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Education officials cry foul

By Julie Pance
Times-News writer

Say 2003 Legislature was hostile

TWIN FALLS — The Legislature's tinkering with education is not unlike a 1980s mandate from Congress to lower the water level for flushing toilets, a Blaine County School Board member says.

"What does Congress know about toilets?" asked Kim Nilsen, a school board member and house builder.

Nilsen said he has seen people wind up using at least 50 percent more water with their low-water toilets since Congress required

them to be installed. As a result, people have to flush two or three times to get the job done.

In a similar vein, the 2004 Idaho Legislature should avoid toying with the complicated, public-school salary schedule, as it did last session when it froze the state contribution to teacher salaries, said Nilsen and Jim Lewis, the superintendent of the Blaine County School District.

Meddling with the formula risks disrupting the peaceful negotiations that school districts have had

with educators since the schedule was put into place in 1994, Nilsen and Lewis warned.

Lewis said the actions of last year's Legislature reflected hostility toward educators.

Nilsen, Lewis and about 20 other area educators, parents and business people met Wednesday at the College of Southern Idaho with Magic Valley lawmakers and Sen. Gary Schroeder, R-Moscow, the chairman of the Senate Education Committee. Schroeder was in Twin Falls for the seventh meeting of a

10-stop tour of the state to hear from voters what they want addressed in the upcoming session.

Nilsen and Lewis also told the panel of lawmakers they need to have the property tax funding formula restored to levels prior to the 2003 legislative action that capped property tax relief at \$69 million.

Since approved in 1995, the state's 25 percent share of the local school property tax levy has risen from \$40 million to nearly \$75 million.

Jerome School District Superintendent Jim Cobble concurred with the Blaine County officials.

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TRIMMING OF THE TREES



Brian Adams of Four Seasons Tree Service hauls branches of a spruce tree that was cut down in Twin Falls Wednesday. There are proposed changes to the city's tree ordinance, including the regulation of tree trimming in public rights of way.

Mixed response greets tree-ordinance proposal

By Rebecca Meany
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The city might issue its first license if a proposed ordinance revision is passed, and tree service companies might be the first to have to get a municipal stamp of approval.

Plumbers, doctors, alcohol proprietors and fishermen, among others, are licensed by the state. The Twin Falls Tree Commission has suggested the city require licenses for all private tree service companies in an effort to stem detrimental tree-care practices among some service providers.

Members of the commission met Wednesday with area tree-care providers to discuss this and other potential revisions of the current tree ordinance.

A dozen people showed up to hear about the new ordinance and to express their opinions.

The current ordinance, which

dates from 1998, is just over two pages. Most — but not all — attendees indicated they were aware of its existence. The proposed ordinance, with its many changes and clarifications, runs nine pages.

The idea of city licensing, and services providers having to pay for it, drew mixed reviews from attendees.

But commission members spoke in favor of the notion, saying it would help establish a professional and trustworthy image

with consumers and with the city.

"We see in the tree industry here that there's a fine line between educating people and being a tree Nazi," said commission member Dave Wright of Kimberly Nurseries. "We're not trying to ding you for 25 bucks, but there are a lot of brutal tree people out there. We're trying to bring some type of structure and order to the industry."

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Heyburn Simplot plant closure begins today

By Shelley Ridenour
Times-News writer

HEYBURN — The final hours of operation for the J.R. Simplot potato processing plant have arrived.

The last batch of potatoes was due to roll across the specialty product line at 8 a.m. today, Simplot spokesman Fred Zerza said. Once the last spud is turned into a frozen potato product, Simplot employees will begin a four-shift cleaning and sanitizing schedule, which is to conclude at 4 p.m. Friday. The cleaning is an expanded version of the plant's regular two-shift cleaning schedule, which occurs every two weeks.

Once clean, all the equipment

will be tuned off, Zerza said. Simplot officials have no plans to remove the equipment at the Heyburn facility may be used as replacement parts at other company plants. Simplot personnel are still looking at the options for disposition of the property, Zerza said. There have been no decisions made about the future of the plant site.

