., Buhl, Idaho with Pastor Earl Jenkins officiating.

Funeral arrangements will be under the direction of White Mortuary, Chapel by the Park, Twin Falls, Idaho.

Lois Elison

It is with saddened hearts, but it is with wonderful memories, that we mourn the passing of our mother, Lois Pauline Zollinger Elison, on Thursday, January 30, 2003.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Dorothy, his father, Antonio and brothers, Neil, Abel and Lamar.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Monday, February 3, 2003, at the Free Will Baptist Church, 14th & Fruitland St., Buhl, Idaho with Pastor Earl Jenkins officiating.

Funeral arrangements will be under the direction of White Mortuary, Chapel by the Park, Twin Falls, Idaho.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Monday, February 3, 2003, at the Free Will Baptist Church, 14th & Fruitland St., Buhl, Idaho with Pastor Earl Jenkins officiating.

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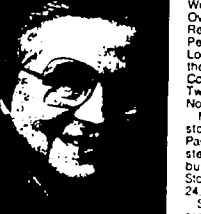
Frank Oliver Anderson
Frank Oliver Anderson, 78 year old Pocatello resident and former American Falls and Soda Springs resident, died Wednesday, January 29, 2003, at the Idaho State Veterans Home in Pocatello.

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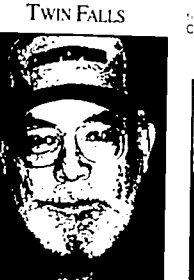


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TWIN FALLS



Dennis Dean Jackson

Dennis Dean Jackson, 60, of Twin Falls, Idaho, died January 29, 2003, at the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls, Idaho.

BUHL



Tamara Gay Northrop

Tamara Gay Northrop, age 43, of Buhl, Idaho, died January 29, 2003, at her home after a courageous battle with cancer.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Monday, February 3, 2003, at the Free Will Baptist Church, 14th & Fruitland St., Buhl, Idaho with Pastor Earl Jenkins officiating.

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Today's Thought - Complete Understanding
A funeral director friend of ours trusts that the primary reason the richest of the earth's nations, does not have better funeral services for it's people, "are the people themselves." Despite the fact that all of...

# Be shut off for valve repairs

Water will be shut off for valve repairs Monday to repair a broken water valve.

City Water Superintendent Jesse Mabry said water will be turned off to properties between Oakley and Overland avenues and 19th and 21st streets from 1 to 4 p.m. The valve is on a water line in an alley, Mabry said, so no streets will be closed to do the work.

Residents aren't being personally notified of the lack of water.

The recent stretch of good weather prompted Mabry to schedule the work for next week.

Should it rain or snow heavily on Monday, the project will be postponed, he said.

The broken valve hasn't interfered with anyone's water supply but "just needs to be fixed," he said.

City water department employees will do the work.

Mabry said people may call the water department at 878-2103 for more information.

# Structural problems force students out of school

POCAHONTO (AP) — Structural problems have forced School District 25 to abandon one elementary school and move problem students and teachers to leave behind another.

After an engineer found Bonnaville Elementary School structurally sound, district officials decided they will vacate the school next week. Officials said Washington Elementary is not far behind.

"I have no choice," Superintendent Linda Powell said. "I don't play around with kids' safety, the roof could collapse. Washington's not much better, but it can wait until summer."

Friday is the last day students will attend Bonnaville Elementary.

The school's 358 students will not attend classes next week while teachers and staff move books and furniture to the Alachua Center.

"We have 25 hours and 50 minutes extra in school right now, so we won't be delinquent on the state requirement," Bonnaville Principal Marjann Walford said.

Powell received the results of a recent structural engineering

report Monday. Terrell Bateman of Engineering Structural Solutions in Idaho Falls conducted the investigation and recommended the building be vacated immediately.

Bateman's report shows dirt sliding away from Bonnaville's footings. In some areas, footings are suspended in mid-air. They could give way at any time.

The building was listed in poor condition in a facilities study conducted shortly before Powell came to the district. Its condition came under further scrutiny after a windswill collapsed and other

chunks of cement began to crumble from the building's facade.

"I had no idea he'd find what he found," Powell said.

Washington Elementary School's mortar was deemed below code in strength. The report indicates a lack of connection between the floor and the roof and a lack of steel reinforcement.

Powell said she would ask parents whether they want to vacate Washington now or finish the school year. If the school is closed, students will move to Irving Middle School.

# Judge: Woman who videoed drive won't be prosecuted

AUBURN, Wash. (AP) — A judge ruled Thursday that a woman who videoed the moments before a drunk-driving crash that killed one person and injured another should not be prosecuted for her alleged role in the accident.

Judge Patrick Burns dismissed charges of being an accomplice to reckless driving and accomplice to drunken driving against Terrell Hedlund, 30. But she is still charged with two misdemeanors, furnishing alcohol to a minor and giving tobacco to a minor.

Prosecutors alleged Hedlund encouraged 22-year-old Thomas Stewart to drive drunk and recklessly, in part by taping the July 2001 ride in which he and five others died. At one point in the video, Stewart says, "Watch me driving. You gotta record this (expletive)!"

The video also includes footage from a party Hedlund hosted for the people in the car the day of the crash. On the tape, Stewart says he's "liquored up" and

Hedlund's 4-year-old daughter has a cigarette dangling from her mouth.

The only passenger who hadn't been drinking, 18-year-old Jayme Vomerich, has a panicked look on her face as she shouts an obscenity-laced order for Stewart to slow down or stop. The video ends an estimated two seconds before the crash.

The judge agreed Thursday with Hedlund's attorney, Tom Campbell, who argued for dismissal of the accomplice charges because state law prevents crime victims from being charged as accomplices of that same crime.

Burns said Hedlund's behavior had been "abhorrent" but added, "I think being in an automobile and having your car wrapped around a pillar and spending months in rehabilitation constitutes being a victim."

Prosecutor Kelly Montgomery objected, and Burns agreed to have his ruling reviewed by another judge. He continued the trial until Monday.

# State wants to put wounded grizzly to sleep — for the winter

GREAT FALLS, Mont. (AP) — A female grizzly bear who was wounded by a hunter in November has wandered back from high country with her three cubs, forcing biologists to consider intervening to get the bear to begin hibernating.

A state wildlife biologist said Wednesday that officials may want to tranquilize the sow and return her and the cubs to high country in hopes they can be persuaded — with some help — to finally den.

"This is all relatively new to us and we're a bit uncertain about it and will all work out," said Mike Madel, a biologist with the state Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks.

Grizzlies normally are hibernating by now but the wounded sow — shot in the head Nov. 19 — in a confrontation with a hunter — has continued wandering with

her three cubs along the Rocky Mountain Front. Madel said biologists fear the bear is suffering some type of amnesia from her wound that is interfering with her natural instinct to hibernate.

Under the department's plan, the mother bear would be tranquilized and placed in a culvert bear trap lined with straw and wood. The cub would still serve as a manmade den.

The cubs would join their mother on their own, and the entire trap would be moved to an isolated area.

Madel said it is evident the cubs want to hibernate.

"They're very tired, very lethargic," he said. "At very times they stop, the cubs bed down and try to sleep."

Biologists hope the sow would awake from being tranquilized and decide to hibernate with her sleeping cubs.

# Lawsuit will seek return of water pumped to Rogue Basin

GRANTS PASS, Ore. (AP) — Environmentalists warned the federal government on Thursday they are going to court to restore water to salmon in the Klamath Basin that is now pumped over the Cascade Range to irrigate valuable pear orchards in the Rogue Valley.

The move represents an escalation in the legal battles over farming water between fish and farms in the Klamath River Basin, with environmentalists

said Tim McKas, director of the Northcoast Environmental Center in Arcata, Calif.

The center is joined with the Oregon Natural Resources Council in filing a 60-day notice of intent to sue the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, demanding that it consult with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the National Marine Fisheries Service over environmental impacts of the Rogue Basin.

Project on endangered sucker and threatened chinook salmon.

Built in the 1960s, the Rogue Basin Project pumps about 30,000 acre-feet of water a year through about 100 miles of pipe, from creeks that run up Upper Klamath Lake and the Klamath River across the Cascade Range into reservoirs for irrigation service to pear orchards and other agriculture.

# 911

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dispatch services and then often the dispatch agencies will ask for more money on top of that. So country dwellers wind up paying less.

Wordings that would enable cities to opt out would actually be

a good bargaining tool, Craig said.

"Perhaps counties could be more responsive to what we want if we had that as a negotiating tool," Craig said.

And if a city did opt out, it would have to provide services equal to the agency that it left.

# JEROME COUNTY COURTS

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# Military

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change the law. But it is a problem that all states are having to confront, said Dan Chadwick, an attorney and lobbyist for the Idaho Association of Counties.

That association, to which county clerks belong, is supporting the legislation, but Fort said Thursday it is moody in response to concerns that military organizations have.

"I agree with the concern about identity theft," Fort said, "but I do have a problem with the integrity of recorded documents. Once something is recorded, I have a problem with something being removed from it."

The bill would allow former military people to have information blacked out, or they could also have forms removed. But that won't always be possible, said Dan Chadwick, an attorney and lobbyist for the counties.

"In some ways it is next to impossible to remove some of the information," Chadwick said. He noted that once a CD is burned with information, the entire CD would have to be destroyed, thereby destroying all kinds of other information. Microfilm presents similar problems.

The bill accommodates those kinds of problems with language that says the information has to be "reasonably retrievable."

Clark explained that the records were safe in county clerks' offices until the advent of the Internet. Before 1974 the records were kept in a repository in St. Louis, Mo., but a fire destroyed the building. After that, people discharged from the military were told to file them with their county clerks.

Fort said he is not aware of any reported identity theft in Idaho as a result of someone having accessed personal information in military documents stored in county courthouses.

Times-News writer Julie Price can be reached at 343-5553 or by e-mail at jprice@timesnews.com.

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# MAGIC VALLEY/IDAHO

## Gooding School Board changes policy

By Mickey Walker  
Times-News correspondent

**GOODING** — A proposed change to a reduction-in-force policy that received a good deal of comment at the last School Board meeting garnered none this week.

The board had been considering whether to implement this year a reduction in the rate at which half-time teachers accrue seniority. The change would instead go into effect next year.

Several teachers had objected to the policy change in the middle of their contracts and asked the board to not make the change

### Next meetings

The date for the next school board meeting has been changed to 7 p.m., Feb. 25, at the district office. The second meeting of the month will be at 7 p.m., Feb. 25, in the elementary library.

the district and board, and under the terms of the existing policy.

There will be no more sessions of the policy before this board expires.

Other board business this week included:

• **Board elections** — The School Board positions representing Zones 1 and 5 will be up for election on May 27. Board members now holding those positions are Doyle Rogers for Zone 1 and Gayle Chaney for Zone 5.

• **Contract renewal** — The board approved a two-year contract for Superintendent Bob Sterns at an annual salary of \$78,500.

until contracts are up for renewal. Board members sent the proposed policy back to the Gooding Education Association for revision.

Half-time teachers currently accrue seniority on the same basis as full-time teachers. When teachers signed contracts with

## Idaho banks resist economic slide

BOISE (AP) — After more than two weeks of consistently dire budgetary assessments from educators and government managers, lawmakers heard some optimism Thursday about the state's top financial regulator.

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Idaho Gov. Dirk Kempthorne's newly appointed Chief of Staff Brian Whitlock addresses the Joint Finance Appropriations Committee on Wednesday morning at the Statehouse in downtown Boise.

for higher taxes. Without a penny-and-a-half increase in the sales tax, he says essential government services will have to be terminated. Budget analysts say more than 1,000 of the 22,000 state workers would be laid off.

With unemployment hitting an eight-year high late last year, state Rep. Richard Harwood of St. Maries pressed Labor Director Roger Madson on the justification for the one-week waiting period before laid-off workers can collect unemployment benefits.

Madson said the waiting week

is saving Idaho employers about \$8 million a year because about 6,000 laid-off workers typically find new jobs within that week. Thirty-eight other states have the same delay, he said.

But Harwood suggested it was inappropriate for businesses to benefit by withholding insurance compensation from workers who deserve it — even if it is for just a week.

"The guys that are working out there don't get that much, and when you have to wait a week to get it, it's a hardship on them," Harwood said.

## IDAHO LEGISLATIVE LOG

**The Associated Press**  
**Completes for Thursday**  
**SENT TO GOVERNOR**  
**HBI-7 (Revenue and Taxation)** — Clarifies the duties of the state Controller.  
**HBI-7 (Revenue and Taxation)** — Extends liability for the income sales tax on the state from the business owner to anyone he designates as responsible for that month's tax.

**HBI-7 (Revenue and Taxation)** — Allows administration review of the denial of a sales permit under the sales tax law.  
**Introduced in Senate**  
**SB106 (State Affairs)** — Permits 15-year-olds to sell, lease, possess and distribute beer or wine in the course of employment.  
**Introduced in House**  
**HR112 (Revenue and Taxation)** — Creates an independent board to review production and operations

**HR113 (Pesticides)** — Allows contractors to fix construction defects before lawsuits relating to the defects are filed.  
**HR114 (Business)** — Restricts information printed on receipts for credit or debit card purchases.  
**HR115 (Revenue and Taxation)** — Requires state cigarette tax to be imposed on retailers, not on individual purchasers.  
**HR116 (Revenue and Taxation)** — Removes elements of previous law relating to rural home sites that were inadvertently deleted.

## Report: Idaho loses valuable teachers

BOISE (AP) — Idaho's teacher retention is better than many other states, but it's still losing employees who play an integral part in children's success in school.

The National Commission on Teaching and America's Future has released a report which found nearly 14 percent of all new American teachers leave after one year. One-third will be gone in three years and nearly half by five years.

Idaho is in better shape than many other states, but we still have an attrition rate of about 10 percent a year," said Patricia Toney, Idaho Board of Education teacher policy coordinator. "But our smaller schools are losing more. In districts with fewer than 500 students, the rate is about 12 percent."

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leave of absence, return for more schooling or retire, Toney said. The state has about 16,000 teachers.

The MOST program suggests a tiered licensure structure that opens up opportunities for advancement. Toney said a lot of teachers want to advance their careers by becoming school superintendents.

Idaho is one of many which has teacher shortages in key areas such as special education, computer classes, secondary mathematics and bilingual education.

The Bush administration's No Child Left Behind Act calls for every teacher to be highly qualified by the end of the 2005-2006 school year. The nation's school report said the nation's schools will be hard-pressed to meet the goal if the teacher exodus is not halted. It calls for a national effort to improve retention by 50 percent by 2006.

"Quality teachers are key," Toney said. "Research has shown they are a major factor in children's success. Home factors are the other big component."

More than a quarter million teachers are leaving the job each year, and it is not necessarily from retirement, the study found. Teachers who resign for reasons other than retirement outnumber retirees by three to one.

Idaho's 9.5 percent attrition rate in 2000 included teachers who move to other schools, take a

**ELKO** — Nevada's Airport Advisory Committee approved the grant application during a meeting Wednesday.

The proposed improvements would enable the airport to accommodate commercial passenger planes, said Beth Wines, chairwoman of the Jackpot Advisory Board.

She noted that Jackpot depends on tourism and the upgrades could attract charter flights to the border town.

Commissioner Mike Tennini "make the airport 10 to 15 years down the road" and urged the board to approve the grant application. He noted that lengthening the runway will allow passenger planes carrying up to 30 people to land.

The FAA grant would cover the design, engineering and implementation of the plans, which will include a parallel runway and light fixtures on the existing runway. Jackpot will pay \$56,500 in matching funds for the project. County Comptroller Oak Madson says the commission that Jackpot has adequate funds to cover the cost.

The measure was approved by a unanimous vote with commissioners noting the possible economic boost to Jackpot.

Wells' economy may also be on the way to improvement

## Forced-out mayor's aide is finalist for Colorado job

BOISE (AP) — Gary Lyman, the forced-out chief of staff of Boise's mayor, is a finalist for Boise's mayor in Telluride, Colo.

