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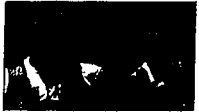
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OPTIMISM PREVAILS

T.F. graduates say they have a lot to look forward to

By Robert Mayer
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - A struggling economy. A world in conflict. Terrorism. Uncertainty about the future.

Those appeared to be distant concerns for the nearly 500 students who received diplomas during Twin Falls High School graduation exercises Monday night at the College of Southern Idaho.

"I have to be optimistic, because it can only get better. I'm tired of high school," said graduate Mark Johnson, who will soon head off on a church mission.

Sharing that bright outlook was Beth Lehman.

"I totally know what I want to do," said Lehman, whose plan is to earn a nursing degree at CSI before moving onto a four-year university.

The rose-colored glasses sported by the Twin Falls graduates largely stem from growing up in an area with a relatively strong economy and seemingly isolated from world events, said commencement speaker Graydon Stanley, director of student information at CSI.

"It only takes watching TV to realize how good you have it in Twin Falls, Idaho," said Stanley, himself a T.F.S. graduate.

However life unfolds for the 2003 graduates, Stanley implored them to "get real." That is, cherish the real people in their lives, the unique people, those who demonstrate caring and supportive attitudes.

Many of those "real" people were present Monday, as friends and family filled the CSI gymnasium to capacity.

For that matter, be "real" yourself, Stanley said. That might mean taking on characteristics described as eccentric or odd. So be it; the rewards come in taking risks.

Become "really" motivated, find what you love and do it, he said. And finally, get "real" involved in life, such as dedicating time to the community.

"It's not OK to say somebody else will do it," he said.

Send that diploma, because it's an accomplishment that nobody can take away, Stanley concluded,



Becky Atkins is happy with her roll of the dice as she and classmate Randall Brown play Monopoly on Brown's Palm Pilot before commencement ceremonies for Twin Falls High School at the College of Southern Idaho Monday.

fulfilling his promise to "keep it short."

Sarah Zuriga said she's going to do just that, taking her diploma to Long Beach, Calif., to study fashion design and fashion merchandising.

"Twelve years of school is not going to be for nothing, so it's been worth it. I've learned a lot," she said.

Paul Bork is taking both his diploma and enthusiasm to Boise

State University to earn a degree in music business.

"I'm excited to see what life has for me," the senior class president said. "I'm excited to get out of high school and move on."

District blames students' sickness on Norwalk virus

The Times-News

ACEQUILA - A virus similar to one that gained attention for sickening people on cruise ships has been named as the culprit in an outbreak at Acequia Elementary School, health officials say.

The Norovirus, previously called Norwalk virus, causes nausea, vomiting, abdominal cramps and diarrhea and usually lasts 12

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to 60 hours. Most people become sick within 24 to 48 hours after being exposed to the virus.

The virus is fairly common, said South Central District Health Epidemiologist Cheryl Becker. Because there was a large group of people sick, it was investigated.

The virus has been found on cruise ships and at a recent volleyball tournament in Reno, Nev.

Nearly 50 students and staff members at Acequia Elementary reported being ill on May 22, and school was closed for a day. The school did reopen until classes ended for the summer on May 29.

Some reports of family members of students becoming ill are still coming in, Becker said, but

the virus will run its course.

Officials aren't certain how the virus came to Acequia, Becker said. Originally five areas were tested: school food, the school water system, chemical application on trees near the school, chemicals in a local swimming pool and a gastrointestinal illness in the community.

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Soldiers will be screened for illnesses

Officials prepare for unexpected outbreaks

The Associated Press

FORT STEWART, Ga. - Col. Paula K. Underwood, an Army doctor, had just returned to her post in Germany from the 1991 Gulf War when she saw a patient whose condition baffled other doctors.

The patient was a soldier, also just back from the war, who complained of memory loss. He could no longer find his way from home to work. He had trouble remembering how to make his morning coffee.

He was the first of 72 patients with unexplained illnesses Underwood would see before leaving Germany in 1993. Some complained of aches and pains. Others said they "sick" more often than normal.

There were a variety of com-



plaints they had, none of which fit into a "sick category," said Underwood, now chief of the medical staff at Fort Stewart's Wynn Army Community Hospital. "These were the days before anybody talked about the so-called Gulf War Syndrome."

Twelve years later, Underwood said, her staff are preparing to screen 16,500 soldiers of the Army's 3rd Infantry Division returning from Iraq for any symptoms that might point to a new

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Summit-bound Bush vows to work for Mideast peace

The Associated Press

SHARM EL-SHEIKH, Egypt - President Bush, taking the lead in the frustrating search for Mideast peace, pledged Monday to work unflinchingly for the goal of Israel and a Palestinian state living side-by-side without bloodshed. He said that "this is going to be a difficult process" but claimed progress.

Bush was likely to win support from Arab leaders at a summit today for countering terrorism and for his peacemaking effort. But Arab acceptance of Israel remains conditional on Israel yielding all the land it won in the 1967 Mideast war. That includes part of Jerusalem.

The United States also was trying to narrow differences between Israel and Palestinian leaders before Bush meets with them on Wednesday in Jordan.

Odor guru puts dairy project on hold

By Julie Pence
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Because the Idaho public records law does not prevent the public from obtaining research data from universities, a study to establish state agricultural odor standards has been put on hold.

The University of Idaho's Ron Sheffield, who in March completed the first phase of a project to measure the level of odor at an operations, said Monday he can't go forward until the Legislature works on the law. Sheffield came to Magic Valley from North Carolina two years ago in part to find solutions to the area's dairy odors.

The situation came to a head on Monday, when Laurin Warren of Filer was turned down for a public records request she made in late April for data concerning dairy odor on the Desert Rose Farms dairy near Filer.

Warren, who lives in the neighborhood of Desert Rose, said she requested the information to make sure the University of Idaho, the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality and the Idaho Department of Agriculture, all three of which have worked on the issue, are working together.

"I want to know, 'Is anyone compiling this information into one succinct data format?'" Warren said.

The University of Idaho denied the request for the information from the first phase of Sheffield's study because "unpublished or in-progress research" constitutes "trade secrets." The trade secret the university referred to is in regard to an odor measurement device called a facial mass spectrometer invented by Sheffield.

But Sheffield said that if he were to press forward with the second part of the project, Idaho law would not protect it from public scrutiny. That part of the study will include the data to be used to establish odor standards. Then, those standards would be offered to the state Legislature to put into law. After that, the AG Department would be able to proceed with issuing violations to ag operations, excluding odors that exceed those associated with "accepted agricultural practices."

In order to get those measurements, Sheffield said he had planned to monitor about 30 dairies. But he said now that he sees the problem with the Idaho public records law, he won't be able to assure dairymen the measurements won't be used against some of them until after the numbers are codified.

The dairy industry has made it clear that dairymen will not put themselves at risk of potential lawsuits in case the public data are prematurely released, Sheffield said.

"It's just common sense. Why

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President Bush

On the explosive security front, meanwhile, a compromise was taking shape, with Israel apparently willing to settle for a ceasefire now, provided the Palestinians confront terror groups and uproot them at a later stage. Palestinian leader Mahmoud Abbas contends his authority is not broad enough yet to take the militants on directly.

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Olympic bombing suspect appears in court

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (AP) — Captured after five years on the run, Olympic bombing suspect Eric Rudolph appeared in a North Carolina court Monday and was promptly flown to Alabama to be tried first in a deadly 1998 abortion clinic bombing.

Wearing an orange jumpsuit with his feet and hands shackled, Rudolph was led into a rear entrance of the Jefferson County Jail by the sheriff and another man.

Earlier, Rudolph spoke briefly at a 30-minute hearing before U.S. District Judge Lacy Thornburg in Asheville, N.C., where he acknowledged his identity and accepted a transfer to Alabama. He did not enter a plea.

Afterward his court-appointed lawyer, Sean Devereux, said Rudolph was innocent.

Rudolph sat straightfaced next to attorney Devereux as Assistant U.S. Attorney Jill Westmoreland Rose read the charges against him.

When Thornburg asked if he was Eric Robert Rudolph, he responded "Yes, your honor."

Attorney General John Ashcroft said Rudolph, 36-year-old former soldier and survivalist, will face trial first in Birmingham, where an abortion clinic was bombed in 1998, and then in Atlanta, site of the 1996 Olympic bombing and other blasts linked to Rudolph.

It was evidence gathered after



Eric Rudolph is escorted by local police and federal law enforcement personnel from the Cherokee County Jail Monday in Murphy, N.C.

the Birmingham bombing on Jan. 29, 1998, that led to Rudolph being identified as the lone suspect in all the blasts, which killed two people and injured more than 150 others.

A witness saw a man believed to be Rudolph leaving the scene of the Birmingham bombing, which killed an off-duty police officer and critically injured a clinic nurse. A truck registered to Rudolph was spotted in the area moments later.

The pickup truck was found days later near Murphy, N.C., where Rudolph apparently went into hiding until he was captured early Saturday.

Ashcroft said having Rudolph tried first in Alabama and then in Georgia will "provide the best opportunity to bring justice to all of the victims of the bombings and to each community that experienced these attacks."

Authorities in Alabama said the passage of time, and the transfer

or retirement of some investigators, has not hurt their case.

"The case has been ready to go for some time," said FBI Special Agent Craig Dahle in Birmingham. "We'd be ready to go tomorrow if we had to."

Outside the federal courthouse, Devereux told reporters that when he met with Rudolph on Sunday and again on Monday, they talked about the pending hearing but not about what Rudolph had been doing during the past five years.

He said Rudolph seemed to be a "reflective individual" who was composed but exhausted.

"If I didn't know what I know about this case and having spent about two hours with him, I would never believe that he would hold any kind of radical beliefs," he said.

He also said Rudolph told police the location of his campsite.

Rudolph had been on the FBI's 10 Most Wanted list, and the government had offered a \$1 million reward for information leading to his capture.

Rudolph faces six charges of using an explosive against a facility in interstate commerce and could face the death penalty.

Mental health system misplaces patient in jail

MILWAUKEE (AP) — The mental health system that was supposed to care for a 54-year-old schizophrenic with dementia sent her to jail, where she was wrongly held for two months, officials acknowledged.

Julie Ofner was charged with prostitution after offering to have sex with a police officer for \$10, and was committed to a mental health facility in February because experts concluded she would never be capable of understanding a misdemeanor case against her.

Psychologist Deborah Collins said Ofner had a long history of mental health problems, alcoholism and associated maladies, and was a walk-away from a group

home at the time of her arrest.

But the Milwaukee County Mental Health Complex sent her back to jail one month after getting her Feb. 18, and she got lost in jail.

"Somewhere, there was a big crack for this lady, and she fell through," her attorney, Curt Rogers, told the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel.

A spokesman for the mental health center said personnel there were prohibited from discussing patients' cases.

Her lawyer said officials at the mental health complex told him they "wanted to get her out of the facility" because her condition had "stabilized."



Celebrating your 60th birthday would be more fun if you had some friends!

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FCC eases limits on media ownership

WASHINGTON (AP) — Federal regulators voted Monday to allow companies to buy television stations reaching nearly half the nation's viewers and to own newspaper-broadcasting combinations in the same city, relaxing decades-old rules against media concentration.

The 3-2 vote by the Republican-controlled Federal Communications Commission brought strong criticism from opponents, including one lawmaker who predicted an "orgy of mergers and acquisitions" putting a few giant companies in control of what most people see, hear and read.

Many media companies favored the move, saying current restrictions hindered their ability to grow and compete in a market changed by cable TV, satellite broadcasts and the Internet.

Rather than squelching diverse viewpoints and local control in news and entertainment, the companies say, freedom from old restrictions will allow them to provide better news coverage in more communities. The broadcast networks say the changes will help keep free TV alive by helping them compete with pay services for quality programming.

FCC Chairman Michael Powell

said the FCC achieved its goal of "building modern rules that take proper account of the explosion of new media outlets for news, information and entertainment."

The commission's Democrats,

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This is the most sweeping and destructive rollback of consumer protection rules in the history of American broadcasting.

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— Jonathan Adelstein, FCC committee member

Jonathan Adelstein and Michael Copps, said the changes give too much power to media giants. In the largest markets, a single company will be able to own up to three TV stations, eight radio stations, the cable TV system, cable

TV stations and a daily newspaper.

"This is the most sweeping and destructive rollback of consumer protection rules in the history of American broadcasting," Adelstein said. He said consumers' anger "will flash as they surf through their channels only to find more sensationalism, commercialism, crassness, violence, homogenization and noticeably less serious coverage of news and local events."

Powell said after the vote that court challenges would have swept away the old rules anyway and now he is confident "the vast majority of what we've done will survive" the lawsuits he expects to be filed.

Sen. Byron Dorgan, D-N.D., a member of the Commerce Committee, was joined at a news conference by South Carolina Sen. Ernest Hollings, the committee's ranking Democrat, and Mississippi Sen. Trent Lott, the former Republican leader. They criticized the FCC vote and threatened congressional action to block the initiatives.

"There clearly now is going to be an orgy of mergers and acquisitions," said Dorgan, who called the FCC's decision "dumb and dangerous."

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Prosecutors believe Ohio killer may have slain more than two

Three of Ohio man's four wives die under unusual circumstances

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — On a Sunday morning nearly 24 years ago, Lois Willis drove to her daughter's house to help with a cousin's bridal shower. The door was locked, so she left a note and went for breakfast.

An hour later, she returned to find the door ajar, her note on the ground, a stereo playing and no one in sight.

Willis walked through the house calling for her daughter, Lori. She couldn't bring herself to look in the basement.

"The first wife had been murdered there," she said. It was also where an un-lawyer later found Lori's body.

Last week, Lori's widow, Gerald Hand, 54, was convicted of

murder in the deaths of his fourth wife, Jill, and a friend. Though he was charged only in the two Jan. 17, 2002, slayings, prosecutors believe Hand was also involved in the deaths of his first wife, Donna.

The prosecutors said he was mired in debt and eager to collect on insurance. Hand's defense attorney said the state lacks evidence to link him to his killings.

During the trial, Hand testified that he and Jill were out, saw a figure in the hall and grabbed two .25-caliber revolvers, firing as he rushed from his bedroom. The "murderer" turned out to be longtime friend Walter "Lonnie" Welch.

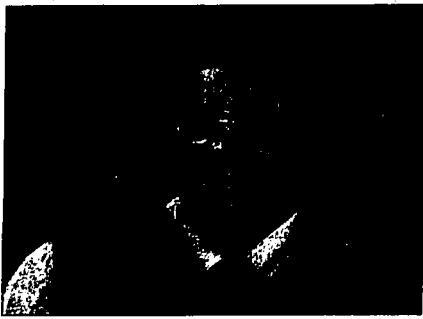
Hand acknowledged shooting Welch, but denied any involvement in the deaths of his wives. "I and Jill Lonnie Welch, after he was shooting my wife," Hand testified. "I can't explain why I took the gun again if I could."

Prosecutors contended that Hand was more than \$200,000 in credit cards, shot Jill to collect about \$700,000 in life insurance. They say he lured Welch to the house and shot him to keep him from telling people how the two men had successfully plotted to kill Hand's first two wives.

Hand "tried to eliminate a man who knew too much about the defendant's murderous past," prosecutor David Gormley told jurors.

Hand's first wife was Donna Anderson, whom he met in the late 1960s.

"He had a Corvair, she was kind of smitten with that," said her brother Steven Anderson.



Gerald Hand testifies May 27 during his murder trial in Delaware, Ohio. Hand, 54, was convicted of killing his fourth wife, Jill, and Walter "Lonnie" Welch, a longtime friend and former employee, in January 2002 at his home in southern Delaware County, north of Columbus.

The couple married in 1968. But around Thanksgiving 1975, Donna wrote her sister Connie, saying she was concerned for her safety and wanted a divorce.

In March 1976, Hand told police he returned from the YMCA one night to find Donna's body in the basement, a plastic dry cleaner's bag over her head and spark plug wire around her neck.

Detectives said she had hung herself, and insurance companies and the state agreed. Hand received \$17,366 in life insurance and \$50,000 from the state's Victims of Crime Compensation Fund.

Meanwhile, Lori Willis married Hand in 1977. Welch, an on-and-off employee at Hand's radiator shop, was the best man at their wedding.

"She was unhappy and she wanted out of the marriage," said Terry Sizemore, a friend of Lori's.

When Lori Willis couldn't find Lori that Sunday morning in 1979, Hand's mother came over with another son, Samuel, who made the grisly discovery. Police say Lori had been strangled with a plastic dry cleaner's bag and shot twice in the head.

A police detective recalled Hand didn't show much emotion.

"He wasn't crying," Sam Womeldorf said.

Hand collected \$81,598 from insurance but was denied a crime-victim claim. It is unclear why. Ten years later, Hand married wife No. 3, Glenna Castle, who left him.

Right around the time of Lori's death, Jill Randolph moved with her husband, Gary, from Clarksburg, W.Va., and raised three daughters. After Gary Randolph died of cancer in 1989, the widow met Hand at a dance. He courted her lavishly, but friends were worried.

"I said, 'Jill, you can do so much better than this,'" said Sandy Moore, 57. "She said, 'But Sandy, I can't help it, I love him.'"

In October 1992, Hand married Jill on her lunch break from the state Bureau of Motor Vehicles. She was happy at first but seemed to grow sadder, co-workers said. Hand sold his business and was working as a security guard. By early 2002, Jill wanted a divorce.

"I said, 'I know you're going to leave and divorce him,'" Moore said. "And she said, 'I have to.'"

Jill was dead within a month. Welch's relatives say he was haunted by the deaths of Hand's first two wives.

A cousin, Pete Adams, testified that in September 1979, "He started crying, and he said, 'I killed Lori and I killed Donna Hand.' He said he did it for Bob."

Another cousin said Welch told him he had sneaked into the house through a basement window and killed both women.

Hand's attorneys say those relatives are repeating media accounts. Attorney Terry Sherman says evidence shows no signs of entry through a basement window, and describes Welch as a cocaine addict prone to irrational acts.

Hand's family declined to comment. Rob Hand, Gerald and Lori's son, previously said he believed his father was innocent. "At Hand's arraignment last summer, Moore said she hugged Hand's only surviving ex-wife and said: 'I'm so glad you're alive.' She said, 'I only am, because I got out with the clothes on my back and I hid.'"

German companies settle with Holocaust survivors

NEW YORK (AP) — Thousands of elderly Holocaust survivors in 31 countries will receive \$15 million in humanitarian aid from German insurance companies this year in the first of what will be 10 annual payouts, advocates for survivors announced Monday.

The \$132 million fund is part of a deal completed last October after years of negotiations to compensate families of Holocaust victims whose insurance policies were never honored after they were killed by the Nazis.

The money is coming from a

consortium of insurance companies and the German government.

Gideon Taylor, executive vice president of the Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against Germany, said the money is a small step toward providing for the needs of Holocaust survivors. "We do not speak of justice," Taylor said. "We speak of a measure of justice. Today we are trying to make a difference."

The money announced Monday will be distributed to social service agencies and will be used to provide services.

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Day-care kids leave calmly when provider plans

DEAR ABBY: As a child-care provider for many years, I would like to offer some advice to "Child-Care Pro in New Jersey," who is stumped about what to do when Mom (or Dad) comes to pick up the children and they start acting up.

Sometimes children are confused about how to act when their parent arrives. The day-care provider can help by beginning to discuss ahead of time what will be said the minute Mom or Dad arrives. "Let's tell Mom about that neat picture you made today!" or "Tell Mom how you used good words to tell Jeff how you felt instead of hitting him."

When Mom walks in the door, be ready with positive things to say. She is probably mentally and physically tired at that point and needs all the help she can get to make it a good transition.

I agree with you, Abby, the child-care provider should step in if the children begin acting up — and the children should be warned that you'll use discipline if you need to. If the moment Mom walks in, the adults begin talking among themselves, that's the time kids act up. Mom should be told you'll call her later with any news. This is a kid's time to talk to Mom.

—LOVES KIDS IN OREGON

DEAR LOVES KIDS: Those are good suggestions, and thank you for them. Now let's hear it from



DEAR ABBY
Abigail VanBuren

some other child-care professional:

DEAR ABBY: Having worked in child care more than 20 years, the best advice I can offer is this: When the misbehaving starts, ask the parent, "Would you like to handle this or do you want me to?" That way, you acknowledge the misbehavior and the fact that it must be dealt with, without undermining the parent.

Waiting until the next day to discipline the child would serve no useful purpose.

—ANOTHER PRO IN HENDERSON, TENN.

DEAR A.B.: I agree.

DEAR ABBY: It is not unusual for parents to act up when the children arrive. Here's how I handle it:

I talk to the children about their behavior before their parents get here. I have them ready to go so there's no chance for them to misbehave. And I offer them a reward — like a healthy snack — to take with them if they get ready to go without a fuss.

—BEEN THERE IN PENNSYLVANIA

DEAR BEEN THERE: Way to go! I see nothing wrong with providing an incentive for good behavior.

DEAR ABBY: Since I was a kid I've loved basketball. I've played it since the fourth grade, and now I'm planning to participate in the Special Olympics. My goal is to become a professional player. Mom always told me that what ever I hope to achieve, I can make it happen. All I have to do is put my mind to it and not give up. The possibilities are endless. When people out there tell me I'm stupid or an idiot, I respond by saying that I have good coping skills and a lot of potential. I like myself and I care about others.

My message to anyone with a disability is this: Tell yourself you

can be an achiever and say to yourself, "I'm going to make something of myself" — and it will happen.

—DETERMINED TO SUCCEED IN TACOMA

DEAR DETERMINED: Thank you for sharing your philosophy. It applies to everyone, not just people with disabilities. A person who has a goal to pursue is far better off than a person who has none.

Your mother deserves to be commended for being a terrific role model and teacher. Give her a hug for me.

Looking for
L.M. Boyd?



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Aquarius lets emotions cloud mind

IF JUNE 3 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY ... you're creative, generous and compassionate, and fight for causes you believe in. You love being in love. This coming year's cycle involves weddings, travel and tying up loose ends. You're putting home matters to right. There's brightening of your lifestyle and surroundings, involving decorations, furniture and a newfound artistic expression. You are rediscovering how to have fun.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 19): Beware of tension, having to do with personal and professional responsibilities that may cause emotional rifts. Someone feels neglected. Whatever you say could be misunderstood.

TAURUS (Apr. 20-May 20): Communication with loved one's family or friends is excellent. A good time to tell loved ones how much you care. Get the ball rolling where property or career are concerned.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Are you in search of excitement, drama and adventure? Your personal freedom and independence mean much. An unusual love affair could be in the making.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Mercury's positive aspect affects your birth chart today. An excellent time to lose yourself in work requiring concentration and attention to detail. Business meetings, communications and travel are likely.

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LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): You may idealize your lover because you are living in a world of romantic fantasy and tend to put loved ones on a pedestal. Avoid get-rich-quick schemes.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You're taking life more seriously. Thoughts are on innermost things. Burdened with a secret, you're trying to do affairs that don't really concern you.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Are you ready for compromise? If there have been problems with personal relationships, this is a good time to air grievances. Get out and enjoy yourself!

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Passion and strong attraction between lovers and potential lovers are strongly expressed. Even without sex, you feel more vivacious and full of life than usual.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): The moon in the eighth house means that a financial matter involving others will be sorted out. Powerful emotions could resurface painful memories. Learn from the past.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You cannot hide your feelings of love and tenderness. If single, a new love affair could grow and blossom. You're likely to spend

money on beautiful luxuries.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Emotions cloud your better judgment. Your mind imagines and sees exciting and original possibilities only dreamt of in the past; they are now capable of being realized.

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EDITORIAL

Poor economic outlook may require more cuts

Idahaho's Legislature officially adjourned its marathon 2003 session just a few weeks ago. But the state's economic road map has already changed drastically.

Lawmakers left Boise after a record-breaking 118-day session, having passed a 1-cent increase in the sales tax and a 29-cent increase in cigarette taxes, to help provide approximately \$184 million more in revenue for next year's state budget.

Gov. Dirk Kempthorne and the Legislature figured the fiscal year 2003-2004 budget based on a 4.1 percent growth revenue forecast. But a string of bad news has erased whatever hints of optimism that budget contained. A recap:

- **Low tax receipts in April:** The state learned in early May that tax revenue for April was \$21 million below expectations. When added to the existing deficit of \$16.5 million, that figure raised the state's fiscal year 2003 deficit to \$37.5 million. Lawmakers adjourned quickly, but they recognized the deficit might yet require further action.

