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orry grows of longer war

Top general sounds warning; Bush vows a fight to victory

FORWARD OPERATING
BASE SHELL, Iraq – The Army's
senior ground commander infraq, Lt. Gen. William Wallace,
said Thursday that overextended
supply lines and a combative
adversary using unconventionalactics have stalled the U.S. drive
toward Baghdad and increased
the likelihood of a longer war
than many strategists had anticipated.

pated.
"The enemy we're fighting is different from the one we'd war-gamed against," Wallace, com-mander of V Corps, said during a visit to the 101st Airborne Division headquarters here in

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central Iraq. In Washington, meanwhile, President Bush, with British Prime Minister Tony Blair at his

side, said Thursday that troops would stay in Iraq "however long it takes," even as the allies sought to mend global relations torn by

the war.

The two leaders also tried to work out differences over how much influence the Unit of Nations should have in Iraq aftericals said. And they worked on a new plan for what some call officials said. And they worked on a new plan for what some call the real threat to Middle East peace, the conflict between the Israelis and Palestinians.

But the clean affice, which is the conflict of the conflict between the Israelis and Palestinians.

and ratestimans.

But the close allies, taking questions together after talks stretched over two days at the

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The Old Palace complex and other buildings in Baghdad were hit in the heaviest bombardment in days

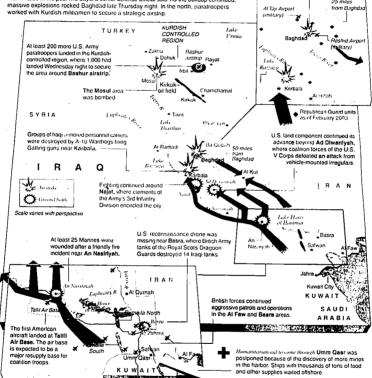


Maria Munoz, 3, gives a kiss to her father, Sgt. Joe Munoz, 4th Infantry Division, during a deployment ceremony at Fort Hood, Texas, Thursday.

OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM: DAY NINE

U.S. strengthens presence

lose to 90,000 U.S. troops have entered Iraq as of Thursday, an increase of about 1,000 in the past two days, a sener defense efficial said. As the buildup continued, massive explosions rocked Baghdad late Thursday right. In the north, nariatroopers worked with Kurdish militiamen to secure a strategic airsting.



Bill would help farmers deal with high growth

By Julie Pence Times-News writer

BOISE - Imagine opening up the property tax bill for your home and discovering a said deen increase from \$540 to \$9,000 on just the acre of land on which it sits Sen. Clim Stement, Dekechum, said that's sen what hoppened to one of his constituents who

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what happened to one of his cons
lives in southern
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to pay it three
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times over because he has a couple of homes for his ranch hands.

That scenario has become a fact of life for all the farmers and ranchers in Blaine County. Stennett said. It's so common that he has a petition with the names of 80 farm families asking for relief on their homes sites, which are assessed at a different rate than the rest of their land.

Stennett visited the House Revenue and

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CAFO hearing bill heads to Senate floor

By Julie Pence Times-News writer

BOISE - Jerome County officials didn't like it, but the Senate Agriculture Committee passed it anyway.

On Thursday, Senate Agriculture Committee members took a look at a House bill requiring every county in Idaho to hold a public hearing before siting a confined animal reeding operation. It is a companion bill to one that would restrict language about concerns of the "local public interest" in Idaho water law to the effect a water transfer or new water right would have on another use of water.

A different version of the bill was passed

U.S. seeks to avoid urban war of attrition

Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON - U.S. forces are poised to begin the battle for Baghdad by pounding Republican Guard troops on the southern perimeter of the Iraqi capital, hoping that with a crushing blow they can demoralize the remaining forces and avoid a bloody urban battle of attrition.

After a week of headwards

urban battle of attrition.

After a week of breakneck
advance and skirmishing, some
75,000 US. troops are confronting
about 35,000 Iraq soldiers arrayed
in three Republican Guard divisions south of the city.
Yet tough terrain, new Iraqi
tactics, restrictive American rules
of combat and limited U.S. force
could make the fight longer and
bloodler than U.S. commanders
expected.

bloodier than U.S. committee expected.
"It's going to be tough work, dangerous work - we're going to take casualites," warned retired Army Gen. Barry McCaffrey, who commanded a division in the 1991

Persian Gulf War.

The fight promises to be so tough that President Bush could face a momentous military and political decision: whether to move now and maintain momentum but risk heavy casualites, or await the arrival of the 4th Infantry Division, which could be weeks away.

Unless U.S. commanders decide to wait for reinforcements, the air strikes already launched against the dug-in Iraqis could soon by supplemented with an artillery and rocket bombardment. Then, hundreds of U.S. tanks would open a full-scale ground assault, with the goal of destroying most of Republican Guard's equipment before it could be withdrawn into the city, experts predict.

U.S. leaders are eager to avoid a fight in Baghdad for fear that it would cause-huge casualties

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Troops kill hundreds during series of battles with Saddam's irregulars

By Meg Laughiin, Drew Brown and S. Thorne Harper Knight Ridder News Service

NEAR AN NAJAF, IRAQ -NEAR AN NAJAF, IRAQ-Army units trying to take control of An Najaf, 80 miles south of Baghdad, have killed hundreds of Iraqi men in three days of fighting, including two during a terrible sandstorm. No U.S. soldier died in the combat, though four tanks were lost, two apparently to laser-guid-ed, Russian-made, ant-tank mis-siles. The other two ran off bridges into canals during sand-storms.

bridges into canals during sand-storms.
Soldiers who took part in the battle described what they say in the past few days in words more sorrowful than boastful.
"The Iraqis took it bad. It was suicide," said Pfc. lonathan Simatos of Los Angeles, who dri-ves a Bradley.
The soldiers described the Iraqi fighters as men in civilian



A Bradley fighting vehicle drives by a group of Iraqi men rounded up tioning as elements of the U.S. 3rd infantry Division inspect an abar operational center for Iraqi paramilitary troops Thursday near Najef.

clothes packed in pickup trucks, cargo trucks, buses with velvet curtains and taxis. They fired at the U.S. soldiers with AK-47s, grenade launchers, anti-tank rockets and mortars as well as 30-

year-old, Russian-built tanks.
"Their technology is sad, so
outdated," said Sgt. Tony
Menendez of Miami, an Abrams

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much lighter. Highs in the upper 40s.

Tonight: Cool and mostly clear. Lows in the middle 20s

ow: Warming up with mostly sunny skies and a light Highs in the middle 50s.

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Investigators say shuttle

tapes could hold details

Farmers

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Taxation Committee on Wednesday with a bill that would cap the assessed value of an acre on which a farm home sits at \$30,000. The site would have to be attached to a farm of no less than 100 acres. The farmer, would have to be prove that to the county assessor with a sworn statement from a certified public accountant. "This bill is for farmers stuck in a situation with homes valued as if they could sell them off, but usually they can't because the counties won't allow (farmers to subdivide their land), "Stennett said. "The counties want to have their cake and eat it, too."

But there are a few circumstances throughout the state

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where counties don't have regula-tions about farmers selling home sites from farms. So, if here are high-growth areas in those coun-ties, farmers can be forced by tax-ation to sell off their home sites, Stennett noted. In those cases, they often try to get the entire farms platted and sold as subdivi-sion sites. His bill would encour-age farmers to hold onto their land and stay in farming. "Farms provide lots of open

"Farms provide lots of open space, which we all need, and wildlife habitat," Stennett said.

But the committee turned down the proposal and instructed Stennett to come back with some-thing that would open up that kind of tax relief to more farmers than just those who live on 100

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acres or more.

"What about guys like me who live on 10 acres?" said farmer and committee member Rep. Mike Moyle, RStar. He explained that his home site is assessed at a high value because it is near an area where subdivisions are proliferating. But his farmland is somewhere else.

"Moyle's issue? Just because he's a farmer doesn't mean that he gest this," Stennett said. He explained that Moyle's property most likely can be sold off as subdivision property because it is near a city and is zoned according. ly. Moyle's 10 acres was not what the bill was about, Stennett said. "I want the bill drawn tightly so that it addresses a situation where the land isn't platted and ready to subdivide," Stennett said.

He said he would be willing to go as low as even 40 acres, however.

. Another reason the committee turned down the proposal is it wants Stennett to show how much of a tax shift to other property tax payers would take place across the state.

the state.

Stennett said he is willing to work with committee Republicans to get a bill they can accept, but he said he's not willing to budge from his original purpose—which is to give relief to farmers who own high-value home sites on farmland in high-growth areas. Serb police shoot assassination suspects

BELGRADE, Serbia-Montenegro (AP) - Police shot and killed two major suspects in the assassination of Prime Minister Zoran Djindjic as they resisted arrest late Thursday, the government said.

Dusan Spasojevic and Milan Lukovic were leaders of the Zemun Clan, a crime gang that

Feds ponder overtime pay changes

WASHINGTON (AP) - New government definitions of white-and blue-collar workers proposed Thursday would drasticity change the types of jobs entitled to overtime pay, making eligible millions of low-income employ-ees but cutting thousands of pro-fessionals.

millions of low-income employees but cutting thousands of professionals.

Nearly 22 million workers
could be affected by the Labor
Department's plan, the first overhaul of the nation's overtime
rules in more than 50 years.

About 1.3 million lower-wage
workers now exempt from overtime pay for working more than
40 hours a week would be
required to receive it or a salary
hike. But at least 644,000 wellpaid, professional employees,
such as some engineers, pharmacists and insurance claims
adjusters, would lose theirs in
the proposal, submitted for a 90day public comment period.

Millions of other workers
would gain and lose under the
new regulations, though their status isn't clear. Industries most
affected by the changes would beconstruction, retail, health care,
business services and personal
services.

has been accused of masterminding the March 12 assassination of Djindjic, the Interior Ministry said in a statement.
"The suspects resisted arrest and opened fire on police officers — they were killed in an ensuing shooting" in the town of Barajevo, 17 miles south of the capital, the ministry statement said.

Corrections

Kimberly wins award for

A headline Thursday mischar-acterized an award the city of Kimberly received from the Idaho Rural Water Association. Kimberly won the Best Drinking Water System of the Year award.

from man

A headline in Thursday's let-ters of thanks incorrectly report-ed the gender of the letter writer,

until the very end, but spokeswoman Laura Brown noted:
We're still cautious about prodicting what's going to be on it."
Temperature and aerodyname
measurements, if they're there,
would provide 14 extra seconds of
flight data for investigators.
The 38-pound recorder was
found, right-side-up and fully
intact, on a damp slope in East
Texas on March 19.
Unjil now, officials feared pyssible heat damage to the tapd,
since the recorder was not built the
withstand high impacts or temperatures. Brown said. The
recorder is similar to an airliner's
hack box, but not nearly as
robust or self-sustaining.
A copy of the tape will be
slipped Friday to Johnson Space
Center in Houston for analysis, a
time-consuming process expected
to continue throughout next week
and possibly longer, NASA
spokesman-James Harsfield said.
Harsfield said the tape
appears to be "very promising."

best drinking water system

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The Columbia Accident Investigation Board is optimistic given that the recorder evidently was collecting data almost up

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP)

- Salvaged tage from Columbia's
data recorder may hold vital
information up until just a few
seconds before the shuttle disintegrated over Texas, accident investigators said Thursday.
While the 9400 feer of magnetic tage was being duplicated at
kennedy Space Center this week,
a time tag on it confirmed that
some type of imprint exists until
18 seconds past 9 a.m. on Feb. 1,
the board said. After that, the
tage is blank.
Columbia was losing a steady
stream of parts as it crossed over
California, Nevada, New Mexico
and Texas en route to a Florida
landing, almost certainly because
of a breached left wing, NASA's
latest flight timeline shows the
main body of the shuttle breaking
apart as early as 21 seconds past 9
a.m.

The Columbia Accident

Letter of thanks came

Jesse Posey. He is a man. Small-scale grasshopper spraying has taken place

Information in a March 20 story on grasshopper spraying was incorrect. Federal agencied have conducted several small grasshopper spraying programs in Idaho in the last 20 years. This year, a larger-scale spraying effort is planned.

The Times-News regrets the



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House OKs expanded Amber alert system

WASHINGTON - The House on WASHINGTON—The House on Thursday overwhelmingly voted to expand nationwide use of the Amber alert system, which eight sist the public's help in searching for missing children. The measure was included in a bill meant to deten child abductions and sexual prediagra. Though expansion of the alert system has firm support in both the Senate and the House, critics of the bill said that other provisions that have been added to inicluding minimum sentencing, expansion of wiretan authority.

RED SPRINGS, N.C. (AP) – A girl who vanished at age 11 and recently turned up in Mexico – now 15 years old, and with two children – says she left home with an adult neighbor after becoming pregnant by him and was then kept as a virtual captive.

Before Dana Pevia came home to Raeford, N.C., this week, her family had not seen her since she walked to the school bus just after 6 a.m. on June 4, 1999, They thought she had been kidnapped, possibly killed.

But since coming home Wednesday to a tearful reunion with her mother, Dana has told authorities that she left with her neighbor, Hector Majarro Frausto, now 22.

She had been involved with Frausto, and shortly before she disappeared she told him she had been getting sick every morning. Hoke County Sheriff Hubert Peterkin said Thursday, Frausto, suspecting Dana was pregnant, arranged for them to travel to his family home in Mexico, Peterkin said.

"She went along with the situation and realized it was a noblem

family home in Alexico, reserva-sid.

"She went along with the situa-in and realized it was a problem once she was on a plane to Mexico." Peterkin said after interviewing the girl.

When she disappeared, Dana was just short of her 12th birth-day. She was attending sixth grade at West Hoke Middle School.

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School.
That was the last her mother,

Academy chief

says he did not

punish victim

AIR FORCE ACADEMY, Colo.
(AP) – Air Force Academy commandant Brig. Gen. Sylvanus
Taco Gilbert III disputed suggestions that he punished sexual

assault victims at the school or blamed them for being attacked. "I know that those stories are out there," Gilbert told The Denver Post for Thursday's edi-

Denver Post for Inursday's edi-tions.

"We have always tried to sup-port our victims, and when we get an allegation – every one that has come to me – I have investi-gated every single one. I have taken every single one of them to the fullest extent of the law that I

could."

Gilbert, 46, is among a handful
of Air Force officials being
replaced or reassigned in the
wake of criticism over how the
academy has handled reports of
sexual assaults. The shakeup was
disclosed to the Senate Armed
Services Committee at a briefing
Tuesday.

and mandatory sentencing of sex offenders - would prevent it from becoming law The bill, approved by the House 410-14, now goes to the

nut nill, approved by the House 410-14, now goes to the Senate, which in January passed legislation that approved only the nationwide expansion of the Amber alert system. The House and the Senate passed similar bills last year, but the legislation died when Congress adjourned without agreeing on a compromise.

A snokesman

A spokesman for Sen. Dianne Feinstein, D-Calif., a co-sponsor of

Teen who disappeared says she

left home, then became a captive

House would approve the alert system expansion in a separate bill, one that "would not have held Amber alert hostage to other legislative agenda"

held Amber alert 1105000 legislative agenda." House Judiciary Committee Chairman F. James Sensenbren-Commonsor of the House Judiciary Committee Chairman F. James Sensenbren-ner, R. Wis., co-sponsor of the House legislation, said that he wanted a bill that not only would help recover missing chil-dren but would also prevent

crimes.

"The bill strengthens penalties against kidnapping and aids law enforcement agencies to effectively prevent, investigate and prosecute crimes against chil-

dren," Sensenbrenner said.

The Amber alert system has been implemented in more than two-thirds of the states, and it gained national attention in August when it helped locate two teenage girls abducted in California.

Precident Bush companded the

President Bush commended the House for enacting legislation that would expand the alert system nationwide.

that would expand the alert sys-tem nationwide. Last year, Bush moved to expand the alert system by mak-ing funds available to improve it and asking the Justice Department to name anAmber alert coordinator.

Hackers replace Arab TV net site with U.S. flag

WASHINGTON (AP) – Hackers wreaked electronic havoc Thursday on Internet sites operat-ed by the Arab television network Al Jazeera, diverting Web surfers

Al-Jazeera, diverting Web surfers to pornography and to a page with a U.S. flag and the message "Let Freedom Ring."
Hackers impersonating an Al-Jazeera employee tricked one of the Internet's most popular Web addressing companies, Network Solutions Inc., into making technical changes that effectively turned over temporary control of the network's Arabic and English Web sites.

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The changes – similar to replacing exit signs on a highway to misdirect travelers – were to be fixed to be at least 12 hours afterward to be at least 12 hours afterward before Al-Jazeerar's sites would properly be available worldwide, said Brian O'Shaughnessy, a spokesman for Network Solutions. Hackers calling themselves the "Freedom Cyber Force Militia" initially redirected Internet traffic destined for Al-Jazeera's Web page on computers operated by Networld Connections Inc., an Internet provider in Salt Lake City. That site was shut down hours later.

Report: Moussaoui was part of second wave of terror attacks

The Washington Post

Mashington Post

WASHINGTON — Captured alQuida operations chief Khalid
Sheik Mohammed has told his
interogators that accused terrorist Zacarias Mousaoui was not
part of the Sept. 11, 2001, hijack
group, but asa for the United
States for a second wave attack,
according to sources with knowledge of his statements.

The assertions by Mohammed,
self-described mastermind of the
cerror strikes on New York and
Washington, that Moussaoui was
reparing for an attack that never
occurred could further complicate
the federal government's prosecution of Moussaoui, experts said.
The French-Moroccan has been
indicted on charges he conspired
with other al-Quida operatives to
murder Americans.



Taillowed in court, Mohammed's statements could belster Moussaoui's claim that he
was not responsible for the
deaths on Sept.
11, 2001, making
it more difficult
for the government to prove he
committed a capital offense, his
attorney and other legal experts
said.

Andrew McBride, a former pros-scutor, said Mohammed's claim wasn't likely to undermine the government's claim that Moussaoui was part of an overa-ching al-Quida conspiracy to attack U.S. targets, but, he said, "on the death penalty, it is quite helpful to Moussaoui."

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On Wednesday night, Wanda Pevia was finally reunited with her daughter - and her two new grandchildren - at the Raleigh-Durham International Airport. "Oh, my god, my baby, my baby, "Wanda Pevia repeated as she and her daughter embraced, tears streaming down both their faces.

Dana declined to speak to reporters then or at the sheriff's Thursday news conference. But Peterkin said she told authorities that after a couple of months in Mexico, Prausto abandoned her with his relatives. They abused her and wouldn't allow her to leave, the sheriff said. 30 Day NO INTEREST Loans March 15-April 15 For All New Customers

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173rd Airborne lands in north, with oil field in mind

By Brian Murphy Associated Press Writer

NEAR IRBIL, Iraq – After falling out of the sky and sleeping in the mud, American paratroop-ers grabbed a strategic nir base on Thursday and began plotting how to cross 80 miles and thou-sands of Iraqi troops to seize invaluable oil fields in northern Irea

invaluable oil fields in northern Iraq.

"Kirkuk is key," said Maj.

"Kirkuk is key," said Maj.

Mike Hastings of the Army's 173rd Airborne Brigade. "The Iraqis want it, the Kurds want it, the Turks want it and various other ethnic groups also want it.

"What this drop means is that we can secure it until we are relieved by other forces," he said. Nearly 50 percent of Iraq's



ers of the U.S. Army 173rd Airborne Brigade set up near the Harly air field, 45 miles northeast of Irbil in Kurdish-controlled northern Iraq Thursday.

vast oil supplies are pumped in the northern fields of Kirkuk and neighboring Mosul.

More than 1,000 troops para-chuted into Iraq late Wednesday, accompanied by tanks and

Bradley fighting vehicles. It took hours to dig out the behemoth weapons after they plummeted into vast mud fields created by heavy rainstorms.

into vast mud fields created by heavy rainstorms.
For the next several days, military officials say, the Army will stockpile the airstrip with more weaponry and supplies. A C130 transport plane landed Thursday, as did 200 more Americans soldiers.
"Now, with paratroopers in control you can start flying in the various support you need to various support you need to expand your operations," said Rear Adm. John C. Harvey Jr., commander of the batte group including the aircraft carrier USS Theodore Roosevelt. Jet fighters from the Roosevelt rode

shotgun for Wednesday's air-drop.

The paratroopers descended because Turkey, a longtime U.S. ally, has refused to allow some to the control of the control



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tank gunner. "I saw their faces and I felt so bad for them."

With the sandstorms gone Thursday, elements of the 3rd Infantry Division began sweeping the town's outskirts in an effort to stop hit-and-run attacks by Iraqi layalist forces that have disrupted the main supply route for U.S. forces advancing to Baghdat.

The rules of engagement were cleard ont shoot anyone who isn't armed, if they are armed shoot them.

"We're looking for black flags, black uniforms and people with weapons," one commander told his troops.

More flighting is expected today. Troops here reported that a column of 50 Iraqi tanks left An Najaf and were within 20 miles of an American yplanes were showering the tanks with bombs, and the explosions could be heard by soldiers at the supply post to the west of the first hot meals and showers after three days of lighting.

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Cavalry Regiment, known simply as
the 37, has been met again and again
with resistance from Iraqis in pickup
trucks and curtain-lined buses.
Thursday, units of the 37 battled Iraqi
militia in a six-hour battle marked by
sporadic mortar and small-arms fire.
One soldler was wounded by mortar
irre; another was injured when his
Bradley Fighting Vehicle crashed into

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among troops and civilians, and widespread destruction.

The Republican Guard units are
within about 50 miles of Baghdad. They
include the Medina Division north of
Karbala, and the Baghdad Division
toward Kut. A few miles behind them,
in a supporting role, is a third division.

Arrayed against the Iraqis are the
U.S. 3rd Infantry Division, south of
Karbala, and the 1st Marine
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Daniel Goure, a former Pentagon offi-cial now with the Lexington Institute research firm.
U.S. forces in the war theater total about 250,000, and are growing by

a small building.

But there were few reports of U.S. Cassualities in combat actions throughout Iraq as poorly armed Iraqis tangle with U.S. troops.

U.S. troops are wary of civilians.
Southeast of Najaf, Soddiers guarding an ammunition and fuel depot were wary of Iraqi civilians as well. Seemingly civilian tehciles — white vans – have actually been armed with rocker-propelled grenades. Wednesday, one attacked, wuunding an American. Thursday, one drove up with a bloodied Iraqi at the wheel, throwing the soldiers into frenzy. The man said he had escaped from Saddam's forces, but said he had seen similar vans that could be used in an attack. The soldiers immediately sprang into action, heading out to find the trucks. It was a false alarm, as the truck they found was driven by an actual civilian.

"The lesson is, never drop your guard," said Army Spec. Timmy Melia.
"All it takes is one straggler. The straggler will get you killed."

Compounding the fear was the sizable number of Iraqis passing along the road near the depot caught with cell phones and hand-held global positioning locaters. Rolls of American and Iraqi money have also been found on some them. Information on the whereabouts of prime U.S. targets has become a lucrative business in Iraq during the past week.

about 2,000 a day, according to Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld. This week, the Republican Guard divisions were designated the top tar-get of U.S. air attacks, displacing Iraqi leadership facilities in Baghdad.

leadership facilities in Baghdad.

In addition to the Medina Division, Air Force and Navy strike aircraft are attacking the Hammurabi Division, one of two Republican Guard units north of the city, officials said.

This suggests that the United States might drop paratroopers from the 101st Airborne Division onto the north side of the city to begin an assault and close off access routes into the city. The 101st Airborne alone has 72 Apache attack helicopters that could destroy large numbers of tanks and armored vehicles as the main body of the US, ground force was sweeping toward the city from the south, military strategists said.

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Comp David presidential retreat, Bush and Blair said retreat, Bush and Blair said retreat, Bush and Blair said feature plans should wait for victory in Iraq.

Asked repeatedly whether that could take months, Bush testify replied: "However long it takes to achieve our objective. And that's important for you to know, the American people to know."

Questions about the duration of the war have become louder in recent days, shaped in part by televised images of incressing civilian and military deaths, brutal desert fighting, and the prospect of a lung and bloody siege of Bashdad.

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Army sources said there is also concern about the wide gap between the Army forces driving up the western edge of the Euphrates along a road leading to Kut. Additional Army units are en route to Iraq, including the 4th Infantry Division and the 3rd Armored Cavalry Regiment, but it will be weeks before any substantial additional combat power moves into the fight.

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ers to fight, sometimes by threatening their families. "The attacks we're seeing are bizarre - technical venicles (pickups) with .50 calibers and every kind of weapon charging tanks and Bradleys," Wallace added, referring to the M1 Abrams tanks and M2 Bradleys, Teleferring to the M1 Abrams tanks and M2 Bradleys, Teleferring to the M1 Abrams tanks and M2 Bradleys, "A plain-spoken cavalryman whose Germany-based command is operating a few miles north of here, Wallace command is operating a few miles north of here, Wallace with the seek of the work of the

than some planners had forecast, Wallace said, "It's beginning to look that way." For now, the two divisions that form the heart of V Corps - the 3rd Infantry Division and 101st Airborne Division - have paused indefinitely to allow thinly stretched logisticians to amass roughly a 10-day supply of water, ammunition, food, fuel and other supplies. Sustained combat during the past week has depleted the fard Division's stocks of water, fuel and ammunition, and CH-47 Chinook helicopters on Thursday ferried in additional stacks of artillery shells from Kuwait from predatory Iraqi guerrillas, according to Army sources.

To protect a 250-mile supply line from Kuwait from predatory Iraqi guerrillas, Wallace has been forced to divert some of his combat force, including a brigade from the 101st and the small brigade from the 82nd Airborne Division now in Kuwait. The pause will not affect continuing long-range artillery, Air Force and Navy bombing sorties and AH-64 Apache attack helicopter attacks, which will continue your properties and other Iraqi targets, he declared.

Marines move north, see civilian casualties

AS SHATRA, Iraq - The north ward march of Marines through ward march of Marines through Mesopotamia has been three days of constant fighting, leaving a trail of havoc and enemy casual-ties.

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A 4,000-man U.S. Marine regiment won a decisive battile
Tuesday for control of this Baath
Party stronghold without loss of
American lives. After daylong
fighting, the central Iraqi town
was desolate and littered with
charred vehicles and the bodies
of Iraqi solders and civilians.
But on Thursday key supply
outes leading here from the
south still weren't entirely secure,
and the Marines' progress was
slow.
The 1st Battalion 4th Marines

The 1st Battalim 4th Marines, based at Camp Pendleton, Calif., arrived outside the town Tuesday morning and immediately began taking fire from a nearby field. A three-hour firefight ensued amid three-hour firefight division that a pendleton that the loes were part of a Republican Guard division that had moved south from Al Cut, the next major town before Baghdad. ow. The 1st Battalion 4th Marinus

had moved south from Al Cut, the next major town before Baphdad.

The Marines responded with rifle and mortar fire. Just before sunset, MI Abrams tanks rolled in to reinforce the infantrymen. Soon after dark, an electrical storm lit up the sky as American pelled the enemy with artillery from the 1st Battalion 11th and 25 mm guns from the 1st Battalion 11th and 1st Battalion 11th and 1st Battalion 11th and 1st Battalion 1st In the morning, the trajet fired small arms and two recket-propelled grenades toward oil trucks near the Marine's command center. The Marines' command center. The Marines' command evith Howitzer fire, then rolled into As Shatra to mop up remaining enemy elements. A poster of Saddam Hussein and enemy fire greeted them, but they suffered me major injuries among the troops.

no major injuries among the troops. Iraqis suffered much more. The Marines found several families whose vehicles had been caught in the crossfire. At least two peo-ple in civilian clothing were dead at the scene; 12 apparent civil-ians were brought to the com-mand center for aid and medical treatment.

mand center for aid and medical treatment.

Among the wounded were an elderly woman, a baby and a woman who died at the treatment site. A woman who appeared to be her mother stood over her body moaning and over her body moaning and chanting prayers. The victims were to be airlifted to a military were to be airlifted to a military hospital for further treatment, but weather conditions prohibited evacuation. Instead, they were transferred to a combat support center.

Hassan Abed, a farmer from a nearby village, said most people had left before the Marines

who straight and most people arrived. When the Marines left, charred whicles sat at the roadside, including a bus that held skeletal remains. The carraage included dead women and children and several men in the black pajamistyle outfits of Iraqi paramilitary, at the U.S. military had bound the wrists of some surviving men who were considered potential combarants. The Marines were surprised by the amount of resistance they have encountered. Tom Parks, 1st Battalion 4th Marines gunner who served in the Gulf War, said who served who ser

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who served in the Gulf War, said this war presented a greater challenge.

I thought it would be quicker, said Parks, from Philadelphia.

"It's like in Vietnam," he added: "You can't understand their methods because they're so devoted to their cause."

The convoy of amphibious assault vehicles and soft-back Humvees sped into the city around midnight Monday, stopping at a checkpoint for a security briefing. For crew chief John Massey, an enlisted reservist from Florida, the worst point was not the battle that followed but "at that last checkpoint 1- ran, over a dead body." He said the victim was wearling civilian clothes and appeared to have already been run over.

An amphibious vehicle broke down – in hot enemy territory tenuously held by another battalion. Just ahead, a house in the city center that had been hit by artillery spewed balls of orange fire.

As the convoy paused for 20 minutes, more mortars were shot

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As the convoy paused for 20'
minutes, more mortars were shot
toward houses in the city center,
from which gunfire had been
heard. Then the Marines blazed a
trail of fire through a hail of bullets whizing over their heads.
Seeing a resister holding a poster
of Saddam. Hospitalman 3rd
Class Erik Van Houten opened up
with his M16 from the hatch of his
amphibious assault vehicle.
Soon Van Houten and everyone
else around him had expended
four of five magazines of bullets,
roughly 100 rounds apiece – at
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thereas. Two Marines from
other units who were in nearby
houses were reported to have suffered "friendly fire" bullet,
wounds to the leg and arm. No
other American easualties were
reported.

"The guys behind us said they
saw stuff flying over our heads
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reported.
"The guys behind us said they saw stuff flying over our heads and hit the guy who was firing as us," said Lance Cpl. Asha Boucher.

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two years ago, but it exempted Jerome County from the public hearing requirement. The updated version, sponsored by Rep. Bert Stevenson, R-Rupert, also requires every county to adopt CAFO ordinances before siting CAFOs.

always walked away frustrated," said Lierana, commission chairwoman. She explained that nothing was ever settled when applicants, neighbors and planning and zoning officials participated in the hearings. Planning and zoning officials participated in the hearings. Planning and zoning officials aren't qualified to settle issues that people complain about, she said.

"It just becomes an emotional thing," Lierman said, "We can't do sayning about odor or files at the county level. That's something the state in their office at the county level. That's something the state in their off-induced, the county has developed and manufactured to regulate CAPOs. See the county level and manufactured to the part two points and manufactured to the participant of the pa

administrator. Two have gone to court after appeal hearings were held.

Lierman and Elorietta said the appeal hearings are more controlled than what would be required in House Bill 283 if it becomes law because people are only allowed to speak to the specific issues they are protesting. The commissioners said they have never heard any complaints about Jerome County's process.

Elorietta, who is an attorney, also spoke for the Idaho Association of Counties, Officials from the counties like public comment, he said, but the counties is that elected public officials are qualified to respond to constituents' comments. That is why Jerome County is once again

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relying on a citizens' committee to update its CAFO ordinance. Those kinds of decisions are better kept at the local level, he said. But Sen. Tom Gannon, R-Búhl, pointed out that county officials have for decades been held to legislation designed by the Legislature to establish consistency in every county.

"What about subdivisions? Would you want that out of Idaho Code?" Gannon asked.

And Elorietta conceded he appreciates regulations at the state level that govern subdivisions.

However, "This is just taking (state control) another step," Elorietta said. The final vote that passed the bill to the floor was 5 to 2, with all

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local senators approving it, with the exception of Sen. Fred Kennedy, D-Mountain Home. Kennedy said he would prefer to keep the hearings in the Idaho Department of Water Resources with the local public interest law remaining as it is.

