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U.S. troops invade Iraq

Missiles bombard Baghdad

By S. Thorne Harper,
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Knight Ridder News Service

INSIDE SOUTHERN IRAQ — More than 60,000 U.S. and British troops invaded southern Iraq, artillery batteries bombarded enemy positions and Tomahawk cruise missiles blasted Baghdad again Thursday night as the second Gulf War expanded.

There were no immediate reports of U.S. or allied casualties or of Iraqi chemical or biological attacks, although Iraq fired at least four ineffectual missiles at U.S. positions in Kuwait. Iraqi forces also torched at least nine Iraqi oil wells or pipelines.

U.S. officials called Iraq's military response modest and uncoordinated, suggesting that key units of Saddam Hussein — perhaps even Saddam himself — may have been incapacitated or killed by the precision attack that opened the war.

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Still, the war was clearly intensifying Thursday.

Helicopter crash claims 16 soldiers

The Associated Press

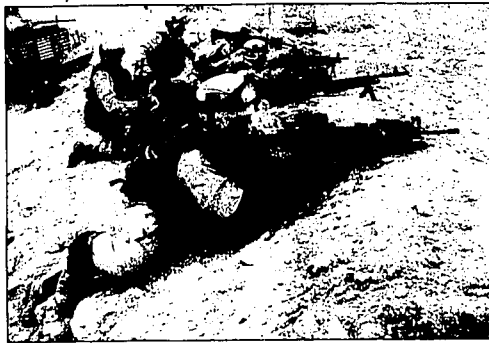
WASHINGTON — A U.S. Marine helicopter crashed in Kuwait Thursday, killing all 16 American and British soldiers aboard, military officials said.

The crash of the CH-46 Sea Knight helicopter killed 12 British and four U.S. soldiers, officials said. The helicopter was assigned to the 1st Marine Expeditionary Force.

The helicopter crashed at 5:37 p.m. MST — Friday morning in Kuwait — about 9 miles away from the border with Iraq, military officials said. The cause of the crash is under investigation, the officials said, adding that hostile fire had not been reported in the area.

The Marine Corps Sea Knight, a bi-rotor helicopter with two large rotors, to fly troops from ships at sea or base camps to forward positions.

The Navy and Marines grounded all 291 Sea Knight helicopters in August after an inspection of one helicopter in North Carolina found a crack in a rotor assembly. A Marine Corps CH-46 crashed in 2001, killing three Marines and injuring two.



Soldiers in the U.S. Army 15th Infantry look toward Iraq from the Kuwaiti border Thursday. Allied forces crossed into southern Iraq on Thursday.

M.V. families crave every scrap of information

By Nate Johnson
Times-News writer

"If ROM!" — Hank Williams' heart caught in his throat when he saw the words "U.S. government" on the caller identification screen.

It was 1 p.m. Thursday, less than a day after President Bush had declared war on Iraq. Those digital letters on the caller identification screen could mean anything, one thing was certain: Williams' only son, Army Spc. Hank "Late" Williams.

Though Williams had expected a war to start soon, the news of the attack hit him hard. Watching evening news, he found that, while he was not surprised, neither was he prepared for the fact that people might be looking at his son.

"I like me and my wife, but about, I raised a very good son. I didn't realize when I came down to the line, it was a little bit of a shock."

Somehow, in the days after the young man's death, Williams made his way to his son's funeral. He was in the crowd when he saw his son's casket. He was the only one who was crying. He had never seen the Army Spc. Williams and his friend, Lt. Col. Williams, talked to a reporter.

Williams picked up the phone and heard the words, "U.S. Army." "You can't imagine how just so pleased to hear his voice," Williams said.

"You think, 'he would love it here,' Dad. You should see it here," Lt. Williams said.

The mother, Dawn Williams, was relieved to be at her son's funeral as well, but she's still playing hard for him. Still, she's kept her son from going crazy with worry, she said.

"It's hard — lots of sleepless nights," she said.

When servicemen and women call home, they can't talk to their news-hungry families about much more than the weather.

"Everything I ask him to do, 'You know I can't do it,' that," said Cathy, 1st son of Lt. Williams. Her son, Army Spc. Michael Leigh, is in northern Kuwait.

Army Pvt. April Williams told her mother, Sgt. Leon, she had waited in line two and a half hours to call Twin Falls. As they spoke, Leon heard shouting in the background.

"What are you talking about? You can't say that I will hang up the phone right now."

"Is he talking to you?" Leon asked her daughter. Nesmith

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'SHOCK AND AWE' STRATEGY ON FIELD

A second day of strikes

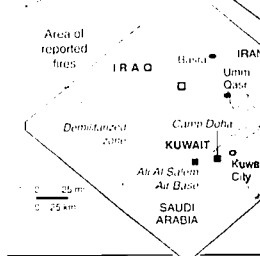
As the U.S. military struck targets in Baghdad for a second night, the ground war began with warplanes and missiles raining from Kuwait.

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The second wave of U.S. missiles hit two buildings, barely a mile apart in central Baghdad.



SOURCES: The Washington Post; Reuters; Associated Press; United Nations; EPR; Associated Press

Analysts believe Saddam was in bunker

The Washington Post

U.S. intelligence officials believe Iraq President Saddam Hussein, possibly accompanied by one or both of his powerful sons, was still inside a compound in southern Baghdad early Thursday when it was struck by a barrage of U.S. bombs and cruise missiles.

But intelligence analysts in

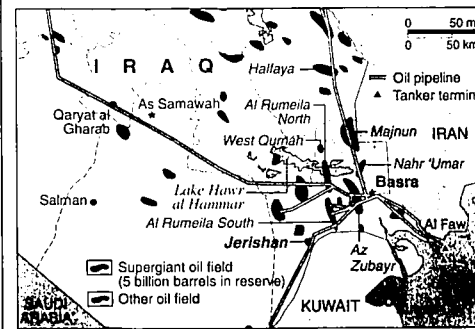
Washington and operatives working in the region weren't certain whether the Iraqi leader was killed or injured or escaped the attack, according to senior Bush administration officials, who worked Thursday to analyze a videotape of an appearance by Saddam broadcast on Iraqi television within hours of the pre-dawn bombardment.

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SOURCES: Department of Defense; CIA; United Nations; Associated Press

Reports of oil fires fuel fears

NEAR THE KUWAIT-IRAQ BORDER (AP) — Flames lit up the nighttime desert sky Thursday from the direction of Iraq's petroleum center Basra, and U.S. forces entering southern Iraq saw oil wells on fire.

U.S. military planners and oil importers have feared Saddam Hussein would order troops to sabotage their country's precious patrimony — 112 billion barrels of oil in the world's second-largest proven crude reserves.

Retreating Iraqi troops burned Kuwait's oil fields during the 1991 Gulf War. And worries mounted in recent weeks that Iraqis have rigged their oil wells with explosives in hopes of slowing a U.S.-led attack and making the country's oil wealth worthless for any new government.

U.S. Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld could not confirm any sabotage, saying three or four oil wells may have been

set afire. It was not immediately clear how the fires started.

Still, oil markets reacted in a buying frenzy, afraid these sightings might pressure the wholesale destruction of Iraq's oil industry.

In London, May contracts of North Sea Brent crude surged as high as \$27.50 before closing lower at \$25.50 on expectations that an imminent U.S.-led ground assault would bring a quick end to the war.

April contracts of U.S. light, sweet crude peaked at \$30.40 in New York before dropping to \$28.80 by late afternoon, down \$1.08 from Wednesday's close. U.S. futures reached a post-Gulf War high of \$39.99 on Feb. 27.

The Pentagon — which confirmed Wednesday that Iraq has booby-trapped oil wells so no one person could blow them up — insists it will try to secure oil fields quickly to

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America at war

War so far diverges from doctrine of 'overwhelming force'

By Thomas E. Ricks
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — The war that the U.S. military has launched in Iraq isn't the kind it has been told it should be ready to fight.

Since the American policy of gradual "escalation" of military force ended in failure in Vietnam, a generation of officers has been shaped by the notion that when the nation goes to war, it must use its overwhelming power to decisively defeat enemies. But the opening phase of the Second Gulf War has been marked instead by a few sharp, narrowly focused blows aimed at bringing down the regime of Saddam Hussein without having to resort to a conventional, all-out attack.

Over the last two days, U.S. and British forces launched about 60 cruise missiles at a few key "head-ship" targets, dropped a handful of bombs, and sent Special Operations forces to reconnoiter key targets. Then they accelerated the timing of the ground war, sending several thousand troops across the border from Kuwait. Perhaps most importantly, the United States intensified a month-long psychological operations campaign aimed at turning the loyalties of the Iraqi army, or at least convincing it that resistance is futile. According to a senior Bush administration official, surrender negotiations were underway Thursday between U.S. officials and a number of Iraqi unit commanders.

"What they're trying to do right



U.S. soldiers scale a 15-foot wall of sand to keep watch for Iraqi troops Thursday on the Kuwait/Iraq border. The hole in the berm was used as a path for U.S. forces as they make their way to Baghdad.

now is to punish the regime and give forces a chance to capitulate," this insider said. "It's a selective use of force to see if you can separate the people from the regime."

If this last chance to avert Hussein does not work, he added, "this is a force that has a plan to annihilate the Iraqi military, if it has to." He was referring to the relentless "shock and awe" bombing campaign that some

Pentagon officials had predicted might begin the war.

Another defense official agreed with that description of the war plan, saying that the first two days of strikes—which also have targeted some headquarters buildings of the Republican Guard, some of Hussein's most loyal troops—have been intended "to see if we can try to tip things, first."

But this official warned that time is running out, and that the

plan calls for escalating soon to extensive bombing raids.

Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld summarized this carrot-and-stick approach at the Pentagon Thursday. "We continue to feel that there's no need for a broader conflict if the Iraqis act to save themselves," he continued. "What will follow will not be a repeat of any other conflict. It will be of a force and scope and scale that has been beyond

what has been seen before."

But for the moment, large-scale bombing remains just a plan. The first two days of the war have shown a probing, even constrained use of force, a tactic that, despite the widespread chatter about "shock and awe," is in keeping with the actual war plan, and defense officials familiar with it. "Except for the attack on Hussein and his aides last night, it was always meant to look like

this," a senior defense official said. "The idea is to continue the confusion and chaos among them."

In the days and weeks to come, Pentagon officials promise, the U.S. military will demonstrate a mindset that is more flexible, more integrated in ground and air operations, and more willing to take risks than it was during the first Persian Gulf War 12 years ago. Special Operations troops, almost ignored during that war, have been operating inside Iraq for weeks, and are expected to take a central role in coming days.

Ground and air forces are to operate simultaneously as U.S. armored units charge with almost unprecedented speed toward Baghdad. U.S. ground commanders also showed flexibility Thursday when they accelerated their plans to invade Iraq—some by just a few hours, some by as much as a full day. Their movement came after just one day of limited bombing, in contrast to the five weeks of airstrikes that preceded the U.S. ground war in 1991. The total American and British force invading Iraq is about a third the size of the ground force that was gathered to liberate the far smaller nation of Kuwait back then.

"It is this successful it will open up more flexibility in future operations," said Duke University political scientist Peter Feaver, an expert on the political implications of the use of force. "It would certainly be existence of a proof that other approaches do not lead to certain disaster."



Multnomah County Sheriff's Deputy Scott McLellan prepares to tie a patrol boat to the dock along the Columbia River in Portland, Ore., Thursday after patrolling the Columbia and Willamette rivers as part of heightened security.

Agencies heighten security as war starts

WASHINGTON (AP) — Federal agencies increased inspections at borders and of the food supply, put nuclear plants on heightened alert and stepped up the search for possible Iraqi terrorist "sleepers" in a move to war footing Thursday.

As the U.S. assault on Iraq intensified, Homeland Security Secretary Tom Ridge told members of Congress that there had been no incidents in the United States in retaliation.

He said the "code orange" alert status imposed this week would stay in effect.

FBI agents, in an attempt to head off possible retaliation for the war, began forming out across the country to interview thousands of people born in Iraq, the agency said. The FBI also said it also wanted to try to prevent hate crimes against people of Iraqi heritage.

The FBI's 56 bureaus were put on around-the-clock operation. "We are running down every lead, responding to every threat," Director Robert Mueller said.

Federal meat and poultry inspectors, in their routine inspections, began testing for chemical or biological agents that terrorists might use, said Jesse Majkowski, head of the Agriculture Department's food security office.

The Food and Drug Administration increased testing for such potential agents in products it analyzes, agency officials said. The Centers for Disease Control was keeping a lookout in case doctors notice any unusual outbreak of diseases or symptoms associated with those agents.

On Capitol Hill, some congressional hearings were canceled in their agendas abbreviated as lawmakers focused on the war. Tours of the Capitol were suspended effective Friday but visitors can still get to the House or Senate galleries with a pass from a lawmaker's office.

At one hearing, senators were told that the government had stepped up its inspections of cargo vessels coming into the United States because of continued worries terrorists might use them to bring in a radioactive "dirty bomb" or other explosive. But Asa Hutchinson, Homeland Security's undersecretary for border and transportation security, acknowledged that the country remains vulnerable because more than 6 million cargo containers arrive in America every year and not all of them can be checked.

U.S. officials want to improve cooperation with major foreign ports to more clearly pin down what is being shipped.

Initial war bill: About \$70 billion

Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON — The Bush administration is expected next week to submit the first installment of the bill for war with Iraq—a tab of between \$70 billion and \$75 billion that would cover one month of fighting, and several months of occupation, sources said Thursday.

Administration and congressional sources both warned that the request is unlikely to cover the full cost of the war and its aftermath, and that the White House will have to return to Congress for more money.

That suggests that the final cost of the conflict could easily top the \$100 billion mark that senior administration officials have repeatedly dismissed as out-sized.

Separately, the White House and Treasury said the administration is seeking to secure \$2.3 billion in Iraqi government funds in U.S. and overseas bank accounts, and is searching for what officials suggest may be another \$12 billion from the alien sale of Iraqi oil. Officials said the money would be used to help rebuild Iraq after the war.

A spokesman with the White House Office of Management and Budget declined to comment on the administration's war budget request, saying officials have still not settled on some elements of the proposal and that President Bush has yet to sign off on the measure.

Sources cautioned that the final size of the war budget request could change as the battle unfolds and administration officials adjust what is included and what to leave out.

As of Thursday, the sources said, the package would include about \$63 billion for the Defense Department, \$5 billion to \$10 billion for the State Department to provide aid to regional allies such as Israel, and between \$2 billion and \$4 billion for the new Department of Homeland Security.

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America at war

On duty

Our list of people with local ties serving in the Persian Gulf continues to grow. Here's the updated list (Major Valley location listed by link to area):

- **Army Pvt. Cole Fleenor**, Twin Falls, serving in Kuwait.
- **Navy Gunners Mate Ryan Watson**, Kuna, on board the USS Nassau.
- **Idaho Air National Guard Master Sgt. Kirk Wehner**, Buhl, serving near Kuwait City.
- **Marine Lance Cpl. Joshua VanCasteren**, Twin Falls, location unknown.
- **Marine Lance Cpl. Cory Snow**, Eden, on board the USS Boxer.
- **Navy Seaman Kevin Gilley**, Eden, serving in Kuwait.
- **Army Sgt. Jay M. Bodey**, Rupert, serving in Kuwait.
- **Navy Chief Petty Officer Justin Gray**, Gooding, serving on the aircraft carrier USS Abraham Lincoln.
- **Navy Petty Officer 3rd Class Jacqueline K. Clark**, Filer, serving on the USS Abraham Lincoln.
- **Marine Sgt. James Balch**, Jerome, in Kuwait.
- **Air Force Sr. Airman Mark Jay Stout**, Twin Falls, Indirak Air Force Base, Turkey.
- **Army Major Aldo P. Biagotti Jr.**, Jerome, outside Kuwait City.
- **Marine Lance Cpl. Derek Benson**, Kimberly, stationed in Kuwait.
- **Marine Cpl. Charles Robert Crabtree**, Jerome, on board the USS Bonhomme-Richard.
- **Marine Pfc. Cody Mai**, Twin Falls, serving in Bahrain.
- **Army Ranger SPC. 8th Class Trint Aston**, Twin Falls, location unknown.
- **Marine Lance Cpl. Arlen Gertzel**, Wendell, in Kuwait.
- **Air Force 2nd Lt. Wesley W. Millard**, Burley, location unknown.
- **1st Lt. Col. David C. Eyre**, Jerome, in Qatar.
- **Marine Lance Cpl. Zachary Broadie**, Halley, on board the USS Boxer.
- **Marine Lance Cpl. Jason Withingham**, Twin Falls, at Camp Coyote, Kuwait.
- **Army Pvt. Gene Jensen**, Twin Falls, serving in Afghanistan.
- **Navy Seabee Steel Worker First Class Wade Allred**, Twin Falls, in Kuwait.
- **Marine Cpl. Matthew Taber**, Shoshone, in Kuwait.
- **Army Sgt. Rex Edmund Hendrix II**, Jerome, in Kuwait.
- **Air Force Staff Sgt. Evan Wilkinson**, Filer, in Saudi Arabia.
- **Marine HM3 Daniel Garza**, Rupert, in Kuwait.
- **Air Force Staff Sgt. Matthew Murphy**, Kimberly, in Qatar.
- **Marine Pvc. Dennis Aguilar**, Castleford, location unknown.
- **Army SPC. Tucker Johnson**, Hansen, in Kuwait.
- **Navy Petty Officer 3rd class Jake Blooe**, Buhl, on board the USS Princeton.
- **Navy Petty Officer 3rd class Jody Bille**, Wendell, in Kuwait.
- **Marine Sgt. Andrew Echelberger**, Jerome, in Kuwait.
- **Marine Pvc. Class Kyle V. Williams**, Twin Falls, in Kuwait.
- **Marine Lance Cpl. Terin D. Reeves**, in Kuwait.

Twin Falls, at Camp Coyote in Kuwait.

• **Army Cpl. Steven Braun**, Gooding, in Kuwait.

• **Navy Hospitalman Tara Fehrer**, Braun, Gooding, on board the USS Fort Mifflin.

• **Army Pvt. Marcos Herrera**, Twin Falls, in Kuwait.

• **Navy Petty Officer, Brian Tschannen**, Gooding, in Bahrain.

• **Marine Cpl. Brandon Vollmer**, Kimberly, in northern Kuwait.

• **Marine Cpl. Travis Scott Jensen**, Rupert, in Kuwait.

• **Navy Chief Petty Officer Frank C. Lawson**, Rupert, on the aircraft carrier USS Nimitz.

• **Marine Cpl. Ryan Bean**, Filer, in Kuwait.

• **Air Force Reserve Staff Sgt. Melody D. Thuber** (Bird), Hazelton, at Ahmed Al Jaber Air Base, Kuwait.

• **Navy Aviation Technician 3rd Class, Joseph Schmahl**, Jerome, on the USS Nimitz.

• **Army Cpl. Matthew Douglas**, Burley, location unknown.

• **Marine Sgt. Dustin R. Cureton**, Wendell, in Kuwait.

• **Marine Lance Cpl. Jason Brahosh**, Burley, in Kuwait.

• **Army Chief Warrant Officer Richard (Monty) Gonzales**, serving at Camp Udairi, Kuwait.

• **Navy Petty Officer 3rd Class Britton L. Taylor**, Jerome, on board the USS Boxer.

• **Marine Lance Cpl. Arlo G. Lott Jr.**, Jerome, stationed in Kuwait.

• **Air Force Airman 1st Class Andrew Brower**, Rupert, stationed in Oman.

• **Air Force Master Sgt. Scott Livingston**, Kimberly, in Saudi Arabia.

• **Army Cpl. Kevin Cotton**, Rupert, in Kuwait.

• **Army SPC. Gerald F. Hays Jr.**, Filer, in Kuwait.

• **Army Pvt. April Nesmith**, Twin Falls, in Kuwait.

• **Navy Cmdr. Steven Locher**, Wendell, on the USS Hiroshima.

• **Navy Senior Chief Petty Officer Eric R. Brower**, Halley, location unknown.

• **Army Sgt. Joshua Valley Schmidt**, Jerome, in Camp New Jersey, Kuwait.

• **Army Master Sgt. Darnen J. Cannell**, Burley, in Kuwait.

• **Army SPC. Hank (Tate) Williams**, Jerome, in Kuwait.

• **Marine Cpl. Josh Marbach**, Paul, in Kuwait.

• **Marine Cpl. Robert S. Reese**, Twin Falls, in Kuwait.

• **Army Pfc. Danny J. Felghner**, Wendell, in Kuwait.

• **Navy Airman Travis Hyde**, Twin Falls, on board the USS Kitty Hawk.

• **Army SPC. Michael Legg**, Twin Falls, in northern Kuwait.

• **Army Sgt. Jacob Babcock**, Twin Falls, in Kuwait.

• **Navy Seabee Steelworker 3rd Class Robert (Bobby) K. Taylor**, Hansen, in Turkey.

• **Army Sgt. Roger Dover**, Twin Falls, in Kuwait.

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Families

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had only been reading a wish list for a care package.

The shooting was directed at another soldier on another phone. Nesmith said. She told Leon not to worry. Right now she's more frightened of the big sand spiders than the Iraqi army.

Legg called Elston and her husband, Steve Elston, at 6 a.m. Thursday. He was on the phone just long enough to tell them he was fine. When they ask Legg for details, he tells them about the sand. He hates it, Steve Elston said. It gets everywhere — in Legg's ears, his eyes, his lungs, his food and his underwear.

The soldier's fight against the storms, trying to keep tents upright. He uses baby wipes to clean himself so he can save every drop of water for washing clothes.

Cathy Elston feels much the same as Hank Williams. "You don't think a kid growing up in Twin Falls, Idaho, out in the desert in the middle of Kuwait. Especially if he's your son."

Our loud, Marj Schmidt of Jerome repeats her new mantra: "It's going to serve no purpose for me to keep but her stomach is still doing flip-flops. Last she heard, her son, Army Sgt. Joshua Valley Schmidt, was at Camp New Jersey, Kuwait.

"I've been nervous all morning," she said. "I watched the news this morning for as long as I could, until I had to leave for work." Then she watched a little cube television until she realized she wasn't getting anything done.

For all parents and grandparents of the young men and women in the Persian Gulf, information is like gold. Even those who know their loved ones are a relatively safe distance behind the front lines said they hang on every scrap of news.

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Saddam

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"The preponderance of the evidence is he was there when the building blew up," said one senior U.S. official with access to sensitive intelligence. The official added that Saddam's sons, Qusay and Uday, may also have been at the compound. "He didn't get out" beforehand, another senior official said of the Iraqi president.

A third administration official said "there is evidence that he (Saddam) was at least injured" because of indications that medical attention was urgently summoned on his behalf. The condition of Saddam's sons, and any others who may have been at the compound, was also unknown, officials said.

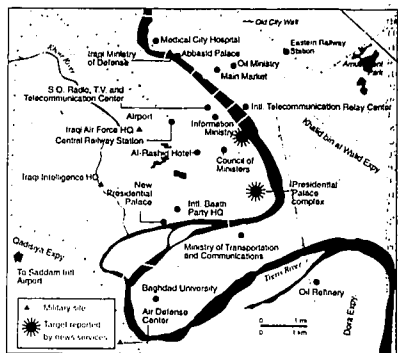
While U.S. intelligence monitored Iraqi government communications and movements Thursday to pick up signs of Saddam's fate, the administration's attention was focused on the television appearance by Saddam, in which he stated Thursday's date and made reference to "dawn" and an attack by the United States.

Officials said they weren't surprised by the broadcast because they had information that the Iraqi leader had recorded several statements earlier in the week in anticipation of a military strike shortly after the expiration of a U.S. deadline for Saddam and his sons to leave the country.

Officials also said they were receiving conflicting analysis of the identity of the man in the broadcast, noting that Saddam has long been reported to use doubles as a precaution against assassination. Technical analysts, who used digital enhancement techniques and triangulation measurements of facial proportions, assessed that the broadcast depicted the real Saddam. But the government also consulted Parvula Lampson, who the Defense Department believes has passed a polygraph examination in support of her claim that she was Saddam's mistress in Iraq for many years.

Lampson has previously distinguished Saddam from his doubles in more than a dozen cases, one official said, and this time she said he was not the man in the broadcast.

The wide array of opinions within the government about



SOURCES: National Imagery and Mapping Agency; Omnis Resources

Saddam's fate — some officials were privately buoyant that he may have been killed, others feared he may have gotten away — mirrored an equally diverse set of motivations inside the administration about how the bombing should be portrayed. The attack came in the midst of an intensifying military campaign designed to intimidate the Iraqi government and military and to sow confusion inside Iraq about the fate of the country's senior leadership.

For almost a year the CIA has been operating under a presidential directive authorizing a covert program to topple the Iraqi leader, including authority to use lethal force and a \$200 million budget to bring about a change of government.

Last June, CIA Director George Tenet told Bush and senior Cabinet members that covert operations to eliminate Saddam had only a small chance of working. Tenet stressed that any attempt to remove the Iraqi leader would have to be accompanied by the threat of military force that would pressure those with direct knowledge of or access to Saddam to consider betraying him.

The decision to attack the compound, which Bush and his senior advisers reached during a two-hour discussion at the White House Wednesday afternoon, provided an indication that the intelligence agency has succeeded in establishing an alliance with some Iraqis close to Saddam.

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Opposition to tax cut runs into trouble

WASHINGTON (AP) — The House rejected a Democratic effort Thursday to shrink President Bush's tax cut as GOP leaders appealed to Republicans for wartime unity and began pushing their \$2.2 trillion budget toward approval.

In the Senate, which debated its own GOP-written blueprint for next year, an attempt by Democrats and moderate Republicans to reduce by one-half Bush's \$726 billion tax-cutting plan appeared in trouble.

With a vote on that proposal likely today, two pivotal senators — John McCain, R-Ariz., and Ernest Hollings, D-S.C. — said they would oppose trimming those tax reductions to \$350 billion through 2013.

"Without either of them, we lose," said Sen. John Breaux, D-La., a sponsor of the drive to reduce Bush's tax plans.

House lawmakers voted 254-174 to reject a proposal by conservative Democrats to reduce the tax cut to \$115 billion, which they said would produce a balanced budget by 2009.

Top House Republicans also removed proposed Medicare savings from their budget in a bid for support from moderates. Yet several centrists still disliked the tax reductions and cuts in programs such as Medicaid and veterans' aid; conservatives complained that spending was too high.

But support for the plan began growing after a closed-door meeting at which House Speaker Dennis Hastert, R-Ill., and others argued that the outbreak of war against Iraq was not the time to hand the president an embarrassing budget defeat.

"This is a very, very serious time, a grave time," Hastert told

reporters later in remarks that aides said echoed his message in the meeting. "We have a lot of work to do."

"I'd describe it as patriotic intimidation that's going on," said Rep. Gil Gutknecht, R-Minn., describing the session. The congressional budget limits its overall spending and revenues, paying the way for future bills in which binding revenue and spending decisions are made. It does not need the president's signature.

Yet it always sparks a political firestorm. This year's focused on the GOP's quest for new tax cuts at a time of war and with annual federal deficits expected to set records exceeding \$300 billion.

"The Republican plan allows U.S. troops to go into a war today and then slashes their veterans benefits by billions when they return tomorrow because their

budget needs those billions from veterans to fund a \$90,000 tax cut per millionaire," said Steve J. Israel, D-N.Y.

Democrats also accused the White House of delaying a request to pay for the war — expected to approach \$100 billion — until the budgets were passed, preventing Democrats from arguing that the war's costs make the tax cuts unaffordable. Republicans denied that and said Congress would approve the funds quickly.

Like Bush, the House and Senate budgets set aside \$400 billion over the next 10 years for new Medicare prescription drug coverage. Democrats say that is too low.

While the budget Bush sent Congress in February projected huge, unyielding deficits, the House sees surpluses returning in 2012, the Senate in 2013.

Education means more money in the workplace

WASHINGTON (AP) — Educational gaps between men and women and whites and blacks have narrowed in recent years, but this much has not changed: A highly educated white man still makes much more money than anyone else.

On average, a white man with a college diploma earned about \$65,000 in 2001. Similarly educated white women made about 40 percent less, while black and Hispanic men earned 30 percent less, according to Census Bureau estimates being released Friday.

Almost half of Asian residents 25 and older have graduated from college, nearly twice the rate of whites. Still, Asians earned about 8 percent less than whites.

"There's a wedge between minority education gains and the payoff, and that's discrimination and the kind of job opportunities available," said Jared Bernstein, an economist with the Economic Policy Institute, a labor-supported think tank.

There were similar disparities between white men and women on other educational levels. Income gaps have narrowed slightly since 1991 at the high school level and grown a bit at the college level.

Differences in income were slightly lower on other educational levels between white men and minorities. For instance, black men who are high school graduates earned about 25 percent less than comparably educated whites, and black men who held master's degrees earned 20 percent less than their white counterparts.

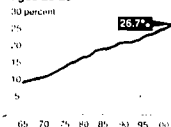
Looking back a decade, income gaps have edged up between whites and minorities. Historical data was not available for Asians.

"It doesn't do as much for closing

B.A. degrees not equal in pay by race

More people are earning a Bachelor's degree, but minorities and women lag behind white men in earnings

Percent who completed four years or more of college, ages 25-29



Average income for person with a bachelor's degree, 2002

	Men	Women
All races	\$63,354	\$36,913
White	\$65,046	\$36,698
Black	\$46,511	\$35,448
Hispanic	\$45,445	\$35,142
Asian	\$59,882	\$41,484

SOURCE: U.S. Census Bureau

AP

ing gaps as it does to improving the floors that people are moving from," said demographer Roderick Harrison of the Joint Center for Political and Economic Studies, which studies issues of importance to minorities. "It's like catching up with a speeding train."

The figures come from the Census Bureau's annual look at educational achievement in America, culled from a survey in March 2002. The bureau recorded record high educational levels for nearly every group and the nation overall.

Just-found shuttle tape could provide key clues

The Orlando Sentinel

HOUSTON — Debris-recovery teams have found a large intact data recorder from shuttle Columbia, giving accident investigators a potentially major break in reconstructing the doomed ship's final moments.

The so-called Orbiter Experiment Recorder, found seven miles west of Hemphill, Texas, is being transported to Johnson Space Center for analysis.

The recorder stores flight data including temperature, aerodynamic pressure and vibration readings from a variety of sensors that were located throughout the Columbia.

Initial indications are the recorder suffered some heat damage but was in relatively good condition, officials said.

Investigators are cautiously optimistic they can recover data. If so, the device's 9,400 feet of magnetic tape could provide a wealth of information on what was happening to Columbia in the minutes before its breakup over central Texas on Feb. 1.

"We have no way of knowing whether data can be recovered," said Laura Brown, a spokeswoman for the Columbia Accident Investigation Board. "They suspect there may be heat damage, but they are coming up with a plan to be as careful as possible."

The data recorder has two hours of recording time and is thought to have begun taping at about 8:34 a.m., about 10 minutes before Columbia's first contact with the upper reaches of Earth's atmosphere.

Deficit heads for yearly record

WASHINGTON (AP) — The government ran up a deficit of \$193.9 billion in the first five months of the 2003 budget year, nearly three times the deficit for the same period a year earlier.

In February alone, the deficit was \$96.3 billion, the largest on record.

The latest figures, released Thursday by the Treasury Department, highlighted the government's deteriorating fiscal situation. Record deficits are forecast this year and next.

The total so far this fiscal year, from October through February, compares with \$67.7 billion a year earlier.

Revenues were down by 8.2 percent to \$204.8 billion for the five months. That partly reflected lower tax revenue from the sagging economy.

Individual income tax pay-

ments totaled \$331.5 billion, an 11.4 percent drop from the previous year.

Corporate tax payments plunged to nearly \$33 billion, compared with \$63.3 billion.

Federal spending for the five months totaled \$898.7 billion, a 7.6 percent increase from the corresponding period in fiscal 2002.

The biggest spending categories so far this budget year are: Social Security, \$210.2 billion; programs of the Health and Human Services Department, including Medicare and Medicaid, \$208.7 billion; military, \$152 billion; interest on the public debt, \$147.2 billion.

For the entire 2002 budget year, which ended Sept. 30, the government ran up a deficit of \$157.8 billion, ending four consecutive years of surpluses.

Retired Air Force airman gets life sentence in spy case

ALEXANDRIA, Va. (AP) — A retired Air Force master sergeant was sentenced to life in prison without parole Thursday for offering to sell U.S. intelligence secrets to Iraq's Saddam Hussein and the Chinese government.

U.S. District Judge Gerald Bruce Lee approved the sentence, which was brokered by Brian Patrick Regan's lawyers and prosecutors. As part of the agreement, the government promised not to prosecute Regan's wife, Annette, and allowed her to keep a portion of Regan's military pension.

Regan also agreed to tell the government about any classified information he may have given to other people or countries, and to submit to lie-detector tests. His wife also agreed to cooperate.

Regan, 40, was convicted last month on two attempted espionage counts and a single charge of gathering national defense information. He was acquitted of attempting to spy for Libya.

Pennsylvania couple are parents — six times over

PITTSBURGH — Sextuplets born 12 weeks premature were in critical but stable condition



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Thursday, each breathing with the aid of a ventilator.

The three boys and three girls were delivered Wednesday to Erin and Joe Perry, both 33. The couple used fertility drugs and worked with a fertility clinic, doctors said.

Dr. Cynthia Sims, who performed the delivery at Magee-Womens Hospital of the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center, said she was optimistic about the newborns because the pregnancy went well.

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EDITORIAL

Twin Falls should receive new deal on 911 center

Twin Falls city officials are using a powerful bargaining chip in their ongoing dispute over emergency dispatch services: They're withholding the check. And who can blame them?

City leaders have yet to pay for Southern Idaho Regional Communications Center service in this fiscal year. The city skipped quarterly payments in October and January. Another payment is due April 1.

The reason for the standoff? Money, of course. Twin Falls city leaders say their annual bill of \$250,000 is too steep, considering the service they receive. They want the bill dropped to \$200,000, because the city's own non-emergency hotline has reduced phone traffic to SIRCMM's four-county 911 center.

By withholding their payments, Twin Falls officials hope to drag SIRCMM leaders to the bargaining table.

The city seems justified to ask for a reduction. This year's bill, approximately \$250,000, is about 11 percent more than last year's \$225,000 tab. Despite fewer calls, city officials don't see improved service for their money.

The city's contribution to SIRCMM is supposed to help cover payroll and benefits. But Twin Falls County Sheriff Wayne Tousey, who oversees SIRCMM, says the center is less than two-thirds staffed. How do fewer

employees translate into higher costs?

Twin Falls County Commissioner Bill Brockman, a member of SIRCMM's governing board, has said cities pay "in proportion to the number of their calls going through SIRCMM." If that's so, Twin Falls should see a reduced bill for its reduced call volume.

SIRCMM officials may argue that such a change needs to be authorized by SIRCMM's board - rather than a unilateral decision by the city. But the board's political makeup deprives the city of a meaningful voice, city officials have no alternative but to stonewall.

To compensate for the city's non-payment, the county has doubled up its own payments with an extra \$47,000. That covers SIRCMM's payroll for the time being, but it's a temporary fix, because it's the county's whole SIRCMM contribution for the year.

In the past, the city has helped when SIRCMM faced fiscal straits. The city paid \$40,000 for Y2K software updates. It spent \$30,000 last year when two city employees covered management vacancies at the 911 center.

SIRCMM needs the city's long-term support to stay viable. The 911 center's board would be wise to negotiate a better deal for its biggest customer.

A new identity emerges in American attitude

Now that bombs are falling, it is important to remember that President Bush's decision to attack Iraq is more than just precedent-setting. The horrifying images we may see on TV should not blur the recognition that the United States is in a new era with its own rules, changing constraints and competing challenges.

PETER A. BROWN

Bush is not ordering the first aggressive U.S. war in a century because of what Iraq has done so far to Americans, but what its leader, Saddam Hussein, has done to his own people and eventually could do to the United States and other nations.

Europeans, who have never understood the emotional sustenance that the American West provides as a symbol of freedom, derisively call Bush a cowboy. Domestic Democrats, who probably would have tried to take away Wyatt Earp's guns, call the president a unilateralist.

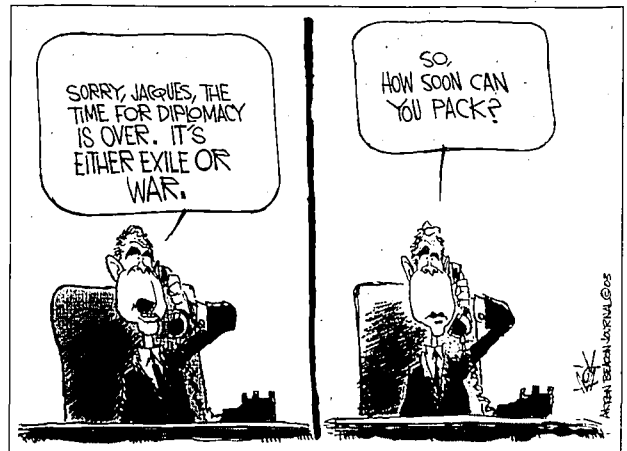
That's diplomatically for Bush acting in what he believes is the national interest and unleashing the U.S. military, regardless of what people think in Beijing or Bonn.

Bush's directness is atypical, but refreshing, in international relations, and has put noses out of joint, at home and abroad. That's too bad. You see, substance is much more important than style.

The historical analogy to today's situation would have been Franklin D. Roosevelt declaring war on Germany and Japan before Pearl Harbor. In retrospect, that would have been smart, but this was when Americans believed the Atlantic and Pacific oceans protected them from foreign enemies.

These days, unfortunately, we know better.

Surging public opinion polls for Bush's policy evidences that real



ization has forced a rethinking of U.S. policy to include pre-emptive action.

Those Americans who want to know what Saddam has done to them should consider how they felt about al-Qaeda before Sept. 11, 2001.

Bush is not just ignoring international opinion, he is challenging a popular, although unrealistic, notion abroad that is fast becoming Democratic orthodoxy in this country: that in the global society, which technology has created, civilized behavior demands that nations develop mutual solutions to common problems.

In the real world, countries do what is best for their own national interests. They don't allow countries with different views and values to determine their national interests.

That's human nature, and it is foolish - or incredibly naive - to

expect anything else.

The problem arises, as with Iraq, when there is no agreement among all three civilized nations about whether, and how serious, a problem exists, and how to proceed because of their individual self-interests.

The United States is not the only nation looking out for No. 1. The most vocal opponents of U.S. action - France, Russia and Germany - wanted to protect the billions of francs, rubles and marks they make today trading with Saddam.

All are also wary of U.S. power and recognize the superiority of the U.S. military. They tried to use diplomacy and international organization to limit Washington's clout.

The question is whether Americans want their president to cede to the leaders of France, Angola, Cameroon, Angola,

Russia, China and Syria, which are U.N. Security Council members, his right to decide how to deal with a potential threat.

If your answer to that question is yes, then you and I have serious issues.

International cooperation is a good thing. International control of U.S. foreign policy is quite another.

There may be many Americans, and countless more overseas, who think differently.

Luckily, George W. Bush is looking out for the people in Paris, Texas, and Berlin, N.H., rather than those in Paris, France, and Berlin, Germany.

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Cellular bill needs tightening

On a related subject, the Legislature is considering a bill that would authorize counties to collect a \$1 monthly fee on each cell phone, for the stated purpose of enhancing 911 service for cell phones.