- **A slower job forecast:** A new economic forecast from the state on May 22 showed thousands more Idahoans had lost their jobs than experts first thought. The forecast slashed the state's predicted job growth through 2006 by 20,000 jobs. The new report shows that the 4.1 percent revenue growth for the next fiscal year is too optimistic.

- **The deficit rises:** Just last week, state tax officials learned that April's revenue shortfall was even worse than the \$21 million projected. State leaders learned that interest earnings in April had fallen short, boosting the overall 2003 deficit to the \$40 million range.

Officials announced on

Monday that May numbers appeared to be stronger. But when fiscal year 2003 ends on June 30, the state expects the deficit to be between \$32 million and \$37 million.

Since Idaho's budget must be balanced, that will require more accounting switches, so that the expenses are pushed

Our view: A new round of bad economic news proves Idaho leaders should prepare for more cost-cutting measures.

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

into the next year or future revenue captured. That could be a tricky legal feat.

Add up all this bad news, and it's easy to see Idaho's economic troubles are far from over. The state will need to revise expectations quickly in August, and legislators may need to reconvene to decide on even more taxes, or further cuts.

The debate is already shaping up. Defenders of the government say programs can be cut no further. Defenders of taxpayers say working Idahoans should not be taxed even more, on top of the taxes recently raised.

There are no easy answers, and the state still needs to consider all its options - including a wage rollback for the higher state salary levels. Those who earn \$50,000 or more could reasonably absorb a 5 percent wage rollback, which would produce a significant amount for the state. Lawmakers have ignored this option, but it is commonly done in the private sector, to generate savings and to reduce the need for layoffs. Now may be the time to look at the issue again.

This rollback should extend to educators, who so far have not been asked to share the state's economic pain in any personal way.

Times may get tougher before they get easier. Now is the time for the state to avert more drastic cuts in jobs and services, such as those seen in Oregon and elsewhere. A small cut in pay for those who earn the biggest checks would be a big way to help.

Bush bucks NRA to woo soccer moms

President Bush sent a signal to suburban American women the other day that he isn't the scary right-wing crazy that some would have them believe. He won't allow Democrats to label him a tool of the National Rifle Association, as they would love to do.

PETER A. BROWN

He was taking a page from Bill Clinton, who followed the same strategy when he reversed course in 1996 and signed welfare-reform legislation that required recipients to work for their benefits. Clinton's message to middle-class men was that he cared about their hard-earned tax money more than he did about welfare recipients.

Bush, like Clinton, is spending political capital to confront his core supporters in an overt appeal to voters whose allegiance is less sure but perhaps more important.

It's smart politics. Both popular incumbents took off the table an issue with the potential to hurt them with key swing voters before the opposition could bring it to fruition. In this case, it isn't so much assault weapons as it is taking on the NRA, which robs the Democrats of an opportunity to paint Bush as an out-of-touch gun nut.

He knows that even though he'll hurt the feelings of some of his strongest supporters, in the end they'll have no place to go and will vote for him anyway. In the process, Bush, as did Clinton before him, answers a nagging question in the minds of swing voters. It is the political equivalent of football's draw play: Use the opposition's own aggression against them.

With Bush popular, Democrats understand they must convince those who admire his wartime leadership that he has flaws that can't be overlooked. Obviously, the economy is the Democrats' main area of attack, but there



isn't much they can do other than hope it remains soft.

But Democrats win when they are able to convince voters that Republicans are out of touch with the middle class, not just in terms of understanding their economic woes but also their values. A key component of that strategy involves guns.

Suburban women, especially, are more likely than not to see the gun issue as one of controlling crime rather than allowing individuals to hunt or defend themselves.

More than most issues, one's views on gun control correspond strongly with geography. Gun control is especially popular in urban areas and on the two coasts, but unpopular in much of the South and Rocky Mountain West and in rural areas. The suburbs, home to the largest group of voters, fall somewhere in between on the issue.

Bush is a strong gun-control foe, but during the 2000 presidential campaign he refused NRA efforts to have him pledge to lift the existing ban on assault

weapons, which are used only for hunting, human beings. Although gun-control legislation isn't always popular, it, and especially the assault-weapons ban, plays well in suburbia, and especially among women.

When Senate Democrats said they wanted to extend the ban that expires next year, Bush quickly announced that he would not veto the legislation, even though some of the ban's backers acknowledge it is largely symbolic and filled with loopholes.

His decision didn't exactly make the NRA jump for joy, but that's exactly the point. There is political profit for Bush to be seen as bucking the gun lobby, which is viewed suspiciously by many swing voters.

Bush's decision is the Republican equivalent of Democrat Clinton's 1996 welfare reversal that was detected by liberals who were his core supporters.

Some liberals denounced Clinton for caving in to those who wanted to make welfare punitive, and a top aide even

resigned in protest. But Clinton - who sent much the same message to white suburbia in 1992 by picking a political fight with Jesse Jackson - knew that liberals had no place to go. They were happy with most everything else he had done and weren't going to desert him in November.

Had Clinton vetoed the welfare bill, he would have been susceptible to charges that he was a wild-eyed liberal who would spend the middle class' hard-earned tax dollars to subsidize people who would not work. His signing the bill played especially well among white men, with whom Democrats run poorly.

The strategy worked for Clinton, and it is working for Bush. Eighteen months before Election Day, Democrats who think he is going to make their work easy ought to think again. They'll probably just have to hope for another recession.

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LETTERS

Only a global effort will knock out terrorism

In the past, we have failed to fully realize the life-altering effects on our returning patriots of the damage of war.

Their first great hurdle in the difficult transition to civilian life is meaningful employment. Too much emphasis is placed on "scholarship achievement but the will to work should have no boundaries.

Industry needs to adopt and expand on military programs which fit military skills to industry jobs because of experience, not scholastic achievements.

Spouses and family will notice personality and habit changes first. Not only must we honor their sacrifices but make them aware we accept them as they are while they may not even recognize that they have changed. Their complete recovery may require many years of love and understanding.

The world now knows anyone committing atrocities anywhere can be quickly removed by accurate bombs on their heads. Syria, Iran and others supporting terrorists should beware.

May God guide us to wisely use our superior weapons to deter terrorists, avoid war and thereby save lives worldwide.

The United Nations is the international forum to relieve strife and promote peace worldwide. Its biggest threats are terrorism and oppression by rogue leaders and dictators. Those who resist or delay U.N. efforts are our enemies and should be treated as such for the sake of those oppressed.

While our war machine is in Iraq, we have the rare opportunity to expose and confront surrounding countries sponsoring terrorism at the United Nations, demanding their remedial action. If promptly exposed, their fear of our quick military success in Iraq may lead to better cooperation and peace progress in the region without more war.

The world's war on terrorism (World War III) will require undeterred time, expense and consolidated cooperation among all nations. We must remain united and patient while increasing homeland defenses.

AL WARD
Gooding
(Editor's note: Al Ward is retired from the U.S. Navy.)

Justice system fails to penalize the real predators

What is prison for? At one time, I thought it was for rehabilitation; it was called a correctional institution. I was under the impression that our jails and prisons helped people to get better. They made available the counseling and tools needed for a person to better function in society.

Nowadays, I believe it is an additional way for the state of Idaho to make more money for our legislators in office, not for things that are important like education, medical needs, road repairs, etc.

After pondering that thought, I then had to ask myself, "What is considered a violent offender?" Is an individual that has an addiction to drugs truly violent, or

would an individual that strips a child of their innocence be more of a threat? A person addicted to drugs really hurts only themselves, and that is a personal choice. If an adult rapes a child or molests a child of sexual innuendo, that child is, in some way, scarred forever. That being the case, why is it easier for a child crime offender to be released from jail than a drug offender? Why is it that our children are not more cherished and protected from criminals that rob them than the person who only robs themselves?

Recently in our local courtroom, a man charged with three counts of lewd and lascivious conduct with a minor under the age of 16 was able to bond out of jail for \$1,500, whereas a person with a small amount of drugs who also maintained a job was able to bond out of jail for \$10,000.

Does anyone besides myself see anything wrong with this picture? How sad to know that our children are not as protected from society as society is protected from drugs. I guess after long periods of thought, if you do not want your kids to use drugs and you do not teach them to stay away from them, then our legal system will. But if your child is raped or sexually assaulted by a grown-up, it is not as important to our legal enforcers to punish the person never taught to love and cherish the young people that will become our future - only to let them know they can and will get away with it!

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Dairies steal freedoms from older residents

It is a beautiful early morning. My heart is at peace. Only one more flat of snap dragons to plant. My rabbit will be beautiful this summer. It is good to be alive. I hung the washing on the line to dry.

Later: The telephone rings and I invited a high school class to come and share my lovely garden for an annual dinner next month.

Later: A horrendous sickening odor was coming from the west. I felt like vomiting, my head ached, it hurt to breathe! How could I invite anyone to come to my home? I can't control this debilitating odor!

Later: I listened to the Memorial Concert on PBS. It brought back the memories of the end, sad years waiting to hear about the invasion of France! The dread and fears during the Battle of the Bulge and years of loneliness. After more than 50 years, the pain is still there. Thirty years ago, I moved to my home. It was nice, a good place for my retirement years. Then the large factory confined dairies moved in west of me. They dumped tons of manure from thousands of cows all over the land. They have no intentions of cleaning up the open cesspools. They own our government. There is no hope! The people who suffer don't count!

"We, who gave up our youth to fight for freedom, are doomed!"
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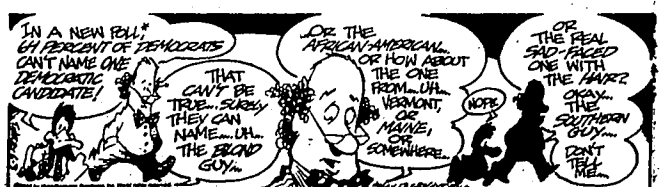
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Hold The New York Times to its own high standard

Americans love special prosecutors. Special prosecutors are independent and fearless, with no ties to those being investigated. Special prosecutors remove the suspicion that arises when an investigation is done from within. With a special prosecutor, there is no shifting of the blame by the people on top, no scapegoating of lesser fry. No one loves special prosecutors more than The New York Times.

The Independent Counsel law, created in 1978 and scrapped in 1999, has been invoked 20 times in history to investigate allegations of wrongdoing against Washington's political elite. The Times has usually favored, sometimes demanded, such probes.

JAMES D. ZIRIN

particularly when it doesn't like the administration being skewered. So what's wrong with a journalistic "special prosecutor" to investigate the Jayson Blair affair at The New York Times?

Blair is the 27-year-old Times reporter who filed stories detailing from places he hadn't been, based on confidential sources who didn't exist, interviews he didn't conduct and "facts" that resided only in his imagination.

Indeed, the Times launched its own investigation of this sordid matter, appointed a team of reporters and editors apparently

more into fact-checking than Blair, and Executive Editor Howell Raines and Managing Editor Gerald Boyd accepted lukewarm responsibility.

"While we deplore Jayson's conduct," Times Publisher Arthur O. Sulzberger Jr. sanctimoniously proclaimed, "we also recognize that, however difficult it may be, it is the responsibility of the Times, its publisher, its executive editor and its managing editor to prevent such occurrences or, at the very least, to uncover them rapidly. In the case of Jayson Blair, our organizational safeguards and our individual responses were insufficient. Howell, Gerald and I accept the responsibility for that." Oh,

Raines elaborated a "second step" that would follow. He described the formation of an independent committee that "will shape its own agenda" and "include outside members."

There was no mention, however, as to just who would be the outside members. But would the Times accept this approach if the scandal put the Bush administration in a bad light? The question answers itself. Suppose a Pentagon official with ties to the White House had consistently and knowingly filed false reports, had been reprimanded by his superiors for inaccuracy and, instead of being summarily dismissed, had been promoted to an even more sensitive position.

Would The New York Times have been content with an internal investigation by the leading ethicalist in the Department of Defense? Would it have been enough for Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld to fire the recent official and accept organizational and individual responsibility? Or would the Times have called for the appointment of a special prosecutor or, better still, a board of inquiry to investigate who in the chain of command also knew, or should have known, and when did they know it?

This scandal has shaken public confidence in this great institution. The New York Times. It has produced glee among conservatives who resent what they regard

as the paper's liberal biases. If the newspaper is truly what its distinguished columnist William Safire calls "the most rigorously edited newspaper in the world," why not expose its inner workings to public scrutiny, with an independent board of journalists to investigate the Times from Blair to Boyd to Raines to Sulzberger?

Was the Blair case a fluke? Or are there institutional failings at the Times? As the Greek proverb puts it, a fish stinks from the head. An "internal" investigation directed from the head won't do much to dissipate this particular problem.

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Arafat, others rekindle fires of Auschwitz

It was good that President George W. Bush visited the Auschwitz crematory during his European trip. The Holocaust museums in Washington and Jerusalem remind visitors of what happened 60 years ago, but not until people set foot in places where history's greatest atrocity occurred can they fully know. The president said that good came to Europe because "there were people willing to take up arms against evil." In a guest book, the president wrote, "never forget."



CAL THOMAS

Evil ceased being a concept, except when politically convenient, sometime in the '60s. Some of the same theologians, politicians, educators and pundits who dismissed evil as a proper metaphor for our "modern time" were quick to invoke the word when it came to policies (mostly Republican) they disliked. Words such as "racism" and "homophobia" have replaced evil in our contemporary lexicon. Those same people who reject evil (as well as its companion and even more "outmoded" word, "sin") ask us to accept that certain things they do not like are wrong, while rejecting a standard — other than opinion polls — by which right and wrong can be measured.

It is puzzling, therefore, that President Bush — fresh from his visit to Auschwitz — now asks Israel to trust its future to the ideological descendants of the architect of the death camps. One might expect that a people so close to getting what they want would modify their rhetoric and mollify their deeds to show the world how they plan to conduct themselves in a Palestinian state. One might also expect Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon to think more clearly about the "final solution" that Hitler failed to achieve but that his Arab disciples see as their mandate. In both cases, one would be wrong to think this way.

On the eve of Mr. Bush's visit to the Middle East, Egyptian government newspapers unloaded invective on the president. Some samples: "Bush is like Saddam, a murderer, tyrant and oppressor" (Muhammad Nafi), "writing in Al-Gumhuriya"; "Bush suffers from Oedipus Complex" (Anis Mansour in Al-Ahram, the main government daily); "The removal of sanctions against Iraq require the Iraqi people to fight the Americans" (Al-Ahram editorial). This is from a nation that has a peace



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Last Sunday (June 1), Israel Television Channel 2 showed a tape of Yasser Arafat speaking to a group of children in Ramallah to mark International Children's Day. Arafat's remarks were about "shahid" (die for the cause).

He said one shahid who dies for the sake of Jerusalem has power equal to 40 of the enemy dying. Arafat said nothing about peace and reconciliation. Don't expect Arafat's sham prime minister, Abu Mazen, to denounce Arafat's remarks. The Bush administration and Sharon's government persist with the fiction that further concessions by Israel will satisfy her enemies and that Palestinian promises can be trusted. So Sharon announces the imminent release of 100 terrorists, including Ahmed Yabara, who was sentenced to life for the 1975 murder of 14 Israelis in a terror attack in Jerusalem. This is styled as a "confidence-building" measure, along with the decision by Sharon to withdraw soldiers from areas where they had been placed to thwart the movement of homicide bombers. The confidence built by these actions will be that of Israel's enemies, who will rightly see them as another sign of weakness by Israel and America and

confirm that terrorism works. President Bush correctly said at Auschwitz that evil must be opposed, even to point of taking up arms against it. If that is true, why does American policy support the forcible dismantling of Saddam Hussein's evil regime, but pressure the democratically elected government of Israel to take steps that are suicidal in the face of evil? Such a move guarantees the rekindling of the fires of Auschwitz.

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Ireland's Irish know potatoes came late. Their staple since the Bronze Age had been oats. Don't

know what those centuries of oat eating did for their cholesterol, but their life expectancy shows no records.

Rarely does a wet hen appear to get mad.

With prayers for whatever, Guatemalan Indians light candles on statues of saints. If the prayers go unanswered, the candle lighters punish the saints by putting the statues out in the rain.

The center of the dart board

should be exactly 5-feet-8-inches off the floor. The throw, 8 feet.

To live up to the family dinner dialogue, toss out this one: Among your acquaintances, which outnumber which, those who think they're better than they are or those who think they're worse. Conceit vs. inferior fancy. Frequently, according to the experts, the person who shows one of these attitudes will also at different times show the other.

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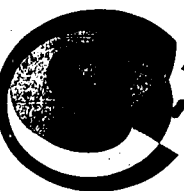
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AROUND THE VALLEY

Shoshone car crash victim leaves hospital

RICHFIELD — A Shoshone man was released from a Boise hospital Monday following a Friday one-car rollover that killed a Richfield woman.

Adonna Carolyn Boyer, 18, was killed after the car was ejected from a 1985 Toyota Tercel she was driving, said Chief Deputy Gene Ramsey of the Blaine County Sheriff's Office. She was not wearing a seat belt.

A passenger, Tommy Lloyd Standlee, 17, of Shoshone was not wearing a seat belt and was ejected. He was flown to Magic Valley Regional Medical Center and later flown to Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center in Boise, Ramsey said.

Standlee suffered multiple broken bones and was released Monday, Ramsey said.

Boyer was driving northbound on Idaho Highway 75 near the Richfield Canal at 12:50 p.m. when she drove off the right side of the road, overcorrected, and crossed both lanes of traffic and rolled, Ramsey said.

Assessor: Contract will save county money

TWIN FALLS — County Commissioners Gary Grindstaff, Bill Brockman and Tom Mikesell Monday approved entering into a contract with the Idaho Department of Water Resources for mapping land parcels located near water sources.

County Assessor Gerry Bowden said the maps will be especially helpful when it comes to siting animal feeding operations.

The Department of Water Resources will reimburse the county half of the \$6 it costs to map each of the 13,500 land parcels, resulting in almost \$41,000 in savings for the county, Bowden said. The county has a total of 33,000 parcels, but only 13,500 of them are located near water sources.

"I can't see a department in the county that can't benefit," Bowden said.

Also Monday, commissioners approved a four-month agreement with Bill Baker for county building inspections. The county's building inspector recently retired, and the county has not hired a replacement. The county will pay Baker \$2,400 a month for his services.

Another county business, commissioners approved tax-exempt status for Calvary Chapel in Buhl and the nonprofit Pregnancy Crisis Center in Twin Falls.

They also signed closing documents for a tax deed on property in Buhl, putting the property back on the tax rolls. And they approved an agreement with Partners for a Safer America to print up a bulletin board with the names of ball bondsmen at the county jail.

Kimberly Nurseries hosts wildflower fair

TWIN FALLS — A wildflower fair that includes activities for children will be held from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday at Kimberly Nurseries in Twin Falls.

"We will have 10 stations where various activities such as games and arts and crafts will be conducted throughout the day. There will also be a station where we will have wildflower samples and information for identifying local wildflowers," Kim Pierson, a botanist for the Sawtooth National Forest, said in a news release.

Activities are targeted at children in kindergarten through sixth grade. Activities will include T-shirt coloring, with free white T-shirts provided. Wildflower information will include identification of poisonous plants and reducing the spread of weeds. Smokey the Bear and fire prevention technicians will show homeowners how to fire-safe their property in areas susceptible to wildfire.

Last year more than 300 people attended the fair, the Sawtooth National Forest said. Event sponsors include the Forest Service, the Bureau of Land Management's Jarbidge Field Office, the Idaho Native Plant Society, Loosa Chapter, Red Willow Research Inc., and Kimberly Nurseries.

Compiled from staff reports

Supreme Court rejects gaming lawsuit

The Times-News and
The Associated Press

BOISE — The Idaho Supreme Court says it won't consider a lawsuit filed by a group that includes Magic Valley politicians challenging the Indian gambling initiative approved by voters last fall.

The high court said Monday that it lacks the "original jurisdiction" to hear the lawsuit.

"The voters of Idaho and the state Supreme

Court have spoken on this issue," Coeur d'Alene Tribal Chairman Ernie Stensgar said Monday. "We hope that Indian gaming opponents will now honor the will of the people and the court, so we all can stop spending precious time and money in court and get on with our efforts to provide jobs and revenues for the people of Idaho."

But Sen. Ladd Noh, R-Kimberly, spokesman for the group that filed the lawsuit, said the fight isn't

over. He pointed out that the state's high court earlier this spring ruled that certain video gaming machines — similar to those used by the tribes — are slot machines and are illegal under the state constitution.

"That certainly indicates it's a very strong case that the machines are unconstitutional," Noh said. "But basically it will be necessary to get back and start over in a lower court, as I understand it at this point. This was a technical ruling that has to do with expanding the jurisdiction of the court."

Noh is part of a non-profit group, "Straight Talk: Gambling in Idaho," that includes GOP Rep. Maxine Bell of Jerome, Cassia County Commissioner Paul Christensen and Boise-area pastor Bryan Fischer. They called the Indian gambling initiative a backdoor attempt to get around the constitutional prohibition against casino-style gambling.

Voters can use the initiative to change state law but not the Idaho Constitution.

Proposition 1 legalized gambling machines currently in use on reservations but limits their growth over the next 10 years. It was sponsored by the Coeur d'Alene, Shoshone and Nez Perce tribes and passed 58 percent to 42 percent.

The tribes, which generate millions of dollars each year from their casinos, claim the machines are

nothing more than electronic versions of the games promoted by the state-run Lottery. Critics contend they are clearly slot machines, banned by the constitution.

The Coeur d'Alene Tribe poured the lion's share of more than \$4 million into the campaign to pass the initiative, along with the Nez Perce Tribe.

"This ruling marks an end to years of efforts by the tribes to clarify the sta-

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Bureau of Land Management firefighter trainees, from left, Ben Paxton, B.J. Stauffer and Andy Blohm run the timed three mile test Monday in Shoshone wearing 45-pound vests to simulate the weight of a firefighter's gear. Trainees must complete the pack test in under 45 minutes to pass.

Firefighters prepare for busy season

By Brandon Flais
Times-News writer

SHOSHONE — Area firefighters started training Monday for a fire season officials expect to be busy.

Nearly 140 South Central Bureau of Land Management firefighters took pack tests in Shoshone and Burley — a requirement for the highly desired jobs.

Firefighters were required to walk three miles within 45 minutes carrying 45-pound packs.

"It's a lot of weight," said Mandee Baker, 21, of Jerome.

The firefighters are starting basic training and wildfire behavior classes this week, and they will soon begin training on various fire equipment. Fire school lasts about two weeks and includes 90 to 100 hours of training, South Central BLM Fire Manager Andy Payne said.

Payne said he expects a busier-than-normal fire season in the region.

"I see a few more fires, and a few more acres burned than last year," he said.

Fuel loads are 25 to 30 percent higher than last year for annual grasses such as cheatgrass, and 10 to 15 percent higher for perennial plants, Payne said. Spring rains caused the added growth.

During a typical fire season, which runs from June 20 to Sept. 20, the BLM responds to about 150 fires in the region, Payne said. Most firefighters battle about 30 fires in a typical fire season.

"I'm excited and ready to go," said Baker, who is a first-year firefighter. "I'm not concerned about accidents, because they are really safety conscious."

Payne said the BLM hasn't suffered a serious injury in two years.

"I expect to have a good time and make friends," said Benjamin Stauffer, 19, of Arco. Stauffer, also a rookie, said he was excited by the chance to

earn good money for college.

"You can't find a better summer job for the pay," he said.

A beginning firefighter makes \$6.68 per hour, plus overtime. And in a typical fire season, most firefighters ring up 200 to 300 hours of overtime, Payne said.

"Students coming back for their second or third year can make enough to pay in-state tuition," he said. "It's a fun job that pays well."

Nearly 1,000 people applied for about 55 seasonal firefighting positions, Payne said.

The BLM hires about 160 seasonal firefighters total, but has a 60 percent return rate, according to a BLM fact sheet. The number of firefighters hired was about the same last year.

Despite the large number of applicants, the BLM can't reduce firefighter pay because of federal standards, Payne said.

Once firefighters finish training, they often do maintenance work until called out on fires.

