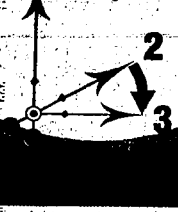


**Spring forward**

Daylight-saving time begins at 2 a.m. tomorrow, April 6.

Remember to set clocks forward one hour before going to bed tonight.



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# Tanks roll into Baghdad

**U.S. military official says Iraqi forces are 'pretty much cut off'**

By David Ego  
 The Associated Press

U.S. Army tanks rumbled into Baghdad early Saturday for the first time while columns of armored vehicles began encircling the city of 5 million people and seat of Saddam Hussein's power. Thousands of Iraqis fled the city, fearing urban warfare.

The Iraqi capital was breached by a reconnaissance force of 3rd Infantry. It came as Army tanks and infantry fought off attacks at newly seized

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Baghdad's international airport. With U.S. commandos already inside Baghdad, columns of Army and Marine armored vehicles advanced from the south. They met occasionally stiff resistance, battling Iraqi tanks as well as army, Republican Guard and

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A U.S. soldier is seen through a bullet hole in a pane of glass on a hangar door Friday at the newly renamed Baghdad International Airport.

## Panel cans tax plan for beer, soft drinks

The Associated Press

BOISE - The House Revenue and Taxation Committee on Friday extinguished its proposal to raise taxes on beer, wine and soft drinks.

After about an hour of testimony from brewers, distributors, wine makers and restaurateurs, the panel voted 18-1 against sending the bill to the House floor, even without a positive recommendation.

A move by Democrats to amend the bill failed 5-14.

Boise brew pub owner Mike Fitzgerald told members that the tax increase would hurt businesses and force layoffs.

"The last thing we do is raise prices. That just chases people off," he said.

The bill would have raised the tax on a bottle of beer from just over a penny to two cents.

Asked by lawmakers how he would fix the budget problem, Fitzgerald said he worked as a butcher on his family's farm more most of his life.

"I'm a strong proponent of cutting," he said as the room erupted in laughter.

On Monday, the full House will consider a half-penny sales tax increase and a 72-cent increase on cigarettes in an attempt to meet Gov. Dirk Kempthorne's \$200 million revenue target.

With such a strong anti-tax showing in Friday's committee, the margin for passing a half-penny sales tax increase may be thinning. The proposed cigarette tax increase already is likely to fail.

House Speaker Bruce Newcomb said Friday he was not willing to send a lowball education budget to the governor only to have it vetoed and force another standoff.

But Rep. Dolores Crow, chairman of the House Revenue and Tax Committee, continues to insist that the budget should be cut to erase the deficit rather than raising taxes.

Also on Friday, Kempthorne met with members of a Blue Ribbon Task Force, which he convened last summer to look at ways to trim Idaho's budget.

House Speaker Bruce Newcomb said Friday he adopted 27 of the task force's 48 recommendations in to his own budget plan, including increases in sales and cigarette taxes, along with more funding for auditors to catch tax cheaters.

## Intersection in T.F. will get a facelift

By Sandy Miller  
 Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - The heart of downtown Twin Falls is having a little bypass surgery over the next weeks.

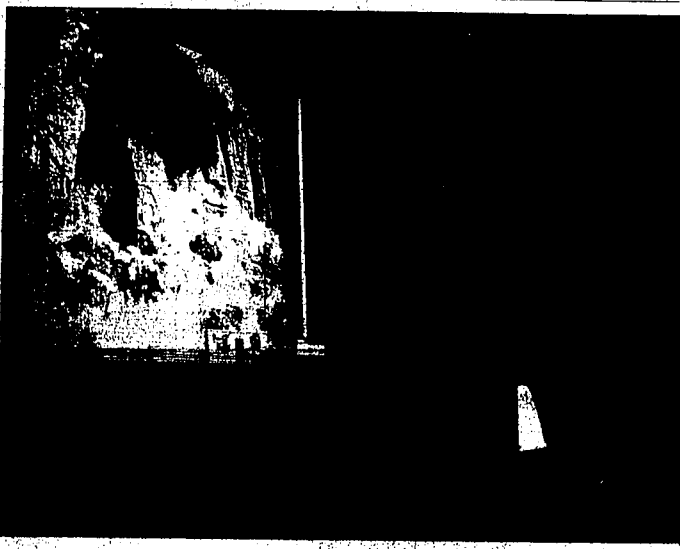
Beginning Monday, the intersection of Main Avenue and Shoshone Street will close for some long-awaited reconstruction. Out will come the 30-year-old brick, to be replaced by a circular pattern of stamped concrete in red and tan. The intersection will get new crosswalks and two decorative streetlights.

The benefit for drivers? A much smoother ride, said Richard Crowley, executive director of the combined downtown and Old Towne business improvement district, which pulled for the project for a year.

"It's such a rough intersection," Crowley said. "They've been patching it up for too long." The city is paying for the \$96,000 project, said City

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# LESSONS OF WAR



Tawnya Oliver shows a slide of Buddhist statues, destroyed by Afghanistan's Taliban government, during a presentation for a class at Robert Stuart Junior High School. Ron Jamies teaches the class and fields questions from his students daily about the war in Iraq.

## Magic Valley teachers tackle a touchy topic

By Robert Meyer  
 Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - There's no question in 15-year-old Sadie Venn's mind that the United States is right to attack the Iraqi regime.

"It's been going on way too long," the ninth-grader at Robert Stuart Junior High School said. "Too many terrorist attacks - it shouldn't have gone on this far."

And she has little tolerance for those who protest the war.

"That's a lot of wasted energy," she said.

"The war is an unavoidable topic at Robert Stuart and other schools, and it poses a special

challenge for teachers: helping youngsters understand the war, without imposing the teachers' personal opinions.

"Hardly a day goes by that we don't at least spend five or 10 minutes talking about current events," teacher Ron James said.

"My job is not to brainwash them or indoctrinate them, but let them express their opinion - and at the same time hopefully try to illuminate or expand their knowledge, or at least point out, OK, there's this thing you need to consider."

That's the ideal method, said State Superintendent of Public Instruction Marilyn Howard.

When dealing with touchy subjects, often the Socratic method is best. That is, allowing students to draw their own conclusions through questions, while acknowledging and respecting the students' viewpoints.

The Idaho Education Department has posted tips for teachers on its Web site.

James is eager to see his ninth-graders thinking for themselves.

"That's when a lot of them start to see that maturity factor," he said. "They start to come into their own, start to look for their own identity. They're starting to break away from their parents' opinions."

Thus, during the discussion,

he'll write on the chalkboard the pros and cons of the war. He hopes a debate will ensue, but in a class filled with war supporters, he sometimes has to play devil's advocate.

Thus, when Jaclyn McCall, 15, says Saddam Hussein's removal is warranted based on the risk he poses the United States, James asks whether Saddam is truly a threat or merely a nuisance.

He is a threat, she replies, because he has weapons of mass destruction.

James keeps prodding: Does he? None have been found yet.

Well, he will in 10 years, she

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## WHERE'S SADDAM?

### Iraqi TV appearance renews questions

Chicago Tribune

WASHINGTON - Two videotapes shown in Iraq television Friday purporting to show Iraqi President Saddam Hussein in Baghdad renewed questions over whether he really is alive and in charge.

U.S. intelligence analysts said these Iraq satellite tapes indicate Saddam probably is alive, but also raised the possibility that the tapes were doctored.

The tapes show a man in a military uniform, wearing a turban and a military cap, and making specific reference to a

U.S. helicopter capture that occurred several days after a surgical airstrike on one of his residences that many believed had killed him.

In the other video, Saddam appears in a bomb-damaged section of Baghdad surrounded by a crowd of wildly cheering supporters, vowing to fight on.

Even if he is alive, U.S. officials have said this week that it is unclear whether Saddam is capable of rallying loyal troops and civilians to his defense in a defense of the first capital.

The new videotapes pose challenges made by U.S. officials over recent days for Baghdad to

show himself.

At a briefing Tuesday, Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld asked, "Where are Iraq's leaders? The night before the ground war began, coalition forces launched a strike on a meeting of Iraq's senior command and control. And they have not been heard from since."

The same day, White House press secretary Ari Fleischer said during a briefing, "If you're in Iraq, if you're part of the leadership structure, especially, if you have something to do or concrete to report, such as that Saddam

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A man who was identified as President Saddam Hussein by Iraq television is seen in this image Monday on Friday.

**The Times-News**



NATION

# Powell wants quick action after war

WASHINGTON (AP) — Secretary of State Colin Powell proposed on Friday that an interim administration be set up quickly in Iraq with exiled Iraqis playing a prominent role but also including "those inside" who opposed Saddam Hussein.

"We are anxious to move quickly," Powell said after a meeting at the White House with President Bush, Secretary of Defense Donald H. Rumsfeld and Condoleezza Rice, the president's national security assistant.

"The day of liberation is growing near," Powell said at a news conference at the State Department. "We are almost in

control of their country, and we'll be in complete control soon."

Whether Saddam is alive or not "is not going to affect our efforts," Powell said about new speculation that president probably was still alive and trying to rally resistance to the coalition onslaught.

The structuring of the interim authority is a subject of debate within the administration and between the United States and European nations.

According to U.S. News &

World Report, Rumsfeld sent two memos to Bush suggesting that Iraqi and Kurdish expatriates, with some experience with democracy, were better equipped to take over the country than Iraqis living under Saddam.

Asked what sort of mix he thought should be in the interim authority, Powell said, "We want to include those who were in the external opposition who have worked so long and so hard and with such determination for the liberation of Iraq, but also

individuals inside."

"We are now putting together plans to structure that approach and in due course we will make it known to everyone," Powell said. "We want an interim authority that is representative of all the groups who are interested in the future of Iraq."

On Thursday, in Brussels, Belgium, Powell met with foreign ministers of NATO and the European Union and reaffirmed the administration's view that "the coalition has to play the leading role" in the interim between Saddam's regime and a new Iraqi government.



Colin Powell

## Lynch recuperates at military hospital

LANDSTUHL, Germany (AP) — Jessica Lynch, America's best-known POW, was getting VIP treatment Friday at the military's Landstuhl Regional Medical Center in Germany, but officials still aren't releasing many details about her injuries: a head wound and fractures in her right arm, both legs, her right foot and ankle, and an injury to her spine.

She had a back operation Thursday and surgery for other broken bones Friday, said the commander of the hospital, Col.

David Rubenstein. A friend from her unit is with her and has spoken by telephone with her family, Rubenstein said. She will need "extensive rehabilitative services" but was expected to recuperate completely, he said.

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## SPOTLIGHT: BAGDAD, USA

### Obscure towns get new recognition

BAGDAD, Calif. (AP) — The railroad depot and air strip are gone. The Bagdad Cafe has crumbled. The motel has been obliterated.

This is Bagdad — the California version.

The now-abandoned highway stop deep in the Mojave desert is one of at least 10 Bagdads in a handful of states that existed in relative obscurity until Iraq's capital became a household name and a target for coalition bombs.

Now these American Bagdads are undergoing a revival of sorts.

"We are getting a lot of notoriety right now," said Bill Tucker, 58, who manages Bagdad Roller Mills Inc., a feed store in Bagdad, Ky. "In the last six weeks, we've had visits from the BBC, Sky TV and Fox."

Some Bagdads disappeared with only tombstones remaining to show they once thrived. Others prosper in rural counties thanks to a copper mine, steel mill and assorted businesses.

They survive in federal geological surveys, maps and atlases in California, Arizona, Florida, Texas, Pennsylvania, Louisiana, Kentucky, Virginia, New York and Tennessee. Only three have post offices.

All are quiet. Very quiet.

"There's no shooting. No fighting. No war," said Betty Lucjak, 59, who lives in Bagdad, Pa., 30 miles northeast of Pittsburgh.

"There are only three families down here and I happen to be one of them."

While it's not the Euphrates, people in Bagdad, Fla., a few miles northeast of Pensacola, can feel their feet in the Blackwater River.

"This is a place where you can relax," said 58-year-old Claude B. Dupuy, Jr., chief of the Bagdad Volunteer Fire Department.

"The most important thing we do have here is the fire department. When there are cats in trees or people get sick, they call the fire department."

None of the Bagdads are spelled the same as Iraq's, and only a few share a desert climate.

Some, including Bagdads in Arizona, Kentucky and Pennsylvania, trace their name to a story of a father and son. The tale goes that a son would be working, filling bags with ore, salt or feed. When full, he would yell to his father, "Bagdad, Bagdad."

Thus another Bagdad was born. While some residents admit it sounds like a bad joke, they insist the story is true and their towns have no connection to the Middle East.



Flags wave above a list of friends or relatives of residents serving in the war at the Miner's Cafe in Bagdad, Ariz., Wednesday.

"Please don't associate our town's name with that of Baghdad, Iraq," the Bagdad, Ariz., Web site instructs. "It had nothing to do with Iraq."

So how do you explain the Sultan, the Bagdad High School mascot? Glen Hadlock, 54, Bagdad High School principal, said it's better than the former name: the Bagdad Thieves.

The Arizona community has about 1,500 residents, and the major employer is Phelps Dodge Bagdad, a copper mine with 400 workers.

Still the remote company town about 40 miles west of Phoenix hasn't gone unnoticed since U.S. forces rolled into Iraq.

"We've had a lot of interest from Europeans wanting to come over here and take pictures," said Ken Vaughn, corporate communications manager at the mine. "We are turning them down because we just don't have time to deal with that."

Hadlock says a few reporters also have stopped by his school and talked with the students, which has befuddled him. Everybody knows that Bagdad, Ariz., is not connected with Iraq. "I'm not quite sure why this is news," he said.

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## Discover How to Avoid the 6 Biggest Mistakes Homebuyers Make

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move to your next home, it is crucial that you inform yourself about the factors involved.

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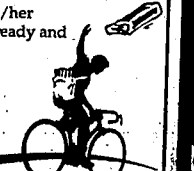
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## YOUR WEEKEND

### Benefit concert

What: A benefit concert featuring band students from Twin Falls elementary schools, live the College of Southern Idaho Madrigals and the CSI Madladies will be held.

Where: The CSI Fine Arts Center auditorium.

When: 8 p.m. today.

How much: Tickets, which are \$8 for adults and \$6 for seniors and students, are available at Everybody's Business, Welch Music and the CSI Bookstore in Twin Falls, or at the bank. Proceeds will go to the Twin Falls Elementary Orchestra Program and the CSI chapter of the Music Educators National Conference.

### The Lamphouse Theatre

What: "Intacto" will be shown.

Where: The Lamphouse Theatre, 233 Fifth Ave. S., Twin Falls.

When: 4:30, 7 and 9:15 p.m. today and Sunday.

How much: \$6.50 for adults, \$4.50 for seniors and students and \$4 for children.

### Lam dinner

What: The Wendell Methodist Church will have a lam dinner with scalloped potatoes.

Where: The church, 175 E. Main St.

When: 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday

How much: Free will offering.

### Mexican dinner

What: The Future Hispanics Leaders Association will serve a Mexican dinner.

Where: The old gym at Valley High School, 882 Valley Road S. in Hazelton.

When: 6:30 p.m. today

How much: \$8 per person or \$20 per family.

### Barbershop show

What: The 35th Annual Snake River Barbershop Show will be held.

Where: King Fine Arts Center, Barley.

When: 7:30 p.m. today.

How much: \$6 general admission, \$5 for students and seniors and \$18 for family.

### Coffee and jazz

What: The Chapter 2 Jazz Quartet, featuring Brian Crider, Steve Cox, Jeff Fox and Jake Smith, will perform.

Where: Coffee Cafe in the Lyndon Mall.

When: 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. today.

How much: No cover charge.

### Jazz evening

What: The Great Riff Jazz Society, in association with the CSI Jazz Studies Program, will present Jazz Studies. The jazz quintet will play jazz classics and standards, show tunes, modern jazz and the blues. Students and families are welcome.

Where: Gertie's Brick Oven Cookery, 602 Second Ave. S., Twin Falls.

When: 4-6 p.m. Sunday.

How much: No cover charge.

### Faulkner Planetarium

What: The Faulkner Planetarium will present "Through the Eyes of Hubble."

When: 2 p.m. today.

Where: Herrett Center for Arts and Science on the campus of the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls.

How much: Ticket prices are \$4 for adults, \$3 for senior citizens 60 and over, \$2 for students and \$9 for families, are available at the auditorium. Ages 4 and under are not admitted.

### More Your Weekend

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## Snowpack levels

Watershed	% of Avg.	% of Normal
Upper Snake River	94%	90%
Salmon Falls	63%	60%
Dayley	102%	97%
Big Lost	82%	82%
Big Wood	95%	87%
Henry's Fork/Teton	82%	79%
Big Lost	91%	88%
Little Lost	77%	73%

As of April 4  
\*A comparison of basin averages for this day with a 30-year average.

# Therapists take hospital to court

By Sandy Miller  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS**—Two local speech therapists and their husbands are taking Magic Valley Regional Medical Center to federal court under the Federal False Claims Act which protects whistle-blowers.

According to the civil suit filed March 27 in U.S. District Court for the District of Idaho, former Magic Valley Regional employees Cheri Suter and Mindy Harmer contend they were wrongly fired

in March 2001 after discovering and reporting improper billing and record keeping practices under the federal Medicare program in the operation and management of the hospital's therapy departments.

Kent Taylor, the hospital's legal counsel, said through hospital spokesman Shawn Barigar that the hospital had not yet been formally served with the lawsuit and therefore no defense attorney has been assigned to the case.

"It's our policy that we don't comment on pending litigation," Barigar said.

Local attorney Brian Harper, who along with Boise attorney B. Newall Squyres is representing the plaintiffs, would only say they're suing under the federal statute. A similar suit was filed in District Court back in August 2001 and is now in the discovery phase, Harper said. The hospital denied that tort claim, according to the lawsuit.

The attorneys for the plaintiffs, who also include Suter's husband, Randy, and Harmer's husband, Eric Herzog, decided to also file the suit in federal court because it includes the alleged violation

of federal laws. Other than that, Harper said he could not comment on the lawsuit. "I cannot comment on the facts at this time," he said.

According to the federal lawsuit, Suter and Harmer came on board at Magic Valley Regional in October of 2000 after the hospital negotiated with them to acquire their business, Cornerstone Therapy LLC, which operated the hospital's pediatric therapy program and also provided speech therapy to a number of other clients in Twin Falls and around the area.

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## CONVENTIONAL

# District judge plans to retire

By Mark Heinz  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS**—One of Twin Falls' key district court judges said he'll retire this year, but the process of replacing him has yet to begin.

Judge Nathan Higer, 58, said Thursday that he plans to step down on Oct. 1.

"I'm old enough to retire and still young enough to enjoy it," Higer said.

He said he also wants to have more time with his wife, who recently retired from teaching in Twin Falls.

The process of finding a replacement for Higer will start soon, according to the office of the Idaho Judicial Council. That council is responsible for interviewing candidates for district court judges and Supreme Court justices — and then selecting a list of finalists for the governor to choose from.



Judge Nathan Higer

The council is currently busy finding a replacement for Supreme Court Justice Jesse R. Walters, who will retire at the end of July. Among hopefuls for that position is 5th District Administrative Judge Roger Burdick of Twin Falls. The council will interview candidates for that position on June 6 in Boise.

Meanwhile, letters notifying of Higer's retirement and calling for applications will be sent by April 14 to all Idaho attorneys in good standing, according to the judicial council's office. No date for candidate interviews had been set as of Friday.

Higer began his career as a judge as a magistrate in Mini-

Cassia in 1977. He was appointed as a district judge in Twin Falls in 1999.

Higer said the nature of the cases he's considered in district court haven't changed much over the years. Sadly, many of them have been for driving under the influence, he said.

"There have also been more sex offense cases than anticipated, and that's unfortunate," Higer said.

Higer will be difficult to replace, said Twin Falls County Prosecutor Grant Leeb. "He was fair and reasonable and took his job very seriously. And he knew the courtroom very well. I'm sad to see him go."

Among the duties of a district court judge are presiding over felony trials, handing down sentences on felony convictions and presiding over major civil cases.

The standard annual salary for a district judge is \$91,596.

# Richfield loses bank, gains building

By Almee Durand  
Times-News correspondent

**RICHFIELD**—The town may have lost its only bank, but its school has gained some real estate.

On March 28, Zions Bank formally decided the property on which the former branch office stands to the Richfield School District.

The school district, which banks with Zions, will initially use the building as storage space. There are future plans to house offices for the district clerk, the superintendent and the district business manager.

Once the storage space is utilized and the offices established, roughly half of a classroom will be available to the ancillary staff. That means Title I teachers could have a place to meet with their classes, which are only about three to six students in size.

“Space is at a premium in our current building, and any space that isn't going to cost us is a tremendous boon, I appreciate Zions Bank's contribution to our community.”

—David Hochlander, Richfield school superintendent

“Space is at a premium for us in our current building, and any

space that isn't going to cost us is a tremendous boon. We appreciate Zions Bank's contribution to our community,” said Superintendent David Hochlander. “It's an attractive building downtown and we're glad to be able to keep it in use.”

The branch closed Nov. 22, 2002. Rob Brough, public relations vice president for the bank, said the decision was based on “purely economic reasons.” Zions will continue to operate an ATM in the adjacent corner of the building.

“We appreciate the relationship we've had with the Richfield School District over the years, on a personal level and through our public finance division,” said Kelly Anderson, Zions Bank's eastern Idaho region president. “We have a sincere interest in the ongoing success of the school district because its success translates

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Christine Schmid, from the New Plymouth chapter of the FFA, gave a speech to the state convention about ethanol. The convention, which is being held at the College of Southern Idaho, is set to wrap up today.

# Jerome fire sub-station goes over budget

By Dixie Thomas Reale  
Times-News correspondent

**JEROME**—The plans for the fire department's new sub-station are ready to be approved. Unfortunately, the estimated cost is roughly one-third over budget.

Representatives of ZGA Architects of Boise have been meeting with a fire station sub-committee, made up of members of the Urban Renewal Agency, for several months to refine ideas and fine-tune preliminary plans.

Urban renewal originally set aside \$800,000 for the sub-station.

However, plans show a total cost estimate of between \$1,103,725 and \$1,043, 275, about one-third over the amount budgeted.

City engineer Scott Bybee told urban renewal Thursday the agency could increase the budget for the building, modify the building to cut costs or set the project aside until more money becomes available.

Urban renewal tabled the decision for two weeks. The agency will try to work through its budget to see if it can find additional funds.

The plans as submitted to urban renewal show a 103-foot

by 80-foot building with two drive-through bays, sleeping quarters for three, a living area, office space, a fitness room, storage and repair areas.

In the beginning, urban renewal agreed to help with the cost of a one-bay and one-sleeping-quarter sub-station when we set the budget. The city was also supposed to help pay for the fire station. Things have been added since then,” said urban renewal Chairman Ralph Peters.

“Five years ago urban renewal asked Jim Austad to give his best guess at what would be an auto accident.”

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# Police investigate death of Rupert resident

**RUPERT**—Police officers are investigating the death of a 28-year-old man, police Cpl. Juan Martinez said Friday.

Police were called to a report of a man who had been found dead in a house at 416 H St. in Rupert at 1:57 a.m. Friday. Police suspect the man may have died as a result of an overdose, according to a press release from the police department. An autopsy is being conducted and an investigation continues, Martinez said.

The man's name won't be released until next week, Martinez said.