The bill aims to fund technology that could electronically pinpoint cell users who make emergency calls. Idaho counties support the bill, since a growing majority of emergency calls are being made from cell phones.

A cell phone fee might make sense - if it actually provides enhanced service to cell users. But the proposed bill falls short

in that regard.

As it stands, the bill lets local officials spend the fees not only for enhanced technology, but also for "training, salaries directly related to such systems, costs of establishing such systems, and agreed-to reimbursement costs of telecommunications providers related to the operation of such systems."

That definition is still too vague and too elastic. Under those terms, dispatch centers could use the fee for a number of purposes. Unless lawmakers tighten the bill's language, cell phone customers have no assurance they'll ever see enhanced service.

U.S. should try not to wear out its welcome in Iraq

TRUDY RUBIN

"Our armies do not come into your cities and lands as conquerors or enemies, but as liberators," declared British Maj. Gen. Stanley Maude, commander of British forces in Iraq. He was marking the British capture of Baghdad in March 1917, after the breakup of the Ottoman Empire.

Those words probably sound familiar. President Bush has repeated over and over that we enter Iraq "not to conquer but to liberate." At the beginning of an Iraq war, one can only hope the White House has studied the history of past efforts to "liberate" Baghdad.

The British invaded the three Ottoman provinces of Basra, Baghdad and Mosul, for reasons of self-interest and in the name of high ideals. London wanted to protect British interests in the Persian Gulf and develop the oil fields of Mosul, goals that conflicted with its promises of self-determination for the Arabs.

At first, the population welcomed the British. But the Brits underestimated the conflicts among Kurds, Sunnis and Shia Muslims, all of whom soon turned against the British presence. By 1920, a violent revolt had broken out, in which thousands of Iraqis and hundreds of British army soldiers died. The British held on - they dominated Iraq for another

38 years - but that was the colonial era. In the present era of satellite TV that bloody rebellion would probably have led to a speedy British retreat.

Flash forward, and note the similarities. American troops may well be welcomed by most Iraqis as liberators but will face an Iraq deeply divided between Kurds, Shia and Sunnis.

The administration's goals of finding hidden weapons and installing a compliant regime will likely clash with its professed ideals of godfathering an Iraqi democracy. If liberation/occupation lasts too long - predictions range from one to many years - Iraqis will turn on Americans as they did the Brits.

But U.S. troops can at least chalk up some goodwill in the short run by their behavior upon entering southern Iraq from Kuwait. To ask how best to do this, I spoke by phone with Hussein Sharistani, an independent Iraqi opposition leader waiting anxiously in Kuwait to enter southern Iraq as soon as the war starts.

Sharistani is a former nuclear scientist who endured 12 years of torture and prison for refusing Saddam's demand to make a

nuclear bomb. After a miraculous escape from prison and Iraq during the Gulf War, he founded the London-based Iraqi Refugee Aid Council. A Shia Muslim, he has an extensive network of contacts inside the Shia cities and towns of southern Iraq where U.S. troops will soon arrive.

"Our understanding," says Sharistani, "is that all the main cities in south and central Iraq won't offer any military or civilian resistance. People are counting the minutes until they are free of Saddam's heavy hand." Iraqi army officers, he says, are telling communal leaders in the south that they don't want to fight this war.

Sharistani's biggest fear is Saddam's dispatch of Ali Hassan Majid to command his special forces in the south. Majid is known as "Ali Chemical" because he was in charge of the gassing of Iraq's Kurds in 1988, and Shia fear he has brought chemical-tipped artillery shells with him to the south.

What Sharistani urges American troops to do as soon as possible is the following: Go after Ali Chemical's men, but don't attack conventional army units that don't want to fight but may not yet be aware of U.S. efforts to get them to surrender.

Be prepared to find that many southern towns will have liberated themselves. "American soldiers should find local leaders and make clear that they are there to protect them but not to control and occupy the towns and cities."

Get humanitarian aid into those towns as soon as possible, since oil-for-food rations have been cut off by the war. And bring in the United Nations and international aid groups because U.S. troops won't be able to handle the humanitarian crisis alone.

Will the citizens of Basra throw flowers at arriving soldiers? I asked Sharistani.

"The people will be very happy to see anyone who comes to free the area from the regime," he replied carefully. "But if they soon see that the Americans and the British are there to control them or impose military commanders on them, I could imagine people getting angry very quickly. Then they will see it as another occupation."

"For a time, if U.S. troops liaise with responsible leaders and help them to organize their community, the Iraqis will be very grateful."

Therein lies the test for this administration as war nears: How to win that gratitude - and not lose it by staying too long.

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Oil concerns top President Bush's priority list

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period, then as the supply of the national reserves began to be replaced, the price began to rise and has continued to this day.

It may be possible that the mongrels - oops! - moguls leading our country made a lot of

pocket money on this move.

Bush is pushing us into a war, whether we want it or not.

Bush is considering drilling into the pristine north country to supply us with oil, whether we want it or not.

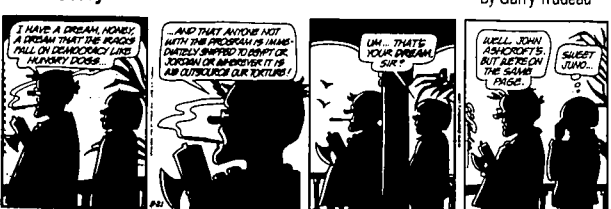
Bush wants to mess with our Social Security system, whether we want it or not.

I am beginning to think I should be grateful that I shall be 90 years old this November.

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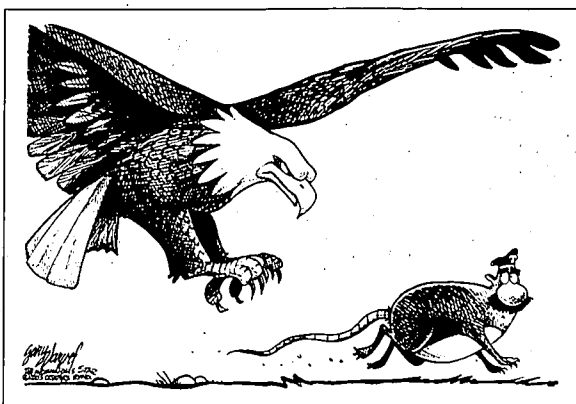


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LETTERS

Letter offered thoughtful concerns about schools

I am writing in regard to Tara Rowe's letter to the editor published March 17.

I find her letter to be well constructed, thoughtful, directed toward a serious state and national problem, that is, the status of public education and the potential impact upon the students who participate in public education offerings. She makes an excellent point regarding our state and national society's evaluation of success—the holding of wealth. She also makes an excellent point regarding what society deems as a measure of power—knowledge. For students in K through 12 public education, the accumulation of facts and learning how to think analytically are the keys to knowledge. Beyond grade 12, the continued accumulation of knowledge and the refinement of knowledge is a process of more refined application of analytic thinking. The content of Ms. Rowe's letter demonstrates and exceptional grasp of this process.

Unfortunately, some local pundits have chosen to use the radio airwaves to depict this generation of public school students, specifically selecting Ms. Rowe as their scapegoat. Mr. Seth Bell, speaking from his KIBAR radio pulpit, says that Ms. Rowe represents the current generation of public school student who is afraid of risk, wants the assurance of a future and envisions other less than desirable traits. Mr. Bell, whose finely honed talent is negated by the ability to see cracks and flaws in personality, the stealth of seeing those who do not agree with him as being "left wing," "liberal," represents the essence of prejudicial analytical thinking, i.e., use of stereotype, ad hominem, labeling. His posture gives the impression of "sorting through the facts." His undeclared caveat is that the facts he sorts through are the facts he favors or the facts he can distort to serve his own needs. How pathetically brave of Mr. Bell to discredit the thinking and feeling of Ms. Rowe.

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Seat-belt laws give excessive power to police

I read with considerable dismay the remarks of Mr. Hanchey and Mr. Smith, letters to the editor, *The Times-News*, March 15, "Seat belt law does not go far enough." This is typical of law enforcement mentality.

In my opinion, the purported law goes too far. Why should there be a law that makes every motorist a criminal for not "choosing" to consider his or her own safety?

This law has only two objectives: (1) to increase municipal coffers, and (2) give police more power to bully and intimidate the

citizens of this good state.

This is just another step in turning this country into a Jack Boot Storm Trooper state where the only ones that know what is good for "you" are the ones wearing a uniform and carrying a gun and club.

Tell me, Mr. Hanchey or Mr. Smith, better yet, show me documented proof that wearing a seat belt has "prevented" an accident!

If I chose not to use the safety equipment made available to me, this is my business, not the state's or yours.

GIB ANDERSON
Jerome

Limits on smokeless powder won't work

I want to personally thank the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms for its efforts to increase homeland security.

In its noble efforts to protect us poor and helpless civilians, the ATF has decided to require a license to purchase reloading powder by all evil terrorist shooting enthusiasts. According to its Web site, as of May 24, 2003, anyone who wishes to purchase reloading powder will be required to pay \$25 for the privilege.

Oh yes, one other thing—the ATF will graciously allow you to make a maximum of six purchases a year. It wants to monitor all powder sales so that they know who the troublemakers are and can head off any attempts by terrorists from doing mischief on our activities.

Personally, I am feeling safer already. Look how many terrorists are buying up smokeless powder to blow up who knows what? I personally feel that the ATF should do more. Why not ban smokeless powder all together? Let's even go so far as to ban all ammunition purchases. We don't need bullets or any of those evil guns. We have the police to protect us. We have the federal government to take care of us and make sure we are safe.

Only if the ATF could ban all shooting supplies and firearms would we really be safe.

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Discovery of dog carcass shocks Rupert residents

My husband and I live north of Rupert and, driving home recently, noticed something off to the side of the road. We stopped and walked over to see what it was. Unfortunately, what we discovered was yet another prime example of the disrespect that a certain segment of society has for life (other than their own).

It was a dead female black Lab mix, shot in the hindquarters, once with the bullet's trajectory toward the abdomen. We could see where she had grabbed at her side with her teeth, trying to get rid of what was causing her pain. There was little blood externally, but her belly was full of it undoubtedly from the internal bleeding the bullet cause as it ripped through her intestines, kidney and liver. The pain she suffered must have been horrendous.

Granted, I don't know the circumstances of the dog's death, maybe she was too old, sick or had done something very displeasing to the owner, but to take her out and deliberately inflict a wound that would cause such a

painful, lingering death is beyond evil.

Some people think the north side is a good dumping ground for their unwanted animals (people who are too busy to take them to one of the area shelters or too lazy to put a free ad in the paper in hopes of finding them a new home).

Guess it's just easier to take the animal for a "ride," so they can starve to death, die of thirst, get hit by a car or get shot by some other moron who needs some target practice. To me, I say: You deserve the same fate you force upon those poor creatures unfortunate enough to have come under your "care."

Here's something to think

about: If you consider yourself a God-fearing person, Ecclesiastes 12:14 states: God shall bring forth every work into judgment, whether it be good or whether it be evil. The Bible also states that not even a sparrow falls without the Lord knowing. So if he knows about the sparrows, he certainly knows about the other animals.

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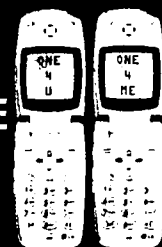
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AROUND THE VALLEY

Online fuel economy guide is available

TWIN FALLS - Car shoppers can check out the Idaho Energy Division guide if they are looking for fuel economy in vehicle.

The 2003 Fuel Economy Guide provides city and highway mileage ratings for every vehicle sold in the United States. Cars, trucks, sport utility vehicles and vans each are categorized so consumers can compare vehicles in the same class. Vehicles weighing more than 8,500 pounds are not included because fuel economy regulations do not apply to them.

The guide is available free from the Idaho Energy Division by calling a toll-free hot line at 1-800-334-SAVE (7283). You can also request a copy by e-mail at IDWRInfo@idwr.state.id.us. A section of the guide also includes the fuel economy leaders grouped according to their size. This allows consumers to find at a glance the most fuel-efficient vehicle in the vehicle size they desire.

The guide provides tips for improving fuel economy, information on why fuel economy can vary and other valuable information. It was produced by the U.S. Department of Energy and the Environmental Protection Agency.

Safe Harbor will hold banquet on Tuesday

TWIN FALLS - Safe Harbor, the local coalition for the homeless, will hold a kick-off banquet at 7 p.m. Tuesday at the Twin Falls First United Methodist Church at 360 Shoshone St. E.

"It's kind of a coming out party to let people know who we are and why we're here," said Safe Harbor President Phyllis Berg. Dinner will be provided by Johnny Carino's. The evening will also include entertainment.

Those who would like to attend should call Berg at 735-8787.

M.V. coalition raises poison awareness

TWIN FALLS - Some 30 children die every year due to accidental poisonings, and about 1 million phone calls are placed to Poison Control Centers annually by adults seeking help when children have swallowed something harmful, according to a news release from Magic Valley Regional Medical Center.

In an effort to prevent such tragic events, National Poison Prevention Week was established by the U.S. Congress on Sept. 16, 1961. Shortly thereafter, the Poison Prevention Week Council was organized to coordinate the annual event.

The Magic Valley Safe Kids Coalition joins other organizations around the nation in promoting Poison Prevention Week, which runs through Saturday.

"Adults must make sure that household chemicals and medicines are stored away from children at all times and that they know to call a poison control center or 911 if kids swallow something that they are not supposed to," said Kyla Kelly, Safe Kids director.

The basic theme of Poison Prevention Week is "Children Act Fast... So Do Poisons!"

For more information about Safe Kids programs, call 737-2430 or visit the Safe Kids office in Twin Falls at 598 Addison Ave. W.

Compiled from staff reports

Snowpack levels

Watershed	% of Avg.	% season peak**
Upper Snake River	90%	81%
Salmon Falls	57%	53%
Salmon	96%	84%
Oakley	52%	49%
Big Wood	89%	82%
Little Wood	92%	85%
Henry's Fork/Teton	78%	71%
Big Lost	87%	79%
Little Lost	73%	64%
As of March 20		

*A comparison of basin snowpack on the day with a 30-year average.
**An indicator of basin snowpack for the entire snow season, which peaks in late May.

Teachers scorn performance-based pay

By Julie Pence
Times-News writer

BOISE - In a House Education Committee hearing Thursday, several Idaho teachers of the year gave a thumbs-down to legislation proposing performance-based pay for public school teachers.

House Bill 359, sponsored by Rep. Ken Roberts, R-Donnelly, would establish a base salary for teachers of \$25,000 and

give school districts \$3,000 per teacher that the districts could dole out according to performance. So, some teachers might not make much over \$25,000, while others with outstanding performance could make as much as \$60,000 or \$70,000 a year, Roberts said.

Fifty percent of the performance would be based upon committee evaluations designed at the local level. The rest would be based upon improvement in students' performance.

But teachers with more than five years' experience as of July 1, 2005, would remain on the current salary schedule that

pays according to years on the job and college credits earned.

The main reason for instituting performance pay, Roberts said, is that since 1989 teacher pay in Idaho has gone up over 160 percent while inflation has increased 80 percent. But test scores have actually dropped a bit during the same time. In addition, student enrollment has remained flat, but school staff has increased by almost 60 percent.

"The way we are doing business now does not seem to have an effect on test scores," Roberts said. In addition, "The state board is very interested in this."

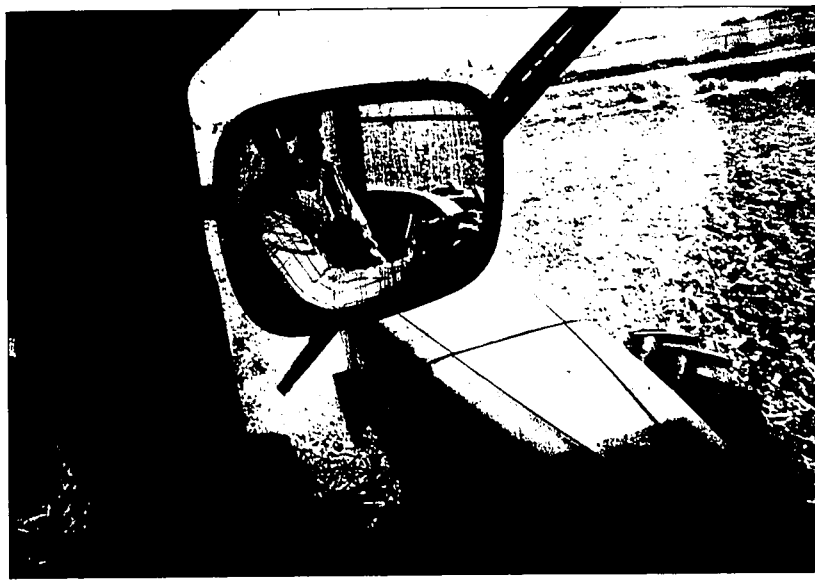
Kathy Phelan of the Idaho Education Association and a parade of award-winning teachers told committee members the profession does not lend itself to competition for higher pay.

"This legislation asks districts to rank teachers," Phelan said. "How do you compare a physics teacher with college prep students with a kindergarten teacher?"

In addition, Phelan predicted the proposal would force quality teachers out of the profession or the state in droves.

"Schools are not businesses," said Nancy Larson, Idaho's 2002 Teacher of the Year. Please see **TEACHERS** Page B-1.

SPRINGING UP ALL OVER



Larry Stiegemeier tills up a corn field just west of Twin Falls on Thursday. Today is the first official day of spring and the mild weather means that farmers can work their fields earlier than usual.

Spring arrives, but seems already here

By Robert Mayer
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - It's official: spring has sprung.

Although, given higher than normal temperatures for most of the year, and prematurely budding trees and blooming flowers, spring appears to have made an early appearance.

But today marks the vernal equinox, the point of the year that marks the sun's location directly over the equator. As such, the length of daylight and nighttime are roughly the same. Hence the term equinox, Latin for "equal night."

Premature warm weather or not, the winter season has produced enough chill and gray weather to have most people embrace the spring season and its promise of warmer weather and brighter sunshine.

So says David Kiesig, horticulture instructor at the College of Southern Idaho.

"Spring is the time of renewal, rejuvenation," he said. "People tend to have more energy."

They also are urgent to bring their gardens and lawns and flower beds back to life. "Patience becomes a major issue," he said. "It's not unusual for snow and freezing temperatures to return in the next month or two."

Thus it's risky to start planting seeds, although some farmers have begun with some early crops, spring wheat and alfalfa. Still, for junior gardeners, now

is the time for soil preparation, for instance rototilling compost into area to be planted.

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Eric Edmunds, 18.

McComes is gearing up for an adventure-packed week starting with the NCAA tournament in

Utah and then camping after that. Edmunds will travel to Puerto Rico with his family.

But more importantly, the first day of spring for these two means graduation is nearing.

"School is almost over," McComes said.

The first day of spring also marks the time in which the days grow longer at the fastest rate with the sunlight increasing by three minutes a day.

From now until the first day of summer, the days will continue to grow longer but at a progressively slower rate. Think of the momentum of the pendulum, or the earth's tilt, as a playground swing. On the first day of spring, the swing is at the bottom of the arc, the point generating the greatest speed. As the swing reaches the top of the arc, or the first day of summer, the speed is slowest as it prepares to reverse.

Please see **SPRING**, Page B3

Ag odor and field burning legislation changes

By Julie Pence
Times-News writer

BOISE - Three controversial bills that would have shielded producers of field smoke and strong agricultural odors from lawsuits were formally withdrawn from consideration on Thursday.

Two were backed by the Farm Bureau Federation, the Idaho Grain Producers Association and the Food Producers of Idaho, and one was crafted by the chairman of the House Agricultural Affairs Committee, Rep. Doug Jones, R-Filer. The bills would have exempted farmers from nuisance laws and trespass laws for certain practices.

But Jones had serious concerns about the constitutionality of the proposals. So behind closed doors earlier this week, he met with the governor's attorney,



Michael Bogert, grass-seed producer Rep. Wayne Meyer, R-Rathdrum, and members of Food Producers. They went to work on legislation that doesn't seem to have as many weaknesses as the earlier legislation.

Then Thursday, Jones and Bogert met in an executive session with members of the Ag Committee to discuss current litigation involving north Idaho grass growers in regard to field burning and the problems the practice causes for people with certain illnesses.

Afterward, Greg Nelson of Farm Bureau and Jones requested the first three bills be withdrawn. Then Jones circulated his proposal, though he said it is not ready for publication yet.

"This is just a mark-up copy," Jones said.

In general, the draft addresses penalties for field burners who do not follow state regulations to the letter. It does not include any references to ag odors. It would include field burners in all of northern Idaho, instead of just Benewah and Kootenai counties, as previous rules did. And it would put the Idaho Department of Agriculture in charge of administering the program. The result would be, according to the proposal, that farmers following the law could not be held liable. However, the draft does not mention anything about the effects of smoke on

people's health.

Jones said he expects the bill to be introduced into the House Ways and Means Committee on Monday and to be in his Ag Committee for a hearing by Wednesday next week. In addition, there might be a companion bill that offers a tax credit, Jones said, though he doesn't have that bill drafted yet, nor would he discuss it.

Bill Chisholm, who represents the Idaho Rural Council, asked why more people weren't included in the discussions.

"I think the people who are affected by these problems should have been included," he said. "No wonder they get these lawsuits when they don't include everyone in the discussions."

Jones said the ongoing litigation makes it impossible to discuss the subject with certain parties.

Panel mulls effort to stop Idaho drug abuse

By Mark Heinz
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - If a new effort to confront the Magic Valley's drug abuse problem is going to be effective, children and young adults must be directly involved, officials and students said during a panel meeting late Wednesday.

And a local doctor said he's willing to put up money to make that happen.

"I think it needs to be based on all of us, so we can help each other," sixth-grader Savate Hathaway said during a meeting to organize a group called Partners Against Drugs.

Hathaway was one of several students who attended and offered ideas at the meeting. The partnership was inspired by seminars last month by "club drug" expert Trinka Portata - a retired Los Angeles Police Department narcotics officer.

Twin Falls County Commissioner Bill Brockman, one of several elected officials at Thursday's meeting - said the partnership will involve efforts of the county, the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare and other agencies. The partnership's goal will be to meet the valley's drug problem head-on and get the community involved in cleaning it up. Brockman said.

Even so, the efforts won't get far unless youngsters are directly involved, said Dr. David McCluskey of Twin Falls. Some of the best, most effective ideas are bound to come from students, he said. McCluskey said he's willing to put up \$5,000 of his own money if nine other organizations or individuals will do the same - thus pooling a \$50,000 anti-drug foundation. The catch, he said, is that the money would have to go to specific ideas or programs brought up or implemented by students.

High school senior Lyndy Hathaway, Susie's sister, said she enjoyed Portata's large-scale presentation. But more personal presentations by drug experts on recovering addicts would probably be more effective for older students, she said.

"It needs to be in an individual classroom, where we can see it face-to-face," she said. The girls' father, Region A Health and Welfare Director John Hathaway, said churches and other religious organizations are another important resource that hasn't been tapped.

The partnership might be able to take advantage of President Bush's "faith-based" programs to get the area's clergy directly involved, Hathaway said.

Educating clergy and other religious counselors on the scope and effects of various types of drugs and addictions would help, he said.

"A couple might come to their minister saying, 'Our kid's on drugs - what do we do?'" John Hathaway said. "He needs to understand there's a big difference between 'Our kid is on marijuana' and 'Our kid is on meth.'"

Brockman said a meeting involving the area's religious leaders might be the group's next step, but no date for such a meeting had yet been set.

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MAGIC VALLEY/IDAHO

Richfield council looks for new P&Z member

By Jeanette Chambers
Times-News correspondent

RICHFIELD - The city is looking for a new planning and zoning commissioner, following commission member Mike Swainston's resignation.

The city will appoint a replacement to serve on the remainder of Swainston's term, which expires in 2005.

Also recently, the city council voted to have an 8-foot rather than a 20-foot set-

back on city street corners. There had been some debate over the setback. The council voted 3 to 1 in favor of the shorter setback.

Other council business included:

- **Employees' handbook** - City Clerk LuAnn Swainston said the state of Idaho wants each city to have a public employees' handbook. The council decided it would see what other cities are using.
- **Deputy's report** - Lincoln County sheriff's deputy Jay Hansen reported that

last month the sheriff's office worked 152 hours in Richfield, which included 37 investigations, one wreck and one burglary.

- **Surplus property** - The city has one Dodge dump-truck and one v-6 Cat with a scraper to be put up for silent auction.
- **Approached the city** about putting in a new modular home at 515 W. Cassia and inquired about city water and sewer. Lana Fuchs also asked the city about a

new home in the same area.

- **Utility request** - The council granted James Hyde's request for water and sewer for a manufactured home he will place outside city limits. He must also gain permission for the home from Lincoln County before he can proceed.
- **Park lights** - Wilson suggested the city consider putting up lights around the park, as youth are playing basketball after dark and are using car headlights to see.

Impact area plan heads to hearing

By Jeanette Chambers
Times-News correspondent

DIETRICH - The city's area of impact ordinance has been completed and will now go to the Lincoln County Commission for approval.

But not before a public hearing at 2 p.m. April 14 front of the commission.

The ordinance, which would establish an area of impact for a new 150 kilowatt diesel-powered generator for \$4,500. The council will offer to purchase the generator's trailer for \$1,400 so the generator can be transported.

Other council business included:

- **New generator** - Councilman Wanless Southwick announced the purchase of a used 150 kilowatt diesel-powered generator for \$4,500. The council will offer to purchase the generator's trailer for \$1,400 so the generator can be transported.

The generator was purchased to supply the lift station with power. It also has enough power to lift the land-application water from the holding ponds if needed and could also be used at the well in the event of a power outage. The generator is only needed at the lift station one day per year.

- **New building inspector** - Sam Harris was introduced as a possible building inspector for the city. With the possibility of a new gymnasium and school remodeling and with new buildings in the community, city officials say a building inspector is needed.

Harris said his prices would be the same as he charges the county. His prices are based on the square footage and type of building needing to be inspected.

- **Bond election** - May 27 was set for the \$100,000 bond election to pay for improvements to upgrades to the sewer system.

OBITUARIES

For obituary rates and information, call 733-0933, Ext. 278, between 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Deadline is 4:30 p.m. for next-day publication. The e-mail address for obituaries is obits@magicvalley.com. Death notices are a free service and can be placed until 5 p.m. every day.

TWIN FALLS



Goldie Marie Wray

Passed away March 18, 2003, in Twin Falls. Id. after a long illness. She was born Oct. 9, 1914, in Phoenix, Arizona, to David Meers Hawkins and Mary Ann Thomsen. She was preceded in death by her husband, Everett M. Wray. All five of their children are living: James Wray of Filer, Id.; Jo Ann Croft of Henderson, Nev.; Sharon Felton of Lincoln, UT; and Rochelle Greenhalgh of Idaho Falls.

Mother is loved and remembered by 17 grandchildren, 52 great-grandchildren and 6 great-great-grandchildren. A sweeter, kinder, gentler mother would be hard to find.

Raised in Mexico, Arizona, and California, she met her husband to be in Hanford, Ca. in 1938 while he was serving an LDS mission. They married in the Logan LDS Temple, July 25, 1940, and moved to Hanford, California. There she was a mother, dayman's wife. The family moved to Idaho Falls in January 1950 where she lived until moving to Filer in 1957.

The family will greet friends at a viewing from 11 a.m. until 12:45 p.m. with funeral services to follow at 1 p.m. Sat. March 22 at the LDS 2nd Ward, So. Blvd & 9th St. Idaho Falls.

RUPERT



Delcie L. Adams

Delcie Larsen Adams, 67, of Rupert died Wednesday, March 19, 2003, at Minidoka Memorial Hospital Extended Care Facility. She was born January 13, 1936, in Georgetown, Idaho, the daughter of Charles Lyman and Evelyn Borrowman Larsen. She received her education in Burley. She married Joseph Leroy Adams on September 14, 1953, in Elko, Nevada.

Delcie was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. She wrote cowboy poetry, and enjoyed crocheting and fishing.

Survivors include her children, Evie (Fidel) Huaynalita and Scott (Cindy) Adams of Rupert, Randy (Kathy) Adams of Burley, and Jay

(Teresa) Adams of San Antonio, Texas; her siblings, Ron Larsen and Denise (Art) Leysa of Elko, Nevada; Ed Larsen of Burley, and Dennis (Judy) Larsen of Magna, Utah; 14 grandchildren, and 21 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, one son, Tim Adams and one grandson, Kyle Adams. The funeral will be held at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, March 22, 2003, at the Rupert West State Center of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 26 South 100 West, with Bishop Dean L. Corde officiating. Burial will be in Paul Cemetery.

Friends may call at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 East 16th Street, Burley, on Friday, from 6:00 until 8:00 p.m. and at the church on Saturday, from 1:00 until 1:45 p.m.

TWIN FALLS



Donald Edward Cutts

Donald Edward Cutts, 65, of Twin Falls died Monday, March 17, 2003 at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center.

He was born January 17, 1938 in Buhl, Idaho the son of Fred and Virginia Glodowsky Cutts. He drove truck for Ida-Cat and Montana Express for many years, and had worked at the Farmhouse Restaurant in Wendell. Throughout his life he had several surgeries. He loved drawing, swimming, and especially his dog.

He is survived by two children, Aaron Cutts and Shyla Mess, both of Caldwell, Idaho; 2 sisters, Carol (Arnold) Huntley, Sr. of Carlin, NV; Linda Yearly of Mesquite, NV; 2 aunts, Helen Meloy and Irene Ford; both of Twin Falls; 4 grandchildren, 1 grandson, and by numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents and by 1 daughter, Elene Cutts and two brothers, Micky and Timmy Cutts.

Rosary and memorial services for Donald Cutts will be conducted at 2 p.m. Monday, March 24, 2003, at White Mortuary, "Chapel by the Park." Inurnment will follow at Sunset Memorial Park.

1940's and early 1950's. In 1954 the family moved to Rupert, Jean made three visits to the Bajan Country in 1978, 1982, and 1999. Louise and Jean have been residing in Rupert and Lava Hot Springs, and spent their winters in Yuma, Arizona.

He had a love for reading. He was a member of St. Nicholas Catholic Church, Knights of Columbus, Rupert Elks and Idaho Woolgrowers Association. He was inducted into the Southern Idaho Livestock Hall of Fame in 1974. He also received A Ag Appreciation Award in 1986 from the Rupert Chapter of Commerce, and in 1990 he received an Appreciation Award from the Idaho Woolgrowers Association.

He is survived by his wife Louise Elcheverry of Rupert, and son Henry (Kathy) Elcheverry of Rupert, one daughter Jean (Don) Cheshin of Rupert, live grandchildren and two great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, one sister and four brothers.

Funeral Mass will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, March 22, 2003, at St. Nicholas Catholic Church with Father Henry Carmona as Celebrant and Father John Worster as Co-Celebrant. Burial will follow at the Rupert Cemetery. A Rosary will be held at 7 p.m. Friday at St. Nicholas Catholic Church, with a wake starting at 8 p.m. and concluding at 8 p.m. and one hour prior to the Mass on Saturday. The family has suggested that memorials be made to St. Nicholas Catholic School, and the Idaho Woolgrowers Memorial Fund. Services are under the direction of Hunsen Mortuary-Rupert Chapel.

RUPERT



Emma Easton Batinovich passed away March 19, 2003, at the Minidoka Memorial Hospital Extended Care.

She was born January 26, 1908, in Cambridge, Nebraska. The family moved to Paul, Idaho, in 1912 where she attended school. She worked in Roberts Clothing Store for 10 years then moved to the Bay area in 1942. Emma married George Batinovich in 1950. She was active in the Fruitvale Presbyterian Church and the Senior Center where she was a volunteer ceramic teacher for 22 years. Baking cookies and angel food cakes then giving them to family and friends was her greatest joy. She was a very loving, kind person to family, friends, and those in need.

In August 2000, she moved to Rupert to be close to family. One sister, Laura Mae Arthur, and many nieces and nephews in this area survive her.

Memorial services will be held at the Fruitvale Presbyterian Church, a later date. Inurnment will be at the Chapel of the Chimes in Oakland, California. Memorials may be made through her honor to the Minidoka Memorial Medical Auxiliary.

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The Times-News

GOODING - Recent activity in 5th District Court in Gooding County included the following:

Misdemeanor arraignments

Richard Scott Davis, 39, 1107 W. Fifth Avenue Court in Gooding, driving without privileges (third offense), status hearing May 8; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

Robert Shelton Davis, 21, 1914 N. Seventh, Boise, failure to provide proof of insurance, status hearing March 27; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

Emily Colleen Evans, 24, 588 E. Main, Wendell, failure to keep animals properly controlled, failure to purchase dog license, status hearing March 20; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

José M. Yrueta-Ganduga, 49, 1411 California St., Gooding, carelessness, driving under the influence, hearing March 20; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

Misdemeanor sentences

Kirsten Marie Gaddard, 19, 1097 10th Ave. E., Twin Falls, driving without privileges, attempted to failure to purchase valid driver's license, \$750.50 fine, \$63.50 court costs; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

Saul Inar Chagalla, 28, 1647 E. 3200 S. Wendell, enhancement - domestic battery on child present, \$1,000 fine, \$900 suspended, \$63.50 court costs, \$35 probation fee, \$100 public defender fee, two years unsupervised probation, 365 days in jail, 134 suspended, resting or obstructing officers, use or possession of drug paraphernalia, dismissed by prosecutor; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

Thosin Lee Law, 24, 234 13th Ave. W.,

intended. But the audit said the department hasn't kept a careful eye on the funds after they're distributed.

The audit said the department was unable to determine whether \$22,700 provided to the management areas were spent properly.

The audit recommends tighter controls to test for compliance with federal rules and a reporting system that ensures accuracy.

Lucille Barrett of Malta, service at 11 a.m. today at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Malta 1st and 2nd Ward Chapel; burial will be in the Valley Vu Cemetery in Malta; friends may call from 10:45-10:55 a.m. today at the church (Payne Mortuary, Burley).

Gertrude Sarah Starr of Buhl, graveside service at 1 p.m. today at Pine View Cemetery in Ashton (Farmer Funeral Chapel, Buhl).

Richard Ellison and Irene Kay Gerner of Sun Valley, memorial service at 11 a.m. today at Washington Heights Baptist Church, 1770 E. 6200 S., Odgen, Utah.

Cora Lorea Bodenstab of Twin Falls, celebration of life at 2 p.m. today at Reynolds Funeral Chapel.

Margaret Lucille Powell of Rupert, service at 2 p.m. today at Hansen Mortuary-Rupert Chapel; burial will follow at the Rupert Cemetery.

Carolus Bowlin of Hazelton, graveside service at 11 a.m. today at the Hazelton Cemetery (Hove Robertson Funeral Chapel).

Ellen "Grace" Wickhorst of Twin Falls, service at 10 a.m. Saturday at the Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls; interment will follow the service at the Twin Falls Cemetery in Twin Falls; friends may call from 6-8 p.m. today at the funeral home.

Catherine Mildred Watson Bism Burks of Paul, celebration of life at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Paul United Methodist Church; interment at 10 a.m. Monday at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls.

Curtis L. Maxwell of Boise and



Gooding; driving without privileges; 180 day driver's license suspension, \$500 fine, \$50 suspended, \$78.50 court costs, \$35 probation fee, \$100 public defender fee; one year unsupervised probation; 180 days in jail, 175 suspended; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

Robert Anthony Samillanes, 49, 414 Montana St., Gooding, battery - domestic violence (second offense) amended to violation of no contact order, \$1,000 fine, \$1,000 suspended, \$63.50 court costs, \$35 probation fee, \$100 public defender fee, two years unsupervised probation, 365 days in jail, 343 suspended, injury to a child, dismissed by prosecutor; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

Misdemeanor dismissals

James Verdugo Chavez, 20, 601 E. Galveston St., Caldwell, driving without privileges, dismissed by prosecutor; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

Thosin Lee Law, 24, 234 13th Ave. W., Gooding, failure to appear for a misdemeanor citation, dismissed by prosecutor; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

Divorces

Janie Allen Holland vs. Key E. Holland
Mark Allen Berger vs. Vickie Lynn Berger

Jeremy Howard Morris vs. McKenize Lee Morris

Maria Guadalupe Perez Zamora de Valdez vs. Ricardo Valdez Covarrubias

SERVICES

Louise Alice Flores of Burley, memorial service at 11 a.m. today at Hansen Mortuary Burley Chapel, 321 E. Main, Burley; burial will follow in the Pleasant View Cemetery.

Clarence Hatt of Burley, service at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Albion Ward Chapel of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints; burial will be in the Pleasant View Cemetery in Burley; friends may call from 6-8 p.m. today at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley and from 10:45-10:55 a.m. Saturday at the church.

Blanche Osterhout of Pocatello and formerly of Burley, service at

1 p.m. Saturday at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Burley 3rd and 7th Ward Chapel, 2200 Oakley Ave.; burial will be in the Gem Memorial Gardens in Burley; friends may call from 6-8 p.m. today at the Colonial Funeral Home, 2005 South Fourth St. in Pocatello and from 12-12:45 p.m. Saturday at the church (Payne Mortuary, Burley).

Geneva S. Fuller-Robinson and Jewel E. Goldtinda, memorial service at 2 p.m. Saturday, March 29, 2003 at Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls.

DEATH NOTICES

Florence McGuire

TWIN FALLS - Florence McGuire, 91, of Twin Falls died Thursday, March 20, 2003, at Bridgeview Estates.

Arrangements will be announced by White Mortuary of Twin Falls.

Edith Ann Slade

TWIN FALLS - Edith Ann Slade, 98, of Twin Falls, died Thursday, March 20, 2003, at Sunrise Care and Rehabilitation Center.

Arrangements will be announced by White Mortuary of Twin Falls.

Imogene Strube Woodworth

AMERICAN FALLS - Imogene Strube Woodworth, 83, of American Falls died Thursday, March 20, 2003, at the American Memorial Hospital in American Falls.

The service will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, March 24, 2003, at the American Falls Congregational Church, 745 Bennett Ave., American Falls with Pastor Linda Biggs officiating. The graveside service will be held at 2:30 p.m. Monday at the Pleasant View Cemetery in Burley with committal services by the Eastern Star.

Visitation will be held from 6-7 p.m. Sunday, March 23, 2003, at Davis Mortuary, 170 Idaho St., American Falls.

Robert S. Judd

BURLEY - Robert Sterling Judd, 76, of Burley died Thursday, March 20, 2003, at the Cassia Regional Medical Center in Burley.

The service will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, March 24, 2003, at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 2200 Oakley and 7th Ward Chapel, 2200 Oakley Ave., with Bishop Steve Ormond officiating. Burial will be in the Pleasant View Cemetery in Burley. Friends may call from 6-8 p.m. Sunday at the Payne Mortuary, 221 West Main St., Burley and from 10:45-10:55 a.m. Monday at the church.

Harry William Harting Jr.

TWIN FALLS - Harry William Harting Jr., 82, of Twin Falls, died Wednesday, March 19, 2003, at Chaparral House in Twin Falls.

The memorial services will be held at 6 p.m. Monday, March 24, 2003, at the Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls. Private inurnment will be held at later date at the Mount Hope Cemetery in Lander, Wyo.

Minidoka planners deny day care permit

By Shari Chaney
Times-News writer

RUPERT—Application denied. That was the verdict for a special-use application for a day care facility run by Kristina Rogers and Robert Rogers. The Minidoka Planning and Zoning Commission made the decision Thursday in a 3 to 1 vote. The decision can be appealed to the Minidoka County Commission and then to district court.