Firefighters also often travel out of state, Payne said.

About 60 percent of the area's fires are human-caused — higher than regional averages, Payne said. The usual culprit is vehicles, particularly catalytic converters.

"There are so many roads in this region and lots of recreation," he said. "A person can just pull off a road for a minute, drive off and leave a fire behind them."

Devil's Corral, a popular recreation area, sees an average of 10 to 15 fires per year, Payne said.

One of the area's biggest natural fire culprits is cheatgrass, which grows quickly and crowds out other plants like sagebrush, Payne said. In response, the BLM conducts controlled burns each year.

The BLM has increased its use of controlled burns over the past couple of years, now burning about 60,000 acres per year, Payne said.

DEQ head meets with officials

By Jennifer Sandmann
Times-News writer

GOODING — The legal arguments surrounding Magic Valley's largest cheese-maker's wastewater permit have potentially broad implications for state policy, Idaho's chief environmental regulator said Monday.

Steve Allred, director of the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality, met with Gooding County commissioners Monday. The county has questions about what the DEQ can do to help regulate large dairies.

The dairy issue not only has brought jobs and higher wages to Gooding County, but also odor problems and water quality worries, not to mention legal battles.

Glambia's expanded wastewater permit issued by DEQ has been appealed by both the company and neighbors. Glambia says the permit is unworkable. Neighbors Barry Wood, a 5th District judge, and Ben Gnesa want more protections for public health and groundwater.

Glambia's permit is one of the best wastewater land application permits issued by DEQ. Allred said. A lot of study went into it, and it was expensive.

"It also has, I think, significant public policy implications," he said.

How aerial drift from sprinkler irrigation should be controlled to prevent wastewater and potential pathogens in it from drifting onto neighbors' property is one of the chief disagreements between Glambia and neighbors.

Commissioner Carolyn Elcxpruv asked how Glambia would say with existing permit requirements during winter months if its expanded permit is tied up in appeals. Glambia exceeded winter limits in March for the past year.

"I think we have told them pretty clearly, they must comply with their permit," Allred said.

Glambia is tied up at the county level, too. Glambia disputes whether it must obtain a county permit to operate its expanded site. The county will take the issue before a judge.

Glambia's original site was

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Fairgrounds need more room for swine projects

By Rachel Hartigan
Times-News writer

FILER — With too many hogs and not enough space, the Twin Falls County Fair Board faces a problem with the county fair only three months away.

The Fair Board decided Monday to build additional swine pens. Of the \$30,000 projected cost, the Fair Board will contribute the pen panels and labor, leaving the 4-H and FFA Swine Committee to raise the remaining \$21,500.

Tony Schroeder, head of the 4-H and FFA Swine Committee, will present the idea to committee members later this month and then return to the board with a building plan and budget for review.

Swine entries have steadily

increased in recent years, outgrowing building space.

"You've got your highs and lows, but I think we'll see this be this way for awhile," Schroeder said board members.

4-H and FFA swine projects are becoming more popular and appealing to youth, hog farmer and 4-H leader David Roper said.

"Kids can really relate to pigs — they have the same diet and personalities," Roper said, joking. "The 4-H project allows kids to have some responsibility and be rewarded for their efforts."

This year, Schroeder has 164 young people signed up for hog projects, with 325 hogs tagged — up 10 pigs from last year — and only 105 pens available in the existing barn. Schroeder said 30 additional pens are needed.

T.F. City Council raps behavior of Western Days park celebrants

By Julie Pence
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Boorish behavior on the part of beer drinkers in City Park during Western Days has the attention of the City Council and the Twin Falls Police Department.

So much that the Western Days Committee, the group that organizes the four-day event that just concluded, will soon receive a "stern letter" with a reminder that IDs were to have been checked and anyone who buys alcohol from the beer garden has to buy and wear a SI bracelet.

On Monday at the regular City Council meeting, Councilwoman Gloria Galan complained about beer drinkers during Western Days not wearing the bracelets

that security officers are accustomed to seeing on visitors to the beer garden. It's a matter of equality, she said, noting the Hispanic Heritage Fiesta will be coming up in August and that these who imbibe during that festival will be wearing bracelets.

Galan's comments triggered a barrage of remarks from other council members about how revelers in City Park during this year's event — particularly on Saturday — endangered public safety.

"In my mind, Western Days clearly let down the ball," Councilman Chris Talkington said. He said there were a number of fights and an apparent criminal element in the City Park.

Councilman Trip Craig suggested that next year there should not be a beer garden. In addition, there should be a police presence and hourly checks at the entrance to the beer garden for bracelets, he said.

But Mayor Lance Cline said he thinks a letter would suffice for the time being. He said people in the U.S. are innocent until proven guilty and that the organizing group should be given a chance to rectify the problem.

Cline also pointed out that the chairwoman of the committee, Janie Goffin, had emergency surgery two days before the event and could not attend in order to monitor the situation.

Goffin said later in a phone

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Idaho revenues may be improving

BOISE (AP) — Preliminary figures on May tax collection indicate the lack of revenue plaguing the state through the winter and early spring has ended, but state analysts on Monday were still assessing the report.

"I'm waiting for the numbers," Gov. Dirk Kempthorne said, declining to discuss specifics.

Chief of Staff Brian Whitlock would say only that the initial report for May was a substantial improvement over tax collections in April, which fell \$29 million short of expectations.

That drove the overall deficit in the current budget to around \$40 million, based on legislative financial estimates, despite spending cuts and tax increases imposed over the past eight months.

Administration chief economist Michael Ferguson told legislative leaders last week that some of that red ink would be topped up by higher-than-expected interest earnings on invested state money and fewer-than-expected tax refund claims in May and June.

But Ferguson said the last-minute recovery would fall far short of erasing the imbalance, predicting the year would end with a deficit of up to \$16 million.

The weakest part of the tax structure has been personal income, especially paycheck withholding, and economists have said they see no real improvement in



Governor Dirk Kempthorne

sight. The administration's most recent economic forecast projected essentially no growth in nonfarm jobs this year with job losses even greater last year than originally thought.

The administration has already indicated it will balance the current budget by delaying all or part of \$24 million school districts are due in a property tax refund until after the new budget year begins July 1.

The amount delayed could be reduced by any money state agencies can do not send and return to the treasury.

The delayed payment will increase the deficit in the new budget, which could run around \$70 million because growth rates are now lower than when the budget was set.

But Whitlock said the administration believes that a federal windfall of up to \$85 million might get the state through the rest of the year without a special legislative session.

Unless the federal government imposes more restrictions, the

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cash can generally be used to avoid budget cuts because of reduced state tax receipts.

It is a one-time windfall, however, and will not reduce the pressure on the Republican governor and the GOP legislative majority to come up with a permanent solution to the state's financial problems.

One bloc in the Legislature has pushed for elimination of some government programs to bring spending back in line with reduced tax collections while others want to revamp the tax structure, most focusing on expanding the base of the sales tax by eliminating exemptions and including services.

A special citizen task force put together by Kempthorne last year recommended the broader sales tax base.

Jerome looks at special use permit for government agency buildings

By Dede Thomas Reese
Times-Herald Correspondent

JEROME — Government agencies wanting to build or locate in the city will soon need a special use permit from the city Planning and Zoning Commission.

An ordinance requiring the permit will be voted on by the City Council tonight.

A government agency is defined as the United States government, the state of Idaho, the county of Jerome, the city of Jerome or other public corporations, political subdivisions or quasi-public agencies for any purpose, other than the establishment of schools.

As the ordinance is written government agencies, which include recreation districts,

Meeting tonight

The Jerome City Council meets tonight at 7 in council chambers, 100 E. Ave. A. The public is invited.

would be permitted in all zones except residential. City Administrator Travis Rothwell said the ordinance needs to be amended before passage to allow government entities in all zones of the city to use recreation-district parks and bike paths can be located in residential zones.

The Planning and Zoning Commission hopes the ordinance will give it some control over where and what government agencies build within the city. With a special use permit, the Planning and Zoning

Commission can determine if a government building or other facility fits with the neighborhood and can add restrictions and stipulations on permits if problems occur.

In other business, the council will consider renewing a contract with PSI Waste Systems of Twin Falls for solid waste collection in the city for one year. The term of the renewal contract will run from Oct. 1, 2003, to Sept. 30, 2004.

Residential waste will be collected once a week in 95-gallon carts, supplied to customers by PSI at \$5.16 per home per month. Additional carts may be rented at \$1.35 per cart per month. PSI will also provide, at no cost to the city, roll-off containers for a spring and fall cleanup.

SERVICES

William "Bill" McGrew of Glenns Ferry, service at 10 a.m. today at the Faith Lutheran Church in Mountain Home; burial will follow at Glenn Rest Cemetery in Glenns Ferry (Summers Funeral Homes, McMurtrey Chapel, Mountain Home).

at the Bible Baptist Church in Jerome; inurnment will follow at the Jerome Cemetery (White Mortuary, Twin Falls).

Dale R. Bennett of Shoshone, memorial service at 11 a.m. Wednesday at the First Baptist Church in Shoshone; inurnment at the Shoshone Cemetery (Demaray's Shoshone Chapel).

Wednesday at the 8th Ward LDS Church on Harrison Street; burial will follow at Sunset Memorial Park; friends may call from 4-8 p.m. today at White Mortuary with family greeting friends from 6-8 p.m. and one hour before the service at the church.

O.C. Mack McNeal of Twin Falls, memorial service at 11 a.m. Saturday at Park's Magaly Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls.

Catherine Montgomery Lewis of Idaho Falls, public celebration of life from 2-5 p.m. Saturday at A.H. Bush Elementary School in Idaho Falls (Summers Funeral Homes, Boise Chapel).

Opal L. Johnson Kahn of Twin Falls, graveside service at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday at Sunset Memorial Park; friends may call from 10 a.m. to noon Wednesday at White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

Darrell Lamarr Cardwell of Twin Falls, service at 11 a.m.

E. Alene McDonald of Jerome, memorial service at 11 a.m. today

DEATH NOTICES

Evelyn D. Hinrichs

RUPERT — Evelyn D. Hinrichs, 81, of Rupert died Sunday, June 1, 2003, at the Minidoka Memorial Hospital. Arrangements will be announced by Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel.

Bob Brighton

TWIN FALLS — Bob Brighton, 78, died Sunday, June 1, 2003, at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls, ID, due to cancer. A long 13-year struggle with MS.

Adonna Carolyn Boyer

RICHFIELD — Adonna Carolyn Boyer, 18, of Richfield died Friday, May 30, 2003, from injuries suffered in an automobile accident north of Shoshone. The memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. Thursday, June 5, 2003, at the Moon Creek Ranch, 1020 N. 1202 E., two miles north and 34 miles west of Richfield. Cremation arrangements are under the direction of Demaray's Shoshone Chapel.

David J. Haines

OAKLEY — David J. Haines, 43, of Oakley died Monday, June 2, 2003. Arrangements will be announced by Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley.

Lula A. Wayment

RICHFIELD — Lula A. Wayment, 89, of Twin Falls and formerly of Richfield died Sunday, June 1, 2003, at Sunbridge Care and Rehabilitation Center in Twin Falls.

Valdi Francis Bullock

MCCLEARY, WASH. — Valdi Francis Bullock, 64, of McCleary, Wash., died Monday, June 2, 2003, at St. Peter's Hospital in Olympia, Wash. Arrangements are under the direction of Whitehead Funeral and Mortuary, Elma, Wash.

WHY NOT? 90th Birthday Celebration for a lifetime of service to the Boys Scout of America, Shoshone City and Rural Fire District, Christ Episcopal Church or a charity of your choice. Arrangements and services are under the direction of Demaray's Shoshone Chapel.

OBITUARIES

For obituary rates and information, call 733-0932, Ext. 278, between 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Deadline is 4:30 p.m. for next-day publication. The e-mail address for obituaries is obits@magicvalley.com. Death notices are a free service and can be placed until 5 p.m. every day.

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and Lois (Toot) of Washington, D.C. (Daughter of Arthur and Ethel Buhl and sister of many grandchildren and great-grandchildren). Her family is now joined with many family and friends in a peaceful and eternal sphere in Heavenly Father's kingdom. She will be missed by her many family and friends. Funeral services will be conducted 10 a.m. Wednesday, June 4, 2003, at the 10th Ward Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 229 Park Ave. Twin Falls, with Bishop Charles Hansen conducting. Graveside committal services will be conducted 3:30 p.m. Wednesday in the Montpelier Cemetery, Montpelier, Idaho. The family suggests memorial to the Idaho Heart Association, 3295 Elder, Boise, Idaho 83704. Services are under the direction of White Mortuary - Chapel by the River.

Clifford Martin

Clifford Martin, age 96, passed away May 29, 2003, of Snake River Falls, ID.

He was born April 5, 1907, to John and Emma Martin in Twin Falls, ID. He was preceded in death by his parents, a sister, Geraldine, and a daughter, Virginia. He is survived by his wife, Edna, a daughter, Geraldine, a son, Duane, and a grandson, Duane. He was a member of the Snake River Falls LDS Church and a member of the Snake River Falls Elks Lodge.

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TWIN FALLS

Woodrow Jensen Teuscher

Woodrow Jensen Teuscher, 90, passed away June 2, 2003, peacefully at a home in Twin Falls, Idaho. He was born August 16, 1912, in Payette, Idaho, to Charles and Christine Teuscher. Woodrow was the first of 12 children. He married Mary Lemay on January 11, 1932. They were later joined in the Salt Lake City LDS Temple. Woodrow and Mary are the parents of six children. Wood was a faithful member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, where he held many positions. He was currently a member of the Twin Falls 10th Ward where he served as a High Priest. Wood was a wonderful neighbor and friend. All that knew him benefited from his many quiet acts of charity and kindness. Wood was preceded in death by 2 sons, Dear and Steven Teuscher; his parents; and his brothers and sisters. He is survived by his sweet wife of 72 years, Mary; a son Drew (Regina) of Tennessee; 3 daughters, Valerie (Mike) of Hansen, ID,

BIG ARM, MONT.

Harold W. Ramsey, 93, of Big Arm, Montana, passed away on Saturday, May 31, 2003, from cancer. He was born Sept. 29, 1909, in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, to Cleo Ramsey and Adeline (Rae) Ramsey. He attended school in the Cedar Rapids area, graduating high school in Amesbury, Iowa. He joined the U.S. Army in 1933 and served with the "Big Red 1" in Europe. He married the "love of his life," Patricia Brock, on Jan. 22, 1945, in Washington, Iowa. Together they had three children. The family moved to Minnesota, where Harold attended Bemidji State for two years. They moved to Bonner, Montana, where Harold received his Bachelor of Science degree in Fish and Wildlife from the University of Montana. He accepted a job with the Idaho Department of Fish and Game at the Hagerman Springs Wildlife Hatchery near Wendell, Idaho. He continued his education at the University of Idaho in Moscow. In 1975 he was promoted to Fish Biologist for the State of Idaho. He continued in that capacity until his retirement in 1987. Pat and Harold built a home in Wendell in 1976, where they farmed 30 acres. After 24 years they moved from Wendell to Big Arm, Montana, where they settled on the shores of Flathead Lake.

Harold loved the outdoors. His appreciation of the natural world around us was passed on to his children. He was an avid fisherman, hunter, gardener, and traveler. Trips to Alaska, China and Africa were highlights of his life. He is preceded in death by his

SHOSHONE

Dale R. Bennett

Dale R. Bennett of Shoshone died on May 31st, 2003, at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls, ID, due to cancer. A long 13-year struggle with MS. He was born to Doyal and Lois Bennett Aug. 1, 1914, in Clinton, IB. He was the second of three children. The Bennett family moved to Shoshone in 1959 with the Union Pacific Railroad and has resided there since. Dale graduated from Shoshone High School in 1965, where he lettered in Football, Basketball and Track and was involved in the school band and other organizations. After high school he served the U.S. Navy from 1967 to 1971 and served in Vietnam. He also graduated from ISU with a degree in Electronics. Dale was active in the Boy Scouts, achieving Eagle Scout and the Order of the Arrow, and later in life served as Scoutmaster for scout troop 57 in Shoshone. He was also an active member and past commander with the American Legion Weeks-Yaden Post 111. He and his wife, Mary Kay, were also charter members and officers for the Desert Sun Square Dancers, where they participated and helped organize several events. He also served as a volunteer fireman with the Shoshone City and Rural Fire Department for 20 years, and was a member of the Christ Episcopal church in Shoshone and served as altar boy, Sunday school teacher and lay reader for numerous years. He is survived by his wife and high school sweetheart, Mary Kay; one daughter, Gina, of Twin Falls; two sons, Brad of Shoshone and Doyal of Twin Falls; mother, Lois Bennett of Shoshone; father, Delbert Bennett (wife Pat) of Keystone Heights, FL; and brother Donald Bennett of Eugene, OR. He also has grandsons, great nieces and great nephews. He is preceded in death by his father Doyal A. Bennett. Services will be held on Wednesday, June 4, at 11 a.m. at the Baptist Church in Shoshone, military rites and graveside service will follow at the Shoshone Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, the family is asking that donations be made to the Boy's Scout of America, Shoshone City and Rural Fire District, Christ Episcopal Church or a charity of your choice. Arrangements and services are under the direction of Demaray's Shoshone Chapel.

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Agency offers free firewood in Sawtooths

The Times-News

STANLEY — People can cut firewood without paying a fee on portions of the Sawtooth National Recreation Area and the Yankee Fork Ranger District. The U.S. Forest Service is waiving the fee for personal use firewood in areas north of Galena Summit hit hard by the mountain pine beetle, SNRA Area Ranger Debora Cooper said. "A significant amount of trees are dead and dying in this area, creating a serious accumulation of hazardous fuel," Cooper said. People can each obtain up to 10 cords of firewood in this free-use area for personal use, Cooper said. The permit system for the free firewood area is the same as the

traditional firewood permits. People desiring to cut their firewood in this area still need to obtain permits, cut only in areas open to firewood gathering and properly tag their loads. The permit and map contain information regarding what areas are open and closed to firewood cutting. Maps and permits for firewood may be obtained at the SNRA Headquarters Visitor Center north of Ketchum and at the Stanley Ranger Station near Stanley. The SNRA Headquarters Visitor Center is open seven days a week from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. The Stanley Ranger Station is open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to noon and 1 to 5 p.m. Permits are also available for

other areas on the SNRA. The basic permit for the other areas costs \$20, enabling the holder to cut the free-use areas may be obtained from other Sawtooth National Forest offices in Burley, Twin Falls, Ketchum and Fairfield. The free-use firewood areas in Montoya's jurisdiction are those portions of the Salmon-Challis National Forest from Banner Summit, down Highway 21 to Stanley and from Stanley, down the Salmon River to Yankee Fork. Firewood cutters are reminded that branches and tree tops must be piled and no cutting is allowed within 300 feet of streams and lakes. Permits and maps for the free-

use areas, as well as other areas on the Yankee Fork Ranger District, are available from the Yankee Fork Ranger Station in Clayton. This office is open Monday through Friday from 7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Firewood permits for the remainder of the Yankee Fork District are \$20, which allows the permit holder four cords of wood. Permits for cutting firewood on the Ketchum Ranger District went on sale Friday. That office is open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. The basic permit for this district is \$20, permitting two cords of firewood for the holder. Additional cords, up to a maximum of 10 cords, may be purchased for \$10 a cord — with a minimum of two cords.

Burley plans to sell bonds for sewer project

By Shelley Ridenour

Times-News writer

BURLEY — Money to pay for part of the new sewer project in Burley will likely come from a bond sale after all, city officials decided Monday. During a special meeting Monday morning, City Council members authorized the city administrator to proceed with arrangements for a bond sale to generate the \$7 million authorized by voters last week to allow a larger sewer system to be built. City officials had said they'd probably borrow the money from the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Rural Development

office because that option would cost less than a bond sale. But, with the drop in the Treasury interest rate to 3.3 percent, City Administrator Mark Mitton said selling bonds is now the best option for the city. Rural Development officials had quoted the city an interest rate of 4.5 percent, Mitton said. But he expects to pay interest at 3.88 percent if the city pursues the bond sale. That could save the city as much as \$750,000 on the project, meaning less money would be borrowed and less tax revenue would be collected to pay off the bonds. The plan now is to conduct a regular bond sale, using bonding

agent Seattle-Northwest Securities Corp. of Boise, Mitton said. Officials from that company told Mitton the bond sale will be completed by Aug. 1. They'll use a bank to sell the bonds, Mitton said. He expects the council will want to seek bids from banks to get the best interest rates possible, but that decision hasn't been made yet. The city will get the money the day of the bond sale. The project won't start that early, but the money will be invested and used to pay bills for the project as the expenses are incurred, Mitton said. The bonds will include a 10-

year call option, Mitton said. "That would let us pay off the loan sooner with no penalty, only if it's good for the city," he said. For example, should development occur in Burley and tax payments to the city increase tremendously, the council might want to pay the loan off early, he said. The city will borrow the other \$18 million for the sewer project from the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality. That loan will be repaid through user fees. Shelley Ridenour is editor of The Times-News Mini-Cassia Bureau. She can be reached at 208-677-4042, Ext. 642, or by e-mail at shelleyr@magicvalley.com.

Cassia County official won't sign water plan

By Shari Chaney

Times-News writer

BURLEY — Cassia County commissioners approved an ordinance last week regarding a water resource plan, but Monday they tabled action to sign the ordinance because one commissioner doesn't agree with the document. Commissioner Paul Christensen was absent last week when Commissioners Clay Handy and Dennis Crane approved the ordinance to adopt the coordinated water resource management plan. Last week's action followed a public hearing on the plan. On Monday, Christensen read the ordinance and said he wouldn't sign it because of a section which states the plan's goals are to minimize the impact of existing hydropower facilities and

to prevent the development of new facilities on the Middle Snake River. County Administrator Kerry McMurray recommended commissioners table the matter until June 9. Handy was absent from Monday's meeting. The water resource management plan was created by the Mid-Snake Regional Water Resource Commission. It provides policy, goals, objectives and strategies for both water quality and quantity. Other commission business included: • Snow loads — Commissioners will look into changing the snow load requirements of any new buildings. The snow load is now 30 pounds per square foot throughout all of Cassia County. But county inspector Dan Barker said different snow loads might be

needed at the different elevations of Cassia County, rather than one generic number. Jay Christensen could help develop the snow loads that should be established, Barker said. The cost to have Christensen would be less than \$500. McMurray said the money could probably come from the planning and zoning or the county building budget. It might be wise to have guidelines in place before any of the possible proposed projects at Pomerelle Mountain Resort come up, Barker said. • Cell phone telephones — County employees need to pull over and stop before answering cellular phone calls when driving county autos, commissioners said. Commissioners are seeking input from department heads before creating a complete policy

on cell phones, but asked that department heads remind their employees to pull over if their cell phones ring when they're driving. For employees in the courthouse, personal calls are allowed on land lines, as long as the number of calls is not excessive. Because of that, Crane said, "There's no reason to have a personal cell phone in the courthouse." Departments such as the sheriff's department might need to be treated differently, McMurray said. "A master list of who has county-issued cell phones is to be created along with the policy. Times-News writer Shari Chaney can be reached at the newspaper's Mini-Cassia Bureau at 208-677-4042, Ext. 638, or by e-mail at shaney@magicvalley.com.

Judge holds man in Burley murder case

By Shelley Ridenour

Times-News writer

BURLEY — A Rupert man was arraigned Monday on a charge of first-degree murder and remained in jail under an order from a judge that he not be allowed to post any bond for release. Jesus Guzman, who sometimes uses Jesse as his first name and sometimes uses the last name of Artega, appeared before Judge Roy Holloway Monday in Cassia County Magistrate Court. He faces a charge of first-degree murder and a second charge of an enhanced penalty. Guzman is represented by Twin Falls attorney Greg Fuller. His preliminary hearing was scheduled for June 13 before Holloway.

Three witnesses to the fight told police they saw Guzman hit Arredondo with the golf club. The enhanced penalty charge was filed by Cassia County Prosecuting Attorney Al Barrus because the golf club was used in the crime. Idaho law allows enhanced penalties against people accused of crimes when dead weapons are used. Guzman was originally charged with aggravated assault in connection with the beating, but Barrus amended the charge after Arredondo died. Father bonds of \$250,000 and \$1 million were also revoked by the judge. Shelley Ridenour is editor of The Times-News Mini-Cassia Bureau. She can be reached at 208-677-4042, Ext. 642, or by e-mail at shelleyr@magicvalley.com.