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Soldier describes capture of Iraqi troops

LANDSTUHL, Germany – A
U.S. Army sergeant Thursday
described how he captured four
Iraqi soldiers by himself near
nosete-propelled grenade blew
him out of his Hunwee and left
him with 'a serious shrapnel
wound in his left arm.
The prisoners were concealing
larqi military uniforms under
civilian robes, he said.
Staff Sgt. Jamie Villafane and
two other injured servicemen
spoke to a news conference at a
U.S. Army hospital here, where
they are being treated before
returning to the United States,
lie said his training had prepared
him well to be in combat, but he
had no desire to return to battle
after being wounded.
"Cetting shot at wasn't really
that bad. It was the getting shot
part that sucked," he said.
Villafane and his gunner, Sgt.
Charles Horgan, were in a
Humvee on a bridge south of
Nasiryah when the attack took
place. They saw some men
dressed in civilian clothes who
were acting nervous, and running
away from them. Moments later,
the Hunwee was struck by the
RPG round.
"It blew me out of the truck. I

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U.S. Army Sergeant Jamie Villafane from 1st Battalion, 30th Infantry Regiment. from Fort Benning, Ga., of Long Island, New York, talks Thursday at the U.S. Medical Center in Landstuhl, Germany, where he is recovering from wounds suffered Saturday in southern Iraq.

was a little dazed," Villafane, 31, of Brentwood, N.Y. said. Shortly thereafter, a wire-guided rocket whizzed by, hitting a truck next to him. "It was pretty close. I got to

see the wire as it went by."

Though aware his arm was injured, he got up and went down under the bridge where he "got the jump" on an enemy soldier.

"He was looking one way, and I happened to be looking directly at him," Villafane said. He dropped his AK-47, and then three more appeared. They surrendered, too, when "they saw I already had one guy at gunpoint," Villafane said.
"The guys I caught, it was four guys against me. They dropped their guns right away. You could see they were terrified," he said. Villafane, whose left arm was swathed in a large bandage, suffered nerve damage and will probably need skin grafts.
Villafane went back up to the bridge, where Horgan helped him put on an initial bandage even though Horgan's foot had been badly wounded. Horgan, 21, of Helena, Mont., saw the RPG cound just as it was coming in. At first, he said, "I thought I was slikely to suffer foot injuries. The blast hurled him up on top of the vehicle, "I looked down, and realized I still had my legs. I was pretty releved about that," Horgan said.

The third injured serviceman was Marine Larne Cpl. Joshua Menard, 21, of Houston. He suffered a bullet wound while guarding a bridge in Nasiriyah on Monday.

NEW YORK (AP) – Hundreds of chanting demonstrators lined Manhattan's Fifth Avenue on Thursday, and dozens lay down in the street in a "die-in" to protest

Manhattan's Filin Avenue on Thursday, and dozens lay down in the street in a "die-in" to protest. the war.

Officers, some in riot gear and on horseback, clamped plastic handcuffs onto about 150 protest-ers who refused to get up and half-carried them into police vehicles. Anti-war groups also called for other civil disobedience in the city to protest media and corporate "profiteering from the war."

As helicopters hovered overhead, the protesters – some beating drums or chanting "Hey-hey, ho-ho, Bush's war has to go!"—Jammed police pens near St. Patrick's Cathedral and the Saks Pfilit Avenue store.

Organizers of the loose coalition, which calls itself M27, said the "die-in" was intended to symbolize drapi war victims. A single lane of Fifth Avenue was reopened to trafficative and the said of the sa

little disruption around midrown by late morning. Organizers said the civil disobe-dience was aimed at getting their message out. "Nothing else gets attention," said Johannah Westmacott. "It's not news when

Westmacut. "It's not news when people voice their opinion." The demonstration attracted several counterprotesters, including a man with a red, white and blue bandanna under a hardhat who argued toe-to-toe with a young powers with a pony tail and side-burns.

One counterprotester held a gn that read: "Traitors, have you regotten Sept. 11?"

sign that read: "Traitors, have you forgotten Sept. 11?"
"Whether you're for or against it, we need to pull together," said Rachel Harary, 20. "Put on your flag and get them home." Some protest signs were directed at the media. One protester held a sign showing a picture of parrots and the words, "Don't Parrot the Right-wing Propaganda."

da."

Another, 44-year-old teacher
Lee Whiting, held up a sign that
said, "Embedded? or In Bed?"
Embedded, she said, means "jour-nalists are presenting almost
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nalists are presenting aimost exclusively the military view of this war."

Elsewhere, about 4,000 Lebanese children chanted "Death to America" and waved flags from the Islamic militant group Hezbollah in Beirut, Lebanon, in one of the daily protests in the Middle East since the start of the war. Thousands of flatestiliable was also marched in the Yest Bank and Gaza Strip, urgion with the start of the war. Thousands of the start of the war. Thousands of the Start of the War of the Start of the War of t

Anti-Saddam officials rebuke U.S. battle strategy

SALAHUDDIN, Iraq - Iraq's U.S. endorsed opposition has dis-tanced itself from the Bush U.S. endorsed opposition has distanced itself from the Bush administration's war strategy, suggesting the plan to conquer the country without involving the leaqi public has opened the way for military problems in the soith.

on the solution of the second proposition of the second proposition of the second proposition of the second proposition. But from their offices here in the Kurdish-controlled area of northern Iraq, the groups have expressed little surprise that traqi civilians appear reluctant to greet allied forces, much less take up arms to exple government militias and soldiers from their midst.

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The opposition groups - loosely

There is a difference between a war of liberation and a war of conquest.

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- Hoshyar Zubari, Kurdistan Democratic

allied Kurdish, Shiite Muslim and allied Kurtusii, Jime Scalar viewelong secular organizations – have long insisted that most Iraqis look for-ward to the ouster of President Saddam Hussein and his security-heavy Baath Party government. heavy Baath Party government. But they have expressed irrita-tion that, in their view, the Bush

administration has made little effort to include Iraqis in military

administration has made little effort to include fraqis in military or political strategy.

"There is a difference between a war of liberation and a war of conquest. Liberation means Iraqis are at the forefront. Conquest means the invaders are in charge," said Hoshyar Zubari, an official of the Kurdistan Democratic Farty, one of five groups recognized by the Bush administration as allied opposition forces and one of two Kurdish organizations that have administered a 17,000-square-mile region of northern Iraq that has been protected by U.S. and British air patrols since the end of the 1991 Persian Gull War.

Unsubstantiated reports from the southern city of Basra, Iraq's second largest-city, claim the beginnings of a revolt. Its strength, if any, is impossible to gauge.

Opposition leaders regard Basra, largely populated by Shite Muslims, as one of several southern cities ripe for rebellion. Saddam's army cracked down harshly on Shittes after a failed 1991 uprising following Iraq's defeat in the Gulf War. Opposition officials say numerous underground anti-government groups operate in the south. They complain the Bush administration has been cautious about fomenting an uprising. As recently as Tuesday, Pentagon officials urged Iraqis to remain in their homes.

urged Iraqis to remain in their homes.
"There's a total lack of Iraqi involvement," said Zaab Seria, an aide to Ahmed Chalahi, who heads the Iraqi National Congress, an opposition group based in London. "We have been surprised over the months the lack of cooperation with the oppo-sition."

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Mines delay arrival of food, water

ON BOARD RFA SIR GALA-HAD (AP) - British officials reluc-

ON BOARD RFA SIR GALAHAD (AP) - British officials reluctantly postponed the start of a
seaborne relief operation.
Thursday after discovering Iraqi
mines in the shipping channel
leading to the recently captured
Iraqi port of Umm Qasr.

Air Marshal Brian Burridge,
commander of British forces in
the Persian Gulf, said two mines
were discovered and detonated
Wednesday during a sweep of the
waterway by Royal Navy divers,
who were being assixed by mine
defecting dolphins.
Burridge said further sweeping
would be needed before waiting
ships can dock at Umm Qasr with
thousands of tons of food and
other supplies for distribution to
civilians in southern Iraq.
The Sir Galahad, a British Royal
Naly ship loaded with humanitarian supplies, would not be able to
reach port and deliver food supplies until Friday, said the ship's
captain, Roger Robinson-Brown.
"This port is fundamental to the
feeding of the country," he said.
The newly discovered mines
can be programmed to count the
number of hulls that pass over
them and detonate at certain

Divers, dolphins sweep bay to open channel for ships

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point, U.S. Brig. Gen. Vincent
Brooks told a briefing at Central
Command in Qatar. Iraq developed the mines "from another
country's designs" even after U.N.
sanctions had been imposed,
Brooks added.
"Before 1991, Iraq did not have
these," he said.

A first trickle of U.S. and British
food and water has reached civilians in the region – arriving via a
seven-truck convoy Wednesdig
from Kuwaii. Beyond Iraq's western border in Jordan, thousand
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operation.

Crowds mobbed two British water tanker trucks that entered the port city of Umm Qasr on

Wednesday, "Not enough, please! We need a good water supply," one man told British officers.

In the nearby town of Safwan, a five-truck Kuwaiti Red Crescent Society convoy, loaded with 45,000 boxes of food, was swarmed by hundreds of Iraqis, many of them shoeless, dirty young men who fought over the white boxes as soon as the truck doors opened.

That kind of desperation, and the televised scenes of wartime havoc from Baghdad to Basra, made it clear that an urgent need was building.

"We can spring into action with 48 hours' notice," relief official Khaled Mansour, in Jordan, said of an ambitious U.N. plan to rush massive amounts of food aid into Iraq.

Aid agencies have long warned of a humanitarian crisis in Iraq, where 12 years of economic sanctions have left some 60 percent of the 22 million people dependent on government rations distributed under the U.N.'s oil-for-food program.

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EDITORIAL

Apply some political heat to cool off school lawsuit

We welcome viewpoints from our readers on this

and other issues

et's start with the premise that most Idaho citizens don't want hundreds of millions of dollars in tax increases for school con-

Our view: Maybe

itax increases for school construction.

The evidence for this premise is ample. Idahoans consistently seat a lopsided Republican imajority in the state Legislature. Also, when Robert Huntley was the Democratic can didate for governor in 1998, voressenthusiastically sent him packing, back to his Boise law office. Thwarted in the political arena, Huntley has since been using the courts to pursue a goal the citizens clearly don't want. He and a small eroup of Idaho's leaders ought to drag the school facilities debate back to the political arena, where it What do you think?

goal the citizens
clearly don't
want. He and a small group of
school districts, abetted by a
sympathetic Boise judge, are
steadily pressing the Idaho
Legislature toward a huge payaff

Off.

The stated goal of the school facilities lawsuit is to hold the state responsible for rebuilding dilapidated schools. This is a polite way of saying Huntley and his liberal friends want to harness the power of state gov rnment to:

1. Raise taxes.

1. Raise taxes.
2. Redistribute money, from Idaho communities that already maintain sound school buildings, to those that do not.
3. Strip local voters of the power to say, "no," to projects they don't want.
So far, Idaho's political leaders have jousted politiely with Huntley in court. They have negotiated. They have provided help to financially struggling school districts.

These approaches are not working. Huntley, wielding his lawsuit as a bludgeon, continues extorting Idaho taxpayers. And here's the big irony: Idaho taxpayers are paying him to do it.

Idaho taxpayers are paying him to do it. Huntley's clients in this law-suit are school districts. Superintendents and school boards in those districts are using

districts are this case to over-ride the will of Idaho's voters.

So we have a litcenter and

So we have a in-tle suggestion.

Maybe Idaho's
political leaders
ought to drag this
debate back to the political arena, where it belongs. Maybe legislative leaders ought to team with movers and shakers in the plaintiff districts'

shakers in the plaintiff districts' communities, to tell local witers now much damage this lawsuit could do.

Maybe persuade voters that having a Boise judge take over the state's budget and tax policies is a bad idea. Maybe organize to apply political pressure on the school boards and superintendents who are Huntley's clients.

If necessary, replace some school board members. If necessary, fire some superintendents with the school board members. If necessary, fire some superintendents with the school board members. If necessary, fire some superintendents with the school board members. If necessary, fire some superintendents with the school board members. If necessary, fire some superintendents with the school board members. If necessary, fire some superintendents with the school boards and superintendents with the school boards w

case.

But this court case is already as political as it can get. It's nothing more than a court-house manifestation of Democratic Parry politics.

Idaho citizens don't want multimillion-dollar tax increases, right? Then let's not let it happen.

A battle for the middle ground

ears ago, I worked for an editor who ribbed me about having been a Marink orps sergeant in Vietnam reversable with a roll of his eyes. They are the madness on the periphery that protects the sanity of the center.

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center."

The remark is on my mind again now, because I'm not so sure the U.S. Marines represent the wild-eyed periphery these days.

ays. Speaking in terms of culture, not advocation, I find myself wondering

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tenter and its place in society. A large share of American political energy has taken flight. From a shared sense of direction, people have dispersed to the self-righteous

dispersed to the Sentifications of september 5 poles.

It took two presidents and several bloody, unhappy years of Vietnam before 100,000-plus people demonstrated in the streets for an end to the fighting, or before officers were fragged in their tents in the field. This time, we've witnessed both in the opening hours of war. It took a long time back then before our debates grew so hardened that we turned on the enemy among us—the messenger, the news media. This time, 30 minutes after the opening salvo on Baghdad I received the first scorching e-mail about a guillate media misleading and the store of the senting of the senting of the senting the



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Some better security went up at some nuclear reactors in the recent code orange terrorist alerts and the start of the Iraq war. That did not happen in full force anti-aircraft fashion in sleepy Idaho, where nobody lives anyway.

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Currently, teachers are teaching five clases per day, and one period per day is used for preparation time, so that they are actually teaching five-sixths (63.3 percent) of the time. Under the proposed 4-by-4 schedule, the teachers would teach three periods per day and have the fourth period open for preparation time, teaching only 75 percent of the time. This is a 10 percent drop in teacher time with students (63.3 minus 75 equals 8.3, divided by 83.3). Consequently, that decreased teacher-student time ratio must be compensated. We'll either have to hire more teachers to make up the difference in decreased teaching time of have the classroom size increase. How will we fund hiring more teachers because of decreased teaching time? I'm confident that if we will

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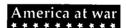
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Apply some political heat to cool off school lawsuit

What do you think? We welcome viewpoints from our readers on this and other issues.

et's start with the premise that most Idaho citizens don't want hundreds of millions of dollars in tax increases for school construction.

The evidence for this premise is ample, Idahoans consistently seat a lopsided Republican majority in the state Legislature.

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3. Strip local voters of the power to say, "no," to projects they don't want.
So far, Idaho's political leaders have journed political with intuities in court. They have negotiated. They have provided help to financially struggling school districts.

These approaches are not working. Huntley, wielding his lawsuit as a bludgeon, continues extorting Idaho taxpayers. And here's the big irony: Idaho taxpayers are paying him tod is:

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Huntley's clients in this lawsuit are school districts.
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this case to over-ride the will of Idaho's voters. So we have a lit-

So we have a little suggestion.
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communities, to tell local voters how much damage this lawsuit could do. could do.

Maybe persuade voters that
having a Boise judge take over
the state's budget and tax policies is a bad idea. Maybe organize to apply political pressure
on the school boards and superintendents who are Huntley's
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If necessary, replace some school board members. If necessary, fire some superintendents.

Some people will say this idea is dirty pool. They'll say you shouldn't politicize a court case.

But this court case is already as polifical as it can get. It's nothing more than a court-house manifestation of Democratic Parry politics.

Idaho citizens don't want multimillion-dollar tax increases, right? Then let's not let it happen.

A battle for the middle ground

ears ago, I worked for an editor who ribbed me about having been a Marine Corps sergeant in Victnam, a rarity in any newsroom. "The Marines," he said with a roll of his eyes. "They are the madness on the periphery that protects the sanity of the center."

The remark is on my mind again now, because I'm not so sure the U.S. Marines represent the wild-eyed periphery these

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What once required years to learn has now come home in days the limits and political ricochets of firepower.

This is the first US, military action that I've covered from home terrain, so it could be that I'm mistaking a case of Information Age; litters for something more disturbing. But, still, the only newsmakers who have my empathy without reservation are the young troops, the new bree di minigrants, and been handed an awdil task—and been to be conducting them. women, the West Pointers and the other volunteers who have been handed an awful task – and seem to be conducting them-selves with a steadier hand than many of those grabbing head-



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Legidating morality or control does not work. The seat belts should definitely be there for our potential use, but the choice to use them is more important than our lives. Many wars have been fought and men and women have died to keep our right to choose. Educate the people in the importance of seat belts? Yes! After that, it's our choice.

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and music performance in their
A/B block schedule. They have
seen no problems with their students carrying eight classesfour on one day and four on the
following day. This also more
closely parallels college class

schedules and prepares stude for that next step. Our junior high schools follow this same schedule

Class size and money

Currently, teachers are teaching five classes per day, and one period per day is used for preparation time, so that they are actually teaching five-sixths (83.3 percent) of the time. Under the proposed 4-by-4 schedule, the teachers would teach three profits per day and have the fourth period open for preparation time, teaching only 75 percent of the time. This is a 10 percent doy in teacher time with

tion time, teaching only 75 per-cent of the time. This is a 10 per-cent drop in teacher time with students (83.3 minus 75 equals 8.3, divided by 83.3). Some 75 equals 8.3, divided by 83.3). Consequently, that decreased teacher-student time ratio must be compensated. Well either have to hire more teachers to make up the difference in decreased teaching time or have the classroom size increase. How will we fund hiring more teach-ing time?

"I'm confident that if we will slow down and look at this sys-tematically, with the community and parental help that if, deserves, the best and appropri-ate solutions will be made, stu-dents' needs will be met, test scores will improve, and quality education will continue.

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Dr. Reed Harris is a Twin Falls hysician and father.

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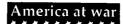
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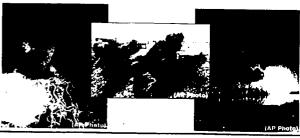
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LETTER Don't increase Idaho's

Don't increase Idaho's nuclear terror hazards

Sen. Craig warned there might be terrorists in Idaho, and it appears that actually was the case, with the recent arrests of Idaho "students." This threat will not go away, even with a victory from our brave troops in Iraq. Why then are Idaho politicians volunteering Idaho for more nuclear projects, which provide more terrorist targets of devastating consequence?

Sen. Craig cheers the way for Generation Four nuclear reactor experiments in Idaho. All our politicians cheer for building connectal nuclear reactors onsite as well. Do we have antiaircraft was more standard in touch with radar to down any stray planes at the site now? No, we do not. So why do we want to import and build more weakly guarded targets?

Some better security went up a case the site of the Iraq war. That did not hoppen in full force antiaincraft fashion in sleepy Idaho, where nobody lives anyway.

Don't forget our politician's nuclear terror hazards

anyway.

Don't forget our politician's nuclear friends are in court now nuclear friends are in court no claiming they can legally leav the buried plutonium leaking

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over our water. So why trust them with some more nuclear waste? Your governor recently, and quietly, asked if the public would

quietly, asked if the public we mind a few more experiments with some failed nuclear fuel

rods. Gee, I wonder what he will say you think. But you may as well give your thoughts toll free at (800) 232-4635. That is the state nuclear oversight phone. They want to make their decision by April Fool's Day, so you need

to call by Monday, the end of March. Let's not "go out like : lamb" – a lamb being led to slaughter. DR. PETER RICKARDS SPRING INTO CASH!



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AROUND -THE VALLEY

'Click it or Ticket' takes place today

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls Police Department's monthly "Click It or Ticket" campaign will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. today at KMVT, 100 Blue Lakes Blvd. N. 100 Blvd. N. 100 Blue Lakes Blvd. N. 100 Blue Lakes Blvd. N. 100 Blue Lakes Blvd. N. 100 Bl

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Hiko vigil to support troops is tonight

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ELKO, Nev. - A candlelight vigil to show support for the military serving in the Gulf War will begin at 6 p.m. today at the Elko County Courthouse.

Organizer John Ellison said the event will also show support for family members who have loved ones serving in the war. The event will be non-political, he added.

Several local churches, businesses and organizations are assisting with the vigil.

Network announces food meeting schedule

RUPERT - The Idaho Community Action Network announces its spring schedule of meetings which are held at 908 S. Oneida in Rupert. Food meetings will be held from 7-8:30 p.m. Monday, April 7; Monday, May 5; and Monday, June

9. Tor more information, call committee members Susan Fowler, chairwoman, at 436-0110; Francis Farfan, co-chairman, at 438-8570; Joyce Davis, measurer, at 678-4108; Christy Gonzales, secretary, at 312-220; April Jensen, food coordinator, at 436-4524; or Melanie McGuire, co-food coordinator, at 436-4187.

Compiled from staff reports

Snowpack levels

Watershed	% of Avg."	peak *
Upper Snake River	95%	90%
Salmon Falls	81%	58%
Salmon	102%	95%
Oakley	54%	53%
Big Wood	92%	86%
Little Wood	94%	90%
Henrys Fork/Taton	82%	78%
Big Lost	89%	84%
Little Lost	73%	67%

Planned Parenthood funding might get cut

Measure to exempt organization from federal money moves forward

By Julie Pence Times-News writer

BOISE - Some lawmakers remain intent upon exempting Planned Parenthood of Idaho from receiving \$136,000 in federal money for the coming fiscal year.



But in their desire to cut the organization out of federal dollars that it had initially brought to the

it had initially brought to the state in the early 1970s, those lawmakers are backing away from an action that would have jeopardized some \$1.4 million in federal dollars the state gets for family planning services. On Monday the co-chairmen of the Legislature's Health and Welfare committees, both said they were working on

spending-authority language for the Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee. The plan was to shoot the money for reproductive services straight to the state's health districts. The purpose, said Rep. Bill Sail, R.Kuna, chairman of the House Health and Welfare Committee, was to keep Planned Parenthood from getting any money.

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Because the organization has an abortion agenda, he said, he was crafting language for the Legislature's budget committee that would exempt Planned Parenthood from getting the money.

Planned Parenthood of Idaho has a \$1 million budget and two centers open in Idaho one in Boise and one in Twin Falls. The organization serves about 7,000 women per year in the state. Since a-center opened in Twin Falls about nine months ago, it is providing reproductive services to an additional 1,000 women, said president Rehecca Poedy. It does not perform abortions in Idaho, but it does tell women where they can get abortions if they asks, as do the health districts, she said.

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MODEL ROCKETS WILL KEEP FLYING



Mike Stradley, the hobby manager at Imagination Station in Twin Falls, said almost all of the model rocket engines the store stocks are exempt from new federal restrictions on explosives. A number of area schools use the models to teach physics and science.

Government makes exception in engine law

TWIN FALLS – Model rocket enthusiasts can blast forward with their hobby now that the government has declassified toy rocket engines as a restricted form of explosives.

"That's good news," said Mike Stradley, rocketeer and employee of Imagination Station, the rea's largest supplier of rockets and related supplies. "We were all sweating it."

For months, companies and customers were concerned about toy rocket propellants facing greater scrutiny by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, he said.

As such, misinformation was

As such, misinformation was flying about, he said.

In November, President Bush signed the Safe Explosives Act that restricted access to explosives, requiring shippers, purchasers and consumers to be licensed and submit to background checks before obtaining such materials.

Toy rocket engines were on that fig.

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The decision set a scare through the model rocket industry. Shipping companies cut back or stopped shipping the rocket engines.

The engines - ranging from the size of a thumb to the size of a arm - were being hoarded, Stradley said.

Sending a rocket soaring thousands of feet into the sky was feared to be a thing of the past for Boy Scous trying to obtain space exploration merit badges, or for science to acterize sonducting physics lessons the same special physics lessons and the same propellant, was listed since 1971 by the ATF as an explosive, hobbyists countered that the classification was misleading the classification was misleading told rather than an explosive fuel. After all, a rocket wouldn't get far if its engine exploded rather than burned.

urnea. Through heavy lobbying by

the industry and hobbyists, including U.S. Sen. Mike Enzi, R.Wyo, the ATF reclassified toy rocket engines as a flammable solid, not an explosive.

The exemption came as good news to model rocketeer Michael White of Hailey. He and his fellow enthusiasts already take pains to be safe, he said. Furthermore, the activity is already highly regulated. "One more hassle would have put it out of reach," he said.

White said he takes great saidsattoin in watching the results of six months of labor shoot accurately straight up to the heavens.

heavens.

"It means a lot to me," he said. "It's a satisfying thing."

Governor's remarks irk lawmakers

The Associated Press

BOISE - Key Republican Law makers blasted the governor on Thursday for what they said was a disingentions attempt to hurry the process of setting the state's bud-

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On the Mouse floor, Speaker Bruce Newcomb of Burley said that he found public Remarks by Gov. Birk Kempaharanak by Gov. Birk Kempaharanak by Gov. Birk Kempaharanak by Gov. Birk Kempaharanak ber afformitive.

At a bill-signing ceremony, Kempaharan said he would not sign off on the Sid.2 million budget for veeterans affairs unless law makers also funded a new design of the side of the tunded a new veterans ceme-tery in Boise. Idaho is the only state without one. The result-ing mobile

without one.
The resulting public response prompted House Appropriations Chairwoman Maxine Bell, R-Jerome, to recall the bill until the cemetery funding tery funding – \$127,700 for

starty of the remainder the remainder of this year - could be added directly into the main bill.

"We are getting terrible comments on talk radio programs, and the veterans groups were calling in," Bell explained.

Newcomb objected to Nempthorne's invocation of the war in Iraq and the prisspect of being without a veterans cemetery for fallen soldiers as a cartiprod to move the Legislature along.

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"From my view, it was a poor choice, to use the veterans and the cemetery to criticize this body," Newcomb said. "If sell like it's unfortunate and unfounded that (Kempthorne) made the decision to step off into this ditch."

Kempthorne's chief of staff, Brian Whitlock, said the governor has repeatedly emphasized that the state will open its veterans seemetery on schedule.

"He has made no secret about his intention to veto the veterans bill if it did not include funding for the cemetery," Whitlock said.

In the Senate, Finance Chairman Dean Cameron, R. Rupert, also advised the members of the content of the senate, it is not budge decision to withdraw the budge that the senate of the content on that money for the cemetery would have been provided in a later bill. However, other senators took the same view as Kempthorne when they opposed the budget earlier in the week.
"There's been a perception that we have somehow tried to treat our veterans unfairly. That is not true," Cameron said. He said the budget will be reconsidered by the committee later.

Meanwhile Thursday, members of the House Revenue and Tavation Committee met informally to learn a computer program that allows them to add and subtract tax plans. Next week, the committee is expected, as well as dramatic increases on beer, when and eigarences, and an additional and the said the said the proposal plant and a new nickel axt to soda pop and bottled water are expected, as well as dramatic increases on beer, when and eigarences.

Democrats hope to use their small minority to leverage some concessions, such as reducing the sales tax on groceries by a penny and funding public schools at the same level as last year.

Web site offers a connection with troops in the Middle East By Sharl Chaney Similar thoughts were posted by Jennifer Jones, also from Kimberly, "As I sit here in my home with my family, safe and free, I think of all you men and women who are sacrificing so much for me and I count my bless-ings."

Times News writer

TWIN FALLS - It's one way to show support for and perhaps connect with troops in the Middle East. Nearly 60 people have already posted a message to the military message board on The Times News Web site, http://www.magicvalley.com.

The Internet has the "unprecedented capacity" to connect troops overdented capacity" to connect troops overdented capacity" to connect of the Times News with people in the Owerseas - B3 Magic Valley fairly quickly, Clark Walworth, managing editor of The Times News, said.

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Just six of the messages are getting through. Walworth six of the messages are from tervice people, but sex on thanks the residents of the Magic Valley for sending messages of support.

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The Times News

Post a letter to troops overses at The Times-News online at www.magi valey.com. Find the post by nicking on "Military Messages" on the lower right-hand side of the home page.

Following are serious! twell alone listed online at the U.S. Department of Defense for organizations aponsoring military personnel overseas. The Defense Department says it cannot endorse any specific organization but that military personnel appreciate expressions of support.

 Sign a virtual thankyou card at the Defend America Web site at www.defendamerica.mii/nmam.html The military newspaper Stars and Stripes is including daily "Messages

Cavalry Division wrote, "As a solide about to depart to the area of operations, it makes me feel good to know that I have the sup-port, and prayers of those in m military family and those back home in the blank Valley."

Troop support links

of Support. Family and friends of deployed service members can pass along greetings, announcements and empouragement. Messages limited to 50 words or less will be printed on a first come, first run basis. Messages

ssages@stripes.com.

An e-mail greeting can be sent through Operation Dear Abby at any-servicemember.navy.mil or www.OperationDearAbby.net.

The Department of Defense sa because of security concerns an transportation constraints it can accept items through the regul sent to "Any Servicemember."

Donations

• "Gifts from the Homefront" certificates are available at www.safes.com/docs/homefront.htm.

And the Magic Valley has shown its support. Some of the messages are directed to a specific person, but many are messages of general support soil troops. Kimberly's Karan Paulk wrote, Words can't begin to express my

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American Red Cross Armed Forces Emergency Services at www.red-cross.org/services/afes/

respect and thanks to you all for your unfailing valor. You uphold an honorable tradition that pro-tects the precious freedom so many of us take for granted and which soon others will experience for the first time in their lives."

women who are sacrificing so much for me and I count my blessings."

The Zuiderveld family in Jerome posted this thank you on the board. "We haven't for got what you are fighting for. As you are fighting for. As you are doing your best to protect our freedoms over there, we will do ull we can to protects our freedoms here... If any of you know a Bob Spencer or Tracey Stephens give them a big hig for us."

For the most part, some themes are repeated in every messages: thank you, come home safely, we're praying for you.

Amanda lagraham from Jerome wants to join the Navy or Army when she finishes high shool. She posted a message to current. It cops: "You will all be remembered for your patriotism that you have put forth."

Times-News writer Shari Chaney an be reached at the newspaper's fini-Cassia Bureau at 677-4042, xt. 638, or by e-mail at haney@magicvalley.com.

SERVICES

Peter Don Wakewood of Highlands Ranch, Colo., grave-side service at 2 p.m. today at the Rupert Cemetery, 450 N. Meridian, Rupert; friends may call before the service today (Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chanch).

Leyona Helen Laib of Glenns Ferry, graveside service at 1 p.m. today at the Glenn Rest Cemetery in Glenns Ferry (Demaray Funeral Service, Gooding).

Dennis Harold Seeley of Hazelton, service at 11 a.m. today at the Hazelton LDS Chapel; interment will follow in Hazelton Cemetery; the family will greet friends from 945-1045 a.m. today at the church (White Mortuary).

Robert 'Bob' A. Kirsch of Nampa, rosary/vigil at 7 p.m. today at Alsip & Persons Funeral Chapel; funeral Mass at 10 a.m. Saturday at Holy Apostles Catholic Church, 6300 N. Meridian Road, Meridian; internent will follow at Mt. Calvary Cemetery, Greenhurst and South Powerline Road, Nampa; casual attire is requested.

Chloey Banner of Burley, service at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Burley West Stake Center of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 2420 Park Ave; burial will be in the View Cemetery; friends may call from 6-8 p.m. today at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley and from 1-1:45 p.m. Saturday at the church.

Robert 'Bob' W. Galley of Twin Falls, service at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Kimberly Stake Center of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 3551 E. 3500 K; interment will follow at Sunset Memorial Park; friends may call from 4-8 p.m. today at White Mortuary; family will greet friends from 6-8 p.m. today.

Geneva S. Fuller Robinson and

Jewel E. Goitlandia, memorial service at 2 p.m. Saturday at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls.

Charles 'Jack' Curtis Harrison of Rupert, service at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Rupert LDS 4th WardWest Stake Chapel, 26 S. 100 W. (Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel).

Robert Roethlisberger of Quartzsite, Ariz., service at 1 p.m. Saturday at Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl, interment will be at West End Cemetery, Buhl.

