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Sgt. Adam Davison, of the 3/4 Lima Company, 1st Platoon, from Bremerton, Wash., tries to secure a farming area Saturday near the southern Iraqi city of Basra

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### CASUALTIES

## Sunday







# America at war

## War

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were trying to put up resistance at the Persian Gulf port of Umm Qasr so it can be used for humanitarian shipments. They faced street-to-street fighting against guerrillas, among them members of Saddam Hussein's Fedayeen, the Baath Party paramilitary organization.

"It's easy to sit in a window and fire a rifle," said Lt. Col. Chris Vernon, a British military spokesman. He said some had changed into civilian clothing to blend in with the population and take advantage of allied desire to minimize civilian casualties.

"The Americans would actually say, 'We've seen this guy, we let him go, and here he pops up again fighting,'" Vernon said.

A dozen miles north of Umm Qasr, Marines engaged a couple of Iraqi tanks and light armored vehicles.

Echo company's 1st Platoon of the 15th Marine Expeditionary Unit saw action when it tried to clear bunkers near Umm Qasr.

"There was smoke everywhere. It's our first time in Iraq, and you see these four guys walking toward you with their hands up. We knew they were surrendering," said platoon leader Lt. William Todd Jacobs, 24, of Cincinnati.

"But then somebody shouts, 'There's two in the hole! There's two in the hole!'" Jacobs said.

The Marines shot both, then threw in a grenade that blew a plume of sand and black smoke.



Huge columns of smoke can be seen above the southern horizon of Baghdad Saturday.

out of the bunker.

For the first time, F-15 Hornets launched from the USS Kitty Hawk dropped bombs, in hundreds of missions in the war's first three days, they were called out targets because ground forces took them without a fight.

On Saturday, four Hornets from the Kitty Hawk's Golden Dragons squadron reported dropping seven laser-guided bombs on artillery pieces at Al-Qunath, north of Basra, in support of the advance. 1st Marine Expeditionary Base, said Lt. J. Noelle Kratoch, spokeswoman for the ship's air wing.

One pilot, Lt. John Allison of Corpus Christi, Texas, recalled the flash he saw on his screen. "That wasn't," he said. "I saw a big explosion. I saw the bunker go away."

At Al Zubair, near Basra, U.S.

Marines and Iraqi forces battled through the night, leaving buses of Iraqi military trucks along the road.

One chartered flatbed truck, with downed and injured soldiers, was hit by a missile. The hundreds of Kalashnikov rifles it carried were broken into pieces, their wood stocks shattered, their magazine clips strewn about the road.

The truck's batteries had already been removed by looters.

Further down, the road was blocked by a truck that had been incinerated by an artillery piece, and a tank, shell-crushed it. Another truck was in flames, its driver reportedly burned to ashes.

The Marines of the 3rd Battalion, 7th Regiment entered Iraq's 12 Mechanized Infantry Brigade, or at least what was left of it, according to the Marines, old

percent of the brigade had deserted before the Americans even got there.

The remainder, about 300 men, fought from room to room in pockets of a dozen each against Marines scouring their barracks and headquarters.

The desertions were not unusual. Frank's, the commander, said 1,000 to 2,000 prisoners were in custody, and thousands of others had deserted.

Not far from Umm Qasr, nine Iraqi soldiers fled Marine tank fire and drove their Nissan pickup truck up to a U.S. military convoy to surrender. Some waved a large white flag as they stood in the truck's bed, there were teenagers and older men, all dressed in civilian clothes.

Hundreds of tanks and armored vehicles lined Highway 80 - the road to Basra, nicknamed the "Highway of Death" during the 1991 Gulf War - when U.S. airstrikes wiped out an Iraqi military convoy fleeing Kuwait.

The road-side was dotted with Iraqi tanks blackened by direct hits on their front bunkers. White flags flew over some deserted, dilapidated barracks, including one where a white cloth had been hung over a picture of Saddam Hussein.

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## Murders

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its office received some additional information, he said.

Higgins said last week he couldn't say anything about the nature of the information.

Judy Ray and the sheriff was waiting on some information from the FBI. Higgins said the FBI was helping with some forensic evidence in the case.

"We are still working on that other case," Higgins said.

"It's a very hot case," Higgins said.

Higgins said it has become a personal case for him.

"I have become quite close to Leo and Judy Ray," he said. "I feel a kinship towards them."

Judy Ray and the sheriff calls her occasionally.

"They can't tell me much," she said. "We just keep hoping something will turn up."

The Ray case is the only Cassia County unsolved case where recent evidence has kept the case active.

Several other cases in the past 15 years have not been solved, Higgins said.

In two murders several years ago, warrants were issued for the arrest of suspects, but those suspects have never been captured.

"We believe they have returned to Mexico," he said.

A fourth unsolved Cassia County case is the Regina Krieger case, which happened in about 1995, he said. Krieger's body was found in the Snake River near the Jackson Bridge.

"It has never fully been solved and is still an open investigation," he said.

In Minidoka County, one case that sticks out in the minds of many as being the most notorious unsolved death is the Baby X case. A burned and dismembered infant's remains were found near the Minidoka County Landfill in November 1989.

"Speculation about the possibility of the involvement of devil

## Unsolved murders

In addition to the cases of Kacy Ray, Regina Krieger, Randy Walker and Baby X, here are other unsolved Magic Valley homicides within the past 15 years:

• Wilma Mobley, 44, was shot in the back of the head in 1988 near the Idaho Falls airport.

• Su Cha Kim, 42, was shot in the back of the head in 1989 near the Idaho Falls airport.

• Rosemarie Murphy, 42, was shot in the back of the head in 1990 near the Idaho Falls airport.

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## America at war

### Sermons

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military, our president and our leaders," Duncan said. "That's how we plan to focus on what's taking place. We'll talk about how there is conflict and that we as a church are committed to pray for our military. This church has young people deployed in the conflict, and we'll be praying for them."

There will be prayers for others, too.

"There are innocent people who don't deserve to have a war going on around them," Duncan said. "We'll pray for the safety of the people in Iraq who in no way want this conflict. We know war is a terrible thing, but we also understand war has been a part of our history, and unfortunately, from time to time, there will be conflict."

Here are thoughts from some other local clergymen on how they'll address the war in church today:

**Rev. Mike Kestler**

**Calvary Chapel, Twin Falls**

What's happening in the world today doesn't surprise Kestler. He said it's all in the Bible. And that's what he'll be talking about today.

"Basically, I believe many of the things we're seeing and have been seeing are leading to the fulfillment of biblical prophecy," Kestler said. "It may very well be that the post-war Iraq with its second-largest oil reserves could become a major world player with a democratic government. Ezekiel chapters 37, 38 and 39, Matthew chapter 24 and Luke chapter 21 clearly speak of the days I believe we are living in and the events that are about to happen. One-third of the Bible is prophecy. It's comforting to know that God has already told us what's going to happen before it happens."

**• Rev. John Morgan**  
**Catholic Church of Our Lady of the Snows, Sun Valley**  
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Morgan said he'll encourage

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his Wood River Valley congregations to put down the picket signs, at least for the time being.

"I'm not going to make it a centerpiece, but I will talk about how everybody has the right to have their opinion about the war," Morgan said. "The protests and rallies were appropriate before the decision was made. Now is the time to support our president and his advisers, and certainly we need to support our military. For the time being, we need to rally 'round the decision, even if we disagree. If it proves to be a mistake, as it did in Vietnam, then we need to do something. Patriotism is a virtue, but it's not 'My country right or wrong.' If it isn't a just war, we can protest again."

**Gail Brune**  
**Magic Valley Unitarian-Universalist Church, Twin Falls**

Long before the first bombs fell Wednesday night, many members of this congregation were signing petitions and calling the White House to protest a war with Iraq.

"It has been a subject of discussion," said Brune, president of the board of the church. "Members have expressed concerns on how they can protest the war without having it interpreted as not supporting our country."

The church will have a guest speaker — a minister from Tacoma, Wash. — today, and Brune isn't sure whether he'll

include war in his discussion.

"In view of what's happened, he might change his sermon," Brune said.

But war will be the topic of discussion at the church's April 6 service.

"We're going to have an open discussion with the congregation about the war," Brune said.

**Rev. Paul Reeves**  
**First Presbyterian Church, Twin Falls**

"I'm typing my sermon right now," Reeves said Friday afternoon.

Reeves wasn't sure just how much of his sermon would include the war with Iraq. He was still in the middle of the creative process.

"I'm going to allude to it," Reeves said. "In the Bible, the role of people in power is to render just decisions that bring about right relationships that God intends for people. If this military action results in the kind of relationship God intends for people to have, then it will be a just action. Saddam Hussein made decisions that were unjust, and that led to wrong relationships. God doesn't intend children to be tortured by their government so their parents will give information."

**Rev. Jim Frisbie**  
**First United Methodist Church, Twin Falls**

Frisbie doesn't plan a sermon on the war today, but there will be prayers.

"We'll be offering prayers for the servicemen and prayers for peace, but I don't plan a sermon on it," said Frisbie, who added he had addressed the issue in a sermon the first week in March.

Frisbie said while the bombs are still falling, the political process is on hold, and all the protests in the world aren't going to stop it.

"I don't think what I would say or do, or protests would have any effect on the course of activities," he said. "There will be a time to review this when all is said and done. When the shooting stops, the political process will reemerge."

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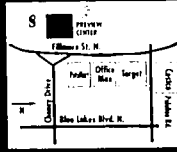
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## NATION



Nancy Doty, of Moundsville, W.Va., appeared at a March 15 support-the-troops rally in Moundsville. Doty said she may stop voting for Sen. Robert C. Byrd, D-W.Va., because of Byrd's opposition to President Bush and his war plan for Iraq. He's done a lot for West Virginia, but I think he should back the president whether he believes it or not," she said. "He should keep those thoughts to himself."

## Byrd's anti-war stance angers some supporters

MOUNDSVILLE, W.Va. (AP) — For most of his life, World War II Navy veteran Jack Gould was a Republican who supported Democrat Sen. Robert C. Byrd. Today, he's a Democrat who doesn't.

Byrd has spent months challenging President Bush and his war plan for Iraq in the Senate. "His speeches that have made him a hero to peace activists, world wide. But at home in West Virginia, his long time supporters are divided."

Veterans like Gould are among the critics. He accuses the 85-year-old senator of political grandstanding that undermines what Gould says should be a unified front to the world.

"Nobody wants the war. Even Bush doesn't want the war," said Gould, who helped organize support for the troops rally in Moundsville on a day when tens of thousands worldwide protested the planned military action.

"I've always voted for him," Gould said, "but I never will again."

Nancy Doty, a senior citizen from Moundsville, may stop voting for Byrd, too.

"He's done a lot for West Virginia, but I think he should back the president whether he believes it or not," she said. "He should keep those thoughts to himself."

While he has called Iraq leader Saddam Hussein "a liar" and "a provocateur," Byrd has repeatedly said it would be a mistake.

Bush policy on Iraq has "ruined the global image of the United States from that of a world class peace-maker into what many believe is a dangerous warmonger," Byrd said last week.

Spokesman Tom Gavin said the senator has received about 75,000 "overwhelmingly positive" e-mails, letters and telephone calls from around the nation and the world since Feb. 1. Most praised Byrd for his stance and urged him to continue, Gavin said.

"There is a widespread sense of great gratitude for someone with an independent point of view," says Sunny Miller, director of the nonprofit Iraq-Free Peace Center in Bedford, Mass. "Senator Byrd is a patriot, and his courage to speak up is laudable."

James A. Haight, editor of The Charleston Gazette, the state's largest newspaper, called Byrd a hero.

"In my entire lifetime, I've never heard a president clamor for war the way Bush has," Haight said. "By day after day, he's practically yelling for war."

The newspaper's readers, he said, are evenly divided.

"We get 100 letters a week. Half of them say Bush is a madman and hoorah for Senator Byrd," Haight said. "Then half are saying Byrd is an old fog and we're patriots."

"This is an extremely emotional split in America," he said.

West Virginians have a long tradition of military service, with historically high enlistment fueled by

a sense of patriotism, family tradition and economics.

Military service is widely seen as a good career move in West Virginia, where many high-paying jobs in steel and coal mining have been replaced by hourly telemarketing jobs and part-time retail positions.

West Virginia's military death rate is one of the highest in the nation, according to the state Veterans Memorial Archives. A total of 10,710 natives of West Virginia, a state with 1.4 million people, according to the Census, died in true 20th century wars, including three in the first Gulf War.

So far, 1951 West Virginia guardsmen and reservists are among the 188,592 nationwide who have been called to active duty. The number of full-time service members is on the rise.

"I have a lot of respect for Senator Byrd, as everyone does. He's looking at things with a different perspective," said David Knuth, director of the Marshall County Chamber of Commerce, which helped organize the Moundsville rally.

"But I really have to support our chief executive officer, and that is the president," Knuth said. "The United States needs to get behind the president. And other nations, too."

Byrd, in Congress for more than 70 years, is now its third longest serving member. He is an icon not only for his longevity, but also for the billions of dollars he has helped direct to West Virginia.

More than two dozen roads, bridges and buildings bear his name, and federal agencies have expanded to West Virginia at his urging, including the FBI and the Defense Department's new Rocketmen's Fusion Center.

At the new \$22 million Robert C. Byrd Regional Training Institute, a National Guard training complex in Kingswood, a plaque proclaims Byrd "America's Greatest Statesman."

Last fall, Byrd was on the losing side of the Senate's 77-23 vote to give Bush the authority to use military force to confront Saddam. The House passed the resolution 290-114.

Sen. Jay Rockefeller, a fellow West Virginia Democrat, voted Yes.

Gail Brock, a 78-year-old ex-Marine from Wheeling, said Byrd deserves respect for speaking his mind.

"He may be wrong, but he may be right," said Brock, who served in Korea and World War II. "Only time will tell."

## Man crawls into dryer in laundromat for a snooze

LAKE CARMEL, N.Y. (AP) — A woman with a bad of laundry to wash thought she'd come upon the scene of a grisly crime when she saw a man's body in one of the coin-operated dryers, one leg sticking out through the door.

When Sgt. Ron Yeager arrived at the scene Sunday, he approached the dryer cautiously and called out. From inside the dryer, a sleepy voice responded.

The man, whose name was not released, told the sergeant he had been at a nearby pub the night before and was walking home when he stopped at the laundry to warm up. Apparently the large capacity dryer looked inviting and he climbed in and nodded off. No charges were filed.

"It was just a guy who was sleeping in a dryer," Lt. Alex DiVenner said Monday.

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# Death shakes up semi-sideshow world of strongmen

A known steroid user, Perry puts issue in focus with premature passing

LIZARD LICK, N.C. (AP) — Johnny Perry's favorite T-shirt declared to the world what few would dare say to his face: "Freak."

At 6-foot-5 and 375 pounds, Perry towered like a colossus over most of the folks who worked out with him. His tattooed biceps were 25 inches, bigger around than the waists of some of the girls who swooned over him.

Perry knew he was a genetic anomaly, and he revelled in it. At 27, the Carolina farmboy entered the semi-sideshow world of professional strongmen — towing trucks, flipping tractor tires and shoddyman bodies. There wasn't much money in it, but he got to rule the world and he seen his millions on cable sports channels.

A mere three years after turning pro, Perry was ranked second in the United States and fourth in the world. But his goal was to be crowned world's strongest man, the first American to hold the title in 20 years. And it genetics alone couldn't get him there, he would use steroids to help nature along. Perry was in a hurry. Despite his Olympian aura, he knew all too well the limits of his mortality. "I'll never make it past 40, 45," he would tell Ronnie Shirley, his boss, weight trainer and best friend. "That's my cutoff. Man, when you're my size, you don't make it to be 40."

But even Johnny Perry couldn't have predicted how soon death would find him. The morning of Nov. 21, Lori Butler wanted to wake her husband so he could pack for a flight to Sweden and his first event in the World Strongman Super Series. She found him curled up on the bed. Perry was in a hurry. Despite his Olympian aura, he knew all too well the limits of his mortality. "I'll never make it past 40, 45," he would tell Ronnie Shirley, his boss, weight trainer and best friend. "That's my cutoff. Man, when you're my size, you don't make it to be 40."

## Big from the beginning

Johnny Perry was born big — 10 pounds, 6 ounces.

Growing up in tobacco country east of Raleigh, Perry was always aware he was different — sometimes painfully aware. Other kids would call him "fat boy," for years, he wouldn't go swimming without a shirt on.

But as he neared high school, his body began changing that fat into height and muscle. His mother, Carl Hays, says Johnny's size made him a magnet for trouble — like the night after every young Turk wants to challenge.

In high school, he played football but quit suddenly. "I'll hurt somebody. I'm too big," he told Shirley.

Instead, he got into bodybuilding. Shirley says a sport where "the only person he could hurt was himself."

Perry loved his physique — especially his arms. "He would just sit in the mirror and flex and look at himself," says Taylor Land, his 13-year-old stepdaughter.

Perry dabbled in semiprofessional wrestling, appearing under the stage name "Steel." But he told his mother that was too "freaky" and that he wanted "to show my own strength."

That's when he found Strongman. You can catch them as filler between basketball or football

games on ESPN. Massive men tossing keys over a high bar or running down a track with a concrete boulder perched on one shoulder, Atlas-like.

The World's Strongest Man competition was created in 1977 by CBS and is now owned by Trans World International. The contests are organized by the International Federation of Strength Athletes. (IFSA President Douglas Edmunds is a Scot, so it's more than coincidence that many events have a Highland games flavor.)

Like American stock car racing, the pro ranks are led by amateurs who compete at county fairs and festivals. And, like NASCAR, competitors go from event to event, stacking up points in search of that coveted title.

The last American to own the trophy was Wisconsin native Bill Kazmaier — a 6,320-pound titan. Kazmaier was the world's strongest man three years running, from 1980 to '82.

Perry admired Kazmaier, and he was determined to reclaim the crown for the United States.

Perry's first competition was in 1999, the East Coast Strongman Challenge. Promoter Gayle Schroeder immediately recognized the marketability of his good looks and imposing presence. "He was just a monstrous man," she says.

Though corporate sponsorships allow some Europeans to do strongman full time, the top U.S. competitors don't make enough money to call it a career. All but the elite have to hold down regular jobs to pay the travel expenses.

Perry worked full time as a repairman for Shirley's Lizard Lick Towing and Recovery. He improved his own equipment, using old oxygen cylinders to practice an event called Farmer's Walk, in which the athlete runs down a track with a 275-pound weight in each hand.

Schroeder watched as Perry blazed through the ranks. She felt that Johnny was Perry's year. "He was America's hope to win" the world's strongest man," she says.



Johnny Perry works out at a gym in Raleigh, N.C. In this July 27, 2000, file photo, Perry died of a heart attack at age 30 on Nov. 21, 2002.

But Perry was convinced he couldn't do it without some help.

## Risk taken: price paid

Gay Perry once asked her son if he took steroids. "Monna, you know I wouldn't do that," he replied. Then he smiled at her.

Shirley says Perry complained that he would never win the world title as long as there were competitors from countries where steroid use was rampant.

According to Shirley, Perry had been taking steroids for about a year.

Even his idol, Kazmaier, had acknowledged using steroids early in his career. "But that's not what you need," he told Perry. "You need to be able to take them from them. Steroids are like a drug. They can be linked to a number of health problems, from liver damage and prostate cancer to increased risk of strokes and heart attack."

Shirley says Perry had "tried" the substances and was willing to take the risk.

"He'd say, 'I'm taking steroids,'" she would hear her son say.

Though Perry was known for raising money for disabled children, strong advice with building strength athletes, he was what Shirley called "the most down to earth human being" he had a dark ink that some blamed on steroid.

Less than a month before he died, his estranged wife, Mary

"None of us wants to profit off of athletes that are killing themselves."

— Jim Reese, vice president of IFSA/USA

Gabell Perry, sought a domestic violence protective order against him.

"He's larger, full of drugs & steroids," she wrote in a request, complaining that two years earlier, Perry grabbed her so hard during an argument that he broke her neck.

In fact, Perry had a history of convictions for assault, destruction of property and other lesser crimes dating back to 1991.

Use of anabolic steroids has been linked to increased aggression, a phenomenon known as "roid rage."

Results of Perry's autopsy have yet to be released.

The Harrison Pope, a steroid specialist at Harvard Medical School, found that steroid use can increase the levels of bad cholesterol. Given Perry's prolonged use of the drugs, he says, "It would be very tempting to say that steroids hastened the onset

of the heart disease."

But Perry's supporters seem almost desperate to point to any other cause for his death.

Shirley says Perry was a big fan of ephedra, sometimes popping six at once to "get wired" before a competition. The nonprescription fat burning supplement has been implicated in the recent death of 23-year-old Baltimore Orioles pitcher Steve Bechler.

Shirley says steroids were just "two games of sand" on the beach of Perry's life, and that opponents of their use have made a superstition of their friend.

But they have not gone unchallenged.

Starting with the nationals in August, strongman competitors will have to undergo testing for steroids and amphetamines. Competitors will also be required to submit proof they are not suffering from any kind of heart or other ailment that could lead to death or serious injury in the arena.

"None of us want to profit off athletes that are killing themselves," says Jim Reese, vice president of IFSA/USA.

Phil Prister, a Charleston, W.Va., strongman who has reached a top five world ranking without steroids, feels that Perry was a victim of a society that "focuses on the quick fix and the magic wand for everything."

## Pumping iron ... and cars, and trucks ...

The "World's Strongest Man" competition, headed by the International Federation of Strength Athletes, is the most prestigious event in the world. Competitors are judged by their strength and endurance. The competition is held in the United States and other countries. The competition is held in the United States and other countries. The competition is held in the United States and other countries.

■ A typical strongman competition consists of several events. Last year's featured events were:

- **Flip and Drag:** Competitors must flip a 1,000-pound tire and drag it 100 yards.
- **Farmer's Walk:** Competitors must carry two 55-gallon oil drums for 100 yards.
- **Truck Pull:** Competitors must pull a 10,000-pound truck for 100 yards.
- **Shield Carry:** Competitors must carry a 100-pound shield for 100 yards.
- **Car Deadlift:** Competitors must lift a 10,000-pound car for 100 yards.
- **Atlas Stones:** Competitors must lift and throw 100-pound stones for 100 yards.

"What we lost was finding out what makes a real athlete," the fans say. "We don't know how to train a person to excel in strength or how much you can lift. It's all about the mind and the body. It's a combination of both. It's a combination of both. It's a combination of both."

Three days before his death, Schroeder says Perry was off to pursue one of his goals — a smooth, 270-pound concrete "light stone." It was the first piece of professional strongman equipment he'd ever owned. The media's attention, he says, it for his grave alone.

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## War comes at bad time for farmers

AMMAN, Jordan (AP) — As U.S. tanks and troops push up the Euphrates River valley toward Baghdad, they'll be tolling through a vast green plain whose hard pressed farmers should be planting their spring vegetables and harvesting their winter grain.

An Iraqi farmer's almanac would tell him it's the wrong season for war.

The upheaval of an invasion could interrupt the reaping and the sowing just as stored food is running out for most Iraqis. "It's a particularly bad time for both the winter crop and the spring crop," said Barry Caine, a U.S. food specialist.

The Iraqi government's food rationing system, the daily subsistence for most of its people, is crumbling. That, along with the wartime threat to the grain crop, points toward a huge emergency in the coming weeks, requiring possibly "the biggest humanitarian operation in history," said Khaled Mansour, regional spokesman for the U.S. World Food Program in Amman.

In these early days of war, lines of responsibility for carrying out that operation remain unclear.

U.S. Gen. Tommy Franks said Saturday that the U.S. military, its coalition partners and even private organizations have positioned millions of meals, medicines and other supplies for the Iraqi people.

Earlier, the U.S. government announced it was shipping 200,000 tons of wheat and rice for distribution in Iraq under the U.S. Agency for International Development. Mansour said he assumed — but couldn't confirm — that WFP would do the distribution, since it has the framework in place.

"There are so many unknowns," he said. "The length of the war, the intensity, the state of the roads, the state of storage silos. It will be a logistical nightmare."

An internal U.N. document on the war's expected impact predicts that highways, roads, bridges and electricity production "can expect to be especially hard hit" by air bombardment and ground combat. That could cripple the farm economy, although so far the U.S. military may be minimizing attacks on such targets to help postwar recovery.

Labor could prove an even bigger problem: Farm families and field workers may be uprooted or flee ahead of advancing troops, in movement that follows, leaving fields fallow and crops to rot.

Under the United Nations' oil-for-food program, an arrangement for easing the impact of 12 years of U.N. economic sanctions, the Baghdad government exported oil and bought food and other humanitarian goods under close U.N. supervision. Some 400,000 tons of food were imported each month, and distributed through 43,000 authorized shops.

## For Baghdad's poor, life must go on despite bombing

### Wealthy seek refuge elsewhere

By Hamza Hendawi  
Associated Press Writer

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Lunchtime conversation at a cafe off al-Saadiun Street in the heart of Baghdad was briefly interrupted Saturday by the sound of a massive explosion. Patrons gently shook their heads, then resumed their chat over black sweet tea and water pipes.

Life must go on, Baghdadis say, bombs or no bombs. As they move out of the city, it's not like they've never been bombed before.

As patriotic songs blared from a television tuned to the main state channel, the cafe patrons casually discussed the events of Friday night.

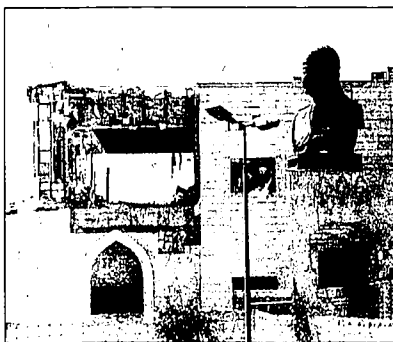
First came the familiar wail of an raid siren.

Then white and gold tracers from anti-aircraft guns streaked across a clear sky lit by a waning moon. An instant later, the crackle of the guns filled the night with what, to Baghdad residents, is a familiar sound.

And then the missiles fell.

In the opening phase of what the Pentagon called "Shock and awe," some 100 Tomahawk cruise missiles tore into this vast, flatted city on the banks of the Tigris River. The toll in human life is not yet known, but with each explosion, the city shook violently. Alarms went off in parked cars. Dogs, snarling aimlessly along city streets, barked incessantly.

Fires tagged in the presidential compound on the west bank of the Tigris, making it look like a



A bust of Saddam Hussein overlooks the Iraqi president's damaged palace Saturday, following the overnight U.S.-led bombing raid over Baghdad.

vast abstract painting in red and black. Smoke billowed from other government buildings around the metropolis.

A missile, striking just over the horizon, lit up the sky like an enormous lightning bolt. Sirens continued to wail, but now they came from speeding police cars and ambulances.

The air smelled like kerosene.

Mornings, as parts of the city burn, children emerge to play street soccer and ride their bicycles. Street sweepers go to work, cleaning up glass and other bombing debris. Automobiles move about the city — about a third the number that normally crowd Baghdad streets. Red double-decker buses trace their routes, picking up passengers on street corners and taking them

to work.

On Saturday, small restaurants opened. So did greengrocers and bakeries. Barber shops were open too.

Most of Baghdad's rich have gone, taking refuge in the relative safety of the countryside or in neighboring Jordan and Syria. Those left behind in what ordinarily would be a metropolis of 5 million are mostly the poor, and even when their city is under attack, the poor must work to survive.

"They've become accustomed to it."

This ancient city, founded in 762, was sacked twice by the Mongols, once in 1258, and again in 1401. More recently, it was damaged in an exchange of missiles during the Iran-Iraq war in



An Iraqi child who reportedly suffered burns during a bombing raid over Baghdad, cries Saturday as he is picked up by his mother outside the emergency rooms of a local Baghdad hospital.

the 1980s. It was heavily bombed in the 1991 Gulf War and hit several times since.

At the cafe off al-Saadiun Street on Saturday, a policeman armed with Kalashnikov burst in and sat down to a glass of tea.

He told other patrons how two warplanes swooped down on an air-defense position in southern Iraq. The patrons listened attentively, then resumed their conversation.

"Do we really have anything that warrants so many rockets," wondered one, seated on a wooden bench under a portrait of Saddam in Arab dress.

A short way down al-Saadiun Street, Mohammed Jouda, had other things on mind.

The 24-year-old from the Al-Kazimiyah district says he

dropped out of university to help support his family after U.S. economic sanctions had drastically affected his family's income. He opened a small store, selling nuts and dates.

"I left al-Mustansiriyah university where I was studying business administration," he said as he served a customer five U.S. cents' worth of peanuts, paid for with a flimsy 100-dinar note bearing Saddam's portrait.

He opened, despite the bombing, because he needs the money. "We are used to this," he said. "And business has not been bad."

Then his mind switched abruptly.

"Our internal affairs are not the business of the Americans," he said.

"I will reach for anything and attack them with it."

Friday night, six families sought shelter in a cold, bare church in the city's al-Ghadan area. "Jesus, please deliver us," the women whispered as the missiles fell. "Jesus, deliver us from our suffering."

An icon of the Virgin Mary carrying a baby Jesus hung on the wall. Resting nearby was a framed poster of Jesus. The families, at least one of them Muslim, brought staves to warm the place.

The explosions were barely audible in their makeshift shelter.

The adults made tea. The children played and laughed before falling asleep on the blankets and pillows their parents had brought. The adults, including Father Mansour, the Assyrian church's priest, nodded off at dawn.

After nightfall on Saturday, bombs rained on Baghdad again.

### Blast kills five at checkpoint in northern Iraq

GERDIGO, Iraq (AP) — An apparent car bomb killed at least five people, including an Australian cameraman, at a road checkpoint Saturday near a camp of the al-Qaida-linked militant group Ansar al-Islam.

At least eight people were injured.

The group's base in northeastern Iraq was attacked overnight by U.S. cruise missiles.

The death — along with the wounding and disappearance of several other journalists in southern Iraq — prompted the Pentagon to urge journalists not positioned with U.S. military units to "exercise restraint" while covering the fighting.

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# America at war

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## In the field: Nerves fray as Iraqi missile hits nearby

By Peter Baker  
The Washington Post

CAMP COMMANDO, Kuwait — The whistle of incoming fire is distinctive. Once heard, it's not forgotten. But even those who know the sound have only a second or two to process the warning before the explosion rocks the ground beneath them.

"Get into the bunker! Get into the bunker!"

Someone is shouting. Actually, a lot of people are shouting. This isn't a drill! Diving to the floor is the first thought, but it's the wrong one.

Get out. Jump from the trailer. Run. The bunker is that way. There is an edge of barely suppressed panic in the voices of the Marines. Some have experienced this before, most have not. Most are 18 or 19, just in grade school during the Scud wars of the Persian Gulf War in 1991.

The older sergeants keep their heads and make sure the young men get out first.

There is still no siren. But the roar of the explosion was unmistakable. Bodies stumble over

each other, sprinting to the bunker. A look back is a mistake. A large plume of black smoke and dust rises above the camp, just a little ways away. Is it smoke? Or maybe gas? Where is that gas mask? Where's the dummy mask? Wait, it's in the little green satchel attached to the hip, right where it's supposed to be.

Fumbling for the mask. Where are those straps? Bodies pushing, shoving into the bunker. Everyone trying to cram inside. Impossible to pull the mask on. Just press it against the face until things calm down. Push it tight, have to get a seal, no air from the outside can get in. Don't worry about the straps. Just hold it tight.

More bodies trying to find cover. The bunker is a concrete patch, maybe four feet tall and 25 feet long. Sandbags surround the entrance and the sides. Already inside Scud Bunker B-3 are perhaps 40 Marines, helmets on, gas masks on, rifles stuck between their legs as they sit on the dirt or on each other. A few try standing, hunched halfway over.



A U.S. Marine closes his eyes as he waits in a full nuclear, biological and chemical suit in a bunker at a desert base in Kuwait after a warning of a second scud missile attack from Iraq Thursday.

"Move in! Move in!" It's hard to breathe. Everyone's huffing, gasping for air. It's impossible to get a breath. Is it gas? No, no, everyone's just wind ed. Take a breath. Settle down.

Hearts are racing. Still hard to breathe. The mask is suffocating. The only way to get a deep breath is to take it off. Can't do that. Is there another explosion? What's happened with that plume? Is it coming this way? This is not a drill.

"Calm down! Calm down!"

The Marines begin to calm down, just a bit. They can only see each other's eyes, warped by the hinged lenses of the gas masks. There is fear, yes, and adrenaline and uncertainty and most of all shock.

The missile attack Thursday was Iraq's first shot of the war. And it had been at them.

The rule in the morning had been that everyone would start to wear flak jackets and helmets, but the rule had been rescinded just a few minutes before the Iraqi missile exploded in a fireball near the camp.

The shouting and the confusion have begun to die. Sobs emerge from the other side of the bunker. A couple of the base's Arab employees have fled into the bunker, too, but they have no gas masks. One of them

is heaving with tears.

"Someone comfort him," a major orders.

A Marine stands up, climbs over his buddies to reach the worker. "You're all right," he is saying, putting his arm around him. "It's going to be OK." It's not clear whether the words register, but the gesture does. The Marine points to the thick concrete wall to signal that it would protect him. The man regains control and settles down. It's not at all clear whether he is, in fact, going to be OK.

A few minutes after the explosion, the early-warning siren finally goes off. A voice echoes around the base. "Attention, Camp Commando. Attention, Camp Commando." It is known as "the Big Giant Voice" even on official military documents and notices. But this time it's hard to hear. What's he saying? Something about getting into the bunkers.

Ten minutes pass, fifteen. No more explosions. The Big Giant Voice says something about NBC teams (nuclear, biological and chemical) confirming there was no gas

Marines in the bunker slump back in relief, some of the tension draining out of their shoulders.

Humor returns. Gritty jokes about the accuracy of the Patriot antimissile system.

A master sergeant makes a crack about being on the phone when the missile hit. "I was just asking Centcom for some help. You'd think they could've just said no." A few minutes later he alludes to the instructions drummed into troops during drills — that early warning sirens indicate incoming missiles. "I'm supposed to get a minute."

The dozens of Marines huddled on top of each other in the cramped bunker begin sharing personal stories and asking about one another's wives.

Eventually, a captain pulls out a disposable camera. "Group picture," someone calls out. The flash goes off.

The sound of Cobra attack helicopters buzzing overhead offers some reassurance. After an hour, the Big Giant Voice speaks in a calm, "All clear. All clear." The masks come off.

### War recap

A daily summary of key developments in the war with Iraq.