## Magic Valley in brief

of Southern Idaho will present a benefit concert tonight at 8 in the CSI Fine Arts Center auditorium.

The Spring Benefit concert will feature the Twin Falls High School ensemble Javel, the CSI Madrigals, CSI Mt. Ladies, Twin Falls Elementary Orchestra students and other vocal and instrumental ensembles in what is expected to be approximately 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 Orchestra program and the CSI Collegiate chapter of the Music Educators National Conference.

Ticket prices are \$8 for adults and \$6 for seniors and students. Children 5 and under will be admitted free of charge. Tickets are available at Everybody's Business, Welch Music, the Music Center, the CSI Bookstore and at the door.

## Kimberly students will dismiss early for memorial

**KIMBERLY**—Schools in the Kimberly School District will dismiss at 1:15 p.m. Monday so that students and faculty may attend a memorial service for Lacie Rice, a student who died Wednesday as the result of an auto accident.

The memorial service will be at 2 p.m. Monday in the Kimberly High School gymnasium.

## America at war

Serving their country  
Professors of servicemen and women with local ties who are deployed to Iraq and the Middle East. Information supplied by their families.



Kyle Mason

- Age: 25.
- Hometown: Twin Falls.
- Local family: Parents, Rocky and Debbie Mason, and wife, originally from Filer, Sonja (Gundersen) Mason; son Broc and daughter Kynlee, who are living in Germany.
- Service, date of enlistment: Air Force, August 1996.
- Rank, assignment: Staff sergeant, 386 Expeditionary Civil Engineer Squadron, structural craftsman, Al-Al-Salem, Kuwait.
- Task: Welding.

• Additional information: He's sleeping in his chemical protective gear and hears warning sirens and explosions throughout the nights, but can't see them.

Jay Bodey



- Age: 28.
- Hometown: Rupert.
- Local family: Parents, Donald and Judy Bodey.
- Service, date of enlistment: Army, January 1997.
- Rank, assignment: Sergeant, Air Defense Artillery attached to the 3rd Infantry Division, Iraq.
- Task: Maintenance on tanks and air defense artillery.
- Additional information: He walks next to a tank with a gun.

—Compiled by Annie Thompson

For a list of other people serving in the war from Magic Valley, go online to [www.magicvalley.com](http://www.magicvalley.com) and click on "America at War." To submit information and photos about local servicemen and women involved in Operation Iraqi Freedom, please call Times-News Clerk Sherris Barnes at 735-3259 or e-mail [sherris@timesnews.com](mailto:sherris@timesnews.com). Please include your own name and contact information.

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Environmentalists win wolf injunction

BOISE (AP) - Wolves in Idaho's Sawtooth National Recreation Area will be protected for a second grazing season, even if the parks lose their livestock, a federal judge ruled this week. U.S. District Judge B. Lynn Winnmill on Wednesday also clarified the injunction sought by Western Watersheds Project and the Idaho Conservation League not only protects wolves on public property, but also on private land there. It is in effect until Nov. 1. Judge Winnmill's decision is a great one for wolves and a necessary one for the Forest Service, which clearly needs this kind of direction to do its job, said Jon Marvel, Western Watersheds

director, on Friday. The two environmental groups filed suit in February to renew last year's injunction that protected the parks from wolf attacks on cattle or sheep there from automatically being moved or killed. A 1972 law created the scenic recreation area and gives wolves precedence over grazing. Winnmill said those rules must be balanced with regulations established in the 1990s, which directed the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to move and possibly kill wolves that prey on stock. "Once again the court perceives this as a limited remedy that will give the parties time to work out solutions while allowing grazing to continue," he wrote this week.

In the past three years, at least 30 wolves have been killed or removed in and around the recreation area due to conflicts with livestock, the environmental groups said. About 4,470 sheep and 2,500 goats on 28 Forest Service allotments there. Winnmill also accelerated by three months the Forest Service's schedule for environmental analysis of livestock grazing allotments in the valley. They will determine if grazing must be reduced or halted because of harm to wildlife, they said. The Forest Service must complete by Sept. 30 an environmental review of certain allotments. In his July 2002 ruling, Winnmill's decision sought to bal-

ance out the "primacy of the value of wildlife" under the federal Organic Act and the "conditional value" of grazing. That act designated the recreation area in the 1970s. Winnmill noted conflicts between wolves and stock will only increase. There are nearly 300 wolves roaming central Idaho after about 30 were released there in 1995 and 1996. "Wolves are an important part of how nature is supposed to work in the Sawtooth National Recreation Area," said attorney Lucas of Advocates for the West, representing the two environmentalist groups. "They could draw thousands of people to Idaho to see them as they do in Yellowstone."



Michal Michaelis watches her very first snowfall Wednesday as a mostly snow-free winter turned white in early spring for residents of Ashland, Ore. Michaelis is a former Los Angeles resident and native of the Philippines and says she has never experienced a snowstorm before.

High court rules in favor of lesbian teacher

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - The Utah Supreme Court said on Friday it would not decide if a lesbian Spanish Fork High School teacher is morally fit to teach. Instead, that decision should be left to local and state education officials. The ruling was a victory for Wendy Weaver, a lesbian teacher who came under attack from parents and students at the conservative high school in a heavily Mormon part of Utah. Teachers are required by law to be moral models for their students. The lawsuit alleged that Weaver couldn't be a good role model because her lifestyle conflicted with state laws prohibiting sodomy. Weaver, who now uses her unmarried name Wendy Chandler, said the court's ruling was a relief. "What they were going after was not really within their right as citizens to do," Weaver said. She also believes that they're scared to have their kids see someone who

is gay but who functions and is happy and they like. That doesn't go with their perception that gay people are evil or unhealthy." Weaver, a 1979 Brigham Young University graduate, continues to teach at Spanish Fork High School because her ex-husband, children and partner's children live nearby. Utah's American Civil Liberties Union represented Weaver during oral arguments. "The parents and students said, 'We're going to get rid of you, and we're going to ignore the school board,'" said Dani Eyer, executive director of Utah's ACLU. "You have to go through the process.

Nobody had a problem with Wendy professionally. "The courts aren't the proper place to decide these cultural wars." Parents and students tried to remove Weaver from her teaching position by complaining to the local school board, but the Nelo School District did not fire Weaver - an award-winning, 20-year psychology teacher. They pursued the case in the state's 4th District Court, but Judge Ray Haring Jr. dismissed the lawsuit in 1999. Those seeking to oust Weaver then sought a declaration from the state Supreme Court saying she

was unfit to teach. The declaration would have forced the school board to dismiss Weaver, Attorney Matthew Hilton argued to the court in October. However, the court declined. State law about disciplining teachers "does not grant a private right of action to students and parents of students to enforce statutory and regulatory requirements for public school employees," the court said. "The students, former students, and parents of students before us on appeal lack a legally protectible interest in this controversy." Disciplinary action and complaints must be handled by the Professional Practices Advisory Commission, the disciplinary arm of the state board of education, the court ruled. Any complaints against teachers "must be taken before the only bodies authorized to act in this regard: the local school district, the Commission, or the State Board of Education," the court said.

Small Colorado city mourns fallen Marine

ALAMOSA, Colo. (AP) - A young Marine killed during the war in Iraq was remembered Friday as a patriot and a leader who lived life with voracity. About 350 mourners, many of whom did not know Col. Randall Kent Rosacker, packed First Methodist Church for the services. "He was my mentor - he taught me to be proud to be an American, he taught me to be thankful I am free, he taught me to be proud to be me," Rosacker's sister Samantha wrote in a poem she recited during the service. "With every inch I hold of grief, I hold a thousand more of pride - to know that to ensure that we're all free, he went out there and died," she said, crying. Rosacker, 21, was one of 10 Marines killed March 23 in fierce fighting near An Nasiriyah, Iraq, about 230 miles south of Baghdad. He was a machine gunner for the 1st Battalion, 2nd Marine Regiment, 2nd Marine Expeditionary Brigade based at Camp Lejeune, N.C. His parents were raised in this farming-and-ranching region about 200 miles southwest of Denver and many relatives still live here. He had asked to be buried in the area. After the service, Rosacker's father Rod, a Navy commander based at Bremerton, Wash., saluted the casket before the 15-mile drive to the cemetery at the Colorado State Veterans Center near Monte Vista. Rosacker was buried with full military honors including a 21-gun salute. A folded flag was presented to his mother. Mourners remembered Rosacker as someone who protected his younger sisters and was unafraid to tell his family he loved them, even in front of his friends. During his high school, Rosacker decorated his bedroom in red, white and blue. His first car also was painted the colors of the flag that he gave his life for. "Owens," an American flag tattooed on his arm. "I know him as a fighter and never a loser. In my book he will always be a hero," said his cousin Shawn Glynn, 17, of Alamosa. Attending the service were Attorney General Ken Salazar and his brother state Rep. John Salazar, who grew up in the area, and Gov. Bill Owens, who called Rosacker a hero. "Today we honor a man who had so deep a love of his country that he gave his life for it," Owens said. "His memory will live on to remind us what the profound cost of freedom is." Rosacker was born in Alamosa and grew up in San Diego, where his wife, Brooke, lives. He joined the Marines when he was 18; three days before his high school graduation, turning down scholarship offers to play college football, his father has said. He spent summers and Christmas holidays in the area, camping, hunting and fishing. Family members said he hoped to return someday to Colorado, where his grandparents and two great-grandmothers live.

SERVICES

Thelma Elizabeth Wheeler of Buhl, memorial service at 11 a.m. today at Twin Falls Reformed Church. Marvin Gene Fallon of Jerome and formerly of Boise, celebration of life at 10:30 a.m. today at First North Mortuary Chapel, 1343 South Lincoln, Jerome. Harvey E. 'Pete' Austin of Kimberly, celebration of life at 2 p.m. today at Reynolds Funeral Chapel. Marjorie E. Gale of Rupert, service at 11 a.m. today at the Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley; burial will be in Rupert Cemetery; friends may call one hour before the service today at the funeral home. Mildred Mortimer of Buhl, service at 11 a.m. today at the St. John's Lutheran Church in Buhl. Interment will follow the service at Sunset Memorial Park Cemetery in Twin Falls (Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, Twin Falls). Anita M. Clark of Twin Falls, service at 1 p.m. today at the Ammon LDS 6th Ward, 2945 Selway; the family will meet with friends for one hour before the service; burial will be in Ammon Cemetery (Wood Funeral Home, Idaho Falls). Martin Van Whitesell of Richfield, service at 11 a.m. today at the Richfield LDS Church; burial will be in the Richfield Cemetery; friends may call from 10 a.m. until the time of the service today at the church (Demary's Shoshone Chapel). Lacie Joy Rice of Twin Falls, celebration of life at 2 p.m. Monday at the Kimberly High School gymnasium; burial will follow at Sunset Memorial Park; friends may call from 3-8 p.m. Sunday at Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls. Donna Beth (Whitmore) McMillan of Twin Falls, graveside service at 11 a.m. Monday at the Jerome Cemetery in Jerome (Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home and Crematory, Twin Falls).

DEATH NOTICES

Thelma Crouse FILER - Thelma Crouse, 89, of Filer died Friday, April 4, 2003, at SunBridge Care Center in Twin Falls. Arrangements will be announced by Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home in Twin Falls. Mickey John Meyers OGDEN, Utah - Mickey John Meyers, 60, of Ogden, Utah, died Thursday, April 3, 2003, at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls. The service will be held at a later date in Ogden, Utah. Local arrangements are under the direction of the Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls. Pauline Busmann BURL - Pauline Busmann, 79, of Buhl died Thursday, April 3, 2003, at the Snake River Rehabilitation and Living Center. Arrangements will be announced by the Farmer Funeral Chapel. Jason S. Russell RUPERT - Jason S. Russell, 28, of Rupert died Thursday, April 3, 2003, at his home. Arrangements will be announced by Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley.

OBITUARY

For obituary rates and information, call 733-0931, Ext. 276, between 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Deadline is 4:30 p.m. for next-day publication. The e-mail address for obituaries is obita@magicvalley.com. Death notices are a free service and can be placed until 5 p.m. every day.

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Police arrest suspect in mail fraud

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - A Provo man was arrested Friday on charges of mail fraud, tax evasion and wire fraud for a five-year investment scheme that allegedly defrauded investors of millions. Albert Earl Carter, 61, was indicted by a federal grand jury on 22 counts, each carrying a penalty of up to five years in federal prison. The indictment alleges that at various times between 1995 and 2000 Carter was the managing director of Allied International Resources, which solicited about \$2 million from investors. Letters to investors claimed that investments would last 12 months, and be protected by a guarantee against loss for 108 percent of the investment. Carter allegedly represented to the investors that he expected 200 percent of the investment at the annual anniversary date. The letter also said that the proposed investment was "safer than certificates of deposit at your local bank," the indictment said. Unsealed Friday, the indictment claims that Carter was based in Utah but solicited investors through fax, voice mail and letters in Indiana, New York, Idaho, Florida and California. About \$1.2 million of investor funds were used to repay earlier investors, according to the indictment. In January, government investigators announced indictments or charges against seven people operating independently in similar schemes. The FBI said criminals duped early investors by making monthly "interest" payments from the proceeds of other scheme investors until the pyramid scheme collapsed. "This is the same kind of scheme, but it has nothing to do with those people," said Melodie Rydahl, Utah spokeswoman for the U.S. Attorney's Office. "They use a top secret bank opportunity that the general public doesn't know about." The indictment against Carter also alleges that in 1996 he had a taxable income of at least \$215,000 and owed at least \$75,000 in taxes. He allegedly didn't file tax returns for at least two years and used a credit card from an offshore bank to pay personal expenses.

Police: Suspect in Fun Dome shooting confesses

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - A 16-year-old boy has been charged with attempted first-degree murder for a shooting that happened in front of an amusement center last week. According to the documents filed in 3rd District Juvenile Court on Thursday, the 16-year-old admitted to police that he was the gunman in the Saturday night shooting at the Utah Fun Dome in Murray. A 4-year-old boy from Tooele County was hit by a bullet and was seriously injured. Investigators think the shooting was gang-related, but they said the shots were fired indiscriminately into the crowd. At least four people were hit. Police found 17 shell casings at the scene. Numerous witnesses told authorities they saw a group of juveniles arguing with two other boys, according to court documents. The conflict began in the arcade on the second floor of the Fun Dome, witnesses said, then moved outside to the building's front entrance. When outside, one of the two boys reached inside his pocket, pulled out a gun and fired at the group of juveniles in the entrance, documents said. Two juveniles believed to have been targets of the shooting were hit in the hand and arm by authorities said. The suspect, who remains in juvenile detention, is charged with a serious youth offender, meaning a juvenile judge will hold a hearing and decide whether to have him tried as an adult. That hearing is set for April 25 before Judge Robert S. Vesters. Police have also arrested another juvenile boy and a 16-year-old woman. All three juveniles are charged with shooting a woman and drove off.

# Albion council mulls water charges

### Official recommends that rates be based on consumption

By **Shelley Ridenour**  
Times-News correspondent

ALBION — City Council members heard recommendations at last week's meeting that the charge water users based on their consumption.

Kevin McLeod, a water circuit rider for the Idaho Rural Water Association, said he suggested this as part of several recommendations to the council on water issues.

City Maintenance Supervisor Steven Waldemar said service meters are being read now to obtain baseline data for determining rates.

McLeod said he has a computer program to help determine rates.

McLeod also recommended the city install flow meters on wells in part because that suggestion has been made by personnel at the Idaho Department of Water Resources because of the need to conserve water.

Councilman Len Marrs said city officials need to coordinate with the engineers hired for the meter system improvement project if flow meters are installed. Waldemar was directed to talk

with the engineers and obtain three estimates for the cost of the water.

In one other water issue, the council asked Waldemar to clean out ditches for surface water delivery.

Other council business included:

- Normal school work — Key Powell of the Albion Valley Players and the Albion State Normal/Southern Idaho College of Education Alumni Association, reported the groups had donated money to pay for plywood to board up windows on the main floor of Conish Hall, the former girls dormitory on the school campus.
- The windows were covered,

Powell said, because of safety, security and preservation concerns.

He asked the city to pay for wood to cover windows on the building's upper floor.

The council approved spending up to \$1,000 for that work.

- Grant presentation — A presentation related to a block grant the Idaho Fire Protection District has applied for to pay part of the costs of a new fire station has been scheduled for 3:25 p.m. April 24 in Boise.

- Water system work — City Attorney Ken McMurray was instructed to prepare a contract with Galena Engineering for phase two of the water system improvement project.

# Habitat for Humanity selects families, officers

### Magic Valley in brief

**TWIN FALLS** — The Magic Valley Habitat for Humanity affiliate recently selected two partner families to build homes with — one in Jerome and one in Twin Falls.

Selected from Jerome were Sonia Moore and her three children, Jose, Jeri and Johnny. Construction will start as soon as land is acquired and the outcome of a grant request is known.

In Twin Falls, Theresa Hadley and her children, Taylor and Jason, were selected for a home which has already been started.

These families were selected from a pool of 20 applicants. To be selected, applicants must have sufficient income to meet the monthly non-interest mortgage payments and the home is completed, must be able to put in 500 hours of work on their own homes and on other Habitat homes, and must be good representatives for Habitat in the community.

One more family remains to be selected from the current pool of applicants.

In other recent Habitat business, the board of directors elected officers for the upcoming year. They include Rosemary Barta, Forsnell, president; Gordon Saffrey, vice president; Fred Decker, secretary; and

Carol Robertson, treasurer. Anyone wanting to donate to and/or participate in Habitat can reach Robertson at 734-8349 or carol@pmt.org, or can write to Habitat for Humanity of the Magic Valley, Box 3034, Twin Falls, ID 83303-3034.

### Sun Valley will close Seattle Ridge, Dollar Mountain

SUN VALLEY — Sun Valley Resort will close the Seattle Ridge area of Bald Mountain and Dollar Mountain for the season at the end of the ski day on Sunday, April 8. The Seattle Ridge area and its adjacent bowls have plenty of snow but not enough skiers to justify keeping it and the Seattle Ridge Lodge open. Sun Valley received about 7 inches of snow in the last few days.

Lift tickets are discounted through the remainder of the season at \$45 for adults. Season pass holders for some other resorts can get an additional \$5 off. Lift tickets are \$25 for adult discount ticket holders. Weekend discount cards are good daily through the remainder of the season.

— compiled from staff reports

# Cassia planners take comments on feedlot

### Residents can submit remarks through April 17

By **Shelley Ridenour**  
Times-News writer

BURLEY — Cassia County Planning and Zoning Commission members decided at the end of a three-hour public hearing Thursday they needed more time to consider a feedlot application.

They said they want to review the material related to Alliance Land and Livestock's application to build a large feedlot near Declo and wanted to give people more time to submit written comments on the proposal.

So they agreed to accept written comments until the end of the business day April 17, allow the applicant time to review comments and materials and file a written response, and then discuss the application again at a May 1 planning commission meeting.

Cassia County Administrator Ken McMurray said that once commission members close the evidence hearing, which may occur May 1, they then must take action on the application within 30 days.

Commission members are debating whether to issue a confined animal feeding operation permit and a conditional use permit for that proposed CAFO to Alliance Land and Livestock. Alliance partners want to open a 9,999-head feedlot at 1050 E.100 N. near Declo. It is in an area zoned multiple use. Many neighbors oppose the request.

Attorneys for both sides argued their cases before the planning commission Thursday.

### Public comment

Anyone may comment in writing on an application by Alliance Land and Livestock partners to operate a 9,999-head feedlot near Declo.

Written comments are due in the Cassia County administrator's office by 5 p.m. Thursday, April 17. In order to be considered by the Cassia County Planning and Zoning Commission, the letters must include the sender's name and address.

The mailing address is: Cassia County Administrator Ken McMurray, Cassia County Courthouse, 1459 Overland Ave., Burley, 83318.

One of the partners also made his pitch for approval and six neighbors spoke against the proposal.

The decision is being made by five commission members because two members declared conflicts of interest and recused themselves from the hearing. Rod Lake didn't attend the hearing, after telling McMurray he had a potential conflict of interest from an economic standpoint. Sandy Robinson stepped down from the commission after declaring he had a conflict of interest of a business nature.

McMurray pointed out a couple of differences of opinion between county officials and the applicant.

One relates to the animal density. Alliance Land and Livestock officials say they are not obligated to comply with the 5 animal units per acre restriction, but the county disagrees, McMurray said.

Alliance officials now have 877.5 acres available for the feedlot, he said. That would allow them to place no more than 4,388 animal units on the

land. They've asked for 9,999 animal units.

And McMurray said, the applicants don't yet have approval for water rights from the Idaho Department of Water Resources, which is required by county ordinance.

Brent Stoker, a partner in Alliance Land and Livestock, said that requirement is unfair.

"Until I own the land I can't apply for a water right," Stoker said. "I can buy the land until I know the outcome of this."

Each side was represented by legal counsel at Thursday's hearing.

Don Pickett, the attorney for Alliance Land and Livestock, cautioned the commission to not allow the hearing and decision processes to be "contaminated with politics," because their role was to enforce the county ordinances.

Pickett said a feedlot is an allowed use in a multiple use zone. He claimed the intent of multiple use and prime agriculture zones "is to support agriculture." He also referred to the right to farm act as support for his clients' applications to be approved.

Pickett said because the neighbors to the proposed feedlot built their homes in an ag zone, they should have signed nuisance waivers which "remove any claims of noise, odor and pollution."

Neighbor Sandy Mallory said county officials are charged with maintaining or improving the quality of life for all residents. "This won't improve the quality of life," she said of the feedlot.

Mallory also said evidence shows a CAFO is contrary to the multiple use zone, "which is to allow private property development at its best," she said.

county can't regulate CAFOs because county commissioners haven't yet defined a large CAFO in an ordinance. The planning commission sent a recommended definition to the county commissioners, but no formal action has been taken by that elected body.

Pickett made a reference to "clients" who were hired by Alliance to perform various studies of the property, regarding risks to water. He chastised McMurray for allowing neighbors who aren't experts on water, to provide data and information about the issue, when his client had paid for reports.

Pat Brown, the attorney representing the Cassia County Concerned Citizen's CAFO from being located in "high ground water" areas.

However, the ordinance doesn't define high groundwater. With the average groundwater depth between 20 and 40 feet in this area, Brown said no one was arguing that depth does not represent high groundwater.

"Why would you want to grant a conditional use permit on top of an area with high groundwater when it threatens the general public welfare?" Brown asked. There are plenty of areas in Cassia County already designated as CAFO overlays, he said, where this feedlot could be sited.

The county comprehensive plan also says ground and surface water must be protected before a conditional use permit can be issued, Brown said.

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# Nevada asks for experts in nuke dump hearings

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Nevada officials want independent experts to judge the Energy Department's license for a nuclear waste repository at Yucca Mountain, saying they would ensure fairness and credibility.

The request for nongovernmental scientists to weigh a repository application was part of a formal state petition submitted Thursday to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission in Washington, D.C.

Nevada also asked the commission to sideline its staff scientists for key parts of the license hearings, rather than let them participate in the ways that might be viewed as helping the Energy Department.

"Nevada wants to ensure that

the proceeding is not rigged against the state, and is both fair and credible," Attorney General Brian Sandoval said. "Lately these two agencies have looked more like a joint developer."

The federal commission has disputed that characterization. Agency spokesman Dave McIntyre said the commission would not comment on Nevada's petition until it is reviewed by the commission's lawyers.