Margaret 'Ruth' Scott of Bliss, graveside service at 1 p.m. Saturday at the Riverside Cemetery in Heyburn. Payne Mortuary, Burley.

Lucy Josephine Thompson of Twin Falls, memorial service at 3 p.m. Saturday at Our Saviors Lutheran Church, 1708 Heyburn Ave. E. Twin Falls (Reynolds Funeral Chapel, Twin Falls).

service Saturday at Twin Falls Church of the Brethren; commit-tal services at 3 p.m. Friday at Sunset Memorial Park, 2296 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls (Farnsworth Mortuary, Jerome).

Quinten Q. Warr of Burley, service at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Burley Stake Center of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latterday Saints, 2050 Normal Ave; burial will follow in Oake; burial will follow in Oake; burial will follow in Oake; friends may call from 68 p.m. today at Rasmussen Funeral Hung and from 10-10-55 am. Saturday at the church.

Georgia Lee Terry of Shoshone, service at 2 p.m. Saturday at Demaray's Shoshone Chapel; burial will be in the Shoshone Cemetery; viewing from noon to 1:30 p.m. Saturday at the funeral home.

p.m. Saturday at Our Saviors
Lutheran Church, 1708 Heyburn
Ave. E. Twin Falls (Reynolds
Funeral Chapel, Twin Falls).

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- DEATH NOTICES -

Bessie Daughenbaugh

BUHL - Bessie Daughenbaugh, 64, of Buhl died Thursday, March 27, 2003, at Bridgeview Estates in

announced by White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

27, 2003, at Bridgeview Estates in Twin Falls.

Arrangements will be announced by Farmer's Funeral Chapel of Buhl.

Sherry Deford

BUHL - Sherry Deford, 49, of Buhll and formerly of Twin Falls died Thursday, March 27, 2003, at Bridgeview Estates. pm. Monday, March 31, 2003, at Buhl and formerly of Twin Falls died Thursday, March 27, 2003, at Bridgeview Estates. pm. Monday, March 31, 2003, at Bridgeview Estates. pm. Monday, March 31, 2003, at Bridgeview Estates. pm. Monday, March 30, at White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

OBITUARIES ry rates and information, call 733-0931, Ext. 278, between 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday, is 4:30 p.m. for next-day publication. The a-mail address for obtuaries is obta-6-magicvallay.com. Desth or a the service and can be placed until 5 p.m. every day.



Jacqua Elaine Tolman

Jacque Elaine Tolman, Jacque Elaine Tolman, four-year-old dauptier of David and Loinda Tolman, passod eway Tuesday evening, March 25, 2003, at Cassa Regional Medical Conter after a sudder iliness Sudder ilines Sudder Sudder ilines Sudder Sudder ilines Sudder Sudder ilines Sudder Sudder ilines Sudder ilines Sudder ilines Sudder ilines Sudd

Jacque's Angel Tuesday Morning 'She's coming, she's coming Today is her big day. There's so much to do, We can't delay

With a celebration to plan And the feast to prepare We must tend to each detail With loving care

She's coming, she's coming She'll soon be on her way, This is the time we've waited for Jacque's special day.

The gates are open The trumpets sound

She's here, she's home She is sale and sound ihe is sale and sound ihe's laughing and smiling n heaven's playground."

Jacque is survived by her loving perents, David and Lorinda of Burley, her brothers, Justin Tohnan of Marina, California, Nathan Tolman, Stephan Tolman, Andy Tolman, Bobby Tolman, and Jeremy Tolman of Burley; her grandparents; Jack and Elaine Filedrich of Burley; her great-perents; Jack and Elaine Friedrich of Burley; her great-parents, Eva Hattleid, and Jerems (Dona). Friedrich of Jerems (Dona) Friedrich of Jerems (Jerems) Jerem

The luneral will be held at 11 00 am Monday, March 31, 2003, at the Burley First Pro Jay Form the Burley First Pro Jay Form the Burley First Pro Jay Form the Reverend Herb C Whitaker officiating Burla will follow Family and friends are invited to call at the Rasmusson Funeral Home, 1350 East 16th Street. Burley, on Sunday, from 6 00 until 8 00 p.m., and at the church on Monday, from 10 00 until 10:45 am



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riend s mod Stake Center where
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riends 30 pm until 145 pm and interment will be in the Bloomington
Cemetery with services under the
direction of Matthews Mortuary of
Montpoler, Idaho.

SAN JOSE, CALIF.

Robert Eugene Mickael

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Robert Eugene Mickael, 67, of
San Jose, CA¹ and former Magic
Valley resident passed away
Juesday, March 25, 2003, in San
Jose, CA
He was Nova His son of Ennis
and Myrile Bertwell Mickael
Robert is survived by his children
Robert Eugene Jr., Rodney
Kenneth Mickael and Kelly Marie
Mickael of Jerome, Jesses Schultz
of San Jose, CA Lota (George)
Campbell of San Jose, CA and
Rose Bonsall of San Jose, CA and
Rose Bonsall of San Jose, CA and
Gravesido services will be held
at 111 am. Monday, March 31,
2003, at Sunset Memorial Park
Friends and family may call on
Sunday, March 30, from 4-8 p.m. at
White Mortuary "Chapel by the
Park".

JEROME

Cindy Lou Riddle

Cindy Lou Riddle, 41, passed away on Wednesday, March 26, 2003, following a battle with can-

away on Wednesday, March 20, 2003, following a battle with cancer.

She was born Sept. 28, 1961, in Jerome, Idaho, She graduated from Gabbs High School in 1980. She was multi-talented. She could do not shall be she with the shall be shal

AND THE SHAPE

Malpractice rates take bite out of T.F. hospital budget

By Sandy Miller . Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Rapidly rising malpractice insurance rates continue to take a good-sixed bite out of Magic Valley Regional Medical Center's budget. But hospital officials hope to see the numbers turn around soon.

But hospital officials hope to see the numbers turn around soon.

The hospital is close to completing a new, captive insurance plan with 11 other hospitals in Idaho, Wyoming, Montana, Colorado, New Mexico and Nebraska, Chief Financial Officer John Groesbeck told the Finance Committee Thursday, Attorneys are now giving the paperwork a final look.

In a captive insurance plan, the entities that own the plan are insured by the plan, Groesbeck said. The new plan would be called the Volunteer Hospital Association's Mountain States Insurance Service Initiative and would be governed by an advisory committee on which Magic Valley Regional would hold a sear.

Groesbeck said the new plan would hold a sear on which Magic Valley Regional would hold a sear.

Groesbeck said the new plan would be in place by the time the hospital's current Farmers policy expires Oct. 30.

Hospital officials expect the new plan to save a considerable amount of money.

The hospital's February Farmers Insurance bill was

new plan to save a considerable amount of money.

The hospital's February Farmers Insurance bill was \$127,918, up from \$23,910, or 435 percent, the same month the previous year.

Magic Valley Regional expects its entire first-year insurance bill in the captive plan to be about \$280,000, Greesbeck has said.

Also Wednesday, Groesbeck said the hospital spent \$627,000 on charity care during February. Charity care helps patients who aren't covered by other programs.

aren't covered by other programs.

The hospital is committed to providing medically necessary care to patients regardless of their ability to pay, Groesbeck said in his report.

"As far as fulfilling your charitable mission, I think you do a good job of that," Groesbeck

Magic Valley Regional finances Month-end numbers

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Inpatient revenue
Outpatient revenue
Total patient revenue
Deductions from revenue
Net patient revenue
Other operating revenue
Total operating revenue

	February 2003	February 2002	Pct.
Salaries	\$3,099,000	\$2,967,347	
Benefits	\$634,117	\$620.093	
Fees-physicians	\$339,574	\$351,809	
Fees-other	\$591,285	\$488,795	2
Supplies	\$1,208,217	\$1,169,182	~
Utilities	\$102,136	\$136,249	.2
Repairs/maintenance	\$168,361	\$92.832	8
Leases/rentals	\$86,706	\$66.850	. 3
Insurance	\$127.918	\$23.910	43
Interest expense	\$112,199	\$124,245	-1
Unpaid patient bills	\$404,764	\$392.149	-
Depreciation	\$580,474	\$679,785	-15
Other expense	\$93,150	\$95,032	- 7
Total operating expense	\$7,547,901	\$7,208,277	į
ncome from operations	\$130.572	\$135,183	- 3
Non-operating revenue	\$110,163	\$107.574	- 3
Reorganization costs	\$0	(\$7.233)	-100
Market value adjustment	\$66,540	\$78,446	-15
let Income	\$307,274	5313,970	- 3

told the Finance Committee. In other financial news, Magic Valley Regional brought in \$12.8 Valley Regional brought in \$12.8 million in total patient revenue in February 2003, up from \$12 million, or 7 percent, the same month the previous year. Here are some other highlights from the hospital's February 2003 financial statements:

the hospital's February 2003 financial statements:

• Inpatient revenue – 57.7 million, up from \$7.2 million, or 7 percent from the same month the previous year.

• Outpatient revenue – \$5 million, up from \$4.7 million, or 7 percent from the same month the previous year.

• Total operating revenue – After deductions, the hospital ended up with \$7.7 million, up from \$7.3 million, or 3 percent from the same month the previous year.

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• Total expenditures - \$7.5 million, up from \$7.2 million, or

5 percent from the same month the previous year.

**Largest expenditure - \$3.1 million for salaries, up from \$3 million, or 4 percent from the same month the previous year.

**Net income - \$307,274, down from \$313,970, or a drop of 2 percent from the same month the previous year.

**Total assets - \$110.4 million, up from \$102.4 million, up from \$102.4 million the same month the previous year.

**Total liabilities and equity - \$110.4 million, up from \$102.4 million the same month the previous year.

**Admissions - The hospital admitted \$50 patients in February 2003, up from \$38 patients in February 2003, up from \$38 patients in February 2003.

Times-News writer Sandy Miller can be reached at 735-3264 or by e-mail at smiller@magic valley.com.

Group plans for Oregon Trail marking

JEROME - Members of the Idaho Chapter of the Oregon-California Trails Association will discuss the summer activity schedules at their annual board meeting Sauturday.

The meeting will start at 10 a.m. at McClanshan's on Main Street in Jerome. Summer activities to be discussed include trailmarking days and regular monthly field trips to historic trailrelated sites.

The association is working

related sites.

The association is working the association is working that U.S. Bureau of Land Management to preserve the history of Idaho's rugged past. Jess Ross, a BLM archaeologist in Twin Falls, recently told Larry Jones of the Idaho State Historical Society that the BLM would like to start revisiting

areas of the Oregon Trail and replacing destroyed or worn out carsonite markers.

Markers made of white carsonite, which can easily be seen from a distance, are lost to wild-fires, road grading, hunters, vehicles and cows. Cattle step on them and snap them off at the base, said BLM archaeologist Dick Hill.

One trail marked and mapped

Dick Hill.

One trail marked and mapped by the association is designated as the North Side Alternate, which followed the north side of the Snake River from American Falls all the way to the Thousand Springs area. Some ruts that were marked in 2002 were on the eastern end of Lake Walcott, about 10 miles east of Minidoka Dam on the North Side Alternate.

Alternate.
Ruts go into the reservoir on the east end, and the trail is now

under water for several miles at the northern side of the lake. In some places the trails are barely visible, but in other places deep ruts are still quite evident. Some trails are sand and silt and would have blown away as the emigrant wagon wheels stirred it up, making the trail ruts deep and the scars visible today. Anyone interested in joining the cause may reach Clair and Virginia Ricketts by e-mail at virginia@northrim.net, or association president James McGill at jwmegill@pobox.com. People may also write to McGill at 305 Melha Drive, Nampa, ID 83686, to join or to request a copy of the association's newsletter.

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For member forms, people may also write to Bill Wilson at 5204 Waterwheel Drive, Boise, ID 83703, or by e-mail at ma, bill@worldnet.att.net.

Authorities move former U of I athlete to Boise

BOISE (AP) — A former University of Idaho football player has been moved to the Ada County Jail for a Monday detention hearing in the investigation of an alleged terrorist cell in Moscow, authorities said.

U.S. Magistrate Mikel Williams will determine whether Abdullah Al-Kidd – known as Lavoni Kidd his school days – remains in custody as a material witness or is released, Assistant U.S. Attorney Kim Lindquist said.

Al-Kidd, 30, is not accused of any crime, but authorities say he might have information about the case.

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might have information au-the case.
Williams issued the warrant in the investigation of two Islamic charities, the Islamic Assembly of North America and Help the

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Needy, an offshoot of the IANA

Needy, an offshoot of the IANA. Federal investigators say Michigan-based IANA has funneled money to activities supporting terrorism and has published material advocating suicide attacks on the United States. The PBI wants information from Al-Kidd in the investigation of Sami Omar Al-Hussayen, who was arrested Feb. 26. Al-Hussayen, a Saudi doctoral student in computer science at the Hussayen, a Saudi doctoral student in computer science at the University of Idaho, was indicted last month. He is believed to have financed and administered Web sites for the IANA.

Al-Hussayen is in the custody of immigration officials following a Boise detention hearing this month.

Alice Kidd, of Renton, Wash.

Al-Kidd's mother, said earliesther son was traveling to Saudi Aribia to continue his studies in Islamic law when he was arrested March 16 in Washington, D.C. Court documents allege, Al-Kidd or his wife, Nadine Zegura, received more than \$20,000 from Al-Hussayen and his associates from March 2000 to November 2001.

All the studies of the son told her the money was his salary for compiling a newsletter for one of the charities.

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Federal agents feared At kild might not have returned to tgitty if he had left the country, court documents said. The Unified States does not have an extradition agreement with Saudi Arabia.

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Area military personnel

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- Navy-Marine Medical Corpsman Juan Agesta, Kuwalt.

- Idaho Air National Guard Master Sgt.
 Kirk Weinert, near Kuwait City.
 Marine Pvt. Steven Medina, location
- Army nurse Spc. Sarah Thomborrow, Kuwalt City.
 Marine Lance Cpl. Joshua VanCasteren, Kuwait.

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- Marine Lance Cpl. Jason Brahosky, Kuwait,
- Army Master Sgt. Darren J. Cannell,
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 Army Cpl. Matthew Douglas, location unknown.
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 Navy Airframer Spc. Shane Hodge.
- Air Force 2nd Lt. Wesley W. Millard,

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Marine Pvc. Dennis Aguiar, location unknown,

- · Navy Seaman Kevin Gilley, Kuwait Marine Lance Cpl. Cory Snow, on ard the USS Boxer.

- Marine Cpl. Ryan Bean, Kuwait.
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 Army Spc. Gerald F. Haye Jr., Kuwait.
 Air Force Staff Sgt. Evan Wilkinson, Saudi Arabia.

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- Army Cpl. Steven Breun, Kuwalt.
 Navy Hospitalman Tara Frehner-Braun, on board the USS Fort McHenry.
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- Army P4t. Thomas Conrad, Infantry peratrooper, Kuwait.
 Navy Chief Petry Officer Justin Gray, serving on the aircraft carrier USS Abraham Lincoln.
 Navy Petry Officer Brian Tschannen, Bahrain.

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Jaber Air Base, Kuwait.

Navy Petty Officer 3rd Class Jeremy J.
 Oakes, aboard the USS Bridge.

- Marine Sgt. James Baird, Kuwait
- Army Master Sgt. Michael W. Baldwin
- Army Major Aldo P. Blagiotti Jr., out-
- side Kuwait City.

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 Blunt, on the USS Camden.

- Blunt, on the USS Camden.

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 Marine Cpl. Charles Robert Crabtree, on board the USS Bonhomme-Richard.

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- Army Lt. Col. David C. Eyre, Qatar
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 Air Force Airman 1st Class Craig W. Gilbert, location unknown Silbert, location unknown
 Army Sgt. Rex Edmund Hendrix II,
- Kuwait.

 Marine Lance Cpl. Arlo G. Lott Jr.,

- Navy Avation Technician 3rd Class, Joseph Schmahl, on the USS Nimitz.
 Army Sgt. Joshua Valley Schmidt.
 Camp New Jersey, Kuwalt.
 Air Force Airman Jedediah Steen.
- Army Spc. Hank (Tate) Williams, Kuwait.

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- Marine Lance Cot, Derek Benson.
- Air Force Staff Sgt. Bradley Eugene Kerr, location unknown.
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- Air Force Master Sgt. Scott Livingston,
- Air Force Staff Sgt. Matthew Murphy,
- Marine Sgt. Sean Watson, Kuwait. Marine Cpl. Brandon Vollmer, northern

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Navy Gunners Mate Ryan Watson, aboard the USS Nassau.

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Navy Airman Matthew Koch, aboard the USS Theodora Rooseveit In Bahrain.

Marine Cpl. Josh Martsch, Kuwait.

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- Army Set. Jacob Babcock, Kuwalt
- Army Sgt. Roger Dover, Kuwait.
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- Senior Alrman Patrick Dulin, Idaho Air National Guard, Kuwait,

- Army Pfc, Michael Fink, Ku Army Pvt. Mercos Herrera, Kuwait. Army Pvt. Marcos Herrera, Kuwait

- Navy Alman Travis Hyde, aboard the USS Kitty Hawk.
 Army Pvt. Gene Jensen, Afghanistan.
 Army Spc. Tucker Johnson, Kuwait. Army Spc. Michael Legg, norther Kuwalt.
- Army Sgt. Kevin Leir, Kuwait.
 Marine Pfc. Cody Mai, Bahrain.
 Air Force Staff Sgt. Kyle Mason, Kuwait.
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- ankin, aboard the USS Kiska. Marine Lance Cpl. Tavin D. Reeves,
- Camp Coyote in Kuwait. Marine Cpl. Robert S. Riese, Kuwait
- Air Force Sr. Airman Mark Jay Stout, Incirlik Air Force Base, Turkey. Navy-Marine Medical Corpsman
 Joseph Visarraga, Kuwait.
 Marine Pvc. Class Kyle V. Williams
- rine Lance Cpl. Jason Willingham, o Coyote, Kuwait.

Richfield

Navy Seaman Isaac Grier, aboard the USS Abraham Lincoln.

Rupert

- Army Sgt. Jay M. Bodey, Kuwait.
 Air Force Airman 1st Class Andrew
- Army Cpf. Kevin Cotton, Kuwait.
- Marine HM3 Daniel Garza, Kuwait.
- Marine Cpl. Travis Scott Jensen,
- Navy Chief Petty Officer Frank C. wwson, on the aircraft carrier US
- Navy Petty Officer 3rd Class, James
 Rasmussen, aboard the USS Nimitz.

Shoshone

Marine Cpl. Matthew Taber, Kuwait

Wendell

- Navy Petty Officer 3rd class Jody Bille.
- Marine Sgt. Dustin R. Cureton,
 Wendell, Kuwait.
 Army Pfc. Danny J. Feighner, Wendell,
- Marine Lance Cpl. Arlen Gentart, Wendell, Kuwait, Navy Crndr. Steven Locher, Wendell, aboard the USS Hiroshima.

Other Magic Valley

Army Chief Warrant Officer Richard (Monty) Gonzales, Camp Udairi, Kuwait.

Families who have loved ones serving in the war who are not listed here, please call Times-News reporter Jennifer Sandmann at 735-3237, or e-mail jasandmann@magicvalley.com. We 'e looking for names and e-mail addresses of local people serving over-seas, among other information. Please include your own name and contact information.

Information, Compiled by Times-News staff, Last updated March 27,

Voters reject Boundary County levy

BONNERS FERRY (AP) - A supplemental levy designed to make up for state funding hold-backs in the Boundary County schools has failed for a second time in about a month.

War and a weak economy were listed as possible reasons the 18st 200 possible reasons the 5857,058 levy gamered less than 59 percent support on Tuesday. The previous proposal for the

same amount failed Feb. 25.

After the first try, school board members decided to rerun the levy for the same amount, thinking that many supporters were not aware of the election last month.

The levy amount represented an increase of \$350,000 over the levy of the last two years.

School officials said the money

was needed following the state holdbacks last year. They also planned to add more teachers. "It's not a supplemental levy to our school district," Superintendent Don Bartling said. "It's more of a necessity part of the basic education plan." A decision on whether to hold another election has yet to be made.

Funding

Continued from B1 The chairmen's maneuver to cut out Planned Parenthood's thare of the grant alarmed Idaho Department of Health and Welfare officials. They said the proposed language had already been written on the premise that Health and Welfare would administer the money, said department spokesman Bill Walker. If the Legislature approved language to cut out the Department of Health and Welfare, the said welfare, the state would lose the grant, he said.

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grant, he said.

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Lee Gegner, R.Idshq Falls, said

Planned Parenthood of Idaho has a \$1 million budget and two centers open in Idaho: one in Boise

and one in Twin Falls. The organization serves about 7,000 women per year

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It's not that he disagreed with the concept of carving Planned Paraethood out of the funding, though, "I don't disagree with the language," Gegner seld. "The question for me is procedured, is it correct for the two committee chairmen to uninterstay make a policy decision without running is

past their committees?"

past their committees?"
However, Ellie Merrick of Planned Parenthood of Idaho, said Thursday the state could still risk losing some of the grant money if it moves forward with the plan to cut out Planned Parenthood.
"They could still lose some funding because our service numbers are very high," ahe said. In addition, "They say our services are duplication (of what health dispricts do). So, if our services are duplication, that means there is a belief that there is already too much family planning soing on in Idaho. And to that I say if that were true, then we would have 100 percent early detection of breast and cervical cancer and no unintended pregnancies."
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Palls, who is the vice chairwoman
of the House Health and Welfare
Committee, said she supports
cutting Planned Parenthood out
of the federal money.

Times-News writer Julie Penos can be reached at 343-5553 or by e-mail at ipenor@magicvalley.com.

Fire damages Declo shop

DECLO - No one was hurt when a double-wide trailer, a shop and two travel trailers burned Wednesday morning. The fire started in the double-wide trailers, said Declo Fire Chief John Pons. The cause of the fire is unknown, he said. The buildings and trailers were in a wrecking yard at 300 N. 930 E. Owned by Joya Pearson and Jesse Smith, Pons and East End Fire District Chief Terry Tracy said. All were burned completely, Pons said. Pearson's pickup was

scorched by the fire, too, Tracy said.

Before firefighters arrived, there was a minor scuffle between Pearson, who wanted to move his pickup, and Cassia County Sheriff's Deputy Terry Bell, who said it was too dangerous and restrained Pearson, Bell wrote in a police report.

Four propane tanks and 3,500 rounds of ammunition were consumed in the blaze, Tracy said. As the tanks heated up, the gas inside expanded and the tanks vented propane from pressure-release valves, Pons said.

Firefighters sprayed the tanks

with foam until they cooled off,

he said.

The East End Fire Department sent 12 firefighters and four engines, and the Declo Fire Department sent five firefighters and two trucks to the blaze at 9 am. Firefighters left the scene about three hours later, Tracy said.

said.
Rain and snow helped to keep
the fire from spreading, Pons said.
Firefighters may have been
slowed in reaching the scene
because they thought the coordinates were for the Jackson area in
Minidoka County, rather than
Cassia County, Bell wrote.

Malta family faces theft charges

BURLEY - A Malta couple and their son are scheduled to make their initial appearances in magistrate court in Cassia County Monday on multiple theft charges. Dell Carlson, 58, Betty Carlson, 38, and Dustin Carlson, 18, have been charged with improperly using credit cards and checks issued to the Raft River Fire Protection District for their personal expenses.

sonal expenses.

Dell Carlson is charged with one count of grand theft of a financial transaction card, one count of fraudulent use of a financial transaction gard and one count of traudulent use of a finan-cial transaction card and one count of grand theft. Dustin Carlson faces the same three charges.

Carlson faces the same three charges.
Betty Carlson is charged with eight counts of grand theft by unauthorized control, one count of fraudulent use of a financial transaction card, one count of grand theft and one count of grand theft and one count of grand theft of a financial transaction card.
According to the criminal complaint, the Carlsons used a fire district credit card to purchase gas at the Malta Fuel Depot on several occasions between September and December 2002.

Statistics show Cassia's crime rate is falling in the long run

By Nate Johnson Times News writer

BURLEY - About seven of every 100 people in Cassia County were victims of a crime in 2002. Cassia County Sheriff Jim Higens estimates. While the crime rate was up 3.7 percent in 2002, that small increase does not buck the generally downward trend for crime in the county. "That doesn't surprise me any," Higens said.

That doesn't surprise me any,"
Higeris said.
With a slowing economy and a
light crime year in 2001, it's only
natural that there should be an
increase, he said.
Cassia County had 6,760 crimes
reported per 100,000 people in
2001, ranking 10th in the state.
That's not bad for the eighth
largest county in the state, Higens
said.
"We're not in the top five so
"We're not in the top five so

we're not in the top five so that's OK," Higens said. Rankings for 2002 haven't yet been compiled. In the past, the

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In the past, the county has had one of the highest crime rates in the fact of the county has had one of the highest crime rates in the fact of the county has had one of the highest crime rates in the fact of the county had been as the county the county

Dell Carlson was a fire district commissioner at the time the alleged thefts occurred. He was the district's secretary/treasurer. The three are accused of charging about 5672 in gasoline at the Malta Fuel Depto on the fire district credit card in those four months.

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months.

In his affidavit, Cassia County
Sheriff's Deputy Richard Edwards
said the manager of the Malta
Fuel Depot had brought an unusually high unpaid fire department
bill to the attention of fire district
employee Jerry Bankhead in early
January 2003.

From September through
December the district's gas bill at
the Malta Fuel Depot was about
\$1,100, according to the affidavit.
Bankhead told Edwards there was
no way the fire trucks and ambulance could have needed that
much gas.

Bankhead and Raft River Fire
Chief Pete Gilbert then went
through gas credit cards records,
looking for the particular card
dat had been used to incur the
high charges. The card couldn't
be found.

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Bankhead talked to the manag-er of the Malta Fuel Depot, and she told him that particular card

had been reported missing.

On Jan. 5, Dell Carlson used the card that had been reported missing to purchase gas for his personal vehicle, the affidavit states. Dustin Carlson allegedly used that same card to buy gas for his personal pickup on Jan.

Sheriff's Detective Loyal Egbert met later with the Carlsons. In that Jan. 17 interview, the three admitted they'd used the fire district credit card for personal use and turned the missing credit card over to Egbert, according to the affidavit.

The Carlsons told Egbert that Dell Carlson had reported the card missing on Sept. 14, 2002. and from that point they had used the card to buy gas for their personal vehicles, the affidavit states.

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personal vehicles, the affidavis states.

In that same interview, Betty Carlson told Egbert she had paid for personal items and bills with checks from the fire district bank account, the affidavit states. She admitted paying for groceries, food, clothing and a personal cellular telephone with fire district money. And she made mortgage payments and payments to personal credit card companies with those checks, the affidavit states.

By the numbers Offenses Murder Negligent manslaughter Forcible rape 40% -60% 23.8% -13.5% -1.5% 22.6% 42.9% 42.9% 0 0 8.7% -2.5% 0 -60% 200% -18.8% Robbery Aggravated assault Burglary Larceny Vehicle theft 42 111 462 31 Arson Simple assault Intimidation Briben Bribery Counterfeiting/forgery Vandalism Vandalism Drug violation Drug equipment violation Embezziement Extortion/blackmall Fraud Gambling Kidnapp Pomography Prostitution

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Incest	0	0	0		0
Statutory rape	4	2	5		-20%
Stolen property	3	1	ă		62.5%
Weapon laws violation	5	5	4		25%
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Forcible rape	1	0	1	1	0
Robbery	1	0	1	2	-50%
Aggravated assault	13	6	19	17	11.8%
Burglary	7	2	9	9	0
Larceny	45	50	95	90	5.6%
Vehicle theft	5	3	8	13	-38.5%
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Simple assault	51	24	75	108	-29.2%
Intimidation	6	5	11	14	21.4%
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Counterfaiting/forgery	6	Ó	6	12	-50%
Vandalism	12	22	34	25	36%
Drug violation	65	21	86	78	10.3%
Drug equipment violation	17	11	28	23	21.7%
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Liquor law violation	44	25	69	116	40.5%
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Runaway	ō	48	46	55	-16.4%
Trespass	15	10	25	22	13.6%
All other offenses	282	55	337	298	13.1%
Total arrests	763	340		.208	4.6%
Source	t: Idaho	State Police	, Bureau of Cr	iminal k	dentificati

Lawmaker tries to resurrect fetus insurance legislation

BOISE - Democratic Rep. Dave Bieter of Boise threw the House into confusion on Thursday when he used a little known rule to resurrect a bill that had previously failed to pass the Health and Welfare Committee.



Committee.

House Bill
201 would have
used federal
waivers to
allow pregnant
mothers over
19 years old to enroll in the state
Children's Health Insurance
Program. It would have paid for
prenatal care, birth and postnatal care.
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prenatal care, birth and postnatal care.

Competing legislation sponsored by the Republican committee chairman, Bill Sali of
Kuna, passed the committee
after a rancorous debate. It
specifically covers the unborn
fetus and not the mother.
Sali's bill is backed by antiabortion advocates. It is opposed
by numerous doctors, nurses,
social workers and women's
rights advocates who say the
real objective of the bill is to
give legal status to an unborn
child.

Bleter said he wanted to give

nild. Bieter said he wanted to give wmakers a chance to look at the differences between the two lls and compare them side-by-de

After a protracted meeting at After a protracted meeting at the speakers desk, Sali led a suc-cessful effort to kill Bieter's sug-gestion.

gestion.

After the 50-19 vote, House Republican leaders decided to delay consideration of Sali's bill until Monday.

Specialty license plate bill passes House

Legislature in brief

BOISE - A specialty license BO

Committee passes bill

BOISE - The House Business Committee on Thursday unani-mously passed a bill to offer a choice between private and state-the the beauth insurance for the bill.

children.
The bill, sponsored by Republican Sen. Dean Cameron of Rupert, proposed a new "Access Card" that would provide up to \$150 a month to private insurance companies rather than paying an aurent proposed to the provide up to \$150 a month to private insurance companies rather than paying an aurent provide up to \$150 a month to private insurance companies rather than paying an aurent provide up to the province of the provin vate insurance companies rather than paying an average of \$121 for state insurance through the Children's Health Insurance

Program, known as CHIP.
Opponents have said that
lower-income parents would have
to pay the associated medical
fees not currently required under
CHIP.

CHIP.

Cameron said his proposal offers a choice to parents who may be able to add their children to their own insurance for less money than the current program costs the state.

costs the state.

The Senate-passed bill advances to the House floor.

Committee endorses field burning lawsuit measure

BOISE - Legislation restricting lawsuits over field burning has been endorsed by a House committee over warnings that it keeps public health a trisk. Labeled a compromise by supporters, the bill ties the legal protection to fusup penalties against

tection to tough penalties against farmers who violate state smoke-

management rules.
"It does not provide immunity for those who break the law, and I welcome that," Benewah County grass-seed farmer Keith Daman

reasseed farmer Keith Daman said as the bill, which now goes to the House for its first floor vote, brings all 10 northern counties under the many of a marker from the fields they burn and register with the Agriculture Department.

The first violation would revoke a farmer's ability to burn fields the next year. Subsequent violations within three years would carry heavy fines.

The legislation was spurred by

legal action being taken against Panhandle grass-seed growers by residents claiming the smoke has damaged health.

Growers contend they need to burn field stubble each fall to shock plants into producing more seed.

Charter school operation bill heads to Senate

Bill heads to Senate

BOISE – Legislation to resolve recent disputes over operation of charter schools has been sent to the state Senate.

The Education Committee has endorsed the bill that sets out procedures for handling various situations facing charter schools including selection of students when applications exceed available space and negotiation of disputes with the local school distributions with the local school distributions with the local school distribution. The bill is seen as a compromise. Some charter school advocates lear it could result in a loss of independence, but they do not want to be viewed as uncooperative.