- Coalition forces pounded Baghdad with artillery in the first daylight air raids of the war. American forces have progressed 150 miles into Iraq, halfway to Baghdad, and American ships and warplanes have launched 500 cruise missiles and several hundred precision weapons on Iraq over the past day, the Pentagon said Saturday.

- U.S. and British forces tightened the noose around Iraq's second largest city, Basra, taking its airport and a bridge. Saddam Hussein's security forces resisted with artillery and heavy machine guns. Militant leaders intend not to storm and destroy the city but to force Iraqis to surrender and avoid a bloody urban conflict.

- A command tent of the 101st Airborne Division was attacked with grenades at a camp in northern Kuwait, wounding 13 soldiers, 11 seriously. An American soldier in the division was suspected in the attack, and the motive appeared to be resentment, an Army V Corps spokesman said.

- Gen. Tommy Franks, running the war from Qatar, promised the campaign would be "unlike any other in history." In his first comments since the war started, Franks acknowledged resistance from Iraq forces, and said he had "no idea" where Saddam was — or if he was alive.

- State-run Iraqi television reported that Saddam held two meetings Saturday with senior government members and Qusai Hussein, who had been regarded as his father's likely successor.

- The Turkish military denied reports that 1,000 Turkish commandos had crossed into northern Iraq. A military official said earlier that soldiers had rolled into northeastern Iraq near where the borders of Turkey, Iraq and Iran converge to reinforce Turkish troops already in Iraq.

- West of Baghdad, along the Euphrates River, another of Saddam's palaces was destroyed in a strike by warplanes from the USS Theodore Roosevelt, according to a commander aboard the carrier in the Mediterranean.

- In far north Iraq, U.S. forces fired Tomahawk cruise missiles at suspected positions of the Ansar al Islam guerrillas, which the United States accuses of ties to al-Qaida terrorists.

- An apparent car bomb killed at least five people, including an Australian cameraman, at a road checkpoint in northeastern Iraq near the Ansar al Islam camp. At least eight people were injured.

- Continuing with the bombardment of Baghdad, air strikes hammered targets around the country, including Mosul and Kirkuk in the north and Basra and Nassiriyah in the south.

- Two British Navy helicopters collided over the Persian Gulf, and seven on board were killed, including a U.S. Navy officer. The accident did not result from enemy fire, British officials said. A day earlier, eight British and four U.S. Marines died when their helicopter crashed south of Umm Qasr.

- Two U.S. Marines died in combat in southern Iraq. One was battling Iraqi infantry to secure an oil pumping station. The second was fighting near the strategic port of Umm Qasr.

- Anti-war demonstrators held rallies in cities including New York, Chicago, Washington and San Francisco.

- A CBS-New York Times tracking poll suggested that almost two-thirds, 62 percent, say the war will be quick and successful.

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# America at war



## Thousands protest in New York, Washington

The Associated Press

Tens of thousands of anti-war demonstrators, spanning 30 blocks, marched down Broadway in New York on Saturday as part of a fresh round of cross-country protest against war on Iraq. Military backers also showed their support with flags and "USA" chants.

In Chicago, troop supporters came within 20 feet of anti-war activists outside a federal building. As the protesters shouted, "killers, killers, killers," a military backer yelled back, "idiots, idiots, idiots."

Carrying peace signs and wearing costumes, demonstrators in New York streamed toward Washington Square Park. Unofficial police estimates put the crowd at 120,000 or more. United for Peace and Justice, the organizers of the march, estimated the crowd at

more than 200,000.

"I believe if you really want to show shock and awe, you should show love and justice," said marcher Bob Edgar, an officer at the National Council of Churches.

Carol Lavette wore a pair of angel's wings and carried a sign saying "Thou shalt not kill." Susan Sonz and her 9-year-old son, Ruben, came to the march from their home near the World Trade Center ground zero site. "We don't want to see more innocent people die," Sonz said.

Some celebrities joined in, including actors Roy Scheider, Ossie Davis and Ruby Dee, and singer Pam Smith. "We support the troops, but we do not support the president," said Rep. Charles Rangel, D-N.Y., a Korean War veteran.

About 2,000 police were assigned to the rally, including undercover officers with beepers

sized radiation detectors and other counterterrorism measures. No arrests were reported, but police chased some protesters who had moved onto a side street.

Thousands protested in San Francisco after two days of anti-war rallies in which about 2,200 were arrested.

San Francisco police on Friday vowed to be more aggressive in controlling the crowds, but the latest demonstration was largely peaceful at the outset.

Overseas, thousands of angry protesters from Japan to Greece marched against the war, in some cases condemning their own governments for supporting the United States.

In Tokyo, hundreds of anti-war demonstrators held up photographs of Iraqi children wounded in the 1991 Gulf War and carried banners with peace messages.

"Prime Minister (Junichiro) Koizumi supported America's war on Iraq... but we want to let the world know that we citizens do not," said 69-year-old Kensaku Ikeda.

Demonstrators marched on the U.S. Navy base in Yokosuka - headquarters of the Seventh Fleet - just south of Tokyo, police said.

Newspaper polls published Saturday showed Koizumi's disapproval ratings rising because of his support for President Bush, and more rallies were scheduled across the country over the weekend.

About 15,000 protesters rallied in Dhaka, Bangladesh, during a half-day strike called to protest the U.S. led invasion of Iraq. The strike, led by leftist parties and some small Islamic groups, closed schools and shops in Bangladesh's main cities, but failed to halt traffic in other activities.



Demonstrators march down Broadway in New York Saturday, protesting the war in Iraq.

## Idaho workshop advocates peaceful protest

BOISE (AP) - Opponents of the war in Iraq should not be violent in their protests, but they should be active in making their point to the public, a workshop in testimony found.

"There's a whole school that says nonviolence is withdrawing from action," Betsy Raasch Gilman of Minneapolis told the gathering Saturday at Boise State University. "But there's action through reconciliation, reaching out to people. The real issue is who is watching."

The workshop sponsored by the Idaho Peace Coalition taught participants how to prepare and engage in nonviolent civil disobedience.

Raasch Gilman has been preparing people for direct action for about 20 years. She has experience in gay and les-

bian rights campaigns, the anti-nuclear movement, the first Gulf War opposition and the current Iraq Pledge to the Resistance.

The Iraq Pledge's Internet page says examples of possible actions include sit-ins at congressional offices or federal facilities, protests at companies manufacturing weapons, or actions at military installations.

The Idaho Peace Coalition held what it called an evening of mourning against the Iraq war through an all night vigil at the Statehouse on Thursday night

and Friday morning.

Participants on Saturday considered the forms of protest over the years against police of the military in South Africa, Guatemala, Kosovo and the United States.

They also discussed Friday's protest in San Francisco where some demonstrators scuffled with police.

Raasch Gilman wrote the conclusions on a chalkboard, such as "Compassion under pressure bumps more sympathy than burning flags" and "The power of nonviolence depends hugely on what's not expected."

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## EDITORIAL

### Vehement war protests fail to inspire sympathy

Free speech is anything but free, especially when men and women of the armed forces stand in the line of fire to protect it.

No just what is the proper place for critical political speech in a time of war?

To some Americans, freedom of expression is best used when questioning or criticizing the government's case for a war.

Others believe using free speech to oppose military action betrays those who defend our freedoms.

In our view, free speech during wartime is a liberty to be preserved and protected. If not, then America is no more free than the nation we are aiming to liberate.

But freedom also carries responsibility and consequences. In the same way political speech can inspire and motivate, it also can breed hostility.

Critics of the war may argue they support the troops, but not the policy of war. The public is free to judge the sincerity of that message, whether it comes from a neighbor, a local clergyman, the Senate minority leader in Washington, or a bombastic movie director at the Oscars.

But if some protesters' ambition is defined by their actions, their movement may be headed down a road to sheer anti-American hostility.

That's not a slam on peaceful demonstrations, such as the candlelight vigils in Twin Falls City Park last week. Such events can be thought-provoking while avoiding strident confrontation.

But there's a vast difference between a peaceful vigil in a park and a protest that

becomes belligerent and destructive—like recent rallies in Portland, Los Angeles, San Francisco, and East Lansing, Mich.

"I like the idea of shutting down commerce and the city to counteract Bush's economic motives for this war," said one Portland protester, who not only smashed windows at a restaurant, set a flag on fire and sprayed graffiti on a sign at a gas station.

The restaurant owner no doubt wonders how his broken glass and lost income are supposed to persuade the president.

Lawlessness diminishes free expression, and protesters who resort to violence can expect a public opinion backlash.

Likewise, free speech has its tradeoffs. If protesters feel entitled to label national leaders as war criminals or Nazis, they shouldn't be surprised when Americans tag them as disloyal.

Protesters can't have it both ways. Those who stage riots and shout insults at America can't expect to be credible when they claim to "support the troops."

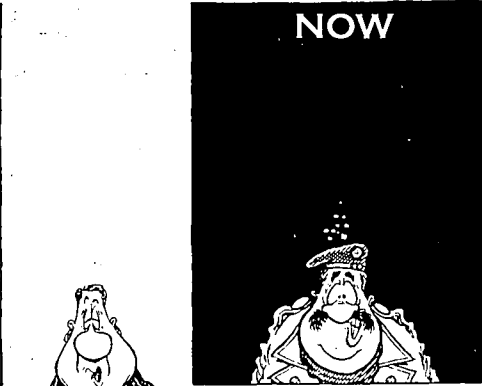
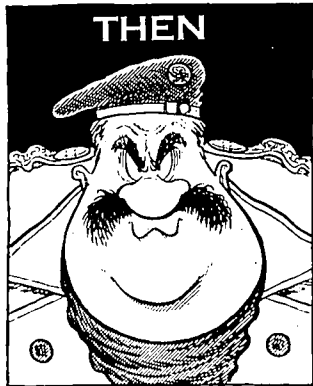
The same is true for political leaders. Most Americans can tell the difference between principled, sincere questioning and partisan intrigue that is calculated to undermine the nation's commitment.

There are many gray areas during war. The distinction between valid political speech and words that damage the American psyche shouldn't be ignored. Vehement critics of this war cross that line at their own risk—as they may learn when our free nation, having once again been protected by its sons and daughters in uniform, holds its next election.

#### Our view: Strident war protesters have a right to free speech, but they'll fail to win the hearts of most Americans.

**What do you think?**

We welcome viewpoints from our readers on this and other issues.



"PHOTO ANALYSIS INDICATES THIS JUST ISN'T THE SAME SADDAM HUSSEIN!"

## How will this war change us?

Remember that scene in the 1952 sci-fi movie "Blade Runner," where the dingo android tells Harrison Ford, "I've seen things you people wouldn't believe? Well, Hollywood's vision of 21st century destruction and dystopia will have to get in line, turn on your TV set."

There's a terrible beauty to it all, made more terrible by the reality that people are getting killed. Of course, that's also what makes it so compelling and, to some, thrilling. Gen. Robert E. Lee spoke for legions of warriors—and warrior watchers—when he said in 1862 at the battle of Fredericksburg: "It is well that war is so terrible; we grow too fond of it."

A mutant kind of military-industrial art-fills-everything-and-everywhere image of night flyers on aircraft carriers, brownish photos of soldiers in sandstorms, clear-as-a-bell sound of Americans putting on chemical-warfare suits, firebombs in Baghdad, even satellite pictures of the smoke. And sounds, too, the whoosh of jets taking off from carriers, the wail of air and sirens in Kuwait and the boom of anti-aircraft guns on the ground in Iraq.

By definition, war breaks down old relationships and connections. It's the job of artists to



JAMES P. PINKERTON

take what they see and reconnect the dots of reality and fantasy in new ways—on the page, on the canvas, on a musical instrument, on the screen. And so, when old forms, so through the bloody blunder of war, radical and often unexpected works emerge. World War I, for example, bequeathed trench warfare, poison gas, "shell shock" and wireless communication. The artistic reaction was a cultural revolution—the bleak worlds of T.S. Eliot, the newly popular images of abstract art, the jangly jump of jazz, the radio spouts of pinhead and propaganda.

James Whale, director of "Frankenstein" and other mold-breaking horror movies from the early 1930s, could not have put his horrific images on the screen if he had not seen them first-hand on the bloody battlefields in Flanders Field. And the recent movie "Max," starring John Cusack, argues that World War I was the aesthetic crucible

for Adolf Hitler, once a stinging artist turned spectacle maker turned mass-murderer. World War II brought new technological marvels and new horrors. In one eye, the vision of America as the "Arsenal of Democracy."

In the other eye, the vision of the Holocaust. And after the war came not only the mass-produced optimism of suburbia, but also the black humor of novels such as "Catch 22." In that book, bomber crews are crazy—albeit courageous—if they keep flying dangerous missions. Yet if they ask to stop flying, they are deemed to be sane—so they're ordered to keep flying. That's the catch.

And Vietnam. That was a show, right in everyone's living room—Buddhist monks setting themselves on fire, GI's wounded and dying, napalmed little girls running down the road, naked and screaming. On the homefront, the prowar "Ballad of the Green Berets" was the No. 1 song of 1966, but the next year brought the full flowering of the counter-culture. To this day, Woodstock images of pop music fill the minds of nostalgic Baby Boomers.

No matter how long this war lasts, it's right here, right now—in our face. It's live on any number of news channels, world-

wide, plus the Internet. And there's a new twist: The Americans gone into combat are most likely filled with images of the World Trade Center tumbling down, but others, on the other side, or on the sidelines, have their own 24-7 images and inspiration, from, say, al-Qaeda's TV.

What else will look different afterwards? Will Americans ever tell the same way again about French fries? Will urban high-rises ever be as popular as they once were? Will homeland security continue to radiate, such that Americans get used to seeing black clad Nipco-like cops in their downtowns? And what's going to change in American culture, as hundreds of thousands of Americans cycle through Iraq? "War brides" were once German or Japanese; will they soon be Arab?

In "Blade Runner," the dying android had to describe what he had seen, because otherwise, he said, all his memories "could be lost, like tears in rain. In this all-too-real world, we're going to see this war large and whole, and it's going to be recorded forever—albeit in a crush of different ways, by a crush of different people.

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### Noisy dogs need to clam up and let neighbors sleep

I've had it with the idiot dog owners in this neighborhood. The barking dogs next door are finally gone, and I've dealt with the barking across the street. And now I just realized who the owner is that is turning his golden lab loose in the mornings to run—usually between 5 and 6 a.m. Caught in the act? The dog barks at every person he sees and every child, all the dogs bark at him while he runs. Therefore, I am awakened before my sleep is finished. Sleep deprivation is making me a very irate woman.

Dog owners get warnings and are pretty good for awhile, then they start testing the waters again. They are no better than the idiot bully Saddam himself. These people need to obey the ordinances or get rid of their dogs. If they can't take responsibility for their dogs, they shouldn't have dogs.

It that's not bad enough, I'm the one that cleans up dog crap in my own yard and I don't even have a dog!

LOUIS GERRIG  
Jerome

### Questions should be asked even in wartime

I support our troops in Iraq and pray they will come home safely. But I disagree with anyone who says that now that war has begun, it is time to stop protest-

ing the policies that put our soldiers in harm's way.

Dissent is a vital part of American patriotism. It inspired Thomas Jefferson to take up his pen in the Declaration of Independence from Great Britain, and it caused Rosa Parks to refuse to sit in the back of the bus. The Times-News trusts it's now time to rally behind our troops. I agree, but I know it is also my place as a citizen—and yours as journalists—to continue to ask questions and demand accountability.

War has begun, but we must keep asking why we had to strike first at the Iraqi people when they had not attacked us. We must be critical of making costly preemptive military campaigns a priority at a time when our domestic economic, social service programs and state budgets are in shambles. Congress must demand to know what this war will cost in economic and human terms.

War has begun, but we must continue to question why Bush has the support of fewer than a quarter of the world's nations, many of which are offering only token assistance. Many in the "coalition of the willing" are willing only because the Bush administration has bought their support.

I love my country, but I am sad at the belligerence and arrogance of our leaders. President Bush and his comrades have abandoned the time-tested policy of containment and the court

of world opinion in favor of a war that has already caused grievous harm to international community—even if we "win."

JULIE FANSELOW  
Twin Falls

### Parents are throwing tantrums in Jerome episode

Jerome patrons: Here's what is really happening at Jerome Middle School.

Every year, we have parents who think every child in the school, except their own child, should "rule, honor and sustain" the rules. They attempt to make that exception happen through intimidation and tantrum throwing.

While he is certainly open to courteous, rational parents, Dr. Zumwalt is impervious to the tactics of the Capps cabal, hence the hoopla.

GAYLA NYBORG OTTO  
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Editor's note: Gayla Otto is an 8th-grade English teacher at the Jerome Middle School.

### Voters frown upon excessive spending cuts

Gov. Kempthorne's courageous veto of the supplemental budget bill finally got the attention of the cut-or-nothing legislators.

The financial situation was apparent during the campaign last summer and fall. The citizens provided input on surveys, in political meetings and in dis-

cussions with candidates. The Blue Ribbon Committee was asked for recommendations to deal with this economic crisis. Some basic facts that came out of all of this dialogue and study were:

Education was deemed essential for our children's future and the state's financial recovery. To meet this need funding should be preserved at least at the current level.

Care of the elderly and the young was also essential and programs needed to be preserved. Correction expenses were soaring. People were supporting programs, which provided retraining and rehabilitation and they wanted adjustments in sentencing and parole to help ease the costs.

Agencies had cut to the bare essentials and that more cuts would severely affect the infrastructure of our state.

The citizens, while not liking the prospect of tax increases, were more accepting of them than the alternatives. Limiting the time the sales tax increases were to be in effect made them more palatable. There also was a questioning of the advisability of the 2001 tax cut given the economic situation of the state.

The Legislature has the governor's plan, the Democrat's plan, (see Democrats.org—click on Stennett) and one would hope the Republican legislators' plan (I suppose they have one) to draw upon to prop up the fund-

ing for this year and next while legislators use the summer and fall to study how to broaden the base by eliminating some sales tax exemptions as well as adjusting the overall taxing system to provide balance.

The people of Idaho are conservative, but I believe they recognize that these difficult times call for some innovative strate-

gies. Communicate with your legislators, bring your input on which ideas in the various plans make sense.

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# GOP budget skips over cost to our nation's future

Under the shadow of war with Iraq, the House and Senate last week fought a series of skirmishes over the federal budget for next year. One big, overriding question was at stake: Would President Bush and the Republican majorities in Congress step up to the costs of battle, of homeland defense and of national obligations at home, or would they pass the costs on to future generations?

The answer, sadly, is that youngsters yet unborn will see their choices limited and their prospects blighted by the decision of today's politicians to press ahead with an unaffordable tax cut even while the costs of war and reconstruction make earlier spending estimates wildly unrealistic.

The possible doubling of the national debt in the next decade will drive up interest costs that must be paid every year — billions of dollars that will not be available for Social Security, Medicare or any of the myriad responsibilities of the government here and abroad.

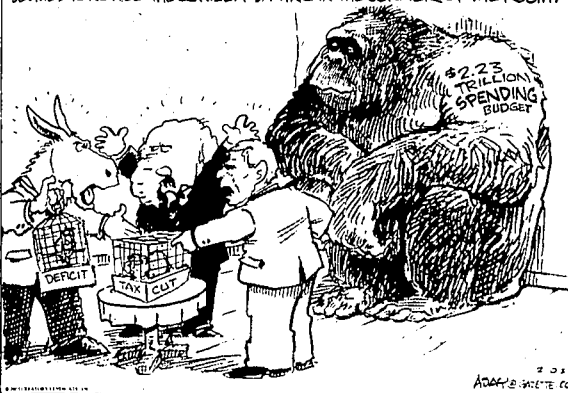
But the squeeze is not all prospective. Some dangerous economies are being forced this year — cutbacks that will have long-term damaging consequences for American society.

This was brought home to me from an unexpected source in a group interview last week with six state attorneys general — four Democrats and two Republicans — who were in Washington for a professional conference.

There were some who I have heard before, not just from social workers, academics and supposed bleeding-heart liberals, but from police chiefs, prosecutors and other hard-nosed denizens of the criminal justice system.

It is the irrefutable evidence that the most effective anti-crime strategies — and the least expensive — are early childhood educa-

AS THE DEBATE SWIRLED AROUND THE PRESIDENT'S BUDGET PROPOSALS, NO ONE SEEMED TO NOTICE THE GORILLA SITTING IN THE CORNER OF THE ROOM:



tion, after-school programs and serious mentoring of youngsters who otherwise are almost certainly fated to be dropouts, delinquents and, yes, prison inmates. Larry Long, the South Dakota attorney general and a 30-year career prosecutor, put it this way: "I can tell you that by the time kids of 12 or 14 are brought into the juvenile justice system, they are lost. All I can do is wear house them — at huge expense. The sooner and faster we reach kids, the better the chance of their being saved."

Long and his counterparts from Colorado, Delaware, Maine, Montana and New Mexico described what they are doing to reach vulnerable youngsters — especially those being raised by single mothers still in their teens — and to help those parents stabilize lives often blighted by drugs or other addictions. But they also confirmed that many of their initiatives are on the chopping block, as states struggle with declining revenues and runaway health care costs for the elderly. "These are proven programs that work," said Montana's

Attorney General Mike McGrath. "But our budget crisis is so severe we may not be able to meet the federal matching requirement" — the dollars a state must put up in order to qualify for a grant from Washington.

That is why they express such dismay at what they are hearing out of the Washington budget proceedings.

The briefing paper all the state law enforcement officials

were given by the advocacy group, Fight Crime: Invest in Kids, spelled out some of the cuts included in the Bush budget.

Funds for the 21st Century Community Learning Centers after-school program would be cut from \$1 billion to \$600 million. The memo to the attorney general says that cutback would take a half-million children each year out of those centers, even though unsupervised youngsters

make the hours from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. the peak time for serious and violent juvenile crime.

The Bush budget increases Head Start funding by \$148 million, just about enough to keep pace with inflation, but the program now serves only six out of 10 preschoolers who are eligible. Several other early childhood block grants and programs are targeted either for reductions or elimination.

The picture is similar for other Justice Department and Education Department programs aimed at preventing juvenile delinquency.

"This is so short sighted," said Maine Attorney General Steven Rowe. "For \$300 billion, one-fifth the (10 year) cost of the

new tax cut, we could fully fund all of these programs" for the next decade.

That kind of investment would not only save lives, the attorney general said. It would save money. "We are spending \$75,000 a year every time we incarcerate someone under 18," said Delaware Attorney General Jane Brady. "We have to talk to them, educate them, correct them and try to rehabilitate them. It would be so much better to help them while they are young."

It's another example of the long-term costs being incurred by today's budget decisions.

David Bosker is a columnist for the Washington Post.

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## Baghdad could have been in better hands

There will be endless debate over the next few weeks about who should be Saddam Hussein's successor, but I think the choice is clear: Scheherazade.

Yup, the mother of all storytellers from "1001 Arabian Nights."

You remember Scheherazade? She kept her husband the sultan from having her killed by telling him a series of cliffhangers every night — sort of Indiana Jones with a veil and a tambourine.

You talk about your crisis management? Compared to Sultan Shahryar, Saddam's a cupcake. Shahryar had boundary issues resulting from a bad relationship, and so dragged on every eligible young woman in Baghdad into a quickie marriage and then ordered them slain on their wedding night, so they couldn't cheat on him first.

Scheherazade's father, the vizier responsible for dispatching the brides, soon had job burnout. So Scheherazade volunteered to put a stop to this nonsense.

She and the sultan got married at a drive-through wedding chapel in Vegas, but no sooner had the monarch reached for his scimitar that evening than he was enthralled by the yarns Scheherazade was weaving.

You know the rest: Sinbad the Sailor, Aladdin and the Magic Lamp, Ali Baba and the 40 Thieves, Sam the Sham and the Pharaohs — the hits just kept on coming until Scheherazade gained effective control of the sultanate.

This went on for 1001 nights — two years and nine months — before Scheherazade ran out of stories and had to get cable. By then the sultan, "sire," was mellowed, and instead of his brother to Scheherazade's younger sister, awarded her father, the vizier, a Lexus and a condo on Maui, and tossed a huge party for everyone in the kingdom, quoting here, "Spreading the tables with bread, roasted whole and sweetmeats, and all manner of viands ... So high and low, great and small, came up unto him, and they abode on that wise, eating and drinking seven days with their nights."

Lamentably, the whole sultanate was so hung over that it was quickly overrun by the Persians, but you get my drift: Scheherazade was the Condoleezza Rice of the ninth century.

Her stories were eventually translated from Arabic into English by the 19th century British scholar and adventurer Sir Richard Burton, who also discovered the source of the Nile and was nominated for an Oscar for "Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?"

Scheherazade, who has been teaching oriental languages at Johns Hopkins for the past 1,300 years, labored in obscurity until Aladdin from the 1992 animated Disney movie mentioned her in his Academy Award acceptance speech.

Since then, she's been the Hamid Karzai of Iraq, just hanging around waiting to take the reins of power. Scheherazade was on Larry King four times last month alone.

When she's in charge in Baghdad, the flying carpets will not, in time, sea monsters in the Persian Gulf will stop menacing itinerant mariners, and we'll finally find out what the blazes an Open Sesame is.

Douglas Fairbanks Sr., the Hollywood actor, became famous as a swashbuckling silent movies based on Scheherazade's "1001 Arabian Nights."

In 1923, Fairbanks — at the time the biggest star in Hollywood — climbed to the roof of a building in Los Angeles and posed for publicity photos holding a bow and arrow. On a lark, Fairbanks shot the arrow into the air.

It came down two blocks away, sailing through the open back window of a tailor shop and striking the tailor — I'm not making this up — in the buttocks.

Fairbanks settled out of court for \$5,000 — a huge sum in those days. However she does, it's got to be better than the guys who've crossed Scheherazade's path.

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## BACKING OUR BOYS OVERSEAS



The Torres family created a public display at their home in support of troops in Iraq. Pictured from left to right are Emmanuel, 15; Jesse; Moses, 9; Adriana; and Adriana, 14.

## Family wants to see support for troops

By Shari Chaney  
Times-News writer

PAUL — Right inside the front door home, Jesse Torres' honorable discharge from the U.S. Army.

He says he is proud of his time in the service and wants people to "bump into" his papers on the wall.

But if those are the first indications of Torres' patriotism that people see, then they've had their eyes closed.

Torres and his family have constructed a public display in front of their house on Ellis Avenue in Paul in support of troops in Iraq — a white sheet

with the words "With God's help, we shall overcome. Pray for our troops," along with red, white and blue balloons and American flags.

While Torres acknowledges everyone has a right to disagree with the war in Iraq, "In some cases, it's getting out of control."

Protests need to be orderly and lawful, Torres said, not parties where people are crazy, looting and getting out of control.

"I'm against wars," Torres said, "but I want freedom."

When the Torreses saw recent anti-war demonstrations on television, they decided to make a display in support of the troops, Torres' wife, Adriana, produced

the white cloth and the family began to decide what they wanted to say. They had three or four ideas before they came to the one now on display, Torres said.

Ponderosa Point donated a small can of paint and the family went to work. After two long nights of working, the display was hung near 1 a.m. Friday morning, Torres said he wanted to wait until morning, but the children were too excited.

"It was a family thing," Torres said.

The family wanted to include flags of nations who are fighting with the United States in Iraq, but hasn't had luck finding those flags, Torres said.

A Democrat, Torres said he supports national leaders in this time. "In times like this we need to come together."

He encouraged Magic Valley residents to support troops and national leaders through actions and prayers.

Several businesses have included messages of support on their reader boards, and some residents are planning to tie yellow ribbons in neighborhood.

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## Homesteaders: Project drawing was easy part



Max Facer takes a drink from water pumped from his A&B Irrigation District well on the Milindoka Project, while his son, Doug, waits his turn. The photo was taken in the mid-1950s.

By Lorraine Cavener  
Times-News correspondent

RUPERT — "Luck of the draw" is a phrase that was used frequently in the mid-1950s, especially by those who drew Milindoka Project homesteads over eight years beginning in 1954.

And "Luck of the Draw" will be the theme of Rupert's Fourth of July celebration this year, said Jack Bell, chairman of the Fourth of July committee.

The theme is designed to honor the homesteaders who drew on the Milindoka Project, Bell said.

It might have been luck for the close to 700 people whose names were drawn from the thousands who applied, but it was a combination of luck, hard work and water that turned the units into productive farms.

A "Popular Mechanics" story by Kate Gibbs, dated July 1951, explained how water was first

discovered and developed on what was to be eventually known as the Milindoka Project.

"One day in 1947 Julian Clawson, owner of several thousand acres of sagebrush and rangeland, set out to water what the Lost Rivers," Gibbs' story said. "Would wells gush forth big enough to irrigate the land?"

Clawson sank a well to 400 feet, the story said.

"More water than Clawson had dared dream there would be — a flow of 1,000 gallons a minute," Gibbs' story said.

The pump and 200-horsepower motor cost \$12,000, and sinking the hole cost \$3,000, the story said.

After learning of Clawson's success, the Bureau of Reclamation made detailed surveys, several test wells were drilled, and the Burel leased land to several farmers as test farms.

The "Popular Mechanics"

story features a picture of Blaine Hodges, who leased one of the test farms. Hodges is holding up a sugar beet that appears to be sizably larger than most beets grown on the project, now known as the Milindoka Project.

But the work he and other test farmers did eventually led to an \$114 billion project designed to pay out over a long period of years through water system construction.

Those construction costs — including well drilling, pumps and laterals — were \$106 per acre and could be paid over a 50-year period with no interest, starting after a several year grace period.

When homesteaders were given the so-called tree land, the story said.

Please see HOMESTEADERS Page B2.

## Filer school chief heads to Oregon

By John E. Swayze  
Times-News correspondent

FILER — Schools Superintendent William Feusath admits to having mixed feelings about leaving familiar surroundings and taking what was in the future.

He will be stepping down after 10 years at the helm of Filer School District to take a superintendent position in southern Oregon on June 1.

"I'm excited about the challenges and a little bit nervous about leaving a place where we've come into a place where we don't know a soul," he said. "But it's definitely a promotion."

Jackson County School District covers 630 square miles, has 11 schools and a student population of about 4,200. Filer has a student body of 1,250 and has four schools.

"They're even worse than Idaho," Feusath said. "They've had to cut the music program and the computer program from the schools."

Feusath said he thought the School Board may have been looking for someone without ties to the area, but he does have 11 years' experience in the Oregon education system.

After receiving a master's degree in special education from Portland State University in 1997, he worked as a teacher and coach at Lincoln Junior High School in Astoria. And between 1980 and 1982, he served as special education director for Grant County.

"I was a current teacher who would go back to all the areas school districts to train, do non-assessments and administrative tests to identify kids with disabilities," he said.

Since then, he and wife Phyllis have always planned to return to Idaho to work at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center.

"I came out West from Chicago in 1973 and was awestruck by the grandeur," Feusath said. "Idaho's one of the only special places for me, and that's where I'd like to finish my career."

Feusath's current annual salary of \$82,100 includes a superintendent allowance. In Oregon, he will make \$103,500.

Feusath's career in education has begun in 1969 after graduating from Northern Illinois University. In 1981 he arrived in Idaho and was named as special education director for

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# Brits buy Burley-built machine

By Nate Johnson  
Times-News writer

**BURLEY** — When they found no one was selling the machine they wanted, the owners of Gordon Paving Company Inc. built it themselves.

They weren't the only people looking for a better asphalt slurry applicator. Employees of the English company Asphalt Systems International Ltd. saw the Gordon Paving machine at work while they were on vacation in Las Vegas and decided they had to have one of their own. They found out where the machine was from and had one built.

Now Ken Hansen, the Burley branch manager for Gordon Paving, is thinking about building and selling more of the machines.

"We can boggie," he said. "The parts should also last longer than the parts on other machines," he said.

This slurry applicator is not Hansen's first try at inventing. "I've been building things for 20 years," he said.

Asphalt slurry is difficult to handle. It is sticky, viscous, lumpy and abrasive. At one time people dumped the slurry on the road then spread it around. Hansen started by building two machines that kept the mixture warm and liquid, allowing workers to spray it on the road. Other paving companies were developing similar machines at the same time. The machines were erratic. Lumps often clogged the sprayer and the pumps quickly wore out.

The machines have gone



Burley resident Ken Hansen is considering entering the manufacturing business. On his computer screen is part of the design for an asphalt sprayer. He's made two such sprayers and sold both.

through several evolutions since then. Hansen developed an enlarged filter system to remove lumps and an agitator seal to keep slurry out of the moving parts. Gordon Paving Vice President Craig Hansen saw a brother using a pump to spread concrete on a bridge deck and decided to buy a similar pump, reasoning that it could stand up to concrete or cold pump slurry.

The pumps are expensive, about \$4,000, much more than a \$200 an driven pump. The machine itself costs about

\$70,000, compared to about \$15,000 for the old top of the line sprayers. Yet the machine is fast and reliable.

"Nobody quite makes one like it. It just fills a need," Ken Hansen said.

After selling the first machine overseas, Hansen can't express a feeling of excitement. He has advertised the machine on the Web. He would like to be able to keep his new working all year, as he did this year, paving in the summer and building sprayers in the winter. Gordon Paving had

Burley machine shops make most of the parts. Only the off the shelf parts and the cones to pump come from out of town.

Even if the machine doesn't sell, Hansen said he enjoyed thinking it up.

"I'm just lucky to be in a position where I get an idea and I can do it," Hansen said.

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## Suspect in wife's disappearance pleads innocent to gun charge

**RENO, Nev. (AP)** — The man accused of abandoning his stepson in Utah and suspected in his wife's disappearance has pleaded innocent to charges that he threatened her with a loaded gun and wouldn't let her leave their home last October.

Lyle Montgomery, 42, declined to enter his own plea, prompting Washoe District Judge James W. Hunsley to schedule the preliminary plea for him. Montgomery was being held on a \$2.5 million

cash-only bail.

His lawyer, Scott Freeman, said Montgomery stood silent because he plans to challenge the two felony charges, one count of assault with a deadly weapon and one count of false imprisonment, each carrying a maximum of six years in prison.

While Montgomery appeared in court, police continued their search for his wife, Jeanette Corpuz, who has not been heard from since mid-January.

Officials have said they believe she is dead and suspect Montgomery is responsible, although he has not been charged with murder.

Montgomery became a suspect after authorities found his 1-year-old stepson, Corpuz's son, abandoned in a store in Salt Lake City on Jan. 25. Days later, police found Montgomery on the floor of his condominium with a handgun nearby.