The Rogerses were asking for both a special-use permit to use their home as a day care facility for more than four children and to expand the current facility with a 28-by-48-foot addition, said their attorney Jason Walker.

When Kristina Rogers, who owns Sunnyslope Child Care, applied last year for a permit to expand she discovered she needed to have a permit to even be operating.

The commission has already heard the application, but because the day care is within Paul's area of impact, the county said the city should be able to review the application.

Paul's mayor and city-works director then reviewed the application and sent a letter to the zoning commission saying that the city sees no direct impact but

makes no recommendations. After listening to testimony Thursday, planning and zoning commissioner Sheryl Koyle said the day care request was the same as a request to put a 10,000-head dairy in an agriculturally low zone.

"I don't feel it is appropriate in the location where it's at," she added.

And while Chairman Dave Coats initially said, "There is nothing that doesn't step on someone's toes," he told the Rogerses they'd been forewarned the day care is not a good fit where it is at.

Commission members Coats, Koyle and Richard Poret voted to deny the application. Steve Whitesides voted against that motion. Arnold Patterson, Delye Bennett and Dick Galbraith were absent from the meeting.

Many neighbors testified against the day care, saying it had ruined their way of life. Neighbor Shirley Renz said her dog barks when people drive by, prompting her to investigate, and the dog is barking at all hours.

Traffic was the biggest complaint. But Walker said that with 24 children currently attending day care, only six vehicles were driving in and out every day. On two days there were an additional

four cars. A small bus comes down the road to pick up and drop off preschool students, including one of the Rogerses' children.

Letters have been given to parents about speed and stereotypes, Walker said.

Attorney Lance Loveland, representing the neighbors opposing the day care, used different numbers. The application said there would be a maximum of 40 children. If 40 cars were used to transport children and each car took four trips daily — one in and one out when children are dropped off, then one in and one out when children are picked up — it amounts to 160 one-way car trips down the road.

"It's just not appropriate," Loveland said.

Many of the neighbors said they want to be able to walk along the road but say it is dangerous.

Walker pointed out roads were designed for driving not walking, while it is nice to use them for both.

June Stoller, one of the neighbors in opposition, said many of the residents have lived in the area for many years.

She and her husband, Gerald, have been in their home 45 years. The Rogerses are fairly new to

the neighborhood.

Walker mentioned the county's comprehensive plan addresses a lack of goods and services that drives people out of the area; this was the county's choice to keep those goods and services in the county.

The Mini-Cassia Economic Development Committee has also talked about keeping young people in the area, Walker said. Loveland said his clients "simply applaud" what the Rogerses are doing with the day care, but it's wanting "to put a round peg in a square hole."

Other commission business included:

• **Preliminary approval** — The commission gave preliminary approval to Carol Hughes and Gale Croft for a subdivision near 500 W. 300 S.

The women will come back to the commission for final approval. The commission wanted the developers to address several issues first, such as aligning livestock with city of Heyburn regulations, regulating well and septic system placements, creating a homeowner's association to monitor the irrigation system and ensuring property owners created a turnaround on their property so they are not backing out onto 500 West.

Forest Service lifts snowmobile closure

Magic Valley in brief

FAIRFIELD — The Forest Service has lifted the snowmobile closure on the 1,515-acre snowcat skiing area above Soldier Mountain Ski Area.

Guided snowcat skiing is finished for this season, said Joe Mielowski, winter recreation specialist for the Fairfield Ranger District.

"We appreciate everyone's cooperation with the closure this winter," Mielowski said. "The best access to the snow above the ski area is now through the South Fork of Soldier Creek. We ask snowmobilers to drive only on dry roads to reach the snow. This will avoid rutting damage to roads and terrain."

Snowmobilers are reminded the ski trails, cat tracks and roads within the Soldier Mountain Ski Area remain closed to motorized use year-round. In addition, the snowmobile closure to protect wintering elk over Couch Summit west of Red Rock Creek in the Little Smoky drainage and east of Featherlyville, remains in effect until May 1 or further notice.

T.F. hospital donates lifesaving equipment

TWIN FALLS — New lifesaving equipment will soon be online at Soldier Mountain Ski Area near Fairfield.

Magic Valley Regional Medical Center has donated a new automatic external defibrillator to the ski patrol, according to a hospital news release.

People suffering cardiac arrest

may be more likely to survive if first-responders are equipped with the compact and consumer-friendly versions of devices doctors use to jump-start patients' hearts in the hospital, the news release said.

"When a person suffers such a cardiac arrest, which occurs when the heart suddenly stops beating, there is only a narrow window of time — about 10 minutes — for use of AEDs to have any benefit," said Dr. Reed Harris, a local cardiologist.

The donation is part of Magic Valley Regional's Women's Heart Advantage initiative, designed to increase awareness about heart disease in south central Idaho, particularly in women, and to provide simple solutions to reduce risk factors.

Red Cross benefit lunch will take place Monday

TWIN FALLS — A "Lunch in the Outback" to benefit the American Red Cross will be served from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Monday at the Outback Steakhouse, 1965 Blue Lakes Blvd. N.

The sit-down lunch includes steak, chicken, Caesar salad and soft drink. Cost is \$10 per person. Tickets are available at the Branch of the American Red Cross, 1139 Falls Ave. E., Suite B, by calling 733-6464; or at the door.

— compiled from staff reports

Engineer: Idaho closes in on odor measuring

By Nate Johnson
Times-News writer

BURLEY — A study that aimed to find a technical way of measuring excessive odor ended Wednesday.

The study brings Idaho a step closer to a rule to determine when agricultural odors are excessive. Department of Agriculture Resources Engineer Matt Thompson told the Cassia County and Albion planning commissions Thursday night.

In 2001 Idaho lawmakers gave the Ag Department the power to regulate excessive odor on all farms except beef, swine and poultry operations. Without a definition of "excessive" the department has a hard time enforcing the law.

"There is a need for an odor standard," Thompson said.

"I drove in the vicinity of a dairy in Jerome County — and I was raised on a beef operation — but I never smelled anything like this," he said.

Last year the group working on a rule for the odor law could not decide on a level to call excessive, Thompson said. The group gave a technical committee the assignment of finding a way to scientifically quantify excessively stinky odors. Thompson, who is the chairman of this committee, said the group may have a device to do just that.

The rule-making group will take the findings of Thompson's committee and "hash it out" this

spring, he said.

The Ag Department will use the law to find "who needs an odor management plan, not who needs a fine," Thompson said. The department does, however, have the authority to give fines up to \$10,000 per offense for odor violations.

In areas where there are many dairies, inspectors would take odor measurements both up and downwind of each operation to determine how much stink each farm was producing, Thompson said.

"Nutrient management plans" Thompson predicted that all farms, not just animal feeding operations, would eventually need nutrient management plans.

"It's not a question of if, it's a question of when," he said.

While the Ag Department regulates how dairy owners apply manure to their fields, it does not regulate the waste when a dairy owner sells it to a farmer.

Some farmers buy manure and stock it in piles in their fields. Cassia County planning commissioner Vaughn Cook pointed out. Surely this stockpiling has a greater impact than a dayman spreading manure on his fields, he said.

Right now the Idaho Department of Environment Quality could regulate this practice only if the waste washed into a waterway, Thompson said. The Ag Department will eventually regulate stockpiling through nutrient management plans, he said.

Kempthorne sees seat belt bill

Legislature in brief

BOISE — Gov. Dirk Kempthorne has been legislative doubling the fine for failing to wear a seat belt to \$10.

The measure drew only limited opposition in both houses, marking the first major change in Idaho's seat belt law since the mid-1980s.

It is important that doubling the fine, the law now permits a motorist or passenger to be cited for failing to wear a seat belt even if no other violation is cited as long as police pulled the vehicle over for a reason other than the occupants not wearing seat belts. Formerly the seat-belt citation had to accompany some other citation.

"This bill will, by every measure, save every seat, save lives," Sen. Brad Little, R-Emmett, said. We need more people wearing safety restraints."

An attempt to raise the requirements for mandatory child safety restraints to 6 years

old or under 60 pounds was side-tracked in the House after passing the Senate. The current requirement is 4 years old or 40 pounds or less.

Idaho's highway fatality rate is above the national average, but officials credit some of that to the state's extensive system of two-lane roads, which are more dangerous.

Senate committee OKs incest sentence increase

BOISE — Legislation increasing the maximum sentence for incest has been endorsed by the Senate Judiciary Committee.

The bill now awaits a final legislative vote before being sent to Gov. Dirk Kempthorne. It changes the maximum sentence for incest from 10 to 25 years.

Glenn Myler of Chubbuck has pressed for the increased penalty, recounting a lengthy and abusive relationship with his father.

— compiled from wire reports

Acequia students share their state knowledge

By Shari Chaney
Times-News writer

ACEQUIA — Niagara Falls can fill up 1,000 bathtubs per second, and the inventor of the microwave lived in Maine.

Fifth-graders at Acequia Elementary have been working on research projects about states for several months now and had a chance to show what they know at a states fair Thursday.

Like a science fair, each student had a display including information such as the state flag, state flower and state tree, along with some history, maps and facts about the state.

Garrett Mackay studied New York and quoted the fact about Niagara Falls and bathtubs. He also said he learned there is a lot of forest and farming in New York, and one major product is maple syrup.

Mackay chose New York because of the attack on the World Trade Center, he said.

Teacher Julie Stewart said students choose three states they are interested in and then are assigned one of those to research. Hawaii and Alaska are usually



Garrett Mackay, right, talks to other students about his project on New York during the states fair at Acequia Elementary on Thursday.

top picks, Stewart said, along with California and Texas.

Luis Hurtado studied Texas because his mom was born there and he had visited his grandparents there.

The state bird is the mocking-

bird, he said, pointing to his display, and the state flower is the bluebonnet.

While most research was done through encyclopedias, student Lexi Koyle interviewed her neighbor and grandma for infor-

Rangers cite snowmobilers in Yellowstone National Park

YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK, Wyo. (AP) — Nearly two dozen people have been cited for riding snowmobiles illegally in Yellowstone National Park over the past three weeks, Superintendent Suzanne Lewis announced Thursday.

An investigation found trees and new vegetation had been damaged by the machines.

Rangers arrested a dozen riders on charges of snowmobiling in undesignated areas along the western boundary. One group was found 5.5 miles inside the park, Lewis said.

The group was booked at the West Yellowstone, Mont., Jail and released by U.S. Magistrate Judge Stephen E. Cole after they posted bond.

Nine other people were issued mandatory appearance citations after allegedly being discovered a short distance inside the boundary in an area less clearly marked.

Increased patrols along the western boundary were initiated this winter after rangers noticed increasing illegal use in that area in recent years.

Lewis said snowmobilers are allowed only during a specified winter season and only on designated groomed roadways inside the park.

Violators will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law, she said.

Park rangers have handed out about 380 citations to snowmobilers this winter, a record.

House authorizes aquifer study

WASHINGTON (AP) — The House of Representatives has authorized a \$3.5 million study of an aquifer shared by Washington state and Idaho.

The bill, introduced by Rep. George Nethercutt, R-Wash., authorizes the Department of Interior to study the Rathdrum Prairie-Spokane Valley Aquifer over three years.

The study, which would help determine who gets how much of the shared water supply, was proposed after power companies applied to withdraw millions of gallons of water from the aquifer, the sole source of drinking water for more than 400,000 people in Kootenai and Spokane counties.

"Water is one of our most precious resources in the Northwest," Nethercutt said. "This study will enable us to manage this resource in the most responsible way possible."

The funding, approved Wednesday would pay to develop a comprehensive computer model that would provide a scientifically defensible understanding of the regional aquifer.

The measure, approved 414-6, is identical to legislation passed by the House last year, but not taken up in the Senate. Instead, the Senate put the funding in an appropriations bill.

Teachers

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"Schools are not able to control the quality of the raw material."

Teachers don't have control over whether children have had breakfast, enough sleep or nurturing homes, she said. Also, teachers from low socio-economic neighborhoods often have to work after school in order to survive. Their counterparts from wealthier families, on the other hand, probably go home to new computers, the Internet and an environment that encourages scholastic excellence, Larson said.

Several teachers complained that performance-based pay would create disharmony among staff members. An Idaho Falls

teacher said such a system would have teachers vying for the best students and undermining other teachers to "get the cash." He also said sometimes kids need strong discipline, which can make a teacher unpopular.

The bill's sponsor said he thinks local school districts could tailor their evaluations to accommodate concerns. He also said there appears to be enough support from committee members to pass the proposal, which will be approved next Tuesday for consideration by the entire House.

But even if the legislation doesn't pass both the House and the Senate this session, the field of education is headed that direction, say lobbyists for the Idaho

School Boards Association and the Idaho Association of School Administrators. However, they advised the committee to go forward only with broad-based input.

Though he would not take a stand on House Bill 359, the notion of performance-based pay was also endorsed by the governor's legislative liaison on education issues — Darrell Deide, who is a retired Nampa school superintendent.

"I think we need to move away from a system that only pays teachers by how many credits they earn and how many years they teach," Deide said. "The single-salary concept we have in place is flawed."

Spring

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With the longer and warmer days, that means more people flocking to the tanning beds. That may seem counter-intuitive, said Natalie Krumboltz of Sunstations tanning spa, but true.

"I notice when its sunny outside, a lot more people come in here," she said. "You would think people would be out in the sun but they just want to look tan."

There's a discrepancy in just when the first day of spring occurs, notes Chris Anderson, astronomer and production specialist at the Herrett Center.

just over the equator happened at 1 a.m. this morning, in Greenwich, England, site of the zero hour in the world's time zones.

In Twin Falls, it actually occurred Thursday at 6 p.m. For that matter, the term spring and vernal equinox only refers to conditions in the northern hemisphere.

Astronomers who labeled the seasons centuries ago happened to live in that portion of the globe and didn't take into consideration that conditions in the southern hemisphere were just the opposite of vernal or "green."

hemisphere prejudice, refer to spring as the March equinox and fall or autumn as the September equinox.

"That way there's no bias toward one hemisphere or the other," Anderson said.

For Anderson the astronomer, spring means having to wait longer to view the stars. As Anderson the commuter by bicycle, the nicer weather means more enjoyable bike rides to and from work.

"For that matter, less chance of being run over as I drive home at night and not in the dark any more."

MAGIC VALLEY/WEST

Albion council backs wind power

By Mary Lynne Bristol
Times-News correspondent

ALBION — City Council members indicated their support for development of wind power projects in the Albion Valley and in Idaho at their March council meeting.

Council members signed off on a position paper prepared by Councilman Len Marrs in part because of the proposal by Windland Inc. to develop a wind farm on Coterrell Mountain.

"It is the position of the city of Albion that the development of wind-generated power should be pursued at the Coterrell Mountain location," the paper states.

"The installation of the wind farm will provide economic benefits to the city and to the Albion Valley, in the form of employment during construction and the potential of permanent, full-time jobs during operation, increased income during construction for local businesses and an increased tax base for Cassia County."

Also at the meeting, following a public hearing, the council approved an ordinance which assigns ownership of a strip of land 24 feet wide along Market

Street to the people who own the property next to that city-owned strip. Those property owners include Leana Hauser, the Albion Fire Protection District, Bennie Chaburn and the city.

The city maintains an easement to access city services which run through the property. Other council business included:

- **Water study** — Marrs reported that Galena Engineering personnel have completed phase one of the city's water study by locating two grant funding sources. The city will apply for grants from the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality and the U.S. Forest Service.

- Council members also approved hiring Galena Engineering to conduct phase two of the project, which will include determining problems with the current water distribution system.

- **Electric contract revision** — The council approved a revised contract with the Bonneville Power Administration. The changes relate to ancillary service from Idaho Power Co. It will cost Albion about \$320 a year.

- **Flag pole donation** — Lorna Caliquette offered a flag pole to the city as long as someone from the city removes the pole from her yard.

It was suggested the pole be placed between City Hall and the site of the proposed new fire station.

- **Senior citizens** — Bruce Bristol, a member of the Albion Senior Citizens board of directors, asked if the city could flood irrigate the lawn at the senior center.

The council agreed to check into the matter. Bristol also asked if the center's sewer rate could be reduced because the building is not used frequently.

- **Cemetery cleanup** — The annual cemetery and valley cleanup and community barbecue was scheduled for Saturday, May 3.

- **Playground** — Marrs reported that the proposed location for the new playground in City Park has been inspected by personnel from the National Park Service and approved with the conditions that the irrigation ditch around the park will be enclosed and that tree stumps near the playground will be removed.

Swimming in ditches will continue

Senate defeats measure to ban it

By Julie Pence
Times-News writer

BOISE — To hear senators tell it on Thursday, recreation in Idaho would cease if the canal companies ban people from swimming in irrigation ditches.

"It's a cultural thing," said Sen. Denton Darrington, R-Declo. "I was raised in the canals. My kids spent all summer in the canals, and my neighbors' kids spent all summer in the canals."

He said he simply couldn't vote for something that took away yet another freedom.

House Bill 125 would have allowed canal companies to make their waterways, or portions thereof, off limits to swimming, boating, kayaking, water skiing and wading. However, the public would have been allowed to hunt and fish near canals. Posting would have been required every 666 feet, and people would only receive tickets for not obeying the canal company rules.

The bill, sponsored by the Idaho Water Users Association, has its origins in the death of Twin Falls woman Laura Baxter's



toddler. She has campaigned for a decade to tighten up recreational use in Idaho's irrigation streams.

The bill zoomed through the House last week with only three dissenting votes, but on Thursday the Senate soundly defeated it with a 20-7 vote.

Sen. Clint Stennett, D-Ketchum, reminisced about his days growing up in Jerome County. Some of his fondest memories were of water skiing in the Northside Canal.

Boise Republican Cecil Ingram waxed passionate about how much his grandchildren prefer the dry coolie behind his home to the swimming pool three blocks away. And though Sen. Laird Noh, R-Kimberly, who carried the bill, tried to convince him that the legislation would only give canal companies permission to close off their streams, Ingram would have none of it.

"I'd like to have a penny or two

for every inner tube that has gone down that canal," Ingram said. "I'd be richer than Jack Simpson. This is one of the most unneighborly bills anyone has ever come up with."

Sen. Gary Schroeder, R-Moscow, pointed out that many of the state's canals were conserved in favor of public land, and that they often run through public land, such as that of the Bureau of Land Management.

"And all of a sudden you can't use them," he asked.

The bill's language said hunting or fishing would be allowed near irrigation streams, though, no one would be allowed to participate in a sport that had contact with the water. Stennett said he couldn't figure out how a person fly fishes without wading in the water.

He said he didn't believe it would be long before such places, as Murtaugh Lake, Wilson Lake and the Richfield Canal would be off limits simply because canal companies would find it much easier to do their work without the bother of public recreation.

Among local lawmakers, Noh voted in favor of it. Stennett, Darrington, Sen. Dean Cameron, R-Rupert, Sen. Tom Gannon, R-Buhl, and Sen. Fred Kennedy, D-Mountain Home, voted against it.

Reduced protection for gray wolves pleases ranchers

BILLINGS, Mont. (AP) — Montana ranchers who fought the reintroduction of the gray wolf say they are pleased the federal government has moved to reduce the predator's protection under federal law.

But sheep producer Bob Gilbert and some others say they fear that lawsuits over the downlisting from "endangered" to "threatened" will impede their goal of totally removing wolves from coverage of the Endangered Species Act.

"What we're seeing is the Interior Department attempting to lull the public into thinking that something is going to be done to start the delisting process," Gilbert, a spokesman for the Montana Wool Growers Association, said. "The reality of it is, there's a long way to go."

On Tuesday, the Fish and

Wildlife Service said the gray wolves, once at risk of extinction, have recovered enough for the government to give them less protection when they encroach on ranches and other settlements in the West.

The switch after 30 years to "threatened" status means the government no longer considers gray wolves in the lower 48 states to be in danger of dying out. The next step would be total delisting, allowing states to manage them like any other wild animal.

The move applies except for the Southwest. Several other populations, one in Arizona and New Mexico and another in the Yellowstone ecosystem, including Yellowstone National Park and portions of Idaho and Montana and all of Wyoming,

will continue to be managed as "experimental" populations under different rules that allow ranchers to kill animals caught attacking livestock.

In Oregon, the downlisting will have little effect because of a 1987 state endangered species law. As a result, Oregon now has stronger protections for the gray wolf than the federal government, said Ron Anglin of the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife.

While threatened species still have federal protection, the lower status announced Tuesday, among other things, allows ranchers to kill wolves they catch attacking livestock. Killing an "endangered" wolf could draw a \$100,000 fine and a one-year jail sentence.

But conservationists said the government should keep work-

ing and reintroduce wolves in regions where they remain scarce, such as the Pacific Northwest and the Northeast, rather than making the animals less protected.

"The Fish and Wildlife Service has snatched defeat from the jaws of victory on this one," said Tom France, the director of National Wildlife Federation's Northern Rockies office, based in Missoula.

Some hunters and outfitters in the West, who have opposed reintroduction efforts, say the move doesn't change their position.

"The only wolves we want in Idaho is one in the zoo — and neutered," said Ron Gillett. Business at the cabins he rents near Idaho's Sawtooth Mountains has dropped sharply since wolves were moved into the region and began preying on deer and elk.

Scientists forecast good year for migrating whales

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — After enduring several lean, difficult years, the gray whale population is rebounding, looking fat and happy as their annual northern migration past Oregon begins.

Between 1998 and 2002, emaciated whales were common, and a significantly high 600 whales were reported stranded along West Coast beaches. Biologists theorized that the whales had reached their "carrying capacity" — too many whales competing for the shrimp-like amphipods they dine on along the ocean floor.

But now, marine scientists watching the annual migration say the whales look much stronger than in the past four years.

"They're looking great," said biologist Wayne Perryman, who works for the National Marine Fisheries Service in La Jolla, Calif. "Last year they started to look good again, but this year they look great."

Biologists are also hoping this year might buck the trend of declining whale populations: between 1999 and 2002, the numbers of eastern North Pacific gray

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— Wayne Perryman, biologist

whales plummeted by about one third, from 26,600 to 17,400.

And while nearly 1,400 calves were spotted in 1998, their numbers nose-dived for three consecutive springs: 427 in 1999, 280 in 2000 and 250 in 2001.

"But last year was a nice recovery, with 834 calves seen migrating north," Perryman said. "I'm confident there will be even more calves this year."

Scientists think a climate conditions may have had something to do with the decline in the whale's population.

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MINIDOKA COUNTY COMMUNITY AUCTION

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Buhl School Board sets bond issue election for new school

By Mary Lou Potts
Times-News correspondent

BUHL – On May 20, the Buhl School District will ask the community to support a \$9,650,000 bond issue to build a new high school.

If passed, the new bond would be paid off in 20 years. According to district officials, tax rates to homeowners will be about the same as residents are paying for the current facilities levy, and any increase would be a minimal amount.

The current facilities levy will be paid off in June.

The district decided the time was right for a bond issue because the district owns the property on which the school would be built, interest rates are low, and the district would get a 10 percent rebate from the state.

On the same day as the bond election, voters in Zone 5 will also be able to vote for their representative on the School Board. The seat is now held by Dave Kiesel.

The architecture firm chosen to build the new school is C.A. Alliance of Burley. The board approved hiring Michael Moore of Boise as bond counsel, which is

required, at a cost of \$8,500 if the bond passes. If rejected, the cost of hiring Moore is \$750.

Moore's fees will be paid by the current facilities levy fund.

Other council business included:

• **Wrestling results** – Wrestling coach Stacy Wilson introduced the Buhl wrestlers who finished seventh in state competition. The team won the academic award with a 3.27 GPA.

Superintendent Rick Hill presented certificates to individual division champions Russell Wiesma, R.C. Sisson, Matt Busby, J.D. Gould, Dave Alves, Will Baggs and Alex Serrano.

• **Splitting classes** – A team of educators led by Judy Watson, Kimberly Junior High School principal, gave a summary of separate boys and girls classes in the sixth grade in Kimberly.

Watson said parents did not object to the split, and discipline problems were cut by 38 percent. Student performance also improved.

"We will continue the program as long as it works for our students, and we are thinking about trying the same program in the seventh grade next year,"

Watson said.

• **Graduation speaker** – Buhl High School Principal Terry Adolphson announced the graduating class of 2004 has chosen government teacher Gary Eller to be its speaker.

Eller was also the speaker at last year's graduation ceremonies and is retiring this year.

• **National convention** – The board agreed to let Key Club members travel to Salt Lake City to the national convention April 25-27. Parents and Kivansians will accompany the group.

Permission was also given to instructor Don Black and three Business Professional Association members to go to Dallas April 30 to May 4 to attend a national convention.

• **Dress code policy** – The board is writing and revising the wording in the dress code policy to make sure explicit explanations are given for a number of clothing items that students can or cannot wear.

There will be more discussion at April's board meeting.

Times-News correspondent Mary Lou Potts can be reached in Buhl at 543-8854.

Castleford schools plan for cuts

By Mickey Walker
Times-News correspondent

CASTLEFORD – It could be another month before the Castleford School District has any financial figures from the state to base the district budget upon.

And yet the board discussed this week several areas where cuts could be made or fees raised, including sports.

"The governor's budget is a hold-even budget that allows schools to make steps on the salary schedule, and then everything else pretty much stays the same, except transportation," explained Superintendent Kelly Murphy. "Even with that, we will still have to cut."

Murphy said the increases to

the district would come from a rise in health insurance, a 2 percent transportation budget increase built into the contract, and basic services.

"We're going to have to put all options out on the table," he said. "It could be that raising ticket prices at the door for sports would be something people would rather pay than increasing property taxes."

Principal Andy Wiseman said Castleford is better off than some area schools that offer a wider range of sports and have to travel more.

Not all the bills have come in from the boys state basketball tournament, which the team won, but Wiseman figures the cost will be close to \$5,000, and nearly \$2,500 of that went for trans-

portation.

The school received \$203 as its portion of the gate receipts for four days at the tournament.

Wiseman also noted that several supporters donated money to help with the cost.

"Along that line, we've had people in our community who have donated nearly \$3,000, and for that we are really grateful," Wiseman said.

In other School Board business, Wiseman announced that Laurie Howard received the Athletic Director of the Year award for I-A schools.

In addition, Lani Schofield, teacher and coach, asked to be relieved as a coach for the next school year. Schofield is seeking an advanced degree that will take more of his time.

Energy debate focuses on power

By Daniel Pulliam
States News Service

WASHINGTON – An attempt to toughen penalties for fraud and manipulative practices in the power sector was shot down on a party-line vote during deliberations in a House subcommittee, clearing the path for a bill carry many elements of President Bush's national energy plan to the full committee – probably later this week.

Rep. John D. Dingell, D-Mich., said the current version of the national energy plan would undercut consumer protections, or repeal them altogether, weakening a set of laws currently in place – including the Federal Power Act, Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act and Public Utility Holding Company Act.

A discussion draft advanced this week by Rep. Joe L. Barton, R-Texas, chairman of the House Energy and Commerce subcommittee on energy and air quality, moves in a different direction.

Barton's plan would encourage

energy efficiencies, authorize expansion of the Strategic Petroleum Reserve and the Northeast Home Heating Oil Reserve, and allow the construction of a gas pipeline from the energy-rich North Slope of Alaska to the lower 48 states. It would also direct the Environmental Protection Agency to complete a study on the regulation of hydraulic fracturing processes for recovering coalbed methane.

Barton also plans to revamp hydroelectric relicensing managed by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and would give facility operators more flexibility in meeting federal requirements.

Dingell contends the hydro section tips the balance "in favor of the industry" and undercuts the ability of the federal government to act to protect river systems from elements of hydro facilities.

"This language ignores the fact that our nation's waterways are public resources in which many parties – resource agencies, states, tribes, farmers, sportsmen

and everyday citizens – have interest that are just as important as those of the hydropower industry," Dingell said.

But central to the debate that the electric section of the bill was bending the wrong way. He said it should be separated into a different bill to allow for more extensive debate.

"This seems particularly startling in light of the chaos that took place in West Coast markets only two years ago, on which FERC's staff investigation has not even been completed," Dingell said. He also said the bill did not have provisions that would prevent another "Enron collapse."

Barton contends that Dingell's substitute doesn't even address these concerns, and that federal reforms have already taken into account Enron-like manipulation, and it can't occur again.

The full committee chairman, Rep. W.J. "Billy" Tauzin, R-La., said he was committed to moving an effective energy bill that would meet the needs for 21st century growth and prosperity.

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Payday loan regulation heads to Kempthorne

The Times-News and The Associated Press

BOISE — Legislation regulating the payday-loan industry won unanimous approval on Thursday from the state Senate amid suggestions that it fails to go far enough.

"This is apparently a step in the right direction, but it looks like we have a long, long way to go," Sen. Laird Noh of Kimberly said.

Noh gave the example of a woman from the Burley area trying to pay medical bills. She is caught in a web of loans from four payday-loan companies. One company is charging a rate of 521 percent interest per year, one is charging 469 percent interest per year, 470 percent is the rate of a third, and the lowest rate of the four companies comes in at 262 percent per year.

The bill now headed to Gov. Dirk Kempthorne was drafted primarily by The MoneyTree Inc. in Seattle, one of the biggest operators in the industry.

It caps the maximum amount a customer can borrow in any 24-hour period at \$1,000 and permits customers to return borrowed cash within 24 hours for full refunds. Authority to operate in Idaho requires an initial payment of \$30,000 and then \$5,000 for each additional outlet. Annual

reports must be filed with the Department of Finance.

The only opposition was in the House, where Republican Reps. Henry Kulczyk of Eagle and Bill Salt of Kuna objected to the industry in general for what they said was taking advantage of people in vulnerable financial circumstances.

MoneyTree President Dennis Bassford, an Idaho native, told lawmakers earlier that it was unfair to compare the fees his industry charges to those charged by banks. He compared payday-loan outlets to convenience stores, which typically charge more than supermarkets for the convenience they offer.

Bassford also justified the rates by pointing out that about 30 percent of his business volume is bad debt.

The company and its officers made substantial contributions to Idaho political campaigns last year, and adding a MoneyTree contribution of the maximum \$5,000 to Kempthorne's re-election campaign. Bassford gave \$4,750 to the governor, and his brother, David, a vice president of MoneyTree, contributed \$3,500.

Additionally, MoneyTree gave \$5,000 to the Idaho Republican Party Central Committee, and Dennis Bassford personally gave \$3,000.



Sen. Laird Noh

Filer School Board OKs checks for staff

By John E. Swayze
Times-News correspondent

FILER — Members of the School Board approved criminal background checks for substitute teachers and volunteer coaches who have unsupervised contact with students.

Business Manager Justin Lanting said the district averages from 15 to 25 volunteer and substitute staff each year. The measure will take effect on June 1 and costs will be absorbed by the program or department each person works in.

Background checks and fingerprinting are already requirements for all contracted personnel.

An election date of May 1 has been set for a Zone 2 school board representative. Linda Gwyn is completing the year vacancy left by Gary Davis in July of 2002.

Elections will be held at the Filer Middle School.

The board also voted Wednesday not to renew an employment contract for Mauriel

Nystrom, the district's curriculum coordinator.

The decision, brought on by budget cuts, will allow the district to hire a new Title I teacher. The program helps students with reading and math skills that are below grade level.

"We have a number of students at the elementary and middle schools who are at the mid or low grade level, Feusahrens said.

Nystrom has been curriculum director for the past five years.

Athletic Director LaRell Fatterson also received approval

to use \$3,700 in athletic department funds to purchase pole vaulting pads that meet Idaho High School Athletics Association safety standards.

The board will also begin accepting bids for a 6-foot-high fence that will encircle the new high school track.

Hollister Elementary will hold its spring carnival on Friday, April 4, from 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m.

The School Board will hold its next meeting at 7 p.m. April 16 in the Filer Elementary School library.

Alaskans take both sides of ANWR drilling issue

JUNEAU, Alaska (AP) — After more than a decade of lobbying for oil production from the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge, Kim Duke said the Senate's vote shutting the door was "a huge disappointment."

"It's just frustrating that people from outside are deciding for us up here," said Duke, executive director of Arctic Power, a private pro-drilling lobbying group. "Who ought to know better how to do oil production up here than ourselves?"

But Faith Gemmill, of the Gwich'in Steering Committee in Fairbanks, was elated. For the Natives of the Interior, she said, opening ANWR would mean a

threat to the Porcupine caribou herd and the culture of the Gwich'in people.

"Any disruption up there would threaten our way of life," she said. "I think the vote shows there are still some people who hold a strong vision for humanity."

Alaska once again watched as a key question about its resources was decided on the East Coast. On Wednesday, in a 52-48 vote, the Senate approved an amendment stripping an oil drilling provision from a budget resolution expected to be approved later this week.

At the center of the debate, literally, are the 260 residents of

Kaktovik, an Inupiat Native village on a coastal barrier island in the refuge.

About three-quarters of them support drilling in ANWR because they hope the money from oil will improve village life, said Mayor Lon Sossalla. The state's current fiscal troubles extend to the local government level, meaning boroughs, towns and villages are all facing budget cuts.

But after Wednesday's Senate vote, Sossalla said most village residents were matter-of-fact about the issue.

"You couldn't say anyone around here was exactly holding their breath," Sossalla said. "We

haven't been holding our breath for 15 years now."

Sen. Pete Domenici, R-N.M., characterized Wednesday's vote as the defeat of drilling supporters' best shot this congressional session.

But Rep. Don Young, R-Alaska, is still holding hope that his ANWR provisions in a House bill will stay intact. And Sen. Ted Stevens, R-Alaska, was angry at being unable to push the measure through, despite his powerful position as chairman of the Senate Appropriations Committee.

"People who vote against this today are voting against me and I will not forget," Stevens declared.

LEGISLATIVE LOG

The Associated Press

Completes for Thursday
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H0308 (Newcomb) — Clarifies that examiners who are employees of the Department of Insurance shall be non-classified employees.

H0302 (Newcomb) — Authorizes the Board of Architectural Examiners to require continuing education as a condition for license renewal.

H0315 (Newcomb) — Clarifies to which calendar year assessments of the Idaho Forest Products Commission apply.

H0058 (Newcomb) — Allows for the sharing of information among government agencies and the National Association of Insurance Commissioners.

H0060 (Newcomb) — Eliminates potential conflicts with federal securities laws and duplication of review.

H0062 (Newcomb) — Sets licensing, bonding and other requirements applicable to bail agents in the state of Idaho.

H0106 (Agriculture) — Regulates and prohibits the importation and possession of harmful exotic animals.

H0108 (Agriculture) — Reconciles conflicting provisions regarding payments for livestock condemned and destroyed due to brucellosis.

H0109 (Agriculture) — Restates in simple language the rules and responsibilities for the Soil Conservation Districts.

H0129 (Agriculture) — Clarifies the type of information to be included in plant health certificates.

H0157 (Agriculture) — Repeals 1972 Agriculture Labor Act requiring hearings for unfair labor practices. The board has met five times since 1972 and has never received a complaint.

H0209 (State Affairs) — Establishes April 30 as Children's Day and the day of the state's commemorative day.

H0260 (State Affairs) — Provides an exception to the 21-year-old age requirement to legally enter a premises licensed to serve alcohol for a theater that is preventing live performances.

S1041 (Transportation) — Requires continuing education for relicensing as a vehicle dealer.

Killed in House

H0334 (Ways and Means) — Clarifies existing law so that state insurance funds that have privatized can compete in the Idaho market.

Killed in Senate

H0125 (Resources and Conservation) — Makes recreation use of irrigation ditches, laterals and canals an infraction.

Sent to governor

S1066 (Commerce and Human Resources) — Makes it easier for banks or trust companies to garnish wages of debtors.

S1059 (Resources and Environment) — Allows reciprocal agreements with Indian Tribes regarding fish and game licenses.

H0206 (State Affairs) — Regulates payday loan services with new licensing and reporting requirements and establishes business practices.

H0203 (Health and Welfare) — Preserves title of "nurse" for those holding such a license.

H0213 (Health and Welfare) — Requires due process for involuntary sterilization to meet Idaho District Court standards.

H0237 (Health and Welfare) — Revises schedule of controlled substances, provides penalties for being under the influence of gamma hydroxybutyric acid.

H0238 (Health and Welfare) — Provides civil penalties against anyone caught practicing dentistry without a license.

H0311 (Agriculture Affairs) — Requires uniform management plans and imposes local regulation on confined animal feeding operations. Introduced in House.

H0380 (Ways and Means) — Allows the Idaho Insurance Department Director to approve rate increase requests.

H0381 (Ways and Means) — Allows ranchers and other private property owners to kill wolves if they threaten property.

H0382 (State Affairs) — A technical change to filing dates for independent candidates.

H0383 (Ways and Means) — Supports President Bush and U.S. Armed Forces in the war with Iraq.

H0384 (Ways and Means) — Asks Congress to extricate the United States from the United Nations organization. Introduced in House.

S1171 (State Affairs) — Allows residents of a port district to vote to disincorporate the district.

S1172 (State Affairs) — Prohibits campaign contributions from lobbyists during a legislative session.

**Completes for Wednesday
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S1120 (Judiciary and Rules) — Deletes law requiring Health and Welfare Department to supervise sanitation of barber shops, hairdressing establishments and public bathing facilities.

S1016 (Judiciary and Rules) — Provides alternative methods for child testimony in trial.

H128 (Appropriations) — Allocates \$6 million for 2003-2004 operations of the Public Employee Retirement System.

H332 (Appropriations) — Allocates \$3.5 million for 2003-2004 operations of the Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired.

H340 (Appropriations) — Allocates \$10 million for 2003-2004 operations of the State Liquor Dispensary.

H341 (Appropriations) — Allocates \$43,500 for 2003-2004 operations of the Women's Commission.

H342 (Appropriations) — Allocates \$10.4 million for 2003-2004 operations of the State Lottery.

H343 (Appropriations) — Allocates \$1 million for 2003-2004 operations of the Office of Species Conservation.

H344 (Appropriations) — Allocates \$17.2 million for 2003-2004 operations of the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation.

H345 (Appropriations) — Allocates \$4.5 million for 2003-2004 operations of the Public Utilities Commission.

H12 (Newcomb) — Requires finger print check of medical license applicants.

H26 (Newcomb) — Defines the term functionally blind.

H303 (Ways and Means) — Doubles the fine for failing to wear a seat belt.

H307 (Agricultural Affairs) — Requires irrevocable letters of credit for commodity dealers.

H308 (Agricultural Affairs) — Requires bonded warehouses to provide for single bonds.

H309 (Agricultural Affairs) — Requires certificates of deposit in lieu of a bond under the seed indemnity fund.

Introduced in Senate

SCR114 (State Affairs) — Creates special committee to evaluate economic development incentives.

SCR115 (State Affairs) — Creates special committee to study laws governing charter schools.

S1168 (Finance) — Allocates \$16.2 million for 2003-2004 operations of the Department of Self-Governing Agencies.

S1169 (State Affairs) — Revises laws on governance of charter schools.

S1170 (State Affairs) — Sets procedure of determining fees for the Idaho Digital Learning Academy.

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Idaho, defense spar over sentence

NEZPERCE (AP) - Another death row inmate is invoking last summer's U.S. Supreme Court ruling in claiming his death sentence should be overturned.

Second District Judge John Bradbury has taken the petition of George Junior Porter under consideration.

A judge in Boise has similar petitions from two other death row inmates under review, and the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals is considering whether to make the U.S. Supreme Court's ruling in an Arizona case retroactive.