Lyman was Mayor Brent Coles' top aide until Dec. 17, when Coles announced he had asked for and received Lyman's resignation.

Lyman helped plan the trip to New York City that began an investigation into questionable spending by the mayor's office. Coles later apologized for the trip, saying it was a case of poor judgment, and he repaid \$1,871 to the city.

Since news of the trip broke, more questions about spending by the mayor and Lyman have been raised.

The City Council has hired an audit firm to look for fraud in the mayor's office and the state attorney general is conducting a criminal investigation.

Efforts to reach Lyman for comment Wednesday were unsuccessful.

Telluride Ferris told Mayor Steve Ferris said Lyman is one of three finalists for the post responsible for man-

aging the town's daily operations.

The town manager oversees the \$10 million budget for the 2,000-person ski town.

Ferris said the Town Council is planning to fly the three finalists in by mid-February for public interviews with the council and interested residents.

There is a strong possibility, Supp noted, that other business will begin in conjunction with the recycling plant.

She mentioned a steel recycling facility among others that may look at the site.

Supp said that once all the permit and the loan are approved the plant could begin operating within a year.

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## SNYDER AUCTION

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**Sporting & Hobby Items**  
J.C. Higgins 16" double trigger man's saddle - J.C. Higgins 14" lady's saddle - 14 1/2" ladies' saddle pads - bridle - harness - hackamore - 2 pair of saddle bags (one is US Army) - 15 foot caution range line - gun sabbard - larutis - small horse blanket - fishing poles and tackle - set of Plast light golf clubs and bag - set of woman's golf clubs - set of men's Wilson golf clubs and bag - set of women's golf clubs and bag - Little Chief smoker - Schwinn AirBike exercise bicycle - Schwinn mini bicycle - K104 lady's bicycle - pair of motor bike saddle bags - saddle rack

**Lawn & Garden Equipment**  
John Deere RZ75 riding lawn mower - 9 hp - 36 cut electric start, rear bagged, 1/2" lawn mower - Craftsman 20" rotary lawn mower - Rubbermaid 10 ft bed utility lawn and garden trailer - Craftsman 5 hp RT5 rototiller with rear tires - Valley Metalco weed wacker - electric weed whacker and string trimmer - Demco 10 gal ATV poly tank sprayer with nozzles - electric pump - hand pump - 8AD electric edger - Atlas push snow blower - hose roller - metal folding chairs - patio rockers - garden hose - tomato trellis - garden hose

**Farm Machinery**  
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**Other Farm Related Items**  
3 1/2 16 1/2 ft metal posts - metal standing hose feeder - 2 1/2 ft BR steel - 12 ft BR steel - 10 of 12 steel posts - 30 ft chain link fence - a hole with solid hog feeder - 2 telephone poles - floors - barbed and smooth wire - 2 flocks - shovels - garden hand cultivator - metal deck tank - electric fence - post driver - assorted lumber - galvanized roofing - and siding trim

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## Investigation into Chubbuck shooting

PORT HALL (AP) - Shoshone Sheriff Chairman Melvin Edmo said he will ask for a federal investigation into the shooting death of a tribal member by a police officer, who was cleared of wrongdoing by local authorities.

Felipe "Max" Galloway, 23, was killed by Chubbuck Police Officer Farley Merica during a raid on Galloway's grandmother's home last month.

A criminal investigation by local authorities concluded charges would not be filed against Merica.

"We don't feel that these investigations were objective. These agencies work together every day," Edmo said. "Dave Moore, the Blackfoot police chief, used to work in the Chubbuck Department with Richard Webb. How can they be objective?"

"We have asked for a federal investigation, and we hope they will review our request," Edmo said. "This smacks of a good-old-boy attempt to cover up."



Shoshone Sheriff Melvin Edmo (left) with a group of people after school Jan. 22 at Mount Saint Michael in Spokane, Wash. This was the first time they saw snow.

## Utah lawmakers bicker over payday loan measure

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - A debate over regulating payday lending businesses has turned into a fight over race and control of business.

Utah House Rep. James Evans has been criticized for reportedly lobbying against a bill that would tighten regulations on payday loan centers.

Evans owns a payday lending business in West Valley City. "I think he should focus on being a state senator instead of a lobbyist," said Rep. Ty McCarty, D-Salt Lake City, who is sponsoring the bill.

Evans said he has conflicts of interest like every other member of the citizen legislature, but he also has an expertise in the business and should be allowed to share his opinion.

"I do believe I have a right to review all bills and offer an opinion," said Evans, one of the two black lawmakers in the Utah Legislature. "They are trying to censor my comments and actions because of my race and being a

Republican. I don't find them doing this to other legislators of other races."

McCarty said there's only one reason. "He may feel singled out because he's the only person opposing this bill," he said. Evans repeatedly attempted to gut the measure, both before it went to a public hearing and then on the floor of the Utah House, McCarty said.

House Bill 166 would prohibit lenders from threatening debtors with criminal prosecution or deportation, and borrowers would be allowed to repay the loans within 24 hours without penalty.

It also would permit debtors make partial payments. McCarty said some payday lenders refuse partial payments. Lenders then roll over charges - which average 500 percent interest - on the full amount of the loan.

Payday lenders would have to be audited every year.

## Dozens of bidders vie for piece of historic Texas ranch

DALHART, Texas (AP) - As a young girl, Susan Shamburger Bagwell rode on horseback across the vast land that her family owned, land that once was part of a legendary West Texas ranch.

The XIX Ranch spanned 3 million acres of the Texas Panhandle and spilled over into Oklahoma and New Mexico. It helped finance the state Capitol in Austin. Legend has it that the XIX name stood for "19 in Texas," because the 220-mile-long spread the size of Connecticut covered 10 Texas counties.

On Wednesday, Bagwell and other heirs watched as dozens of bidders placed bids on all or portions of one of the largest remaining parcels of the old XIX, the 37,000-acre C.D. Shamburger Ranch.

Bagwell, Shamburger's granddaughter, said family members decided to sell because they have less connection to the land and other ideas about investing their money.

"It will always be part of my life," said Bagwell, 56, who now lives in the wealthy Dallas enclave of Highland Park. "I love this land, this property, the history, the wildlife. It's just soul nourishing. That's all you can say about it."

Some Texas history buffs were melancholy about the prospect of one of the last large pieces of the XIX being chopped up.

"It's a very sad chapter in the history of the XIX Ranch because that division is just going to disappear," said William Green, curator of history at the Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum in Canyon. "It's kind of the end of an era."

Green said he couldn't even bear to go the auction, where bidding lasted seven hours.

Bids were accepted on individual tracts or the whole 37,256 acres - whichever resulted in the highest sales price. In the end, 19 buyers submitted winning bids that totaled just under \$8.2 million, or \$220 an acre.

More than a century ago, the land sold for 50 cents an acre in exchange for a new state Capitol in Austin.

In 1879, the patriarchs of Texas wanted a new Capitol but didn't have money to build it. The Legislature set aside 3 million acres of land in the Panhandle to finance a new building. The need became more urgent in 1881, when the old Capitol burned to the ground.

The next year, an Illinois contractor agreed to build a new home for the Legislature. In exchange for the land, the contractor later sold his interest to a group that eventually became known as the Capitol Syndicate, which financed most of the cost of the new Capitol and established the XIX Ranch.

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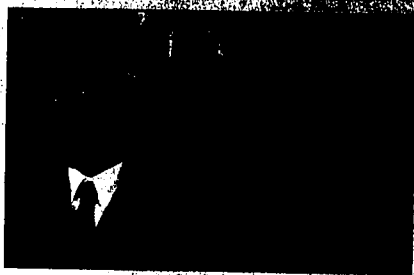
# Activists, evangelicals fuel Bush

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — An unlikely coalition of Christian evangelicals and liberal activists joined forces to help persuade President Bush to announce a remarkable turnaround this week in his administration's approach to the international AIDS crisis — a tripling of U.S. spending on AIDS relief.

Bush surprised even many Republicans when he used his State of the Union address on Tuesday to call on Congress to spend \$15 billion over the next five years to help countries in Africa and the Caribbean fight the pandemic.

The announcement represented a change from the position shortly after Bush took office, when a top official publicly questioned the wisdom of trying to save the lives of Africans who had already contracted HIV. Officials said then that money should be spent on preventing the spread of the disease in Africa but would be wasted on expensive anti-AIDS drugs because African health systems were not equipped to dispense



First lady Laura Bush and Ugandan AIDS Doctor Peter Muganyizi applaud as President Bush delivers his State of the Union address on Tuesday.

the medicine properly. Now the president is proposing that Washington spend lavishly on the AIDS pandemic in Africa and the Caribbean, supplying drugs to 2 million HIV-infected people and caring for 10 million others, including orphans of parents who died of AIDS.

Authorities on the disease said those figures may be overly optimistic unless the price of drugs falls from the current level. Even so, Jeffrey Sachs, a Columbia University economist who is the AIDS advisor to United Nations Secretary General Kofi Annan, said: "This is an enormous breakthrough.

...the policy had been criticized for months at the highest level of the administration. Some evangelical Christians and AIDS activists, special interest from the Bush advisers said a push from the new Senate majority leader, Bill Frist of Tennessee (R).

Administration officials said the AIDS epidemic has become a major cause for evangelical Christians, a crucial part of the president's political base, because so many of them are affiliated with missions in Africa. Conservative politicians' concern about the disease has risen steadily over the past year as they became convinced that AIDS in the developing world was a massive humanitarian cri-

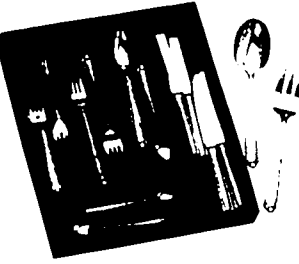
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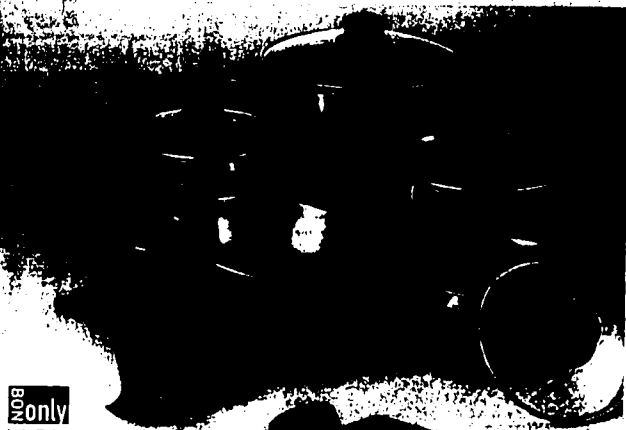
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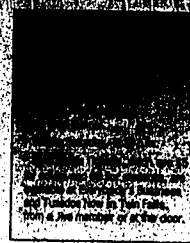
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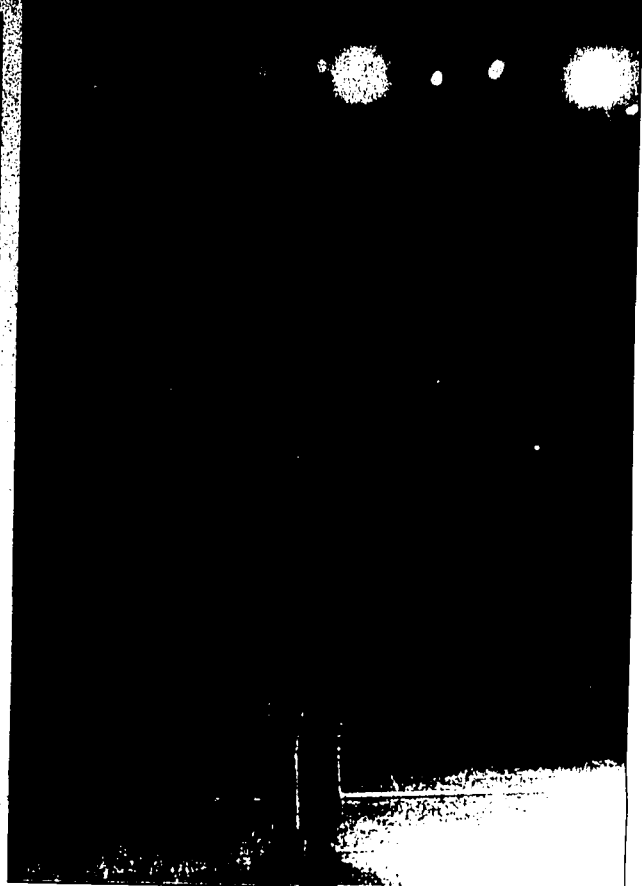
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Heather Jones sings the beginning to 'Somebody Over the Rainbow' during a rehearsal for five winter showcase. The concert, featuring many works by Elton John, is tonight at the Roper Auditorium.

**Gallic tough**  
Jean Reno stars in Luc Besson's 'Wishy,' the latest installment in the Magic Valley Arts Council's Foreign Film Festival. It'll be screened starting Wednesday night in the Lamphouse Theater in Twin Falls' Old Towne.

**Kids' stuff**  
The Wiggles will perform both matinee and evening shows Monday at the E Center in the Salt Lake City suburb of West Valley City.

**Idaho style**  
The Boise-based Idaho Dance Theater will present its winter production, 'Hot Blooded,' Saturday night and Sunday afternoon at the Community School theater in Sun Valley.

**Held over**  
The Friends of CSI Players will do two added performances of Larry Shue's comedy 'The Nerf' tonight and Saturday in the Lamphouse Theater in Twin Falls' Old Towne.

**erry 'n Liza**  
The Mount Harrison Heritage Foundation will wrap up its production of Alan Jay Lerner and Frederic Loewe's 'My Fair Lady' tonight and Saturday night in Bailey's King Center.

For times, dates and details, see Events Spotlight on Pages C2 and C7.

### An Ozzie-and-Harriet masterpiece

'Far From Heaven' gives the '50s emotional punch

By Chris Vogner  
The Dallas Morning News

"Far From Heaven" works on so many different levels that it's hard to keep them all straight. It's a canny deconstruction of Douglas Sirk's '50s melodramas, but it packs an emotional punch completely divorced from postmodern irony. The characters talk and interact in the mannered tones of a weepie "problem movie," but the drama is utterly engaging.

**Flix**

Todd Haynes' latest hits your heart, tickles your head and gives a little extra horse to those of us who salivate over cinematography and set design. Some people say they don't care about craft in the movies; they just want to be entertained. But "Far From Heaven" is a case study in how flawless craft creates entertainment. You wouldn't care about the social nuances of the Hartford, Conn., consensus circa 1957, if they weren't captured with such texture and weight. And the witty dialogue between frustrated housewife Cathy Whitaker (Julianne Moore) and her snarled-over husband (Dennis Quaid) would be languid off the screen if it weren't written and acted with such a pitch-perfect ease.

Cathy is a devoted mother of two who seems vaguely bored by her "Ozzie and Harriet" escapade. Frank is a top performer at a company called Magnacolor. Her set is a lovely room with a gay bar, tucked away about as far as movie theaters, spatey pills, Mameiasia. Cathy has developed an easy rapport. But mutual respect with Raymond Douglas



Julianne Moore, far right, and Patricia Clarkson, second from right, play in "Far From Heaven."

interpret too directly. But whatever "Far From Heaven" ultimately is, the film has an unmistakable scent of genius. You can see it in the camera movements along slick, blue-lit streets, and in the art direction and costuming, the brick-knicks sitting on desks and the bold, beautiful teal and burgundy dresses that Moore wears so well. As in the Sirk melodramas, expressive color and design work as a foil to the repressed surroundings. They are the film's visual voice, and they speak with great conviction: "Far From Heaven" is the best looking film of the year.