He was involuntarily commit-

ted to a psychiatric hospital after he was found to be a suicide threat. He was released from the hospital Feb. 27 and immediately placed in police custody.

Because Corpuz could not be found to testify at Montgomery's March 7 preliminary hearing, attorneys relied on the testimony of officers to explain what happened Oct. 26 when police were called to their Reno condominium.

## Official: Wolf population endangers elk and deer

**LEWISTON (AP)** — Idaho's wolf population is much larger than biologists had predicted and it is endangering the state's elk and deer, says the director of the state's Office of Species Conservation.

Jim Caswell spoke Thursday to the Concerned Sportsmen of Idaho group in Lewiston. Many of those in attendance voiced opposition to the predators.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service this month changed the wolves' rating from "endangered" to "threatened," which gives the agency more flexibility in managing the packs.

"The status change does not affect wolves currently listed as 'experimental populations,' which includes those throughout the Yellowstone ecosystem in Montana, Idaho and Wyoming. They already can be killed by ranchers if they see the predators attacking livestock on their private land."

But Caswell said the problem lies with depredation of deer and elk herds.

Under federal law, wolves preying on big game herds cannot be killed. They can only be relocated. But Caswell said there is no place to put them.

"Central Idaho's population was estimated earlier this year at no less than 285 wolves in 19 packs. That is nearly double the minimum number the federal government said would be required to begin removing the predator from federal protection."

As a solution to the big game issue, Caswell touted Gov. Dirk Kempthorne's strategy to manage wolves. First, he has requested the federal Department of Interior grant the state management authority.

The state could use killing as a tool to protect big game herds, Caswell said. The actual killing would be the responsibility of the federal government and would be paid for with federal money.

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# Craig aims to exempt gun makers from liability

By Daniel Pollman  
States News Service



Sen. Larry Craig

WASHINGTON — Legislation that would block lawsuits against gun makers and sellers of their products is introduced has drawn support from more than half of the Senate and House, after the political climate created during the Washington-area sniper attacks derailed a similar bill last year.

The companion bills (H.R. 1036 and S. 659) introduced by Rep. Cliff Stearns, R-Fla., in the House and Sen. Larry Craig, R-Idaho, in the Senate, have drawn support from mostly Republicans, but several Democrats have signed onto the bills. Stearns' bill has 243 cosponsors, and Craig's bill has 51.

Critics say the legislation would protect gun makers — such as Bushmaster Firearms Inc. of Windham, Maine, and Tac-Mac Shooter Supply, of Tacoma, Wash., the gun dealer where the D.C. sniper suspects supposedly obtained their Bushmaster assault rifle — from legal claims.

Stearns dismissed that argument and said the manufacturers are simply following the law and selling a product. Stearns said the lawsuits against the gun makers are frivolous and are "on the

basis of deep pockets," he said. Many states have already passed the same law and courts often throw out similar cases. Craig, who introduced the legislation on Wednesday, said the bill is a response to lawsuits that target gun makers.

"It is solely directed at stopping frivolous, politically driven litigation against law-abiding gun owners and firearms businesses for the misbehavior of criminals over whom they had no control," Craig said. "The truth of the matter is that there are millions of firearms in this country today, yet only a tiny fraction of them have ever been used in the commission of a crime."

Craig's spokesman, Will Hart, said the bill, titled Protection of Lawful Commerce in Arms Act, is simple, common sense, and he expects the bill to pass this session.

"If you look at it intelligently, these lawsuits are not brought about because of a specific flaw in the product," Hart said. "We don't believe that a law-abiding

citizen who sells a gun under the laws should be responsible if someone commits a crime with a gun they sell."

Former Maine Sen. William D. Hathaway, a Democrat, is lobbying for the Brady Campaign to Prevent Gun Violence to encourage "certain senators" to vote against the bill. He said the bill is "nonsense," and he hopes to turn the Senate against the measure.

The bill "has got a chance in the Senate," Hathaway said. "It depends on how many people are going to give the bill support. I assume that the National Rifle Association is behind the majority in the Senate cosponsoring the bill."

Eric Howard, spokesman for the Brady Campaign, said the legislation is "very dangerous" and gives special immunity to the gun industry.

"The NRA wants to protect corrupt gun dealers and tell states what is allowed in the courtroom and what isn't," Howard said. "You're going to take away the industry's incentive to become less negligent and move away from the trade of illegal firearms. They're already negligent, but you're taking away any incentive to correct the problem."

# Eight vie for Bellevue leadership seats

By Barb Newlett  
Times-News correspondent

BELLEVUE — Eight residents are contending for four leadership positions up for election next month.

The city will ask residents to vote on April 7 for the position of mayor and three council seats that are up for grabs.

Elections for the City Council are always held the first Monday in April, contrary to other Idaho cities, because Bellevue is the only remaining charter city in the state.

Bellevue was granted a charter back when Idaho was a territory, said city attorney Jim Phillips. While there once was a number of charter cities, such as Boise and Lewiston, all but Bellevue have lost the charter designation, he said.

As a charter city, Bellevue maintains all the powers and authorities of other Idaho towns, but as such it is required by law

to hold City Council elections the first Monday every April. In the race for mayor, incumbent John Barton faces challenger Larry Platt.

Three council seats are up for election this year. Incumbents Wayne Douthett and Fanny Schofield are being challenged by Eric Allen, Monte Boyell, Vivian Ivey and Robert Mass. Councilman Dale Shaves is not seeking re-election.

The winners will be the top three vote-getters, said city clerk Dee Barton.

The election will be held from

noon to 8 p.m. on April 7 at Bellevue City Hall.

Unregistered voters may register at the polls on election day. Proof of residency and a photo identification card are required. Absentee ballots are also available at City Hall.

A candidate forum sponsored by the Times-News Journal will be from 7 to 9 p.m. March 31 at Bellevue Elementary School, 305 N. Utah.

Times-News correspondent Barb Newlett can be reached at ext. 600 on the phone or at newlett@times-news.com.

# Forest Service will improve trailhead

The Times-News

KETCHUM — The U.S. Forest Service has decided to improve an existing road and trailhead that provides access to the Fox Creek Trail system six miles north of Ketchum and west of Idaho Highway 75.

Ketchum District Ranger Kurt Nelson made the decision. "This decision will provide a much-needed improvement for public access to the Fox Creek Trail system," he said in a press release. "Right now, parking at existing trailheads is inadequate and has resulted in conflicts between trail users and homeowners due to parking congestion in subdivisions. The new trailhead facility will alleviate those problems and provide a good opportunity to disperse use at this popular trail system."

The new trailhead will have the following improvements: a paved parking area to accommodate 15 to 20 vehicles and three to four vehicle/trailer combinations, a single-unit vault toilet, a 90-foot bridge over the Big Wood River, and a 40-foot access road that will include the installation of a culvert to asphalt water truck, minimal road widening and the addition of road surface material to manage water runoff into the Big Wood River.

The total road improvement to the existing access road and parking area will cover about a fourth of a mile. In addition, about one eighth of a mile of existing, unimproved road will be rehabilitated, seeded and closed to motor vehicle use.

Nelson's decision follows the completion of an environmental assessment, which provided three different opportunities for the public to review and comment on the proposal. The details and rationale for Nelson's decision are available by contacting the

The total road improvement to the existing access road and parking area will cover about a fourth of a mile.

Ketchum Ranger District office on West Valley Road, 20844-12571. The documents also are available on the Sawtooth National Forest's Web site at [www.fs.fed.us/sawtooth](http://www.fs.fed.us/sawtooth).

"The idea for this trailhead facility here at Fox Creek is not a new one," Nelson said. "Back in 1971, the Forest Service purchased the existing Forest Service access road to provide the public with access from State Highway 75 to the national forest. This was done with the foresight of developing a trailhead when the need arose. Today, that need is very evident."

The Fox Creek Trail system consists of 20 miles of single-track trail and annually provides recreation opportunities to more than 20,000 hikers, mountain bikers, runners and equestrians. "This is one of the most popular trail systems that we have in the Wood River Valley," Nelson said. "The Fox Creek system is important from the standpoint that it really helps to distribute use in this area. It also helps to relieve pressure from adjacent trailheads, such as the one in Chocolate Gulch, which is located in a subdivision."

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## Judge sends man with drunk driving convictions to prison

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — A Midvale man convicted of drunk driving nine times since 1983 was sent to prison for up to five years for driving under the influence.

"I'll never drink again," Christopher Dee Duran told Judge Leslie Lewis on Friday in 3rd District Court.

But Duran, 43, had lost his credibility. "I don't for one minute feel comfortable putting you out on the highways again," Lewis told Duran. "I have no indication you'll change. You got your first DUI in 1988, and they've been steady ever since."

For past convictions, Duran was ordered into alcohol counseling and served jail terms totaling 480 days.

Lewis said Duran has one of the longest drunken-driving records she had come across. His two most recent arrests occurred within weeks of each other last year.

On Sept. 4, 2002, a Salt Lake City police officer found Duran slumped in his car in Sugar House Park, with a .32-caliber bottle of beer in his lap. He was charged with third-degree felony DUI, as well as two misdemeanor counts. He had a blood-alcohol level of 0.13 — Utah's legal limit is 0.08.

On Sept. 16, South Jordan police stopped Duran and measured his blood-alcohol level at 0.248 — more than three times the legal limit. That case was dismissed when Duran pleaded guilty to the Salt Lake City case.

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## Kempthorne gets solid marks from outsiders

By Bob Fick  
Associated Press writer

BOISE — Republican Gov. Dirk Kempthorne drew the wrath of his party's conservative wing when he became one of the first GOP chief executives to propose erasing his state's deficit by raising taxes.

And he has kept conservatives angered because unlike his first four-year term as governor, Kempthorne is sticking by his plan, declining to acquiesce to alternatives from the Legislature's Republican majority.

But outside partisan circles, the governor is getting solid marks.

On March 17, Larry Sabato, director of the University of Virginia Center for Politics, has made a habit of watching the nation's governors deal with good times and bad.

He was in Idaho last year while Kempthorne was campaigning for his second term.

"Almost every governor, Republican or Democrat, has called for tax increases because they've been left holding the bag," Sabato said. "They can't print money, and the only other choice is to cut programs."

Jasper LaCala, a longtime observer of Idaho government who teaches politics and economics at the University of Idaho, agreed.

"He's doing what he has to do," LaCala said.

But both concede that in a state

Gov. Dirk Kempthorne  
Observers offer praise

like Idaho, GOP governors pushing higher taxes stand out. When Democratic Gov. Gary Locke of Washington proposed erasing his state's deficit with spending cuts, people joined in Idaho that the two had gotten their programs crossed.

Kempthorne appears to be slowly moving lawmakers toward his way of thinking. He lost his cent-and-a-half increase in the sales tax on Friday. But the use of his veto stamp to blunt attempted program reductions has convinced legislative leaders that the final budget solution will combine higher taxes and restrained spending that avoids the dismantling of government that

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— Larry Sabato,  
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Kempthorne refuses to accept. “Kempthorne is clearly more moderate than the average Idaho officeholder,” Sabato said, “and because of that he's never been extremely popular. He's won two terms, but the people have not been out there shouting, ‘Hosanna!’”

With re-election behind him and a promise not to run again, Kempthorne is “much more proactive than he has been,” LaCala said. “He set his agenda, and he's holding it firm.”

Sabato and LaCala also agree on why it took two years for the former Boise mayor turned U.S. senator to get his bearings as the state's chief executive.

Sabato believes that Kempthorne's difficulty in asserting himself during his first term rests in his experience as a senator — someone with a ready-made rhetorical platform whose respon-

sibility is diluted by being just one of 100 votes on any issue.

“Governors tend to be more moderate than senators, who are either further to the right or further to the left,” he said. “They live in an ideological world where they just take positions and don't have to live with the consequences.”

“Governors are responsible for what happens in the borders of their state,” he said. “They have to think out the consequences of their decisions.”

Sabato suggested that it takes time to make the transition from being just another face in the crowd to accepting responsibility for nearly everything that happens.

LaCala blames Kempthorne's ineffective first term on his lack of experience in the state Legislature — something his four predecessors all had. He suspects Kempthorne did not completely understand his position and followed his past inclinations by offering initiatives and then sitting back and letting the Legislature work them out.

“He had to learn his position,” LaCala said. “I don't know that it took four years. It just wasn't until this budget crisis that he was forced to change.”

Now he's in a position where he's had to make a decision that disturbed some people,” he said. “If the budget crisis had come sooner, he would have had to make the tough decisions sooner.”

## Slingshot vandals wreak havoc on glass building

BOISE (AP) — Owners of a glass-faced complex near the Greenbelt hope video surveillance cameras and a cash reward will stop vandals who have caused more than \$100,000 in damage since December.

Boise police suspect the culprits used wrist-racket slingshots and marbles to hit 51 windows at the Alter University Plaza Office Complex, 18 of which were broken Tuesday night.

The glass-faced complex is close to the Greenbelt, which broke glass vandals cover, said Mike Eisenberg, spokesman for the complex's property management company. Eisenberg said he believes the sole motivation behind the vandalism is the location of the building.

It's a pretty high exposure building,” he said. “It has a pretty much straight vandalism. Most of the windows hit are sev-

eral stories up, and they are random patterns.”

The first incident occurred Dec. 29 when 31 windows were broken. Investigators found marbles at the building in December and after the incident Tuesday, according to Boise police reports.

Each window costs \$2,000, Eisenberg said. After the first incident, extra lighting and surveillance equipment were added to the building. Building officials now plan to add more cameras on the property and will have employees distribute flyers to surrounding neighborhoods asking residents to contact police if they have information.

The officials are also adding \$2,000 to the standard \$1,000 reward offered by Crime Stoppers for information leading to a conviction.

## Defendant pleads innocent in savage attack

CALDWELL (AP) — The final suspect in the brutal attack of a Washington woman nearly three years ago pleaded innocent Friday to seven charges related to the case.

Sarah Proctor, 20, is charged with first-degree kidnapping, conspiracy to commit first-degree kidnapping, robbery, conspiracy to commit robbery, aggravated battery, and abetting first-degree arson and aiding and abetting attempted first-degree murder. The charges stem from a violent attack on Laila Lefrane in June 2000.

Lefrane was driving alone through Canyon County on Interstate 84 when she was stopped near Sand Hollow by three men and a woman, taken to a beet field off a rural road, hit with a bat, stabbed and slashed multiple times. Investigators said her attackers left before returning to stab Lefrane again and set her car on fire.

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IDAHO

# Indian actress shares experience

LEWISTON (AP) — The boys and girls whistle when actress Kimberly Norris Guerrero, 36, steps up and takes the microphone.

"What famous people have you met?" asks a chipper voice in the crowd.

Guerrero (the name means "warrior" in Spanish) says she is friends with John Cusack, Viggo Mortensen ("Lord of the Rings"), and all of the Indian actors such as Adam Beach and Graham Greene.

For about four months out of the year, Guerrero travels the United States and works with young people. She gives talks about AIDS and abstinence, but mainly she encourages students to visualize goals and work toward them.

Dreams take work to achieve, she advises. Without that work, life will throw down roadblocks. "All of a sudden life starts living you, and you don't have a life."

Guerrero, who grew up in Oklahoma, says she has seen what happens to people who choose to drink or use drugs or fall victim to teenage pregnancy.

Guerrero's mother was 15 years old when she gave birth to her and gave her up for adoption. "One choice," she says of her mother's decision.

As an enrolled member of the Colville tribe, Guerrero says she feels like this part of the country runs through her blood. She is also has Salish, Kootenai and Cherokee ancestry.

This week she has brought the message of film to the high school students gathered for the Idaho Indian Youth Conference at Lewis Clark State College in Lewiston.

Guerrero's professional acting career began at age 7, when she played in her community theater's production of "The Music Man." Since then, she has moved on to "Hollywood." Her film credits include "Ravenhawk," "Naturally Native," and a role

Guerrero says that being an Indian actress is a double-edged sword. Her roots enabled her to find an acting niche that "got (her) foot in the door." However, she is often offered only Indian roles.

playing Jeff Daniels' wife in the comedic film "Escamaba in da Moonlight."

Her television credits include "Seinfeld," "Northern Exposure" and "As the World Turns."

She showed a "reel" of her comedy efforts to the crowd made up of many Indian students who laughed at her role as the "straight man" opposite of Jerry Seinfeld. The gags revolve around the two as Jerry, who dates Guerrero's character, stumbles over political correctness pitfalls.

Jerry stops himself before he says he made "reservations" at a restaurant, or that he purchased sports tickets from a "sculptor." The two of them part ways when Jerry accuses her of being someone who gives something, becomes dissatisfied, and wants to take it back.

"You mean an Indian giver?" her character accuses.

"I'm not familiar with that term," claims Jerry.

Guerrero said the Seinfeld writers were continually asking her what was offensive and what was not. However, while it may have bothered some people, she thought her role as a strong, bright character who "dumps Jerry" had a broad appeal. The gags were inclusive.

"Native people in general just like to be thrown up in there."

Guerrero says that being an Indian actress is a double-edged sword. Her roots enabled her to find an acting niche that "got (her) foot in the door."

However, she is often offered only Indian roles. She said Indian actors are at the bottom of the ladder, just behind Asian actors, when it comes to being cast in roles that disregard ethnicity.

She explains writers tend to write "Indian" parts and she might not be considered for straight roles such as doctors or attorneys.

As she branches out into directing and writing, Guerrero said she does not intend to pigeonhole herself.

"I don't see myself just doing native films."

Her first film, however, is all Indian.

The 41-minute film, "Standing Cloud," which she wrote and directed, is her gift to children of the reservations. The film came from "divine inspiration" and took her only 40 minutes to write, with few later revisions. The film shows the day in the life of an Indian woman who is a mother, a wife and is graduating from college.

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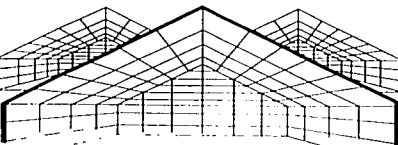
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# The Butterfly man

Former UI art dept. chairman passionately studies Idaho butterflies

MOSCOW (AP) — He doesn't look like a scientist.

With his twinkling eyes, ample gray hair and flowing white beard, Nelson Curtis would be a natural for a part in a Christmas movie. But his passion for entomology, the study of insects, is anything but fanciful.

Curtis, 75, is Idaho's butterfly man.

"If it flies in Idaho, I'm interested," he said. "It's a butterfly species that exists in Idaho, I'm interested in it. It isn't known to exist in Idaho but it's possible, I'm definitely interested."

Curtis is a former chairman of the University of Idaho's art department. Much of his Moscow home is decorated with his artwork, but his study is chock full of entomology books, maps, butterfly research papers, and butterfly specimens. He can recognize each of Idaho's 154 butterfly species and their subspecies at a glance.

His thousands of meticulously mounted specimens reveal the beauty of the artwork in the rest of his home. He has personally collected half a million butterflies, most of them in Idaho.

Any day now, as soon as after noon temperatures reach 50 degrees, Curtis will be wandering the hills and valleys of Latah County with his net poised.

Russ Bigham of the University of Idaho's entomological sciences department calls him "the state's No. 1 butterfly person."

"He's not a professional entomologist — it's his hobby but his knowledge is 90 percent to 95 percent of a professional's. And he knows more about the butterflies of Idaho than anyone."

Curtis's interest in the bugs with beautiful wings began when he collected them as a child growing up in Tennessee. His interest as a serious entomologist began relatively late in life, when he spent the summer of 1972 collecting butterflies in the Moscow area with his daughter.

He was then in his mid-40s.

"Last was about five or six then," he said. "We didn't have much to do that summer, so we spent a lot of our time collecting. She went on to other things, and I got hooked."

What began as a pastime became an obsession, and the art professor became a student

When he wasn't teaching or running the art department, Curtis was likely to be taking entomology classes. Weekends and summers were spent roaming the state with his butterfly net. Every vacation became a collecting expedition.

"It was a timely subject at times because I never got the bug," his wife, Elisabeth, said. "I'm afraid of bugs. He'd bring his net and I'd bring my books and needles and work."

Collecting has been a good stress reliever for him, but he tends to get a little carried away. At one point, the Andubon Society asked him to speak. So he went and said, "I've been meaning to talk to you guys for a long time. You damned birds are eating my butterflies."

He visits his collecting areas in the spring, summer and fall.

"If I find something interesting," he said, "I set up a tent and stay there. You can't have just one butterfly. You have to have 50 or 75 to show the variations."

Butterflies of the same gender, species and even subspecies don't necessarily look alike.

"What we have between this area doesn't look like what we have north, east, south or west of us," he said. "A butterfly can be different depending on the weather. The size, color, patterns and shapes vary, and we haven't been able to correlate it."

"You can't say cold weather makes them smaller, for example. We don't even know if weather is a primary or secondary effect. Maybe the weather affects the food plant, which affects the larvae, which affects the adult butterfly."

There are butterflies in Africa that migrate in some years, and the ones that migrate look nothing like the ones that don't. They thought for a long time that they were a separate species, but they aren't. Mother Nature is constantly changing, constantly trying to make something different.

The variations appeal to his scientific interest, the beauty to his artistic side.

"Some of them are darned pretty," he said. "They're just damned good looking bugs."

Warning to his role as Mother Nature's expert witness, he drives visitors to drawers filled with mounted butterflies. The oversized drawer cabinet fills an entire wall. Each drawer contains dozens of little specimens, so close together that their wings are almost touching and so well preserved that they look as if they could take flight.

Butterflies of the same species vary significantly. Some have vivid colors and bold markings, others are pale and muted.



Nelson Curtis, a retired professor of art at the University of Idaho, speaks Nov. 11, 2002, in Moscow.



Curtis organizes his butterfly collection by species population, sorted by neighboring geographical regions.

"It's like a dog," Curtis said. "If you have just one dog, you don't have anything. There are lots of things out there that are dogs that don't look at all like."

In addition to expounding on the scientific details of the butterflies in his collection, he can tell you when and where in the state he collected them. It's almost as if he had a personal relationship with each butterfly.

The most unusual has one blue wing and one brown and yellow wing. Normally, the male of its species has blue wings, the female brown and yellow.

"This poor little devil doesn't know what it is," he said.

"I got this one on a mountaintop where I had an interesting experience with a grizzly bear. I'd been warned to watch out for grizzlies and suddenly all hell broke loose. I can like crazy. When I finally turned around, my grizzly bear turned out to be two caribou."

His passion for butterflies doesn't extend to other insects.

"I wouldn't touch a moth with a 10 foot pole under any conditions. They're rats, little things and miscreants. I can't think of a single butterfly that's inquisitive. One eats a little alfalfa, another cabbage and corn, but not in a destructive way. Butterflies have never been known to kill a tree the way moths do."

Though his home is a virtual repository of butterfly information, much of Curtis's knowledge specific to Idaho butterflies exists only in his head. At his age, he worries that it could be lost.

"The current chairman of the entomology department told me he'd give me a doctorate if I'd write a book but being an author doesn't ring my chimes, and I need another degree like a hole in the head. What I'd like to do is get all this on the Internet so people can use it and add to it."



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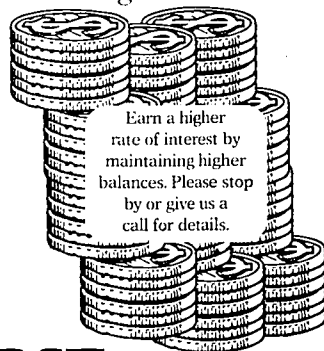
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## MORNING LINE

### SPORTSQUOTE

We're still knocking the gymnasium off of these guys.

—Filer baseball coach Kent Kungz, on the transition from baseball to basketball season

### TRIVIA QUESTION:

When was the last time Boise State made the women's NCAA tournament? How far did the Broncos advance?

...answer below

### IN BRIEF:

#### Canyon Springs men tee off today

**TWIN FALLS** — The Canyon Springs Men's Golf Association is holding its annual season-opening scramble and breakfast from 7-9 a.m. today. Play follows with a shotgun start at approximately 9 a.m.

Members can pay club and Idaho Golf Association dues at registration. Players interested in twilight league should sign up Sunday. For more information, call the pro shop at 734-2609.

#### Dixie State men take third at nationals

**HUTCHINSON, Kan.** — Dixie State College defeated Georgia Premier 75-67 for third place at the 2003 NJCAA Division 1 Men's Basketball Tournament at the Hutchinson Sports Arena Saturday.

Southeastern, Iowa (37-1) beat San Jacinto, Texas, 76-68, to win its second national championship in four years. Monroe, N.Y., beat Okaloosa-Walton, Fla., 106-93 for fifth place and Southeastern Ill. topped Coffeyville, Kan., 87-77 for seventh place.

#### McKean starts 19th at SW Series race

**BAKERSFIELD, Calif.** — Jerome's Eddie McKean started 19th at the Star Nursery.com 200 at Mesa Marin Raceway in Bakersfield, Calif. late Saturday. The race is the second on the schedule for the Featherlite Southwest Series.

McKean's quickest lap was 19.549 seconds at 92.076 mph. Bud Pole winner Dan Holtz turned a 19.016 lap in 94.657 mph. McKean was second in the points coming in. The race finished after The Times-News' press time. Read how McKean finished in Monday's sports section.

#### Spaulding and Young win at Carmela Vineyards

**GLENN'S FERRY** — The team of Will Spaulding and Lewis Young combined to shoot 62 for a three-stroke gross win at the Carmela Vineyards 2-Person Scramble Saturday.

Terry McNew and partner Jim Astorquia won the net side with a 57.3.

In first flight, Jim Andreason and D. Beukers won the gross with an overall score of 65. Jon Caudill and Jon Brennan took the net side with a 54.7.

#### Bruins softball team announces camp

**TWIN FALLS** — The annual Twin Falls High School softball camp will be held on Monday and Tuesday from 11-4 daily. Cost is \$35 per camper and includes lunch 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 Baumer at 733-4978.

Compiled from staff and wire reports

### TRIVIA ANSWER:

1994, the first year the field grew to 64 teams. Boise State lost to Washington, 89-61, in the first round.

## NCAA TOURNAMENT

# Arizona escapes 'Zags

Double OT thriller is game of tourney

By Bob Baum  
Associated Press writer

**SALT LAKE CITY** — Those ever-lovin' Zags almost did it again, this time in a double-overtime thriller against top-seeded Arizona.

If the Wildcats won the national championship, they will always know that this was the one that came a few missed shots by Gonzaga from winning it all.

Sahni Stoudamire, quiet most of the intense evening, scored five points in the second overtime as the Wildcats held off the ninth-seeded Bulldogs 96-95 Saturday in a game that ranks with the best in NCAA tournament history.

"That," Arizona's Jason Gardner said, "was definitely an ESPN Classic."

Gonzaga nearly pulled off an upset that would have dented



Arizona's Channing Frye celebrates his team's 96-95 win over Gonzaga in double overtime in their second round NCAA West Regional game Saturday in Salt Lake City. Frye scored 22 points to help lead the Wildcats team to the win.

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anything the Bulldogs did during their exhilarating tournament runs in 1999, 2000 and 2001.

"On all the teams I've had at

Gonzaga, I've never been more proud," coach Mark Few said. Stoudamire's fluster in the line with 203 left in the second overtime were the game's final points. Gonzaga (24-9) had numerous chances to take the lead but failed.

"That's the greatest game I ever played in," Arizona's Rick

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# HOME COOKING

Lady Vols improve to 41-0 at home in NCAA games

The Associated Press

**KNOXVILLE, Tenn.** — All home sweet home.

Playing on its own campus against an NCAA tournament newcomer, top-seeded Tennessee was in control right from the start and beat Alabama State 95-43 Saturday to open the Midwest Regional.

Shyla Ely had 17 points and eight rebounds, and reserve Britany Jackson scored 16 on nearly perfect shooting for Tennessee (29-0), which raced to a 32-0 lead after just 4.5 minutes.

Tennessee will play Virginia in the second round Monday — another home game for the Lady Vols. Indeed, Tennessee can reach the Final Four this year without ever leaving the comfort

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of home, scheduled to play four games at its Thompson-Belton Arena.

The Lady Vols' defense was impressive, holding Alabama State to just 21 percent shooting from the field 12 of 20.

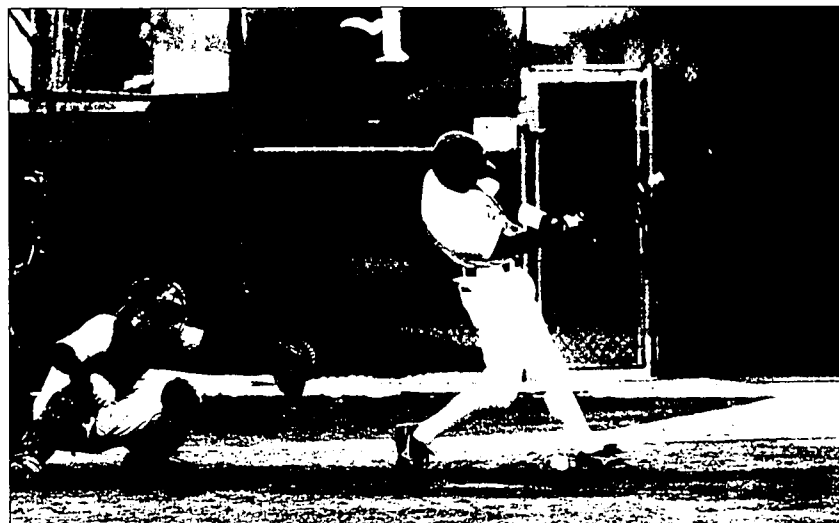
"I told our basketball team at halftime we looked like we'd been camped up for two weeks. Somebody opened up the door and they came out with tremendous energy and precision," Tennessee coach Pat Summitt said.

The Lady Vols are looking for their seventh national title. How big an advantage is staying at home for Tennessee?

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WOMEN

# CSI whips Douglas



CSI freshman Levi Shumway fouls a pitch off his foot during the first game of a doubleheader against the Douglas College Royals Saturday at Jim Walker Field. CSI won the game 19-1.

# Golden Eagles clout nine doubles in sweep

By Joe Paisley  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** — The Golden Eagles adjusted to the Douglas College Royals pitching during Game 2 Friday.

The College of Southern Idaho clobbered the Royals pitching for

## CSI baseball

Saturday's games  
CSI 19, Douglas 1  
CSI 11, Douglas 3  
Next week  
CSI at Utah Valley State College

a combined 28 hits, including

nine doubles, in wins of 19-1 and 11-3 of their college baseball doubleheader at Jim Walker Field. The Royals pitchers had below-average college speed on their pitches, and it took the Eagles (17-10) some at-bats to adjust after facing some hard hurlers from Southern Nevada the week before.

"They were so slow," said center fielder Derek McNeil. "It was tough to keep your weight back. Seventy-eight to 80 miles per hour is tough to adjust to."

But the Eagles clearly did, jumping out to an 8-0 lead after two innings against Douglas.

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# Chang settles for chorus of cheers

By Steven Wine  
Associated Press writer

**KEY BISCAYNE, Fla.** — Andre Agassi earned the victory. Michael Chang settled for a curtain call.

As the two longtime rivals walked off the stadium court, Agassi graciously took a sideline seat so Chang could bask alone in one last round of applause at Key Biscayne.

They played for perhaps the final time Saturday, and Agassi won 6-4, 6-2 in the second round of the Nasdaq 100 Open. Chang plans to retire after his 17th U.S. Open this summer.

"Not just in tennis, but in all of sports, he's as great a competitor as you'll ever see," Agassi said. "He has never once not shown up with everything he had."

But as has often been the case, Chang's best wasn't enough against Agassi, who opened a bid for his sixth Key Biscayne title after a first-round bye.

The rivalry dates back 22 years to a tournament when Chang was 10 and



Andre Agassi blowing kisses to his fans

Agassi 12. Chang never beat Agassi in their countless junior matches, and on the pro tour Agassi has won 15 of their 22 meetings, including the past

Still, Chang said he hopes for more chances against Agassi — and Pete Sampras as well — in his final months on tour.

"I feel like it's an opportunity for me to go out there and play against some of the best players in the world, guys that I've grown up playing against for so many years," Chang said. "It's always something that is very enjoyable for me — a little more enjoyable when I win."

Advancing to the women's third round were No. 4-seeded Justine Henin-Hardenne and No. 6 Jennifer Capriati. On another steamy day in South Florida, Capriati started slowly, but won her opening match against Anastasia Rodionova 7-6 (3), 6-3.

In other men's play, No. 4 Roger Federer beat Luis Horna 6-2, 7-5. Federer lost to Agassi in last year's final.

At 32, Agassi is two years older than Chang. But Chang does a lot

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## SPORTS

## Eagle ace powers down Bruins

Mustangs earn sweep

By Karen Baument  
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS — Defending Class 5A state softball champion Eagle and ace pitcher Randi Cook remained perfect at 7-0 on the year with a 4.0 and 6-1 sweep of Twin Falls at Bruin Field Saturday.

Cook was nearly perfect herself, coming out an ace from a perfect game in Game 1.

Arguably the best pitcher in the state and one of the best high school pitchers in the country, Cook has verbally committed and will sign April 16 with Oklahoma State.

Against the Bruins, Cook showed why she will be playing Division I softball next season after the 17-year-old senior struck out 15 batters through 2 1/3 perfect innings. But senior

Blondie Turkey broke up the flawless game by drilling a double to left center before Cook ended the game with what, else, another strikeout.

It's likely she's only given up one or two other hits this season as she improved to 10, but not even Cook was certain.

"I just pitch and hopefully the defense is behind me," Cook said. "They always are."

The Bruins, who dropped to 2-2 on the season, left with something to hope.

Cook only gave up a single hit to the Bruins in a 10-1 victory in the opening round of last year's state tournament in Twin Falls. And while Eagle swept the doubleheader Saturday, all but one run by the Mustangs was unearned. The only other earned run of the doubleheader was Twin Falls, in Game 2.

"We did have errors, but we did an excellent job as a team sticking together," Krista Gamble said. "We talked about their pitcher before the game and we knew she was good. We might have been a little intimidated but we were really aggressive. We took a lot of swings that we wouldn't have had last couple of years."

One of the main reasons the Bruins stuck around Saturday

was pitcher Ruth Anna Spooner. The senior struck out only five but gave up just four singles — three of those in the infield and the other a slow roller between shortstop and third base.

Eagle's runs came behind three Bruin errors.