Education committee OKs

Education committee OKs school construction bill

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BOISE - The Senate Education
Committee has sent one piece of
the proposed legislative package
to settle the school construction
lawsuit to the full Senate.
The committee endorsed a bill
making it easier for districts valuality for increased state subsidies of interest due on school construction bond.
Three other bills, including one
to submit to voters a reduction to

60 percent in the two-thirds majority needed to approve school bonds are still awaiting committee ection.

Leaders of the coalition of school districts suing the state for more financial help in dealing with building problems have said approval of the entire package could settle the 12-year-old suit. A district judge has ruled that the current system of financial school buildings is unconstitutional but has not ceded control of the case and has been trying to force as estlement. Idaho is the only state that provides no direct financial support to school districts for construction and requires a two-thirds voter majority to approve construction bonds.

Governor signs internet enticement measure

BOISE - Gov. Dirk Kempthorne signed legislation on Thursday creating a new crime of using the Internet to entice children into

illegal sexual conduct.

The bill, approved unanimously by both houses, covers Internet users who target children under 16 or believe those they are targeting are under 16.

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Its enactment follows several incidents in the past two years in which authorities have arrested adults who have preyed on children through the Internet.

Backers contended that the rapid expansion of the Internet

has created a means of child exploitation that must be specifi-cally attacked by Idaho law. -compiled from wire reports

Family, friends remember war casualty

WEISER (AP) - Family and friends of Maj. Gregory Stone gathered Thursday to remember their loved one and prepare their loved one and prepare for his return and eventual funeral. Stone, an Italiaho Air National Guardaman, became one of the first confirmed United States deaths in the war on Iraq when the state of the

first confirmed United States deaths in the war on Iraq when he was killed in a grenade attack last week at Camp Pennsylvania in Kuwait.

Stone's cousin, Lord Perclied of Ontario, Ore, said her family never believed Stone would not return alive and the loss has reminded her of a missed opportunity.

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"We were all gathered for a big bridal shower and we real-ized we had not had a party or any big send-off for him when he went to Kuwait," she said.

"It was sobering for us because we all were like, 'Oh, Greg is in Kuwait. He has deployed again. I wonder what he is doing."

Stone, 40, was serving with the 124th Air Support Operations Squadron when Army Sgt. Asan Akbar of the 326th Engineer Battalion allegedly tossed hand grenades into a tent. Stone died at a hospital from injuries sustained in the blast.

Stone's father and stepmoth-re, Dick and Sally Stone, and his mother, Betty Lenzi, traveled to Boise on Wester and Stone of their son and founeral arrangements.

Percifield said family mem-Percifield said family mem-bers, including her grandmother and Stone's siblings, were begin-ning to gather in Pollock, idaho, Thursday to support the family. She said that no funeral arrangements have been announced. Percifield said her cousin, who was born in Weiser but apent

was born in Weiser but spent most of his childhood in Portland, had talked to family about being a soldier.

"In the last several years since he moved back to Boise we have been able to reconnect and spend holidays together and so forth and get to know him again," Percifield said "He told us about flying on the planes and dropping off supplies to troops. He just talked about it like it was his job and that is how we considered it."

Percifield said from what she observed, Stone was a good dather. He adored his sons, Alex, 11, and Josh, 7, she said.

Itah Gov. Dirk Kempthorne expressed what many people in southwestern Idaho were feeling this week after the news of Stone's death.

"There is a sign at the

this week after the name.
Stone's death,
"There is a sign at the
Veterans Hospital in Boise that
says 'The price of freedom is
never free," Kempthorne said.
"Thanks to people like Major
Stone, this continues to be a
nation of freedom, and he has
paid the price for many of us."

Steamboat may have to shrink

ASOTIN, Wash. (AP) – If Steamboat Jean can squeeze through 40-foot-wide locks on the willamette River, the vessel which used to travel there begin-ning in the 1930s may be headed home.

home.
The city of Independence, Ore, wants to moor the Jean at its park on the Willamette.
Jean owner Elmer Earl of Asotin welcomes the news. The city along the Snake River has told him to move the boat out of its marina by April 15. But there is a hitch. is a hitch

is a hitch.
Earl said the steamboat is 42 feet wide. The Jean must make it through 40-foot-wide locks at willamette Falls, where the river goes through Oregon City.
"Hopefully, it's possible to

chop it down so it's slightly under 400 feet wide," said Earl's long-time friend, Dennis Albers of Grangeville. "Elmer will give them the boat. Preserving the boat has been his goal for years." The boat, built in Portland in 1938, towed logs and pushed barges loaded with wood chips and other cargo along the Lower Columbia and Willametr ivers.

The 168-foot long sternwheeler

Columbia and Willamette rivers.
The 168-foot long sternwheeler
also went up and down the Snake
River for many years, but has
been a white elephant since it
was taken out of service.
The Jean was moored at Hells
Gate State Park at Lewiston for
18 years, until the Idaho State
Historical Society gave up its
restoration hopes and sold it to
Earl, a former riverboat captain.

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Elko property owners may sell land to feds

By Karen Terrell Times-News correspon

ELKO, Nev. - Dealing with the issue of federally owned property inside Elko County is not a new issue for local leaders, with the government owning 73 percent of the land.

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But now county commissioners are facing a new challenge: the Southern Nevada Public Land Minagement Act, which things inno play the rights of private property owners to sell land to the federal government.

The act, signed into law in 1998, allows for the sale of designated federal land in the greater Lay Vegas Valley to the highest private bidder. Five percent of the proceeds of the sale go into the federal dand in the greater Lay Vegas Valley to the highest private bidder. Five percent of the proceeds of the sale go into the Power of the thing of the proceeds of the sale go into the Nevada Education Fund, 10 percent to the Southern Nevada Water Authority, with the remainder going to the purchase of "environmentally sersitive land in Nevada."

At the time of the program's implementation, former Democratic Nevada Sen Richard Bryan said it was needed to accommodate the population growth in Clark County and Las Vegas in particular. This year for the first time, property in Elko County is being considered for acquisition. The largest proposed property both in acreage and in cost-costidered for federal purchase is the IL Ranch north of Elko. Located in the Bull Run Basin and the northern Independence Mountains, the 35,000 acres are valued at 5100.39 million, and the headwaters of the Owyhee River, the south fork of the Owyhee and the north fork of the Gwyhee and the north fork of the Gwyhee and the north fork of the Gwyhee and the north fork of the Impact to the county has on private land sales. Commission Chairman John Ellison, the sole "no" vote on the endorsement, said the decision process on proposed acquisitions is flawed and limits the role of rural counties. He criticized the amount of time for public comment once the acquisition list was made available to the public. The

commission had sought an exten-sion but was turned down.

Ellison explained this week the
commission's endorsement is a
formality once the list is drawn
up, but the impact to rural counties should be considered before
property is considered for purchase. Any conditions put on the
sale once it reaches the public
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property is considered for purchase. Any conditions put on the sale once it reaches the public comment stage are not significant because they can easily be ignored, he added.

Commissioner Sheri Eklund-Brown, in making a motion to endorse the sale, added several conditions to the endorse the sale, added several conditions to the conditions of the property be transferred to the government, since federal property is exempt from the county property taxes. It. Ranch owners previously tool the county property taxes. It. Ranch owners previously tool the county property taxes. It. Ranch owners previously tool the county property taxes, and the federal government, since federal government pays all the federal government pays all the federal government property, he said less desirable account. Ceasar Saitchi, county treasurer, said the federal government property, he said less desirable account for the ranch property, he said less desirable account for the ranch property, he said less desirable account for the ranch property, he said less desirable account for the ranch property, he said less desirable account for the ranch property is a said to the rights of landowners to sell property of the property o

should be available to every citizen."

Bilison said he will continue to light for changes in the procedure and welcomed the commissioners appointing him a liaison to work with the various agencies responsible for considering which properties to consider in the acquisition process.

In an announcement Tuesday, the Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management said the IL Ranch had not made the preliminary cut for purchases this year but the owners are considering dividing the property for further consideration.

Insanity defense usually doesn't work well in Utah

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) – Legal experts say Brian David Mitchell – the transient and self-described prophet charged with kidnapping and sexually assaulting Elizabeth Smart – will have a tough time avoiding prison with a defense that claims mental incompetence or insanity.

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Either option would be met by a state legal system that's generally unkind to such strategies. Urah law clearly does not allow an insanity defense based on streng religious convictions or an insahilty to distinguish between right and wrong.

Hefense attorneys have refused to discuss publicly how they plan to defend Mitchell. Whitchell, whose polygamist writings have because a focus of the case, is accused of breaking into defend mitchell. Betail have become a focus of the case, is accused of breaking into defend Mitchell. Section of the case, is accused of breaking into defend hitchell. Betail behind her home.

Mitchell and his wife allegedly kept Elizabeth as Mitchell's sectond wife for nine months, living a traisient lifestyle in Utah and Calfornia. They were found March 12 in Sandy, about 15 mills south of Salt Lake City.

Mitchell's mental state may come up at three critical times in legal proceedings, said Erik Luna, constitutional and criminal law professor at the University of Utah S.J. Quinney College of raw

Utah S.J. Quinney College or Law.
Before trial, Mitchell's defense attorneys could ask for a mental competency exam to determine if he's fit to stand that Mitchell is not gullry by reason of insanity. At sentencing, attorneys could ask for a lighter sentence because of mental illness.

illness.

In Utah, the mental competency standard isn't very high, Luna said.

"It's pretty easy to prove someone is competent," he said. "It's nothing more than the individual understanding the consequences if he's found guilty and being able to assist the defense in putting on a case."

case."

There are exceptions. De-Kieu Duy, a woman accused of killing a worker during a 1999 shooting rampage at the Triad Center in Salt Lake, was dlagnosed as a paranoid schizophrenic and declared incompetent to stand trial.

Student puts college on line over protest

Caleb Proulx' arrest at anti-war rally breaks honor code at BYU.

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - Caleb Proulx knew he risked more than arrgst, fines, and court dates when he blocked the entrance to the federal building in Salt Lake City on Monday to protest the war against tree.

the federal building in Salt Lake City on Monday to protest the war against Iraq.

He may have also gambled his college enrollment.

Brigham Young University—the Mormon church-owned school that makes students sign an honor code as a condition of enrollment—is considering kicking Froulx out of school.

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Man accused of killing wife, children says his

church shunned him



Brigham Young University student Caleb Provix shows an anti-war button Wednesday in Salt Lake City, He was arrested Monday at an anti-war protest.

Wednesday in Salt Lake City. He was: anti-war protesters in cities across the country have blocked down-nown streets and building entrances – often at federal offices or courts – and induced police to arrest them. Proulx is not sorry he protested. "This isn't something I'm repentant for, but I think it was the right thing to do." Proulx said. "I respect their needs for the honor code. It was a commitment, and

stee Monday at an anti-war protest.

I'm knowingly breaking it. I think
I'm breaking it for a really good
reason. I'm not repentant at all."

In judging a student's case,
honor code officers evaluate the
student's remorse. Offers try to
determine the likelihood the student will commit the same
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Jenkins said.

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Jenkins said.
"There's not a golden-rule book
when working with the honor

code," Jenkins said. "It's handled on a case-by-case basis."
Proulx has been honest with honor code officers about his protests. He doesn't plan to get arrested again, but he hasn't ruled it out, either. "TII accept anything that the university decides," Proulx said. "They know that I'm being open about it."
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Monica Prouk, Caleb's mother, has faith that the school will treat her son faith, She graduated from BYU and attended another Mormon church-owned college. She said she's proud of her son's stance against the Iraqi war. "Caleb is an adult. He makes his decisions, and he knew there were consequences. He knew what might result when he did it. I think it takes a lot of courage to take a position that wouldn't be totally popular with the people around him."

Caleb Proulx likes attending BYU and hopes to eventually serve a mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

But he wonders if his views would be more appreciated somewhere else. "The atmosphere on campus isn't very conducive to what I want to do," Proulx said. "What it came down to is that their interests are different from my interests."

Driver waives hearing in deadly collision near Boise

CALDWEL (AP) - A man accused of driving the wrong way on Interstate 84 and killing a Caldwell father and daughter will appear April 4 in 3rd District Court.
Edgar Vasque Hernandez, 30, waived his preliminary hearing Wednesday. He is

charged with aggravated dri-ving under the influence and ving under the influence and two counts of vehicular manslaughter in the Feb. 27 crash near Caldwell that killed Shawn Marti, 24, and his 5-month-old daughter, Sage. Natalic Cazier Marti, Shawn's wife, recently came out of a

coma and was able to walk this week in a Boise hospital. But she has yet to learn the fate of her husband and daughter. Hernandez is being held on \$250,000 hond.

Investigators said alcohol appeared to be a factor in the head-on crash.







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Minidoka home values

The average value for new, single-family homes that got building permits in rural Minidoka County gi nat \$125.160 for 2002. That's a hefty 25 percent from the coun-\$99,988 new-home average in

2001. But Minidoka lost a bit of ground in another way.

another way.

Unincorporated Minidoka County in

2002 issued permits for just 46 new
single-family homes, down from 49
the year before.

Source: Wells Fargo's "Idaho Construction Report"

BRIEFLY IN MONEY

Overtime rules could see major changes

See major changes

WASHINGTON - New government definitions of white- and bipe-collar workers proposed Thursday would drastically change the types of jobs entitled to overtime pay, making eligible millions of low-income employees but cut-ting thousands of professionals. Nearly 22 million workers could be affected by the Labor Department's plan, which would be first overhaul of the nation's over-time rules in more than 50 years.

About 1.3 million lower-wage workers now exempt from over-time pay for working more than 40 hours a week would be required to receive it or a salary hike. But at least 644,000 well-paid, professional employees, such as some engineers, pharmacists and insurance claims adjusters, would lose theirs in the proposal, which was submitted Thursday for a 90-day public comment period.

Millions of other workers would gain and lose under the new requiations, though their status isn't clear. Industries mots affected by the changes would be construction, retail, health care, business services and personal services.

Judge grants more time in Qwest fraud cases

In Qwest fraud cases

DENVER - A federal judge has granted defense lawyers more time to prepare for the criminal trial of four former Qwest trial of four former Qwest communications International executives accused of fraud.

The four have pleased innocent to artificially inflating Qwest revenues to meet Wall Street targets. Each was accused in a 12-count indictivation of the properties of the counts can more than \$33 million in revenue by wrongly reporting a purchase order with the Arizona School Facilities Board.

Four of the counts each carry a penalty of 10 years in prison and a \$250,000 fine.

Judge Robert Blackburn on Judge Robert Blackburn on Wadnesdaw wheduled the trial for

ismanle by five years in prison and a \$250,000 floor. Blackburn on Judge Robert Blackburn on Wednesday scheduled the trial for Yeb. 17.

The defendants are Thomas Hall, John Walker, Bryan Freadway and Grant Grahad. Preadway and Grant Grahad. Preadway and Grant Grahad. Bryan Hall, 51, was a senior vice present the unit. Treadway. 37, which was been to see the senior treadway. 37, which was been tready to the controller. Walker, 41, was a senior vice presented as the controller. Walker, 41, was a senior vice a feet of the senior was a feet president of sales in the unit.

Qwest is the predominant provider of local-phone service in Magic Velley.

Bolse bakery work will move to Salt Lake, Ogden

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ransier production to its bakeries
In Sait Lake City and Ogden
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supecud at either of the Urah bakeries,
Intersates spokesman Mark
Dirkos said.

Interstate, which operates 61 bakeries across the country, makes Hostess Twinkies and Wonder

bread.

Its Sait Lake and Ogden bakaries produce bread and anack
lakes for the Lak Vagas market,
but the company will open a new
production facility near month in
dissidering, New, to make bakery
build for the market, Drices said. Completed Name when respects

Analysts: Recession may return

Friday March 28, 2003

WASHINGTON - The economy that turned sluggish at the end of last year isn't doing much better now - and may well be doing worse - as war uncertainties and the stagnant job market make consumers and businesses more cautious. Some analysts worry about a slide back into

recession. Since the 2001 recession, the

Since the 2001 recession, the conomy has tried, unsuccessfully so far, to get back to full throttle. Optimistic analysts believe the economy in the current January-March quarter has grown at a below-normal annual rate of around 1.5 percent to just over 2 percent. More pessimistic economists are suggesting growth of under a 1 percent rate, and some

believe the first quarter could show the economy shrank, a step toward recession. "I don't think anybody really wants to make significant finan-cial commitments in view of the jobless recovery, the geopolitical situation and higher energy prices, which are eating into pur-chasing power," said Sung Won Sohn, chief economist at Wells Fargo.

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The broadest measure of economic the health – gross domestic product – slowed from a decent 4 percent annual growth rate in the third quarter of 2002 to 14 percent in the final quarter, the Commerce Department reported Thursday.

That final quarterly estimate was unchanged from a month ago. GDP measures the total

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value of goods and services pro-duced within the United States. While Sohn believes the econo-

While Sohn believes the economy will grow at a lackluster 2 percent rate in the first quarter, Carl Tannenbaum, chief economist at LaSalle Bank is more

bearish, forecasting 0.5 percent growth rate. "The chance of haybearish, forecasting 0.5 percent growth rate. "The chance of hav-ing a negative first quarter is very real," he said.

The government will release its initial estimate of first-quarter GDP on April 25.

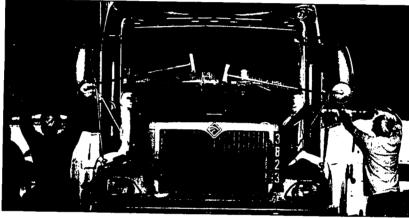
GDP

Here is a look at the gross domestic product, which measures all goods and services produced by workers and capital located in the United States, regardless of

Annualized quarterly chance



Encouraging road signs



Trucking industry sees indications of rebound

SEATTLE - For months, truck manufacturers such as Kirkland, Wash - based Kenworth have been looking for signs that an industry slump might finally be breaking.

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Now they're getting them.

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fuel efficient). Production rates at manufacturers like Kenworth were slashed.

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Kenworth announced a 15 per-cent increase in production of Class 6 and 7 rucks at its factory in Montreal late last year, and a second 15 percent increase to take effect in April. Kenworth plans to announce a third increase in the build rates of lighter-duty trucks next month, Christensen said this week from the Mid-America Trucking Show in Louisville, Ky.

ConAgra pins hopes

That doesn't mean an announcement of production increases for heavy duy or Class 8 trucks, the type Kenworth builds at its Rennon, Washiplant, is imminent. The lightenduty trucks are used for local deliveries and short hauls, a much different market than the long-haul, heavy-duty trucks. Kenworth has a smaller share of the lighter-duty truck market but the lighter-duty truck market but the lighter-duty truck market but is gaining sales with a new

model.
Still, Christensen said indica-tions are that "the second half of

the year will be better than the first half."

Kenworth and its parent company Paccar Inc. (also parent of the Peterbilt nameplate) have done better than other truck manufacturers during the slump, even grabbing a few percentage points of market share at the expense of competitors. To give those sales a boost, Kenworth announced at the trade show it is offering a \$2,500 incentive on orders placed by April 30.

Christensen said the incentive is intended to make sure "the inventories continue to flow."

While the company's sales have held up well."

For some trucking companies.

well."
For some trucking companies, the cost pressures have been so acute that they've gone out of business; the most notable collapse

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SOLIBCE: Department of Commerce Businesses open on Kimberly's

Main Street By Margaret Jones Times-News correspondent

KIMBERLY – Kimberly is seeing activity in Main Street business locations that have sat empty for months.

After a dry spell for Kimberly bars, Sue Brown has returned yo bar management.

Brown managed the former Eddies Bar for over seen years and found herself out of a job when the building sold earlier this year. After several weak she has reopened the landmark Rainbow Bar which was her across-the-street business neighbor before it closed. Saturday she plans a grand opening so a reunion of people she knew throughout the years. She will have the help of the Renegade country music band.

Meanwhile, a furniture manufacturing business will relocate to the Arnold building – which was left vacant when a deli and steak house closed after operating for only a few months. The building before that had been empty since Phil Arnold retired from the hardware business over three years ago.

Currently, Petterson Custom Collections owners Jed and Michelle Petterson operate their furniture business in the rural Twin Falls area. They hope to complete remodeling of the Arnold building and move the business by the first of May. The business yell have business in the rural Twin Falls area. They hope to complete remodeling of the Arnold building and move the business by the first of May. The business yell ack Pruett and his daughters Jack Pruett and be an indoor garage sale and a gift shop. The family hope to set up regular hours within the next two weeks.

Agriculture conference begins today

on fourth quarter

TWIN PALLS - Omaha, Neb-based ConAgra Foods Inc., a major local employer, on Thursday reported third-quarter earnings in line with its recent estimates, and high hopes for the coming quarter.

estimates, and high hope for the coming quarter. In Magic Valley, ConAgra has the Lamb Weston Inc. potatoprocessing plant in Twin Fells and various other business operations around the valley. The company's report focused on these highlights for the third quarter, which ended Feb. 23:

• Diluted earnings per share were 30 cents, down from 31 cings last year, in line the company's plans for second-half earnings to be concentrated in the fourth quarter. The 30 cents

includes 1 cent of additional costs related to the fresh beef and pork business sale completed in the second quarter. Earnings for the most recent quarter also include about 5 cents per share benefit from a mandated reduction of amortization.

tion.

Sales were \$4.4 billion, down from \$6.2 billion last year due to the diversiture of the fresh beef and pork business.

Net income for the quarter was \$161 million, down 6 percent from \$171 million a year ago. Year-to-date highlight:

Net income was \$624 million, us 6 percent.

Net Encome was 3027 inition, up 6 percent.
Sales ware \$17.5 billion, down from \$21.2 billion last year following the diversiture.
Distred EPS was \$1.18, up.

TWIN FALLS - The sustain-

able-agriculture movement is featured in a conference that starts this morning in Twin

starts this morning in Twin Falls.

The two-day event at the College of Southern Idsho, "Connecting Through Local Foods," aims to link farmers to sustainable production methods and local marketing savy.

Today's sessions cover topics such as specially livestock production, seed saving, alternative pest management, federal funding for marketing value-added farm products, mobile farm-to-farm poultry processing and the development of local markets – among others. The daytime sessions end at 5:30 p.m.

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The conference's headline event is this evening. Nature writer and biologist Gary Paul Nabhan is set to give the laynose speech at a banquer that begins

About 'Connecting Through Local Foods'

What it is: Two-day conference on sustainable agriculture, featuring about 40 presenters.
When: Begins with registration at 8:30 a.m. today, and ends at 3:30 m., Saturdure.
Where: All sessions will be in the Evergreen Building on the College of Southern Idaho campus in Twin Falls.

Southern was a superior for the full two-dey event is \$55 per person or \$100 per couple; that fee also covers the food for two lunches, breaks and

tonight's banquet celebrating local foods. Or, attendees may choose to pay \$40 for the two-day sessions only, or \$20 for the banquet and

only, or \$20 for the banquet and keynote address only, or Organizers Sponsors and pertners for the conference include the Agricultural, Consumer & Environmental Science department at CSI: University of Idaho Eutension; the Northwest Casilition for Altamatheas to Pesticides; the Idaho Organic Alliance; and the Mago Valley Farmer Natwork.

at 6:30 p.m.

Nabhan, author of numerous books on biology, native culbooks on biology, native cultures, travel and agriculture, will speak on the importance of
eating locally grown and produced foods. His "Coming
Home to Ear' talk is to pen to
the public, including people not
attending the rest of the conference.

Nabhan's book "Coming Hope to Est: The Pleasures and Politica of Local Foods," recently released in paperback, tells of his yearlong effort to eat foods ruised, gathered or hunted wife, in a 250-mile radius of his home in Arisona, conference organifi-ery said. He cleaned his kinches, cabiness of processed foods also knowned smooth.

MONEY

All quiet on the Wall Street front | ConAgra

Lack of war news leads to light trading

REAGS TO HIGH TRAINING

NEW YORK (AP) - Inertia settled over Wall Street Thursday,
leaving stocks little changed as
the market waited for news indicating allied forces were making
progress in Iraq. The major
indexes closed slightly the
stocks are expected to remain
vulnerable amm uncertainty
about the war. Wall Street's chief
concern is that the fightling could
last months posing an additional
risk to the economy as uneasy
businesses and consumers curtail
their spending.

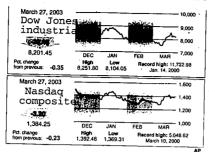
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"Every delay in ending the war is just going to be negative for the finarker," said Stephen Carl, principal and head of equity trading at The Williams Capital Group.

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The Dow Jones industrial working of 30 percent, at 8,201.45. The Dow tetreated \$0.35 on Wednesday and shed 307.29 on Monday, the marker's worst day in six months.

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on. Thursday, they seemed almost detached in the absence of significant war developments. "There is no reason for anyone to make any bets until they figure out what the next move is (in Iraq). That is the only thing driving the market," said Tony Cecin, director of institutional trading at US Bancorp Piper Jaffray in Minneapolis. The market again saw some profit-taking Thursday, as more investors sought to preserve the gains they made when stocks surged higher in the optimistic days leading up to the war and the first few days of fighting. The

Dow has given back about 366
points, or nearly 40 percent, of
the 997 in soared over the course
of eight sessions.
Once again, the economy gave
investors reason to be pessmistic.
The Commerce Department
reported Thursday that the economy as measured by gross domestic
product grew at a lackluster 1.4
percent annual rate in the fourth
quarter of 2002, meeting analysts'
expectations. Many analysts predict the economy could fare worse
in the current quarter as the sluggish job market and war uncertainties make consumers and businesses even more cautious. tainties make consumers and busies even more caution

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-- Bruce Rohde, ConAgra CEO

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from \$1.11 last year. Required
reduction of amortization added
about 16 cents
per share for the
first nine months
of fiscal 2003
is shapping up well
for year-overyear growth.
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Rohde, chairman
and chief executive, said in
statement. More
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across our fiscal quarters, as well
as the improvement in our agricultural products business.
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had in our packaged foods and
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us overcome difficult conditions
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us overcome difficult conditions
in poultry and ingredients this
fiscal year, and should result in
Solid full-year growth versus the
\$1.47 in EPS we posted last
year, he said.
Financial results for a couple
of other companies with Magic
Valley operations.

A.G. Edwards

A.G. Edwards
St. Louis-based A.G. Edwards
Inc. - which has a Twin Falls
office - on Thursday said net
earnings for fiscal 2003, which
ended Feb. 28, were \$119 million,
or 51.46 diluted earnings per
share, on net revenues of \$2.2 billion.

share, on net revenues of \$2.2 billion.

That compares with the prior fiscal year's net earnings of \$72 million, or 88 cents diluted earnings per share, including restructuring and other charges of \$107 million (\$67 million after-tax), on

The second half of fiscal 2003 is shaping up well for year-overyear growth.

net revenues of \$2.3 billion.
Excluding those charges, yearago net earnings were \$139 million, or \$1.7 \tag{2}.

For the fourth
quarter, net earnings were \$21 million, or 26 cents
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ConAgra CEO
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including the charges, net earnings for the fourth quarter last
year (\$30 million, or 30 cents
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revenues of \$580 million, or 37 cents)
topped the most recent results.
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path while in the midst of the
worst market conditions in
other conditions in
a statement. "Our
performance was hampered by
lower interest rates, decreased
margin loan balances and global
concerns that suppressed
investor activity."

UbiquiTel

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UbiquiTel
Pennsylvania-based UbiquiTel
Inc., a Sprint PCS network affiliate serving the Twin Falls market, is still losing money, but at a
slower rate than a year age.
During its fourth quarter,
which ended Dec. 31, the company added about 22,400 net subscribers to end the year with
about 257,000. Net loss before
interest, taxes, depreciation,
amortization and non-cash stock
compensation (EBITDA) was
about \$3.8 million.
"Our strong fourth-quarter

results point to our success in attracting and maintaining quality subscribers and building the financial strength of our compairing describers and building the financial strength of our compairing describers and chief executive, said in a statement.

Harris said UbiquiTel ended 2002 with 71 percent of subscribers in prime credit class categories from 58 percent a year carfier.

Full-year revenues totaled \$220.8 million, an increase of 136 percent over 2001. But the company added just 78,000 net subscribers during 2002, down from 112,000 net subscribers during 2002, down from turing 2011. EBITDA loss for \$19 million improvement over \$19 million improvement over the 2001 EBITDA loss of \$52.2 million.

"With a soft economy and

2002 was about \$3.2 manner aver the 2001 EBITDA loss of \$52.2 million.

"With a soft economy and demand for wireless service, shwing in 2002. Uniquited shift and the about the subscriber growth, in 2002, this part and sound balance sheet management." Harris said. "We also continued our steady march towards profitability with four consecutive quarters of lower EBITDA in the second half of 2003. Here's the bottom line:

Uniquited's net loss for the fourth quarter was \$2.61 million or 32 cents per share, compared with a net loss of \$9.95 million, or \$4.65 million, or \$1.45 per share, compared with a net loss of \$19.75 million, or \$1.45 per share, compared with a net loss of \$19.75 million or \$1.53 per share, compared with a net loss of \$19.75 million or \$1.53 per share, for 2001.

Times News Business Editor the state of the share, for 2001.

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"You hate to lose service in the industry, but (trucking company failures) are beginning to create freight capacity concerns," Christensen said. "Some compa-

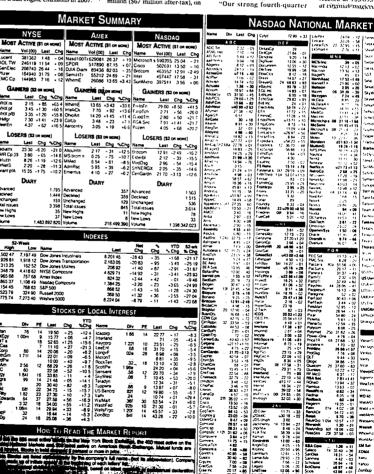
nies have been able to raise their tariffs; they've not been able to do that for some time." Generating more revenue through higher rates will be good for the financial health of those trucking companies and ultimate-ly for Kenworth, he added. There's one other long-term fac-

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for that will influence truck sales, Christensen said; government reg-ulation. As they make decisions about when to retire existing trucks and buy new ones, owners and operators are facing regula-tions on brakes that take effect in 2006, and another round of rules on truck engine emissions in 2007.

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American Airlines could file Chapter 11

FORT WORTH, Texas -Shares of AMR Corp. dropped 18 percent Thursday on lears American Airlines may file for bankruptcy protection next week.

The Times-News

Friday, March 28, 2003

Section C

'Oklahoma'

The Dilettantes of the Magic Valley will wrap up their production of Richard Rodgers and Oscar Hammerstein's "Oklahoma" tonight and Saturday in the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium, Twin Falls.

Sacred spoof

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



Close harmony

Crosby, Stills & Nash will play Boise's Bank of America Center Monday night.



Treasures

Two exhibitions of ancient Egyptian artifacts, "In the Fullness of Times Masterpieces of Egyptian Art from American Collections" and "Journey to the Afterlife: Cartonnage Mummy Case of Pa-di-mut," will be on display through June 29 at the Boise Art Museum.

CSI art

"D'Art Show," an exhibition featuring the work of five College of Southern Idaho faculty members, will conclude Saturday in the Jean B. King Gallery in the Henett Center for Arts and Science on the CSI campus in Twin

For times, dates and details, see Events Spotlight on Pages C3-6.

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BYU-Idaho's folk dancers will perform in Burley, Twin Falls

By Steve Crump Times-News writer

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• What: The Brigham Young University-klaho Folk Dance USA will per-form tonight in Burley and Saturday night in Twin Falls.

Where:
 Tonight, King
 Center, Burley;
 Saturday,
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 Auditonum,
 Twin Falls.

