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IT'S ALL ABOUT READING

Elementary school puts intense effort into developing 'critical' skill

TWIN FALLS - It's reading time in Barbara Beck's first grade class-at-Lincoln-Elementary School.

School. But rather than all 24 students opening up their books and reading along in unison, as is the decadesold practice, students are broken up into groups — many groups, all according to ability.

Take a quick glance around the room on any given morning, and —you'll-see-groups-of-three-to-five students gathered around little tables, each group working with an adult. One table will just be working on individual words,

In the Classroom

another will work on spelling, while yet another will have stuwhile yet another will have stu-dents quickly reading paragraph after paragraph of a particular

The instruction spills out into the hallway, where volunteer grandparents pull individual stu-

dents out of the classroom for one-on-one reading instruction.
"With these small groups, it's easier to keep a handle on what they're doing," Beck said.
The intense -reading-activity-isn't limited to Beck's room. Take a peek into any first, second - third-grade classroom at Lincoln, and the scene will be the same. Most of the morning and part of the afternoon is dedicated to read-ing.

ling. It's part of a massive undertaking by Lincoln Elementary to ensure that each student can read at grade level. That's because educators have realized that much of student's academic success hinges

t's academic success hinges Please see **READING**, Page A2



Prospect

of war

worries

officials

Idaho budget setters fear effect on economy The Associated Press

BOISE - The fallout of war with Iraq is weighing on the minds of key lawmakers con-cerned about how a protracted American conflict in the Middle East might affect the economy at home.

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East might afferhome.
"The consumer effects could lead to another slow-down, so it's one of the variables we'll have to consider," said Rep. Maxine Bell, R. Je rome, who co-chairs the Legis lature's budget committee.

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Teacher Barbara Back helps first-grader Makeyla Osterhout during their small reading group session at Lincoln Elementary School in Twin Falls. Children are broken into groups by their reading level, and this group reads books at the

THE COLUMBIA DISASTER

Were they doomed all along?



A Toxas Department of Safety trooper photographs part of what is believed to be a piece of debris from the space shuttle Columbia along State Highway 155, north of Palestino, Toxas, Sunday.

Some wonder if NASA could have rescued crew

Evidence shows big temperature change just before disaster

Knight Ridder News Service

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. NASA Officials said Sunday that
temperature readings on the left
side of Columbia rose precipitously six minutes before it disintemperature and the spaceship struggled for two minutes to maintain
a safe flight path.
Ron Dittemore, the shuttle's
program manager said temperatures on the exterior of the shuttle rose by 60 degrees within five
minutes – an unprecedented
event.

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His account suggested that the evidence so far points to a breach in the heat protection system along Columbia's left side, particularly on the left wing, which was hit during liftoff by insulating foam from an external fuel tank.



manager, discusses the flight attitud of the space shuttle Columbia as it approached landing during a briefing at the Johnson Space Center in ton Tayes Sund

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. - If liftoff damage to Columbia's thermal tiles caused the disaster, was the crew doomed from the very start?

the crew doomed from the very start?

Or could NASA have saved all or some of the seven astronaus by trying some Hollywood-style heroics - a potentially suicidal spacewalk, perhaps, or a rescue mission by another shutle?

Some of the ideas that have been highly impractical, dangerous and perhaps futile. The shuttle does not carry spare tiles, and NASA insists there was nothing on board that the crew could have used to repair oreplace missing or broken ones. In any case, the space agency believed at the time that the tile damage was nothing to worry about and thus nothing worth risking alife over.

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Still, as James Oberg, a former
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by "Armageddon" type rescue ideas via e-mail, said Sunday: "They may be implausible, but not by much. "He added: "There's always the question of miracles." NASA knew from Day Two of Columbia's 16-day research mission that a piece of the insulating foam on the external fuel tank peeled off just after liftoff and struck the left wing, possibly ripping off some of the tiles that keep Piease see DOOMED. Page A2

able shortfall or surpos-result. Gov. Dirk Kempthorne's mief economist said the current tore-cast of 2,9 percent growth in Gross Domestic Product already takes into account a quick and successful war against Saddam Buccein. Hussein. The forecast contemplates a

As lawmakers plan the coming fiscal ar's state budget, they rely on an economic forecast to heip predict how much money the state will collect in sales, income and corporate taxes. That, in turn, helps them set spending budgets for departments. If that forecast turns out to be significantly high or low, a sizable shortfall or surplus could result.

"The forecast contemplates as predictable aftermath and a con-tinuing occupation for some amount of time," said economist Michael Ferguson. "The key issue is quick resolution. If not, that leaves an enormous amount of uncertainty hanging over the economy."

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Lawmakers seem most concerned not about whether the United States will win the war in Iraq, but in how long it might last. A coalition of nations participating in military action after the initial flighting could speed the peace.

"The more allies you have in any enterprise, the better off you are," said Darrell Manning, retired Idaho National Guard adjutant general and the newly installed director of the governor's budget office.

Republican Sen. Dean Cameron of Rupert, Bell's cochairman on the budget committee, said although there will be little direct impact on the state's budget, there could be increased homeland security costs if terrorist strikes resume on American soil.

soil.
Still, Cameron said, Idaho is not nearly in the same dire fiscal

M.V. dairies truck away thousands of dead cows each year

Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Every year, more than 12,000 cows die at Magic Valley duiries.

Dairy I armers pay Darling International to take away most of the carcasses. Some are buried, and others go to the land-ful.

A Thursday story in The Times News about improper disposal of dead cows at the Dutch Touch

Dairy near Filer raised questions. How many cows sicken and die at dairies? And what happens to the

dairies' And what happens to the carcasses?

A dairy farmer who takes good care of his herd can expect between 5 and 7 percent of the animals to die in a year, farmers said. If a good farmer is unlucky, as much as 10 percent of his herd can be an in a year, said Steve Wybenga, who runs a dairy in Casala County and another in Gooding County.

There are about 238,562 dairy cows in the Magic Valley, according to the Idaho Department of Agriculture. That means somewhere between 11,900 and 23,800 cows die on dairies every year more if there are farmers who that take care of their cows.

When cows die, dairy farmers place them in designated pickup spots where Darling International can find them. The rendering company picks up the cows and recycles every part of

the carcasses, said Casey Jones, who manages the Twin Falls Darling International outlet. The company produces meat and bone meal—which goes into livestock, poultry and pet food—as well as tallow and leather.

The company charges a fee which varies depending upon the distance of dairies from the Kuna plant. The going rates are about \$150 per month for large operations or \$25 per animal.

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TWIN FALLS FORECAST

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Tonight: Brisk with patchy clouds and late night fog

BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST ...

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Some farmers do take animals to the dump. The landfill receives about 100 dead cows a year, said Terry Schultz, executive director of the Southern Idaho Solid Waste District. The landfill charges 515 per ton, cheaper than Darling, but the waste district does not provide transportation.

"It would change over

tion. "It would change our operation" a lot if they (Darling) weren't in business, "Schultz said.
Farmers generally bury cows only when it is hot and the Darling truck is not due for a few more days, Robinson said.
Farmers can also compost the bodies or burn them in special machines, but they don't often do that.

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State regulations require dead animals to be properly disposed of within 72 hours of knowledge of death. When buried, they must be at least 3 feet below the surface and meet setback requirements.

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Farmers are not allowed to burn cattle or leave them to rot. The rules were made to protect air and water quality and prevent the spread of disease, said Ag Department spokeswoman Julie Pinal

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That's not to say that everyone follows the rules. Last fall, a number of dairy cow carcasses were found along highways in Twin Falls County. Highway district officials said they thought the dead cows' appearance might have been related to Darling's decision about a year before to start charging to pick up carcasses – which the company used to do for free.

Jones said Darling began charging to pick up carcasses which the market for bone meal and tallow took a dive.

On the scenic section of Idaho

On the scenic section of Idaho Highway 30 near Thousand Springs, Mike Simmons sees dead cows every few weeks, he said last week.

But highway district officials say illegal dumping of carcasses has not been a major problem. And dairy industry officials say the vast majority of dairy owners properly dispose of dead cows.

In the case of Dutch Touch Dairy, owners Jack and Tillie Tulis were fined \$5,000 for improper disposal of carcasses. In investigative documents obtained by The Times-News, Ag Department inspectors described seeing an open pit with dead animals and other carcass disposal problems.

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against the Tulses.
Idaho dairy farmers don't like
to hear that cows were mistreasted the Dutch Touch Dairy, said
Oakley dairyman Randy
Robinson. It makes people suspicious of dairy farmers, he said.
"It's just an isolated experience, but it really gave the whole
industry a black eye." Robinson
said. "You can go to 500 dairies
and not see that."
"It wouldn't be news if it was
normal," said Brent Olmstead,
executive director of Milk
Producers of Idaho.
It's worthwhile to nurse a cow
back to health, and there are
companies that will buy sick
cows for slaughter, Robinson
said. When cows are too sick to
recover, most dairy farmers
euthanize them, And sometimes
a cow will die suddenly of a
heart attack or a stroke,
Robinson sid.

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the ship from burning up when it
re-enters Earth's atmosphere.
A frame-by-frame analysis of
launch video and film clearly
showed a clump of something
streaking away from Columbia 80
seconds into the flight.
Engineers spent days analyzing
the situation and concluded that
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But hours after the disaster, shuttle program manager Ron Dittemore acknowledged that NASA might have been wrong and that wing damage on launch day might have contributed to or even caused Columbia to disintegrate on re-entry.

grate on re-entry.

"It's one of the areas we're looking at first, early, to make sure

that the investigative team is concentrating on that theory or that set of facts as we are starting to unfold." NASA Administrator Sean O'Keefe said Sunday.

Dittemore himself said: "My thoughts are on what we missed, what I missed, to allow this to happen."

Some facts remain:

NASA did not attempt to examine Columbia's left wingwith high-powered telescopes on the ground, 180 miles below, or with spy satellites. The last time NASA tried that, to check Discovery's drag-clute compartment during in 1998, the pictures were of little use, Dittemore said. Besides, he said, "there was zero we could have done about it."

Similarly, NASA' did not ask the crew of international space station to use its cameras to examine the wing when the two ships passed within a few hundred

miles of each other several times over the past two weeks.

* NASA did not consider a spacewalk by the crew to inspect the left wing. The astronauts are not trained or equipped to repair tile damage anywhere on the shut-le, least of all on a relatively inaccessible area like the underside of a wing. Dittemore said.

Could NASA have sent another shuttler to rescue Columbla's fivemen and two womens that the rescue Columbla's fivemen and two womens to prepare a shuttle for launch. But in a crisis, shuttle managers say they might be able to put together a launch in less than a week if all testing were thrown out the window and a shuttle were already on the pad.

Columbia had enough fuel and supplies to remain in orbit until Wednesday, and the astronauts could have scrimped to stay up

another few days beyond that. With shutle Atlantis ready to be moved to its pad, it theoretically could have been rushed into service, and Columbia's astronauts could have climbed aboard in a series of spacewalks. If Atlantis flew with the minimum crew of two, it could have accommodated seven more astronauts. Could Columbia's astronauts have abandoned ship and climbed aboard the international space station?

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Because Columbia was in an entirely different orbit than the space station, it did not have enough fuel to fly to the orbiting outpost. Even if the shuttle could have limped there, it could not have docked. Columbia was not equipped with a docking ring since it was never meant to go there. So the shuttle astronaus would have had to float over in spacesuits to get there.

Reading

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on his ability to read well.
"Research has shown how critical reading is, more than people initially surmised," Twin Falls School District Superintendent Terrell Donicht said.

Every school subject, whether it's science, history or current events, presupposes a student's ability to read the text.

There's a narrow window of opportunity that teachers have to develop students into satisfactory readers: namely, grades K-3. If a child is not reading at grade level by third grade, chances are greatly increased that that child will struggle for the remainder of his school years.

As the oft-repeated maxim goes: "Up to third grade, a child is learning to read. After third grade, that child is reading to learn."

Labor-intensive work

Labor-intensive work

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Ensuring that every child learns to read is a daunting task for a single instructor. After all, each child has different capabilities and learns at a different rate.

—In Beck's class alone, there's an autistic child, a bipolar child, a child with muscular dystrophy, several children with Attention Defficit and Hyperactivity Disorder, several English as a second language Students and several special education children.

And that's not unusual, as most classrooms at Lincoln feature a

And that's not unusual, as most classrooms at Lincoln feature a comparably diverse student body. Thus, it takes a small army of individuals to offer the personalized instruction. "People realize reading is, of all the subjects, very labor intensive," Donicht said. Becadse Lincoln is a Title 1 school – based on its high percentage of poverty students – it quali-

fies for more federal money and thus has far more personnel to accommodate students' needs. Other Title I schools within in the district are Bickel, Harrison and Oregon Trail.

All have extra personnel and extra federal dollars to help students achieve.
But Lincoln has sort of become a model. The school has given presentations throughout the state and often has educators from outside the region visiting, the school to view his reading program.

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"They're going a little beyond the normal offerings of the system," Donicht said.
For instance, most schools have at least one or two grandparents helping students read. Lincoln has eight.
In addition, there are five Title 1 aides, six instructional aides, one ESL aide, six special ed aides and two reading specialists. Funding comes from a mixture of sources—state, district and grants—but the largest portion is federal money.
There's even a volunteer parent who helps out daily, and the school hopes there will be more in. The future, Principal Beth Olmstead said.
The key is to have all aides, teachers and volunteers working together, said Charlene Reeder, Title 1 teacher and organizer of all participants in this effort.
"Anyone who walks through the door and wants to work with children, Reeder said. "They have to have instruction on how to work with those children. You can't just sit down and listen to work with those children. You can't just sit down and listen to them read. Thur's not how it is any more. They know what to do if a child gets stuck on a word, they know some strategies to help that child."

Making progress

Maxing progress
Students are measured for their
reading ability in the first few
weeks of school.
From timed reading tests to
teachers' observations to the
Idaho Reading Indicator as well as
other tests, teachers quickly discern the reading level of each student.

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Among second-graders, for
instance, the skills range from
those who can fluently breeze
through book after book to those
who struggle with the sounds of
two letters paired together, such
as "sy" or "ch."
Students are assigned to certain
levels, and their progress is monitored daily.

If students make steady
progress, which is usually the
case, Reeder said, they're eventually moved up to the next groups
the sooner the better, as far as
most teachers are concerned.
On a recent school day, Mikell
Scrimpsher, 6, had just finished
reading a passage about skeletons.
"Everyone has a skeleton inside
of you. Many bones make up a
skeleton." And so on.

It's not enough that Scrimpsher
can read the paragraph; he must
understand it as well. Thus, after
reading it, he wrote on a separate
piece of paper about what he just
read.

"There are many skeletons
inside our skin. Thes belons
inside our skin. Thes belon is
skieden."

read.

"There are many skeletons inside our skin. They help us grow," he wrote. He was timed on this exercise. All students are timed on every exercise to measure progress. Daily performance is tracked.

Changing priorities

All this is new territory for Reeder, nearly two decades in the profession.

She has seen the dramatic shift in emphasis on reading during the last few years.
Moreover, reading instruction has become much more intention-al, she said. That is, everything is mapped out – teachers know exactly what skills are to be intro-duce on a certain day, and nothing is happenstance.

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Teachers now have research-backed teaching methods with which to work. The district has responded in kind, bringing in services and excellent teacher training, Reeder said.

"I know more today than I knew 10 years ago about reading," Reeder said.
Reeder remembers a different time, when the class day held greater variety. When she had her own classroom, mornings would be dedicated to reading and math and perhaps handwriting, while afternoons would be time. for show-and-tell, art, science, Just with the shift in emphasis, some things must give.

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"Yet the kids seem eaget to learn, eager for the next negon, for the next reading assignment, freeder said.
"They're like little spongés," he said. "We always push, pikh, push, up that ante; up that ante;"

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Baghdad promises more cooperation | Deadly explosion

"BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — Just days before a crucial round of talks with chief inspectors, a senior Iraqi official said Sunday that Baghdad is "been to resolve any pending issues" in the U.N. search for banned weapons, but didn't immediately offer new concessions.

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Amin indicated, nevertheless, that krag may have compromise proposals on hand for the talkenest Saturday and Sunday, with Hans Blis. and Mohamed.

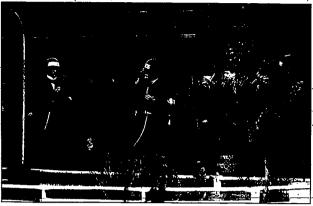
ElBaradel. "We shall do our begit to make his (Blit's) visit successful," Amin told reporters.

Iraq, which steadfastly denies it has forbidden arms, is under pressure to make concessions and Bhow progress in the U.N. inspections process, to forestall any U.S.-British diplomatic bid for inspectors, also dismissed U.S. British diplomatic bid for military action against Baghdad.

In his news conference, Amin, the chief Iraqi liaon to the U.N. inspectors, also dismissed U.S. Secretary of State Colin Powell plan to present purported evidence of prohibited Iraqi learned will probably be "labricated space photos or aerial photos," of a kind the Iraqis could refute if given a chance study it, Amin said. "It is a polltical game," he said.

President Suddam Hussein is

study it, Amin said. "It is a political game," he said.
President Saddam Hussein is expected to have more to say about the U.S.-Iraqi confrontation in a rare interview, conducted Sunday with retired British Jawmaker Tony Benn. Benn said the taped interview would be televised within a day or two.
Chief U.N. weapons inspector Bix and ElBaradei, head of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA), accepted an Iraqi invitation to return for a new round of talks just ahead of



Turkish military policemen stand guard in Haydarpasa station in Istanbul, Turkey, Sunday as soldiers board a train bound for the southern city of Gazlantep. The Turkish military began moving troops in western Turkey to its border fraq, strengthening its security force along the rugged border area ahead of a possible U.S. war against Iraq.

Key developments concerning Iraq visits to a missile factory and a chemi-cals complex outside of Baghdad as well as a dairy company, likely in con-nection with the hunt for signs of bio-

The Associated Press

Developments in the Iraq crisis on Sunday:

 A senior traci official said Bagndad A senior iraqi afficial said Bagndad wants (o resolve outstanding issues over the U.N. inspections when chief weapons inspectors Hans Blix and Mohamed ElBaradei visit next week-end. But the official gave no sign of immediate concessions on key issue

their next report to the Security Council, on Feb. 14. It will be the second round of Baghdad talks for Blix and ElBaradei in

- U.N. reconnalssance flights or scientist interviews.

The official, Maj. Gen. Hossam Mohamed Amin, also said U.S. Secretary of State Colin Powell will likely produce "fabricated" evidence when he presents the U.S. case against Baghdad to the U.N. Security Council on Wednesday.

. U.N. arms inspectors made surprise

three weeks.

The two chief inspectors say they hope to see Iraqi movement beforehand on two immediate

logical weapons work.

* The Turklah military began moving troops to its southeast border with Iraq ahead for a possible U.S. led war. Turkey has said it could move into northern Iraq in event of war to prevent a flood of refugees. issues: U.N. reconnaissance flights over Iraq, and U.N. access to weapons scientists in private interviews.

destroys Nigeria bank

LAGOS, Nigeria – A powerful explosion tore apart a bank and dozens of apartments above it Sunday in Nigeria's crowded commercial capital, killing at least 40 people and rapping many others, relief worker-said.

Police were investigating a range of motives – including that the blast was part of a bank robbery plot. Losing and fights broke out as young men grabbed fistful of cash from the leveled bank and bartled over them.

In the chaos, trapped victims cried for rescue and ontookers walled as rescuers retrieved bloody, broken bodies.

The Red Cross said searchers had recovered more than 30 dead

The Red Cross said searchers had recovered more than 30 dead and 32 injured. Ten of the wounded died later at Lagos General Hospital, hospital workers said. Many more victims weeb eblieved caught in the rubble, and the death toll could rise, said Emmanuel Tjewere, president of the Nigeria Red Cross.

Riot opens second week of protests in Ivory Coast

of protests in Ivory Coast
ABIDJAN, Ivory Coast – Ivory
Coast paramilitary police fired
guns and tear gus Sunday to disbeers rock-thrwsing mobs angered
by the killing of a well-known
comedian and political figure.

The riots were the latest vioence in Ivory Coast's commercial
lub, Abidjan, where loyalists of
President Laurent Gbagblos have
been protesting ugainst a powerbarniap peace deal Gbagblo signed,
with rebels to end a four-month
civil war.

Sunday's rioters, however, were
lundreds of supporters of the government opposition, who suspected Gbagblo's party of being responsible for the shooting death of TV
lost Ash Karamoto Kamara.

Israeli army demolishes houses in West Bank city

HEBRON, West Bank - The Israeli army, citing a lack of building permits, demolished nine houses belonging to Bale-Time.

israeu army, clung a tack of building permits, clung a tack of building permits, clung a to Palestinians in the
West Bank city of Hebron on
Sunday, leaving dozens homeless.
In another development, dozens
of Palestinian inmates rioted at an
Israel army prison in the southern
desert, and soldiers used tear gas
and stun gerandes to subdue
them, the army said. There was
immediate word on cassalisis.
In Hebron, Palestinian families
dragged refrigerators and sofasout of the houses before Israeli
lies said they guarded by soldiers,
knocked down the walls. The families said they had received notices
that the houses would be demotshed, but hadn't known when the
work would begin.



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World in brief

Venezuela's opposition begins petition drive

begins petitlon drive

CARACAS, Venezuela

President Hugo Chave declared victory Sunday after his opponents agreed to ease a two-month national strike, but thousands of Venezuelans still lined up for a petition drive seeking his ouster.

Strike organizers, who began the protest Dec. 2 to pressure Chavez into accepting a referendum on his rule, said Friday they would ease the work stoppage, already waning, this week to protect businesses from bankruptey.

However, the strike will continue in the vital oil industry, where production was cut from 3 million barrels ad ay to 150,000 at the height of the strike. Chaves said Sunday the government bossted production to 1.8 million barrels adday, but striking workers put the number at 1 million.

Schroeder party is crushed in German state elections

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BERLIN - Chancellor Gerhard
Schroeder's party suffered a
crushing defeat in two German
state elections Sunday, reflecting
a loss of confidence in his government's economic course despite
support for his antiswar stand on
Iraq.
The conservative Christian
Democrats won 48 percent of the
vote in Schroeder's home state of,
Lower Saxony, gaining 12 points
over the last election five years
ago to wrest the statehouse from

ago to wrest the statehouse from the Social Democrats, exit polls and early returns compiled for ARD national felevision showed.



Bush's budget proposes tax cuts, record deficits

WASHINGTON (AP) —
President Bush will send
Congress a \$2.23 trillion spending
plan Monday featuring new tax
cuts to boost the economy, a conservative til to major social programs and record deficits for the
next two years – shortfalls that
Democrats blame on Bush's tax
cuts.

Democrats blame on Bush's tax cuts.

White House budget officials said Sunday the president's tax and spending blueprint, com-plete with dozens of agency brief-ings, will roll out as scheduled despite Saturday's space shuttle disaster.

Bush's budget outline for the 2004 fiscal year, which begins Oct. 1, is required by law to be

Budget

Continued from A1 situation as Oregon state government, which laid off nearly 200 state troopers among other hundreds of government employees last week when voters rejected a tax hike.