Security guards will remain at the plant after it closes, he said.

Closing the plant hasn't been an easy process for Simplot managers, Zerza said.

"This is the part of Idaho where Jack Simplot, in his youth in the 1920s, started what was to become the Simplot company," Zerza said. Jack Simplot grew up in Declo.

"The Heyburn potato plant was the second plant built by Simplot and was very instrumental in propelling the company to a position of leadership in the potato processing industry.

"So the area and the plant have great sentimental value and its closure, while necessary, is regarded by everyone concerned as extremely unfortunate," Zerza said.

"This has to be one of the saddest chapters in the history of the Simplot company," he said. "It was a tough decision, but dictated by the need to maintain the health and competitiveness of our potato processing business under adverse market conditions.

"We recognize and regret the hardship this decision has caused our Heyburn employees, their families and many others in the Mini-Cassia region, including a local base of growers who supplied potatoes for the plant."

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California fires claim first firefighter

The Associated Press

Search for arsonists — C4

LAKE ARROWHEAD, Calif. — Firefighters struggled desperately Wednesday to save employees and towns in Southern California's San Bernardino Mountains as 200-foot walls of flame engulfed dead and dried-out trees.

In San Diego County, the state's largest fire claimed another victim when a firefighting crew was overcome by flames, killing one and injuring three. It marked the first firefighter death since the series of blazes began last week.

"It just swept right over them. They probably didn't have time to get out of the way," San Diego County Sheriff's Sgt. Conrad Grayson said.

The death toll later reached 20 after authorities said two people were

found dead Wednesday on an Indian reservation as the result of the same San Diego County fire.

In the San Bernardino Mountains east of Los Angeles, the hot, dry Santa Ana winds from the desert that had been whipping the fires into raging infernos eased Wednesday. But they gave way to stiff breezes off the ocean that pushed the flames up the canyon walls around evacuated mountain enclaves like Lake Arrowhead and Big Bear — towns that are among Southern California's most popular mountain playgrounds.

By early afternoon, homes were burning in the mountain community of Cedar Park. The flames were expected to hit the town of Running

Springs after crews weren't able to set backfires along a highway to protect the town. The fires also swept over mountain tops, forcing evacuations in parts of the high-desert town of Hesperia.

"There's fire on so many fronts, it's not even manageable at this point," said Chris Cade, a fire prevention technician with the U.S. Forest Service, as he watched a pillar of smoke he estimated at 9,000 feet rise into a hazy sky thick with ash. "I am at a loss what you can do about it."

The fires have burned more than 620,000 acres and destroyed 2,100 homes. More than 12,000 firefighters and support crew were fighting what Gov. Gray Davis said may be the worst and costliest disaster California has ever faced. He estimated the cost at \$2 billion so far.



A Tulare County firefighter defends a Summit Valley, Calif., home from the Old Fire on Wednesday.

Weather forecast for today, tonight, and tomorrow. Includes icons for sun, clouds, and rain. High 67, Low 19.

Weather forecast for tonight, Friday, Saturday, Sunday, and Monday. Includes icons for sun, clouds, and rain. High 67, Low 19.

Weather forecast for Sunday and Monday. Includes icons for sun, clouds, and rain. High 67, Low 19.

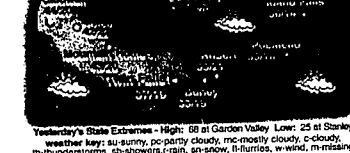
Weather forecast for Monday. Includes icons for sun, clouds, and rain. High 67, Low 19.

BOISE

Today: Mostly cloudy and chilly with breezy winds at times. Highs in the middle 30s. Tonight: Mostly cloudy and cold. Lows in the upper teens to near 20.

NORTHERN UTAH

Mostly cloudy skies, brisk winds and very cool temperatures are expected over the next few days. Winds will be quite strong at times, especially near Wasatch mountains.



Weather key: su-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, mc-mostly cloudy, c-cloudy, th-thunderstorms, sh-showers-rain, sn-snow, fl-flooding, m-mist

MOON PHASES

Temperature, Precipitation, Humidity, Barometric Pressure, Sunrise and Sunset. Includes various weather data points.