After the Energy Department submits a license request in late 2004 or early 2005, the commission might take four years to determine whether Yucca Mountain is safe for nuclear waste, but the plan was approved by President Bush and Congress last summer.

According to the lawsuit, Suter met with Kee shortly after he replaced Voss to discuss the proposed billings and to further discuss the hospital's financial obligation for its acquisition of Cornerstone's business.

In January of 2001, a meeting between Suter and Harmer and the hospital's top management to discuss the failure of the hospital to comply with applicable Medicare regulations, improper billing and record keeping practices had been going on in both the hospital's transitional care unit and its adult outpatient clinic.

Suter contacted her superior, Brad Voss, then the hospital's vice president of medical affairs, with her concerns, and he told her to begin conducting audits, which she did. Ten days later, Voss was fired and replaced by John Kee, according to the lawsuit.

Kee has since been promoted to chief executive officer, the hospital's top officer.

improperly categorized at the highest Medicare reimbursement rate, and that therapy was being provided in group settings when required individual therapy. However, Kee responded that Medicare would never discover the problems and asked who among those in attendance would be the "whistle-blower."

Kee also directed that no more audits be performed, according to the lawsuit.

Just two weeks later, Suter and Harmer received letters informing them that the hospital had advised its attorney to take charge of the issues related to compensating the plaintiffs for their business. They were also told to get counsel as the hospital intended to terminate their

employment, according to the lawsuit.

On March 28, 2001, Suter and Harmer received their walking papers. According to the lawsuit, the hospital never honored its obligation to pay for the acquisition of Cornerstone's business.

The plaintiffs are asking that Magic Valley Regional to be found liable for the claims for relief, that the court award them all remedies to which they are entitled; that the court grant an amendment of the complaint to include a claim for punitive damages; and that the court award the costs of the suit, including reasonable attorney fees.

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# Jerome

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The expansion includes a new and larger parking lot, a concession stand and additional restrooms, a walk-in pool and spray ground with water toys, a volleyball court, bleachers, an additional gymnasium, additional storage and a weight room.

The total plan would cost around \$3 million.

Brian Kattner, recreation district board member, asked for a renewal if it would be willing to provide matching funds if the district can obtain a grant to build the facility.

Bybee said urban renewal had budgeted around \$1.4 million for the recreation district to use in various parks around the city for 2003.

Those funds could be made available for this project if the recreation district preferred.

Urban renewal also approved the payment of \$5,000 to the Jerome Chamber of Commerce for economic development activities.

# Richfield

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directly to the success of our children."

Hocklander said Zions paid for the deed transaction and the drawing up of the warranty deed. The only possible cost the school district may incur is a county registration fee.

He said the only condition attached to the transfer was that the building be used for school purposes for five years.

The bank building has been a fixture in Richfield since the early 1900s, said Sue Young, the manager of Zions Bank's Copeland division.

The 1900s.

In November 1955, thieves stole \$2,086 in coins by digging a 2-foot hole through the thick wall between the adjacent movie theater and the main vault.

"I'm glad it can be utilized for a good purpose going forward," Young said. "Who knows? Maybe the district will keep the answers to exams locked away in the vault."

Hocklander said he plans to use the vault for keeping student files in a fire-secure area.

"The vault will be a safe place for us to keep important records, as far as the answers to the tests, the teachers are on their own," he joked.

# Hospital

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ing areas.

According to the lawsuit, it wasn't long before Suter started seeing problems in the way Magic Valley Regional was billing Medicare. According to the lawsuit, she learned that improper billing and record keeping practices had been going on in both the hospital's transitional care unit and its adult outpatient clinic.

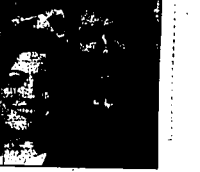
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Bo Jane and Lex Smith

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Lisa and Isaiah Womack

evening at the Womack residence. A reception for the couple will be held April 12 at the Filer LDS Stake Center.

They will reside in Rexburg to continue their education.

MORNING BREAK

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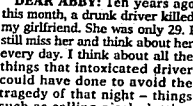
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# Those left behind mourn drunk driver



**DEAR ABBY**  
Abigail Varburton

**DEAR ABBY:** Ten years ago that month, a drunk driver killed my girlfriend. She was only 20. I still miss her and think about her every day. I think about all the things that intoxicated driver could have done to avoid the tragedy of that night - things such as calling a cab, letting someone else drive home, or giving the car keys to a designated driver.

However, I cannot admonish the driver or ask why these precautions were not taken; I do not have that luxury. You see, Abby, the driver was my girlfriend.

She got into her car that night without thinking it would be the last ride of her life. She got behind the wheel without considering all those who loved her and would miss her smile, her voice, her presence. She did it without thinking of her two little boys who would have to grow up without a mommy.

I know it's a cliché, but if this letter makes just one person out

the math, I suspect Collin is the father. He told me he broke up with Patty 10 months before we met. I asked Collin if he is the baby's father, and he said he "didn't think so," because Patty never mentioned it to him.

I don't think Collin really wants to know - but I do! This is driving me crazy. Should I ask Patty if Collin is the father of her child? Help!

**-SUSPICIOUS HEART IN NEW HAMPSHIRE**

**DEAR SUSPICIOUS:** By all means ask Patty who the father is. It's a fair question, and one that could affect your future with Collin romantically and financially - if he is the daddy, he may be required by law to support the child at least until he is 18. And if he's not the father, it will put your mind at ease.

**DEAR ABBY:** We recently hosted a bat mitzvah for our daughter and invited two families (parents along with their chil-

den). In both cases, the parents attended but the children did not.

A few months later, these two families hosted similar parties for their own children. In each case, my husband and I were invited but our children were not. I thought if we invited their children, they should invite ours. Is this considered proper etiquette?

**-PUZZLED ALONG THE HUDSON RIVER**

**DEAR PUZZLED:** Not that I know of. A bar mitzvah and a bat mitzvah are important rites of passage in a young Jewish person's life, and when I was growing up it was a celebration in which contemporaries were always included - particularly if the children were in the same age bracket. I, too, am puzzled that the parents would attend or be expected to attend without their children. (The exception to this would be if the children were toddlers who might be disruptive.)

# Love lather? Thank the Celts for inventing soap.

The Celts invented soap. What's the most noticed part of the female body? He wrote to Havelock Ellis. He wrote seven volumes called "Studies in the Psychology of Sex." That a sex expert rated "eyes" first is noteworthy, I think. He said the second most noticed part is "hair."

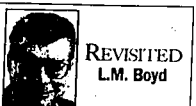
Lightning moves at a third of the speed of light.

Q. Don't all wasps die in the autumn?

A. All but the queens. They just go to sleep.

Try gnawing on a green tree limb thicker than your thumb. A beaver can chew through it cleanly with one bite.

About 8,000 people a year



**REVISITED**  
L.M. Boyd

nationwide find ways to hurt themselves with toothpicks. Seriously enough to make it a matter of medical record. That list of places into which you're not supposed to poke toothpicks is lengthy.

Q. What state has the lowest murder rate?

A. Maine. Lagniappe: The city of Bangor only recorded six murders during a recent 10-year

span, and they all involved people who knew each other.

If you develop some sort of back trouble at least once in your life, you've got something else in common with four out of five people.

Q. Isn't the firefly's glow a true love light?

A. That it is. And a death light, too. It blinks until the firefly mates. And said firefly thereafter soon dies.

The mortboard, that distinctive headgear of the commencement ceremony, originally was two separate hats - a skull cap and another of stiffened material in several variations. They were attached 400 years ago. A tassel was added 300 years ago.

The long-time advertising phrase "Snip! Crack! Pop!" translates in German to "Knapser! Knapser! Knapser!"

A katydid is a grasshopper, but a cricket isn't.

Take a glass factory about five minutes to turn out 1,000 mingles.

Earliest known jugglers were Egyptian women.

A seal stops breathing when it goes to sleep, even on land. Wakes up every 15 minutes of so to catch its breath.

A dance teacher reports: "Whenever I ask new students to walk around the room, as I often do, they invariably walk counterclockwise. I have no explanation."

# Cancer: You'll impress those around you today

IF APRIL 5TH IS YOUR BIRTHDAY - recent changes had to be made, and now you are taking time off. Others are inspired by your example and have got involved. You are being observed as others are intrigued by your know-how and ability to solve uncomfortable situations. Leo, Libra say sensational. Long-distance travel in November. You will discover a new interest in the mysterious and occult.

**ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 19):** You exude confidence. The moon in your Second House puts emphasis on money matters. The evening promises a reunion, and you wonder how to deal with a love relationship.

**TAURUS (Apr. 20-May 20):** You have been moody and have been wondering if it's all worthwhile. A relationship with someone older demands action. You want to laugh at your faults and follies.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** Last-minute changes challenge your adaptability. You cherish your freedom. Taking initiative gains you acknowledgment from friends. Pisces plays a role.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22):** It seems you are downloading the right information. You impress those around you. A renewed interest in mysticism enriches your life. Business associates try to influence you.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** Your happy-go-lucky attitude threatens those around you who feel insecure. There could be emotional fireworks. You are obliged to deal with a love relationship.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** There's news relating to a foreign trip. An assignment is

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Jeralaine Saunders

threatened. Financial matters need sorting out. Unusual situation is developing and requires time and attention.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** Immediate flirtation can turn hot and heavy. Use your wisdom and persuasion. Your networking is paying off. Taurus, Gemini are on standby.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** A letter concerning partners and an offer is in picture. A hundred ideas crisscross your mind; you come up with an original proposal. Your wit and wisdom highlight the evening.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** You are in a productive mood and surprise yourself by your energy and innovation. Your passion for freedom of thought astonishes family and friends. Aries, Leo make themselves known.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** You get your way on the home front. It's a good time to solve domestic problems - a day for decisions. Play writing game before you fly your kite.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** Neptune in your sun sign makes you dreamy and unrealistic. Be on the lookout! Others take advantage of that paper bagging.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20):** Gather your strength; much is store for you. You may have to catch your breath so much is happening. Unexpected romance and happiness in the evening.

# American Movie Classics presents 'Rain Man' on Sunday

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**Today**

"Cube 2: Hypercube" - Eight strangers struggle to survive after becoming trapped in a fourth-dimensional cube loaded with deadly traps. (CC) SCIENCE FICTION CHANNEL 7 p.m.

"Nashville Star" - Remaining contestants sing their own songs; Clint Black helps them out; Brad Paisley. (CC) THE USA NETWORK 7 p.m.

"The Sullon Sea" - Haunted by

**TV Best Bits**

memories of his dead wife, a musician and undercover informant descends into the world of meth addiction. (CC) HOME BOX OFFICE 9 p.m.

**Sunday**

"Atlantis: The Lost Empire" - Animated. An adventurer's grandson joins the latest expedition to find the legendary sunken city. (CC) (TVPG) ABC 6 p.m.

"Rain Man" - A greedy hustler bonds with the brother he never knew, an autistic savant who inherited most of their father's estate. (TV-14) AMERICAN MOVIE CLASSICS 6 p.m.

"The Whole Nine Yards" - A former mob assassin with a price on his own head moves in next door to a timid Montreal dentist. (CC) (TV14) CBS 8 p.m.

teen to run for student council; Prentice (guest star Verne Troyer) wants to go to the next level with Maria; Ronnie gets praised for turning the school around. (CC) (TVPG) FOX 7 p.m.

"College Basketball" - From the Louisiana Superdome in New Orleans. (CC) CBS 7 p.m.

"Homeless to Harvard: The Liz Murray Story" - A homeless teenager turns her life around by going back to high school and winning a scholarship to Harvard University. (CC) THE LIFETIME CHANNEL 7 p.m.

# Singer Meat Loaf embarks on final world tour, will concentrate on acting.

**NEW YORK** - You can love Meat Loaf - you can love him forever - but you can't see him in concert for much longer.

The singer-actor is embarking on his final world tour, which will last 15 months.

The U.S. portion is scheduled to begin June 22 in Saratoga, Calif., and end Sept. 29 in West Springfield, Mass.

**People in the news**

Meat Loaf's movies include "The Rocky Horror Picture Show," "Fight Club" and "Formula 51."

Born Marvin Lee Aday in Dallas, the 51-year-old singer made his name with theatrical stage productions and operatic songs, including "Paradise by the Dashboard Light," "Two Out of Three Ain't Bad" and "Bat Out of Hell."

**Reporters hover overhead as actor prepares to marry**

SYDNEY, Australia - The bride has arrived and so has Italian fashion designer Giorgio Armani with her dress. Despite a planning hiccup, the chapel is ready and tents will protect guests from the prying eyes of the media.

But that hasn't stopped

reporters and photographers from trying to peek at the preparations for Russell Crowe's wedding to girlfriend Danielle Spencer - mostly from helicopters hovering over the Oscar winner's ranch.

Crowe's publicist, Wendy Day, said Friday news crews' attempts to cover the Monday nuptials were "irresponsible and outrageous."

- compiled from wire reports



Meat Loaf  
"He wants to tour the world and then devote himself to acting," his spokesman, Dan Forman at Susan Bond Inc., said Friday. "He has the acting bug - he's been doing that for a while and he's appeared in some great films."

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## Arnett, Rivera give journalists bad name

Question: Are TV war correspondents Peter Arnett and Geraldo Rivera typical of journalists reporting from Iraq for the U.S. news media?

Professor News: No, thank goodness. But I fear many members of the public will think so. Arnett was wrong to go on Iraqi government TV and be used for propaganda purposes. NBC, its cable sibling MSNBC and "National Geographic Explorer" were right to dump him as their reporter in Baghdad.

PAUL JANENSCH

Rivera was wrong to reveal tactical information about the 101st Airborne Division. He drew a map in the dirt showing where the unit was going. U.S. military officials were right to demand that he be withdrawn.

Arnett was seen by some as sympathetic to the Iraqi regime in both this war and the 1991 Gulf War, when he reported from Baghdad for CNN.

Rivera, on the other hand, works for the Fox News Channel, which wraps itself in the American flag and tries to come across as the "patriotic" source of news.

Arnett was hired immediately by Britain's Daily Mirror, a tabloid against the war. "I report the truth of what is happening here in Baghdad and will not apologize for it," he said in his first dispatch.

Rivera was a solid if flamboyant reporter in his early years but later became an embarrassment. While reporting for Fox from Afghanistan, he claimed to be standing on "hallowed ground" where American soldiers had been killed by friendly fire. It



turned out that was not true. In a murder and less publicized incident, Phil Smucker of the Christian Science Monitor was escorted out of Iraq for revealing the location of the 1st Marine Division in live interviews with CNN and National Public Radio. His editors protested that the information was available elsewhere.

None of the three — Arnett, Rivera or Smucker — was a correspondent embedded with a military unit. The military and the news media both seem reasonably satisfied with this arrangement.

Critics of the news media's coverage of the war may point to

Arnett and Rivera as proof that journalists over there are biased against the U.S. war policy and cannot be trusted.

Ardent pro-war commentators have bashed the news media for what they considered undue emphasis on Iraqi resistance, shortages of supplies and the pause before rolling to Baghdad. Fred Barnes of The Weekly Standard, a conservative publication, called journalists "weenies" for being too sensitive to civilian casualties.

The accusations are off base. Yes, mistakes have been made. The myriad of reports from action spots often obscures the big picture. American and British

casualties seem much heavier than they are because so much attention is focused on them.

But by and large, the reporting from correspondents embedded, unembedded and at Central Command in Qatar has been fair and factual.

The truth is, grandstanders Arnett and Rivera are exceptions. The other journalists are not tools of the Iraqi Ministry of Information. They are not disclosing military secrets. They are doing their jobs.

Paul Janensch is a former newspaper editor who teaches journalism at Quinnipiac University in Hamden, Conn.

## U.S. borrows more for welfare than warfare

The war in Iraq is, in at least one respect, rewriting history. Few relationships are more established than the connection between war and debt. The first organized government borrowing dates to the 12th century, when Italian city-states (Venice, Genoa, Florence, Milan) needed to defend themselves. Ever since, wars have generated huge debts. Armies had to be equipped, fed, paid and moved. In World War II, U.S. government debt rose 465 percent — more than fivefold — and the increase was higher in World War I (1,980 percent) and the Civil War (4,149 percent). It was the same everywhere. One reason Britain triumphed in the Napoleonic wars (1800-1815), historians believe, is that it could borrow more easily than France. The French had cut their credit with huge amounts of almost worthless paper money.

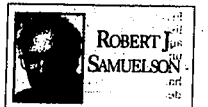
But the war in Iraq confounds this durable relationship. President Bush last week requested \$75 billion for the war. Assuming it's entirely paid by borrowing, the increase would add a mere 2 percent to the \$3.5 trillion in publicly held federal debt. Ours is a welfare state, not a warfare state. Domestic programs drive government spending — and debt. In 1955 it was 62 percent of GNP. Of course, war costs will rise. They could range from \$100 billion to \$700 billion, estimate economists at Deutsche Bank. The higher figure assumes a 12-month war, five years of occupation with nearly 100,000 troops and massive reconstruction (\$498 billion).

Even the highest cost would only modestly raise federal spending, which — under present policies — is projected at \$2.1 trillion this year and \$27 trillion over a decade.

When people ask, "Can we afford it?" what they really mean is "Can we afford it without giving up anything else?" This is a harder question, because government already was over-committed before the war. It is not easy to pay all promised future benefits (mainly Social Security and Medicare to retiring baby boomers) without either raising taxes sharply or cutting other programs. One, the war, costs are manageable. A top everything else, they make a bad situation worse. The bipartisan impulse is to ignore this and to proceed with new budget commitments as if the war weren't happening.

Bush proposed an expensive new Medicare drug benefit and elimination of the tax on corporate dividends. Democrats, predictably, have denounced the tax cuts to too generous for wealthy and have called for spending plans, including the drug benefit, too stingy. There are loud cries of "fiscal irresponsibility." But because pay all Democrats and the Republicans, the irresponsibility gap is more rhetorical than real.

Democrats resent Bush's tax cuts because they'd prefer to spend the money. During Senate debate last week the Democrats' alternative budget would have raised spending by \$911 billion over the "baseline" (current policy) in the next 11 years, includ-



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ing the Medicare drug benefit. Their budget projected a balance by 2011, essentially by eliminating Bush's tax cuts. The Republican-controlled Senate Budget Committee proposed a budget that kept the tax cuts and purported to balance in 2013. The budget that passed into law last week projects balance by 2012 by stripping away Bush's dividend-tax cut, worth about \$376 billion over the decade. The House passed a budget with all the tax cuts and slightly less spending, also promising balance by 2012.

Small differences — and the projections aren't especially believable. They're too distant. Too much can change.

Economists at Goldman Sachs assume slightly slower economic growth and believe Congress will change the "alternative minimum tax," which — if left as is — would automatically raise taxes. Under these assumptions, budget deficits continue indefinitely.

By 2013 the deficit is about 3 percent of gross domestic product (national income). This would aggregate the costs of paying for retiring baby boomers. Warfare budgets and welfare budgets differ fundamentally. When defense dominated government financing, there was a familiar pattern: Debt rose during war and receded during peace. People could pay the war's full costs through crushing taxes at once. Debt allowed the tax burden to be spread over many years. The power of the U.S. economy has retired this cycle. Even a sizable war can be waged without much disrupting government finances. The irony is that this strength may be a curse in disguise. Politicians, face no immediate crisis. They can indulge their instinct for political survival.

Welfare budgets are an exercise in crowd pleasing. Short-term deficits may reflect a weak economy, but persistent deficits reflect a passion for profligacy. Don't make hard decisions. Placate core constituencies. Don't offend baby boomers by tampering with their retirement benefits. When the House and the Senate soon reconcile their respective budgets in a conference committee, the odds favor the political path of least resistance: spend a little more than the House would; tax a little less than the Senate. Kick the can down the road.

Robert Samuelson is a columnist for Newsweek.

## LETTERS

### Schubert Theatre offers wide range of entertainment

There's something new and exciting in the Magic Valley! I've never complained that our small area lacks in the entertainment realm, check out what's happening at the Schubert Theatre in Gooding. Mike and Darci Claire are restoring the historic old theater and bringing in exceptional and highly talented performers at very affordable prices.

I was one of the fortunate ones to see "Vincent," the moving story of Vincent Van Gogh, performed brilliantly by Jim Jarrett a few weeks ago. The live performances range from comedy to concerts and are a rare opportunity for anyone seeking some extraordinary entertainment.

Check out their web site at [www.westernstatescollege.com](http://www.westernstatescollege.com) and see for yourself.

DAVE ANDERSON  
Twin Falls

### School zones are too restrictive, too long

This has been on my mind since the speed limit was reduced to 20 miles per hour through the school zone for 12 hours. I can understand driving that slow from 7 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. that is 8.5 hours. Why for 12 hours? School only goes from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. If we the drivers are supposed to drive for 12 hours, I think the school crossing guards should stay for the 12 hours also.

One day I was at the high school for parent teacher meeting for a few hours. When I left, I went down Elm Avenue to Maurice Street. When the students from the Mormon church got out, they were not walking on the sidewalk — they were walking right down the middle of the street, and they weren't walking in single line, they took the whole road from one side to

the other. When I approached them, they wouldn't move over to let me through.

If the drivers get tickets for speeding through school zones, the students should get tickets for not walking on the sidewalks.

Twelve hours is too long to be driving 20 mph in the school zones when school is going for eight hours. Think about it, crossing guards — 12 hours. Fair is fair.

It is hard enough to get through school the way you set standards now. I'm surprised more students have not quit because you set too high requirements to graduate. And now you want to change the way kids are in school now.

I think you need to get the school superintendent out of his office and get a real person who wants the children to learn and enjoy school, not the ones who want to quit because it is difficult to make the grade because so many students have quit school.

When you plan to go to the 4-by-4 block system, more will slip through your fingers. How will kids who take band, choir and drama be able to do their part to learn and present their stuff when they have the class every other day? Seems to me that you are cutting your nose off to spite your face. In other words, quit trying to change something and quit raising the requirements to graduate and quit adding more time to the schedule. It's tough enough get through school as it is.

JON MICHAEL  
Twin Falls

### Seat belts simply save lives, protect better than air bags

Just one more seat belt letter. I respect all of the opinions from people who do not want to be made to wear seat belts. I do not want to condemn anyone who has been in a recent accident.

My hope is to influence someone to save time grief and pain. No one thinks they will get up rolling through the median and coming to rest on the side of the car in the passing lane of the opposite side of the freeway. It happens so fast. The day is one thinks they will get up and you are an excellent driver with no tickets to your name. I am sure this would never happen to you.

For those who believe the air bag would save you, think again. If you roll over on the side of the car your air bag won't deploy. This requires a front crash. If you have side air bags, you are still in the car. With three windows missing in the car, passengers of that car rolling through the median would not have stayed in the car very long. To me, that is not a pleasant thought.

Even if you never drive on the freeway, crashes at low speed can still move people violently around in a car. It is your life and you can choose. Personally, I give glory to God for saving our lives but will never go anywhere without my seat belt fastened. Seat belts save lives — my husband and I are two of them.

CHELYE BECKER  
Twin Falls

### Snake River Alliance causes Irrational fear

No Idahoan wants the Snake River Aquifer polluted with radioactive contaminants. The Snake River Alliance has been on this issue from the days of lava lamps, hippies and non-tobacco smoke-filled rooms. I have stood with them in testimony against the injection of plutonium-contaminated water into the aquifer, but their emotional non-fact based attack on the development of atomic power at the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory, which they try to join with the exportation of nuclear waste, is

harmful even to their cause. The fourth generation nuclear reactor is a self-contained small unit that can be transported on a semi and is liquid metal cooled. A prototype exists in Europe and its promise would reduce the world of most of the major future problems. Fresh water from the oceans, hydrogen fuel without the use of hydrocarbons, electricity to all our and the world's cities, etc.