There might also be some regional consequences to an American war in Iraq, mainly in southwestern Idaho, Manning said. Airmen from Mountain Home Air Force Base and soldiers from the Idaho National. Guard might be required to deploy, reducing consumer spending.

But there will be other conse-

But there will be other consequences.
"There will be emotional fall-out from business" in the short term. "It won't be business as usual."

J. For some, such as 60-year-old industrial equipment broker Barry Jackson, there's almost no business at all.

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i business at all.

Jackson, who was selfi, employed, was forced to file for

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sent to Congress the first Monday in February. The numbers and spending priorities undoubtedly will change ome to the congress of the control of the control

recent years because of cost over-runs for the orbiting space sta-tion and other programs.

Total government spending first topped \$2 trillion in Bush's first budget in 2002, 15 years after Ronald Reagan gave the country its first \$1 trillion federal budget.

bankruptcy this month after his busi-ness volume dropped to nearly noth-ing

ing. "People are Suving

Bush's new spending plan, which will set off months of congressional debate, projects that deficits will hit an all-time high in dollar terms – 5307 billion for the current fiscal year and 5304 billion for 2004, with both years sur-

lion for 2004, with both years surpassing the previous record of \$290 billion set by Bush's father in 1992.

The administration says, however, that this year's deficit will be just 2.8 percent of the overall \$10.5 trillion U.S. economy - fatbook the 4.7 percent level hit in 1992 and an amount acceptable for an economy struggling to emerge from recession.

But Democrats charge that Bush's \$1.35 trillion, 10-year tax

federally funded programs cur-rently under consideration.
"War with Iraq shuts down all domestic initiatives, and this war may not be as quick as the Gulf War," Weatherby said.

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HEALTH INSURANCE cut in 2001 and his new request for another \$670 billion in tax cuts as part of an economic stim-ulus program will put the budget on a dangerous downward slide that will rub Social Security of the surpluses it needs to prepare for the retirement of the baby

boomers. The president is pursuing a policy, that.will. dramatically increase our deficits, expand our debts and accelerate our economic. decline," said. Sen., Kent. Conrad, the top Democrat on the Senate Budget Committee. "Just as we face the prospect of war with Iraq, the president is asking us again for massive tax cuts we cannot afford."

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"People are not buying capital equipment," he said. "I think they're just holding onto their money, said that they're just holding onto their money, side to do, see what the president is going to do. We'll see what happens in the next 60 to 90 days."



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AROUND THE VALLEY

Council will consider Old Towne grain silos

TWIN FALLS - The City Council tonight will consider a local attor-ney's ideas for securing the future of the historic grain silos in Old

Towne.
The council meets at 5 p.m. in the council chamber at 305 Third Ave. E.

Ave. E.
Attorney Paul Smith of Twin
Falls recently asked the Twin Falls
Urban Renewal Agency for \$3,000 to pay for a comprehensive struc-tural study of the silos. Urban Renewal would be willing to put .up half is-the city provides the .other \$1,500.

other \$1,500.

The silos apparently are in need of repair, and a study would give city leaders a list of options and an estimate of how much it would cost to fix them.

The council will also:

The council will also:

• Consider the South Central Idaho Community Action Agency's request for a waiver of building permit fees.

permit tees.

Consider authorizing the Twin
Falls Fire Department to give its
antique 1948 fire engine to the
Twin Falls Optimist Club.

Consider renewing a shared
facility-use agreement with the
Twin Falls School District.

Hospital representative speaks to MVRMC board

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TWIN FALLS - Pat Hermanson
off the county-owned Portneuf
off the county-owned Portneuf
Medical Center in Pocatello Miglic
Speak with the board of Magic
Valley Regional Medical Center at
conight's board meeting.
The meeting will begin at 6 p.m.
inside the deucation center located
behind the hospital. The meeting is
open to the public.
Last year, Twin Falls County
commissioners and Hospital Board
members agreed to educate themselves on how other county hospitals, as well as nonprofit and
for-norfit hospitals, operate Hospital
leaders previously had pushed to
convert the county-owned hospital
to a "community-based" nonprofit
organization.

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At the same time, county commissioners in 2001 appointed an advisory committee to establish criteria for lease proposals from for-profit and nonprofit organizations interested in operating Magic Valley Regional.

Those efforts were put on hold after Magic Valley Regional bought the Twin Falls Clinic and Hospital, but now board members, and commissioners are ready to take another look at hospital gov-

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Also tonight, the board will hear reports on medical staff rules, ser-vice excellence and employee sa-isfaction. The board might also approve a design-build firm to help with the hospital's long-term facili-

Semi rolls on interstate:

driver suffers minor injuries

TWIN FALLS - A semi rolled on Interstate 84 early Sunday morn-ing, according to a dispatcher at Southern—Idaho Regional Communications, the regional 911 center.

center.

The accident occurred about 6 a.m. Sunday 13 miles east of the Twin Falls exit. The driver sufficient in the dispatch. fered minor injuries, the dispatch-

The driver's name and other details about the accident were unavailable Sunday.

Compiled from staff reports

Snowpack

	Watershed	% of Arg.*	% season peak ***
	Upper Snake River	83%	51%
	Salmon Falls	60%	38%
	Salmon	93%	55%
	Oakley	52%	34%
	Blg Wood	95%	61%
•	Little Wood	113%	69%
	Henrys Fork/Teton	82%	51%
	Big Lost	102%	60%
	Little Lost	79%	46%

Fish and Game looks at ATV hunting

HAILEY - If Mitch Marcroft's opinion HALLEY - II MICH MARCROITS opinion is typical of what Tdaho Department of Fish and Game officials will hear Wednesday might here during a hearing on proposed all-terrain vehicle restrictions, then they can count on good news.

Marcroft; service manager for Woodside RV Center in Hailey, a large dealer in ATVs, said he thinks most hunters with ATVs would not oppose the plan.

plan.
In fact, he said, they probably will welcome it: Most hunters prefer to dismount
from ATVs and trek into hunting areas on
foot, he said. The noise of ATVs near
hunting areas frightens off big game, he
said

The proposed limits are an outgrowth of a Fish and Game prohibition on off-

road ATV use during last fall's hunting season in southwest Twin Falls County that was deemed a success. If is imposed for the upcoming 2003 hunting season, it would be in effect in units 48 and 49; generally areas in Blaine County on the east and west sides of Highway. 75 extending as far north as Galena and Highway 20 on the south.

The public hearing will be held at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Old Blaine County Courthouse in Hailey in the county commission meeting room.

Fish and Game regional conservation educator Kelton Hatch said the ultimate goal of the proposal is to "increase protection for big game animals," and raise the buck-to-doe ratio from the current average of 15 per 100 to 25 per 100.

ATV registrations in Idalo have skyrock-eted-from 1973-until-2002, the number-of-please see ATV, Page AS

Agency aims to give deer herds a boost

IEROME - It's still too early to tell JEKOME – It's still too early to tell, but unseasonably warm weather so far this winter could give a strong boost to deer herds in southern Idaho, an official with the Idaho Department of Fish and Game said.

Game said.

Meanwhile, officials are considering further restrictions on all-terrain vehicles and other regulation changes in hope of giving herds even more strength and increasing the number of bucks.

Though dry weather has persisted for area deer herds to get fattened up in area deer herds to get fattened up in a content of the con

Get the facts, voice your opinion

he Idaho Department of Fish and Game wants to inform and hear from the public about ideas and possible changes for ngs, set for 5-8 p.m. each

Today: Burley City Hall.

Wednesday: Blaine County Courthouse,

time for winter, said Kelton Hatch, a spokesman for the Fish and Game office Please see WILDLIFE, Page AG

this week

Drug abuse expert comes to the M.V.

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS - Drug abuse expert Trinka Porrata will give several presentations this week in southern Idaho. The retired Los Angeles Police Department nacrotics detectives program will center on the growing "rave," "club drug" and "date rape drug," problem. The schedule of her appearances includes.

■ Burley, Tuesday

 Conference for law enforcement officials, medical personnel and other professionals, 3-5 n.m. mon which, medical personnel and other professionals, 3-5 p.m., little theater in Burley High School, 2130 Park Ave.

• Presentation for the general public, 7-9 p.m., in the King Fine Arts Center at Burley High School.

■ Twin Falls, Wednesday

Conference for professionals, 10 a.m. to noon, Nazarene Church, 1231 Washington St. N.
 Presentation for College of Southern Idaho students and the public, 430-630 p.m.; presentation for the public, 79 p.m., CSI Idaho Fine Arts Auditorium, 315 Falls Ave. W.

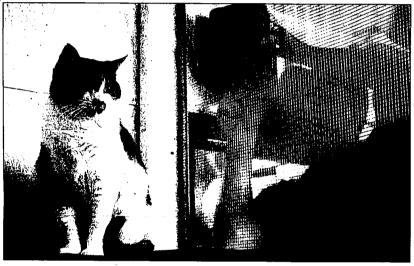
Hailey, Thursday

Conference for professionals,
 3-5 p.m., band room at Wood River High School.

Presentation for public, 7-9
p.m., Wood River High School
Auditorium.

• Presentation for public, 7-9
p.m., Wood River High School
Auditorium.
Parents are encouraged to
bring their children. Age-appropriate drug education for children
ages 6 to 16 will be provided by
the Boys and Girls Club.
Admission is free.
Club drugs in recent years
began to emerge as part of the
"rave" scene in large urban areas.
"Raves" - clandestine dance
parties centered around thudding
techno music and cutting-edge
fashion - gave rise to widespread
use of new drugs such as Eestasy
and brought new popularity to
LSD and similar substances.
While-it's unlikely that huge,
spur-of-the-moment raves will pop
up in Idaho's tomis and small
cities, there's evidence that some
smaller raves have been organized here and drugs have been
pushed at them, said John
Hathaway, the Region V
bepartment of Health and
Welfare director.
Porrata's visits are sponsored
by the Department of Health and
Welfare director.
Porrata's visits are sponsored
by the Department of Health and
Meltard Health Services; Canyon
View Psychiatric and Addiction
Services, the Walker Center; the
listrict 5 Juvenile Justice
Council.
For more information, call
Marlene Yardley at Health and
Welfare, 736-2177.

SOOTHING SOUNI



I River Animal Shelter cat 'Gretchen' will soon be listening to music from a brand-new sound system thanks to cash donations and sound technician Mike raon of Maestro Design Group of Halley, left, who donated his time to install the system with 14 speakers last week.

Animal shelter gets new stereo system Stern also gave 60 music CDs, with such songs as "Dog Days of Slumber" and "Catnip Dreams." Denors responded to appeals published in The Times-Neus as well as other Wood River Valley media. Music and occasional voice programs broadcast into the shelter kennels help calm the animals as well as accustom them to the

By Pat Murphy Times-News correspondent

HAILEY - Donations by a handful of pet lovers literally are music to the ears of dozens of dogs and cats at the Animal Shelter of the Wood River

Shelter of the Wood River Valley.

A modern new sound system with 14 speakers has been installed at the shelter's two main housing buildings to play music as a way of soothing

caged animals awaiting adop-

caged animals awaiting adoption.
Shelter manager Donna Simms said the system, which includes two radio tuners and two CD players, and installation would normally cost between \$3,000 and \$5,000.
But the hardware was donated at cost by Darcie Clair at Maestro Design Group and installation at no cost.
Before installation of the new system was completed over the

weekend, Simms had been using a jerry-rigged collection of loud-speakers tied to an old so-called "boom box" to broadcast music in the kennel areas.

The new system includes two rooftop antennae to pick up radio music when needed, as well as closed-circuit CD music.

Major donations included \$1,000 from Fred and Jill Vogel of Ketchum and \$500 from Bonnie and Kay Mara.

The Ketchum firm of Jensen

Committee will divvy United Way donations

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS - United Way of South Central Idaho raised about \$340,000 during its last fund-raising campaign, and now it's time to allocate the dollars. Twenty-two voluniteers have been appointed to the 2003 United Way Allocation Hearing Committee to make those decisions.

sions.

The diverse committee includes everyone from a City Council member to senior citizens to representatives of local businesses.

businesses.

Their job will be to decide which agencies receive funding and just how much money they'll receive. Members of the

2003 United Way Allocation Hearing Committee

Elaine Steele, Twin Falls City Council
Nicki Kreese, Longview Fürer Co.
May Hamon, Costco Wholesale
Kris Ann Brown, Cactus Pete's
Lisa Callins, KMVT
Kate Woods, Clear Springs Foods
Cally Parrott, Clear Springs Foods
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Chery Katalt, Testined teacher
Rod Burks, Burks Tractor

Helen Amold, retired
Jim Godwin, JC Penney
Eddy Pockham, Fred Meyer
Judy Johnson, Bon Marche
Jamie Kelley, Magic Valley Regional
Medicial Center
Aaron Miller, D.L. Evans Bank
Cindy Scott, CSI Head Start

Diane Boyd, retired executive director Monica Kessel, CSI of South Central Idaho helps more than 39,000 people - from infants to senior citizens - each

year.
They'll review applications, examine agency budgets and then present their recommenda-

enda Grupe, State of Idaho mental health services health services Marty Buss, CPR/First Ald Leann Sullivan, Sen, Larry Craig's Office Kathy Hansen, Costco

well as accustom them to the sounds of the human environ-ment of adoptive homes, Simms explained.

To donate to United Way of South Central Idaho, call Executive Director Jim Ponzo al 733-4922 or see the Web site at www.unitedwayscid.org.

tions to the United Way of South Central Idaho Board Feb. 14 for its approval. The meeting will begin at noon in the Health and Welfare conference room on Pole Line Road.

committee will meet today through 'Friday to review requests from nonprofit agen-cies, United Way partner agen-cies as well as non-partner agen-cies, that provide vital services to the community. United Way Blaine County school board bumps up two Wood River expansions

Times-News correspondent

HAILEY - Favorable interest rates have spawned early construction on two Blaine County School District building projects.
A 52.9 million expansion to the Wood River Middle School is ready to go to final bid. And a \$4.75 million expansion to the Carey School will be ready for bid

by the end of February.

These expansion projects are part of a \$40 million plant facilities levy ovters approved in 2000. Both the middle school and Carey School expansions were scheduled to be completed in 2005, but with low interest rates and a favorable construction climate, the Blaine County School Board moved these two projects forward.

forward.
"To save money, the district has moved

these projects up, but.it's-also because we had 750 students last year and we're bursting at the seams," said middle school Principal John Cvetich. The approval last week from the-flailey Planning and Zoming Commission paved the way for the Wood River Middle School project to go to bid. Some 21,750 square feet of additions will consist of 12.5 classrooms and a 149-space parking lot. The sixth-grade wing

will get four additional classrooms. The art room will be remodeled to add a studio classroom with natural lighting for two-dimensional art production. The seventh and eighth-grade wings will be connected with a hallway at the east end to ease traffic. Two science comes, three classroom with a kitchen and five cook stations will be added.

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ase see **SCHOOL**, Page At

7 p.m., community center Murtaugh City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall Rupert City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall Shoshone City Council, 7 p.m.,

Shoshone City Councu, / p.m., City Hall Sun Valley Planning and Zon-ing Commission, 9 a.m., council chambers Twin Falls County, commission ers, 8:30 a.m., courthouse Twin Falls County Historic

Preservation Commission, 7:30 p.m., Twin Falls Mediation and Arbitration Center, 163 Second Ave. W.

Wednesday
Glenns Ferry School Board, 7
p.m., district office
Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse

Thursday

Thursday

Bellevue Planning and Zoning
Commission, 7 p.m., City Hall
Kimberly Public Library
Board, 7 p.m., library
Murtaugh Planning and
Zoning Commission, 7 p.m., City
Hall
Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse

Friday

Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse

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one City Council, 7 p.m.,

On the agenda

CSI TODAY

Today

Advanced Regional Technical
Education Coalition projectbased learning workshop, all day,
Taylor 276 and 277
CSI Golden Engles Booster
Club luncheon, noon, Taylor 277
Dell Computer Corp. quarterly
temployee recognition event, 4
p.m., gym.

ARTEC project based learning orkshop, all day, Taylor 276 and

workshop, all day, Taylor 276 and 1277
Idaho Small Business Development Center Issues in Human Resources for the Small Business, 8:30 a.m., Taylor 276
"Mingle in the Jungle," free reptile revue, 6 p.m., Herrett Center rainforest "The Search for Life in the Universe," 7 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium

Wednesday

Idaho Agriculture Department pesticide applicator exam, 8 a.m., Taylor 276 Idaho Department of Health

and Welfare, Canyon View Hospital, Department of Correction, CSI and Walker Center presentation on date rape drugs, 7 p.m., Fine Arts Auditorium

Evans Expo Center
Idaho Department of
Education "Serving it Safe" child
nutrition class, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Shields 116
National Association for
Education of Young Children
and Success by Six training for
child care providers and
preschool teachers, 6:30 p.m.,
Taylor 276 and 277
Huggle "Bears" Narcotics
Anonymous meeting, 7 p.m.,
Desert 113
. "More Than Meete-the-Eye," 7p.m., Faulkner Planetarium

Saturday

ACT-tests,-7:30-a:m., Shields

ACI-lests, //su-a.m., shields-building CSI Mini Cheer and Dance Clinic 8 a.m. to noon, gym cretified Nursing Assistant written testing, 8 a.m. to noon, Aspen 195 National Traffic Safety Institute traffic Safety class, 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Shields 103, I daho Angus Association and CSI Block and Bridle Gem State

Classic Angus sale, all day, Eldon Evans Expo Center

Mauldin Dance Academy reeze Frame '03, all day, Fine

Mauldin Dance Academy Freeze Frame '03, all day, Fine Arts Bulldin Association for Education of Young Children and Success by Six training for child care providers and preschool teachers, 9 a.m., Taylor 276 and 277 Magic Valley Fly Fishers (19 ying, 3 a.m., Evergreen C74 United Church God meeting, 930 a.m., Aspen 145. 9:30 a.m., Aspen 145
"The Dinosaur Chronicles," 2

p.m., Faulkner Planetarium
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Seasons," 4 p.m., Faulkner

Seasons," 4 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium CSI Golden Eagle women's bas-ketball against North Idaho College, 6 p.m., gym "Led Zeppelin: Maximum Volume I," 7 p.m., Faulkner

roune 1, ' / p.m., Faulkner Planetarium

CSI Golden Eagle men's basketball against North Idaho
College, 8 p.m., gym
Herrett Center monthly star
party (free telescope viewing,
weather permitting) 8:30 p.m.,

Sandpoint airline sells advance vouchers

SANDPOINT (AP) - There-could soon be a new option for Boise travelers heading north. Salmon Air is working to drum up enough business to start a commuter airline service

start a commuter airline service from Sandpoint, Idaho, to Seattle and Boise. If the airline can sell 2,230 vouchers for round-trip tickers between those cities in advance, the company said it could begin the town's first daily commuter flights as soon as this summer. Sandpoint business and gav-

Sandpoint business and government leaders are hoping the idea provides a boost to Sandpoint's economy, which is reeling from the loss of 155 jobs after Coldwater Creek's closure last year and upcoming layoffs when the local Kmart shuts

down.

When companies are considwhen companies are considering moving to an area, whether it has air service is a top question, said Rich Faletto, a retired U.S. Air Force officer who helped get the idea off the ground.

ground.
"This is huge for us," Faletto said. "Jackson Hole got air service in 1984. Their median income then was under \$20,000. It is now more than double that. They attribute it directly to air

on Friday, a group of busi-On Friday, a group or ous-ness and government leaders is launching a campaign to sell tickets, at the introductory price of \$195 apiece. Salmon Air is a regional air-line which operates a mixed fleet of 12 aircraft in Salmon, McCall and Boise.

McCall and Boise.

The company's nine-seat
Piper Chieftain would fly twice
a day to Boise and once a day to
Seattle.

Seattle.

Sandpoint Airport manager
Jorge O'Leary said there's definitely a market for a commuter
service in Sandpoint.

"There'll be some extra
responsibilities and duties for
the county and airport operators," he said.

"But those responsibilities would be welcome. "That's what we're here for - to provide reasonatation."

Today

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Acequia Automotive, 20602 F St.
Blaine County commissioners,
8:45 a.m., courthouse
Dietrich City Council, 7 p.m.,
City Hall
Gooding City Council, 7 p.m.,
City Hall
Halley Planning and Zoning
Commission, 6:30 p.m., Hailey
Town Center
Hansen, Community, Lihrary,
Board, 7 p.m., library, 120 W.
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Maple
Jerome County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse
Ketchum City. Council, 5:30
pm., City Hall
Magic Valley Regional
Medical Center Board, 6 p.m.,
Sage Room, Education Center
Twin Falls City Council, 5
p.m., council chambers, 305
Third Ave. E

Twin Falls County commis-sioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse

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City Hall
Filer City Council, 7:30 p.m.,
City Hall
Friedman Memorial Airport
Board, 5:30 p.m., Blaine County
Courthouse, Hailey
Hagerman City Council, 7:30
p.m., City Hall
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This list is compiled from advance schedules. The Times News suggests that you confirm the infor-ntation by calling the appropriate clerk's office before attending. p.m., City Hall Jerome City Council, 7 p.m., council chambers, 100 E. Ave. A Kimberly Zoning Commission,

TWIN FALLS - ARRAIGNMENTS -

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS - Recent activity in 5th District Magistrate Court in Twin Falls

District Magistrate Court in Iwin rans included the following: Zachary A. O' Toole, 19, 420 E. Ave. H, Jerome; malicious injury to property; public defender appointed; pleaded

innocent. Carl Gene Nape, 412, 2890 E. 3400 N. Twin Falls; driving under the influence, driving without privileges; public defender appointed; pleaded innocent; \$1,000 bond.

driving without privilences, public defender appointed; pleaded innocent: \$1,000 bond.
Joseph Lee McDaniel, 20, 534
Ochalama, No. 4; lewd conduct with a child under age 16; public defender appointed; no plea entered; preliminary
Clarence Will Kirkpatrick, 59, 534
Ponderosa, Twin Falls; driving under the influence (excessive)—second uffense; public defender appointed; no plea entered; preliminary hearing set in Deana Ballenger, 40, 603 North Road, Jerome; possession of a controlled substance; public defender appointed; no plea entered; preliminary hearing set for Feb. 10, 510,000 bond.

bond.