But it's also much more. Haynes has a keen understanding of the dance between pop culture and real life, and "Far From Heaven" is perched at the perfect midpoint between the two. Yet somehow, it manages to be bluntly, heart-breakingly serious, every time it winks, it comes right back with a devastating sequence. Much credit goes to the cast. This kind of dialogue can't be easy to speak with a straight face, but the work turned in by Moore, Quaid and Haybert is rock-solid and emotionally penetrating.

### Johnny U brings 'Cowboy Country' into the living room

Ag Weekly  
TWIN FALLS - Folks with a craving for cowboy music and cowboy ways just might get their fix with a new television show set for Sundays at 5:30 p.m. on KMYT-TV.

"Cowboy Country" is the brainchild of Magic Valley's own cowboy crooner Johnny U (Urrutia) and rodeo announcer Zeb Bell, who does most of the narration and will co-host the 30-minute show.

"I wanted to have a place for guys like me that write songs that aren't contemporary pop country songs... songs that don't get played on the radio," said Urrutia, 49, who grew up in Shoshone.

"I have cowboy singer friends from all over the country that will be on the show. And there'll be a little gospel music from time to time."

But the show's not only music. The evolving lineup will include such segments as bullfights in Spain, a fishing trip with a National Finals Rodeo cowboy. Interviews with saddlemakers, some Western history, horse events, camping, interviews with rodeo cowboys and cowboy singer-songwriters. Local cowboy minister Dean Yates will also offer bits of cowboy inspiration.

"It's all about cowboy music and cowboy ways," Urrutia said. "With far more than just his local following and regular gigs in Las Vegas, Urrutia said people keep asking him where they can get his cowboy brand of music."

"So, I'll give them a place to get it," he said, adding that the show will spotlight only original cowboy and cowboyfolk music. Most of it will be performed live, he said.



Johnny Urrutia grew up in Shoshone

**Gone country**  
'Cowboy Country' kicks off Sundays at 5:30 p.m. on KMYT-TV. You can visit the show's website at cowboycountry.com

"It's a great opportunity for me and other cowboy western singers who really don't have a venue without this," he added. "The show has been in the works for six months, Urrutia said.

And while the show has a Western focus, the goal is to eventually market it to Japan and Europe, where interest in cowboys is high. A third partner, Tom Hauka, performs the behind the scenes shooting and editing. The trio operates under the business name of Triple Threat Productions and has a one-year contract with KMYT for "Cowboy Country."

WEEKEND

# 'The Recruit,' 'Biker Boyz'

## 'About Schmidt'

Jack Nicholson at long last has another role big enough for a movie star to get lost in. Based loosely on the novel by Louis Beggs, and adapted by Alexander Payne and his longtime writing partner, Jim Taylor, the film tells the story of a Nebraska native who, through various misadventures, finds himself - or at least some small portion of that self. A comedy poised on the knife's edge of tragedy, the film is a gutsy, truthful, deeply rooted vision of contemporary American life, scaled to the size of an ordinary man's bathos and triumph that, after directing just three features, Payne has become the most gifted comic social satirist to hit our movies since Preston Sturges. With Hope Davis, Kathy Bates and Dermot Mulroney. (2.04. R, for some language and brief nudity.)

## 'Adaptation'

A wealthy insecure writer named Charlie Kaufman is agonizing over turning Susan Orlean's best-selling book 'The Orchid Thief' into a film. Which is exactly the problem the real-life Kaufman faced after he and directing partner Spike Jonze took on the book after tripping with the boundary-expanding 'Being John Malkovich.' Kaufman has given himself an imaginary identical twin brother named Donald (a hangdog Nicholas Cage plays them both), taken real people and turned them into half-fictional creatures of his imagination, and he's written a script about how he couldn't write a script that is not only dazzlingly funny but also a wonderful essay on the creative process. The boldest and most imaginative studio film of the year. With Meryl Streep and Chris Cooper. (1.54. R, for language, sexuality, some drug use and violent images.)

## 'Biker Boyz'

It looks like 'The Fast and the Furious' on two wheels instead of four, but really it's 'Star Wars' inside the world of Los Angeles motorcycle gangs, with a predictable paternity twist. Derek Luke stars as a Luke Skywalker figure named Kid, an upstart who's itching to race. Laurence Fishburne plays the movie's Darth Vader, an established biker whom Kid challenges for the title of 'The King of Cali.' Remarkably, for a movie that's about racing, 'Biker Boyz' is neither fast nor furious; it meanders through a series of minor brawls and competitions, leading up to The Big Race. PG-13 for violence, sexual content and language. 110 minutes.

## 'Catch Me if You Can'

A frothy entertainment about a quick-change artist by Steven Spielberg, the most nimble quick-change artist in American movies, the film traces the life and picaresque criminal times of Frank Abagnale, a 1960s teenager who for a few blessed-out years pretended to be an airline pilot, a pediatrician and a lawyer. After going over to the dark side with 'Minority Report,' Spielberg has returned to the sort of lost paradise where he has always been most at ease as a storyteller, never mind that these days even paradise can seem cramped for a

filmmaker of his ambitions. Leonardo DiCaprio, Tom Hanks and Christopher Walken. (2.20. PG-13, for some sexual content and brief language.)

## 'Chicago'

Rob Marshall's film version of the 1975 musical first staged by Bob Fosse stars Catherine Zeta-Jones, Rene Zellweger and Richard Gere in the time of bootleggers and Tommy guns. A quarter of a century later, Fosse's ostensible cynicism, at least as interpreted by Marshall, who also did the choreography for the film, seems quaintly earnest. Demands of satire, the musical now comes across as another charming if creaky theatrical contrivance. Instead of letting his performers just do their own thing, Marshall chops up their bodies like some lunatic cabaret then frantically tosses the pieces around. None of the three leads is truly up to the demands of either the choreography or Kander and Ebb's stylized pastiche, but it's maddening that for most of their numbers, you're not allowed to fully watch them try. Energetic and eager to please, the trio all appear to be having a good time, but it's Zeta-Jones who keeps you watching from start to finish. (1.53. PG-13, for sexual content and dialogue,

violence and thematic elements.)

## 'Far from Heaven'

Julianne Moore stars in this handsome, heart-breaking recreation of 1950s Hollywood melodramas, in which the picture-perfect suburban life can (and does) conceal acres of aching repression, bigotry and gloom. Dennis Quaid and Dennis Haysbert co-star. In Todd Haynes' daring homage, beautifully photographed and brilliantly acted. PG-13 (adult themes, language, violence.)

## 'Darkness Falls'

A young man returns to his hometown, which has been plagued by a mysterious evil for more than 150 years. Chaney

Keller stars in this horror film.

## 'The Recruit'

Francis O'neil directs this adaptation of a novel by Lewis Meltzer, a combination of murder and suspense. In the end of a Christmas party gaily Agatha Christie could love: A bunch of people who hate each other are snowbound, trapped with a dead body and without phones. And just as you know not to take any of this too seriously, each woman is given a musical number to explain her feelings. With Catherine Deneuve, Isabelle Huppert and Danielle Darrieux.

## 'Design of Hope'

Marisa Scorsone's tale of 19th century street fighting, mess, first announced in a trade paper at 25 years ago, has not been worth the wait. Despite having Daniel Day-Lewis, Leonard DiCaprio and Cameron Diaz in a melodramatic story centered on murder and revenge, the film plays like an irredeemable airplane flight; you look at your watch, hoping its steady time to land, only to realize with a sinking heart you're not even halfway there. While it is surprisingly better on tedium than bloodshed, when we are not

with a great feel, the guy can't help it. The three leads go through the motions with gony geniality, and director Chris Koch has enlisted some consummate character actors (Julie

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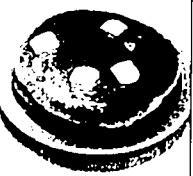
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**Feb. 8 - Utah**

**Feb. 8 - Utah**  
**Feb. 12 - Redman's original band,** **Northwest 55** will perform at **Delta Center** in Salt Lake City at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$25, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. Saitair is located 30 miles west of Salt Lake City; take Interstate 180 to Exit 104.

**Feb. 21 - Utah**

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**In Role** will play the **Delta Center** in Salt Lake City at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$29.50, \$34.50 and \$39.50, can be reserved by phoning (801) 325-SEAT, or online at <http://www.ticketmaster.com>. The **Delta Center** is located at 301 West South Temple.

**Feb. 22 - Boise**

**Feb. 22 - Boise**  
**The Short** will perform at the **Big Easy Concert House** at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$26, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at **Atkinson's Market** in Ketchum. The **Big Easy Concert House** is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

**Tonight**

**The Troy Spence Project**, featuring the **Fast Ride Band**, will perform from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the **Silver Dollar Bar**, 101 S. Main.

**Feb. 10 - Utah**

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**Clayton** will perform at **Delta Center** in Salt Lake City at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$25, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. Saitair is located 30 miles west of Salt Lake City; take Interstate 180 to Exit 104.

**Feb. 11 - Utah**

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**David Gray** will play **Kingsbury Hall** on the campus of the **University of Utah** in Salt Lake City at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$27, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX.

**Feb. 12 - Utah**

**Feb. 12 - Utah**  
**The Reverend Horton Heat** will play **Salt Lake City's Club X-Scape** at 9 p.m. Tickets, which are \$12.50, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. Club X-Scape is located at 115 South West Temple.

**Feb. 14 - Boise**

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**The Reverend Horton Heat** will perform at the **Big Easy Concert House** at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$12.50, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at **Atkinson's Market** in Ketchum. **JD & Friends** is located at 1519 W. Main St.

**Feb. 13 - Utah**

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**Coldplay** will perform at the **Belvoir Resort** in Magna, Utah, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$22, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. Saitair is located 30 miles west of Salt Lake City; take Interstate 180 West to Exit 104.

**Feb. 14 - Utah**

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**Choke and Staring Back** will perform at **JD & Friends** at 6:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$6, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4826, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at **Atkinson's Market** in Ketchum. **JD & Friends** is located at 1519 W. Main St.

**Feb. 19 - Utah**

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**Metro** will play the **Zephyr Club** in Salt Lake City at 10 p.m. Tickets, which are \$5, can be reserved by phoning (800) 888-TIXX. The **Zephyr Club** is located at 301 South West Temple.

**Feb. 23 - Utah**

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**Finch** will play **Club X-Scape** in Salt Lake City at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$10, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. Club X-Scape is located at 115 South West Temple.

**Feb. 28 - Utah**

**Feb. 28 - Utah**  
**Further Seems Forever** will perform at **Salt Lake City's X-Scape** at 8:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$10, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. X-Scape is located at 115 South West Temple.

**March 1 - Utah**

**March 1 - Utah**  
**Glassjaw and Sparta** will play at the **Delta Center** in Salt Lake City at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$14, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. Brick's is located at 579 West 200 South.

**March 5 - Utah**

**March 5 - Utah**  
**Tramanda** will play **Salt Lake City's Club X-Scape** at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$10, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. Club X-Scape is located at 115 South West Temple.

**March 19 - Utah**

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**The Moody Blues** will perform at the **Delta Center** in Salt Lake City at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$27.50, \$37.50 and \$50, can be reserved by phoning (801) 325-SEAT, or online at <http://www.ticketmaster.com>. The **Delta Center** is located at 301 West South Temple.

**Feb. 27 - Boise**

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**Big Head Todd and the Monsters** will play the **Big Easy Concert House** at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$25, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4826, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at **Atkinson's Market** in Ketchum. The **Big Easy Concert House** is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

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

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**March 31 - Boise**

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**Crosby, Stills & Nash** will play the **Bank of America Center** at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$35 and \$45, can be reserved by phoning (208) 426-1765 or (208) 331-8497, online <http://www.idahotickets.com>, or at **Albertson's** in Twin Falls. The **Bank of America Center** is located at 233 S. Capitol Blvd.

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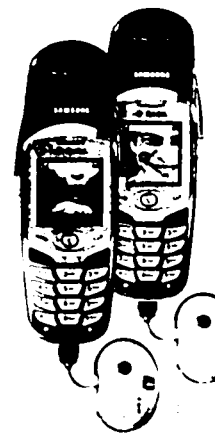


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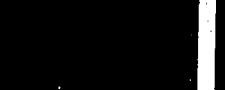
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## Movies

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Hegerty, Jay Brazeau) — to help hold up the sagging jokes and storyline. (1.41, PG-13, for language, crude humor, some sexual content and drug references.)

### 'Just Married'

A product of such generic blandness as to possess a plastic perfection. Ashton Kutcher and Brittany Murphy rush into marriage without getting to know each other, which means that they're ready to split up after a disastrous European honeymoon. So mechanical and predictable is this movie its stars are like Barbie and Ken dolls going through the motions. (1.35, PG-13, for sexual content, some crude humor and a brief drug reference.)

### 'Kangaroo Jack'

Jerry O'Connell and Anthony Anderson are two boxes from Brooklyn who wind up chasing mob money across the Outback of Australia, abetted by a bodacious babe. The only levity in this so-called comedy is the sound of co-star Christopher Walken,

laughing all the way to the bank. (1.28, PG, for language, crude humor, violence.)

### 'The Lord of the Rings: The Two Towers'

Peter Jackson's adaptation of J.R.R. Tolkien's trilogy has now entered an awkward adolescence with its middle feature on its way to the concluding volume, 'The Return of the King.' If the second film never reaches the highs of the first — we have met the players before and there are no new worlds of wonder — it nonetheless invests moviegoing with a sense of adventure. Like Frodo and Aragorn, we have to cover a lot of middling expository ground here — we're just passing through on our way to the end. Elijah Wood, Sean Astin, Ian McKellen, Andy Serkis, Viggo Mortensen, Orlando Bloom, John Rhys-Davies, Dominic Monaghan and Billy Boyd. (2.59, PG-13 for battle sequences and scary images.)

### 'Maid in Manhattan'

As saccharine as it is disposable, this pillow mint of a movie stars Jennifer Lopez as a single

moon from the moon who catches the eye of an ambitious politician (Ralph Fiennes), while working as a maid in a swank Paris Avenue hotel. Mostler's identity yields a romantic walk in the park, a minor tabloid tempest but finally no surprise, this despite the odd-couple pairing of Lopez, a performer born for the spotlight, and Fiennes, an actor who invariably seems paired when cast as a romantic lead. That this particular chambermaid doesn't scrub a single toilet somehow goes without saying. Written by Kevin Wade ('Working Girl') and directed by Wayne Wang ('The Joy Luck Club'), it is a bitbely impersonal film. With Bob Hoskins and Marissa Matrone. (1.43, PG-13 for some language/sexual references.)

### 'My Big Fat Greek Wedding'

Nia Vardalos' autobiographical one-woman stage play about growing up Greek is transfigured into a mushy, overcooked ethnic comedy with culture clash jokes whose freshness date expired 30 years ago. Vardalos, however, is affecting as the glum, withdrawn single gal who

struggles to get a date. (1.43, PG-13 for some language/sexual references.)

### 'National Security'

Martin Lawrence, as a once-bulking Lockheed employee out of the LAPD Police Academy, and Steve Zahn, as a dedicated cop's disgruntled wife, team up in a busi- successfully accused of police harassment, wind up as fellow security guards warily teaming up to go after big-time smuggler Eric Roberts'. This result is a hilarious and inspired action comedy, albeit with the usual overly high violence quotient, that has a consistently provocative and fair-minded subtext. (1.30, PG-13, for violence, language and some sexuality.)

### 'The Recruit'

CIA man Al Pacino helps rookie Colin Farrell learn the ropes and traps him for a special assign-

ment. (1.43, PG-13 for some language/sexual references.)

### 'Two Weeks Notice'

Teamed with Hugh Grant and her 'Miss Congeniality' wannabe-director Marc Lawrence, producer-star Sandra Bullock has pulled off that most difficult of feats: to make a contemporary romantic comedy in the blithe, witty spirit of the Hollywood classics. She's an activist attorney co-opted by Manhattan real estate developer Grant to become his legal counsel, mak-

ing her the most powerful woman in the city. (1.43, PG-13 for some language/sexual references.)