Mustangs Heather Kirtley and Jami Shigeno took free passes to open the second inning — one walk, the other a hit by pitch. A Bruin error loaded the bases. Spooner struck out the next batter before Kirtley scored on a fielders' choice. Shigeno scored one batter later when Anna Spooner grounded out to second base.

Eagle added two more in the top of the seventh on two infield singles, a walk and a Bruin error. Game 2 was much the same for the Bruins defensively. Twin Falls had five errors. The Bruins did get their bats going, finishing the contest with seven hits.

It looked like Eagle was going to put runs on the scoreboard early when Schroeder took second on a Bruin error to lead off the game followed by a Tyler

Schafer single that moved Schroeder to third. Schroeder attempted to score on a wild pitch but Turkey dove back to the plate to tag her out and end the scoring threat.

After Eagle scored three runs in the third inning on four hits and two Bruin errors, it looked like Twin Falls might get on the board.

After two strikeouts, Jamie Harrison got on by an Eagle error and Gambrel singled. The Bruins couldn't capitalize as the next batter popped up to the shortstop.

The Bruins lone run came in fourth when Turkey led off the inning with a single followed by a Temple Levings single and an Eagle single by Erin Daniels. Three straight Bruin outs, however, ended the threat.

Twin Falls is idle until April 2 when it hosts Minico at 4:30 p.m.

Game 1	Game 2
Eagle 10-1	Eagle 10-1
Twin Falls 0-2	Twin Falls 0-2
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## Avs clinch playoff berth with win over Blackhawks

DENVER (AP) — Alex Tanguay stayed hot with his first career hat trick and the Colorado Avalanche clinched a playoff spot by routing the Chicago Blackhawks 8-1 Saturday.

Tanguay, who has 20 goals and 33 assists in his last 44 games, scored twice in the second period.

Colorado had five goals. Rob Blake, Adam Foote and Stephen Reineckert added second period goals.

Peter Forsberg had a career-high five assists for the Avalanche, who moved within four points of late Vancouver for the lead in the Northwest Division. The Avs have made the playoffs every season since moving to Denver for the 1995-96 season. They also made the playoffs in their final year in Quebec.

Patrick Roy stopped 22 shots in two periods to improve to 30-14-12, his 13th 30-win season and eighth consecutive year with at least that many victories. David Aebischer played the third period.

## Rangers 2, Flyers 1

PHILADELPHIA — Dan Biega made 28 saves in a spectacular relief effort and Petr Nedved scored the winning goal late in the third period. The victory kept the Rangers' slim playoff hopes going in the Eastern Conference.

Nedved scored his 25th goal when he took a shot from the top of the right circle that glanced off the butt end of goaltender Robert Esche's stick and into the net with 3:12 remaining in the third period.

## Senators 3, Panthers 1

SUNRISE, Fla. — Marian Hossa scored with 6:7 seconds left as Ottawa clinched the Northeast Division title.

Hossa tied Vancouver star Markus Naslund and Todd Bertuzzi for the NHL goal lead, scoring his 43rd.

## Devils 4, Islanders 2

UNIONDALE, N.Y. — Joe Stienwender had a goal and an

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again at 3 on a well placed sacrifice bunt to second by Tyler Sharpe to score the runner from third base.

But CSI started to pull away as Brock tied. Four straight singles scored two runs to make it 5-3.

CSI put the game away in the bottom of the sixth with six runs, powered by six straight singles and three-run double by Casey Oliver.

It resembled batting practice by that point.

"We're awfully impressive when we do that," Walker said. "But it wasn't a perfect performance by any means. Game 2 starter freshman Ross Swisher gave up four walks in two-plus innings before Ryan Davis stepped in and settled things down. Swisher's control problems were a big reason why the Royals were in the game early."

Davis allowed three hits in four innings, one earned run

assist as New Jersey won for the fourth time in five games.

Eascal Rheame, Jamie Langenbrunner and John Madden also scored for the Devils, who extended their Atlantic Division lead over Philadelphia to four points.

Oleg Kvasha and Jamie Stennard scored for the Islanders.

## Canadiens 5, Hurricanes 3

MONTREAL — Saku Kivivuori and Andrei Markov each had a goal and an assist, and Jose Theodore made 34 saves for Montreal.

Francis Bouillon, Jason Ward and Donald Audette also scored for Montreal, which ended a seven-game home winless streak.

Carolina's Kevin Adams opened the scoring 14 seconds into the game, and Josef Vascek also scored for the Hurricanes.

## Thrashers 3, Blue Jackets 2

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Lathas Barcko scored with 2:04 left to lift Atlanta over Columbus.

Dany Heatley had a goal to extend his points streak to six games (4-6-10). He has eight goals and 14 points this month.

Mark Hartigan also had a goal for Atlanta. Rick Nash and Lasse Pirttala scored for the Blue Jackets. Matt Davidson had his first multipoint NHL game with two assists.

## Maple Leafs 3, Sabres 2, OT

TORONTO — Bryan McCabe beat Mike Sorrentino with a slap shot 36 seconds into overtime as Toronto beat Buffalo.

Mats Sundin and Robert Svehla each had a goal and an assist for Maple Leafs, who played their third straight overtime game. J.P. Dumont and James Patrick scored for the Sabres.

## Red Wings 4, Blues 2

ST. LOUIS — Niklas Lidstrom scored the go-ahead goal in the third period and Curtis Joseph stopped 24 shots as the Red Wings won their sixth straight game.

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## Simons pilots G.F. past Filer; Bruins shut out Caldwell

The Times-News

FILER — Zach Simons went 4-for-4 with two doubles and struck out 12 Filer batters to lead Glens Ferry over Filer 12-1 in nonconference baseball Saturday at Filer (C-4).

Filer coach Kent Knigge said Simons is a handful.

"He brings the whole package," he said. "He really leads by example."

Mike Anstuegtus belted a grand slam in the fourth inning to secure the rout.

Josh Anderson had a pair of hits for Filer, which won the junior varsity matchup 18-2.

"It was real proud as to how our younger kids came out and fought with some spirit and some heart," Knigge said. "Our varsity guys have to create a sense of urgency among themselves and not wait for something to lift their spirits. They've got to come to the park and lay it out on the line. Why play if you don't give 100 percent?"

Filer travels to American Falls Tuesday at 4:30 p.m.

Game 1	Game 2
Glens Ferry 12-1	Glens Ferry 12-1
Filer 1-11	Filer 1-11
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Twins 13, Caldwell 0

TWIN FALLS — Brett Miller hit a leadoff home run and scored four runs and Todd Rebbem and Brandon Salinas each doubled twice as Twin Falls hammered Caldwell 13-0 in nonconference baseball at Bruin Field Saturday.

Christian Riehl was impressive in the victory, striking out six Cougars and giving up only three hits.

"He was awesome today," Bruins coach Matt Rasmussen said. "He really showed the ball well and had great command of his curveball. He threw 80 percent for strikes."

Tim Meier added two hits and scored three runs for Twin Falls (3-0).

Caldwell (5-2) came in off a win over Tumblehome on Friday, said Rasmussen.

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Jazz forward John Stockton, left, pulls away from Los Angeles' Andre Miller after stealing the ball Saturday in Salt Lake City.

## Jazz hold Clippers to record low 26.3 percent shooting

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Andre Kirilenko had 17 points and six blocked shots as the Utah Jazz held the Los Angeles Clippers to the lowest field-goal percentage in franchise history in an 88-73 victory Saturday night.

Even though the Clippers shot 10 of 21 in the fourth quarter during garbage time, they finished at 26.3 percent (21 of 80). The previous franchise low was 26.8 percent against Houston on Feb. 28, 2000.

Matt Hapton scored 14 points and grabbed 10 rebounds, while Karl Malone added 13 as the Jazz won their third in a row.

Corey Maggette led Los Angeles with 14 points while Wang ZhiZhu followed his career high of 24 on Wednesday with 12 points in his first start at center.

In the last meeting between the teams, the Clippers ended a 26-game losing streak in Utah that dated to April 18, 1989. The Jazz made certain it wouldn't happen again by leading the entire way and pushing the margin as high as 40 points.

John Stockton played only 22 minutes but still collected 12 assists and 9 points as the Jazz won their third in a row.

With the win, Utah moved past the Los Angeles Lakers by one-half game for sixth place in the Western.

## Bucks 93, Hornets 85

MILWAUKEE — Sam Cassell scored 11 of his 21 points in the fourth quarter Saturday as the Milwaukee Bucks gave George Karl his 700th win as an NBA coach.

The Bucks (34-16) took a one-game lead on idle Washington for the eighth playoff spot in the Eastern Conference.

Brandon Davis led New Orleans with 20 points, and Jamal Mashburn scored 18.

## Mavericks 102, Suns 95

DALLAS — Dirk Nowitzki scored 16 of his 27 points in the fourth quarter despite foul trou-

ble, and Steve Nash had 27 points and 14 assists as the Dallas Mavericks rallied to beat the Phoenix Suns 102-95 Saturday night.

The Mavericks improved their league-best record to 52-17. Shawn Marion had 21 points and 18 rebounds to lead the Suns, while Penny Hardaway had a season-high 41 points and Stephen Marbury added 20.

The Mavericks trailed by 15 in the first half and by seven entering the fourth quarter, but they went ahead for good at 70-76 with 10:28 left on consecutive 4-pointers from Nowitzki and Walt Williams.

## Hawks 92, Pacers 89

ATLANTA — Theo Ratliff blocked a potential game-winning dunk by Jermaine O'Neal in the final seconds Saturday night to help the Atlanta Hawks to a 92-89 victory over Indiana, sending the Pacers to their 11th consecutive road loss.

## Nets 107, Grizzlies 99

LAST RITHELFORD, N.J. — Keith Van Horn scored 25 points, Jason Kidd had a season-high 18 assists and the New Jersey Nets rode a 64-point first half.

Kennyon Martin and Richard Jefferson added 17 points apiece for the Nets, who posted a 1-5 game lead over idle Philadelphia in the Atlantic Division.

Jason Williams had six 3-pointers, 24 points and 11 assists and Pao Gasol added 21 points for the Nets, who are still 129 since the All-Star break.

## Bulls 100, Knicks 98

CHICAGO — Eddy Curry scored a career-high 30 points and Jamal Crawford added 22 points and 10 assists.

Jalen Rose scored 16 points and Tyson Chandler added 13 points and 13 rebounds for Chicago. Crawford, who shot 10-of-15, just missed a triple-double with nine rebounds.

Three of the Royals five errors in Game 2 undid starter Andrew Brock in the fourth for a 3-2 CSI lead. Douglas came back to tie it

## Local sports

Game 1	Game 2
Twins 13, Caldwell 0	Twins 13, Caldwell 0
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Twins 13, Caldwell 0

## Minico 8, Blackfoot 1

## Minico 14, Blackfoot 7

RUPERT — Kody Cole homered and several Minico Spartans had two or more hits as Minico shut down Blackfoot 8-1 and 14-7 in nonconference baseball Saturday at Warhurn Field.

Kreg Schone had three hits in Game 1 and Cory Warhurn struck out six with no walks and five hits. In Game 2, Gabe Frank and Dave Dietz each had three hits. Schone and Casey Bradburn added two hits each and Skyler Worthington tripled.

The wins pushed the Spartans to 4-1.

"We did a better job of getting big hits with runners in scoring position, that was our biggest improvement for sure," said coach Ben Frank. "For us, I think we'll swing it with most teams."

Minico heads to the Bucks Bag Tournament this weekend around Boise. The Spartans play Skyview of Nampa at 1:30 and Nampa at 7 p.m. Friday at Rodeo Park. Saturday, Minico plays Kuna at 1 p.m. and Boise at 7 p.m. at Fort Park in Boise.

Game 1	Game 2
Twins 13, Caldwell 0	Twins 13, Caldwell 0
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Twins 13, Caldwell 0

## Softball

## Filer 11, Glens Ferry 0

FILER — Janne Hyman ran out an inside-the-park grand slam and doubled to lead Filer to its first win of the season, 11-0, over visiting Glens Ferry on Saturday.

Lara Schmidt went 3-for-3 and Becky D'Antonio added two hits for the Wildcats (1-3, 0-1 SCIC).

"We had great defense and played really well as a team," said first-year Filer coach Kara Hyman.

Alison Knox went 2-for-3 and Jessica Simons doubled to lead the Pilots.

Filer (1-3, 0-1 SCIC) visits Declo on March 31.

Game 1	Game 2
Twins 13, Caldwell 0	Twins 13, Caldwell 0
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Twins 13, Caldwell 0

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more running because of his constant taping his leg, and his career has been in decline for several years, while Agassi seems to improve with age.

"It's great to see Andre fulfill his potential," Chang said. "When he first came on tour, he had everything but titles. He had flair and the charisma and stuff. Now he has been able to put it all together, and he's been good to see."

Seeded second, Agassi became the favorite to win his third consecutive Key Biscayne title when No. 11 Lleyton Hewitt lost his opening match Friday night against qualifier Francisco Claver.

Chang said Chang Agassi showed no signs of the sore shoulder that forced him to skip Indian Wells earlier this month. He smacked six aces and lost only 16 service points.

As a precaution, Agassi had ice on his shoulder after the match.

The only service break at the opening set came in the seventh game, when Chang lost his serve with four backhand errors. Agassi broke twice more in the second set and never lost his serve.

Even two brief rain delays couldn't halt the serve that Chang's forewell tour would soon be leaving town. But he said chasing Agassi's superior ground strokes never made him feel old.

"So, because I love to play and I see Andre has less hurt," Chang joked.

On match point, Chang hit one last error forehand, and the two friendly foes removed their caps and shook hands at the net, perhaps for the final time.

"Today felt a little something extra, playing Michael," Agassi said. "We've been on the court so many times in big situations that even though it's the second round, it still always certainly holds something special."

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## SPORTS

## It was the 'D' for Notre Dame Rite of March: Kentucky, Utah meet

JIM O'CONNELL

Notre Dame's 4-point barrage that carried it to the second round of the NCAA tournament hardly was a shock. That the Fighting Irish held Illinois to 40 points was another matter.

The 68-40 victory Saturday marked Notre Dame into the second round for the first time since 1987. It was the first time the Fighting Irish looked like a top 10 team in a while.

Notre Dame was 4-6 in its last 10 games entering the NCAA tournament. In that span, its opponents scored over 80 points and two of those cracked 30.

The 4-point shooting slaved solid at 47.8 percent, stopping other teams was the problem.

On Saturday, the Fighting Irish were 13 for 24 from 3-point range, including Dan Miller going 7 for 7. Just as impressive, the Fighting Irish held Illinois 11 points below what they had allowed on average all season.

We pumpled on them early and late and then they rebounded and we did," said Chris Thomas, who had 17 points out of Notre Dame (24-9).

Illinois shot just 48 percent, 10 points worse than its percentage for the season. "The first time they came out and played in the first half, no one could have been able to beat them," Illinois coach Bill Self said. "We got a lot of looks. They just didn't fall today."

Digger Phelps was the coach when Notre Dame last went to the regional semifinals. That time, Mike Riley was in charge. "This is huge for our program," he said. "In the summer we talked about playing on the second weekend. I'm happy this group set a goal and achieved it."

Notre Dame will be pinned in the round of 16 to Georgetown, which beat Stanford 85-74 Saturday. The two winners of the Big East at a 6 o'clock, with Syracuse and Pittsburgh playing Sunday.

The only other multi-hit league to capture the first round weekend was the Big Ten, but Notre Dame's win over Illinois took care of that spades record.

Two of Saturday's games needed more than 40 minutes to reach an end. Arizona became the first No. 1 seed to struggle, needing two overtimes to beat Gonzaga 96-95, and advancing to the round of 16 for the third straight year.

"That's the greatest game I ever played in," Arizona's Rick Johnson said. "I could see it in their eyes. Everybody on the court wanted to win."

It will be tough to top this one the rest of the tournament.

"If you did not care who won, it was a great college basketball game," Arizona coach Luke Olson said. "That was not a game for people who weren't willing to lay out their lives on the floor."

Marquette beat Missouri 101-92 in one overtime. The Golden Eagles scored 21 points in the five-minute overtime, tied for fourth most in NCAA tournament history. Texas A&M set the record with 25 in the second overtime of a 78-61 victory over North Carolina in the second round in 1980.

Wisconsin edged Tulsa 61-60 as Freddie Owens swished a 3-pointer with 1 second to play, capping a late rally.

In Saturday's other games, No. 1 Oklahoma beat California 75-65, Kansas defeated Arizona State 108-76, and Duke downed Central Michigan 86-60 to reach the round of 16 for the sixth straight year, the longest current streak.

Jim O'Connell has covered college basketball for The Associated Press since 1987. He was presented the Curt Gowdy Media Award by the Basketball Hall of Fame in 2002.

By Paul Newberry  
Associated Press writer

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Rick Majerus still reminisces about the hug from Ashley Judd.

The rest of his Kentucky memories? Ugh.

If it's March, it must be time for Utah vs. Kentucky. These two schools, which have little in common beyond their love of hoops, will meet Sunday in a second-round game at the Midwest Regional — their fifth tournament encounter in the past 11 years.

"It seems like we always end up in the same region, the same bracket," Kentucky coach Tubby Smith said. "Kentucky coach Tubby Smith came out on top, winning those four tourney games by an average of 18.5 points. Which brings us to Majerus, the lovable, roly-poly coach of the Utes."

He remembers each loss in excruciating detail — especially the 78-69 defeat in Kentucky in the 1998 national title game. The Utes led by 40 at halftime, only to get stung by the greatest comeback in championship history.

"I think I missed a timeout," Majerus said, his thoughts clearly drifting to another time, another place. "Jeff Shepherd had that shot out of the left corner on (Andre) Miller. Andre just didn't have the strength to guard him."

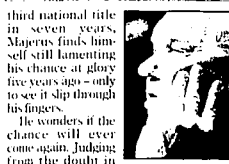
But Majerus does have one pleasant recollection from that night at the Alamodome: Judd, the striking actress who graduated from Kentucky in 1990, consoled the losing coach when it was over.

"I'm such a pathetic figure," Majerus said. "Ashley held me over and gave me a big hug. She felt sorry for me. That was the start of my sex life for the next two years."

While top seed Kentucky (30-1) has a 24-game winning streak and its eyes on a

## Utah vs. Kentucky

On TV: CBS, 10 p.m. Sat. 3:10 p.m. MST



Rick Majerus

third national title in seven years, Majerus finds himself still lamenting his chance at glory five years ago — only to see it slip through his fingers.

He wonders if the chance will ever come again. Judging from the doubt in his voice Saturday, he's not optimistic.

"You have one moment in life," Majerus said. "That's your career dream. It's like the Pulitzer Prize. You're that close to getting it, but you get beaten out in the last paragraph."

It doesn't help that Majerus keeps running into people from the Bluegrass State. On the bench in Maui. While attending a Chicago Cubs game at Wrigley Field. They're everywhere.

"I like Kentucky people," Majerus said. "They're always nice to me. I guess it's easier to be nice when you're someone's boss."

Majerus and the ninth-seeded Utes (25-7) took a 14-point lead into Saturday's game. The Wildcats beat Utah by 21 in the second round of the '93 tournament. Three years later, Kentucky rolled to a 31-point victory in the regional semifinals. The next season, the Wildcats knocked off the Utes by 14 to earn a trip to the final four.

In the other game Sunday at the Gaylord Entertainment Center, No. 6 seed Maryland (20-9) meets No. 3 Xavier (26-5) in the South Regional.

Maryland, the defending national champion, managed to keep its season going on a miracle 3-pointer by Drew Nicholas. The senior guard drove nearly the length of the court and swished a 25-footer off one foot with a defender in his face, giving the Terrapins a 75-73 victory over North Carolina-Wilmington in the opening round.

In the space of five seconds — the time it took to grab an inbound pass and sprint into shooting position — Nicholas placed himself alongside Dame Ainge, Christian Laettner and Tyus Edney with one of the most memorable shots in tournament annals.

"When I woke up this morning, I was still kind of astonished by what happened," Nicholas said, sitting at his locker before an off-day practice. "Maybe down the line, they'll be talking about it. But it will always be in my memory how special it was."

Nicholas watched a replay of the shot when he got back to the hotel early Saturday morning, but doesn't see any reason to look at it again. "It's all in his head, as vivid as the moment it happened."

"I had tunnel vision," Nicholas said. "I can't see anything but me trying to get the ball down the floor as soon as possible. Five seconds is a pretty long time, but when I let it go I thought it would come up short."

Instead, the ball hit nothing but net. More than anyone, Nicholas realizes how fortunate the Terrapins are to still be playing.

"Some of the guys were joking with me on the bus about whether I should try it again in practice," he said. "I think I'll just let it be. I'm 30."

Mark Mayland hasn't lost his magic touch, despite losing four starters from its championship team.

"I told my team that we're playing the defending national champions," Xavier coach Thad Matta said. "Until someone beats them, that's the title they hold."

## Marquette nets perfect OT to top Missouri 101-92

The Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — Steve Novak and Marquette were perfect when they had to be — in overtime.

The freshman made three 4-pointers and the Golden Eagles made all of their shots in the extra period to pull away from Missouri 101-92 Saturday.

Third-seeded Marquette (25-5) advanced to the Midwest Regional semifinals in Indianapolis, where it will meet either Indiana or Pittsburgh.

It is Marquette's first trip to the round of 16 since 1999 and only its second since coach Al McGuire and the 1957 team won the national championship.

Travis Driener led the Golden Eagles with 26 points, while Dwyane Wade added 24 points and eight rebounds. Marquette made six straight baskets and all six free throws in overtime.

Driener and Wade offset Missouri's one-two punch of Ricky Paulding and Arthur Johnson. Paulding scored 16 points and made nine 3-pointers, both career highs, while Johnson added 28 points and 18 rebounds.

Wisconsin 61, Tulsa 60

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Tony Skinner, whose career-high 25 points included 5-of-11 shooting on 3-pointers, missed an open 3 with 4 seconds to play for the Zags.

Baker Stepp, who scored 19 of his 25 points after halftime, missed a 5-foot follow-up bank shot just before the buzzer sounded.

"I just didn't go in for me," Stepp said. "That's probably the hardest game I've been a part of in terms of two teams fighting it out."

The Bulldogs collapsed to the floor in disappointment, and Arizona (27-3) advanced to the West Regional semifinals against Notre Dame, a winner over Illinois on Saturday.

All five Wildcats starters reached double figures. Gardner scored 22. Channing Frye had 22

## NCAA Tournament

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Tony Skinner, whose career-high 25 points included 5-of-11 shooting on 3-pointers, missed an open 3 with 4 seconds to play for the Zags.

Baker Stepp, who scored 19 of his 25 points after halftime, missed a 5-foot follow-up bank shot just before the buzzer sounded.

"I just didn't go in for me," Stepp said. "That's probably the hardest game I've been a part of in terms of two teams fighting it out."

The Bulldogs collapsed to the floor in disappointment, and Arizona (27-3) advanced to the West Regional semifinals against Notre Dame, a winner over Illinois on Saturday.

All five Wildcats starters reached double figures. Gardner scored 22. Channing Frye had 22

points and 12 rebounds, and played the final five minutes and both overtimes with four fouls.

Anderson had 17 points and 11 rebounds, and Luke Walton 16 points, nine assists, two blocked shots and three steals. His basket with 4.1 seconds to go forced the overtime game.

With starters Ronny Turton, who scored 16, and Winston Brooks fouled out, Gonzaga's offense finally wilted. The Bulldogs were scoreless the last 2:10 after Skinner's two free throws put them ahead 95-94.

"If you did not care who won, it was a great college basketball game," Arizona coach Luke Olson said. "That was not a game for people who weren't willing to lay it out on the floor."

Sundmacher, a 3-pointer put Arizona up 94-93 before Skinner's free throws.

"My teammates just showed confidence in me, and forgot all

ing again, all the way West and into the round of 16 for the third straight year.

Seniors Nick Collison and Kirk Hinrich sparked the Jayhawks' rally from the opening tipoff Saturday night in a 108-76 win over Arizona State, an offensive

showcase eight years removed from their first round struggles against Utah State.

Second-seeded Kansas (27-4) advanced to the Midwest Regional semifinals in Anaheim, Calif., against Duke on Thursday.

Collison scored 22 points and had 10 rebounds, and Hinrich scored 24 as the Jayhawks topped 100 points for just the fifth time in the school's 98 NCAA tournament games.

The Jayhawks are in the round of 16 for the fourth time in coach Roy Williams' 15 seasons.

Jason Braxton scored 17 for the 10th-seeded Sun Devils (20-11), who were in their first NCAA tournament since 1995.

Duke 86,

Central Michigan 60

SALT LAKE CITY — This isn't supposed to be one of the great Duke years. Try telling that to the Duke players. Try telling that to the Duke coaches. Try telling that to the Duke fans.

Danbury Jones scored a career-high 28 points and J.J. Redick added 26 as the third-seeded Blue Devils ran past the No. 11 Chippewas 86-60 Saturday night.

Duke (26-6) gave coach Mike Krzyzewski his 60th NCAA tournament victory, second only to Dean Smith's 65. The Blue Devils advanced to the regional semifinals for the sixth year in a row and the 20th time in their 28 NCAA appearances.

After struggling to beat No. 4 seed Colorado State 67-57 on Thursday, Duke came out strong and never let up against the out-manned, slower champions of the Mid-American Conference.

Central Michigan (25-7), the No. 11 seed, knocked out No. 6 seed

Creighton 79-67 on Thursday by building a 26-point lead, then holding on. The only lead the Chippewas had Saturday was 2-0.

South

Connecticut 85, Stanford 74

SPOKANE, Wash. — Ben Gordon heeded his coach's call to be more aggressive and put Connecticut at the head of the pack.

Gordon scored 29 points, and Emeka Okafor added 18 points and 15 rebounds to lead the 10th-seeded Huskies to an 87-74 victory over No. 4 Stanford in the South Regional on Saturday.

Gordon held 16 points in a point-shooting opening win over BYU, shot 8 for 14 and made all nine of his free throw attempts.

At one point, Gordon passed up an open 3 to try to pass the ball inside. The Huskies turned it over, and coach Jim Calhoun made a shooting motion toward Gordon.

The player listened. He helped the Huskies (23-9) advance to the South Regional in San Antonio, where they will play the Texas A&M Aggies on Friday night.

East

Oklahoma 74, California 65

OKLAHOMA CITY — A couple of freshmen helped make sure Oklahoma's season didn't get derailed by keeping playing in the NCAA tournament.

Kevin Buckner scored a career-high 22 points and DeAngelo Alexander had 15 as the top-seeded Sooners reached the East Regional semifinals with a 74-65 victory over eighth-seeded California on Saturday.

Price, the Big 12 player of the year, is bothered by a left groin injury that limits his quickness. After playing 11 minutes in the first round against South Carolina State, he logged 30 minutes against Cal but scored just five points.

"We have a lot of good players

## NCAA Tournament

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## Women

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Alabama State, Tennessee improved to 41-0 in NCAA games played at home. And the Lady Vols have won 17 straight home games overall, dating to last season.

"It's certainly nice to be at home, but watch these next two teams play. You're talking two teams I think have potential to come here, and if we're not on our game, take care of business."

Trailing 44-41 at the half, the Wildcats scored the first seven points of the second half, four by Frye.

The run reached 13-4 on Frye's two free throws that put Arizona ahead 54-48 with 14:17 remaining.

But the team that topped the national rankings for 13 weeks couldn't shake the cool, aggressive Bulldogs.

The Zags went to the round of 16 three of the last four years,

she said.

Alabama State (20-11) actually made a bit of a run at its host, cutting the deficit to six points midway through the first half after 6:55 of Crystal Kitt (team-high 16 points, nine rebounds) scored inside.

The Lady Vols missed some easy shots against the Lady Hornets' zone defense, but still managed to increase their lead to 13 points a few minutes later.

Skinner, who averaged just under nine points a game in the regular season, scored 15 in the first half. Turial added 12.

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# Huskies get past loss, aim for another title

Top seed faces BU in first round today

STORRS, Conn. (AP) — Connecticut's record winning streak is over. Now the Huskies would be pleased to start another run — even if it lasts just six games.

The Huskies open defense of their national title today with a first-round game against Boston University in the East Regional. It's UConn's first game since Villanova broke its 70-game winning streak in the Big East tournament championship game.

Nearly two weeks have passed since Villanova's 52-48 upset, and UConn coach Geno Auriemma said his team is ready to claim another NCAA women's basketball championship.

"We take some comfort in knowing that we played loose, and if we had played our 'A' game, we would have

won," Auriemma said Saturday. "We were undefeated because we were mentally tough at times and we were lucky."

The top-seeded Huskies (31-1) can play the first two games on their home court if they beat the No. 16-seeded Tigers (16-14), who won the America East conference tournament.

The other top-seeded team playing Sunday is Duke (31-1), which also was ranked No. 1 in the AP poll this season. The Huskies beat the Blue Devils 77-65 on Feb. 1.

Duke has won 11 straight games — 10 by double digits — since that loss. In that span, the ACC champions haven't allowed more than 63 points in any game.

The Blue Devils are a No. 1 seed for

the third straight year, and get started against Georgia State (20-10) in the Midwest Regional in Raleigh, N.C.

"We feel good about ourselves. We feel more comfortable being a No. 1 seed," Duke coach Gill Goetsenkor said. "When we got our first No. 1 seed, we felt like people were really doubting us, and we began to doubt ourselves a little bit."

"And last year, we felt a lot of pressure being a No. 1 seed. It was almost like we needed to get to the Final Four to prove we were worthy of that No. 1 seed. This year, it's just a more comfortable feeling."

Subregional hosts Texas Tech, Kansas State, Louisiana Tech and Texas are also in action in Sunday's 16 first-round games.

The 64-team tournament began Saturday with 16 games. Tennessee, seeded No. 1 in the Midwest Regional,

beat Alabama State 95-43. Also among the winners was Purdue, which topped Valparaiso 66-51. Purdue is seeded second to UConn in the East.

The Huskies are 22-2 at home in NCAA tournament action and have been seeded No. 1 nine times. BU is making its first NCAA tournament appearance.

Fourth-year BU coach Margaret McKeon, a standout at Oklahoma, was recruited by Auriemma out of high school in 1986. She chose the Sooners, who were in the round of 16 that year.

"He was just building a program," McKeon said. "I believed he would get it done, but looking back I should have visited UConn and gotten a better sense of what it was all about."

Since then, Auriemma has led the Huskies to three national championships, coached two undefeated teams and recorded nine 30-win seasons.



UConn star Diana Taurasi speaks with head coach Geno Auriemma during practice in Storrs, Conn., Saturday.

# Phoenix rise to second round

North Carolina.

Boston College.

Va. Tech win thrillers

EUGENE, Ore. (AP) — Tiffany Mor scored 15 points as Wisconsin-Green Bay defeated Washington 78-65 Saturday night to advance to the second round of the NCAA tournament for the first time in school history.

The Phoenix, seeded eighth in the West Regional, won their 12th straight game. Wisconsin-Green Bay (28-3) has not lost since Jan. 25.

North-seeded Washington (22-8) got closest when Guillaume Mendola's jumper made it 50-49 with 11 minutes left, but Kristy Louise quickly put the Phoenix back in control with a 3-pointer. The Phoenix took over in the final 10 minutes, going up by as many as 14 points as the Huskies lost steam.

Mendola, the Pac 10 player of the year, had twisted her ankle in Washington's loss to Arizona in the Pac 10 conference tournament but still managed to lead the Huskies with 22 points.

Minnesota 68, Tulane 48

STANFORD, Calif. — Lindsay Whalen scored all her 18 points in the second half as Minnesota (24-5) defeated Tulane 68-48 in the first round of the NCAA tournament on Saturday night. Whalen, the Golden Gophers' leading scorer at 21 points per game, was 0 for 3 in the first half, then scored 13 of her team's 23 points during one spurt in the second half as Minnesota took control for good. The Golden Gophers shot 54.3 percent, including 38.3 (14 for 36) in the second half.

Kelly Nadeau was the lone Tulane player in double figures with 11 points for the No. 11 seed Green Wave, who ended their season 19-10.

■ Midwest

Virginia Tech 61, Georgia Tech 59

WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind. — Carrie Mason drove the line for an uncontested layup with 1 second to go, giving Virginia Tech the victory.

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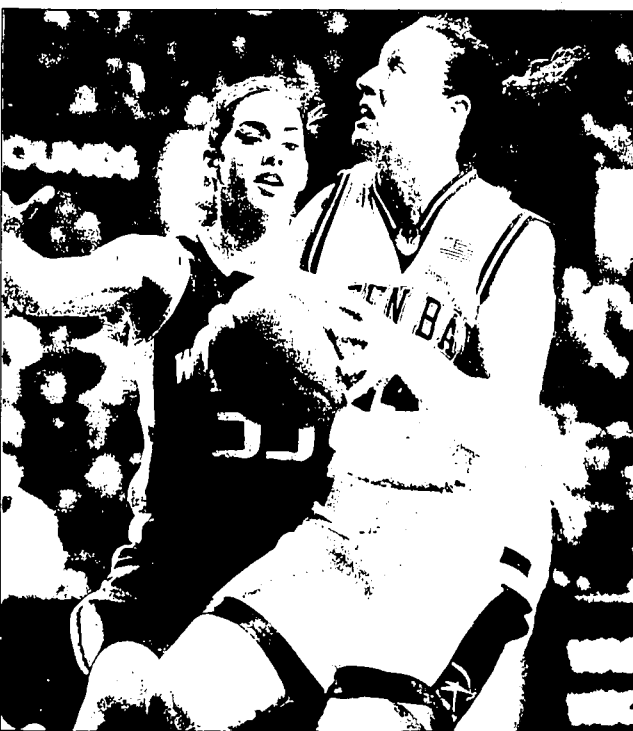
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Boston College 73, Old Dominion 70

NORFOLK, Va. — Amber Jacobs



Wisconsin-Green Bay's Tiffany Mor looks to shoot against Washington's Kristen O'Neill in the first round of the Women's NCAA Tournament Saturday in Eugene, Ore.

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First Round  
Saturday's Games

At Constant Convocation Center  
Norfolk, Va.

• Boston College 73, Old Dominion 72  
• Vanderbilt 54, Liberty 44

At Mackay Arena  
West Lafayette, Ind.

• Virginia Tech 61, Georgia Tech 60  
• Purdue 66, Valparaiso 51

Today's Games  
At Harry A. Gampel Pavilion  
Storrs, Conn.

• Connecticut 31, Boston University 16 (14:10:05 a.m.)