Daniel Wayne Brown, 39, 460 Elm,
Castleford: robbery, first degree kidnapping; public defender appointed; no
plea entered: preliminary hearing, set
or Feb. 10; 515,0000 bond.
Loyd Bailey Jr., 34, address not listef; fugitive hearing, set for Feb. 10;
550,000 bond.
Cusey C. Bennett, 26, 3835 Andrea

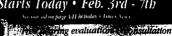
\$50,000 band.
Casey C. Bennett, 26, 3835 Andrea
Casey C. Bennett, 26, 3835 Andrea
Lane, Filer; three counts forgery; public
defender appointed; no plea entered;
preliminary hearing set for Feb. 10.
Christopher Dean Livingston, 20, 310
Fourth Ave. N., Twin Falls; malicious
injury to property; public defender

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Zachary W.
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Moore. 18, 130
Walter Lee Tews, 30, 428 Wakefeld,
Twin Fallx, assault; public defender
popointed; pleaded innocent.
George Walter Loru Jr., 29, 2700 E.
2800 N. Twin Falls; assaul brittery of a
child age 16 or 17, two counts rape;
child age 16 or 18, two counts forgers;
union E. Scriver, 54, address not listdef, fugitive hearing set for Feb. 10,
515,000 bond.
Pamela J. Thorton, 44, 1733
Leadville, Boise; two counts forgers;
unblid defender appointed; no plea
Feb. 10, 51, 500 bond.
George Everett McCullough, 22, 315
172 Sixth St. W., Twin Falls;
stattery/domestic violence; public
defender appointed; pleaded innocent.
Erik R. Heison, 20, 2026 Ellinbeth
public defender appointed; pleaded
innocent; 51,500 bond.

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nutrifion class, 9 am. to -2 p.m.;
Shields 116
Shields 116 Tuesday

Shields 116Alliance weekly club meeting, 3 p.m., Shields 112
CSI Golden Eagle women's basketball against Salt Lake Community College, 6 p.m., gym
CSI Chi Alpha Club meeting, 7:30 p.m., Eagle's Nest
CSI Golden Eagle men's basketball against Salt Lake Community College, 8 p.m., gym

Friday

ON THE RIVER



Capt. Richard Chesbrough directs the Williamette Queen, a Salem-based paddle-wheeler, downriver on its way to Portland for Inspection Saturday in Oregon. Cheabrough had about 90 people on board the boat for the trip. During the Williamette River's steamboat era, from 1850 to 1918, more than 50 steamboats ran the upper Williamette from Oregon City to Eugene. For the first time since, a steamboat will journey from Salem to the Portland area carrying passengers.

Meth equipment sets truck on fire last week they found the rem

POST FALLS (AP) - A pair of

POST FALLS (AP) - A pair of garbage collectors made an unexpected discovery after spotting smoke curling from the back of their truck.

Tim Broesch and Rob Plue parked the truck into the vacant lot and the two men began pulling garbage out with rakes. Broesch said-fires in garbage trucks are not unusual in winter when people dump out fireplace or wood stove ashes.

But instead of wood ashes,

nants of a methamphetamine lab.

"As soon as we saw what was smoldering, there were some peroxide bottles, it was obvious what it was," Broesch said. "This is the second time I've come across this."

"Due there was the smell.

across this."

Plus, there was the smell.

"I just got a little bit of it, but it takes your breath away," said Capt. Ron Graham of Kootenat Fire and Rescue. "It's sul-

phurous. Kind of a sulfuric acid smell. It's pungent and it displaces oxygen."
Sgt. Pat Knight of the Post Falls Police Department said investigators will retrace the route of the garbage truck to try and track down the meth cooks.
"This could be as innocent as a landlord cleaning out a rental, just finding a bag and tossing it." Graham said.
"It makes it difficult to track it down."

School district moves kids; parents worry

POCATELLO (AP) - Some Bonneville Elementary School parents are concerned School District No. 25 is moving their School Policy of the Sc

Ralph Jacketta of Wendell, service at 11 a.m. today at Demaray's Gooding Chapel, 737 Main, Gooding. Interment will be at the Wendell Cemetery.

Raeola Ford Cooke of Twin

, Racola Ford Cooke of I win Falls, service at 11 am. today at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home in Twin Falls (Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, Twin Falls).

Lois Elison of Malta, service at noon today at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saint Malta 1st and 2nd Ward Chapel, burial will follow in the Valley burial will follow in the Valley Un Cemetery in Malta; friends may call from 10-45-11-45 a.m. today at the church (Payne Mortuary, Burley).

Many students at alternative high schools are considered at-risk of dropping out and may have had behavioral problems in a normal school environ-

gling of the students, there are separate entrances and exits," she said. "The fact of the matter is this is an emergency. I don't understand what people would rather do."

Bonneville students spent
their last day in Bonneville
Elementary School Friday. An
engineering report determined
that-the building had severe

in a normal school envirou-ment.

"The district's efforts don't cut it," she said. "It's shifting one dangerous situation to another dangerous situation."

"Superintendent Linda Powell-said students will not be in any danger because all the elemen-tary classes will be held on a separate floor from the alterna-tive classes.

"There will be no intermin-

SERVICES -Frank Oliver Anderson of Pocatello, memorial service at 2 Falls).
p.m. today at Hansen Mortuary Burley Chapel, 321 E. Main St.,
Catherine Mildred Watson

that the building had severe structural problems.

Students will not attend class-es next week while teachers and staff make the move from Bonneville Elementary into the

p.m. today at Hansen Mortuary
Burley Chapel, 321 E. Main St.,
Burley.

Tamara Gay Northrop of Buhl,
memòrial service at 3 p.m. today
at the Free Will Baptist Church,
Sunset Memorial Park, Twin Falls.

-DEATH NOTICES Jeannette D. 'Jean' Folkman

JEROME - Jeannette D. 'Jean' 'olkman, 89, died Feb. 1, 2003 in Woodbury, Minn.

Woodbury, Minn.
Funeral services will be held at
11 a.m. Friday, Feb. 7, 2003 in the
Jerome LDS 1st Ward Chapel, 825
E. Ava B. Jerome. Arrangements

are under the care of Farns Mortuary of Jerome.

Leila Lessey

TWIN FALLS – Leila Lessey, 88, of Twin Falls passed away Sunday, Feb. 2, 2003 at her home. Arrangements are under the direction of Parkes Magic Valley Funeral Home.



Francisco Cruz holds tight to an armioad of branches. Cruz was helping a friend trim and prune trees and shrubs in his Rupert yard last week. With temperatures reaching the 50s, Mini-Cassians headed outside to do yard work they typically can't get at this time of year.

Red Cross conducts blood drive in T.F.

TWIN FALLS - The American Red Cross will conduct a blood drive this week in Twin Falls. The drive will be held from 1 to

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

health.

For an appointment or more information, call Sharla Warren at 734-4566.

School

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In addition, two multi-purpose rooms with hide-away seating and accordion walls will be constructed to provide for group gatherings for plays, presentations or class meetings.

The middle school now has about 700 students. With the additions, the school can easily accommodate 900, Cvetich said. With projected forecasts of 3 percent growth per year, the

With projected forecasts of 3 percent growth per year, the middle school would be adequate for the student population for at least another seven years. With groundbreaking set for the first of April, this construction project should rake 1 months to complete. Students will begin using the new facilities in the fall of 2004. In Carey, Architects and

school districts officials continue to fine-tune the scope of work to meet the construction budget of \$4.75 million for expansion at the Carey School.

Architect Jay Christopherson of CA Alliance Architects said costs are coming in at 599 per square foot.

"That's staggering. I've never had a (school) building run 599 a square foot, "he said.

The Carey School expansion includes the construction of a new high school wing that will connect to the new gymnuslum toward the back of the existing \$12 school."

K-12 school.

"I'think it will be a great building," said Carey School Principal John Peck. "It will be a great addition to our school.

The Carey School houses 254

students from kindergarten through high school. Peck said he anticipates some growth for Carey in the near future. Two new subdivisions have been developed, plus there's not a lot of room for growth in Hailey or Bellevue.

doesn't become us said.

The school's architects continue to refine the bid in preparation for the final bid package to be published by the end of February.

Construction would begin the

first of April.

Students will begin using the new high school facility in the fall of 2005.

Preliminary hearing will take place for Paul woman

The Times News

RUPERT - A preliminary hearing for Valorie Muiligan has been scheduled in magistrate court in Minidoka County for 1:30 p.m. Feb. 11.

Muiligan, 36, is charged with felony injury to a child for allegedly using methamphetamine while pregnant.

If convicted, she faces a maximum penalty of 10 years in prison.

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She gave birth to a son Jan. 1 at Minidoka Memorial Hospital. The baby, Alexander Salamandor, spent the first few days of his life in withdrawal from the drugs his mother allegedly used, Minidoka County Prosecuting Attorney Rick Bollar said.

Rick Bollar said.

The baby's condition was determined based on medical information, Bollar said.

Mulligan remains out of jail on her own recognizance.

Buhl police plan a citizens academy

BUHL - People interested in becoming the "extra eyes and ears" for the Buhl Police Department are invited to apply to the Clittens on Patrol academy. The course will start Wednesday and will consist of three three-hour classes at City Magic Valley Hall.

The classes

Magic Valley Hall.

In brief The classes will cover traffic and crowd control, general patrol procedures and use of police radios. A ride-along with both uniformed officers and a Chizens on Patrol cadre will conclude the course.

A background check and a good driving record are required to join. Those interested should call Sgt. Richard Suhr at 543-4200 or Wayne Moberg at 543-6147.

Water District 130

sets its annual meeting

JEROME - The regular annual meeting for the new and expanded Thousand Springs Area Water District 130 will be held Feb. 11 in Jerome. District members will be elect a watermaster for the coming year, review budget requirements,

elect officers and an advisory compositive, and adopt resolutions that govern district operations.

The meeting will be at 2 p.m. at the Jerome High School auditorium, 104 N. Tiger Drive.

The district, formed by state water officials in 2002, administers water rights from wells and springs in the Thousand Springs reach of the Snake River. The district regulates more than 1,500 wells and about 48 spring diversions in the Magic Valley.

For more information contact watermaster Cindy Yener at the Department of Water Resources office in Twin Falls, 736-3033.

Know a long-term love

Know a long-term love story? Share It with us
TWIN FALLS - The Times-New is preparing a Valentine's Day story about men and women win have served as long-term caregivers to their disabled or chronically ill spouses. If you know such a person, please give us a call. Phone features editor. Step of the story of the sto

Wildlife

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in Jerome.
The same good news applies
to elk and antelope herds, Hatch
said.

said.
With adult deer in such good shape and more mild weather expected, the survival rate for fawns this spring could run as high as 70 percent, he said. But another dry summer could make things towls again.

another dry summer counciling tough again.
"I just hope we have good rain again this summer to get good leader growth on the plants they eat, so they can fat-

ten up again for the winter," he

said.

Because deer and other large ungulates live mostly off their fat reserves during the winter, going into the cold season too thin can be fatal for many, Hatch said.

While deer numbers are probably on the rise, the buck-t-doe ratio has been lagging in several areas, including units 49 and 54-56.

point regulation, we can shorten the season, or we can have restrictions on motorized use. "Git Fish and Game wants to discuss those options and mora," during a series of public hearings that begins today in Burley, he said during a series of public hearings that begins today in Burley,
he said.

The agency also wants toshare ideas for improving its
youth hunts - special oudings for in
hunters ages 12 to 17.

"This is the future of hunting,
and we need to get these kids
out there for a good, positive":
experience," Hatch said.

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ATVs soared from 2,700 to 68,500,
with corresponding impacts.

"That's where the problem is,"
being used by hunters where well as
off-road recreationists.

Game populations have been
reduced by hunters moving more
rapidly on animals with ATVs
and woodlands damaged and ruted by ATVs.

Helton pointed out that before the widespread use of ATVs, hunters drove to wooded areas on established roads in their pickup trucks or autos, which had no off-oad capabilities. In the proposed ban, ATVs and other motorized vehicles would be restricted to using woodland roads on which traditional automobiles operate. Hunters would be required to dismount and walk from road-

ways to hunting areas.

The public apparently gives heavy support to a ban on ATVs in hunting areas. Fish and Gameay says that a recent survey showly that 83 percent of the respondents favor restrictions on hunting from ATVs.

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"This will increase the quality of the hunt," Hatch said. "Some people just like being in the woods for the experience" without the disturbance of ATVs.

The Times-News

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

Drunken-driving sentencings Drunken-driving sentencings
Mary Josephice Cantu, 45, 249 Pulk
St., No. 2. Twin Falls; one count driving
under the influence; pleaded guilty;
5500 fine with 5400 suspended; 578,50
court costs; 51,650 restitution to victim.
180 days in jai with 170 suspended; driving
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180 days in jai with 170 suspended; driving
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scene of a damage accident; dismissed by prosecutors Magirate Judge Howard Singwar.

Judge 10. Jayn 20. 2212 E. 4000 N. Hier one count driving under the influence; pleaded gluily \$500 line with \$400 asia with the state of the

afficer, Magistrate Judge Howard Simyser.
Carl J. Dayley, 19, 2013 E. 16th St., Burley, one count driving under the influence; plended gailty, 5300 fine with 5300 suspended; 578.50 ours; costs; driving privileges suspended for 90 days; 12 superpose to the continue or possess only alcoholic beverages or be where they are present; submit to alcohold/uniq testing; obtain alcohol evaluation and compily with recommendations; five days' sheriffs work detail; one count driving with-riffs work detail; one count possession of

drug paraphernalia with intent to
prose to u to ry.
Againtar Judge
Court
Precords
Jay B. Reis, 26,
1833 San Laruce,
1834 Sa

evaluation; Magistrate Judge Howard Smyser.
Cory Glen McClymonds, 21, 1516
Richmond Drive, Twin Falls; driving under the Influence; pleaded guilty; 5500 fine with \$400 suspended; 378.50 court cost; 90 days in jail with 88 uspended for pended, driving privileges usspended for product, driving privileges usspended for month probation fee; do not consume or month probation fee; do not consume or possess any alcoholic beverages or be where they are present; submit to alcoholdrug testing; attend court alcohol school; complete any treatment/counseling ordered by probation officer; Magistrate Judge Howard Smyser.

Misdemeanor sentencings

MISOEMBEANOT SENTENCINGS.
Nathan Ross Swainston, 22,
Countryview, No. B3, Filer; driving
under the influence; amended to insttentive/careless driving; pleaded guilty;
100 fine: \$53.50 court costs; Magistrate
Judge Howard Smyser, 962 Bolton, Twin
Falls; child neglect; amended to driving
offense by person owning/controlling
vehicle; pleaded guilty; \$86.50 fine;
\$53.50 court costs; Magistrate Judge
Howard Smyser,

vehicte: pleaded guilty; \$86.50 fine; \$65.50 cm coast; Majairrae Judge Howard Smyser. Robert Eugene Easter, 44, 561 Sparks, Twis Falls; driving without prival properties of the state of t

prohation, \$35 per month probation fee-complete any treatment/counseling ordered by probation officer, Magistrate Judge Howard Smyser. Timothy Brian Littleton, 40, 2500 Sprace Ridge Circle, Twin Falls, domes-gaulty, \$300 fine with \$200 suspended, \$63.50 court costs, 90 days in jail with 90 suspended; 12 month's probation; \$35 per month probation fee: complete any timo officer, eight hours' sterriff, works detail; Magistrate Judge Howard Smyser.

treatmenticounveing orocrete up protection officer; cipit hours' sheriff's work detail; Magistrate Judge Howard Craige R. Nearmworth 2, 125 Fifth St. E. No. 6, Twin Falls, disorderly context; pleaded guilty, 563-50 court costs; 53 public defender (ser. 12 months' protection; pleaded guilty, 563-50 court costs; 53 public defender (ser. 12 months' protection; pleaded guilty, 563-50 court costs; 50 public defender (ser. 12 months' protection; 51 public defender (ser. 13 months' protection; 53 per month probation; 535 per month probation; 545 per month; 545 per mon

TWIN FALLS CITY COURTS

Magistrate Judge Charles P. Brumbach.
Benjamin Leroy Arrington, 36, 830
Ash St., Twin Falls; driving without privileges; pleaded quilty. \$300 (fine with
\$300 suspended; \$78.30 court costs; 90
privileges suspended for 180 days; 12
months probation; \$35 per month probation fee; complete any treatment/counseling ordered by probation officer;
Dusty Dean Stegers, 28, 821 E. Ave.
Lighth, Jerome; obstructing an officer;
pleaded guilty; \$63.50 court costs;
waived; 30 days in jail, credit for time
smixed; Magistrate Judge Howard
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tion officer; 16 hours' sheriff's work detail: Magistrate Judge Howard Superior of the State of

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officer; Magistrate Judge Howard Smysetty Dean Stegers, 28, 821 E. Ave. Eighth, Ierome possession of drug parabernalis with intent to use; pleaded guilty; 563.50 court costs; waived; 30 days in jail, reedit for time served; Magistrate Judge Howard Smyser. Magistrate Judge Howard Smyser. Mountain Home; driving without privileges; amended to fail to purchaseformald driver's license; pleaded guilty; 5300 fine with \$500 suspended; 12 months probation; \$35 per control probation fee; 16 hours; beniffs work detail; complete an onther probation fee; 16 hours; sheriffs work detail; complete an submission officer; Magistrate Judge Howard Smyser.
Chryl L. Fonseca, 44, 303 Second

treatment.communication of the communication of the

ment/counseling ordered by probation officer, Magistrate Judge Howard Smyser.

John K. Leedom, 37, 485 Sophomore, John K. Leedom, 37, 485 Sophomore, Twin Falls; domestic battery; pleaded state of the state of the

officer including anger management counseling; obtain alcohol evaluation and comply with recommendation; soap count intentional destruction of selectors of the county of

cutor; Magistrate Judge Howard
Smyser.
Keith Eugene Dougherty II, 22, 569
Filer, Twin Falls; battery; pleaded guilty;
\$5.30 cour costs, uncollectible; 90 days,
\$5.30 cour costs, uncollectible; 90 days,
\$6.30 cour costs, uncollectible; 90 days,
James M. Steel, 19, 315 Clear Lakes
Road, Buhl; petit theft; found innocent;
Jon M. Maline, 22, Highway 93 M 22,
\$6.30 course, 10 course

Misdemeanor dismissals Ricardo Reyes-Alvarez, 18, 716 Broadway, Buhl; battery; dismissed by court; Magistrate Judge Charles P.

Court, Sugarture Judge Charles F. Brumbach.

Nendal, Thorneck, 44, 801 12th Ave.

Nendal, one count petit theft and one, it was to be a supposed to the prosecutor, Megistrate Judge Charles F. Brumbach.

Ronald D. Quinn, 49, 530 Blue Laker, Vehir Falls unbaydu entry, dismissed by prosecutor, Magistrate Judge Charles F. Brumbach.

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The Times-News MORNING LINE

SPORTSQUOTE

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Some nights, you'd love to reach inside the TV screen and strangle some of the people who work for

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- NHL operations dive Colin Campbell on inconsistent officiating

Trivia QUESTION:

How many Lakers have been amed the NBA's most valuable

...answer below

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

High school girls basketball Class 2A District Four Tournament Glenns Ferry at Wendell, 7:30

Glenns Ferry at Wendell, 7:30 p.m.
Northside Conference Tournament, at Shoshone IIS Richfield vs. Comm. School, 6 p.m., loser-out Dietrich vs. Shoshone, 7:30 p.m., championship Magic Valley Conference Tournament, at Murtaugh HS Hansen vs. Raft River, 6 p.m., loser-out

Castleford vs. Hagerman, 7:30 p.m., loser-out

IN BRIEF

Wooden ball will be auctioned Tuesday

JEROME The Lady Tigers willbe auctioning off an autographed
basketball by 10 time NCAA will
mer UCLA Coach John Wooden
along with an autographed basketball signed by the Lady
Tigers. The auction will take
place during halftime at the
regional girls basketball game
between Jerome andBurley. The
game starts at 7 pm Tuesday.

Els wins third 2003 **PGA** title at Helneken

PGA title at Helneken
MELBOURNE, Australia –
Ernie Els won the Heineken
Classic on Sunday for his third
win of the year and fourth in five
tournaments, shooting a 7-under
65 for a one-stroke win over Nick
Faldo and Peter Lonard.
Els successfully defended his
title at historic Royal Melbourne
for his 10th worldwide victory in
13:5 months, winning when
Lonard missed a 9-foot par putt
on the difficult closing hole.
The 45-year-old Faldo, winless
since the PGA Tour's 1997
Nissan Open, finished with a par
for a 69, while Lonard settled for
a 88 after his closing bogey.

Weir stays steady to cinch Hope Classic

clinch Hope Classic

LA QUINTA, Calif. – Mike
Weir, who stayed steady down
the stretch while Jay Haas and.
Tim Herron shot themselves into trouble, won the Bob Hope
Classic on Sunday.
Weir shot a closing 5-under par
67 to finish at 30-under 330 and
two strokes in front of Haas, who
was tied for the lead until he hit
into the water in front of the 18th
green. It was the second year in a
row Haas, the 1988 Hope champion, held the lead only to lose it
late in the final round, this time
despite shooting a 69.
Herron, four shots ahead of
Weir and Haas heading into the
final round, four shots ahead of
Weir and Haas heading into the
final round of the five-day tournament, struggled to a 75 that
that included a quadruple bogey
on No. 16. He finished tied for
third at 25 under with Chris
DiMarco, who shot 70. The win,
Ontario, marks the sixth straight
tour event won by a foreigner.

TRIVIA ANSWER:

TRIVIA ANSWER:

Three: Kareem Abdul Jabbar (1975-76, '76-77, '79-80), Magic Johnson ('86-87, '88-89, '89-90) and Shaquille O'Neal (1999-2000).

Clear favorites emerge for hoops postseason

Don't look here for upsets.

In the four classifications of girls basketball that start playoff, while we have certifiably, undeniably big-time favorites. In Class 2A, which tips off tonight when No. 2 Wendell hosts Glenns Ferry, the Valley Vikings are the overwhelming favorite to bring home the title and state berth for another year. Valley has a first-round bye and will face the winner of the Wendell Glenns Ferry matchup. The other three tournaments get under way Tuesday.

In Class SA pre-tournament

favorite Twin Falls has a bye in the first round along with Skylme. Pocatello hosts Minico in Tuesday and Highland welcomes Idaho Falls.

But the surest ber may be Jerome, which hosts Burley Tuesday. Second-seeded Caruly has the bye in the three-teambas the bye in the three-teambas the sure in the sure teambas the sure in the three-teambas the sure in the su has the bye in the three-team Class 4A Great Basin Conference

Class 4A Oreat pasin Concerence
tournament.
Finally, the wide-open Class 3A
Sawtooth Central Idaho
Conference tournament. No. 1
Filer, No. 2 Declo and No. 3 Wood
River could all easily walk away
with the title and Buhl is a strong
darkhorse. The Class IA tournaments resume today.

Girls basketball

Tuesday No. 2 Pocatello (11-7, 4-2) hosts No. 4 Minico (3-17, 1-5), No. 2 Pocalello (11-7, -2) hosts No. 4 Minico (5-11, 2-1), 7:30 p.m.
No. 3 Highland (7-13, 2-4) hosts No. 2 Idaho Falls (1-19, 0-2), 7:30 p.m.
No. 1 Skyline (8-12, 2-0) bye
No. 1 Twin Falls (15-5, 5-1) bye
Tuesday
No. 1 Jerome (18-2, 4-0) hosts No. 3 Burley (4-14, 0-4), 7 p.m.

p.m. No. 2 Century (10-10, 2-2) bye

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No. 1 Filer (12-6, 8-2) hosts No. 6 Kimberly (2-17, 0-10), 7:30 p.m.
No. 2. Decio (12-6, 7-3) hosts No. 5 Gooding (4-16, 2-8), 7:30 p.m.