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### 'The Wild Thornberry Movie'

Kids' Thornberry in the fearless heroine of 'The Wild Thornberry Movie,' a clever feature-length comedy that's as entertaining as it is educational. (1.43, PG-13 for some language/sexual references.)

## What's Playing

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'Catch Me if You Can,' Magic Lantern

'Chicago,' SkiTime Cinemas  
'Confessions of a Dangerous Mind,' Magic Lantern  
'Darkness Falls,' SkiTime Cinemas  
'Just Married,' SkiTime Cinemas  
'Kangaroo Jack,' Sun Valley Opera House  
'The Recruit,' Magic Lantern

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'Gangs of New York,' Twin Cinema  
'A Guy Thing,' Odyssey Theater  
'Just Married,' Odyssey Theater  
'Kangaroo Jack,' Twin Cinema  
'Lord of the Rings: The Two Towers,' Twin Cinema  
'Maid in Manhattan,' Odyssey Theater

'My Big Fat Greek Wedding,' Twin Cinema  
'National Security,' Twin Cinema  
'The Recruit,' Twin Cinema  
'Treasure Planet,' Twin Cinema  
'Two Weeks Notice,' Twin Cinema

'Wasabi,' Lamphouse Theater (starts Wednesday)

'Darkness Falls,' Century Cinema  
'Just Married,' Century Cinema  
'Kangaroo Jack,' Century Cinema  
'The Recruit,' Century Cinema  
'My Big Fat Greek Wedding,' Burley Theater  
'National Security,' Century Cinema

'Catch Me if You Can,' Jerome Cinema  
'Just Married,' Jerome Cinema  
'Kangaroo Jack,' Jerome Cinema  
'National Security,' Jerome Cinema  
'Wild Thornberry Movie,' Jerome Cinema

'Maid in Manhattan,' Gooding Cinema  
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# Siblings settle score



Tiffany 'The Threat' Thorpe, right, lands a punch on her sister Whitney 'The Sissy' Radtke during the feature fight at the Thursday Night at the Fights in the Radio Rencove in Twin Falls. The amateur club boxing event will continue for the next eight Thursdays in Twin Falls.

## Boxers thrill Twin Falls crowd

**By Joe Paisley**  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — It's finally settled. After years of questions, Tiffany "The Threat" Thorpe finally got "to settle a score," by defeating her twin sister Whitney "The Sissy" Radtke by unanimous decision during the featured bout of the first Thursday Night at the Fights in Twin Falls.

**Thursday night fights**

- Randy Carpenter knocked out Ronald Wilton, 40, base young
- Williams Jarnel won by unanimous dec. Brett Sharp
- Fernando Limon won by split dec. Michael Oake
- Matt Cohen won by technical knockout over Matt Robinson, 38, third round
- Tiffany Thorpe won by unanimous decision over Whitney Radtke
- Jason Kronbridge won by split decision over Jason Hutchinson
- Geoffrey Strayer won by technical knockout over Brandon Smith, 30, third round

crowd's boots and the welded dollar bills flying into the ring, the ring card girls did not disappoint either.

In the first bout, Randy "The Louisville Slugger" Carpenter had enough lumber to score a knockout 40 ticks into the third round. It came as a surprise considering how Ronald "The Rhino" Welton dominated the first round.



Lightning Fernando Limon, left, waits for his bout to be announced. Limon won his 130 pound fight by technical knockout.

Neither of the sisters went in with much conditioning and it showed after the first round.

But the important thing was the result and a declared end to the sibling rivalry.

"People at work have always asked us who would win a fight," Thorpe said before the fight. "We're here to prove it."

"I guess I should go workout," Thorpe said. "I thought I could do two rounds easy. No. Still, if I'd lost, I'd have tried to go another round."

The mother was on hand and she reportedly handled it well, especially considering the promise this would be the last familial fistfight.

"The speed in general caught me by surprise," Carpenter said. "I was just trying to tell my way but won, he started in on me right away. I'm still a little hazy."

But Welton's defense had gaps and Carpenter was able to land some hard shots in the second and third rounds to set up the knockout.

"I didn't expect it," Cohen said. "I expected to win the first round, but I had to wait when he came back."

## Jordan doesn't want to take anyone's starting All-Star spot

### Wizards guard graciously declines offers from McGrady, Iverson

**The Associated Press**

MILWAUKEE — Michael Jordan said thanks, but no thanks. Jordan turned down offers from Tracy McGrady and Allen Iverson to relinquish their starting spots in the All-Star Game.

McGrady, the Orlando guard who led the Eastern Conference in fan balloting, made his offer Thursday. Iverson made a similar offer in a private phone call a week and a half ago, Jordan revealed before Thursday night's game between the Wizards and Washington Wizards.

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"That, to me, just shows how much they care about the game. I take it as a compliment, but I would rather let them to play and start and let me come off the bench."

Jordan said Iverson called him after the starting lineup was announced earlier this month.

"He said, 'If you don't mind, I'd like to step aside and let you start,'" Jordan recounted. "No one knew about it. He called me personally and I didn't make it known."

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But Jordan said he's not bothered by not starting. In his previous 13 All-Star selections, the fans voted him in.

"I have no ill feelings," Jordan said. "I am very happy for them. If I hadn't done it for 14 years, OK, it's a different scenario. I experienced it for many years and I think it's something they should feel proud about."

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The 35-year-old Jordan will almost certainly still retire after this season.

"I've got plenty more chances of being an All-Star starter," said McGrady, making his third All-Star



Washington guard Michael Jordan is courted by Orlando's Tracy McGrady Jan. 16 in Washington. D.C. McGrady, along with Allen Iverson, offered to let Jordan leave his starting spot on the All-Star team.

Correction  
Burley basketball coach Jack Bagley was misidentified in a story that ran in Thursday's Times-News.

Correction  
Completed team staff and who reports

## Panel leaves Title IX largely unchanged

**The Associated Press**

WASHINGTON — A sharply divided Bush administration advisory commission voted Thursday to change a landmark gender-equity law that substantially increased the number of female athletes, but the panel stopped short of the major overhaul some women's advocates feared.

The Commission on Opportunity in Athletics considered two dozen recommendations for Title IX in two days of sometimes contentious meetings. The most sweeping recommendations were defeated, and the panel deadlocked 7-7 on a proposal to make a major change.

The requirement that the ratio of male and female athletes at colleges and universities be roughly the same as the overall student body.

Commissioner Lisa Graham Keegan showed up after the plan was considered and left the meeting early without talking to reporters about why she missed the vote.

The commission will forward a report to Education Secretary Rod Paige, who will consider changes to Title IX. It takes an act of Congress to fundamentally change the law, but Paige can alter the law's implementation.

University of Maryland Athletic Director Debbie Yaw who proposed the recommendation that produced the tie, said she's satisfied because under commission rules the dead-end means it still goes to the top.

After Yaw's proposal failed to pass, several other changes that would have altered recommendations Title IX's fundamental principle that schools should have roughly equal numbers of male and female athletes.

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SPORTS

Parker lifts Dietrich over

SHOSHONE - Rayssa Parker dominated the court, scoring 29 points to lead Dietrich just past sports The Community School 38-32 in the Girls' Northside girls basketball Thursday. Parker scored 18 of the Blue Devils' 22 points in the second half, nine points in the last four minutes alone. The Community School led 32-29 with a few minutes left on the clock, but Parker stepped up to lift Dietrich to the win. The Blue Devils will battle Shoshone Monday for the conference championship. Kristen Hickey scored 10 points to pace the Cutthroats. The Community School will play Bliss in a loser-out game Saturday at 7:30 p.m.

loser out, 6 p.m. • Community School vs. Bliss, loser out, 7:30 p.m. Monday • Loser-out game, 6 p.m. Dietrich vs. Shoshone, championship, 7:30 p.m. Hagerman, Oakley advance in Southside tourney MURTAUGH - Form held Thursday in the first round of the Southside Conference basketball tournament at Hulse Gymnasium in Murtaugh. Alicia Jester and Shannel Knight combined for 23 points to lead the Hagerman Pirates past Raft River 46-33. Sierra Telford led Raft River with 11 points. Oakley got 10 points from Mirtaugh to lead to down Castleford 40-20 in the nightcap. Second-seeded Hansen will take on No. 3 Oakley Saturday at 6 p.m. at Hulse Gymnasium followed by the fourth-seeded Hagerman at 7:30 p.m.

Merrill scored 14 points to lead Declo to a 53-32 victory over Wood River Thursday night in Pocatello. The Diamondbacks hit two lay-up dunks with two seconds remaining for the victory. Minico (8-17) opens with Pocatello Wednesday in the Region III tournament.

Boys basketball Wood River 47, Buhl 43 HALLLEY - Three double-figure scorers led Wood River to a 47-43 Sawtooth Central Idaho Conference victory over Buhl Thursday at Wood River High School. "It was a great team effort on our part," Wood River coach Jeff Larson said. "Both teams played hard." Wood River (3-13 overall, 2-5 conference) is at Gooding tonight.

Other sports Western States Basketball Classic, Tucson, Ariz. • Fremont, Calif. 68, ISDB boys 41 • ISDB girls 43, Vancouver, Wash. 4 Wrestling Hornets split SCIC matches DEULO - The Declo Hornet wrestling team split a pair of Sawtooth Central Idaho Conference matches Thursday, downing Wood River 53-30 before falling to Buhl 45-33. "We started out really well," Declo coach Ben Merrill said. "It looked like the team from early in the year, there was lots of emotion and we wrestled extremely well." But he said two conference matches in one night is too many. "We weren't the same team against Buhl," he said. "It's tough to get up for a match 40 minutes after wrestling as hard as you can. And Buhl was just watching us."

SHOSHONE - The Shoshone Indians defeated Carey 47-26 in the second night of the girls' Northside conference tournament. Indian Sarah Hubsmith had 15 points for the game-high. Teammate Amanda Gullford contributed 12 points, including two 3-pointers. Shoshone will play Dietrich for the conference championship Monday in Shoshone. The Panthers, who will battle Richfield in a loser-out game Saturday at 6 p.m., were led by Cheyanne Bingham with eight points.

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Bonneville 51, Burley 35 BURLEY - After an exciting win over Minico Tuesday, the Burley Bobcats fell to Bonneville in boys Great Basin basketball Thursday in Burley. Bee Mark Asper scored a game-high 15 points. Burley coach Jack Bagley said his team didn't make the big effort they made Tuesday. "We had a big, emotional game on Tuesday against Minico in overtime, and tonight we just came out flat and complacent," he said. Scott Rankley pulled down nine points to lead the Bobcats (6-9, 1-1) who travel to Jerome Wednesday.

Declo 63, Wood River 39 DEULO - The Declo Hornets scored one of their best victories Thursday night, downing Wood River 63-39 in a game that was a defensive struggle. Declo, which is 7-7 in duals, will be at the Gooding Tournament Saturday.

Bliss 31, Camas County 30 SHOSHONE - Bliss came from behind to slip past Camas County, 31-30 in a loser-out game at the girls' Northside girls basketball tournament in Shoshone. Bear Sundi Briendence scored a team-high 11 points. Freshman Beth McLain netted 15 points for the Mushers.

Flier 52, Gooding 37 GOODING - The Lady Wildcats snatched Gooding's senior night, 52-37 in the final game of the Sawtooth Central Idaho Conference regular season in Gooding Thursday. Krystal Demoney pulled down 12 points, including the Wildcat's lone 3-pointer. Lindsay Heilmke also had 12 points. Gooding coach Chris Comstock said that the girls played hard for senior night. "Our seniors really gave a good effort tonight," he said. "We just had too many turnovers and gave them too many second-chance opportunities." Senator Brittanee Toone netted a game-high 14 points. Senior Krystal Sabala added 13 points, while Kristin Demoney and Gooding 14-16, 2-8; travels either Declo or Wood River Tuesday to begin the SCIC district tournament.

Castelford 64, Wendell 58 WENDELL - Elvis Medina scored a game-high 35 points to lift the Castelford Wolves past Wendell 64-58 in a non-conference boys basketball Thursday. Wolf Benji Graybed added 10 points. Wendell coach Allen Kelsey said that the second half was exciting. "They built a 10 point lead in the third, but we were able to battle back to within two points by the end of the third," he said. "Dane Beorchia hit three 3-pointers in the last few minutes to make it interesting." Trojan Kael Pope netted 18 points. Dane Beorchia pulled down 11 points, including his

Late Buhl 45, Jerome 36 BUHL - The Buhl Indian warriors once again recorded a narrow 45-36 victory over Jerome Wednesday.

Northside Conference Tournament at Shoshone High School Thursday • Dietrich 38, Community School 32, semifinal • Shoshone 47, Carey 26, semifinal • Bliss 31, Camas County 30, loser out Saturday • JV championship, 4:30 p.m. • Richfield vs. Camas County, 7:30 p.m.

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SWAC officials bench ref after controversial call

By Kevin Hall Times-News writer Supervisor of officials for the Semi West Athletic Conference, Cal Jones, has temporarily "benched" official Leon Baker, said CSI athletic director Jeff Duggan. Baker, as you may recall, was the referee responsible for whistling Yakubowa Diawara for an offensive holding call on a screen that knocked Snow to the deck with 4 seconds to go last Friday and CSI inbound-

the ball. The call resulted in Schroeder shooting two free throws that tied the game, which was eventually won by the Badgers in overtime. The foul, a player control penalty, should not have given Snow free throws but instead the ball at the other end of the floor. The same type of foul had already been called earlier in the game. Duggan said there were a couple of mistakes made by Baker and officials Val Culmore and Bruce Palmer, who Jones has penalized by not being able to

call games at the Region 18 Tournament in March. "One, the foul was not a foul and the tape shows that," Duggan said. "They were awarded free throws and they should never have been awarded free throws. It's a new rule that on an offensive foul, there's no free throw, that team is awarded the ball and no free throws. "The second injustice is that nobody caught that literally CSI's seventh foul in that half. It was an offensive foul and our scorer's table wanted to make sure if there were shots or not

That crew said, 'No, no shock.' So it had already happened once on the night." Also, Baker was supposed to officiate Thursday's CSI game with Utah Valley. Duggan said Jones has required Baker to review the tape and come up with a written report on his apparent mistake. "He's not here tonight and I'm not sure how long Cal said he might be benched," Duggan said. "Leon now has the tape and is supposed to call Cal Baker and give his rationale for that foul."

Boxing

Continued from D1 The final bout of the fight ended when Brandon Smith was unable to start the third round against Geoffrey "The Jawbreaker" Stringer. The toughest bout came in the 130 pound division with "Lightning" Fernando Lamon taking out a split decision over Michael "Godzilla" Geluk. Lamon controlled the first round only to see the 34-year old Geluk mount a comeback. "I was getting tired and nervous in the second round, and I might fall down," take a hard shut and I might fall down." Hittendy the bout ended with both fighters down on the mat, wrestling each other down in a clinch. "We were both so tired, it was just a matter of ham or me," Lamon said.

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Continued from D1 his starters off the floor midway through the second half. Jamaal Price II led 12 points and Korinne Price II led 12. "You gotta band it to 'Southern Idaho, they did a good job on us defensively," he said. "We tried to make it a one-on-one game and they handled that a lot better than we did." CSI held UVSC to just 37 percent shooting in the game on 24-of-64 and limited the Wolverines (18-4, 6-3) to just three assists. "I was glad the Eagles needed to shoot 40 minutes' worth of intensity. That they did." "People are talking, saying, 'We don't play aggressive enough.' They say we don't play hard," he said. "I think we do, but not all

the time. We said in the locker room today, 'We lost at home, that's going to be the last one.'" Now, the Eagles get ready for Dixie State College, which comes in Saturday after winning at Snow Thursday night. "We had a big win today and we're going to enjoy it tonight," Ibrahim added. "Dixie on Saturday, it's going to be a war. Whatever happens, happens. But we're going to play unbelievably aggressive." Throw-in Moment of silence: A moment of silence was held for Bill Koch Jr., who passed away this week. Koch, who owned K & T Social, was a longtime CSI booster and

a member of the college's Athletic Hall of Fame. Scout night: All boy and girl scouts in uniform will get in free to Saturday's game with Dixie State College. Box scores UVSC 68, Wood River 39 DEULO - The Declo Hornets scored one of their best victories Thursday night, downing Wood River 63-39 in a game that was a defensive struggle. Declo, which is 7-7 in duals, will be at the Gooding Tournament Saturday.