Guzman, 21, faces the murder charge in connection with the death of Guadalupe Arredondo, who was beaten on May 24. Arredondo, 25, died May 27 at Portneuf Medical Center in Pocatello as a result of injuries from a beating. A court affidavit states that Arredondo's autopsy showed the cause of death as a blow to his head. According to the affidavit filed by Cassia County Sheriff's Deputy Tim Little, Deputy Tony Bernard responded to a report of an incident in the parking lot of Burgers Etc. at 700 S. Overland Ave. in Burley at 10:21 p.m. May 24. Bernard found Arredondo lying in the middle of the driveway on the west side of the restaurant, the affidavit states. A large pool

Flooding closes Colorado highway, swamps Vail

VAIL, Colo. (AP) — Residents pumped out the houses Monday after a raging creek broke through an underground culvert, sending water into the neighborhood and opening up a 22-foot-wide sinkhole that closed Interstate 70, Colorado's main route through the Rocky Mountains. Sandbags and mounds of dirt were piled up around the houses, a mix of condominiums and single-family homes worth up to \$1 million, many flooded with several inches of water. "We were at the grocery store when the water broke," said Carol Reichman Cook, who returned

home to find 6 inches of water in her two-story house. "It came right through our utility room. It came like a total river." Crews had pumped out about 200 gallons by midmorning. The damage was confined to the lower floor. About a mile away, highway crews in front-end loaders and graders diverted water away from the sinkhole on I-70 so the road could look for the damaged culvert about 20 feet below. A 24-mile stretch of the highway was closed. The eastbound lanes could reopen Tuesday to allow one lane of traffic to travel in either direction, said Lisa Zisman, resident.

Gaming

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tus of Indian gaming in Idaho," said Wilfred Scott, Nez Perce Tribal Executive Committee vice chairman. Noh said Idaho voters simply were uninformed about the risks of reservation gaming. And he said opponents of the initiative will soon meet to decide what their next step will be. "If there's a good side to it, it certainly has provided some visibility to the issue," Noh said. "I

think as every month has passed, the public has become more aware of the damage occurring in the country and states that have gone this way." Last August, the state Supreme Court unanimously dismissed a petition by Noh's group asking the justices to determine the constitutionality of the initiative. The court declined, saying any question of constitutionality was moot because the initiative had not yet passed. A bill similar to the initiative

and backed by Gov. Dirk Kempthorne was rejected by the Senate two years ago on a 20-15 vote. But anti-gaming Senate Republicans this year dropped their attempt to enter the court fight. Stensgar said the state and the two tribes were forced to defend the lawsuit at a cost to the taxpayers and tribal governments. "Proposition 1 means more jobs for Idaho, more money for education and more economic development in rural areas where

employment is scarce," he said. But Bell said she's skeptical that tribal gaming will have such an effect. "It doesn't seem like a good way to run a community," she said. "Back when Idaho passed the lottery, so many people thought it would be a good thing, that it would produce money for the state and the lottery money. How come there isn't more of it? That's kind of the way I feel about slot machines."

Western

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call that the Western Days Committee had actually considered not allowing a beer garden this year. But the group decided against ruling it out because city ordinance allows people to bring their own beer into the park, she said. "You can show up with a cooler full of beer in the park, but until they figure out something from a legal standpoint to keep beer out of there, there's nothing

we can do," Goffin said. Just the same, the committee gave up running the beer garden this year and hired a private business to run it, she said. In addition, Goffin, who chaired the committee for the second time this year, said she has never heard anything about ID bracelets. "That has never come up in any discussion," she said. The committee had hired a private security firm to police the area, she said.

Twin Falls Police Chief Lee DeVore said he recognized there was a problem and that the department would look into it over time. Also at Monday's meeting, the council voted to increase dog license fees. A spayed or neutered dog goes from \$5 to \$10, the license fee of a dog under 6 months old from \$5 to \$10, and the license fee for an unspayed dog over 6 months of age from \$15 to \$25. The fee increase brings Twin

Falls up to the level of cities of similar size, but it will also help the city enforce the dog-licensing ordinance, council members said. Twin Falls resident Bob Powers said he figures only about 5 percent of city dog owners actually pay for licenses. Last year there were only 1,177 dogs licensed in the city and only 305 in the county. Powers figures there are at least 15,000 dogs in the city. The license increase is set for July 1.

Gooding

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zoned industrial, County Prosecutor Phil Brown said. Glanbia has crossed over into an agricultural zone and that requires a special-use permit, he said. "I think Glanbia is under the impression we want to shut them down. We just want to hold them to the same standard as everybody else," Commissioner Rob Sauer said. And why was wastewater pre-treatment included in Jerome Cheese Co.'s permit issued by DEQ and not in Glanbia's permit? The site chosen by Jerome

Cheese to apply wastewater sits about 100 yards from groundwater feeds the Snake River, Allied said. DEQ did not specifically require Jerome Cheese to pretreat its waste, but it was the only way the company could reduce phosphorus in its wastewater to levels acceptable by DEQ at that site, he said. Phosphorus is not a health issue, officials say, but too much phosphorus promotes problematic aquatic plant growth in the river. The Glanbia site near Gooding is farther away from the river, Allied said. Ellexpuru asked why DEQ got

involved in a county dairy permit debate in Canyon County and has not done so in the Magic Valley. DEQ advised Canyon County that it should consider air emissions an 8,000-cow dairy would contribute to Treasure Valley air quality, and the county denied the dairy's application. "I think that certainly influenced Canyon County's decision," Allied said. The Treasure Valley is in danger of violating federal air quality standards, and the Magic Valley is not, he said. Mixing ammonia gases from a large dairy with existing Treasure

Valley air pollutants from the burning of coal fuel could cause a chemical reaction that produces harmful particulate matter. Ellexpuru wondered why strong odors don't count as an air quality issue. "There are some summer evenings where it gets rank, I'm telling you," she said. A dairy that emits odors isn't necessarily violating regulated air quality standards, Allied said. But he didn't dispute that odors are a problem in areas of southern Gooding County. "There are places down there where I certainly wouldn't want to live," Allied said.



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CSI graduates more than 800

The News

TWIN FALLS — More than 800 students were honored May 16 in the annual College of Southern Idaho graduation exercises at the college gymnasium.

There were 445 applications made for academic degrees and 366 applications made for technical degrees. Some students applied for more than one degree.

Following is a list of the graduates by hometown, state or country:

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Abaderne — Christina Nelson.
Albion — Jamie Chaburn and Shari Clark.

Almo — Amber Ward.
American Falls — Sandy Cates.
Arco — Joseph Hansen.

Bellvue — Mandiann Powers, Shelly Owen and Brian Smith.

Blackfoot — Darrell Callison, Tiffany Callison, Angela Layton, Britney Martin, Mimi Oleson and Amber Wood.

Bliss — Carrie Lawrasen.
Boise — Amanda Anderson, Stephen Call, Bryan Egan, Brenda Hoyt, Amy Morris, Tamara Moseley and Krista Winn.

Bruneau — Anita Miller.
Buhl — Barbara Bonhof, Alma Canchola, Kent Eggston, Daniel Fawcett, Gary Fawcett, Stacy Garrett, Kathy Hamilton, Amber Hornick, Warren Hawkins, Brenda Hoover, Kelli Hunsaker, Amanda Jensen-Evans, John Jones Jr., Kami Lammers, Steve Little, Kristy Mace, Carrie Marsh, Jan Nodaker, Erica Olson, Brandy Riden, Erin Rolando, Roseann Saxton, Amy Schofield, Jessica Schorram, Brandon Smith, Macey Snelson, Amy Thomas, Leanne Wiersma and William Woodfin Jr.

Burley — Cathy Brown, Christian Burck, Justin Byington, Amy Davidson, Kathleen Egan, Bret Edelman, Lori Edman, Tim Fisher, Leah Gallup, Melanie Gillette, Corina Gomez, W. Tyler Goodrich, Kevin Gwinn, Kristin Harlow, Edna Gomez, Vicki Hill, Angelina Howard, James Howard, Bryan Hunt, Meredith Hunt, Kim Hurst, Clint Hurst, Mandy Johnson, Clayton Kirk, Tammy Kuriakole, George Murray, Eric Parton, Ann Poth, Lance Quas, Teodora Ramirez, Lisa Rivera, Enita Rocha, Jon Schmitt, Sarah Smith, Cathy Smith, Thomas Tolness, Jared Webb and Linda Young.

Cambridge — Adam Papineau.
Caldwell — Lacey Hennefer and Jessica Rathke.

Challis — Michael Green, Jane James, Alicia Thomas and Mickey Thomas.

Chubbuck — Glen Betty and Francis Monning.

Clayton — Joseph Getty.
Coeur d'Alene — Eric Foster and Christine Wood.

Council — Phil Ketch.

Declo — Jordan Allen, Leslie Anderson, Terin Bailes, Billie Biddle, Valleen Kuwana, Matthew Priddy, Britney Quast and Jennifer Schaefer.

Dietrich — Jeremy Churchill, Marsh Conner, Morgan Huston, Dubois — Traci Bell.

Eden — Jeremy Alexander, Robert Black and Bryce Pryor.

Emmett — Shana Balazov, Shavla Hammer, Lexi Russell and Jessica White.

Fieldfield — Andrew Portillo.

Filer — Tena Allen, Cameron Andrew, Kristy Avery, Kimberly Baker, Talmia Cate, David Devissar, Brooke Fopphol, Hollie Garner, Angela Hufferman, Kyle Hillman, Kevin Hoffman, William Hoffman, John Juarez, Darla Larkie, Cynthia Lewis, Lisa Marck, Byron Nice, Angela Sliar, Greg Sullivan and

Lorena Wiggins.

Firth — Denise Jeff. Saff.
Gooding — Elizabeth Benito, Suzanne Bingham, Geoffrey Brown, Elizabeth Covey, Loretta Darcy, Barbara Hunkeler, Cheryl Hoyt, Renda Humen, Chris Larsen, Brandi Macleod, Hillary Metcalf, Scotty Mortensen, Charlotte Myers, Gregory Ray, Jacob Ross, Amanda Stockham and Cheryl Vick.

Grace — Rita Miller.
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Hazelton — Natalia Barahona, Yvonne Basso, Christine Basso, Green, Katie McCaslin, Ryan Nelson, Joseph O'Donnell, Ryan Ramos and Annie Urie.

Hegeberg — John Basso, Bair, Bryce Bingham, Andrew Burns, Kelly Kawamoto, Emma McGuire, Robert Noy, Kristen Pugsley, Juliann Reynolds, Kandy Soto and Seth Williams.

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Ketchikan — Teri Forstved and Kristy Livermore.

Kimberly — Leslie Belin, Natalia Bessavrita, Lindsay Brown, Sharon Calhoun, Keri Caudill, William Flint Esipi, David Folks, James Hansen, Brandy Hyman, Yelena Richman, Michael McLane, John McDaniels, Aleta Remick, Luanna Richards, Louise Schumacher, Elizabeth Shewmaker, Callie Soudoumit, Mary Talbot, Jim Van Sickle, Amy Vawter, Steven Vawter, Amanda Walker, Daniel Wardell, Shaun Wildman, Jeffrey Wilson and Shannon Wilson.

Kuna — Melissa Coles.

Malheur — Sharon Campbell and Amy Carpenter.

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Moscow — Teresa Blake, Adrienne Hall, Aidan Hall, Stephanie Johnson, David Pickering, Randall Rosenberg, Kaurthugh, Levi Perkins, Christy Seymour and April Stevens.

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Star — Angela Weisenberger.

Sugar City — Yesica Romero.

Swan Valley — Sidney Poole.

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California girl is found safe in Utah

RIVERSIDE, Calif. (AP) — A 5-year-old girl who vanished from her home in Riverside was found later in the day when a passerby saw her eating lunch at a Utah park with a man who allegedly abducted her, authorities said.

Anabella Jade Clark, who had been the subject of an Amber Alert, was "safely in the hands of authorities there," Deputy Police Chief Andy Prylak told a news conference in Riverside, 60 miles east of Los Angeles.

"The child is in good condition," he said.

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THE ULTIMATE DIARY

Pentagon project records digitally every moment of each day

WASHINGTON (AP) — Coming to you soon from the Pentagon: the diary to end all diaries — a multimedia, digital record of everything you see, hear, read, say and touch.

Known as LifeLog, the project has been put out for contractor bids by the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency or DARPA, the agency that helped build the Internet and that is now developing the next generation of anti-terrorism tools.

The agency doesn't consider LifeLog an anti-terrorism system, but rather a tool to capture "one person's experience in and interaction with the world" through a camera, microphone and sensors worn by the user. Everything from heartbeats to travel to Internet chatting would be recorded.

The goal is to create breakthrough software that helps analyze behavior, habits and routines, according to Pentagon documents reviewed by The Associated Press. The products of the unclassified project would be available to both the private sector and other government agencies — a concern to privacy advocates.

DARPA's J. Walker said LifeLog is intended for users who give their consent to be monitored. It could enhance the memory of military commanders and improve civilian emergency response by crunching how users learn and then tailoring training accordingly, officials said.

But John Pike of Global Security.org, a defense analyst group, is dubious the project has military application.

"I have a much easier time understanding how Big Brother would want this than how Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld would use it," Pike said. "They



Undated file photos of the evolution of Steve Mann of the University of Toronto's wearable camera and computer gear. From left: 1980, mid 1980s, early 1990s, mid-1990s and late 1990s.

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Steven Aftergood, a Federation of American Scientists defense analyst, said LifeLog would collect far more information than needed to improve a general's memory — enough "to measure human experience on an unprecedentedly specific level." And that, privacy experts say, raises powerful concerns.

DARPA rejects any notion LifeLog will be used for spying. "The allegation that this technology would create a machine to spy on others and invade people's privacy is way off the mark," Walker said.

She said LifeLog is not connected with DARPA's data-mining project, recently renamed Terrorism Information Awareness. Each LifeLog user could "decide when and where the data," she added. "The goal... is to see what I see, rather than to see me."

One critic sees a silver lining in the government taking the lead. "If government weren't doing this, it would still be done by companies and in universities all over

the country, but we would have less say about it," said James X. Dempsey of the Center for Democracy and Technology, which advocates online privacy. Because the government is involved, "you can read about it and influence it."

DARPA's Web site says the agency investigates ideas "the traditional research and development community finds too outlandish or risky."

But in LifeLog's case, some similar technology is already being funded and researched by well-heeled outfits.

Professor Steve Mann of the University of Toronto has spent 30 years developing a wearable camera and computer, progressing from intricate metallic headgear to dark frame eyeglasses and a cell-phone-sized belt attachment. He's working with Samsung on a commercial version.

And Microsoft's Gordon Bell scans his mail and other papers and records phone, Web, video and voice transactions into a computerized file called MyLifeBits. The company may include the capability in upcoming products.

Neither Mann nor Bell intends

to bid on DARPA's project. Bell said DARPA wants to go further than he has into artificial intelligence to analyze data.

The Pentagon agency plans to award up to four 18-month contracts for LifeLog, beginning this summer. Contracting documents give a sense of the project's scope. Cameras and microphones would capture what the user sees or hears; sensors would record what he or she feels. Global positioning satellite sensors would log every movement. Biomedical sensors would monitor vital signs. E-mails, instant messages, Web-based transactions, telephone calls and videocams would be stored.

Mail and faxes would be scanned. Links to every radio and television broadcast heard and every newspaper, magazine, book, Web site or database seen would be recorded.

Breakthrough software would automatically produce an electronic diary that organizes the data into "episodes" of the user's life, such as "I took the 08:30 a.m. flight from Washington's Reagan National Airport to Boston's Logan Airport," according to the documents.

Mideast talks snag on Israeli settlements issue

JERUSALEM (AP) — A disagreement brewed Monday between Israelis and Palestinians over the fate of more than 100 Israeli settlement outposts set up in the West Bank during 32 months of violence.

Other differences — on how to rein in Palestinian militants and the wording of summit declarations — also persisted, underscoring the difficulty of ending the violence despite world pressure.

In a gesture before the summit, Israel released a prominent Palestinian prisoner late Monday. Tayseer Khaled, a member of the PLO executive, was freed from an Israeli lockup in the West Bank, Palestinians said.

After a meeting between Israeli and Palestinian prime ministers last week, Israel said it would release Khaled and Ahmad Jubarah, 68, the longest-serving prisoner. The Israeli prisons service said Jubarah would be freed Tuesday.

Wednesday's summit in Jordan marks the official launch of the U.S.-backed "road map" to Mideast peace, a three-year plan that envisions the creation of a Palestinian state by 2005.

Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon told his Cabinet on Sunday he would likely make a declaration at the summit committing Israel to dismantling settlement outposts set up in violation of Israeli law. Stopping all settlement construction is a key element of the peace plan.

According to the Israeli group Peace Now, about 300 of the outposts, 16 of them uninhabited. About 230,000 Jewish settlers live in 150 other settlements in the West Bank and Gaza. Hard-line Israelis defend settlement-building with religious and security



Israeli pupils enter their school near the Israeli Alon Shvut settlement Monday. Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon told his Cabinet on Sunday he would likely make a declaration committing Israel to dismantling the settlements in Palestinian-controlled areas that have been set up in violation of Israeli law.

arguments. Israeli officials said Monday they did not consider all the outposts illegal and would dismantle only the ones not deemed necessary for Israeli security.

Deputy Defense Minister Zeev Boim said Israel would take down up to 10 "flagrantly illegal" outposts during the first stage of the road map, according to the Haaretz newspaper Web site. Palestinians consider the outposts on West Bank hilltops as efforts to expand Jewish settlement in the West Bank and Gaza Strip, and to create new obstacles to a Palestinian state.

Iran invites United States to help build nuclear plants

TEHRAN, Iran — Iran dismissed American accusations it is seeking to develop nuclear weapons and invited the United States on Monday to dispel its fears by helping build Iran's nuclear program.

The seriousness of the invitation, issued by a foreign ministry spokesman, was unclear since Iran's supreme leader, Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, has banned all official dealings between the two countries.

Any attempt by an American company to contract to build an Iranian reactor would also have to get past U.S. sanctions, which bar most trade with Iran.

The invitation came as Russia, which is helping Tehran build its first nuclear plant, has been trying to mollify the United States over the Iranian nuclear program.

At a summit Sunday with President Bush, President Vladimir Putin refused to halt aid, but he and Bush promised to work together to ensure Iran does not develop a nuclear weapon.

Russia's atomic minister said last week that Washington should join Moscow in building Iran's first plant, due to come on line at Bushehr by the end of this year. Iran's foreign minister, Kamal Kharrazi, proposed Friday that Western countries help build the country's next plants.

Yemen might allow FBI office to open in country

SANAA, Yemen — FBI Director Robert Mueller discussed counterterrorism efforts Monday with the president of Yemen, the ancestral home of Osama bin Laden and site of the attack on the USS Cole that killed 17 American sailors.

In his meeting with President Ali Abdullah, Mueller also raised the possibility of opening the country's first permanent FBI office, a U.S. diplomat said.

Mueller met with Saleh in the southern port city of Aden, the scene of the October 2000 terrorist attack on the Cole that killed 17 American sailors.

Yemen's official news agency said Mueller and Saleh discussed bilateral relations and cooperation in counterterrorism.

The meeting was attended by Yemen's interior minister and intelligence chief, and U.S. Ambassador Edmund Hull, the agency said.

The agency said Mueller's stop in Yemen was part of a regional tour "to discuss the global struggle against terrorism."

SARS update shows no new cases in China

World in brief

HONG KONG — China reported no new cases of SARS for the first time in weeks, another sign the crisis may be easing in Asia, while nurses in Canada accused hospital officials of ignoring warnings of Toronto's latest outbreak.

"It's heartening. But it's not time to think that SARS has been beaten," said Bob Dietz, the World Health Organization spokesman in Beijing. "No one should drop their guard yet."

The global death toll from severe acute respiratory syndrome rose to at least 771 on Monday after China reported two new deaths on its mainland and Hong Kong reported one. More than 8,300 people have been sickened by the flu-like illness, most of them in Asia.

Thai Prime Minister Thaksin Shinawatra predicted that SARS will be contained by the end of this month and that regional economies will recover from its effects by the end of August.

— compiled from wire reports

City bans portable hoops from streets

PAULSBORO, N.J. (AP) — Twelve-year-old Danny King used to spend hours shooting baskets in the street in front of his home after his mom and dad bought him a portable hoop. But now the hoop is pushed up against the side of the house, mostly unused.

Portable basketball hoops have been banned from the streets of this working-class community of 6,150 along the Delaware River.

No one, it seems, is against a friendly game of one-on-one. The problem, municipal officials say, is that the hoops are a hazard to emergency vehicles, trash trucks and the players themselves.

"We all want to be Mayberry, but no government official can take a parent in the eye and say, 'It's OK for your children to play in the street,'" said Paulsboro Police Chief Kenneth Ridinger.

Around the country, in fact, towns are blowing the whistle on street basketball.

Citing safety concerns, communities in Kentucky, Nevada, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Oregon and Pennsylvania have banned portable hoops in or around streets. Others are shooting to do the same.

The baskets emerged in the early '90s as a convenient and versatile alternative to permanent



Dan King, 12, plays basketball Wednesday at home in Paulsboro, N.J. He had to move the basket from the brick sidewalk, behind him, onto the lawn next to house because of a new law in the town.

hoops, especially for families with small driveways or none at all. The baskets typically consist of an adjustable-height hoop, a backboard, a pole and a wheeled,

weighted-down base that has to be filled with sand or water.

About 1 million are sold annually by Lifetime Products and Huffy.

For many parents, a portable hoop is preferable to letting children go to playgrounds or municipal basketball courts by themselves. Also, older kids tend to hog the playground courts.

In Paulsboro, Danny's parents put the hoop on a sidewalk along Huff Street. Danny's mother, Sharon King, liked the \$150 hoop because she could keep an eye on her son while she did housework. Danny liked it because he could practice right at home, even though his driveway was not even big enough to park a car.

"We always played here, because the courts are usually flooded and it's no problem," said his buddy D.J. Fauntleroy. "When a car comes, we just call 'Car!' and we move and then when it's passed, we continue to play."

In April, though, the Paulsboro Borough Council passed an ordinance banning basketball hoops or hockey nets on or next to streets, threatening \$100 fines for a first offense and \$250 fines for subsequent violations.

Residents had complained that basketball players were refusing

to move from the street when cars drove through, or that the players harassed passing motorists. No injuries had been reported, but Mayor John Burzichelli said the borough was worried about liability.

"The call I fear the most is the call when you say, 'Mayor, my child was hit,'" Burzichelli said.

Some parents agree, saying that knowing street basketball is tantamount to letting children play in traffic. As of Monday, no one had been cited for violating the ordinance.

"I think it's wonderful what they did," said Shelly Scott, 44, whose 7-year-old son, Philip, plays on a portable basket in the family's driveway. "The street is for cars, not basketball."

But many homes in this 2.1-square-mile city sit on small lots, with no driveways.

"It's a classic clash of interests," said Michael Reinemer, spokesman for the National League of Cities. "Certain cities want a place for your kids to play, but you want to keep them safe."

With the way a lot of cities are pressed financially, and with state budget crises rolling down to cities, it puts a squeeze on parks and recreation. You may see more of these hoops springing up."

Judge rules pregnant rape victim is incapacitated

ORLANDO, Fla. — A judge Monday appointed a guardian to make decisions for a retarded rape victim, including whether the woman should abort her pregnancy.

Judge Lawrence Kirkwood ruled the 22-year-old woman was legally incapacitated and unable to make decisions for herself. He criticized the Florida Department of Children & Families for not finding her a guardian when she turned age 18.

The woman, who suffers from autism and cerebral palsy and has the mental capacity of a toddler, is approaching her third trimester of pregnancy. "She isn't aware that she is pregnant," said Rod Taylor, the court-appointed attorney of the woman who has only been identified in court as J.D.S.

— compiled from wire reports

Nation in brief

Report criticizes treatment of Sept. 11 detainees

WASHINGTON — Some of the hundreds of foreigners held after the Sept. 11 attacks were abused by guards and kept under harsh conditions, spending 23 hours a day in cells and sleeping under bright lights, according to a report released Monday.