MOONRISE AND MOONSET

Table showing moonrise and moonset times for various cities.

WORLD FORECAST

Table with columns for City, Today, Tomorrow, High, Low, and other weather details for various international locations.

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CANADIAN FORECAST table with columns for City, Today, Tomorrow, High, Low.

Geomagnetic storm disrupts some airline communications

DENVER (AP)—The most powerful geomagnetic storm possible walloped the Earth early Wednesday, knocking out some airline communications but apparently causing no large power outages or other major problems.

system at about 5 million mph, taking just 19 hours to travel the 93 million miles from the sun to envelop the planet. Federal scientists said it collided with Earth's magnetic field at 1:13 a.m. EST on Wednesday, about 12 hours earlier than predicted.

The storm, the most disruptive to hit Earth since 1989, was unleashed by the fourth-most powerful solar flare ever seen, NASA said.

Such storms pose no direct threat to people on the ground because the Earth's thick atmosphere deflects and absorbs incoming charged particles. But the system may produce colorful auroras in the northern night sky visible as far south as El Paso, Texas, beginning late Wednesday.

The biggest immediate effect was the blackout of high-frequency voice-radio communications for planes flying far northern routes. But airlines in an emergency could still communicate through VHF contact with another aircraft or military monitoring station, said Louis Garneau, a spokesman for the company that handles Canada's civilian aviation navigation service.

The last time a GS storm hit Earth was in 1989, which damaged the power grid and caused electrical blackouts in the Canadian province of Quebec. "It is extremely rare to get this level of geomagnetic stormings," said Larry Combs, forecaster for the Space Weather Center at the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration in Boulder. "This is one of the strongest storms that we have received during this cycle."

The particle storm, measuring 10 times larger than Earth, was rated a G5, the highest intensity on scientists' scale of space weather. Space observers have measured G5 storms five times in the past 15 years, but few of them have hit Earth so directly.

There were few immediate reports of damage related to the geomagnetic storm. However, Combs said, "We know that our power grids are definitely feeling the effects of this." "That's because disruptions in the magnetic field caused by the incoming particles can induce power surges and other current fluctuations in electrical systems.

Trees

Continued from A1. Dave Kiesig, who teaches horticulture at the College of Southern Idaho, suggested collecting a few trees first time only. Licenses should be renewed free of charge if there were no complaints filed against a company, he said.

Other proposed ordinance changes include adding and expanding definitions of trees and related issues. Public trees might be redefined as those whose trunk is partially or wholly on public property or on rights-of-way. Private trees would have to be completely on private property. Public education is also a goal of the commission. Not enough people are aware of their respon-

branches are cut without regard to tree structure, leaving large stubs that don't heal. The tree commission wants to put a cap on the practice.

Recreation Director Dennis Boyer. Once the commission discusses concerns, members will discuss the changes with the City Council, which will have to approve the revisions. "Yes, we want to make the ordinance tougher," Boyer said. "We'll be the council back up. We don't know."

Schools

Continued from A1. cials, saying the funding formula only came about as "the result of a lot of tears and a lot of compromises." There is potential for a lot of damage should lawmakers make unilateral changes.

Coble and Lewis also told lawmakers that doing away with the early retirement incentive for teachers could cost school districts a lot of money.

ing her mainstream her mildly retarded students for fear their test scores will be too low on the Idaho Standards Achievement Test. The test is used to make sure students are achieving at grade level. It's also an exit exam for graduating from Idaho high schools in 2006.

egation to back off the requirement to test special education students and limited-English speaking students who have been in the United States for only a few weeks. Schaefer plans to complete his tour next week in the Treasure Valley.

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CORRECTION

Agencies propose to make pipeline permanent. A headline Wednesday incorrectly characterized the nature of a Sawtooth National Forest and Bureau of Land Management action involving the Goose Creek grazing pipeline.