7.30 p.m. No. 3 Wood River (15-5, 7-3) hosts No. 4 Buhl (11-7, 6-4). 7:30 p.m.

Canyon Conference
Monday
No. 2 Wendell (4-14, 1-3) hosts No. 3 Glenns Ferry (6-9, 1-

No. 1 Valley (17-3, 4-0) bye

Williams rumbles at Pro Bowl | West

Miami Dolphins standout scores twice. forces a fumble

HONOLULU - Ricky Williams' first trip to the Pro Bowl was worth the wait.

The Miami Dolphins' star running back rushed for 56 yards, scred two touchdowns and forced a fumble on special teams to earn the MVP award in the AFC's 45-20 victory over the NFC on Sunday.

on Sunday.

The AFC had six interceptions while beating the NFC for its sixth victory in the last seven Pro

Bowls.
Starting quarterback Rich
Gannon, the MVP of the regular
season and the previous two Pro
Bowls, went 12-for-18 for 102
yards and two TDs as the NFL
wrapped up its season with
another high-scoring, entertaining all-star game.

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Williams, who led the NFL in rushing after three tough seasons in New Orleans, also caught three passes as the AFC jumped to a 28-6 halftime lead and climinated ension – already minor at – from this good-natured

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Miami Dolphins running back Ricky Willams is pursued by NFC defenders during the first quarter of the AFC-NFC Pro Bowl Sunday in Hawali. The AFC won 45-20.

nown summay in Hawaii. The AFC won A Ruben Brown took a camera onto the field during pregame warmups, snapping pictures of himself joking around with play-ers on both teams. Williams got the AFC off to a fast start. After Miami teammate

iast start. Atter Miami teammate Jason Taylor intercepted Jeff Garcia's pass near midfield on the opening possession, Williams broke an 18-yard run on the AFC's first offensive play before scoring easily three plays later.

In the second quarter, Williams even forced a fumble while playing on the kickoff coverage team williams also scored with 47 seconds left in the first half to give a 286 lead to the AFC – though he ran the wrong direction on the play before simply bowling over Washington's Champ Bailey.

Garcia, making his first Pro Bowl start, threw three interceptions in the first 17 minutes. Donovan McNabb wasn't much

better for the NFC, and New England's Ty Law returned one of Buccaneers QB Brad Johnson's Passess for a touchdown in the fourth quarter.

Philadelphia's David Akers set a Pro Bowl record by kicking a Syard field goal against a strong crosswind in the second quarter. Morten Andersen held the previous record with a 51-yarder that was matched by Jason Hanson in 2000.

reigns

The Associated Press

SUNRISE, Fla. - In a trying, troubling season, the NHL almost got the All-Star game wrong, too. Even if Dany Heatley didn't:

almost got the All-Star game wrong, too. Even if Dany Heatley didn't.

Heatley, a not-so-well known star from a last-place team playing in his first All-Star game, joined hockey greats such as Wayne Gretzky and Mario Lemieux by scoring a recordying four goals Sunday, though he couldn't prevent the Western Conference from beating the East in the first All-Star shootout in NHL history.

Just like baseball's All-Star to the first part of the same with the same wi

only with four goals - the hith player to do so.

Most of the fans left thinking the score was 8-6, as the West outscored the East 3-1 in the shootout; that also was changed by the NIUE's hockey operations department after most had

department after most must departed.
Players on both sides said that, unlike the cruise control level of most All-Star games, both teams really wanted to win this one.
"All of a sudden, with 2 to 15 minutes to go, everybody was getting in front of everything, there was a little more stick work Piease see NHL. Page 48

RICKY CLEMONS

Clemons has troubling past

St. Louis Post-Dispatch

COLUMBIA, Mo. - At one of at least six high schools that University of Missouri junior guard Ricky Clemons is known to have attended, a woman answered the phone, considered his name and sighed. "What," she asked, "did he do now?"
Such apprehensive expecta-

"What," she asked, "did he do now?"
Such apprehensive expectations are common from his past but are just part of the composite picture of Clemons, who is playing for the Mizzou basketball. Leam as he awaits arraigament Feb. 11 on a felony charge he choked a woman.
Clemons, Missourl's second—leading scorer, has denied the allegation. He was suspended for one game but was reinstated after a 20-point loss to Oklahoma State, leaving to speculation whether Missourl's motives were in the best interests of Clemons or of tha program.
The subsequent revelation of a charge he choked and struck
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Ricky Clemons goes up for a slam dunk on November 10, 2001.

Mizzou coach likes player's character

COLUMBIA, Mo. - Quin Snyder liked what he saw in Ricky Clemons. Snyder, the University of Missouri men's basketball coach, said he didn't have to know all the particulars of Clemons' background to know he was the type of person he wanted in his program.

of person he wanted in his program.
"That's why it's better to try to really get to know a young man and dig down deep and get to know his character and make a dudgment that way." Snyder said in a recent interview.
Snyder and his assistants say they, didn't know Clemons had been arrested in Twin Falls in July 2001, on allegations that he assaulted a female student, even though the arrest occurred just a few months before they started recruiting him. Although charges were filled, Clemons was not prosecuted in the case and he denies the assault allegation.

Snyder said he doesn't do criminal background checks on any of his recruits. He said he wishes he had learned about Clemons arrest before bringing him to Missouri. But the coach, who said he previously has backed off recruits whom he felt weren't right for his program, said he didn't know whether he would have walked away from Clemons had he known about the arrest. Snyder said he 's interested in players who can turn around their fortunes too.

"If you feel that they can have success and a kid's had a tough life, that's where you get a success story," Snyder said.

Snyder said he did know about Clemons' obtviously had camed his GED, and had met Mizzou's seducational requirements for admittance as a trusfer. Officials at the College of Southern Idabe, have said Clemons left there abrupply in March and planned to Please see COACH, Page A8

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Timberwolves claw past Sixers



Philadelphia 76er guard Allen Iverson makes a pass around Minnesota defenders Kendali Gill, left, and Kevin Garnett during the fourth quarter Sunday in the Sixers 99-91 loss to the Timberwolves.

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) - Kevin Garnett had 30 points and 17 ebounds as the short-handed Ainnesota Timberwolves won

Minnesota Timberwolves won their eighth straight home game, 99-91 over the Philadelphin 76ers on Sunday. Marc Jackson had 14 points and Gary Trent made all six shots he took for 12 points to offset the absence of Joe Smith, who sprained his ankle Friday and will miss at least three weeks. The Wolves dressed only 10 placers, with Rod Strickland on the bench due to a strained groin. Allen Iverson had 21 points on

Allen Iverson had 21 points on 7-for 23 shooting for the 7-fors.

Rockets 105, Kings 89

HOUSTON - Eddie Griffin scored 22 points and Steve Francis and Cuttino Mobley each had 21 as Houston got out to a big lead early and held off

Yao Ming added 18 points and 10 rebounds for his team-leading 15th double-double of the season. Peja Stojakovic led the Kings with 31 points.

Houston took an early 13-2 lead as the Kings missed eight of their first nine shots from the field.

Blazers 114, Cavallers 95

CLEVELAND - Rasheed Wallace scored 14 of his 29 points in the first 10 minutes to lead

sion for confronting a referee, shot 10-for-13 from the field in 32 minutes as Portland won for the seventh time in eight games.
Zydrunas Ilgauskas scored 20 points to lead Cleveland, which lost for the ninth time in 10 games and dropped to 1-5 under coach Keith Smart.

Raptors 100, Clippers 86

TORONTO - Voshon Lenard scored 23 of his season-high 30 points in the second half to lead Toronto over the Los Angeles Climers

Toronto over the Los Angeles Clippers. Vince Carter added 14 points UT 28 minutes for the Raytors, winners of two straight and three of four since the All-Star forward returned after missing 23 games with a strained right knee. Lenard scored 11 straight points to give Toronto a 66-62 lead late in the third quarter and tied a franchise record by scoring 30 points in a reserve role.

Hawks 97, Magic 89

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ATLANTA – Shareef AbdurRahim scored 23 points and Dion
Glover added 22 as Atlanta overcame a 38-point performance by
Tracy McGrady to beat Orlando.
McGrady-broke the team
record he set earlier this season
with his eighth straight game of
at least 30 points, but the NBA's
leading scorer missed his last
three shots after his 3-pointer cut
Atlanta's lead to 82-76 with 4:44
remaining.

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he competitive juices go ig," the West's Al MacInni

said.

Heatley, a 22-year-old over-shadowed at-times on his own Atlanta Thrashers team by Ilya Kovalchuk, matched Gretzky (1983), Lemieux (1990), Vincent Damphousse (1991) and Mike Gartner (1993) as the only play-

ers in the All-Star game's 53-

points in a game. He garn assist in the third period.

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finish his coursework via the Internet and correspondence.

'Never brought that up'

One assistant coach from a major college basketball program who spoke on the condition of anonymity confirmed his pro-gram dropped out of contention for Clemons after learning about the allogation

for Clemons after learning about the allegation.
But Snyder said that on several visits and phone calls to the CSI, he and his assistants never asked coaches there whether Clemons had been in rouble. CSI's coaches, interviewed last week, said they didn't bring it up, either.

"I'm sure if they did a back-ground check, they would have known," CSI head coach Guy Beach said.

Beach said.

Beach claimed in an interview last week that he himself didn't learn about the incident until after Clemons left the college in March, and thus couldn't have

told Mizzou coaches.

But an article in *The Times-News* in November 2001 quotes Beach talking about how he and Clemons had dealt with the alle-

Clemons had dealt with the altegation.

"He's never brought that up and I haven't brought it up with him either," Beach said.

Beach confirmed one call from a Mizzou coach, however. This one occurred about two weeks ago, on Jan. 18, the day after Clemons' arrest on second-degree assault charges in Columbia.

Mizzou assistant coach Lane Odom called each CSI coach individually, Beach said.
"He called to say, 'Just so you're aware, this is going to be on ESPN," Beach said. "Just so you know."

on EDTN," Beach said. "Just so you know." It was about a one-minute call because he knows we coached Ricky, and we had been talking to Ricky through the season (at Mizzou). He'd been doing really well. We stay in touch with most of the coaches who recruit our kids."

Clemons

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another woman in July 2001 in
Twin Falls while playig for the
College of Southern Idaho further nudged Clemons into a spotlight of personal scrutiny he has
avoided most of his descriptiondefying life. The 2001 charge was
not prosecuted because the
woman didn't respond to a
request to testify.

The events have left Clemons
stigmatized in the eyes of many—
at least for now— and render his
future nearly as blurry as his
past, a past seemingly built on a
foundation of quicksand, with
cant evidence of family support,
structure or love.

No previous violence

structure or love.

No previous violence
Friends and even a number of one-time or would-be roaches of the splendidly talented Clemons perceive the accusations as out of character and are skeptical of the allegations. Even those who had seen him expelled from their schools or had him banned from their teams said violence hadn't been an isose with Clemons been an isose with Clemons the state of the seen and the base of the seen and the seen and

most basic elements of his life are shouded.

Virtually only one detail is indisputable: Basketball, Bonner Academy coach Marvin Klutz said, is his "salvation."

What his existence consists of, though, is almost untraceable through the haze that hovers over his turbulent life – a life it seems small wonder he has attempted to keep as private as possible.

Clemons profile in the Mizzou media guide lists no parents or date of birth, common information for every other Tiger. It does state that he led the nation in scoring, "at better than 35 points a game," at Bonner.

Missouri spokesman Chal Moller couldn't believe Clemons was the source.

Yet Clemons apparently has generated some misinformation about himself.

—In a 2001 interview with 'The-Times-News. Clemons went into

about himself.

In a 2001 interview with *The Times News*, Clemons went into vivid detail about playing in

Alaska when he was at Oak Hill
(Va.) Academy.
"It was snowing, cold and
dark," Clemons said then. "We
were driving, and we saw this 8foot moose just walking around."
But Clemons never went to
Alaska with Oak Hill Academy,
said Lisa Smith, the wife of coach
Steve Smith. He was enrolled
there only for a 1997 summer session before deciding to leave.
"He never put on an Oak Hill
uniform," she said.
Then there is the matter of

uniform, 'she said.

Then there is the matter of Clemons' mother. Missouri basketball coaches are under the impression she is dead, and Clemons once told *The Times-News* she had been killed by a drunken driver when he was 7. Yet multiple sources say they believe his mother is alive but nologer in his life for reasons that are unclear. Her name also is uncertain.

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Clemons evidently never knew his father, and he at some point evidently moved in with his grandmother but rarely stayed with her. Clemons in the past has identified her as Rosie Redfern, who did not return phone messages for this story.

Her home was in Concord, N.C., near Charlotte, where Clemons spent most of his youth. That neighborhood, known as "the Bottoms," was considered drug-infested and dangerous.

Regardless of what active family Clemons did or did not have, hose who know him say in his teens he slept, among other places, in the homes of coaches, a dorm at a local college, in an orphange and in an abandoned building. orphana building

building.

In between being expelled from Charlotte Christian midway through the 1997-98 school year and enrolling at Bonner in the summer of 1999, Green said Clemons was out of school altogether and essentially homeless.

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Such circumstances help to
explain why some fret for
Clemons, who they believe is vulherable and fragile, particularly
after overcoming much and
appearing at last to have gained
positive momentum in his life.
Making a commitment to attend
Missouri, Reed said, was the happiest day of Clemons life. South Carolina coach Dodom
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micrally and went to the College
of Southern Idaho.
CSI does not require a high
school transcript or GED and
would not discuss Clemons' academic record.

Negative energy

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In the summer of 2000,
Southern Idaho assistant coach
Jay Cyriac: said he heard reports
of a wunderkind lighting up-anelite summer league in Raleigh
that was popular with established
college and pro players. Clemons
was not just playing with the
best; he was said to be dominating them – slashing, dunking,
scoring at will.
Clemons soon was in Twin
Falls. Like several of his team-

Clemons soon was in Twin Falls: Like several of his team-mates, he was a novelty in a town with a black population of 0.2



Former College of Sourthern Idaho up on March 10, 2001. standout Ricky Clemons goes up for a lay

up on March 10, 2001.
percent.
The college embraced
Clemons, recalled Tony Mannen,
a professor in the college's fine
arts department. Initially,
Clemons was receptive, Mannen
said, but he said Clemons soon
seemed angry and began accusing people of racism.
We would talk about the
Underground Railroad, for
instance, and he would say that
was racist," Mannen said. "The
Dlack marker became racist for
him because he didn't know what
he was talking about. It got to the
point where some of the people
in class literally would move
away from him because of the
negative energy coming from
him."

Allegation of assault

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On July 1, 2001, Twin Falls
Police Officer Ken Rivers was
dispatched to Eagle Hall, the
dorm where Clemons lived. He
encountered Sonymar Santana,
19, sitting in the stairwell with
friends. According to Rivers'
police report, Santana told him
she'd caught Clemons ralking to
another girl in his room, and said
she'd told him "this was the last
time." She said Clemons followed
her to her room, where they quarreled.

reled.
Santana told Rivers that Clemons demanded she return gifts he'd given her. Then, she said, he struck hero nt beleft side of the face, held her down on the bed and choked her. Rivers noted a red mark on the left side of Santana's face and bruises around her neck.
Rivers interviewed Clemons, who acknowledged he had gone to Santana's room. He said she struck him with a picture frame.

struck him with a picture frame. Santana told Rivers it was in self defense. Clemons was booked on

a charge of aggravated battery, an allegation he denies. A separate investigation by the college determined both Santana and Clemons were at fault, said Graydon Stanley, the college's director of student information

and activities.

The 6-foot Santana was a star for the Golden Eagles volleyball team. Ben Stroud, the team's coach, said he had doggedly recruited Santana from Gurabo, Puerto Rico. With Santana as a Puerto Rico. With Santana as a cornerstone, the team had won the national cha-

cornerstone, the team had we not necessary to the national championship in 2000 and was preparing to defend it.

Santana, who now plays for the professional San Juan (Puerto Rico) Chicas, did not respond to several requests for an interview.

Stroud Said Santana called him that night, crying and afraid. Could she spend the night with his family? He picked her up and telephoned her father, Sonny, Gurabo. The father was furious and demanded his daughter return home because he was wor-

and demanded his daughter return home because he was wor-ried about her safety. Stroud said he tried to per-suade Santana to stay in Twin Falls. But she left within a week. Twin Falls city attorney Fritz Wonderlich said the county pros-ecuting attorney declined to file felony charges, and the case was given to him for review. He deter-mined there was enough evi-dence to prosecute Clemons for misdemeanor battery. But Santana failed to answer a July 17 letter seeking her

misdemeanor battery.

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July 17 letter seeking her
promise to appear as a witness,
Wonderlich said, and no charges
were ever filed, Idaho has a oneyear statute of limitations to pursue misdemeanor prosecutions.

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Though it might appear antana ignored Wonderlich's etter in an effort to put the incient behind her, h's likely the Santana igi

letter never reached her.

The police report identified her as "Sonya Reyes," and her address as 315 Falls Avenue—the college's address. The wrong last name apparently was arrived at hrough an olf missunderset of feature of Hispanic culture:
Santana signed her statement as Sonymar Santana Reyes. The last name is her mother's maiden name.

name. Unaware of the misunderstand-ing, Wonderlich wrote to a Sonya

ing, Wonderlich wrote to a Sonya Reyes at CSI.

"We would have assumed she received it and wasn't interest-ed" in following up, said Jackie Wakefield, the assistant city attorney in Twin Falls.

Details of the arrest were pub-lished-in-The-Times-Neus on Aug-16, and a buzz went through town.

16, and a buzz went through town.
Meanwhile, Clemons led a powerful team that appeared to be one of the nation's best. Tensions rose early between him and the team's other star guard, Tony Bobbitt, now a junior guard with the University of Cincinnati, During practice in September, Cyriac said, Bobbitt punched Clemons.

Clemons.

Bobbitt, contacted by phone last week, declined to comment on whether he had fought Clemons, who was his roommate

Clemons, who was his roommate for a time.

"He was a good basketball player, if you ask me," Bobbitt said. "But certain things that he brought on the court... he should have left off the court."

The team had been without a head coach for more than two weeks after Derek Zeck abrupul left that summer. Guy Beach, an associate coach at University of Texas at El Paso, was hired Aug. 28, about eight weeks after Clemons' arrest.

Peaks at El Faso, was firted was firer Clemons' arrest.

The Golden Eagles rolled into the regional championship semi-finals with six consecutive wins and a record of 26-5. Beach guaranteed a victory over lower-seeded sone College Atlentic and a trip to the National Junior College Atlentic Association tournament in Hutchinson, Kan. But the Golden Eagles lost, noding their eason.

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dence.
"He wanted to get out of here," said Jeff Duggan, athletics director and vice president. "He left abruptly, Iknow that."
Meyerheelfer wouldn't say why Clemons left, but said: "He was, as you know, troubled."

Trouble in Missouri

Irouble in Missouri
Clemons arrived at Missouri in
June, rented an apartment about
two miles south of campus and
latched on to Snyder, a former
point guard for Duke. Snyder told
the Post-Dispatch on Jan. 7 that
he'd developed "a special relationship" with his young disciple.
Snyder frequently praised
Clemons' development, saying
his goal was to mold him into a
selfless guard who runs the

offense and plays tight defense, rather than simply putting up points. But Clemons does that, too; until recently, he led the team in scoring. (Arthur Johnson led with 16.9 points per game before Saturday's game against Colorado.)

Clemons soon began to date pessica Bunge, a 20-year-old woman from St. Clair, Mo. Clemons, interviewed on Jan. 22, said he met Bunge through a friend and wanted to help her with a problem he would not specify. She would often pick him up from practice, and the couple would stay at each other's apariments.

would stay at each other's apartments.
Columbia police said Bunge appeared at the city police sunting appeared at the city police sunting appeared at the city police sunting apartment when she refused to watch a DVD of "Roots." She also detailed previous incidents in which he attacked her.
Clemons was arrested on a felony charge of second-degree domestic assault. He was held briefly in the Boone County Jail but posted bond and was released Jan. 17.
Missouri athletics director Mike Alden, citing the student-conduct code, suspended Clemons, and the team lost 76-56 at Oklahoma State on Jan. 18.

conduct code, suspended Clemons, and the team loss 76-56 at Oklahoma State on Jan. 18. Clemons was reinstated after a closed-door meeting with Snyder, Clemons and others. With Clemons back on the court, Mizzou bounced back to defeat Iowa State.

In an interview with the Post-Dispatch on Jan. 22, Clemons denied Bunge's accusation and said she was lying because she was upset that he didn't want to be her boyfriend.

Bunge has declined to be interviewed.

"Best time of my life"

In the Jan. 22 interview with the Post-Dispatch, Clemons responded to the pending allegation with one seemingly stray though:

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thought:
"People don't really know me
..People don't really know me
..People don't deal, but consider the alternative: Where
would he be without it?
If the game has at times drawn
negative forces into his life, there
have been would be saviors, too.
hay said that would be saviors, too.
hay said that way, calling Souder
'family' and knowing he has in
his grasp the best opportunity of
its life. "I'm playing on national
TV, I'm at Missouri, I'm having
he best time of my life,"
Clemons recently told former
high school coach Shelway Reed.
"Why would I put my hands on'a
female?"

Whether he did remains in copention. But while Reed says he'scertain Clemons didn't, Klutz perhaps is more objective when he
says, "I just pray, that he didn't
oli." Klutz knows, too, that however excruciating Clemons' past
has been, his future is up to him.
Whoever may be trying to help,
in that sense, Clemons is on his

Whoever may be trying to help, in that sense, Clemons is on his

own. Again.
"Everybody knows," Klutz
said, "that you don't get but so
many changes."

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b Julian Schwartz waits to get into a college basketball game.

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Basketball is friend, foe to player with OCD

WAUKESHA, Wis. (AP) —
Basketball is more than a game to
Julian Swarz.
It's a tightrope that both protects
and torments the 22-year-old sophomore who has battled obsession, comcome that the state of the state of the state
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Swarzt is on his third comeback
attempt after taking a sabbatical from
the sport following Wisconsin's trip to
the Final Four in 2000.
The other two comebacks almost
killed him.
He left school and enrolled in a now-

killed him.

He left school and enrolled in a psychiatric program after he tried to comit suicide twice in one day upon his return to the Badgers in 2001.

Last fall, he gave hoops another try at Wisconsin-Green Bay, but that comeback also ended in the emer-gency room. Doctors told him he was lucky to be alive after an overdose of antidepres-

alive after an overdose of antioepres-sants.

He quit taking his medication for obsessive-compulsive disorder and he swore off basketball, which had so-richly blessed yet so dearly burdened Swartz since he bounced his first ball with the natural talent befitting a for-mer college player's son.

Wisconsin-Green Bay coach Tod Kowalczyk made Swartz a student assistant coach.

But because they were short on bod-

ies, especially big bodies, the 6-foot.7 forward spent six weeks practicing with his former teammates. And the lure of the hardwood sim-ply proved too great for the 1999 And the lure of the harawood sur-ply proved too great for the 1999 Wisconsin high school player of the

Wisconsin high school player of the year.