The Justice Department's Office of the Inspector General described "significant problems" in the Bush administration's actions toward the 762 foreigners held on immigration violations after the attacks. Among other things, it found the FBI took too long to determine whether the detainees were involved with terrorists.

Under U.S. law, the government has up to 90 days to deport or release detainees. But it can hold them much longer if they are involved in a terrorism or criminal investigation. Some of the Sept. 11 detainees were kept in custody up to eight months.

Only one, Zacarias Moussoui, has been charged publicly with any crime related to terrorism. Government officials say 505 were deported. Others are awaiting deportation or have been charged with nonterrorism crimes.

Justice spokeswoman Barbara Cornstock said the agency acted to ensure the nation's security.

"We make no apologies for finding every legal way possible to protect the American public from further terrorist attacks," she said. U.S. laws were "scrupulously followed and respected," she said.

Phoenix bishop agrees to relinquish some authority

PHOENIX — The Roman Catholic bishop of Phoenix has relinquished some of his authority in an unprecedented agreement with prosecutors that will spare him from indictment on charges of protecting child-molesting priests.

Under the agreement, Bishop Thomas J. O'Brien acknowledged he concealed sex-abuse allegations against priests, Maricopa County Attorney Rick Romley said Monday.

Movies to June 3

Orpheum
The Italian Job... 7:15 - 9:15
Jerome Cinema 4
The Matrix... 7:15 - 9:15
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Fineline Nemo... 7:15 - 9:15
Matrix Reloaded... 7:20 - 9:15
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COMICS

Classic Peanuts

By Charles M. Schulz



Dilbert By Scott Adams



B.C. By Johnny Hart



Garfield By Jim Davis



Hi and Lois By Chance Browne



The Wizard of Id By Brant Parker & Johnny Hart



Hagar the Horrible By Chris Browne



Beetle Bailey By Mart Walker



Frank and Ernest By Bob Thaves



The Bom Loser By Art Sansom & Chip

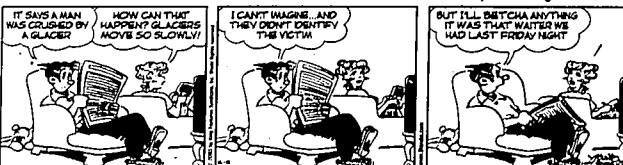


For Better or For Worse

By Lynn Johnston



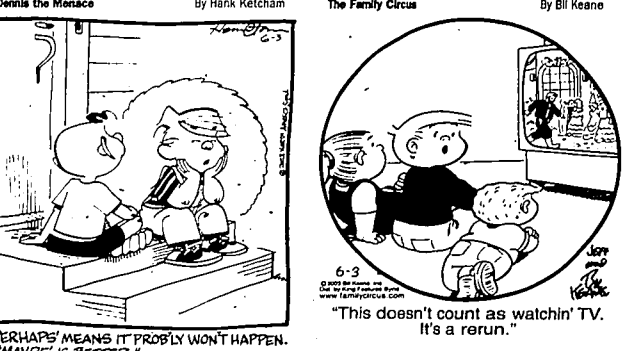
Blondie By Dean Young & Stan Drake



Pickles By Brian Crane



Dennis the Menace By Hank Ketcham



Rose Is Rose By Pat Brady



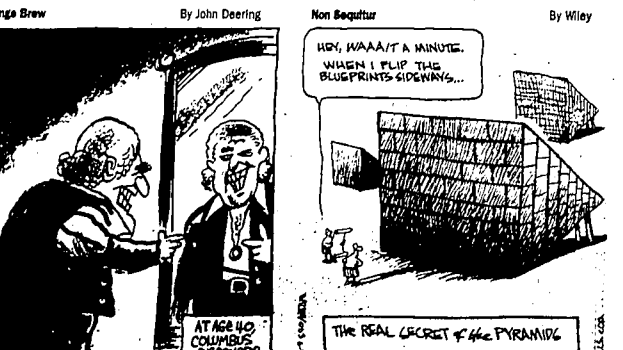
Zits By Jim Borgman and Jerry Scott



Luann By Greg Evans



Strange Brew By John Deering



Community rallies for teens

By Sandra Wisecover
Times-News correspondent

HAGERMAN - People just kept giving, giving and giving. An estimated \$15,000 was raised at a dinner and auction for Hagerman High School sophomores Hannah Bates and Tim Jay, who have undergone medical treatment for tumors.

"I knew people would support it, but I never dreamed they would support it to that extent," volunteer Nancy Knott said. "That's what makes your heart swell and tears come to your eyes when you see a community that is so loving they take care of their kids."

Hannah had her right foot amputated to stop the spread of Ewing Sarcoma, a bone cancer. She underwent extensive chemotherapy to prevent the spread of the cancer from the tumor prior to the amputation, and will receive additional chemo treatments over the next seven months.

Tim underwent a 15-hour surgery for a benign tumor on his bronchial tube. He also was diagnosed with pneumonia, which caused the collapse of the upper lobe of his lung.

A dinner and auction for the sophomores was spearheaded by the sophomore class and advisers Troy Easterday and Daniel Knapp. There also was a penny drive and hair cut pledges.

In addition to donating items for the auction, people stopped by all day long, helped set up for dinner - anything to help. Phil Goss,

who won a gun in a raffle, donated it back to the auction.

"There were so many people helping, it would be impossible to name them all," Knott said. "Even though it was pouring down rain the night of the dinner and auction, people stood in line, and waited for us. Some came in, paid for the dinner and left because it was so crowded and then came back for the auction."

They had planned on 300 people, but 500 showed up.

"People just kept coming and coming. Some didn't get a whole lot to eat, but they didn't seem to care. They were just excited to be there," Knott said. "It was awesome. It was a Hallmark moment, lots of teary eyes. How fabulous that this community was working together, and not just Hagerman."

Students in other school districts also organized fund-raisers for the Hagerman students, even though most didn't know them.

At Murtaugh, students raised about \$4,100 with a two-day Hannah Bates Basketball Tournament. Hannah's grandmother, Larne Curtis, is the Murtaugh Elementary School secretary.

Teams from surrounding school districts were invited to play at the event, coordinated by Marilyn

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Cornell said. "It was so easy to want to reach out to Hannah. The varsity volleyball girls immediately wanted to do something. We got great support and that's what made it a success."

"It's one of those things in a small community for people who are in need," Murtaugh Principal Dennis Osman said. "They step up to the plate."

Melba High School students conducted a penny drive, a half-court shot competition and a raffle. Melba students also sent letters to do something. We got great support and that's what made it a success."

"We have been in that situation

before and it is really nice when other schools either send cards or do something to pull together. I came back and asked the student council if they would be willing to put some things together. They were very enthusiastic about it," said Melba Principal Dick Davis who has relatives in the Hagerman Valley. "When you go through things like that, there are a lot of people who are willing to have you in their thoughts, prayers, pocketbooks and be there for support."

At Castleford, senior Jerre Christophersen suggested that students there help Hannah and Tim. As a result, Castleford Elementary physical education teacher Art Watkins coordinated a bike-a-thon which raised almost \$750.

"They feel they are an extended family. That's a real benefit of the interschool competitions. They form friendships and they want to help," Castleford Principal Andy Wiseman said.

At Hansen, the student body sponsored a half-time free-throw competition, with school staff members contributing a dinner to an auction. Junior class members at Bliss High School also offered a day of work at an auction.

"I am just proud to be involved with the school and the whole community in coming together to help these two kids overcome their health issues," Hagerman Principal Mark Kress said. "This is one of the moments, working in public education, when you can really stand back and say it's all worth it."



Karil Bower and Jerre Christophersen celebrate the success of the Castleford bike-a-thon fund-raiser which raised \$750 to help two Hagerman students with serious medical problems. Bower alone raised more than \$200.

Mini-Cassia Car Show opens with shine and chrome

By Correen Hart
Times-News correspondent

BURLEY - The Mini-Cassia Car Club's 17th annual show starts Saturday, and there will be plenty to see. An expected 100 vintage, classic and other cars from several states and all over Idaho will be on display, and competing for trophies.

"With me, when I first started showing the cars, it was all about winning the trophy," said Casey Anderson of Burley, one of the two founding members still in the club. "But after a few years, it's more the people."

He enjoys making new friends and renewing friendships as the same people return each year to show off their latest cars.

Anderson has been repairing and restoring cars for about 25 years, and has become well-known throughout Idaho for restoration excellence. He also races.

"The economic value of this show to Mini-Cassia is that about 50-70 percent of the people who come in to show are from out of town," Anderson said. "They buy hotel rooms, food, gas. They buy here and see our town."

This year is Ford's 100th anniversary, so Fords will get a spotlight.

Peggy Oliver, who is doing publicity for the show, said there also will be special activities for children, including a fire truck with firemen to show them around. DARE and Neighborhood Watch will hand out coloring books.

There also will be the usual door prizes and raffles with lots of



Casey Anderson shows off his racing car. Vintage, classic and other cars will be on display at the Cassia Fairgrounds this weekend for the Mini-Cassia Car Show.

children's prizes as well as adult prizes. "It's a good day for just getting out and visiting with friends," Oliver said. Her husband, Carl Oliver, will probably enter his 1969 yellow and black Dodge Dart. Dick and Jan Hutzinger plan to enter their 1940 Ford pickup.

Ray Stockton plans to enter a work in progress, a 1964 Ranchero.

Free food comes with a cash bar, two cash dinners and two cash luncheon buffets. Spectator tickets are: ages up to 7 get in free, 8-12 cost \$1, 13-69 cost \$3, and ages 70 and over are free. Food will be available.

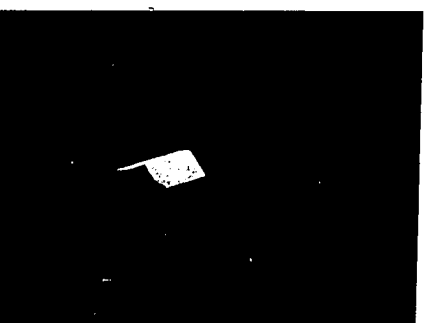
"This will be all Mustang drive, all Mustang parts - even vintage air conditioning," Stockton said. He enjoys the shows and has entered for several years.

"I think the show's a way of relaxing, talking to others, trading ideas," Stockton said. "And, it's always nice to help someone."

Times-News correspondent Correen Hart can be reached at 436-1186, or e-mail at jimnrenee@safelink.net.

GOOD BOOKS

Derrick Larson of Jerome browses the young adult section at the Jerome Library Annual Book Sale May 2. Thousands of books were donated for the sale. The proceeds will help the library with books, tables, chairs and whatever other items the library may need. The Friends of Jerome Library has helped the library for eight years. In addition to the book sale, the group also sponsors children's programs, the Let's Talk About It program for adults, the purchase of a sound system and author presentations. There are 80 members. Along with the book sale, baked goods were donated to help raise funds.



STORK REPORT

St. Benedicts Family Medical Center

Bronson Gonzales Morin, son of Brandee Ligon and Benny Morin of King Hill, was born Monday, May 26, 2003.

Shandre Lynn Murphy, daughter of Shane and Jennifer Murphy of Jerome, was born Monday, May 26, 2003.

Jeffrey Andrew Torkelson, son of Rodney and Elizabeth Torkelson of Buhl, was born Tuesday, May 27, 2003.

Magic Valley Regional Medical Center

Jacob Kent Kelsey, son of Carie Lyn and Nate Allen Kelsey of

To announce a birth
Send a copy of the birth certificate to:

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P.O. Box 548

Twin Falls, ID 83303

Or fax to: 734-5539

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Sunday's paper; and noon Friday

for Tuesday's paper.

More information?
Call Melissa at 735-3278

Buhl, was born Wednesday, May

14, 2003.

Cooper Dean Heileman, son of

Erin and Jamie Dean Heileman

of Twin Falls, was born Friday,

May 23, 2003.

Zaine Christopher Sterner, son of Kristie Renee Ruhter and Christopher James Sterner of Twin Falls, was born Monday, May 26, 2003.

Esther Todd Okelberry, son of Angela J. and Todd L. Okelberry of Hazelton, was born Tuesday, May 27, 2003.

Cassia - Regional - Medical Center will no longer be sending birth announcements to The Times-News. To have a birth announcement printed in the

Stork Report, bring a copy of the child's birth certificate to The Times-News office in Burley on

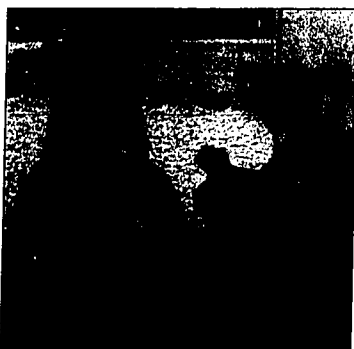
Twin Falls. Parents who bring in their child's birth certificate will receive one free issue of the newspaper.

MAKING READING FRIENDS



Above, Wesley Brawn, a third-grader, reads "Ferrari: The Legend" to Aaron Ajelt, a sixth-grader. Wesley chose the book because he said, "I really like cars. I have almost a million Hot Wheels."

Left, A.J. Norman, a sixth-grader at Morningside Elementary School in Twin Falls, reads to Caleb File, a third-grader, during the school's Reading and Growing Time on May 21. The school paired students in younger grades with older students.



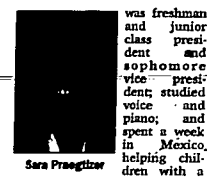
MELISSA MORGAN/The Times-News

TWIN FALLS AREA COMMUNITY**Auxiliary names Girls State delegates**

EDEN - The Eden American Legion Auxiliary Unit 82 has selected two girls to attend Girls State.

About 280 young women from throughout Idaho will attend the 57th annual Idaho Springs Girls State session June 8-14 at Northwest Nazarene University in Nampa.

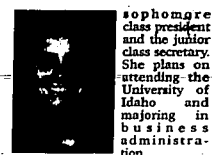
Sara Praegeritz attends Valley High School where she is involved in volleyball, debate, speech, basketball, Business Professionals of America and track and was Family Community and Career Leaders of America (FCCLA) District IV treasurer. Praegeritz



Sara Praegeritz

was freshman and junior class president and sophomore vice president; studied voice and piano; and spent a week in Mexico, helping children with a church youth group.

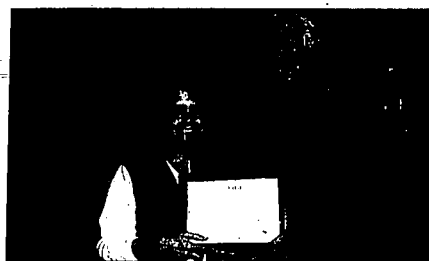
Danielle Breeding attends Valley High School where she is involved in debate, speech, volleyball, golf and FCCLA. She was the



Danielle Breeding

sophomore class president and the junior class secretary. She plans on attending the University of Idaho and majoring in business administration.

Sponsored by the American Legion Auxiliary, the goal is to ensure that each delegate leaves the session with more knowledge about the American system of government.

AARP THANKS

Weather Walker, a bank manager for Wells Fargo in Twin Falls, accepts a certificate of appreciation from AARP safe driving instructor Charles Siegel. The bank co-sponsored the AARP safe driving classes.



Richard Boyd, left, director of the Office on Aging at the College of Southern Idaho, accepts a certificate of appreciation from AARP safe driving instructor Charles Siegel. Boyd has provided a classroom for the safe driving classes.

Photos courtesy of AARP

LONG HOURS OF SERVICE

The Magic Valley Regional Medical Center held its annual Volunteer Awards Banquet April 22 in Twin Falls. Part of the program was recognizing volunteers contributing the most years of service. They were, from left, Beulah Archer serving 31 years, Betty Smith with 33 years and Audrey Randall serving 25 years. Not pictured was Bernette Brown who has served 31 years. For more information on becoming a volunteer at the hospital, call 737-2006.

Photo courtesy of DOREY BIFFLE

**SERVICE NEWS****Garcia departs to Southwest Asia**

Navy Seaman David A. Garcia, son of Maria A. and Salvador R. Garcia of Elko, Nev., has departed to Southwest Asia while assigned to Naval Mobile Construction Battalion-7, based in Gulfport, Miss.

Garcia was originally scheduled to deploy to Okinawa in June, but current world events accelerated his deployment. The battalion will join two other Gulfport battalions, NMCB-133 and NMCB-74. Naval Mobile Construction Battalions such as NMCB-7, provide military construction support to Navy, Marine Corps and other forces in military operations, construct base facilities, and are trained to conduct defensive operations.

Garcia is a 1999 graduate of Elko High School of Elko, Nev.

Baker reports for duty at Marine Camp

Marine Corps 2nd Lt. Peter A. Baker, whose wife, Nicole is the daughter of Pam Hunt of Elko, Nev., and Michael Deveny of Parma, has reported for duty with Headquarters Battalion 2nd Marine Division, Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune, N.C.

Lampman graduates from U.S. Coast Guard training

Coast Guard Fireman Carl W. Lampman, son of Louise A. and Wilford L. Lampman of Jerome, has graduated from the U.S. Coast Guard Recruit Training Center in Cape May, N.J.

During the eight-week training program, Lampman completed a rigorous training curriculum consisting of classroom-academics

and practical instruction on water safety and survival, military customs and courtesies, seamanship skills, first aid, fire fighting and marksmanship. Lampman joined the Coast Guard in January 2003.

Moore has enlisted in U.S. Army under Delayed Entry

Jillian M. Moore, 19, daughter of Janell and Mark Moore of Twin Falls, has enlisted in the U.S. Army for six years, according to Staff Sgt. Scott D. Wyatt of the Twin Falls Recruiting Station.

Moore entered through the Army's Delayed Entry Program. She will attend basic training at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo., and advanced individual training at Fort Sam Houston, Texas, with a specialty as an operating room specialist.

She is a 2002 graduate of Twin Falls Senior High School.

AN OPTIMIST HONOR

Photo courtesy of Twin Falls Optimist Club

Sgt. Matt Hicks, second from left, of the Twin Falls police traffic division was this year's recipient of the Jim Meldon Optimist Respect for Law Award. Attending the meeting was the Twin Falls Police Chief Lee DeVore next to Hicks, Optimist members Judge Dan Meehl, Capt. Bob Hodge and Twin Falls Club President Dave Maestas.

THINGS TO DO**Music**

Snake River Lute Band: 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays at 121 E. St. N. in 2nd floor of all ages invited. call 634-6447.
Magic Valley Magicians: Membership \$20. 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays at Methodist Church, 900 N. Main St. in 2nd floor. all ages invited. call 734-4447.

Dance

Magic Valley Singles Square Dance Club: 7 p.m. Tuesdays at the Methodist Church at 215 N. Main St. in 2nd floor. call 734-4447.
Twin Falls Senior Center: 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays at 121 E. St. N. in 2nd floor. call 734-4447.

Bingo

Silver and Gold Senior Center: 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays at 121 E. St. N. in 2nd floor. call 734-4447.
Golden Years Senior Citizens Center: 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays at 215 N. Main St. in 2nd floor. call 734-4447.

Cards

Golden Years Senior Citizens Center: 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays at 215 N. Main St. in 2nd floor. call 734-4447.
Twin Falls Senior Center: 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays at 121 E. St. N. in 2nd floor. call 734-4447.

Singles

Christian Singles Group: 7 p.m. on Oct. 1 and every other Monday, Christian Fellowship Center, 181 Harrison St. in Twin Falls. call 734-4447.
Twin Falls Senior Center: 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays at 121 E. St. N. in 2nd floor. call 734-4447.

Cards

Phoebe: 1 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, Mindoka County Senior Center, 702 11th St. in Rupert. call 438-9107.
Twin Falls Senior Center: 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays at 121 E. St. N. in 2nd floor. call 734-4447.

Cards

Phoebe: 1 p.m. Mondays at Magic Valley Bridge House, 246 Falls Ave. in Twin Falls. call 734-4447.
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To add a listing, please send a notice with: Name of the organization or club; Time, day and place of the activity; Telephone number of a contact person.

Send to: Pat Marcantonio, TheTimesNews, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls 83403.

Or fax to 734-5538. Or e-mail to patm@magicvalley.com. For more information, call Pat Marcantonio at 735-3268.

Valley Vista Retirement Center: 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Saturdays in the community center at 653 Rose St. N. in Twin Falls. call 734-5531.

Phoebe club: 1 p.m. Tuesdays Community Club House, 1779 Addison Ave. E., anyone invited, call 734-5531.

Snake River Elks: 4:00 p.m. Tuesdays at Elks Lodge, 402 E. 200 S., Jerome, next to 911 Call Ranch. Everyone welcome.

Other: Magic Valley 418 Club: meets for luncheon and meeting. Call Glenda at 733-0940 or Vicki at 733-0838. New members welcome.

Writers of the Word, Christian writers group: 10 a.m. first Saturday at Twin Falls Returned Church, Carolyn Lewis at 734-6115.

Pioneer Button Club: 6:30 p.m. last Friday of the month at Kimberly Public Library. Call Marilyn at 423-5525.

Magic Valley Astronomical Society: 7:30 p.m. Thursdays in front room at Heritage Center on CSI campus. call 734-2447.

Twin Falls Rifle and Pistol Club indoor range: 6-9 p.m. Wednesdays at 253 5th Ave. W. Twin Falls. Limited to 22 rifle, moderate pistol caliber. call Stu at 324-5560 or Larry at 733-4211.

Snake River Canyon Kennel Club of Idaho: 7:30 p.m. fourth Wednesday at upstairs meeting room at CSI Heritage building. call Debbie at 734-9118.

Twin Falls Herpetology Society: 7 p.m. third Tuesday at Heritage Center. call Nick Peterson at 732-6671.

Widows' Night Fellowship: 2 p.m. Wednesdays at 653 Rose St. N., No. 36 at Valley Vista Village in Twin Falls. call Dorie at 410-2297.

The Kithing with Paul Guild: 5:30 p.m. first Thursday. 6:00 p.m. 528 Main Ave. N., call Kristy at 735-4425.

Moore Lodge 618: 7:30 p.m. Thursdays at 835 Falls Ave. in Twin Falls. call Dennis or Ron at 734-6637.

Snake River Region Chapter of Gold Prospectors of America: meets last Saturday. Madeline Givens at 734-6635.

Snake River Elks: 4:00 p.m. Tuesdays at Elks Lodge, 402 E. 200 S., Jerome, dancing starts at 9 p.m. Everyone welcome.

Harrruff: second, Riley Burton and Bobette Plankley, and third, Barbara Burk and Alta Hoobery. East-west: first, Harold Bulcher and Wilma Driscoll; second, Elaine Bowen and Doris Finney; and third, Bonnie Aspartar and Polly Mulliner.

The club meets at 7 p.m. every Monday and Thursday and at 1 p.m. every Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday at the Magic Valley Bridge Center, 246 Falls Ave. in Twin Falls. Refreshments are served.

For a partner, call 324-2000.

DAV Auxiliary holds dance Friday at hall in Twin Falls. TWIN FALLS - The Disabled

ALL THAT JAZZ

MARY LOU POTTS/The TimesNews

Receiving a superior rating at district festivals this year, the Buhl High School jazz choir competed in the Festival of Music/Music in the Parks Festival May 10 in Utah. The choir brought home trophies for best overall choir and first place in jazz/swing division and a superior rating. Sarah Jarolmek received first place for female soloist and Kanton Wilson received best accompanist. Other choir members include Shyla Cantrell, Kara Davidson, April Dieter, Cassandra Fields, Deserae Griffin, Janna Heaton, Karly Hedrick, Trevor Jones, Brooke Linderman, Janessa Nye, Zack O'Connor, Nicole Pearson, Veronica Ruyta, Ashlee Schmitt, Jocelyn Smith, Almee Stutzman, Kaitlin Van Sickle, Michelle Viola, Jerome Wilson and Elizabeth Woods. Jennifer Schott is the choir director.

COMMUNITY EVENTS**Filer Rose Society learns about rose care Saturday**

FILER - The Filer Rose Society will hold a meeting and seminar at 9 a.m. Saturday in the Memorial Rose Garden at the Twin Falls County Fairgrounds in Filer.

Horticulturist Darren Olsen of Jerome will conduct a seminar on rose care in Southern Idaho. Anyone interested in the seminar or joining the society is invited.