• Michigan State 17, Texas Christian 19 (13:30 minutes, after first game)

At Bramlage Coliseum  
Manhattan, Kan.

• Arizona 22, Baylor 19 (10:10:05 p.m.)

• Kansas State 28, Harvard 27 (4:30 minutes, after first game)

MIDWEST REGIONAL  
First Round  
Saturday's Games

At The Coors Events & Conference Center  
Boulder, Colo.

• North Carolina 77, Austin Peay 70  
• Colorado 22, Texas Tech 19 (11:10 a.m.)

At Thompson-Boling Arena  
Knoxville, Tenn.

• Tennessee 95, Arkansas State 44  
• Virginia 72, Illinois 54

Today's Games  
At The Lloyd Noble Center  
Norman, Okla.

• Marquette 25, St. Francis, Pa. 23 (4:36 p.m.)

• George Washington 24, Oklahoma 19 (1:20, 30 minutes, after first game)

At The Bryce Jordan Center  
University Park, Pa.

• South Carolina 27, Chattanooga 26 (10:10 a.m.)

• Penn State 24, Iowa State 24 (7:30 minutes, after first game)

MIDWEST REGIONAL  
First Round  
Saturday's Games

At The Phil  
Albuquerque, N.M.

• Mississippi State 73, Manhattan 47  
• New Mexico 22, Miami 18 (1:10 p.m.)

At Stageman Coliseum  
Athena, Ga.

• Rutgers 64, Western Kentucky 52  
• Georgia 80, Charlotte 61

Today's Games  
At Reynolds Coliseum  
Raleigh, N.C.

• Utah 23, DePaul 20 (9:10 a.m.)

• Duke 31, Georgia State 20 (10:30 minutes, after first game)

At United Spirit Arena  
Lubbock, Texas

• Texas Tech 26, Southwest Missouri State 18 (12:40 p.m.)

• UC Santa Barbara 26, Xavier 20 (9:30 minutes, after first game)

WEST REGIONAL  
First Round  
Saturday's Games

At McArthur Court  
Eugene, Ore.

• Wisconsin-Green Bay 78, Washington 65  
• LSU 37, Southwest Texas 18 (1:10 p.m.)

At Maples Pavilion  
Stanford, Calif.

• Minnesota 68, Tulane 48  
• Stanford 26, Western Michigan 20 (11:10 a.m.)

Today's Games  
At Shoemaker Center  
Cincinnati

• Texas 25, Hampton 23 (8:10 a.m.)

• Arkansas 25, Cincinnati 23 (30 minutes, after first game)

At The Thomas Assembly Center  
Ruston, La.

• Ohio State 21, Weber State 21 (8:50 p.m.)

• Louisiana Tech 29, Pepperdine 27 (30 minutes, after first game)

# Powerhouses will meet for women's NCAA hockey crown

DULUTH, Minn. (AP) — The field in this year's Frozen Four was touted as the strongest ever.

Turned out it was a little top-heavy. After dominant victories in Friday's semifinals, Minnesota Duluth and Harvard will meet in the championship Sunday.

"This game reaches its potential," Bulldogs coach Shannon Miller said, "it should be the best matchup in the history of college women's hockey."

It's tough to dispute that, after watching Harvard dismantle Minnesota 6-1 and

seeing Minnesota Duluth dominate Dartmouth 5-2.

Or after noticing a list of the nation's top five scorers, clogged with Crimson and Bulldogs — Harvard's Jennifer Botterill (111 points), Julie Chu (94) and Angela Ruggiero (83) and Minnesota Duluth's Jenny Potter (87) and Caroline Ouellette (72).

Or after seeing the three Patty Kazmaier award finalists: Botterill, Potter and Ruggiero.

"The game has developed so much," Miller said. "Even this year, I'd say it's a

whole notch above the championship level last year."

Harvard won the 1999 national title, under the umbrella of the American Women's College Hockey Association, but Minnesota Duluth (30-3-2) has won both championships since the NCAA started sponsoring a tournament in 2001.

Four of its top five scorers — Potter, Swedes Erika Holst and Maria Rooth and Hanne Sikka of Finland — are seniors, and the Bulldogs can bank on their experience.

"They've been there, seen it, done it," Miller said. "I think we're in a healthy rhythm going into the final game."

Playing at home will surely help. A sellout of the 5,333-seat Duluth Entertainment Convention Center is expected.

"Personally, I love hostile crowds," said Ruggiero, a junior forward who played for Team USA in the 2002 Olympics.

The pro-Bulldogs cheers — plus the fact that Harvard was the nation's top-ranked team for the final 14 weeks of the season

before losing to Dartmouth 7-2 in the ECAC tournament final — will give the Crimson plenty of motivation.

"Here, we're clearly the underdog," Harvard coach Katie Stone said. "If we have this conversation in Cambridge, everyone expects us to win."

"Everyone here expects the Bulldogs to win (Sundays), and we're going to change that."

If so, the Crimson (30-2-1) will have to weather a physical game against the bruising Bulldogs, a much bigger team than the speed-driven Gophers.



## SPORTS

## COMSTOCK'S STRANGE STORY

Former pitcher has seen every side of baseball's wide world

By Ken Peters  
Associated Press writer

TEMPE, Ariz. — Keith Comstock has had fans in Japan toss salt on him, and his Yonkers Giants teammates poured it in his locker as a purifying ritual because they believed the pitcher had hexed the team.

Because home runs hit him, Salvadori, Ohio once pitched to him to strike out with the bases loaded.

For a two-week pitching stint in the Venezuelan playoffs, Comstock once earned a cool \$100,000.

Of the 10 times he was released, the quick-temper came when he was on an airplane, heading to join his new team in Puerto Rico.

Baseball has been very, very weird to Keith Comstock.

He had a 107 major league record with a 4.06 ERA in 144 appearances scattered over six years.

The globe trotter doesn't regret his "have fun, will travel" quest, which also sent him bumping around the minors and earned him brief stints with Minnesota, San Francisco, San Diego, and most notably, a two-year, relatively successful stay with Seattle.

"It certainly opened my mind, sure, helped me to relate to different cultures," said the 37-year-old Comstock. "It also enabled me to appreciate being in the States."

"There's a line in a Grateful Dead song saying, 'What a long, strange trip it's been.' I have to agree with that."

Comstock is a pitching coach with the Anaheim Angels' Double-A affiliate in Little Rock, Ark., appropriately nicknamed the Travelers.

One of his more interesting cultural forays was in Japan, where he learned to speak the language, including the ability to politely refuse dishes that didn't suit his palate by saying, "I'm sorry, but it's still moving."

There was an uproar when he refused, because of his religious upbringing, to enter a Buddhist temple with his Yonkers teammates. The Giants went into a full-blown riot, and Comstock was believed to be the cause, resulting in the cleansing salt ritual.

"Everywhere I went for at least a month and a half, they had thought I put a great hex on the team by not going in there. I would get salt thrown on me walking down the street, in restaurants, and at the ball park there would be salt piled for ten feet high sometimes," he recalled. "I finally told



Anaheim Angels Double-A pitching coach Keith Comstock, left, talks with infielder Tommy Murphy before a Spring Training game Mar. 2 in Tempe, Ariz.

the manager enough is enough."

"He made a plea to the people to stop it, and it stopped right there."

The revered Ohio was one of his teammates. "I remember when I came out and they were walking a guy to beat the bases and get to me," Comstock said. "Oh, San told me that if I had any feeling that I was going to hit into a double play, to please strike out."

Before he played in Japan, Comstock made a brief, but not native, appearance in Venezuela, filling in for an injured pitcher in the playoffs.

"I came back with about \$10,000 because my team won. I felt like I stole money," he said. "Sometimes in baseball, it's about being in the right place at the right time. And I've certainly been in enough places."

He seems to have the most vivid recollection of his one-batter duty in the outfield for San Francisco in the 1980s when he tried to make a highlight reel catch.

Former Giants manager Roger Craig had let him play catch, held in Atlanta because of a double strike.

"That was probably my highest point. All that shagging, pad off and I got to play right field in the big leagues for one inning! Dale

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Murphy," Comstock said, grinning. "He hit a home run over my head."

"I went back on it and I had no idea where the fence was and I must have looked like an idiot in a Marx Brothers movie because I ran smack dab into it. I wanted to jump up and kind of hang on because I'd be on ESPN that night."

Instead, he flopped ingloriously into the wall.

"Then I had to come to the mound and face Ken Griffey, and he hit a double, and that was it for me," Comstock said.

## War affects everything, including sports world

By Hal Block  
Associated Press writer

Suddenly, the start of the baseball season and end of the basketball season are not such compelling events. Right now, the NFL and NBA playoffs don't seem so important.

America is at war, and events in Iraq had an immediate effect, canceling baseball's scheduled season opener between the Oakland Athletics and Seattle Mariners in Japan.

If the conflict is long, there almost certainly will be a further impact on sports.

War changes everything. It always has.

World War II left major league rosters depleted as athletes marched off to the conflict. Shortages of gasoline and rubber forced thousands of auto and horse racetracks to close.

The NFL contracted teams, combining the Pittsburgh Steelers and Philadelphia Eagles into the "Steagles" that played in both cities. They went 5-4-1 and were replaced a year later by a Chicago Cardinals-Steelers merger that went 6-10.

The NHL did away with overtime because of wartime restrictions on team scheduling and didn't resume it until 1983.

Baseball considered suspending operations until President Franklin D. Roosevelt issued a go-ahead that became known as the Green Laid letter.

Then there was the toll of careers interrupted.

Lefty Coleman was one of about 1,100 professional baseball players who saw service in World War II. He spent 3.5 years in the war and flew 75 missions.

Coleman then went into the reserves as a captain and was playing second base for the New York Yankees when the Korean War broke out in 1950. Two weeks after his son was born, he was called to active duty.

"You do what you have to do," he said. "I didn't question it. I never stopped to think if it was right or wrong. It's our country."

He served another 1.5 years in Korea and flew 65 more missions. Coleman won two Distinguished Service Crosses but said the war cost him four years of his career.

"I was never the same," he said. "When you're 28 or 29, these are hard years to give up. I had flashes but I wasn't the same player."

Half of Famer Bob Feller was another to enlist.

Feller was one of the best pitchers in baseball with three straight 20-win seasons when Japan attacked Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941. Two days later, at age 23, he enlisted in the Navy and spent the next 45 months on

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— Hall of Famer Bob Feller, on his service in World War II

the battleship Alabama. He was the first major league player to volunteer and won eight battle stars in five campaigns.

"I thought we were losing," he said. "You see what you can do. You get going to protect your country. We believed in what we were doing, and we knew the people at home were behind us. The wins I didn't get don't matter. We got the one win we needed."

"I wasn't a hero. I was a survivor. The heroes didn't come back. The survivors returned."

Feller had plenty of Hall of Fame company under the Warren Spahn taught at the Battle of the Ridge and won a battle-field commission. Young Feller was at the D-Day invasion and said it looked like the Fourth of July. Hank Greenberg came out of the service and made a U-turn right back.

Ed Williams served three years in World War II but saw no action until he was recalled to duty during the Korean War. He flew 75 missions as a Marine fighter pilot, about half of them as wing man for future astronaut and U.S. senator John Glenn.

Half of Famer Chuck Bednarik, the NFL's last to be drafted two years after the war, was 18 and out of high school when he found himself in a B-24 bomber, flying World War II missions over Germany.

Reggie Stambaugh, Joe Bellino and Pete Dawkins each won the Heisman Trophy. Stambaugh and Bellino at Navy. Dawkins at Army. All went from the service academies to duty in Vietnam.

Of all the baseball players who served in World War II, Famer Gordon and Harry O'Neill were the only ones killed.

The NFL sent 68 men off to that war and 19 died.

## Montreal ace may miss season opener

The Associated Press

Montreal ace Javier Vazquez could miss the team's season opener because of a strained calf muscle.

Vazquez was hurt in Friday's start against Florida, and the Expos estimated Saturday he will be sidelined for five to 14 days.

Montreal already ignored No. 2 starter Orlando Hernandez, who has torn tendons in his right rotator cuff.

"It's something I didn't want to hear," manager Frank Robinson said. "There not much you can do about it now. Hopefully, it's not as bad as 14 days. Hopefully, he'll be all right."

In games:

**Braves 4, Mets 1**

At Kissimmee, Fla., Mike Hampton allowed three hits in six scoreless innings against one of his former teams, lowering his spring ERA from 7.02 to 4.97 with his best outing. John Smoltz completed a five-inning shutout.

**Marlins 8, Orioles 1**

At Jupiter, Fla., Mike Lowell hit an RBI single in his first at bat since hitting his lower back March 6. Josh Beckett, who could start Florida's opener in place of injured A.J. Burnett, allowed one run and four hits in five innings.

**Expos 4, Cardinals 0**

At Viera, Fla., Sonny Kim pitched five innings, combining with Luis Ayala, T.J. Tucker and Joey Eschench on a six-litter Cardinals starter Cal Eldred gave up a two-run homer in the first to Jose Valdes. Vladimir Guerrero had three hits, including a solo homer.

**Blue Jays 4, Reds 1**

At Duncannon, Pa., Shannon Stewart, Josh Phelps and Eric Hinske homered. Cincinnati's Danny Graves, converting from a closer to a starter this season, worked out of the stretch during his entire outing and allowed six hits in five shutout innings.

**Phillies 11, Red Sox 6**

At Fort Myers, Fla., David Bell hit three home runs, two off struggling Casey Fossum, and had five RBIs. Jimmy Rollins had

## Season preview

The Times-News will publish a preview of the 2003 NFL season in next Sunday's edition.

three RBIs for the Phillies. Fossum allowed seven runs and seven hits in four innings, his ERA dropping from 16.20 to 16.05.

**Dodgers 6, Astros 4**

At Kissimmee, Fla., Mike Kinkade and Terry Shumpert homered in a six-run eighth off Octavio Dotel. Houston's Jeff Bagwell and Lance Berkman had consecutive homers in the third off Odalis Perez.

**Indians 10, Tigers 3**

At Winter Haven, Fla., 20-year-old rookie Jeremy Bonderman earned his first win in Detroit's starting rotation, then allowed eight runs and nine hits in four innings, including two home runs by Alton Williams, and one each by Karim Garcia and Matt Lawton. Edis Barba added a solo shot off Steve Sparks.

**Devil Rays 8, Pirates 2**

At St. Petersburg, Fla., Victor Zambrano allowed one run and four hits in six innings. Andrew Helt went 4-for-4, including a two-run homer in the third off D'Amico, who a day earlier won a job in the Pirates' rotation.

**Twins 4, Yankees 3**

At Tampa, Fla., Andy Pettitte allowed one run and three hits over five-plus innings. A.J. Pierzynski hit a two-run homer off Randy Choate in the seventh, and Hideki Matsui got the start in center field for the Yankees in place of Bernie Williams, who had the day off.

**Rangers 4, Angels 1**

At Surprise, Ariz., Chan Ho

Park allowed one run and struck out six in five innings. In a

matchup of the teams that play the major league season opener on March 30, Juan Gonzalez hit his fourth homer of the spring, a solo shot in the first.

**Athletics 8, Rockies 7**

At Phoenix, Miguel Tejada had three hits and three RBIs. Oakland starter Tim Lincecum allowed four runs — three earned — and five hits in 5.2 innings.

**Giants 6, Cubs 6, tie**

At Mesa, Ariz., Tim Lincecum went 4-for-4 with three RBIs as Chicago rallied from a 6-0 deficit in a game stopped after 11 innings. Giants starter Kurt Ainsworth struck out seven in six innings, allowing one run and four hits.

**Brewers 11, White Sox 8**

At Phoenix, Rockies Kiedrick allowed two runs in the top of the sixth inning, then hit a solo homer in a four-run bottom half. Kiedrick is batting .300 (4-for-10) with two homers and seven RBIs. In eight mound appearances, he has allowed six earned runs, nine hits and seven walks in 11.1 innings. Chicago's Bartolo Colon gave up seven runs — five earned — six hits and four walks in five innings, and struck out five. Jose Valentin of the White Sox homered in the first inning and his younger brother, Javier, homered for the Brewers in the second.

**Mariners 6, Diamondbacks (ss) 6**

At Tucson, Ariz., Curt Schilling gave up homers to John Mabry and Greg Colburn, allowing six runs in six innings. Orono McGracken hit a three-run homer in the eighth off Ken Cloninger, and the game was stopped after 10 innings. Freddy Garcia, pitching

on two days' rest to get lined up for Seattle's rescheduled opener, allowed one run and two hits in three innings.

**Padres (ss) 6, Royals 5**

At Peoria, Ariz., San Diego's Adam Eaton fell behind 5-0 in the first. Kory Doolan went 3-for-4 for the Padres, hitting a winning single in the 10th off Ryan Bukach.

**Padres (ss) 3, Diamondbacks (ss) 1**

At Yuma, Ariz., Miguel Olmeda homered in the eighth and Jason Bay added a two-run shot in the Padres' annual visit to Yuma, where they held spring training from their expansion season of 1993 through 1994.

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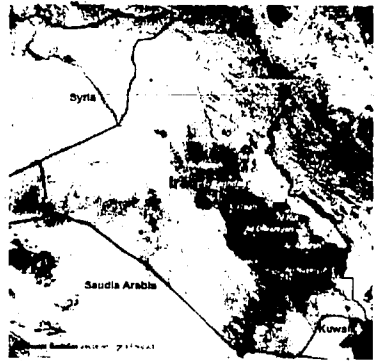


# IRAQ: A country in crisis

Under President Saddam Hussein, Iraq invaded neighboring Kuwait. In a massive air campaign in 1991, the United States spearheaded a unified U.N.

force to expel the invaders. President George W. Bush has now sent military forces into Iraq against Saddam. This time, world opinion is stacked

against the United States, despite accusations Iraq has chemical and biological weapons and is linked to Osama bin Laden and his al-Qaida group.



## IRAQ FACTS AND FIGURES

**Area:** 171,599 square miles, (444,439 square kilometers)

**Population:** 22 million (2002 est.)

**Life expectancy:** Male 66.31; female 68.5

**Ethnic groups:** Arab, 75 to 80 percent; Kurdish, 15 to 20 percent; Turkoman, Assyrian or other 5 percent

**Religions:** Muslim 97 percent (Shia, 60-65 percent; Sunni, 32-37 percent), Christian or other 3 percent

**Languages:** Arabic, Kurdish, Assyrian, Armenian

**Chief crops:** Grains, dates, cotton

**Natural resources:** Petroleum, natural gas, phosphates, sulfur

**Industries:** Petroleum, chemicals, textiles, construction materials, food processing

**Government:** Republic



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## Notes on the economy

Magic Valley report

### About Business Plus III

**B**usiness Plus III is a six-county initiative that by April 30 aims to raise \$1.44 million to invest in Magic Valley's economic health over five years. Of that money, \$1.15 million would be for business attraction and business retention incentive grants, \$250,000 for regional training, and \$20,000 for economic development and investor relations.

The Business Plus III campaign provides a weekly update of its fundraising. The status Thursday:

Number of Investors: 29

Total raised to date: \$1,078,000

Potential Investors: 100, call 733-9411

For more information, contact Virginia S. Hubbs, Business Plus III Coordinator, 733-9411, Ext. 21

## BRIEFLY IN MONEY

### Workshop aims to boost job-hunting skills

**GOODING** - The College of Southern Idaho's Center for New Directions is offering a "Job Seeking Skills" workshop at CSI's Gooding center for those who are interested in starting new jobs, moving up in their current employment or increasing their confidence to get jobs.

Participants will learn the basics of job seeking skills such as application processes, resume formats, the cover letter impact, interview techniques and following up with a potential employer.

The free workshop will be held from 1 to 3:30 p.m. April 4 at the Gooding center. Registration deadline is April 3. Students must call or come in to sign up. For information, call 732-0680.

### Center plans workshop to identify job interests

**TWIN FALLS** - The Center for New Directions at the College of Southern Idaho is offering a career-planning workshop that will benefit those who are beginning an education or trying to identify interests or develop new skills.

A staff member will help students identify their interests, discover their workplace talents, explore careers in demand and investigate their options.

The workshop will be held in two parts - from 5 to 7 p.m. March 31 and April 1 - at the Center for New Directions. Admission is free, which includes career tests. Deadline to register is Friday.

For information or to sign up, call 732-0680 or (800) 680-0274, Ext. 6980.

### Financial-service worker hosts investment seminar

**JEROME** - Gretchen Clelland of the financial-services firm Edward Jones said patience and discipline are two keys to successful investing. That's why Clelland is hosting "Rules of the Road: A Common Sense Seminar on Investing" from 5 to 7 p.m. Tuesday at 2716 S. Lincoln, Suite B.

"These ideas aren't any big secret," Clelland said. "In fact, to invest successfully, you mainly need to follow a few simple guidelines and stick to your game plan."

Clelland said people invest for many reasons. "Nearly 50 percent invest to save for retirement, while the remainder invest to accumulate a nest egg and to save for their children's college education," she said. "Having a plan is vital. It helps you focus on your goals, and it helps you maintain that focus during temporary drops in the market. In other words, it helps you remain patient and disciplined."

The "Rules of the Road" seminar will cover the keys to successful investing by addressing factors to consider such as taxes, quality investments, price, diversification, long-term investing, losses and careful decision-making.

The seminar is free, but space is limited. To reserve space, call Clelland at 324-0174.

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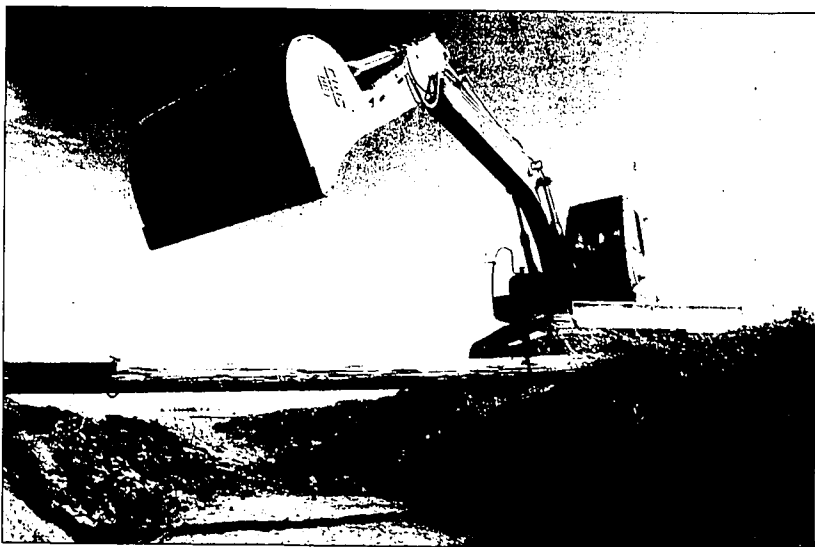
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## AGRICULTURE OUTLOOK

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# Dry but hopeful



Rodney Hopwood, a worker with Twin Falls Canal Co., uses a track hoe to spread rocks along the sides of an irrigation canal in Twin Falls County in early March. Water will flow in southern Idaho's canals soon, but farmers in some areas could see the water run out early.

## Despite drought, merchants and irrigators might do surprisingly well

By David Burgess  
and Cindy Snyder  
Times-News writers

**TWIN FALLS** - After pulling a tab out of a hat in 2002, what do farmers do for an encore? For 2003, farmers relying on irrigation will have to look into their bag of tricks again for another water-short year.

Water is also an issue for businesses counting on a strong local economy to support sales. However, sales in local businesses are not widely tied to reservoir levels.

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They are not widely tied to reservoir levels, but they are clearly linked to aggregate income in agriculture, either.

Just look at 2002 - a dry year on top of another dry year. "We had really weak milk prices - bad for the Twin Falls area - and weak cattle prices," said R. Garth Taylor, University of Idaho professor of agricultural economics. "But that was more than made up for on the crop side. It far more than offset the decline in other prices and in government payments."

The agricultural sector of Idaho's economy posted a new record for cash receipts in 2002, according to a U of I report. Farm and ranch cash receipts rose 5 percent and topped \$4 billion, \$183 million more than the previous year. Agricultural interests' bottom

### Seasonal crop water use

Crop	Water needs
Alfalfa	1.5 to 2.0 inches
Barley	1.5 to 2.0 inches
Beets	1.5 to 2.0 inches
Broccoli	1.5 to 2.0 inches
Brussels sprouts	1.5 to 2.0 inches
Corn	1.5 to 2.0 inches
Cucumbers	1.5 to 2.0 inches
Flax	1.5 to 2.0 inches
Garbanzo beans	1.5 to 2.0 inches
Grain sorghum	1.5 to 2.0 inches
Grass	1.5 to 2.0 inches
Hay	1.5 to 2.0 inches
Peas	1.5 to 2.0 inches
Potatoes	1.5 to 2.0 inches
Pumpkins	1.5 to 2.0 inches
Spinach	1.5 to 2.0 inches
Soybeans	1.5 to 2.0 inches
Sugar beets	1.5 to 2.0 inches
Sweet corn	1.5 to 2.0 inches
Wheat	1.5 to 2.0 inches
Winter wheat	1.5 to 2.0 inches
Spring wheat	1.5 to 2.0 inches
Yield	1.5 to 2.0 inches

Source: USDA National Resources

line rose 11 percent to \$128 billion. Both the 2002 result and 2001's \$145 billion farm income total a figure that includes both receipts and expenses were new highs.

### Water outlook

"Can water managers and farmers carry their success into another season?"

"The water supply isn't that much different than last year or the year before," said Mike Bens, water engineer with the Bureau of Reclamation in Burley. "The only real difference is the cumulative effect of the last few years."

Depending on how one counts the dry period, southern Idaho is entering its third or fourth straight year of

drought. That has left the soil parched in the mountains and is creating a large unknown for the 2003 season. How much potential runoff will be soaked up by the thirsty mountains before the water can reach the reservoirs? Last year, a snowpack that was nearly 85 percent of average in the Upper Snake Basin generated just a 57 percent of average streamflow.

Spring runoff is expected to be miserly, but the reservoirs are also low. For example, four of the indicator snow-measuring sites for the watershed that supplies the Salmon tract, south of Twin Falls, had just 40 inches of snow on March 1, less than half of normal. However, in 1987 irrigators had approximately 95,000 acre-feet of water in storage in the Salmon Falls Reservoir compared to a mere 18,000 acre-feet this year.

### Being choosy

Farmers who rely on streams such as Salmon Falls Creek or Goose Creek for their irrigation water are making difficult decisions about which crops to plant this year.

Alan Johnson, a seed dealer from Burley, is holding calls from farmers looking to plant more oats and malt barley on acres where the chance of running out of irrigation water early in the season is almost a certainty. Cereal grain crops like those are done growing by July, close to when the water may run out.

Crops like potatoes, sugar beets and

even beans that require water late in the season to produce both yield and quality probably won't be planted on the Salmon tract or in the Okley area, unless the growers have a deep well.

Growers who rely on the Snake River are expected to have enough to make it through the entire season, albeit with watering restrictions again this year.

Budget concerns also arise in dry years.

"Drought years tend to bring higher costs," said Dean Stevenson, a farmer near Paul.

Much of the land he farms is irrigated with deep wells, so parched soil definitely means higher pumping costs to him, and he has observed that dry years also mean poorer weed control for all farmers.

"We spend more on herbicide in drought years," he said.

In dry years, Simple Irrigation Inc. in Twin Falls doesn't sell as many maintenance parts as farmers tend to put off purchases, said owner Mike Connolly, but some will invest in a new sprinkler system in order to stretch water further. Sprinklers are a lot more efficient than gravity irrigation, he said.

### The silver lining

Certainly, individuals can be hurt in a drought, but as far as the local economy is concerned, the ripple effects

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## Farm work in 2003: Water, Simplot cuts will be telling factors

By Courtney Price  
Times-News correspondent

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more work from outside the state. Agricultural employers are required to provide the benefits of housing and food to foreign contract workers covered by the federal foreign contract labor program (the H2A program).

According to Greg Rogers, labor economist with the Idaho Department of Labor's Magic Valley Job Service, the two major issues in seasonal labor are water and Simplot.

If there is not enough water this year, farmers might have to cut back on crops like sugar beets and potatoes - crops with

long growing seasons and lots of water needs. Workers may be laid off earlier than usual if water does not last through the summer and into September and October.

Simplot's intentions with contracted potatoes will also have an effect on farm labor. The Heyburn plant is scheduled to be closed in April 2004, and it is not yet clear how many potatoes will be grown until then. If farmers switch to other crops, seasonal laborers may be needed for a shorter period.

### Looking for laborers

Rogers suggests that employers should have been actively

Payment methods			
How Farmworker/Diversified Crops seasonal workers are paid in Idaho:		How Farmworker/General seasonal workers are paid in Idaho:	
Payment method	Percentage of employers using it 2001 2002	Payment method	Percentage of employers using it 2001 2002
By acre	3 4	Daily	1 1
By box	1 1	Hourly	76 74
Daily	0 0	Monthly	23 24
Hourly	82 84	Weekly	0 4
Monthly	14 11		
By trailer	1 1		
Weekly	1 1		

looking for laborers since March 1.

"Employers need to get out there." Please see WORK, Page D4



# YOUR BUSINESS

## MILESTONES

### Mountain View Care Center lauds H&W survey results

**KIMBERLY** - Mountain View Care Center said it performed well in a state survey conducted by the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare. Surveyors were at the care center for four days and completed their survey March 13. They follow the Skills Nursing Home rules and regulations and audit every department accordingly and identify areas of deficiency, the Kimberly center said.

### Home Business Fair offers chance to see new products

**TWIN FALLS** - A Home Business Fair will be held from 5 to 9 p.m. April 1 at The White House, 365 Blue Lakes Blvd. Eight home businesses - All Home Interiors, Home Accents, Memories, Mary Kay, Jay Hawk Rubber Stamps, Pampered Chef, Weekender Clothing and Carol Anderson Fashion - will be represented. Participants will be able to see new product lines, book home parties or get information on becoming a distributor for any of the businesses.

Admission is free. Anyone considering starting a home business and those who want to see new products are invited to stop by, enter the drawings and sign up for home parties.

### Delta Dental care providers can send transactions directly

**TWIN FALLS** - Georgia-based Electronic Direct Internet Transactions Inc. announced it is now able to enable Delta Dental care providers to send real-time transactions directly to the dental benefits carrier.

EDI provides real-time transactions, such as eligibility, and benefit determinations, claim status inquiries and claims, through its EDI-Integrator. That's meant to give patients, providers and payers a clear understanding of health services payments from the moment the patient schedules a visit to the time that the dental office receives payment for services.

### National publication features Ketchum company

**KETCHUM** - Sun Valley Lighting is featured in the current issue of "News & Tips," a Wells Fargo publication for its home equity account customers across the nation.

The article quotes Sun Valley Lighting owner Kathleen Hughes on today's interest in proper lighting. She describes new "scene" lighting systems in which one button turns on all the lights in the home at predetermined levels, or another button sets the lighting for a festive evening party.

The publication features photos of new monogram lighting, with fanciful shapes such as blimps or dragons, available at Sun Valley Lighting.

Author of the article is Ketchum resident Jo Murray, principal in Jo Murray Public Relations, which has offices here and in San Francisco.

She was looking for lighting experts in several different states, and Kathleen turned out to have far more information than anyone else, Murray said. "We originally had planned to have a very short article on lighting in the publication. We've got so much good information from Kathleen that we turned it into the main story instead."

Hughes, whose family has been in the lighting business in Texas since the 1950s, opened Sun Valley Lighting in Ketchum in fall 2001. The company offers complete lighting planning for new construction or remodeling. Lamps, lighting fixtures, wall sconces, lamp shades and hard-to-find bulbs are available at the location on 105 Lewis St. in Ketchum. Information is available at 225.5000.

**Buhl business enters  
venture with shopping service**

**BUHL** - Adaptive Industries Inc. of Buhl announced a cooperative marketing venture with QVC Inc., a televised shopping service, to market its "MarkSmart" product through live retail programming to millions of U.S. households and to viewers in Europe.

The device is an aid for hanging pictures and other things on walls. MarkSmart is a 3-inch, center-finding, non-flexible, extruded aluminum rail with smooth edges. Silk-screened numbers are big and easy to read, the Buhl company said. On the back of two sliding elements are painted brass pins that allow the user to hang pictures on the wall where nails, screws or hooks need to be. Another sliding element has a horizontal and a vertical vial for leveling.

QVC will produce an eight-minute live televised segment - to market the MarkSmart from Adaptive Industries - to be aired at 10 p.m. Friday. QVC will

also market the MarkSmart through Web site [www.qvc.com](http://www.qvc.com).

This is the Buhl product's second airing on QVC; the first was in October.

### Best Western motel owners construct conference center

**JEROME** - A versatile conference and convention center is being added to Jerome's portfolio of booming growth on South Lincoln Street.

Ralph and Linda Byerly, owners of the Best Western & Award Inn across from Wal-Mart in Jerome, saw a need in Magic Valley for an upscale conference center, so they designed and built one. The new convention center complex is attached to the west end of the existing motel.

A 1,000-square-foot foyer and registration area is just inside the main entrance. This room will also handle overflow from the main conference room adjacent to it. The main conference room is about 2,000 square feet but can be divided into two sections with a soundproof room divider.

A projector is built into the ceiling and paired with a drop-down screen on the south wall. Cable television, a high-tech sound system and multiple high-speed internet connectors will accommodate business needs.

The Byerlys have also included a 600-square-foot kitchen in the convention center. The kitchen is not intended to be a walk-in restaurant. Rather, it is semi-commercial and will provide in-house guests with hot breakfasts, specialty lunches and banquet dinners.

For additional overflow, there's a 1,500-square-foot covered patio on the building's north side with an outdoor fireplace. A decorative rock wall along the length of the patio will add privacy for guests.

Although the convention center is the focus of the project, the Byerlys took the opportunity to add 10 more guest rooms, including two suites with built-in fireplaces. The new rooms, on the south side of the building, have large windows.

Owners also updated existing rooms throughout Sawtooth Inn.

### Aqua Vie ramps up for taste tests in 33 states

**KETCHUM** - Aqua Vie Beverage Corp. said it will commence shipping this month in preparation for a program of in-store taste tests, scheduled to take place from mid-April through August in 33 states.

The in-store consumer tasting tests, which are being undertaken in cooperation with Aqua Vie's distributors and major North American grocery retailers, are designed to ascertain consumer preferences among different spring water beverages. Ketchum-based Aqua Vie said plans include regional in-store taste tests accompanied by metropolitan area radio advertising.