He moved back home with his parents in Waukesha so he could play at Carroll College, a Division III schooljust down the road.

The only place he felt he could safely do that was hack home, sheltered, by do that was hack home, sheltered by his family and friends and steeled by his faith in God and basketball.

OCD affects, to varying degrees, one in 50 Americans. Sufferers-become trapped in a cycle of repeti-

tive thoughts and behavior that they might realize are irrational but which they find difficult to curb. He swears he wasn't trying to kill himself when he swallowed two bottles of pills last fall.

"I couldn't bring myself to go to a morning workout and I just felt like I needed to do-something, you know?" Swartz-said, still -struggling to understand it all himself.
Swartz's goals are more immediate:

stand it all himself.

Swarta's goals are more immediate:

Get.through today, then tonight, then tomorrow.

"As long as I play the game of basketball it's going to be difficult," he said. "It doesn't matter what level. It doesn't matter where."

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By Steve Moore

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-SPORTS IN BRIEF-

Davenport overpowers Seles in Pan Pacific final

Seles in Pan Pacific final
TOKYO Lindsay
Davenport won her first title
since seriously injuring her
right knee in November 2001,
overpowering Monica Seles 64,
66, 61, 62 on Sunday in the
Pan Pacific Open.
"I haven't played much in the
Past year," said Davenport, the
former No. I who is 10th in the
current rankings." I have a
good opportunity over the next
few months and my ranking can
only go up. I hope to be in the
top five by Wimbledon."
The three-time major champion spent nine weeks on
crutches after surgery carly last
year, then endured rehabilitation that included daily eighthour sessions on a machine that
repeatedly bent and straightened lick knee.
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repeatedly bent and straight-ened hec knee. Dayers with the power to challenge Serena and Venus Williams, the 6-foot-2 Davenport relied on a boom-ing serve and solid ground-strokes to beat the top-seeded Selesi in 1 hour, 43 minutes. After dropping the first set in a tiebreaker, Davenport jumped out to a 50 lead in the second set and then reeled off three straight aces to serve it out.

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out.

Davenport, seeded third,
broke Seles three times in the
final set before closing out the
match with an ace, her 16th of
the day at Tokyo Metropolitan
Gymnasium.
Davenport played the doubles final later Sunday, teaming,
with Lisa Raymoul in a 6-3, 6-4
loss to Russia's Elena Bovina
and Australia's Rennae Stubbs.

South rallies to beat North in Hula Bowl

North in Hula Bowl

WAILUKU, Hawaii

Minnesoris Dan Nystrom made
a 44-yard field goal with 4 seconds left to cap a 24-point
fourth quarter in the South's
27-24 victory in the Hula Bowl
late Saturday night.
Lousiana-Lafayette's Ivan
Taylor set up the winning field
goal, recovering an onside kick
after California's Joe Igher tied
it with a 1-yard dive with 55 seconds remaining.
The South overcame a 24-3
deficit in the fourth quarter.
Charles Pauley of San Jose
State began the comeback with
an 8-yard pass from Arizona's
Jason Johnson.
After recovering an onside

an Byard pass from Arizona's Jason Johnson.

After reovering an onside kick, the South scored again on a 9-yard pass from Iowa's Brad Banks to Utah's Paris Jackson. For the North, David Kircus caught six passes for 113 yards and two touchdowns.

The receiver from NCAA Division'Il national champlon Grand Valley State outperformed many of the other all-stars from the nation's top football programs.

The game at Maul's War Memorial Stadium, played in breezy conditions and a high school atmosphere, closed the college football season.

Both of his Kircus' touchdowns came in the first half where the North scored on three straight possessions to take a 21-0 lead.

Verkerk beats Kafelnikov

Verkerk beats Kafelnikov for first APP title
MILAN, Italy - Martin Verkerk of the Netherlands won his first ATP title Sunday, serving 30 aces and beating Veygeny Kafelnikov 64, 57,75 in the Milan Indoors final.
Verkerk has been on the main tour less than a year. He won two ATP challenger titles in 2002 and was not seeded in this 5380,000 tournament.
After Kafelnikov netted a return, Verkerk dropped to the ground, overcome with emotion after upsetting the fifth-seeded Russian.
"This is a little bit of dream "This is a litt

Russian.
"This is a little bit of dream for me, winning a big event like

Milan," the 24-year-old Dutchman said. Verkerk earned a year-end No. 86 ranking last year after reaching his first quarterfinal in Indianapolis. Kafelnikov is coming off vein surgery in his left calf in December and an early elimination at the Australian Open last month.

nonth.
Verkerk broke Kafelnikov in
the seventh game of the first
set. The Russian won the second set, playing some excellent
shots and making a decisive volley to break Verkerk at 6-5.

Boise St. edges Southern Methodist in OT

Southern Methodist in OT
DALLAS - Bryan Defares
scored 27 points and Boise
State went on a 5-0 run with
15-54 left in overtime to beat
Southern Methodist 88-85 on
Saturday night.
Boise State (10-9, 4-5 WAC).
Boise State (10-9, 4-5 WAC).
4-54 Dattled back to tie the
score at 80 and send the game
to OT on Kris Lowe's put-back
as the horn sounded.
C.J. Williams added 24 points
for Boise State, and Aaron
Haynes had 22 points and 12
rebounds.

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Bryan Hopkins led SMU with 26 points, and Quinton Ross added 25. Ross, Eric Castro and Patrick Simpson had seven rebounds apiece.

Utah St. holds off

WI Vandal, 60-56

MOSCOW- Desmond Penigur had 26 points as Utah State held off Idaho 60-56 on Saturday night to remain in first place in the Big West Conference.

Saturday night to remain in first place in the Big West Conference. The Aggies (16-4, 7-2 Big West) won their fourth straight game six out of their last seven while beating ladaw (8-10, 4-5) for the ninth consecutive time. Penigar had 17 second-half points and finished 10-0-116 from the field. He also tied Idaho's Rushaad Powell with a game-high eight rebounds. Idaho's Tyone Hayes had a team-high 20 points on 7-0-1-10 knotting and 6-0-1-6 on free throws but committed a team-high five turnovers.

But Penigar his short jumper with 35 seconds left and after Jahos Dwayne Williams med die Jahos Laward williams will have been between his particular die Jahos Laward will have been die Jahos Laward will have been

Idaho St. downs Portland St. with late free throw

St. with late free throw POCATELLO — Marquis Poole made a free throw with 5 seconds and Idaho State held on for a 58.57 win over Portland State on Saturday night. Idaho State (11-8 overall, 4-2 Big Sky missed nine of its first after the was foulted just before the end of reculation.

fouled just before the end of regulation. But he was good on the sec-ond and the Bengals got the win when the Vikings (4-15, 2-4) rushed up the court for a final shot but turned over the ball. Ray Munyagi led the Bengals with 20 points. Jeremy Brown scored 12 and Marquis Poole finished with 11 points for Idaha State.

Quigley wins MasterCard

Championship

KAUPULE HU-KONA,
Hawaii - Dana Quigley looked
as if he was in midseason form.
Playing everyday does that for

Quigley, the iron man of the Champions Tour, birdied two of the last three holes for a 5 under par 67 Sunday and a two-stroke victory over Larry Nelson in the season-opening MasterCard Championship.

Compiled from wire reports

Saddam has played the world-long enough

imple. Moral. Persuasive.
President Bush was all President Bush was all!

three Tuesday night in
describing the compelling
urgency to dismantle Saddam
Itusseint's regime. Anthrax.
Chemical weapons. Butchery.
Saddam Hussein uses each as
a way to dominate and intimidate his neighborhood and the
world.

date ms., world. The president made that point clearly to his Their view: This guest clearly to his countrymen -and to the world. editorial from the Dallas countrymen - editorial froi and to the world. American moralisty usually does not go down well with European and its allies solid case from and its allies and its allies from out Saddan Hussein and other is what does evil the mean? The answer should be very clear. Doubters at home and abroad also should remember the United States already is a war. It began on Sept. 11, 2001. Before then, the United States already is a world changed that day, Terror networks no longer are simply contained. And that includes Morning News says President Bush made a solid case for the U.S. and its allies to knock out Saddam Hussein. What do you think? We welcome viewpoints from our readers on this and other issues.

world changed that day. Terror networks no longer are simply contained. And that includes those with tentacles that reach time fraq and back out again.

European skeptics and others now have until Feb. 5 to explain why the standards of the United Nations should not be defended. The administration will go once again that "day-to-the-United-Nations-to-show Saddam's evil.

Secretary of State Colin Powell better have pictures, details, specifics amid his new intelligence. Regardless, Saddam Hussein continues to

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tease the world. The world should not let itself be mocked. If he won't disarm-himself, then the United States and a coalition of the willing should do it for him. President Bush was right to make that point clear and firm.

firm.
As well as Bush made his case for a disciplined, moral response to Saddam Hussein, he made a lesser case for his \$674

Saddam Hussein, he made a lesse; he made a lesse? case for his 5674 billion economic plan. That was the other part of his address, and he made the case here less convincingly.

Yes, Bush updated his vision of compassionate conservatism with a d m i r a b le pledges of support to fight AIDS in Africa and save and save Medicare. But he

weducare. But he was not convincing about the reasons for a whopping tax cut. The president's idea of eliminating the double taxation of dividends may be sound tax policy, but is less compelling as an economic stimulant.

Democrats have a better

Democrats have a better plan: give every taxpayer 5300. The cash could directly stimulate the economy. And the Democrats' 5140 billion tax cut does less harm to the deficit, which remains on Americans worry list.

The night was not about economics, however. It was about keeping the world safe. Everyone knew that. And President Bush made that case. The United States and its allies will disarm Saddam Hussein if he doesn't disarm himself. The butcher has played around with us long enough.

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The French finance minister was "profoundly vexed."

The German foreign minister called on everyone to "cool-down." When saked, the French-environment minister said, "If you knew what I felt like rellling. Mr. Rumsfeld ..." but refused to go on, saying that the words she wished to use were too offensive.

ANNE-APPLEBAUM:

"Old Europe Kicks Back" is how the headline in the French news-paper Liberation summed up the reaction to Defense Secretary Donald Runsfeld's comments about European support for U.S. policy in Iraq. "You're thinking of Europe as Germany and France," he told reporters last week. "I don't. I think that's old Europe."

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Old Europe. If Rumsfeld had been deliberately searching for a way to simultaneously irritate the leadership of Europe is two largest countries, expose their deepest national insecurities and undermine the entire European Union political project, which has long revolved around a "Franco-German axis." he couldn't have found a better way to put it, He was also, as it happens, correct, possibly more correct than he knows. Although all concerned vocilerously deny it, Europe is indeed beginning to divide —slowly, unevenly but perceptibly – into two very distinct camps.

Certainly this is true where

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Certainly this is true where
European attitudes on Iraq are
concerned. On the one hand,
France and Germany, both now
on the Security Council, want to
let the U.N. weapons inspections
continue, seemingly indefinitely,
seemingly regardless of how
much Iraq does or does not cooperate. On the other hand, Britain
and Spain – also on the Security
Council this year – are just about
as feed up with the whole thing as
Rumsfeld. The Spanish government has already offered to let
the United States use its base to
the Council of the Council of the Council of the Council of the
fered to seem more than 30,000
troops, an enormous proportion
of the British army.

THE WORLD. ACCORDING TO THE LIBERAL MEDIA

Move over old Europe, here comes the new



Add the Italiams (who are offering airspace), the Danes (who are offering airspace), the Danes (who are offering military support) and cleared to grow the Danes (who are offering military support) and Cacchs have agreed to grow the Cacchs have agreed to grow the Cacchs have agreed to grow the material support; the Hungarians have let Iraqi opposition groups train on their territory) and clearer definition of "New Europe" begins to emerge. Britain, Italy, Spain, Poland, Hungary, Denmark, the Czech Republic: Perhaps not coincidentally, these are all countries that have recently undergone (or are undergoing) economic liberalization, privatization and labor-market reforms that have brought their economies at least marginally closer to ours. These are also countries that have, over the years, felt resentful of French and especially German domination of the European continent. It's hardly surprising that this group of countries should feel broadly more sympathetic to the United States - the only power large enough to balance Germany - or that they should

reveal their sympathy in ways other than support for U.S. policy in Iraq. Just last week, Spain arrested 16 suspected members of al-Quida. Italian police rounded up five others, while a further seven were arrested in London. French and German police have helped too, but the attitude of their politicians isn't always so helpful. At one point, Germany's justice minister actually refused to hand over evidence incriminating Zacarias Moussaoui, the al-Quida operative, on the grounds that it might be used to invoke the death penalty in his case. But perhaps it isn't surprising that Germany and France have chosen this particular historical moment to demonstrate their unity either. In 1952, when the precursor to the European Union contained six countries, Germany and France did indeed dominate European politics. By 2004, when the latest round of enlargement is complete, the EU will contain 55 countries. Eastern European members will jointly have more

delegates to the European Parliament than Germany, Britain, Spain, Italy and Poland will easily outvoite Germany and France in the weighted voiting system of the European Council. Sometimes, strident language is a sign of waning influence, not growing strength.

I don't want to exaggerate the depth of the differences or overplay the unity of the 'New Europe.' British opinion pobla are indeed running soundly against the war in Iraq, Much of the Italian and Spanish media are profoundly anish media are profoundly anish media are profoundly anish media are found in France and Germany if the Bush administration, Rumsfeld included, cared enough to promote it. Nevertheless, differences remain – so when foreign reactions to the president's State of the Union speech are quoted, do find out which cointies are speaking in the name of Europe' before drawing conclusions.

Big sport utility vehicles are guzzling taxpayers' money

As I recall, one of the more clamorous ovations George W. Bush received during his State of the Union speech came when he proposed that the government invest in developing a hydrogen-powered car.

This dream car, the president said, would run not on gasoline, but on water. There would be no dirty, smelly exhaust fumes, no dependence on that iffy Saudi and Iray goard in and Iray goal, and I By gears from now we could have pollution-free cars on the road.

Thave no idea if such a car has any chance of becoming a reality, or if this is a fantastic Detroit version of the missile defense shield. But as the president titillated us with visions of an environmentally and politically correct car, another proposal was feeding the trend toward huge gas-guzzlers that pollute deduction. In the 1980s, the federal tax law statred allowing small business owners and self-employed people to take a partial tax deduction if they

SHERYL McCarthy

bought vehicles weighing more than 6,000 pounds when fully loaded. The deduction was intended to help small farms, construction companies and other businesses by letting them write off their pickup trucks as expenses.

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Then came the SUV boom, folexpenses.
Then came the SUV boom, followed by the monster SUVs. At least 35 SUVs. hasically lixury SUVs. a hosically lixury SUVs. a now qualify as trucks. As a result, critics say, self-employed middle-class people such as lawyers, doctors and real-estate agents who want to reduce their taxes are buying super-SUVs and claiming the deductions.
Last year, if you claimed to be using it for business, you could deduct \$25,000 ourright off the cost of a super-SUV. Under-Bush's economic stimulus package, which became law last year, you got an extra 30 percent bonus deduction off the balance of the sticker price. Subtract another 20 percent a year in

depreciation over five years, and you had a hefty tax write-off.
Under the president's economic stimulus plan, proposed this month, the small-business deduction would jump from \$25,000 if his measure becomes law, "business" owners of virtually all the super-SUVS, except for the \$100,000 Hummer H1, will be able to deduct the entire cost of their trucks in the first year, even though it's not likely that they're hauling livestock or lumber.
"The Bush plan would make this loophole in the tax code even more outrageous," says Aileen Roder, program director of Taxpayers for Common Sense, a nonpartisan budget watchdog group. "You've got hardworking Americans who are having a hard time making libeir car payments, and the government is practically giving these massive SUVs away."

If only 100,000 of the 3.6 mil-

ay."
If only 100,000 of the 3.6 million people who bought super-SUVs in 2001 claimed the busi-ness deduction, even before the bonus, it cost the government — more than \$800 million, accord-

ing to Taxpayers for Common Sense estimates.

With millions of people out of work and the federal government facing a huge deficit, not to mention a likely war, what could be more wacky than tax deductions for 570,000 Lincoln Navigators? And it could put more of these monsters on the road.

New York Gov. George Patall leapt into the fray this week, announcing plans to plug the federal loophole by making New Yorkers who take advantage of your pay back the money in state taxes. This won't work, because the SUV deduction is figured in with other business expenses. This making it impossible to tell if smaking it impossible to the smaking it impossible to the

someone is deducting the cost of a luxury truck.

The only way to end this loop, hole is to change the tax law. It's not clear if the loophole was an intentional giveaway to the upper-middle class. Bur if Congress doesn't nluy it, it will. Congress doesn't plug it, it will sure seem that way.

Sheryl McCarthy is a Newsday

- LETTERS -

Thief in the night angers local resident

angers local resident
This letter is to the person or
persons who air responsible for
the theft of my power tools. Of
course, I'm taking for granted
the fact that you can read, since
obviously you don't have a job,
making it questionable you ever
finished or even attended school.
Some of the items you stole

from me were given to me by my uncle, who passed away just two

uncie, who passed away just two years ago.

Those items are irreplaceable to me. But, of course, you have to have a conscience to care about that. How much did you get for them, 15 or 20 bucks? Or maybe

them, 15 or 20 bucks? Or maybe one good high? To those of you reading this: Don't think this can't happen to you. I live in a nice area of Twin

Falls at the end of a quiet cul-de-sac where neighbors are friends and watch out for each other. All of my power tools were stolen, probably while we were sleeping, from my two-car garage which is attached to the house. I never thought it could "hap-pen to me," but I got a real "wake-up call."

wake-up call."_ DAVID SLAGEL Twin Falls

We offer our prayers

for Mr. and Mrs. Tuls
Mr. and Mrs. Tuls, perhaps its
our turn to give something back
to you now.
You need our prayers. If God
has blessed you, as you stated,
Mrs. Tuls, it will manifest itself.

By Bruce Tinsley

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By Garry Trudeau

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I LOVE YOU, AND HINK THAT YOU'RE GREAT...



Keep a focused debate on war in Iraq

o we're wringing our hands about whether to go to war in Iraq.

I have to admit, there are plen-tor main ones.

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our main ones.

• Our allies are holding back.

• It'll enrage Muslim popula-

tions.

Traq's own people want us to

pair out.

Strough to a quagmire.

So I'm unsure. But I'm recalling
a similar debate a bir more than a
year ago. Same question, different place Should we invade

Afghanistan?

Remember?

Afghanistan?

Remember?

Despite Sept. 11, a lot of people

rea against it, for the same reasons people now oppose war in

raq.

• Allies weren't all with us.

• Critics feared inflaming

Muslims.

• Afghans were all Americathating Taliban.
• And analysts warned of a

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quagmire.

Around that time, I was on a panel about it at Brown Unriversity. Ninety percent of the crowd felt attacking Afghanistan was an outrage. Our quarrel was with one man there—Osame bin. I aden se who the the company of the

with one man there — Osama bin Laden — so why attack a whole country? It would be typically belligerent foreign policy.

Other critics said an invasion would increase airt-America harted around the world at a time when Muslims were aiready. burning our flag, And historically, Afphanistan had been a trap for invading armies. The Russians were mired there for years. It would be another Vietnam, with Americans cut apart not in the iungle, but the apart not in the jungle, but the mountains.

ountains. But we went in. And surprise – we promptly

ly collapsed.
Most startling, the "extremist"
Afghan population saw us as liberators. Turns out they had hated
being under the thumb of a harsh
regime that banned music and executed women caught having love affairs. In short, we infidels

love attairs. In short, we infidel
walked into the most antiAmerican of all hornets' nests,
and found ourselves embraced.
Which brings us to Iraq.
Would the same thing happe
Would Iragis embrace us if
Saddam were driven from

Saddam were driven from power? Similar things have happened in other dictatorships. In 1989, one after the other, and-American communist governments collapsed throughout Eastern Europe. Why? Because the people had longed for democracy and free markets. But they hadn't dared say so.

Might there not be similar secret feelings among Iraqis? A longing for the U.S. to liberate them? But even if that were true, what about other warnings of critics. Couldn't Iraq prove a quagmire? Many warmed that would happen in 1991. Remember—Saddam's Republican guard? They were going to stop us. Instead, they collapsed. Some are now saying it'll be tougher today. It's possible. But plenty said it would be tough to ke then. L suppose it looks like Tm. L suppose it looks like Tm. about to end this column by s

it would be tough back then.

I suppose it looks like Pmabout to end this column by sing it's clear we should invad Iraq.

Ing it's clear we should invade
Iraq.
But I'm not quite there yet.
America seldom invades without provocation. We went into
Iraq in '91 because Saddam had
pillaged Kuwait. We struck
Afghanistan in 2001 because of

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WE DON'T DO

DAYS OFF!

I'm still thinking we need more of a reason than we now have to go into Iraq today. So no, I'm not ready to say we should go. But I am saying we shouldn't be distracted by questionable

concerns.

Such as hesitant allies, Muslim protests, fear of a quagmire or thoughts that Iraqis adore

Saddam.
The real questions are twofold:
Is Saddam backing terror?
Is he stockpiling mass-destruction weapons?

tion weapons?
The debate should focus on

Mark Patinkin is a columnist for the Providence Tournal.

-LETTERS

Editorial examined numbers but ignored fiscal realities

Editorial examined numbers,
but ignored fiscal realities

Your recent editorial on the
state budget painted a picture
that is not totally accurate. Also, it
dealt only with numbers and not
with significant budget realities.

The official figures for fiscal
2002 included \$56 million that
went to replace property taxes
schools are no longer allowed to
collect. This was originally counted as property tax relief money. In
1999, the Legislature chose to
inflate the school number by
showing it as general fund support
for schools.

Without Enron accounting, the
real general fund increase 1989 to
2002 is \$65 million less than the
figure you published. Also, several
million dollars that previously
went into the Water Polluted to
Control Account was changed to
general fund in another bookkeeping change that didn't add to
state spending.

Not all budgets have increased
equally. In the last five years, general fund support for public
schools grew by 21 percent, for
adult corrections by 78 percent.
Some recent spending has gone
to successful "prevention and
rehabilitation" programs. For
example, drug cours help most
participants stop drug use while
holding a job and avoiding prison.
Ault prisoners cost an average
\$20,000 a year.
Other policy changes are need-

20,000 a year. Other policy changes are need-

ed. Hundreds of non-violent offenders serve time far beyond their mandatory minimums. Many more Idaho high school graduates are enrolled in universities, com-munity colleges and professional-technical schools than in 1989.

technical schools than in 1989. Even so, state support has grown more slowly than student fees. The College of Southern Idaho, its students and patrons and the Magic Valley economy have been major beneficiaries of increased

major beneficiaries of increased state support.
You didn't mention that \$100 million in ongoing 2001 tax cuts contributed to the present rev-enue gap or that \$100 million has already been cut from general

already been cut from general fund budges.