Shortly after the high court held that a jury, and not a judge, should decide whether to impose a sentence of death, the Idaho Supreme Court overturned the death sentence of Donald Kenneth Fetterly. It said the federal ruling appeared to invalidate Idaho's sentencing system that left the decision solely with the judge. That law has since been changed, putting the decision in the hands of a jury.

But Porter's attorneys contend he should be treated the same as Fetterly, who had been on death row nearly twice as long and was resentenced to life in prison without possibility of parole. "We know at this time the Idaho statute is unconstitutional," attorney Bruce Livingston told Bradbury during Wednesday's hearing. And co-counsel Andrew Farnes argued that when the jury was charged in Porter's case it was instructed about first-degree murder, not capital murder, which was what Porter was sentenced for.

But Deputy Attorney General LaMont Anderson argued that the federal ruling is not retroactive and if there was a question about the propriety of the sentence, Porter should seek clemency from the pardon board and governor.

Porter, 56, was convicted and condemned in 1990 for the 1988 beating death of his girlfriend, Theresa Lynn Jones, 29, of Kanihah.

He is among 21 convicted murderers on death row. Idaho has executed only one person since reinstating the death penalty in 1977.

Boise woman found guilty of prostitution

BOISE (AP) - The operator of an escort service could be headed to prison after a jury convicted her of encouraging women working for her to have sexual contact with their clients.

Taya "Maxine" Grazian, 44, was found guilty Tuesday of two felony counts of procurement of prostitution and three counts of attempted procurement of prostitution. She was acquitted of an additional count of procurement of prostitution.

An Ada County jury returned the verdict after six hours of deliberation. Grazian will be sentenced in May.

Grazian ran Annuu Ecstasy, which sent escorts to homes and motel rooms throughout the Treasure Valley, according to court records.

Deputy Idaho Attorney General Ken Robins said Grazian encouraged her escorts to have sexual contact with their clients.

Idaho teacher earns honors

HAYDEN (AP) - A Hayden Meadow Elementary School teacher is getting national recognition.

Judith Bieze has been awarded a 2002 Presidential Award for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching.

Bieze was named Idaho Teacher of the Year in 1998. She is known for bringing a hands-on emphasis to classroom math and science instruction. She currently works with kindergarten and first grade students.

The Presidential Award program includes a \$7,500 grant for each recipient's school and a trip to Washington, D.C., to attend an awards ceremony this month.

Hispanic Cultural Center board picks Texan to lead center

NAMPA (AP) - A Texas native has been selected to head the Hispanic Cultural Center of Idaho.

Jorge Pina, a longtime theater arts director and administrator in San Antonio, will become the organization's executive director.

He replaces Janie Aguilar, who resigned earlier this year to pursue other opportunities.

"We are just, as a board, extremely happy about this man coming on board," Alice Mondragn Whitney, Hispanic

Cultural Center board president, said Wednesday.

Pina served as theater arts program director for the Guadalupe Cultural Arts Center in San Antonio from 1984 to 2000. Since then, he has worked as an independent consultant, grants writer, and director and producer for organizations in San Antonio and Colorado.

Whitney said Pina toured the center during a visit last weekend, after which he accepted the job.

No starting date has been set because

Pina is wrapping up some projects in Texas, Whitney said.

Center construction, which is almost half done, is being funded by a \$3.6 million fund-raising campaign.

The center originally was designed as a cultural site but will be a learning institute as well. Hispanics and others will have access to training for job skills training, English proficiency and economic development.

Participants in the center's programs will be able to become computer literate

and seek entry-level, high-tech, paraprofessional or professional jobs, according to organizers. The center also will offer banking services, including an exterior automatic teller machine.

Nampa has the highest concentration of Hispanic residents in the state, with about 9,282, or 17.9 percent of the city's population, according to 2000 census data.

Hispanics make up almost 50 percent of the population in the area where the center is being built.

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best bets in entertainment



September song

The Oakley Valley Arts Council will wrap up its production of Tom Jones and Harvey Schmidt's "The Fantasticks" tonight and Saturday in Howells Opera House in Oakley.

Opening night

The Dilettantes of the Magic Valley will stage Richard Rodgers and Oscar Hammerstein's "Oklahoma" tonight, Saturday night and Thursday night and Sunday afternoon in the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium in Twin Falls. An opening-night gala is scheduled for 5:30 p.m. at the Turf Club, featuring dinner and dancing. For reservations and information about the gala, call Teri Winterholler at 732-5814 or Craig Nebeker at 736-8831.

Divine comedy

Laughing Stock Theatre Company will present Reed Martin, Austin Technor and Adam Long's "The Bible: The Complete Word of God (Abridged)" tonight, Saturday, Sunday and Thursday in Ketchum's nexStage Theatre.

5-part harmony

Hudson Shad, a vocal group that celebrates the harmonies of the past, will conclude the Magic Valley Community Concerts season Sunday night in Twin Falls' Roper Auditorium.

Musical comedy

The Vuamettes will perform Monday and every Monday through early April at 6 p.m. in the Boiler Room at the Sun Valley Resort.

For times, dates and details, see Events Spotlight in Pages C2, 5-6.



Nicole Kidman

Catherine Zeta-Jones

T-N readers insist 'Chicago' is the class of the Oscar field

By Steve Crump
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Never saw that the Magic Valley isn't all that jazzed about "Chicago."

Director Rob Marshall's long-awaited screen version of Bob Fosse's 1975 Broadway hit is the over-

whelming favorite among Times-News readers for the Best Picture Oscar at Sunday night's Academy Awards.

How over-whelming? Three-titls of the 114 readers who entered The Times-News 10th Annual Pick-the-Oscar Contest chose the musical.

Martin Scorsese's "Gangs of New York" and Peter Jackson's "Lord of the Rings: The Two Towers" were tied for a very distant second.

But readers didn't like Roxie Hart, the blonde murderess of "Chicago," nearly as well as Velma Kelly, the conniving brimette. Catherine Zeta-Jones was the runaway favorite for the Best Supporting Actress award for her portrait of Kelly, a singing-and-dancing husband-killer. Zeta-Jones won handsily over Cathy Bates, nominated for "About Schmidt."

Rene Zellweger, "Chicago's" anti-heroine, finished a close second in the Best Actress competition of Nicole Kidman's Virginia Woolf from "The Hours."

Kidman, who wore a latex nose and heavy makeup in her treatment of the suicidal novelist, was nominated for an Oscar last year as a dancehall queen in "Moulin Rouge."

In the Best Actor category, Jack Nicholson's trumpy everyman from "About Schmidt" is favored by T-N readers, over Adrien Brody's Holocaust victim in "The Pianist" and Daniel Day-Lewis' 19th century thug in "Gangs of New York."

In the Best Supporting Actor competition, Paul Newman's aging gang boss from "The Road to Perdition" beat out Christopher Walken's polished

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That old razzle-dazzle



Actress Renee Zellweger appears in a scene from the Miramax Films musical "Chicago."

Let's shelve the Oscars for a while

By Jack Mathews
New York Daily News

Commentary

To go on with the Oscar telecast now would be wrongheaded in more ways than the average Joan Rivers red carpet interview.

It will be among the faintest footnotes to the second Gulf War that one of the first domestic sacrifices made was the canceling of the red carpet ritual that precedes the Academy Awards.

Stars correctly assessed the inappropriateness of showing skin and flashing smiles in the early hours of war and convinced the Academy to cancel the glitzy arrivals phase of Sunday's show.

The question now is whether they should postpone the rest of it.

The answer, after due thought, is yes.

To go on with the Oscar telecast now would be wrongheaded in more ways than the average Joan Rivers red carpet interview. The awards show has great professional and financial importance to the participants, but it's a cultural bugaboo to the rest of us—a good reason for a high-carb party and some jocular elbowing over the relative merits of our favorite movies, and nothing more.

True, I've used up more than a few dead trees writing of Oscar races, often with an unbecoming amount of umbrage ("Gladiator" as Best Picture, were they out of

their minds?).

And I have strong rooting interests this year, particularly for Rob Marshall's "Chicago" and Hayao Miyazaki's animated "Spirited Away." I'll flip if those nominees don't win. But I don't have to flip on Sunday.

An awards season that has already kept me waiting three months can keep me waiting a few more days, or weeks. If things go terribly wrong in Iraq, they should cancel the show altogether and simply release the names of the winners. I'll flip then.

Of course, for tens of millions

of reasons, that won't happen. With advertising bucks locked in, the money is there for ABC and the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences to grab and divvy—but only if the show goes off on or close to schedule.

The distributors of the Oscar favorites have a lot of money riding on the outcome, too. Academy Awards are immediately converted into fresh copy for newspaper ads and TV commercials, both for movies still in wide release and for those coming out on video and DVD. People will be watching movies, war or no, and Oscars are worth millions in additional business.

Still, if the timing or direction of the war dictates around-the-clock coverage and preempts Sunday's telecast, the awards will have to be either postponed or taped for later airing, which would be a ratings fiasco.

No glitz, no cleavage, and now, no surprises?

If it does go off on Sunday, as producer Gil Cates was saying as late as Wednesday it would, it's going to be about as much fun as the last Security Council meeting. The stars are talking about dressing down, host Steve Martin is likely to be less animated, and the kind of giddy acceptance

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Producers plan 'more sober' Academy Awards

Milwaukee Journal Sentinel

The show will go on as planned, but Sunday's Academy Awards will be a "more sober affair" in light of the pending war with Iraq, Oscar telecast producer Gil Cates said this week.

The "splashy" red carpet arrivals line "will be truncated," the press line will be eliminated and celebrities will enter directly into the Kodak Theatre in Hollywood, Cates said at a news conference.

Cates said the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences "is mindful that many of its celebrity guests would feel uncomfortable arriving at this year's awards, at the beginning of a major war, to face a business-as-usual phalanx of interviewers and photographers."

Celebrities will not stop for interviews or photographs, although some pool coverage may be provided. Decisions on how "to adjust to war coverage" as events warrant will be made jointly by ABC and the academy later this week, Cates said.

The announcement, while not surprising, will nonetheless take some of the excitement out of the

annual affair on its 75th anniversary.

"Joan Rivers must be hearing the hair out of her wig," said Damien Bona, author of "Inside Oscar." Rivers has made a reputation of irreverent red-carpet interviews of celebrities.

Bona said he suspected that canceling the red carpet interviews was the academy's way of preventing celebrities from commenting on the war as they enter the theater.

War and the Oscars do mix. The academy originally canceled the ceremony after Pearl Harbor, "but the uproar was so great about how it could hurt morale" that it was rescheduled, Bona noted.

During World War II, he said, the academy invited "lots of guests who were politicians and ambassadors and courtiers from other countries. And in 1942, the awards were so top-heavy with non-industry people that every one complained. After that, they decided to keep it a Hollywood-only affair."

This year, Bona said, without the traditional pomp and circumstance, Cates is "going to have a lot of air time to fill."

WEEKEND

Oakley Valley Arts Council offers 'The Fantasticks'

T H E A T E R



Tonight and Saturday

The Oakley Valley Arts Council will present Tom Jones and Harvey Schmidt's "The Fantasticks," 8 p.m. nightly, Jewels Opera House, Oakley. For ticket reservations or for more information, call 677-ARTS (677-2787).

Tonight, Saturday, Sunday and Thursday

Laughing Stock Theater Company will present Reed Martin, Austin Technor and Adam Long's "The Bible: The Complete Word of God (Abridged)," 8 p.m. nightly, nexStage Theater, Ketchum. Tickets, which are \$15, are available at Chapter One Bookstore or at the door. The production continues March 28-30.

Tonight, Saturday, Sunday and Thursday

The Dilettantes of the Magic Valley will present Richard Rodgers and Oscar Hammerstein's "Oklahoma," 7:30 p.m. tonight and Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday, College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium, Twin Falls. The Dilettantes' box office in the Magic Valley Mall is open noon to 6 p.m. All seats are reserved and prices are \$10 for general admission and \$7 for senior citizens and children 12 and under. All seats for Sunday's matinee, and all Thursday evening show are \$6. Tickets will also be available at the door. The production continues March 28-29.

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday

The national touring company of the Broadway revival of Meredith Willson's "The Music Man" will play Salt Lake City's Capitol Theater at 8 p.m. nightly. Tickets, which range from \$25 to \$50, can be reserved by phoning Artix at (801) 355-2787. Capitol Theater is located at 50 West 200 South. The production continues March 28-30.



April 25-27, 29-30, May 1, 3-4

The national touring company of Claude-Michel Schonberg, Richard Maltby Jr. and Alain Boublil's "Miss Saigon" will perform in Salt Lake City's Capitol Theater at 8 p.m. on April 25, 29, 30 and May 1 and 3, at 7 p.m. on



April 27 and at 2 p.m. on April 27 and May 3-4. Tickets, which range from \$25 to \$50, can be reserved by phoning Artix at (801) 355-2787. Capitol Theater is located at 50 West 200 South.

ROCK 'N' ROLL

Tonight

Four on the Floor will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Mr. Bill's, 101 N. Alder, Jerome. No cover charge.

Tonight and Saturday

Cohalt Blue will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Honker's Place, 121 Fourth Ave. S., Twin Falls. Cover charge is \$4.

Tonight and Saturday - Utah

Bang Tango will play Club X-Scape in Salt Lake City at 7 p.m. nightly. Tickets, which are \$15, can be reserved by phoning (800) 888-TIXX. Club X-Scape is located at 304 West 2100 South.



Wednesday - Utah

Football will perform at Salt Lake City's Zephyr Club at 9:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$10, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. The Zephyr Club is located at 301 South West Temple.

Wednesday - Utah

The Sahara Homeights will perform at Liquid Joe's in Salt Lake City at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$8, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. Liquid Joe's is located at 3300 South 1249 East.

Wednesday - Utah

Adams will play Club X-Scape in Salt Lake City at 8:15 p.m. Tickets, which are \$8, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. Club X-Scape is located at 115 South West Temple.

Thursday - Boise

Flogging Molly will play the Big Easy Concert House at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$13, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

March 28 - Utah

Lynch Mob will play Salt Lake City's Club X-Scape at 7 p.m.

Tickets, which are \$18, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. Club X-Scape is located at 204 West 2100 South.

March 29 - Utah

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

March 31 - Boise

Crosby, Stills & Nash will play the Bank of America Center at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$45 and \$45, can be reserved by phoning (800) 426-1766 or (208) 331-8497, online at <http://www.idahotickets.com>, or at Alberson's in Twin Falls. The Bank of America Center is located at 243 S. Capitol Blvd.

March 31 - Utah

CKY will play Club X-Scape in Salt Lake City at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$11, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. Club X-Scape is located at 115 South West Temple.

April 2 - Boise

CKY will perform at the Big Easy Concert House at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$12, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

April 2 - Utah

Ministry will play Club X-Scape in Salt Lake City at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$25, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. Club X-Scape is located at 115 S. West Temple.

April 2 - Utah

Bright Eyes will perform at Brick's in Salt Lake City at 6 p.m. Tickets, which are \$15, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. Brick's is located at 579 West 200 South.

April 3 - Utah

Millencolin and The Unseen will play Brick's in Salt Lake City at 6 p.m. Tickets, which are \$12, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. Brick's is located at 579 West 200 South.



April 3 - Utah

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

April 4 - Utah

The Ataris will play Club X-Scape in Salt Lake City at 7:30

p.m. Tickets, which are \$15, are available by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. Club X-Scape is located at 115 South West Temple.

April 4 - Utah

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

April 5 - Utah

Ben Joel and The Goo-Goo Dolls will perform at the Delta Center in Salt Lake City at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$37-\$65, can be reserved by phoning (801) 325-SEAT or online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>. The Delta Center is located at 301 West South Temple.

April 6 - Boise

Tori Amos will play the Morrison Center on the campus of Boise State University at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$75, can be reserved by phoning Select A Seat at (208) 426-1494, online at <http://www.idahotickets.com>, or at Alberson's in Twin Falls or Paul's Market in Halley.

April 6 - Boise

Saliva, led PE, Breaking Benjamin, Systematic and Stonemud will perform at the Big Easy Concert House at 6:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$22-\$50, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

April 6 - Utah

The Soundtrack of Our Lives will perform at Salt Lake City's Zephyr Club at 10 p.m. Tickets, which are \$15, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. The Zephyr Club is located at 301 South West Temple.

April 7 - Boise

Mike Watt will perform at the NeuroLux Lounge at 9 p.m. Tickets, which are \$5, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The NeuroLux Lounge is located at 111 N. 11th St.



April 7 - Boise

AFI and The Explosion will perform at Big Easy Concert House at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$14, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy

Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

April 8 - Utah

AFI, The Explosion and Blood Brothers will play Brick's in Salt Lake City at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$15, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. Brick's is located at 579 West 200 South.

April 8 - Utah

Mike Watt will perform at Liquid Joe's in Salt Lake City at 9:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$10, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. Liquid Joe's is located at 3300 South 1249 East.

April 8 - Utah

Catch 22 will play Club X-Scape in Salt Lake City at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$10, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. Club X-Scape is located at 115 South West Temple.



April 9 - Utah

Taking Back Sunday will play Salt Lake City's Club X-Scape at 6:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$12, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. Club X-Scape is located at 115 South West Temple.

April 9 - Utah

Delgados and Aereogramme will perform at Salt Lake City's Club X-Scape at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$10, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. Club X-Scape is located at

115 South West Temple.

April 10 - Utah

Casey will play Brick's in Salt Lake City at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$15, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. Brick's is located at 579 West 200 South.

April 14 - Utah

Black Heart Procession will play Liquid Joe's in Salt Lake City at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$10, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. Liquid Joe's is located at 3300 South 1249 East.

April 16 - Boise

Soufly and E-Town Concrete will perform at the Big Easy Concert House at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$15, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, and at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

April 16 - Utah

Pete Yorn will play Brick's in Salt Lake City at 6 p.m. Tickets, which are \$22, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. Brick's is located at 579 West 200 South.

April 16 - Utah

Curse and Applesseed Cast will play Brick's in Salt Lake City at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$10, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. Brick's is located at 579 West 200 South.

April 16 - Utah

Curse and Applesseed Cast will play Brick's in Salt Lake City at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$10, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. Brick's is located at 579 West 200 South.

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'The Crime of Padre Amaro' hits area theaters

Combined wire services

Movies playing in south-central Idaho this weekend. Opinions are by Los Angeles Times, Associated Press and Knight Ridder Newspapers reviewers. Ratings by the Motion Picture Association of America are: (G) for general audiences; (PG) parental guidance urged, because of material possibly unsuitable for children; (PG-13) parents are strongly cautioned to give guidance for attendance of children younger than 13; (R) restricted, younger than 17 admitted only with parent or adult guardian; (NC-17) no one younger than 17 admitted.

'About Schmidt'

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

checkers and convinced suckers on two continents that he was a pilot, a doctor and a lawyer. Tom Hanks is the FBI guy on his trail. A cool, jaunty character study, set in a spiffy-looking 1960s. PG-13 (sexual themes, profanity)

'Chicago'

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

'Agent Cody Banks'

Frankie Muniz plays a teenage spy trained to the max in all skills but one: how to talk to girls. With Hilary Duff, Angie Harmon, Keith David and Daniel Roebuck. Directed by Harald Zwart. (PG, for action violence, mild language and some sexual content.)

'Boat Trip'

Can the Academy retroactively revoke Cuba Gooding Jr.'s Oscar? It should, because of all the questionable career choices he's made since winning for 1996's 'Jerry Maguire,' this is the most baffling. Gooding and Horatio Sanz of 'Saturday Night Live' co-star as friends talking romance who end up in an all-guy cruise after anguine a travel agent. Allegedly madcap homophobic antics ensue. The movie claims to have been made 'in the tradition of 'Some Like It Hot,' but nothing even remotely resembles the wit and charm of the Billy Wilder classic. R for strong sexual content, language and some drug material. 95 minutes.

'Bringing Down the House'

In this odd-couple comedy, Queen Latifah plays a newly sprung convict who breathes the citadel of Steve Martin's power lawyer. The alliance of one of the funniest and most under-deployed comics in movies with the hip-hop diva, it seems like comic kismet. Just the thought of Martin, who does upright white guy better than anyone else, bouncing against Latifah's implacable wall of cool is irresistible. It isn't that you don't laugh - it's that too often you wish you hadn't. The comedy of mismatched partners works only if the laughs are at each player's expense. Here, Latifah sasses Martin every which way, but somehow the joke is usually on her. Screenwriter Jason Filardi and director Adam Shankman squeeze humor out of her looks, language and friends, mining entertainment from her nominal feminism. (1.41, PG-13, for language, sexual humor and drug content.)

'Catch Me If You Can'

Leonardo DiCaprio stars in the on-the-run real-life story of a teenage con artist who passed millions of dollars' worth of phony



Gael Garcia Bernal, left, and Ana Claudia Talancón play in 'The Crime of Padre Amaro.'

Big box office

- Top grossing movies last weekend:
1. 'Bringing Down the House,' Disney.
 2. 'Agent Cody Banks,' MGM.
 3. 'The Hunted,' Paramount.
 4. 'Tears of the Sun,' Sony.
 5. 'Chicago,' Miramax.

—Source: Exhibitor Relations Co.

Steven Johnson. (1.36, PG-13, for action/violence and some sensuality.)

'Dreamcatcher'

'Unspeakeably bad' - and shockingly so - considering that it's an adaptation of a Stephen King novel, from the director of 'The Big Chill' (Lawrence Kasdan) and the writer of 'Bitch Cassidy and the Soudance Kid' (William Goldman). This story of four longtime friends (Thomas Jane, Jason Lee, Timothy Olyphant and Damian Lewis) who communicate telepathically is all over the place. It starts out as a retreat of 'Stand By Me' and ends up as 'Alien.' In between, it can't decide whether it's an earnest, supernatural drama or a tongue-in-cheek sci-fi thriller. R for violence, gore and language. 131 minutes.

'Gangs of New York'

Daniel Day-Lewis chews up the scenery as a colorful crime chief in Martin Scorsese's otherwise dull, stagey effort to capture the swarming glory days of power and politics that tugged the great city. With his busy, backlot bluster, it feels like a movie-musical without the songs. Leonardo DiCaprio and Cameron Diaz also star. R for violence, nudity, profanity.

'How to Lose a Guy in 10 Days'

Set in a fantasy New York, where the magazine business is a growth industry, 'How to' starts out as a mildly diverting light romance that hints at developing into something entertaining. Instead, the film's lack of understanding of what it should be doing leads, as romances often do, to disappointment. Kate Hudson and Matthew McConaughey star as a young and attractive pair that no one wants to dislike, especially because they look so cute together and could use a career break right about now after a series of bleak film choices. Directed by Donald Petrie, based on the book by Michele Alexander and Jeanine Long, and written by Kristen Buckley and Brian Regan and Burr Steers (far too much of a crowd for such a negligible result). (1.58, PG-13, some sex-related material.)

'The Hunted'

Director William Friedkin orchestrates the chase as FBI agent Connie Nielsen and tracker Tommy Lee Jones pursue assassin Benicio Del Toro. (R, for strong bloody violence and some language.)

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What's Playing

Twin Falls

'About Schmidt,' Twin Cinema
'Agent Cody Banks,' Twin Cinema

'Boat Trip,' Odyssey Theater
'Bringing Down the House,' Twin Cinema
'Chicago,' Odyssey Theater
'The Crime of Padre Amaro,' Lamphouse Theater
'Daredevil,' Twin Cinema
'Dreamcatcher,' Odyssey Theater
'Gangs of New York,' Twin Cinema

'Hart Potter and the Chamber of Secrets,' Twin Cinema
'How to Lose a Guy in 10 Days,' Twin Cinema
'The Hunted,' Twin Cinema
'Jungle Book 2,' Twin Cinema
'Kangaroo Jack,' Twin Cinema
'Lord of the Rings: The Two Towers,' Twin Cinema

'Old School,' Odyssey Theater
'Piglet's Big Movie,' Twin Cinema
'Tears of the Sun,' Twin Cinema
'The R.M., Odyssey Theater
'The Recruit,' Twin Cinema
'Shanghai Knights,' Twin Cinema

'A View from the Top,' Twin Cinema

'The Wild Thornberrys,' Twin Cinema

Burley

'Willard,' Odyssey Theater
'Agent Cody Banks,' Century Cinema
'Bringing Down the House,' Century Cinema
'Catch Me If You Can,' Burley Theater
'The Hunted,' Century Cinema
'Piglet's Big Movie,' Century Cinema
'The R.M., Century Cinema
'Tears of the Sun,' Century Cinema

Jerome

'Agent Cody Banks,' Jerome Cinema
'Bringing Down the House,' Jerome Cinema
'Fatal Descent 2,' Jerome Cinema
'Jungle Book 2,' Jerome Cinema
'Tears of the Sun,' Jerome Cinema

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'Jungle Book 2,' Shoshone Shoshone Cinema

'The Jungle Book 2'

Director Steve Trounath and a vast animation team have honed the classic Disney style of simply and attractively rendered human and animal characters with superbly illustrated backgrounds in a big-screen sequel to 1967's 'The Jungle Book,' inspired by Rudyard Kipling's stories. Movie's a crowd-pleaser, as the old classic phrase goes, 'a children of all ages.' Featuring the voices of John Goodman (Baloo), Bob Joles (Bagheera) and Dave Jay (the slinky, menacing tiger Shere Khan). (1.42, G)

'Kangaroo Jack'

You don't know Jack. And after seeing 'Kangaroo Jack,' you

won't either. No bother. This salt-and-pepper buddy movie set in the scenic environs of downtown Brooklyn and the Australian bush is a crowd-pleaser - for the elementary school set. PG (mild humor, mild sex, menacing mobsters, semi-violent man-slap).

'The Lord of the Rings: The Two Towers'

Peter Jackson's adaptation of J.R.R. Tolkien's trilogy has now entered an awkward adolescence with its middle feature on its way to the concluding volume, 'The Return of the King.' If the second film never reaches the heights of the first - we have met the players before and there are no new worlds of wonder - it nonetheless moves forward with a sense of adventure. Like Frodo and Aragorn, we have to cover a lot of middling expository ground here - we're just passing through

on our way to the end. Elijah Wood, Sean Astin, Ian McKellen, Andy Serkis, Viggo Mortensen, Orlando Bloom, John Rhys-Davies, Dominic Monaghan and Billy Boyd. (2.59, PG-13 for battle sequences and scary images.)

'Old School'

Your enjoyment of this new comedy may hinge on whether you find the sight of Will Ferrell running down a street in nothing more than black socks and shoes uproariously funny, inexplicably tragic or a little of both. Ferrell plays the most hapless of three friends in their 30s who feverishly try to recapture their youth by establishing a fraternity for men poised on the razor's edge between carefree youth and ponderous adulthood. The film more or less picks up where director Todd Phillips' last lollapalooza, 'Road Trip,' yet another iteration of 'Animal House,' minus the subversion - ended. With Luke Wilson and Vince Vaughn. (1.41, R, for strong sexual content, nudity and language.)

'Piglet's Big Movie'

The petite, porky pink pig is so darn cute, it's hard not to be charmed by this simple little movie. The second in the big-screen animated feature based on a Winnie the Pooh character (following 2000's 'The Tigger Movie') is so sweet, so earnest, so utterly guileless. The 75-minute running time makes it the perfect first movie for very young children. For slightly older kids - 6 years old, max - there are positive messages about teamwork and friendship and appreciating the people who are important to you. G. 75 minutes.

'The R.M.'

Directors Kurt Hale and Dave Hunter's comedy about the rad-punk troubles of a returned Mormon missionary (Kirby Heybourne). Rated PG.

'The Recruit'

Just the sort of diverting, slick nonsense you expect and want when handsome devils like Al Pacino and Colin Farrell play CIA spooks. Directed by Roger Donaldson with loads of off-kilter camera angles and a preposterous setup, and no matter how seriously everyone works to make the CIA impossibly sexy.

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WEEKEND

John Grisham tops Wall Street Journal best-seller list

Wall Street Journal

Fiction

1. "The King of Torts" by John Grisham (Doubleday) (F-H)
2. "The Jester" by J. Patterson, A. Gross (Little, Brown)
3. "Back Story" by Robert B. Parker (Putnam)
4. "The Lovely Bones" by Alice Sebold (Little, Brown)
5. "The Vanished Man" by Jeffrey Deaver (Simon & Schuster)
6. "Dating Game" by Danielle Steel (Delacorte Press) (H-F)
7. "Someone to Watch Over Me" by Judith McNaught (Atria)
8. "Crossroads of Twilight" by Robert Jordan (Tor)
9. "The Last Detective" by Robert Crayton (Doubleday)
10. "The Confessor" by Daniel Silva (Putnam)

Nonfiction

1. "Power of Full Engagement" by J. Loehr, T. Schwartz (Free Press)
 2. "Akins for Life" by Robert C. Atkins (St. Martin's Press)
 3. "The Purpose-Driven Life" by Rick Warren (Zondervan)
 4. "The Hunt for Bin Laden" by Robin Moore (Random House)
 5. "The Laws of Money, the Lessons of Life: Keep What You Have and Create What You Deserve" by Suzie Orman (Free Press)
 6. "Good to Great" by Jim Collins (HarperBusiness)
 7. "The Savage Nation" by Michael Savage (WND Books)
 8. "Stupid White Men" by Michael Moore (Random House)
 9. "What Should I Do With My Life?" by Po Bronson (Random House)
 10. "The Devil in the White City" by Erik Larson (Crown)
- The Wall Street Journal's list reflects nationwide sales of hardcover books during the week ended last Saturday at more than 2,500 B. Dalton, Barnes & Noble, Bookland, Books-A-Million, Books Co., Bookstar, Bookstop, Borders, Brentano's, Coles, Copersmith, Crown, Doubleday, Scribners, Super Crown and Waldenbooks stores, as well as sales from online retailers barnesandnoble.com and Amazon.com.

USA Today

- Key: F: Fiction; NF: Nonfiction; H: Hardcover; P: Paperback
1. "Dr. Atkins' New Diet Revolution" by Robert C. Atkins (Avon) (NF-P)
 2. "Dreamcatcher" by Stephen King (Pocket Books) (F-P)
 3. "Body of Lies" by Iris Johansen (Bantam Books) (F-P)

Shelve

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speech given by Renee Zellweger at the Screen Actors Guild Awards would be borderline obscene.

Not just to American viewers. The Academy Awards proudly boasts a worldwide audience of more than a billion people, and judging by international polls, many of those foreign viewers are recoiling from our commitment to invading Iraq.

Do we really want to show off one of the most superficial symbols of Western culture, even a sedate version, while our troops are barreling toward Baghdad? Is this what George W. Bush meant in promising to bring American values to the Middle East?

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4. "The King of Torts" by John Grisham (Doubleday) (F-H)
5. "The Jester" by James Patterson with Andrew Gross (Little, Brown) (F-H)
6. "Akins for Life" by Robert C. Atkins (St. Martin's) (NF-H)
7. "The Summons" by John Grisham (Dell) (F-P)
8. "Atonement" by Ian McEwan (Anchor) (F-P)
9. "The Secret Life of Bees" by Sue Monk Kidd (Penguin USA) (F-P)
10. "Dating Game" by Danielle Steel (Delacorte Press) (H-F)
11. "Purport in Death" by J.D. Robb (Jove) (P)
12. "2nd Chance" by James Patterson with Andrew Gross (Warner Books) (F-P)
13. "City of Bones" by Michael Connelly (Warner Vision) (F-P)
14. "Mrs. Dalloway" by Virginia Woolf (Harvest Books) (F-P)
15. "The Hours" by Michael Cunningham (Picador) (F-P)
16. "Shapholic Ties the Knot" by Sophie Kinsella (Dutton) (F-P)
17. "The Night Before" by Lisa Jackson (Zebra) (F-P)
18. "The Lovely Bones" by Alice Sebold (Little, Brown) (F-H)
19. "The Cottage" by Danielle Steel (Dell) (F-P)
20. "Back Story" by Robert B. Parker (Putnam) (F-H)
21. "Gone for Good" by Harlan Coben (Dell) (F-P)
22. "The Vanished Man" by Jeffrey Deaver (Simon & Schuster) (F-H)
23. "Sea Glass" by Anita Shreve (Back Bay Books) (F-P)
24. "The Purpose-Driven Life: What on Earth Am I Here For?" by Rick Warren (Zondervan) (NF-H)
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26. "Midnight Voices" by John Saul (Ballantine Books) (F-P)
27. "Top Secret, Personal: Beevax: A Journal by Junie B. (and me)" by Barbara Park, art by Denise Brunkus (Random House) (F-H)
28. "Chopping Spree" by Diane Mott Davidson (Bantam Books) (F-P)
29. "Bel Canto" by Ann Patchett (Perennial) (F-P)
30. "Robert Ludlum's The Paris Option" by Robert Ludlum and Gayle Lynds (St. Martin's Press) (F-P)
31. "The Power of Full Engagement" by Jim Loehr, Tony Schwartz (The Free Press) (NF-H)
32. "The Savage Nation" by Michael Savage (WND Books) (NF-H)

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Foster's character in "Taxi Driver."

Stars, whether they're more

Chicago

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con-man from "Catch Me if You Can" and Ed Harris, Julianne Moore's AIDS-afflicted inamorata in "The Hours."

The reader - or readers - with the best forecasting percentage will win two free movie tickets and popcorn to go with them. Winners will be announced in the WeekEnd section on Friday, March 28. They'll be posted online on the T-N's Web site (<http://www.magicvalley.com>) on Tuesday.

In the previous nine years, readers who won the T-N Oscar contest correctly forecast 50 percent of the Oscar winners. That's exactly what 2002 winner Susan Reitzma of Twin Falls did last year.

In 2002, T-N readers correctly predicted that "A Beautiful Mind" would be the best picture and that its Jennifer Connelly, who played Russell's wife

in the movie, would be the best actress.

But they completely missed the other three major awards, choosing Crowe for Best actor (Denzel Washington won for "Training Day"), Sissy Spacek for Best Actress (Halle Berry was the winner for "Monster's Ball") and Ian McKellen for Best Supporting Actor for "Lord of the Rings: The

33. "The No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency" by Alexander McCall (Smith Anchor) (F-P)
 34. "Widow's Walk" by Robert B. Parker (Berkeley) (F-P)
 35. "Hidden Leaves" by V.C. Andrews (Pocket) (F-P)
 36. "Scandalous Again" by Christina Dodd (Avon) (F-P)
 37. "The Hunt for Bin Laden" by Robin Moore (Random House) (NF-H)
 38. "What Should I Do With My Life?" by Po Bronson (Random House) (NF-H)
 39. "The Devil in the White City: Murder, Magic, and Madness at the Fair That Changed America" by Erik Larson (Crown) (NF-H)
 40. "Stupid White Men" by Michael Moore (ReganBooks) (NF-H)
 41. "Good to Great" by Jim Collins (HarperCollins) (NF-H)
 42. "What to Expect When You're Expecting" by Heidi Murkoff, Arlene Eisenberg, Sandee Hathaway (Workman) (NF-P)
 43. "X-Men 2" by Chris Claremont (Del Rey) (F-P)
 44. "Holes" by Louis Sachar (Dell Yearling) (F-P)
 45. "Who Moved My Cheese?" by Spencer Johnson (Putnam) (NF-H)
 46. "Getting Lucky" by Susan Andersen (Avon) (F-P)
 47. "The Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants" by Ann Brashers (Delacorte) (F-P)
 48. "The Stone Man" by Jeffrey Deaver (Pocket Books) (F-P)
 49. "Rich Dad, Poor Dad" by Robert T. Kiyosaki with Sharon L. Lechter (Warner Business Books) (NF-P)
 50. "Full Tilt" by Janet Evanovich, Charlotte Hughes (St. Martin's) (F-P)
- Contributing Booksellers: Barnes & Noble Inc., Books-A-Million and Bookland, Books & Co. (Dayton, Ohio), Borders Books & Music, Bookstar, Bookstop, Brentano's, Crown Books, Davis Kid Booksellers (Tennessee), Doubleday Book Store, E. J. Connelley Booksellers (Louisville), Joseph B. Booksellers (Lexington, Ky.; Cincinnati), Little Professor Book Center, Powell's Books (Portland, Ore.), Ruminator Books (St. Paul, Minn.), Scribner's Bookstores, Tattered Cover Book Store (Denver), Waldenbooks, Wal-Mart, Amazon.com, B. Dalton Bookseller, Barnes & Noble.com.

Publishers Weekly

Hardcover fiction

1. "The King of Torts" by John

concerned with their images or the targets they could make for would-be terrorists, can't be happy publicly celebrating on a night when so many lives and so much of America's reputation are on the line.

My guess is that given the opportunity, most of them would vote for postponement. Some may stay away on their own. Not that anyone noticed, but Finnish director Aki Kaurismäki, whose "The Man Without a Past" is nominated for foreign-language film, has already announced he will not attend, out of protest against the war.

If the show does air Sunday, there may be as much suspense in wondering whether the winners will speak out on the war as in which of them will get the opportunity. I don't know which would make worse counterprogramming to war news - a totally shallow exercise in self-promotion or a display of celebrity pique. The Academy should save itself the embarrassment of either one, and put the show off for another day.

Fellowship of the Ring" (Jim Broadbent of "Iris" won).

There are two tiebreakers in this year's contest. Best Animated Film (most T-N readers liked "Ice Age") and Best Cinematography ("Chicago's" Don Beebe got the nod).

Times-News writer Steve Crump can be reached at 735-3223, or write to him at steven@crump@loc.net.

Wilson Theater benefit dance will take place

The Times-News

RUPERT - A fund-raising ball is planned for April 11, with proceeds to go toward restoration of the Wilson Theater.

The event, called "In the Mood," is scheduled for the Barley Inn in Burley.

The social hour will begin at 6 p.m., with dinner to follow at 7.

After dinner, there will be an auction of donated items, mostly artwork, dinners and trips. Following the auction, there will

be dancing to the music of the Canyonside Jazz Orchestra from the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls.

A silent auction is also planned, from 6-9:30.

People can bid on smaller things, such gift certificates and photographs.

Tickets are \$35 per person for the dinner, auction and dance and \$25 per person for just the auction and dance, and they're on sale at the Wilson Theater office and at The Book Store.

Dilettantes perform 'Oklahoma'

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS - The Dilettantes of the Magic Valley will open their production of the Rodgers and Hammerstein musical "Oklahoma" tonight.

Show time is 7:30 p.m. in the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium. Ours performances are Saturday night, Sunday afternoon, Thursday night and March 28-29. The

Sunday matinee is at 2 p.m.

The show box office is in the Magic Valley mall and its open from noon to 6 p.m. The phone number is 735-8850.

Tickets prices are \$10, with senior citizens and kids under 12, getting in for \$7.

All tickets for the Sunday matinee and the Thursday night show are \$6.

Tickets will also be available at the door.

ANNIVERSARY

THE HARPERS

PAUL - Mr. and Mrs. Larry Harper of Paul will be honored at an open house today for their 50th wedding anniversary. Friends and relatives are invited to attend from 6-9 p.m. at the Paul LDS Stake Center, 424 W. Ellis.

Harper and VerRona Hawkes were married May 28, 1953, in the Logan LDS Temple.

He farmed in the Paul area and recently retired as Minidoka County commissioner. They have been active in numerous church callings and community service. They have participated in several wagon train trips, including the 150th commemoration of the Oregon Trail. They also helped at the Olympics giving rides at Soldier Hollow.

The event is being given by



Larry and VerRona Harper

their children, Layne Harper, Kevin Harper, Clint Harper, Vicki Vandever, Eric Harper and Holly Manning, all of Paul, Laura Carpenter of Rupert and Cindy String of West Jordan, Utah. The couple has 36 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

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Events

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April 18 - Boise
Rocket from the Crypt and The Bronx will play the Big Easy Concert House at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$12, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.