In addition to its all-natural Hydrators, Aqua Vie has developed PurePlay, a new line of flavored spring water for children, which contains about 15 calories per serving. Production of PurePlay is expected to commence in late spring.

Additional products in development include an all-natural nonalcoholic wine made from spring water, and a low-calorie Hydrator. The company said it anticipates introducing the two products into its existing distribution channels this summer.

### Sonic Corp. plans release of second quarter earnings

**TWIN FALLS** - Oklahoma City-based Sonic Corp. - a restaurant chain with franchised locations in Twin Falls and Jerome - will provide an online Webcast of its second-quarter earnings release conference call on Tuesday.

Management will comment on Sonic's financial and operational results for the second quarter, which will be released following the market's close on Monday, and review the company's earnings guidance for the third quarter.

The live broadcast will begin at 7:30 a.m. Tuesday. An online replay will be available. For either, visit [www.sonicdrivein.com](http://www.sonicdrivein.com).

### D.L. Evans Bank holds ground-breaking for office

**BOISE** - D.L. Evans Bank on March 11 held a ground-breaking ceremony for its newest Boise office, on the corner of Vista and Overland at 1500 Vista Ave.

The new Vista location will be the permanent facility for the branch currently at 1002 Vista Ave. in Boise.

Jim Renell, vice president and manager, will be joined by Dave Roberts, senior commercial loan officer; Adrianna Richardson, operations supervisor; Dee Cook, financial services representative; Marcella Calkins, customer service representative; Melissa Hare, customer service representative; and Vickie Pennington, loan secretary.

D.L. Evans Bank has served Idaho customers since 1904. In June 2000 the bank opened its first office in the Treasure Valley at 3845 W. State St. and the mortgage lending office in January 2001. In January 2002 the current Vista location opened its doors for business, followed by the Cole and Emerald office opening in April.

In addition to the four Treasure Valley offices, the bank has seven full-service offices in Magic Valley and a mortgage lending office in Twin Falls.

## CAREER MOVES

### Business students

**TWIN FALLS** - The College of Southern Idaho will be represented by four students this spring at the national Business Professionals of America competition in Dallas. Each student placed highly enough in state contests to win the chance to compete nationally.

Julie Capurro of Twin Falls won two first-place awards, in Computer Aided Graphics and in Web Site Development. She shares the second award with James Nalder of Idaho Falls. In the Computer Aided Graphics competition, Capurro prepared a flyer using Photo Shop and some computer drawing packages to create additional artwork. Nalder also won second place in Presentation Management.

Adam Bowman of Twin Falls competed in three written categories, placing second in CISCO Network Administration, third in Advanced Office Systems and fourth in PC Servicing.

Heather Jackson of Twin Falls won second place in Presentation Management by creating a presentation on a required topic and then answering questions from the judging panel.

The students will travel to Dallas at the end of April compete against other BPA students from the rest of the nation. Also from CSI, Kira Spencer of Jerome competed in Spreadsheet Applications and Desktop Publishing.

### Bob J. Maloney

**TWIN FALLS** - Fuji Photo Film USA Inc. and Bob J. Maloney from Pomerelle Portrait Design Studios won the Fujifilm Masterpiece Award for photographic excellence in January.

Maloney received the award from the Professional Photographers of Idaho for the photograph "We Got Big Balls," a portrait of the College of Southern Idaho football team, in the commercial category.

The Fujifilm Masterpiece Award is administered by state and regional affiliates of the Professional Photographers of America. The award recognizes excellence in several categories - wedding, portrait, commercial/industrial, illustration, unclassified, electronic imaging and three art-tech categories.

Fujifilm will acknowledge Maloney's award-winning image in a fine art portfolio he said that will be published by Marathon Press of Norfolk, Neb. For information, visit [www.marathonpress.com](http://www.marathonpress.com).

### Scott McCurdy

**TWIN FALLS** - Scott McCurdy recently joined the staff of Dr. Brad Hobbs and Dr. Michael Taylor as manager of their optical shop.

McCurdy has seven years of experience serving Magic Valley eye-wear needs. He can be reached at the office at 206 Martin St. or by phone at 733-5300.

### Hay group leaders

**TWIN FALLS** - The Idaho Hay Association elected officers and board members at its hay conference in Twin Falls.

Glenn Meyer of Twin Falls was elected to one-year term as president.

Dennis Stroom of Hill City is a newly elected board member. He replaces Opal Ward of Grand View, who recently retired from farming. Stroom farms nearly 4,000 acres in Camas County devoted to alfalfa with some barley acreage.

Mike Larson of Buhl was re-elected to the IHA board for a two-year term.

IHA is accepting memberships. Producer memberships are \$50, and associate memberships are \$100. Memberships received by April 11 will be included in the 2003-04 Hay Directory. Membership forms are available on the association's Web site - [www.idahohay.com](http://www.idahohay.com) - or by calling its office at 888-0988.

### LaRae Warren

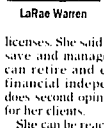
**TWIN FALLS** - LaRae Warren of 3 Mark Financial Inc. has been a business consultant for five years and now has added financial planning to her portfolio.



Several members of the College of Southern Idaho chapter of Business Professionals of America will compete in the national BPA competition this spring in Dallas. From left are Julie Capurro, James Nalder, Kira Spencer, Adam Bowman and Heather Jackson.



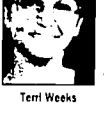
She is a registered representative for securities offered through Locust Street Securities Inc.



She is married and has one son and two stepsons. She has lived in southern Idaho all of her life and in the Twin Falls area for 15 years.



Weeks has worked as an account clerk at PMH for five years. She is involved in the company's Relay for Life team and has served on the employee committee.



Weeks and her husband, Dr. Kirk, have two sons.

### Kurt Humphrey

**JEROME** - Kurt Humphrey, agriculture teacher at Jerome High School, attended the 54th annual convention of the National Association of Agricultural Educators recently in Las Vegas.

More than 400 agricultural education professionals from all states gathered, including teachers, teacher educators and state staff. Highlights included sessions on partnerships between agricultural educators, agribusiness leaders and local, state and national policy makers.

Conference attendees also participated in workshops on current issues related to teaching improvement and technical agriculture. More than a dozen workshops were available on topics including becoming a national board certified teacher, using technology in the classroom, the importance of volunteerism, using global positioning systems in agriculture, writing successful proposals for competitive grants, teaching in alternative formats and with alternative instructional materials and agricultural literacy.

Participants also had the opportunity to tour sites including Red Rock Canyon, Hoover Dam, Horseman's Park (a holding and training facility for livestock, including the stock used in the National Finals Rodeo) and a desert demonstration garden.

### Larry Quigley

**BUHL** - Larry Quigley of Quigley Heating, Air Conditioning and Sheet Metal Works received the February Extra Mile Award in early March from the Buhl Chamber of Commerce and Mayor Barbara Gordon.

The ceremony was postponed because Quigley was out of town.

Quigley was nominated for his business responsiveness to customers about the demands of heating

problems in the winter and his devotion to Buhl city history. Quigley researches and gathers old photos which he made into a calendar for this year with proceeds from the sales going to publish a history book about Buhl in time for the centennial celebration in 2006.

Proceeds from the book sales are to go to the library.

In addition to a plaque, Quigley received gift certificates and small gift items from local businesses.

### Gladys and Harold DeBoer

**CASTLEFORD** - A Castleford couple was honored by the mayor and City Council.

Harold and Gladys DeBoer owned and operated Harold's United in Castleford for 24 years. The DeBoers purchased the station from Harold and Clara Owens in June 1979.

The DeBoers are retiring, and the fuel delivery business has been sold to United Oil of Buhl. Deliveries will be made from Buhl. The building will be sold to a private individual.

The DeBoers received a gift certificate and a plaque inscribed: "For your many years of service to the Castleford community."

### Stephanie Cribbs

**BOISE** - Boise-based architecture and engineering firm CSIIQA - which works across southern Idaho - said Stephanie Cribbs joined the fire protection team as job captain.

Her specialized fire alarm and detection expertise will supplement CSIIQA's rapidly growing fire protection division.

Cribbs, most recently with SimplexGrundle, has five years of fire protection experience in design, evaluation and implementation of fire alarm criteria for diverse projects.

Cribbs is a graduate of ITT with an associate's degree in computer-aided design specializing in engineered systems, electrical/electronics and architecture. Currently pursuing a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering at Boise State University, Cribbs is also Level I certified by the National Institute for Certification in Engineering Technology, sitting for the Level II exam in July.

### Kevin Bell

**IDAHO FALLS** - Kevin Bell, an employee at the Idaho Falls office of Cooper Norman, was the highest scoring candidate passing the two-day certified public accounting exam taken in November.

Bell graduated from Idaho State University in 2002 with a bachelor of business administration degree in accounting and computer information systems.

## CONTRIBUTIONS

Dr. John Roberts and Dr. Kevin Hall, dentists in Twin Falls, recently held a fund-raiser for the People for Pets/Magic Valley Humane Society Inc. Roberts and Hall donated all



proceeds - \$2,715 - from a teeth-whitening special to the building fund for the animal shelter.

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# Farmers see opportunities with barley

By Cindy Snyder  
Times-News correspondent

## AGRICULTURE OUTLOOK

TWIN FALLS — Malt barley appears to be on the upswing in southern Idaho. Even though barley is one of the most water-thrifty crops farmers can grow, industry watchers believe demand — not climate — is pushing acreage up.

The expansion of the Anheuser-Busch facility in Idaho Falls, along with the construction of the new Grupo Modelo malting facility in Idaho Falls will require another 13 million bushels of malting barley by 2005. And a potential expansion of a facility in Great Falls, Mont., could pull another 12 to 16 million bushels

of malt barley from Montana and northern Idaho.

"Barley acres will be up this year," said Kelly Olson, administrator of the Idaho Barley Commission.

Here in the Magic Valley, both Coors Brewing Co. and Anheuser-Busch have increased the number of acres the companies contract with growers. Even Grupo Modelo has begun a small contracting program with growers, Olson said. That barley will be shipped to Mexico for malting this year; the 2004 crop will be the first malted in Idaho Falls.

Although the expansion of regional facilities is the primary force behind increased acreage, drought conditions in other parts of the world may also be contributing to the increase. Canada and Australia, both major competitors of U.S. barley, were hit hard by drought in 2002. Canada's crop was down 43 percent and Australia's crop was down 53 percent, leading to a decrease in exports of 36 and 73 percent respectively.

As a result, Olson expects Canada to be the second largest world consumer of U.S. barley this year.

"We've moved malting barley from Ashton to Calgary," she

said.

The promise of better prices for non-contracted malting barley and the threat of another dry crop year have farmers considering their planting decisions.

Alan Johnson, manager of Western Seeds in Burley, said customers are showing more interest in malt barley than spring wheat this year.

Farmers in areas where water will be extremely short, like the Oakley area or the Salmon tract south of Twin Falls, are calling about oats, he added. Oats could be grown as an early hay crop in those situations. Of all the cereal crops, oats uses the least amount of water followed by malt barley and then wheat.

# Area milk producers face losses, grim 2003

Prices may drop while feed prices rise

By David Burgess  
Times-News writer

## AGRICULTURE OUTLOOK

TWIN FALLS — The prospect of a dry year will likely cut into dairy profitability by depressing the price of feed, adding to the problem of persistent low milk prices. And the light at the end of the tunnel is moving farther away.

Wilson Gray, extension economist with the University of Idaho, has lowered his forecast for milk prices in 2003. And, if present trends don't improve, those prices might not be realized either, he said.

"If we keep adding cows, it's just going to continue to depress the market," Gray said.

Gray said the first-quarter average will probably be between \$9.85 and \$10 a hundredweight. The second quarter is likely to be similar to the first. The third quarter at this point is looking like \$11-\$11.50 per hundredweight, and about the same in the fourth.

In 2002, Idaho milk production rose but receipts dropped nearly 11 percent from a year earlier to \$923 million, according to the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture. About 70 percent of Idaho milk is produced in Magic Valley.

At about 5.4 billion pounds per year produced in the region, and with prices currently about \$1.50 below the cost of production, Magic Valley loses revenue of about \$8.5 million over a year, or \$6.5 million a month.

Milk producers' losses are mounting, forcing some operations to sell off or idle farmland. Stronger operations are covering their losses out of equity.

Locally, demand at processors in southern Idaho is strong, and a couple have expanded capacity lately. Idaho cheese production was up 8.4 percent from early 2002, according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Cheese has picked up in 2002, and USDA exports demand to recover sales. But a boost in cheese consumption in local service outlets depends largely on consumer confidence and the national economy.

On the supply side, little is being pumped that could boost prices, and with these trends in place, 2003 will be a very tough year for milk producers.

Slower sales at hotels, restaurants and caterers, which are normally big buyers of the nation's cheese, have taken the chunk out of cheese sales. For 2002, cheese sales are reportedly the worst in a decade.

Locally, demand at processors in southern Idaho is strong, and a couple have expanded capacity lately. Idaho cheese production was up 8.4 percent from early 2002, according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Cheese has picked up in 2002, and USDA exports demand to recover sales. But a boost in cheese consumption in local service outlets depends largely on consumer confidence and the national economy.

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# Water, contract concerns worry spud growers

Some farmers see bleak price outlook

By Lorraine Cavenier  
Times-News correspondent

HEYBURN — While there are severe problems in some areas, to the most part growers were able last year to get by with less water and will be able to stretch out again this year, said Keith Espin, Potato Growers of Idaho executive director.

Water will be a hot commodity, but less valuable crops or moved from other fields to where it is needed in potatoes.

As far as planting intentions, it is mostly two early to late. Espin said. Contracts being cut should be an indication. If growers learn later that contracts are going to be cut they might have to cancel seed orders.

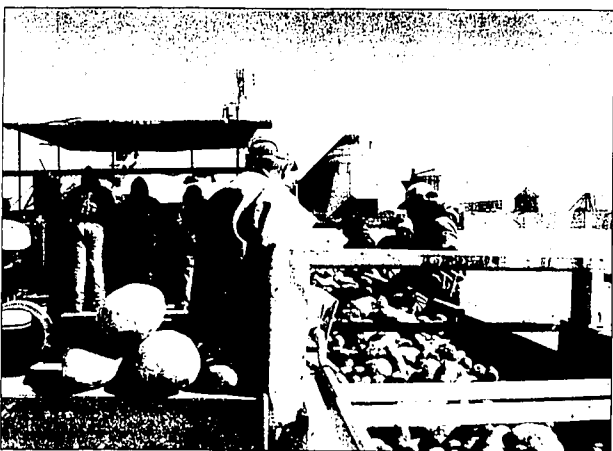
But some growers do not know yet if their contracts will be cut or not, Espin said.

A recent Southern Idaho Potato Cooperative meeting presented a bleak price outlook for contract potato growers.

R. Simplot and at least one other major processor have cut contracts.

Prices for contract potatoes are still in negotiations.

Prices for fresh pack potatoes vary from day to day. Earlier this year the price was up and indicated



A crew cleans potatoes before they go into the cellar at the Rande Martin Farm, fall of 2002.

was that supply was not quite adequate. Some growers demanded sack loads. Frank, public information officer for Potato Growers of Idaho.

"That should put some upward pressure on prices," he said.

But supply depends on what

growers decide to do. Growers need to take that reduced demand, generated by the closure of J.R. Simplot Co.'s Heyburn processing plant, into consideration, Frank said.

One positive step is the joint

announcement by the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service and the Canadian Food Inspection Agency that potato import quotas have been taken out of quarantine.

# Sugar beet growers look to build on 2002's success

By Lorraine Cavenier  
Times-News correspondent

## AGRICULTURE OUTLOOK

PAUL — Last year farmers were able to get by maximizing efficiency, said Mark Duffin, executive director of Idaho Sugarbeet Growers Association.

"We are hopeful that will improve again," he said.

As far as planting intentions, the industry is watching the water situation and allocations closely to see if any minor adjustments need to be made, but final

decisions have not been made yet, he said.

The water situation is a little better than last year, according to Snake River Watermaster Ron Carlson. With about 200,000 acre feet more water in the Snake River system this year than last year, the situation for farmers looks better, Carlson said this year.

Sugar beet prices could rise

some what as governmental efforts from last year show results.

Passage of the 2003 Farm Bill and legislative authority to stop importation of sugar products, such as stuffed molasses, that cut current the tariff quota are two of those accomplishments, Duffin said.

"We're real pleased to get those passed," Duffin said.

While the trade dispute with Mexico is still in active negotiations, accomplishing the other

two goals helped stabilize sugar beet prices.

Stacey Camp will be conducting variety trial research for Amalgamated Sugar Co. under the direction of John Galligan, plant pathologist and sugarbeet specialist, University of Idaho. New varieties are raising the bar, said Paul Duncan, a board member of the Mandala County Sugarbeet Growers Association.

"As we get better and better varieties it raises the standards for sugar production," he said.

# Water situation could lead farmers to plant beans

By Courtney Price  
Times-News correspondent

## AGRICULTURE OUTLOOK

TWIN FALLS — At the Southern Idaho Bean School in February it was acknowledged that one of the major issues facing beans this year is water.

But, dry beans growing in the field do not need water as long as other crops like sugar beets and potatoes. Jim Perkins of Valley Bean and Grain pointed out that if it looks like the Magic Valley will be short on water this summer, sugar beet and potato growers may plant elsewhere — possibly to beans.

Rumors of a bean acreage increase this year have been flying, but so far, such rumors are unfounded, as planting intentions won't be known until March 31.

Dry edible bean prices, though lower than last year, have remained about the same for the past few months. Prices for dry beans have been hovering

between a low of \$18 per hundredweight on the grower level for Idaho's pinto beans and a high of \$20 for small white, pink, and small red beans, leaving very little chance for profit for the grower. Dealers are getting between \$26 and \$30 depending on the bean.

Idaho Agricultural Statistics reports that the market year average price received by Idaho farmers for beans in 2001 was \$21.20 per cwt. That's quite a bit lower than 1993's high of \$24.40, but higher than 1999's market-year average price of \$15.30 per

cwt. So, going into the new crop year, growers could have been in worse condition.

Trading on dry edible beans has been slow since the beginning of the year, according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture. The bean market has had the weight of Mexico's closure of its borders to U.S. growers dry edible beans. However, Dana Caldwell, president of the Idaho Bean Commission, was optimistic in February that Mexico's ban will be lifted by the end of March as it comes under pressure from many directions.

For businesses, pet insurance represents a perk that can score points with workers at no cost to the employer.

The policies are usually included in a range of so-called primary benefits that employees can select to pay on their own — often taking advantage of a group discount.

A 2001 study by MetLife found that nearly 90 percent of employers offer their work force some benefits. Although the most com-

mon are various types of insurance, some companies also make available help such as legal, financial planning and concierge services, according to the study.

Miller Brewing Co. allows workers to buy a variety of insurance policies — including pet coverage — as well as legal advice and access to equity funds.

The benefits have been popular since the company, which has about 800 employees at its Fort Worth brewery, introduced them four years ago by said Sue Rowe, employee programs manager.

"It's looked at as a retention tool," Rowe said.

"It's the soft benefits that help make this a wonderful place to work."

# Water

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from agricultural income and spending remain intact, Taylor said.

"A lot of their expenses are non-discretionary," he said.

Regardless of what yields and prices turn out to be, farmers still need to purchase farm inputs like fertilizer. And farmers rarely leave the land idle.

"Even if there is drought they still go out there and plant," Taylor said.

Agriculture is not the hare that wins the race, it's the tortoise that's always there, supporting the economy year in and year out, he said.

And that, he said, also explains why there was not a more visible punch in the arm for the state in a record-setting farm year such as 2002.

But can Idaho agriculture possibly have another record year despite low water?

"Yes, that's very possible," Taylor said.

Drought can actually boost the bottom line.

"Revenues overall will increase" in a dry year, Taylor said, "because the decline in yields is more than offset by the increase in price."

The bid results in 2002 for two Twin Falls businesses confirm that dry conditions on the farms did not dry up sales in town.

## Hard hit

One area headed for a short water year is the Salmon tract south of Twin Falls.

Four of the snow measuring sites for the watershed that supplies the Salmon tract had just 40 inches of snow on March 1, less than half of normal.

Years	Snow depth
1977	17 inches
1981, 1983	27 inches
1984, 1986, 1991	27 inches
2003	40 inches

Source: USDA Natural Resources

At Blacker Furniture, Gary Cook said that if the drought were as drastic as feared, then retailers would be hurting more.

"Last year was a drought year, but it was still a pretty good year," Cook said.

Apart from the fortune of farmers, the local economy in Twin Falls area has propelled sales, said Bamber Furniture manager Thad Harrison. Harrison also thinks that people are putting more money into their homes since the Sept. 11 attacks.

"I don't think we are as dependent on farming" as the area used to be, Harrison said. "We are expecting another good year."

## Animal owners show increasing love toward pet insurance

Knight Ridder News Service

Fido has a fever, and the veterinarian wants to conduct a spate of expensive diagnostic tests.

What's a pet lover to do? Tap the dog's health insurance policy, of course.

Thousands of animal owners have turned to pet insurance in recent years to cover their critters' unexpected ailments. And the service is so popular that some U.S. companies offer discounted pet insurance as a "voluntary benefit" to their employees.

Dallas-based Blackbuster, for example, made pet insurance available to its workers last year — along with policies that cover their cars, homes and long-term care.

# Recreate

Every Thursday in the outdoors section, The Times-News guides you to recreational opportunities.







# Internet banks carve out a niche

Strategy includes offering attractive savings rates

By Todd Mason  
Knight Ridder News Service

Internet banks suffered the fate of most dot-com dreams as the "new economy" faded a couple of years ago.

Now, a more realistic generation of bankers is populating cyberspace and turning profits in record time. They carve out modest roles for their Internet presence and make sure that customers reach a human being when they need one.

They will take customers many years to feel comfortable doing most of their banking over the Internet," said Walter L. Tillman Jr., president of Earthstar Bank, in Southampton, Pa.

Earthstar, along with area start-ups, American Bank, Stonebridge Bank and InterState Net Bank, have grown rapidly by gathering deposits on the Internet, but they mix virtual branches with the real kind.

"We call ourselves a local Internet bank," said George E. Agle, chairman and chief executive officer of Stonebridge, West Chester, Pa.

In part, ING Bank of Wilmington, Del., targets customers' saving and borrowing needs at INGdirect.com and tells them to leave the rest of their banking business where it is.

The banks are getting a lift from the four financial markets, says Jim Bruene, editor of the Online Banking Report, an industry newsletter. Nervous savers want the protection of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp., he said.

But Bruene predicts that the strategy will trail off as more banks use the Internet to gather deposits and as investors return to the market. "The pie is probably not going to get much larger," he said.

For the moment, high yields and the Internet translate to stunning growth. ING was paying 2.28 percent on money-market accounts recently, according to Bankrate.com, the fourth-highest rate nationally.

Amassing \$8.2 billion in deposits in roughly two years of existence, the U.S. arm of the giant Dutch bank turned profitable in the quarter ended Sept. 30, according to Fitch IBCA.

All five Philadelphia area banks were handily beating the PayPal Money Market Fund, the highest-paying money fund in a recent MoneyNet.com ranking. Internet rankings substitute for conventional advertising, says Greg McBride, a senior analyst at Bankrate.com. Rankings of high yields have "long been followed by fixed-income investors," he said.

The banks trolling in cyberspace today are different from the first generation, says James Eckenrode, a vice president at Fidelity, a research firm in Needham, Mass. Traditional banks assumed that customers would flock to an online version offering the same services. In many cases, they did not raise rates or cut costs.

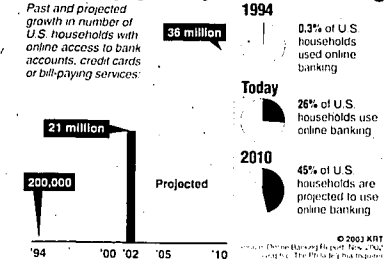
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bank branches, it opened Internet cafes in New York and Philadelphia. And the bank's call center in Wilmington is as important as the Web site, he said.

"We have to answer calls in 20 seconds, and everyone's home depends on it," Lewis said.

"People still want to touch and feel" the institution that holds their money, said Hal J. Shaffer, chairman and chief executive of InterState Net Bank, Cherry Hill, N.J.

Low costs are key. Earthstar's humble base is a storefront in a Southampton shopping center. With no marble lobbies or expensive real estate to support, Earthstar made money in its first year of operation, in 2001.

The start-ups follow classic business plans otherwise. They are being run by seasoned banking executives and well-connected boards of directors, and they focus on local commercial loans.

Do not expect these banks to emerge as national giants, says Chris Musto, a vice president of research at Gomez Inc., a research firm specializing in online commerce.

"It is a way for a community bank on the edge of a city to target the metropolitan area itself," Musto said. To go national requires name recognition that only money can buy, he said.

ING is spending that money in a national bid, after a successful launch in Canada using a similar strategy.

Despite its advertising budgets, ING keeps its costs low by limiting its services to savings accounts and loans.

"Keep your checking in a local bank," Lewis said. "Bank where you can get the best deal."

Hybrid Internet banks let their savings rates do the talking, and for the moment they've persuaded millions of depositors to listen.

On Bush administration reports that Iraq leader Saddam Hussein might have started torching his oil fields.

That adds to worries over other tactics Saddam will use to disrupt other Persian Gulf supplies.

Then there is the diplomatic issue. The United States' aggressive posture since has shaken its relationships with many European countries, including Germany and France. That could factor into how our exports fare and whether foreigners will invest money here.

The uncertainty is enough to shake the federal Reserve policy makers, who decided this week to leave interest rates unchanged at a 4 1/2-year low and they get a better idea of the implications of war.

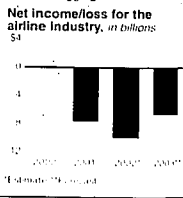
Wall Street economists and strategists, too, say that although the much-awaited war is here, great uncertainty still looms.

"We... hope investors understand that reduced expectations and negative momentum in the economy may not be reversed instantly if the war is resolved quickly," said Steven Wieting, senior U.S. economist at Salomon Smith Barney.

The wait for war is over. The reality of war now begins.

## War adds to airlines' struggle

The airline industry, which has been struggling since before the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, is expected to face more financial hardships even if the war with Iraq is short. Analysts say that a quick return of travel demand and wage concessions from airline employees could help boost the carriers' lagging finances.



## United Airlines warns of coming war cutbacks

CHICAGO (AP) — United Airlines told its employees to expect layoffs as early as Friday as it and other carriers prepared to reduce flying schedules and starting as a result of the war with Iraq.

While no cutbacks were announced publicly Thursday, the Machinists' union said more than 1,400 mechanics at United's Indianapolis

Indianapolis maintenance center were being put on temporary leave.

Other airlines also have been hit by both the soft economy and the war-related drop in bookings.

United CEO Glenn Tilton said last week the bankrupt airline expected to trim its schedule by an initial 10 percent to 12 percent and reduce its work force in the event of war.

With the initiation of military action between the United States and Iraq, United is taking action to reduce its schedule and work force," the company said in a taped message to employees. "Affected employees could be notified and placed on authorized pay status as early as tomorrow Friday."

Chicago-based United, the world's second-largest airline, operates about 1,700 flights daily and has about 75,000 employees — all but 4,000 based in the United States.

Spokesman Joe Hopkins declined to comment on the extent of cuts in Indianapolis or elsewhere and said no details would be released Thursday.

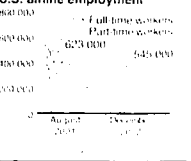
Scotty Ford, president of Machinists District 141 M, said in a posting on the union Web site that United intends to put Indianapolis mechanics on leave effective Friday, with remaining mechanics put on leave April 15.

Union spokesman Joseph Tibert said 1,418 mechanics in all would be affected.

Percentage change in domestic passenger travel from the same period in 2000



U.S. airline employment



## War doesn't eliminate stock market uncertainties

By Rachel Beck  
Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — Getting to war was a big hurdle for investors. Their next challenge is getting through it.

The start of war doesn't wipe away all the potentially stock-sinking uncertainty from Wall Street. Plenty of unknowns still abound, most having to do with the potential fall-out of war on American consumers and businesses — and the global economy.

That could mean a bumpy ride for investors at least for the immediate future as they try to sort out what has died.

"The uncertainty that's still out there is less like a veil and more like a curtain," said Tim O'Neil, chief economist at BMO Financial Group in Toronto.

Investors have uncertainty, and that has been abundantly clear in recent months by their reaction to the threat of war. With tensions mounting over Iraq and no resolution seemingly near, stocks slumped through much of the winter amid worries over what was to come.

And then this past week, a rally set in once it seemed war was upon us. Investors cheered the clarity, triggering Wall Street's

longest winning streak in nearly three years.

But while investors have focused so much on the unknowns linked to the prospects of war, few considered the uncertainties that could emerge once war actually began.

"From our point of view, while the markets have priced in the probability of war, they still expect the fighting to be short and successful," said Brett Hirt, head of U.S. equity derivatives at Citigroup Private Bank.

"Investors haven't yet discounted the negative scenario for the conduct of the war itself."

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Not do we know what economic effect, if any, this war will have. While most economists say the war itself won't damage the economy, it could exacerbate many of the problems already

wedding on the sluggish economy.

In the buildup to war, on some confidence plunged and retail sales began to show signs of a recovery, but then, when the spending, which has been weak through most of the economy downturn over the last three years.

Now with war here, questions loom over how war — especially a prolonged battle — will affect the psyche of businesses and consumers.

Oil prices also play a crucial role in the economic outlook, in part because they factor into how much consumers pay for such things as gas and what businesses spend to fuel their operations.

Leading up to the war, there was a dramatic outpour in prices, with crude prices surging to highs not seen since the Gulf War 12 years ago.

Then then dropped what was seemed likely, but started to rise again within the first hours of war

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## Consumer Reports offers tips on purchasing cars

The Associated Press

For some people, buying a new car is about as fun as having a rat crawl while writing a fat check to the dealer.

In its 50th anniversary April auto issue, Consumer Reports offers a few tips to make your trip to the dealership less financially excruciating. The issue went on sale Tuesday.

• Don't wait for your old clunker to die before you begin scouting a replacement. When you need a car quickly, chances are you'll pay too much.

• If you're nervous or unsure about haggling on price or other details, ask a firmer friend to accompany you and do some of the talking.

• Don't answer if a salesperson asks what you think a "legitimate" profit for the place is. Dealers sell cars every day, and it is their job to determine a reasonable profit — just as you wouldn't ask a salesperson to sell your salary.

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MAGISTRATE DIVISION  
Case No. CV 2003-886  
IN RE: PROTECTIVE ACT SUMMONS  
In the Interest of **DANIEL BURCH**,  
DOB 09-15-91  
A Child under the age of eighteen  
THE STATE OF IDAHO SENDS GREETINGS TO **PATRICK E. DAMERON**  
Address as Unknown  
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A Petition, a copy of which is attached to this summons, has been filed in the above entitled matter in the Magistrate's Division of the District Court of Twin Falls County, Idaho, by the Prosecuting Attorney, giving the above-named child comes within the Court's jurisdiction under the Child Protective Act.  
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You are notified that if you fail to appear without reasonable cause, the Court may proceed in your absence or you may be proceeded against for contempt of Court.  
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Ask the Good girls: Closing the gap in the resume  
By Elizabeth Austin and Leslie Whitaker

Dear Good Girls,  
I need some advice about my job search. I was fired almost a year ago, and I've been unemployed ever since. I have a bachelor's degree in business management, and I'd been working for several years in the computer industry. I'd always received "above average" ratings in my performance reviews. Then I had to go on a short medical leave to deal with some potentially serious health issues. Less than two weeks after I came back to work, I was fired for "performance issues." (Later, a judge ruled I was terminated without cause.) When a potential employer asks why I left my previous position, what should I say? And how do I explain such a long period of unemployment?

Dear Reader,  
You're not alone. In this economy, there are lots of smart, capable workers with good-sized gaps in their resumes, especially in the computer industry. Employers really don't care why you left your old job. They just want to make sure you don't have personal problems or flawed work skills that will interfere with your job performance. So at interviews, try to focus the conversation on all the good things you can bring to this company. You're under no obligation to discuss your health problems. But personally, we always feel more comfortable with a brief, concise, well-rehearsed version of the truth. "I lost my job after I had some medical problems, but now I have a clean bill of health, and I'm doing to get back to work." Whatever you do, don't lie; they may find out the real story (or at least, your employer's side) if they check your references. Most of us have been fired at least once, and we've gone on to new - and sometimes even better - jobs. When we read your letter, we see a well-qualified, resilient person with lots of skills. Good luck.

Dear Good Girls,  
I'm a piano teacher. Once a month, we have a little recital in my home, and everybody brings cookies and candy to share. This year, I have a new student, Alex, who is seriously allergic to peanuts. His mother didn't want him to participate in the recitals because of the food issue. I told her that the past, I've asked children with dietary restrictions to bring their own treats. When his babysitter dropped him off for his first recital, Alex handed me a big unmarked paper bag full of candy, and said it was to share with the other children. I was concerned, so I made sure he didn't eat a single bite until his mother arrived. After the recital, his mother sent me an angry e-mail asking why I took away Alex's bag of "safe" candy. She said she was cancelling Alex's lessons because my recital could have killed him. I don't think I did anything wrong. I'd liked to keep Alex as a student. But I'm more worried that his mother will tell the other parents that I'm irresponsible. If parents don't feel they can trust their children with me, I'll lose my business.

Dear Reader,  
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Sunday, March 23, 2003

# THE ACES ON BRIDGE

Bobby Wolff

## Dear Mr. Wolff:

I think I have a reasonable feel for when to balance in some auctions, but when the opponents have bid no-trump along the way, I get confused. Should I have balanced with ♠ K-8-6-3, ♥ 8-3, ♦ A-2, ♣ Q-10-9-3-2? My opponents' auction went one heart - one no-trump - two diamonds - pass.

Steering Clear, Moscow, Pa.

ANSWER: At pairs I can see some justification for not selling out. Similarly, if nonvulnerable at teams, this seems a fair risk to take. But I might miss if vulnerable, the opponents have bid no-trump, I can't see a fit, so equally your side might easily have no fit better than seven cards, which makes balancing more dangerous.

## Dear Mr. Wolff:

Is there a general rule on whether declarer makes his opponents' life more difficult by winning with the bottom or the top card from a sequence of equals? And similarly, when following suit, should he play the top or bottom of a sequence?

Amateur Overriver, Houston, S.D.