UVSC prepares for move to NCAA Division I-A

By Kevin Hall Times-News writer "Division I coaches have told Dick 'We can't afford to lose. So BYU, Utah, Weber State, Utah State... they won't play us.'" - Dr. D.J. Smith, associate A.D. essentially a non-counter for schools. And schools can only play four non-counters. And some conferences don't allow schools to play non-counters." So don't expect any Brigham Young Utah Valley clashes early this year, even though the two schools are only about 15 minutes apart. The two schools do play each other in other sports such as football, track and field and soccer. But, Smith promised, UVSC will patch together a full schedule to be against Division II, Division III or NAIA schools - but no more meetings with the College of Southern Idaho. UVSC women's coach Cathy Nixon lamented that fact. "I'm going to miss that," he said. "We're excited about next year... but it's a challenge." Nixon said she has verbal commitments from at least 10 schools, including Utah State, Mountain West and Big Sky teams. Smith said another concern he's heard from trying to get games set is the reputation of first-year coach Dick Hunsaker, whose resume includes stops at Utah, Ball State and Manchester College. "Division I coaches have told Dick 'We can't afford to lose,'" Smith said. "So BYU, Utah, Weber State, Utah State... they won't play us." Smith remains confident as the Wolverines plan midweek and a conference that the future is bright for one of Utah's least-prosperous colleges. "This first year is very tough but we're all very excited about joining NCAA Division I," he said.

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Table of golf scores for 'PGA and other Golf Scores'.

DeWitt of Chicago... What would it mean to be... How about spending a little effort and dig up some news about the former players that are doing well... Jason Brazier, who will graduate from Lewis and Clark while performing well enough on the court to possibly be recognized as an All-American; Tim Ellis

and Matt Sibrand are doing very well at Kansas State; Tony Butler is completing his school work and playing well at Cincinnati; Carl Butler has overcome some learning difficulties and is doing well at Utah State; Matt Brown has founded a traveling team that plays basketball in Europe while at the same time teaching Christian values.

I could go on and on, but for some reason, you have chosen an editorial staff that would be better served writing copy for one of the check-out counter rags, as a fan of CSI athletics, would appreciate a more positive approach to your reporting. Also, it wasn't necessary to call Treasure Valley a dog.

I sure would like to see a competitive newspaper in this area. JERRY E. KEMP GAYLE KEMP Twin Falls

## SPORTS IN BRIEF

**Junior roping association plans event Sunday**  
The Junior Roping Association will hold a rope and run series at Copus Cove Arena in Buhl on Sunday, starting at 11 a.m. with a kickoff jackpot. The winner of the 4-D barrel race will win \$200. A two for \$35 breakaway roping event follows. Other jackpot dates are Feb. 17 and March 2. Call Lana Parker at 536-2772.

**Copus Cove will hold team roping today**  
BUHL - There will be a team roping jackpot and practice today starting at 6 p.m. at Copus Cove Arena in Buhl. There will be another team roping event Saturday at noon with No. 6 and No. 8 jackpots. For more information, call 543-6695.

**Twin Falls Park and Rec plans Snowshoe Day**  
TWIN FALLS - The City of Twin Falls Park and Recreation Department and the City of Southern Idaho outdoors program are offering a Snowshoe Day in the South Hills on Saturday.

Transportation, snowshoes and poles are provided for this easy 4.5 mile hike. Participants need to bring lunch, boots, gaiters and warm hiking clothes. The fee is \$15. Register at 136 Maxwell Ave. or by calling 736-2265.

**Group saves three Minnesota sports teams**  
MINNEAPOLIS - Three University of Minnesota sports teams targeted for elimination have been saved because of donations from boosters.

**Stevens, Modano will captain All-Star teams**  
NEW YORK - New Jersey Devils defenseman Scott Stevens and Dallas Stars forward Mike Modano will be the captains in the NHL All-Star game on Sunday.

**Sather picks himself to be new Rangers coach**  
NEW YORK - It was hard to tell what was more surprising at the New York Rangers' practice: Glen Sather's guarantee they'd make the playoffs or that he was best suited to lead them there. Sather, the team's president and general manager, added head coach to his responsibilities Thursday, one day after he fired rookie Bryan Trottier 54 games into the season.

**Three major leaguers get subpoenas after brawl**  
SANTO DOMINGO, Dominican Republic - Boston first baseman David Ortiz, San Francisco shortstop Neftali Feliz and Cincinnati outfielder Jose Guillen were subpoenaed Thursday to testify about a brawl that left a fan injured.

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SPORTS

# Knight nears 800

## Coach can notch milestone win on Saturday

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) — When Bob Knight had to clear out his locker at Indiana, his son discovered three balls buried under junk and stained by a soft drink.

Each was taped with a number — 500, 600 and 700 to mark the coach's milestone victories.

"I took them back to the house," said Pat Knight, who emptied the locker after Indiana fired his dad in 2000. "He just threw them in the closet."

Yep, Bob Knight doesn't like to make a fuss about all his achievements. But he'll soon have another ball to add to his unwanted collection.

Knight won his 799th game Wednesday when his Texas Tech Red Raiders beat Colorado. One more victory will make him the fourth men's Division I coach to reach 800. His first chance comes Saturday night against Texas A&M in College Station.

For Knight, the milestone only proves he's coached a long time, since 1965. As for wins with numerical significance, he said he remembers "No. 1. The others 'just never meant anything to me,' he said.

"I've gotten upset when I lost. When we won, that's just kind of what I thought we were supposed to do," said Knight, who has won three national championships.

While Knight won't step back and ponder this accomplishment, his peers are happy to do it for him.

"Eight-hundred means you've sustained excellence for a long, long time," said Duke coach Mike Krzyzewski, who got his Division I coaching start as an assistant to Knight. "I hope he gets a lot more."

Kansas coach Roy Williams, who recently hit 400, said: "Eight-hundred wins is just mind-boggling. I don't know if I could live through 800 games, much less 800 wins."

Former Texas-El Paso coach



Texas Tech head coach Bob Knight, right, makes a point with players Robert Tomasek (55) and Kasib Powell, left, Wednesday during the first half against Colorado in Lubbock, Texas. Knight can achieve his 800th win on Saturday.

Don Haskins knows Knight well and thinks his friend is bluffing when he says No. 800 won't matter.

"He probably will say it doesn't, but it's got to," Haskins said. "The main thing is, he'll want to get it over with, because it kind of distracts from playing."

Adding to the significance of the milestone is that it's happening at Tech, not Indiana.

Knight registered wins Nos. 200-700, and all three of the national titles, while coaching the Hoosiers from 1971-2000. Along the way, the silver-haired coach known as the General also became infamous for his temper. He threw a chair across a

court, kicked a chair on the sideline while his son, Pat, was sitting in it; had countless spats with officials and reporters; and was accused of grabbing a player by the throat during a practice. A videotape of that 1997 episode created a furor that eventually led to his dismissal in September 2000.

After a year away, he made a surprising comeback in West Texas. The Red Raiders hadn't had a winning record in four years but went 23-9 and reached the NCAA tournament in Knight's first season.

His triumphant return made even his harshest critics acknowledge his coaching brilliance. This season, the team is

12-4 and has spent time in the Top 25.

"I think it's great recognition for the university, for Tech, for our basketball program for him to be his 800th here," said athletic director Gerald Meyers, who took a lot of criticism for hiring Knight.

Pat Knight, a Red Raiders assistant, believes his father returned to college basketball because he realized he never, when not only fish, hunt and golf so much.

"I just really enjoy the game," Bob Knight said. "I've always enjoyed what can be done with basketball. It's like something you can continually kind of tinker with and fiddle around with and think about and work with."

Adolph Rupp of Kentucky was the longtime record-holder for coaching victories — 876. North Carolina's Dean Smith passed him in 1997 and retired with 879. Jim Phelan of Mount St. Mary's has 826 wins and is retiring after this season.

"Bob has a chance to become the winningest coach in college basketball," Oklahoma State coach Eddie Sutton said. "I think that he still has a lot of good years left."

Tennessee coach Pat Summitt and Texas coach Jerry Conradi became the first women's coaches to reach 800 wins, both getting there this month.

Knight's 800th will come in his 37th season — four more than Smith and eight fewer than Phelan. Summitt did it in her 29th season, Conradi in her 34th.

"I don't think any coach thinks of it as 'his' wins," said Smith, who occasionally plays golf with Knight. "It's the team's. The win belongs to the teams and the losses to us, because they're doing what we ask them to do."

Knight has had only one losing season, and he has one undefeated season — 1975-76, when the Hoosiers went 32-0. No Division I men's team has done that since. He also coached the U.S. Olympic team to a gold medal in 1994.

"He's one of our great leaders in America," said Baylor coach James Dickey, one of Knight's former assistants. "He's just happened to be a good basketball coach. His ability to lead people into battle is tremendous."

# Duke's Cameron Craziess prepare for UConn

DURHAM, N.C. (AP) — With three national titles and a record 58-game winning streak, Connecticut coach Geno Auriemma hasn't slipped up too often.

This time, though, he might have picked a fight he can't possibly win — with the Cameron Craziess.

Auriemma insulted Duke fans Thursday, adding intrigue to Saturday night's game that will feature the two best teams in women's college basketball this season — the top-ranked Blue Devils (20th) against No. 2 UConn (17th).

"As far as the Cameron Craziess are concerned, I think they're a little bit overrated," Auriemma



Geno Auriemma

said. "I don't think the Cameron Craziess would be as effective if the Duke basketball players weren't as good."

The Cameron Craziess, with about 20 points per game, are the best team in this game," the coach added in jest.

Battle on.

The students at Cameron Indoor Stadium have had little trouble over the years getting under the skin of such Atlantic Coast Conference stars as David Thompson, Michael Jordan and Tim Duncan.

They promise to be out in full force for the Huskies, and have been planning for months to ridicule Auriemma. After his comment Thursday, they plan a 24-hour cram session to try to come up with something special for the coach.

"Tell him this is the real thing," said Merrill Roller, a sophomore who was sitting in a driving rainstorm patrolling tennis as students waited for tickets next to Cameron. "He's open season on Saturday night. He has not seen fans until he comes into this place."

Duke coach Gail Goetsenkos

laughed when told of Auriemma's comment about the Duke students.

"Well, he hasn't been here yet. Goetsenkos said. "We'll see if he says the same thing after the game."

Duke's players have seen how the Cameron crowd can influence opponents in men's games, throwing off even some of the best players. They expect the same kind of support for their game, which has been sold out for weeks.

"Hopefully, the Craziess will really get into it and mess with their little bit. It's a tremendous advantage," said senior Michelle Matyasovsky.

# Maryland hosts tribute to former coach Driesell

COLLEGE PARK, Md. (AP) — Maryland welcomed back former basketball coach Lefty Driesell on Thursday night, staging a nostalgic tribute for the man who stomped and shouted his way to 445 wins with the Terrapins.

Maryland was ranked in the Top 20 eight times and had 10 20-win seasons in 17 years under Driesell, who helped make Cole Field House one of the college basketball's most extraordinary arenas.

The Terrapins now play at the Comcast Center, and Driesell

made himself right at home. He smiled and flashed his trademark "L" sign to the fans while receiving a standing ovation during half time of Maryland's game against North Carolina State.

"I was elated and humbled by the reception," Driesell said later. "I spent a lot of my life and have a lot of great memories here at Maryland."

The tribute began with a video tribute to Driesell, noting that he never had a losing season at Maryland and was twice named

Atlantic Coast Conference coach of the year.

Len Elmore then presented his former coach with a ceremonial basketball during the tribute, which ended with the Maryland band playing the song "Amen" — a staple during the Driesell era.

"As humble as he is, he knows deep down he had a piece in building this place. This is a contribution and favors stronger enforcement of the existing law. The commission voted down several other proposals, the most sweeping of which would have eliminated the "proportionality" requirement. It failed 11-4.

the ceremony because of travel complications. But Jim Kehoe, who hired Driesell at Maryland in 1970, was in attendance.

Driesell has been an infrequent visitor to the College Park campus since being forced to resign in 1986 after the cocaine-induced death of All-American forward Tim Lincecum.

That will remain part of his legacy, but most Maryland fans remember Driesell for lifting the basketball program out of mediocrity and into the national spotlight.

# Title IX

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spots on each team that count toward Title IX compliance, rather than the actual number of athletes.

Co-chairman Ted Leland, athletic director at Stanford, said this would prevent a school from putting "100 women" on the rowing team to comply with the law.

"People just pump their numbers up by having a huge roster on their first day of competition," Leland said.

The commission also voted to not count male walk-on athletes not on scholarships — and nontraditional students such as those who are part-time or older

as part of a school's male total. The change would mostly affect smaller schools, particularly community colleges.

Northern Illinois University athletic director Cary Grath opposed the recommendation.

"Walk-ons do cost money," Grath said. "We get back to what is the center of this discussion, and that's money."

Yow amended her plan to try to get it passed. If called for schools to be allowed a 50/50 split of male and female athletes, regardless of the student body makeup, with a leeway of 2 to 3 percentage points. Her earlier proposal called for a 50/50

split of 5 to 7 percentage points.

"If we had an apple and were hungry and we wanted to be fair, we would split it 50-50," Yow said.

Commissioner Julie Foudy, a member of the U.S. women's national soccer team, was among those who voted against the plan. She said she doesn't believe the commission's mandate and favors stronger enforcement of the existing law.

The commission voted down several other proposals, the most sweeping of which would have eliminated the "proportionality" requirement. It failed 11-4.

The commissioners also voted 8-7 against a proposal that interest surveys on campus be used to set a standard for proportionality. They did, however, vote to recommend that surveys be used as a tool to demonstrate Title IX compliance.

Critics say proportionality has forced schools to cut male sports to meet the ratio requirement. Roughly 400 men's college teams were eliminated in the 1990s, with wrestling taking such a blow that the National Wrestling Coaches Association has filed suit, claiming that the first prong has evolved into a quota system.



# Nowitzki leads Mavs past Timberwolves

DALLAS (AP) — Dirk Nowitzki, playing with a stiff neck after being flagrantly fouled by Kevin Garnett, led a late rally with a 3-pointer, a dunk, a jumper and a steal to send the Dallas Mavericks past the Minnesota Timberwolves 112-109 Thursday night.

The Mavs were down 104-99 before Nowitzki took over, ending the Timberwolves' six-game winning streak.

Garnett was called for a flagrant foul late in the final minute of the third quarter for swinging his right arm at Nowitzki's head after being beaten downcourt on a fast break. Nowitzki shook his neck several times in the final quarter, seemingly trying to keep loose.

He was fine in the final 2:02, starting with a 3-pointer, then a slam off an alley-oop pass from Steve Nash that tied the game.

Garnett — who had 31 points, 17 rebounds and eight assists — went up for a shot at the other end, only to have Nowitzki cleanly steal the ball away. Nash then made a running 15-footer to put Dallas ahead with 49 seconds left.

Nowitzki finished with 32 points, 10 rebounds and three blocks. Nash had 25 points and eight assists. LaFrentz had 25 points and a season-high 15 rebounds. Michael Finley had

17 points.

**Bucks 97, Wizards 90**

MILWAUKEE — Sam Cassell's 31 points helped the Milwaukee Bucks beat the Washington Wizards 97-90 Thursday night despite 24 points from Michael Jordan in what was likely his last game at the Bradley Center.