April 18 - Utah
Boy Sets Fire and Hope Conspiracy will play Brick's in Salt Lake City at 6 p.m. Tickets, which are \$12, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. Brick's is located at 579 West 200 South.

April 19 - Utah
Rocket from the Crypt will perform at Salt Lake City's Club X-Scape at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$12, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. Club X-Scape is located at 115 South West Temple.

April 22 - Utah
Disturbed, Chevelle and Taproot will play the E Center in Salt Lake City at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$29.50, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. The E Center is located at 3220 South Decker Lake Drive.

April 22 - Utah
The Red Elvises will perform at Salt Lake City's Zephyr Club at 8:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$10, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. The Zephyr Club is located at 301 South West Temple.

April 23 - Utah
Mooney Suzuki will play Salt Lake City's Club X-Scape at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$9, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. Club X-Scape is located at 115 South West Temple.

April 24 - Utah
O.A.R. will perform at Salt Lake City's Club X-Scape at 8:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$15, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. Club X-Scape is located at 115 South West Temple.

April 28 - Utah
Zwan, featuring Billy Corgan, will perform at Saltair Resort in Magna, Utah, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$23, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. Saltair is located 30 miles west of Salt Lake City; take Interstate 180 West to Exit 104.

May 4 - Utah
Johnny Marr and the Healers will play Salt Lake City's Club X-Scape at 8:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$15, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. Club X-Scape is located at 115 S. West Temple.

May 8 - Utah
Tomahawk, the Melvins and Skelton Gray will play Brick's in Salt Lake City at 6 p.m. Tickets, which are \$15, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. Brick's is located at 579 West 200 South.

May 9 - Utah
Freddy Cannon, Jay & the Techniques and Merilee Rush will perform at the E Center in the Salt Lake City suburb of West Valley City at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$19, are available by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. The E Center is located at 3200 South Decker Lake Drive.

COUNTRY

Tonight and Saturday
Mei Tillis will do two shows a night at Cactus Petes Resort Casino in Jackpot, at 8 and 11 p.m. Sold out.

Tonight and Saturday
Renegade will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at T.J.'s Lounge, 112 Broadway Ave. S., Buhl. No cover charge.

Tonight, Saturday and Thursday
Country Classics will play from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. at Montana Steakhouse, 1826 Canyon Crest Drive, Twin Falls. No cover charge.

Saturday
Pocketchange will play classic country music from 8 p.m. to mid-

night for the barn dance at Anderson's RV Camp, located east of the Eden-Twin Falls exit 182 off Interstate 84. All ages are welcome. Cover charge is \$5.

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

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

Wednesday through March 30
Confederate Railroad will play two shows a night at Cactus Petes Resort Casino in Jackpot. Prices for the 8 p.m. dinner show start at \$22.99 on Saturdays and \$17.99 on weeknights. Tickets for the 11 p.m. cocktail show are \$15 on Saturdays and \$12.50 on weeknights. For reservations and information, call (800) 821-1103.

April 9-10 - Utah
Yonder Mountain String Band will play Salt Lake City's Zephyr Club at 9:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$15, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. The Zephyr Club is located at 301 South West Temple.

April 11 - Boise
Dwight Youkam will sing at 8 p.m. at the Big Easy Concert House. Tickets, which are \$35, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4826, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

April 14 - Idaho Falls
Dwight Youkam will sing at the Idaho Falls Civic Auditorium at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$35, can be reserved by phoning at (800) 965-4827 or online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>. The Idaho Falls Civic Auditorium is located at 601 S. Holmes Ave.

April 14 - Idaho Falls
Lee Greenwood will perform at the Colonial Theater at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$29, can be reserved by phoning (208) 322-0471. The Colonial Theater is located at 498 A St.

May 1 - Utah
Tim McGraw will play the Delta Center in Salt Lake City at 8 p.m. For ticket information, call (801) 325-SEAT. The Delta Center is located at 301 West South Temple.

May 3 - Utah
Rodney Carrington will sing in Kingsbury Hall on the campus of the University of Utah in Salt Lake City at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$32.50, can be reserved by phoning Artix at (801) 355-2787.

May 16 - Utah
Bar 1 Wranglers will play at the Colonial Theater on the campus of Weber State University in Ogden, Utah, at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$10, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX.

MISCELLANEOUS

Tonight
Hell Hounds will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at JC's Burger and Brew, 224 N. Rail St. W., Shoshone. No cover charge.

Tonight
The Swingtones will play easy listening music from 7-10 p.m. at George K's East Restaurant and Lounge, 325 E. Third N., Burley.

Tonight and Saturday
Boh Nora will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at The Oasis, 1007 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., Twin Falls. No cover charge.

Tonight and Saturday
DJ music will be featured from 8 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. at Bar Bonz, 1539 Fillmore St. N., Twin Falls.

Tonight and Saturday
Utah Symphony will perform its "Bravo to Broadway" pops concert at 8 p.m. nightly in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. Tickets, which are \$22, \$29, \$36 and \$45, can be reserved by phoning Artix at (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

Sunday
Hudson Shud will perform at 7:30 p.m. in Twin Falls' Roper Auditorium, a Magic Valley Arts on Tour production. Tickets to individual concerts will be sold on a space-available basis. They're \$10.

Tuesday - Pocatello
WFOA, a percussion and dance group from Guinea, West Africa, will perform at 8 p.m. in Frazier Hall on the Idaho State University campus. Tickets, which are \$10 for general admission, can be reserved by phoning the Frazier Hall box office, 1-5 p.m. today, Monday and Tuesday at (208) 282-3595.

Wednesday and Thursday
Buzz DJ Toxic Free will play from 8 p.m. to midnight at Honker's Place, 121 Fourth Ave. S., Twin Falls. Cover charge is \$2.

Thursday
Chris Chapman will perform at 7 p.m. at the Western State College of Performing Arts and Humanities, 402 Main St., Gooding. She will be available to sign her new CDs after the show. Tickets are \$10 in advance and \$15 at the door. Tickets can be reserved by phoning 733-7695.

March 28 - Pocatello
The Idaho State University Caribbean Steel Band will perform at 7:30 p.m. in Goranson Hall, located in the lower level of the ISU Fine Arts building. The concert will feature Cliff Alexis, noted steel band clinician, composer and arranger. Admission is \$5 for the general public and \$2 for pre-college students. For more information, call the ISU Music Department at (208) 282-3636.

April 1 - Boise
Sound Tribe Sector 9 and Medicine Drum will play the Big Easy Concert House at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$15, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

April 2
The U.S. Navy Concert Band will perform in concert at 7:30 p.m. in Roper Auditorium in Twin Falls. Sold out.

April 23 - Utah
The Dirty Dozen Brass Band

will perform at the Zephyr Club in Salt Lake City at 10 p.m. Tickets, which are \$12, are available by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. The Zephyr Club is located at 301 South West Temple.

April 16 - Utah
Piffaro and My Life With the Thrill Kill Kult will perform at Club X-Scape in Salt Lake City at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$14, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. Club X-Scape is located at 115 South West Temple.

April 21 - Utah
Linkin Park and Mudvayne will perform at the E Center in the Salt Lake City suburb of West Valley City at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$28.50 and \$32.50, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. The E Center is located at 3200 South Decker Lake Drive.

April 22 - Boise
Linkin Park, Mudvayne, Xzibit and Blindside will play the Idaho Center in Nampa at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$29.50 and \$33.50, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827 or (208) 442-3232, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Albertson's in Twin Falls, Paul Market in Hailey or Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Idaho Center is located at 5000 Garrity Blvd. on Nampa's east end.

April 26 - Idaho Falls
Leon Redbone will sing at 8 p.m. at the Colonial Theater. Tickets, which are \$19, can be reserved by phoning (208) 522-0471. The Colonial Theater is located at 498 A St.

May 2
The Magic Valley Symphony will conclude its season with its annual Pops Concert at 8 p.m. in the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium in Twin Falls. Tickets are \$7 for general admission, \$6 for seniors and \$4 for students and are available at CSI Bookstore, Everybody's Business and Crowley's Soda Fountain in Twin Falls.

May 13 - Utah
Yanni will perform at the Delta Center in Salt Lake City at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$37.50 and \$57.50, can be reserved by phoning (801) 325-SEAT or at <http://www.ticketmaster.com>. The Delta Center is located at 301 West South Temple.

May 16 - Utah
Kurt Bestor will perform with **Utah Symphony** at 8 p.m. nightly in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. Tickets, which are \$22, \$29, \$36 and \$45, can be reserved by phoning (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

JAZZ

Tonight
The Chapter 2 Jazz Quartet, featuring Brian Order, Steve Cox, Jeff Fox and Jake Smith, will perform from 7-9 p.m. at the Coffee Cafe in the Lynwood Mall. No cover charge. For more information, call the Coffee Cafe at 736-3735.

Saturday
Jazz quartet Skip-N-Skool will perform from 7-10 p.m. at the Chadwick Sports Bar and Grill,

1235 Oakley Ave., Burley. No cover charge.

HIP-HOP

Saturday - Boise
Lil Rob will play the Big Easy Concert House at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$16.50, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

OPERA

Tonight and Sunday - Utah
Utah Opera will sing Johann Strauss' "Die Fledermaus," 7:30 p.m. tonight and 2 p.m. Sunday in Salt Lake City's Capitol Theater. Tickets, which are \$12 to \$62, can be reserved by phoning Artix at (801) 355-2787. Capitol Theater is located at 50 West 200 South. The production will continue March 21 and 23.

CLASSICAL

March 28-29
Utah Symphony will perform a program of Strauss and Mahler at 8 p.m. in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. Tickets, which are \$16, \$24, \$28, \$36 and \$40, can be reserved by phoning Artix at (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

April 11-12
Utah Symphony will perform a program of Mozart and Nielsen at 8 p.m. nightly in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. Tickets, which are \$16, \$24, \$28, \$36 and \$40, can be reserved by phoning Artix at (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

April 19
The Chamber Orchestra of the Krentini will perform at 7:30 p.m. in the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium in Twin Falls. Tickets, which are \$4 for adults and \$10 for students and children, are available at Everybody's Business, Kurt's Pharmacy and Hallmark, Crowley's Old Time Soda Fountain, the Magic Valley Arts Council office and the CSI Community Education Center in Twin Falls, at Sav Mor Drug in

Buhl, and Arlene's Flowers in Jerome and at the CSI outreach centers in Burley, Hailey and Gooding. Season tickets, which are \$50 for adults, \$40 for students and \$45 for senior citizens, are available by phoning 732-6288 or 733-9554, Ext. 6288.

April 25-26 - Utah
Utah Symphony will perform Vaughan Williams' Symphony No. 5 at 8 p.m. nightly in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. Tickets, which are \$16, \$24, \$28, \$36 and \$40, can be reserved by phoning Artix at (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

May 23 - Utah
Utah Symphony will play a program of Strauss, Brahms and Tchaikovsky at 8 p.m. nightly in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. Tickets, which are \$16, \$24, \$28, \$36 and \$40, can be reserved by phoning Artix at (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

May 30
Utah Symphony will perform Dmitri Shostakovich's Eighth Symphony at 8 p.m. nightly in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. Tickets, which are \$16, \$24, \$28, \$36 and \$40, can be reserved by phoning Artix at (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

KARAOKE

Tonight
Karaoke will be featured from 8:00 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. at Caribbids, 113 Broadway Ave. S., Buhl. No cover charge.

Tonight
Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Log Tavern, 401 Fourth Ave. W., Twin Falls. No cover charge.

Tonight
High Mountain Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Shakers, 826 Highway 81, Declo. No cover charge.

Tonight
Kroakers Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Embassy, 502 Sixth St. S., Rupert, and from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Cheers, 163 West U.S. Highway 30, Burley. Please see SPOTLIGHT, Page C6

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Karaoke will be featured from 8 p.m. to midnight at the 610 Club, 1054 Overland Ave., Burley.

Saturday

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

Monday

Karaoke with Rabid Dog Entertainment will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Cove, 496 Addison Ave. W., Twin Falls. No cover charge.

Tuesday

Karaoke with Three's Company Entertainment will be featured from 8 p.m. to midnight at Honker's Place, 121 Fourth Ave. S., Twin Falls. No cover charge.

Tuesday

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

Tuesday through Saturday

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

Wednesday

P & D Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Montana Steakhouse, 1826 Canyon Crest Drive, Twin Falls. No cover charge.

Wednesday

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

Thursday

Kroakers Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Riverside, 197 W. Highway 30, Burley.

Thursday - Utah

ELECTRONIC

DJ Dan will play Club Axis in Salt Lake City at 9:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$10, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. Club Axis is located at 500 West 100 South.

April 3 - Utah

DJ Rap will play Club Axis in Salt Lake City at 9:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$10, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. Club Axis is located at 500 West 100 South.

May 8 - Utah

CHRISTIAN ROCK

OC Supertones and Relient K will play the Utah State Fairpark in Salt Lake City at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$19.50, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. The Utah State Fairpark is located at 155 North 1000 West.

May 12 - Utah

Michael W. Smith and Third Day will play the E Center in the Salt Lake City suburb of West Valley City at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$30, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. The E Center is located at 3200 South Decker Lake Drive.

April 10 - Utah

RAVE MUSIC

DJ Icey will play Club Axis in Salt Lake City at 9:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$10, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. Club Axis is located at 500 West 100 South.

COMEDY

Monday

The Yuamettes will perform Monday and every Monday

through early April at 6 p.m. in the Boiler Room at the Sun Valley Resort. Tickets, which are \$10, are available at the door.

April 4 - Utah

Jerry Seinfeld will perform at 7 and 9:30 p.m. in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. Tickets, which are \$45, \$60 and \$75, can be reserved by phoning ArtTix at (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 124 West South Temple.

April 13 - Utah

Robert Goldthwaite will play the Wise Guys Comedy Club in the Salt Lake City suburb of West Valley City at 7 and 9 p.m. Tickets, which are \$12, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. The Wise Guys Comedy Club is located at

DANCE

3500 South 2200 West.

Tonight

The Bronsons will play for a dance at 8 p.m. at the Marsh Creek Event Center, 899 Highway 77, Albion. The event is open for those 21 and older. Cover charge is \$5.

Tonight

Serendipity Singles Dance will be held from 8 p.m. to midnight at Anderson's RV Camp, located east of the Eden-Twin Falls exit 182 off Interstate 84. DJ will be Lamont Summers with a mixture of music, mainly for 30-60 year olds. Cover charge is \$5.

Tonight

The Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary will hold a dance at 8:30 p.m. at the DAV Hall, 459 Shoup Ave., Twin Falls. Archie Turner will provide the music. A \$2 donation is suggested.

Tonight

The Snake River Elks Lodge will host a dance from 8 p.m. to midnight at the lodge, 406 E. 200 S., Jerome. Music will be provided by The Echos. A \$5 donation is suggested. Dinner will be available at the restaurant. The public is welcome. For more information, call 324-0200.

March 28

Brigham Young University-Idaho's Folk Dance USA will perform at the King Center in Burley at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$8 in advance, are available at the Book Plaza in Burley, at the Book Store in Rupert and at Crowley's The Quad and Bell's Family Books in Twin Falls. Tickets are \$10 at the door.

March 29

Brigham Young University-Idaho's Folk Dance USA will perform at Roper Auditorium in Twin Falls at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$8 in advance, are available at Crowley's The Quad and Bell's Family Books in Twin Falls, at the Book Plaza in Burley and at the Book Store in Rupert. Tickets are \$10 at the door.

April 4-5-6 - Utah

The national touring company of the dance revue **Burn the Floor** will perform at Kingsbury Hall on the campus of the University of Utah in Salt Lake City at 8 p.m. nightly and at 2 p.m. on April 5-6. Tickets, which are \$27.50, \$35 and \$42.50 for the evening performances and \$22.50, \$32.50 and \$40 for the matinees, can be reserved by phoning ArtTix at (800) 355-2787.

April 7

Dance on Common Ground, an Irish step-dancing act, will play at the King Center in Burley at 7:30 p.m. - a Minicassia Community Concerts event. Admission is by season membership only, and season membership at \$31.50 for adults, \$15.75 for students and \$94.50 for families. For further

information, please call 678-1798 or 678-1566.

April 12-13, 16-18 - Utah

Ballad West will dance James Barrie's "Peter Pan" at 2 p.m. on April 12-13 and 7:30 p.m. on April 12 and 16-19 in Salt Lake City's Capitol Theater. Tickets, which range from \$10 to \$50, can be reserved by phoning ArtTix at (801) 355-2787. Capitol

FIGURE SKATING

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May 22 - Boise

Chevy Champions on Ice 2003, featuring Michelle Kwan, Irina Slutskaya, Evgeni Plushenko, Sasha Cohen, Michael Weiss, Surya Bonaly, Sarah Hughes, Timothy Gabel, Elsie Skjoe, Victor Petrenko, Philippe Candeloro, Rudy Galindo, Nicole Bobbek, Naomi Lang and Peter Tchernyshev, Elizabeth Punsalan and Jerod Sawalla, Irina Griborian, Oksana Kazakova and Artur Dmitriev, Shae-Lynn Bourke and Victor Kraatz, Dan Hollander and Vladimir Besediv and Oleksiy Polishchuk, will skate at the Idaho Center in Nampa at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$43 and \$63, can be reserved by phoning

PLANETARIUM

(208) 442-3242. Tickets are also available at Albertson's in Twin Falls.

Tonight, Saturday and Tuesday

The Faulkner Planetarium at the Herrett Center for Arts and Science on the campus of the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls will present "Mystery of the Missing Seasons," 4 p.m. Saturdays (this show is free to anyone accompanying a child of any age). Other shows include "Through the Eyes of Hubble," Tuesdays at 2 p.m. and Saturdays at 7 p.m.; "More Than Meets the Eye," Fridays at 7 p.m.; and "Led Zeppelin: Maximum Volume 1" at 7 p.m. on Saturdays. Ticket prices are \$4 for adults, \$3 for senior citizens 60 and over, \$2 for students and \$9 for families.

ART SHOW

are available at the door. Children 4 and under are not admitted.

Through March 30

"**Art Show**," an exhibition featuring the work of five faculty members, will be on display in the Jean B. King Gallery in the Herrett Center for Arts and Science on the CSI campus in Twin Falls. Herrett Center hours are Tuesday and Wednesday from 9:30 a.m. to 9 p.m., Thursday and Friday from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Through April 29

Susi Nagoda Berquist's reduction linocut exhibit, illustrating Native American animal folk tales, will be on display at the Eighth Street Center, 200 N. Eighth, Buhl.

Through June 29 - Boise

Two exhibitions of ancient Egyptian artifacts, "In the Fullness of Time: Masterpieces of Egyptian Art from American Collections" and "Journey to the Afterlife: Cartonnage Mummy Case of Padiemhat," will be on display at the Boise Art Museum located downtown in Julia Davis Park. Hours are Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Thursday from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., and Sunday, noon to 5 p.m. Admission is \$5 for adults, \$3 for

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Symphony adapts Queen melodies

Knight Rider News Service

Many classic rockers have been immortalized (or is it euthanized?) with symphonic renditions of their songs. The Rolling Stones, Genesis, Yes, Elvis Presley and even Michael Jackson have had their voices replaced by honking French horns and their well-known riffs replicated by sawing violins.

But Queen, a band that specialized in spicing its often blustery rock with operatic touches, has been paid an even grander tribute with the full-blown six-movement "Queen Symphony." "Anyone who's expecting to hear mere orchestral arrangements of Queen songs is in for a big shock!" guitarist Brian May writes in the liner notes, and perhaps that should serve as a warning to Queen fans wondering what the operatic bit in "Bohemian Rhapsody" would sound like with a full choir. This ain't that kind of party.

Instead, composer/conductor

Telet Kashin enlisted the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra, purveyors of the egregious "Hooked On Classics" series of the 1980s, and adapted select Queen melodies and other song bits and pieces into something he hopes expresses "the original essence of this great music." Fans will probably find themselves resorting to playing "spot the Queen song."

As advertised, the "Queen Symphony" is not a best-of medley, so many fan favorites are not incorporated. There's no "Fat Bottomed Girls," no "Under Pressure," "Crazy Little Thing Called Love" or "Keep Yourself Alive," and although "Another One Bites the Dust" is listed as source material for the second movement, good luck figuring out exactly where it appears.

Other songs are easier to identify. Late-era tunes such as "Radio GaGa" and "One Vision" turn up. The vocal melody to "Bicycle Race" is given a sprightly and slightly disarming treatment with finger-cranping piano

runs that turn pastoral as it shifts into "Save Me from the Game."

Naturally, portions of "Bohemian Rhapsody" turn up, including the famous mock-opera middle section that sounds like a lost dance from "The Nutcracker." Kashin also doesn't feel obliged to maintain the songs' original tone, evidenced by his original tone, evidenced by the "News of the World" anthems "We Will Rock You" and "We Are the Champions." The former is brief but very dark and ominous, while its power-hallid partner becomes elegiac, with the chorus melody blunted by the sustained violins and the London Voices' stately belting.

Who will all this appeal to? Beats me. Ardent Queen collectors may dig it, but most rock fans will probably find the whole endeavor too stuffy and serious, while fans of symphonic music may not even give it a chance. If nothing else, it's an interesting experiment from an open-minded, forward-thinking composer.

Quintet wraps up Community Concerts

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS - Hudson Shad, a New York-based vocal quintet that recreates the music and the musical style of the legendary

19th century German group, The Comedian Harmonists, will sing at the final

Magie Valley Community Concert event of the season Sunday night. The quintet - tenors Mark Blecke and Timothy Leigh Evans, bass William Pauley, baritone Eric Edlund and bass/baritone Peter Becker - also perform

the repertoire of early 20th century groups such as the Mills Brothers, the Revelers and the Rhythm Boys.

The group has cut five albums, performed on Broadway and toured worldwide.

Tonight's program will include "Happy Days Are Here Again," "Stormy Weather," "Four Leaf Clover," the overture to "Barber of Seville," "A Little Spring Melody," "Ständchen," "Liebeslied," "Creole Love Call," "Night and Day," "Camp Meeting," "Callin' My Children Home," "Jesus, Joy of Man's Desiring," "Happy Together," and medleys of Frank Sinatra and Beatles songs.

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Monica Lewinsky will host reality show

The Dallas Morning News

As America girded for war Wednesday, Fox announced that Monica Lewinsky will host its new "Mr. Personality" reality series, which is scheduled to premiere on April 21.

"Since Fox is the network that has had the greatest success with this genre, I was very excited when they approached me to host the show. It sounds like good fun," Lewinsky said in a "Hot From Fox" news release.

The network made no mention of Lewinsky's only claim to fame—a prolonged affair with President Bill Clinton that led to his impeachment. Fox did, however, provide the Web site address for her "exclusive collection of handbags and accessories."

"Mr. Personality" will offer a "young, beautiful, single woman" the opportunity to court several bachelors who must rely strictly on their personalities to entice her," Fox said. Viewers will know what the men look like, but the show's "heroine" won't get a peek until she narrows her choice to a final man.

Fox's "American Idol," CBS' "Survivor: The Amazon" and NBC's "Fear Factor" continue to enjoy strong ratings. But a recent wave of new reality series are

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— Monica Lewinsky

dragging bottom. Flops include Fox's "Married by America," NBC's new version of "Let's Make a Deal" and ABC's quartet of "Are You Hot?", "Profiles From the Front Line," "All American Girl" and "The Family."

Last week's lowest-rated reality series, "The Family," crashed-landed in 8th place with just 6.1 million viewers. The most watched reality show of the week, Fox's Tuesday edition of "American Idol," ranked No. 2 in prime time with 22 million viewers.

Pop star, jazz legend will headline Jazz in the Canyon

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — Pop star Curtis Stigers and jazz legend Dave Fishberg will headline the fifth annual Jazz in the Canyon this summer.

Jazz in the Canyon and its related activities will be held June 12-14, centered around Centennial Waterfront Park in the Snake River Canyon.

Stigers, who grew up in Boise, apprenticed with the late Gene Harris. His self-titled album, released in 1991, sold nearly 2 million copies and spawned several hit singles, including the Top 10 hit "I Wonder Why." He also scored a major success in 1992 with "What's So Funny 'Bout Peace, Love and Understanding," which was included in the soundtrack to the movie "The Bodyguard."

Fishberg, a pianist, is an acclaimed lyricist and composer in the jazz world. His compositions include "My Attorney Bernie," "Mirador of Lies," "Conjuncture Junction" and "Quality Time." He has four Grammy nominations and his songs have been recorded by Rosemary Clooney, Mel Tormé and Bette Midler.

Jazz in the Canyon on June 14 begins at 11 a.m. with different

local and regional jazz groups performing every hour in Centennial Park. Fishberg and Stigers will take the stage at 5 p.m. and 7 p.m., respectively. Tickets are \$15 for adults, and kids under 14 will be admitted free.

Jazz in the Canyon Weekend begins on June 12, with Jazz and Wine, an evening of wine-tasting and jazz featuring Boise's One Way to Where. The evening is hosted by the Magic Valley Arts Council and will be held at Kimberly Nurseries. Tickets are \$20 per person or \$10 per couple.

On June 13, Jazz About Town will feature several different bands playing at various venues around Twin Falls, including Woody's Sports Bar and Grill, the Creekside Restaurant, Java Twin Falls, the Outback Steakhouse and in downtown Twin Falls on Main Avenue. Tickets for Jazz About Town are \$5 and admit music-lovers to all venues all evening.

Advance tickets to all events are available by phoning the Magic Valley Arts Council at 734-ARTS.

Jazz in the Canyon Weekend is sponsored by the Rotary Clubs of Twin Falls, with corporate support from First Federal Savings.

ENGAGEMENT

HALE-CHARD

RUPERT — Leon and Starla Hale of Rupert announce the engagement of their daughter, Shana Hale, to David Chard, son of Jim and Diana Chard of Burley.

Shana is a 2001 graduate of North Star School. She is a published poet and an accomplished dancer. She currently works as a reading aid at Paul Elementary School.

Chard is a 2000 graduate of the College of Southern Idaho. He served an LDS mission to Birmingham, Ala. He plans to attend Bridgeland Applied Technology School in Logan, Utah, studying classic auto restoration.

The wedding is planned for today in the Jordan River LDS



Shana Hale and David Chard

Temple. A reception to honor the couple will be held from 5-7 p.m. Saturday at the Rupert 10th Ward LDS Church, 526 S. F St.

The couple will reside in Rupert.

Should television help you kick the TV habit?

NEW YORK (AP) — Breaking up their usual flow of commercials, broadcasters sometimes air so-called public service announcements.

You know what those are: Ads, aired gratis, with messages such as "don't drink and drive," "practice safe sex" and "talk to your kids about drugs."

But one all-too-fitting tip is absent: "Talk to your kids about TV."

For instance, you've never seen a spot with Eric McCormack or Jennifer Garner recommending you just say no to your kids' excessive viewing. Such an alert would hit the TV industry a little close to home.

On the other hand, television is a drug dispersed without directions for use or any recommended dosage.

Is that a good idea?

Not to Frank Vespe, executive director of TV-Turnoff Network. So he asked the Federal Communications Commission to require broadcasters to do what they have never gotten around to doing voluntarily: Remind their audience that "excessive television viewing has negative health, academic and other consequences for children," and that parents should exercise their "ability to turn off their television sets and limit their children's viewing time."

This appeal reflects the overall mission of Vespe's nonprofit Washington, D.C.-based group, which advocates "Turn off TV, turn on life."

The primary focus of TV-Turnoff Network is grammar-school-age kids, who, for its annual TV-Turnoff Week, are recruited with their families to pull the plug for seven days.

Last April, some 4 million people participated in more than 16,000 organized "Turnoffs," says Vespe. A total of 77 national organizations — including the American



Frank Vespe, executive director of the TV-Turnoff Network, is reflected in a poster promoting TV-Turnoff Week at the nonprofit group's Washington headquarters last month.

Medical Association and YMCA — support TV-Turnoff Week 2003, coming up April 21-27.

"By encouraging kids to turn off

the TV and find other things to do," Vespe says, "we can draw the link between those activities and a major reason kids don't have time

to do them."

After all, the average time per day American children spend on TV, Web-surfing, and video games — what Vespe calls "passive-screen entertainment" — is an estimated 4 hours, 41 minutes.

This helps explain TV-Turnoff's proposal, submitted as one of thousands of "comments" the FCC is receiving as this regulatory body reviews its rules governing ownership of newspapers and broadcast outlets. The FCC's forthcoming vote is widely expected to relax or even eliminate long-standing rules preventing media consolidation.

"For deregulation to work," says Vespe, "consumers need to have access to adequate information, including sufficient information about whether to watch TV, and how much."

TV-Turnoff Network's proposition doesn't call for specific content or wording, as with the warnings on tobacco and alcohol products. Just "periodic announcements" about TV-watching that will reach viewers at the perfect time while they're watching TV.

"It's a way to say to people while they're watching, 'Hey, are you watching a LOT of TV?'"

And, hey, are you kids glued to the set?

Not only is TV a low benefit use of youngsters' time, argues TV-Turnoff Network, but it also has negative consequences. One is childhood obesity. Watching TV is a sedentary pastime supercharged with commercials for junk food that's "fun to eat" and for candy-coated cereal legitimated as "part of your good breakfast." Meanwhile, TV late relies heavily on depictions of violence, to which the average viewer by age 18 has been exposed 200,000 times.

"Broadcasters are getting free use of the public airwaves," Vespe points out, "and we think that in serving the public interest, they should be informing the public about their impact on viewers."

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WEEKEND

Eminem's '8 Mile' reaches video stores this week

The Washington Post

New videos in Twin Falls-area stores this week:

'8 Mile'

Eminem's debut role is about the size of a pop star's and simple. In Curtis Hanson's film, he's a down-and-out Detroit rapper, nicknamed Rabbit, who dreams of making it. Simple story, yes. But Eminem's a screen presence, shrouded in his hood. The real deal - and the movie's greatest fun - is in the rap contests at clubs. They are extraordinary displays of verbal agility, with frenzied applause for poets. And there's no question, by these hip-hop standards, that Eminem has the mustard. Contains obscenity, violence and drug use. Rated R.

'Auto-Focus'

The life of Bob Crane, star of "Hogan's Heroes" and porno film aficionado, gets a very unconventional, dark treatment in this Paul Schrader movie. In the director's view, Crane (Greg Kinnear) is a cipher for the sexual repressed of the 1960s and 1970s. And even though he's obsessed with sex with women, his real "marriage" is with John Carpenter (William

Dafoe), the videotape salesman who becomes his swinging buddy. It's a dark, sobering portrait but a memorable one. Contains graphic scenes of sexuality, nudity and language; also contains drug use and violence. Rated R.

'Abandon'

Consider the title your best advice. This mystery-thriller is about the investigation of a missing college student named Emory (Charlie Hunnam), whose girlfriend Catherine Katie (Katie Holmes) is now a senior at college. She's not particularly friendly to investigator Wade Handler (Benjamin Bratt), who's trying to get to the bottom of the mystery. So, of course, they become romantically involved. Writer-director Stephen Gaghan (who scripted "Traffic") tries to make a deeper deal out of this mystery-thriller genre than you'd expect. But his efforts cost him cohesion, story and logic. Contains sexual situations and obscenity. PG-13.

'Empire'

Directed by punctuation-challenged Francis Reeves, "Empire" doesn't deserve the energy it takes to describe how bad it is. John Leguizamo is Victor Rosa, a

Bronx drug dealer whose trade falls short of his ambition. When banker Jack (Peter Sarsgaard) offers him an investment deal, Vic sees his chance to get out of a bad life. Discarding his homies (including Anthony "Treache" Criss) and his supplier (Isabella Rossellini, who apparently seeks career destruction), Vic and his pregnant girlfriend (Bellah Cotto) go "legal" and become close with Jack and his girlfriend (Denise Richards). But in this movie's hamfisted philosophy, there's no difference between white-collar and working class greed when it comes to making a fast buck. Contains strong violence, obscenity, drug use and some sexual content. Rated R.

'The Grey Zone'

Tim Blake Nelson's play-like movie, starring David Arquette, Steve Buscemi, Mira Sorvino and Harvey Keitel, is about the Sonderkommandos, the Jewish guards who disposed of the bodies in the Auschwitz camp. Nelson's research and source material clearly informs the movie's nasty realism, as Jewish prisoners load lifeless bodies of men, women and children into furnaces, and Nazi soldiers police this fenced-in killing ground with pistols, execu-

ting anyone they please. Against this backdrop of horror, the likes of Arquette and Buscemi emotive and interpret self-consciously honed dialogue. There's a stage poetry to everything. Sometimes it works and sometimes it screams of artifice. Contains Holocaust horrors, nudity, obscenity and violence. Rated R.

'Just a Kiss'

In this clumsily written and numbingly performed comedy of yammers, two thirty-something couples in New York City get into disastrous romantic trouble with one another. Dag (Ron Eldard), who's going out with Halley (Kyra Sedgwick), foolishly dabbles with Rebecca (Marley Shelton), a ballet-dancing, Prozac-popping personality who's Big Trouble. She's dating Dag's best friend, Pete (Patrick Breen). There are good supporting performances from Taye Diggs, Marisa Tomei and Sarita Choudhury, but their efforts do not change the movie's mediocrity. Contains obscenity and sexual scenes. Rated R.

'The Man from Elysian Fields'

Andy Garcia is Byron Tiller, a

failed novelist whose dire situation forces him to become a male escort. But he keeps his new job hidden from his wife (Julianne Margulies). His double life gets more complicated when one of Byron's clients (Olivia Williams) asks him to help her husband (James Coburn), a Pulitzer Prize-winning novelist, who's dying and needs a little help completing his last novel. From the get-go, the movie remains bogged down in its rather limited morass. And as the aging lothario who heads the escort agency, Mick Jagger acts like a bipedal alien who has only just assumed human form. Contains sexual scenes and obscenity language. Rated R.

'Personal Velocity'

We've seen some of the situations portrayed in Rebecca Miller's film before - a violent punch in a woman's face that opens the story, for instance - but the digital movie (from the same people who produced "Tape" and "Tadpole") has a special, original urgency. The plot revolves around three women (played by Kyra Sedgwick, Parker Posey and Fairuza Balk) who have suffered, directly or indirectly, from family (and male) relationships: their

fathers, husbands, boyfriends. Connecting the trio only through the fact that all three have listened to a news report about a strange hit-and-run accident, the movie's much more than a cast-of-feminist message about self-realization, thanks mostly to the passionate acting, which turns what is essentially a digital version of a short story into, well, a great little movie. Contains disturbing violence, sexual situations and obscenity. Rated R.

'Roger Dodger'

In writer-director Dylan Kidd's provocative satire, self-styled ladies man Roger (Campbell Scott) agrees to help his virginal, 16-year-old nephew (Jesse Eisenberg) pick up a woman. That night, Kidd, a first-time writer and director, has created a sophisticated but intriguingly tacky comedy of manners. As Nick Eisenberg makes a perfect, pimply greenhorn. But Scott owns the movie. Without him, Roger would be a dark, twisted character, someone barely worth our time. But Scott infuses him with so much likable urgency, it's impossible to dismiss him easily. Contains sexual situations, drunkenness and obscenity. Rated R.

Movies

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the illusion that these pencil pushers are incarnations of James Bond is difficult to sustain. Like "Maid in Manhattan" and "Pretty Woman," this is little more than a fairy tale, one in which the prince gets to go to the fancy-dress ball before shooting it to smithereens. With Bridget Moynahan. (145. PG-13, for violence, sexuality and language.)

'Shanghai Knights'

A lazy and resolutely witless follow-up to the comic western "Shanghai Noon," starring Owen Wilson, who plays a 19th century dude named Roy O'Bannon and Jacki Chan, playing a Chinese immigrant and kung fu master. The incongruous partnership of Chan and Wilson worked in "Shanghai Noon," now, though,

they're just a couple of goofballs who abandon the rich location of the American West of the 1880s for London. Written by Alfred Gough and Miles Millar and directed by David Dobkins. PG-13, for action violence and sexual content.)

'Tears of the Sun'

It may make you weep, but not in the way anyone intended. Handsomely made, well-meaning but finally frustrating and unsatisfying, this perplexing film is an example of a previously unenvied hybrid, the socially conscious, humanitarian action movie. It doesn't appear to be a genre with much of a future. Written by Alex Lasker and Patrick Cirillo and directed by Antoine Fuqua, can't decide if it's a Bruce Willis shoot-'em-up or a Human Rights

Watch infernal about ethnic cleansing and the plight of African refugees. Actually, it has decided it wants to be both, but delivering on that intriguing goal is beyond its abilities. With Monica Bellucci and Tom Skerritt. (158. R, for strong war violence, some brutality and language.)

'View From the Top'

It's hard to imagine what attracted Gwyneth Paltrow to this spatzone, underfoot slapstick romance in which she stars as an aspiring flight attendant. Paltrow has revealed new and exciting depths to her considerable talent when working with comic film makers who challenge her, but director Bruno Barreto allows her to fall back on the cloying gestures she seemed, before now, to

have shed. The movie tries to balance broad physical comedy with a plausible romance among characters you care about, but the slapstick doesn't slap hard enough and the potentially baffling romantic pairing of Paltrow and Mark Ruffalo never takes off. Mike Myers works hard for a smattering of laughs as a cross-eyed flight attendant trainer. PG-13 for language and sexual references. 87 minutes.

'Willard'

Crispin Glover has trouble relating to other people, so he develops a special friendship with rats. What's so weird about that? Bruce Davison played the part in the 1971 original. Directed by Glen Morgan. (PG-13, for terror, violence, some sexual content and language.)

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MORNING LINE

SPORTSQUOTE

Only in the NCAA tournament do bugs exult as they career toward a windshield.

—Jason Butler of *Nashville* on the thrill of the race-nuts playing the horses these next few days

TRIVIA QUESTION

Where did Roy Williams win his first game as Kansas coach?

...answer below

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

College baseball

Douglas CC at CSI (2), noon

High school baseball

Wood River at Middleton, 4 p.m.

High school softball

Twin Falls at Minico (2), 3:30 p.m.

Bonneville at Burley (2), 5:30 p.m.

High school track

Twin Falls, Idaho Falls, Minico at Jerome, 3 p.m.

Burley, Hillcrest at Skyline, 3:30 p.m.

High school golf

Jerome at Homedale, at Rivers Bend CC, TBA

High school tennis

Jerome at Burley, 3:30 p.m.

IN BRIEF

Basketball tournaments hit local gyms

TWIN FALLS — Ninety-five teams from Idaho, Oregon and Utah will converge on six area gymnasiums this weekend as part of an Oregon Prep Basketball Tournament stop.

Area and local teams are among the entrants. Starting at 4 today, games for kids grades 5 to 12 will be held in the gyms at Twin Falls High School, O'Leary Middle School, Lammam Lutheran Church, Hamann Valley and Minico.

The championship games will be held at Twin Falls High starting at noon and concluding at about 10:30 p.m.

Admission is \$4 adults, \$2 kids.

Murtaugh HS will hold benefit hoops tourney

HAGERMAN — Murtaugh High School is hosting a 5-on-5 basketball tournament to help raise money for Hagerman sophomore Hannah Bates after her chemotherapy and amputation. Admission is free but donations are appreciated.

The junior high school-age boys play at 5 p.m. Friday followed by girls starting at 6. The high school-age girls play from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday followed by the boys at 3 until about 9 p.m.