Yucca Mountain has some problems with moisture content due to the high humidity of the dolomitic limestone formations, which have caused concern over the degradation of the containers the waste will be stored with. To resolve this issue, they are considering cementing the waste into cubes that will maintain a heat of 220 degrees Fahrenheit. The projection is that this will control the moisture through the half-life, 150,000 year period but should use it to heat, generate electricity, etc.

The Snake River Alliance should think carefully along with the other groups that have caused such an irrational fear of nuclear energy about what its emotional panic has caused and the deprivation they have dealt to the world.

RONALD HARRIMAN  
Nampa

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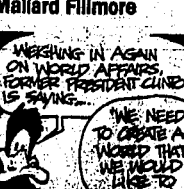
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# Bush OKs quarantine for SARS

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush on Friday gave health officials authority to quarantine Americans sick with the highly contagious new mystery illness. Health officials have no immediate plans to use the new powers in fighting severe acute respiratory syndrome, or SARS.

In an executive order signed Friday, Bush added SARS to the list of diseases for which health authorities have authority to involuntarily quarantine Americans.

"It's the first time a new disease has been added to the list in two decades."

"If spread in the population," the order says, SARS "would have severe public health consequences."

Several diseases have long been on the list for which quarantine may be used: cholera, diphtheria, infectious tuberculosis, plague, smallpox, yellow fever and several viral hemorrhagic fevers.

SARS, whose symptoms include fever, aches, cough and shortness of breath, has killed at least 85 people in Asia and Canada and sickened at least 2,300 in more than a dozen nations as infected travelers

spread the disease. In the United States, 100 cases in 27 states have been reported.

About 4 percent of the victims have died from the disease, though none of them in this country. There's no cure yet, but most sufferers are recovering with timely hospital care.

Meanwhile, federal researchers are beginning work toward a vaccine that could eventually help control the mystery illness.

The research is just getting under way at the National Institutes of Health, but officials said Friday they are already try-

ing to interest industry in producing a vaccine based on the results.

Officials at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in Atlanta say they are 80 percent sure the illness is a new form of the coronavirus, a cause of the common cold. Researchers are moving ahead on that assumption.

If it turns out that some other virus is at work, those researchers will have to start again, cautioned Dr. Anthony Fauci, director of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Disease. Even under the best-case scenario, he said, a vaccine is at least a year away.

# China apologizes as investigators track spread of deadly disease

FOSHAN, China (AP) — In an extraordinary move, the Chinese government apologized Friday for not warning people quickly about the dangers of the deadly mystery illness that began here.

The apology came as international health investigators said they believed they were on the trail of the first person ever infected with severe acute respiratory syndrome.

"Today, we apologize to everyone," said Li Liming, director of the Chinese Center for Disease Control.

"Our medical departments and our mass media suffered poor coordination," he said. "We weren't able to muster our forces in helping to provide everyone with scientific publicity and allowing the masses to get hold of this sort of knowledge."

China's government has been criticized for responding slowly and for withholding information. Just this week, Beijing agreed to allow investigators to visit the southern province where the disease first emerged.

## Gov. Sonny Perdue proposed new flag - again

Gov. Sonny Perdue supported a bill Friday to change Georgia's flag to a design closely resembling the stars and bars, the first national flag of the Confederacy. The current flag was adopted just two years ago when legislators voted to change the former banner, which was dominated by the divisive Confederate battle emblem.



Present flag (since 2001)  
The 13 stars around the state seal represent the original 13 states. The ribbon shows images of Georgia's five historic flags.



Proposed flag (Pending approval of state legislature)

SOURCES: Georgia Secretary of State; Associated Press

## Small plane hits building in Massachusetts; six dead

LEOMINSTER, Mass. (AP) — A small plane crashed into a sheet metal shop Friday, killing six of the seven people on board and igniting a huge fireball that sent workers scrambling for safety, authorities said.

The plane slammed into the single-story building that houses D.E. Corp. about 9:30 a.m., witnesses said. Leominster is about 35 miles northwest of Boston.

Fire officials said six people on the Beech King Air 200, a twin-engine turbo prop, were killed. One of those aboard survived.

Kevin Bailey, a manager at a nearby automotive chemical manufacturing plant, said he

heard the plane over the buzz of their own machines.

"It sounded like the plane was right on top of our building," he said.

The plane left LaGuardia airport in New York and was scheduled to land at Hanscom Field in Bedford, Mass. But the pilot asked for permission to land at Fitchburg Municipal Airport instead, said Jim Peters, a spokesman for the Federal Aviation Administration.

"There was no indication of any trouble at that point," Peters said.

The plane disappeared from radar after being cleared to approach Fitchburg.

## Georgia leaders agree on plan for new state flag

ATLANTA (AP) — After months of debating Georgia's flag, state lawmakers struck a surprise compromise Friday — an entirely new flag that echoes an old Confederate flag but does not include the divisive Dixie battle emblem.

Gov. Sonny Perdue, who had proposed a statewide referendum on the flag dispute shortly after his upset victory last November, is now endorsing a completely new design that is similar to the national flag of the Confederacy, the so-called "stars and bars," rather than the more familiar

battle flag. And the plan calls for no referendum until next year.

The Legislature, led by former Democratic Gov. Roy Barnes, had voted in 2001 to shrink the Confederate battle emblem on the state flag. It had been added in 1956 after the federal government ordered public schools to desegregate. The change shrunk it from two-thirds of the design to the size of a postcard.

Public fury over the hasty flag change helped Perdue beat Barnes last November. He became the state's first Republican governor in 130 years.

## Airlines will meet deadline for reinforced cockpit doors

WASHINGTON (AP) — Every large commercial plane flying in the United States will have bulletproof cockpit doors by next week, but airline security experts say the design doesn't provide the best possible protection against a hijacker entering.

The Federal Aviation Administration requires that cockpit doors be locked during flight. But there are times when a pilot may open the door — to visually check wing surfaces, use the

bathroom and change flight crews during a long trip. That leaves the possibility the cockpit could be rushed by a hijacker.

The need to open cockpit doors was one reason pilots lobbied for guns in the cockpit, Capt. Steve Luckey, chairman of the Air Line Pilots Association's national security committee, said. Under a test program, about 48 pilots will begin training to carry weapons while flying commercial passenger planes this month.

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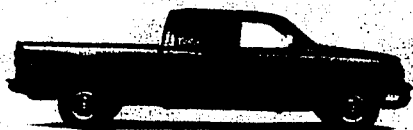
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SPORTSQUOTE

If we don't move up, I'm not going to drink a can of rat poison.

-Shaquille O'Neal on the Los Angeles Lakers' playoff position

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

- College baseball
CSI at Salt Lake (2), noon
High school baseball
Idaho Falls at Twin Falls (2), 11 a.m.
Jerome at Buhl (2), 11 a.m.
Vallivue at Burley (2), 11 a.m.
Filler at Shelley (2), 11 a.m.
High school softball
Twin Falls at Centennial (2), noon
Century at Minico (2), 11 a.m.
Burley at Buhl (2), 11 a.m.
Wood River at Filer (2), 11 a.m.
High school tennis
Jerome at Gooding, 10 a.m.
Capital, Timberline, Idaho Falls at Twin Falls, 11 a.m.
Minico at Wood River, 11 a.m.

IN BRIEF

Minico kicker signs with Concordia

RUPERT - Minico place kicker Brody Johnson has signed to kick for Concordia University in St. Paul, Minn. Johnson, who started kicking at Minico his junior year and attended several kicking camps over last summer, had always envisioned himself playing college athletics. But it was always soccer, not football that he saw himself playing. "I'm the one of the few top sport athletes maybe the only four sport athlete - we've had at Minico," said Spartan football coach Tim Johnson. Johnson also competes in track and basketball. "He's a real good athlete with a lot of natural pop in his legs," Perrigo said. That ability to contribute immediately was one of the reasons Johnson chose Concordia-St. Paul since the team's kicker from a year ago did not return. "I will be the starter right away," he said. "So, that will be nice not to sit for a year." The school is also a nice fit academically since it offers Spanish and has a good international business curriculum. Both are areas Johnson wants to study.

Declo's Christensen plans to sign with CSI

TWIN FALLS - Declo senior guard Marc Christensen said he has verbally committed to play basketball next season at the College of Southern Idaho. Christensen, who averaged 17.3 points, 5.8 assists, 4.3 rebounds and 6.5 steals to go along with 30 blocked shots, helped lead the Hornets to their second state championship in six years. Christensen, who also visited the College of Eastern Utah, said he will sign a national letter of intent on Tuesday.

Area drag racers advance in Las Vegas

LAS VEGAS - Jerome native Dick Vander Meer and Diana Anderson of Twin Falls both advanced through the first round of Bonneville events Friday at the \$2 million NHRA Summit Raceway national meet at the Strip in Las Vegas. Vander Meer hit 172.12 mph in his rear engine dragster to defeat Jerry Denton of Temple, Ark., with a time of 9.06 seconds. Anderson downed Ray Turner of Galt, Calif. with a time of 10.07 seconds and a speed of 144.61 mph in the Sportsman Super Gas event. Diana Anderson of Twin Falls took the first round to Sean Kennedy of Colorado Springs with a 150 mph performance in the Super Gas event. Two professional class records were set Friday afternoon. Larry Dwyer of Idaho recorded a speed of 332.75 mph in his 25 mph short of the world record mere minutes after Doug Kallos of Arizona set a record of 332 mph. The professional class records were set in the 25 mph short of the world record mere minutes after Doug Kallos of Arizona set a record of 332 mph. The professional class records were set in the 25 mph short of the world record mere minutes after Doug Kallos of Arizona set a record of 332 mph.

Momentum holds as Spartans bury Bobcats

By Scott Thompson Times-News writer
RUPERT - The Minico Spartan baseball team continued on its roll. So, too, did the Burley Bobcats. For the Spartans (9-1), that was good Friday at Warburton Field in five innings to continue their torrid start. For the Bobcats (3-3), it was the second straight game that they were run-ruled. Minico jumped out to a 7-0 lead after two innings with just two base hits as the Spartans capitalized on four walks and four errors by the Bobcats in the first two frames.

"They were giving us chances," Minico coach Ben Frank said. "But we were also taking advantage of them." Nobody was taking more advantage of those chances than shortstop Cory Warburton, who doubled twice with an RBI and three runs scored. Warburton is hitting .520 - 13 of 25 - on the season. "I'm just seeing the ball real well," he said. "It feels pretty good so far." The win was particularly nice coming against the Bobcats. "Especially since they beat us (in American Legion ball) last summer," he said. "We talked about that quite a bit."

He said it was a big reason for the fast start. Burley coach Shaun Walker is looking for a way to get his team out to a fast start. In Burley's 12-0 loss to Century Tuesday, the Bobcats fell behind 11-0 after the first inning. "To be honest, I'm afraid that my pitchers are going to start losing confidence in their infield," he said. The other area of concern is at the plate. "We've just got to stop playing so much defense," he said. "It seems like we play defense for a half hour and then come in for five minutes and go back out for a half hour. We have to find a way to extend rat-

les and string hits together." The Bobcats put together three singles in the fourth inning and got an RBI from Devan Gunnell when he drove in Ricky Jensen. But they were the only hits of the afternoon for Burley. Warburton and the Spartans were warned not only with the quick start Friday but with the jump out of the gates for the season. "We have a lot of talent," Warburton said. "Why not use it?"

Minico 12, Burley 1, five innings

Marquee players meet in Final Four

By Joe Schedl The Okanogan Sentinel
NEW ORLEANS - They all want that one shining moment. They all want to be the next Juan Dixon, the next Jason Williams, the next Mateen Cleaves. Better yet, they'd like to be the next Michael Jordan.



Kansas' Nick Collison goes to the hoop in the West Final Saturday in Anaheim, Calif.



Stars take the stage



Syracuse's Carmelo Anthony smiles during the east final against Oklahoma Sunday in Albany, N.Y.

Marquee players meet in Final Four

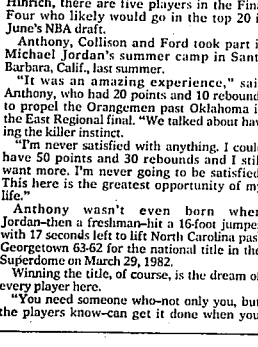
There are two Final Four semifinals at the Superdome on Saturday night, and there will be four first- or second-team All-Americans on the court at one point. Senior forward Nick Collison and Kansas will challenge junior swingman Dwayne Wade and Marquette in the first semifinal, which is set to tip off at 6:07 p.m. Sophomore point guard T.J. Ford and Texas will take on freshman forward Carmelo Anthony and Syracuse in the second semifinal, which will get underway at about 8:47 p.m.

When you add in Kansas senior guard Kirk Hinrich, there are five players in the Final Four who likely would go in the top 20 in June's NBA draft. Anthony, Collison and Ford took part in Michael Jordan's summer camp in Santa Barbara, Calif., last summer. "It was an amazing experience," said Anthony, who had 20 points and 10 rebounds to help the Orangemen past Oklahoma in the East Regional final. "We talked about having the killer instinct. "I'm never satisfied with anything. I could have 50 points and 30 rebounds and I still want more. I'm never going to be satisfied. This here is the greatest opportunity of my life."

Anthony wasn't even born when Jordan - then a freshman - hit a 16-foot jumper with 17 seconds left to lift North Carolina past Georgetown 63-62 for the national title in the Superdome on March 29, 1982. Winning the title, of course, is the dream of every player here. "You need someone who-not only you, but the players know-can get it done when you need it most," Marquette Coach Tom Crean said. "A marquee guy is most important when the play breaks down and the clock is running out." His marquee guy is Wade, who showed up against Kentucky in the Midwest Regional final how forceful and selfish he could be when necessary. When he was done, there were 29 points, 11 rebounds, 11 assists and four blocks to his name.



Texas guard T.J. Ford shoots over Texas A&M's Bradley Jackson Feb. 8 in College Station, Texas.

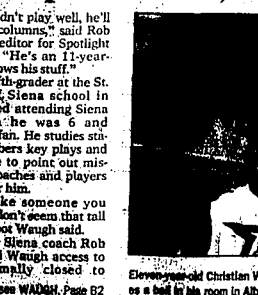


Marquette's Dwayne Wade dunks against South Florida Jan. 11 in Milwaukee.

Showtime Saturday
Marquette vs. Kansas, 4:07 p.m.
Syracuse vs. Texas, 6:47 p.m.
On TV: CBS (Ch. 11, 12)

Young writer wins respect of fans, team

Only 11, Waugh writes columns on Siena hoops
The Associated Press
ALBANY, N.Y. - Christian Waugh has a reputation as a tough, insightful reporter. He picked Syracuse to make the Final Four and thinks Texas will win the NCAA title. He also plays Little League baseball and depends on his mother to get to his sports writing job. Waugh is 11 years old. He covered Siena basketball this season as a columnist for the Catholic newspaper in suburban Albany. He has impressed readers, coaches and players with his critiques.



Eleven-year-old Christian Waugh focuses on a ball in his room in Albany, N.Y.

Twin Falls tennis fields another talented team

By Joe Paisley Times-News writer
TWIN FALLS - Family traditions sparked the high school one in Twin Falls over the years. It is no surprise. The Twin Falls tennis community is a small group with entire generations involved. "It's how it works," said junior doubles player Eric MacMillan, whose younger brother Chris picked the team this year. "You pick it up that way." The result is a continuing level of success for the Brain Program. The team will try to improve on

Sprinting previews
The Times-News concludes its look at area high school spring sports with tennis.
Inside: Team-by-team capsules - B4
a sixth-place state finish last spring led by an experienced group of boys and talented girls. "We have high hopes," said first-year coach Shana Nalder, who spent two years coaching the junior varsity. "We've had a lot of younger brothers and sisters step up."

SPORTS

Houston jumper sinks Jazz

Utah slips to seventh place in conference

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - Allan Houston made a 15-foot jump shot with 4.4 seconds left in overtime as New York kept the Utah Jazz from clinching a playoff berth with a 94-92 victory Friday night. Houston finished with 27 points and Kurt Thomas added 20 points and blocked John Stockton's tying attempt at the end of overtime. Karl Malone led Utah with 23 points, 11 rebounds and eight assists.

Nets 99, Heat 83

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. - Jason Kidd scored 13 of his 30 points in the third quarter to hold off a Miami rally and lead the New Jersey Nets to 99-83 victory over the Heat on Friday night.

Friday night. Coupled with Philadelphia's loss to Houston, the first-place Nets opened a 1.5 game lead over the 76ers in the Atlantic Division.

Rockets 88, 76ers 79

PHILADELPHIA - Yao Ming had 20 points and 13 rebounds, and the Houston Rockets capitalized on an injury to Keith Van Horn and a 4 of 23 game by Allen Iverson. The Sixers lost Van Horn to a sprained left foot in the second quarter. X-rays were negative.

Spurs 124, Raptors 98

TORONTO - Lenny Wilkens set the NBA record for most career coaching losses, dropping his 1,107th game as Malik Rose scored 23 points to lead the San Antonio Spurs to their eighth straight victory. Wilkens, already the win-

ningest coach in league history with 1,292 victories, surpassed Bill Fitch's record with one of the Ravens' most lopsided losses of the season.

Lakers 102, Grizzlies 101

MEMPHIS, Tenn. - Kobe Bryant hit a 21-footer as time expired, completing the Lakers' comeback from a 23-point fourth-quarter deficit.

Shaquille O'Neal led the Lakers with 23 points and 19 rebounds, hitting 13 of his 20 shots from the floor.

Bucks 95, Cavaliers 93

MILWAUKEE - Michael Redd scored 22 points and combined with Toni Kukoc to dominate the second half as the Milwaukee Bucks moved closer to a playoff berth.

The Bucks, who have five games remaining, reduced their magic number to three over Washington in the race for the East's final playoff berth.

Sosa swats 500th home run

Major League Baseball

CINCINNATI (AP) - Sammy Sosa finally got No. 500. At long last, the Cincinnati Reds got No. 5. Sosa hit his 500th career homer in the seventh inning Friday night, but the Reds hit three homers of their own for their first victory in their new ballpark, 10-9 over the Chicago Cubs.

The Reds blew a 7-0 lead, leaving the Cubs again in a surly mood after Lenny Harris' two-run homer tied it 3 in the eighth inning. Barry Larkin's RBI single off Dave Veres (0-1) provided the first win. Sosa hit the first historic homer in Great American Ball Park. His solo shot off reliever Scott Sullivan in the seventh landed in the right-field seats and touched off one of the loudest ovations in the park's short history.

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West Division

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Mets 4, Expos 0

NEW YORK - David Cone turned back the clock and surprised Montreal, pitching five impressive innings in his first game since 2001 and leading New York to the victory.

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West Division

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Braves 12, Marlins 7

ATLANTA - Andrew Jones hit a three-run homer and Atlanta went on to score seven runs in the seventh inning to win its first game of the season.

Pirates 1, Phillies 1

PHILADELPHIA - Reggie Sanders hit a grand slam for his fourth homer in four games, and Pittsburgh ruined Jim Thome's home debut by beating Philadelphia before a sellout crowd of 59,269 in the final opener at Veterans Stadium.

Giants 7, Brewers 5

MILWAUKEE - J.T. Snow's infield single off shortstop Royce Clayton's glove drove in two runs in the eighth and San Francisco overcame a three-homer inning to beat Milwaukee in its home opener.

AMERICAN LEAGUE Friday's Games

Seattle @ Texas 4, Boston @ Baltimore 7, Toronto @ Minnesota 2, Anaheim @ Oakland, late

Today's Games

Pittsburgh @ Philadelphia 11:35 a.m., Colorado @ Arizona 11:35 a.m., Cincinnati @ Chicago Cubs 9, Houston @ St. Louis, late

NATIONAL LEAGUE Friday's Games

San Francisco 7, Milwaukee 6, N.Y. Mets 4, Montreal 0, Atlanta 12, Florida 7, Los Angeles at San Diego, late

Rockies 2, Diamondbacks 1

DENVER - Shawn Chacon retired the first 16 batters and Colorado got a home run from Chris Stynes to win its home opener.

American League

Mariners 6, Rangers 4

ARLINGTON, Texas - Ruben Sierra and Hank Block hit two-run homers in Texas' home opener but the bullpen blew a 4-3 lead in the seventh inning. Ben Davis, filling in for injured catcher Dan Wilson, hit a two-run double in the seventh to put the Mariners ahead 5-4 and cap a two-out rally against reliever Francisco Cordero (0-1).

White Sox 5, Tigers 2

CHICAGO - Estaban Loaiza pitched into the seventh inning and Joe Crede hit a two-run homer as the Chicago White Sox won their home opener in their newly named park, U.S. Cellular Field, beating the Detroit Tigers 5-2 Friday.

Blue Jays 7, Twins 2

MINNEAPOLIS - Vernon Wells homered twice and drove in four runs, and Tanyon Sturzen was strong in his first start for Toronto as the Blue Jays spoiled Minnesota's home opener Friday night with a 7-2 victory.

Red Sox 8, Orioles 7

BALTIMORE - Nomar Garciaparra threw out Deivi Cruz at the plate for the final out, and the Boston Red Sox hung on to beat the Baltimore Orioles 8-7 Friday night despite nearly blowing a seven-run lead.

Yankees 12, Devil Rays 2

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. - David Wells pitched eight impressive innings and the New York Yankees hit five homers Friday night to beat the Tampa Bay Devil Rays 12-2 for their fourth straight win.

Royals 5, Indians 1

KANSAS CITY, Mo. - Michael Tucker's two-run single capped a four-run second inning and the Kansas City Royals won their fourth straight game to match the best start in franchise history, beating the Cleveland Indians 5-1 Friday night.

Calls to Clemons get coaches in trouble

ST. LOUIS (AP) - Missouri coach Quin Snyder and assistant Lane Odom were temporarily banned by the athletic department from recruiting because they violated NCAA rules on calling recruits. The school told the NCAA last week that on five occasions Odom violated a rule that limits coaches to calling a recruit once a week, sports information director Chad Moller said Friday. The calls were made between January and April 2002 to Ricky

Clemons, then a sophomore at the College of Southern Idaho.

The school suspended Odom from recruiting for five weeks. Snyder, who had made calls to Clemons during that time, was suspended for three weeks, Moller said. Both suspensions have been served.

Missouri told the NCAA it discovered the violations on Jan. 30, six days after the St. Louis Post-Dispatch asked to inspect the coaches' phone records. In a letter to the NCAA,

Missouri faculty athletics representative Carl Setzerger noted Snyder's "lack of oversight to ensure appropriate record keeping for the men's basketball logs."

Records obtained by the Post-Dispatch showed that Odom made more than 50 calls to Clemons in the three months before Clemons committed to the school. Setzerger explained that Odom had been a longtime mentor to Clemons, and therefore did not record them on the recruitment logs.

NCAA

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"When you get this publicity, you have to make the plays," said Wade, who averages 21.4 points. "It's not necessarily making the shot, but making the play. It could be a key block, a key steal, whatever. You've got to be the big-time player."