Wizards forward Jeff Stackhouse aggravated a strained left groin and took a seat midway through the third quarter in what was likely his last game at the Bradley Center. He finished with 22 points in 22 minutes on 2-of-8 shooting.

Jordan's fadeaway jumper over Ray Allen pulled the Wizards to 89-87, but he missed his next three shots as the Bucks iced the victory with a bucket and four free throws by Cassell.

When the final buzzer sounded, the scoreboard read: "Thank you, Michael!"

Kwame Brown tied his career-high with 20 points. He had three straight baskets to give Washington its first lead, 68-67, just before the third quarter ended.

Tim Thomas added 17 points and Ray Allen 16 for the Bucks. But most of the 16,717 fans who made up Milwaukee's second sellout crowd of the season came to see Jordan.

# Devils get easy win over slumping Flyers

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (AP) — Martin Brodeur came within 158 of posting his fourth straight shutout against Philadelphia and defenseman Ken Daneyko had a rare goal and an assist to lead the New Jersey Devils to a 5-1 win over the Flyers on Thursday night.

Scott Niedermayer, Mike Rupp, Jay Pandolfo and Scott Gomez also scored as the first-place Devils took advantage of some shoddy play from the slumping Flyers, who are tending to open a five-point lead in the Atlantic Division heading into the NHL All-Star break.

The loss was the fourth straight for the slumping Flyers, who even handed in the wrong lineup card, forcing them to play a part of the first period with only 11 skaters.

**Capitals 2, Penguins 1**

WASHINGTON — Kip Miller's 11th goal of the season snapped a third-period tie, giving the Washington Capitals a 2-1 victory over the Pittsburgh Penguins on Thursday night.

Miller scored with 8:29 remaining in the game, taking advantage of Michael Nylander's quick thinking. When Nylander couldn't get the puck on his forehand 10 feet in front of the Penguins' net, he pushed the puck back to Miller, who connected from between the crease.

**Islanders 3, Canadiens 1**

UNIONDALE, N.Y. — Michael Peca's shorthanded goal 4:44 into the final period helped the New York Islanders defeat the Montreal Canadiens 3-1 Thursday night and move into seventh place in the Eastern Conference.

Oleg Kvasha and Mark Parrish took over Montreal in the standings with the win.

**Lightning 3, Hurricanes 1**

TAMPA, Fla. — Martin St. Louis scored three goals and John Graham made 24 saves for his fourth straight win as the Tampa Bay Lightning beat the Carolina Hurricanes 3-1 Thursday night.

St. Louis completed his first hat trick with a rebound goal with 1:40 left in the third period. It was his 27th goal of the season. Tampa Bay is 4-1-1 in its last six games.

**Red Wings 2, Panthers 2**

DETROIT — Roberto Luongo stopped 33 shots and Viktor Kozlov scored with 7:30 left in regulation as the Florida Panthers tied the Detroit Red Wings 2-2 Thursday night.

Kozlov tied the game at 2 after two shots tied Detroit goaltender Manny Legace out of position. Darren McCarty put Detroit ahead 2-1 midway through the second period with his 10th goal, doubling his total for all of last season.

**Maple Leafs 5, Thrashers 2**

ATLANTA — Tie Domi scored a goal, picked up his 200th career point, and got into a fight as the Toronto Maple Leafs defeated the Atlanta Thrashers 5-2 on Thursday night.

The Thrashers lost for only the second time in eight games since Bob Hartley took over as coach.

**Blue Jackets 2, Predators 1**

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Espen Knutsen scored his first goal since Oct. 29 and Marc Degra stopped 33 shots as the Columbus Blue Jackets beat the Nashville Predators 2-1 on Thursday night.



# Crushing Return to Arena football

**DAVENPORT (AP) —** John Elway's "Denver Broncos" return to the field after a hiatus of nearly two years.

He just might have to wait a while for a championship, like he did with the Denver Broncos.

"I keep trying to remind John that he has an opponent team," AFL commissioner David Baker said. "He keeps telling me he wants to win an ArenaBowl ring to go with his Super Bowl rings."

Surely the Arena League expected nothing less when it welcomed Elway, Denver Broncos owner Pat Bowlen and Colorado Avalanche and Denver Nuggets owner Stan Kroenke into the league as owners of the new Colorado Crush.

Elway, entering his 17th season, "the most fan-friendly legend in the world."

Now talk about high scoring: New York's Aaron Garcia threw an AFL-record 104 touchdown passes in 2001, including 11 in one game.

The AFL differs from conventional football in other ways, too: a 50-yard field, and walls along the sidelines instead of chalked boundaries.

There are no offensive tackles or tight ends, teams pass on almost every down, and each player does duty on offense and defense.

Quarterbacks Kurt Warner of the St. Louis Rams and Tommy Maddox of the Pittsburgh Steelers are among the AFL's alumni.

"A whole lot of people are about to see the unique nature of our game now," Baker said.

Elway's team made some waves in the offseason by signing the ArenaBowl MVP, quarterback John Dutton, from the San Jose SaberCats.

"I think we'll be competitive," Elway said. "I know we're an expansion team, and we're in a tough division. I'll probably have to show some patience. But I want to win."

Colorado already is off to a solid start financially, having sold 10,000 season tickets — a figure Elway said "far exceeds our expectations." The Dallas Desperados led the league in attendance last season, their first, averaging 13,603.

Coach Bob Beer, a former Broncos scout, will lead Colorado in its debut Sunday against the Georgia Force.

San Jose hopes to become the first champion to repeat since Tampa Bay in 1995-96.

Coach Darren Arbet's SaberCats beat Arizona 52-14 in the ArenaBowl despite losing the league's offensive player of the year, quarterback Mark Grieb, to a broken collarbone in the regular season. Dutton threw five TD passes in the ArenaBowl.

A healthy Grieb returns, along with WR/LB Barry Wagner, who needs just one rushing touchdown to become the first player in league history with 90. He's also 49 tackles shy of becoming the first with 600.



Michael Inoué, left, and Blair Morgan jump during the finals at the Winter X Games Thursday in Aspen, Colo.

...aid, state, Aspen is again under siege by the Winter X Games. It's a little like finding Darth Vader at a tea party, but this week the upper crust gear down with the grunge crowd for ESPN's made-for-TV, edited-for-youth extreme sports competition.

The seventh Winter X Games, free to the public in a place where free is an acronym, features more than 250 athletes from 12 countries competing in 14 events ranging from flying motorcycles to flying snowboards.

The competition began Thursday and lasts through Sunday, more than \$500,000 in prize money will be up for grabs, and 17 hours of competition will be shown on ABC, ESPN and ESPN2. More than 60,000 spectators attended last year's Winter X Games, also held at Buttermilk, making it the largest sporting event in Aspen history.

At least this time the town fathers know exactly what to expect.

"People last year weren't sure what to make of it all," said David Perry, senior vice president of Aspen Skiing Co. "After it came and went, the entire town was incredibly supportive. They love these games."

They should, because the Winter X Games have become a very big deal, rivaling the Olympics among some demographics — namely the young participants and viewers that so many advertisers seem to covet.

And although the line between the Olympics and the X Games has blurred a bit in recent years — 20 of 44 sliders in this weekend's men's and women's Snowboard Super-Pipe competed at Salt Lake City in the Winter Olympics last year, including gold-medal winners Ross Powers and Kelly Clark — these aren't your father's games.

The events include Moto X, in which motorcycles leap off jumps through steeplechase back flips; Ski and Snowboard Slopestyle, which utilizes a course littered with rails, kickers and picnic tables; Ski and Snowboard X, in which six racers go head-to-head down the mountain; Snowmobile Snocross, which is kind of like NASCAR on snow; and, of course, the SuperPipe for sliders and boarders.

In almost every event, gravity-defying stunts are the rage; bigger, stronger, faster replaced by higher, smoother, guttural. Innovation — changing the rules — is encouraged, and so is the type

of seemingly reckless behavior that could get you kicked off most groomed runs at Aspen.

"There should be one big change from last year — the weather. 'I'm just hoping it's a little bit warmer this year,'" said Clark, who won last year's Snowboard SuperPipe and was the gold medalist at Salt Lake in snowboard freestyle. "I'm not looking forward to another 7-degree Sunday morning like we had last year."

That shouldn't be the case. As athletes went through their practice runs Wednesday, temperatures climbed near 50 and are expected to hit the 60s under sunny skies this weekend.

Sunshine, rising temperatures and another thin snow base might not be the best backdrop to promote state tourism this time of year, particularly if this weekend's games are staged on mush. As they came off the Slopestyle course Wednesday, several skiers were already complaining about the slow surface making jumps difficult.

But Buttermilk does have one key selling point in its efforts to keep drawing the Winter X Games. All the courses and

events are side-by-side in a relatively small base area, making for easy viewing not only from the crowd, but also from the participants. It's the ultimate crowd-friendly venue for the ultimate winter games. "I'm getting pretty psyched," said Powers, who has competed at the previous six Winter X Games and was a snowboard freestyle gold medalist in Salt Lake. "I like the venue, because you can watch all the other events while you practice and when you're done."

And by the time Powers and his counterparts are done, Aspen may never be the same.

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## Haas fires 61, takes lead at Bob Hope Classic

LA QUINTA, Calif. (AP) — Jay Haas shot a 61, the second 11-under round of scores, to take a one-shot lead as day two of the Bob Hope Classic.

Haas, who won the Open in 1988, rolled in a 3-foot putt on No. 18 for his third birdie in a row and the best round of his 26 years on the tour. He went to 16-under 128 through 36 holes of the five-day tournament.

Second-year pro Pat Perez also shot a 61, but that was merely good enough to put him in a tie for third place.

Harrison Frazar's second-round 62 left him one shot back of Haas, and first-round co-leader Stephen Ames had a 67 and was tied with

Perez and Joe Durant at 14 under. Durant, the tournament champion two years ago, had a 63.

The 61s were only two shots off the PGA Tour record of 59, set by Al Geiberger in 1977, equaled by Chip Beck in 1991, and matched again by David Duval when he won the Hope in 1999.

Duval, this time making the Hope his first event of the year, ballooned to a second-round 78 after an opening 65.

Defending champion Phil Mickelson had a 68 and was 10 shots off the lead.

Haas' 61 came on the same 6,930-yard PGA West course where Duval shot his closing 59 four years earlier. Perez, who

birdied his first six holes and 10 of the first 11 before getting pars on five consecutive holes, played at the 6,972-yard Bermuda Dunes Country Club.

Four different courses are used for the first four days of the tournament, with the low 70 players and ties playing for the title at PGA West on Sunday.

Davis Love III, making his 2003 debut, shot a 64 that left him at 131 with Mike Weir, who also had a 64 and Rod Pampling, who shot 66.

After 36 holes of the 90-hole event, 25 players were at 10 under or lower.

The 49-year-old Haas chipped in from 18 feet for a birdie to start his round. He went on to birdie

the next three holes and made the turn with a 31, then made a pair of long birdie puts on the back nine on his way to 30.

Perez, 26, shot an under 28 on his first nine holes, then had a 33 over the next nine.

A member of Arizona State's NCAA champions in 1996, Perez missed the cut in 16 of the 30 PGA Tour events he played as a rookie last year but still ranked 40th on the earnings list with \$14.5 million.

His highest finish is a pair of second-place finishes last year at San Diego and at Pebble Beach. He led going into the final hole at Pebble Beach, but took a triple bogey, and Matt Gogel beat him by three shots.

## Buccaneers appreciate chance to play in Pro Bowl

KAPOLEI, Hawaii (AP) — After the monthlong playoff grind, ten of the Super Bowl and crazy victory celebrations, Tampa Bay safety John Lynch still doesn't want to rest.

Not until next week, anyway. Lynch yawned and squinted through a morning sun toward the Pacific Ocean on Thursday before the NFC Pro Bowl team's workouts. The Buccaneers' star was sleepy, jet-lagged and exhausted, but he thought it was all a small price for his first chance to be an NFL champion and an all-star in the same season.

"There's definitely a difference when you come over here as a Super Bowl winner," said Lynch, in his fourth Pro Bowl. "It's a better feeling. The guys have a respect for it. You're more tired than you ever were before, but it's worth it. It's soooo worth it."

Five members of the Buccaneers were at the Hilton resort on the west side of Oahu for their first year. Pro Bowl Derrick Lynch, quarterback Brad Johnson, linebacker Derrick Brooks, defensive end Simeon Rice and fullback Mike Alstott.

They joined forces with 16 players from the Philadelphia Eagles and the San Francisco 49ers who were sent home from the playoffs by Tampa Bay's defensive machine and ever-improving offense.

"There's a lot of stress — not bad stress, but stress," Johnson said. "The first time I slept since the game was (Wednesday) night. I didn't sleep since Sunday."

Only defensive tackle Warren Sapp declined the chance to add another week of physical punishment to his busy schedule, citing a knee injury in dropping out of his sixth Pro Bowl appearance.

The four days since the Buccaneers' 48-21 thrashing of the Oakland Raiders in San Diego have been a whirlwind of activity — something that's unfamiliar to most of the Bucs. Several players appeared on talk shows and made public appearances, and everyone gathered in Tampa on Tuesday for a victory parade.

"The first time it hit home for me was the parade," said Johnson, who got his second Pro Bowl trip after Atlanta's Michael Vick dropped out last week. "You could see frustration of all those Bucs fans just get lifted. I don't think anybody can understand what that means to a team and a community until you actually win it all."

It really felt it when I saw John Lynch and Warren Sapp hugging because they've been through it all, through all the bad times and bad seasons. I haven't been there for that long."

The rest of the Pro Bowlers on both teams said the Buccaneers' championship was well deserved. Most of the Buccaneers' peers sounded a common theme: While Tampa Bay's defense might have

won the title, it wouldn't have succeeded without the offense.

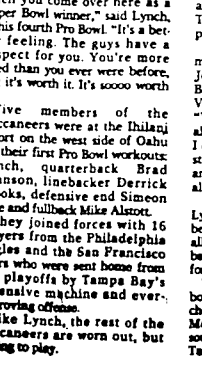
"People talked about them like they didn't have an offense. They've got a great offense," Dallas Cowboy linebacker LaRoche said. "They had a great season on both sides of the ball. They deserved to win it all. They're the kings of the Pro Bowl this week."

The Buccaneers' Pro Bowlers haven't begun thinking ahead to next season or contemplating the possible departure of defensive coordinator Monte Kiffin, who will interview with San Francisco

49ers general manager Terry Donahue this weekend for their vacant head coaching position.

Kiffin is thought to be the leading candidate to replace Steve Manucca.

"We want him to stay, but it's hard to even think about that right now," Rice said. "I mean, we're in Hawaii. But if he has a good opportunity, we've got the players and the scheme that will make us good for a long time. I think we're not going to be satisfied with just one championship. We've got that taste for success now."



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# WORLD



An unidentified Dubliner smokes in a pub in central Dublin, Ireland, Thursday. Irish Health Minister Michael Martin announced a ban on smoking in bars, restaurants and the work place from January 2004, in an effort to crack down on the effects of passive smoking on people's health.

## Ireland plans smoking ban on social hub - the pub

DUBLIN, Ireland (AP) - A once unthinkable change is coming to one of the social hubs of Ireland: The pub is going smoke free.

Bowing to health concerns, the government said Thursday that it will ban smoking from all work places including pubs, where a pint and a cigarette have long gone hand in hand.

This ban will mean a massive cultural change for people right across this country," said Health Minister Michael Martin in announcing the new rules.

In fact, the change is so significant that the government has given the public 11 months notice before enforcing the ban, the new law takes effect Jan. 1, 2004.

In announcing the ban, Martin released a study that links second-hand smoke to cancer and heart disease in workplaces.

"I'm doing this because, as this report makes inescapably clear, I have no choice," he said.

The announcement caught pub owners and anti-smoking activists by surprise. Last year he unveiled legislation to restrict smoking in public places, but that bill didn't specify pubs, where smokers have left at home since tobacco arrived in Ireland in the 16th century.