Roses are available in the Memorial Rose Garden. A rose bush and a stone with an inscription is \$100.

For more information, call Barbara Urie at 326-5636 or Shari

Hart at 326-4087.

Gooding seniors serve breakfast this weekend

GOODING - The Gooding Senior Citizens will serve breakfast from 7:30-10:30 a.m. Saturday at the center, 308 Senior Ave. in Gooding.

The meal will include coffee, eggs, sausage, pancakes, biscuits, gravy and juice for \$3. The public is invited.

For more information, call the center at 534-5504.

M.V. Duplicate Bridge Club announces winners

TWIN FALLS - The Magic

Valley Duplicate Bridge Club announced its weekly winners.

May 22: first, Gladys Harrruff and Sue Skinner; second, Don Rabe and Sam Smutny; and tied for third, Steve Hale and Ruth Rabe with Rich and Joan Jonsson.

May 24: first, Joye Astorgua and Betty Grant; second, Jessie Lingnaw and Sam Smutny; and third, Renee Bulcher and Riley Burton.

May 27: first, Mary Ferrell and Betty Grant; second, Dottie Miller and Mary Lee Pfeiffer; third, Madeline Givens and Sam Smutny; and tied for fourth, Doris Finney and Joyce Johnston with Beverly Reed and Vesta Roberts.

May 28: first, north-south: first, Renee Bulcher and Gladys

American Veterans Auxiliary will hold a dance at 8:30 p.m. Friday at the DAV Hall, 459 Shoup Ave. in Twin Falls.

Archie Turner will provide the music. There is a \$2 suggested donation.

Church holds rummage sale, car wash Saturday

WENDELL - The New Life Community Church will hold a rummage sale and car wash on Saturday at the church, 800 W. Main St. in Wendell.

The rummage sale will be held from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and the car wash will run from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Money raised will go towards

mission trips and retreats. To donate items for the sale, call Terry at 536-6223.

Meet Brian.

Wednesday in Community

Soldiers with everything

Troops of the future might be plugged into massive network

The Associated Press

The wired warrior of the future

By 2011, soldiers may be decked out in a high-tech uniform known as the "Scorpion ensemble." The suit will wire them into military networks and allow medics to monitor their vital signs if they are wounded.

Tiny cameras built into the helmet will allow the soldier to toggle between night vision and infrared images.

The undershirt will contain sensors to monitor vital signs such as heart rate and body temperature. Medics will use data to locate the most seriously wounded.

The helmet's mandible, which fits over the jaw, is interchangeable. One protects the soldier from chemical and biological threats, while another is designed for riot situations.

The load carriage will carry everything the soldier needs — from ammo and water to circuits and batteries. The gear will weigh between 40-50 pounds, compared to the 90-120 pounds soldiers carry today.

Friendly platoon and range

Enemy tank and range

Enemy patrol

Friendly patrol

The visor display will allow soldiers to view night-vision, infrared images and video from unmanned planes and robotic vehicles. They will also be able to call up maps, Global Positioning System coordinates and other information.

Tourniquets are built into the uniform to quickly stop the bleeding if a soldier is wounded.

SOURCE: U.S. Army Soldier Systems Center

ble would be ready to plug human soldiers into the network. As currently envisioned, soldiers will first wear an undershirt netted with sensors that monitor heart

rate, body temperature and respiration. Then comes a uniform with built-in tourniquets that one day might be tightened and loosened remote-

ly. Body armor is built into a load carriage that holds water, ammunition, batteries and circuits to keep the soldier plugged into the network.

Software allows for easy storage of digital photos

By James Cortes
Chicago Tribune

Q. I am beginning to accumulate large numbers of digital photos and am getting overwhelmed trying to keep track of them. I have created several subdirectories within the My Pictures folder, and try to use descriptive file names I can search on.

A. But what I would really like to do is put the photo information in a database so I can easily search on picture location, date, subject, and people and give a description. It would also need to link to the photo and show a thumbnail. Although I assume others are having the same need, I have been unable to find software designed for this purpose.

I use Microsoft Access at work, and had thought of creating an Access database for the purpose, which could work if we can create links to the photo files and display thumbnails. Suggestions?

—Tom Trout and Vickie Threlter, Clovis, Calif.

A. Your problem beguiles growing legions of computer users now discovering the delights of digital photography — only, to learn that it's a lot easier to keep track of a large number of images by storing prints in a shoe box than as files on a hard drive.

Several companies smell profit in the new problem and already offer very credible solutions. The best-known are the \$60 PhotoSuite 5 from Roxio and the \$50 Adobe Photo Album from the makers of the gold standard Adobe Photoshop 7.0 image editing software.

Both work by creating databases that contain thumbnails of each photograph along with whatever

Computer Q&A

keywords and other identifying information one cares to provide. The databases use the metaphor of albums, which actually represent different folders on the hard drive with image files. A "Home" album can hold family photos, while a "Party" album might just cover a single event.

As you place each image into an album, you can tag it with keywords like "Richard's birthday 2002" or "Yellowstone 1998" or whatever. The more keywords the easier it is to later find a long-lost image. It's possible as well to just use the Roxio or Adobe software to browse through folders and find pictures by looking at their thumbnail displays.

Both programs include image editing features as well as so one can tweak images by cropping, removing red eye, adjusting colors and contrast, and making other fixes. PhotoSuite 5 has much more powerful photo editing features. Adobe's Photo Album focuses on image databases, while the company's Photoshop Elements 2.0 is available as a consumerized version of Photoshop 7.0.

A big reason to favor Adobe's software is that it can be used to create slide shows in Adobe's widely used portable document format files that can be sent over the Internet and viewed with particular ease as full-screen presentations on Web browsers.

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Googlewhack gamers' word pairings are creative addiction

By Barbara Feder Ostrov
Knight Ridder News Service

Are you a creative type with an Internet connection and a vocabulary that's Brodwingian?

If your stock of words includes little-used verbiage like that synonym for "big" and you can find an equally unlikely word to pair it with online — vasodilator, perhaps — "googlewhacking" might be just the game for you.

In this addictive Internet pastime, players plug two English words into the Internet search engine Google in hopes of finding a single Web page — just one Google search result. This is no mean feat: Google now indexes more than 3 billion Web sites.

No one knows how googlewhacking started, or when, exactly. Those not already aficionados might even ask why. But for people hooked by thinking up unlikely word duos and posting them online, the answer is as simple as, well, "ululating chowhounds."

"Googlewhacking is the Internet equivalent of the crossword puzzle and soap box, merged into one ever-changing site," said Jack "Naughtyde" jodhpur Polakoff, a former New York broadcast journalist who estab-

lished he's posted hundreds of whacks in the past few months. "It's free, anonymous, open 24 hours a day."

Michigan computer programmer Gary Stock, who coined the term "googlewhack" in early 2001, said he heard about the game via a friend's e-mail. Word of mouth and a few media mentions sparked so much interest that the Web site Stock set up to record googlewhacks soon logged 4,000 hits weekly.

As the game has evolved from the simple thrill of finding a single Google result, players now search for meaning in their bizarre two-word combinations, which can occur anywhere in a single Web site. There are "Star Trek" whacks and Shakespearean whacks, raunchy whacks and political whacks. Any word used must already be included on the site www.dictionary.com to qualify.

At Stock's Web site (www.googlewhack.com), a passionate, often highly political community gathers nightly to post its latest finds, accompanied by wry commentary and political satire. The site now logs 1,000 whacks each week, said Stock, whose first whack paired "trombone" and "cascem."

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TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES

New model will change way musicians do things

By Greg Kot
Chicago Tribune

The arrival of Apple's music store is a milestone for the music industry. The five major record labels (Warner Music Group, EMI Group, BMG Entertainment, Sony Music Entertainment Inc., Universal Music Group) have finally committed to a new distribution model that will change the way artists create and consumers hear music in the next few decades.

"Distribution of music is the single biggest hurdle that any musician faces," says British expatriate Martin Atkins, owner of the Invisible label in Chicago and drummer in a string of innovative underground bands, from Public Image Ltd. to Pigface. "I don't know anybody who would say they're totally against something like what Apple is doing. As an artist, the changes afforded by technology are exhilarating."

The new distribution model, pioneered by such peer-to-peer file-sharing services as Napster and resisted by the music industry for years, gives consumers an unprecedented degree of control over the music they own. Now, rather than skipping over a CD's worth of tracks to get to the one or two songs they want to hear, listeners can easily customize their own mix CDs. Or, they can load their favorite tracks onto portable players such as iPods, which can store thousands of songs in a device no bigger than a cell phone, and play them back through headphones, speakers or a car stereo.

It's leading to a world of "dirty-cheap storage and the ability to access and play any type of music anytime, anywhere," says Mike Dreese, CEO and founder of Newbury Comics, a New England record-store chain.

"Apple's music service is the beginning of a major change in how we do business," says Marcy Weber, an artist manager whose clients include Moby. "It means that record companies will emphasize marketing more than distribution. And it may bring us back to an emphasis on singles rather than albums, and in that sense it's like starting all over again. It's all going to change, and change is scary for some people. Artists may have to rethink how they present their music."

Artists will find they have less control over matters that once defined albums as works of art: from the way songs are sequenced to packaging of the graphics and lyrics. With consumers deciding what songs to download and in what order, and without a physical product for lyric sheets and artwork, artists with a vision beyond the three-

minute pop single will have to do some rethinking.

"It's still really important to me for there to be a flow from song one to the end," says singer-songwriter Amy Rigby, whose solo albums play like chapters in a novel. "People can cut it up any way they want, but it's still important to present it in the form that emotionally makes the most sense to the artist. (Internet distribution) makes the art of making records seem more and more obscure."

Thrill Jockey label founder Benma Rinklin applauds efforts to expand distribution channels, especially if it means her artists will get paid, but not at the expense of the extras that hard-core music fans crave. "I have a few hands on my label with a strong aversion to having their music presented (differently than they intended)," she says. "They want the entire concept presented, with the artwork. To them, downloading a song without the rest of the album is like selling a corner of your painting instead of the whole painting."

For Atkins, who can spend weeks painstakingly mixing and then sequencing songs on an album to build a particular mood, the idea that consumers will be coming to his art a piece at a time is not a major cause for concern. "I love the last Pigface album we made, but how someone stumbles into it is totally beyond my control," he says. "If someone comes across track No. 9 after a cornflakes commercial, who cares? I know people who would say, 'Stop! This isn't my original vision!' But if it gets under someone's skin, who knows? They might look for the whole album too."

One of the main reasons peer-to-peer file-sharing has been so successful is that it has given consumers an affordable entry point into music. Years ago, the industry began phasing out the single, and left consumers with essentially only one choice: the full-length CD, at a retail price of nearly \$19. "I remember buying Foreigner's 'Cold as Ice' as a single because that's the one song I wanted," Richards says. "There are plenty of people who want just the one song, either because they can't afford more or because they're just not that deeply invested in music."

Internet distribution restores the single as a viable consumer option, and could push the Big 5 record labels further into exclusively developing entertainers whose focus is on individual hit songs rather than conceptually ambitious but potentially less profitable albums, such as Justin Timberlake, Nelly and 50 Cent.

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NATION

Baghdad buzzes with differing views of Americans, Iraqis

By Thomas E. Ricks and Anthony Shadid
The Washington Post

BAGHDAD — To the troops of Bravo Company, moving through a corner of this weary capital, their morning patrol represents a benign presence. The American soldiers are here to help the locals, then go home.

"Everybody likes us," Spec. Stephen Harris, a 21-year-old from Lafayette, La., said as the patrol moved through streets crisscrossed in sun. He thinks the people want the U.S. troops to stay. "Oh, yeah," he said, taking a slug from his canteen. His assessment of the neighborhood: "I'd say 95 percent friendly."

To Mohammed Abdullah, standing on the sidewalk as the 10-man patrol passed his gated house, their presence is, as he terms it, "despicable." In a white dishdasha, a long Arab robe, the 34-year-old winced as the soldiers moved along his street, nine carrying automatic weapons slung across their chests, the tenth a medic.

"We're against the occupation, we refuse the occupation — not 100 percent, but 1,000 percent," he said. "They're walking over my heart. I feel like they're crushing my heart."

Hundreds of U.S. Army patrols were conducted in Baghdad on Sunday. On one, two reporters followed the route of soldiers from Bravo Company of a battalion in the Army's 1st Armored Division. One reporter walked with the patrol, observing the soldiers and interviewing them, while the second trailed behind, measuring Iraqis' reactions. Together, the two views convey a sense of life in Baghdad at a delicate moment when the shape of the U.S. military occupation is still emerging — and so is the tone of the Iraqi response to it.

Some residents welcomed the troops, not least for providing security that was missing after president Saddam Hussein's government fell April 9. But many expressed ambivalence, or outright anger. The hostility ran especially deep among Sunni Muslims who make up the neighborhood's majority. Along the streets patrolled by the soldiers, their suspicions ranged from the fate of Iraq's oil to a perceived invasion of their privacy.

To the Americans, this is "Sector 17 North," frequently marked as



Spec. Scott Richey from Tampa, Fla., and other soldiers of the 3rd Plt., Charlie Company, 1st Armored Division, unload their weapons Monday after their patrol in the streets of Baghdad.

"hostile" on U.S. military maps of Baghdad. It is known for being a stronghold of Baath Party loyalists. Last week, on the airport highway that marks the southern boundary of the sector, a U.S. soldier died and three were wounded when their Humvee struck a mine.

But soldiers on the patrol said they did not feel particularly threatened. "Basically, people are pretty friendly," Lt. Paul Clark, a Bravo Company officer from Baltimore, said.

To residents, this is Yarmuk, a well-known neighborhood of middle-class professionals, living in two-story adobe-style houses. Its sentiments are still colored by its origins in the 1960s as a development of palm trees and red bougainvillea.

"When I see Americans, I feel like I'm looking at another country," said Zuhair Mahdi, 44, standing on a sidewalk lined with palm trees and red bougainvillea. "If the Americans want things to improve, things will improve. It's up to the Americans. They're the government."

At about 10:20 a.m., it was 98 degrees when the patrol moved out through the concertina wire that protects their outpost and past two Bradley Fighting Vehicles parked out front.

The patrol was configured so that one "fire team" of four soldiers was in front and another in the back. In the middle, leading the patrol, was Staff Sgt. Nathaniel Humschid, 26, of Stillwater, Minn., accompanied by the medic.

Just to their left was a mosque known for anti-American sermons. Capt. Gerd Schroeder, commander of Bravo Company, said that when he sent an interpreter to listen to

last Friday's sermon, the theme of the day was, "If you're not killing the Americans and the Jew pigs, you're not a true Muslim."

The patrol turned right. Spec. Seneca Rutledge, the medic, a talkative soldier from Riceville, Tenn., who said his Cherokee grandmother gave him his first name — greeted the schoolchildren on the street. "What's up, playground?" he asked. "The children are good."

"Maybe 10 percent are hostile. About 50 percent friendly. About 40 percent are indifferent." Residents gave different numbers — at best, 50-50, and at worst, a significant majority holding hostile views. Sentiments often broke down along the religious cleavages that mark Iraq. Shiite residents hailed the Americans for ending the rule of Saddam, which was particularly brutal their sect. They suspect the Baath Party lingers, ready to re-emerge.

"An American dog is better than Saddam and his gangs," said Alaa Rudcini, as he chatted with a friend, Abdel-Razzaq Abbas, along the sidewalk.

Neither paused their conversation as the Americans passed, their neglect perhaps a sign of familiarity. Both praised the greater sense of security. One of their neighbors, Awad Faraj Salih, whose 8-year-old daughter Rasal was among the children at the nearby Nabhis Elementary School, feared what would happen if they departed.

"If the Americans left," she said, a white scar draped over her head, "massacres would happen in Iraq between the tribes, between the parties and between the Sunnis and Shiites of course."

Life along the route has gradually returned to a natural rhythm.

Vendors hawked Pepsi and Mirinda orange sodas and riders snatched offered sandals and fruit. To many Sunni residents, what remains unusual is the occupation. It is a loaded word in Arabic, suggesting Israeli control of Palestinian lands or Britain's colonial rule of Iraq after World War I.

"We are a Muslim country," said Ahmed Abdullah, a 70-year-old man dressed in a white kaffiyeh, or headscarf. "We don't anyone to rule us who's not from our country."

At 10:50, the temperature was 99 degrees, and Sgt. Michael Callan, leader of one fire team, walked point. Callan, 30, of Dumfries, Va., is in the Army, he said, "because I've always wanted an honorable job."

"Little kids tell us a lot," he said, walking at the head of the patrol. "They're not shy at all. A lot of times they'll point out UXO (unexploded ordnance)."

As the patrol moved, a U.S. RPG, mortar rounds, maybe stuff we fired that didn't go off."

Callan stepped carefully around a discarded burlap bag on the street. "Could be mine," he explained.

The children were jubilant, crowding the soldier and calling out "zain," or "good."

One shouted that Saddam was a bad man.

Others expressed the concerns of their parents, including that the Americans intend to confiscate their guns.

"Why do the Americans take our weapons?" Rami Alali, 12, asked a reporter, as the boy ran after the patrol. "Why? Iraqis use weapons to defend themselves, to defend their homes."

At 11:03, now 100 degrees, Pfc. Kasey Keeling, of Denton, Texas, walked second in the patrol, carrying the big M-249 squad automatic weapon, a machine gun. Behind his sunglasses, he looked back and forth, up and down.

"I scan the windows, rooftops, heavy brush, looking for anything out of the ordinary," he said. "The most alarming indicator of danger? An absence of children."

"There are always kids around," he said. "No kids, you start to wonder."

There were no children around on 4th Street in Yarmuk, where

he asked. "We have traditions, and we have customs. We are Arab. We're different from the West."

As he watched Keeling and others pass, he called Baghdad a fallen city, a hint of humiliation in his words. It was, he said, the site of the invasion in 1258 of Hulaqa, the grandson of Genghis Khan, whose destruction of Baghdad ended its centuries of glory. The Americans, he said, let the National Library burn, permitted looters to ransack the National Museum of Antiquities.

"Baghdad is the mother of Arab culture," he said, "and they want to wipe out our culture, absolutely."

At 11:30, it was 103 degrees as the patrol arrived at the Rami Institute for Autistic and Slow Learners, a house on a side street with a big lime tree in its walled front yard.

On a green chalkboard, written in English and Arabic, was the message, "This building is protected by U.S. soldiers. We will use deadly force to protect this building."

Bravo Company is determined to help the school, in part because it has been stalling guard out front. People who don't like the school, Callan said, "break

in, pop shots, throw rocks, and so on."

The soldiers left their weapons stacked in the yard, under guard. "It scares the kids," he explained. "They left their grins 'game faces' outside in the small school, they knelt and talked gently with the children, encouraging them to respond. Callan put his helmet on one child. He visited all five classrooms. They lingered for more than half an hour."

As the squad prepared to leave the school, Pvt. Ian Hanson, who had been standing guard out front, was having a playful debate with a local teen-ager. "I'm not a baby, you're a baby," said the 19-year-old from the Fox River town of Little Chute, Wis. "You're two years younger than me. I'm a long way from home. You're living at home."

The soldiers looked pleased with the school. They admired its teachers and their hearts went out to the children.

But outside, neighbors took a very different view. "We're not American troops' visit to the women who run the school."

"We're not against the presence of the school, we're against the presence of the Americans," said

23-year-old Saif Din. "We don't want them here."

He and his friend, Mohammed Ahmed, 22, said they suspected the soldiers were having sex with the women inside. "Only God knows," Ahmed said. "I have seen it with my own eyes. But I've heard about things."

"We don't like it," said Din, wagging his finger. "We don't like it." For a moment, they debated the occupation. Electricity was better and looting had waned. But the phones still did not work, and public transportation was a mess. The Americans dissolved the Iraqi army, depriving hundreds of thousands of a salary. And the future?

"The future is obscure," Ahmed said. "Our goals aren't clear."

"Their goals are clear," Din answered. "They're here to occupy us."

At 12:35, it was 106 degrees. Pfc. Anthony Rosko, 22, from the Bronx, said, "I prefer the day patrol. I like the kids. On night patrol, no one is out."

An Army UH-60 Black Hawk helicopter clattered by to the east. "There are always some out," in recent days, Rosko noted. In a change of tactics over the past week, the Army began using helicopters extensively in Baghdad to increase the visibility of U.S. forces and provide surveillance for patrols on the ground.

Many Baghdad residents find the helicopter flights offensive. During the scorching summer months many sleep in the cooler open air of their houses to escape the heat. The helicopters are seen as an invasion of privacy. "They are spying on us," Mohammed Salam, 17, said. "It's one of a host of complaints heard at checkpoints, that their rifles are at the ready as they walk the streets."

At 12:40, the patrol turned a corner a block from their temporary home. "I love it," Harris said of Army life. "Something different every day."

The men passed the two green Bradleys and stepped through the base's concertina wire. A soldier greeted them with cold cans of strawberry and cola soda. They stripped off their helmets, flak jackets, the uniform jackets called "blow-ups" and soiled their weapons. Some eagerly greeted the reporters about what Iraqis along the route had said about them.

The lieutenant announced that after two hours, they would go back on patrol. "They love us," concluded Rutledge, the medic.

If the Americans want things to improve, things will improve. It's up to the Americans.

— Zuhair Mahdi, 44-year-old Iraqi

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING
JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 231

GOODING - LINCOLN COUNTIES, IDAHO

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a special meeting of the Joint School District No. 231, Gooding-Lincoln Counties, Idaho, will be held on Tuesday, June 10, 2003 at 7:00 p.m. in the Gooding School District Administration Office, 507 E. Main Street, Gooding, Idaho. The purpose of the meeting is to hear testimony from the public regarding the proposed 2003-2004 school year budget. This budget hearing is held pursuant to Section 33-801, Idaho Code as amended.

SUMMARY STATEMENT - 2003-2004 SCHOOL BUDGET
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	Prior Year Actual 2000-2001	Prior Year Actual 2001-2002	Prior Year Actual 2002-2003	Proposed Budget 2003-2004
REVENUES				
Beginning Balance	\$ 209,689	\$ 274,258	\$ 0	\$ 67,782
Local Tax Revenue	\$ 706,698	\$ 715,448	\$ 793,093	\$ 826,366
County Revenue	\$ 59,824	\$ 67,491	\$ 32,000	\$ 20,400
State Revenue	\$ 55,587,403	\$ 56,099,194	\$ 55,482,545	\$ 55,138,685
Other Sources	\$ 14,278	\$ 3,557	\$ 25,711	\$ 26,000
TOTALS	\$6,560,114	\$6,749,948	\$6,333,349	\$6,077,233
EXPENDITURES				
Salaries	\$4,026,990	\$4,102,086	\$3,879,796	\$3,663,305
Benefits	\$1,044,878	\$1,149,863	\$1,281,843	\$1,211,147
Purchased Services	\$501,298	\$515,004	\$544,703	\$500,858
Supplies and Materials	\$208,376	\$211,801	\$228,802	\$216,228
Capital Outlay	\$47,021	\$46,891	\$3,500	\$7,100
Debt Retirement	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Insurance & Judgments	\$1,580	\$3,513	\$37,705	\$16,800
Transfers	\$26,901	\$57,466	\$27,000	\$30,000
Unappropriated Reserve	\$274,258	\$276,824	\$30,000	\$30,000
TOTALS	\$6,560,114	\$6,749,948	\$6,333,349	\$6,077,233

	Prior Year Actual 2000-2001	Prior Year Actual 2001-2002	Prior Year Actual 2002-2003	Proposed Budget 2003-2004
REVENUES				
Beginning Balance	\$ 355,119	\$ 0	\$ 688,790	\$ 699,637
Local Tax Revenue	\$ 21,878	\$ 105,852	\$ 10,500	\$ 97,160
County Revenue	\$ 208,222	\$ 187,841	\$ 171,335	\$ 211,202
State Revenue	\$1,001,237	\$1,000,967	\$1,004,130	\$1,496,684
Other Sources	\$10,137	\$5,587	\$0	\$19,000
TOTALS	\$3,117,507	\$2,651,104	\$2,854,761	\$2,493,803
EXPENDITURES				
Salaries	\$766,802	\$825,138	\$805,266	\$1,006,635
Benefits	\$253,790	\$241,332	\$265,118	\$337,829
Purchased Services	\$254,981	\$259,093	\$335,522	\$327,399
Supplies & Materials	\$299,689	\$320,172	\$317,619	\$214,765
Capital Outlay	\$68,332	\$130,172	\$21,948	\$22,675
Debt Retirement	\$63,547	\$71,123	\$42,302	\$44,327
Insurance & Judgments	\$47	\$69	\$0	\$0
Transfers	\$0	\$2,891	\$0	\$0
Unappropriated Balances	\$717,539	\$185,953	\$0	\$0
TOTALS	\$3,117,507	\$2,651,104	\$2,854,761	\$2,493,803

A copy of the School District Budget is available for public inspection in the District's Administrative Office.