Kansas Coach Roy Williams was impressed. Wade might not have gone to Jordan's camp, but Williams made a comparison you may not believe. "I'm not trying to say this because you shouldn't compare anybody to Michael Jordan," Williams said. "But it was scary the things he did in the Kentucky game. I looked at Chris Dole to make sure it was still No. 3 that I was watching on tape and not No. 23. He was that sensational."

Williams has the advantage of two top scorers in his lineup—Collison and Hinrich. Indeed, most scouts like Hinrich's potential better than Collison's. Hinrich is fully impressed by Wade, whom he said "has no weaknesses." The same could be said of Collison, who has led Kansas to the Final Four for a second consecutive season. Crean marvels at Collison's versatility, quickness, relentlessness and grasp of fundamentals.

Collison isn't as flashy at the other stars here, but is lethal nonetheless. Against Duke last week, Collison had 33 points, 19 rebounds and one steal.

In putting back a rebound of his own miss, Collison stepped on the chest of fallen Duke center Casey Sanders. In the past, Collison may have tried to sidestep Sanders.

"I've been that way all year," Collison said. "Our style may not be pretty, but we're getting the job done. All that matters to me now is that we are successful."

Williams says his offense will go through Collison on Saturday night. "I've never been one to believe that you take what the defense gives you," Williams said. "I think you should try to get what you want."

That's not Ford's philosophy. The sophomore refuses to force a shot. Instead, he relies on his role as the nation's top passer. "Some recruits are overlooked, but T.J. was better than advertised," Texas Coach Rick Barnes said. "That first senior, his teammates said, 'You'd better be ready for the ball because if you aren't, he's going to hit you in the face with it.'"

Considered by many to be college basketball's most valuable player, Ford must go against Syracuse's

vaunted 2-3 zone on Saturday night. But he insists he won't force a play that isn't there. Only 5 feet 10 and about 170 pounds, Ford seems an unlikely star.

Except that he's as fast as any player in the country. "You're alongside him one second, and the next thing you know it's a layup," Syracuse guard Gerry McNamara said. "That's what makes him great."

McNamara realized how great Anthony was in a preseason scrimmage. "I think it was the first time our fans got to watch him," McNamara recalled. "And he had 39 points. I mean, he had 39 on me. He didn't dunk on me because I would have tackled him first. But it was obvious from Day 1 how special he is."

Every one of these players recalled watching Dixon make a clutch shot near the end of Maryland's win over Indiana last season in the national title game. "I remember all those shots," Anthony said. "I even remember those shots Christian Laettner made for Duke back in the day. I'm a freshman trying to get my respect right now."

"I'm here, and I want to make my mark." Just like Jordan did, in his first shining moment.

Bruins

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signed with Salt Lake Community College and Jared Arehart has been drafted by the pros. "It may come down to who takes advantage of the extra chances the defensive errors might give them. Twin Falls will have to be

ready to play well while facing two of the best pitchers in the state.

"This is not to put down our kids, but our record is a little inflated. We only have two wins against 5A schools," Rasmussen said. "We're not concerned about our 8-0 record, so much as our

league mark."

How Twin Falls measures up in the league will be revealed today.

Twin Falls 15, Vallejo 0, five innings (high) (AP Photo) 00-00-0111 (AP Photo) 00-00-0111 (AP Photo) 00-00-0111 (AP Photo) 00-00-0111

Waugh

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reporters. Waugh appeared on a local cable channel last week to talk about the NCAA tournament games in Albany. In a postgame news conference, he corrected Oklahoma guard Hollis Price on his shooting performance against Syracuse.

When you read his column, you can really hear McIntyre saying the things he's written," Lanier said. "Sometimes he'll ask about a particular play and you wonder, 'Who was he sitting next to?'"

Waugh started writing the column after he was introduced to John McIntyre, a vice president at Spotlight Newspapers, a chain of community weekly papers. McIntyre was impressed with Waugh's basketball acumen and agreed to look at his work. Waugh then e-mailed Lanier and arranged a meeting.

"With an 11-year-old, you always wonder what you're going to get," McIntyre said. "When I met him he started quoting con-

ference and game statistics and I thought, 'This is going to be OK.'"

The column, "Christian's Corner," allows the paper to broaden its usual coverage of high school and community sports and give its readers Siena basketball news. Many of its readers are Siena alumni who live in the area, McIntyre said.

Waugh is no Siena booster. The team, which plays in the Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference, finished at 21-11, losing to UAB in the second round of the NIT.

"He's not afraid to say whether we came out flat or didn't take care of the ball," senior guard Prosper Karangwa said. "He always came in prepared and he often had the most interesting questions."

"Siena started badly and never seemed ready to play." In others, he called the team sloppy. But in the vernacular of a fifth grader, he refers to some plays as "awesome." Waugh's mother, Linda Kindlon, said the experience has

helped her son develop his writing and improve his grades. "He carries himself really well," Kindlon said. "I don't have to stand by him. He's not afraid to talk to the other reporters and they have embraced him. I told him, you're really lucky having the reporters and players treat you so well. And he just said, 'Mom, they're my friends.'"

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SCORES AND STATS

Devils knock Rangers out of playoffs

NEW YORK - The New Jersey Devils accomplished what the New York Islanders couldn't do for themselves - they knocked the Rangers out of the playoff race.

So, the Devils - on a 6-0-3-1 run - did the job for the Islanders, clinching their fifth Atlantic Division title in seven years in the process.

Play was stopped despite the Blue Jackets having control of the puck - even though NHL rules state play cannot be stopped until the injured player's team regains control.

Blue Jackets' defenseman Steve Staios was injured in the first period, but the game was waved off because Detroit's Brendan Shanahan was down on the ice after the whistle.

Shanahan, limited to 21 games this season because of ankle and groin injuries, had one save and worth getting a lineup in the crease after Nashville pulled goalie Tomas Vokoun in the final minute.

Vokoun had 26 saves, but wasn't able to limit the Panthers' 14-game home win streak (0-9-3-2).

Calgary, Alberta - Craig Conroy scored 2:13 into overtime and the Calgary Flames snapped a three-game losing streak.

Conroy rushed the Kings' net and fended off defenseman Lubomir Visnovsky before flipping a high shot over the blocker.

Chris Drury also scored for Calgary, which will miss the playoffs in its seventh straight year.

Ziggy Palffy scored for Los Angeles.

WHAT'S ON T.V.

Auto Racing

- Formula One, qualifying for Brazilian Grand Prix, SPEED, 10 a.m.
NASCAR, Winston Cup, 'Happy Hour Series,' final practice for Aaron's 499, FX, 11 a.m.

Hockey

- Rangers at Canadiens, ESPN2, 6 p.m.

Horse racing

- NTRA, thoroughbreds, Santa Anita Derby, Illinois Derby, Ventura Stakes, ESPN, 3 p.m.

Baseball

- Expos at Mets, WPXI, 11:30 a.m.

Basketball

- AMA Superbike at Fontana, Calif., SPEED, 3 p.m.

Soccer

- WUSA, Washington at Carolina, ESPN2, noon

Boxing

- Saturday Night Fights, SHO, 9 p.m.

Football

- NFL Europe, Amsterdam at Rhein, FSNW, 11 a.m.

ON THE RADIO

- High school baseball, Jerome at Buhi, 11 a.m., KTFJ 1270 AM

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SPORTS

Kimberly softball sweeps Wendell CSI rallies to gain split with SLCC

Bulldogs play with former teammate in mind

The Times-News

WENDELL — They played this one for Lacie.

With the tragic death this week of teammate Lacie Rice still on their minds, the Kimberly softball team swept Wendell Friday to remember a friend with a pair of wins.

That they did, in an 8-1 and 5-4 sweep of the Lady Trojans at Lawrence Hashman Field.

"We definitely wanted to come out and play hard," Game 1 winning pitcher Kayla Zink said.

Lundy struck out six Ashley Carlson went 3-for-4 and Melissa Larsen added two hits to earn the Game 1 victory. Kimberly used a four-run fifth — getting RBI singles from Carlson and Larsen — to break open a 2-1 contest.

Wendell had its own tribute to Rice as players wore white patches with the letters "LR" in red on their left shoulders.

Trojans coach Wendy Schwendman said junior Lexi Davis' grandmother, Virginia Davis, fashioned the patches.

"They all thought it was a good idea," Schwendman said. "That was pretty sad. Those girls still played hard though, I was pretty impressed with them."

Mallory Andrus tripled and singled to lead Wendell in the first inning.

Kimberly rallied from a 3-1 deficit for the Game 2 win as Meghan O'Donnell went 3-for-4 to lead the Bulldogs.

Kimberly scored two runs in both the sixth and seventh innings to take the lead, then Carlton snagged a Whitney Wert hit back to the mound with runners at second and third and two outs in the bottom of the seventh.

Ariane Vipperman went 2-for-2, and Wert doubled for Wendell (4-2), which visits Glens Ferry on Thursday. Kimberly (4-1) travels to Filer on Tuesday.

Twin Falls JV 3, Wood River 0

Wood River 5, Twin Falls JV 2

TWIN FALLS — Jamie Edwards struck out nine and Danielle Stanzak and Sara Standley each went 2-for-3 as the Twin Falls junior varsity blanked Wood River, 6-0, in non-league softball Friday at Brum Field.

The Wolverines earned the split with a 5-2 win in the nightcap as Ashley Washburn went 3-for-4 and Jon Chatterton tripled to go with two hits in the first game. Kelly Haisley added two hits for Wood River in Game 2.

Cassie Gonzalez went 3-for-3 with a triple to lead Twin Falls and added seven strikeouts in a losing effort. Edwards doubled and Jayme Harmonis tripled and Jayme Harmonis tripled and was called due to darkness after six innings.

Twin Falls travels to Boise today to face Centennial for a doubleheader on noon.

Tennis

Burley 10, Declo 2

BURLEY — The Burley Bobcats defeated Declo, 10-2, in high school tennis Friday.

Burley swept boys singles, girls doubles, and mixed doubles, allowing the Hornets wins in girls singles and boys doubles.

The Bobcats (3-3-1) host Century on Wednesday.

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Late Results

Tennis

Twin Falls JV 9, Gooding 2

GOODING — The Bruins' jaysdown Gooding in high school tennis Wednesday in Gooding.

Twin Falls swept boys and mixed doubles. The Bruins also won two of three matches in both boys and girls singles. The Falls won first girls doubles and led the second, before it was suspended due to darkness.

The Senators gathered two wins from Central Shull and Michael Schierbrand.

Gooding hosts Jerome Saturday at 10 a.m.

Baseball

Wendell 11, Kimberly 6

Wendell off, Kimberly, no score reported

WENDELL — Josh Maxwell pitched a complete game with nine strikeouts and added a triple as Wendell rallied from a 6-2 deficit to beat Kimberly 11-6 in non-league baseball Friday in Wendell.

Cody Howerton doubled twice with two RBIs and Kyle Egbert and Will Yoder each hit two singles to lead the Trojans (3-1).

Kris Newberry tripled and singled with two RBIs to lead the Bulldogs, who led 6-2 after two innings before the Trojans put together four-run rallies in the third and sixth innings.

Ryan Wright struck out eight in 5 1/3 innings for Kimberly. Wendell earned the sweep in the nightcap, but no score was reported. Wendell visits Glens Ferry on Thursday and Kimberly (0-5) visits Filer on Tuesday.

Two of the Spartans' three wins came in girls singles at No. 2 Ashley Plant and No. 3 Katja Harries.

In mixed doubles, Tamara Crowell and Bryce Jurgensmeyer defeated Century's Brandon Gull and Lindsay Bacon. Minico travels to Saturday at 11 a.m.

Results

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Wendell boys defeat Oakley

JEROME — Jysen Lancaster won medals at honors, leading Wendell to golf victory over Oakley, 176-188, at 93 Golf Ranch in Jerome on Monday.

In girls play Oakley's Val Bede was medalist with a 45.

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Wendell golf returns strong team

The Wendell boys golf team was a big threat to competitors this year. With no seniors and a strong lineup of state competitors, the Trojans will be hard to beat.

Reigning state champion, Jysen Lancaster, returns to lead a team with four returning state competitors and a host of newcomers. Lancaster won medalist honors Monday, followed closely by teammate Kevin Odor. Coach Steve Matthews calls his boys team "deep and consistent."

The Lady Trojans have only one returning state qualifier in Sarah Ashmead. But Matthews is quick to point out that the younger group coming in will be a force of the season's progress. Freshman Jesse Lancaster will be strong and "should have a valid shot at state medalist," according to Matthews.

CSI rallies to gain split with SLCC

By Joe Paisley Times-News writer

SALT LAKE CITY — The College of Southern Idaho rallied in both games, pulling out a 3-2 win, after falling 7-5 in Game 1 of a scenic West Athletic Conference baseball doubleheader Friday.

Frigid conditions hampered CSI Game 1 starter Ryan Davis, who dropped to 7-2 on the year in part because he struggled with his changeup and curve, two of his go-to pitches.

"He can't have those," said pitching coach Boomer Walker. "Ryan didn't have a good feel today."

Salt Lake took advantage for 15 hits, including two doubles apiece for Andrew Larsen and Tyler Kay. Kay and Trevor Dimick also hit triples.

CSI (21-12, 5-5 SWAC) rallied from a 7-1 deficit to make it 7-5 with the bases loaded and two outs in Game 2. The Eagles struck together five hits against reliever Joey Martinson.

"Martinson was their best guy last year but he's really struggled," Walker said. "We took them right to the end."

That momentum from a strong finish carried over into Game 2 when CSI rallied again. Nick Connor hit a leadoff single Dale Hall moved him into scoring.

Derek McNeil reached after he was hit by a pitch before John Hurd laid down a near-perfect drag bunt toward third base.

Near-perfect since the Bruins third baseman managed to gun down Hurd in a close call for the second out.

"It's one of the better plays I've seen over the last few weeks," Walker said. "But SLCC (23-13, 7-7) couldn't close it out. Shortstop Casey Oliver hit a double down the left field line to score Connor and McNeil."

Hurd then stepped in and mowed down the Bruins batters, picking up a strikeout and two weak grounders to the mound.

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2003 AREA TENNIS TEAMS

Class 5A

Twin Falls Bruins

Coach: Shana Nalder, first season
2002 finish: Top 5
2002 records: Sixth, state
Boys: Jr. Eric MacMillan, soph. Todd Czaplinski, soph. Martin Lewis, Jr. Ian Vogt, Jr. Andrew Harris, Jr. Troy Barium, Jr. Eric Hieb, Jr. Jayson Rickards, Chris MacMillan, sr. Sebastian Menendez, Jr. Trent Little

Minico Spartans

Coach: Karen Ferguson, first season
2002 finish: no state appearance
Boys: Alan Hanson, Quentin Baird, Dustin Davidson
Girls: Dayna Hahners, Shawna Moore, Lisa Roddington
Outlook: Young players and first-year coach look to improve.

Class 4A

Burley Bobcats

Coach: Shane Ogden, fourth season
Assistant Coach: Scott Barker
2002 finish: NIA
Boys: Phil Whipple, Nick Barker, Tyler Walton, Scott Bame, Chad Davis, Sam Child, Blair Gochounr, Jared Jones, Etrae Price
Girls: Mollie Stoddard, Klara Ward, Mandi Hoenes, Katie Hanks, Kim Cochran
Outlook: Usually competitive Bobcats return several players from a year ago including Barker, who teamed with graduated brother, Jon, to advance to state quarterfinals in boys doubles a year ago. Whipple leads boys singles with Walton, while Stoddard and Ward head up girls singles players.

Jerome Tigers

Coach: Paula Tillquist, third season
Assistant: Terri Lloyd
2002 finish: fourth in region
Boys: sr. Paul Henderson, Jr. Jay Newman, sr. Aaron Hair, sr. Chad Seibold, sr. David Ford, soph. Chris Bell, sr. Dustin Walker, soph. Ray Nelson, Jr. Josh Hilscher, Fred Keith Blane, Fred Jortensen, Jeremy Jortensen, soph. Joe Hamilton.

Class 3A

Declo Hornets

Coach, record, assistants were not listed
Boys: Spencer Egan, Travis Mass, Devin Harper, Justin Pickup, Cameron Rasmussen, Scott Briggs, Stephen Blakeslee, Adam Howard, Craig Checketts
Girls: Katie Wall, Rebecca Christiansen, Hillary Spear, Holly Bell, Hadley Spear, Lacey Freeman, Jovyl Gander, Ashley Petersen, Jennifer King
Outlook: The Hornets feature some strong individual entrants that should make it out of districts.

Gooding Senators

Coach: Adrian Celaya, first season
Assistant: none
2002 finish: not listed

Class 2A

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Tennis

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The boys are a mixed bag, led by the junior duo of MacMillan and Ian Timoney and underclassmen Eric Hieb, a freshman, and sophomore Todd Czaplinski in the singles.

Nalder said Hieb, the younger brother of graduated singles player, John, and Czaplinski are strong battling it out for the No. 1 spot. Whoever prevails should challenge for the state singles title, Nalder said.

"It is not exactly a bad situation for a coach to be in. Whoever loses out becomes a strong No. 2 singles player. The depth looks impressive, with seven boys with state and varsity experience."

MacMillan and Timoney are hopeful they can take the doubles title this spring as yet taking fifth place as sophomores. Last spring, the difference between fifth and first was negligible.

"We would have done a lot better," MacMillan said.

"We were all pretty close," Timoney said.

With three state tournament appearances and the championship duo split up so far this spring, the door could be open for Timoney and MacMillan to walk through. How they respond to that depends on the timing of their personalities.

"We're the favorite, assuming the teams don't change," Timoney said.

"I'm more willing to say that if we play up to our potential," MacMillan said.

Pocatel describes the Twin Falls girls as well. Twin Falls Kegan is the top singles player on a team with four with state or regional experience.

"There's a little more separation among the girls," Nalder said. "We have a lot of beginning players. It's real nice for building a program."

The No. 1 duo of Briar Berkovich and Randi May are expected to contest this spring.

Today's matches against Capital, Timberline and Idaho Falls at 11 a.m. on the new Bruins courts will be a good test against some of the other top teams around the state that are strong tennis players, notably the girls team from Capital. Twin Falls enters the meet at 4:00 as a team against Magic Valley boys and Highland.

But Nalder knows they remain the class of the school in the area.

"We have a hard time getting good matches," Nalder said. "We're expecting Saturday to be a good match for us."

A look at the programs: In the 5A ranks, Minico has a young team, led by Alan Hanson and second-year players Quentin Baird, Dustin Davidson, Dayna Halverson, Shauna Moses and Elise Reddington. Two wild cards are exchange students Katja Harries, Germany, and Alex Kavallou, Belarus.

In the Class 4A ranks, Jerome seniors Paul Hendrickson and Aaron Hair and junior Jay Newman return with next tournament experience while juniors Ashley Blewins, Ashley Martens, Aftin Martens and Lindsey Escovar return for the

Boys: soph. Josh Gregor, sr. Dilek Kline, sr. Nick Spiroton, sr. Daniel Shalt, Jr. Brendan Arkoosh, Jr. Morgan Fredricksen, Jr. Jason Jensen, soph. Marcos Gail, soph. Ryan Martensen, soph. Andrew Ribby, soph. Nick Tiller, fresh. Ryan Willis, Jr. Jon Flores

Girls: sr. Katie Meyers, sr. Lyndsey Pate, Jr. Sarah Shall, soph. Laurel Moore, sr. Katrina Sandberg, Jr. Crystal Danbaer, Jr. Sheila Peterson, Jennifer Schierbrand, soph. Nicole Kaszmits, soph. Kristi Tremelling, fresh. Mackenzie Amer

Outlook: A large group with a number of younger players gives Gooding a strong hope for next year. Some individual success this year is a real possibility.

The Community School

No report.

Wood River Wolverines

Coach: Kirk Mason
Assistant: Lisa Hoskins
2002 finish: not listed
Boys: Danny Garzey, sr. Patrick Brennan
Girls: sr. Ashley Larkie, Jr. Jessie Woodyard, sr. Amanda Parks, Jr. Amanda Smith, sr. Kietie Tucker, sr. Amanda Smith

Outlook: The girls are state team title contenders.

Declo '03 champs edge '98 title team

Christensen, Jones lead way for '03

The Times-News

DECLO — Marc Christensen had a game-high 25 points and Trae Jones added 25 to lead the Declo High School 2003 basketball team over the 1998 Hornets 88-82 on Friday.

The game, a fund-raiser for the Declo athletic department, pitted both of the school's state championship boys basketball teams. Over 500 spectators helped raise \$1,097 for the event.

Brad Allen had 23 points and Brady Mallory scored 15 to pace the '98 team, which was tied 20-20 with its younger counterparts after the first quarter before running out of gas in the second to trail 46-35 at halftime.

Lloyd Garey, who coached both teams to state titles, said he stood between the teams for the game.

"I wasn't about to touch the game," Garey said. "It was a good game."

Garey credited Allan Howard

with spearheading the unique event.

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"One of the unique things is we had over 500 people and it was real quiet except when one team scored," he said. "They didn't know who to root for."

Christensen won the halfcourt slam dunk contest, which included '03 teammates Billy Alphin and Spencer Glenn, while Seth Christensen, Brad Allen, Brady Mallory, K.C. Ramsey, Mike Christensen and Shay Heward competed for the 1998 team.

Declo 2003, Declo 1998

2003: Marc Christensen 25, Trae Jones 25, Brad Allen 23, Brady Mallory 15, K.C. Ramsey 15, Mike Christensen 15, Shay Heward 15, Seth Christensen 15, Billy Alphin 15, Spencer Glenn 15, Justin Pickup 15, Cameron Rasmussen 15, Holly Bell 15, Hadley Spear 15, Jovyl Gander 15, Ashley Petersen 15, Jennifer King 15

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For Declo, the Justin Pickup and Cameron Rasmussen are the top boys doubles team while Holly Bell and Hadley Spear lead the girls.

John Gregor is the lone state returnee for Gooding. Seniors Katie Meyers, Lyndsey Pate and Daniel Shalt return with district playoff experience. First-year coach Adrian Celaya will benefit from a larger team than usual, helping the Senators avoid giving up points by forfeit.

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"It just exemplifies what type of people we have here in Declo," Garey said. "I thought the kids played well and took it seriously and yet again they were having fun out there again."

Garey said it was fun to see the community try and pick a side.

"One of the unique things is we had over 500 people and it was real quiet except when one team scored," he said. "They didn't know who to root for."

Christensen won the halfcourt slam dunk contest, which included '03 teammates Billy Alphin and Spencer Glenn, while Seth Christensen, Brad Allen, Brady Mallory, K.C. Ramsey, Mike Christensen and Shay Heward competed for the 1998 team.

Declo 2003, Declo 1998

2003: Marc Christensen 25, Trae Jones 25, Brad Allen 23, Brady Mallory 15, K.C. Ramsey 15, Mike Christensen 15, Shay Heward 15, Seth Christensen 15, Billy Alphin 15, Spencer Glenn 15, Justin Pickup 15, Cameron Rasmussen 15, Holly Bell 15, Hadley Spear 15, Jovyl Gander 15, Ashley Petersen 15, Jennifer King 15

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For Declo, the Justin Pickup and Cameron Rasmussen are the top boys doubles team while Holly Bell and Hadley Spear lead the girls.

John Gregor is the lone state returnee for Gooding. Seniors Katie Meyers, Lyndsey Pate and Daniel Shalt return with district playoff experience. First-year coach Adrian Celaya will benefit from a larger team than usual, helping the Senators avoid giving up points by forfeit.