BURLEY - Consider this learning curve: Some of the 24 dancers that

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troupe began
rehearsals in
January.
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Conter, Bortey, Saturday, Roper Auditionum, Twin Falls, When: 7 p.m. origity, How much: 18, are available at the Book Store in Buder, the Book Store in Rupert and Crowdey-SThe Quad and Bell's Fanly Bookstore in Rupert and Crowdey-SThe Quad and Bell's Fanly Bookstore in Rupert and Crowdey-SThe Quad and Bell's Fanly Bookstore in Rupert and Crowdey-SThe Quad and Bell's Fanly Bookstore in Twin Falls, Tickets are Store the distribution to the Midwest accompanied all the way by a six-piece bluegrass hand. "We do the gammu of all American dance," West said in a telephone interview from his Resburg home. "It is designed to



The colorfully costumed Folk Dance USA troupe from Brigham Young University-Idaho includes many dancers from Idaho and Utah.

reflect the traditions of the hard-working and energetic people of America, and to preserve frag-ments of this noble country that may otherwise be forgotten." Only five of the dancers are holdovers from last year's group, but most of Folk Dance USA has fairly extensive dance experience, West says, and a few of them have international experience.

"We get a lot of our dancers from Utah and Idaho, and many of them have had years of clogging instruction and performance." In less than three months, they've learned to dance together – and dance a lot. Tonight's and Saturday's 90-minute shows will include more than 20 different numbers, including round dance, Virginia reel, square-dancing,

swing, the Charleston and, of

swing, the Charleston and, of course, clogding.
"They're in (dance) class's sixtours a week, and then for the
past few weeks it's been nine
hours a week, "West said.
West, who has directed touring
folk-dance troupes at Ricks and
BYUIdaho since 1970, has taken
dancers to Poland, Hungary, the
Czech Republic, Portugal, Spain,

Austria, Germany, Belgium and Denmark in the past four years. "It do a little of the chorcogra-phy, but most of it we have done professionally," he said, "And we change the program from year to year."

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Miyazaki's magical mystery tour

By Kenneth Turan Los Angeles Times

Prepare to be astonished by Spirited Away."
Written and directed by one of the world's master animators, Japan's Hayao Miyazaki, this Oscar-winning (Best Animated Feature) visual wonder is the product of a fierce and fearless imagination whose creations are unlike any you've seen before.

If you're dispirited by look-alike, think-alike movies, disturbed by an art form that seems not only to loterate, but also to reward a paucity of imagination, you're not going to believe your luck.

As those who saw Miyazaki's

reward a paucity or imagination, you're not going to believe your luck.

As those who saw Miyazaki's previous "Princess Mononoke" know, his version of Japanese animation is quite different from Americans. The style is more painterly, the feeling animistakibly Japanese and the mood, even when it's light, is almost never jokey or cartoonish. Yet, even for Miyazaki, there is something special about "Spirited Away." It's a heroic adventure story worthy of "The Arabian Nights" with an ordinary 10-year-old girl named Chiliro as the heroine. And it's got a magical air of once-upon-a-time, a fairy-tale quality reminiscent of the unexpurgated work of the Bruthers Grimm, where boys can turn into dragons, door knockers talk back and even evil spirits can't go back on their word.

Although likely too scary for small children, "Spirited Away" manages, in a casual, off-hand way, to teach lessons about the power of love and friendship, the importance of love and friendship, the importance of moving who you are, the corrupting nature of



Chihiro, the heroine of 'Spirited Away,' is lost in an Alice in Wonderland fantasy world.

'Spirited Away'

- Who's in it? The voices of Develon Chase, Lauren Holly, Michael Childs.
- Where's It playing? Lemphouse theater, Twin Falls.
 What's It rated? PG.
- Should you go? The Oscar-winner may be one of the greatest animated movies ever made.

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green and how much is possible for those who believe.

One a more everyday level, "Spirited Away" also shows the potential for dubbing, usually the most onerous of film techniques, when it's done sensitively. Under the supervision of "Toy Story's" John Lasseter, a friend of Miyazakl's for 20 years, this film's English-language version shows the original the best kind of respect. The voices chosen are not strident and the believably colloquial dialogue (written by Cindy) Davis Hewitt and Donald H. Hewitt) was timed to fit the Japanese lip movements and belp make this extremely foreign

world accessible while conveying critical background information. The voices have an easier time of things because of the power of "Spirited Away's" facility with wonder and enchantment. It's not only that Miyaraki's inventive-ness never flags despite a two-lour-plus length, it's the great gamut the visual run that's impressive. Chiliro, the skittish, reluctant heroine (voiced by Daveigh Chase, Lilo of "Lilo & Stitch) sulks at being forced to move with her family to a new suburshan home. Her father takes a wrong rum and thinks he sees a wrong rum and thinks he sees. Shore cut through the woods that when the seed of the

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Ketchum resident wins T-N Pick-the-Oscars

By Steve Crump Times-News writer

It pays to know your cine-

It pays to know your cinematography.

John Plantre of Ketchum correctly predicted that Conrad L.
Hall would win the Academy Award for Best
Cinematography, a forecast that
earned Pluntre the honors in the 10th Annual Times-News
Pick the Oscars Contest.
The photography award, along with the Best Animated
Film (which Pluntre rightly forecast would be "Spirited Away") were the tichreakers in this year's Oscar contest, entered by 113 readers.
Four of them, Pluntre included, accurately predicted four of the five major Oscars - Best Picture and the best-actor categories - but Pluntze was the only one to get the tichreakers right.
"I saw Conrad Hall's name on

only one to get us the right.

"I saw Conrad Hall's name on the list, and I thought, 'Is he still alive?' I didn't think much of 'Road to 'Perdition,' but it looked good."

Pluntze wins two movie tickets and popcorn to go with them.

them. Sisan Reitsma of Twin Falls, Sisan Reitsma of Twin Falls, Sisan Reitsma of Twin Falls and Carla McDrummond of Kimberly also for of the five of the major winners right.

The only one Pluntze missed was the Academy Award for Best Supporting Actor, which went to Chris Cooper of "Adaptation" rather than Pluntze's choice, John C. Reilly

for "Chicago."

Pluntze is a 40-year-old free-lance writer.

He favors dramas, likes the films of Roman Polanski (this year's winner for Best Director) and Michael Mann ("The Insider" and "Heat") and poes to the movies at last three times a month.

"We're lucky (in the Wood River Valley) in that we've got a pretty sizable community of film-lovers, "Plunce said. "That means we get to see most of the good movies."

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good movies."
As a group, T-N readers accurately forecast the winners of
three of the five major awards.
"Chicago" for Best Picture,
Nicole Kidman of "The Hours"
for Best Actress and Catherine
Zeta-Jones of "Chicago" for
Best Supporting Actress. But
they thought that Jack
Nicholson should be the Best
Actor for "About Schmidt;
Adrien Brody turned out to be
the winner for "The Pianist."
And collectively, they liked
Paul Newman's turn in "The
Road to Perdition" for Best
Supporting Actor.

If, by the way, you never
heard of Conrad L. Hall, you'veseen his work.
This is his third Oscar; the
last was for photographing
"American Beauty" in 1999.
His first Academy Award
came 30 years earlier - for
Butch Casssidy and the
Sundance Kid,"

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'The Core' hits area theaters this weekend

Agent Cody Banks'
This amusing and breezy
action-adventure and Bond franchise spool would have us believe
that the CLA has started recruiting early teens as future agents. A
winning Frankie Munis stars as
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of his backers (Ian McShane,
Arnold Vosloo). Director Hand
Zwart never losses the storis
buman dimension amid specturelar action sequences. With Ange
Harmon, Keith David, (1.42, PG,
for action violence, mild language
and some sexual content.)

'Rasic'

When Army Sgt. Samuel L
Jackson and some of his men dis
appear, investigator Connie
Nielsen clashes with DEA agent
John Travolta. Directed by John
McTiernan. (R, for violence and

'Bost Trip'

'Bost Trip'
Cuba Gooding Jr. and Horatio
Sanz pursue romance aboard an
ocean liner, realizing too late that
they've signed on for a gay cruise.
Witter-director Mort Nathan and
owntier William Bigelow go for
an affectionate, free-wheeling
farce and for the most part make
crass and raunchy shenanigans
play hilairously. Once past heterosexual panic the guys learn the
value of a liberated spirit from
their fellow passengers. Wire A. Fox,
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Mroselyn Sanchez, Vivica A. Fox,
(1.24, R. for strong sexual content,
language and some drug use.)

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Bringing Down the House'
In this odd-couple comedy, Queen Laitfah plays a newly sprung convict who breaches the citadel of Steve Martin's power lawyer. The alliance of one of the funniers and most under-deployed comics in movies with the hip-hop down, it seems like commentation of the hip-hop down the hop hop down to the hop down to the hop down to the hop down to have the hop down the

Catch Me H You Can'
Leonardo DiCaprio stars in the based-on-real-life story of a teenage con artist who passed million of dollars' worth of phony checks and convinced suckers on: two continents that he was a pilot, a doctor and a lawyer. Tom Hanks is the FBI guy on his trail. A cool, jaunty character study, set in a spiffy-looking 1960s. PG-13 (sexual themes, profanity)

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(Chicago'

Rob Marshall's film version of the 1975 musical first staged by Bob Fosse stars Catherine Zeta-Jones, Rene Zellweger and Richard Gere in the time of bootleggers and Tommy guns. A quarter of a century later, Fosse's ostensible cynicism, at least as interpreted by Marshall, who also did the choreography for the film, seems quaintly earnest. Denuded of satire, the musical now comes across as another charming if creaky theatrical contrivance. Instead of letting his performers just do their own thing, Marshall chops up their bodies like some lumatic cubist then frantically to the control of the three leads is ruly up to the demands of either the choreography or Kander and Ebb's sly water-like pastiche, but it's madents, start for most of their numbers, guttaf for sexual content and dialogue, violence and thematic elements.)

The Core'
Scientists journey into the
Earth on a mission to reactivate
its core, which has mysteriously
stopped rotating. Aaron Eckhart
is the lead geophysicist, and
Hilary Swank and Bruce
Greenwood are his subterranean
pilots. Also featuring Delroy
Lindo and Stanley Tucci. Directed
by Jon Amiel. (PG-13, for sci-fi
life/death situations and brief
strong language.)

'Daredevil'

'Dardevil'

As an overmatched defense attorney by day, fearless vigilante crusader for justice by night, Ben Affleck, is suprisingly at home with the humorlessness, the implacability, even the sullen obtuseness of a driven comic box duperhero. The villains, from Michael Clarke Duncan's plussized the Kingpin through Colin Farrell's over-the-top Bullseye, have a shopworn air about them, and the script's dialogue and situations have generic written all over them. Written and directed by Mark Steven Johnson. (1:36. PG-13, for action/violence and some sensuality.)

The film is not only based on a Stephen King novel, the experi-

ence of watching it also uncannily duplicates what it feels like to read one. Which is sometimes, but not allways, a good thing. As directed by Lawrence Kasdan, this science-fiction story of a group of childhood friends, now all grown up, in whose hands is placed the future of the planet is placed the future of the planet is told with the same ungainly mixture of tones and sensibilities that characterizes King's books. There's only one reason you don't throw your hands up and move on, and that's because King has a gift for making us want to turn the page, to see what happens next. With Thomas Jane, Jason Lee, Jonesy, Damian Lewis, Donnie Wahlberg and Morgan Freeman. (2:16. R. for violence, gore and language.)

'Ganzs of New York'

Gangs of New York'

Daniel Day-Lewis chews up the scenery as a colorful crime chief-tain of 19th-century Manhattan in Marrin Scorsese's otherwise dull, stage-y effort to capture the swaggering glory days of power and politics that forged the great city. With its busy, back-lot bluster, it feels like a movie-musical without the songs. Leonardo DiCaprio and Cameron Diaz also star. R (violence, nudity, profanity)

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'How to Lose a Guy in 10 Days'
Set in a fantasy New York,
where the magazine business is a
growth industry, 'How to starts
out as a mildly diverting light
romance that hints at developing
into something entertaining.

Instead, the film's lack of understanding of what it should be doing leads, as romances often do, to disappointment. Kate Hudson and Matthew McConaughey star has a young and attractive pair that no one wants to dislike, especially because they look so cute together and could use a career break right about now after a series of bleak film choices. Directed by Donald Petric, based on the book by Michele Company of the book by Michel

'The Hunted'

The Hunted'
As hunter and prey, Tommy
Lee Jones and Benicio Del Tome
omploy a virtual orchestra of
throaty growls and deep-belly
rumbles. A film about men
primitive, killing, grunting men
or more precisely, it's about the
directors who like to make movies
about these men. I haven't a clue
what the film's politics, sexual or
global, are supposed to be, and if
there's a moral about men and
murder, it's gone missing amid
the fast cutting. What keeps you
watching isn't the story or the
actors, none of whom are at the
top of their form, but the releatlessness of director William
Friedkin's vision. He's the hook
and the bait, as are his patented
eccentricities. You believe
because Friedkin believes, at
least until you realize none of it
makes a bit of sense. With Connie
Nielsen. (1.34. R., for strong
bloody violence and some language.)
The Jungle Book 2'

The Jungle Book 2'
Director Steve Trenbirth and a vast animation team have honored the classic Disney style of simply and attractively rendered human and animal characters

with superbly illustrated backgrounds in a big-screen sequel to 1967s The Jungle Book, inspired by Rudyard Kipling's stories. Mowell's (voiced by Haley Joel Osment) adventures are told with much wit and humor, and knock-out musical numbers give the film a terrific lift for a work of such charm and imagination it should-enchant, as the old circus phrase goes, 'children of all ages.' Featuring the voices of John Godman (Baloo), Bob Joles (Bagheera) and Tony Jay (the slinky, menacing tiger Shere Khan), (til2 G.)

'The Lord of the Rings:

The Two fowers'

Peter Jackson's adaptation of J.R.R. Tolkien's trilogy has now entered an awkward adolescence with its middle feature on its way to the concluding volume, 'The Return of the King.' If the second film never reaches the highs of the first - we have met the players before and there are no new worlds of wonder - it nontheless invests moviegoing with a sense of adventure. Like Frodo and Aragorn, we have to cover a lot of middling expository ground here - we're just passing through on our way to the end. Elijah Wood, Sean Astin, lan McKellen, Andy Serkis, Vigeo Mortensen, Orlando Bloom, John Rhys-Davies, Dominic Monaghan and Billy Boyd. (2:59. PG-13 for battle sequences and scary images.)

Old School'
Your enjoyment of this new comedy may hinge on whether you find the sight of Will Ferrell running down a street in nothing more than black socks and shoes uproariously funny, inexplicably tragic or a little of both. Ferrell plays the most hapless of three friends in their 30s who feverishly try to recapture their youth by establishing a fraternity for men

poised on the razor's eage between carefree youth and ponderous included. The film most or less picks up where direct rodd Phillips' last lollapalogat. Road Trip' - yet another iteration of 'Animal House,' minus the abversion - ended. With Lufted Wilson and Vince Vaughn. (12) R, for strong sexual content, ntry and language.)

'The Planist'

In Roman Polanski's fifth based on a memoir by a Poltah Jew who survived the Warsaw shette, the composer and concert planist Wladyslaw Szpilman, nothing is more absurd or surreal than war. A memoir written by a man for whom history is not dead and a yet litered with the doad, and a yet litered with the doad, and syet litered

'Piglet's Big Movie

Piglets Big Movie

Disney's second original teature-length movie from the children's stories of A.A. Milne - the first was 'The Tigger Movie' in 2001 - links several vignettes'in which the Hundred Acre gring learn to appreciate the unsung Piease see MOVIES, Page C7

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No movies this week.

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Dilettantes of the Magic Valley present 'Oklahoma



The Dilettantes of the Magic Valley will present Richard Rodgers and Oscar Hammerstein's "Oklahoma," 7:30 pm. nightly, College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium, Twin Falls. The Dilettantes' box office in the Magic Valley Mall is open noon to 6 pm. All seats are reserved and prices are 510 for general admission and \$7 for senior citizens and children I2 and under Tickets will also be available at the door.

Tonight, Saturday and Sunday

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

Tonight, Saturday
and Sunday – Utah
The national touring company
of the Broadway revival of
Meredith Williams – The Music
Man' will play Salt Lake
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April 10
The Friends of CSI Players will present Adam Long, Reed Martin and Austin Tichenor's "Complete History of America (Abridged)," 7 p.m., Wood River High School auditorium, Hailey. Tickets, which are \$5, are available at the door.

April 23-May 11
Company of Fools will present Moises Kaufman's "The Laranule Project," 8 p.m. on April 23-26, May 1-3 and May 11, 3 and May 12, 1 and May 11, 1 bebrry Theater, Hailey. Tickets, which are \$20 for reserved seating and \$15 for students and seniors, can be reserved by phoning 578-9122, on online at http://www.ticketweb.com.

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

May 1, 34 – Utah
The national touring company
of Claude-Michel Schonberg,
Richard Maltby Ir, and Alain
Boubils "Miss Saigon" will perform in Salt Lake City's Capital
Theater at 8 p.m. on April 25, 29,
30 and May 1 and 3, at 7 p.m. on
April 27 and April 27
and May 3.4. Tickets, which
range from \$25 to \$50, can be
reserved by phoning ArtTix at
(801) 355-287. Capitol Theater is
located at 50 West 200 South.

ROCK 'N' ROLL

Ashbury Park from Portland, Ore., will play at 8 p.m. at Woody's Sports Bar, 213 Fifth Ave. S., Twin Falls. Cover charge is \$3.

SPOTLIGHT

Tonight - Utah

ich Mob will play Salt Lak City's Club Expose at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$18, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. Club Expose is located at 204 West 2100 South.

Tonight and Saturday

Extreme Measure from Boise will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Honker's Place, 121 Fourth Ave. S., Twin Falls. Cover charge is \$3.

Tonight and Saturday
Rockin' Horse will play from 9
p.m. to 1 a.m. at The Oasis, 1007
Blue Lakes Blvd. N., Twin Falls.
No cover charge.

Saturday - Iltah

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

Monday - Boise
Crosby, Stills & Nash will play
the Bank of America Center at 8
pm. Tickets, which are \$55 and
\$45, can be reserved by phoning
(2009 462-165 or (208) 331-4897,
online http://www.idahotickets.
com, or at Albertson's in Twin
Falls. The Bank of America
Center is located at 2.33 S.
Capitol Blvd.

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

Wednesday - Bolse

Wednesday - Bolse
CKY will perform at the Big
Easy Concert House at 7:30 p.m.
Tickets, which are \$12, can be
reserved by phoning (800) 9654827, online at http://www.ticketweb.com, or at Atkinson's
Market in Ketchum. The Big
Easy Concert House is located at
416 S. Ninth St.

Wednesday through April 6
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Drifters will do two shows an ight
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jackpot. Prices for the 8 p and din
ner show start at \$14.99 on week
nights and Sundays and \$19.99 on
Saturdays. Tickets for the 11 p.m.
cocktail show are \$10 on weeknights and Sundays and \$12.80 on
Saturdays. For reservations and Saturdays. For reservations and information, call (800) 821-1103.

Wednesday - Utah

weenesday - Utah Ministry will play Club X-Scape in Salt Lake City at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$25, on the be reserved by phoning 55, minh's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. Club X-Scape is located at 115 S. West Temple.

Wednesday - Utah Bright Eyes will perform at Bricks in Salt Lake City at 6 p.m. Tickets, which are \$15, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. Brick's is located at \$79 West 200 South.

Thursday - Utah

Millencolin and The Unseen will play Brick's in Salt Lake City at 6 p.m. Tickets, which are \$12,

can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. Brick's is located at 579 West 200 South.

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

Thursday – Bolse

Built to Spill and Black Keys
will play Neurolux Lounge at 8
p.m. Tickets, which are \$8, can be
reserved by phoning (800) 9654827, online at http://www.ticketweb.com, or at Atkinson's
Market in Ketchum. The
Neurolux Lounge is located at
111 N. 11th St.

April 4 - Utah The Aturis will play Club X: Scape in Salt Lake City at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$15, are available by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 885-TIXX. Club X:Scape is located at 115 South West Temple.

April 4 - Utah

April 4 - Utah Pinback will play Club X-Scape in Salt Lake City at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are 58, can be reserved by phoning Smith 5 tix at (800) 888-TIXX. Club X-Scape is located at 115 South West Temple.

April 5 – Utah

Bon Jovi and The Goo-Goo

Dolls will perform at the Delta
Center in Salt Lake City at 7:30
p.m. Tickets, which are 537-565,
can be reserved by phoning (801)
325-SEAT or online at 325-SEAT or online at http://www.ticketmaster.com. The Delta Center is located at 301 West South Temple.

April 6 - Boise

April 6 - Bolse
Tori Amos will play the
Morrison Center on the campus
of Boise State University at 7:30
p.m. Tickets, which are 535, can
be reserved by phoning Select A
Seat at (208) 426-1494, online at
http://www.idahotickets.com, or
at Albertson's in Twin Falls or
Paul's Market in Hailey.

April 6 - Bolse
Sallva, hed PE, Breaking
Benjamin, Systematic and
Stereomud will perform at the
Big Easy Concert House at 6:30
p.m. Tickets, which are \$22.50,
can be reserved by phoning (800)
965-4827, online
http://www.ticketweb.com.or at
Atkinson's Market in Ketchum.
The Big Easy Concert House is
located at 416 S. Ninth St.

April 6 – Utah

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

April 7 - Boise
Mike Watt will perform at the
Neurolux Lounge at 9 p.m.
Tickets, which are \$5, can be
reserved by phoning (800) 9654827, online at http://www.ticketweb.com and at Atkinson's
Market in Ketchum. The
Neurolux Lux is located at 111 N.
1th St. Neuron. 11th St.

AFI and The Explosion will perform at Big Easy Concert House at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$14, can be reserved by phon-ing (800) 965-4827, online at http://www.ticketweb.com, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

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

April 8 - Utah

Apm 6 - Utan
Mike Watt will perform at
Liquid Joe's in Salt Lake City at
9:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$10,
can be reserved by phoning
Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX.
Liquid Joe's is located at 3300
South 1249 East.

April 8 – Utab

April 8 – Utah
Catch 22 will play Club XScape in Salt Lake City at 7:30
p.m. Tickets, which are \$10, can
be reserved by phoning Smith's
Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. Club XScape is located at 115 South
West Temple.

April 9 - Utah

April 9 - Ulan Taking Back Sunday will play Salt Lake City's Club X-Scape at 6:30 p.m. Tickets, which are 512, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. Club X-Scape is located at 115 South West Temple.

April 9 - Utah Delgados and Aereogramme will perform at Salt Lake City's Club N-Scape at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$10, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXN. Club X-Scape is locat-ed at 115 South West Temple.

April 10 - Utah

April 10 - Utan
Guster will play Brick's in Salt
Lake City at 7 p.m. Tickets,
which are \$15, can be reserved
by phoning Smith's Tix at (800)
888-TIXX. Brick's is located at
579 West 200 South.

April 14 – Utah

April 14 - Oten Black Heart Procession will play Liquid Joe's in Salt Lake City at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$10, can be reserved by phoning

Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. Liquid Joe's is located at 3300 South 1249 East.

April 15 - Ittah

April 25 - Utah
Soulfly will perform at Brick's
in Salt Lake City at 7:30 p.m.
Tickets, which are \$17.50, can be
reserved by phoning Smith's Tix
at (800) 888-TIXX. Brick's is
located at 579 West 200 South.

April 16 - Boise
Soulfly and E-Town Concrete
will perform at the Big Easy
Concert House at 7:30 p.m.
Tickets, which are 515, can be
reserved by phoning (800) 9654827, online at http://www.ticketweb.com, and at Atkinson's
Market in Ketchum. The Big
Easy Concert House is located at
416 S. Ninth St.

Pete Yorn will play Brick's in Salt Lake City at 6 p.m. Tickets, which are \$22, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800)

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April 16 - Utah

Cursive and Appleseed Cast will play Brick's in Salt Lake City at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$10, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. Brick's is located at 579 West 200 South. April 18 – Bolse

April 13 - Bolse
Rocker from the Crypt and The
Brons will play the Big Easy
Concert House at 7.30 Easy
Tickets, which are \$12, can be
reserved by phoning (80) 955
4827, online at http://www.ticketweb.com, or at Aktism's
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April 18 - Utah

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Events

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

April 19 - Iltab

April 19 - Utah
Rocket from the Crypt will perform at Salt Lake City's Club XScape at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which
are \$12, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888TIXX. Club X-Scape is located at
115 South West Temple.

April 22 – Utah
Disturbed, Chevelle and
Taproot will play the E Center in
Salt Lake City suburb of West
Valley City at 7 p.m. Tickets,
which are \$29.50, can be
reserved by phoning Smith 3 Tix
at (800) 888-TIXX. The E Center
is located at 3220 South Decker
Lake Drive.

April 22 - Utah

April 22 - Uzan
The Red Elvises will perform
at Salt Lake City's Zephyr Club
at 9:30 p.m. Tickets, which are
\$10, can be reserved by phoning
Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX.
The Zephyr Club is located at
301 South West Temple.

April 23 - Utah
Mooney Surnki will play Salt
Lake City's Club XScape at 7:30
p.m. Tickets, which are \$9, can be
reserved by phoning Smith's Tix
at (800) 888-TIXX. Club X-Scape
is located at 115 South West
Temple.

April 24 - Utah

April 24 - Utah
Sum 41 will play Club X-Scape
in Salt Lake City at 7:30 p.m.
Tickets, which are \$20, can be
reserved by phoning Smith's Tix
at (800) 888-TIXX. Club X-Scape
is located at 115 S. West Temple.

April 28 - Utah
O.A.R. will perform at Salt
Lake City 3 Club X-Scape at 8:30
p.m. Tickets, which are 515, can
be reserved by phoning Smith's
Tix at (800) 888-TDXX. Club XScape is located at 115 South
West Temple.

April 28 - Utah

April 28 - Utah
Zwan, featuring Billy Corgin,
will perform at Saltair Resort in
Magna, Utah, at 7:30 p.m.
Hickets, which are \$23, can be
reserved by phoning Smith's Tix
at (800) 888-TIXX. Saltair is
located 30 miles west of Salt
Lake City; take Interstate 180
West to Exit 104.

COUNTRY

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two shows a night at Cactus Petes
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at \$22.99 on Saturday and \$17.99
tonight and Sunday. Tickets for
the 11 p.m. cocktail shows are
\$15 on Saturday and tonight and
Sunday. For reservations and
information, call (800) 821-1103.

Renegade will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at TJ's Lounge, 112 Broadway Ave. S., Buhl. No cover

Tonight, Saturday and Thursday

Country Classics will play from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. at Montana Steakhouse, 1826 Canyon Crest Drive, Twin Falls. No cover charge.

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C & R Express will play from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. at George K's East Restaurant and Lounge, 325 E. Third N., Burley.

The Fugitives will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Shakers, 826 Highway 81, Declo. No cover charge.

April 9-10 – Utah
Yonder Mountain String Band
will play Salt Lake City's Zephyr
Club at 9-30 p.m. Tickets, which
are 515, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888TDXX. The Zephyr Club is located at 301 South West Temple.

April 11 - Boise
Dwight Yoakam will sing at 8
p.m. at the Big Easy Concert
House. Tickets, which are \$35,
can be reserved by phoning (800)

965-4826, online at http://www.ticketweb.com, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

April 14 - Idaho Falis

April 14 – Idaho Falls
Dwight Yoakam will sing at the
Idaho Falls Civic Auditorium at 8
p.m. Tickets, which are \$35, cabe
be reserved by phoning at (800)
965-4827 or online at
http://www.ticketweb.com. The
Idaho Falls Civic Auditorium is

located at 601 S. Holmes Ave.

April 14 – Idaho Falls

April 14 - Idaho Falls
Lee Greenwood will perform at
the Colonial Theater at 8 p.m.
Tickets, which are \$29, can be
reserved by phoning (208) 5220471. The Colonial Theater is
located at 498 A St.

May 1 - Utah Tim McGraw will play the Delta Center in Salt Lake City at 8 p.m. For ticket information, call

(801) 325-SEAT. The Delta, Center is located at 301 West South Temple.

MISCELLANEOUS 911

Tonight - Pocatello
The Idaho State University
Caribbean Steel Band will perol
form at 7:30 p.m. in Goranson
Hall, located in the lower level oft
the ISU Fine Arts building. The

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continues and to conficer will feature Cliff Alexis, steel band clinician, composer and arranger. Admission is \$5 for the general public and \$2 for pre-college students. For more information, call the 1SU Music Department at (208) 282-3636.

Tonight
Bob Nora Band will play from
9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Mr. Bill's, 101
Nv. Alder, Jerome. No cover

Tonight and Saturday
DJ music will be featured from 8 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. at Bar Bonz, 1539 Fillmore St. N., Twin Falls.

Saturday

Fast Ride will play from 9 p.m.
to 1 a.m. at Mr. Bill's, 101 N.
Alder, Jerome. No cover charge.

A Beach Party, featuring a DJ, will be held from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.

at the Lincoln Inn, 413 Main St., Gooding. No cover charge.

Tuesday – Boise
Sound Tribe Sector 9 and
Medicine Drum will play the Big
Easy Concert House at 8 p.m.
Tickets, which are \$15, can be
reserved by phoning (800) 9654827, online at http://www.ticketweb.com, or at Atkinson's
Market in Ketchum. The Big
Easy Concert House is located at
416 S. Ninth St.

Wednesday
The U.S. Navy Concert Band
will perform in concert at 7:30
p.m. in Roper Auditorium in
Twin Falls. Sold out.

Wednesday and Thursday
DJ Travis Free from The Buzz
will play from 8 to midnight at
Honker's Place, 121 Fourth Ave.
S., Twin Falls. Cover charge is \$2.

Wednesday and Thursday - Utah The Dirty Dozen Brass Band

will perform at the Zephyr Club in Salt Lake City at 10 p.m. night-ly. Tickets, which are \$12, as available by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. The Zephyr Club is located at 301 South West Temple.

April 4-5
The 35th Annual Snake River Barbershop Show will be held 7:30 p.m. nightly, King Center, Burley. Tickets are 56 general admission, \$5 for students and

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and students, are available at
Everybody's Business, Welch
Music and the CSI Bookstore in
Twin Falls, or at the door.

April 12-13

April 12-13

The Magic Valley Chorale will perform its spring concert at 8 p.m. on April 12 and 3 p.m. on April 13 in the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts auditorium, Twin Falls. Tickets are S5 for general admission and S3 for students and seniors, and they re available at Arlene's Flowers in Jerome, Weich Music, the CSI Bookstore and Everybody's Business in Twin Falls, at the door or from chorale members.

April 16 – Utah

April 18 – Utah
Pigface and My Life With the
Thrill Kill Kult will perform at
Club X-Scape in Salt Lake City at
7-30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$14,
can be reserved by phoning
Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX.
Club X-Scape is located at 115
South West Temple.

April 21 - Utah

April 21 - Utah!
Linkin Park and Mudvayne
will perform at the E Center in
the Salt Lake City suburb of
West Valley City at 7 p.m.
Tickets, which are \$28.50 and
\$32.50, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888TIXX. The E Center is locate
\$3200 South Decker Lake Drive.

April 22 - Bolse
Linkin Park, Mudvayne, Xzibit and Bilndside will play the Idaho Center in Nampa at 7 p.m.
Tickets, which are \$29.50 and \$33.50, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827 or (208) 442.
3232, online at http://www.ticketweb.com, or at Albertson's in Twin Falls, Paul Marker in Hailey or Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Idaho Center is located at \$5000 Garrity Blvd. on Nampa's east end.

The Buhl Community Talent Show will be held at 7 p.m. at the Eighth Street Center in Buhl. Tickets, which are \$3, are avail-able at the door.

April 25-28

Jive Nights 2003, featuring the Twin Falls High School concert vocal group, will be 7:30 p.m. nightly in Roper Auditorium in Twin Falls. Tickets, which are \$5, are available at the door.

April 26 – Idaho Felis

Leon Redbone will sing at 8 p.m. at the Colonial Theater. Fickets, which are \$19, can be reserved by phoning (208) 522-0471. The Colonial Theater is located at 498 A St.