ANSWER: Yes, there is a simple rule - with one important exception. When following suit or winning a trick, play the higher of equals, which will generally help to confuse opponents about the location of the lower honor. The exception: At no-trump, when winning trick one from A-K or A-Q, take the trick with the lowest card in your sequence of honors.

## Dear Mr. Wolff:

As opener I was unsure what to do in ♠ Q-3, ♥ J-7, ♦ K-3-2, ♣ A-Q-10-8-3-2 and opened one club, then re-bid two clubs over my partner's response of one spade. What was I supposed to bid over my partner's call of two diamonds? Was that even forcing?

At-Loss for Week, New York, N.Y.

ANSWER: A new suit by responder is always forcing here. Your partner's 1-NT in support partner's first suit with a strong doubler, to rebid no-trump if you have the fourth suit controlled, or otherwise to make any other natural and descriptive call. Here supporting to two spades seems right - partner should not expect you to have three good suits since you might already have raised him.

## Dear Mr. Wolff:

Is the following double a responsive double or a penalty double? The auction goes one heart on your right, pass, no-trump to partner, who reopens with two hearts, RHO raises himself to two hearts, and now you double.

Todd and Trondie, Goldsboro, N.C.

ANSWER: When second hand passes initially, then doubles a repeat call of the same suit in an auction where no fit has been found and raised here yet, doubles should be penalty, not responsive. You should have a hand that would have passed out a double of one heart!

## Dear Mr. Wolff:

My partner, an avid reader of bridge magazines, has produced for my edification the concept of a Mixed Raise. What sequences does this bid apply to - and is it a Good Thing?

Mixed Feelings, Waller, Idaho

ANSWER: The Mixed Raise was created to let you use a jump raise facing an overcall to be weak and distributional, say 2-6 points and four trumps. By contrast, when one hand overcalls, if the other hand makes a jump cue-bid in the opponent's suit, that shows 7-9 points, with four trumps not enough to make a cue-bid raise, but too good for a pre-emptive raise.

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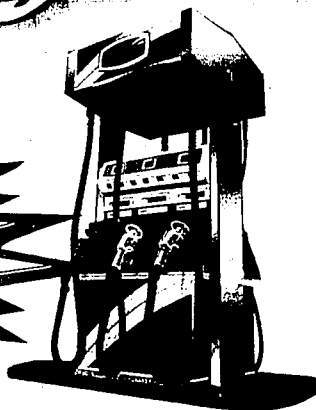
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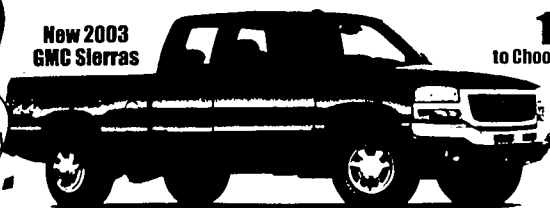
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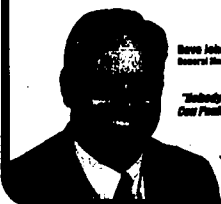
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## The broken trail of past spring breaks

Spring break again? Already? And I still haven't gotten around to saving the money for that trip to Hawaii? Ah, well. Something would surely have gone wrong anyway.

Spring breaks I have known.

- The year we made the mistake of planning a car trip with a crack who had just learned how to crack his knuckles.

- The year we tried camping with an infant - and I was the one who ended up sleeping in the popper.
- The year we took Grandma along to watch the kids in an adjoining hotel room. My little darlings called me on the telephone every five minutes and Grandma, in typical grandma fashion, said, "They wanted to call you. What could I do?"

The list could go on. When kids are involved, there always seem to be a few extra stresses on the road. Or maybe it's just that people tend to expect way too much from vacations with their children.



**LIFE AND TIMES**  
Denise Turner

When my children were little, I used to collect travel tips for parents. Plan a trip that everyone will enjoy. Make your plans well in advance. Don't pack everything in the house.

But it didn't take me long to decide that the people who wrote the tips probably didn't have any kids.

Take that part about planning the trip in advance, for instance. You can't buy your airline tickets a year ahead of time if you want, but the kids are still going to come down with chicken pox the night before the departure date.

I must admit, I always did try hard not to pack everything in the house. But you can hardly leave behind your kids' books and toys and cassette tapes and - depending on the ages - the portable and the disposable diapers and the formula and... Even then, I always managed to leave behind the one item the kid was sure he couldn't live without.

The one mistake I've never made is expecting a vacation to include any together time for my husband and me. I learned, long ago when I first had kids, that Mommy and Daddy are not romantic terms. That would be like comparing "moonlight and roses" to "nightlights and dandelions."

I guess second honeymoons are for people who have enough money to fly to France while the kids are at camp. But I've always found the words "kids" and "money" to be mutually exclusive.

It's possible that the words "kids" and "vacation" are mutually exclusive, too.

I barely have the patience to get Jimmy to the supermarket and back, a friend recently told me. "But John wants us to go to Yellowstone for spring break."

I know the feeling. Every year, spring break trips become more complicated. And we haven't even gotten to Disney World yet.

Does this make me a bad parent? I have no idea. I don't have time for guilt.

I do know that most parents share similar concerns.

A while back, I ran across a magazine titled *Home & Away* that ran a contest in which parents submitted their tips for traveling with kids. The winners were tips like, "Don't let your kids see Niagara Falls until after they have gone to the bathroom." And, "Serve Vaseline to the scuba cushion behind the kids' heads so that their hair gets pulled every time they move."

Sounds like my kind of people. I would also add to that it never made sense to me to take children who can't get through one meal at home without pinching each other and put them in a 14-by-14-foot hotel room for seven days and expect them to get along.

That's quality family time? This spring break I think we'll just camp out in the back yard and order in pizza.

Denise Turner is assistant features editor at The Times-News.



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William Clark

## Idaho explores a tourism bonanza

By Steve Crump  
Times-News writer

**SALMON** - This hard-to-reach central Idaho town of 2,964 has been making a living from hunters, fishermen and river floaters since the nearby mines petered out in the '50s.

But Salmon now bills itself as "The Birthplace of Sacajawea," and there's little doubt where it's pinned its hopes for prosperity in the short run.

"We're projecting that the new interpretive center and the activities associated with the Lewis and Clark Bicentennial will increase the number of tourists who visit here from 2 to 5 percent a year, which equates to \$2 million to \$4 million in additional revenue," said Gary Van Hullef, grant administrator for the City of Salmon and director of the Sacajawea Interpretive Center, which will open in May or June.

"For us, that's tremendous."

"This summer will mark the 200th anniversary of the beginning of the Lewis and Clark Expedition, which explored the Louisiana Territory and effectively cemented the West to the rest of the United States. The Corps of Discovery crisscrossed northern and central Idaho in the process, and a strip of economically distressed Idaho mining and lumber communities is hoping the tourists will follow."

"Survivors have shown that Oregon, Idaho and Montana are



Idaho Department of Life, Entertainment, Division of Marine Fisheries

the states most likely to attract visitors during the Bicentennial," said Carl Wilgus, state travel director for the Idaho Department of Commerce.

Based on a formula developed to calculate the economic benefits from the Oregon Trail Sesquicentennial nearly a decade ago, that works out to about \$75 million in additional tourist revenue for the state in 2003, 2004 and in 2005, when interest in the event is expected to peak.

To that end, the Department of Commerce and local economic development organizations are heavily promoting the Bicentennial, aiming particularly at

"Clarkies" - 50-plus history buffs with money and time to spend - and families.

"Many of the activities that are planned in connection with this are geared toward things children like to do, and that families like to do together," Wilgus said.

Idaho is appealing to Lewis and Clark aficionados as the only state with parts of the expedition route - including nearby Lemhi Pass - that remain virtually unchanged two centuries later.

And as the birthplace of Sacajawea, the Lemhi Shoshoni woman who guided the explorers

safely across the Rockies.

"It's hard to overestimate how widely Sacajawea is known," Wilgus said. "She has more crests, mountains and other physical features named after her than almost any other American."

Sacajawea's life and times are the focus of the new Salmon interpretive center, located on 71 acres along Idaho Highway 28. It will include indoor facilities, static displays, teepees and interactive elements, all developed with the cooperation of Sacajawea's descendants.

The projected 20,000 visitors annually could transform the

economy of Lemhi County, where one job out of three is now provided by the government.

Unemployment here is above 7 percent, and in 2001 the average annual wage was \$21,018 - nearly \$1,000 under the state average.

Service and trade jobs make up another half of the Lemhi County workforce, and the average annual wage in those sectors was just over \$13,000 in 2001.

That figures to improve as more tourists come. Still, by the standards of other attractions along the Lewis and Clark trail, the impact of Bicentennial-related visitors will be modest. The nearby Big Hole National Battlefield in Montana, by comparison, attracts about 65,000 visitors annually.

Still, the Bicentennial is a catalyst for Lemhi and economically struggling counties along the Lewis and Clark route, especially Clearwater and Nez Perce.

"One of our goals is to expose people who would otherwise not have not come to Idaho to what we have to offer here," Wilgus said.

And that includes southern Idahoans, he added.

"Everybody who grew up in Idaho knows the Lewis and Clark story," he said. "One focus of our marketing will be to get them to come and sample it first hand."

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## Wills - you really, really do need one

Knight Ridder News Service

Face it: You're going to die. It's not a happy thought, but it is realistic. And you should be prepared - at least on paper. Make some decisions now - while you're healthy and relatively crisis-free - that will save your family members from further anguish and possibly fierce fighting in the event that your time on this planet turns out to be shorter than you had hoped.

Everyone - especially every parent - should have several important documents providing for distribution of his or her assets and giving instruction in some other vital matters, such as who should look after the kids.

Here's a real to do list to top of your 2003 resolution list - one that's far more important than organizing the linen closet: Take a close look at your if-it-dies options. To get you started, we talked with experts about three major legal matters: wills, living trusts and living wills.

Our quick guide to these basic documents is designed to help you get started in the process. A truly thoughtful person may also leave instructions for the family, listing his or her wishes for burial or cremation, requests for particu-

### Getting started

**T**he cost of drawing up a will varies. If you use an attorney, you can expect to pay from about \$300 for a simple, straightforward will to \$1,500 for a complicated situation.

Will-writing software programs cost less than hiring an attorney. Programs such as Quicken Lawyer and Family Lawyer cost about \$25 to \$50. Lawyers, of course, don't recommend these programs - but it's not just because they want your business. If your situation is fairly simple, a software program might suffice. But be careful: If you don't know exactly what you're doing, go ahead and pay for legal advice.

If you don't have an attorney, check with your local or state bar association for referral services.

If hiring a lawyer is too expensive, consider this: You may qualify for help from nonprofit organizations that provided legal help - including wills and probate - for low-income residents. Your local or state bar association should be able to provide information on these, as well.

On the Web: [www.DianneReis.com](http://www.DianneReis.com) Web site, [www.willandprobate.com](http://www.willandprobate.com), provides introductory information about wills and trusts. The "FAQs" section offers general advice and explanations of terms.

Source: Fort Worth Star-Telegram

## How to start tracing your lineage

Getting started on your family tree actually isn't all that technical.

For a beginner, the following suggestions are good places to start:

### Start with yourself

Record everything you know and can recall about your family, things you've heard and things you suspect. Keep them in order under names, places and generations.

### Tools:

- Any computer with a word processing program will work. The range is wide: \$300-\$1,600.
- Alternative: Pen, yellow pad of paper, sticky notes and file folder. \$4 and whatever you can lift from your office.

### Talk to your family

This means mom and dad first, then aunts, uncles, grandparents and so forth. Older people like to talk about the old days.

- A digital recorder that can download information into a computer: \$95 to \$800.
- Alternative: Cassette tape recorder from Radio Shack: \$29.95-49.95

### Make a preliminary family tree

It will look like a binary chart where one name connects to two, two becomes four and so forth. Make separate charts for other relatives who aren't directly on your lineage, such as cousins.

# Etc.

### Stay in touch

The most important element in technology for genealogical research is e-mail. Share information is a cornerstone of genealogical research. When you find something, put it some place publicly where others can find it. This means you'll need an Internet Service Provider (ISP) such as AOL, MSN or Earthlink. The information can be posted on these popular bulletin boards in special formats.

### Tools:

- An ISP to check Web sites and records that might be on the Web.
- Alternatives: Sadly, this is where a lack of technological moxie can add years to your research-writing letters that may not be answered, driving endless miles to places that may not exist, seeking interviews with people who may be gone or dead. The Web cuts a lot of leg work off the process.

### Rise to the genealogist

As you map your family, write about them. Explain their times, their challenges, their speculations about their lives that you gather from their addresses, schools, churches, jobs and other information you find.

Tools: Books.

Alternatives: Books.

Source: St. Louis Post-Dispatch

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## FAMILY LIFE

## Sleeping with animals: Our pets are living dreamcatchers

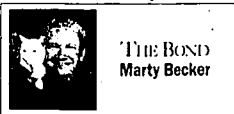
By Drs. Marty Becker and Janice Willard

My 78-year-old mother Virginia, is a widow with a new fiancée, Johnny. Nights find Mom sharing her bed, not with Johnny, but with her two miniature schnauzers, Peanut Butter and Shelly.

"There's not room for all of us on the bed," replied my mother when I teased her about the possibility of Johnny staying over. "Plus, Johnny has his own pet poodle Scamp to sleep with. We both prefer sleeping with our pets to sleeping with each other," she continued matter-of-factly.

As humans, we spend a third of our lives in sleep and we're uncovering the influence of pets under our covers.

Researchers suspect that we sleep with our pets in part because, in our culture, we don't sleep with our families. Anthropologists will tell us that sleeping alone in individual beds or rooms is a recent invention in human history and that a majority of people over the world still sleep with children and other family members. Even now, natural childbirth advocates recommend "the family bed"

THE BOND  
Marty Becker

as a more natural way to raise children — an idea that is still controversial.

Humans sleep with their family members for a variety of reasons. There is the shared warmth before a time of central heating. And there is the shared protection from predators and other dangers of the night. And there is the sense of community and comfort it brings. We sleep with our pets for the same reason.

And there are countless stories about dogs waking the family and saving their lives from house fires, intruders, even earthquakes.

Animals want to sleep with us really for the same reasons we have always slept with them. We form a surrogate family and community for pets. In our own communities, animals sleep together.

Flocks of birds bed down in the trees together, sheep lie down in the fields with their flock, wolf packs all sleep in a den area together and kittens all sleep with their mother — when she isn't out hunting for their dinner. In fact, sleeping together is one of the ways to characterize a community of animals, that they all rely on each other during the vulnerability of "the little death" that is sleep. It is a sign of trust and shared needs.

When animals come into our homes, they want to share that sense of community and family with us, their foster family. They want to share the warmth, comfort and security of being with us as we sleep. Together.

If not on our beds, they want to be near us. And we too derive great benefits from that trust and closeness, even if they are beside, rather than on our beds.

Of course, with every cozy picture, there is always a flip side.

Sleeping with pets is not without its downside. First of all there is the problem of zoonotic diseases. Zoonotic diseases are those diseases transmissible between pets and people. Ringworm and

rabies are examples.

Another real danger is allergies. If you have allergies, sleeping nose-to-nose with a pet can present major problems as you can inhale allergens for hours on end. If this is the case, you may want to have the pet sleep in another room or at least on its own bed in your bedroom.

And there is the problem of disturbed sleep. Because pets stretch, wiggle, dream, snore and even pass gas in their sleep, this can also disturb our sleep. In fact in a recent study, Dr. John Shepard at the Mayo Sleeping Disorders Clinic questioned people who came to the clinic with a sleeping disorder as to whether they felt their pets disturbed their sleep.

Of the pet owners questioned, 53 percent considered their sleep to be disrupted to some extent every night, but only 1 percent felt that their sleep was disrupted for more than 20 minutes per night on average.

Still even with all of these problems, as many as seven out of 10 Americans, unabashedly, proudly, share our beds with our pets. We know the benefits far outweigh the nuisance or risks.

Says Willard, in times of stress, I have woken from a nightmare with my mind still entrapped in the terror and sorrow of the dream, my heart still pounding with fear. But as I lay, still in the grip of the aftermath of that dream, I heard the sounds of my dogs, slowly breathing as they slept on the floor next to my bed, my cat curled up by my feet. Their soft and steady breathing calmed me no terror was really in that room nor was I alone as long as I could hear their gentle breaths. By just being there, my pets gave me the gift of support in difficult times. They are living dream catchers.

Farmer Twin Falls veterinarian Marty Becker appears frequently on ABC-TV's "Good Morning America" and now on two nationally syndicated radio programs, "Pets Unleashed" a two-hour live talk program and a two-minute vignette, "The Pet Update" on the national talk network, Talk O'NE. Janice Willard, DVM, is a veterinary ethologist from Moscow. Write to them in care of Knight Ridder/Tribune News Service, 740 National Press Building, Washington, DC 20045.

## Wills

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lar funeral homes and ideas for the funeral or memorial service program.

**One caveat:** Before you make any big decisions, remember to talk to your family and consult a lawyer.

**A will.**

What it is: A will is a legal document that takes effect after your death; primarily, it designates what will happen to your money, possessions and property. "There are a lot of people who don't have wills because they don't think they need them — and they really do," says Fort Worth, Texas, attorney Steve Katten.

**What you can do with it:**

• A will does several important things.

• It lets you choose an executor. This is a personal representative, the person who makes sure your estate is handled according to your wishes. It can be a friend, a family member, even a professional.

• If you have children, a will lets you designate a guardian. This is especially important if you're a single parent, or if you and your spouse die at the same time. If you haven't made your choices clear, the state may appoint a guardian you wouldn't have chosen.

• A will can also keep young children from inheriting real

estate outright, which will save them a lot of time and money. Why? If you die without a will, your property may be left to your children or divided up among family members. If your kids are minors, they won't legally be able to manage the property they inherit. So even if a minor inherits just a small share of the property (and if you don't have a will, your children get a share of everything), the law will require an expensive court order to sell that property, rent it out or do just about anything else with it.

With a will, you can put the property in a trust so your kids can have it when they're older. In fact, you might want to keep it there beyond your child's 18th birthday; perhaps at age 22 or 25, they can manage it better.)

• You can use tax advantages to make sure your assets don't become big tax burdens to the people who inherit them. There are trusts that can protect your spouse or your grandchildren, for example, from inheriting a taxable lump sum.

• A will also lets you distribute possessions that have sentimental value. It doesn't matter how many times you've told your niece that shell inherit your porcelain doll collection. If you haven't put it in your will, she may never get it.

**Problems to watch out for:** Beware of computer software and other do-it-yourself will kits. They're less expensive than hiring

an attorney, but you do have to be careful.

"Some (do-it-yourself) kits are better than others," says Plano, Texas, attorney Dianne Reis, who has dedicated a Web site to wills and trusts. "With some programs, the directions aren't clear or complete. This isn't acceptable when you're dealing with a legal document — the tiniest mistake can make your will invalid."

If your situation is very simple — say, your assets are all in a single bank account and your only child's name is on that account — you might do just fine with a do-it-yourself kit. But in most cases, the experts say, it's a good idea to check with a lawyer.

**Bottom line:** You need a will. Even if your estate is small, you need a will. Even if you have a living trust, you need a will. If you have children, you really need a will. You don't want to leave all those important decisions up to the court.

**A living will and power of attorney.**

**What it is:** Coupled with a power of attorney, a living will allows you to make important decisions about your medical care. It doesn't involve distribution of your assets, but it's just as important — perhaps more so — than a will or living trust.

**What you can do with it:** If you're incapacitated, they will be able to make health-care decisions for yourself. So in case that hap-

pens, you should designate someone you trust to make those decisions for you, giving him or her medical power of attorney. In addition, you should designate a financial power of attorney (this can be the same person, but it doesn't have to be) to take over your finances if you're incapacitated.

A living will, also called an advance directive, is an instruction for your doctor. It tells them not to take extreme life-saving measures if your death is probable and imminent. It clarifies the quality of life that you would like for yourself. This saves your family from having to make that sort of excruciating decision, not knowing what you'd prefer.

**Problems to watch out for:** Be sure you have talked to the person you're giving power of attorney, make sure he or she is willing to act as your health care or financial agent (this may involve tough things like meeting with ethics boards at hospitals and dealing with relatives who disagree with what he or she has been charged to do). Explain your preferences and wishes before it's too late.

**Also:** Don't store these documents where your family can't find them. If your designations are hidden, your wishes won't be known. And don't keep papers designating power of attorney in a safe deposit box; the bank will require a power of attorney to access the box.

**Bottom line:** With many attorneys, setting up a living will and power of attorney often comes part-and-parcel with drawing up a will. If you already have a will, though, you can probably make these designations on your own, without professional guidance. The state of Texas publishes a standard form; you can download it from multiple Web sites (do an Internet search for "living will")

or you can request a form from your doctor or a local hospital.

A living will and power of attorney, Katten says, may be even more important than a will. "If you don't have a will, the state of Texas has written one for you, even though it may not be the one you want," he says. "If you don't have power of attorney, there's no real substitute for that."

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3/4 cup oat bran	1 cup brown sugar
2 tsp soda	1 tsp baking powder
1/2 tsp salt	2 tsp cinnamon
1 1/2 cups finely shredded carrots	2 peeled & shredded apples
1/2 cup raisins	1 cup chopped nuts
3/4 cup milk	2 beaten eggs
1 tsp vanilla	

Mix together flour, flaxseed meal, oat bran, brown sugar, soda, baking powder, salt and cinnamon in a large bowl. Stir in carrots, apples, raisins and nuts. Combine milk, beaten eggs and vanilla. Pour liquid over dry ingredients. Stir until ingredients are moistened, but do not over mix. Fill muffin cups 3/4 full, bake at 350 degrees for 15 to 20 minutes. Yields 2 dozen muffins. (When using flaxseed meal, you don't need oil in this recipe.)

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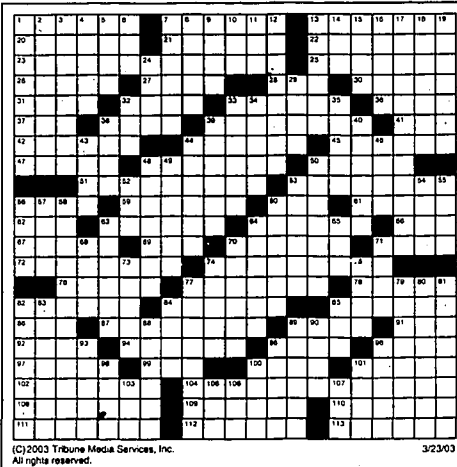
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## THE Sunday Crossword

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# High grades only coddle this underachieving boy



PARENTING  
John Rosemond

Q: My second-grade son has received straight A's on both report cards this year. He receives only satisfactory marks in effort, however. His teacher recently sent a progress report in which she says he often does not work to his potential. He fails to read all of the directions on a worksheet and thus does not completely finish many assignments. This is compounded by the fact that he is usually in a hurry to finish his work, and therefore, careless. The teacher says he is very capable. He reads well and with good comprehension. He can do math problems in his head, and so on. His teacher says his problems boil down to a need to stay better focused. As you generally advise, he needs more television and has no video games. He has chores, has no problem occupying himself and is well-behaved. What can I do to make him slow down with his work and read all directions? This is his problem does not reside within your son's nervous system; to wit, he focuses quite well when he must. Rather, it is a function of this teacher's well-intentioned, but dysfunctional, approach. Confront her - firmly but politely - and inform her that you cannot motivate your son to be more conscientious as long as she gives him A's for substandard work. The teacher is clearly saying that your son has sloppy work

habits that result in incomplete assignments, yet she just as clearly does not penalize him. She gives him second chance after second chance to finish, correct his mistakes, and so on, and then gives him straight A's! Excuse me?

That your son is not improving in his work habits is proof he is brilliant, a gifted child. Why, pray tell, should he change? It's simple. A child who does not "work to his potential" should not be receiving A's. Saying that your son needs to be "better-focused" is a way of hinting that he may have attention deficit disorder. Don't go there! This problem does not reside within your son's nervous system; to wit, he focuses quite well when he must. Rather, it is a function of this teacher's well-intentioned, but dysfunctional, approach. Confront her - firmly but politely - and inform her that you cannot motivate your son to be more conscientious as long as she gives him A's for substandard work. She needs to penalize him for turning in assignments that are

sloppy and/or incomplete. Furthermore, his grades should reflect his first report card assignment, not his second or third. Tell her that you are willing to follow through with penalties at home for grades that are below par, but you cannot justify penalizing him for making the highest grades possible.

This is not education. It's coddling. And coddling does not bring out the best in a child. Rather, as this example shows, it brings out the worst.

Q: Our 16-year-old daughter was struggling with algebra, so we got her a tutor. She has a part-time job. Do you think she should pay for all or part of the tutoring? A: The best approach was recently posted on the public side of my Web site ([www.rosemond.com](http://www.rosemond.com)). Those parents required that the child (also a high school student with a part-time job) pay for her own tutoring. But if her grades improved, the parents reimbursed her. Needless to say, the grades improved. The principle is simple: One takes better responsibility for that which is not free.

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# See an asteroid without a telescope



SKYWATCH  
Chris Anderson

The night sky is full of surprises. Many sky stargazers are surprised to learn how much their modest backyard telescope will show them, from distant galaxies to moons of Saturn. Even more surprising are the things a skilled observer can see without optical aid.

Admittedly, some of these naked-eye exotica take more than a casual effort to spot. You must be willing to eschew the city's glare, pick a clear, moonless night, and allow your pupils time to dilate fully (at least twenty minutes in complete darkness). Since moving to Idaho seven years ago, I've been enjoying its relatively dark skies. The dry, thin high desert air is an amateur astronomer's dream, which perhaps explains the hobby here. Shortly after I arrived, I got my first opportunity to take advantage of the desert views. Vesta, the third largest of the asteroids that orbit between Mars and Jupiter, makes a close approach to earth every 16 months or so. During that time, this Wyoming-

sized ball of rock and metal shines just brightly enough to be seen with the unaided eye. From just a few miles outside Twin Falls, on two successive moonless nights in May of 1996, I saw it for myself. Although it would have been indistinguishable from the uncountable faint stars that dwell near the edge of perceptibility. By going out two nights in a row, I could tell that it had moved noticeably against the starry backdrop.

This Wednesday Vesta is again at opposition, 180 degrees from the sun, in Virgo. Happily, the moon obliges by rising in the pre-dawn hours. A sky chart for locating Vesta can be found at Sky and Telescope magazine's Web site ([skyandtelescope.com/observing/object/asteroids/article\\_895\\_1](http://skyandtelescope.com/observing/object/asteroids/article_895_1))

## Sky calendar (through Saturday)

**Planets**  
One hour before sunrise:  
Mars: SSE, low  
One hour after sunset:  
Saturn: WSW, high  
Jupiter: SE, very high

**Moon**  
Third quarter Monday, 6:51 p.m.

asp). Be forewarned, however, that this chart shows a small region of sky, so you'll have to know your way around Virgo to use it. Binoculars may be helpful initially, but then see if you can just find the asteroid within reach of the unaided eye.

Next week: Lights down, stars up! Chris Anderson is the planetarium production specialist at the Paul H. Rasmussen Planetarium at the Herrett Center for Arts and Science at the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls. Write to him at [canderson@csid.edu](mailto:canderson@csid.edu).

# Harmonies make dreams come true, Leo

IF MARCH 23RD IS YOUR BIRTHDAY... today will be full of surprises. This year will see you in love; August will bring romance; and September will see you on the horizon. Sagittarius, Capricorn will play unusual roles in your life. During April, there will be many new avenues and opportunities to pursue. You will receive an unusual, late gift.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 19): Lunar cycle favorable; you will accomplish much. Foreign or legal matters feature a time to take control, but keep that sense of humor! News is encouraging.

Taurus (Apr. 20-May 20): You feel like you're going your way. Your energy level is high, but look before you leap! You have tiny feet. You may want to change your wallpaper or surroundings.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Saturn's restrictions will soon be lifting. The moon is favoring you. Despite odds, there will be financial gain. Sagittarius, Aquarius involved.

## HOROSCOPE

Jeraldine Saunders

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Make the most of opportunities presenting themselves now. Past work pays off. A good time for delving into the occult. Finances improving with partner feature.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): You are riding high. Solar and lunar harmonies will make your wishes come true. Go for it! Aries may be taxing your energies. Lucky number seven.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Added responsibility brings pressure. You are right on track to solve any problems. Good time for networking. Make the most of a surprise invitation.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Sudden news! Female friends need your attention. Family matters keep coming up. Keep your cool; don't succumb to pressure. Follow your hunches. Capricorn, Gemini play roles.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You are asked to lend a helping hand. Your expertise in public relations is needed. Leo is in the picture. Close family members seek attention.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You're moody, but don't worry - you're holding a trump card. Watch your belongings! Important news regarding home or property.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You have been helping others, but now others will help you. Moon in your 12th House makes you nostalgic; you want to reminisce. Lucky number nine!

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Today's demands may be technical. You are right on track to solve any problems. Good time for networking. Make the most of a surprise invitation.

PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20): You wonder: Is life becoming a tightrope? Don't worry - you can cope! Just take heart and confront matters. Make an effort to keep fit. Cancer natives prove helpful.

# Website offers ideas on planning parties for kids

Knight Rider News Service

If you're planning a birthday party for your son or daughter and have run dry on ideas, visit [www.birthdaypartyideas.com](http://www.birthdaypartyideas.com). The site is a mother lode of party ideas, submitted by parents all over the world.

Parties, and you'll get an alphabetical listing of every party theme you could imagine, from air-planes to Zorro. Parents provide details on everything from invitations and decorations to games and party favors.

Some of the entries make great reading-like the parent who threw a Willy Wonka party for

her 4-year-old complete with "golden ticket" invitations, lick-able wallpaper (made with melted lollipops), and a chocolate river fashioned from cardboard, aluminum foil and chocolate pudding.

To share a party idea, just click on the site's "Submit Idea" form, or send an e-mail.

# For the unempteen time, here's what it means

DEAR EDITOR: I hear people using the word "unempteen" a lot, as in "I've been there unempteen times" or "we saw unempteen different species of birds." Can you tell me where it came from?

-S.C. CODY, WYO.

DEAR S.C.: "Unempteen" means "very many, indefinitely numerous." It was created as a combination of the word "umpty" and the ending "-teen." "Umpty" means "such and such," "something not named or specified," referring especially to an unspecified number. English speakers probably created "umpty" as an alteration of actual numbers ending in "-teen," and it suggests a rather large but unspecified number.

People don't use "umpty" as much anymore, but you're bound to hear or read "unempteen" any number of times. You are also likely to encounter the adjective "unempteen," as in "for the unempteen time."

The earliest examples of "unempteen" and "unempteen" in print date to around 1920.

DEAR EDITOR: When I was a

## WORDWATCH

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kid way back when I had an uncle who'd say "land o' Goshen!" I haven't heard the expression since then. What's the story behind it?

-E.E. WABASH, IND.

DEAR E.E.: "Land o' Goshen" is an old-fashioned expression that is rarely heard these days, although it has not dropped entirely out of use. We have found some evidence of its continuing occurrence (in one form or another) in recent years, as in this example from *The Palm Beach Post* of April 18, 2002:

"Oh my, yes," says Grace Snow, 91, an Indiana girl who's keen for greens of all flavors. "Just boil them up with some salt back or ham hock, and Lands O' Goshen - ooh, they're good!" It tends now to be used by writers to register a sort of exaggerated or facetious surprise, as in this January 2000 example from *The Deseret News* (Salt Lake City):

... applies require federal food disclosures because, land o' Goshen, apples have fiber."

the phrase - other than that it was a favorite usage of the cartoon character Lowkey, wife of Snuffy Smith, in the comic strip Barney Google. The strip was written by Billy DeBeck from 1919 until 1942, when his former assistant, Fred Lasswell, took it over and continued it until his death in 2001.

The word "Goshen" is often viewed the same as "gosh," that is, as a euphemism for "God." Actually, though, "Goshen" is from the Hebrew "Goshen," the name of the land allotted to the Israelites in Egypt, and is found in the Bible at Genesis, chapter 45, verse 11: "And thou shalt dwell in the land of Goshen ... and there I will nourish thee."

Interestingly, there are towns in many states across America named Goshen - named, presumably, after the Goshen of the Bible. As the name of a town, the word is pronounced GOH-shun, as is the Biblical word - in contrast to our "land o' Goshen," in which the word is often pronounced, as you probably know, with the "o" as in "gosh."

DEAR EDITOR: Please tell me the origin of the phrase "to pay the piper." Who is the piper and why do we have to pay him?

-D.G. CRANSTON, R.I.

DEAR D.G.: "To pay the piper" means "to bear the cost of something." The expression is actually a shortened version of such sayings as "Who pays the piper, calls the tune" and "Those that dance must pay the music."

Its first known figurative use dates back to Thomas Flattman's "Hercules Rides" in 1681: "After all this Dance he has led the Nation, he must at least come to pay the Piper himself."

These phrases originated from the act of paying the piper or flutist who played the conventional music for English rustic dances. Since fiddles usually furnished the music for American dances, we also have "to pay the fiddler."

Bear in mind, though, that the musician's payment was typically nothing more than thanks and the hospitality of the master of the house, in particular the offering of all the wine the player could drink - hence, the expressions "drunk as a piper" and "drunk as a fiddler."

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## Constitution team places third in state

By Betty Taylor  
Times-News correspondent

**BLISS** - Usually, students might balk at studying government.

But not the Constitution team of Bliss High School and Wendell High School.

In a statewide competition Feb. 5 at Boise State University, a combined team from Bliss and Wendell placed third overall. The competition is sponsored by the Center for Civic Education, a program funded in part by Congress, and commonly known as the "We the People" program.

Students compete in groups covering constitutional theory, the Bill of Rights and constitutional application to local, state and federal issues. Students must prepare a four-minute oral presentation to each of three questions. A panel of judges asks questions the groups for six minutes. The students are judged on presentation, application, knowledge and participation.

Receiving a first-place group honor in "What are the Philosophical and Historical Foundations of the American Political System?" was Bliss' Jarvis Cline and



The Bliss and Wendell High Schools award-winning Constitution team.

Brian Elliott and Wendell's Phillip Matos.

"We were well prepared and

coast," Philip said. "The judges were from political backgrounds such as lawyers, retired judges and state offices,"

said Steve Goodbody, government teacher at Wendell. "The students competed against all-size schools. This year, there were seven teams and the winner, Orofino, will be representing Idaho in the national competition

in Washington, D.C. We will receive free text books for competing."