THE MASTERS 2003: TOURNAMENT IN CONTROVERSY

# A LINE IN THE AUGUSTA SAND

## Players prepare for golf – and questions

By Tim Dahlberg  
Associated Press writer

AUGUSTA, Ga. — Davis Love III has a plan for this year's Masters that begins as he drives through the gates of Augusta National and down Magnolia Lane.

At that moment, he pretends there is no controversy.

"I'm talking about playing golf this week," he said.

If only it was that easy. The Masters begins Thursday, clouded by the issue of no woman members at Augusta National and the threat of protests outside one of golf's most hallowed courses.

Players preparing for the first major championship of the year were also preparing for outside distractions that have nothing to do with the speed of the greens or the modifications to the fifth hole.

They'll do their best to ignore them, judging from an informal survey by The Associated Press of about 18 players in the weeks before the Masters.

Among other things, players were asked their opinion of whether the issue will impact Masters and how they will handle any controversy once they get to the tournament.

While many players — includ-

ing Tiger Woods — were in favor of women membership, they also said that as a private club, Augusta National had the right to invite whomever it wanted.

No golfer who spoke to The AP said he considered boycotting the event as a show of support.

"I don't think it would do any good for any player to boycott the Masters," Nick Price said.

"I'd like to see a woman member. I'd like to see a lot of them," Jeff Sluman said.

Asked how he would show his support for a woman member, Sluman said:

"I just did."

To be sure, the war in Iraq has overshadowed a great many causes and concerns, and this one is no different.

"I just feel there are more important issues in the world right now than getting particular members in certain clubs," Ernie Els said.

Annika Sorenstam will be in Augusta on Wednesday to accept an award at the Golf Writers Association of America's annual dinner. She plans to leave as soon as she can because she wants nothing to do with the controversy.

"I want to get out of there. That's not something I like to be a part of," she said. "I think it's bad for the game of golf. I hope we can find a solution to it and move on."



Hootie Johnson, chairman of Augusta National Golf Club



Martha Burk, leader of the Augusta National Golf Club women's membership drive

AP photos, illustration by Mike Griffin

## Burk, Johnson spearhead debate over women at Augusta National

By Paul Newberry  
Associated Press writer

AUGUSTA, Ga. — Hootie Johnson and Martha Burk are a lot alike, hard as that is to believe.

They are tenacious about their cause, steadfast in their beliefs and convinced they've claimed the moral high ground on the issue of women members at Augusta National Golf Club.

Of course, that's where their paths veer off sharply. Johnson, chairman of the Masters tournament and the club, is the staunch defender of Augusta's all-male membership, saying that is the prerogative of a private club.

Not so, says Burk, head of National Council of Women's Organizations. She believes Augusta is stuck in a gender time warp.

"After months of verbal haggling, angry letters and attempts to sway others to their sides, the dispute 'comes home,' so to speak, next week.

The tournament starts Thursday, with Tiger Woods going for his third straight green jacket. And TV viewers will see footage of it then ever before, thanks to the dispute.

Johnson cut loose corporate backers to shield them, he said, from possible backlash, so the Masters is commercial free. One of the lines Johnson drew in the sand.

"Burk and her supporters plan to protest on Saturday, during the third round. They won't be allowed to march in front of the main gates as requested; instead, they'll be kept to a tract about a

half mile away.

In Burk's eyes, she's already won.

"There is a turning point that will not change, regardless of when Augusta changes its policy," she said. "It is a place that corporate America will not want to go near, and that's appropriate."

Johnson sees the dispute much differently.

"You know, some of the media tries to portray us — or this woman portrays us — as being discriminatory, and being bigots. And we're not," he said last year. "We're a private club. We will prevail because we're right."

Many of Johnson's friends and colleagues are surprised he's taken such a high-profile stand on such a contentious issue. They've always known him to be a backroom operator, a genteel banker who would prefer to solve problems quietly, without a fuss.

During the civil rights movement, Johnson remained largely under the radar while chipping away at discrimination in his native South Carolina. He helped get blacks elected to the state legislature. He promoted blacks in the corporate boardroom. He ran a committee to desegregate the state's colleges.

"He had the reputation of being progressive," said I.S. Levey Johnson, one of three blacks elected to the legislature in 1970 with Hootie Johnson's backing. "He was diplomatic in his opinions. He had a general concern for the feelings of others. And he was a very strong-willed person. That's characteristic of leaders."

His strong-willed side came to

the forefront when Burk demanded that the club initiate a female member. He fired back with an angry statement, saying Augusta National would not admit women "at the point of a bayonet."

A few weeks ago, Georgia's conservative governor, Sonny Perdue, raised Johnson's ire by suggesting — almost in passing — that everyone would like to see the club admit women at some point. Johnson wasted no time answering with a stinging letter.

"For the governor of our state to suggest that we should capitulate to special interest groups when the constitution is on our side and we have done nothing wrong is a bit surprising and very disappointing," he wrote.

While Johnson appears increasingly thin-skinned, some say Burk has gone too far by linking the membership dispute to the war in Iraq.

"It's appalling that the women who are willing to lay down their lives for democratic ideals should be shut out of this club," she said recently.

Burk later said she was merely trying to compare women returning from this war to blacks who endured continued segregation after fighting for their country in World War II.

While detractors portray Burk as a media hound who keeps reporters' phone numbers on her speed dial, she says that even she is surprised at the amount of attention her Augusta campaign has generated.

"I had no idea that golf was a separate religion, or as my son puts it, 'Augusta is the Westminster Abbey of golf,'" she said.

Though some might characterize his stance on women members as stubborn, Johnson has shown plenty of flexibility when it came to tinkering with the club's signature event. Since taking over in 1998, he's overseen more changes than the previous three chairmen combined.

The qualifying criteria changed, television coverage expanded and the course underwent its biggest renovation since the club opened in 1933.

Augusta National avoided a big public mea culpa when the issue of racially exclusive clubs came to the forefront. The club didn't admit its first black member until 1990, but it moved quickly after the dispute at Shoal Creek made white members-only clubs a potential target for protests.

When it came to women, Johnson chose a different tact.

"Shoal Creek has got nothing to do with this. Nothing," he said. "Racial discrimination and gender are two different things. Do you know of any constitutional lawyer that's ever said they were the same? Do you know any civil rights activists that said it was the same? Do you? It's not relevant," he said last year.

To Burk, it is.

Some day, she says, there will be a woman wearing a green jacket.

It's just a matter of time.

"I don't know why the club just doesn't take the high road and announce a change in policy on a reasonable timetable," Burk said. "The club cannot see the inevitable. Instead, they have put the world of golf us, their members, through a ringer."

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## Players' perspectives

"It's become not just about a golf tournament anymore. It used to be the first major of the year, and everyone looked forward to that. Now, it's not that anymore, for a number of reasons."

—Tiger Woods.

"I don't want anything to be a distraction. I'm there to play golf."

—Mike Weir.

"Once you step inside Augusta National, you can't worry about what's going on outside the arena. If you do, you'll probably play horrendously."

—Jeff Sluman.

"I have a vested interest in women being treated fairly and I don't think this is an important woman's issue."

—Scott Verplank, father of two daughters.

"I sit on the fence. I think they should have a woman member, they should have the right to do what they want. And you have the right to express your opinion."

—Jim Furyk.

"All the peripheral stuff is going to detract a lot from the tournament. It's bad. Maybe Thursday, everything will be forgotten and we'll be on our way. But we're getting away from golf, and that's sad."

—Nick Price.

"I just think there are a lot more issues out there that can help a lot more women and be beneficial to a lot more women than just letting a lady member in Augusta."

—Scott Hoch.

"We don't have a say in what happens. Our only voice to effect any type of change is skipping the golf tournament, and that's not going to happen. The only time it would matter is if Tiger skipped it. That's the only way it would change. And I think that's entirely unfair to ask that of him, to have people put pressure on him to do that."

—David Duval.

"I'm excited as hell to play and it won't bother me one single bit."

—Rich Beem.

"If they host a world event and people have big-time problems with the membership, then they shouldn't go. For the last 50 years or so, to my knowledge, they've been going."

—Len Mattiace.

"The Masters will be the Masters inside the gates. All that stuff is going to be in the newspapers, on television. But when we get inside the gates, it's going to be golf."

—Davis Love III.

—The Associated Press

## Three-peat? Tiger tends to seize historic opportunities

By Doug Ferguson  
Associated Press writer

AUGUSTA, Ga. — The 4-foot putt curled out the cup, and the 17-year-old phenom knew he was in trouble.

Two holes down. Two holes to play. His chance to make history with a third straight victory in the most important golf tournament of the year was slipping away.

Tiger Woods showed early in his career that he doesn't let opportunity pass that easily. He birdied the next two holes, making a 10-footer on the 18th, and defeated Ryan Armour on the extra hole to win the 1993 U.S. Junior Amateur.

He has always been able to put on his best effort when he has to. He can march his focus down a razor-sharp edge and perform at the highest level. That's

the only way to account for those three wins.

It was only the start of Woods' amazing string of trifectas.

He became the only golfer to win three straight U.S. Amateurs.

As a professional, he is the only player to win three PGA Tour events (Bay Hill Memorial, NEC Invitational) three years in a row.

Next up: Augusta National. No one has ever won the Masters three straight years. Only two other players — Jack Nicklaus (1965-66) and Nick Faldo (1989-90) — even had a chance.

Woods knows what's at stake. "It means you've accomplished something that none of the greats have ever done," Woods said. "It's important to me to win that one."

share of history at Augusta National.

Two years ago, he played bogey-free down the stretch to hold off David Duval and Phil Mickelson, making him the first player to win four straight professional majors.

Last year was easier. He took a lead going into the back nine and let some of the world's best players collapse — Mickelson, Ernie Els, Vijay Singh, Retief Goosen, Sergio Garcia.

Why should this year be any different? "The hardest thing is to win once," Nicklaus said. "It's easier

to win twice. It's got to be easier to win three times."

It figures to be easier for Woods than the guys chasing him. Only one of the top 30 players in the world ranking — Singh (2000) — has won a green jacket.

"That's a pretty powerful statement to say to imagine Woods at home on a weekend, or anywhere else except in contention on the back nine Sunday. Augusta National is longer and tougher than ever, playing right into Woods' hands."

"He does not have to play his best to win," Nicklaus said. "I didn't have to play my best to win, either. I thought if I played decent golf, I was going to be hard to beat. If I played well, I

was the first player to win

consecutive Masters, and the media hype was not nearly as great when the Golden Bear arrived at Augusta National in 1967.

"Nobody was worried about me winning three," Nicklaus said. Nicklaus opened with a 72, five strokes behind Bert Yancey, then followed with a 79 to miss the cut by one shot. He didn't miss another cut at the Masters for 27 years.

Nicklaus finds it hard to imagine Woods at home on a weekend, or anywhere else except in contention on the back nine Sunday. Augusta National is longer and tougher than ever, playing right into Woods' hands.

"He does not have to play his best to win," Nicklaus said. "I didn't have to play my best to win, either. I thought if I played decent golf, I was going to be hard to beat. If I played well, I

didn't think I would get beat. I would think I feels the same way."

What awaits Woods?

"He's a different animal," Faldo said. "He's taken all three areas — the technical, physical and mental — to a new level. He has really committed himself to be better in those areas than anyone has ever been."

As for the hype of chasing history, that hasn't seemed to bother Woods in the past.

He won by eight strokes at St. Andrews to become the youngest player (24) to win the Grand Slam. He won the 2001 Masters with a chance — maybe his only chance — to hold all four major trophies at once.

"I've never had a problem with that," Woods said. "That's what has always come easy for me, to focus on the present. I think about winning the event."

# Emmitt will face Cowboys Oct. 5

NEW YORK (AP) — Emmitt Smith will return to Dallas on Oct. 5, the first time he will face the Cowboys since joining the Arizona Cardinals.

That game at Texas Stadium, in the fifth week of the season, is one of the highlights of the NFL's 2003 schedule, which was released Thursday.

Smith, the NFL's career rushing leader, signed last week with the Cardinals. He was released by the Cowboys on Feb. 27 after 13 seasons in Dallas.

The league already had announced a handful of games,

including the second consecutive Thursday night opener, on Sept. 4, and the first Monday night game, Super Bowl champion Tampa Bay at Philadelphia on Sept. 8.

Dallas finished 5-11 each of the past three seasons but has several featured games, largely because of new coach Bill Parcells.

The Cowboys will play on Monday night in the Meadowlands on Sept. 15 against the New York Giants, the team Parcells coached to two Super Bowl victories. Dallas will return 13 days later to face the New York Jets, whom Parcells

coached from 1997-99. The Cowboys will be at New England on Nov. 16 to play the Patriots, the team he coached to the AFC title in 1996. There will be three new stadium openings or renovations.

Green Bay will play Minnesota at renovated Lambeau Field on the opening Sunday, Sept. 7. The Monday night opener the next day will showcase Philadelphia's new park. The Packers will travel to Chicago for a Monday night game Sept. 29, the Bears' first game in the new Soldier Field.

# Beuerlein will return for 17th year

DENVER (AP) — Denver Broncos quarterback Steve Beuerlein will return for a 17th season.

Beuerlein said just three weeks ago that he was leaning toward retirement after his third season with the Broncos, but changed his mind after talking to coach Mike Shanahan.

Shanahan flew to Charlotte, N.C., to visit Beuerlein and his family on March 7, a day after the Broncos signed free agent quarterback Jake Plummer.

"Steve Beuerlein told me he

wanted to put his 38-year-old body through another season. Plummer brought in a clear he wants Beuerlein back. "I think he's a guy who could help me a lot," Plummer said Monday after Denver's first offseason workout. "He's a guy who's been through the system. He's a guy who's been to the playoffs and the Pro Bowl and he's done a lot of great things."

Beuerlein completed 56 percent of his passes for 925 yards and six touchdowns with five interceptions last season.

# Kentucky coach Smith, Xavier forward West win AP awards

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Kentucky's Tubby Smith and Xavier's David West were honored Friday as The Associated Press coach and player of the year.

Smith was a runaway winner, receiving 58 votes from the 72-member national panel that selects the weekly AP Top 25. Skip Prosser of Wake Forest was second with seven.

Smith led the Wildcats to a 32-4 record and the No. 1 ranking in the final AP poll of the season. Kentucky lost to Marquette 83-69 in the Midwest Regional final, ending the Wildcats' 26-game winning streak.

"This team played as a great group," Smith said. "They functioned as one. That's the ultimate in coaching, getting everybody on the same page. They did that as well as any team I've ever been around."

"Our leadership within the team was a great group of guys who trusted one another, trusted the coaching staff and believed in what we were doing."

Smith won the national championship with Kentucky in 1998, his first

Atlantic 10 player of the year. He led the Musketeers to a Top 10 ranking and a No. 3 seed in the NCAA tournament, where they lost to Maryland in the second round.

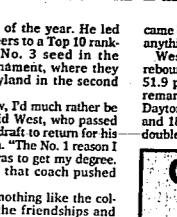
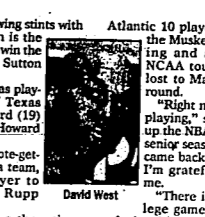
"Right now, I'd much rather be playing," said West, who passed up the NBA draft to return for his senior season. "The No. 1 reason I came back was to get my degree. I'm grateful that coach pushed me."

"There is nothing like the college game, the friendships and relationships you build. That's why I

season in Lexington, following stints with Tulsa and Georgia. Smith is the second Kentucky coach to win the AP award, joining Eddie Sutton (1988).

West received 30 votes as player of the year, ahead of Texas sophomore guard T.J. Ford (19) and senior forward Josh Howard of Wake Forest (10).

West, also the leading vote-getter on the AP All-America team, is the first Xavier player to receive the Adolph Rupp Trophy.



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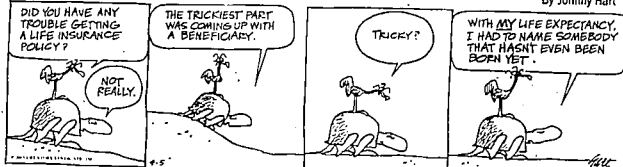
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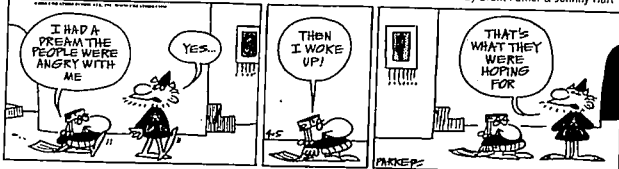
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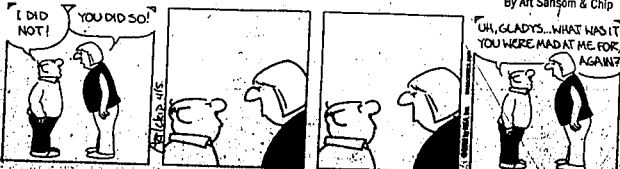
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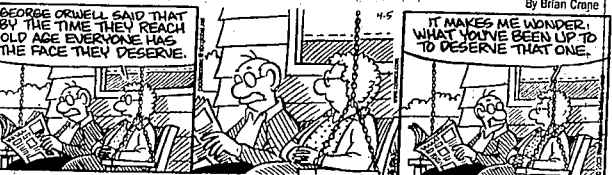
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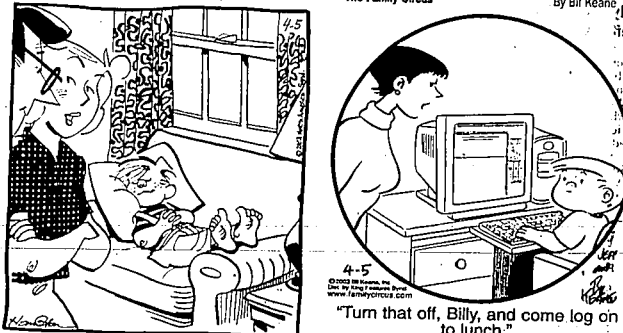


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The Magic Valley Regional Medical Center Auxiliary held its annual Employee's Appreciation Tea on March 21 in the hospital cafeteria. The theme was 'Everything is Coming Up Roses.' Refreshments were provided, and Loraine Gibson played the piano. The committee consisted of Patsy Fife, chairperson; Donna Hughes, co-chairman; and Ron Eversole, auxiliary president.

## SERVICE NEWS

### Hyde contributes to relief efforts while aboard carrier

Navy Airman Travis W. Hyde, son of Christine L. and Clifford W. Hyde of Twin Falls, contributed to relief efforts on Guam during a Western Pacific deployment while assigned to the aircraft carrier USS Kitty Hawk, homeported in Yokosuka, Japan.

Sailors aboard Hyde's ship joined members of the Fleet Activities Yokosuka community setting up field galleys to aid

those whose homes were battered by Super Typhoon Toragon, which hit Guam with winds of 180 mph.

Hyde is a 1999 graduate of Twin Falls High School, and joined the Navy in January 2001.

### Cummings helps out with relief efforts on Guam

Navy Seaman Lindsey J. Cummings, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Terry Cummings of Elko, Nev., contributed to relief efforts on Guam during a Western

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### SINGING FOR A CURE

Thom Stimpson, a Minico High School employee, has released his third CD, entitled "Ballads." The cost is \$15, and proceeds will benefit the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life. The CD is available at the Book Store in Rupert, Stimpson's in Paul and Book Plaza in Burley.



THOM STIMPSON/The Times-News

## FOCUS ON PEOPLE

### Carroll College names student to dean's list

Anne Leonard from Twin Falls was among the students to make the 2002 fall semester dean's list at Carroll College of Helena, Mont.

To be included on the dean's list, a student must receive a 3.5 grade-point average or better for the semester, and take at least 12 credits.

Leonard is the daughter of Steve and Irene Leonard of Twin Falls, a 2002 Twin Falls High School graduate and co-valedictorian, and was secretary of the National Honor Society during her senior year.

**Willis receives United Dairymen student award**

United Dairymen of Idaho has announced the Distinguished Student Award, which recognizes excellence in academics, citizen-

ship and the role of education in Idaho, goes to Delena Willis for the week of March 10.

Willis attends Magic Valley Christian School, has a 3.7 grade-point average, is a member of the National Honor Society, on the honor roll, and received the Diligent Student Award.

Her extracurricular activities include basketball and volleyball. She also is a youth leader in her church, volunteered for the Adopt a Highway program, served at the Crisis Pregnancy Center, and worked at a bike safety demonstration. She plans to attend college and study sports nutrition.

United Dairymen and CBS television affiliates sponsor the awards.

### Capps achieves high honors at Boise State

Ryan W. Capps has been recognized for achieving the highest

honors on the dean's list at Boise State University by maintaining a 4.0 grade-point average for the fall semester.

Capps is in his fifth year at BSU, has maintained a 3.579 grade-point average, and will graduate in December 2003 with a major in theater arts. After graduation, he plans to relocate to Chicago to pursue a career in theater.

He had a singing and dancing role in the play "Damn Yankees," March 6-9 at the BSU Morrison Center Main Hall.

He will play the lead in the play "Summer and Smoke," which will run from April 17-19 and April 23-27 at the BSU Morrison Center Stage II. The play will be directed by Rusty Williams, director of the Company of Fools in Hailey.

Capps graduated from Jerome High School in 1998. He is the son of Brad and Marsha Capps of Jerome.

### FHLA serves up Mexican dinner tonight at Valley HS

HAZELTON - The Future Hispanics Leaders Association will serve a Mexican dinner from 6-8 p.m. today in the old gym at Valley High School, 882 Valley Road S. in Hazelton. The cost is \$8 per person or \$20 per family.

For more information, call Mr. Riojas at the school at 829-3533.

### Grain producers announce scholarship availability

RUPERT - The Minidoka County Grain Producers Association will fund two scholarships to Minico High School seniors who are planning a career in agriculture, either vocational or academic.

The scholarship is based on need, achievement record, personal qualifications and other leadership activities. The scholarship will be awarded at the beginning of the recipient's second semester of his or her freshman year, providing that the recipient has maintained a grade point average of 2.0 and earned a minimum of 12 credits during the first semester.

The applications are available through Vo-Ag, the high school office, Minidoka County University of Idaho County Extension Office. All applications are due by April 11 to the Minidoka County Extension Office, 85 E. Baseline Road in Rupert.

For more information, call 436-7184.

### Magic Valley Relay for Life captains meet Thursday

TWIN FALLS - The last Magic Valley Relay for Life captain's meeting will be held at 5:30 p.m. Thursday in the Great Room at BridgeView Estates, 1812 Ridgeview Blvd. in Twin Falls. All captains are asked to have a representative at the meeting.

The 2003 event will be held May 16-17 at the Flier Elementary School track. Proceeds go to the American Cancer Society. For more information or to form a team, call Dawn Hutchinson at 736-8093.

### Snake River Weavers' Guild meets Tuesday

TWIN FALLS - The Snake River Weavers' Guild will meet at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday. The hostess will be Sue Dawn Carter.

For more information, call Elly Young at 734-5358 or Sue Dawn at 837-6525.

### B.J. Duplicate Bridge Club announces results

RUPERT - Results for the B.J. Duplicate Bridge Club for April 1 were, north/south first, Ella Annett and Lola Moorman; second, John and Francis Anglin; third, Mary and Howard Dunn and fourth, David and Gwen Stoker. East/west winners were, first, Jackie Brown and Marie Price; second, Donna Moore and Jane Keicher; third, Lila Buman and Marion Snow; and fourth, Joe and Helen Stansky.