May 3

The Magic Valley Symphony will conclude its season with its annual Pope Concert at 8 p.m. in the Co. Season Southern Idaho Fine Arrise enter auditorium in Twin Falls.

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May 13 – Utah
Yanni will perform at the Delta
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Panni Tickets, which are \$37.50
and \$57.50, can be reserved by
phoning (801) 325-SEAT or at
Attp://www.ticketmaster.com.
The Delta Center is located at
301 West South Temple.

May 18 - Utah

Mry 18 - Utah

Kurt Bestor will perform with
Utah Symphony at 8 p.m. nightly
In Salt Lake's City Abravanel's
Fall. Tickets which are \$22, \$29,
\$36 and \$45, can be reserved by
phoning (801) 355-2787.
Abravanel Hall is located at 123
West South Temple.

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April 14

Western State College of Performing Arts and Humanities will present its first Jam Festival at the Schubert Theater, 402 Main St., Gooding, Doors open at 8:30 a.m. and the event will conclude in the evening with a concert by the David Santistevan Trio. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$3 for children 12 and younger.

Usah Symphony will perform a rouge of Greace and Makher at First Agricum Held Tickets, which are \$16, 24, 528, 358 and \$40, 500 for reserved by shooting for \$1, 500 for

Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

April 11

Boise State University piano professor Del Parkinson will per-form a program of Chopin pre-ludes at 7:30 p.m. at the Eighth Street Center in Buhl. A complementary dessert reception will follow the performance. Free. The Eighth Street Center is located at 200 N. Eighth in Buhl.

April 13-12
Utah Symphony will perform a program of Mozart and Nielsen, 8 pr.m. nightly in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. Tickets, which are \$16, \$24, \$28, \$36 and \$40, and he reserved by phoning Art Tix at (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

April 19

April 19
The Chamber Orchestra of the Kremilan will perform at 7:30 p.m. in the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium in Twin Falls, a Magic Valley Arts on Tour concert. Tickets, which are \$14 for adults and \$10 for students and children, are available at Everybody's Business, Kurtharmacy and Hallmark, Crowley's Old Time Sold Rountain, the Magic Valley Arts Council office and the CSI Community Education Center in Twin Falls, at Say Mor Drug in Buhl, and Arlene's Flowers in Jerome and at the CSI outreach centers in Burley, Hailey and Gooding. Season tickets, which are \$50 for adults, \$40 for students and \$55 for senior citizens, are available by phoning 732-6286 or 733-9534, Ext. 6288.

April 25-26 - Utah

April 25-26 - Utah
Utah Symphony will perform
Vaughan Williams' Symphony
Vaughan Williams' Symphony
No. 5 at 8 p.m. nightly in Salt
Lake City's Abravanel Hall
Tickets, which are 516, 524, 528,
536 and 540, can be reserved by
phoning ArTix at (801) 355-2787.
Abravanel Hall is located at 123
West South Temple.

May 2-3 - Utah

way 2.3 - Utah Utah Symphony will play a program of Strauss, Brahms and Tchaikowsky at 8 p.m. nighty in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. Tickets, which are \$16, 524, 528, \$36 and \$40, can be reserved-by phoning ArTix at (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South West South

Mry 9.10
Utah Symphony will perform
Dmitri Shostakovich's Eighth
Symphony at 8 p.m. nighty in
Salt Lake Ciry's Abravanel Hall.
Tickets, which are 516, 524, 528,
S36 and \$40, can be reserved by
phoning Artin at (801) 3552

KARAOKE

Tonight

Karaoke will be featured from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. a Garibaldi's, 113 Broadway Ave S., Buhl. No cover charge.

Ionight
High Mountain Karaoke will
be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.
at Shakers, 826 Highway 81,
Declo. No cover charge.

Kroakers Karaoke will be fea-tured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Melody, 502 Sixth St., Rupert, and from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Cheers, 163 West U.S. Highway 30, Burley.

Tonight, Saturday and Wednesday Karnoke will be featured from 8 p.m. to midnight at the 610 Club, 1054 Overland Ave.,

Kroakers Karaoke will be fea-tured from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. at the Drift Inn, 545 F St., Rupert, and from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Big Kahuna, 9 E. Main, Declo.

Karaoke with Rabid Dog Entertainment will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Cove, 496 Addison Ave. W., Twin Falls. No cover charge.

Karacke with Three's Company Entertainment will be featured from 8 p.m. to midnight at Honker's Place, 121 Fourth Ave. S., Twin Falls. No cover charge.

Receiver Karnoke will be fea-tured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the George K's East Restaurant, 325 E. Third N., Burley.

Resease will be featured from plan to 1,a.m. at the Klover Pada 4,30-7:00-9:20

Klub, 402 Main N., Twin Falls.

Wednesday, P & D Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Montana Steakhouse, 1826 Canyon Crest Drive, Twin Falls. No cover charge.

Wednesday
Kronkers Karaoke will be fea-tured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Office Lounge, 118 E. Idaho St., Paul.

Thursday Kroakers Karaoke will be fea-tured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Riverside, 197 W. Highway 30, Burley.

HIP-HOP

Thursday - Utah

DJ Rap will play Club Axis in Salt Lake City at 9:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$10, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. Club Axis is located at 500 West 100 South.

RAVE MUSIC

April 10 - Utah BJ Icey will play Club Axis in Salt Lake City at 9:30 p.a. Tickets, which are 510, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. Club Axis is located at 500 West 100 South.

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Monday

The Vuarnettes will perform
Monday and every Monday
through early April at 6 p.m. in
the Boiler Room at the Sun
Valley Resort. Tickets, which are
\$10, are available at the door.

April 4 - Utah

April 4 - Utah

Jerry Seinfeld will perform at
7 and 9:30 p.m. in Salt Lake
City's Abravanel Hall. Ticketh
which are \$45, 560 and \$75, can
be reserved by phoning ArTix at
(801) 355-2978. Abravanel Hall is
located at 123 West South
Termile. located at Temple.

April 13 - Utah

Bobeat Goldthwaite will play
the Wise Guys Comedy Club in
the Sait Lake City suburb of
West Valley City at 7 and 9 p.m.
Tickets, which are 512, can be
reserved by phoning Smith's Tix
at (800) 888-TIXX. The Wise
Guys Comedy Club is located at
3500 South 2200 West.

DANC

Tonight
Brigham Young UniversityIdaho's Folk Dance USA will
perform at the King Center in
Burley at 7 p.m. Tickets, which
are 88 in advance, are available
at the Book Plana in Burley, at
the Book Plana in Burley, at
the Book Store in Rupert and at
Crowley's-The Quad and Bell's
Family Books in Twin Falls.
Tickets are \$10 at the door.

A barn dance will be held from 7-11 p.m. at Alexander's Barn, 1152 S. Stevens, Filer. Music will be provided by a DJ, featuring country oldies. Cost is \$5 per per-son. For more information, call 326-3162.

Jongan
Serendipity Singles Dance will
be held from 8 p.m. to midnight
at Anderson's RV Camp, located
east of the Eden-Twin Falls exit
182 off Interstate 84. Lamont
Summers will DJ with a variety
of music. Cover charge is \$5.

Tonight

The Snake River Elks Lodge
will host a dance from 8 p.m. to
midnight at the lodge, 406 E. 200
S., Jerome. Music will be provided by The Echos. A 55 donation
is suggested. Dinner also will be
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Saturday
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Idaho's Folk Dance USA will
perform at Roper Auditorium in
Twin Falls at 7 p.m. Tickets,
which are S8 in advance, are
available at Crowley's The Quad
and Bell's Family Books in Twin
Falls, at the Book Plaza in Burley
and at the Book Store in Rupert.
Tickets are \$10 at the door.

Roseland Band will play for a dance from 8-11 p.m. at 1101 Main St., Buhl. Cover charge is \$4.

April 4-5-6 - Utah

April 4-56 - Utah

The national touring company of the dance revue Burn the Floor will perform at Kingsbury Hall on the campus of the University of Utah in Salt Lake City at 8 p.m. nightly and at 2 p.m. on April 5-6. Tickets, which are \$27.50, \$353 and \$42.50 for the evening performances and \$22.50, \$25.50 and \$40 for the matinees, can be reserved by phoning ArtTix at (800) 355-2787.

April 7
Dance on Common Ground, an Irish step-dancing act, will play the King Center in Burley at 7:30 p.m., a Mini-Cassia Community Concerts event. Admission is by eason membership only, and season membership at \$31.50 for adults, \$15.75 for students and \$94.50 for families. For further information, call 678-1798 or 678-1566.

April 12-13, 16-19 - Utah

April 12-13, 16-19 - Utah
Ballet West will dance James
Barrie's "Peter Pan" at 2 p.m. on
April 12-13 and 7:30 p.m. on
April 12-16 li-19 in Sait Lake
City's Capitol Theater. Tickets,
which range from 510 to 550, can
be reserved by phoning ArTix at
(801) 355-277. Capitol Theater
is located at 50 West 200 South.

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April 11-13 – Boise
El Korah Shrine Circus will
play the Pavilion on the campus
of Boise State University at 4:30
and 7:30 p.m. on April 11, 2 and 7
p.m. on April 12 and 2 and 7 p.m. on
April 13 Tickets, which are \$10
for adults and \$3 for children, for adults and \$3 for children, can be reserved by phoning Select A Seat at (208) 426-1766, online at http://www.idahotick-ets.com, or at Albertson's in Twin Falls and Paul's Market in Hailey.

FIGURE SKATING

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Bourke and Viadimir Besediv
and Oleksiy Polishchuk, will nounner and Vladimir Besediv and Oleksiy Polishchuk, will skate at the Idaho Center in Nampa at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$43 and \$63, can be reserved

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Two exhibitions of ancient
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BAM is located downtown In
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Tickets go on sale for Chamber Orchestra Kremlin

n TWIN FALLS - Tickets are now available for Arts on Tour.s

now available for Arts on Tours, last regular performance of the season, Chamber Orchestra Aremlin.
The performance will take place on April 19 at 7250 pm. in the College of Southern Idaho, Fine Arts Center auditorium. Tickets are 514 for adults and 510 for studentschildren.
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There is no senior discount on individual Arts on Tour even tickets. Tickets are general admission.

admission.
Chamber Orchestra Kremlin, founded and led by conductor Misha Rachlevsky, has earned

national and international recog-nition as one of Russia's leading ensembles. Comprised of young musicians in Moscow, Chamber Orchestra

in Moscow, Chamber Orchestra Kremiin maintains an active schedule of concerts and festivals in Moscow, international touring, and recording. The orchestra enjoys a loyal following in Moscow, where its concerts are engerly anticipated and quickly sold out, and is rapidly gaining devotees in all parts of the world where it performs from New York to Hong Kong, London to Los Angeles, Istanbul to Munich and Amsterdam to Seoul.

During intermission, audience

members will have the opportunity to cast votes for their favorite of the pieces offered in the show program.
These votes will then be tallied on stage and the pieces with the most votes will be played during the second half of the performance.
Ticket outlets include Everybody's Business, Kurt,s Pharmacy and Hallmark, Crowley's Old Time Soda Fountain, The Magic Valley Arts Council, Saw Mor Drug in Buhl, Arlene's Flowers in Jerome, the CSI Community Education Center, and the CSI Outreach Centers in Burley, Hailey, and Gooding.

Concert will benefit college, elementary music students

TWIN FALLS - Students from Twin Falls High School and the College of Southern Idaho will present a benefit concert on April 5 in the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center

Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium.

The Spring Benefit concert, slated for 8 p.m., will feature the Twin Falls High School ensemble Jive, the CSI Madrigals, the CSI Michaels, Twin Falls Elementary Orchestra students and other vocal and instrumental ensembles in what is expected to

be a 90-minute program.

All the groups and their directors are donating their time to the event, which is being held to raise money for the Twin Falls Elementary Orrchestra program and the CSI Collegiate Chapter of the Music Educators National conference.

Ticket prices are \$8 for adults and \$6 for seniors and students. Kids 5 and under will be admitted free.

Tickets are available at Everybody's Business, Welch Music, The Music Center, the CSI Bookstore and at the door.

M.V. Arts Council establishes Web site

The Times-News

Twin Falls - The Magic Valley Aris Council recently launched a new Web site designed to give area residents greater access to information about arts and area events. The site, http://www.magicvalleyartscouncil.org. includes information for members, as well as the general public. The site contains information about the council's current board of directors and staff, upcoming events, news, member organizations, information of the visual arts and contact information for those seeking additional information from the council or its member organization.

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irresistible that the parents, suddenly losing all restraint, dig in
with savage gusto. "Don't
worry," Chibiro's father says
between mouthfuls, "you've got
addly here. Then, suddenly,
gyerything goes incredibly
grong, and Chibiro finsh herself
on her own in this decidedly
spectral environment.

In a panic, she comes upon an
aurmous building and watches
assonishment as a ferry pulls
and unloads one of the
angest cargoes in film history.
For the structure turns out to be
abathhouse for the gods, a place
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first some to refresh, relax
and recharge. Myazaki shows
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Coming to her aid is Haku (Jason Marsden), a severe-looking boy in a Prince Valiant hair-cut. "Don't be afraid, I just want to help you," he says, and Chihiro begins to feel that she and he have met somewhere before.

Haku sonds Chibiro to one of

and he have men sometime before.

Haku sends Chihiro to one of the bathhouse's oddest corners, the boiler room, where tiny, skirish motes of dust deliver coal to the furnace one lump at a time and the willy six armed Kamaji (David Ogden Stiers), looking like a hipster-anarchist with his round dark glasses and bushy mustache, is very much in charge. charge. Kamaji sends Chihiro to see

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continued from 22 heroism of the diminutive Piglet. Spine deffly presented life some children figure among the many for small children figure among the strongest point of the film, made in the Disney animation tradition of simplicity and charm, is its clear-eyed view of the foibles of human nature. A fine cast of voice actors is headed by John Fiedler as Piglet, and Carly Simon contributes several uninous songs. (1:14, G.)

Movies

The Qulet American'
Graham Greene's spirit hovers peer the new version of his present 1955 novel like a shrewd and dispassionate ghost. His life long concern with moral ambiguity gives this film a texture and complexity that movies don't usuffly achieve. Set in Vietnam, circa 1952, at a time when the Vietneth were the embattled colonial power we later became, the film is about the corruptibility of the human spirit, about how even a cynic has innocent can do terrible harm. Star Mitchael Caine gives here of the great, inescapably pinwing performances in a career filed with them. This is a grace-fin, contemplative film that gradually and artfully draws us into a spirit where the personal and the political get fatally intertwined and marks Australian director hilps Noyce's return to the tone of his earlier, more human scale corks. With Brendan Fraser and bo Hai Yen. (1441. R. for images) obviolence and some language.)

The Recruit'

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'Ane Recruit'

A Taut, enjoyable thriller with

A I Pacino as a CIA scout who

tips Colin Powell as an agent-in
raining. Are the head games

they play training day or the real

cal? PG-13 (sexual candor,

vioelnce, profanity)

'Shanghai Knights'

'Shanghal Knights'
Once again Jackie Chan and his nimble limbs join forces with Owen Wilson and his loose lips, of his time to rid 1887 Pekins in the tone of British imperialists and London of Chinese assassins out to kill Queen Vicky. And once again is not enough. Again and again, please. PG-13

'Spirited Away'

Japanese animator Hayao Miyazaki's Oscar-winning fable about a lost 10-year-old girl in a very magical kingdom. Rated PG.

'Tears of the Sun'

It may make you weep, but not in the way anyone intended. Handsomely made, well-meaning but finally frustrating and unsatisfying, this perplexing film is an example of a previously unseen hybrid, the socially conscious, humanitarian action movie. In the obesn't appear to be a gener with much of a future. Written by Alex Lasker and Patrick Cirillo and directed by Antoine Fuqua, can't decide if it's a Bruce Willis shoot-em-up or a Human Rights Watch infomercial about ethnic cleansing and the plight of African refugees. Actually, it has decided it wants to be both, but delivering on that intriguing goal is beyond its abilities. With Monica Bellucci and Tom Skerritt. (15-8. R, for strong war violence, some brutality and language.)

View From the Top'

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'View from the Top'
Gwyneth Paltrow encounters
obstacles to her dream of becoming a flight attendant. Christian
Applegate, Mark Ruffalo and
Mike Myers costar. Directed by
Bruno Barretto, (PG-13, for language/sexual references.)

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Yuhaba (Suzanne Pleshette), a strange and powerful witch who runs the bathhouse despite look-ing like a perticoat-wearing, hair-in-a-bun 19th century Victorian lady. She lives with her gargantuan infant son, Boh (Tara Strong), and three goateed green heads that roll around her reactioned.

apartment for no apparent rea-son, like a trio of grumbling,

muttering beach balls.
Chihiro is given a job assisting bathhouse attendant Lin (Susan Egan), and it's here that her adventures truly begin. Starting as a spoiled girl who never worked a day in her life, Chihiro gains in confidence and ability as she copes with the singular challenges Miyazaki has prepared for her.

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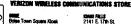


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You knew things looked bad for Oregon in its NCAA opener against Utah when the guy in the duck suit got ejected. Hey, when you lose your duck, it's all downhill after that.

-Jerry Grane of the Orlando Sentinel

TODAY'S SCHEDULE College baseball

CSI at Utah Valley (2), noon High school baseball

High School unsequal
Bucks Bag Tournament
Twin Falls vs. Vallivue, at
Vallivue HS, 11 a.m.
Twin Falls vs. Caldwell, at
Caldwell HS, 3 p.m.
Minico vs. Skyview, at Rodeo

Caldwell HS, 5 p.m.
Minico vs. Skyview, at Rodeo
Park, 1:30 p.m.
Minico vs. Nampa, at Rodeo
Park, 7:30 p.m.
Holiday Inn Payette
Invitational, at Killebrew Field
Jerome vs. Nyssa, Ore, 12:30 p.m.
Jerome vs. Vail, Ore, 30 minutes after first game
High school softball

Jerome at Mountain Home Invitational (2) Minico at Boise Invitational (2) High school track

4A-5A meet at Century, 3 p.m.

IN BRIDE

Harrick resigns as Georgia hoops coach

Georgia hoops coach

ATHENS, Ga. – Georgia coach
Jim Harrick resigned Thursday
amid a scandal in the basketball
program that also cost his son a
job as an assistant.

Harrick was suspended with pay
March 10 pending a joint investigation by the university, the NCAA
and the Southeastern Conference
into alleged academic fraud.

The decision came after it was
discovered that at least one playor received an A in a class taught
y assistant coach Jim Harrick Jr.
despite never attending.

University officials said that
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Pomerelle will host **Spring Fling Saturday**

ALBION - Spring Fling 2003 will be held on Saturday at Pomerelle Mountain Resort. Among the activities will be a rope tow bunny hop slalom for children 6 and younger, and the skier-boarder event. All events begin at non with registration from 9-11 a.m. in the lodge.

Kimberly graduate wins judo championship

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Wins judo championship

SPOKANE, Wash. – Casey
Gambrel won his weight class at the
2003 National Collegiate Judo
Championships March 23 at
Winworth College in Spokane, Wash
Gambrel, a 2000 graduate of
Kimberiy who's now at judo powerhouse San Jose State, won the men's
3 kilogram division. He was a twotime lash wrestling state champion,
3ing 350 his senior year.

The Spartans won both men's
and women's team titles and SJS
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Other Idaho placera at the tourment, which also hosted the
A High School Championships,
are Dartanyon Burrows (first
see, men's 60 kg, Boise State);
yid Fulcuda (first place, men's
1g, Boise State); Amy Peterson
into place, women's 52 kg, Idaho
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Golden Eagles need improved at-bats in Utah

Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS – It's back to business this weekend as the College of Southern Idaho baseball team travels to face Utah Valley State College for a pair of Scenic West Athletic Conference doubleheaders today and Saturday in Oren, Utah.

CSI enjoyed two nonconference doubleheaders against a game yet outmanned Douglas College squad last weekend, going 31.

But that is the past. The Eagles (16-10) must continue to improve at the plate in order to be effective with only five weekends left in the regular season.

It comes down to how the team approaches its at-bats. At this point, CSI is

too uneven in its approach for head coach Jim Walker. One game, the team is patient and plays smart at the plate. The next game, the Eagles get overanxious and over-swing or let themselves fall behind in the count.

swing or let tuemseres out because in the count.

"We still fight our mentality," Walker said. "They just try to do too much."

All three wins last weekend against the Royals started with the Eagles taking advantage of opportunities in small ball—drag bunts, bloop singles and base-on-balls. Utah Valley State College (13-11) is similar to the Eagles. Neither club boasts bases-clearing, out-of-the-park power in its line-up.

up.

The Wolverines stumbled to an 0.5 start in SWAC play, dropping a game to Colorado Northwestern last Friday in

Today
CSI at Utah Valiey (2), 1 p.m.
Saturday
CSI at Utah Valley (2), noon
III finalde today:
SWAC standings are on Page D3

Rangely, Colo, before bouncing back with three convincing wins to improve to 3.5. Dixie State swept UVSC in the conference opener the week before.

Utah Valley has beaten CSI 3.2 and 7.2 this season in nonconference games.

Wolverine Nate Dart came down to earth after batting, 464 in the preseason to a more common .280 in the latest available

stats. Casey Nelson has 11 RBI so far this season, while freshman Adam Openshaw is batting 306.

The UVSC pitching staff looks to be the cam's strength. Freshman Jason Ward has tall with a 1.27 ERA and Geoff Wolfgran has a 0.75 ERA out of the bulloon.

wongramm has a 0.75 ERA out of the bullpen.

Both teams can get it done by production at the plate.

"It is not by sical lulent," Walker said.

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West final

ANAHEIM, Calif. - Arizona took all the drama out of this one

ANAHEIM, Caiff. - Arizona took all the drama out of this one early.

Luke Walton, Jason Gardner, and the experienced Wildrats rolled right over Norre Dame 88-21 Thursday night too advance to the West Regional final.

This victory was regional much easier than — Arizona's one-point win over Gonzaga in double overtime in the second round, an NCAA tournament classic.

The Wildcats (28-3), early sea son favorites to go all the way, are just one victory from the final Four and three short of their second national title.

"I think we're sitting in a great situation," said Gardner, who scored 19 points in his school-record 13th career start.

Walton, last seen sprawled in exhaustion on the floor in Salt Lake City after grabbing the final rebound in the second round, had 16 points, seven hourds and eight assists for Arizona, which won the 1997 anional title.

Channing Frye had 14 points and 12 rebounds, and Hassan Adams added 14 points.

"When we're playing on top of our game defensively and we're hiting shots on offense, we are a very hard team to play," Walton said.

The Wildcats are in the round of eight for the first time since

to reach

The Associated Press

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Kansas dumps Duke

NCAA TOURNAMENT

Collison's big performance leads way

The Associated Press

ANAHEIM, Calif. – Nick Collison and Kansas gave Roy Williams that elusive victory over Cach K.

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Marquette overcomes Pit's Scieler basketbil – Dd

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Collison scored seven straight points to give second-seeded Kansas a 63-57 lead with 5-41 remaining. The Jayhawks were on top the rest of the way.

Kansas (28-7) will face Arizona on Saturday with the winner going to the Final Four. The top-seeded Wildcast (28-3) beat fifth-seeded Notre Dame 88-71 earlier Thursday at Anaheim Arena.

Williams, in his 15th year as coach of the Jayhawks, was O-3 in matchups with Krzyzewski, including a 72-65 defeat in the national championship game 12 years ago.

Jones led third-seeded Duke

including a 7.4-b5 deceat in time mational championship game 12 years ago.

Jones led third-seeded Duke (26-7) with 23 points and seven rebounds. Daniel Ewing added 13 points and Chris Duhon score 12. Freshman J.J. Redick shot 2- of-16 in scoring only five points.

The game matched two of college basketball's top coaches and edite programs. Duke has been to 13 Final Fours – nine under Kryzewski – and Kansas to 11 – three under Williams. Kryzewski's 50 NCAA tournament wins are the second-most ever behind the 55 of former North Carolina coach Dean Smith.

Williams, an assistant under

Smith.
Williams, an assistant under
Smith before taking the
Jayhawks' job in 1988, has a 3213 record in the tournament. His .806 winning percentage (416-100) in 15 years at Kansas is the best among active coaches with

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Kansas' Nick Collison shoots against Duke defender Casey Sanders in the NCAA West Regional Thursday in Anaheim Collison's 33 points led Kansas over Duke.

Area baseball clubs aim high

By Scott Thompso Times-News writer

Burley's got it and everybody else wants

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Twin Falls first base-

M's manager Melvin already eyes Oakland

PEORIA, Ariz. - Oakland's itchers have been on Bob

PEORIA, Ariz. - Oakland's pitchers have been on Bob Melvin's smind.

"They're goine to be strong." the Seattle Mariners' first-year manager said this week. "It's just all like Arizons.

The Mariners open their The Mariners open their Athletics are defending AL West changs.

Melvin, who was bench cosch at Arizons the past two seasons, compares Oakland's top three staterers - 2002 AL Cy Young Award winner Barry Zito, si Tim Hudson and Mark Mulder — with the Diamondbacks' top pitching duo of Randy Johnson

Opening Day

very hard team to play," Watton said.

The Wildcats are in the round of eight for the first time since 2001, when they lost to Duke in the national championship game. The fifth-seeded Fighting Irish (24-10) had five victories over top 10 opponents – their mox in one season – but their shooting didn't hold up against the nation's high-est-scoring offense.

"Nobody is crying in that locker room," Notre Dame coach Mike Brey said. "We had a very good year. Kind of new territory for our program getting to this spot."

Frachman forward Torin

for our program, established forward Torin Freshman forward Torin Francis had 25 points on 10-of-11 shooting – more than double his average – and 10 rebounds to lead the Irish. Chris Thomas

Please see ARIZONA. Page D4

The season begins Sunday, and The Times-News will publish a com-plete league preview.

and Curt Schilling

and Curt Schilling.
"In the past, they've dominated with The Big Three," Melvin said. They get a lot of mileage out of those Big Three."

A year ago, when Lou Pinielia managed the Mariners and Art Howe managed the 4-8, Oakland won 103 games and made the playoffs. Seattle finished third in the division, with 93 wins, behind Ansheim, which won the World Series.

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AROUND THE HORN: 2003 BASEBALL TEAMS

Class 5A

Minico Spartans

Coach: Ben Frank, first season Assistants: Mike Hoy 2002 record/finish: N/A Infielders: sr. Kody Cole (third base); Cory Varburton (shortstop); Gabe Frank (second); Kyle Warburton (sho Copeland (first). Outfielders:

Copeland (first).

Outfielders: Kreg Schow (left); Skyler
Worthington (center); Casey Bradburn.
Pitches: Tracy (LHP), Warburton (RHP).
Catchers: Jarred Tracy.
Outlook The very young Spartan squad is probably a year away despite the brilliance of seniors
Tracy and Cole.

• Twin Falls Bruins

Twin Falls Bruins
 Coach: Matt Rasmussen, third season
 Assistants: Brett Sample, Tim Stottlemyre, Perry
 Shank
 2002 record/finish: 17-11 (region III champs)
 Infielders: jr. Mike Littleton (stortstop); jr. Todd
 Rehbein (second base); jr. Tim Mealer (third base);
 soph. Drew Bernhard (first base); jr. Muosa York
 (kirld base); jr. Carl Ort (first base); jr. John Nunez
 (second base)
 Outfielders: sr. Brandon Salinas (right field); jr.
 Luke Hawkins (left field); jr. Brandon Christansen
 center field); jr. A. J. Stone (center field); jr. Alex
 Stone (left field).
 Fitchers: sr. Steve Turner (LHP); sr. Andy Coats
 (RHP); sr. Christian Rieth (RHP); jr. Tim Mealer
 RHP); jr. Mike Littleton (RHP); jr. Tim Mealer
 (RHP).
 Zotchers: sr. Brett Miller; soph. Drew Bernhard

(RHP). Some activation (RHP), soph. Nick Carr (RHP). Some activation of youth and experience. Catchers sr. Brett Miller, soph. Drew Bernhard Outlook: Good blend of youth and experience. Last chance for senior core of Miller, Salinas, Turner, Coats suspended for first three games of season for violation of school achool policy; is also rebounding off tendon damage in his right shoulder and has only thrown losts and a few innings of JV ball. Miller is team's catalyst at leadoff and possesses cannon of arm. Pitching is an intriguing mix of power (Carr) and finesse (Turner) with Mealer getting some time on the hill. Littleton and Rehbein provide solid middle and decent sticks. Rasmussen's swan song as he takes over start-tup program at new as he takes over start-up program at new Mountain View High School in Meridian in the fall.

■ Class 4A

Burley Bobcats

Coach: Shau Walker, first season 2002 record/finish: 11-15 (state champions) Infleders: sr. Matt Michel (first); sr. Ryan Bailey hortstop); jr. Ricky Jensen (third; jr. Scott ickenlooper (second); sr. Andrew McMurray (utili-

Hickenicoper (second), Sr. Annaew measures young to the field ders: Sr. Matt Hope (center); jr. Wes Haden (eff); jr. Jake Gerratt (right).
Pitchers: Michel (LHF); jr. Zac Pickup (RHP); McMurray (RHP).
Cattchers: jr. Jeff (Ring)e; Hope.
Outlook: The Bobcats came out of nowhwere to win the state title a year ago but just four starters exturn. However, Burley has at number of players wino wall step up to fill the holes. Defense and pitching has been solid in the early going but the Bobcats have had a tough time scoring runs.

Jerome Tigers

• Jerome Tigers

Coach: Jay Ostler, sixth season

Assistants: Logan Easley

2002 record/finish: 11-17 (consolation champions)

Infielders: sr. Doug Benson (third), jr. Casey
Schvaneveldt (shortstop/left field/catcher); sr. Paul
Scofield (shortstop), sr. Jesse Pallas (shortstop)outfield), sr. Tyler Howard (second base), jr. Jed
Seamons (Second base),

Ouflelders: sr. Kyle Roberts (center), jr. Derrick
Hope (right), sr. Justin Kaiser (right), sr. Chuck
Harding (left), sr. Dan Brown (right), sr. Chuck
Harding (left), sr. Dan Brown (right), sr. Chuck
Catchers: soph. Preston Hills.

Outlook: The Tigers should be very strong with
core of seven starters back after winning the consolation title a year ago. Strengths are experience, talented pitching staff. Former big leaguer Logan
Easley brings wealth of experience as assistant to
Tigers. Team lost opener to Burley but has right mix
to peak later in season. Comes off solid American
Legion summer by winning area title.

Class 3A

• Buhi Indians

Coach: Ryan Bobo, second season Assistants: Jeremy Walker, Scott Adams 2002 record/finish: 15-6

Infielders: sr. Tim Bourner (shortstop); sr. Chris
Wolf (first base); jr. John Puente (second); jr. Jake
Goedhart (second); jr. Casey Ferguson, (third); soph.
Perry Hamilton (third).
Outfielders: sr. Rob Walker (center); jr. Simpon
Olsen (right); jr. Josh Ussery (left); jr. Mike Rippon
(right).
Pitchers: sr. Tim Bourner (RHP); jr. Casey
(LHP); soph. Perry Hamilton (RHP); jr. Casey
Ferguson (RHP); sr. Chris Wolf (RHP); sr. Rob
Walker (RHP)

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Walker (RHP).

Catchers sr. J.D. Gould; jr. Chris Ahlm.

Outlook: After a fast start, the Indians are showing that they have the goods to be serious contenders for the state title. Power lineup has scored 80 runs through first vig games. Solid staff led by Bournes, who possesses good command, cut fastball and offseed. Versatile club with several players who can hit and pitch il called upon.