"I like the two schools coming together," said student Bonnie Sears of Wendell, who was part of a second-place winning group.

Stacie Jackson of Wendell said she was nervous, and the judges were tough, but she had a lot of fun.

"I learned how the Constitution influences our lives today, and I learned a lot about our government," Wendell's Rachael Carlson added.

Wendell students who also participated include Kristine Nunes, Kael Pope and Ariane Vipperman. Other Bliss students who participated were Sam Bray, Sundi Briandine, Mariab Burk, Marlene Diaz, Chase Erkins, Gabriela Gallardo, Stacy Goolsby, Malorie Kast, Stephanie Morris, Jeremy Myers, Brittnie Turner and Rhett Wood.

Rob Sauer, government teacher at Bliss, said the combined team has done well over the years in competition. "The students get to take what they learn in the classroom and apply it to everyday life in their community, state, country and world," Sauer said.

### Cassia parade committee holds theme contest

**BURLEY** - The Cassia County parade committee is seeking entries for the 2003 Cassia County fair, parade and rodeo theme contest.

The general theme is "Hope for the Future," and entries should relate to the general theme. The person submitting the winning entry will receive \$50 prize money.

Entries will be received through April 19 and should be mailed to:

Cassia County Parade Committee, c/o Kelly Johansson, 216 Dennis Drive, Burley, 83318.

### Mothers of the Military seeks Idaho members

**MOUNTAIN HOME** - An organizational meeting to form the first Idaho chapter of Mothers of the Military will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. March 29 at the Mountain Home Public Library meeting room.

The rapidly growing national organization is a support group for parents, grandparents or other relatives and friends of service men and women in the military.

Those attending are asked to bring a picture of the person who is in the military to share with others.

The group does not have any membership fees and does not solicit funds. At each monthly

meeting, the group will try to have speakers available to explain military life and answer any questions.

For more information, call Rita Everett at (208) 587-3215 or e-mail her at ritakelly@cs.com.

### CSI offers scrapbooking workshop April 1

**TWIN FALLS** - The College of Southern Idaho will offer the last in a series of scrapbooking workshops from 7 to 9:30 p.m. April 1 in Aspen Room 145 at CSI.

In "Patriotic Border Scrapbooking," students will learn how to make three completed page layouts. Pages will be included. Students are encouraged to bring pictures to make their pages complete. They are also asked to bring a pair of straight scissors and a pen or pencil to class. The instructor is Creative Memories consultant Jennifer Miller, and the cost is \$15 plus \$7 paid to the instructor for materials.

For more information or to register, call 732-6290 or 732-6288.

### Van Polens show program on Netherlands Friday

**TWIN FALLS** - Don and Fran Van Polen will show a program on the Netherlands called "A Taste of Old Holland" at 7 p.m. Friday at the Twin Falls Reformed Church, 1631 Grandview Drive N. Admission will be a free will offering.

## Albion club sends invitations for student contests

**ALBION** - The rules for the annual Albion Four Leaf Clover Club student art and poetry contests have been sent to area schools.

Carol Amende, chairman of the arts committee, reported at the club's February meeting that the student art and poetry rules were sent to Albion Elementary School and Declo secondary schools. The deadlines were March 20 for the poetry contest, and April 18 for art.

The use of "essential" oils was the topic of the program for the meeting with speakers Peggy Goodman, a local physical therapist, and Sarah Graham. They also distributed handouts and samples, and discussed chemical-free health and beauty products. The program was under the direction of the home life committee. Member Gwen Montgomery introduced Goodman.

Club President Mary Amende presided over the meeting. The Club Collect was led by Lorna Calhounette, Pledge of Allegiance by Marcella Mahoney, the minutes of the January meeting were read by secretary Edie Fitzgerald, and Linda Leach gave the treasurer's report.

In other club business:

The club has 32 members this year.

Amende appointed Gloria West as historian.

Carey Leach, chairman of the library committee, gave a financial report for the library, which the club operates. Fitzgerald, a committee member, reported that she had applied for a \$300 grant for the library. An election for two committee members would be held in April. Lorna Reeder and Arlene Smyer are now in those positions, and may be reelected.

Mary Lynne Bristol, editor of the Albion Valley News, which the club publishes, reported that the club newsletter is on the Albion Valley Web site, and that the Web master plans to archive newsletter issues for one year. In addition, a brief history of the club and other information will be put on the Web site.

A committee nominated Gwen Montgomery as candidate for Outstanding Clubwoman of the Year and Mary Amende as the Woman of Achievement candidate. They will be entered in the state competition.

Refreshments were served by Linda Leach, Carey Leach and Jennifer Friedrichsen.



Photo courtesy of MARY LYNN BRISTOL

Peggy Goodman from Burley, guest speaker for the February meeting of the Albion Four Leaf Clover Club, demonstrates a way to use "essential" oils. She is assisted by Sarah Graham from the Hazelton area.

### Tower will receive Army training at Fort Lee

**CLINT B. TOWNER**, son of Juanita J. Thompson of Richfield and Terry D. Towner of Chehalis, Wash., has enlisted in the U.S. Army for three years.

Towner, 22, entered through the Army's Delayed Entry Program. He will attend advanced individual training at Fort Lee, Va., with a specialty as a petroleum supply specialist. He is a 1998 graduate of Richfield School.

### Long enters Army's Delayed Entry program

**JUSTIN M. LONG**, son of Leslie C. Long of Heyburn, has enlisted in the U.S. Army for three years.

Long, 18, entered through the Army's Delayed Entry Program. He will attend One Station Unit Training at Fort Benning, Ga., with a specialty as an infantry recruit.

He will be a 2003 graduate of Burley High School.

## SERVICE NEWS

## Community

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## FOCUS ON PEOPLE

### Hesselbacher receives degree from Monmouth

**Michelle Hesselbacher** of Twin Falls was among the 41 seniors who were awarded a bachelor's of arts degrees this fall at Monmouth College in Monmouth, Ill. A biology major, she is the daughter of Paul Hesselbacher of Selma, Mont., and Patricia Hesselbacher of Scales Mound, Ill.

### Rupert woman wins international poetry honor

**Violet L. Peterson** of Rupert has been invited to present her poetry at the International Society of Poets Spring Convention and Symposium, scheduled Feb. 28 to March 2 at the

Walt Disney World Resort in Orlando, Fla.

Peterson will win the Outstanding Achievement in Poetry Silver Award Cup in honor of her poetic accomplishments, reported the organization.

### Golden Key honor society inducts Ostrander

**Anthony Joseph Ostrander** has accepted membership in the Golden Key International Honor Society, and was inductively honored during a ceremony at Washington State University in Pullman. Ostrander graduated from Hansen High School in 2000, and is the son of Clara Ostrander of Hansen and Steve Ostrander of California.

Students are recognized for their outstanding accomplishments and positive impact through the society's commitment to the community. The society is a nonprofit, academic honors organization that provides academic recognition, leadership opportunities, community service, career networking and scholarships.

### Local students make dean's list at NNU

**Northwest Nazarene University** in Nampa announced its dean's list for the 2002-03 fall semester.

On the list are Erik Eilers, Angie Eilers, Lisa Linard, all of Rupert; and Benjamin Baird, Rachel Griff and Melissa Snow,

all of Twin Falls. To be eligible, students must earn a minimum 3.5 grade point average while taking at least 12 graded credit hours.

### Local student makes dean's list at Randolph-Macon

**Caroline Jelavich** of Twin Falls, a student at Randolph-Macon Woman's College in Lynchburg, Va., was named to the college's dean list for the 2002 fall semester. The dean's list recognizes those students who have achieved superior quality in their academic work.

### Area student earns honor at William Woods University

**Erin Mc Henry** of Kimberly

has been named to the dean's list at William Woods University in Fulton, Mo. for academic accomplishments during the 2002 fall term. To be named, a student must be full-time and have achieved a minimum 3.6 semester and cumulative grade-point average.

### Student earns Faculty Honors at Georgia Tech

**Erin Cusky King** of Kimberly earned the distinction of Faculty Honors for the fall semester 2002 at the Georgia Institute of Technology in Atlanta, Ga. Undergraduate students earning a 4.00 academic average for the semester gain the distinction.

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## STORK REPORT

### MAGIC VALLEY REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER

**Freya Greer Watson**, daughter of Dora Mae and Albert Thomas Watson of Twin Falls, was born Wednesday, March 12, 2003.

**Lynzee Renee Blackwell**, daughter of Amber Leona and Brent Anthony Blackwell of Twin Falls, was born Wednesday, March 12, 2003.

**Celeste Marguerite Cone**, daughter of Sarah Jane and Clinton Carl Cone of Kimberly, was born Thursday, March 13, 2003.

**Audrey Ann Elizabeth Price**, daughter of Samantha Lynn Price of Twin Falls, was born Thursday, March 13, 2003.

**Brooklyn Skye Butler**, daughter of Janelle Joanne and Martin

To announce a birth  
Send a copy of the birth certificate to:  
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Deadline: noon Tuesday for Sunday's paper; noon Friday for Tuesday's paper.  
More information?  
Call Melissa at 735-3278

**Kenneth Antrim** of Twin Falls, was born Thursday, March 13, 2003.

**Allison Arlene Braun**, daughter of Angie D. and Chris S. Braun of Gooding, was born Friday, March 14, 2003.

**Graci Elaina Butler**, daughter of Jami Kathleen and Scott Matthew Butler of Jerome, was

born Friday, March 14, 2003.

**Alexander Kenneth**, born to Jennifer Lynn and David Matthew Bond of Jerome, was born Friday, March 14, 2003.

**Stephanie Denise Leazer**, daughter of Kimberly R. and Robert L. Leazer of Kimberly, was born Saturday, March 15, 2003.

**Logan Sage Bowman**, daughter of Alisa Ginger and Rusty Dean Bowman of Twin Falls, was born Monday, March 17, 2003.

To have a birth announced, send a copy of the birth certificate to Melissa Morgan at The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303 or fax it to 734-5538. Deadline for publication Sunday is noon Tuesday and deadline for publication Tuesday is noon Friday.

## BUHL CLUB RAISES MONEY FOR ANIMAL SHELTER



The Buhl Middle School Builders Club raised \$125 sponsoring a fund-raiser where it invited students to wear pajamas and hats to school, but paid fees of \$1 for pajamas, 50 cents for a hat or \$1.25 for both. The club donated the money to the People For Pets/Magic Valley Humane Society that contracts with the city of Twin Falls for the maintenance of the city's animal shelter. Director Debbie Blackwood, who brought "Charlie," an 11-month old Labrador retriever, accepted the check from the club members and advisers Laurie Hall, Susan Baggs and Rick Novacek for construction of a new shelter. Members are, from left, front row: Vincent Orr and Stephanie Abm, vice president; second row: Kala Neumeyer, Carly Hampton, president Andrea Storey and Emily Pearson; back row: Chelsie Forrest, Catherine Marquis and secretary Jamie Van Patten.



## ENGAGEMENTS

### NGAWAKA-ROSEN

**SHOSHONE** - Opo and Elaine Ngawaka of New Zealand announce the engagement of their daughter, Miriam Ngawaka, to Cudy Rosen, son of Terry and Gayla Zech and Chad Rosen, all of Shoshone.

The wedding is planned for 11 a.m. Friday in the Salt Lake City Temple. A reception will be held from 4-5 p.m. Saturday at the Zech residence, 316 S. Apple, Shoshone.

Cody Rosen and Miriam Ngawaka



### TSAO-BRADSHAW

**HEYBURN** - Stephanie Ching-Pon Tsao and Ted Arland Bradshaw announce their engagement.

Tsao is the daughter of Sun-Me Tsao of Los Angeles, Calif., and Un-Chen Tsao of Taiwan. She is a graduate of Hacienda Heights High School and Art Center of Pasadena. She works for Direct TV as a graphic designer.

Bradshaw is the son of Walter Bradshaw of Heyburn and Vickie Christensen of Boise. He is a graduate of Minnie High School, Ricks College and Art Center of Pasadena. He works for Rock Star Studio as an art director and designer with video games.

The wedding is planned for 11



Ted Bradshaw and Stephanie Tsao

a.m. Saturday at La Jolla Cove Bridge Club in San Diego, Calif. A reception to honor the couple will be held at noon at Azul La Jolla Restaurant.

The couple will reside in San Marcos, Calif.

### HEREM-JONES

**BURLEY** - Larry and Connie Herem of Burley announce the engagement of their daughter, Janeene Marie Herem, to Travis Jones, son of Kelly and Theresa Jones of West Jordan, Utah.

Herem is a graduate of Burley High School.

Jones is a graduate of Kearns High School. He is employed by Craig Wilson Building in West Jordan.

The wedding is planned for 6

p.m. Saturday at the Unity LDS Church, 275 S. 250 E., Burley. A



Janeene Herem and Travis Jones

reception to honor the couple will be held from 7-9 p.m. Saturday at the same location.

### ROACH-HOMAN

**BUHL** - Dorrta and Gary Roach of Buhl announce the engagement of their daughter, Melanie Renee Roach, to Joshua Andrew Homan, son of Margaret Homan of Twin Falls.

The wedding is planned for April 12 at the Buhl Church of the Nazarene.

Melanie Roach and Joshua Homan



### JACKSON-STEINER

**TWIN FALLS** - Jerry and Sue Jackson of Twin Falls announce the engagement of their daughter, Jody Sue Jackson, to Calvin Ray Steiner, son of Grandin and Otella Steiner of Burley.

Jackson is a 1989 graduate of Twin Falls High School and is attending Stanford University in Washington, D.C., majoring in accounting.

Steiner graduated from the College of Southern Idaho with his high school equivalency diploma. He is employed at Lamb Weston/Con-Agra Foods in Twin Falls. He is a captain volunteer firefighter for the Rock Creek Fire Department in Kimberly, Hansen and Murtaugh. He is also a volunteer first responder for the Hansen-Murtaugh Quick Response Unit for Magic Valley Regional Medical Center.

The wedding is planned for 1 p.m. May 17 at the Calvary Chapel in Twin Falls. A reception will be held following the ceremony at the Calvary Chapel.

## WEDDING

### HUBER-DWYER



Vincent and Kimberlee Dwyer

**GOODING** - Kimberlee Huber and Vincent Dwyer were married Jan. 27 with the Honorable Kevin Cassidy officiating. The reception was held Feb. 22 at the home of the bride's grandparents, Ed and Lois Minton.

The bride is the daughter of Mark and Katie Huber of Gooding.

Parents of the groom are Elizabeth Paradis of Gooding and Jim Dwyer of Texas.

The newlyweds reside in Gooding, where he is employed at Conks Food Town.

## ANNIVERSARIES

### THE DUFFYS

**BUHL** - Mr. and Mrs. Paul Duffy of Buhl will be honored at an open house Saturday for their 70th wedding anniversary. Friends and relatives are invited to attend from 2-4 p.m. at the West End Senior Citizens Center in Buhl.

Duffy and Bessie Perrigo were married April 1, 1933, in Buhl.

They have lived in Buhl all the time except for one and one-half years. He worked at Segal-Pet Milk and she was a homemaker.

They have been active in the senior citizens center.

The event is hosted by their children, Peggy (Ken) Fawcett and Pat Duffy, all of Buhl, and



Paul and Bessie Duffy

Sally (Dennis) Eggleston of Las Vegas, Nev. The couple has nine grandchildren and several great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.



### THE HADAMS

**EDEN** - Mr. and Mrs. John Hadam of Eden will be honored at an open house for their 50th wedding anniversary. Friends and relatives are invited to attend from 2-4 p.m. Saturday at the Sawtooth Best Western on South Lincoln in Jerome.

Hadam and Ina Jones were married March 29, 1953, at the Methodist Church in Jerome.

His work with tractors and diesel mechanics took the couple all over Southern Idaho and the United States - Oregon, Wisconsin and California. They also spent several years each in Greece, Singapore and a year in Sudan.



John and Ina Hadam

He still operates a backhoe business out of his home in Eden.

She worked for 15 years at the College of Southern Idaho, receiving a bachelor's degree in

business, and a master's degree in adult education while working at the school. She uses these skills in her role as a recent coordinator helping students return to school and retiring in 2001.

They have been active in the Magic Valley Tractor Pullers Club, where he served as president twice. She has been active as a 4-H leader for 12 years and recently worked with the Jerome County Historical Society.

The event is hosted by their three children, Dan (Linda) Hadam of Jerome, Jerry (Betty) Castlet of Fairfield and Monica (Joel) Garner of Boise. They also have four grandchildren and another one due in May.

### THE LOGANS

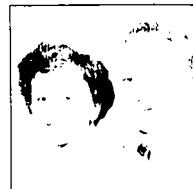
**HAILEY** - Mr. and Mrs. Robert "Bob" C. Logan of Hailey will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary Friday.

Logan and Betty Behr were married March 28, 1953, in Declo.

They have lived and raised their family in Hailey. He retired from AT&T and she currently is working for the Blaine County School District.

They volunteer their winters at Rotarian Ski Area, and spend much of their time working on the farm, fishing, horse riding or at family outings.

They have four children, 13 grandchildren and seven great-



Bob and Betty Logan

grandchildren.

Instead of an open house, the family will spend the weekend fishing on the Salmon River. Friends and relatives are invited



to visit Saturday at their open camper at Deer Creek Camp ground in Bliss, outside of Challis.

### Anniversary or wedding planned? Let us know soon

The Times-News welcomes wedding, engagement and anniversary announcements. Deadline to get them into

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## FAMILY LIFE

## SENIOR CALENDAR

## Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center

616 Eastland Drive  
Dinner served from noon to 12:30 p.m. Suggested donation is \$3 for seniors. The cost is \$4 for non-seniors under 60 and \$2.50 for children under 12.  
Monday-Friday: Menu not available

**Activities**  
Library, Pool Room, and Bargain Center with cards, games, color television, puzzles and movies. Open weekdays from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

**Monday**  
Quitting from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
Hand and foot, make appointment

**Tuesday**  
Ticket Tuesday  
Blood pressure check from 10-11:45 a.m.

**Wednesday**  
Quitting from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.  
Elks card game  
Birthday meal

**Thursday**  
Pinch-O at 1 p.m.

**Friday**  
Quitting  
Lunch lingo  
Blood pressure check

## West End Senior Citizens Inc.

1010 Main St., Buhl  
Noon meals served Monday through Friday. Buffet meal at 1 p.m. on Sunday.

Evening meals served at 5:30 p.m. Monday and Tuesday. Lunch prices are \$3.50 and evening meals will be \$2.50. Sunday dinners are \$4. Meals can be delivered Monday through Friday. Call 543-4577 for more information. Free bus service to and from meals is available Monday evening, Tuesday at noon and Thursday noon and evening. Call the center by 10 a.m. to arrange a ride. Coffee and cinnamon rolls each morning at the center, everyone is welcome.

**Sunday: Roast pork**  
Monday: Chicken and rice  
Tuesday: Swiss steak  
Wednesday: Cook's choice  
Thursday: Ham dinner  
Friday: Center closed

**Activities**  
Thrift shop open every day.

Quitting, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
The Roseland Band plays from 8-11 p.m. the second Saturday of each month. Admission is \$4.

**Sunday**  
All-you-can-eat pork roast dinner buffet, \$4 for seniors, \$4.25 for non-seniors and \$2.50 for children under age 12.

**Monday**  
Exercise from 10-11 a.m.

**Tuesday**  
Exercises from 7-8 a.m.

Quitting from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
Treasure Tuesday  
Crafts from 1-4 p.m.

**Wednesday**  
Exercises from 7-8 a.m. and 10 a.m.

**Thursday**  
Exercises from 7-8 p.m.

Quitting from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
Bingo from 1-4 p.m.

**Friday**  
Center closed

**Saturday**  
Center closed

## Filer Senior Haven

222 Main St., Filer  
Dinner served at noon on Tuesday and Thursday. Suggested donation is \$3 for seniors. Home delivered meals available each meal time.

**Tuesday: Roast beef**  
**Thursday: Fried chicken**

## Ageless Senior Citizens Inc.

310 Main N., Kimberly  
Monday-Friday: Menu not available

**Activities**  
The thrift store is open from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Friday and from 1-4 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays.

**Tuesday**  
Bingo at 7 p.m.

**Wednesday**  
Dinner at 1 p.m.

**Thursday**  
Crafts at 1 p.m.

**Friday**  
Bingo at 11:55 a.m.

**Pinch-O at 1 p.m.**

## Camas County Senior Center

127 E. Willow, Fairfield  
Meals are served at 12 p.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays. The suggested donation for seniors is \$2.50. The cost is \$3 for adults and \$2 for children under age 10. To eat a meal at the center, call ahead at 764-2226.

**Tuesday: Hot dogs, sauerkraut, creamed corn, boiled potatoes with biscuits, Jell-O, ice cream with blueberries**

**Wednesday: Liver and onions, fried potatoes, peas, carrots, cole slaw, rolls, fruit, cookies**

**Friday: Roast pork, applesauce, mashed potatoes, green beans, carrot salad, birthday cake, ice cream**

**Activities**  
Monday  
Art class at 1 p.m.

**Tuesday**  
Pool from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Quitting from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
**Wednesday**  
Pool from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Quitting from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

**Thursday**  
Quitting from 1-3 p.m.

**Friday**  
Pool from 10:30 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Quitting from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
Birthday party

## Gooding County Senior Citizens Inc.

308 Senior Ave.  
All dinners at noon. Suggested donation is \$2 for seniors.

**Monday: Chicken a la king, mashed potatoes, three bean salad, roll, fruit cocktail**

**Tuesday: Beef stew, cottage cheese and pineapple, corn bread, peaches, cookie**

**Wednesday: Meat loaf, scalloped potatoes, Italian vegetables, cole slaw, roll, cherry cheesecake**

**Thursday: Turkey roast, mashed potatoes, green salad, vegetables, green salad, bread, cake**

**Activities**  
Monday  
Pool at 9:30 a.m.

Pinch-O at 12:30 p.m.  
Hand and foot at 6 p.m.

**Tuesday**  
Pool at 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Pinch-O at 1 p.m.  
Bridge at 6:30 p.m.

**Wednesday**  
Pool at 9:30 a.m.

Shuffleboard at 6 p.m.

**Thursday**  
Pool at 9:30 a.m.

Blood pressure check at 11 a.m.

**Friday**  
Buffet dinner at 12:30 p.m.

TOPS at 5 p.m.

Pinch-O at 7 p.m.

Bridge at 1 p.m.

Hand and foot at 1 p.m.

**Saturday**  
Bingo at 1:30 p.m.

lingo at 6 p.m.

## Jerome Senior Center

212 First Ave. E.  
All dinner at noon. Suggested donation is \$3.

**Monday: Chicken a la king, potatoes, gravy, broccoli, tossed salad, fruit, cookies**

**Tuesday: Baked cod, macaroni and cheese, Brussels sprouts, Jell-O with fruit, carrot cake**

**Wednesday: Meat loaf, potatoes, gravy, mixed vegetables, fruit medley, butterscotch squares**

**Thursday: Lasagna, garlic toast, green beans, apple salad, bread pudding**

**Friday: Barbecue ribs, au gratin potatoes, polar vegetables, cole slaw, ice cream, cake, juice**

**Activities**  
Monday  
Aerobics at 11 a.m.

**Tuesday**  
Zora's Band

**Wednesday**  
Pinch-O at 1 p.m.

Snack bar at 6 p.m.

**Thursday**  
Early bird bingo at 6:45 p.m.

**Friday**  
Bingo at 7 p.m.

**Saturday**  
Aerobics at 11 a.m.

**Pinch-O at 1 p.m.**

## Richfield Senior Center

Monday: Meat balls, gravy, five way mixed vegetables, green salad, homemade rolls, apple cobbler, orange juice, milk, coffee

**Thursday: Hamburgers, french fries, banana cream pie, orange juice, milk, coffee**

**Shoshone Senior Center**  
2108 N. Rail St. W., Shoshone

**Tuesday: Sausage, gravy, biscuits, California mixed vegetables, green salad, ginger bread with lemon sauce, orange juice, milk, coffee**

**Wednesday: Turkey salad sandwich, vegetable soup, apple pie, orange juice, milk, coffee**

**Friday: Roast beef, five way mixed vegetables, mashed potatoes, gravy, green salad, birthday cake, ice cream, orange juice, milk, coffee**

**Activities**  
Monday  
Exercise from 9:30 a.m.

Coffee at 9:30 a.m.

**Tuesday**  
Quitting at 10 a.m.

**Wednesday**  
Lunch at noon

Pinch-O at 1 p.m.

**Thursday**  
Exercise from 9:30 a.m.

Coffee at 9:30 a.m.

Arts and crafts at 10 a.m.

**Friday**  
Pinch-O at 1 p.m.

**Silver and Gold Senior Citizens**  
203 Wilson, Eden

Open from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through Thursday and from 8 a.m. to noon Friday. Suggested donation for seniors is \$3. All meals include salad, dessert, fruit, milk and coffee. Mondays are cookie and bread bake days and Wednesdays are cinnamon roll and maple bar bake days. Home delivered meals are delivered Monday through Friday.

**Tuesday: Ham, mashed potatoes, green beans, salad, apricots,**

cake, ice cream, rolls  
**Wednesday: Bake day**  
**Thursday: Italian sausage, baked beans, tater tots, cole slaw, fruit and vegetable cake, rolls**

**Activities**  
**Wednesday**  
Bingo at 7 p.m.

## Hagerman Valley Senior/Community Center

140 E. Lake, Hagerman  
Open 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Lunch is served at noon on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Suggested donation for seniors is \$3, non-seniors \$4 and children under 12, \$2. Coffee, tea, juice and bread served with all meals.

**Monday: Barbecue chicken, carrot salad, baked beans**

**Wednesday: Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, vegetables**

**Friday: Baked salmon, potatoes, vegetables**

Thrift store open Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

**Blaine County Senior Center**  
721 Third Ave. S., Hailey

Meals are served at noon on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday. Milk, juice, coffee and tea are served with all meals.

**Tuesday: Barbecue chicken, corn bread, potato salad, cantaloupe slice, waxed beans, ice cream cup**

**Wednesday: Bacon or vegetable quiche, hash brown casserole, stuffed celery, carrot sticks, cheese biscuits, banana pudding**

**Friday: Roast beef or fish, gravy, mashed potatoes, frozen fruit salad, green salad, hot mixed green vegetables, apple pie, ice cream**

**Activities**  
**Tuesday**  
Exercise at 1:30 p.m.

**Wednesday**  
Choir at 11 a.m.

Poetry group at 12:30 p.m.

**Thursday**  
Exercise in Sun Valley at 1:30 p.m.

**Friday**  
Exercise in Sun Valley at 1:30 p.m.

**Midlaka County Senior Citizens Center**  
702 11th St., Rupert

Meals are served at noon and home delivered upon request. Juice and assorted beverages are served every day with meals.

**Monday: Hot dogs, sauerkraut**

**Tuesday: Finger steaks, apple salad, fries, carrots, Texas toast, ice cream**

**Wednesday: Spaghetti, peas, peaches, garlic bread**

**Thursday: Roast pork, potatoes, gravy, vegetables, pudding**

**Friday: Smorgasbord**

Center gift shop is open from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Monday through Friday. Blood pressure taken 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. the first Wednesday of each month. Quitting and pool table daily during center hours. Crafts every day. Home delivered meals are available Monday through Friday upon request. Volunteers are needed to do grocery shopping for shut-ins. Call Riddleys at 436-1200

**Monday**  
Exercise from 10-11 a.m.

**Songfest** from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m.

**Pinch-O** from 1-4 p.m.

**Tuesday**  
Bingo from 1-2 p.m.

**Wednesday**  
Pinch-O from 1-4 p.m.

**Thursday**  
Exercise from 10-11 a.m.

**SHIBA Medicare supplemental insurance assistance** from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Call George Schwinderman at 436-9107.

**Pinch-O** from 1-4 p.m.

**Bingo** at 7 p.m.

**Golden Heritage Senior Center**  
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All dinners are served at noon. Monday: Tuna rice casserole, biscuits, fruit salad, cookies

**Tuesday: Chili, cinnamon rolls, green salad, peaches, ice cream**

**Wednesday: Chicken bake casserole, hash brown, green beans, bread, whipped Jell-O**

**Thursday: Taco salad, fruit cocktail, pistachio pudding**

**Friday: Seafood basket, broccoli, hard roll, cole slaw, fruit, orange sausage cake**

**Activities**  
**Monday**  
Pool at 10 a.m.

Exercise at 11:15 a.m.

**Tuesday**  
Tax help from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

**Wednesday**  
Pool at 10 a.m.

Exercise at 11:15 a.m.

**Thursday**  
Pool at 10 a.m.

Exercise at 11 a.m.

**Friday**  
Pool at 10 a.m.

Exercise at 11 a.m.

**Bingo** at 1 p.m.

**Pinch-O** at 1 p.m.

## When a man pops the question, should a diamond be at hand?

**DEAR ABBY:** I am a young man with a burning question: Does an engagement ring have to be a diamond? I'm not ready to pop the question yet, but I'd like to know just the same.

—GEMSTONE INQUIRER  
IN ILLINOIS

**DEAR INQUIRER:** I took your burning question to Carol Brodie, director of global communications for Harry Winston Jewelers. Our conversation was fascinating. She says the tradition of giving a diamond as an engagement ring began in 1477, when Archduke Maximilian of Hungary presented one to Mary of Burgundy. At that time, diamonds were referred to as "charms" that would enhance the love of a husband for his wife.

In more recent times, diamonds were the logical choice because their hardness equates to durability. However, it is not the only choice; much depends on the woman's taste. Rubies, sapphires and colored diamonds (pink, yellow, etc.) are also popular. Because emeralds are the softest of the precious stones, they are not recommended for use as engagement rings.

It goes without saying that fine jewelry should be purchased only from a reputable jeweler. The Better Business Bureau can recommend one if you need a referral.

A final thought: Although the idea of presenting a ring (on bended knee) might seem romantic, most modern women prefer to be part of the selection process. A practical way to arrange it is to call the jeweler ahead of time and arrange for a



**DEAR ABBY**  
Abigail VanBuren

## Write to Abby

Send letters to Dear Abby, Universal Press Syndicate, P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, Calif. 90069, or via her Web site at <http://www.DearAbby.com>

selection of stones in your price range to be shown to both of you.

**DEAR ABBY:** I am a 23-year-old mother of two boys, ages 4 and 2. I left their father because of spousal abuse, and I suspect he molested my oldest son, "Doug." Because I was never able to prove it, our mediator ignored it.

Now my son shows signs of damage. I see his pain and anger. I don't know how to help him. Some of the things he does scare me, and I am afraid one day he will hurt himself or his little brother.

Doug talks as though his dreams are reality. One minute he will walk into my bedroom and say, "I love you, Mom." However, as he walks out the door, he grows in anger. He tells neighbors that I killed his dad. He has to have his blankets perfectly centered on his bed while he sleeps. He covers his brother's mouth so he can't scream. He says there are people in his room — the list goes on and on. I don't know what's going on in his mind.

Dear Abby is written by Jeanne Phillips.

## Marriage may not make you happier

Los Angeles Times

One of the most consistent findings in social science is that married people are happier than their unmarried peers. But new research shows that getting married actually improves a person's sense of well-being very little, if at all.

Such a union is highly variable and has no predictable effect on personal satisfaction, the new study says. Some people discover great pleasure in it; some are miserable; most find themselves neither much more nor much less happy than they were when single. Happily married people in the study tended to be very satisfied with their lives before they tied the knot. And their unmarried peers were less satisfied from the beginning of the study and didn't much change.

It is when a marriage ends, in divorce or widowhood, that people's overall levels of satisfaction appear to change most.

## Knight Ridder News Service

Q: I've always been told I will get half of my husband's Social Security. But he gets about \$1,000 per month, and I'm only getting about \$375 per month. According to my calculator, that's not half. Am I being cheated?

A: Probably not. You didn't say how old you were when you started getting your spousal benefits. A wife gets up to one-half of her husband's Social Security if she's "full retirement age" when she starts getting those benefits. That used to be 65, but is going up to age 67 in gradual steps starting this year. For example, the full retirement age in 2003 is age 65 and 2 months. But a wife can start her benefits as early as age 62, when she would get about 37 percent. You can check your records, but that's probably what you did.

Q: I'm 58 and still working. My husband is turning 65 and is already retired and getting Social Security. He's covered by my employer's health insurance. Does he need to take and pay for Medicare?

A: Yes and no. About three months before his 65th birthday, he's going to get a package of Medicare enrollment information in the mail. He should take the "Part A" coverage because that is free. But as the decline the "Part B" coverage as long as he's covered by your employer's insurance. That will save him \$58.70 per month. When you retire, or if your husband ever loses his coverage through your employer, then he should

"We had this strong idea that people's sense of well-being would adapt pretty quickly to both positive and negative changes; it would go up or down, and then return to baseline level," said Richard Lucas, a psychologist at Michigan State University and lead author of the paper. "But it didn't quite turn out that way, especially when it came to widowhood... A person's life circumstances appear to determine their reaction to these changes."

The study, which appears in the current issue of the Journal of Personality and Social Psychology, relied on data from about 24,000 adults of all ages living in Germany between 1984 and 1995. It is one of the largest, long-term investigations of the effects of marital change to date.

In many previous experiments, researchers took snapshots of married life, comparing the well-being of married couples with that of unmarried people of the same age and income. On scales running from 1 (totally unhappy) to 10 (totally happy), married people scored significantly higher than unmarrieds, by up to a full point on the scale.

But Lucas and his colleagues analyzed reports from the same people, both before and after they got married. The difference in life satisfaction scores shrank to one-tenth of a point. "Very close to zero," said Lucas.

The men and women who were most satisfied with their lives when single reported the smallest improvements from marriage. This makes some sense, psychologists say. Those who score at the very high end on satisfaction questionnaires tend to be extremely social. They enjoy the company of other people, they tend to have many good friends, and often close family members.

"A person like this with a rich social network probably has less to gain from the companionship of marriage," Lucas said.

delays longer than that, he'll have to wait until the majority of the following year for the next "open season" for Medicare enrollment. And then he will pay a 10 percent penalty for delayed enrollment.

This column was prepared by the Social Security Administration. For fast answers to specific Social Security questions, contact Social Security toll-free at 800-772-1213.

file immediately for Part B if he wants coverage to begin that month. There will be no penalties or late enrollment fees as long as he files during the seven-month special enrollment period, which begins either when you retire or when his coverage ends (whichever comes first). If he

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