Play continues at 1 p.m. each Tuesday at the Rupert Elks. The public is invited.

### Volunteers are needed at botanical gardens

BURLEY - The Oregon Trail Botanical Gardens in Burley is in need of volunteers from businesses or individuals to care for small garden plots.

Each garden plot has a personalized plaque.

Anyone interested or for more information, call Book Plaza at 678-2505.

### Group hears about neighborhood watch

TWIN FALLS - The Community Watch Group of Twin Falls will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday in the third floor conference room of the Twin Falls County Courthouse, 425 Shoshone St. N. in Twin Falls.

The guest speaker will be member Mary Dana, Community Watch member and president of the Twin Falls County Crime Prevention Association. Dana will present a neighborhood watch program with emphasis on starting a watch group.

meets the second Thursday of each month. For more information, call Barb Powers at 734-4014 or at 733-8150 or Mary Dana at 423-5479.

### CSI offers Internet workshop for seniors

TWIN FALLS - The College of Southern Idaho will offer "Seniors on the Internet II" from 6-9 p.m. Wednesdays, April 16 through May 14 in Canyon Room 124C on the CSI campus.

The class picks up where the first class left off. Students will explore such topics as efficient browsing, online shopping, safe surfing and viruses, e-mail and chatting, downloading files and file sharing, locating software and Internet terminology. The class can be tailored to meet the needs of the individual class.

The cost is \$60. For more information, or to register, call 732-6288 or 732-6290.

### Veterans of Foreign Wars discusses post membership

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls Veterans of Foreign Wars will meet at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at the DAV Hall, 459 Shoup Ave. in Twin Falls.

All members are encouraged to attend. Second nominations of officers will be accepted for the coming year. Members also will discuss post membership and providing flags and flagspoles to the new Twin Falls Senior Center.

New members are always welcome and should bring proof of military service.

For more information, call 733-6042 or e-mail thechiefl@vfwinc.net.

### Friends of CSI Players presents play in Hailey

HAILEY - The Friends of CSI Players will present "The Complete History of America (Abridged)" from 7-9 p.m. April 10 at the Wood River High School auditorium, 1050 Fox Acres Road in Hailey.

The comedy was written by Adam Long, Reed Martin and Austin Tichenor, and takes a funny spin on 500 years of American history. The cost is \$5 per person.

### First United Methodist Church watches children

TWIN FALLS - The First United Methodist Church will watch children for free to give parents a break from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Thursdays at the church, 360 Shoshone St. E. in Twin Falls.

Parents are asked to pre-register children under age 3 by calling the church at 733-5872.

### CSI enrichment classes catalogues now available

TWIN FALLS - Catalogues for zero-credit enrichment classes running from April to August through the Community Education Center at the College of Southern Idaho are available.

The catalogues feature class descriptions, times, dates, cost, instructor information and information on how to register.

The center is offering new classes this semester such as "Writing Your First Book," "Fly Fishing," "Fly Tyling" and "Adding to Your Financial Portfolio." Repeat courses include "Computers for Seniors," "Pottery" and "Dog Obedience" will be offered.

For more information, to receive a complete catalogue of classes or to register, call 732-6288 or 732-6290.

### Spots are still available for student Science Trek

TWIN FALLS - Students in grades third through fifth can still sign up for the annual Science Trek overnight experience at the Herrett Center for Arts and Science at the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls. The registration deadline is Monday.

Headlining this year's activities will be Steven Shroshrip, associate professor of physics at Idaho State University. Science Trek begins at 6:30 p.m. April 25. Workshops on chemistry, reptiles, archaeology, medicine and rocketry will be available. Shroshrip's presentation will be held from 9-10 p.m.,

followed by a star party, planetarium show and flashlight museum tour. The students will eat snacks and sleep in their sleeping bags in the galleries of the Herrett Center for the night. Parents will pick up their children after breakfast the next morning.

The cost is \$37, which includes a souvenir T-shirt. For information, call the Herrett Center at 732-6556 or Darcy Thornbrough at 732-6664.

### Magic Valley Rose Society meets Thursday

TWIN FALLS - The Magic Valley Rose Society will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday at Our Savior Lutheran Church, 1708 Heyburn Ave. E. in Twin Falls.

The program will be on spring rose pruning, and is open to anyone interested in roses.

For more information, call the society at 733-4696.

### Sage Brush Art Guild meets Tuesday

GOODING - The Sage Brush Art-Guild will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday at the Gooding County Fairgrounds building.

All artists are invited. The guild also is looking for those interested in preservation of the arts.

The guild would like to exhibit paintings and other works of art at the Gooding's Founders Day event in May.

The group held its monthly meeting March 11 at the Gooding County Fairgrounds. Carol Sherman presented a program painting on furniture.

For more information, call President Jo An Marley at 934-8826.

### Kimberly City Library adds several new books

KIMBERLY - The Kimberly City Library announced the addition of the following new books: Juvenile fiction: "Farm Flu" by Teresa Bateman, "Hooway for Wodney Watney" by Helen Lester, "When Sophie Gets Angry - Really, Really Angry," by Molly Bang, "The Great Pig Search" by Eileen Christelow, "Vroomaloom Zoom" by John Coy, "The Seals on the Bus" by Lenny Hort, "Just

You and Me" by Sam McBratney, "The Hat" by Jan Brett, "The Vile Village" and "The Hostile Hospital" by Lemmy Snicket.

Juvenile non-fiction: "Spirit of Endurance: The True Story of the Shackleton Expedition to the Antarctic" by Jennifer Armstrong, "The Greatest: Muhammad Ali" by Walter Dean Myers, "Norman Rockwell: Storyteller with a Brush" by Beverly Gherman, "Give Me Liberty! The Story of the Declaration of Independence" by Russell Freedman and "Space Station: Life in Free Fall" by Mariann J. Dyon.

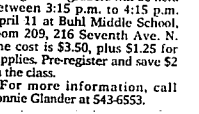
For more information, call the library at 423-4556.

### Buhl Community Ed offers drawing class

BUHL - The Buhl Community Education and Recreation Association will offer a class on increasing drawing skills from 7-9 p.m. Wednesdays, April 9 and April 23 in the Buhl High School art room, 525 Sawtooth.

The cost is \$9. A class to make a foam bunny beaded necklace for third-through sixth-graders will be held between 3:15 p.m. to 4:15 p.m. April 11 at Buhl Middle School, room 209, 216 Seventh Ave. N. The cost is \$3.50, plus \$1.25 for supplies. Pre-register and save \$2 on the class.

For more information, call Connie Glander at 543-6553.



### Shoshone students hold state title Sunday in Community

SHOSHONE - Students from the Shoshone Community School District held the state title in Community Education and Recreation Association's drawing class on Sunday, April 6, at the Shoshone Community School District. The students were: Kaitlyn Smith, first place; Kaitlyn Smith, second place; and Kaitlyn Smith, third place.

**IDAHO**

**Compromise plan over field burning heads to Senate**

**BOISE** - Compromise legislation limiting lawsuits over field burning while increasing state regulation has been sent to the Senate for a final vote.

Advocates said the bill tries to balance public health with the economic needs of the state's grass seed growers.

The House-passed bill gives farmers who burn their fields protection against suits if they abide by state smoke-management rules. It also imposes strict penalties for violations, requires the state Agriculture Department to investigate complaints and coverage from just Kootenai and Benahech counties all 10 northern counties.

Field burning opponents acknowledged positive steps in the bill including the penalties and a dollar-an-acre fee to finance the regulatory program. But they contend it still fails to deal with public health problems while blocking legitimate lawsuits.

Some said the protection against lawsuits could be unconstitutional.

**House committee endorses governor's bond plan**

**BOISE** - A House committee has endorsed Gov. Dirk Kempthorne's plan to finance \$69 million in new state construction through bonds.

The projects had been approved two years ago with straight cash financing but were dropped in the past year so the money could be diverted to covering general budget deficits.

The state would pay off the bonds in up to \$6 million annual payments over 20 years.

While lawmakers have been leery of debt financing, many have been persuaded that restarting the projects, mostly on the college campuses in every corner of Idaho, would provide a needed job infusion for the state's slumping economy.

The plan still needs the approval of both the House and Senate.

**House quietly kills child restraint proposal**

**BOISE** - Senate-passed legislation extending the mandatory child safety restraint law to older,



**Legislature in brief**

bigger children has been quietly killed in the House.

The House Transportation Chairman Joan Wood of Rigby pulled the bill off the floor last month and then shelved it after she said support had evaporated.

The bill would have required mandatory safety restraints in vehicles for children 6 years old or weighing up to 60 pounds. The current law applies to children 4 years old or up to 40 pounds.

The legislation had been pushed by the daughter-in-law of Lt. Gov. James Risch, Jeanette Risch, who took issue with the informal pool of House members Wood conducted in deciding to kill the bill, promised to have it reintroduced next year.

The Legislature did approve a major change in the state seat belt law this year, doubling the fine and making it easier for officers to cite people for failure to wear seat belts.

**Legislature passes bill to create student network**

**BOISE** - Creation of a statewide student information management system won final legislative approval on Friday.

The bill, backed by Gov. Dirk Kempthorne, was prompted by the offer of the IJA & Kathryn Albertson Foundation of \$35 million to get the system off the ground.

The network would connect all the schools to provide data for parents, teachers, students, administrators, lawmakers and the public. It will be one of the first statewide systems in the nation.

Parents also could access the system for their children's grades, homework assignments and attendance records.

- compiled from wire reports

**Bonneville zoning board OKs game preserve**

**IDAHO FALLS** (AP) - A wildlife hunting preserve has been approved by the Bonneville County Planning and Zoning Commission.

The board Wednesday granted a special-use permit for Idaho Wildlife Expedition, Ltd., to operate a penned hunt for bison and elk on its property eight miles

southeast of the community of Bona.

The company wants to turn more than 1,500 acres of its land in Ringham and Bonneville counties into a preserve where hunters can pay to shoot. A similar Ringham County hearing is set for April 23.

Pending approval from

Bingham County, the preserve could open this fall, company president Steve McGrath said.

The company will construct an 8-foot fence of steel pipe and wire around about 500 acres in Bonneville County, he said. Elk would be kept on the property from late summer to early winter. Bison would be brought in

as prey.

The Bonneville commission is requiring Idaho Wildlife to live up to commitments it proposed. That includes making sure a guide accompanies each guest on the preserve. The hunter cannot fire any shots until the guide has determined it is safe and there is an appropriate target.

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**LEGISLATIVE LOG**

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**Signed by Governor**

H11 (Newcomb) - Revises state regulations on crematories.

H331 (State Affairs) - Revises qualifications for licensure as a landscape architect.

H149 (Environmental Affairs) - Revises the duties of the Board of Commissioners of the Basin Project Commission.

H248 (State Affairs) - Ends exemption for real estate licensees from residential mortgage law practices.

H313 (State Affairs) - Keeps assumed business names in effect until canceled.

H361 (Appropriations) - Allocates \$28.8 million for 2003-2004 operations of the Department of Commerce.

H321 (State Affairs) - Clarifies procedures for transfer of development rights.

H353 (Appropriations) - Allocates \$5.3 million for 2003-2004 operations of the State Board of Education.

H354 (Appropriations) - Allocates \$33.9 million for 2003-2004 operations of the Lands Department.

H355 (Appropriations) - Allocates \$9 million for 2003-2004 operations of the Public Health Districts.

H305 (State Affairs) - Extends to five years the time the Land Board has to use proceeds from the sale of endowment lands to buy new assets.

H122 (Judiciary and Rules) - Redefines the term "accessory" to include persons who harbor people who have committed a felony or know one was committed.

H255 (Revenue and Taxation) - Establishes that real property used for charter schools is exempt from taxation.

H59 (Newcomb) - Clarifies what loan interest amounts will be treated as assets of insurance companies.

**Sent to Governor**

H218 (Judiciary, Rules and Administration) - Gives the Director of Correction authority to manage death row inmates as other maximum-custody inmates under certain circumstances.

H165 (Newcomb) - Revises the list of state parks.

H301 (Education) - Imposes up to a 4-percent surcharge on students receiving subsidized medical education to finance loan repayment incentives to those who agree to practice in underserved Idaho communities.

H169 (Judiciary, Rules and Administration) - Redefines rape in criminal law.

H133 (Judiciary and Rules) - Regulates heating, ventilation and air conditioning system installers.

H279 (Revenue and Taxation) - Revises the method of payment and calculation for withholding taxes.

H367 (Education) - Authorizes establishment of a statewide Student Information Management System.

**Confirmed by Senate**

Colleen Grant, Fruitland, to the Idaho State Tax Commission.

**Legislative Action Complete**

HCR29 (Ways and Means) - Encourages development of a self-directed service delivery system for people with developmental disabilities.

HJM11 (State Affairs) - Urges Congress to provide enough money to assure timely medical care for veterans.

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# Local Dealership Now Has National Resources to Serve Customers Better

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By Miles Carson

**TWIN FALLS, ID** – Randy Hansen Auto Group is now Chevrolet Cadillac Suzuki of Twin Falls, a Lithia store, giving the community a new resource for the finest automobile selection and service of their vehicle anywhere. The store is still at the same location, 1654 Blue Lakes Boulevard North, on the corner of Blue Lake Boulevard and Pole Line Road.

"We're really excited about the positive changes that Lithia brings to the table," said store manager Bob Allen. "Simply put, there are more resources for us to help our customers get the selection and service they are looking for."

Lithia has stores in three other communities in Idaho, by bringing in Chevrolet Cadillac Suzuki of Twin Falls, Lithia is now covering Idaho's customers' needs for service, sales and related automotive needs border to border, from Pocatello to Boise and Twin Falls right in between.

Lithia, America's Car and Truck Store, started as a family business in 1946 in the small town of Ashland, Oregon. Today, Lithia is a national automotive company in ten states across America, selling vehicles on the web through Lithia.com, traded on NYSE (LAD), and is still run by the family that started it all.

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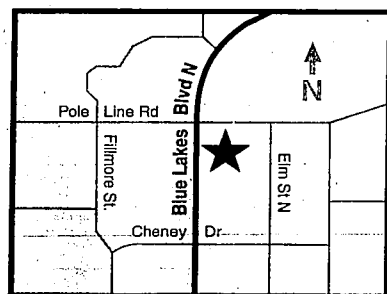
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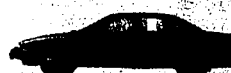


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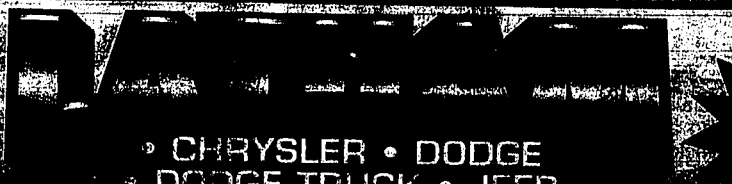
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Section C

## God Women gather to celebrate faith in God sent me

I was only 5 years old when I became an uncle. I had been pleading with Mom to give me a little brother. Mom said no, which I'm sure is the reason my eldest sister, Jean, decided to have a baby boy. I could always count on her to come through for me when Mom wouldn't.

Jean loved to get Mom's goat by spelling me. And I didn't really care whose goat was getting (got) as long as I was getting what I wanted. And baby Mark was exactly what I wanted. He was cute. He was little. He was fun (well, OK - as fun as a newborn can be). And he was amazingly accurate with that little "water gauge" of his when Jean was slow in making the transition from wet diaper to dry.

I loved the little guy from the moment I first saw him, which was just a few days after he was born. Mom and I took the train to California to help Jean get back on her feet. Riding the train was great. Being the first in the family



Above, Anissa Rocha, right, and Sandee Rice work on frog-tree centerpieces for the upcoming Rupert retreat, to be held at First Christian Church. Inset, Denise Young made the quilt that will be raffled off at the Ladies for Faith Community Women's Retreat in Rupert next week. The retreat theme - "Fully Rely on God" (FROG) - is embroidered on the quilt.

By Lorraine Cavener  
Times-News correspondent

**RUPERT** - The Ladies for Faith Community Women's Retreat is designed to bring area Christian women together for fellowship, worship and prayer.

"It gives the women a time out and to get to know others in the community," said Denise Young, organizer of the event.

One of the best things about last year's retreat? "I really made a lot of new friends," Young said.

The retreat starts with a Friday registration, around 5 p.m. Then the men of Rupert First Christian Church serve the women dinner. Teresa Graham, who attended last year, said having the men wait on them was the best part for her.

"But don't tell my husband I said that," she said. "He was the one out there pouring the coffee. He got a kick out of feeding the women."

On Friday, the women can spend the night at the church if they like. Young said: "Bring a sleeping bag, bring munchies and movies. We can stay up all night and talk."

Showers are available at the church.

On Saturday morning, classes will begin at 10:40 a.m. and run until mid-afternoon. They include interior decorating (by La-Di-Di Decorating of Burley), quilting, calligraphy, card-making, scrapbooking and vinegar bottles. Six local hairstylists and several Mary Kay representatives will give free makeovers.

The speakers include Anita Talon, a local humorist and nurse who attends Praise Chapel.

"She can have you crying one minute and laughing the next," Young said.

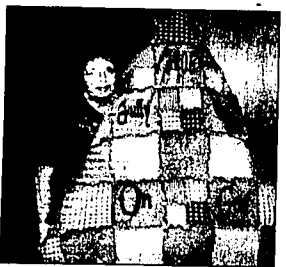
Another speaker is Roxie Ottman, who, with her husband, leads the youth group at Kimberly

**FROG**

**FULLY RELY ON GOD** - second annual Ladies for Faith Community Women's Retreat  
WHEN: April 11-12  
WHERE: Rupert First Christian Church  
MORE INFORMATION: 436-6891 or 436-4040

First Christian Church. Then there is Jana Parks, a well-known local speaker from Rupert Methodist Church.

Each of the speakers will incorporate the theme "Fully Rely On God" into their talks. Prayer time and music led by a music team will complete the program.



"The acronym for 'Fully Rely on God' - FROG - will be a big part of the weekend. Young made a quilt with the theme embroidered on it to raffle during the retreat. Centerpieces are frog trees. Other frog ornaments will decorate the rooms and will be given away after the event.

"The kids at the Minico bakery are making us frog cookies," Young said.

And froggy salad will be served at meals.

Women can drop in for part of the retreat or stay for all of it. A free-will offering will cover expenses, but women are not required to bring money.

## Do God and country mix?

By Susan Hogan/Albach  
The Dallas Morning News

**DALLAS** - With American troops at war in Iraq, a battle of a different sort is being waged on the home front. The front line? Sunday worship.

Some churches are unfurling the red, white and blue to rousing renditions of "God Bless America." Others are cloaked in purple to symbolize Lent, a season of somber hymn singing, sacrifice and sinner's remorse. And many are somewhere in between.

Patriotism in worship has long been a sensitive issue to congregations. Too much attention to Old Glory may usurp God's glory, some Christians say. After all, they note, God's reach extends beyond the United States. God is many things to many people, but "American" isn't one of them.

But patriotism need not be confused with nationalism, said Dr. Richard Land, head of the Ethics and Religious Liberty Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention: "In every

Baptist church, there's not only an American flag but a Christian flag. Most Southern Baptists understand that we're not worshipping our country, we're worshipping God."

After terrorists brought down the World Trade Center two years ago, the American flag displaced the cross as the most visible symbol in many Christian churches. Last Sunday, overt expressions of patriotism were most common in evangelical, nondenominational and Baptist churches. Worshipers sang "God Bless America" twice at Prestonwood Baptist Church in Dallas as the choir stood before a giant American flag.

But patriotic hymns weren't as loudly heard among Methodists, Lutherans, Episcopalians and Catholics. Most said that was because of Lent, the 40-day period of fasting and prayer leading to Easter. In those churches, if there was reference to the war, it came in sermons and in prayers.

There was universal concern. Please see PATRIOTS, Page C2

## Veterans find war is powerful agent to effect spiritual change

By Susan Hogan/Albach  
The Dallas Morning News

**DALLAS** - Kimel Fisher fought in sacred Mormon undergarments. Charles Mohrle carried a rosary. Sigmund Lieberman toted a Hebrew Bible. Abdal Malik Hamidullah converted to Islam.

Each is a veteran whose spirituality deepened during combat. No matter how tough the war, their faith remained strong.

But not so for other servicemen and women. Some lost their faith. Others doubted God because of the suffering they witnessed. Across the country, support groups and retreats for older vets are cropping up to address the long-term impacts of the battlefield on spirituality.

These are issues that military and veterans' organizations are closely watching as U.S. troops fight their way across Iraq. The

longer and bloodier the war, the greater the likelihood of residual spiritual difficulties, studies show. And, if past patterns hold, it will be years before many of today's fighting men and women come to grips with whatever spiritual doubts arise from their present combat experience.

"What we're seeing now are older veterans bringing their spiritual struggles out of the root cellar," said Cindy Macaulay, a counselor at the Vet Center in Duluth, Minn. They're coming forward now, in part as a mid-life issue, she said. A Gallup poll conducted last year showed that spiritual commitment generally increases with age. A leading reason: older people think more about their mortality.

But for many, spiritual re-examination is another facet of coming to terms with their time at war. One veteran told Macaulay that he

never went to church again after receiving a pledge card from his congregation asking for money - while he was fighting in Vietnam.

It was the only time he'd heard from his church during the war.

"For many," Macaulay said, "there's still this basic question of where was God."

Many veterans are being treated for post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), which affects people exposed to traumatic events such as war, rape, domestic assault and political torture. People with PTSD experience symptoms that interfere with daily life such as flashbacks, emotional numbness and a hyperawareness of danger.

Of course, not everyone's faith is shaken by war. Mohrle said his faith was a great resource to him in coping with the violence he witnessed during World War II. As a fighter pilot, he always carried a

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## Christian groups offer help in war-torn Iraq

Critics raise concerns of churches using aid as proselyting tool

By Bobby Ross Jr.  
The Associated Press

**NASHVILLE, Tenn.** - In the aftermath of war, Iraq is expected to face a massive humanitarian crisis, with tens of thousands of displaced, homeless and starving people.

U.S. Baptist, Christian and other religious organizations are prepared to help. Even before the war began, many of these groups provided medicine, food, blankets and other supplies for Iraqis in need. Critics, however, already are raising concerns that evangelists will use the aid to make proselyting in Muslim countries.

The Council on American-Islamic Relations, a Washington advocacy group, said it was especially upset to learn that relief agency Samaritan's Purse, run by the Rev. Franklin Graham, planned to work in Iraq. Graham has called Islam "a very evil and wicked religion."

But like most agencies, Samaritan's Purse says it won't proselytize in the case where it provides medical assistance to those who need it, with strings attached. Graham wrote in a letter to the Los Angeles Times Thursday edition. "We don't have to preach in order to be a Christian relief organization. We can do it simply by sharing with a cup of cold water."

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Elizabeth Petre, left, with Cindy Herring, center, and Marilyn Henry, right, pack hygiene products in boxes bound for Afghanistan at Hoeding Hands International in Nashville, Tenn. The group is preparing a shipment of aid to the war-torn country.

VALUESPEAK  
Joseph Weiser

(besides Jean, of course) to see Mark was even greater. But the best thing about that trip was the elevator in Jean's apartment building.