Castleford's Howard gets AD of the Year award

CASTLEFORD — Laurie Howard received the Athletic Director of the Year award for Class 1A schools, it was announced recently.

Bruin softball team announces camp

TWIN FALLS — The annual Twin Falls High School softball camp will be held on Monday and Tuesday, March 24-25 from 11-4 daily. Cost is \$25 per camper and includes lunch on the second day, a T-shirt and free admission to the Bruins' game with Minico on April 2.

Girls in grades 3-8 are encouraged to attend. For more information call Nick Baumann at 733-4978.

Compiled from staff reports

RIVIA ANSWER:

Williams got his first win in Anchorage. The Jayhawks beat Alaska Anchorage, 94-81, in the first round of the Great Alaska Outshoot on Nov. 25, 1988.

Bruins get clutch hits to knock off Spartans

T.F. scores five in pivotal fourth inning of region opener

By Scott Thompson
Times-News writer

RUPERT — The Twin Falls Bruins were clutch with runners on base — offensively and defensively.

Minico wasn't.

And that was the difference in the Region Three opener for both teams as the visiting Bruins downed the Spartans 6-3 in a well played high school baseball game Thursday at Warburton Field.

Both teams had runners on base, both

starting pitchers — Steve Turner, of Twin Falls, and Nate Tracy, of Minico — were sharp and both teams were solid in the field.

Twin Falls (2-0 overall, 1-0 region) just put it all together in the fourth inning. The Bruins turned a 2-1 deficit into a 6-2 lead with a five-run frame that included doubles from Brandon Christiansen and A.J. Stone to go along with singles from Drew Bernhard, Brett Miller and Mike Littleton.

All five runs scored after Minico (2-1, 0-1) recorded the second out of the inning. Miller, Stone and Littleton all finished 2

for 4 from the plate, combining for four RBIs and three runs scored.

"I was just seeing the ball well and recognizing pitches," Miller said. "I felt pretty good out there."

Miller opened the game with a double and came around to score on a single from Littleton to put the Bruins up 1-0.

"We got good production from the entire lineup," Bruin coach Matt Rasmussen said.

"And both Turner and (Nick) Carr pitched real well. It was a good region win."

In the pivotal fourth inning, Twin Falls also ran the bases aggressively to get into scoring position as the Bruins stole five bases.

"I was just seeing the ball well and recognizing pitches. I felt pretty good out there."

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— Twin Falls' Brett Miller

"They kind of took advantage of us on the basepaths," Minico coach Ben Frank said. "And then they capitalized on that."

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NCAA TOURNAMENT

Okafor blocks BYU's bid

UConn big man controls middle as Huskies beat Cougars

The Associated Press

SPOKANE, Wash. — BYU was rallying when Emeka Okafor swatted Rafael Arzujo's shot away.

Okafor made sure the Cougars won't bust up anyone's brackets — they're going home early instead.

Okafor controlled both ends of the court, scoring 20 points and blocking seven shots to lead fifth-seeded Connecticut

to a 58-53 victory Thursday over No. 12 BYU in the first round of the South regional.

"He was magnificent," Huskies coach Jim Calhoun said. "He's the best defensive player in the country. He alters games. He alters everything."

The loss by BYU (23-9) avoids a potentially embarrassing situation for the NCAA, which mistakenly put the Cougars in the South, where the Mormon-owned school would have had to play the fourth round on a Sunday.

Because BYU does not play on Sundays, the NCAA would have reshuffled the brackets if the Cougars won their first two games, sending them to the Midwest.

UConn (22-9) made it most and now will play Stanford in Saturday's second round. Ben Gordon added 14 points for the Huskies, who are 11-0 in first-round games under Calhoun.

Travis Hansen scored 21 points and Mark Bigelow added 12 for BYU. But they didn't get much help — no other Cougar made a basket for nearly 20 minutes spanning the first and second half.

After being bottled up most of the first half, the Huskies went on a 12-2 run to open the second, using their speed advantage to score on the break.

Gordon hit a 3-pointer to make it 46-32 with 11:33 left, and UConn appeared to be on its way to an easy win.

But BYU scored nine straight points. Kevin Woodberry then made a 3-pointer to cut it to 50-48, but Taliek Brown made two free throws for the Huskies.

Okafor then blocked Arzujo's shot with 1:43 left and Brown saved the ball from going out of bounds.

"The majority of my blocks stay in bounds," Okafor said.



UConn's Emeka Okafor, left, is fouled by BYU's Rafael Arzujo during the first round of the NCAA tournament Thursday in Spokane.

"I'm not one to block it into the crowd for show. Taliek made a great hustle play to save it."

Gordon hit a jumper on the other end — the Huskies' first basket in more than 10 minutes — and UConn won it from the foul line.

Okafor, the Big East Defensive Player of the Year, leads the nation with 4.8 blocks per game. He also altered many other shots, helping hold the Cougars to 31 percent shooting.

BYU forced the Huskies into a halfcourt game early. Okafor was

up to the challenge, showing he has a diversified offensive game to go with his dominating defensive presence.

He had 13 points in the first half, scoring on turnaround jumpers, dunks and inside moves to keep the Huskies in the game.

"Our guards weren't producing like they normally do so his offense was critical for us," Calhoun said. "We really needed him."

Okafor also blocked four shots in a span of two minutes and forced the Cougars to change

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many others. "In the first half they pretty much had the tempo they wanted," Okafor said. "I figured they're going to make it tough for us to score, I'll make it tough on them."

CSI enters homestand with questions

By Joe Paisley
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The College of Southern Idaho baseball team enters its nonconference homestand Friday and Saturday against Canada's Douglas Community College. The team is expected to be a solid Royals squad.

CSI (14-9) could have left Henderson, Nev., with a 2-2 split against the top team in the Pacific West Athletic Conference. Instead it went 1-3 despite having seven bases-loaded situations with one out or less.

With 28 strikeouts, an average of seven per game, occurred at key moments, allowing the Community College of Southern Nevada pitchers to escape unscathed.

It came down to execution at the plate, something the Eagles failed to do.

"We have a nonexistent DH and no hitter at first base," said head coach Jim Walker. "They just had to throw it."

It came down to a lack of timely hitting. Some of the CSI players singled or hit the ball hard enough to force the Coyotes defense into making difficult plays. Those knocks helped moved base runners into scoring position, only to see strikeouts or pop flies end any threat.

Those that garnered praise from the skipper last weekend included catcher Kris Walker, third baseman Zack Aakhus and pitchers Sean Bernhard and Rich Conway.

Walker said no changes are planned in the lineup though closer John Hurd likely will start one game this weekend.

Conway may come out of the bullpen for a start. Brandon Christiansen will likely take his spot in the pen but none of the pitching shuffle should be con-

CSI vs. Douglas CC

When: Friday, noon

Saturday, 1 p.m.

Where: Jim Walker Field, at CSI



sidered permanent at this point.

"It's not a panic situation by any means," Walker said. "We want to give our bullpen guys a chance to start."

Douglas (3-2) is another question mark for the Eagles. The Royals website doesn't have updated statistics from this season.

Their team will play real hard," said pitching coach Boomer Walker. "They are well-coached. They'll know how to play the game but I just don't know how much talent they'll have."

SPORTS IN A TIME OF WAR

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The games went on that way Thursday as bombs and missiles kept pummeling Baghdad, a day after President Bush told the nation that the war with Iraq had begun.

No one could have been surprised by the attack, yet it all seemed surreal Wednesday night, games pausing or being delayed as his grave message was

STEVE WILSTEIN

carried on giant screens in arenas across the country. Some cheered him, some booed, most watched in uneasy silence. Fans at home could flip channels, switching between dunks and Iraqi anti-aircraft fire.

"It's a tough night for a basketball game," some cheer on over in the Middle East," Texas Tech coach Bob Knight said after his team's victory over Nevada in the NIT. "I think the crowd seemed to ... almost ease a feeling of tremendous concern rather than just being at a basketball game."

Bush's speech was shown on the overhead scoreboard at halftime of the game in Lubbock, Texas.

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SPORTS

Central Michigan sends Creighton packing

Notre Dame, Kansas survive scares

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Mike Mancini scored a season-high 29 points as 11th-seeded Central Michigan pulled off a mild upset of Creighton despite nearly blowing a 20-point lead.

The Chippewas (25-6) allowed the lead to dwindle to two before sealing the victory by shooting 5-of-6 from the free-throw line down the stretch.

It was the Chippewas' second first-round win in four NCAA games. They hadn't been in the NCAA field since 1987.

Kyle Korver scored 21 points in his final college game for Creighton (29-5).

Notre Dame 70, UW-Milwaukee 69

INDIANAPOLIS — Notre Dame won this one for the Clipper.

A day after shaving the heads of a show of team unity, Chris Thomas scored 27 points to lead them to a 70-69 win over Milwaukee-Wisconsin in the first round of the West Regional on Thursday night.

The 12th-seeded Panthers had a great chance to pull off the upset, but Dylan Page missed a layup just before the buzzer after getting a terrific pass from Clay Tucker.

Kansas 64, Utah St. 61

OKLAHOMA CITY — One year after surviving a scare against 16th-seeded Holy Cross, Kansas held on to beat No. 15 seed Utah State 64-61 Thursday night at the West Regional.

The second-seeded Jayhawks (28-7) questioned their seeding after winning the Big 12 regular season title, but got more than just a tuneup from Utah State (24-9).

They found a way to win, though, Utah State missed two 3-point tries in the final 10 seconds.

Keith Langford scored 22 points and Nick Collison had 18 for the Jayhawks. Desmond Penigar had 25 points for Utah State.

Duke 67, Colorado St. 57

SALT LAKE CITY — Duke barely survived a shaky night over Texas, thanks largely to big shooting Williams.

The four 3 freshmen scored on an offensive rebound with 1:21 to play, then sank two free throws with 44.2 seconds left and the Blue Devils beat Colorado State 67-57 Thursday night in the

first round of the West Regional.

Third-seeded Duke scored the last eight points after the Rams, the sixth-place team in the Mountain West Conference during the regular season, went on a 14-7 run to cut the lead to 59-57 on Brian Greene's 16-footer with 2:59 to play.

The 14th-seeded Rams (19-14), upset winners of their conference tournament, had a chance to tie it but freshman Shelton Johnson, a 52 percent free-throw shooter, missed two from the line with 1:54 remaining.

Arizona 80, Vermont 51

SALT LAKE CITY — No. 1 seed Arizona ousted the weary, 16th-seeded New Englanders, who were stranded overnight by a snowstorm in Denver en route to their first NCAA tournament appearance in 103 years.

Salim Stoudamire scored 18 points, 16 in the first half, and shot 4-of-8 on 3-pointers for the Wildcats (26-3).

Taylor Coppenrath led Vermont (21-12) with 18 points. Matt Shefic scored 10.

Gonzaga 74, Cincinnati 69

SALT LAKE CITY — Ronny Turiaf had 22 points, including a school record-tying 16 free throws, and 10 rebounds as ninth-seeded Gonzaga won its NCAA tournament opener for the fourth time in five years.

Cory Violette scored 14 points, and Winston Brooks added 11 for the Bulldogs (24-8). Aaron Barker scored 16 points, and Armin Kirkland added 10 for Cincinnati (17-12).

Arizona State 84, Memphis 71

OKLAHOMA CITY — Ike Diogu scored 22 points, including 10 in a key second-half run, as Arizona State won in its first NCAA tournament appearance since 1995.

Diogu did it all against seventh-seeded Memphis, shooting 9-of-11 from the floor with a variety of post moves and even stepped out to hit a pair of 3-pointers in a 13-0 second-half run that opened up a 10-point lead for the 16th-seeded Sun Devils (20-11).

Illinois 65, Western Kentucky 60

INDIANAPOLIS — James Augustine, Deron Williams and Dee Brown combined for 37 points, 16 rebounds and 13 assists, and Brown hit two free throws with 22.8 seconds left to



Creighton's DeAnthony Bowden covers his head after losing to Central Michigan in the first round of the NCAA tournament Thursday in Salt Lake City.

seal the win for Illinois.

Big Ten player of the year Brian Cook, a senior, had his typical game with 17 points and 10 rebounds.

No. 13 seed Western Kentucky (24-9) led 43-41 with 12:27 to go, but Cook tied the score with a dunk and Williams gave Illinois the lead with a 3-pointer. The Hilltoppers tied the score three times after that, but the Illini never trailed again. Nate Williams led Western Kentucky with 17 points.

East

California 76, North Carolina State 74, OT

OKLAHOMA CITY — Richard Midgley hit a 3-pointer from the left side of the arc with 3.9 seconds left in overtime, sending the Golden Bears to the second round for the second straight year.

North Carolina State took a 74-73 lead after Scooter Sherrill hit a 3 with 12.8 seconds left. California quickly moved the ball up the court and Joe Shipp made a move to the basket before toss-

ing it back out to Midgley, whose third 3-pointer of the game swished through.

Ninth-seeded North Carolina State (18-13) had a chance to win the game, but Sherrill missed from the top-of the key as time expired.

Oklahoma 71, South Carolina State 54

OKLAHOMA CITY — Even though Hollis Price was clearly bothered by a strained left groin and played only 11 minutes, the top-seeded Sooners still advanced.

De'Angelo Alexander scored 16, Blake Johnson had a career-high 15 and Jabbari Brown had 12 points and nine rebounds for the Sooners.

Dustin Braddick scored 15 for No. 16 seed South Carolina State (20-11). The Bulldogs shot 40 percent (21-of-52).

South

Stanford 77, San Diego 69

SPOKANE, Wash. — Matt

NCAA Men's Tournament	
Thursday's results	
EAST REGIONAL	
First Round	
Oklahoma City	• Oklahoma State (24-9) vs. Pennsylvania (22-5), TBA
• California 76, North Carolina State 74, OT	At St. Pete Times Forum, Tampa, Fla.
• Oklahoma 71, South Carolina State 54	• Saint Joseph's (23-6) vs. Auburn (20-11), 10:25 a.m.
SOUTH REGIONAL	• Wake Forest (24-5) vs. East Tennessee State (20-10), TBA
First Round	At Birmingham-Jefferson Civic Center, Birmingham, Ala.
At Spokane Arena, Spokane, Wash.	• Louisville (24-6) vs. Austin Peay (23-7), 5:20 p.m.
• Connecticut 58, Brigham Young 53	• Mississippi State (21-9) vs. Butler (29-5), TBA
• Stanford 77, San Diego 69	
MIDWEST REGIONAL	
First Round	
At the RCA Dome, Indianapolis	SOUTH REGIONAL
• Marquette 72, Holy Cross 68	First Round
• Missouri 72, Southern Illinois 71	At the Gaylord Entertainment Center, Nashville, Tenn.
• Wisconsin 81, Weber State 74	• Xavier (25-5) vs. Troy State (26-5), 5:25 p.m.
• Tulsa 84, Boston 71	• Maryland (19-9) vs. North Carolina Wilmington (24-6), TBA
WEST REGIONAL	At Birmingham-Jefferson Civic Center, Birmingham, Ala.
First Round	• Texas (22-6) vs. North Carolina Asheville (15-16), 10:30 a.m.
At the RCA Dome, Indianapolis	• LSU (21-10) vs. Purdue (8-10), TBA
• Illinois 65, W. Kentucky 60	At St. Pete Times Forum, Tampa, Fla.
• Notre Dame 70, Wisconsin Milwaukee 69	• Michigan State (19-12) vs. Colorado (20-11), 5:10 p.m.
At the Jon M. Huntsman Center, Salt Lake City	• Florida (24-7) vs. Sam Houston State (23-6), TBA
• Gonzaga 74, Cincinnati 69	
• Arizona 80, Vermont 51	MIDWEST REGIONAL
• Central Michigan 79, Creighton 73	First Round
• Duke 67, Colorado State 57	At the Fleet Center, Boston
At the Ford Center, Oklahoma City	• Pittsburgh (26-4) vs. Wagner (21-10), 5:10 p.m.
• Arizona State 84, Memphis 71	• Indiana (20-12) vs. Alabama (17-11), TBA
• Kansas 64, Utah State 61	At the Gaylord Entertainment Center, Nashville, Tenn.
Friday's games	• Kentucky (29-3) vs. Indiana Purdue Indianapolis (20-13), 10:30 a.m.
All Times MST	• Oregon (23-9) vs. Utah (24-7), TBA
EAST REGIONAL	
First Round	
At the Fleet Center, Boston	
• Syracuse (24-5) vs. Manhattan	

Lonich scored 17 points and hit a big 3-pointer with 49.7 seconds remaining, lifting fourth-seeded Stanford (24-8) in the first round of the South Regional.

Josh Childress scored 22 points and Julius Barnes had 18 for Stanford, which blew a 19-point first-half lead but rallied after No. 13 seed San Diego (18-12) went ahead 66-63 on a bank shot by Roy Morris with 3:42 to go.

Midwest

Marquette 72, Holy Cross 68

INDIANAPOLIS — Travis Diemer scored a career-high 15 as Marquette won an opening-round game for the first time since 1996.

Holy Cross, seeded 14th, hasn't won an NCAA game since 1953, but for the third straight year it

almost pulled off a game of the highest-ranked team. Diemer, a 6-foot-1 guard who scored 17 points in the first half, gave No. 3 seed Marquette (24-5) the lead for good when he made a 3-pointer with 4:30 remaining.

Missouri 72, Southern Illinois 71

INDIANAPOLIS — Rickey Paulding made one of two free throws with 4.1 seconds remaining as No. 6 seed Missouri survived an upset scare.

Kent Williams' potential game-winning shot from the left wing glanced off the side of the rim at the buzzer.

The Salukis (24-7) tied it at 71 on Jermaine Deerman's layup with 25.2 seconds left. But Deerman was called for a blocking foul on Paulding, a call the Salukis believed was questionable.

Warth improves to 4-0 as Minico banks Jerome

JEROME — Minico went to the short game, bunting and stealing its way to a 2-0 win over Jerome Thursday in nonconference girls softball play in Jerome.

Minico (4-0) was led by pitcher Amber Warth, who struck out two batters and gave up only 13 hits to the Tigers.

Mandy Regna went 2-for-3 with an RBI while Amy Johnson added the other RBI. Alicia Gomez went 1-for-1 with two walks.

Minico hosts Twin Falls at 3:30 today.

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Wendell 16, Declo 5

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WENDELL — Wendell opened its season with a doubleheader sweep of Declo, 16-5 and 6-5 Thursday.

Rosette Marino went 2-for-4 with four RBI including a bases-loaded triple and Riley Scott went 3-for-4 with three RBI to lead the Trojans, who broke open a 7-5 game with a nine-run fifth inning.

Declo rallied to tie Game 2 at 5-5 in the top of the fourth but Emily Myers scored the go-ahead run in the bottom of the frame by reaching first then stealing second and third before scoring on an overthrow. Declo had a chance at the tie in the fifth on a passed ball by Wendell catcher Ashley Sites. But the runner was called out at home plate for running out of the basepath.

Wendell (2-0) hosts the Wood River Jayvees April 5.

Baseball

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Josh Usery and Chris Wolf picked up pitching wins and Wolf hit a solo home run in Game 1. Tim Bourner and John Puentes both went 2-for-2 in the first game with

Bourner adding a pair of hits with an RBI in the nightcap.

"We're playing really well," said Buhl coach Ryan Bobo. "We haven't been challenged on defense a lot and our pitchers are doing a good job of getting out of trouble."

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Burley 2, Jerome 1

BURLEY — The Burley Bobcat baseball team evented its record at 1-1 thanks to a challenge performance from Matt Michel on the mound and just enough offense to get past visiting Jerome 2-1 Thursday.

Kyle Roberts nearly matched Michel pitch for pitch for the Tigers (0-1 overall, 0-1 Great Basin).

"They were both really sharp," Burley coach Shaun Walker said. "Roberts is a nice pitcher. He mixes it up real well with a nice fastball and a good curve."

Matt Hope tripled, doubled and in the fourth inning scored the winning run on a single by Andy Sherrard. Jeff Ringle also scored for Burley (1-1, 0-1) in the third when the Tigers committed the only three errors of the game.

Tennis

Twin Falls 12, Minico 0

RUPERT — For the second

straight day, the Twin Falls Bruins tennis team swept all 12 matches from a Mini-Cassia school.

A day after the Bruins whitewashed the Burley Bobcats, Twin Falls did the same to Minico 12-0 at Neptune Park.

"It's great to play a team like that," Minico coach Karen Ferguson said. "They get to see how that team plays, how they hit, their strategy, their footwork. Just everything about that team. I was impressed."

Boxing

Thursday Night at the Fights

At Radio Redondo Events Center

Results

Bout 1: Axel Chergachev (Belarus) unanimous decision over Carlos Arreola (Mexico) 115-113

Bout 2: Baylan Chis (Czech Republic) unanimous decision over Carlos Arreola (Mexico) 115-113

Bout 3: Luis Lopez (Czech Republic) unanimous decision over Carlos Arreola (Mexico) 115-113

Bout 4: Miguel Torres (Cuba) unanimous decision over Carlos Arreola (Mexico) 115-113

Late results

Track and field

Gooding sweeps home track meet

GOODING — The host Senators swept both the girls and boys sides of their track meet late Wednesday.

The Lady Senators notched 107.0 points to beat runners-up Flir (86.0) and Wendell (81.0). Valley and Declo tied for fourth with 64.0 points apiece with

events, including April Homan's sweep of the 1,600-meter (5 minutes, 50.2 seconds) and 3,200-meter runs (12 minutes, 33.9 seconds), Kathryn Beyer (100 hurdles, 17:33), and the 4x100- and 4x200-meter relays.

Other winners were: triple jump (Ali Cranney, Oakley, 32 feet, 5 inches); high jump (Lizzy Morgan, Declo, 5-2); 800-meter run (Sara Praetzer, Valley, 2:43.5); 400-meter dash (Andrea Kurz, Valley, 0:57); 300-meter hurdles (Kara Ormond, 5:11); 200-meter dash (Jaynie Goodbody, Wendell, 26.4); 4x400-meter relay (Flir, 4:26.8); discus (Tiffany Osterhout, Declo, 105-4); long jump (Christina Brown, Flir, 16-6.5); shot put (L. Osterhout, Declo, 33-7); pole vault (S. Latimer, Challis, 9-0); 100-meter dash (Goodbody, Wendell, 12.3); medley relay (Wendell, 1:57.9).

The Gooding boys scored 133.0 points to beat second-place Declo with 113.5 points. Flir came in third with 82.0 points followed by Raft River (64.0), Kimberly (62.0), Wendell (50.0), Valley (20.0), Challis (14.0), Oakley (8.5) and Glens Ferry (7.0).

Winners for all boys events followed: pole vault (Kiley Koski, Gooding, 12-0); shot put (Mark Egbert, 42-3); high jump (Marc Christensen, Declo, 6-2); 200-meter dash (Jensen Lancaster, Wendell, 22.8); long jump (Levi Novis, Gooding, 19-5.5); 110-meter high hurdles (Sean Goodbody, Wendell, 16-1); triple jump (Novis, Gooding, 42-6); 200-meter run (Trace Jones, Declo, 10:22.8); 100-meter dash (Caleb Lammers, Flir, 11-4); 300-meter hurdles (Goodbody, Wendell, 42-4); discus (Eric Webb, 125-7.5); 4x200-meter relay (Flir, 1:53.4); 400-meter dash (Adam Darrington, Raft River, 53.9); 4x100-meter relay (Flir, 45-6); medley relay (Flir, 3:58.8); 800-meter run (Michael Grant, Valley, 2:07.8); 1,600-meter run

(Jones, Declo, 4:52.4); 4x400-meter relay (Gooding, 3:42.4).

Results Boys

100-yard dash: 1. Kyle Jones, Declo, 15.2; 2. Kyle Jones, Declo, 15.2; 3. Kyle Jones, Declo, 15.2; 4. Kyle Jones, Declo, 15.2; 5. Kyle Jones, Declo, 15.2

200-yard dash: 1. Kyle Jones, Declo, 32.8; 2. Kyle Jones, Declo, 32.8; 3. Kyle Jones, Declo, 32.8; 4. Kyle Jones, Declo, 32.8; 5. Kyle Jones, Declo, 32.8

400-yard dash: 1. Kyle Jones, Declo, 1:07.2; 2. Kyle Jones, Declo, 1:07.2; 3. Kyle Jones, Declo, 1:07.2; 4. Kyle Jones, Declo, 1:07.2; 5. Kyle Jones, Declo, 1:07.2

800-yard dash: 1. Kyle Jones, Declo, 2:14.8; 2. Kyle Jones, Declo, 2:14.8; 3. Kyle Jones, Declo, 2:14.8; 4. Kyle Jones, Declo, 2:14.8; 5. Kyle Jones, Declo, 2:14.8

1,600-yard dash: 1. Kyle Jones, Declo, 4:52.4; 2. Kyle Jones, Declo, 4:52.4; 3. Kyle Jones, Declo, 4:52.4; 4. Kyle Jones, Declo, 4:52.4; 5. Kyle Jones, Declo, 4:52.4

3,200-yard dash: 1. Kyle Jones, Declo, 10:22.8; 2. Kyle Jones, Declo, 10:22.8; 3. Kyle Jones, Declo, 10:22.8; 4. Kyle Jones, Declo, 10:22.8; 5. Kyle Jones, Declo, 10:22.8

600-meter dash: 1. Kyle Jones, Declo, 1:57.9; 2. Kyle Jones, Declo, 1:57.9; 3. Kyle Jones, Declo, 1:57.9; 4. Kyle Jones, Declo, 1:57.9; 5. Kyle Jones, Declo, 1:57.9

1,200-meter dash: 1. Kyle Jones, Declo, 4:26.8; 2. Kyle Jones, Declo, 4:26.8; 3. Kyle Jones, Declo, 4:26.8; 4. Kyle Jones, Declo, 4:26.8; 5. Kyle Jones, Declo, 4:26.8

1,600-meter dash: 1. Kyle Jones, Declo, 4:52.4; 2. Kyle Jones, Declo, 4:52.4; 3. Kyle Jones, Declo, 4:52.4; 4. Kyle Jones, Declo, 4:52.4; 5. Kyle Jones, Declo, 4:52.4

2,000-meter dash: 1. Kyle Jones, Declo, 10:22.8; 2. Kyle Jones, Declo, 10:22.8; 3. Kyle Jones, Declo, 10:22.8; 4. Kyle Jones, Declo, 10:22.8; 5. Kyle Jones, Declo, 10:22.8

2,400-meter dash: 1. Kyle Jones, Declo, 12:34.4; 2. Kyle Jones, Declo, 12:34.4; 3. Kyle Jones, Declo, 12:34.4; 4. Kyle Jones, Declo, 12:34.4; 5. Kyle Jones, Declo, 12:34.4

2,800-meter dash: 1. Kyle Jones, Declo, 14:46.0; 2. Kyle Jones, Declo, 14:46.0; 3. Kyle Jones, Declo, 14:46.0; 4. Kyle Jones, Declo, 14:46.0; 5. Kyle Jones, Declo, 14:46.0

3,200-meter dash: 1. Kyle Jones, Declo, 16:57.6; 2. Kyle Jones, Declo, 16:57.6; 3. Kyle Jones, Declo, 16:57.6; 4. Kyle Jones, Declo, 16:57.6; 5. Kyle Jones, Declo, 16:57.6

3,600-meter dash: 1. Kyle Jones, Declo, 19:09.2; 2. Kyle Jones, Declo, 19:09.2; 3. Kyle Jones, Declo, 19:09.2; 4. Kyle Jones, Declo, 19:09.2; 5. Kyle Jones, Declo, 19:09.2

4,000-meter dash: 1. Kyle Jones, Declo, 21:20.8; 2. Kyle Jones, Declo, 21:20.8; 3. Kyle Jones, Declo, 21:20.8; 4. Kyle Jones, Declo, 21:20.8; 5. Kyle Jones, Declo, 21:20.8

4,400-meter dash: 1. Kyle Jones, Declo, 23:32.4; 2. Kyle Jones, Declo, 23:32.4; 3. Kyle Jones, Declo, 23:32.4; 4. Kyle Jones, Declo, 23:32.4; 5. Kyle Jones, Declo, 23:32.4

4,800-meter dash: 1. Kyle Jones, Declo, 25:44.0; 2. Kyle Jones, Declo, 25:44.0; 3. Kyle Jones, Declo, 25:44.0; 4. Kyle Jones, Declo, 25:44.0; 5. Kyle Jones, Declo, 25:44.0

5,200-meter dash: 1. Kyle Jones, Declo, 27:55.6; 2. Kyle Jones, Declo, 27:55.6; 3. Kyle Jones, Declo, 27:55.6; 4. Kyle Jones, Declo, 27:55.6; 5. Kyle Jones, Declo, 27:55.6

5,600-meter dash: 1. Kyle Jones, Declo, 29:07.2; 2. Kyle Jones, Declo, 29:07.2; 3. Kyle Jones, Declo, 29:07.2; 4. Kyle Jones, Declo, 29:07.2; 5. Kyle Jones, Declo, 29:07.2

6,000-meter dash: 1. Kyle Jones, Declo, 31:18.8; 2. Kyle Jones, Declo, 31:18.8; 3. Kyle Jones, Declo, 31:18.8; 4. Kyle Jones, Declo, 31:18.8; 5. Kyle Jones, Declo, 31:18.8

6,400-meter dash: 1. Kyle Jones, Declo, 33:30.4; 2. Kyle Jones, Declo, 33:30.4; 3. Kyle Jones, Declo, 33:30.4; 4. Kyle Jones, Declo, 33:30.4; 5. Kyle Jones, Declo, 33:30.4

6,800-meter dash: 1. Kyle Jones, Declo, 35:42.0; 2. Kyle Jones, Declo, 35:42.0; 3. Kyle Jones, Declo, 35:42.0; 4. Kyle Jones, Declo, 35:42.0; 5. Kyle Jones, Declo, 35:42.0

7,200-meter dash: 1. Kyle Jones, Declo, 37:53.6; 2. Kyle Jones, Declo, 37:53.6; 3. Kyle Jones, Declo, 37:53.6; 4. Kyle Jones, Declo, 37:53.6; 5. Kyle Jones, Declo, 37:53.6

7,600-meter dash: 1. Kyle Jones, Declo, 39:05.2; 2. Kyle Jones, Declo, 39:05.2; 3. Kyle Jones, Declo, 39:05.2; 4. Kyle Jones, Declo, 39:05.2; 5. Kyle Jones, Declo, 39:05.2

8,000-meter dash: 1. Kyle Jones, Declo, 41:16.8; 2. Kyle Jones, Declo, 41:16.8; 3. Kyle Jones, Declo, 41:16.8; 4. Kyle Jones, Declo, 41:16.8; 5. Kyle Jones, Declo, 41:16.8

8,400-meter dash: 1. Kyle Jones, Declo, 43:28.4; 2. Kyle Jones, Declo, 43:28.4; 3. Kyle Jones, Declo, 43:28.4; 4. Kyle Jones, Declo, 43:28.4; 5. Kyle Jones, Declo, 43:28.4

8,800-meter dash: 1. Kyle Jones, Declo, 45:40.0; 2. Kyle Jones, Declo, 45:40.0; 3. Kyle Jones, Declo, 45:40.0; 4. Kyle Jones, Declo, 45:40.0; 5. Kyle Jones, Declo, 45:40.0

9,200-meter dash: 1. Kyle Jones, Declo, 47:51.6; 2. Kyle Jones, Declo, 47:51.6; 3. Kyle Jones, Declo, 47:51.6; 4. Kyle Jones, Declo, 47:51.6; 5. Kyle Jones, Declo, 47:51.6

9,600-meter dash: 1. Kyle Jones, Declo, 49:03.2; 2. Kyle Jones, Declo, 49:03.2; 3. Kyle Jones, Declo, 49:03.2; 4. Kyle Jones, Declo, 49:03.2; 5. Kyle Jones, Declo, 49:03.2

10,000-meter dash: 1. Kyle Jones, Declo, 51:14.8; 2. Kyle Jones, Declo, 51:14.8; 3. Kyle Jones, Declo, 51:14.8; 4. Kyle Jones, Declo, 51:14.8; 5. Kyle Jones, Declo, 51:14.8

10,400-meter dash: 1. Kyle Jones, Declo, 53:26.4; 2. Kyle Jones, Declo, 53:26.4; 3. Kyle Jones, Declo, 53:26.4; 4. Kyle Jones, Declo, 53:26.4; 5. Kyle Jones, Declo, 53:26.4

10,800-meter dash: 1. Kyle Jones, Declo, 55:38.0; 2. Kyle Jones, Declo, 55:38.0; 3. Kyle Jones, Declo, 55:38.0; 4. Kyle Jones, Declo, 55:38.0; 5. Kyle Jones, Declo, 55:38.0

11,200-meter dash: 1. Kyle Jones, Declo, 57:49.6; 2. Kyle Jones, Declo, 57:49.6; 3. Kyle Jones, Declo, 57:49.6; 4. Kyle Jones, Declo, 57:49.6; 5. Kyle Jones, Declo, 57:49.6

11,600-meter dash: 1. Kyle Jones, Declo, 59:01.2; 2. Kyle Jones, Declo, 59:01.2; 3. Kyle Jones, Declo, 59:01.2; 4. Kyle Jones, Declo, 59:01.2; 5. Kyle Jones, Declo, 59:01.2

12,000-meter dash: 1. Kyle Jones, Declo, 61:12.8; 2. Kyle Jones, Declo, 61:12.8; 3. Kyle Jones, Declo, 61:12.8; 4. Kyle Jones, Declo, 61:12.8; 5. Kyle Jones, Declo, 61:12.8

12,400-meter dash: 1. Kyle Jones, Declo, 63:24.4; 2. Kyle Jones, Declo, 63:24.4; 3. Kyle Jones, Declo, 63:24.4; 4. Kyle Jones, Declo, 63:24.4; 5. Kyle Jones, Declo, 63:24.4

12,800-meter dash: 1. Kyle Jones, Declo, 65:36.0; 2. Kyle Jones, Declo, 65:36.0; 3. Kyle Jones, Declo, 65:36.0; 4. Kyle Jones, Declo, 65:36.0; 5. Kyle Jones, Declo, 65:36.0

13,200-meter dash: 1. Kyle Jones, Declo, 67:47.6; 2. Kyle Jones, Declo, 67:47.6; 3. Kyle Jones, Declo, 67:47.6; 4. Kyle Jones, Declo, 67:47.6; 5. Kyle Jones, Declo, 67:47.6

13,600-meter dash: 1. Kyle Jones, Declo, 69:59.2; 2. Kyle Jones, Declo, 69:59.2; 3. Kyle Jones, Declo, 69:59.2; 4. Kyle Jones, Declo, 69:59.2; 5. Kyle Jones, Declo, 69:59.2

14,000-meter dash: 1. Kyle Jones, Declo, 72:10.8; 2. Kyle Jones, Declo, 72:10.8; 3. Kyle Jones, Declo, 72:10.8; 4. Kyle Jones, Declo, 72:10.8; 5. Kyle Jones, Declo, 72:10.8

14,400-meter dash: 1. Kyle Jones, Declo, 74:22.4; 2. Kyle Jones, Declo, 74:22.4; 3. Kyle Jones, Declo, 74:22.4; 4. Kyle Jones, Declo, 74:22.4; 5. Kyle Jones, Declo, 74:22.4

14,800-meter dash: 1. Kyle Jones, Declo, 76:34.0; 2. Kyle Jones, Declo, 76:34.0; 3. Kyle Jones, Declo, 76:34.0; 4. Kyle Jones, Declo, 76:34.0; 5. Kyle Jones, Declo, 76:34.0

15,200-meter dash: 1. Kyle Jones, Declo, 78:45.6; 2. Kyle Jones, Declo, 78:45.6; 3. Kyle Jones, Declo, 78:45.6; 4. Kyle Jones, Declo, 78:45.6; 5. Kyle Jones, Declo, 78:45.6

15,600-meter dash: 1. Kyle Jones, Declo, 80:57.2; 2. Kyle Jones, Declo, 80:57.2; 3. Kyle Jones, Declo, 80:57.2; 4. Kyle Jones, Declo, 80:57.2; 5. Kyle Jones, Declo, 80:57.2

16,000-meter dash: 1. Kyle Jones, Declo, 83:08.8; 2. Kyle Jones, Declo, 83:08.8; 3. Kyle Jones, Declo, 83:08.8; 4. Kyle Jones, Declo, 83:08.8; 5. Kyle Jones, Declo, 83:08.8

16,400-meter dash: 1. Kyle Jones, Declo, 85:20.4; 2. Kyle Jones, Declo, 85:20.4; 3. Kyle Jones, Declo, 85:20.4; 4. Kyle Jones, Declo, 85:20.4; 5. Kyle Jones, Declo, 85:20.4

16,800-meter dash: 1. Kyle Jones, Declo, 87:32.0; 2. Kyle Jones, Declo, 87:32.0; 3. Kyle Jones, Declo, 87:32.0; 4. Kyle Jones, Declo, 87:32.0; 5. Kyle Jones, Declo, 87:32.0

17,200-meter dash: 1. Kyle Jones, Declo, 89:43.6; 2. Kyle Jones, Declo, 89:43.6; 3. Kyle Jones, Declo, 89:43.6; 4. Kyle Jones, Declo, 89:43.6; 5. Kyle Jones, Declo, 89:43.6

17,600-meter dash: 1. Kyle Jones, Declo, 91:55.2; 2. Kyle Jones, Declo, 91:55.2; 3. Kyle Jones, Declo, 91:55.2; 4. Kyle Jones, Declo, 91:55.2; 5. Kyle Jones, Declo, 91:55.2

18,000-meter dash: 1. Kyle Jones, Declo, 94:06.8; 2. Kyle Jones, Declo, 94:06.8; 3

SCORES AND STATS

WHAT'S ON T.V.

Auto Racing

- NASCAR, Busch Series, qualifying for Charlotte 250, SPEED, 11:30 a.m.
- NASCAR, Winston Cup, pole qualifying for Ford Food City 500, FSNN, 1 p.m.
- NASCAR, Winston Cup, pole qualifying for Ford Food City 500, SPEED, 6 p.m.
- Formula One, qualifying for Malaysia Grand Prix, SPEED, 11 p.m.

Boxing

- Friday Night at the Fights, ESPN2, 7 p.m.

Golf

- PGA, Safeway Pro, second round, ESPN, 11 a.m.

PGA Tour, Bay Hill Invitational

- second round, USA, 2 p.m.
- Champions Tour, Toshiba Senior Classic, first round, TGC, 3 p.m.

Basketball

- NCAA tournament, first round, ESPN, 10:35 a.m.
- NCAA tournament, first round, ESPN, 12:35 p.m.
- NCAA tournament, first round, ESPN, 5:30 p.m.
- NCAA tournament, first round, ESPN, 7:30 p.m.
- NBA, Timberwolves at Spurs, ESPN, 6 p.m.
- NBA, Wizards at Suns, ESPN, 8:30 p.m.

Area ski report

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Wyoming knocks out E. Washington, 78-71

LARAMIE, Wyo. (AP) — Donna Richardson scored 24 points and Uche Nsonwu-Amadi had 14 points and 12 rebounds in leading Wyoming past Eastern Washington 78-71 in a first-round NIT game Thursday that was postponed a day because of a blizzard.

The Cowboys (21-10) will face North Carolina (18-15) on Monday in Chapel Hill. Wyoming used a pair of 7.0 runs in the first half to take a 41-33 halftime lead. Richardson scored 15 points in the half.