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LEGALS

HAGERMAN HIGHWAY DISTRICT

INVITATION TO BID

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The title of the work to be done is: 1072 Gallon 18" Series Road Grader - Model #AK8578A.

Bids will be opened on June 10, 2003, at approximately 5:00 p.m., at which time the Hagerman Highway District reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids. For more information, contact Mike E. Luma, 208-539-0898.

Hagerman Highway District, c/o M. E. Luma, 208-539-0898.

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE 5TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT IN AND FOR THE STATE OF IDAHO, COUNTY OF JEROME

Case No. SP-OT-0355 NOTICE OF HEARING

In the Matter of HARVEY REYNOLD WATSON, Debtor.

A Petition by Harvey R. Watson, born 06/26/1961, at Harvery, North Idaho, now residing at 748 East 1st Ave., Jerome, Idaho, proposes a change in name to Harvey Reynold Taylor and seeking that the reason for the change in name be heard by the court and entering that I have done and own in the name of Harvey Watson.

The name of Harvey Watson's Father is Victor John Watson, born 03/23/1924, at Harvery, North Idaho, Idaho.

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
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—New Cleveland coach Paul Silas on the rude welcome awaiting expected NBA first pick LeBron James

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TODAY'S SCHEDULE

High school football

North-South Shrine Game, at Bruin Field, 6:30 p.m.

IN BRIEF

Babe Ruth league will hold tryouts

TWIN FALLS — Magic Valley Babe Ruth is holding tryouts for the 2003 tournament teams on Saturday at Harmon Park. These teams will represent Twin Falls in local and regional tournaments as well as district and state tournaments. Tryout participants must be currently playing in the Magic Valley Babe Ruth program. The tryout schedule begins with the 15-19 year olds from noon - 2:30 p.m. followed by the 13-14 year olds from 2:30 to 5 p.m. For more information, call 734-6834 or 734-2633.

Lott earns Great Basin most valuable player

JEROME — Jerome pitcher JD Lott was named most valuable player for the Great Basin Conference. Lott shared the honor Century's Carson Tyson.

Jermine, which captured the 4A state baseball title, had five players on the first team. Lott was joined by pitcher Kyle Roberts, outfielder Jessie Pallas, third baseman Doug Benson and first baseman Jed Semmons. Burley's Ryan Bailey, Andrew McMurray and Matt Hope were also named to the first team.

Tigers' Stu Shifflet, Paul Scofield, Preston Hills, Casey Schmevoldt and Chuck Harding, along with Bobcat Devin Gummel received honorable mention. Jerome coach Jay Ostler was named coach of the year.

Minico's Warburton is named player of year

RUPERT — Spartan sophomore Cory Warburton was voted player of the year for the Class 5A Region III conference.

Warburton earned first team as a pitcher and second team as a shortstop.

Twin Falls, which earned the district crown and a second place finish at state, had three players earn first team honors: outfielder A.J. Stone, pitcher Nick Carr, and outfielder Brandon Salinas.

Spartan joining Warburton on the first team were third baseman Kody Cole, outfielder Nate Tracy, and designated hitter Kasey Bradburn.

Second team players included: Gabe Frank, Minico, second base; Craig Schow, Minico, outfield; Brett Miller, Twin Falls, catcher; Brandon Colwell, Minico, pitcher; Andy Coon, Twin Falls, pitcher.

Honorable mention went to Drew Bernhard, Twin Falls, first base; Tim Mueller, Twin Falls, third base; Jared Tracy, Minico, catcher; Drew Turner, Twin Falls, pitcher; Steve Tracy, Minico, pitcher.

Twin Falls coach Matt Rasmussen was named coach of the year. Pitcher of the year honors went to Nick Orloff of Idaho Falls.

Compiled from staff and wire reports

TRIVIA ANSWER:

All share the same birthday, Jan. 10.



Spain's Tommy Robredo backhands to Brazil's Gustavo Kuerten in a fourth round match at Roland Garros stadium in Paris Monday. Robredo defeated Kuerten 6-4, 1-6, 7-6 (2), 6-4.

Robredo drops curtain on Kuerten

The Associated Press

PARIS — Three-time French Open champion Gustavo Kuerten was undone by drop shots and lost to crafty Tommy Robredo 6-4, 1-6, 7-6 (2), 6-4 in the fourth round Monday.

Robredo won key points by floating forehand drop shots just over the net, using the tactic four times in the final game alone, including on the last point.

The No. 28-seeded Robredo also eliminated No. 1 Lleyton Hewitt in the third round.

His latest upset gives Spain four men in the quarterfinals of a Grand Slam tournament for the first time since the Open era began in 1968. The others are 1998 champion Carlos Moya, 2002 runner-up Juan Carlos Ferrero and defending champion Albert Costa, who is Robredo's next opponent.

"I've beaten the ace, I've beaten the king," Robredo said. "Now I need to beat the jack, don't I? If I beat Costa, I'll have beaten the entire deck of cards."

Costa, seeded ninth, eliminated the final Frenchman, Arnaud Clement, 6-2, 7-5, 7-5.

Costa, still looking fresh despite three consecutive five-set matches, won in 3 hours, 7 minutes. That increased his time on court to 15:03 in four rounds.

Guillermo Coria played for more than 4.5 hours over two days to earn a chance to beat his hero, Andre Agassi.

The No. 7-seeded Coria finished off Argentine Davis Cup teammate Mariano Zabaleta 6-4, 7-6 (4), 5-7, 6-7 (4), 6-3. The fourth-round match was suspended after three sets Sunday because of darkness.

Coria's opponent in the quarterfinals Tuesday will be Agassi, who is three wins from his ninth Grand Slam title and his second at Roland Garros.

"I really want to play him because he has always been my hero," said Coria, who at 21 is 12 years younger than Agassi. "I faced him on hardcourt twice and couldn't do anything. Now is my opportunity to play him on clay, so I hope I'll be able to take my revenge."

Another quarterfinal pairs No. 3 Ferrero against No. 19 Fernando Gonzalez.

Ferrero, runner-up at Roland Garros last

year, improved to 7-0 against Spanish compatriot Felix Mantilla by winning 6-2, 6-1, 6-1. Gonzalez beat No. 30 Jurko Nieminen 6-3, 6-3, 6-2.

Kuerten, who hasn't reached a clay-court final since having arthroscopic hip surgery in February 2002, seemed to labor chasing down Robredo's shots.

"He got me with his drop shots," Kuerten said. "He used it to make me run much more than usual."

Robredo said he employed the strategy because he was nervous.

"At the end of the match, it was easier for me to make a drop shot than to hit the ball hard," he said. "When I was trying to hit, the ball was going two meters out, so that was a good tactic at the end."

Two drop shots helped Robredo win the third-set tiebreaker. Another one, plus two poor volleys by Kuerten, gave the Spaniard a break for a 4-3 lead in the final set.

Kuerten overcame four match points before Robredo finished him off. The

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DUCKS DENY DEVILS



Thomas scores rebound goal in OT

The Associated Press

ANAHEIM, Calif. — Overtime, again. The Mighty Ducks win, again.

Steve Thomas put in Samuel Pahlsson's rebound 39 seconds into overtime, giving Anaheim a dramatic 1-0 victory over New Jersey on Monday night and evening the Stanley Cup finals at two games each.

The Devils, once firmly in control after two easy victories at home but now locked in a tied series, lost both games in Anaheim in overtime. Russian Sergei Salai got the game-winner in Game 3 Saturday.

The goal by the 39-year-old Thomas, a late-season pickup by the Ducks, made Anaheim 7-0 in playoff overtimes. The Devils are

2-4. Of Anaheim's 14 playoff victories, 10 have come in overtime or the final five minutes of the third period.

Thomas's goal came after Devils goalie Martin Brodeur, losing his personal duel with the Ducks' Jean-Sebastien Giguere, initially stopped Pahlsson's shot to the left of the net. But the puck deflected out to the left circle, where Thomas cleanly put it past Brodeur.

Anaheim, guaranteeing that the finals will come back to the Pond for Game 6 on Saturday, now have matched the Canadiens' record of 12 one-goal playoffs wins in 1993.

Giguere extended his record playoff overtime shutout streak to 168 minutes, 27 seconds, though he needed to make only one save

in the overtime. He stopped all 26 New Jersey shots, including a succession of riot attempts during a scoreless but riveting second period.

Brodeur turned aside 25 of 26 shots, but again he couldn't stop the winner.

This is the first time since the 1978 finals that the home team has won each of the first two games. Montreal won the next two that season. The Canadiens won the series in six games.

Anaheim is 10-0 when it scores first in a playoff game.

Brodeur, whose stick-losing gaffe cost the Devils a goal and, eventually, the game in their 3-2 loss Saturday, gave his team another scare in the third period.

This time, though, he didn't give

the Ducks a goal.

About 4.5 minutes into the period, Brodeur stopped Salai's shot, but the puck dropped from his glove and slipped along the goal line before he swatted it away from his stick. Brodeur then smiled, maybe with a twinge of nervousness, knowing he had gotten by with another nearly grievous mistake.

Well before that, the goal-tenders' duel predicted before the series began finally broke out in a second period that was scoreless but by far the most action-filled of a predictably low-scoring series.

Giguere, though far less experienced than Brodeur, matched him save for save — mostly because the forwards were matching each other post for post.

Parker will be speedy foe for Nets

By Chris Sheridan
Associated Press writer

SAN ANTONIO — Nearly two years ago, shortly after hearing the Spurs drafted a French point guard, San Antonio forward Malik Rose learned that Tony Parker had his own Web site.

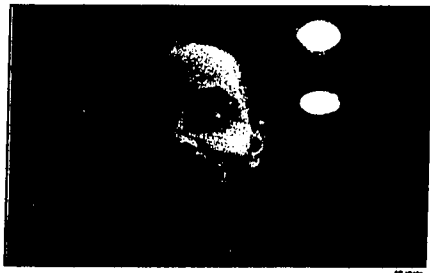
A few clicks later, Rose took his first look.

"It was weird. It showed him dribbling around. It showed his weak French dunk. He barely got his finger over the rim. Probably a 9-foot rim," Rose joked Monday.

The Spurs also rag on Parker for eating his french fries with a mixture of ketchup and mayonnaise, and for his love of vomiting after eating a bad batch of creme brulee the night before Game 6 in Dallas.

But for all the teasing, the Spurs also give the 21-year-old Parker plenty of respect.

He will become the fourth-youngest player in NBA history to compete in the finals when San Antonio's best-of-seven series against the New Jersey Nets



San Antonio Spurs guard Tony Parker of France fields questions from the media prior to practice at the team's facility in San Antonio Monday.

begins Wednesday night.

"It's a dream to play in the NBA Finals. Three years ago I was waking up at 3 a.m. to watch the finals, and now I'm playing in them," Parker said.

His matchup against Nets point guard Jason Kidd will be one of the

keys to the upcoming series, and it comes with an intriguing subplot. The Spurs will have more than \$14 million worth of salary cap space over the summer when Kidd becomes a free agent, and it's possible they will offer it to Kidd.

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Brown and Silas take NBA head jobs

The Associated Press

ALBURN HILLS, Mich. — Detroit hired Hall of Famer Larry Brown to make a good team better.

Brown was introduced as the Pistons' coach Monday, two days after Rick Carlisle was fired and one year after Carlisle was the NBA's Coach of the Year.

With Brown taking over the Detroit Pistons and Paul Silas going to the Cleveland Cavaliers on Monday, the list of coaching vacancies dropped to five. The New Orleans Hornets, Philadelphia 76ers, Toronto Raptors, Washington Wizards and Houston Rockets still have openings, and former coaches Mike Fratello, Mike Dunleavy and Jeff Van Gundy are among the candidates who have interviewed for several of those jobs but have not yet been hired.

Brown, 62, inherits a 50-win team that has a talented, young nucleus and holds the No. 2 pick in the June 26 draft.



Larry Brown

Paul Silas

"He is the pre-eminent coach in the league to me," said Joe Dumars, team president of basketball operations.

Brown, who resigned as 76ers coach on May 26 after six seasons, will be paid \$25 million over five years, according to a source within the NBA who spoke on the condition of anonymity.

Brown was released from a contractual clause that prohibited him from coaching another NBA team if he left Philadelphia prematurely. Carlisle was fired Saturday after

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SPORTS

Indians win their fifth straight

CLEVELAND (AP) — Milton Bradley doubled home two runs and Brian Anderson ended his first win in eight starts as the Cleveland Indians defeated the Chicago White Sox 5-2 Monday.

The Indians extended their season-high winning streak to five games and completed a three-game sweep of the rain-



shortened series.
The White Sox's frustrations continued as they fell to 2-5 on

their longest trip in 19 years, and are just 2.5 games ahead of the rebuilding Indians.

Bradley put Cleveland ahead 3-2 by lining a two-run double high off the left-field wall against Bartolo Colon (5-5) in the sixth inning.

Anderson (3-5) allowed two runs and five hits over six innings

and won for the first time since April 9.

His last outing was two innings of hitless relief in a 5-2 win in Detroit on Tuesday.

Colon, who pitched for Cleveland from 1997 until being traded last June, allowed four runs and seven hits over six innings, striking out six.

Gooding man helped revolutionize basketball

The Associated Press

HILLSDALE, Wyo. — It started out as just another one-on-one game between two farm boys. But this one, on a warm spring day nearly 10 years ago, changed the world of basketball.

As usual, 13-year-old Kenny Sailors was being dominated by his older, taller brother, Bud, as they battled on the dirt next to a windmill supporting a homemade wooden backboard and netless rim.

"When we played each other, he just said to me, 'You're not good,'" recalls Kenny, now 32 and living in Gooding, "I got to thinking if I could jump high enough, I could get the shot off him."

Jumping to shoot, though, was unthinkable in 1934. Coaches harped on never leaving the ground to shoot or defend in the game invented in 1891 by Dr. James Naismith. Two-handed set shots and a few hooks were the norm.

Kenny didn't care. Out of frustration, he leaped to keep Bud from swatting away his shot.

It worked, to both boys' surprise, and Kenny went on to perfect that stop-and-go, straight-up shot.

After their mother sold the farm and moved her boys to Laramie, Kenny Sailors earned All-State honors and twice led Laramie High to runner-up finishes in the state tournament.

Sailors, who was also a superb ballhandler, was named All-American in leading Wyoming to the NCAA championship in 1943. The Cowboys capped a 32-2 season by defeating Georgetown 46-34 for the title, with Sailors scoring a

To our readers

The following story was inadvertently cut off Saturday. It follows in its entirety. The Times-News regrets the error.

same-high 16 points.

"Kenny Sailors was their star, their gun," remembers Rep. Henry Hyde of Illinois, a freshman for the House that year. "He had a deadly shot."

Longtime Wyoming sportscenter Lee Birliff was dazzled by what Sailors simply called "my shot."

"I hadn't seen anything like it," Birliff said. "He had the only one. He could stop on a dime and shoot ... a one-lander. That shot was terrific."

John Christgau, in his book, "The Origins of the Jump Shot," wrote that Sailors is one of eight pioneers who developed the modern-day jump shot in the 1930s and '40s.

The others are Johnny Adams of Beebe, Ark.; Whitney Skoog of Caldwell, Minn.; Davage Major of Gary, Ind.; Belus Smawley of Sunshine, N.C.; John "Bud" Palmer of Princeton, N.J.; John Burton of San Francisco; and Joe Fuks of Kutztown, Pa.

"They were defying kind of an American tradition to conformity and obedience, and look what it got them," Christgau said. "It got them absolutely to the pinnacle of basketball."

Six would play in the NBA. Sailors played five seasons professionally. His best year was 1949. He averaged 17.8 points for the Denver Nuggets, fourth-highest in the league.

Robyn J. Deutsch, an archivist at the Basketball Hall of Fame in Springfield, Mass., credits Sailors, Fuks and Hank Luisetti of San Francisco as key developers of the jump shot.

Luisetti originated the running one-lander, also called the "step-and-shoot." Sailors developed the shot very closely to what it is today, Deutsch said.

"However, jumpin' Joe Fuks is the individual who fine-tuned the shot to what it really is today, especially in terms of athleticism," Deutsch said.

Luisetti and Fuks are in the Hall of Fame. Sailors is not.

Hall of Fame officials say Sailors has been nominated and his credentials have been continually reviewed by the Veterans' Screening Committee, but he hasn't received enough votes from that panel for his nomination to move forward.

Shortly after Wyoming won the NCAA title, Sailors joined the Marines and fought in the South Pacific in World War II, earning a Bronze Star.

Following the war, Sailors led Wyoming to a 224 record and was named the nation's top player. A picture in Life magazine showing him leaping above Long Island players in a 1946 game no doubt inspired countless young imitators.

After his NBA career ended, Sailors and his wife, Boky, ran a nursing home in Cheyenne, and then a dude ranch in Jackson Hole. In 1965, they sold the ranch to his brother and moved to Alaska.

"She was crazy about horses, and I liked the outdoors and hunting and fishing," Sailors said.

He started an outfitting business, taught history and coached high school basketball for 20 years, winning five state girls championships at Glennallen.

Boky died a year ago, and Bud died a few months ago. Sailors lives with his daughter, Linda, on a farm in southern Idaho. He plans to return to Alaska this summer to check on his homestead, where the Cache River runs through the back yard.

"It's got king salmon running up it, and red salmon. I like to go up and fish a lot and go hunt some moose and get it home. I like that moose meat."

Sailors leaves it to others to determine his place in history. "I've never, ever tried to say that I was the first guy to jump in the air and shoot the ball. That would be ridiculous," he said.

Among his backers is Ray Meyer, the Hall of Famer and former DePaul coach, who sent him a supportive letter. And former St. John's coach Joe Lapchick once told him, "A lot of them shot some form of the jump shot, but you shot the one jump shot, the shot that's being used today."

Just off Interstate 80, about 20 miles east of Cheyenne, a fading white building that looks like a home to a former rodeo queen. There's no mention of Sailors, who grew up a few miles south of town.

On the old farm, the windmill and basket where he and his brother played is long gone. But a 4-foot-by-4-foot concrete slab, tucked under rumbleweeds and aging weeds, marks the spot where the windmill stood, where basketball history was made.

number for such an impact player.

"It's because I was a European point guard, that's why. Nobody made it before. I brought the point guard position over for Americans," Parker said. "Tim 50, they forget about my American part."

Parker became a starter just 10 games into his rookie season and has held the job since, showing dramatic improvement along the way.

"Over the past five to 10 years — and especially the last five years — there are so many players from overseas that play the game as well or better than the American kids that it should be happy to everybody, especially with our loss last summer in World Championships, that there are not only good players but good coaches, good coaches everywhere," Popovich said.

Fratello withdraws as Hornets coaching candidate

NEW ORLEANS — Mike Fratello will not be the New Orleans Hornets' coaching search Monday, leaving Brian Hill and Tim Floyd as the only candidates the team has identified.

Fratello, a former Atlanta and Cleveland coach who now works NBA broadcasts for TNT, declined to join further detail about his decision.

Bob Bass, the Hornets' vice president of basketball operations, also declined comment on the coaching search.

But Bass has left open the possibility the Hornets could add candidates as they become available, such as former Detroit coach Rick Carlisle, who was fired Saturday.

Carlisle was fired with one year and \$2 million left on his contract, despite winning two straight division titles and the NBA Coach of the Year award in 2002. His assistant, Carlisle's Pistons advanced to the Eastern Conference finals before being swept by New Jersey.

perhaps the hardest forehead in tennis, has won their two meetings as pros, neither on clay.

"I must try to control the point before he hits the cannonball," Ferrero said.

His two-day marathon against Zabeleta lasted 4:41 — longest of the tournament — and 377 points.

The Ferrero-Gonzalez quarterfinal will be a rematch of the 1998 boys final at Roland Garros, which Gonzalez won. Gonzalez, who hit

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AMERICAN LEAGUE

West Division	W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Str	Home	Away	Int
New York	33	23	.589	-	4-8	W1	13-15	20-8	0-0
Tampa Bay	32	24	.568	1.5	3-7	L1	16-14	13-15	0-0
Baltimore	32	28	.532	2.5	2-8	W3	14-14	18-12	0-0
Baltimore	28	27	.509	4.5	2-8	W3	14-14	13-15	0-0
Tampa Bay	21	34	.382	11.5	3-7	L2	12-18	9-19	0-0

Central Division

West Division	W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Str	Home	Away	Int
Minnesota	31	24	.564	-	2-5	L2	14-14	18-10	0-0
Kansas City	27	27	.500	3.5	2-8	L2	14-12	13-15	0-0
Minnesota	26	28	.481	4.5	3-7	L3	15-12	9-19	0-0
Cleveland	23	32	.418	8.5	6-4	W5	14-14	9-18	0-0
Detroit	14	40	.259	18.5	2-5	L1	5-21	9-19	0-0

East Division

West Division	W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Str	Home	Away	Int
Seattle	37	18	.673	-	2-5	W4	17-11	20-7	0-0
Oakland	32	23	.582	5.5	5-6	W2	19-9	13-15	0-0
Astoria	28	28	.500	9.5	3-7	L3	16-12	15-12	0-0
Texas	25	30	.455	12.5	2-8	L3	14-14	11-18	0-0

NATIONAL LEAGUE

West Division	W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Str	Home	Away	Int
Atlanta	37	19	.682	-	2-5	W4	17-13	18-10	0-0
Montreal	33	24	.579	4.5	3-7	L3	19-9	14-15	0-0
Philadelphia	31	25	.554	6.5	5-6	W3	17-11	11-14	0-0
New York	29	29	.500	8.5	5-6	W1	15-12	14-18	0-0
Florida	26	32	.448	12.5	2-7	L1	15-13	11-19	0-0

Central Division

West Division	W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Str	Home	Away	Int
Chicago	30	25	.545	-	2-5	W1	17-13	14-15	0-0
Houston	30	27	.526	1.5	2-5	W1	16-12	11-18	0-0
St. Louis	28	27	.509	2.5	2-5	W1	17-11	14-15	0-0
Cincinnati	27	28	.489	3.5	3-7	W1	17-11	12-18	0-0
Pittsburgh	24	31	.438	6.5	5-6	L1	8-18	16-12	0-0
Milwaukee	22	34	.393	8.5	2-5	W1	10-19	12-15	0-0

East Division

West Division	W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Str	Home	Away	Int
San Francisco	35	20	.636	-	2-5	W5	17-10	18-10	0-0
Los Angeles	31	25	.554	4.5	2-5	L1	17-11	14-14	0-0
Colorado	27	30	.474	9.5	2-8	L3	21-18	6-22	0-0
Arizona	26	30	.464	5.5	2-5	W1	14-18	12-14	0-0
San Diego	16	41	.281	20.5	3-7	L1	9-20	7-21	0-0

2-1 game was a win

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Monday's Games

Cleveland @ Chicago White Sox 2
Anheim (Ra. Ortiz 4-5) vs. Montreal (Oke 4-5) at San Juan, 5:05 p.m.
Boston (Kim 0-0) at Pittsburgh (Benson 5-3), 5:05 p.m.
Oakland (Muller 8-2) at Florida (Perry 3-3), 5:05 p.m.
Seattle (Meyer 8-2) at Philadelphia (Milwood 7-2), 5:05 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees (Petite 5-5) at Cincinnati (Haynes 0-4), 5:10 p.m.
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Toronto (Esobar 2-2) at St. Louis (Monte 5-3), 6:10 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Gonzalez 2-1) at Chicago Cubs (Pier 8-2), 8:20 p.m.
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Kansas City (Aldrich 3-3) at Los Angeles (O'Perez 4-3), 8:10 p.m.
Minnesota (Radio 5-5) at San Francisco (Moss 6-3), 8:15 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

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Draft

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"He's a major league prospect who one day will become a fine major league player," LaMar said.