Jobs

Continued from A1. Jorge Zavala, another co-owner, said: "We look forward to being an active member of this community and hopefully drawing other Hispanic businesses to the area."

About the company's planned Heyburn facility

• Site: 10,000-square-foot assembly plant in Centennial Industrial Park. • Investment: Coast to Coast will spend \$240,000 to build the Heyburn facility, plus pay to create displays on dealers' lots.

Jobs

kits for customers to assemble. tion of land helped seal the deal. Keith Couch, co-owner of Heyburn's Centennial Industrial Park, gave 4.5 acres to the incoming employer. He values the land at \$130,000.

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WILD CARDS advertisement for Wednesday, Oct. 29. Shows winning numbers and prize amounts.

PICKS advertisement for Tuesday, Oct. 28 and Wednesday, Oct. 29. Shows winning numbers and prize amounts.

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Anti-drug campaign targets Hispanic youth

WASHINGTON - A new anti-drug media campaign targeting Hispanic youth suggests parents to talk to children about the dangers of marijuana and other illegal drugs.

The initiative, announced Wednesday, will be partially funded by \$31 million in federal money for anti-drug efforts by the Office of National Drug Control Policy. The rest will come from public and private organizations.

The campaign focuses on the use of marijuana by Hispanic teenagers, who showed the highest rate of use among different ethnic groups and whites, according to a study done for the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

A booklet and other information can be obtained at the campaign's web site or an alternative Spanish-language website. The booklets also can be obtained by calling the National Clearinghouse for Alcohol and Drug Information at 800-788-2800 or in Spanish or 877-SIN-DRUGAS in Spanish.

After 20 years, court tosses ex-CIA officer's conviction

HOUSTON - A federal judge threw out the conviction of a former CIA operative who has spent 20 years in prison for selling arms to Libya, saying the government knowingly used false evidence against him.

Edward Wilson, 75, was convicted in 1983 of shipping 20 tons of C-4 plastic explosives to Libya - something he said he did to ingratiate himself with the Libyan government at the CIA request.

In a scathing opinion released Tuesday, U.S. Judge Lynn N. Hughes said the federal government failed to correct information about Wilson's service to the CIA that it admitted internally was false.

Defense attorney David Adler said the judge's decision ultimately could free Wilson from prison. However, the ruling's immediate effect was not clear because Wilson received prison time for two other convictions - including one for conspiring to have prosecutors killed.

Senators show support for NASA space plane

WASHINGTON - The Senate injected new life Wednesday into a long-running debate over America's future in space, urging NASA's top administrator - over objections by House lawmakers - to continue developing a space plane to ferry astronauts into orbit.

NASA Administrator Sean O'Keefe disclosed that the agency is considering plans to accelerate work on the space plane, NASA's most ambitious effort in decades. The space plane would carry astronauts, but not heavy equipment, to the International Space Station.

Last week, two leading members of the House Science Committee urged the U.S. government to end the spacecraft because of concerns about cost and its potential benefit because it was "too soon to know whether (the space plane) will significantly increase crew safety for missions to low-Earth orbit, and we believe that any crewed replacement vehicle will be judged by the extent to which it significantly improves safety."

But during a Senate hearing, O'Keefe outlined the importance of carrying astronauts into such low orbits as pivotal to driving America's longer-term space objectives.

FDA issues a second warning on new heart stent

WASHINGTON - More than 60 patients who received a popular new drug-coated heart stent have died, the government disclosed Wednesday - a surprising increase since the last health warning about the device just months ago.

The Cypher stent is a tiny metal scaffold used in patients with heart disease. It props open a cleaned-out artery and, unlike other stents, emits a drug to reduce the chances the artery will clog again.

But that drug doesn't prevent a different risk posed by all stents: blood clots that form around the device and can cause

Nation in brief

Heart attack - Cyber efforts began selling in April, and in July the Food and Drug Administration warned that it already had received reports of those "blood clots in 34 Cypher recipients, including five who died."

Study: Vegetative patients may have more awareness

CHICAGO - A small study suggests that some brain-damaged, vegetative patients may have greater awareness than doctors previously thought.