Eastern Washington, which was trapped in Denver for two days because of a snowstorm and at one point had to physically

push its bus out of a snow drift, battled back to tie the game at 54-54 on a basket by Chris Hester in the 94th minute.

But the Cowboys ran off another 7-0 run, keyed by two buckets from Nsonwu-Amadi, to go up 61-54 with 6:30 left.

Wyoming sank 10 straight free throws in the last 1:18 to keep the Eagles 18-14 at bay.

Joe Strought added 16 points for the Cowboys and David Adams 15.

Eastern Washington, making its first Division I postseason tournament, was led by junior's 19 points. Alvin Snow contributed 17, Brandon Merritt 16, and T.J. Williams 10.

Roy blanks Sharks for 65th career shutout

DENVER (AP) — Patrick Roy made 29 saves in his fourth shutout of the season, and 46th of his career, as the Colorado Avalanche beat the San Jose Sharks 2-0 on Thursday night in a game that was postponed a day because of a heavy snowstorm.

Bates Battaglia and Adam Foote scored for the Avalanche, who snapped a three-game losing streak — their longest since last January.

Mikha Kiprusoff had 18 saves and allowed both goals before being replaced by Vesa Toskala late in the game for San Jose, which has lost six of seven.

The game was postponed from Wednesday because of a 30-inch snowstorm that paralyzed the Denver area and much of Colorado.

Islanders 6, Canadiens 3

MONTREAL — Alexei Yashin scored twice and led a career-high with his fifth career five-point game to lead New York over Montreal.

Yashin, who had just eight points in his previous 22 games, set up goals by Aron Asham and Oleg Kvashe before scoring his 17th and 18th goals in the second. He set up Dave Stankard's empty-net goal for his third assist of the game.

Jason Blake also scored and Garth Snow made 32 saves for New York, which got its 78th point to the Boston for seventh place in the race.

Donald Audette, Andreas Dackell and Jason Ward scored for Montreal, which lost its third straight and is winless in its last seven home games.

The Islanders led eight points behind the Islanders with seven games — one less than New York — left.

Blue Jackets 4, Maple Leafs 3

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Tyler Wright scored his third goal of the game off a give-and-go from Ray Whitney with 4:18 seconds left in overtime as Columbus beat the Philadelphia Flyers 4-3.

Wright's third career hat trick — and second of the season — gave

him a career high 18 goals this season and his first in 190 games. Nash also scored for Columbus.

Owen Nolan, who sent the game into overtime with a 1:12 left in regulation, Mats Sundin and Aki Berg had goals for Toronto, which has 20-2 wins in last six.

Flyers 4, Penguins 2

PHILADELPHIA — John LeClair scored twice, including the go-ahead goal in the third period, as Philadelphia beat Pittsburgh and moved into a first place tie in the Atlantic Division.

Deshaun Deshaun and Tony Amonte also scored and Mark Recchi had three assists for Philadelphia, which is tied with New Jersey with 91 points.

Mathias Johansson had a goal and an assist and Rico Fata also scored for the Penguins, who blew a 2-0 lead and fell to 0-1-1 in their last 11.

Blues 3, Mighty Ducks 2, OT

ST. LOUIS — Pavel Demtchuk scored twice, including the winning goal 2:22 into overtime, in St. Louis' eighth win over the Ducks.

Doug Weight also had a goal and Chris Osgood made 21 saves to improve to 10 with St. Louis, which has won six straight at home.

Adam Oates and Steve Thomas scored for Anaheim, which set a franchise record with its 80th point of the season.

Coyotes 3, Oilers 2, OT

PHOENIX — Teppo Numminen scored with 2:07 left in overtime to lift the Phoenix Coyotes past the Edmonton Oilers 3-2 on Thursday night.

Daymond Langkow and Blainey Radwanski scored first period goals for the Coyotes, who have won three straight and moved within seven points of the Oilers to the last playoff spot in the Western Conference.

Ryan Smyth and Marty Reasoner scored for the Oilers, who lost for just the third time in their last six games and fell to 0-3 against the Coyotes this season.

Billups paces Pistons in 113-85 pasting of 76ers

AT BURNS HILLS, Mich. (AP) — Chauncey Billups paced 29 points Thursday night despite playing only three minutes in the fourth quarter to lead six double-figure scorers as the Detroit Pistons beat the Philadelphia 76ers 113-85 in their sixth win in seven games.

Allen Iverson scored just five points — snapping a 186-game streak of scoring in double figures. It was his lowest output since scoring five points on March 2, 2000, against Washington. The Pistons held him to a career-low four points on March 23, 1998.

Iverson, who went just 2-for-11 before sitting out the fourth quarter, averaged 12.1 points in the previous eight games.

Detroit (43-24) is 2.5 games ahead on New Jersey for the best record in the Eastern Division and 3.5 games ahead of Indiana in the central Division.

Philadelphia (40-27) has won 17 of 20 since the All-Star break and is just a half-game behind New Jersey.

Spurs 112, Mavericks 107

DALLAS — Tony Parker flipped a layup over 7-foot-6

Shawn Bradley and 7-foot Dirk Nowitzki with 12 seconds left in overtime, giving the San Antonio Spurs a 112-110 victory over the Dallas Mavericks on Thursday night in a thrilling matchup of the NBA's top two teams.

San Antonio, which has won seven of the last eight and 6.0 in overtime, moved within 2.5 games of Dallas in the race for the league's best record, and the Spurs, who have won 17 of their last 20 games, moved within 2.5 games of Phoenix in the Midwest Division.

Midk Rose beat Bradley on a short jumper with 38.9 seconds left to tie it, then Nowitzki missed a tough shot with 16.6 seconds to go that could've put Dallas back ahead. Tim Duncan rebounded and the Spurs called timeout twice to set up their last play.

For their last try the Mavericks tried to their hottest hand, Nick Van Exel, but he aired out an off-balance 3-point shot at the buzzer. He finished with 35 points, one more than Nowitzki, who also had 12 rebounds.

Duncan led San Antonio with 25 points and 18 rebounds. Rose and Parker each had 22.

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Spring Training Games

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SPORTS

Martinez delivers best performance of spring for Red Sox

By The Associated Press

Pedro Martinez pitched five strong innings in his best outing of the spring as the Boston Red Sox beat the Detroit Tigers 5-3 Thursday.

David Ortiz hit a two-run homer for Boston, and Nomar Garciaparra and Jeremy Giambi added solo homers at Fort Myers, Fla. Shea Hillenbrand went 2-for-3 to improve his spring training

average to .500.

Martinez allowed one run in the first inning, then settled down and retired the last seven batters he faced and 13 of the last 14. He gave up three hits, struck out five and walked none.

"Everything seemed to be working," said Martinez, who won for the first time this spring. "I had a good changeup and good control of the breaking ball. I threw it against some of the

young guys there who couldn't quite read it, so that gave me a little bit of an advantage."

Also Thursday, the Los Angeles Dodgers picked Hideo Nomo to start their season opener on March 31 against Arizona and NL Cy Young Award winner Randy Johnson.

Nomo won 14 of his final 15 decisions last year and didn't lose after July 16.

"I'm a little surprised," the 34-year-old right-hander said through an interpreter. "I didn't think I'd be in this position."

The Oakland Athletics picked John Halama as the fifth starter. Halama will be one of four left-handers in the rotation for the defending AL West champions. He joins AL Cy Young Award winner Barry Zito, Mark Mulder and Ted Lilly, all

lefties, and right-hander Tim

Hudson. Halama bounced from the rotation to the bullpen to Triple-A last season with Seattle, and never could get into a pitching groove.

Colorado Rockies left-hander Denny Neagle, trying to overcome a sore elbow to be ready for an opening-day start, had a bullpen session Thursday. Neagle, who missed his last

scheduled start due to soreness in his left elbow, is expected to throw on the side again Saturday and Monday. If he doesn't have any setbacks he would pitch against the Chicago White Sox on Wednesday.

"He has to finish pitches," Rockies manager Clint Hurdle said. "We'll see how it goes, but he might throw to hitters in the third one to heighten the adrenaline issue."

Tiger trails by one at Bay Hill

Six players share lead

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — A score that would have left Tiger Woods in the middle of the pack at most PGA Tour events kept him in contention Thursday as he bids for his fourth straight title at the Bay Hill Invitational.

Six players were tied for the lead at 3-under 69, the highest score in relation to par for an 18-hole lead since Woods shot 4 under in the U.S. Open last year at Bethpage Black. Woods was one stroke back.

Indeed, Bay Hill proved to be a major test with its swirling winds, stifling heat and greens as hard as concrete.

"If these greens get baked out, if this wind stays up, it could be one of the toughest golf courses we'll face, except for the majors," Woods said after birdies on two of the last three holes.

The leaders were Stewart Cink, Jeff Maggert, Jonathan Kaye, J.L. Lewis and Aaron Baddeley and Trevor Immelman, a 23-year-old South African who was the only under-20 starter to break 70.

Ernie Els might have been closer to the lead if not for one hole. He three-putted from 4 feet on the par-3 14th and took triple bogey, giving him a 74.

Bay Hill was too much for Arnold Palmer, the 73-year-old tournament host playing in what likely will be his final PGA Tour event.

The King had a 15-over 87, his worst round ever at Bay Hill. It didn't seem to matter. Palmer had the largest gallery of a steamy afternoon, and his army cheered every step and all 87 strokes.

"For some reason, I look forward to tomorrow," Palmer said, sipping a tall can of beer as he relaxed in a golf cart. "I wasn't miserable out there."

Jack Nicklaus seemed like he was. The Golden Bear, trying to decide whether he wants to play in the Masters, blasted out of a bunker, across the green and into the hazard on the 18th. He took triple bogey, finished with an 82 and left the course without talking to reporters.

Only 19 players managed to break par, a stark contrast to last week at the Honda Classic, where the cut tied a PGA Tour record at 6 under and the winner score was 24 under.

At Bay Hill, nine players shot 80 or worse, and Rory Sabbatini matched Palmer's 87. David Duval had to finish with two tough pars for a 79, narrowly avoiding his second consecutive round in the 80s.

Spaniard leads at Madeira Islands Open
SANTO DA SERRA, Madeira Islands — Spain's Jesus Maria Arriuri shot a 6-under-par 66 and led the rain-delayed Madeira Islands Open by one stroke with half the field yet to complete the first round.

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Knight, who coached early in his career at West Point, said he received a letter Wednesday from the wife of a former player who was a two-star general serving in the war. Going on with the games, Knight said, is important.

"We as a country have had a history of doing things that are basically scheduled to be done," Knight said. "I think that's something we should continue to do. We're too strong, too tough to let anyone interfere with life here."

Duke coach Mike Krzyzewski, a West Point graduate and a former Army captain, said soldiers overseas want to know that nothing has changed back home. It makes sense that the NCAA tournament is going on uninterrupted, March Madness providing a small escape from the madness of the war.

"I think the tournament can serve as a good thing," Krzyzewski said. "That's how we'll look at it."

That's how everyone should look at it. There is no disrespect for the military in playing games or watching them. The opposite is

true: Going on with our lives shows respect for the freedom we cherish.

CBS moved the start of its NCAA tournament coverage to ESPN on Thursday because of war coverage. The day's first game, Marquette's victory over Holy Cross in the Midwest Regional at Indianapolis, tipped off at 10:20 a.m. MST on ESPN — with CBS announcers and production.

"Kind of a strange way to start the tournament, isn't it?" CBS studio analyst Clark Kellogg said. Holy Cross coach Ralph Willard believed, too, that the NCAA tournament is a welcome diversion to the men and women serving overseas. He was drafted into the Army in 1967 and worked as a temporary records clerk until 1969. His experience taught him about the role sports played for those on the battlefield.

"I know how important sports are when you're in a situation where you're away from your family, you're away from the things that are familiar to you. Sports are a great outlet for you," he said as his team prepared to

play in the NCAA tournament in Indianapolis.

In Tampa, Fla., the opening attack on Baghdad began just as the Cleveland Indians-New York Yankees spring training exhibition game was about to end.

"We have concerns for sure, but no control. We have to do what we do," Yankees manager Joe Torre said. "We certainly have to play like there's not going to be any kind of delay. It's on everybody's mind. This is real-life stuff. (Baseball) is just a game."

Going on with the games won't be easy for all the players, coaches and fans. Frisks and metal detectors and swollen security forces are reminders that normalcy is an illusion. The sounds and sights of war on television keep sports in perspective.

"This is insignificant," said Virginia coach Pete Gillen, whose team beat Brown in the NIT. "I've been beat by my stomach the last day or two thinking about it."

"I have a son, 19, that could be in the service. It just breaks your heart. You hate to see any young man or woman die. A game means nothing compared to what



Tiger Woods watches his tee shot on the seventh hole Thursday during the first round of the Bay Hill Invitational in Orlando, Fla.

Robert-Jan Derksen of the Netherlands, who held off Ernie Els to win the Dubai Desert Classic, was second.

Sorenstam shoots 67 but trails

PHOENIX — Annika Sorenstam wanted to play with the men so she could raise the level of her game. She might need to, if her start to the LPGA season is any indication.

Sorenstam opened her year with a 5-under-par 67, only to find herself trailing would-be rivals Se Ri Pak and Karrie Webb after the first round of the Safeway Ping tournament.

Pak shot a 7 under 65 while Webb bogeyed her final hole for a 66, both serving early notice to Sorenstam that she might have trouble winning 11 times on the LPGA tour again this year.

is going on in the real world."

Creighton star forward Kyle Korver said he has a friend from high school, Jeff Mishler, serving in the Army in the Middle East.

"People talk to me about pressure," Korver said. "If I mess up tomorrow — so what, big deal. If he does, he could die."

Without losing perspective on that, recognizing that the games are trivial compared to the stakes of war, sports can go far to help the nation's psyche. A little humor wouldn't hurt, either.

To take the edge off the tension of all the security at the Rose Garden in Portland, where the Trail Blazers took on the Houston Rockets, clowns, face painters and other entertainers played with children and kidded adults with phony metal-detector wands made of balloons and other props.

"It was just small, perhaps, but that's just what we need — the small things that make life seem unchanged."

Steve Wilstein is a national sports columnist for The Associated Press.

Worthington, who finished 2 for 3 with three RBIs.

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NBA suspends Artest

for another flagrant foul

INDIANAPOLIS — Another flagrant foul, another suspension for Ron Artest.

The Indiana Pacers' swingman was banned for two games Thursday, raising the total of games he's missed because of NBA punishment this season to 10.

This time, the league upheld a flagrant foul call on Artest just five seconds into Wednesday night's game against Boston, calling for an automatic two-game suspension for exceeding the limit on flagrant foul points.

Boston's Paul Pierce went up for a layup after the opening tip and was slapped hard on the head from behind by Artest. As the referees signaled a flagrant foul, Artest stood indolently with his arm raised above his head.

Nomo will pitch opening day for Los Angeles

VERO BEACH, Fla. — Hideo Nomo is to pitch the season opener for the Los Angeles Dodgers against four-time defending NL Cy Young Award winner Randy Johnson.

Nomo won 14 of his final 15 decisions last year and didn't lose after July 16. He was picked Thursday by manager Jim Tracy for the March 31 game at Arizona.

"I'm a little surprised," the 34-year-old right-hander said through an interpreter. "I didn't think I'd be in this position."

Tracy said Nomo deserved a reward for the way he closed last season, when he finished 16-6 with a 3.39 ERA.

The 39-year-old Johnson was a career-best 24-5 with 334 strikeouts and a 2.32 ERA last year.

Owner of Salt Lake Stingers dies at 84

SALT LAKE CITY — Joe Buzas, owner of the Salt Lake Stingers minor-league baseball club, died at age 84 on Wednesday.

An announcement from the Pacific Coast League says Buzas had been fighting illness for several years.

Buzas spent most of his life in baseball as a player, manager and owner.

Buzas owned more than 60 franchises in his 40 years operating minor league teams. The Herald reported.

The team changed its name to the Stingers in 2000 and became the AAA franchise for the world-champion Anaheim Angels.

In Salt Lake City, his franchise led the PCL in attendance its first six years and by last season had drawn 5 million fans — the fastest any team in the league has reached that mark.

In 1996, he was awarded the John J. Johnson President's Trophy as "Owner of the Year."

Head of Breeders' Cup scam gets lightest sentence

WHITE PLAINS, N.Y. — The mastermind behind the betting scam that nearly produced a \$3 million payoff at the Breeders' Cup ended up with the least amount of jail time possible — a year and a day.

Computer programmer Chris Ham, who worked for a company that processes horse racing bets, could have received more than seven years in prison if he had not helped authorities, Judge Charles Bryant said.

Co-defendant Glen DaSilva was sentenced to two years in prison and Derrick Davis received three years.

The former fraternity brothers tried to pull off the Pick Six betting scam during the Breeders' Cup last October. The three men, all 29, have been out on bail since pleading guilty. They were members of the Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity at Drexel in Philadelphia in the 1990s.

Couple gets \$4 million in walkway collapse

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — A Virginia couple was awarded more than \$4 million by a jury Thursday for injuries in the 2000 collapse of a pedestrian walkway at Lowe's Motor Speedway.

Cindy and Marty Taylor of Nelson County, Va., sought \$27 million in damages from the speedway and from Tindall Corp. of Spartanburg, S.C., which built the pedestrian bridge over U.S. 29 in Concord.

Fans were leaving the track after the running of The Winston, a NASCAR all-star race, when the bridge collapsed May 20, 2000. More than 100 people were injured, none fatally.

The Taylors sought damages for head, back and leg injuries. Less seriously injured was Cindy Taylor's 2-year-old son from a previous marriage.

Heat hits players hard at Nasdaq-100 Open

KEY BISCAYNE, Fla. — Sevens-turned shaky and willpower wilted Thursday in the scorching South Florida sun, which turned the Nasdaq-100 Open into a test of subropical stamina.

Old-timer Vince Spadea and Jonas Bjorkman passed, notching first-round victories. Teen prodigy Richard Gasquet failed, quitting in the third set with a heat-related headache.

And the new Mexican star, who won a midday marathon and then left the stadium court on a stretcher with heat exhaustion.

"I was hyperventilating, couldn't breathe and kind of collapsed," he said.

"Everything shut down after I shook the umpire's hand."

The temperature peaked at 88 degrees, one degree short of the record for the date, and the heat index was 97.

"It was very hot," said Spadea, who beat Christophe Rochus 6-3, 6-4.

To barely make it to the finish, beating Bethanie Mattek 6-1, 6-7 (4), 7-6 (4) in 2 hours, 53 minutes.

The precocious Gasquet, who at 16 is already ranked 112th, had to retire with fellow Frenchman Jean-Rene Lisnard leading 4-6, 1-2.

Kucera retired with an upset stomach trailing Fernando Verdasco 6-2, 4-0. But Bjorkman showed impressive fitness while rallying past Andre Sa 6-4, 6-4.

Two injuries had nothing to do with the weather. Vladimir Voltchkov retired because of a recurring elbow injury trailing Frenchman Clavet 6-3, 6-0. Goran Ivanisevic, the 1996 runner-up, withdrew before his match after cutting his left foot while wading in the Atlantic Ocean on Miami Beach.

Promising 18-year-old Croat Mario Ancic lost a 3-hour, 5-minute marathon to Franco Squillari 6-7 (5), 7-6 (4), 6-4.

The 1992 champion, Michael Chang, plans to retire later this year, began his 12th and final appearance at Key Biscayne by beating Nicolas Pietrangeli 6-2, 6-2. Chang next plays five-time champion Andre Agassi, renewing a rivalry that began when Chang was 10 and Agassi 12.

Mark Philippoussis eliminated Feliciano Lopez 7-6 (5), 6-4.

Tubbs will coach men's hoops again at Lamar

BEAUMONT, Texas — Billy Tubbs returned to basketball Thursday, becoming Lamar's coach again while keeping his job as athletic director.

Mike Deane, who was 52-62 in four years as the school's coach, will be reassigned, Lamar president James Simmons said.

Tubbs turned Oklahoma into a national basketball power in the 1980s, then helped TCU improve its program.

Compiled from wire reports

Bruins

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wasn't like they were hitting balls to the wall. But they just kept placing the ball in play over the infielders' heads or whatever. And that's what you have to do sometimes."

The Spartans did have a couple of bad opportunities to come back, losing the bases in the fourth inning with one out

and again in the fifth with no outs and coming away with just one.

Turner rolled a doubleplay ball that required some glove work by Littleton at shortstop to end the fourth. Carr recorded two strikeouts and got a groundout to runs in the bottom half of the fifth. The Bruins' comeback attempt in the fifth after battling control problems early.

"From their perspective, they got the job done when they had to," Frank said. "But at the same time we've got to get something done there."

Minico did respond to the Bruins' 1-0 lead to start the game by answering with two runs in the bottom half of the first when Tracy and Kody Cole scored on a single by Skyler

NCAA BASKETBALL

Women's tourney boasts rare commodity: uncertainty

Upsets seem possible, for a change

By Chuck Schaffner
Associated Press writer

The NCAA women's basketball tournament will start with some grumbling over travel and an outcome in doubt.

Heck, there might even be a few upsets in the early rounds, something rare in the women's tournament.

A year ago, the only thing that could have kept Connecticut from winning the national championship might have been failing to get to the arena on time.

"They have the talent to repeat and they're ranked No. 1. But they're relying on three freshmen who have never experienced the NCAA tournament, leading scorer Diana Taurasi has ankle and back problems, and Villanova showed UConn was vulnerable.

By ending the Huskies' 70-game winning streak with a 52-48 upset in the Big East tournament championship game, Villanova gave hope to everyone else.

"Connecticut was so dominant last year, it was almost like everybody else was playing for second," said Texas Tech coach Marsha Sharp, whose team is seeded second in the Midwest Regional.

"I do think we've got a little different look this year. There are several teams that probably have enough of a total package and a chance to get it done."

The sprint to the Final Four in Atlanta begins Saturday with 16 first-round games in eight campus arenas. The remaining 16 first-round games will be played Sunday at eight other sites.

Connecticut (31-1), seeded No. 1 in the East Regional, plays first-time qualifier

Boston University at home Sunday. The Huskies are aiming for a second straight title and third in four years.

The NCAA's new format of picking the 16 regional sites in advance has created a system that many coaches feel is unfair. Some higher seeded teams will be playing at home because they had winning bids for those sites, while others are going on the road.

Among those playing at home is sixth-seeded New Mexico in the Midwest. The Lobos expect a sellout crowd of 16,151 in the Pit for their game with Miami on Saturday night. That would be the largest crowd for a non-Final Four game in the women's tournament.

"I expect our fans to be exceptionally loud," New Mexico coach Don Hagan said. "That's an obvious advantage for any home team. I'm just hoping we don't get caught up trying to do too many things and lose our focus."

Third-seeded Mississippi State plays No. 14 Manhattan in the other game at New Mexico.

Mississippi State is one of those teams with a high seed that had to travel. LSU, No. 1 in the West, also is hitting the road. The Lady Tigers play Southwest Texas State in Eugene, Ore.

Villanova, seeded second in the Midwest, goes to Oklahoma to play St. Francis on Sunday; second-seeded Texas has a West Regional game with Hampton in Cincinnati on Sunday, and third-seeded North Carolina plays Austin Peay in a Midwest game at Colorado on Saturday.

If Villanova beats St. Francis, the Wildcats might have to face 10th-seeded Oklahoma on its home court. Then there would be a possible meeting with top-seeded Tennessee in Knoxville to get to the Final Four.

Tennessee, 40-0 in NCAA tournament games at home, is hosting the Midwest

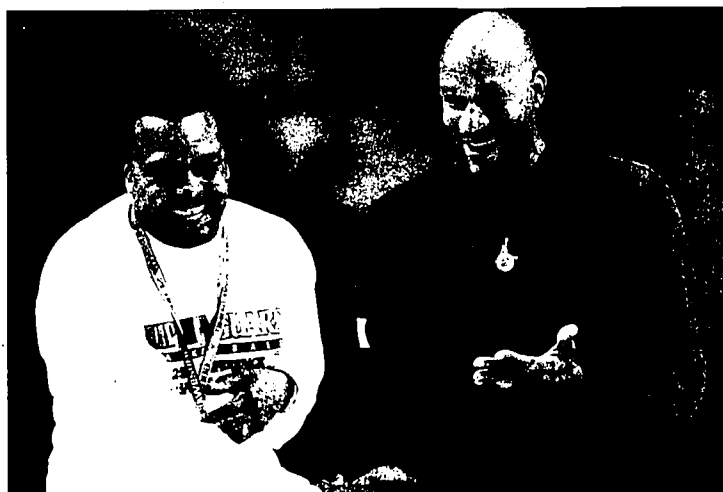
Regional as well as first- and second-round games.

Because some of the lower seeded teams are at home, chances for early upsets have increased. A Mexico certainly would stand a chance against Mississippi State and its talented duo of LaTosha Thomas and Tan White, as would Oklahoma against Villanova, which relies on patience, 3-point shooting and defense.

Previously, the 16 highest seeded teams in the tournament hosted the first two rounds, resulting in few upsets. Of the 128 teams that have advanced past the second round since 1995, only 24 were seeded lower than fourth.

"We could see a few more upsets this year," said Cincinnati coach Laurie Pierce, whose team hosts seventh-seeded Arkansas. "It's been talked about a lot. It's been talked about so much that it's not going to happen. We're sure going to try."

Slingshots ready



IUPUI coach Ron Hunter, left, jokes with longtime friend and former NBA player Ron Harper during a practice session Thursday in Nashville, Tenn. IUPUI faces Kentucky today in the first round of the NCAA tournament.

IUPUI pulls out every motivational trick for No. 1 Kentucky

By Paul Newberry
Associated Press writer

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Ron Hunter has pulled out every motivational trick in the book to get his team ready for No. 1 Kentucky.

"The story of David and Goliath? You bet."

The movie "Hoosiers"? Naturally.

Hey, when you're the coach of a 16th-seeded, oddly named team — what does IUPUI stand for, anyway? — there's no use pulling any punches.

"Everything is fitting right into place," said Hunter, the exuberant, belly flopping coach of the Jaguars. "Honestly, I think we're the best 16 seed they've had in this tournament for 10 years."

Brave words, indeed, since IUPUI is about to take on the best team in the country — period. Kentucky (29-3) hasn't lost since late December, reeling off 23 victories in a row. The Wildcats breezed through one of the country's toughest leagues with a perfect record and a tournament championship.

At this point, anything less than a trip to the Final Four would be a major upset. The Cats might have a hard time pronouncing IUPUI, but they shouldn't have any trouble winning Friday in the opening round of the Midwest Regional.

Hunter is undeterred. "If you get caught up in our name and get caught up in thinking we're a small school and all that, you're going to be in trouble," he said.

Just to make sure the players share his positive approach, Hunter got a copy of the Bible and made copies of the section on David and Goliath — with a few alterations.

"All kinds of changed the words. Of course, Goliath was slung and David was IUPUI," he said sheepishly. "We had the slingshot, but the rock was the basketball."

If that wasn't enough, Hunter also had his team watch "Hoosiers," the story of a small Indiana high school that won an improbable state championship in the 1950s.

"I had everything picked out," he said. "We measured the court, just as Gene Hackman did in the movie."

Kentucky coach Tubby Smith is confident, too. He has plenty of reason to feel good about his team beyond desperate motivational tactics.

The Wildcats aren't just beating teams — they're pummeling them. The average margin of victory during the nation's longest winning streak is 16.6 points. Only seven of the 23 games have been decided by fewer than 10 points. Just five teams during that span have managed to shoot 50 percent against Kentucky's ferocious, incessant defense.

No. 1? No doubt about it.

"I think we've proven during the course of the season, night in and night out, that we're deserving of this honor," Smith said. "A lot of being No. 1 is people are really going to come with their best game. But we've seen that most of the year. We see that at Kentucky on a regular basis."

Bring it on, IUPUI (20-13), which made the NCAA's for the first time by winning the Mid-Continent Conference tournament.

"You want your opponent to give his best effort," Smith continued, "because that's what they're going to get on us every night."

Also Friday, eighth-seeded Oregon (23-9) takes on No. 9 Utah (24-7) in another Midwest game. In the South Regional, third-seeded Xavier (25-5) plays No. 14 Troy State (26-5), making its first NCAA appearance. Finally, No. 6 seed Maryland, the defending national champion, faces No. 11 North Carolina-Wilmington (24-6).

Unlike Hunter, Utah coach Rick Majerus is hardly brimming with confidence.

"I hope we can win six, but I've probably got a better chance of being a biology teacher," said Majerus, who had just spoken of his science-impaired abilities in the classroom.

Majerus, in fact, thinks the tournament should be postponed while U.S. troops are at war in Iraq. But the games go on, and the Utes will go on without senior forward Britton Johnson, sidelined by infectious mononucleosis.

Johnson was examined again Wednesday, but doctors determined that an enlarged spleen would keep him off the court. A second-team All-Mountain West Conference selection, he averaged 11.6 points and 6.7 rebounds per game.

"It's tough for him to go out this year," Majerus said. "But when you put it in perspective to

"If you get caught up in our name and get caught up in thinking we're a small school, you're going to be in trouble."

— IUPUI coach Ron Hunter

the war, it is the worst thing that happens to him, then he'll have a very good life."

Now, back to IUPUI. No, it's not an eye chart — it's a school that opened in 1969 just west of downtown Indianapolis.

The letters stand for Indiana University Purdue University at Indianapolis. The school offers programs not available to students at the main campuses in Bloomington (Indiana) and West Lafayette (Purdue).

Hunter is proud to carry the IUPUI — try saying that fast three times — banner into the NCAA tournament.

"I think our name is fine," he said. "Before coach (John) Wooden coached at UCLA, no one knew what that stood for, either."

And if IUPUI should pull off the greatest upset in tournament history, he'll have to come up with something new to inspire his team. Hey, does anyone have a copy of "Rocky"?

Texas' Barnes faces familiar foe in opener

Coach comes up against the man who gave him his start

By Ben Walker
Associated Press writer

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — Rick Barnes had big plans. At 25, he wanted to be a basketball coach someday at a Division I school.

Too bad for him, he was too busy packing boxes at United Parcel Service and substitute teaching and working at his dad's mill to pursue it. That is, until Eddie Biedenbach gave Barnes a chance, albeit after making him wait 12 hours for an interview.

Almost 25 years since their days together at Davidson, they'll meet up Friday in the NCAA tournament when Barnes leads top-seeded Texas against Biedenbach and North Carolina Asheville in the South Regional.

"There's no doubt I wouldn't be coaching today if it wasn't for him," Barnes said Thursday.

Kidded Biedenbach: "If I'd known he was going to go to Texas, I wouldn't have hired him."

Clearly, the Bulldogs (15-16) are in for a tough test. They're the only team in the tournament with a losing record, even after beating Texas Southern 92-84 in overtime in Tuesday night's play-in game.

No 16th-seeded team has ever won a game in the tournament. Still, Asheville players did not sound daunted, not minding about taking on deep, talented Texas (22-6).

"They put their pants on two legs, one leg at a time, just like us," center Ben McGonigal said.

Late at the Birmingham-Jefferson Civic Center, eighth-seeded LSU takes on No. 9 Purdue.

At night in the East Regional, coach Rick Pitino and No. 4 Louisville play No. 13 Austin Peay, followed by No. 5 Mississippi State against No. 12 Butler.

Barnes is making his 11th appearance in an NCAA tournament, including trips with Providence and Clemson. Way back, though, there was no guarantee he'd ever make it in without buying a ticket.

Barnes was fresh out of college, juggling three jobs and working as an assistant at North Carolina Academy when a friend set him up to talk with Biedenbach, then the head man at Davidson.

"I wanted to coach, but I was also thinking about going back to school to become a guidance counselor," Barnes recalled.

To hear Barnes tell it, he was supposed to meet with Biedenbach at 8 a.m., and he arrived on campus an hour early.

An hour went by. Then another, and then a few more. No sign of Biedenbach.

"I wasn't in his office, I was



Texas coach Rick Barnes talks with guard T.J. Ford during practice Thursday in Birmingham, Ala. Barnes faces North Carolina Asheville in the first round of the NCAA tournament today.

outside in the gym," Barnes said. "I was just watching guys shoot basketballs. There wasn't much to it."

About 8 p.m. — and again, this is Barnes' version — Biedenbach came out to talk to him. They hit it off right away, and Biedenbach offered him a job as a volunteer coach.

"Every year, his story changes," Biedenbach said, chuckling. "Now it's 8 a.m. It went from 10 to noon to 8 to 2. Well, everything Rick says is either true or close to it."

Barnes stayed two seasons at Davidson, working at a lumber yard and measuring houses for another company to make ends meet, before leaving to coach at George Mason.

Along the way, they've stayed close friends. Barnes, now 38, is pulling for his 55-year-old mentor while watching this week's play-in game.

"It's hard not to root for the man who gave you your chance and your start, and is someone you're indebted to with gratitude," Barnes said.

The two coaches got to visit for a couple of minutes at the arena after their teams practiced Friday.

The former colleagues also saw each other Dec. 28, 2000, when Asheville played at Texas. The Bulldogs were routed 74-43.

The 6-foot-11 McGonigal remembered bumping into Longhorns' big man Chris Owens now playing in the NBA for the Memphis Grizzlies.

"He set a campfire down in the paint and there wasn't anything I could do to put it out," the Bulldogs' senior center said.

Texas enters the tournament as a top seed for the first time. The Longhorns heard a lot of criticism about that spot after losing to Texas Tech in the Big 12 tournament.

That is people's opinion. If people feel we're the weakest No. 1 seed and we won't go far, then we are just going to use that as motivation," Texas star T.J. Ford said.

Redskins continue to shuffle roster through free agency

ASHBURN, Va. (AP) — Rocket Ismail moved closer to becoming free-agent signing No. 12, Bruce Smith talked about retiring, and Laveranues Coles discussed his \$35 million contract.

Just another busy day for the Washington Redskins.

"We appreciate everybody coming out today to our weekly press conference," coach Steve Spurrier deadpanned Thursday. "We seem to have one or two each week."

Smith was the surprise guest. The 39-year-old defensive end indicated in

January he was leaning toward quitting, even though he is 3.5 sacks from the NFL's career record.

After meeting with Spurrier and owner Dan Snyder, Smith is leaning the other way.

Smith wouldn't go into detail, but Spurrier did. The coach said Smith is concerned about losing his starting job to Regan Upshaw, a free agent who signed a five-year, \$7.5 million contract.

"Bruce, he's like any competitor," Spurrier said. "When you sign a guy at his position, all he wants to know is, 'Hey,

if I'm playing a little bit better than him, I'm going to be the starter, right?'"

"I said, 'Certainly, you are.' Whoever plays the best has been the starter on every team I've ever coached in my life. They're both going to play a lot."

Smith said he'd decide soon whether to keep playing.

Upshaw is one of 11 free agents signed this winter by the Redskins, who also acquired Trug Canziani in a trade. Ismail could be next. The team reopened talks with the former Dallas receiver, who missed last season with a neck

injury and has wavered on whether he wants to retire.

Coles and Rod Gardner will start, and adding Ismail, Coles and newly signed free agent Patrick Johnson would make for the one of the fastest receiver corps in the league.

Coles was introduced officially after the Jets on Wednesday declined to match Washington's seven-year offer, which includes a \$13 million bonus. The Redskins had to give up their first-round draft pick to get Coles, who admitted he'll have to do a lot to earn his keep.

The Redskins, the most active team in free agency, have spent more than \$27 million in signing bonuses and have had to renegotiate several existing contracts to stay under the salary cap.

But team officials insist the contracts are structured so that the Redskins can stay intact for three years without significant cap trouble. They say they've learned their lessons from the failed spending spree of three years ago, when they overpaid for aging veterans.

America at war

Idahoans tune in, scan papers

For many, daily lives change little as war gets under way

BOISE (AP) — People around Idaho went about their daily business on Thursday but paid much more attention to radio, television and newspapers for the latest information on the war with Iraq. "You don't want to, but you have to," Anne Patterson said from the Idaho Falls visitor center.

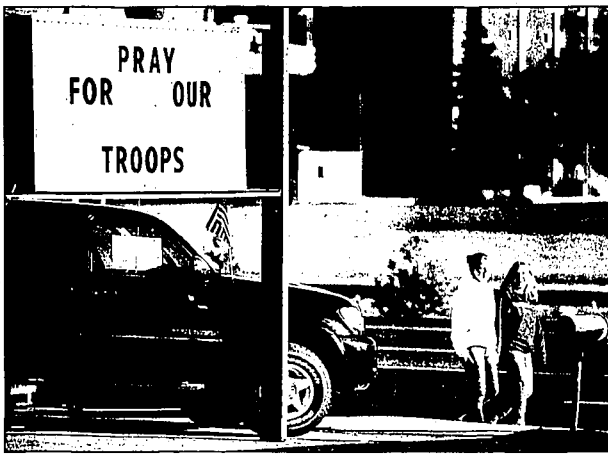
While the state's terror level was raised to high earlier in the week, no additional National Guardsmen have been activated. Police and other public safety officials continued at a state of intensified vigilance at key sites like airports, bridges and power plants.

Gov. Dirk Kempthorne said there would have to be an escalation in circumstances before he would decide to call out guardsmen.

"This definitely has to be the toughest decision a president has to make, to commit troops," the governor and former U.S. senator said. "But he's convinced. It's important we support the troops. It keeps their morale up."

The state House of Representatives overwhelmingly approved a resolution supporting President Bush and the military. A Senate vote was expected Friday.

The Emergency Operations Center at the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory was closed down.



A sign outside James Toyota in Moscow urges passing motorists and pedestrians to pray for U.S. troops Tuesday.

While the Energy Department site remained at a heightened level of alert, it was operating normally under standard procedures.

"I think everyone's keeping a close eye on what's happening, that's the responsible thing to do," said Tim Anderson at the Pocatello Chamber of Commerce. "But we need to keep working

and live our lives as normally as possible."

The real intrusion on daily life was the continued escalation of fuel prices. The average price for a gallon of regular unleaded gasoline was nearly another half cent higher on Thursday, setting a record at over \$1.75 a gallon. That was a continued drag on the state's struggling economy,

but the Kempthorne administration's chief economist said a rapid conclusion to the Iraq conflict could offer a boost.

"In terms of what everyone has been thinking, on the assumption that it is a swift resolution, that should be a positive factor for the economy in that it removes a lot of uncertainty," Michael Ferguson said.

U.N. chief asks to head oil-for-food program

The Washington Post

UNITED NATIONS — U.N. Secretary General Kofi Annan on Thursday asked the Security Council to put him in charge of a humanitarian program that uses billions of dollars in Iraqi oil proceeds to pay for the delivery of food, medicine and other humanitarian supplies to needy Iraqi civilians.

The United States and Britain supported Annan's request for control of the oil-for-food program in their own resolution, to be presented Friday to the council. It would grant power to the United Nations for at least 30 days to replace the Iraqi government as the chief supplier of food and other essential goods to millions of Iraqis.

Although consensus was growing in the council for the need to expand the U.N.'s humanitarian role in Iraq, Russia's U.N. ambassador, Sergey Lavrov, said he wasn't interested in hearing new proposals from the United States and Britain, the two chief belligerents in the conflict with Iraq. "It's for the secretary general and not for anybody else to give these proposals," he said.

U.S. and British officials said they are seeking to merge the U.N. chief's ideas with theirs and convince a neutral Security Council member to formally present the resolution to the council.

"We have to figure out how to work with (Annan's) ideas as well as our own," said John Negroponte, the U.S. ambassador to the United Nations. "Anything that gets the job done."