"We would be happy with any of those guys," Tigers scouting director Greg Smith said. "We have a scenario that we'd like to see happen ahead of us, but we'll be very excited when we go to bed on Tuesday with whoever we are fortunate enough to pick out of that group."

The Devil Rays have the No. 1 pick for the second time — they selected high school outfielder Josh Hamilton in 1999. Milwaukee has the second pick Tuesday, followed by Detroit, San Diego and Kansas City. Seattle, Atlanta, Houston and Philadelphia don't have picks in the first round after signing free agents.

Other players expected to be high picks include Wake Forest right-hander Kyle Sleeth, Richmond right-hander Tim Lincecum, Tulane, right-hander Michael Aubrey, Florida high school outfielder Lastings Milledge, Massachusetts high school right-hander Jeff Allison and Texas high school John Danks.

The ability to sign a drafted player is one of the major concerns for teams. "The biggest thing that's changed is the significance — the way the signing bonuses have escalated," Milwaukee GM Doug Melvin said. "My first draft in 1985, I was scouting director of the Yankees, and I don't remember agents being involved. ... But now, they all have agents."

Teams have also shown a trend in recent years to lean toward college players, thinking that the risk is lower and they are closer to making an impact at the major league level.

"That's obviously a part of the decision-making process," Smith said. "I think you evaluate talent first because you want an impact

player when you're picking as high as we are. But we're also looking for a player's makeup and his signability."

Everyone seems to have their own take on this year's crop of players. "Overall, the 2003 draft class is average, but it does have more depth than usual," said Roger Jang, Seattle's vice president of scouting and player development. "While there aren't as many standouts at the very top of the draft, there will be good prospects for several rounds."

Smith sounded fortunate to be picking near the top this year. "The 10 are some good players, but I don't think it's the best group we've seen in a while at all," Smith said. "We're going to get a good player with our third pick, but I don't think teams picking from eight-to-20 are as comfortable as we are."

Other than Young, there are a number of players with famous bloodlines who could get drafted, including San Diego State outfielder Anthony Gwynn, son of Tony Gwynn; North Carolina State outfielder Joe Gaetti, son of Gary Gaetti; and San Diego State pitcher Ryan Schaeffer, son of former NFL quarterback Jack Schaeffer.

The draft, conducted by conference call with all 30 major league teams, runs through Wednesday and will last 50 rounds. Pittsburgh took Ball State right-hander Bryan Bullington with the top pick last year.

Ultimately, you just keep asking yourself the same question: If everything clicks, who has the chance to have the most impact at the major league level? LaMar said. "All these players we're considering right now on paper, are going to have impact at the major league level."

Parker

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Will it have an effect on Parker? "I've been asked that question 500 times, and it's not going to bother me — the comparison and the matchup with Jason Kidd," Parker said Monday.

The speedy Parker does not even expect this matchup to be his toughest of the postseason. In his opinion, no point guard is more difficult to defend than Phoenix's Stephen Marbury, whose team defeated San Antonio twice in the opening round.

Kidd is not the same type of natural scorer Marbury is, but he's a better passer, rebounder and all-around player.

Kidd is averaging 20.3, 8.4 rebounds and 8.3 assists in the NBA. He has 14.9 points, 2.6 rebounds and 5.3 assists.

"They were the best team in the

NBA, so everybody talks about Tim (Duncan), and they should," Kidd said. "But Tony Parker is the key. When he plays well, they play well."

Indeed, the Spurs were 20-1 during the regular season and 4-0 in the first three rounds of the playoffs when getting 20 or more points from Parker, whose flashy speed and accurate mid-range jumper are his strongest skills.

Parker was born in Belgium and raised in France, is the son of an American father and a Dutch mother. His father, Tony Sr., played for Loyola, Ill., before moving overseas to play professionally in Europe.

Parker first saw his father's old Chester Highlands neighborhood on Chicago's south side when he was 6.

"It was the ghetto, it was really

poor. It helped me appreciate the good things in life," Parker said.

He made his first big splash in American basketball circles at the Nike Hoop Summit in Indianapolis in February 2000, scoring 20 points with seven assists and two steals against an American team that included Darius Miles, Zach Randolph and Omar Cook.

Parker said Georgia Tech, UCLA and Connecticut approached him to offer scholarships, but he instead turned professional and played in the French League.

That league includes plenty of veteran players, allowing Parker to become a starter at an early age to older opponents. Much older.

The experience has given Parker an air of confidence and maturity. He was selected 28th by San Antonio in the 2001 draft, a low

potential for two more, with the Hawks and Clippers — and landed with the Cavaliers, who went 17-65 last season, but have undergone a makeover.

A two-time All-Star forward with the Boston Celtics, Silas went 208-155 in five seasons with the Hornets, who moved from Charlotte to New Orleans last season.

Silas took his teams to the playoffs in each of the past four seasons and twice led them into the second round. While becoming the most successful coach in franchise history, he helped develop Hornets guard Baron Davis and forward Jamal Mashburn into All-Stars.

Silas will inherit a young Cavaliers team with long-term potential but short-term problems.

Cleveland's 2002-03 season was a disaster. The Cavaliers fired coach John Lucas following an 8-34 start and replaced him on an interim basis with Keith Smart, who got the underachieving team to play hard during stretches.

winning in straight sets Sunday, Coria will be playing for the third consecutive day.

"I'll be a little bit tired, but I don't think this will affect my tennis," Coria said. "The will I have will compensate."

His two-day marathon against Zabeleta lasted 4:41 — longest of the tournament — and 377 points.

The Ferrero-Gonzalez quarterfinal will be a rematch of the 1998 boys final at Roland Garros, which Gonzalez won. Gonzalez, who hit

Silas is named as coach for struggling Cavaliers, James

CLEVELAND — Paul Silas will coach the Cleveland Cavaliers, a young, struggling team expecting to get much better with the addition of high school star LeBron James.

Silas, credited with developing young players during his coaching career, was introduced Monday as the Cavaliers' 15th coach.

The 59-year-old Silas was chosen over former New York Knicks coach Jeff Van Gundy. Terms of Silas' deal were not immediately available.

"Paul has a successful track record of managing players and player relationships effectively and getting the most out of his teams. His teams compete every night, play hard and play together with a lot of heart," said general manager Jim Paxson.

Silas, fired last month by New Orleans, jumped off the jam-packed pro coaching carousel — there are still five openings, with a

"I used to see him play when I was a kid with his long hair," Coria said. "I used to like his attitude on court, his appearance, the way he would play. He's different. From childhood I always used to watch his matches. I have a lot of respect for him."

Until now, Coria's best Grand Prix effort was at the Australian Open. In January, when he reached the fourth round before losing — to Agassi.

While Agassi had a day off after

winning a straight set Sunday, Coria will be playing for the third consecutive day.

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BRIEFLY IN MONEY

American exchange will change hands

NEW YORK - The National Association of Securities Dealers, which oversees the Nasdaq Stock Market, has agreed to sell the century-old American Stock Exchange for \$110 million to a Chicago-based private-equity firm, officials said Monday.

The NASD signed a document Friday to sell the Wall Street-based Amex market to the private-equity firm GTCR Golden Raider LLC after nearly a year of talks.

Collin Roche, a principal at GTCR, said the firm believed "Amex has strong opportunities to grow in its existing product classes while also introducing new products."

Robert Glauber, chairman and chief executive of the National Association of Securities Dealers, said the deal would enable it to "focus our entire organization on NASD's core mission of promoting market integrity and protecting investors."

The National Association of Securities Dealers acquired the Amex in 1998 when its leaders felt the open-outcry auction system used at the Amex would complement the electronic trading system used by the Nasdaq.

But the Amex has lost business in recent years and some of the securities that it traded are now also traded elsewhere.

AMI Semiconductor adds senior vice president

POCATELLO - AMI Semiconductor announced Monday that Charlie Lesko has been appointed to the newly created position of senior vice president of sales and marketing.

Lesko joins AMIS from Broadcom Corp., where he was vice president of North American sales. He has an extensive sales and marketing background in the semiconductor industry.

His responsibilities include senior management roles at Axcelis Technologies and Teradyne.

Lesko will work closely with AMIS corporate headquarters in Pocatello, its European operations in Belgium, various AMIS sales offices and customer locations around the world.

Securities and Exchange Commission mulls IBM

NEW YORK - Federal regulators are investigating how technology giant IBM Corp. booked revenue in 2000 and 2001, the company disclosed Monday.

IBM said it had received a notice of a formal investigation by the Securities and Exchange Commission that primarily concerns "certain types of customer transactions." Spokesmen for IBM declined to elaborate.

The Armonk, N.Y.-based company said it believes the probe arose from a separate SEC investigation into a customer of IBM's retail store solutions unit, which sells computing equipment and software for check-out counters, kiosks and other "points of sale."

SEC spokesman John Heine declined comment and would neither confirm nor deny an investigation.

IBM said it is cooperating fully with the SEC and is "committed to maintaining the highest standards" of accounting.

Tivo sends viewing data back to advertisers

SAN JOSE, Calif. - Tivo Inc., the leading maker of digital television recorders, on Monday began offering advertisers and broadcasters second-by-second information on the commercials and shows its users are watching - or skipping.

Digital video recorders let TV viewers record programming onto a hard drive, pause live television and quickly skip commercials.

The machines also can study their users' recording habits in order to detect preferences and suggest similar programs the viewers might like.

Because the devices periodically connect to Tivo's computer servers to gather programming information, the San Jose-based company can collect detailed viewing data on its 700,000 subscribers, but the company says the data is scrambled and compiled to protect each viewer's anonymity.

Compiled from staff and wire reports

Professor sees unemployment rise

The Associated Press

DENVER - The economic outlook in Colorado, Wyoming and Utah began to climb in May, but unemployment is likely to rise before the end of the summer, a Creighton University economics professor said.

The Mountain States Business Conditions Index, compiled from a survey of business conditions by professor Ernie Goss in Omaha,

Neb., reached 51.5 in May, up from 48.9 in April. An index above 50 indicates growth.

The index for new orders was 52.8 and production was 57.9, but unemployment was 42.1 for May, up from 38.1 in April.

The continued weakness indicates that unemployment is likely to rise in the months ahead before beginning to decline by the end of summer, Goss said.

The prices-paid index dropped

to 63.2, its lowest level since November, as oil prices dropped.

New export orders increased to 53.8 as the weaker dollar made U.S. goods cheaper abroad.

Goss said he expected the weaker dollar to stop job losses in the manufacturing sector for the region, which has lost almost 5,000 jobs this year.

Consumer confidence increased from 50 in April to 55.3 in May, with the end major conflicts in

Iraq and lower energy prices, Goss said.

Colorado's index led the region with a 61.8, the state's highest reading since April 2002 as the outlook for production growth was strong.

Utah's index was 50, although the manufacturing sector has reached its lowest level since 1994.

Wyoming reached a record low of 52.3, down from 61.3 in April, with the employment picture and inventories weak.

MANUFACTURING SLIDE SLOWS IN MAY



Better-than-expected manufacturing data powered Wall Street higher Monday as the Dow Jones Industrials briefly surpassed the 9,000 mark for the first time since December. Read about the day's trading on page D5.

Construction spending dips 0.3 percent in April

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - Spending on construction projects around the country slowed in April to the lowest level in four months. But manufacturing, while still weak, showed some signs of improving in May.

The U.S. Commerce Department reported Monday the value of construction projects dipped by 0.3 percent in April from March to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of \$862.6 billion, marking the third straight month that construction spending went down.

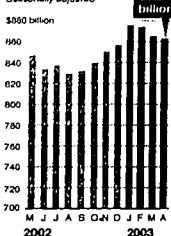
In another report, The Institute for Supply Management in New York said business at the nation's manufacturers declined for the third consecutive month in May, but at a much slower rate.

The institute's manufacturing index was 49.4 percent last month, up from 45.4 in April. A reading below 50 means manufacturing activity is slowing; above 50 indicates growth.

The manufacturing report heartened economists who were hoping it signaled better days

Construction spending

Here is a look at monthly construction spending, seasonally adjusted.



SOURCE: Department of Commerce, AP

ahead for the battered manufacturing sector.

"Manufacturing has been the weak link of this economy, but this report shows that the sector may have begun to turn the cor-

ner," said Lynn Reaser, chief economist at Banc of America Capital Management.

April's construction-spending performance was weaker than economists expected. They were forecasting a 0.2 percent increase.

The weakness in April was broad-based with builders reporting less spending on everything from single-family homes to a variety of commercial ventures, including office buildings and industrial complexes.

However, government spending on big public works projects rose by 0.2 percent in April from March to an annual rate of \$201.2 billion. That increase reflected stronger spending on housing, highways, military bases and other projects.

Residential construction by private builders nudged down by 0.3 percent in April from March to an annual rate of \$449.9 billion.

The residential side of the construction market, however, has been holding up well during the economy's slump. But the commercial side has been largely weak, reflecting the wariness of companies to boost capital spending and hiring, major forces

restraining economic growth.

Spending on commercial construction projects by private builders dropped by 2.6 percent in April to a rate of \$156.1 billion. Cutbacks in spending were reported for industrial complexes, office buildings and other categories.

The Federal Reserve has kept a key short-term interest rate at a 41-year low of 1.25 percent since November. The rationale: Near rock bottom rates will motivate consumers and businesses to spend and invest more and help boost economic growth.

Economists have offered mixed opinions on whether the Fed will lower that key rate at its next meeting June 24-25.

A new, 10-year, \$350 billion package of tax rebates, lower tax rates, new breaks for businesses and investors along with aid to states should help the economy get through a spell of lackluster growth, economists said.

The value of all construction activity in April, at a rate of \$862.6 billion, represented the lowest level since December, when projects totaled \$856.7 billion, on an annualized basis.

COURT FILINGS

The Times-News

BOISE - Recent activity in U.S. Bankruptcy Court included these Magic Valley filings:

Chapter 7, nonbusiness, under \$50,000

Christy L. Bailey, 3077 Jasper Ave., Twin Falls, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 03-41029.

K.C. Lynn Prewitt and Laura Michelle Prewitt, also known as Laura Michelle Prewitt, 226 Susan Drive, Burley, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, number of creditors not indicated, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 03-41030.

Vincent Ramirez Sr., 1424 A St., Rupert, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 03-41031.

Byrd Kowitz, 2135 Elsie Ave., Heyburn, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 03-41034.

Steven L. Newlan and Wendy M. Newlan, also known as Wendy M. Newlan, 710 Adell St., Piler, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 03-41038.

Mary Jeannine Osterude, 220 Second Ave. N., Halley, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 03-41040.

Edwin Ray Padgett and Carol Leona Padgett, also known as Riley Wickman, Carol Wickman, Carol Riley, 2344 Main St., Hollister, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 03-41041.

Katie Craig, 777 Monroe St., Twin Falls, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 03-41043.

Malinda D. Hess, 928 S. Fillmore, Jerome, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 03-41057.

Ordie Juanita Rarick, 420 Fifth Ave. E., Jerome, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 03-41061.

Chapter 7, nonbusiness, \$50,000 to \$100,000

Douglas Lee Burrow and Heidi Jo Burrow, also known as Heidi Jo McIntosh, 259 Phasent Road W. No. 49, Twin Falls, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities \$50,000 to \$100,000. Case no. 03-41039.

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Job search takes longer for older workers

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON - After being laid off in 1999 from his position at Iridium North America, Bart Stare began to rethink his options. A physicist, he had worked in electronics and telecommunications ventures for nearly 20 years, the last six traveling to India as Iridium's Southern Asia representative. But by spring 2000, Stare decided his best bet was to leave the imploding tech sector behind and pursue a more predictable and reliable line of work - teaching.

Unfortunately, he discovered, teaching was more stressful than he had thought.

"It's very challenging, teaching middle-school boys," Stare said of his current job at a private school in Foxboro, Mass. "I'm not much of a disciplinarian. Maybe I'll get better."

For mid-career job seekers, the news is both bad and good. The bad news: According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, finding work takes longer the older you are. Average time spent out of work has steadily increased from 12.5 weeks in the first quarter of 2001 to 18.4 weeks in the first quarter of 2003. But for workers ages 45 to 54, the most recent average was 22.4 weeks, while for those 55 to 64 it was 25.4 weeks.

The good news: At least for some jobs, is that experience still counts. "Clearly, you're not going to hire a recent grad for a director-level position," said Shira Harrington, senior personnel consultant at Positions Inc., a Washington administrative and professional search firm.

But how an applicant presents that experience is key.

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Early retirement can be risky, but manageable

Questions: I was recently laid off and I'm wondering whether I have enough money to not return to work full time. Here are the facts: I am 41 and my wife is 40. She is a teacher with a \$60,000-a-year income, and we have a combined retirement balance of \$3.5 million. (Obviously, we have benefited not only from lucky investments, but also from dedicated retirement investing since we graduated from college.) I believe we could live comfortably by drawing \$50,000 a year from our retirement kitty, but our planner does not recommend it, as the withdrawals would lower our potential retirement nest egg. This leads me to my question: How much is really enough?

Answer: That's a question that



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only you can really answer.

Retiring in your 40s is always a bit risky, because you're likely to be tapping your retirement funds for twice as long as you contributed to them in the first place. But given your considerable kitty and your relatively modest income needs, early retirement might well be within your grasp.

Before you do anything, consult

with a tax pro. You might need to take out slightly more than you planned each year to avoid early withdrawal penalties. The IRS values the penalties for "substantially equal periodic payments," which are regular payments based on your life expectancies. The rules are somewhat complex, so you'll want some professional help to make sure you get it right.

Even if you have to take out more, your withdrawals probably would amount to less than 3 percent of your retirement funds. It's hard to imagine many scenarios where you would be in serious danger of running out of money before you ran out of life. As long as you are covered by your vet's medical insurance - you won't

quality for Medicare until you're 65 - you should be fine.

Speaking of your wife, you'll obviously want to include her in these discussions. She might be fine with the role of major breadwinner, or she might want to take a sabbatical of her own at some point. Keeping a foot in the working world, if only part-time, might make it easier for you should you need to return someday to gainful full-time employment.

Q: My daughter went to college in 1991 and I obtained a Stafford loan for her. I have been paying on this loan (with a couple of forbearances along the way) since 1993. The balance remains at \$5,000. Please see WESTON, Page D5

Manufacturing data sends most stocks higher

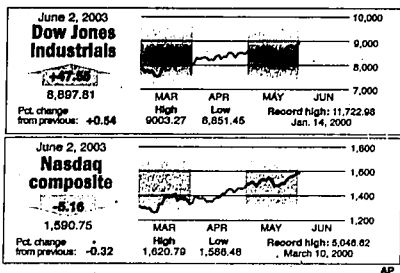
NEW YORK (AP) — Wall Street shot higher Monday on better-than-expected manufacturing data, but gave up much of its gains after the Dow Jones Industrial Average surpassed the 9,000 mark for the first time since December.

Analysts said investors were upbeat about an economic recovery, but some were cashing in profits on concerns that the market's recent surge might have come too far, too soon.

The economic activity is slow to improve but the market is optimistic, said John C. Forelli, portfolio manager for Independence Investment LLC in Boston. "For the market, the glass is half-full — as opposed to three-quarters empty as it had been a while ago."

The Dow closed up 47.55, or 0.5 percent, at 8,897.81, following a weekly advance of 2.9 percent last week. It was the eighth straight day the Dow rose above 9,000.

Earlier in the afternoon, the blue chips rose as much as 153 points to hit 9,003.27. The last time the Dow rose above 9,000



during the day was Dec. 2, 2002, the last time the blue chips closed above 9,000 was Aug. 22, 2002, when they stood at 9,053.64.

The broader market finished mixed. The Nasdaq composite index fell 5.16, or 0.3 percent, to 1,590.75, after gaining 5.7 percent last week. Earlier in the day, the

tech-focused index rose as much as 24 points.

The Standard & Poor's 500 index rose 3.41, or 0.4 percent, to 967.00, having risen 3.3 percent last week. The index closed above its Sept. 21, 2001, low of 965.80 for the first time since July 8, 2002.

Leading sheet, pillow case maker files for bankruptcy

WEST POINT, Ga. (AP) — WestPoint Stevens Inc., one of the nation's largest makers of sheets, pillow cases and towels, said Monday it has filed for bankruptcy and its chief executive is resigning.

WestPoint makes products under several brand names, including Martha Stewart, Ralph Lauren, Stevens, Martex, Vellux, Disney Home and Joe Boxer. The company has been strugg-

ling with high debt, a slumping economy and competition from low-cost rivals in China and Central America. A number of U.S. textile companies, including Burlington Industries and Malden Mills, have filed for bankruptcy in recent years.

WestPoint Stevens said it filed for Chapter 11 protection from its creditors on Sunday in federal bankruptcy court in New York. Under an agreement with bond-

holders, Holcombe T. Green Jr. will resign as chief executive, and M.L. "Chip" Fontenot, the current president and chief operating officer, will become the interim chief executive, pending approval by the bankruptcy court.

No layoffs or pay cuts are planned at the company, which was founded almost 200 years ago and employs about 14,600 people, said Lorraine Millett, senior vice president of investor relations.

Pocatello tech company gets grant

POCATELLO (AP) — New employees at AMI Semiconductor, Inc. will be trained using state funds granted to the company.

Gov. Dirk Kempthorne awarded the \$176,000 Workforce Development Training Fund grant at a ribbon cutting ceremony Friday for AMI's new engineering and research center.

The grant will provide up to \$2,000 in training for each of the 88 new employees AMI plans to hire.

The training funds are granted primarily to reward companies

that bring in new revenue by selling most of their products or services outside the state.

"AMI Semiconductor is making a significant statement with this award by showing that Pocatello is a place where you can find a good job," Kempthorne said. "They could have located their new facility anywhere, but this sends a clear message that Idaho is the place to go for a good job."

The fund is financed by a three-percent offset to

Unemployment Insurance taxes, and is used primarily to help train new employees. Grants can also be used for skill upgrades.

AMI designs, develops and manufactures a wide variety of integrated circuit products that are used in applications ranging from the automotive industry to national defense.

The company was founded in Santa Clara, Calif. in 1996 and moved its world headquarters to Pocatello in 1998. It is Pocatello's largest employer, with 1,100 workers at its headquarters and manufacturing facility.

Sylvan Learning Systems buys Chilean university

The Baltimore Sun

BALTIMORE — Sylvan Learning Systems Inc. added to its international holdings Monday with the announcement that it has bought a privately held and a vocational school in Chile.

Sylvan paid \$68.2 million for control of Universidad Nacional Andres Bello and Academia de Idiomas y Estudios Profesionales, a technical and vocational institute.

"We're very excited to talk about this acquisition today, really not only because it's a great opportunity for Sylvan, but because it really advances the strategy that we've been talking about for the past several months," Douglas L. Becker, Sylvan's chairman and chief executive officer, said during a conference call.

Sylvan, based in Baltimore, announced in March that it plans to sell its tutoring centers and

related business for \$275 million to \$300 million and focus the company solely on higher education.

The company began buying overseas universities in 1999 and has been expanding that part of its business ever since. Its first foray into Chile came in 2000, when it bought an 80 percent interest in Universidad de las Americas, which has since grown to become Chile's largest private university with more than 17,000 students.

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approximately \$2,400, payable at \$50.54 per month. It is truly becoming a hardship for me now. I am 76, retired, unable to work due to a leg injury and have just lost my prescription drug coverage.

I need some kind of help with this loan. Could you suggest any solutions that might be available to me?

As just the obvious one: Get your daughter to write you a \$2,400 check so you can get rid of this burden.

Presumably he is alive and employed at a job made possible by your generosity. If finances are bound to be in better shape than yours. It's time for her to step up.

If your daughter isn't alive or employed, then try contacting the lender and explaining your situation. Your payments are pretty low, but your lender might have a program that gets them covered.

Otherwise, there aren't many options. It's tough to get rid of student loan debt, even in

bankruptcy court, and filing for bankruptcy protection won't work so much as you might think.

Let's hope your daughter finds the appropriate amount while she's at it, the mightiest of all. To help you with your prescriptions.

Questions can be sent to William.Weston@att.net or William.Weston@att.net at www.weston.com. He is a columnist for Money Talk Business Section, Los Angeles Times, 202 W. First St., Los Angeles, CA 90012.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

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