The findings could have a bearing on right-to-die cases such as the one involving Terri Schiavo, who suffered severe brain damage in 1990 and is the subject of a family dispute over whether she should remain alive.

The researcher who conducted the study said the results could lead to changes in how patients like Schiavo are diagnosed and treated.

Other scientists call the work provocative but far from proof, and say the findings would need to be duplicated in larger studies before they could be put into routine practice.

Dean campaign complains to rival Gephardt after fight

DES MOINES, Iowa - Democrat Howard Dean's presidential campaign complained to rival Dick Gephardt about an angry confrontation between staffers at an Iowa event.

The incident occurred during a Gephardt speech at a Des Moines, Iowa, senior center Tuesday. A Dean campaign worker got into an altercation with members of the Gephardt staff and was escorted from the event, according to Rod Boshart, a reporter for The Gazette, of Cedar Rapids.

Dean, the former Vermont governor, and Gephardt, the Missouri congressman, are atop the pack of Democrats campaigning for Iowa's leadoff precinct caucuses. Campaigns often send staffers to rival events to keep track of their opponents.

Sheriff: Columbine warning came years before shooting

GOLDEN, Colo. - Two students who gunned down 12 school-highly bragged about making pipe bombs and said they were looking for a "ground zero" two years before the bloodbath - and authorities knew it, the sheriff said Wednesday.

Authorities have said they knew about violent rants by Eric Harris and Dylan Klebold in 1998, a year before the shootings, and that a search warrant was not acted upon.

But Jefferson County Sheriff Ted Mink, who took office in July, said Wednesday that someone had called the sheriff's office a year earlier in 1997, to tip off authorities about a Web site run by Harris. A deputy investigated the tip and forwarded a report and printouts from the Web site to a sheriff's investigator in charge of computer-related crimes, Mink said.

The investigation of the Web site apparently stopped there, Mink said.

Jail escapees include man who kidnaped girl

RAEFORD, N.C. - Four inmates escaped from an understaffed county jail, including a man accused of kidnaping an 11-year-old girl who was pregnant with his child and holding her captive in Mexico for years, authorities said.

The four escaped late Tuesday from the Stokes County Jail annex. One was captured Wednesday and the others remained at large, authorities said.

Hector Noel Mojarrero Frausto, 23, is charged with kidnaping and statutory rape of the girl, who was pregnant with his daughter. She was missing from 1999 until this March, when she went to the U.S. consulate in Guadalajara, Mexico.

- compiled from wire reports

The 'Mission Accomplished' - but by whom?

WASHINGTON - The White House Wednesday denied that President Bush spoke misleadingly when he placed responsibility on the crew of an aircraft carrier for a "Mission Accomplished" banner that tumbled above him as he proclaimed victory in Iraq.

White House spokesman Scott McClellan defended Bush's words in the May 1 televised speech from the deck of the Abraham Lincoln, saying the president had warned that dangers lay ahead in Iraq.

During a news conference on Tuesday, Bush said that the banner was erected by the ship's crew and that its message referred only to the end of their lengthy tour of duty in the Persian Gulf. "I know it was attributed somehow to some ingenious advance man from my staff," he said. "They weren't that ingenious, by the way."

But Bush staffers later said the White House had arranged for production of the banner and had okayed its presence on the ship during Bush's visit.

Wednesday, McClellan acknowledged that White House staffers routinely exercise tight control over the environment of a presidential appearance, especially when it will be televised.

Panel votes to increase funding for Head Start

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON - Democratic senators on Wednesday joined their Republican colleagues in voting to increase funds for Head Start, the preschool program for poor children dating to President Lyndon Johnson's "Great Society" that has been the focus of intense ideological debate over the last few months.

The 21-9 vote by a Senate committee charged with marking up the legislation contrasted with a hard-fought 217-216 vote last July in the House. Democrats depicted the Senate version of the bill as preferable to the House version because it would preserve the principle of direct federal funding of early-education programs, rather than channeling some of the money through the states.