More than 60 percent of Iraq's 26 million people are entirely dependent for their survival on the oil-for-food program, which has been jointly administered by the U.N. and the government of Saddam Hussein since 1990. A senior U.N. official estimated that Iraqis have enough food to last about 30 days unless they are forced to flee their homes.

Even if the U.S.-British resolution were quickly adopted, it appeared unlikely that food distribution could resume immediately. The United Nations evacuated its humanitarian staff Monday and does not plan to send the workers back until their security can be guaranteed.

Despite his efforts to restart the humanitarian program under U.N. control, Annan said Thursday that "primary responsibility" for addressing the humanitarian consequences of war will fall to American and British authorities once they take control of the country. Once security is restored, Annan said, he would begin distributing \$8.9 billion in humanitarian goods, including \$2.4 billion worth of food, that are ready to be imported into Iraq.

LDS church: Missionaries will stay for now

PROVO, Utah (AP) — The Mormon church has no immediate plans for missionaries to be reassigned, delayed or sent home due to the Iraq conflict.

There are about 60,000 Mormon missionaries serving in 330 missions worldwide, including several thousand who are currently preparing at the Missionary Training Center in Provo.

"It's business as usual. Nothing has changed," said church spokesman Kim Farrar. "Of course we're monitoring the situation, but right now all missionaries are being sent out as scheduled."

Farrar says that could change if the conflict escalates.

"I'm trying not to worry about things. I don't have to worry about it, but it has crossed my mind. I just think, what will be will be," said Lynette Reed, an Orem mother of a missionary serving in Japan.

At the height of the Vietnam War, each church of Jesus Christ Latter-day Saints ward was allowed to send out only one missionary every six months, according to the researchers of the church's Saints at War project.

But BYU professors Robert Freeman and Dennis Wright, who are supervising the project, say they have no evidence of missionaries being reassigned or called home because of war.

Freeman said in prolonged wars, Mormon missionaries were typically permitted to finish their missions before being assigned to battle.

Mountain Home supports troops

MOUNTAIN HOME (AP) — There may be protests against the war elsewhere, but President Bush and America's military forces could not find more support than they are getting just outside the main gate to Idaho's only air base.

"We've got to know all the airmen, if we only know some by face," said Jim Johnston, owner of the popular Scrubby's Smoke House barbecue restaurant just outside the Mountain Home Air Force Base. "It's sad these people have to leave home and home, but you have to do what you have to do."

Rhonda Lindsey, a waitress at Scrubby's, said her boyfriend has been sent overseas.

"They have been training and training and training," she said. "It's great they finally get to do something. We support our troops and we support President Bush."

More than 150 people from the 366th Fighter Squadron at Mountain Home are currently serving around the world, said Col. Frederick "Ted" Thompson, vice commander.

The full force of the 366th currently remains in Idaho after months of deployment in Afghanistan and the Persian Gulf.

"We are America's 911 wing," he said. "Our job is to be ready. We've had our turn in recent months."

The "Gunfighters" played a major role in the air war against

the Taliban and al Qaeda forces in Afghanistan after the September 2001 terrorism attacks. They also have patrolled in Iraq's southern zone.

Air Force Master Sgt. Evander Earl Andrews was killed in a tailhook accident in the Persian Gulf waters of Qatar in October 2001, the first American service member to die in the U.S. military campaign against terrorists.

The base, which until recently featured a composite wing of fighters, B-1B bombers and KC-135 tankers, has converted to fighters only — F-15, F-16 and F-16.

The windmill installation is located between the Danskin Mountains and southwestern Idaho's high desert. After a battle with conservationists, the Air Force was given approval in the late 1990s to create a 13,000-acre electronic training range for the fighters near the Owyhee River canyons.

Pilots practice bomb while flying past electronic emitters located in the desert.

The roof beams at Scrubby's are festooned with shoulder patches from a myriad of Air Force wings and pictures of jets.

Each chair in the restaurant is personally painted by airmen with their names and mottos — some artists still are here and others are gone. One pilot with the 391st Squadron, which used to fly in Mountain Home, took his chair to a bachelor's party in Las Vegas and then brought it back.

men and women served. There were 1,377 battle deaths and 2,628 wounded.

Spanish-American War, 1898: The Idaho State Militia, the state's first military unit, had its first assignment in the Philippines during the Spanish-American War of 1898. About 700 federalized troops returned in August 1899. One officer and four enlisted men were killed in action while 17 died of disease or accidents.

World War I, 1917-1918: Idaho National Guard troops went to Europe in the summer of 1918 and fought on Western Front in France. According to the Department of Defense Directorate of Information, 22,661 men from Idaho served in the war. There were 323 battle deaths and 930 wounded.

World War II, 1941-1945: Idaho National Guard engineers, medical services and ordnance soldiers served with the 41st Division in the Pacific. Several Idaho units saw action in the Philippines. Also, the 951st Artillery Battalion served in Europe and fought at Normandy after D-Day. From Idaho, 65,154

Idaho voices

"I was hoping that first bomb attack got Saddam Hussein. We've been screaming with the guy for 12 years. Get rid of him, the quicker the better."

— Mark Hutchinson, 57, a foreman at Evergreen Landscaping in Kelchum

"Maybe it all should have been taken care of earlier and he wouldn't have a chance of having to go over there. I just hope it's over with soon so their lives can go and so can ours, and maybe we'll be a little safer."

— Marla Rogers, 48, a real estate agent in Twin Falls with a son in the Navy

"It's time to take out the dictator who's killed his own people. I think he's responsible for 9-11. I think he would build his weapons of mass destruction and use them, and it's time to get him out."

— Mike Brown, 64, at Keith Jorgensen's music store in Armon

"We should have done this the last time we started it. I'm concerned about him, and I'm concerned about the others boys and girls out there. They're all brothers and fathers and sons and daughters."

— Laura Lee, 40, who works in a pawn shop in Pocatello and has a son in the Navy

"What can anybody say about it, really. It's on. We're in for it whatever happens next. Nobody likes war. I hate war. But if this guy is a threat, and I'm sure he is, I hope they get him."

— Diane Doll, 61, who works for an attorney in Payette

"I have a feeling it's going to take some time because as sneaky as all of them have been, it's going to take some time to disarm them and get the weapons confiscated."

— Beckie Goodenough, 35, a certified nurse's assistant in Boise

"Blow the hell out of them, and we can send a few movie actors over there too."

— Robert Winter, the owner of an automotive shop in Sagle



Nicole Wester, left, of Chandler, Ariz., and Danna Sincial of Scottsdale, Ariz., participate in an anti-war protest in downtown Tempe, Ariz., Thursday.

Protests against war swell following attack

The Associated Press

Galvanized by the American attack on Iraq, antiwar activists around the country set off their own barrage of street protests, chaining themselves together, blocking workers and traffic, walking out of classes and parading in mock chemical suits. Hundreds were arrested from San Francisco to Washington, D.C.

But the antiwar groundswell brought out thousands of counter-demonstrators. One in Mississippi carried a sign saying, "Support the U.S. or keep your mouth shut."

San Francisco was one of the hottest days of anti-government protesting in years.

"This is no ordinary day," said Jason Mark, a San Francisco activist. "America is different today. We've just launched an unprovoked, unjust war."

One protester in a rope and harness committed suicide by letting himself fall from Golden Gate Bridge as police tried to coax him to safety.

San Francisco had some of the largest antiwar activity, hobbling the morning commute. Thousands in roving bands temporarily took control of some downtown streets and closed several exits from the

San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge. Smaller splinter groups broke windows, heaved debris into streets and occasionally scuffled with police. Some protesters linked arms at night, holding a vigil at a station in nearby Oakland.

Police warning helmets and carrying nightsticks made more than 500 arrests.

"We don't want to alienate people. I hope people realize that political mudslinging is a convenience, not a necessity," said protester Quinn Miller, who took the day off from his job for a Berkeley company.

Baca encouraged protesters to forgo civil disobedience, saying it might sap police resources needed to keep watch for terrorism.

In Washington, dozens of activists temporarily shut down inbound lanes of a Potomac River crossing, holding up the morning commute. Outside the White House, about 50 stood in chilly rain and shouted, "No blood for oil." About 300 protesters rallied in the evening.

Other demonstrations were more solemn, with the reciting of Christian, Jewish and Muslim prayers through a bullhorn at a federal building in Pittsburgh.

Hundreds of thousands protest overseas

CAIRO, Egypt (AP) — Hundreds of thousands of people marched on American embassies in world capitals Thursday to protest the war against Iraq, including a violent clash in Cairo, where demonstrators hurled stones and metal barricades and pounded on cars.

Violence also erupted in Manila, Philippines. Police used shields and truncheons to disperse about 300 anti-war activists trying to approach the U.S. Embassy, injuring at least 12 demonstrators, protest leaders said.

More than 100,000 people, many of them high school and

university students, marched to the U.S. Embassy in Athens, Greece, chanting "No to the war" and "Americans, killers of people." More demonstrations were planned for Friday and the weekend.

In Italy, a two-hour nationwide general strike was called for late afternoon.

Earlier, they rallied against the "unilateral war of the United States" in eastern Paris.

Idaho — this war and previous wars

BOISE (AP) — More than 500 members of the Idaho National Guard and Air National Guard have been deployed for the war on terrorism, and about 300 are stationed in the Persian Gulf, where the war with Iraq is under way.

Ly. Col. Tim Marsano said another two dozen guardsmen trained in fighting aircraft fires are expected to be deployed soon.

An unspecified number of military personnel stationed at Mountain Home Air Force Base have also been assigned to the Gulf region.

Two Pentagon employees from Idaho were killed in the Sept. 11, 2001, jetliner attack. An Air Force sergeant was killed in a heavy equipment accident during operations on Qatar.

Airmen from the 366th Fighter Wing based at Mountain Home Air Force Base played a major role in the air attacks on Taliban and al-Qaida forces in Afghanistan after the terror attacks.

They add to Idaho's history of supporting the nation's war efforts

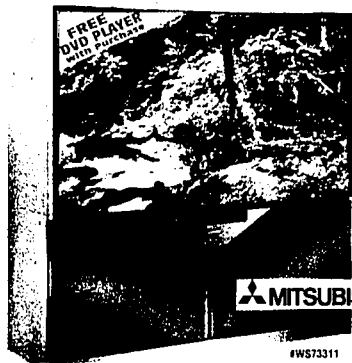
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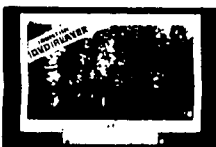
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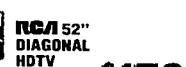


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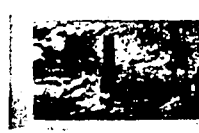
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The Times-News

Friday, March 21, 2003

Notes on the economy

Magic Valley report

At home in Jerome.
The average value for new, single-family homes that got building permits in Jerome rang in at \$93,091 for 2002. That's up a substantial 31 percent from the city's \$70,922 new home average in 2001.
The city's residential sector accelerated in a different respect, too.
Jerome in 2002 issued permits for 24 new single family homes, up from just 15 the year before.

Source: Wells Fargo's "Idaho Construction Report"

BRIEFLY IN MONEY

Hansen Chiropractic changes location

BURLEY - Hansen Chiropractic has a new location, 1210 Oakley Ave. in Burley.

The business will hold an open house from 2 to 7 p.m. today, with a ribbon cutting at 5 p.m. The event will include food, door prizes and free bone density testing.

Hansen Chiropractic can be reached at 878-2273.

Utility appeals decision on automated meter reading

BOISE - Idaho Power Co. has petitioned the Public Utilities Commission to reconsider its decision requiring the utility to install automated meter reading equipment by the end of 2004.

The commission had ruled that the utility had to install the new equipment for all retail customers. Idaho Power wants the commission to hold hearings on the program.

The company said replacing more than 400,000 existing meters by the end of next year would increase customer costs and take money away from other projects.

Albertsons Inc. declares quarterly cash dividend

TWIN FALLS - Albertsons Inc. declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 19 cents per share.
The dividend will be payable May 10 to stockholders of record at the close of business April 15.

Boise-based Albertsons has grocery stores in Burley, Bailey and Twin Falls.

Owner turns construction firm over to workers

COEUR D'ALENE - After spending 27 years building Contractors Northwest Inc., Dean Haugenson wants to reward his employees in the successful construction firm.
The 61-year-old company president and former legislator is passing the company on through an Employee Stock Ownership Program.

Over the next five or six years, the program will buy out Haugenson's 65 percent interest in CNI. The company's 100 employees will become owners.

They already own 35 percent through a stock bonus plan.

Haugenson has no immediate plans to retire. But five employees have been promoted to new management posts.

And the program will make its first stock purchase in the next several weeks.

Haugenson founded the company in 1975.

It has built a number of large projects such as the Coeur d'Alene Casino and the Boise airport's parking garage.

Haugenson, who has no children, wanted to pass the company along to his employees.
"We can actually get something out of the company for what we put in. We can work extra and reap the benefits of a personal investment," said Anne Hagman. "I recognize it as a very unselfish act on Dean's part."

compiled from staff and wire reports

Company plans new hotel in T.F.

By Virginia S. Hutchins
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Ask Idaho leaders where the economy is healthy right now, and you'll consistently hear Twin Falls among the answers, says the regional manager for a hotel operator.
"Twin Falls has enjoyed some pretty exceptional growth over the last five years. It's arguable that that's the main point of growth in the entire state," said John Sanders, regional manager of operations for The Summit Group Inc.

The Sioux Falls, S.D.-based firm aims to benefit from Twin Falls' vigor.

Summit Group plans to build a 75-room hotel on the last undeveloped corner of Pole Line Road and Fillmore Street. Its application for a special-use permit is slated for a public hearing Tuesday before the city's planning and zoning commission.

"We'd like to start building in July and open next April,"

Details

The Summit Group Inc. hopes to start building a new Twin Falls hotel this summer. Here are details of the company's proposed facility:
• **Location:** Southeast corner of Pole Line Road and Fillmore Street, on about one acre.
• **Size:** Three stories, with 75 guest rooms.
• **Amenities:** Swimming pool, spa, exercise room and meeting and banquet space. But the hotel will be "limited amenity" - that means no lounge, no full-service restaurant and no bell staff.

Sanders said.
The public meeting starts at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the new council chambers at 305 Third Ave. E. Several other zoning requests are on the public-hearing agenda, too.

The proposed hotel site - never yet built on - was farmland before the commercial development of surrounding property.

"We'd like to start building in July and open next April,"

• **Meeting space:** About 3,000 square feet which can function as a single room or be divided into three.
• **Employment:** 20 people, both full- and part-time.
• **Brand:** Summit Group is negotiating with Hilton Hotels Corp. to use the Hampton Inn & Suites franchise for the planned hotel.

Sources: Summit Group's special-use permit application filed with City Hall; John Sanders, regional manager of operations

commercial use, as part of a planned-unit development, and Summit Group holds a contract to purchase the property.

The city's zoning staff said a hotel would increase traffic at the Pole Line-Fillmore intersection - but less than a large commercial business would on the same site. The proposed hotel appears to exceed the zoning district's maximum height of 35 feet, but the City Council could

approve additional height, zoning staff said.

Summit Group said its hotel would be compatible with surrounding businesses, which include big-box retailers, a convenience store, restaurants and other commercial operations.

The South Dakota company, which develops hotel properties then owns and operates the hotels, is no stranger to Twin Falls. Summit Group already has six hotels across southern Idaho, including the Holiday Inn Express and the Comfort Inn in Twin Falls, Sanders said.

More about the company is available online at www.thesummitgroup.com. The Web site says Summit Group has over \$45 million in private equity raised and 47 hotels opened or acquired.

Summit Group will retain ownership of the new Twin Falls hotel, Sanders said. It is negotiating with Hilton Hotels Corp. to use the corporation's Hampton Inn & Suites franchise, but it isn't

yet certain the property will be the Hampton name. Hilton must do a final site inspection and approve the hotel drawings.

"And that's all in process right now," he said.

Sanders counts only two national hotel chains operating in Twin Falls. Other chains here are regional.

"The company's feeling is there's an opportunity to have another nationally branded name in Twin Falls," he said.

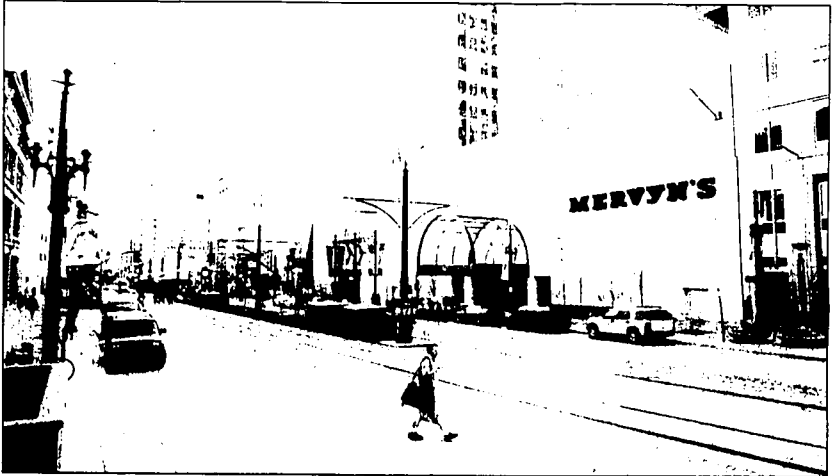
Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce leaders have successfully spread the word that the city has plenty for travelers to see and do, an incredible canyon and abundant restaurant and hotel choices, Sanders said.

"The result?"

"The summer tourist business has picked up considerably year after year," he said.

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AT THE CROSSROADS



The Crossroads Mall in Salt Lake City is shown Wednesday. The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints announced this week it has purchased the Crossroads Mall, an indoor, multistory complex just across the street from the similar, church-owned ZCMI Center.

LDS church purchases Salt Lake City's Crossroads Mall

The Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY - The Mormon church may have the market cornered on downtown malls.

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints announced this week it has purchased the Crossroads Mall, an indoor, multistory complex just across the street from the similar church-owned ZCMI Center.

The purchase extends the church's reach in downtown, but

church officials said they had no immediate plans to change the structure and will honor existing shop leases. The mall sits just south of Temple Square and is next to church headquarters.

The church owns 22 acres in the blocks just south of Temple Square and the adjacent Joseph Smith Memorial building.

Bishop H. David Burton refused to divulge the value of the deal, which is not yet final. But "the economic value was such that we felt it would be

timely for us to express some interest," he said.

"I would say that in the short term, nothing is going to change there," Burton said.

However, the church's announcement was closely followed by retail giant Nordstrom's decision to leave the mall.

"Crossroads" anchor tenant hopes to move to the Gateway mall, a few blocks west of downtown, in two years. Nordstrom signed a letter of intent this week saying that it wants to open

a store at Gateway after its lease at Crossroads expires in 2005, spokeswoman Brooke White said.

Clayton Foulger, vice president of Foulger-Pratt, a Maryland-based property management and construction company, said the change of ownership was intended to keep Nordstrom in the mall. Developers promised as a condition of development approval that Gateway would not contain

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Idaho potato growers: Call them American Fries - don't boycott

The Associated Press

BOISE - Spud ranchers from the world's most famous potato state are jumping on the anti-french fry movement.

The Potato Growers of Idaho wants to change the name "french fries" to "American fries." The group doesn't want consumers to boycott fries because of any perceived anti-American sentiment.

"What we're saying is, consumers ought to be asking for American Fries at their favorite fast food restaurant," said Potato Growers of Idaho spokesman Keith Frank.

Since the French government refused to cooperate with American diplomacy efforts to build a United Nations coalition against Iraq, a number of restaurants throughout the nation have changed the name of french fries. Some, such as congressional cafeterias, have chosen the moniker "freedom fries."

The potato growers may have

“ Consumers ought to be asking for American Fries at their favorite restaurant.”

“ - Keith Frank, Potato Growers of Idaho spokesman

some support. Idaho-based food processor J.R. Simplot Co., the third largest french fry supplier on the planet, didn't immediately dismiss the notion.

"I suspect that we would be willing to take a look at something like that, assuming there was an outcry from customers," Simplot spokesman Frank Zerza said. "We're responsive to customer needs and preferences."

Simplot knows fries. It cuts

them in straight, shoestring, crinkle, deep, hook, wedge or chip shapes. They come battered coated, peeled-on or pre-salted. They come in extra-long fancy, fancy or "line food" grades.

Idaho growers alone sell between 40 and 50 million hundredweight of fry potatoes a year. That's the equivalent weight of 1.5 million family sedans. And until now, each fry has been called french.

There is one hitch with the name change - "American Fries" is already taken. The style seems most prevalent in the Midwest, but they can be found in restaurants from coast to coast. The recipe involves slicing a potato into coins, adding chopped onion, garlic and a pinch of paprika. The mixture is pan-fried.

Frank said he was not aware of the old recipe, but doesn't see a problem reconciling it with the new name.

"I think there's room in this world for two kinds of American fries," he said.

Longview Fibre posts Q1 profit, withholds dividend

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS - Longview Fibre Co., the Longview, Wash.-based operator of a Twin Falls container plant that's a major Magic Valley employer, posted a first-quarter profit but withheld dividends again.

Quarterly dividends per share were 3 cents a year ago.

Longview's quarterly report shows net sales of \$189,654 million for the three months that ended Jan. 31, up from \$177,555 million for the period ending Jan. 31, 2002.

In the converted-products segment - shipping containers and merchandise bags - Longview said product demand held steady with year-ago levels, which were low due to the slow economy.

Companywide operating profit was \$12,733 million for the first quarter, compared with an operating loss of \$2,781 million

a year earlier. Operating results improved in all segments of the business.

The bottom line -

For the quarter, Longview reported net income of \$141.4 million, or 3 cents per share, compared with a year earlier net loss of \$5,986 million, or 12 cents per share.

"We believe that our cash flow, good operating results and available borrowings under our revolving credit facility and our other line of credit provide sufficient resources to fund operations and to meet our debt payment obligations and foreseeable capital expenditures requirements," Longview's statement said.

The company expects capital expenditures to be about \$4.3 million for fiscal 2003, including timberland acquisitions, plant and equipment maintenance and improvements and environmental compliance.

SkyWest celebrates 20 years in Twin Falls

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS - SkyWest Airlines, a subsidiary of St. George, Utah-based SkyWest Inc., is celebrating 20 years of service in Twin Falls.

Twin Falls has played a significant role in SkyWest's history as one of 10 original destinations served, the company said in a statement. Twin Falls has seen SkyWest evolve from flying under its own banner to flying for Western Express and the present Delta Connection.

"SkyWest has grown so much in the last 20 years. I'm proud that we're still able to consistently serve the community of Twin Falls," said SkyWest's Twin Falls station manager, Kathleen Swine.

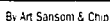
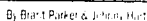
SkyWest celebrated its 10 year anniversary in June.

As a Delta Connection carrier, SkyWest operates five daily roundtrip flights between Twin Falls and Salt Lake International Airport - currently the only commercial service operating from Justin Field. Travelers to Salt Lake City have a choice of more than 280 Delta and Delta Connection flights a day to 47 domestic and international cities.

SkyWest Airlines said it is the nation's largest independently operated regional carrier. SkyWest operates as a Delta Connection and United Express carrier under marketing agreements with Delta Air Lines and United Airlines. SkyWest serves a total of 98 cities in 28 states and two Canadian provinces and has more than 1,000 daily departures.

For information on SkyWest online, visit www.skywest.com

By Charles M. Schulz



For Better or For Worse



British: Crecy battle led to 'V' for victory sign

Q. Why do I get dizzy after I spin around?
A. Whirling of that balance fluid in your ears gets out of sync with the racing of the landscape past your eyes. Mixed messages to the brain trigger the defensive signal, dizziness, which says, in effect, "Whatever you're doing, knock it off."
Q. Forty-eight percent of the citizenry eats dinner in the kitchen. You're aware, are you not, that a newborn baby will open its mouth if you press its palm?
A. After the Battle of Crecy, the French swore they'd defeat the English longbowmen and cut off their two string fingers. After the Battle of Agincourt, the English



REUNITED
L.M. Boyd

bowmen held up their two string fingers to show they still had them. The British say this was the origin of the "V for Victory" sign. A mouse has green hair in its hoof splits.
Q. When you see a crescent moon on a clear night, you also sometimes see a vague outline the whole moon. Why?

A. The bright light in the crescent is from the sun. Outline light is reflected off the earth and back again.

Heimaey is an island off Iceland. Baby birds called puffins hatch in burrows along the cliffs above the town there. Seven weeks later, in August, they try to fly to the ocean, but the house lights confuse them. They fall into the streets. Children then go out all night, about on bikes, however, with flashlights, to gather up the baby birds. Come morning, the youngsters turn the floodlights loose on the beach to try again.
Q. If you're an optimist, read this: Alcala de Henares University

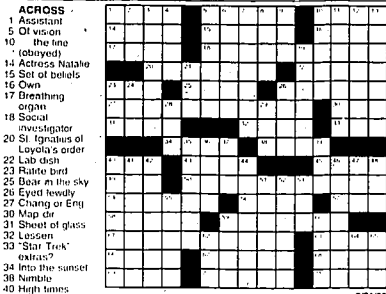
near Spain's Madrid bought 100 bicycles for free use of the students. If you're a pessimist, read this: Sixty-two were stolen the first week.

Will Rogers said, "A holding company is the people you give your money to while you're being searched."

Australia's version of a furry firefighter is called "Smoky the Koala."

Q. What's the difference between wicker and rattan?
A. Rattan is the vine, wicker the process of weaving it.

As for those little ridges on your fingertips, one medical says it has recently been learned that too much sun is then main cause



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Special day highlights help for abused kids

DEAR ABBY: On Wednesday, April 2, people across the country will observe the National Day of Hope for abused children, part of National Child Abuse Prevention Month. Its goal is to raise public awareness so that each of us will have the power to help an abused child if we so choose.

On a typical day, three children in the United States will die as a result of child abuse in the home. A report of known or suspected child abuse or neglect will be made to the authorities every 10 seconds. However, most people who witness an act of child abuse will not report it.

We urge everyone: If you see something or hear something—do something. Suspicion of neglect or abuse is sufficient to make a report.

For information or local reporting numbers, call the Childhelp USA National Child Abuse Hotline at (800) 4-A-CHILD (800-422-4453), 24 hours a day. All calls are anonymous and confidential.

You can also help by keeping abused children in your thoughts and prayers. Learn the signs and symptoms of child abuse and neglect so you can recognize the red flags when you see them. For additional ways to participate, visit www.childhelpusa.org.

Please join us as we share the light of hope for abused children.

SARA O'MEARA AND YVONNE PEDERSEN, CO-FOUNDERS, CHILDHELP USA

DEAR SARA AND YVONNE: I hope your letter generates the attention it deserves. Children are some of our most vulnerable citizens. Here are some of the signs and symptoms of child abuse:

Physical abuse: unexplained burns, cuts, bruises or welts in the shape of an object; problems in school; fear of adults.

Emotional abuse: apathy; depression; lack of concentration.

Sexual abuse: inappropriate interest or knowledge of sexual



DEAR ABBY
 Abigail VanBuren

acts, overcompliance or excessive aggression; fear of a particular person or family member.

Neglect: unsuitable clothing for weather; extreme hunger; apparent lack of supervision.

I caution readers to be aware that these are only indicators, and if people see them, they should check into the situation more thoroughly. One should not immediately jump to conclusions based on one or two general symptoms.

DEAR ABBY: My girlfriend, "Kit," has been living with me for almost four years, and our love for each other is stronger than ever. Kit has asked me to marry her many times, but I always divert her attention or change the subject.

The truth is, I don't believe in marriage and would rather have Kit as my girlfriend for the rest of my life. What scares me is the fact that my last girlfriend dumped me when I leveled with her about how I never want to marry.

Please tell me what to do because I don't know how to love Kit.
— FOREVER SINGLE IN SAN FRANCISCO

DEAR FOREVER SINGLE: First of all, level with Kit about how you feel and why. While it may seem romantic to have a girlfriend forever, mature people want to take care of those they love. There are legal protections and benefits for spouses that single people do not enjoy. Your lawyer can explain them to you. As things stand, if something were to happen to you, Kit would be left with nothing but memories. Is that what you want?

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Women put bare bodies on line in anti-war protest

FAYETTEVILLE, Ark. (AP) — Wearing nothing more than masks and body paint, nine women protested the war in Iraq at a busy intersection just blocks from the University of Arkansas campus.

Calling it a "Code Pink" emergency, the bare protesters, who ranged in age from 18 to 71, stopped traffic at an intersection Wednesday while carrying a banner that read "Women of the World Say No War." The words "No War" were painted in pink on their backs. They also used the pink paint to cover their private parts.

Diana Rivers, 71, who helped organize the protest, said the women were putting their bodies on the line because nothing else

had worked. "I've been telephoning and writing, and nothing was happening. So, we decided to do a little drama here."

Fayetteville police allowed the women to disrobe but quickly asked them to move out of the intersection. A police spokeswoman said since the women were covered with body paint in the right places they were free to protest as long as they didn't block traffic.

Some motorists honked their car horns and offered support by flashing the "V" peace sign with their hands. "This went better than I had expected," Rivers said. "Nobody was angry at us. This was a spontaneous happening today. We put on the masks to make it more theatrical."

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Mystery illness may have begun in hotel

HONG KONG - The global spread of the mysterious flu-like illness that has killed 10 people in the past three weeks appears to have started with a guest in a tourist hotel here.

Hong Kong health officials said Thursday that other guests who caught the disease then carried it to a Hong Kong hospital, Vietnam, Singapore and Canada. Three of the seven people who stayed on the ninth floor of the Metropole Hotel died from severe acute respiratory syndrome, or SARS.

There are more than 300 people sick with the disease, according to the World Health Organization. About half those are in Hong Kong, the vast majority in Asia. There are 11 suspected cases in the United States.

The cause of the illness remains unclear, but experts believe the most likely explanation is a new virus. There is no known treatment.

Hong Kong health officials have traced the outbreak to a professor from China's Guangdong province who stayed at the Metropole Hotel on Feb. 21-22. He died March 4.

His case bolsters the belief that the disease stems from one that began in November in the southern part of Guangdong, where 300 people were sickened and five died.

The Metropole, a bland-looking, rectangular building, is a three- or four-story hotel located in a residential district of Hong Kong's Kowloon peninsula, an area where many tourists stay. It is a short bus ride away from the main tourist area of Tsim Sha Tsui.

During the two days the infected Chinese professor stayed on the ninth floor, three women from Singapore were guests on the same floor. After they returned home, they became ill. Singapore's Health Ministry said all 34 Singapore SARS patients had been in contact with the three women.

An American businessman from Shanghai also stayed on the ninth floor of the Metropole before flying on to Vietnam and falling ill, officials said. "His name was Johnny Chen," said Joseph Chen Long, director of Vietnam's National Institute of Hygiene and Epidemiology. "When Mr. Johnny Chen came to Vietnam, he was actually in an incubation period."

Two days after his arrival, he was hospitalized at the Hanou French Hospital, but asked to be moved to a hospital in Hong Kong where he died.

A third Metropole guest during that time was a 78-year-old woman from Toronto. She returned home where she infected her grown son. Both died.

House votes to condemn pledge ruling

WASHINGTON (AP) - The House voted Thursday to condemn a federal appeals court's rulings that reciting the Pledge of Allegiance in public schools is unconstitutional because of its reference to God.

The nonbinding resolution, passed 400-7 with 15 members voting present, states that the phrase "one nation under God" in the pledge reflects the religious faith central to the founding of the nation and that its recitation is a patriotic act, not a statement of religious faith.

Idaho Reps. Mike Simpson and Bart Oller voted with the majority.

It traced the Attorney General to appeal the decision of the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals to the Supreme Court and encouraged the continued voluntary recitation of the pledge in school classrooms.

The court last summer ruled in favor of Michael Newdow, a Sacramento atheist who said his daughter shouldn't be subjected to collective recitations of the pledge. On Feb. 26, the court stood by that ruling.

Bush administration officials have criticized the rulings, but have not said whether the administration will appeal the case to the Supreme Court.

The House and Senate approved similar resolutions last summer.

DIGGING OUT



Joshua Ashton struggles to uncover his car Thursday after a record snow was dumped on Denver by a late winter storm that enveloped Colorado's Front Range for more than two days.

Colorado, Wyoming struggle with worst blizzard in century

DENVER (AP) - Snowplow drivers toiled early Thursday to try to help reopen airports and highways, and commuters trickled back to work after Colorado's worst blizzard in nearly a century dumped up to 7 feet of snow there and in Wyoming.

About 3,700 passengers waited for Denver International Airport to reopen as the snow tapered off in most spots along the Front Range. Airport officials said they expected to open one runway by 10 a.m. local time. Many schools, however, stayed closed Thursday. The storm had paralyzed a region that is home to more than 3.5 million people, dropping 29.5 inches of snow on Denver and 7 feet, 3.5 inches on Rollinsville, perched at 9,000 feet above sea level in the foothills to the north-west. In Wyoming, more than 18 inches fell on Cheyenne, and 13 on Gillette. A mountain south of Casper got up to 5 feet.

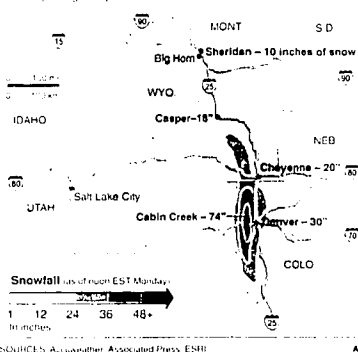
"We all got to know each other today, and shovelled each other out," said Joanna Sinnwell of Greeley, Colo., who was on her way to the Copper Mountain ski resort with her family but had to stop when Interstate 70 was closed.

With 1,500 plows working, Interstate 70 was reopened Thursday from Denver to the Kansas border, and I-25 was back in service from Wellington north to the Wyoming border. Fifty-six miles of I-70 remained closed in the mountains west of Denver, however, along with parts of I-25 and I-80 in Wyoming, isolating some communities.

National Guard troops had to rescue stranded motorists, and even letter carriers stayed home. About 1,500 highway travelers took refuge in Red Cross shelters, and others bumbled up in

Snowstorm shuts down parts of the Rockies

A major snowstorm dumped more than 2 feet of snow in the Rockies on Tuesday, resulting in closed sections of highways in Colorado and Wyoming and power failures in Denver.



Snowfall (inches) from E-6 Monday. SOURCE: Associated Press, ESRI

models.

The snow-moving storm appeared to be taking a north-east turn into Kansas, where it was causing some wind and rain, the National Weather Service said.

The snow was blamed for at least one traffic death in Colorado and two in Wyoming. In the Denver area, a snowmobiler on his way to help stranded neighbors was killed in a collision with a pickup.

East High School in Denver was converted into an emergency shelter that housed 63 people, but it wasn't immune to the effects of the snowstorm - the power went out.

Boy Scouts Ross Brouner, 16, and Matt Jenkins, 14, still managed to play basketball in the school's darkened gym Wednesday, using light from lamps illuminating emergency exits. Their 40-member troop had been stranded for 15 hours on Interstate 70 on their way home to Overland Park, Kan., from a ski trip. On the bus, Brouner said, "We slept and did nothing."

Colorado and Wyoming needed the moisture after months of drought. "We've had such a terrible drought, and this will help with our water situation," said Rep. Mark Udall, D-Colo., who was stranded near the Denver airport.

Deadly twister leaves hundreds homeless

CAMILLA, Ga. (AP) - Tornadoes that one official likened to "a big lawnmower" swept across two counties in southwestern Georgia before dawn Thursday, killing six people and injuring more than 200. One of the hardest-hit areas had been flattened by another tornado less than 3.5 years ago.

A man and his mother were killed near Bridgeboro, a rural community in southern Worth County, said Sheriff Freddie Tompkins, who declined to release the names.

Four others, including an infant and an 8-year-old boy, were killed in Mitchell County, said Jennifer Collins, spokeswoman with Georgia Emergency Management Agency.

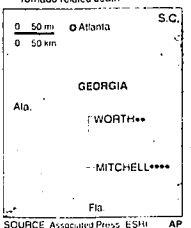
Including those with relatively minor injuries, more than 200 people were injured in Mitchell County alone, Collins said. Officials estimated 50 to 75 homes were destroyed, and 75 were damaged.

Funnel clouds formed between 5:30 and 6 a.m., and there were one or two fully formed tornadoes, said meteorologist Paul Dival of the National Weather Service in Tallahassee, Fla.

In Worth County, the tornado cut a streak about 10 miles long and up to 300 yards wide, Tompkins said.

"I was up in a helicopter this morning," Tompkins said. "It looked like a big lawnmower went through there."

*Tornado-related death



About seven to nine homes were damaged, and three mobile homes were destroyed in Worth County. Tompkins said damage would be in the millions of dollars.

In Mitchell County, the twister carved a quarter-mile swath of damage south of Camilla, knocking down trees and destroying buildings.

This was the same area where a tornado struck on Valentine's Day 2000, killing 11 people in Camilla. It was one of three deadly twisters that ripped through the region before dawn, killing 20 people in all.

"It's a mess, but not quite as bad as last time," said Camilla water department employee Joseph Willingham, who estimated that 25 homes were damaged and five destroyed.

Rescuers keep man from Niagara

NIAGARA FALLS, N.Y. (AP) - A 48-year-old man was rescued from the brink of Niagara Falls after spending two hours on a cliff knee-deep in icy water.

"Hold me! Don't let me go!" he cried out to rescuers during his ordeal Wednesday. The man, whose name was not released, was taken to a hospital suffering from severe hypothermia, and was in stable condition Thursday.

The man jumped or fell off Goat Island, sliding down an icy slope on the small island on the

American side of the falls. He ended up 20 feet from shore and five feet from the falls' 170-foot drop, authorities said.

"This guy was as close to going over the edge as I've seen in my 29 years here," said John Jacoby, a battalion chief with the Niagara Falls Fire Department. "There was one point near the end when he stumbled, and we thought he was going over the falls. I don't know how, but he managed to regain his footing. It was nothing short of miraculous."

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GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Creativity rules the day; read, write, teach and learn. Romance surfaces at workplace; meanwhile you perform routine tasks at home. What begins as mild flirtation could soon turn serious.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Careful! Thoughts may center on "building a cozy nest." A love relationship reaches point of commitment; are you ready for that "walk down the aisle"? Avoid playing games with emotions.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): There is a tendency to overlook faults—to see, hear only what you want to

believe. As saying goes, beauty is in the eye of the beholder. If investing in property, make sure plumbing, roofing meet standards.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Short trips, visits on agenda. An aura of confusion exists due to haste, inattention. Exercise care in traffic; don't speed. News of marriage or engagement stirs emotions.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Look beyond the immediate. Completion of financial arrangements sets you free to pursue other avenues in career and personal life. News from a distance

forebodes a long journey, perhaps overseas.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Cycle is high; moon in your First House places you in spotlight. Your work, personal image are under scrutiny; you will not be found lacking. Time for a fresh start in new direction?

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Someone, perhaps a family member, needs a "shoulder to lean on." Whether or not you approve of another's lifestyle, you are always willing to offer aid, consolation. Good deed day.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): This is your lucky day, in money

and love. If speculating, stick with number 7. Older friends, new acquaintances are anxious to please, want to wine and dine you. Accept!

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You are rewarded for past efforts; you take a step up ladder of success. No need to be modest about capabilities, but realize some associates may be jealous; don't stir animosity.

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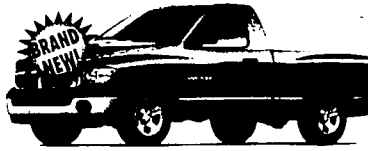
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