More savings can be found in corrections and elsewhere but not enough to balance the budget unless you sacrifice the education system, invite school property tax overrides, raise university fees far more than 10 percent and eliminate health cancer coverage for thousands of Idahouns.

ousands of Idahoans. REP. KENNETH ROBISON

Boise
(Editor's note: Rep. Kenneth
obison, D-Boise, serves on the Joint
inance and Appropriations and
lesources and Conservation com-

Shoshone Falls' fame was lauded by historian

James Varley's article, "How Shoshone Falls got its name,"

alleged the first non-Indian dis covered the falls around 1834, and the first written evidence white man seeing or naming the falls was in 1847. However, in 1854, George Catlin, renowned historian, ethnologist and painte wrote that the Snake River

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men." In the article, "Niagarn of the West," Varley declared that Albert D. Richardson of the News," Varley declared that Albert D. Richardson of the New York Tribune made the first comparison between Shoshone Falls and the Niagara Falls in 1865. Yet, in Catlin's writings of 1854, he made detailed comparisons between both falls and dispelled earlier claims that the falls of the Snake River were of the same magnitude in height and water flow as the mighty Niagara of hishome state.

home state.
Catlin wrote: "I have seen some statements, recently made public, of travelers who reported the

great perpendicular fall of the Snake River to be 198 feet - 'thirty-five feet higher than the fall of the Niagara, and the volume of water quite equal to that of Niagara River.' This statement is certainly quite Quixotic and demands contradiction... therefore the statement that this volume of water is equal to that of the Niagara is necessarily incorrect."

rect."

He continued: "In all the cataracts which compose w He continued: "In all the cataracts which compose what is called the great or 'smoking' fall on the Snake River, however ter-fife and picturesque them, I should think, a perpendicular leap of more than forty feet. And the Columbia, contains, from the Columbia contains, from the columbia contains, from the nearest estimate I could make, but about one-fifth of the volume of water that passes over the fall of the Columbia, contains, from the nearest estimate I could make, but about one-fifth of the volume of water that passes over the fall of Niagara, and the Snake River, at the great (or smoking falls, probably not more than one-twelfith or one-fifteenth part." BRAD LYN RASMUSSEN Twin Falls

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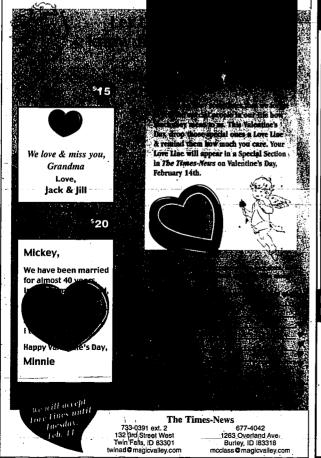
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Tiles protect shuttle from heat



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Made of 'foam glass' Material is a network of fine, pure silica 1.in. (25 mm) cube of the material contains over a million fibers that have been bonded to each other 6 in. _____ (15 cm) . 3.5 in (9 cm Nylon felt pad about 1/4 in. (6 mm) thick The heat shield

Heat-protecting tiles come under scrutiny

Knight Ridder News Service

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MIAMI - Thermal blankets failed. Gap fillers weren't good enough. Although engineers sought alternatives, they always came back to a protective cladding of some 30,000 black ceramic tiles to insulate space shuttles in their fiery re-entry into Earth's atmosphere.

Although tiles - typically 4 by 4 inches square and roughly an inch hick - remained the favored form of insulation, problems with them clayed the shuttle's initial launch by three years. Replacing tiles after flights sometimes took months. While light in weight as \$tyrofoam and profoundly heat-resistant, they nonetheless proved over 22 years to be inclined to chip, break or simply fall off, whether on the launch pad or in the hangar.

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over 22 years to be minimary chip, break or simply fall off, whether on the launch pad or in the hangar.

Now, the shuttle Columbia's break-up high over Texas on Saturday morning has raised speciation that tiles damaged during takeoff 16 days earlier could have left the shuttle dangerously susceptible to the 3,000-degree heat encountered as the spacecraft entered Earth's atmosphere. Moments before it distingerated, Columbia experienced a sud-hand and unexpected 60-degree rise in temperature, according to sensors located in the middleleft side of the fuselage, shuttle program manager Ron Dittemer told a news conference Sunday, Sensors elsewhere in the craft's

left side also recorded rapidly rising heat.

While the information is preliminary, it suggests that some of the heat-protection tiles were missing or damaged, he added.

Under some circumstances, a single lost tile could cause trouble, said John Brown, a retired NASA engineer who lives in Fort Worth, Texas.

"If a piece of tile comes off, there's no protection for the structure underneath it," Brown said. The structure beneath is the shutles are strike the structure underneath it," Brown said. The structure beneath is the shutles are strike the structure of th exposure, but were unneeded in less vulnerable parts of the shut-

Teams scour countryside for debris

DOUGLASS, Texas (AP)—Onhorseback and in four-wheel-divwes, hundreds of law officers and
volunteers tromped through piney
woods, over pastures and through
swamps Sunday, looking for pieces
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Base next door in Loutsiana.
Experts will try to reassemble
sections of the shuttle to figure out
how it broke apart and why.
Before the shuttle went up, every
piece was tumbered and carefully
cataloged.

"Through-thick-woods-that-arehome to wild hogs and bobcats, 75
volunteers and law officers carried out their hunt near Hemphill
on the Louisiana line. A bout 40
feet into the forest, a searcher
houted, "Holl" when he spotted
a chunk of metal dangling from a
limb.

A volunteer marked it with a
red flag.

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Not too far away, in the community of Douglass, an 18-inch piece of what appeared to be duct piping put a dent in the roof of the

nday near Alto, Texas.

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school. Debris was also found near the pitcher's mound of the base-ball field and the track. Little orange flags marked every piece. "We're just fortunate no one was injured by it." Principal Jay Tullôs said as a technician carrying a remote Global Positioning

System satellite backpack plotted some two dozen pieces of shuttle debris that rained down on the 20-

acre campus.

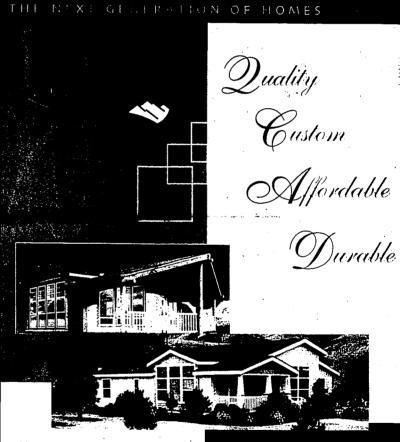
The GPS mapping is a key part of the investigation. By pinpointing the location of each piece, scientists can figure out the

sequence in which the shuttle broke up.
Douglass, a farming and ranching community about 150 miles mortheast of Houston, is just one of hundreds of evidence sites in quammoth, multistate debris, field dotted with creeks, lakes and reservoirs.

The search for the possibly thousands of pieces sprinkled overhundereds and hundreds of miles in a common the search of the search for the possibly thousands of pieces sprinkled overhundereds and hundreds of miles in the Piney Woods of East Texas, a The search is home to four national forests covering almost 700,000 excess of land. There are patches of pine and oak as well as large swaths of farm land and cartle pastures.

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swattes.
With two nearby reservoirs that cogether cover about 300,000 acres, the area is a haven to boaters and anglers. But it males the job facing Columbia recovery the said James Kroll, director of the Emergency Geospacial Mapping Center at Stephen F. Austin Sane University in Nacogdoches. His GPS technicians were aiding NASA.



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The Times-News

Monday, February 3, 2003

Hunting for Babe Ruth's kev-to success

While you're enjoying your comfortable, low-risk lifestyle, with your childproof aspirin bottles and your reduced-fat Cheez-Its, some brave divers are preparing to plunge into the dark, frigid waters of New England in a quest for a legendary Object – an object that, if found, could have a profound effect upon all humanity.

Or at least Red Sox fans. That's right. These brave divers are looking for what could be the single most important submerged legendary artifact (freshwater division) in all of baseball: Babe Ruth's piano.

I am not making this up. You may

legendary artifact (freshwater division) in all of baseball: Babe Ruth's piano.

I am not making this up. You may have seen it in the news: There is acrious effort afoot to retrieve an alleged piano that Babe Ruth allegedly caused to sink to the bottom of an alleged point in Sudbrya, as small alleged village in Massachusetts. I applogize for the case with assaults on pianos.

I move about these things. I once owned an upright piano that found itself in the wrong place at the wrong place at the wrong place at the wrong place at the specifically, at a party in my home during which a group of The Dixie Cup's hit song "Chapel" of The Dixie was covered with what turned out to be important plano parts. To this day, none of the people involved can remember how this happened.



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The Babe Ruth piano story is equally murky. What I have been able to determine, by painstakingly reading stories written by real joint and the piano story is equally murky. What I have been able to determine, by painstakingly reading stories written by real joint in 1918, Ruth rented a cottage, with a piano, next to Willis Pond, which, like many ponds of that era, was filled with water. One version of the local legend is that Ruth, "possibly lubricated with alcohol," as the New York Times (a newspaper) put it, threw the piano into the pond to display his strength. This version is unlikely: Even a very strong, very lubricated man would be unable to throw a piano into a pond. An accordion, yee, In fact, more people should throw according to the pond to display his strength. This version is unlikely: Even a very strong, very lubricated man would be unable to throw a piano into a pond. An accordion, yee, In fact, more people should throw according to the property of the pro

organization claim Restoration Project, which helps mentally ill adults.

I spoke with Chris Hugo, a marine biologist and diver involved in the plano search. I asked him whether it was scary, plunging into the murky depths of Willis Pond, knowing that a piano could be lurking anywhere. He told me that, aside from snapping turtles, the worst thing is that the pond depths are quite shallow, so divers run the risk of leaping dramatically into the water, in full diving gear, only to stand up, with the water coming to maybe their waists. Hugo also told me that serious underwater experts, using sophisticated equipment, have scanned the pond for the piano, and found some possible locations. He said divers would be going back down soon, while the water is cold and the turtles are sleeping. I asked him, frankly, what he thought the chances were of finding the piano. He told me, frankly, that he doesn't hink there IS a piano in there. But he's going to look for it anyway. Because that's the kind of project this is.

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"I know I speak for all Americans, except Yankees fans, when I say to these brave divers: Good luck. And Godspeed. And, above all, if you find any accordions, just leave them, OK?

Dave Barry is a humor columnist for the Miami Herald. Write to him To The Miami Herald, One Herald Taza, Miami, Fla. 33132.

seating the blues



Surgical treatment gets rid of varicose veins

How good veins go bad

The saphaneous vein, which is responsible for about 70 percent of variouse classes, runs from the ankle to the gioin and is supposed to return blood from the lower extremities to the heart. But in some people for some reason – heering period portago, or hormonal changes resulting from pregnancy, values in the saphenous vein don't close properly. When that happens, blood begins to pool in the legs, putting pressure on surrounding tissue and causing swelling, pan and the familiar unsightly blue skin discoloration. If the veins are small, they can be treated with schierolinerapy injections, which cause inflammation in

tions, which cause inflammation the lining of the vein, forcing it to close down.

Surgery is often the treatment of choice for larger varices evens. Techniques range from traditional vein-stripping to catheter/laser surgery on the suphenous vein to the Tri-Ver procedure.

For patients who don't want surgery or who aren't candidate for it – standard treatment is to wear details: stockings to counteract the pressure in their legs, and to celevate the legs whenever possible.

whenever possible. Eighty person to varicose vein cases are in women. Standing for many hours on a regular basis can be a risk factor for varicose veins; but so can sitting for too many hours for too long. Obesity and pregnancy seem to make women more prone to the problem.

Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS – She's in the unusual – some would say unfortunate – position of having had two different kinds of varicose wein surgery, one on each leg.

But Debi Rongen has no doubt about which she prefers.

"With the (vein-stripping) surgery, it took me weeks to recover," said Rongen, who's 34.

"With this new system, I was walking around the next day."

The new system is called TriVex, or transilluminated powered phiblebectomy. Two probes, one a light source and another a grinder, are surgically inserted just beneath the skin in the leg. In a darkened room, the surgeon uses the light to illuminate bad veins and the grinder to destroy

them and suck them out. The whole procedure takes less than an hour.
"One advantage is that you can do a more thorough job than you

an hour.

"One advantage is that you can do a more thorough job than you can with the other technique," said Dr. Bruce McComas, a Twin Falls vascular surgeon who has used the procedure on about 10 patients so far. "And it's less invasive."

It used to take surgeons a couple of hours to hunt for damaged veins. They'd make up to 50 cuts, then use a hook to blindly remove each vein manually.

Now with just a few incisions, hey can remove entire vein clusters with relative case.
"And the recovery time is much shorter," McComas said.

Any improvement on the traditional technique for varicose vein surgery is welcome news to tens

of thousands of Americans who still undergo it annually. Vein-striping involves making an incision at both ends of the vein and inserting a wire. One end of the vein is attached to the wire, and the wire is pulled out, ripping out the vein – and neighboring nerve endings and tissue—with it. It's done under general amesthetic, but – as you would expect – it hurts when you wake up.

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Recovery takes about a month.

"It takes time for the body to reroute blood flow through other veins," McComas said. "There's swelling, and it can be uncom-fortable."

Plus, since vein-stripping is a blind process it may have to be done again.

blind process it may ... done again. "With the new procedure, we Please see VEINS, Page 83

Shirt-tie combinations are back

Knight Ridder News Service

Consider it the light in a dark tunnel, or, in Hollywood terms, the mythical miracle lightning bolt that suddenly repaints the landscape. It's comparable to colorizing vintage black-and-white films or to an old-fashioned cartoon that makes

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It's the pawerful menswear trend that is bringing color

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Where they are audaciously mixed neye-catching combinations.

"Today I am wearing a striped shirt in charreuse, orange, red and violet and a chartreuse tie," says David Wolfe, creative director for Doneger Group, the New Yorkretall-consultants. "It's almost like the 1960s Carnaby Street days."

Trent Slusher, coowner of Kansas City specialty store Pinstripes, enjoyed the reaction on New York streets recently to his patterned, sport coat paired with a checked shirt in pink, orange and yellow and a hot-pink orange and yellow and a hot-pink orange and yellow and a Piesse see ATHIUDE, Page B3

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A printed brown shirt with contrasting tie is worn with a Tom Ford designer sult at a Paris fashlon show last month.

Let your fancy lightly turn to thoughts of spring jackets

In cold weather, as the gar-deners pore over their seed cata-logs, home-sewers are warmed by the prospect of projects for

logs, home-sewers are warmed by the prospect of projects for spring.

Think about adding a fresh, shorter jacket to your wardrobe, it's a perky look, flattering to most figure types, and good with pants and skirts. Cut the jacket closer to the body, a simple cardigan or perhaps a bomber or Eisenhower style with a bottom band. Give it pizzazy with details such as epaulets, flaps and pockets. These design elements become even more important when you topstich in single or multiple rows.

Your faibre selection sets the mood. To take it into the office, you could saw it in a classic wood crope, lined for comfort and durability. For more fun, try mixing things up with a jean jacket style in silk douppioni. This season you'll see metallic threads in many fabrics, even denim, and a short jacket wouldbe smart in one of these, too.

When you sew, you have lots of



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options, so repeat a good pattern several times.

Barbara Gash writes about sewing for the Detroit Free Press. Write-to her at the Free Press, P.O. Box 828, Detroit, Mich. 48231, or send e-mail to compusew@aol.com

HEALTH & FASHION

Cassia Regional Medical Center will offer breastfeeding class

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The class will include discus The class will include discussion on the advantages and physiology of breastfeeding and common breastfeeding problems and solutions. The course will be taught by a certified lactation educator. Participants should bring a doll or stuffed animal. Cost is \$20. For registration. information, call 677-6500.

'Baby and Me'

St. Benedicts Family Medical
St. Benedicts Family Medical
Center will offer "Baby and Me"
classes from 10:30-11:30 a.m.,
Tuesdays at the Health
Education Center, 115 Flfth Ave.
W., Jerome. This week's topic
will be "Got the Blues?"
The session is for parents of
children from infancy through
toddler years.

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

CPR for bables

Infant safety and cardiopul-monary resuscitation class will be offered from 6:30-9 p.m. Tuesday in the Sage Room of the Education Center at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls.

in Twin Falls.

The class is offered as part of the prepared childbirth course. New parents, grandparents and children are encouraged to attend to learn about infant CPR, choking, child safety and prevention of injury.

The class is free. Preregistration is not required. For more information, call 737-2900.

About childbirth

Prepared childbirth classes will be-offered from 7-9:30 p.m. Tuesdays, beginning Tuesday through March 11, at the St. Benedicts Health Education Center, 115 Fifth Ave. W., Jerome.

To do for you

The sessions, taught by a registered nurse, emphasize preparation for labor and birth, changes during pregnancy and newborn care. Participants are asked to bring two pillows and a blanket to each class.

The classes are free for those who will be delivering at St. Benedicts 'Family Medical Center. To register, call 324-1122, Ext. 3361.

Childbirth class

Childbirth class will be offered from 7-9 p.m. Tuesday at Cassia Regional Medical Center in

Regional meaning.

The class will include information on discomforts, problems of pregnancy and safe exercise. Participants will be given a tour of the birth center.

For more information call the birth center at 677-6500.

Learning CPR

Cardiopulmonary resuscitation class will be offered from 4-8 p.m. Wednesday in the doctors' meet-ing room at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls.

Falls.
The class will include emergency procedures for mouth-to-mouth resuscitation, chest compression and choking for adults and infants. The program includes classroom instruction and hands-on practice.
Cost is \$25. Preregistration is required, call 737-2547 or 737-2007.

Refresher course

Hefresher course
Childbirth refresher course will
be offered from 6:30-9 p.m.
Wednesday in the Sage Room of
the Education Center at Magie
Valley Regional Medical Center
in Twin Falls.
The class is for those who have
previously taken childbirth classes. Childbirth preparation and
procedures will be reviewed.

Leg pain? Try walking it off

Los Angeles Times

Medical researchers rarely advise ignoring pain, but when it comes to some types of leg pain, it just might be the healthiest path.

just might be the healthiest path. A team of university researches has found that people suffering from peripheral arterial disease, a form of atherosclerosis that affects million to 10 million adults, should walk through discomfort instead of haling exercise. Instead of haling exercise instead of haling exercise the muscles of the property of the

The findings could improve quality of life for those with the disease, which often leaves sufferers housebound and dependent upon others.

Peripheral arterial disease occurs when cholesterol-laden plaque accuris when cholesterol-laden plaque accumulates in the arteries, restricting blood flow to the tegs. The reduction of blood can broduce leg pain, aches and ladgue.

fatigue.

The report, based on an analysis of more than 120 exercise studies, was published last month in the New Endand Journal of Medicine.

"Unlike coronary artery disease patients, who should stop exercis-

panents, who should stop exercis-ing as soon as they experience chest pain, PAD patients with cramping pain should walk until they reach a moderate level of leg pain and then continue for several minutes," said Kerry J. Stewart,

director of clinical exercise physiology at Johns Hopkins University and the study's lead author. "More a few minutes of rest, the walking should be resumed."

The walking cycle should be repeated until the person can walkfor 50 minutes without pain, said Stewart, who was assisted in the study by researchers from the University of Minnesota and the University of Minnesota and the University of Colorado.

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Learn infant care

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will be delivering at St. Benedicts Family Medical Center. To regis-ter, call 324-1122, Ext. 3361.

Breast screening

A free breast screening educa-tion program sponsored by the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center helps women learn about early detection of breast cancer, soil-breast exams, examinations by clinical specialists and infor-mation about mammography. The program is offered free to all women at Women's Health and lmaging Services, 224 Martin St. For more information or to make an appointment, call 737-2192. A free breast so

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Flying fat might ground you | Premature birth rate rises

Medical researchers have known for years that being grossly overweight can lead to all kinds of adverse conditions: diabetes, heart attacks, a lack of dates around grom time.

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Now, it turns out, somebody years and you, too.

The Federal Aviation administration, going beyond poking into your bags, this week effectively began questioning your diet. The agency ordered commuter air lines to ask some of their passengers how much they weigh, and even to weigh some of them.

Rude? Intrusive? Yes, but intrusiveness with a deadly serious purpose: The FAA suspects that a plane crash in Charlotte, NC, that killed 21 people earlier this month may have been caused by passenger and baggage load that exceeded federal salety standards.

The FAA won't come right out and say it, but it suspects were much fatter than it ever guessed. This is a pretty good assumption, considering that media reports headlined "Americans Are Fatter Than Ever" long ago surpassed the number of stories headlined "American School Kids. Are. Dumber Than Ever" The government wants to find out how much we really weigh because, for the past eight years, it's been telling private operators to assume that an adult passenger weighs 185 pounds in winner and 180 pounds in summer. The official explanation for this seasonal difference is that people wear more clothes in winner, but we suspect it comes down to one word: "Eggnog."
We also suspect that the FAA is basing its "average" on snapshots of the old us, back when we were in high school and still working

out. (Memo to FAA: We plan to start working out again soon, honest.)

The new policy doesn't apply to large jetliners, where total passenger weight is almost irrelevant, unless you happen to be stuck in the center seat. This could mean that heavier-people will-avoid the puddle-jumpers and stick to the big carriers, which should give new meaning to such phrases as "wide-bodied" and "jumbo" jet.

Interestingly, the FAA has instructed the airlines to add 10 pounds to whatever passengers tell_them_they_weigh_FAA spokesman Paul Takemoto says this isn't because the agency thinks people lie about their weight (and he avoids describing this as a fudge factor) but because people usually don't include weight of their clothes and shoes. (Ten pounds? What are you people waring? Kevlar?)

The United States boasts some of the most sophisticated medical care in the world, capable of curing patients with dread discases, and yet we're unable to eases, and yet we're unable to eases, albest from being born prematurely. Many of these infants will struggle with a lifetime of deficits and disabilities if they survive at all.

Premature births have risen steadily for two decades, now accounting for 476,000 of the 4 million babes delivered each year in the United States, Although prematurity is the leading cause of babies dying in leading cause of babies dying in heave found that only one in have found in the first month of life, surveys the first month of life, surveys the first month of life, surveys the found in the first month of life, surveys the found in the first month of life, surveys the first month of life, surveys the first month of life, surveys the first month of life surveys the surveys the life surveys the li

Its biological origins remain a mystery.

Even as our neonatal intensive care units become better at pulling tiny 1- and 2-pound babies from the brink of death, the U.S. lags behind Australia, Canada and Britain in providing not only prenatal care but also women's preventive health care in general, before pregnancy.

Access to health care is just one aspect of the problem, because premature births occur in all communities and among

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all socioeconomic groups - even among the affluent with generous health insurance benefits. Recent studies have found that premature babies with the provide into adulthood have lifetong aftereffects, including lower [08, learning disabilities and neurological problems. Blindness, retardation, hing diseases and cerebral palsy are more common in babies delivered weeks short of a full-term, 40-week pregnancy. (A premature birth is defined as one that occurs at less than 37 weeks.)

Premature births have a societal impact that goes beyond the health of the child. For one, there is an economic cost. The hospital bill for a premature infant averaged \$58,000 in 2000, contrasted with \$4,300 for a routine birth of a full-term baby.

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according to March of Dimes fligures. Children born prematurely also require more medical care, social services and remedial education during their lives. And their families must cope with the emotional turmoil and financial burdens of a special-needy-thild.