The elevator was an antique. Which is a kind way of saying the thing was a death trap. It had accordion doors that had to be closed for the elevator to run, and when it ran it shook and rattled and convulsed until it jerked to a stop - usually about a foot too high or too low. Mom rode the elevator once for the rest of the week she took the stairs. I, on the other hand, saw the elevator as a great adventure. It was Mr. Toad's Wild Ride - with the added excitement of the distinct possibility of death and/or dismemberment.

On the second day we were there, Mom and Jean were engrossed in something diabolical. I decided to play on the elevator. I was riding the elevator from floor to floor, pausing just long enough to stick my head out the door to inspect the fascinating sameness of each floor. Suddenly, somewhere between floors, the elevator came to a lurching, herky-kerky, bone-rattling stop. I tried to push the outside doors open, but they were sealed shut, like King Tut's tomb. I pushed every button on the control panel - several times. Nothing happened. No response at all.

My 5-year-old brain began to panic as fear gripped my heart. The elevator, suddenly, seemed frighteningly close. I was getting closer with each passing second. I was sure I was going to be stuck there for the rest of my natural life, which, judging by the way the world was closing in on me, would only be a few more minutes.

I screamed for help. When that didn't bring help immediately, I fell down on the elevator floor and prayed. I was still on my knees when I heard a voice from above, reverberating majestically through the elevator shaft: "Joey? Are you in there?"

It was a lovely, loving voice, at once foreign and yet strangely familiar. I was sure God had sent one of his most glorious angels to rescue me.

"Yes," I replied, my voice trembling with emotion. "It's me."

"Is the inside door closed?" the angel asked.

I checked. "No," I said. "It's open."

"Push it closed," the voice commanded. "Tight."

I slammed the door shut. Suddenly the elevator jerked upward, shaking and rattling its way to the next floor, where it lurched to a stop once again. The doors parted slowly, revealing a smiling female face in a long, flowing ... uh ... yellow flannel bathrobe? "Hey, you're not an angel," I said through my teeth.

"All of the angels were busy," Jean said. "So God sent me."

There's a lesson in that for all of us. I think - maybe two. One: clear of tight spaces in places. And don't forget to read an angel when you're alone. Joe Weiser is a freelance writer from American Fork, Utah.



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Episcopal church will hold last services in building

TWIN FALLS - The last services at the original Ascension Episcopal Church on Blue Lakes Boulevard will be held Sunday...

Wendell United Methodist Church sponsors ham dinner

WENDELL - A ham dinner with salad, rolls and dessert will be served from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday at Wendell United Methodist Church...

Methodist women's group will meet on Friday

WENDELL - The United Methodist Women will meet at 2 p.m. Friday at the United Methodist Church...

Young womanhood award

BURLEY - Jessica Zollinger received her LDS Young Womanhood Recognition Award...

Baptist church hosts Ray and Connie Siebert

KIMBERLY - Ray and Connie Siebert will be guests at First Baptist Church Sunday...

St. Edward's holds faculty planning meeting for church

TWIN FALLS - The St. Edward's Steering Committee will hold faculty planning meetings for the church building project...

Rummage sale set for Friday at Methodist church

TWIN FALLS - A rummage sale will be held from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday and 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. April 12...

Burley woman receives womanhood recognition

BURLEY - Angela Bovee received her LDS Young Womanhood Recognition Award...

Assembly of God minister will speak at Lighthouse

JEROME - Steve Frey will speak at 10 a.m. Sunday at Lighthouse Assembly of God...

Valley Presbyterian pastor will speak at Lenten luncheon

BURLEY - The Rev. Kevin Anderson, pastor at Valley Presbyterian Church in Hazelton...

LDS church holds 'Know Your Religion' lecture

FILER - A Know Your Religion lecture sponsored by the Church Educational System of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints is set for 7 to 8:30 p.m. Friday at the Filer LDS Stake Center...

Jehovah's Witnesses put on program on fine works

JEROME - "Be Rich in Fine Works" is the theme of a Jehovah's Witnesses Assembly Day program...

First Christian Church will hear sermon from Psalms 51

TWIN FALLS - Serena Clark will sing at 10:30 a.m. Sunday at First Christian Church...

Ladies Lifeline Fellowship plans monthly luncheon

HEYBURN - The Ladies Lifeline Fellowship will hold its monthly non-denominational luncheon from noon to 2 p.m. Wednesday at Corner Cafe...

United Methodists will debate homosexuality at 2004 conference

WASHINGTON (AP) - The United Methodist Church's 2004 General Conference will take up the debate over whether to change its stance against homosexual conduct...

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One draws, one draws, and it clicks

Kid-vid partners find common cause

By Mark I. Pinsky The Orlando Sentinel

ORLANDO, Fla. — Consider the odds: A native of Mexico and a native of Georgia meet in Central Florida, where they develop an idyllic, imaginary world for children called "Waterville," entertaining fans as far away as Iran and Saudi Arabia.

Armando Escalante, born in Veracruz, Mexico, and raised in California, moved to Orlando in the late 1970s. He got the idea for creating a watery children's world while working at an airbrush concession at Wet 'n Wild water park.

The self-taught artist and graphic designer thought there was a need for a series of kid's videos with animated animals, insects and trees that would communicate morals to children ages 2 and 7. So, using the emerging technology of computer-generated animation, Escalante created a 70-minute, direct-to-video feature, "The Tales of Waterville." Although a devoted Christian, Escalante says he decided to "take a moral approach, as opposed to taking a direct Gospel approach," in his storytelling.

Don Hill moved from south Georgia to Florida, where he worked in radio and television. Later, he moved into TV and movie production and distribution. The two men met through a mutual business acquaintance. Hill was trying to develop his own animated adventure feature for children, using a character he created — called "Chopper Charlie," a former CIA helicopter pilot working for the federal government. But when he saw "The Tales of Waterville," he recalls, "I thought the characters could be presented as children's animated show that people would be interested in."

The Hispanic artist and the businessman with the Southern charm and common cause in their Christian faith and their love for animation. In 1996 they decided to develop a series of Waterville videos and DVDs with original songs and music. In 1997, they sold the 70-minute Waterville feature to Blockbusters throughout this country and to a dozen nations around the world. And they're determined to keep their message accessible to children from all cultures. That's why Waterville's characters continue to be from nature, with no identifiable race or nationality.

Hill says their company, Epic Entertainment, would like to sell the videos in Christian book and music stores. Their break may come soon. The Waterville duo is currently working with Turn of Mind, founder and executive director of Base Camp Children's Cancer Foundation in Winter Park, Fla. Jones is trying to put together a fund-raising project that will put the videos in Central Florida supermarkets.

Zoroastrians begin work on temple in Virginia

By Michael Buetner The Associated Press

VIENNA, Va. — One of the world's oldest religions is establishing a new, American temple for the faith outside the nation's capital, the Zoroastrian Center and Darbe-mehr.

"You will see a magnificent building that reminds you of old Persian architecture," said Fashad Shahryar, assistant secretary of the Temple Committee. "This is a really a joyful day. There's been a lot of hard work. This has been a dream for about 20 years."

Once the state religion of an empire that stretched throughout much of the ancient world, Zoroastrianism now has only about 200,000 adherents worldwide (some estimates say fewer). Up to 15,000 believers are in the United States.

The Darbe-mehr, or fire temple, will be home to members of the 2,500-year-old Zoroastrian Association of Metropolitan Washington, said Jamshid Goshatsbi, the group's president. Ground was broken on the fire temple last week — fire having importance in the faith as a symbol of eternal truth and law.

"It was decided to have something really big, being in the capital of the United States, which is basically the capital of the world,"



Connie Sarah Bhivandiwalla, 5, helps break ground for the new Zoroastrian Center in Vienna, Va. The center and Darbe-mehr, or fire temple, will be the first temple built in Virginia to serve the religion that is more than 3,000 years old, with a growing number of Zoroastrians in the Washington area.

Goshatsbi said. "This will be a national center, a world center."

Zoroastrianism is considered among the oldest monotheistic religions and is named for its prophet Zarathustra — in Greek,

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Book offers insight into Catholic laity

The Dallas Morning News

Religion In the media

BOOK

"The Liberation of the Laity: In Search of an Accountable Church," by Paul Lakeland (Continuum Publishing Group)

The sexual abuse crisis that dominated last year's news generated key questions about the role of lay Catholics. Lakeland, a professor of religious studies at Fairfield University, provides an extraordinary historical and theological analysis of the church's position on laity. The First Vatican Council (1869-70) defined laypeople by what they were not: clergy. In this light, they've been seen as passive recipients of grace, oriented to the secular world and living in a lower state of holiness. That changed at the Second Vatican Council (1962-65) in part due to theologian Yves

Congar's influence. Yet, the church still lacks a theologically meaningful view of lay life, the author says. This is particularly critical in the United States because lay expertise in theology and involvement in professional ministry has grown exponentially. This book is timely, provocative and well researched.

—Susan Hogan/Albach

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www.bruderhof.org The Bruderhof is a group of intentional Christian communities that embrace pacifism and simplicity. Like other traditions with Anabaptist roots, the Bruderhof ("place of brothers" in German)

reject many modern notions of the good life — but not the Internet.

In fact, this site advertised its Lenten devotions on Google. (Click on "Daily Dig — caffeine for the conscience" to receive the devotions via e-mail.) After closing Plough Publishing last November, the Bruderhof instead offers 20 e-books, easily downloaded via this site, at no charge.

Visitors are also invited to learn about life among the Bruderhof, with links explaining how the more than 2,000 members live communally, how they raise and educate their children and how they support the community by making handmade toys, signs and equipment for people with disabilities. The Bruderhof Web site poses an interesting juxtaposition of the timeless and the high-tech.

—Mary A. Jacobs

Contemporary Christian CD

By Patty Ringenberg The Wichita Eagle

Third Day, "Offerings II" (Essential) Mac Powell of Third Day has one of the most distinctive and powerful voices in the business. That and the pure musical virtuosity of band members Tai Anderson, Mark Lee, David Carr and Brad Avery are earning Third Day some well-deserved accolades. Thankfully, their growing popularity hasn't watered down their direct and clear message of God's love and majesty.

The first Offerings album was a huge hit in 2000; this album follows a similar formula of six live favorites and six new studio cuts.

It's great to hear such Third Day classics as "Show Me Your Glory" and "Nothing Compares" in a live setting — the excitement of the audience makes for a very real

praise and worship experience. Among the standout new songs are "May Your Wonders Never Cease," a prayer of moving simplicity, and "Offering," a beautiful, heart-bared testament of offering yourself to God.

One of the most thrilling presentations is "Creed," a favorite Rich Mullins' song of mine. The straightforward declaration of belief, punctuated by the lyrics "I did not make it, no it is making me" is the very truth of God and not the invention of any man" builds to a spine-tinkling crescendo with the cheers of the audience and the rush of rocking guitars. This is one of my all-time favorite worship albums.

Third Day has proven to be a powerful force in worship music. The lyrics can be as simple as "We worship You, we adore You," but when Mac Powell sings them, he brings down the house.

Churches propose bishops join each others' meetings

WASHINGTON (AP) — A panel of U.S. Roman Catholic and Episcopal Church delegates proposed Tuesday that bishops from the two denominations attend each others' official meetings to foster Christian unity.

The idea is part of the Americans' response to a 1999 report about authority produced in international talks between the Vatican and the Anglican Communion (in which the Episcopal Church is the U.S. branch). The American paper says Episcopal and Anglican bishops should accompany Roman Catholic colleagues when they make their periodic reports to the pope and attend Vatican synods and participate in meetings of the U.S. bishops' conference with a voice but no vote. Similarly, Catholic bishops would join regular meetings of Episcopal and Anglican bishops.

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# Economist: M-C exhibits resilience

By Virginia S. Hutchins  
Times-News writer

## BURLEY - Don't let layoff news fool you.

Mini-Cassia is weathering massive job losses in admirable style.

The evidence? Combined unemployment for Minidoka and Cassia counties dropped three-tenths of a point from 7.0 percent in February to 6.7 percent in March, the Idaho Department of Labor forecasts Friday.

Farm hiring began, and retailers in Rupert and Paul added workers in anticipation of the agricultural season.

Joblessness is a full point below the 7.7 percent unemployment rate of March 2002 - before Kmart closed its Burley store, J.R. Simplot Co. announced its

**Magie Valley's seasonally adjusted unemployment rates**

County	March '03	Feb. '03	March '02
Blaine	3.9%	4.1%	4.4%
Carnas	6.4	7.7	3.6
Cassia	6.4	6.4	6.6
Gooding	3.3	3.8	4.5
Jerome	3.9	4.1	4.8
Lincoln	5.3	4.9	5.9
Minidoka	7.0	7.8	9.8
Twin Falls	4.2	4.4	5.0

Source: Idaho Department of Labor forecasts

Heyburn closure or Kraft Foods' North America cut 50 jobs in Rupert.

"The resiliency of the economy over there has been pretty impressive. Retail and service hiring has been pretty steady, and with new farm hiring in March and April (the unemploy-

## A look at local labor



ment rate) might stay stable for a couple more months before the effects of layoffs start to bite, said Greg Rogers, the Labor Department's regional labor economist for Magie Valley.

Mini-Cassia still has the valley's highest unemployment. And it still faces the 125 Burley layoffs that McCain Foods USA Inc. plans for late June, and next spring's final phases of the Simplot closure. But those pressures don't have the area beat.

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## Micron layoffs blunt job growth

The Associated Press

BOISE - The impact of this winter's layoff of 1,100 workers at Micron Technology Inc. erased the benefit of modest job growth in other sectors during March, pushing Idaho's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate higher.

The Labor Department on Friday estimated the state's March jobless rate at 5.5 percent, up two-tenths of a point from February but still four-tenths of a point below March 2002.

"As slow as Idaho's economy has been in recovering from the recession, it is positive to note that from one year ago, the number of persons employed has

increased by 12,000," department analysts said.

And even with the Micron layoffs, total employment in March remained at a record high of 656,900, matching February's number.

"These are tough times," Gov. Dirk Kempthorne said his special Blue Ribbon Task Force. "We've got through this, and we will be better for it."

The task force of four dozen business, labor and civic leaders backed Kempthorne's original sales tax hike to avoid further state budget cuts and keep economic development programs viable. On Friday, it called for

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## BRIEFLY IN MONEY

### Idaho Falls call center plans layoffs

IDAHO FALLS - A telecommunications merger could force a company with two customer-service call centers in town to lay off 200 employees by June.

Center Partners from Colorado contracts to answer technical questions from buyers of printers or fax machines. The company has contracts with Quest and Xerox. In the past, it served companies such as Hewlett-Packard and Unicom.

Company Vice President Rick Johnson said the layoffs are being forced by the merger of AT&T and Comcast. The Comcast president has decided to have the company's customer service work done in-house rather than by Center Partners.

"If another contract is not found, the layoffs will proceed and the Idaho Falls work force will be pared to 311, Johnson said.

"He said the company faced a similar situation last year, when Quest.net merged with IBM.com, but it was able to find another contract to keep people employed.

"Unfortunately, we don't have compensating work this time," he said. "We're meeting the crazy to get additional accounts."

Center Partners came to Idaho Falls in 1998, lured by economic development incentives. In return for the aid, it promised to create 372 new jobs in the three years that followed.

Johnson said employment peaked in January 2002 at 816, and a monthly payroll then of \$1.5 million.

### ConAgra Foods rejects payment requests

OMAHA, Neb. - ConAgra Foods rejected payment requests from a division of its food distributor Royal Ahold NV, whose accounting practices are under investigation, a ConAgra spokesman said Friday.

Last week, The Wall Street Journal reported that ConAgra may be among major food companies included in federal investigations into U.S. Foods' sale of a division of Dutch supermarket distributor Royal Ahold.

ConAgra denied any wrongdoing and said it had rejected inaccurate payment requests.

In Magic Valley, ConAgra has the Lamb Weston Inc. potato-processing plant in Twin Falls and various other business operations around the valley.

### Ameristar Casinos will release earnings report

JACKPOT, Nev. - Want to hear from the top about financial performance of the company that owns a couple of Jackpot casinos?

Las Vegas-based Ameristar Casinos Inc. plans to release its first-quarter earnings report at 4 p.m. April 29. A conference call discussing the company's quarterly earnings is scheduled at 9 a.m. April 30. To participate, dial in at least five minutes early at 829-0485.

Ameristar's conference call will be recorded and can be replayed until May 9. To listen to the replay, call (888) 203-1112 and use access code 04865.

### Treasury Dept. plans accounting maneuver

WASHINGTON - Treasury Department managers intend to soon carry out an accounting maneuver that would free billions of dollars on paper to prevent the government from breaching the \$6.4 trillion ceiling on the national debt.

The step, announced Friday, is the latest in a series of moves Treasury has taken to prevent the government from defaulting on the national debt. Treasury is maneuvering because it has run out of room in its treasury authority to borrow. It has asked Congress to boost the government borrowing authority, a matter still pending on Capitol Hill.

Compiled from staff and wire reports

# NOT SO ISOLATED ANYMORE



Klaren Koompin, on the Koompin Brothers Farm in Pocatello, uses his cell phone to communicate with a field hand late last year.

## Rural areas embrace cellular technology

The Associated Press

CASPER, Wyo. - Cellular phones were once more curiosity than necessity - a convenience when they worked, and an object of abuse when they didn't.

But technology has improved dramatically in recent years, and with improved service, Wyoming and other sparsely populated areas of the nation have begun to embrace wireless.

A recent survey conducted by Western Wats, an Utah research firm, indicates rural customers are becoming increasingly reliant on cellular phones for business and personal needs. Western Wats polled 1,000 customers of Western Wireless Corp., in areas with population of eight people or less per mile.

The results indicate an increasing reliance on wireless communication, with 51 percent of wireless users saying their cell phone has at least partially replaced land line phones.

Twenty-three percent said they regard a cell as their primary phone, and 15 percent of those polled to eventually replace a land line with cellular.

Western Wireless, which operates Cellular One service in Wyoming and 13 other Midwestern and Western states, commissioned the survey.

President Mikal Thomsen said his company decided more than a

decade ago to focus on rural customers, and the decision is beginning to bear fruit.

"As little as four years ago in Wyoming, the average customer had about 125 minutes of use. Today it's something over 400," Thomsen said. "A lot of that is changing the rate plans. But an awful lot of it is people are just coming in and saying 'OK, I'm not just going to just use a cellular phone while I'm on the road in between wired phones.'"

"Just in the last year, our company has seen a 30 percent increase in the number of minutes per month over its entire million-person customer base. It's been pretty remarkable."

Cell phones have come a long way since the concept was developed in 1947. Researchers who were attempting to create a mobile phone out of World War II military technology discovered localized service could substantially increase caller traffic.

The Federal Communications Commission limited the number of conversations, however, to 23 per cell, rendering commercial applications impractical. After

the FCC reconsidered those limits in 1968, research began earnest and by 1977 a prototype system was tested in Chicago. In 1982, the FCC approved commercial service nationwide.

The technology has since become so efficient, virtually any changing a land line can do, cellular can do.

"Another thing that is right around the corner is higher-speed data rates from mobile phones. We're testing out in a couple of markets right now, including Casper, there are a lot of places you can get those kind of data speeds. But frankly in smaller markets it's tough even to get that from a wired situation."

"I know when I travel I will usually hook up my computer to my cell phone because I can get higher speeds to hook up with the hotel phone. We're going to start introducing more and more of it this year."

Cell phones have become so efficient, and versatile some customers are electing to go totally

wireless - a decision Rebecca Tenille, senior manager of local relations for Quest, calls "cutting the cord."

Tenille said statistics compiled by The Yankee Group, a firm that analyzes the telecommunications industry, indicate up to 3 percent of customers nationwide are strictly wireless.

"We see it a lot in college students, we see it mainly for second-line, wire-line replacement - people using wireless in lieu of a land line. Wireless competition is very robust and healthy, especially in rural areas like Wyoming," said Tenille.

Cell phone usage in the West is strong because wireless adapts well to rural life.

Spencer Brennan, 30, is a methane-gas consultant from Sheridan, and a Western Wireless customer. Brennan spends numerous hours in his pickup and said cell phones are ideal for his work and mobile lifestyle.

"With all your long-distance carriers and everything else, you have to fight with them every month. Half the time, a land line, you don't even use that stuff and you still get charged for it," he said. "My cell phone, I pay \$150 a month for two phones - one in my truck and one that I carry with me - and I make all the calls and talk to anybody I want to."

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- Spencer Brennan, a methane-gas consultant, about his cell phone

## Store's tactic of requiring fingerprints makes bad impression on customers

The Washington Post

Ellen Milecki used to enjoy shopping at Sam's Club, appreciating the products and prices she got on her weekly trips to the Annapolis, Md., store.

But that pleasure changed suddenly this year when a cashier asked Milecki to put her fingerprint on the \$40 check she wrote for her purchases. "I was really offended. I felt like a criminal," said Milecki, an antique dealer.

She complied, but then immediately complained. Store officials told her the check fraud had become such a big problem that law enforcement officials in certain areas, including parts of Maryland and

California had encouraged the retailer to start requiring customer fingerprints on all checks.

Yet just a few days later, Sam's Club, which is part of Wal-Mart Stores Inc., the nation's largest retailer, dropped its fingerprint requirement. "Even though we were cooperating with local law enforcement authorities, we've decided it's a practice we would no longer do," said company spokeswoman Jolanda Byers. "It proved to be such a hassle, our members felt insulted."

The experience, from both Milecki and the company, is another example of the clash of technology and customer expectations. Customers have a strong feeling about

places of their privacy for a nickel here and a buck there for years - when they join loyalty programs or enroll in shopping warehouses, sign up for frequent-flyer programs, or cash in rebates. But because the thumbprint is such a symbol of one's identity - and so reminiscent of a police badge - having retailers ask for it only adds to privacy rights filters heightened by strict security measures in the post-Sept. 11 era.

The retail industry is the latest to turn to technology to try to curtail mounting losses from bad checks. The banking industry has been doing it for years with some success. Retailers have tried to use fingerprinting and protection in customers, but not all

customers understand the magnitude of the loss or the risk retailers take, so they are unsympathetic to the invasion of privacy that's involved," said Richard Hollister, a professor of sociology and criminology at the University of Florida, who does a national retail security survey annually.

Sometimes it's the way the fingerprinting is requested that angers the customer. "If a customer feels guilty under proven innocent, someone the store doesn't trust," said Beth Givens, director of the nonprofit Privacy Rights Foundation. "The grocery store in Twin Falls, Idaho, that had a security camera, said that 'people who were suspicious of me were flooding their

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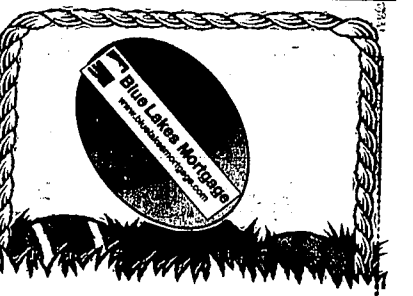
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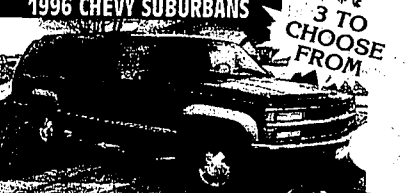
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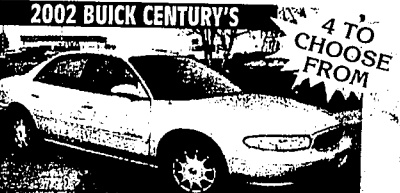
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