In the old-timer's wing at Fagan's, a north Dublin pub favored by Prime Minister Bertie Ahern, the locals couldn't believe their ears as they peered at the corner TV through a swirl of cigarette smoke and listened to Martin's proclamation.

"What's your man think this is? A bloody health club?" said Brendan Wilson to the laughter of his bar mates.

"You've a far greater risk of being run down in the road outside than dying from Brendy's cigarette here," said one of his non-smoking friends, Jim Doris.

"What will they do next - ban the drink from the pub because the alcohol's no good for you? ... None of us would ever get to heaven if we didn't die."

Martin said the health department surveyed opinion among Ireland's 3.8 million people, about 70 percent of whom don't smoke, and decided that designating no smoking areas within pubs simply wouldn't work.

"The majority - the overwhelming majority - have said to me and to the department: Go the whole way. The majority are in favor of an all-out ban," he said.

# Enemies in

By Kathy Gannon  
Associated Press writer

KABUL, Afghanistan - U.S. troops and their allies are finding it tough to pin down Taliban and al-Qaida remnants after driven home by fighting that spluttered out this week with little indication of who the enemy was or what gains, if any, had been made.

The military says the fighters were loyalists of rebel warlord Gulbuddin Hekmatyar. But former Taliban officials and other Afghans in Kandahar province, site of the fighting, say the men were remnants of the Taliban. They even name leaders: Sirajuddin and Abdul Rahman.

Western intelligence, the United Nations and the rebels themselves say opponents of the United States and President Hamid Karzai have stepped up their recruiting and efforts to reorganize.

Former Taliban even report the emergence in Pashtun-dominated areas of a new administration of Taliban, the Islamic militants who seized most of Afghanistan in the mid-1990s. Their government was toppled by a U.S.-led coalition because it harbored Osama bin Laden.

The war-torn caves in south-east Afghanistan where hundreds of U.S. and Norwegian forces fought about 80 rebel fighters this week may have been a staging area, supply depot or hub, said Lt. Col. Michael Shields, operations officer for the Coalition Task Force, 82nd Airborne Division.

Eighteen rebels were killed in what the U.S. military called its biggest assault since Operation Anaconda in March 2002.



In this handout photo from the U.S. Army, U.S. soldiers from Bravo Company, 2nd Battalion, 504th Parachute Infantry Regiment, clear a cave Tuesday in the mountains close to Spinboidak, Afghanistan.

In the end, the caves didn't turn up any weapons, and the fighters escaped, their identities still uncertain. Soldiers found mice, lanterns, blankets, food, fuel, water and vitamins in the cave.

"We have concrete evidence that forces were in that particular area at least to seek sanctuary," Shields said.

The problem facing the U.S. and its two dozen allies in Afghanistan may be growing: Fresh recruiting may have attracted thousands to a more coordinated guerrilla opposition.

Militants interviewed by The Associated Press say they are united against the coalition forces in Afghanistan. So-called "night letters" or political pamphlets, call for jihad, or holy war, against the international forces.

Foes of the coalition and Karzai's government now appear to be operating small, mobile training camps in the mountains along the border between Pakistan and Afghanistan. Al-Qaida operatives appear to be doing the training. Pakistani militant groups are

KABUL (AP) - International forces have been the target of attacks in recent weeks in Kabul and elsewhere in the country.

The backbone of the so-called Pakistani Taliban are the group Jais-e-Mohammed, Zargawi's Mujahedeen and Lashkar-e-Tayyab.

The Taliban also have a new secret administrative structure in ethnic Pashtun areas, former Taliban say.

Pashtun-dominated areas in Afghanistan have been divided up among former Taliban who are recruiting disgruntled young men.

## U.S. case for Iraq-al-Qaida link rests with operative

WASHINGTON Times - The Bush administration's renewed assertions that there are links between Iraq and al-Qaida are largely based on the murky case of a one-legged al-Qaida operative who was treated in Baghdad after he was wounded in the war in Afghanistan.

Ahu Musab al-Zarqawi is emerging as a possible linchpin in the White House's efforts to win support for confronting Iraq, a case Secretary of State Colin L. Powell is scheduled to press before the United Nations next week.

U.S. intelligence officials say Zarqawi, 36, is one of al-Qaida's top leaders in Europe and is allegedly Osama bin Laden's chief of chemical weapons.

Wednesday to lay out new information on Iraq-al-Qaida links. U.S. intelligence sources said the Zarqawi connection remains highly circumstantial. Indeed, several sources said there's no clear evidence that Zarqawi's ties to Baghdad are more than medical. He is said to have had a leg amputated in a Baghdad hospital.

## Four perish in U.S. Army chopper crash in Afghanistan

WASHINGTON - A U.S. Army helicopter with four Americans aboard crashed near the Bagram air base in Afghanistan on Thursday, and all four were killed, an American official said.

The UH-60 helicopter crashed several miles east of Bagram air base in an area known as the East Training Range, said Lt. Col. William Wilkison, director of strategic communications at Central Command headquarters in Tampa, Fla.

### Lawyers, generals dominate Israel's new parliament

JERUSALEM - In Israel's new parliament, one in three members is either a lawyer or a general. Reflecting the redrawing of the political map in this week's election, there are also more hard liners, more secular rights advocates and fewer rabbis.

Key legislators involved in the failed peace talks with the Palestinians have quit or not been re-elected, in line with the heavy electoral losses of parties that led peace-making during the past decade.

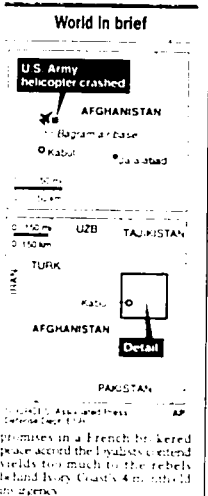
The fractured nature of the 120-member parliament - in this time 13 parties are represented - a trade union makes it hard for a prime minister to form a coalition. Prime Minister Ariel Sharon may even face trouble from his Likud party, represented by legislators Topik and Lavimakersky, oppose Palestinian statehood, something even the hawkish Sharon says is inevitable, and might rebel if the prime minister adopts a U.S.-backed "road map" toward Palestinian statehood.

### Ivory Coast braces for feared collapse of peace deal

ABIDJAN, Ivory Coast - French nationalities and other foreigners waited in long lines Thursday for flights out of Ivory Coast, as the former French colony braces for what many fear could be the violent collapse of a day-old peace deal.

Fleeing women and children received priority on at least one airline's flights out of Abidjan, Ivory Coast's commercial capital, where many Ivorians who had little hope of getting out prepared for the worst.

French in Abidjan have been the targets of days of attacks - blamed by loyalist mobs for con-



## Freed Iranian cleric greets well-wishers

QOM, Iran (AP) - Iran's senior dissident cleric ventured outside his home Thursday for the first time in five years, receiving a hero's welcome from a crowd of tearful supporters gathered to celebrate his freedom from house arrest.

Grand Ayatollah Hossein Ali Montazeri - who began his liberty with a dawn visit to a holy shrine - remained defiant of the hard line rulers who confined him for saying supreme

Grand Ayatollah Ali Khamenei was not competent to issue religious rulings. Montazeri, once hand-picked to succeed the leader of the 1979 Islamic revolution, Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini, was disgraced and banished from the political scene after criticizing the waves of executions that followed shortly after the revolution.

"I accepted a commitment or accepted an addition to my freedom," he said in an exclusive interview with The Associated Press, seated in a low chair before well-wishers sitting cross-legged on Persian carpets.

The comments suggested that Montazeri, once in line to be Iran's supreme leader, was keeping his sights open to resuming political activities. "I only bow before God, and no one else," he said, adding that he was happy to be free.

"No one can trample on the rights of other people through insults and bad behavior," he said, referring to his treatment by conservative clerics.

Dozens of clerics and hundreds of ordinary Iranians packed into the modest home of the ayatollah, some moved to tears at their first glimpse of him.

Well-wishers overflowed into the street, and those close to Montazeri jockeyed to kiss his hand.

The Times-News will be publishing "With This Ring", a special bridal section, in the Sunday, February 2 edition of the paper. It will feature local and national information on weddings along with stories on the following subjects:

- How to propose.
- Flowers on a budget.
- How to find a ring in your budget.
- How to disaster-proof your outdoors wedding.
- Getting married far from home; how to arrange it.
- Wedding etiquette for divorced parents who aren't speaking to each other.
- Pets at weddings.



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# Businesses consider change

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ality is ineffective and its membership assessments are a needless burden on businesses.  
 The points of the triangle are Depot Grill, Gertie's Brick Oven Cookery and Red's Trading Post.  
 The district's 2002-03 budget - entirely from member assessments - is \$23,769. The district has \$6,000, held over from past budget years, set aside in a savings reserve account for whatever projects it decides to tackle.  
 To accomplish his aim, Woodhead needs signatures representing 51 percent of the

## BRIEFLY IN MONEY

### Farm credit service returns money

**BURLEY** - Northwest Farm Credit Services in Burley has returned nearly \$683,400 to its customers.  
 Farm Credit's Interest Reduction Program returned 51 cents points to its member-stockholders on their average loan balances for 2002. The average check was about \$1,460.  
 "For the third year, we are pleased to be able to return value to our customers through this program," Burley Branch Manager Robert E. Blakelock said. "With Farm Credit's current strong financial position, we are able to reduce our customers' borrowing cost without risking our capital position. One of the benefits of going business with us is Farm Credit's commitment to return value to our shareholders - our customers."  
 More than \$16.7 million was returned to more than 12,000 Farm Credit customers across Montana, Washington, Idaho, Oregon and Alaska.  
 Northwest Farm Credit Services provides financing and related services to farmers, ranchers, commercial fishermen, timber producers, agribusinesses and rural homeowners in the five states.

### WestCoast will release earnings Feb. 11

**TWIN FALLS** - Washington-based WestCoast Hospitality Corp. - owner of WestCoast Twin Falls Hotel - said its fourth-quarter and year-end earnings will be released before the market opens Feb. 11.  
 A conference call will be conducted at 11 a.m. Feb. 11 and web cast live at www.westcoasthotels.com, in the investor relations portion of the website. The call will be archived at the same location.

### Qwest shareholders seek to freeze funds

**DENVER** - A lawyer for Qwest shareholders is asking a judge to freeze \$4 billion in proceeds from the sale of the company's directory business.  
 Shareholders represented by Milberg Weiss Bershad & Leitch have sued Qwest alleging that they were misled and have lost \$1.6 billion in value from the time Qwest merged with U.S. West in June 2000 and last year.  
 The shareholders want proceeds from the second half of the sale of the directory business set aside in a trust, with the money to be released to them if they win the suit.  
 Qwest - the predominant provider of Magic Valley's local phone service - had intended to use that money to trim its \$2.6 billion debt load. It contends that freezing the money could plunge it into bankruptcy.  
 Last year Qwest agreed to sell its Qwest directory business for more than \$7 billion to a group of financiers. The second half of the sale was not expected to close until this year.  
 U.S. District Judge Robert Rackburn last year turned down a request from plaintiffs to tie up the \$2.6 billion from the first part of the directory sale.  
 He ruled that the plaintiffs failed to prove a freeze would benefit the public interest and that the move could drive Qwest into bankruptcy.  
 The latest hearing was scheduled to continue through Thursday.

# GIVING CUSTOMERS WINGS



Noel Simmons explains part of the process for putting together this K1 Fox Model 4 experimental aircraft at Blue Sky Aviation in Lewistown, Mont., Nov. 15.

## Man makes a living helping people build planes

**The Associated Press**  
**LEWISTOWN, Mont.** - Even the most knowledgeable flying enthusiasts don't always know what they're getting into when they plunk down \$25,000 or more for a do-it-yourself airplane kit.  
 Enter Noel Simmons, owner of Blue Sky Aviation of Lewistown. He has made a business of building out airplane builders who are under their heads.  
 "Most companies don't advertise that it will take 2,000 hours and roughly four years of your life," to build a plane, Simmons said.  
 In a hangar at the Lewistown Municipal Airport, Simmons helps kit aircraft enthusiasts correct their errors and get their airplanes ready to fly.  
 The work is slow and tedious. Simmons, 29, works on four planes a year - spending hundreds of hours on each. He's finished 17 planes since he founded Blue Sky Aviation three years ago.  
 It hasn't been exactly a hugely profitable venture either. Given

the time investment, a reasonable shop rate of \$55 an hour would scare most customers away, so Simmons charges what he needs to live on and pay his one part-time employee.  
 But he's not complaining. "Some people dream of being rich stars and all that," Simmons said. "This is my dream."  
 Simmons works on experimental aircraft, the legal category for home-built, as well as "certified" planes such as Cessnas and Pipers. In addition to builder assistance, he offers plane fabric covering and painting services, instrument panel construction, troubleshooting and rewiring and other services.  
 But his specialty is helping to undo the mistakes of others.  
 On a recent afternoon, he handed Bendo filler off of a sanded Bendo filler. A sanded Bendo filler. Bendo often used for car body repairs. Bendo can't safely endure air

craft speeds, he says.  
 Were this put sized plane to take off, the Bendo fill on the tail could catch the rudder, leaving the pilot unable to control the plane.  
 "I've thrown about half of this aircraft away because it just wasn't up to standards," Simmons said.  
 The aircraft, still unfinished, already has had three owners.  
 Bendo often arrives at Simmons' hangar with holes drilled in the wing panels, which he installed inside out, as well as parts jumbled in a box.  
 Under federal aviation law, Simmons can't finish his customers' projects for them. The Federal Aviation Administration requires kit builders to do most of the assembly work themselves to ensure that they understand how their plane operates and how to maintain it.  
 But Simmons can correct his

clients' errors because the work isn't a step in the kit instruction manual.  
 He then guides the builder through the remaining steps.  
 One client from Michigan took two months of work to finish his plane under Simmons' tutelage. It's their's it's a matter of days.  
 Glenn Gardner, a contractor and the pilot of the plane, said he started to build his plane project because he had a lot of time on his hands.  
 "The owner had in the hand it seemed to be able to spend time to work on it," Gardner said. "I just wanted to get it done and get it flying."  
 Simmons started his business on his parents' farm in Hager in 1999. He has been at his current location for two years.  
 "I don't see a plane that has an airplane that's not a plane," he said. The people are not and there's a lot of traffic. It's a lot of people going to be testing an experimental aircraft that's not a plane yet.  
 He has said there are a lot of kit plane flyers out there in an emergency in the emergency.

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### Clear Channel sits on Senate hot seat

**Los Angeles Times**  
**WASHINGTON** - Clear Channel Communications Inc., the nation's biggest radio broadcaster, is trying to beat its way as the media conglomerate lawmakers eye to ban.  
 But it is an uphill battle.  
 On the eve of Thursday's Senate hearings into media consolidation, Clear Channel chairman Lowry Mays said a newly hired lobbyist aimed the rounds on Capitol Hill, arguing that the acquisition-minded company - which now controls more than 1,200 radio stations, including KEXL-FM, KLEX-AM and KLEX-FM in Twin Falls, and the

nation's biggest concert business - has simply done what Congress intended when it lifted radio station ownership caps via the 1996 Telecommunications Act.  
 "Stations were going dark. Facilities were not being maintained. Local news was being curtailed," said Andrew Levin, a former Congressional aide who has been hired to make the radio giant's case. "All that began to change with deregulation."  
 But those arguments appeared unlikely to ward off attempts to curtail the San Antonio-based company's practices, beginning with a session before the Senate's Commerce Committee on Thursday.

Lawmakers are especially concerned by claims that Clear Channel has used its growing market to bully recording artists and homogenize playlists in a reemerging quest for profits.  
 "They have a reputation problem," said Sen. Russ Feingold, D-Wis., who this week reintroduced a bill that would ban "anti-competitive" practices in the radio and concert industries. "There are a lot of concerns out there that their tactics are hard-nosed and there are enough people saying that they're being anti-competitive that it's something they need to worry about."