No one knows precisely why prematurity has become such a stubborn problem, and there are fears that cuts in health and social services could make the problem even worse.

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some types of varicose veins.

"It's wonderful to have a choice" Rongen said, "I wish it had been available the first time around."

Times-News writer Steve Crump can be reached at 735-3223, or write to him at crump@magicval-ley.com

Docs: Pills can stop monthly periods

The Seattle Times

SEATTLE - More than 40 years after the birth-control pill transformed the lives of women by giving them power over when and whether to have children, some doctors say women can take the revolution a step further. They can use the pill to rid themselves of the hassles of monthly menstruation.

tion.

While the practice is often one of convenience or used to address problems related to menstruation, experts are studying whether it is medically risky – or beneficial – for women to have fewer periods.

Apparently, almost everyone chiding the conservative bu-

schuding the conservative busi-dess man – is taking to the idea in some form. The young man who has not worn suits in the past finds it new and refreshing. The older businessman doesn't vant to appear out of date. Say go

goodbye to the traditional power ge and hello to the lavender or gink striped tie.

In almost any menswear or department store – from J.C. Penney to Brooks Brothers to high-end elite retailers – you'll. Bind an array of colorful styles varying in boldness and bright golor. Ties range from subtle small patterns to broad stripes, which are back after receding for a while. Shirts may be a subtle stripe or windowpane or an inyour-face check.

In the stripe of the

a blue and white striped shirt and a maroon tie.

It was not long ago that such haberdashery was declared history. With the penetration of casual business dress, anything more formal than a polo shirt yas, well, a bit pretentious. As for a tie, the dot-com arena made is almost extinct. And dress-down office days had people sping to work with the dapper splomb usually devoted to moving the lawn.

Today the accessories are a bright spot in the menswear scene darkened in recent mounts by the sluggish economy. Bven as the corporate world started to ease away from casual and back to more serious dressing, suit sales have not picked up as expected at first, according to The Wall Street Journal.

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Attitude

ntinued from B1

A University of Washington pro-fessor will publish a study in-March on women who used the pill to skip their periods for a year. And by this fall, pending Food and Drug Administration approval, women will be able to slash the menstrual experience from 13 times a year to four with currently available pills packaged to allow three months between periods.

to anow the periods ("Birth control led to a fundamental social, cultural and psychological change," said Susan Jeffords, a professor of women's studies at the University of Washington. "This is an amend-

In women's fashion too, tie

There's something about a
woman in a tie that other has
set hearts diruter.

There were Marien Diletrich's
andrognous suits and ties, which
conveyed power and rebeltion with a
hint of domination. And, in the
1970s, there was the endeaning
Annie Hall, whose ties and mannish
after were part of her appeal.
Recently, however, a different sort of
siren in a tie has sprung up in fashion. She's sweet, she's playful and
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a tails (bp. 1-smin of nullac) blosse, and the Mer neckwear lan't meant to simulate male power or make any fermins statement. Instead, the new woman's tie is simply an accessory. It's fashion irreverence, that I'm not quite a boy, not yet a woman't thing, "It's fashion irreverence, that I'm not quite a boy, not yet a woman't thing, said Hollywood ships Philia Bloch, whose clients include Halle Berry and Salma Hayek. It gives you that feeting of dressing up in your dad's clothers. It's fashing an old-man classic and turning! I of its head." While young pool dives such as Avril Lavigne and Michelle Branch have been most noticeable in flaunting this new fashion statement, celebrities who have tied one on ecently include Heather Graham. Gwen , Stefani and Raquel Welch. And with

"The suit was back in the sense that men who haven't bought suits in a while found out they couldn't fit into their old ones. They gained weight," says Marshal Cohen, co-president of NPDFashionworld, a Port Washington, N.Y., market research company.

But when they decided they could wear the old suit or a new sports coat, they found it less sports coat, they found it less

could wear the old suit or a new sports coat, they found it less expensive to update their wardrobes with shirts and ties, cohen says. Accessories 450

In women's fashion too, ties become playful accessories

ment to that."

Women for years have used the pill to manipulate the timing of mensuruation. They skip the placebos in their packs of birth-control pills and start new, "active" packs to keep their periods from coinciding with weddings and special events.

events.

Doctors also have been prescribing continuous use of birth-control pills for women who have difficult and sometimes painful periods, or who suffer from conditions such as menstral migrantes. menstrual migraines or endometriosis, which is the growth of uterine tissue outside the uterus.

designers such as Dotce & Gabbana Including neckties in spring 2003 ensembles, the woman's necktie looks set to stick around for some

looks set to stok around for some time more. The new fleen-ewoman trend grew out of an apparent anti-Britiney movement led largely by Lavigne. a fresh-acced 18-year-old singer with super-model looks. With stars such as Spears and Christian Aguilera assailing the world with increasingly risque outlists that flaunted midniffs, legs and denrieses, a new.cop. of young-female singers emerged wanting to assert their sexuality in a different way.

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To that end, Lawgne has appeared on MTV and the covers of magazines such a sTeen People and YM pairing prepty schoolboy ties with tank tops and blouses.

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made her legs hur.
"I feel pretty confident now
that the problem has been taken
care of," she said.
The tab for the new procedure
was \$4,500, including a \$1,000
physician fee. That's roughly the
same price for the vein-stripping
process.

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Veins .

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can get a very accurate picture of where the affected veins are," McComas said.

McComas said.

That's because the TriVex light source allows the surgeon to quickly and accurately target and remove the vein and then visually confirm its extraction. Rongen, who had varicose veins since she was a teen-ager, had the surgery for the reasons most people do the condition was unsightly, and it made her legs hurt.

"I feel pretty confident now

process.

"And insurance covered it,"
Rongen said.
There are about 25 million
—Americans with varicose velns;
the majority of them women – and
most of them otherwise healthy
adults in their 30s and 40s.

"Women have varicose veins
disproportionately," McComas
said. "Probably because of pregancy, which puts more pressure
on the veins in the legs."

Most people just live with the
problem, walking through life in
Spandex stockings. But varicose
veins can be dangerous because
they eventually can cause ulcerations – open wounds – on the skin.
In diabetics, that means a risk of
eventual amputation.
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procedure on patients over 65 or 70 because surgery is riskier for older folks. Most candidates are in their 30s or 40s. TriVex isn't the only surgical

process,
"And insurance covered it,"

in diabetics, that means a risk of eventual amputation.

"Some people with varicose veins are candidates for surgery, and others for more conservative treatment," McComas said.

He doesn't typically do the new

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QUESTION: Is my will the sole document to govern where all my properly goes at the tir of my death?

Dennits S. Voorhers

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Probably not. That used to be the case, but it is measured you not the case today, in your grandparents' day, all their properts may have consisted of a farm, cattle, horses, money in the bank, and personal effects. They would have had no idea what you were talking about a vou used the terms: 401kl, annuity, IRA, qualified pension plan, or universal life insurance policy. Today, these are household terms and their provisions oftentimes govern where undistributed assets go at the time of vour death. Beneficiary clauses in these modern-day assets operate independently of wills and trusts and control delivery of assets owned by a decedent at me of doath. The lesson here is to understand the effect of benefit cary clauses and to assure that they are phrased properly so that your property so distributed in a coordinated fashion, according to your wishor, so distributed in a coordinated rashion, according to your wishor. When the property is to the second of the property of

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Aries: Keep some secrets sacred, be positive about relationship

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make people smile even
through grave moments. You
have ability to help others,
more so than in promoting you
own cause. You are intelligent
and romantic and possess intellectual euriosity. Gemini,
Sagittarius play major roles in
your life, could have these letters in names: C, L, U. This will
be an active month for you;
social invitations multiply. July
will be most romantic, profitable month this year.

ARIES-(Mar. 21-Apr. 19):
Keep some secrets sacred. Bepositive concerning relationship is it legal for both of you to
pursue it? You will make
dynamic discovery tonight.
TAURUS (Apr. 20-May 20):
Your lucky day! Many of your
fondest hopes, wishes will materialize. Luck rides with you; at
the very least, you could win a
contest. Gemini, Sagittarius figure in scenario.
GEMINI (May 21-June 20):

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GEMINI (May 21-June 20):
Correct mechanical defect. You will be surprised tonight; you will receive unique honor. Show gratitude without being obse-quious. Taurus, Scorpio are involved.

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amportant guests are due.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):
Transform illusions into realities. Your extrasensory perception will surface. Some will openty claim you are a "mind readr." It is possible that you are,
when you heed inner feelings.



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LIBRA (Sept. 23-0ct. 22):
Accent personality, obtain objective view of what could be a "massive organization." Individual you once loved will make surprise appearance. Be in control of your fate!
SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):
You will find outlet for creative urge. Look beyond the immediate; write and talk about the "unknown." What had been evastive will become available. It will be reason for celebration!

If will be reason for cerebra-tion!
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec.
21): Take cold plunge into the future! Don't wait for approval by others. Imprint style, make personal and professional appearances. You exude sex anneal he solective!

appearances. You exude sex appea; he selective!
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19: Meditation necessary if answers are to come from within. Questions concerning direction of your life will be resolved. Be creatively selfish; refuse to be taken for granted.

ne taken for granted.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):
What might begin as fun and
games could turn out to be profitable enterprise. Focus on
entertainment, humor and intellectual curiosity. Keep resolutions concerning exercise and
diet.

onet.

PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20):
Judgment, intuition will be on
target. You will be at right
place at critical moment almost
effortlessly. Your "acting ability" will surface; you are not
only popular but much sought
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House-sitting hubby turns home into hotel

DEAR ABBY: I am a single mother and have taught school for 20 years. Two months ago, I began a sabbatical out of state and took my teenage daughter with me. Prior to leaving, a good friend, "Marjorie," accepted a job transfer that required her to move out of state a well.

with me, Froit, o leaving, a good friend, "Marjorie," accepted a job transfer that required her to move out of state as well.

-Marjorie suggested that since her tusband wasn't ready to leave town due to some personal business, he would be the perfect candidate to house-sit for me. It seemed like a good arrangement.

Within a few weeks, former neighbors started calling and-telling me that-Marjorie's husshand was having women stay overnight at my house. I have since learned that Marjorie had asked a mutual friend to keep an eye on her busband to find out if he's cheating. Our friend refused, but conflided to me that it's as plain as day the guy IS cheating and everyone in town knows it.

We don't want to hurt Marjorie nor do we want her husband to fumiliate her. Should we tell Marjorie what's going on or let her find out on her own?

- UNSURE IT MESSA, ARIZ.

DEAR UNSURE: Tell her what the neighbors told you. Marjorie already has suspicions, so it won't be a shock. And get her husband ut of your house. The last thing

Q. Who coined the word "taxi

Q. Who coined the word "taxicab"?

A. One Harry Allen. Not only coined but copyrighted it.

Physics students at the University of Virginia once put together what they called an osculometer. To measure electronically the zing of kisses. Young man in charge of the experiment recorded that he couldn't find any zing differences between blondes, bruncttes and redheads, despite relentless testing.

All kangaroos cough when scared.

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All Rangurous coup.

It's now known that crows, ants, hyenas, wolves, lions, moncheys, gorillas and chimpanzees also commit murder. Killing of their own kind, I mean.

The vernacular changes:

"Gabbing" used to mean "brageing."

ging."
All warm-blooded mammals, born live to feed on mother's milk, have hair. At least some hair. And all the young of same

play.
Q. Can you sue your barber for a bad haircut?

Can you sue your barber for a bad haircut?
A. It happens. Some barbers, a few maybe, carry liability insurance against it.
As a glowworm, it's not a fly.
An avalanche can get you,
An avalanche can get you,
even if you're not in its path. If you're off to one side, its vacuum can draw you in. If you're beyond its stopping place, compressed air ahead of it can kill you.

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Do you have permission

to use the word 'taxicab'?

DEAR ABBY Abigail VanBuren

you need is strangers walking through and possibly helping themselves to your possession

through and possury neutrons themselves to your possessions.

DEAR ABBY: I am a 17-year-old girl in high school. Recently I was required to make a presentation in my science. class: Naturally, I wanted to look mybest. That morning I selected a denim skirt and black shirt - neither of which was too short or low-cut. Black nylons and chunky-heeled black shoes completed my ensemble. I headed off to school feeling confident about my appearance.

The minute I arrived on campus, I realized I had made a severe miscalculation. It was as though I had broken some unspoken, but well-known, rule. Kids looked me up and down and stared at my legs. One astonished girl gasped, "Oh, my god! She's wearing black stockings!"

Abby, I am a reasonably conservative person. I have never worn anything outrageous and would never intentionally go to

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Standard of measurement of a barrel of oil is 42 gallons, but there is no barrel that holds exactly a barrel of oil. When a turtle pulls its head into its shell, its neck folds into an Schape.

n S-shape.

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Q. How do the biologists tell a sale beaver from a female?
A. Blood test.
Q. Can pig farmers estimate he weight of the hog by its:

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A. Can do. Figure the ham is 7 percent of it. Knitting was what men did for fun and profit in the days of King Henry VIII.

How many times have you changed careers? Possibly none, if you're a doctor, lawyer, denites, pharmacist, architect, engineer or physicist. As you might expect, these are known to be professions people are least likely to give up. Among the occupations people are most likely to abandon is that job labeled bill collector.

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school-wearing something risque or improper. I still think the black panyhose were appropriate for my outfit. Could you shed some light on this?

—DAZED AND CONFUSED IN THE MIDWEST DEAR DAZED AND CONFUSED. Perhaps your classmates were surprised to "see" you "dressed up." If you had violated a dress code. I'm sure you would have been told about it by a teacher or the principal. From what you have described, your outfit was appropriate for the occasion.

cious 6-year-old niece on the East
Coast whose father just died. I
have been searching for a sympathy card designed for a child, but
have found nothing. "Thinking of
you" cards don't seem quite
right. How best can I let this litte girl know how sorry I am for
her loss?

—CONCEDENTALINATION.

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DEAR CONCERNED AUNT DEAR CONCERNED AUNT: Buy a pretty blank card and write a short note of sympathy to your niece, in lettering she can easily read. Tell her how mach you love her, that you're thinking of her, and how sad you are for her loss.

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measures and procedures.

The newest change is that many airports are now requiring you to have boarding passes for your flight before you go through security screening. A simple reservation confirmation or a fax from your travel agent or airine will not be sufficient. The Bose airport is not be sufficient. The Boise airport is requiring the boarding passes, but I found last week that Las Vegas is not. This list of airports is constantly changing so you might want to refer to www.ISATraveIIIos.us. This is especially important for those of you who just take carry-on luggage and have gone directly to the gate for your boarding passes. This web site also lists other ways to get your boarding pass if you are not chedding luggage. I tried the Delta self-serve klock in LA and it was very convenient.

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Program helps kids cooperate

By Betty Taylor Times News correspondent

KIMBERLY - A new program is helping young students learn to feel better about themselves and others around them.

Kimberly Elementary School has a new Kids Care Program under the direction of Debbie York, the school's counselor.

Students who feel cared about, a part of the class or school and are able to express their feelings will have less of a chance to become a high risk problem, she said.

"Each grade has an individual goal which may include social skills, conflict resolutions, self-steem and 'put up' versus put down," York said. "When students feel good about themselves, they

skills, Coffilier resolutions, selfskills, Coffilier resus put
down," York said. "When students
feel good about themselves, they
are prone to make appropriate
decisions."

In grades kindergarten through,
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confidence, and learn refusal
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The retreat concepts will blend
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The retreat concepts will blend with, reinforce and supplement any self-image program the teachers use with students, program literature state.

On Jan. 14, the first-produced.

erature stated.

On Jan. 14, the first-graders' retreat had three high school Natural Helpers peer counselors and several mothers who helped.
The theme for the day was



First-grade students put toys together without talking to learn cooperation and how to work as held during the Kimberly Elementary School's new Kids Care Program retreat on Jan. 14.

I enjoyed the retreat and learned to cooperate and work as a team."

- Christopher Chandler, a first-grade student

"Cooperation," and activities reflected that. One activity involved two students ducing together with a balloon beneuing together with a balloon beneuing together with a balloon beneuing them, and their hands behind their back. "We had two classes of first-back. "We had two classes of first-back." We had two classes of first-back. "We had two classes of first-back." York said.
"I enjoyed the retreat and leamed to cooperate and work as a team," said Christopher Chandler, a first-grade student." I learned it's not nice to push," student Jovee



First-graders Stuart Helpworth and BreAnn Stephens dance to music with their hands behind their backs and a balloop between them. The activity

Horizon recognizes students with citizenship awards

SCHOOL NEWS

with citizenship-awards

JEROME Horizon
Elementary School in Jerome has
announced the students who
received the Principal's
Citizenship Award in December.
They are Anthony Benavidez,
Jessica Pizano, Rhys Karr, Cody
Marsing, Haylea Bosteder,
Adrian Chavez, Kendall Crozier,
Adrian Chavez, Kendall Crozier,
Cachary
Hammer, Jeremy Johison, Julio
Leo, Makala Bird, Travis Mapes,
Sam Crady, Hayden Wheatley,
Brooklyn Lee, Christina Peters,
Cameron Ahrens, Preston Cahall,
Juan Carillo, Mary Chandler,
Jordan Jerke, Saless Terry,
Britany Kiser, Jeremy Kytle and
Melissa Hockenberry.

ISDB announces first semester honor roll

GOODING - The Idaho School for the Deaf and the Blind announced its honor roll for the

announced its honor roll for the first semester. High school Freshman - Rebecca Cole, 3.71 grade-point average. Junior - Gloria Sanchez, 4.0 GPA.

GPA
Senior - Ruth Anna Spooner,
4.0 GPA
Middle school
seventh grade - Kelsey
Wessman, 3.71 GPA

Jerome High School holds senior project open house

JEROME - The Jerome High School winter session senior pro-ject open house will be held from 2-6 p.m. Feb. 20 at the Jerome Country Club, 649 Golf Course Road. Parents, students and all mem-

Road.
Parents, students and all members of the community are welcome to attend.
For more information, call 324-8137.

Jerome Tiger Den restaurant is open for two more days

JEROME - The Jerome High School Tiger Den restaurant will only be open two more days, Feb. 12 and Feb. 19. The menu on Feb. 12 will include homemade tostadas, Mexican rice, refried beans and flan.

flan.

The meal on Feb. 19 is reserved for department heads only, but a limited amount of meals to go will be available.

The cost for the lunches will be

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\$4. For more information or reservations, call Mrs. Kester at 324-48137, ext. 4102 or e-mail her at kesters@d261.k12.id.us.

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head to state competition

High school students head to state competition across idaho, including two from the Magic Valley, will demonstrate their knowledge of American rights and responsibilities during the "We the Peoplet The Citzen and the Constitution" state competition from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday, at Boise State University.

Student teams have studied for, months to prepare for the competition, which puts them in the role of experts testifying on constitutional states in a simulated-congressional hearing. The "congressional committees" consist of constitutional scholars, lawyers and government leaders the will-judge the students' performance, Teams competing in the state, finals include Bliss High School and Wendell High School. The winners will have the opportunity to represent Idaho at then national finals on April 26-28 in: Ms.V. Christian Schools

M.V. Christian Schools Boosters serve breakfast

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TWIN FALLS - Magic ValleytChristian Schools Boosters Clubwill hold a pancake breakfast?
will hold a lam. Saturday at the
Twin Falls Reformed Church;
1631 Crandwew Drive.
Tickets are available at the
school office, from the cheersquad or students on sports.

For more information, call the school at 733-5999.

TFHS seniors check out university

For a portion of students at Twin Falls High School, the last semester of their school careers is upon them. The long and arduous years are behind them, and all that remains are a few months until that big day—graduation.

But while this is a long-awaifed goal of students everywhere, it can also be quite terrifying. The huge decision of what to do after high school suddenly looms before seniors. Many soon-to-be graduates stress over how they will survive in the "real world."

Most teenagers plan to attend college after they graduate, but by their senior year, a significant percentage don't have a clue as



to what college they will attend, or where to find information on prospective schools. In Idaho, we our fortunate to have one of the best schools in the West, the University of Idaho in Moscow.

On Jan. 29, the University of Idaho in Moscow.

Idaho held its annual Vandal Vision program in Twin Falls.

Many students from all over the Magic Vailey attended, including several from TFHS.

Vandal Vision provided information on admissions, scholarships, campus life and academics to curious students. For high school students who are looking for many opportunities and an excellent college experience, the UI is a good place to be.

"The best things about the University of Idaho are the environment and atmosphere. There is this energy that exists on campus that you can't find anywhere else," UI junior Nathaniel Brown said.

If you want more information, give the University of Idaho a call at 1-88-88-UIDAHO.

As I continue to work hard and achieve my goals, I am thankful to all the parents, teachers and friends who have supported me. I would especially like to voice my gratitude to Edna Mae Jukich, my first-grade teacher who is now retired. She began my education and today, still continues to assert a positive force upon my life. Thank you.

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



Students from Immanuel Lutheran School In Twin Falls who will have their y published in an anthology include, from left, Cody Watterman, Tasha-, Clera Hawkins, Justin Cordova, Matthew Luckock, Sarah Bartlett, on Brown, Evan Aardema and Brock Casperson.

Immanuel Lutheran kids will see poetry in print

TWIN FALLS - Ten Immanuel Lutheran School students will have their poetry published. Creative Communication has notified the fifth- and sixthey graders that their poems would be published in an upcoming edi-tion. Cindy Champlin is their teacher.

tion. Cindy Champun is men-teacher.

The students and their poems are Evan Aardema, "Blue;"
Sarah Bartlett, "What Do You
Think Of;" Duston Brown,
"Basketball/Football;" Stephanie
Brown, "Grandpa, My Angel;"
Tasha Buss, "Under My Pillow;"
Brock Casperson, "Yesterday;"

On Jan. 20, the Dietrich BPA
Chapter traveled to the College of
Southern Idaho campus in Twin
Falls.
There, they joined the
Hagerman, Bliss, Twin Falls,
Jerome, Gooding, Filer,
Shoshone, Castleford, Kimberiy
and Glenns Ferry chapters in the
Business Professionals of America
Idaho Region 6 competitions.
Competitions.
Competiting members of the
Dietrich Chapter were Jessica
Heisley, Nikki Towne, AJ Hill,
Emily Hoskisson, Shawn Divine,
Shark Divine,

Justin Cordova, "Winter is Coming," Ciera Hawkins, "What Do I-Want to Be When I Grow Up;" Matthew Luckock, "Everything Stew" and Cody Walterman, "Blue." Creative Communication of Logan, Utah sponsors two contests each year for students in grades kindergarten through 12th grade. Student poets from Alaska, Idaho, Oregon and Washington are featured in the publication. More information about the antibologies can be found at its Web site at www.poeticpower.com. Dietrich BPA Chapter shows success at regional contests

DIETRICH SCHOOL NEWS Charlene Fenelon

Helsley. Their BPA adviser is Ryan Smith. Ryan Smith. Working hard to prove the level of excellence at Dietrich High School, this charger brought home many top aware with first contest. In the lead with first place in the economic research project team event were Christine Telford, Carrie Ritter and Keely Cook. The parliamentary procedure team members,

Jessica Helsley, Nicki Miller, Shawn Divine and Kelli Fenelon, showed how to properly run a business meeting by placing first in the event

business meeting by placing first in the event.