Some child advocacy groups have accused the Bush administration of seeking to radically revamp, or even dismantle, Head Start, which has helped more than 21 million poor preschoolers since its inception in 1965. They have also expressed concern about the extension of standardized testing to 4-year-old children under new accountability guidelines similar to those already introduced for older students under the No Child Left Behind legislation.

Survey: Women are happier than men

Knights Ridder New Service

WASHINGTON - All around the world, in rich nations and poor ones, women are happier with their lives than men are, although men are more optimistic about the future, according to a survey released Wednesday.

The gap between men and women is not limited to happiness and optimism and reflects differing perspectives on life, according to the Pew Research Center for People and the Press, which oversaw 38,000 interviews in 44 countries. In 26 of the countries surveyed, more women said that they had seen progress in their lives, compared with five years ago.

Administration eyes shifting forces from weapons hunt to security

WASHINGTON (AP) - American forces might have to cut the number of intelligence officers searching for weapons of mass destruction in Iraq and reassign them to a search for the culprits behind a wave of deadly attacks.

Defense and intelligence officials said Wednesday the idea has been debated by senior administration officials for several weeks, during which attacks against U.S. troops, international organizations and Iraqis have spiraled up to an average of nearly three dozen a day.

In a possible intelligence breakthrough, two captured members of an al-Qaida-linked terrorist group said attacks against Americans were being coordinated by a top confidant of Saddam Hussein, a senior defense official said Wednesday.

The two members of Ansar al-Islam said Izzat Ibrahim al-Douri, who is No. 6 on the list of 55 most wanted Iraqis, was coordinating attacks with them, the official said. The information from the

Two more killed - A4

The number of U.S. troops killed in Iraq before and since May 1, when President Bush declared an end to major military operations there:

Deaths	Before		Total
	May 1	May 1	
Hostile	114	117	231
Non-hostile	24	102	126
Total	138	219	357

NOTE: Figures are as of 10 a.m. EST on Wednesday.

SOURCE: Department of Defense, AF

captured fighters is the first solid indication that foreign fighters and Saddam loyalists are working together to fight Americans in

Iraq, said the official, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

Military commanders have said for months they believe the attackers include members of the former Iraqi regime, foreign fighters and common criminals. But they have yet to solve any of the major bombings that began in August, and say they need more intelligence resources to identify and stop those involved.

The need for personnel and other intelligence resources in the U.S. government has multiplied dramatically with the global war on terrorism and the campaign in Iraq.

More analysts, linguists and other intelligence specialists are needed, officials said. Pentagon, CIA and other top officials have been unable to agree on whether to reassign some of the 1,400 people working on the so-far unsuccessful search for stockpiles of unconventional weapons, said three officials speaking on condition of anonymity.

Lawmakers reach deal on Iraq funding

WASHINGTON (AP) - Congressional negotiators agreed Wednesday on an \$87.5 billion aid package for Iraq and Afghanistan that meets a White House demand that none of the money be provided as loans.

Despite rising criticism in Congress over the handling of the war, the package worked out by House-Senate negotiators largely resembles the proposal submitted by President Bush. The House and Senate are expected to act quickly to give the bill final approval before it goes to Bush for his signature.

But both Republicans and Democrats expressed frustration over what they described as the White House's disdainful treatment of Congress on Iraq.

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Simplot

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Simplot will not contract for potatoes in Mexico next year, Zera said. Existing long-term contracts with growers will be honored until the contracts expire. But no plans are in place to again buy potatoes in this region.

"The reason has nothing to do with quality - they are probably the best we have. It simply has to do with freight costs to our other sites," he said.

Market conditions in the frozen potato product industry have not improved in the last 18 months, Zera said.

"The supply-demand situation remains tenuous," he said. By cutting back on potato consumption, processing companies will continue to closely evaluate their operations.

About 900,000 hundredweight - 90 million pounds - of potatoes remain at the Heyburn plant, Zera said. The potatoes will be trucked to Simplot's plants in Caldwell and Nampa for processing this season.