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Coach: Kent Knigge, fourth season
Assistants: Greg Heideman, Andrew Ryan
2002 record/finsits 9:13
Infielders: sr. Luke Tucker (shortstop); sr. Jake
Brady (2nd base); soph, Dustin DeMello (3rd
base/shortstop); ir. Josh Paxton (3rd base); soph, Dan
Ramseyer (1st base); ir. Matt Dyson (utility).
Outfielders: sr. Jason Garner; sr. Josh Anderson;
jr. Jeremy Toodhman; soph, David Ryan.
Fitchers: sr. Skyler Collins; sr. Luke Gerrish
(RHP); sr. Josh Anderson (LHP); jr. Josh Paxton
(RHP); soph, Paul Gerrish (RHP).
Catchers: sr. Luke Gerrish; soph, David Ryan; jr.
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Outlook: Collins and Gerrish are as good a one-two punch on the mound as you'll find. It would be dangerous to overlook the Wildcats.

Kimberly Bulldogs

Coach: Terry Bohan, sixth year Assistants: Clay Ramirez 2002 record/findsh: 7-18 Infielders: sr. Kris Newberry; jr. Justin Bourner Ist base); soph. Joey Silva (3rd base); soph. ony Garrett; soph. Shay Lawrence; soph. Eric

Silva; sr. Brad Butler. Catchers: sr. Brad Butler; soph. Thomas Marvin. Outlook: The Bulldogs are very young, with 18 of the 24 kids on their roster, either freshmen or sopho-

Wood River Wolverines

Coach: Lars Hovey, 13th season Assistants: Larry Lloyd, Steve Anderson, Billy

Neal 2002 record/finish: 23 - 7 The Third Tong Steve Anderson, Billy Neal 2002 record/finish: 23 - 7 The Third Tong Steven Steve Steven Steven

jr. Steve Durkin (3rd base); soph. Brady Femling (Znd base).
Outfielders: Joe Paisley (center field); Ryne Reynoso (right field); Kinghorn (left field); Dylan McIlhenny (alternate). Steve Hansen (alternate). Pitchers: Tyson Reynoso; Drew Detweiler; Steve Hansen; Tyler Theide. Catchers: Kellen Chatterron Outdook: The Wolverines look to be virtually without weakness, and they are certainly thinking about making another run for a state tide. They have qualified for state four straight years.

■ Class 2A

· Glenns Ferry Pilots

Coach: Denis Uhl, ninth season Assistants: Dale Smith, Jody Allen, Mark Martell,

Assistants: Date stanta, 1903 (1884).
2002 record/finish: 20-4
Infielders: sr. Scot Uhl (2nd base); sr. Zach Simons shortstop); jr. Scott Arellano; jr. Jason Simons (3rd ase); sr. Genda (Rau (1st base).
Outfielders: Scott Arellano (left field); Jason immos (center field); jr. Jeff Hernandez (right abs)

field). Pitchers: Zach Simons (RHP); Josh Good (RHP); Jason Simons (RHP); Scott Arellano (RHP); Gerald Rau (RHP); Scott Uni (RHP). Catchers: Josh Good, Mike Anchustogi Outlook: This could be the Pilots' year, with Zach Simons brilliant on both the mound and the plate. Scot Uhi is also tremendous. The Pilots are certainly thinking title thoughts.

 Wendell Trolans Information not received.

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favorites with Zach Simons and Scot Uhl leading a powerful line-up with a ton of other quality players returning from a team that finished third a year ago.

Class 5A

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A glance at the Twin Falls ruster shows that the pieces are in place for a potential run at that ellowe state title.

Experience on the basepaths. Experience on the basepaths. Experience on the mound. Strong work ethic, Decen blend of power and hitting.

But with the good comes some question marks.

Primarily, how will the youth-driven Bruins respond to varsity pitching? How does the infield defense shape up with only one returning starter in shortstop Mike Littleton? And how strong is the sturring pitching staff behind senior southpaw Steve Turner, wild fireballer Nick Carrand last year's SA area player of the year, Andy Coats?

Coats starts the season coming off a three-game suspension for violating a school policy for alcohol. But an even bigger question is his health. Coats stretched a tendon in the rotator cuff of his throwing so far this season. He was healthy enough to play both football and backetball, however.

Head coach Matt Rasmussen

heauny enough to play both toot-ball and basketball, however.
Head coach Matt Rasmussen said Coatis is ready to go after an extensive physical therapy pro-gram. But he has only pitched minimal innings against junior varsity competition. Rasmussen said Coats could make his first start in two or three weeks, but expects him to throw this week-end at the Bucks Bags Tournament around Boise.
"He's healthy and he'll throw, but we're going to work him in slow," Rasmussen said. "He's a college prospect and has a shot to play. So we want coaches to see

that he is healthy."

The Bruins have some experience at key positions with senior Brett Miller at catcher and bating leadoff, Littleton manning the middle of the infield along with junior Todd Rehbein and three-year starter Brandon Salinas and returning starter Luke Hawkins in the outfield. Another senior, Christian Rieth, hasn't seen much time in either American Legion ball or at the varsity level.

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American Legion ball or at the varsity level.

The key will be getting the team to gel, said Rasmussen.

"We're not very experienced," Rasmussen said. "We have a group of juniors and two sophomores to try and find our nucleus. They're all barling it out."

Among the group battling for playing time are Rehbein, Tim Mealer, sophomore Drew Beenhard, Moose York, Carl Ott, John Nunez, Branden Christiansen, AJ, Stone and Alex Hill.

"We work hard at it, but there is an adjustment period for these juniors we have," he said. "It's a different game and some of them are making the adjustment faster than others.

"Hopefully by midseason we

me making the adjustment faster than others.
"Hopefully by midseason we have three or four kids step up and are comfortable enough to play."

For Minico, Nate Trees him

For Minico, Nate Tracy hits leadoff and figures to be the team's ace as the Spartans try to find a way to replace John Fennell. Senior Kody Cole is as good as it gets offensively and defensively and defensively and the plate. Beautiful fine the plate. However, the Spartans have to However, the Spartans have to

the plate.

However, the Spartans have to replace longtime coach Russ Wright, who moved on to take over the Treasure Valley Community College program, Fennell and catcher Adam Frank.

The Spartans are very young but hany of the youngsters saw con-derable action during the Legion cason. They also got a chance to

become acclimated to first-year coach Ben Frank, who was a pitch-er for Albertson in the NAIA World Series less than a year ago.

UBBS 4A
Burley may have the title everyone wants now, but first-year Bobact coach Shaun Walker, who replaces Matt Harr, doesn't even give his team the nod ethe favorite in the Great Basin Conference at least op page.

That doesn't mean that the Bobacts aren't looking to defend their title.

"With the course he have the favorite his ready to the course of the state of

Boocais aren't looking to defend their title. "With the guys we have coming back, they feel that the title is theirs to defend and that they belong with the clite teams." Walker said. "Are we as talented as some of those other teams? Probably not. But we're going to do the little things and we'll have solid pirching."

Matt Michel, Zac Pickup and Andrew McMurray are all capable starters, with the lefty Michel providing the team with great experience as its ace.

McMurray, center fielder Matt Hope and shortstop Ryan Bailey are all seniors who return as starters for the Bobcats.

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The biggest hurdle for the Bobcats in the early going has been striking out too much. In a doubleheader against Bonneville, Burley struck out 25 times.

times.
"We can't keep working this hard to score runs." Walker said. "We can't keep working this hard to score runs," Walker said. We have to start becoming more selective at the plate. I keep religing them that we can't stand around waiting for the three-run home run, because, No. I we don't have anyone who can hit one." But Burley still got the victories.
"We found a way to win," Walker said. "That's what I love about these guys. They'll give you everything they've got. Sometimes it may not be enough to win and sometimes it may not to win and sometimes it may not

be enough for me but they'll give you everything they've got."

The Bobeats downed Jerome in an early season game already but Walker walked away impressed with the Tigers.

"We looked at our spread charts - we keep hitting charts on everybody - and we had sheets on seven of their players from last year," Walker said. "They should be tough to beat again."

The Tigers, who won the consolation title a year ago, figure to be very strong on the mound.

"Jerome will go as far as J.D. Lott brings them," Walker said.
"He's a dominant No. 1 and the (Kyle) Roberts kid who we went up against is a solid No. 2. At least I'm assuming he's No. 2."

And Century will also be tough. "Century has one of the best players in the state back in their catcher, Vic Hillman," Walker said. "He's as good as it gets on our level. And they're Century. They're going to find a way to win.

Class 3A

When one Sawtooth Central Idaho Conference coach was asked in a questionnaire to name a favorite in the conference race, his answer was "Wood River, Wood River, w

tournament.

"As I see it, we have the crown and, hopefully, someone will

and, hopefully, someone will have to come up here to try and take it in May." Wood River coach Lars Hovey said.

The Wolverines have an answer at all positions but nowhere more so than on the mound, with ace Ryne Reynoso back. As a junior, Reynoso was 8-1 with a 1.34 earned run average. "I like our chances against anyone with Reynoso on the hill," Hovey said.

Drew Detwiler, Steve Hansen

Walker said. "We have to make a statement or pick up and go home."

and Tyler Thiede will also be very strong, Hovey said.

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coach Ryan Bobo said. "we also have more consistent hitters, top to bottom."

Senior Tim Bourner is a leader in both categories, after going 42 with a 2.53 ERA a year ago from the mound and hitting, 365 with 14 stolen bases offensively. Bourner is also an outstanding shortstop, who, along with first baseman Chris Wolf, should provide leadership to an otherwise young infield.

Center fielder Rob Walker hit 474, with 30 RBIs and nine doubles and two home runs a year ago.

The Indians will have tremendous team speed, with Simon Olsen and Josh Ussery joining Bourner and Walker as read burners.

Filer is also extremely strong on the mound, with Skyler

Collins returning after leading the team in victories for three straight seams. And Luke Gerrish is a some And Luke Gerrish is a some And Luke He was a some and the mound or behind to plate and he has tremendous plate, and he has tremendous plate, and he has tremendous plate, and Gerrish are also going to be counted on on the mound.

"The team knows the odds of attaining a state berth will require mental toughness and ability or perform under pressure." Filer coach Kent Knigge said.

The Kimberty Bulldogs have an uphill battle with 18 of the 24 players on their roster either

appini battle with 18 of the 24 players on their roster either freshman or sophomores. Junior Brad Butler and senior Kris Newberry will be the team's leaders.

leaders.

Newberry batted .302 with four home runs last year and Butler hit .290 and was a steady presence behind the dish.

Class 2A

All Simons did last year was hit .500 with a 1.053 slugging per-centage while going 10-0 with a 1.16 ERA for the Glenns Ferry

1.16 ERA for the Glenns Ferry Pilots.
Second baseman Scot Uhl batted 495 and slugged 850. He also finished 40 on the mound. As a team, the Pilots had a 2.68 ERA and allowed the opposition to hir just, 1.78 last seam. The Wendell Trojans should also be strong in the two team Canyon Conference, Pilot coach Denis Uhl said.
"Wendell has good experienced players returning," Uhl said. "Substitution of the strong in the two standards of the said. It should be and always is a battle."

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buge for us," said starting center fielder Derek McNeil. "We need good pitching and we have to execute the short game. We need big time hits like we got this weekend."

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That has been the problem of an Strikeouts with runners in scoring position killed the Eagles at Community College of Southern Nevada two weeks ago. The frustrating losses proved the Eagles can compete with anyone. It also shows that if players don't consist through in clutch thus the consist through in clutch the consistency of the consisten

has shifted the starters around to make the most of the team's limited hitting. Freshman Mitch Stachowsky starts at catcher when sophomore Kris Welker when sophomore Kris Welker takes over at first base for Sean VanElderen who is sound defensively, but has struggled at the plate. Casey Oliver is at shortmop while Dale Hall usually gets the nod at second since the departure of Jacques Lamoure. Zack Aakhuu is solid diensively at third base while the outfield of Mick Conser, McKell and John Hard are sizsely. Scarting strikers are Brandon Christiansen, Ryan Davis and Ryan Jones with Mitch Woolf and Dernik Job in the miz.

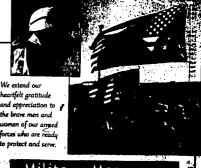
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find itself out of the conference race before it really begins. "" "Here on out, it's dog-eat-dog."

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Spurs beat Rockets in battle of Texas, 98-85 | Lott spins one-hitter to help the Orlando Magic defeat the Timberwolves 110-107 Thursday night. The Magic, who have won six of seven, closed the game on a 13-3 rm

SAN ANTONIO (AP) – Stephen Jackson scored 27 points and Tim Duncan added 25 points and Tim Duncan added 25 points and Tim Control of the Stephen Steph

as 20.

The Rockets trimmed the lead to 11 in the final period, but Jackson stopped San Antonio's slide by hitting the last of his five

3-pointers with 5:16 remaining.
The loss dropped Houston (3735) a half-game behind the idle
Phoenix Suns in the race for the
eighth and final postseason berth
in the Western Conference.
Cuttino Mobley led the
Rockets with 21 points.

Magic 110, Timberwolves 107 ORLANDO, Fla. – Tracy McGrady scored seven of his 30 points in the final 3:54 and outdu-eled Minnesota's Kevin Garnett

Garnett had 26 points and 14 rebounds for his 20th double-double in his last 21 games. Wally Szczerbiak added 22 points for Minnesota, which had won four straight.

Kings 93, Clippers 83
SACRAMENTO, Calif. - Chris

Webber had 23 points, eight rebounds and four assists in three quarters as the Sacramento Kings easily won their fifth straight game, defeating the struggling Los Angeles Clippers 93-83 Thursday night. The Kings lowered their magic number to win their second straight Pacific Division title to four.

Any combination of Sacramento victories and Portland losses totaling four will do it. The Trail Blazers did not play Thursday.

for Tigers at tourney

The Times News

PAYETTE - J.D. Lott threw a one-hitter with 10 strikeouts and Doug Benson and Paul Scofield hit back-to-back home runs to lead Jerome to a 10-0 over host Payette at the Holiday. Inn Payette Invitational at Killebrew Field on Thursday.

Jed Seamons and Casey Schwaneveldt each went 3-for-3 with Seamons doubling and scoring three runs. Lott, who was named MYF of the game, walked three, giving up a single in the second inning. Benson's three-run shomer preluded Scofield's solo shot in a five-run second to make it a 7-0 game.

Scofield earlier won a pre-tournament home run contest beating teammate Jesse Pallas in the finals.

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Auto Racing

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Gatorade announces players of the year

CHICAGO, IL. Post Falls senior Aubree Johnson and Meridian's Jacob Bower were named Gatorade Idaho High School Girls and Boys Basketball Players of the Year on Tuesday

Basketball Players of the Year on Tuesday.

The Arizona State-bound Johnson averaged 17.3 points and 10.5 rebounds in leading Post Fails to the Class 4A girls state championship. Johnson's shot at the buzer beat Jerome is the title same. in the title game

in the title game.

Bower averaged 17.4 points and 6.0 rebounds for the Warriors, who finished third at

state.

The Gatorade Player of the Year program recognizes high school athletes from all 50 states and the District of Columbia. Awards are given to athletes in football, volleyball, baseball, softball, soccer, and track and field.

Baseball Northwest will hold tryouts

IDAHO FALLS - Baseball Northwest will be holding try-outs on Sunday, April 6 at Hillcrest High School in Idaho

outs on Sunday, April 6 at Hillerest High School in Idaho Falls.

Tryouts, for high school players who will graduate from 2004-2007, Athletes are invited to try out for the Idaho USA Junior Olympic Tournament Team, Idaho Pacific Morthwest Championship Tournament Team programs.

There is an audition fee of \$20 with each player receiving a \$20 gift certificate, Registration will be held on the day of the tryouts.

For any additional information, please call (\$503) 885-1126.

Annual SolFest will

take place Sunday

SULVALLEY - San Valley's big air exhibition, Solf-ext, will be held on Sunday at 11 a.m. at Bald Mountain.

Headlining the event this year are C.R. Johnson and Sarah Burke, both Winter X Games and U.S. Open medalists. Top a theletes are being lured by the promise of television and film coverage.

The Solf-ext Street Party on the Warm Springs side of Baldy will feature hip-hopfunk group Ordinary K out of Boulder, Colo. A variety of sponsors, including FREEZE Magazine, Smith, Salomon, the Board Bin and Dakine, will give away thousands of dollars in products via a raffle.

Coaches pick ISU third in outdoor track

OGDEN, Utah - Weber State and Northern Arizona were picked by coaches in the Big Sky Conference to win the out-door track and field title this

The Wildcats, who have won the past five titles, received four first-place votes and three second-place votes for 46 points.

points.

NAU, this year's indoor champion, also earned 46 points with four first-place

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Idaho State came in third in the voting with 34 points, while Montana State, which will host the Big Sky championships May 15-18, finished with 30 points for fourth place. Montana placed fifth with 26 points, fol-lowed by Eastern Washington with 22. Sacramento State edged out Portland State for the seventh spot with 12 points, while the Vikings tallied eight points.

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Weber State's Chick Hislop would make history as the first coach to lead his team to six straight conference titles. A wildcar win would also mark the first time since 1970 that a chool earned more than five straight Big Sky titles. Idaho State bolds the current record, winning seven consecutive titles from 1964-1970.
On the women's side, Weber State was picked to repeat as champion, tallying six first-place votes for 48 points, MAU finished second with 38 points, followed by MSU, Idaho State, Montana, Eastern Washington, Sacramento State and Portland State.

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O'Reilly 300 in Texas

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FORT WORTH, Texas - Jason Keller carned his first Busch Scries pole and fourth front-row start of the season, running a lap of 187.47 mph at Texas Motor Speedway on Thursday.
Stanton Barrett will start second in Saturday's O'Reilly 300 at the 1.5-mile Texas track after alap of 186.916 mph.
It will be the third time this season Keller and Barrett start their Fords on the front row together. Barrett was the pole-sitter at Las Vegas and Darlington, and Keller qualified second the last three races. Bobby Hamilton Jr. and Scott Riggs, who qualified in a backup car after crashing in practice, will start 34 on Saturday. After the all-Ford front-two rows, the rest of the top-10 starters are in Chevrolets, including series points leader Todd Bodine in sixth.

Russian pair wins

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Russian pair wins
original dance at worlds
WASHINGTON - Irina
Lobacheva and Ilia Averbukh
were on "enemy ground" when
they heard the wild reception
for Canadians Shae-Lynn
Bourne and Victor Kraatz.
But one lovely spin around
the ballroom dance floor was
enough for the Russians to win
over the crowd. And the judges.
Lobacheva and Averbukh,
the reigning world champions,
won the original dance
Thursday at the World Figure
Skating Championships, barely
edging the Canadians.
Albena Denkova and Maxim
Staviyski of Bulgaria were third
going into Friday's free dance,
worth 50 percent of the final
score.
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The Americans stayed in the top 10. Tanith Belbin and Ben Agosto, the 2002 world junior champions, are in seventh place, and one judge had them as high as third.

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NCAA BASKETBALL

Wildcats ward off Wisconsin

Estill steps up when Bogans goes down with ankle injury

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MINNEAPOLIS (AP) – With Keith Bogans watching helplessly from the bench in the second half, Kentucky (32-3) turned to the power of Marquis Estill to ward off Wisconsin.

Estill scored a career-high 28 points

Thursday night and the Wildcats

Midwest ran their winning streak to 26 reglonal games, holding off the scrappy and a separate of the wildcats of the wildc

back down the 110or and ten over the Kentucky star. Bogans winced on the bench during a time. Bogans winced on the bench during a time, out, lobbied to get back in and then limped on the court with just under two minutes left. But hampered and in obvious pain, he headed to the locker room with 53 seconds to go in the

hampered and no towns and the half.

He didn't take part in warmups before the second half but finally Jimped to the Kentucky bench five minutes in.

With Bogans standing in front of the bench with his hands cupped, the Wildcats went on a 124 run and held Wisconsin without a field goal for more than six minutes, taking a 50-4 lead with 9:19 left and looking as if they were ready to pull away.

But the fifth-seeded Big Ten champs, bolastered by thousands of thundering redeal fains who had an easy drive across the Wisconsin state line to the Metrodome, wouldn't go away.

Mike Wilkinson had a layup and Devin Harris made two spectacular driving baskets to pull the Badgers within 52-50 with just under seven minutes to go.

Again the Wildcasts went inside to the 6-foot-9, 240-pound Estill, who made 12-of-18 shots. He muscled in for another basket and then hit two free throws as the Wildcasts regained a six point lead.

Wisconsin rallied to within one when Harris

two free throws as the Wildcats regained a sixpoint lead.
Wisconsin railied to within one when Harris
hit a 3-pointer and Wilkinson drove for a basket with 1:33 remaining.
But Erik Daniels tipped in a miss by Estill
with 1:03 left to give Kentucky a \$8.55 lead.
And after a traveling call on Wilkinson with
49 seconds remaining, Estill made one of two
foul shots with 32 seconds left, pushing the
lead back to four.
After Wilkinson missed twice from the line
with 23 seconds remaining, Kentucky hit four
free throws in the closing seconds.
Fenney, the New Zealand native who
played on Wilsconsin's Final Four team in
2000, led the Badgers with 20 points. But the
land only three in the second half - that comland only three in the second half - that comline on a 3-pointer with 15:30 left that gave the
Badgers (24-9) their final lead at 40-38.
Harris finished with 15 and Wilkinson 13.



Kentucky's Marquis Estill dunks in front of Wisconsin's Alando Tucker Thursday in Minneapolis

Marquette overcomes Pittsburgh

MINNEAPOLIS - There were manneaPOLIS - There were
no mysteries here, not entering
this NCAA tournament Midwest
Regional semifinal Thursday
night between second-seeded
Pittsburgh and third
Midwest
Steeler basketregional
ball" is how Panthese
coach Ben Honders

regonal ball' is how Panthers coach Ben Howland described his cleam's style, and that revealed all.

Defense was its calling card a defense as stubborn and as stringy as the Steel below the Pittsburgh Steelers to four Super Bowl triumpis.

But here it came up agonizingly short. Pitr failed to stifle the Colden Eagles as Marquette claimed a 77-74 victory and a berth in Saturday's regional final against Kentucky.

Dwyane Wade led Marquette with 22 points, including a driving layup that boosted the Golden Eagles' lead to 75-72 with 22 seconds to play. Scott Merrit's two free throws with 11 seconds left gave Marquette (5-5) list left gave Marquette (5-5) list left gave Marquette (5-5). o free throws with 11 seconds t gave Marquette (26-5) its al margin

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"They're very good at taking away what you want to do, and we have to do an excellent job of getting good shots and not forc-ing shots," Golden Eagles coach Tom Crean warned before the

Tom Crean warned neiore une game.

This one opened as if it would end in a shutout. Marquette didn't score until 2 minutes and 19 seconds were gone and Pitt went another 28 seconds before it went another 12 minutes gone, the Golden Eagles had only 11 points and were down eight.

Diener was still scoreless and Wade had only two points to go along with two fouls. But, suddenly, their supporting cast asserted itself, forward Merritt starting a run with a conventional three-point play. Jackson tipped in a Wade miss. And guard Karon Bradley, in off the bench, hit a three. And forward Todd Townsend, his team's designated deededer, hit another three.

Tage propelled the Golden Eagles to a 22-21 lead, and at halfting the second half opened. The property of the second half opened when the secon

came wane to puss me lead to nine.

Marquette pulled away m a 7059 lead before Pitr railied to come within 21-70. But Wade's late heroics saved Marquette, which is in a regional fine for the first time since 1577, when it won the national pile.



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St. John's 79, UAB 71

Golden Gophers topple Temple in OT to reach NIT semifinals

PHILADELPHIA (AP) - Rick Rickert scored 15 points and had 13 rebounds as Minnesota advanced to the NIT semi-finals with a 63:88 over-NIT time win over Temple on Thursday night.

The Golden Gophers (19-12) return to the semifinals in New York for the first time since winning the tournament in 1998. Minnesota will face Georgetown on Tuesday night.

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The Owls (18-16), who started the season by losing five in a row and 11 of 14, won 11 of their last 14.

14.
Michael Bauer had 12 points and Maurice Hargrow and Kevin Burleson each scored 11 for Minnesota, which has won three in a row after entering the tournament with five straight losses.

St. John's 79, UAB 71

NEW YORK – Anthony Glover, scored 16 points as St. John's beat Alabama-Birmingham to advance to the NIT semilinals.

Marcus Hatten added 15 points, and Grady Reynolds had 14 to go with his 14 rebounds for the Red Storm (19-13), who will play Texas Tech on Tuesday-night at Madison Square Garden.

A jumper by Eric Bush brought, the Blazers (21-13) within 53-52 at. 82.10 of the second half, but the Red Storm took a 64-58 lead with 4-26 left when Hatten closed an 11-2 run with a fast-break layup. St. John's, winner of seven of eight, hasn't won the NIT since, 1989. The Red Storm has been in the tournament a record five titles.

UAB, competing in its eighth NIT, was led by Morris Finley's 25 points.

Kansas

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The game didn't reflect the fact that the Kansas entered averaging 83 and Duke almost 82, making them two of the six highest-scoring teams in the country.

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Aaron Miles scored with 52.7 seconds left to give Kansas a 67-61, and Michael Lee added a free throw with 34.1 seconds to play for a seven-point lead.

Dahntay Jones made two baskets for Duke before Miles made a free throw with 16.8 seconds left to complete the scoring.

Keith Langford added 13 points for the Jayhawks. Kirk Hinrich, averaging 17.5 points, shot 10-67 for two points, but it didn't matter.

Collison made 14-0-22 shots, with the senior scoring mostly from inxide.

Jones scored five points to spark a 9-17 run to start the second half to put Duke on top 44-36. But the Jayhawks scored the next nine points four by Collison - for a one-point lead.

Neither team led by more than two points after that until Collison going. He wound up scoring 12 straight points for his team.

Hinrich scored his only points for his team.

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Hinrich scored his only points with 12:25 left on a short jumper to tielt at 49.
It was 35-all at halftime despite the fact that Hinrich didn't score and Redick shot 1-of-



Duke coach Mike Krzyzewski signals to his players Thursday in Anabe

6 for three points. Redick, called the nation's best freshman by Krzyzewski, was averaging 15.3

points.

Lacking in depth to begin with
in part because of a season-ending shoulder injury to starter
Wayne Simien last month,
Kansas received a blow whens
center Jeff Graves picked up histhird foul midway through the
first half.

first half.

But his teammates picked up
the slack after Ewing and Redick
made 3-pointers to give Duke a
22-13 lead - largest of the game
for either team.
It was 27-20 when Kansas went²³⁷
on a 15-8 run to finish the half.

Arizona

Continued from D1
added 20 points.
The Irish opened on a tear,
making their first five shots.
Francis hit all eight of his
attempts in the first 20 minutes.
"We were going to have to
shoot it fearlessly to stay with
his team, but some of those
quick shots turned into transition
baskets and that hurt us." Brey
said. "We were going to have to
score more than 71 points to
make it interesting."
The Wildean used one of their
parameter for the stay of the stay
all to breach open a fast, peced
game bistween two teams that
like to ruh, score and shot 3pointers. The Irish made 10 3pointers and Arizons hit seven.

"The key to our run was just²⁴ staying on them. They got a little of itred and we kept on," Walton but said.

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Neither team led by more that add five points before Arizona took are command with a 22-3 run that gave the Wildcats a 47-29 leady out with 5:56 remaining in the first base and seven ties by half low time, which ended with Arizona and abased 53-40.

"It was obvious in the early and going it was going to be a track" meet. Arizona could have been a could be a track on 80. We short the half well and the short the ball well, they are about the short the ball well, they are about the short the short the ball well as and a short of the short the ball well as and a short out the short the ball well as and a short out the short the ball well as and a short out the short the ball well as and a short out the short the ball well as and a short out the short the ball well as and a short out the short the ball well as a short out the short well as a short out the sho

OF BUNKUM AND BUNKERS:

Burk raises rhetoric on Augusta National Golf Club

Sorry, Martha Burk, you just lost me. You say it is appalling that women soldiers can lay down their lives for democratic values but are shut out of Augusta National Golf Club.

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I say the women fighting in Iriq are worried a lot more about standstorms than sand traps.

You say it is an "insult" to the U.S. military that CBS is broad-casting the Masters from a club that discriminates.

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You say that the women of the armed forces understand your armed forces understand your mission because they've straggled against discrimination in the military and that it's related to the scandals at the Air Force and the scandals are scandals at the Air Force and the scandals are the scandals are sexual parity on the fairways.

Your friends "people of conscience" from a rainbow of political, civil rights, religious and women's groups - got together Wednesday on the steps of New York's City Hall and said the protests against Augusta National are tied in with efforts to uphold the integrity of Title IX. They're "part of a chain, sports sociologist Cary Goodman said, linked to the boycotts against aparthed in South Africa in the 1970s and, for goodness sake, Rosa Parks sitting in the front of a bus in Montgomery, Ala, in 1985.

Several city council members introduced a resolution condemning Augusta National's "gender sepregation" and urging CES not to broadcast the tournament.

"We find this morally offensive at a time when Saddam Hussein is gender eligible to be a member of Augusta, yet the woman who is a division of Jesse Jackson's Rainbow-PUSH coalition, intoned gravely.

STEVE WILSTEIN

"We condemned the Taliban for their treatment of women," we condemned the Tailban for their treatment of women," added council member Yvette Clarke, "and here in the United States we still see vestiges of this extreme discrimination... Discrimination anywhere is a threat to our survival."

I say you're all making way too much of an issue that never was, and never deserved to be, anything more than a symbolic joust.
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was, and never deserved to be, anything more than a symbolic joust.

This isn't about millions of girls and women being held back. It's not about rorture or lynchings or not repression of a race. It's about golf for wealthy women and making a slight crack in the glass ceiling of commerce.

I defended you, and still do, on your calls for Augusta National to open its doors to women members. Private club or not, it's the right thing to do at a place that is more than the home of the Masters and more than a hangout where rich guys golf and drink and bond in brotherly fellowship.

They're old boys who run dozens of the biggest companies in the country, keeping women out of their clique and out of any business chats on strolls past Amen Corner, Augusta National doren. I support your plans to protest near the front gates of Augusta National during the Masters in three weeks, and the federal law-suit filled on your behalf by the American Civil Liberties Union against the local authorities who want to keep you away. Your issue is worthwhile, but it has been reduced by the rhetoric.

In the heart of these god-awful days, it is barely a blip on my radar of outrage.

Tim Outraged by corrupt corporate executives, people out of work and an economy that's still fallining.

I'm outraged by corrupt corpo-rate executives, people out of work and an economy that's still flatlining.
I'm outraged at the gas "escape hoods" that were just passed out in my office in case of attack and by the fear that has intruded

oy the fear that has intruded upon our lives. I'm outraged that Canadian fans booed our national anthem and that Americans booed theirs. Augusta National's member-ship? It is as tiny on my screen as one of Tiger Woods' drives streaking across the sky.

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Roy posts fifth shutout in Avs' 3-0 win-

DENVER (AP) - Patrick Roy made 26 saves to record his fifth shutout of the season and 65th of his carcer as Colorado beat Los Angeles 3-0. Roy also posted his 547th carcer win, tops in NHL history and 100 more than sector on the condeplace holder Terry Sawchuk. Dan Hinote, Rob Blake and Alex Tanguay had goals for the Avalanche, who remained in the No. 5 position in St. Louis, but the Blues have the tiebreaker advantage of more wins.

wins.
Kings goalie Cristobal Huet,
making his fifth NHL start, gave
up all three goals before being
replaced by Jamie Storr early in
the second period. Storr had 13

Lightning 2, Devils 2

TAMPA, Fla. - Vincent
Lecavalier scored a power-play
goal to tie it with 5:25 left in the
third period as the Tampa Bay
Lightning and New Jersey Devils
played to a 2-2 draw Thursday
night.