AJ Hill, Nicki Towne and Eric Schohoney placed first in the global marketing team event, and placing first in the human resource management event was Jessica Helsley, who also placed fourth in the parliamentary procedures concepts event.

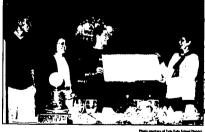
A first place also was brought in by Emily Hosdesson for her performance in the economic research project individual contests.

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Second place awards earned by

the Dietrich BPA Chapter included Arthur Queroz in Microsoft network administration, Stewart Bingham in legal office procedures and AJ Hill in advanced in the Comparation of the Compar

Charlene Fenelon is the Dietricth High School paraedycator.

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Key Club members of Twin Falls High School present a check for \$500 to Kiwanis International on Dec. 12. Key Club members collected the money Halloween on behalf of UNICEF, the United Nations Children's Fund, to aid needy children around the world. Presenting the check to Kiwanis President Norma Blass and Key Club adviser, the Rev. Brian Thorn were Key Club President London Jenks, vice president Andrea Workman and club secretary

Hansen Elementary School announces latest honor roll

HANSEN - Hansen
Elementary School announced its
latest honor roll.
Third grade - Hannah Bates,
Mickenlie Baxter, Hailey Beadz,
Courtney Borlase, Humberto
Chavez, Daniel Colson, Brannon
Cummings, Courtney Leiser,
Baxter Morse, Kevin Robison,
Devon Spearing, Brandin Steiner
and Carlie Wilkins.
Fourth grade - Zach Chavez,
Samantha Coulter, Taylor Harris,
Elaine Navarette, Emma

Okarma, Daniel Parker, Gerrit Peters, Sara Worden and Christian Worth. Fifth grade – Derek Bates, J Jainet Braun, Kendyl Copenbarger, Crystal Guerrero, Kandous Johnson, Justin McCormick, Annie Thomson, I Kelly McNurlin, Gulllermo Medel and Marley Rife. Sixth grade – Randal Borlase, I Cody Brown, Kylie Call, al Samantha Corle and Blake Harris.

Commun A page for you and your neighbors.

Answers to disaster likely lie in data

WASHINGTON - The best

WASHINGTON - The best hope for discovering what destroyed the space shuttle Columbia probably lies not in the spacecraft's scattered remains, but in bits of data, snippets of illin, memos and paperwork.

New data is already helping NASA engineers learn more about what happened during the last few minutes of Columbia's flight. The latest information indicates that a "significant" event sent temperatures in the shuttle's laft wheel well; soaring at 8:53 a.m. EST, seven minutes before the shuttle was lost, shuttle' program manager Ron Dittemore told a news conference Sunday afternoon.

'A minute later, NASA had indications of unusual serodynamic drag on the left side of the shuttle, which could have been caused by a missing heat tile or tiles or by tiles that had come askew.

That would appear to correlate with a California astronomer's-report that something was coming off Columbia at that point in its descent, Dittemore said.

NASA engineers are especially hopeful that they'll get important clues from 32 seconds of data that continued streaming into Mission Control in Houston "after we lost signal" from "Columbia's seven-person crew, Dittemore said.

"As we dig down into the data, we are getting more and more information that will help us decipher. the problem," Dittemore added.

Because the first indications of rouble seem to come from the left wheel well, which may contain some wiring from the wing, NASA is now considering prying open Columbia's sister ship Discovery, which is undergoing routine modifications in California, to see whether problems on the wing could lead to

abnormal readings in the wheel

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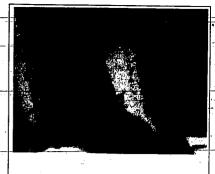
Investigators on two new government panels will have to be like detectives working the trail of evidence backward from the scene of a crime, experts in space

scene of a crime, experts in space and accident reconstruction said.
And they probably won't collect all of Columbia's pieces, which are strewn across 500 miles in three states.

The key is to keep looking back, said 800 Hotz, who served on the commission that investigated the 1986 explosion that cleartweet the shurtle Challenger. "An accident is 11 idiots lined up in a row. It's not the last thing that happened.
"They need to go back to the

that happened.
"They need to go back to the roots of it all," Hotz said. "You take a point of impact and work backwards. Because what happened just before the point of impact is not the cause of the impact. It may start way back in the manufacturing process."

They'll get answers from "the data," not debris; unless they get really lucky," Lewis said. All of the experts consulted by Knight Ridder agrees on the experts consulted by Knight Ridder agrees, and the experts consulted by Knight Ridder agrees, and the experts of pair replacements and detailed "anomaly" liss that NASA keeps will all be fodder for investigators, Hotz said. They will try to find a pattern of problems or defects, early warning signs. Videotapes of the shuttle that were made from several angles and cameras during Columbia's Jan. 16 launch also can providedues. Studying them, NASA engineers noticed debris from the external fuel tank hitting the shuttle's left wing just after lift-off, and that occurrence has become an early suspect. Investigators will zero in on NASA managers' decision-making to examine why they thought the incident was no big deal, Hotz said.







Astronaut became symbol of India's spirit

*KARNAL, India – For Kalpana Chiawla, one of the seven astro-nauts who died aboard the space shuttle Columbia, the journey from small-town India to outer space was little short of remark-able.

ore. On Sunday, Karnal's residents athered in grief and disbelief to gathered in griet and disbelief to mourn the woman who put their town on the world map - and in the process proved that no dream is limpossible, even for girls in this notidescript Indian town, where rickshaws still outnumber cars, and cows amble through the streets.

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"At the time when she became an astronaut, people still couldn't believe that a girl can do that kind of thing," said Sangareet Ghaun, It, an Itihgrader at Chawla's former high school who was sponsored by Chawla last year to attend NASA's summer camp for invernational students.

All of the seven astronauts who died aboard Columbia battled fierce competition from the world's brightest and best brains for cherished places on the NAS space program. But Chawla, 41, fooght also the odds of her country's powerty and prejudices to-bosone the first Asian woman in the country of the cou

Lry's, poverty, and, prejudices. Lo.

Sixty percent of women are illicated in Haryana state, where
Karnal is located, 80 miles north
of Delhi. Forty-five percent are
married off by their families
before they reach age 19. Femal
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still persist.
Yet times are changing in India
and Chawla had become far more
than just a local celebrity. As
India strives to assert its status as
a world power, she had become a
national hero, a symbol of pride in
a country that has set its sights on
science and technology as a way
d-break out of poverty. Just a
month ago, her picture was
splashed across the cover of
India's leading news magazine
under the headline: "Making us
Proud."

roversy. Ramon, the 48-year-old son of a



Israel mourns death of its first astronaut

JERUSALEM (AP) – At a high school with a science experiment on the doomed space shuttle Columbia, tearful students covered desks with flowers and candles. In a Cabinet meeting, Prime Minister Ariel Sharon declared astronaut Ilan Ramon a national hero. And across the country, flags flew at half-staff as the nation moumed its latest loss. As Israelis spoke of the Columbia disaster, the recurring theme was a country beset by wrenching tragedies.

After 28 months of daily violence with the Palestinians, a depressed economy and the threat of being drawn into a war with Iraq, Israelis had been celebrating Ramon's journey as a testament to their achievements, blissfully free of tension and controversy.

Holocaust survivor, was portrayed as a symbol of hope and rebirth for Jews, and he emphasized the theme repeatedly during his mission, including saying a Jewish prayer while flying over Jerusalem.

The shuttle broke apart Saurday, just minutes before it was to land, killing Ramon and his six American crewmates.

"We got another slap in the face, as a nation, in addition to the slap we get every day," said Gabi Moor, 39, a barber from northern Israel. His shop is next to a cafe damaged last year in one of nearly 90 Palestinian suicide bombings. "It's like three is a jinx on us."

"Dreams in Tatters" read the headline in the Maariv daily, above a full-page picture of the explosion and an inset showing a smilling, waving Ramon in his

orange space suit. "Crying for Ilan," declared the Yediot Ahronot daily above a similar

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Ramon's loss was particularly stopped in the Ort technical high school in Kiryat Motzkin, a suburb of the northern port city of Haifa.
Six students had spent four years designing an experiment that Ramon took aboard - a study of how near-zero gravity affects the growth of crystals.
Students covered desks with black table toths and photo collages showing Ramon and the students' work on the project. During breaks, many of the school's 1,500 students crowded around the exhibits.
At the weekly Cabinet meeting

At the weekly Cabinet meeting in Jerusalem, Sharon told ministers that Ramon's death was not in vain and more Israelis would fly in space.

appears to be debris (viewed top to bottom) is seen striking the underside of the left wing of the space shuttle Columbia during its ascent into space on NASA says it dealt with

safety issues amid warnings

ence of images taken from video supplied to Florida Today, what

WASHINGTON (AP)
Shortages of key experts, tight
budgets and mounting safety concerns all plagued the nation's
space program in recent years,
according to a trail of reports by
congressional auditors, outside
panels and NASA retirees.

How much of a forewarning they were to Saturday's space shuttle Columbia tragedy may be determined in the next several

weeks.

NASA critics both in and outside the government and investigators into the accident are sure to comb the reports for anything that might explain the disintegration of the spacecraft nearly-40 miles above Texas as it screamed-toward a landing in Florida at more than 12,000 miles per hour.

As President Bush took office, the investigative arm of Congress found in 2001 that NASA's shut le work force over the years had declined significantly to the point of reducing the agency's ability to safely support the program. Many key areas were not sufficiently staffed by qualified work forces showed signs of overwork and failgue, the General Accounting Office stated.

There were other warnings. eeks. NASA critics both in and out

Office stated.

There were other warnings, including a report to Congress last April on the shuttle program by a federally mandated safety

panel of outside experts which expressed "the strongest safety concern" in 15 years.

"We just received a GAO report, I think last week, that looked at NASA's oversight of some of their private contractors and basically said it was inadequate," Sen, John Breaux, D-La, said Sunday on CNN.

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Breaux and other members of said Sunday that safety and the NASA budget will come under intense scrutiny on Capitol Hill this year, beginning Monday when the White House sends lawmakers details of Bush's priorities for the agency mext year.

"Inevitably, there will be a discussion our of this about howmuch NASA should be funded, should there be another orbiter built, and in fact, has it been so poorly funded in recent years that maybe, just maybe it wasn't as safe as it should be? "said Sen. Bill Nelson, D-Fla., a former astronaut who flew aboard Columbia.

The House Science Committee will take the lead in Congress's investigation of the tragedy, focusing on how much money has sheen devoted to the safety of the shuttle and other space programs

shuttle and other space programs and whether the disaster could have been prevented with more resources.

NASA says some remains of crew have been found The Associated Press charred leg. An empty astronaut's helmet also could contain some

Forensics experts expressed confidence that fragmentary remains of Columbia's crew members could be genetically identified despite the craft's disintegration 39 miles overhead, but said details about exactly how the seven astronauts died and how quickly could be elusive. "Remains of some astronauts have been found," Eileen Hawley, a spokeswoman for Johnson Space Center, said Sunday. The remains were recovered in rural east Texas, NASA officials said.

Bob Cabana, director of flight crew operations, had said earlier Sunday that remains of all seven

astronauts had been found, but later corrected himself. He "called to say he misspoke," said another Johnson Space Center spokesman, Rob Naviss. No officials would give a num-ber of astronauts whose remains had been found.

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Astronaut Ilan Ramon was an Israeli fighter plot. That country's U.S. ambassador was in Houston conferring with NASA officials. Under Jewish law, mourners normally must bury their dead within 24 hours, then immediately begin observing a mourning ritual.

The remains may be analyzed at the same center that idendified the remains of the Challenger astronauts and the Pentagon vic-

tims of the Sept. 11 terrorist attack, the Charles C. Carson Center for Mortuary Affairs at Dover Air Force Base in

Dover Air Force Base in Delaware. Officials had initially said iden-tification would be done at Dover, but a base spokeswoman, Lt. Olivia Nelson, said Sunday: "Things are a little more tentative now. We're just not sure at this point."

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She said she didn't know where else the remains might be sent. Dover is the only such military facility in the continental United control of the control of the

States.

Among the remains recovered are a charred torso, thigh bone and skull with front teeth, and a

helmet also could contain some genetic race.

"DNA analysis certainly can do it if there are any cells left," said Carrie Whitcomb, director of the National Center for Forensic Science in Orlando, Fla. "If there is enough tissue to pick up, then there are lots of cells." Nor does the DNA have to come from soft tissue.

"Identification can be made with hair and bone, too," said University of Texas physicies.

with hair and bone, too," said University of Texas physicist Manfred Fink. "Unless the body was very badly burned, there is no reason why there shouldn't be remains and it should not hinder the work."

Utah residents didn't know shuttle was disintegrating

ST. GEORGE, Utah (AP) –
Datens of Utah residents who
drove here to witness the space
shuttle's re-entry Saturday were
among the last to see Columbia
before its destruction.
That final glimpse came at
6.57 a.m. Saturday. NASA lost
contact with the craft about
thee minutes later.
Do its re-entry, Columbia
came over Utah headed toward
Texas, on a line that stretched
from near St. George to the
vicinity of Kanab.
As the sky began to slowly

brighten, viewers caught a glimpse of the descending shut-

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Nine residents of Ogden and the Salt Lake City area traveled to an abandoned runway southeast of St. George, almost directly under the shuttle's path. Another dozen, including Patrick Wiggins – NASA's solar system ambassador to Utah—stationed "themselves near Leeds, Washington County.

Though witnesses could not make out the shape of the shuttle, it appeared as an electric

blue ball with a bright orange tail billowing behind, Wiggins

said.

Several reported seeing items said.

Several reported seeing items fallling from the shuttle as it passed overhead, A video made. by Lee Priest of Ogden shows that suddenly a great deal more material shows up in the spacecraft's contrail, which became thicker and darker.

"It was really fast," said Priest, president of the Ogden Astronomical Society. "I thought it was going to be slower than that." "

Russia sends cargo ship to international space station

MOSCOW (AP) - Russia launched an unmanned cargo ship to the international space station-Sunday, a day after the loss of the space shuttle Columbia threw into doubt future missions to the orbiting complex.

The Progress M-47 lifted off atop a Soyuz-U rocket from the Baikonur Cosmodrome in Kazakhstan at 3:59 p.m. and entered orbit in few minutes later, said Nikolai Kryuchkov, a spokesman at Russia's mission control center outside Moscow.

The craft is scheduled to dock

with the station Tuesday, deliver-ing fuel, equipment, food and mail for the three-astronaut crew – a Russian commander and two Americans.

Americans. The long planned and two Americans. The long planned and a stunned Russian space officials offered condelences for the astronauts – isk Americans and one Israell- killed when the Columbia disintegrated shortly before it was to have landed Saturday morning. They said the disaster may put Moscow's cash-strapped space program under more pressure to deliver crews and sup-

piles to the station.

"This is a big tragedy for us," said Vladimir Solovyov, head of Russia's mission control center. "We knew every member of the Columbia crew personalty except for the Israeli astronaut."

Cosmonaut Yuri Usachev, who commanded the space station's second crew in 2001, said he and his colleagues were feeling the tragedy as a "personal loss."

"I believe yesterday's tragedy will have a big influence on the future of the international space station," he told TVS television.

TWIN FALLS COUNTY COURTS

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

Drunken-driving sentencings

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Misdemeanor sentencings

Benjamin Woodhouse, 27, 1153 are Highway 27, Burley; fail to pur-assefinvalid driver's license; pleaded tilty; 586.50 fine; 563.50 court costs; agistrate Judge Howard Smyser.

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Debbie L. Caughman, 39, 208 chard Drive W., Twin Falls; driving

Felony sentencings

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Twin Falls; compiracy to possess maricute with a child under 16; found innocent; District Judge Nathan W. Higer.
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Juvenile arraignments

Joseph K. Shores, 15, 534 Third Ave. W., Twin Falls; petit theft; public defender appointed; in custody of juver-nile detention center; pretrial confer-ence Feb. 11; Magistrate Judge John Varin

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Civil filings

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Dusty Moller vs. Advanced Dental
Care of Twin Falls, Dr. Rencher,
Seeking judgment against the defendant for \$4,000 for medical bills, lost
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Child support cases

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cowered by insurance; provide medical insurance; 5363 attorneys; fees and costs.

State of Idaho, Department of Health and Welfare, Child Support Service vs. Jason Kerlin, Seeking establishment of paternity; \$277 to the control of the control of

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Divorces filed

Joshua M. Gillespie vs. Jocelyn F. Gillespie.
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COUNTY COURTS

RUPERT - Recent activity in 5th District Court in Minidoka County included:

Misdemeanor dismissals

Mario Alberto Benavidez, 30, P.O. Box 21, Heyburn; contempt of court; Magistrate Judge Roy C. Helloway.

Misdemeanor sentencings

Andres Delatorre, 27, 2367 S. 2450 E.,
Mata; invalid driver's license, pleaded
guilty, 568.50 fine, 563.50 court costs.
Martin M. Guzman, 19, 1023 15th
Drive, Ruper; invalid driver's license,
leaded guilty, 568.50 fine, 563.50 court

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ume credited; Magistrate Judge Roy C. Holloway. Jeris F. Erickson, 20, 1622 B. E. 1700. S. Gooding frequenting a place where controlled substances are used, pleaded stilly, \$100 Illen, \$63.50 court costs; Maria E. Rangel, 24, 1140 John St., No. Heyburn; Invalid driver's license, pleaded guilty, \$68.50 line, \$63.50 court costs.

pleaded guilty, \$68.50 fine, \$63.50 court costs.

Carlos Valencia Reyes, 29, P.O. Box 93, Shoshone; two counts contempt of court, one count dismissed, one count pleaded guilty, one day in jail, time credited, Magistrate Juge Larry R. Duff., in careful country of the country of the country dismissed, one count of the country dismissed, one count pleaded guilty, \$63.50 court costs, 30 days in jail, 30 days suspended, 12 months probation; Magistrate Judge Michael R. Crabtree, Magistrate Judge Roy C. Holloway.

Driving under the influence sentencings Joel A. Paz, 19, P.O. Box 11, Minidoka; one count open container violation,

sion, time creatieu; magnatus, Roy C. Holloway.
Christopher D. Beeler, 20, 1549 J St., Heyburn; misdemeanor, pleaded guilty, \$200 fine, \$75.50 court costs, 30 days in jail, 29 days suspended, one year probation, 90 days driver's license suspension, time credited; Magistrate Judge Roy C.

Felony dismissals

Francisco B. Guerra, 27, 2010 Record Crossing, Dallas; second-degree kidnap-ping; Magistrate Judge Roy C. Holloway.

Deferred prosecutions

William John Baker, 36, 1134 Elba Ave., Burley; disturbing the peace; Magistrate Judge Roy C. Holloway.

CASSIA COUNTY COURTS -

BURLEY - Recent activity in 5th District Court in Cassia County included:

Misdemeanor dismissals

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Sarah Bliss Layeuck, 19, 9300 S.
Redwood Road, Apt. 14-13, Wex Jordan,
Itali; failure to appear for misdemeanor
citation; Magistrate Judge Roy C.
Damian P. Graetzer, 19, 2020 15th
Drive, Heyburn; petit theft, 5100 fine;
Norilberto C. Bernal, 22, 629 Hiland
Ave, No. 13, Burley; petit theft;
Magistrate Judge Roy C. Holloway.

Misdemeanor sentencings

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Kerin D. Tinker, 30, 478a. S. 1000 E.
Jerome, invalid driver's license, plenate
guitty, 586.50 fine, 563.50 court costs;
Magistrate Judge Roy C. Holloway,
Juan D. Landerer, 21, 508 S. 50 W.
Magistrate Judge Michael R. Crabtree.
Magistrate Judge Michael R. Crabtree.
Gregory Gibbon, 35, 2560 N.W. 56th
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tions, pleaded guilty, \$284.50 fine, \$63.50 court costs, Maisritze Judge Michael R. Cribbree.

Panchanko Vyacheslan, 28, 7408
Westgate Drive, Citrus Heights, Calif.;
Westgate Drive, Citrus Heights, Calif.;
Calvin E. Taillon, 64, 400.5 Merril,
New Boston, Texas failure to display hazardous, transporter, permit, pleaded
gradus, transporter, pleaded, pl

rmit, pleaded guilty, 500-20 mm, avant cross.
Richard E. Leach, 52, 24319 42nd Ave.
Spaneway, Wash, motor carrier log
solk violations, pleaded guilty, \$43.50
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james P. Johnson, 67, 4501 Cave Loop
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and, Handersoville, N.C. failure to dissolidate transporter permit, plead-

Road, Handersonville, N.C.; failure to dis-lay hazardous transporter permit, plead-of guilty, \$63.50 fine, \$63.50 court costs. Guy Myron, Goodfellow, 45, 600 S. 418 W., Burley, two counts weight exceeding flowable gross loads, pleaded guilty, one ount \$10 fine, one count \$41 fine, \$63.50

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oleages gunsy, was been worken gunsy steven Wodshow, 1443 Oakley toe, Apt. 8, Burley one count open conince, pleaded guilty, \$63.50 court costs; one count failure to appear for misdenic

meanor citation, pleaded guilty, \$63.50 court oxts, 10 days in juil, 10 days supended, one year probation; Magistrate Judge Roy C. Holloway. Michael Scott Stansall, 31, 1134 Elba Ave. Burley, driving without privileges, pleaded guilty, \$200 fine. \$480.50 court costs, \$35 defender fees, one year probation, six month 'driver's license suspension; Magistrate Judge Michael R. Chaltree.

Crabtree.
Jose Maldonado Salinas, 20, 750 W.
200 N., Paul; invalid driver's license,
pleaded guilty, \$68.50 fine, \$63.50 court

costs.
Hebry Paul Rins, 31, 1310 Hansen
Ave., No. 2, Burtley; resisting ufficers,
pleaded guilty, 5100 fine, 563.50 court
costs, 60 days in jail, 30 days suspended,
one year probation, time credited;
Magistrate JudgeRen C, Holloway.
Tony Romerto, 70, 1650 S. 568 W.,
Oakley; invalid driver's license, pleaded
guilty, 568.50 fine, 563.50 rourt costs.

Driving under the

Influence sentencings
Maurice M. Sawell, 36, 400 W. 130 S.
N. 8, Rupert; folony, pleaded guilty,
\$103.50 court costs, 36 months' determinate penitentiary time, suspended, 24
months' indeterminate penitentiary time,
suspended, one year driver's license suspended, not penitentiary time,
suspended, one year driver's license suspendion, retained sentence, time credited;
better judge Monte B. Cardo

Starr L. Uscola, 23, 1259 1/2 Normal Ave., Burley; theft by receiving smlen property; District Judge Monte B. Carlson.

James Lund Pehrson, 47, 101

Riverside Drive, Burley, five counts theft
by unauthorized control of property;

District Judge Monte B. Carlson.

Felony sentencings

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Ralph Howard Romines, 45, 75 Normal Ave., C-3, Burley; batters Magistrate Judge Michael R. Crabtree.

Juvenile sentencings

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