## Verizon reports surge in customers, Q4 profit

**New York**  
**NEW YORK** - Boosted by a surge of almost a million new wireless customers, Verizon Communications Inc. this week reported a fourth-quarter profit of more than \$2 billion.  
 The New York-based company with Magic Valley operations added 964,000 subscribers nationwide during the fourth quarter - an average of more than 10,000 each day. But the increase in subscribers has come at the expense of the fixed line

compiled from staff wire reports

MONEY

Stocks take another tumble

NEW YORK (AP) — Investors perturbed by the government's latest gross domestic product report sent stocks sliding sharply lower Thursday, halting a two-day rally. The Dow Jones industrial average dropped more than 160 points, giving the blue chips a two-week loss of nearly 900 points.

Sowbery, chief market analyst at Loomis, Sayles & Co. in Detroit. The Dow closed down 165.58, or 2 percent, at 7,945.13, according to preliminary calculations. The Dow more than wiped out a gain of 121.15 from the previous two sessions, its first multiple-day winning streak in two weeks.

All three indexes suffered their eighth decline in 10 trading sessions. For the Dow, all but one of its eight losing sessions resulted in a triple-digit loss. Over the past 11 sessions, the Dow has plummeted 897.63.

Radio

Continued from E1. The bill would keep a company from threatening to withhold radio airplay from an artist who didn't use its concert venues, for instance. The focus on Clear Channel's growth has intensified as the Federal Communications Commission launched a comprehensive review of its media-ownership rules, which restrict how large TV and radio broadcasters can become.

said Henley, who planned to testify at the hearing Thursday on behalf of the Recording Artists Coalition. "Most artists are afraid to speak out because Clear Channel owns so many radio stations, but it's not to stop... They've hired these radio consultants who format everything and they just target certain audiences. It's harder and harder for young emerging artists to get played. It's not good for the culture."

industry consolidation, even as the commission considers a related rules governing TV ownership and other matters. "We don't have a tie for" this kind of complaint, Powell told reporters Wednesday. "I am troubled by the way our rules work, particularly in smaller markets."

Times-Herald circulation. The South Idaho Press circulation for the week ending Jan. 17, 2005, was 4,740, and Tuesday circulation was 4,740, both figures going to each household in the community - 13,100.

"We've been Mini-Cassia paper for 98 years," he said. "No matter what The Times-News tries to do, they'll never be the Mini-Cassia newspaper." With that, Hargren disagreed. "The Times-News has gained enormous ground in the Mini-Cassia market" and now holds "a commanding lead" over its print competitor in terms of paid home-delivery subscribers, Hargren said.

trend for newspaper readership." The Times-News' own accounting, however, shows more stable circulation in Mini-Cassia in the past year. The newspaper's circulation department provided these annual average circulation totals for the two-county area, including home delivery, mailed copies and single-copy sales.

For the 12 months ending in September 2002 - 3,182 total paid or requested circulation, down 31.7 percent from the previous year. For the 12 months ending September 2001 - 4,656, down 3.5 percent. For the 12 months ending September 2000 - 4,827, down 6.2 percent. For the 12 months ending September 1999 - 5,145, down 1.6 percent. For the 12 months ending September 1998 - 5,227, down 2 percent.

Hargren said his newspaper can boast strong local news coverage, sports coverage on Saturdays, and the South Idaho Press is not published; a strong package of advertisements and a larger overall paper than its Mini-Cassia competitor.

He said he suspected The Times-News had pulled ahead of the South Idaho Press and the recent A & A Research survey confirmed that. Lendersdorfer said he's not surprised, given who paid the bill for the survey. "Our focus is Mini-Cassia. That's what we do," he said. "And I think we do the best job of it. Our research shows we do."

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What you have here is an industry that is imploding while Verizon is making billions of dollars," Peres said. Verizon's wireless unit accounted for 23 percent of the company's profits in 2002, up from 15 percent in 2001.

### District

**business improvement district's assessed property value.** And only the signers of property owners who are current in their membership payments count.

At a district board meeting Thursday, Woodhead requested a member bill of assessment amounts so he can figure out how close he is to his goal. District leaders said yes but withheld the list of past-due accounts.

Thursday's meeting also brought out stick-together supporters. Some suggested alternatives for change that would keep the district intact but lessen the financial burden for struggling property owners.

Harry LeMoynes advocated keeping the 14-block coalition together. Property ownership always carries certain obligations, he said.

"Everybody should chip in if they're going to be in the business," LeMoynes said.

Redevelopment doesn't happen overnight, but progress is evident in Old Towne, Ron Stavian said.

"It's a slow-moving process," he said.

As an organized coalition, the district has a stronger voice when the city and its Urban Renewal Agency have Old Towne issues on the table, district board member Steve Soran said. He doesn't want to give up that influence by disbanding.

But perhaps the district could temporarily lower its assessment rate - currently 0.4 percent of property value - until the district takes on new improvement projects, Soran suggested. Or perhaps the district could introduce some kind of assessment compromise for the owners of vacant buildings,

such as a reduced rate or a postponement of collections, he said.

Warren Shillington advocated sympathetic treatment for financially devastated landowners whose payments are past due, but not for freeloaders who simply don't pay their share.

Downtown businessman Dan Brizes is a leader of the coalition entity that was formed two years ago to manage the Old Towne district and the long-standing downtown business improvement district. At Thursday's Old Towne meeting, he told warehouse district members that discussions sparked by Woodhead's petition are healthy.

"You're relooking at yourself," said Brizes, who hopes to see the Old Towne group stay together.

Soran acknowledged that Old Towne members haven't all been working as a team, and something needs to change. What are really needed, he said, are projects or initiatives that benefit all 14 blocks. The city's centennial celebration and some recently donated television advertising time offer opportunities this year, Soran said.

Kevin Osming of Gertie's said he signed Woodhead's petition because his restaurant - out on one of the points of the triangle - is routinely neglected in Old Towne improvement projects and publicity.

"But if all 14 blocks can truly work as a team, Osming said, "I'm more than willing to stand in."

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### BEANS

**CHICAGO (AP) -** Futures trading on the Chicago Board of Trade Thursday

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Soybeans	5.75	5.75	5.75	5.75	5.75
Beans	5.75	5.75	5.75	5.75	5.75
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### CHEESE

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Cheddar	1.50	1.50	1.50	1.50	1.50
Swiss	1.50	1.50	1.50	1.50	1.50
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### POTATOES

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### LIVESTOCK

**NEW YORK (AP) -** Futures trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange Thursday

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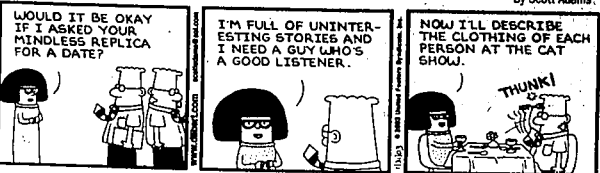
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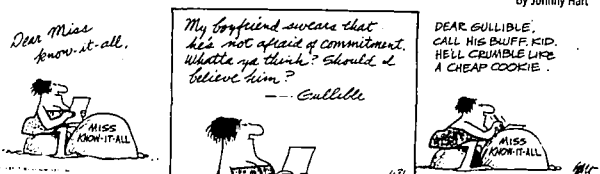
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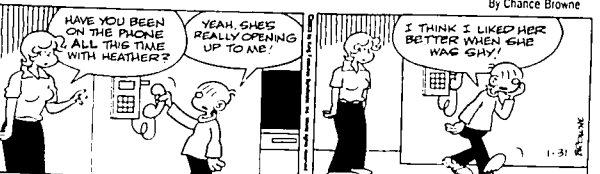
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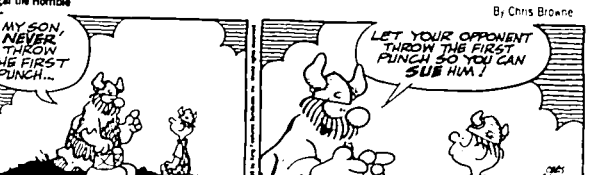
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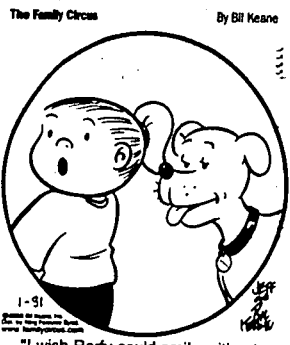
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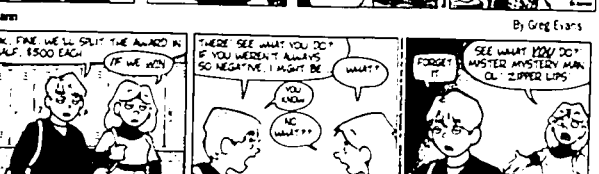
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# Rembrandt



These two views of the same painting show the original self-portrait of Rembrandt from 1634, right, and the version altered to resemble a Russian nobleman. Left, Art researchers found and restored the concealed self-portrait at the request of a private collector in 1995.

remove the layers of added paint with a scalpel. The researchers gave the portrait to the museum on Thursday where it will be on display until mid-March. Brokema said the possible creator of the altered work was

Govert Flinck, a Rembrandt student who later became well known in his own right and died in 1660. The museum released a series of three early photographs of the painting as it underwent cleaning, beginning in 1935.

Each photograph, taken about 30 years apart, shows more overlying paint stripped away. It was unclear how much the 44.3-inch by 34.5-inch wood panel painting was worth, but recent Rembrandts have brought more than \$30 million.

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## Problems in relationships cross every language

**DEAR ABBY:** I was surprised at the letter from the reader in Harpers Ferry, W.Va., who feels using your column to teach English as a second language might send the wrong message about the United States. You were right that "See Spot Run" and cartoon-like depictions no longer hold the interest of adult learners. I am a professor and the problems in your column are in no way unique to the U.S.

**-SHARI YOUNGBLOOD, PARIS, FRANCE**

**DEAR SHARI:** I was heartened by the number of letters I received from readers who want

**DEAR Abby**  
VanBuren

ed to defend the column. Thank you for yours. Read on:

**DEAR ABBY:** I have been teaching English in Korea for several months. Every country in the world struggles with the same moral issues that we do. Am I supposed to give my adult students Monday stories?

**-DEREK DENTON, SEOUL**

**DEAR DEREK:** Certainly not. To teach successfully, one must hold the student's interest.

**DEAR ABBY:** Teach a writing

class at a teacher's college. Your column transcends national boundaries. I took special delight when you expressed best wishes for your Muslim readers at the end of Ramadan. Your column shows America to the world, and because of your sage advice, the wisdom displayed and your evident sympathy - indeed, that shown by your readers as well - you present America at its best.

**-JACK DUNSTER, LUBLIN, POLAND**

**DEAR JACK:** It is a given that my readers are people who are interested in, and care about, one another.

**DEAR ABBY:** I am an English teacher. The reader from Harpers Ferry cites "sibling rivalry, spousal mistrust and sexual abuse" among things your column supposedly promotes. As you pointed out, discussion and

promotion are two entirely different things. If we are to stick solely to British and American "classics" to teach English, take a closer look: There's sibling rivalry in the works of Louisa May Alcott, Jane Austen and Emily Bronte, to name a few. Spousal mistrust is featured in "Hamlet," Fitzgerald's "The Great Gatsby," and anything written by Steinbeck or Hemingway. And look no further than "The Scarlet Letter" if you want to talk about sexual dysfunction and abuse.

I won't even begin to address the woman's ridiculous act of placing "homosexuality" on her list of social ills.

**-BARBARA BORTOT, MINNESOTA**

**DEAR BARBARA:** It's usually those topics people are afraid to discuss that need to be talked about the most.

## You can't kill a rhino by pushing him over the edge of a cliff

A rhino must be put together in some special way. It survives falls that kill other big beasts. Long fall over cliffs. Experienced African hands see it die in 20 maybe 30 foot drop. The rhino charges amusingly and - whoosh! - over it goes. Get up, Trots off.

Fact that you and all other human beings on earth have 32 teeth - or had - is something you tell to the scholars. That you descended from one original sort of ancestor.

It was in 1896 when a Swedish chemist named Svante Arrhenius was called the world of the "greenhouse effect."

**Dandelions are scallies.**

**REVISTED**  
L.M. Boyd

Between Greenland and Iceland is an underwater canyon that drops three times as far as the renowned Angel Falls of South America.

**Q. What's "pseudopigrapha"?**  
A. Phony writings. Those falsely attributed to biblical sources, mostly.

Kin Hubbard also said, "I don't know of nothing better than a woman, if you want to spend money where I'll show." In touch with his wits, was, real name Frank McKinney. Just about all humans were male chauvinists back then.

Thirty-five percent of the women who are murdered are murdered in bedrooms.

**Q. Doesn't the crayfish have eyes in its tail?**  
A. One eye there, two in its head.

**Q. Do rattlesnakes kill hogs?**  
A. Bite them, yes. Kill them, no. Bitten hogs show no sick symptoms.

Ninety percent of the world's teeth are taken without either cream or sugar.

You can call her "fabulous," but don't call him a "fabulist" that means liar.

**Q. What makes an iceberg blue?**  
A. Icebergs. Wait, too flip if it's a blue iceberg, it has become dense from years of pressure. I can identify with that. No, still too flip. The compacting of the ice deep within the glacier, that's what makes the ice blue.

**Q. You once said researchers listed in order the 25 most depressing happenings. What was No. 1?**  
A. Death of a child.

## Get things organized, Libra

**IF JANUARY 31ST IS YOUR BIRTHDAY ...** you have experienced timely disagreements with parents and could have been separated from one or the other. You are romantic, dramatic and dynamic, and are willing to enter areas marked "forbidden." Taurus, Leo and Scorpio natives play major roles in your life. You could have these letters in names: D. M. V. During this year, you will experience a new or different kind of love. July will be most memorable.

**ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 19):** You get left up the ladder, influential family member becomes your ally. Spotlight on direction, motivation and marital status. Cancer native is in picture.

**TAURUS (Apr. 20-May 20):** Light touch helps gain objective. You could be doing serious work, but don't ignore humor. Spiritual values and publishing dominate Gemini. Sagittarius figure prominently.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** You find innovative ways of getting the job done. What begins as routine will become creatively exciting. Taurus, Leo and Scorpio individuals play outstanding roles.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22):** Be positive concerning legal right to pursue relationship. Take notes, start a diary. Focus on partnership and marriage. Gemini, Virgo play sensational roles.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** Don't rush into anything. This applies especially to where you live and with whom. Be gentle, kind and generous, know when to say, "Enough." Tonight, you receive the start of something big.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** You could be torn between fantasy and reality. Physical attraction

**HOROSCOPE**  
Sydney Omarr

dominates; however, you can't have everything. Maintain aura of mystery and glamour. Pisces is represented.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** Get organized at home and in work place. Added pressure results from more responsibility. You are destined to win if you support the underdog. Cancer natives play aggressive roles.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** Travel will be involved by way of insistence by relatives. Remain beyond the immediate, take steps to mend broken relationships. Aries, Libra persons play roles.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** By luck or otherwise, you could cover ways of improving your life. Take initiative, implement systems to locate lost articles. Leo is the ship reporter's serious observer.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** Lunar cycle high, you could find good fortune in finding new living quarters. Focus on direction, motivation and to do list of what must be done to reach future.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** What was thought to be routine will become laughingly funny. Give full play to intellect. Aries, Libra persons play roles.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20):** Many of your decisions will be made in the dark. You will be without a partner until the end of the year. Pisces natives play dominant roles.

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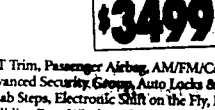


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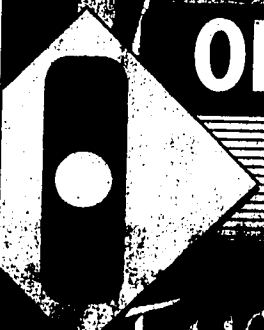
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