New Jersey's Martin Brodeur Mew Jersey's Martin Brodeur made 31 saves, but came up short in his bid to become the first MHL goalie to win 40 games in four seasons. He has six games left. The Southeast Division-leading Lightning are on a franchise-record 10-game unbeaten streak (60-4). Brad Richards also scored and Nikolai Khabibulin made 28 saves to stretch his unbeaten run

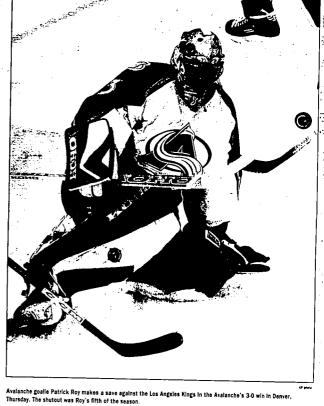
ano Nikolai Khabibulin made 28 saves to stretch his unbeaten run to 14 starts (11.0-3).
Patrik Elias and Pascal Rheaume scored for the Atlantic Division-leading Devils, New Jersey had won four straight, including three on the road.

Bruins 2, Flyers 2

Brulns 2, Flyers 2
PHILADELPHIA — Tony
Amonte scored twice, including a
short-handed goal that go
Philadelphia even with 6:49 left
in regulation.
Boston almost won it with 5:33
left in the third period when P.J.
Axelsson hit the crossbar on his
second breakaway of the period.
Defensemen Bryan Berard and
Nicholas Boynton scored 1:15
apart early in the second to give
the Bruins a 2:1 lead. Boston
could have clinched a playoff
berth with a win.
Backup goalie Steve Shields
made 24 saves for Boston, includmag eight in overtime when
Boston went without a shot.

Blues 2, Panthers 1

ST. LOUIS - Doug Weight scored a power-play goal with two seconds left, following a too



many men on the ice penalty, to give St. Louis a victory over Florida.

The infraction, called with 54 seconds remaining, was the only penalty whistled against the Panthers in the game.

penalty whistled against the Panthers in the game. The Blues are 7-31 in their last 11 games and have won five of seven. Florida has lost five straight and scored just one goal in each loss. Eric Boguniecki gave St. Louis a 1-0 lead at 10:58 of the third period. Denis Shviddi; scored a power-play goal at 13:04 to tie it.

Blackhawks 4, Predators 1

and Steve Sullivan each had a goal and an assist as Chicago snapped a four-game winless streak.

streak.
Chris Simon and Mark Bell also

Chris Simon and Mark Bell also scored for the Blackhawks, who won for only the seventh time in 32 games (72-03-2). Clarke Wilm scored for Predators, whose winless slide reached 10 (0-63-1). Steve Passmore made 22 saves to earn his second win in 10 games. Nashville's Tomas Vokoun also stopped 22 shots.

Flames 2. Stars 1

CALGARY, Alberta - Shean Donovan scored 2:51 into over-

time to lead Calgary over Dallas. It was the first loss since Dec. 20 for Dallas goalie Marty Turco, who was 12-0-4 in his previous 18 appearances. Included were two wins after returning from a sprained anklethat sidelined Turco for five weeks.

weeks.

Scott Nichol scored his fifth
goal of the season for Calgary.
The Flames' lineup was bolstered
by the return of leading scorer
Jarome Iginla, who missed two
games because of a sprained
shoulder.

Ulf Dahlen also scored for allas, which has earned points Dallas, which has earned points in five straight games (3-0-0-2).

Older generation proves Tiger is not the only show at Players Championship



Tiger Woods lines up a putt on the second hole during the first round of The Players Championship in Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla. Thursday.

PONTE VEDRA BEACH, Fla.

(AP) – Believe it or not, there's more than one player in The Players Championship.

Tiger Woods and his dominant game took a detour Thursday by spraying the ball of the players of the player

year.

One year away from the Champions Tour, Haas pieced together a 4-under 68 in swirling winds and under the threat of rain to share the clubhouse lead with Rocco Mediate, Bob Tway and Skip Kendall.

All of the leaders are in their 40s, except for Kendall - he's a Spry 38.

Woods, coming off an 11-stroke victory at Bay Hill for his third win in four tournaments this win in four tournaments this win in four tournaments this and railled over the final few holes for an even-par 72.

"Just trying to get to even par would have been a heck of an accomplishment considering the way I was hitting it today." Woods said. "I'm very happy to end up where I was."

Overnight showers drenched the TPC at Sawgrass, and a batch of afternoon thunderstorms finally suspended the first round with 68 players still on the course.

They will return at 5:30 a.m. MST Friday.

Kevin Sutherland was at 4 under par through 16 holes. Others who didn't finish include Fred Couples, a two-time winner at The Players Championship. He was the only player to get to 5 under par, but back-to-back bogeys dropped him to 3 under with four holes to play.

Annika returns to the ton

Annika returns to the top again at Kraft Nabisco

RANCHO MIRAGE, Calif. -Annika Sorenstam began the day thinking even par would be a very good score.

Then the wind died down, the birdies started coming and she found hereoff in a familiar place at the Kraft Nabseo.

Sorenstam shot a 4-under 68 Thursday to take a two-shot lead over Karrie Webb and three others after one round in the first LPGA Tour major championship of the year.

Trying to become the first woman to win the same major championship three years in a row in 64 years, Sorenstam row in 64 years, Sorenstam to win the final two holes in a round that was efficient even by the standards of the most dominant player in women's golf.

Sorenstam's only real mistakes

came at the 16th hole when she nearly pulled an 8-iron out of bounds and then mangled a flop shot. But she came right back to knock it to 12 feet on the par-3. This for birdie and followed that with a scrambling birdie four on the 18th hole. Patricia Meunier-Lebouc, who played with Sorenstam over the weekend at Phoenix, was one of those two shots back with a 2-under 70. Also grouped there were Laura Davies, Michele Redman and Webb.

Another shot back was a group

Another shot back was a group of players including Se Ri Pak, who beat Sorenstam last week in

Serena Williams stays unbeaten; rain postpones play

KEY BISCAYNE, Fla. (AP)—
From the start, Serena Williams had klim Clijsters on the defensive, sliding into the splits at the baseline in vain attempts to retrieve overall on the defensive, sliding into the splits at the baseline in vain attempts to retrieve overall on the baseline in vain attempts to retrieve overall on the maneuver made Clijsters. The maneuver made Clijsters look like a cheerleeder, and in the end all she cook do not be shall of the start of the start of the final of the Nacional Open and remained unbeautiful of the world's No. 1 player advanced to the start of the start of the start of the shall of the

Tennis

Williams defeated Capriati in last year's final.

"If I'm playing my best tennis, I don't think anyone right now can beat me," Williams said.
Earlier this year, Clijsters led Williams S-1 in the third set of their semifinal at the Australian Open before losing, but this time the No. 3-seeded Belgian failed to muster much of a challenge.
In men's play, No. 9 Albert Costa was two points from victory when rain forced the suspension of his quarrerfinal match against No. 4 Roger Federar. Costa erased two match points and railed to go shead 7-6 (4), 4-6, 6-5.

with Federer serving at deuce, when a light rain stopped play. The standium crowd booed as the players left the court. Heavy showers began falling a short time later and continued for several hours, and the last quarterfinal match between five-time champion Andre Agassi and No. 19 Younes El Aynaoui was post-poned unith Friday.

Williams' performance underscored a discouraging reality for the rest of the WTA Tour. She can play less than her best and still drub a top opponent lift drub a top opponent lift drub a top opponent lift or norm with 37 unforced errors, including a handful of wild shots, and lost one point when she stumbled and fell to the hard court

face first.

"I'm not too happy with the way I played," she said. "My serve wasn't there at all. My serve wasn't there at all. My serve wasn't there at all. My feururs were miserable. In Jon't think I made too many of my shots, but I figured if I could just make a few of them, then I would be all right."

She was correct. Williams played an especially sloppy game to make it 44 in the opening set, committing four unforced errors and then staring angrily at her racket, as if it were the culprit.

From there she won 15 of the next 18 points and six consecutive games to take control. Clijsters, who has played 29 matches already this year, said she tired at the end of the first set.

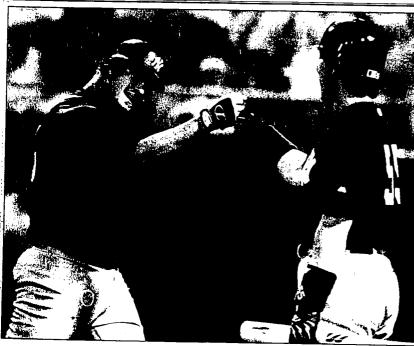
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Dodgers' Beltran heads to DL

Yankees flex muscles in Florida

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The Kansas City Royals will begin the season without their best player.

Royals outfielder Carlos Beltran was placed on the 18-day disabled list because of a strained right oblique muscle.

Beltran has had at least 100 runs scored and 100 RBIs the past two seasons. Without him, Michael Tucker will open the season in center field, while Brandon Berger and Dee Brown split time in right.

"Obviously, having Beltran out is a loss," hitting coach Jeff Pentland said.

Beltran hit 310 with 10 RBIs in 10 exhibition games before hewas injured taking a swing in bat-

Yankees 12, Blue Jays 6

At Tampa, Fla., Jason Giambi homered for the third straight game and Bernie Williams home-red and drove in four runs for the

Diamondbacks (ss) 5, White Sox 5, 9 innings

At Tucscon, Ariz., Curt Schilling pitched five innings in his last start before the season. The Arizona ace allowed one earned run and four hits. Marlins 8, Cardinals 1

At Jupiter, Fla., Mike Lowell homered twice and Josh Beckett tuned up for opening day with two scoreless innings for Florida.

Braves 7, Astros 2

At Kissimmee, Fla., Mike Hampton gave up one unearned run in four innings. Acquired in the offseason, Hampton did not allow an earned run in his final 10 innings and finished with a 413 FPA this roying. Pirates 6, Reds 2

Pirates 6, Reds 2

At Bradenton, Fla.,
Aramis Ramirez hit two homers and drove in four runs. He has homered seven times this spring for Pittsburgh.

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At Braden 4 Mariners 9, Padres 4

At Peoria, Ariz., Seattle starting shortstop Carlos Guillen left with a mild left hip strain. He was taken out after rounding first base following his RBI single in the first inning, and manager Bob Melvin said he thought Guillen would be out a day or two.

Athletics 7, Brewers 4

At Phoenis, Eric Chavez, Scott Hatteberg and Adam Melhuse homered. Oakland is 5-0 against Milwaukee this spring. Angels 4, Cubs 3

At Tempe, Ariz., Mickey Callaway allowed three runs in six innings and struck out six. He'll start the second game of the season for Anaheim.

Indians 6, Tigers 5

At Lakeland, Fla., Shane Spencer went 2-for-3 with a home run and Dave Burba pitched two innings for Cleveland.

Rangers 7, Royals 5

At Surprise, Ariz., Texas starter Chan Ho Park allowed two runs and four hits in five innings, walking four.

Stewart steers clear of trouble so far

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) –
Tony Stewart was standing in the
Oval Office when President Bush
looked at the Winston Cup champion and asked, "Aren't you the
bad boy of NASCAR?"
Stewart responded affirmativey during that meeting last
December. He couldn't deny his
renutation.

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After all, Stewart finished the
last two seasons on probation,
last year becoming the first
NASCAR driver to win a title
while on probation.

The driver was fined \$50,000
and had to undergo anger management counseling after he
punched a photographer at the
Brickyard 400 in August. He also
was accused of shoving an EMT
worker and pushing a fan.

Six races into the 2003 scason.

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am because of those actions," he
said. "I'd be rice if we can really
show them who we really are as a
person, and not do destructive
things and be productive this
year."

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things and us processing the same users of a root good, even after some trying moments.

At Rockingham in the second race of the season, he had a pit road collision with Jimmie Johnson, an on-track collision with Kyle Petty and had his front end damaged when he ran over debris. Instead of letting his temper get the best of him afterward, he sounded satisfied being able to salvage a 20th-place finish.

Last week at Bristol, Stewart was involved in three different accidents, the last of which finally knocked him out with 27 laps left. It's the only race he hasn't finished this year.

There was an on-track bump with Ricky Rudd after being pinched against the wall, but again no temperamental outburst from Stewart at a track where tempers are known to get even the mellowest of drivers.

"It doesn't do any good to be ballistic, and that doesn't mean that somewhere along this year I won't." Stewart said, "I wanted to pull somebody else's hair out, but I went to the bus and took a shower until the water got cold."

Stewart brings the Joe Gibbs Racing No. 20 Chervolet this week to the 1.5-mile Texas track,

Samsung/

Radio Shack 500 Where: 1.5-mile Texas Motor Speedway, Fort Worth, Texas On TV: FOX, 10:30 a.m.

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~ Tony Stewart

where he's, never been a strong starter, but has three top-10 finishes. In his four Texas races, he has improved an average of 21 places from start to finish. Qualifying is Friday, and the seventh NASCAR race at Texas will be run Sunday.

After starting 29th in last year's Samsung/RadioShack 500, he finished fifth, That moved him the top 10 of season points to stay.

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This is the first year that Stewart has gotten to Texas two months into the season already in the top 10.

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"It seems like the first seven or eight races have typically been the weakers part of our season," the season already in the season already and shoulders above where we typically have been."

His intensity level hasn't changed, but Stewart says there isn't any pressure on him to repeat as Winston Cup champ. He said winning the title last year took away the pressure.

"Once we locked that champing a pickup truck off your shoulder," Stewart said. "There is no pressure on my mind. I can go out and just try to win races again. The stress level is almost nonexistent." Stewart said. "There is no pressure on my mind. I can go out and just try to win races again. The stress level is almost nonexistent." Stewart sets some clear-cut goals at the beginning of the year.

He wanted an uneventful, unemotional season in which he could defend his champinonship, improve his win total of three from last year and have some fun. "Things are right on schedule. It's working better that I ever could have hoped for," said Stewart, 31. "In happier than I've ever been in my life right now, and it's perfect timing for me."

Mets coach Baylor faces marrow cancer



Spring training notes

Yankees pitching coach Mel Stottlemyre was diagnosed with the same type of cancer in April 2000. Stottlemyre underwent stem cell replacement and missed the final three weeks of the regular season and the post-season. Doctors will use Baylor's stem cells for his treatment.

"My family will give me comfort but I have to do this alone." Baylor said.

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Stottlemyre returned to the team the next spring and still is the Yankees' pitching coach. Baylor talked with Stottlemyre about his experiences.

Relative of Texas Ranger is prisoner of war in Iraq

Is prisoner of war in Iraq SURPRISE, Ariz. - The pilot of an Apache attack helicopter shot down over Iraq and taken prison-er is a relative of Texas Rangers catcher Todd Greene. Chief Warrant Officer Ron Young, 27, is from the Army's 1st Battalion of the 227th Aviation Regiment out of Fort

Hood, Texas.
"He's my wife's cousin, but we've been married 17 years, so he is part of my family." Greenesid while walking to the tabbouse following Thursday's muring practice. "Her mom first found out about it from the TV, we knew he was missing, but then the government called her mother to let us know he is a POW."

Greene said he learned about

Greene said he learned about Greene said to learned about Young's status during a game, after Texas manager Buck Showalter pulled him out and told him to call his wife.

Astros place pitcher Reynolds on waivers

KISSIMMEE, Fla. - Shane Reynolds was put on waivers Thursday by the Houston Astros, who decided to use young pitchers Tim Redding and Jerome Robertson in their

and performe robotsom in their rotation. Reynolds, who said he had fully recovered from a season-ending back operation last sum-mer, had been effective at times during spring training despite an 0-1 record and 5.87 ERA.

Throughout the exhibition sea-son, the Astros had listed Reynolds as the team's No. 3

starter.

He is guaranteed \$1 million, and could have made an additionnd could have made an additional 55.75 million if he had reached 220 imnings and 32 starts.

Roy Oswalt, Wade Miller and Brian Moehler head the Astros'

Yankees' Pettitte throws in minor léague game

in minor league game
CLEARWATER, Fla. - New
York Yankees left-hander
Andy Petitite allowed one run
and five hits over five innings
in a minor league game
In his final tuneup before the
regular season, Petitite struck
out four while pitching for TripleA Columbus against Seration.
Petitite will make his first
start Tuesday at Toronto. He
pitched in the Triple-A game
because the Yankees played the
Blue Jays in spring training
Thursday.

Pettitte went 1-0 with a 2.04 ERA in five major league spring



Defending Winston Cup champion Tony Stewart speaks at a luncheon Thursday at Texas Motor Speedwsy in Fort Worth, Texas.

Mariners

Ken Macha, Howe's bench bach, is managing Oakland this

Ken Macha, Howe's bench coach, is managing Oakland this season.

"Macha runs the game the same way Art did," Melvin said. "That's because there's a certain way you've got to run that club. They're not built for speed. They sit back and bang."

Melvin admires the way the As get runners on base in front of their power hitters. Miguel Termaine Darlet Chavez and Termaine Darlet Chavez and "They're a very patient club," he said. "They are very good about getting guys on base via walks. Most of them are deep-count guys."

Melvin said before Tuesday's final spring meeting with the A's that Seartle's No. 1 catcher Dan Wilson, who is on the disabled list with a strained oblique muscle on his left side, is progressing nicely.

"He's swinging the bat now, "He's swinging the bat now,"

nicely.

"He's swinging the bat now, doing some soft toss stuff," he said. "Everything is going according to plan."

When the Mariners leave Arizona on Thursday, Wilson will remain behind to catch a minor league game when left-hander Jamie Moyer is scheduled to pitch. Then he will go play a week's worth of Texas League games for Double-A San Antonio. Wilson, who was 34 on Tuesday, hurt himself during batting practice Feb. 28. He haan't played in a spring game.

The Mariners will leave Arizona with two roster decisions still to be made. Melyin and pitching coach Bryan Price will pick among right-handers J.J. Putz, Ken Cloude, Rafael Soriano and Julio Mateo for two open jobs in Seattle's bullgen. General manager Pat Gillick and Melvin must decide by Sunday on the team's Zenar roster. The Mariners currently have still players. To roster players and four nonvoters invited players. Melvin said the Melseners are ready to taxt their season.

It's the finish line, he said. We're looking forward to getting out of here.

WSU officials keep quiet about replacing hoops coach

SPOKANE, Wash. (AP) - Washington State athletic officials remained mum Thursday on a replacement for fired men's basketball coach Paul Graham, but signs pointed to Dick Bennett coming out of retirement to try to turn around the Cougars program.

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"I cannot confirm or deny
that," WSU sports information
director Rod Commons said
Thursday of reports that Bennett,
who walked away from the successful Wisconsin program in
November 2000, had agreed to
contract berms. A. contract terms.
Commons such athletic direction State was not available

for comment.

"Jim has met with Bennett.
The last time they met was over the weekend in Spokane,"

the weekend in Spokane," Commons said.
Commons did not know if they were scheduled to meet again.
Bennett's hiring is expected to be announced soon, possibly Saturday. No press conference had been scheduled as of Thursday afternoon, Commons said.

said.

A source close to the WSU bas-ketball program, who asked not to be named, told The Associated Press that Bennett had called or met with some of the Cougars players last week.

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"I've been told not to talk to anyone about that," sophomore forward Shami Gill said when contacted Thursday at the apartment he shares with teammate Thomas Kelati. Gill said he was told to refer questions to Commons.

The Capital Times of Madison, Wis., reported Thursday that Bennett's contract with WSU stipulates that his son, Tony, an assistant at Wisconsin, would join him in Pulman as heir apparent when his father retires.

The elder Bennett turns 60 next month. Tony Bennett, a top recoviter, is 33.

The Bennetts would be expected to turn around a program that

hasn't had a winning season in seven years and won just one Pacific-10 Conference game this

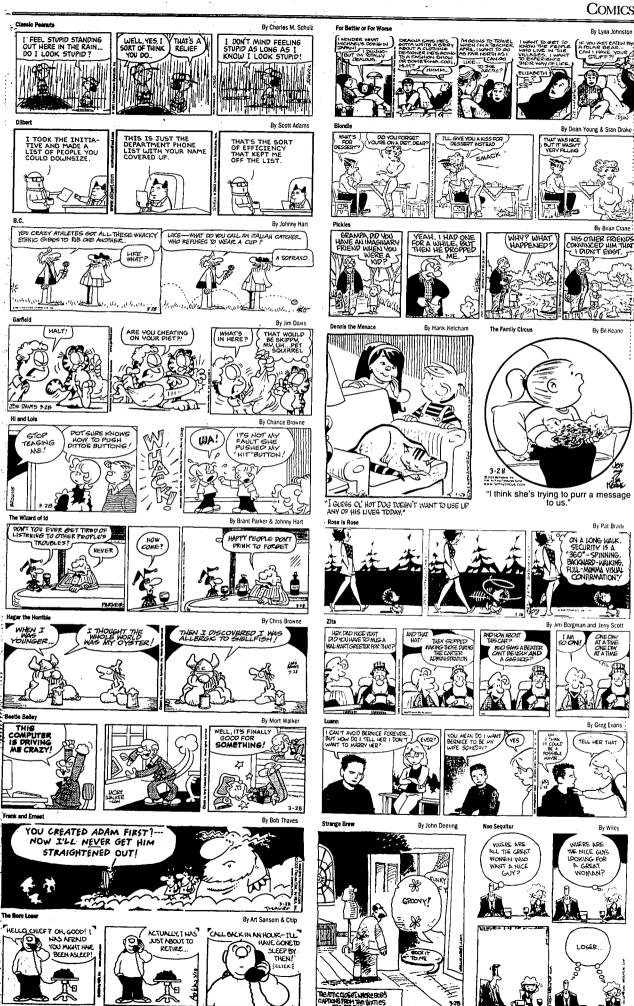
season.

Craham was fired March 6
with two games remaining on a 720 season. WSU officials
announced the firing March 10.

Whoever takes over at Pullman
inherits a program with limited
scholarships to give. An NCAA
rule limits the Cougars to eight
scholarships over the next two
years.

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The new coach also would be expected to begin filling 12,000-seat Friel Court, which averaged about 2,200 fams per game this



Added patience will allow you to complete boring tasks, Aries

IF MARCH 28TH IS YOUR BIRTHDAY ... children and close relatives will contribute hugely to your life in surprising and unexpected ways. There is renewed spiritual awakening and awareness. Your broken heart appears to have mended, and you are waiting for the new roller coaster called love. August and December are key months. Keep your sense of humor.

ARES (Mar. 21-Apr. 19): You feel you have more patience than

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 19): You feel you have more patience than usual today. So get those boring tasks behind you. You wonder about faraway friends and long for a romantic getaway.

TAURUS (Apr. 20-May 20): As the day begins, you feel uneasy.

Your mind is on financial matters as bills pile up. Not to worry; by evening, your affairs will be set-

tled.
GEMINI (May 21-June 20):
The lunar influences are positive.
You will get a lot done today. A good time to take things in hand.
Your original method of approach shows instant results.
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approach shows instant resuus, CANCER (June 21-July 22); It's all a storm in a teacup. Co-workers can be irritating, Get involved in civic activities. Important news gets you focused. A property matter needs your attention.

gets you focused. A property mat-ter needs your artention. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): The moon in your Seventh House promises a good time for parrying and airing your ideas. A long-dis-tance trip brings you in contact with old friends. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Try to get your work overload in hand by this evening. You feel attractive and are in a flirtatious

HOROSCOPE Jeraldine Saunders

mood. Keep your independence, and don't rush into the unknown. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You long to renew a relationship but view responsibilities with caution. This state of affairs tends to sabotage your love life. Give romance another chance. Adulative allow over

romance another chance. Aquarius plays part. SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Much is happening on the home front. You want to get away and spend the evening with an old flame - or is it a new love? Aquarius featured. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Is this the time to take on new responsibilities? Check your personal security. Friends from far away dominance and want to play a role in your life.

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CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):
Your patience is being tried. Money runs through your fingers. Don't settle for second best. Keep optimistic. Laughter ignites and brings new friends.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):
Nostalgia and reminiscence are he key words for today. Don't speculate, but follow your hunches. An old love has plans for you. Timing is essential.

PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20):
Your sensitivity is being tried. Melodies of the past are humming through your mind and heart, stimulating you into action. Beware of theft; secure your belongings.



Soldier describes capture of Iraqi toops. Page A-5

Men have need of monthly exams, too

DEAR ABBY: Two months ago, I discovered a hard lump in my husband's testicle. I urged him to see his doctor, but he put it off for many weeks. He finally went two see his doctor, but he put it off for many weeks. He finally went two weeks ago. The doctor diagnosed him with testicular cancer. That same day, my husband underwent surgery to remove his testicle. Two days after that, he underwent CT scans of his chest, abdomen and pelvis. The five days of waiting for the results were excruciating, Thankfully, his cancer had not spread. He must undergo scans every four months for the next two years, but his chances for a full recovery are excellent.

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After reading about Lance Armstrong (four-time winner of the Tour de France cycling race). In add encouraged my husband to practice regular testicular self-examinations. He did not. To me, this was as simple as my monthly breast self-exam. Had I not known the signs, my husband's treatment might have come too late. We are inundated with information about breast cancer, but mation about breast cancer, but testicular cancer is rarely men-

testicular cancer is interpretationed.

Abby, please suggest that your male readers practice monthly testicular exams. My husband and I have heard stories of men from 17 to 70 with this cancer. The cure rate is very high and the cancer is fairly easy to detect.

- A LOVING WIFE IN OREGON

DEAR LOVING WIFE: I'm DEAR LOVING WIFE: I'm pleased your husband's prognosis is a good one. He is blessed to have such an alert and caring spouse. The American Cancer Society informs me that testicular cancer is highly curable when diagnosed early. Testicular exams are quick and simple and can easily be performed in the shower. For more information, contact the American Cancer Society at (800) 227-2345. Web site: www.cancer.org. www.cancer.org.

DEAR ABBY: I have recently started dating "Jack." He's someone I feel strongly about. Jack appears to be quite fond of me, although Tm not sure his feelings are as strong as mine.

Ever since I've known hinh, has talked about his past girlfriends. He enjoys discussing



ABBY Abigal VanBuren

their relationships, including inti-mate details about their sex lives.
I've never been the jealous type, so I'm not really offended after all, those women are a part
of his past. However, I don't
understand why Jack feels compelled to tell me everything he
does.

does.
Other men I've dated haven't regaled me with their escapades. I understand a man talking about his most recent romance, but some of Jack's stories go back 20 years. What do you think, Abby?

think, Abby?

- TOO MUCH INFO IN CONNECTICUT

DEAR TOO MUCH: Jack is no gentleman. Describing that kind of personal information is a sign of immaturity and insecurity. Now I have a question for you. How will you feel after your relationship is over knowing that Jack is telling the next woman in his life all about you? If I were you, I'd run for the hills!

DEAR ABBY: I take exception to the advice you gave "Mrs. Smith in Marietta, Ga." She asked how her name should appear on her tombstone, given the fact that she remarried after a long and happy marriage. You told her she could use both husbands' last names – "Jane Smith Jones." DEAR ABBY: I take ex

bands last names — "Jane Smith Jones."
Please don't take away her real identity. She was not born with the name Smith. Her tomb-stone should read something like this: "Jane Brown/Wife of Robert Smith/Wife of Vernon Jones."

Jones."

A monument producer explained this to my mother and me many years ago. A tombstone is a historical document of sorts, and a wife's maiden name should always appear.

- JEANNE G. BOBROWIECKI, SUNRISE, FLA.

DEAR JEANNE G.: I like your solution. Everybody has equal billing – even the deceased.

A punch can kill a porcupine

A plastic surgeon, sifting endorsements for his brochure. elected to quote a waitress whose face he'd lifted: "It doubled my

A punch in the nose can kill a

reupine. It's only a coincidence that "nasa" in Hebrew means "to go up."

Q. Why aren't left-handers allowed to play professional jai-

A. Their spin on the ball is too

Q. What is it about eyeglasses that makes people who wear them get higher IQ scores?

them get higher IQ scores?

A. It's not the glasses. Studies show nearsighted do better on IQ tests also before they start to wear glasses. The linkage remains unexplained.

Gibraitur looks like a foot in a baller slipper, doesn't it?

Is gambling a substitute for sex? An anthropologist named Charlotte Olmsted has been quoted as saying so. That's her explanation of why gambling is so com-



mon in lumber camps, barracks, freighters at sea.

Woodrow Wilson played 12 looles of golf on the day he declared war against Germany.

A doctor puts a stethoscope to your midsection. Gurglings and growlings are of no concern, says that expert, but lack of same deserves attention.

Say you're lost at sea with only 10 gallons of fresh water. Add two gallons of salwater to make it 12. That won't hurt you. IT! give you salt your body needs. Thor Heyerdahl proved it on a "Kon Tiki" youge.

Credit Philadelphia as the U.S. city with the most outdoor sculptures.



Students at Hong Kong's Chinese University help a friend adjust her surgical mask as they wait on campus for a bus Thursday. More people across Hong Kong are wearing masks in an attempt to protect themselves from the mysterious fludike illness which is spreading in that part of the world.

Asian nations attempt to block spread of disease

HONG KONG (AP) - The government here said Thursday it would quarantine more than 1,000 people and close its schools, while the World Health Organization urged airlines with some international flights to screen passengers for the deadly fluilike illness.

some international ringus to screen passengers for the deadly fluilike illness. The Geneva-based U.N. agency fighting to contain the disease said its latest warning was for international flights leaving affected areas – Toronto, Hong Kong, Singapore, Hanoi, Taiwan and Guangdong province, China.

The WHO said passengers should be asked if they have fluilike symptoms or if they may have had contact with anyone infected with severe acute respiratory syndrome. Anyone answering ses should not be permitted on the new warning about airline travel reflects heightened concern by the world insult agency, which previously had said the discussed in the containing the co

will be up to them to decide whether to enforce it with air-lines. Axia has been hardes-hit by the disease, which has a 4 per-cent death rate, but there are 45 suspected cases in the United States and three people in Canada have also died from it. There is no treatment for the disease, which is believed to be a virus.

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In their new warning, WHO
officials said close contact in a
plane - which they described as
sitting within two rows of an
infected person - was compounded by the length of
flights. "Exposure in a plane is
much longer than, say, in an elevator," said the WHO's infectious diseases chief, Dr. David
Heymann.

Investigators say fire may have brought down Swissair plane

HALIFAX, Nova Scotia (AP) -A fire likely caused by an electri-cal spark crept undetected along the insulation of Swissair Flight 111 four years ago, giving the pilots no chance to save the 229

It four years ago, giving the pilots no chance to save the 229 people on board, investigators concluded Thursday.

Canada's Transportation Safety Board ended its largest investigation ever lasting more than four years and costing more than 530 million – without being able to declare unequitocally, what caused the fire that brought down the MD-11 airliner off the coast of Nova Scotia on Sept. 1, 1908.

The 336-page report focused on the in-flight entertainment system aboard the McDonnell-Douglas aircraft, saying a problem with the wiring to power the system went undetected and the spark "most likely" stared there.

It said the U.S. Federal Aviation Administration's certifying system failed to ensure that the entertainment system was designed and installed properly for the MD-11. However, chief investigator Vic Gerden said a wiring flaw detected by investigators in the entertainment system did not spark the fire.

The report included nine safety recommendations involving testing for insulation materials and electrical systems, and improving the flight cockpit and data recording systems.

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Safety board investigators previously made 14 recommendation that led to the removal of lammable finsulation material from measures for pilotes. This has been the largest, most complex aviation investigation the TSB has ever undertaken, safety board chairman Canille Theriault said. "The efforts of thousands of hardworking people from various and the safety of the safety of

Relatives of passengers killed in the crash said the FAA and other regulators should implement the recommendations immediately.

"There are problems, serious problems, with the wiring of air-craft," said Miles Gerety of Redding, Conn., whose brother, Pierce, was killed. "I wonder if the FAA will make the airlines spend the money."



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REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS FOR COUNTY JAIL PROJECT

Twin Falts County is socking lotters of interest and qualifications from qualified professionals for the purpose of planning for the necessary expansion of county jai facilities. This RFC is not an invitation for bds, but is being made expressly for informational and planning purposes only. Twin Falls County is not seeking specific proposals at this time.

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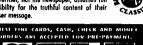
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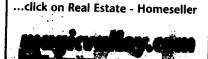
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