In addition to that supply of potatoes, Simplot has an oversupply of raw product, giving current market conditions, Zera said. That overstock and the start-up of the new Simplot plant in Portage, Ia. Prairie, Manitoba, Canada, resulted in the September closure of a french fry line at the Caldwell plant. Two specialty lines and another french fry line at that plant continue to operate.

Simplot's newest plant in Canada opened this fall. The remaining 264 employees have the option to attend a one-hour meeting Saturday "at which time some awards will be presented and employees will be thanked for their service to the end of this process," Zera said.

By attending Saturday's meeting, employees will be eligible for company-paid medical benefits for the full month of November, he said. That also extends their Cobra eligibility for another month.

Employees are also now able to take advantage of an enhanced pension benefit some three months early, Zera said. In negotiations with the union, Simplot officials agreed to move that benefit forward to Nov. 1. It results in increased pay at retirement for employees who are eligible in the future, he said.

This final phase of the plant's closure means 244 hourly employees lose their jobs and 20 salaried people will be laid off. For the next two to four weeks, seven salaried and 15 hourly employees will continue to work at the plant, Zera said, "to wrap up some of the maintenance functions." Those employees will focus on the plant's registration equipment, environmental maintenance and record-keeping.

Environmental Supervisor Cliff Lough is responsible for post-closure projects and will continue to work through the end of 2003.

Since May 2002, when the plant closure announcement was made, eight salaried employees have or will transfer to other jobs with Simplot. Other salaried employees have left or been laid off in the last year and a half, Zera said. In May 2002 there were 44 salaried employees at the plant. Salaried workers received severance packages, but no such packages were offered hourly workers.

Hourly workers who stayed with the company until this week will receive an "appreciation bonus" based on percent of the scheduled hours they worked in the last five months. That bonus should average about \$1,000 a person for production employees and more for maintenance and craft employees, he said.

U.S. soldiers die as Iraq attacks increase

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) - Two American soldiers were killed when their Abrams battle tank was damaged by resistance fighters, as the number of attacks on coalition forces jumped to 33 a day in the past week, U.S. officials said Wednesday.

The latest deaths bring to 117 the number of American soldiers killed in combat in Iraq since President Bush declared an end to major fighting on May 1, according to Department of Defense figures. A total of 114 U.S. soldiers died in the active combat phase, which began March 20.

Meanwhile, seven Ukrainian troops were wounded in the first ambush of a multinational unit in the Polish sector south of Baghdad, coalition officials said.

In Baghdad, Col. William Darby said the average number of anti-U.S. attacks had reached 33 a day in the past week. This is more than a 50 percent increase over levels of early September. By mid-October that number, reported by the U.S. command here, had reached about 25 a day.

The Abrams tank was disabled when it was struck by a land mine or a roadside bomb Tuesday night during a patrol near Balad, 45 miles north of Baghdad, said Maj. Joseph Aberle, a spokesman for the 4th Infantry Division. A third crewman was evacuated to a U.S. hospital in Germany, she said.

It was the first M1 Abrams main battle tank destroyed since the end of major combat May 1, military officials said. During the

active combat phase, several of the 68-ton vehicles - the mainstay of the U.S. Army's armored forces - were disabled in combat.

The latest attacks, including a nighttime mortar barrage in Baghdad, followed a day of violence in which insurgents targeted American forces and Iraqis who work with the occupation authorities. U.S. officials also announced that Baghdad's Deputy Mayor Faris Abdul Rasaaq al-Asaam was killed Sunday in a drive-by shooting.

On Wednesday, Baghdad police commander Maj. Gen. Hassan al-Obeidi announced new measures, including additional 24-hour checkpoints and special patrols, to heighten security in the capital, according to coalition-run Iraq television.

Attacks on the rice

Attacks on coalition forces jumped to an average of 33 a day in the past week. Two U.S. soldiers were killed when their Abrams battle tank struck a land mine or roadside bomb. Gunmen ambushed seven Ukrainian troops after two armored personnel carriers hit land mines.



SOURCES: Associated Press; EBRI

SIBLING REVELRY



Lorea Vitale, 11, facing camera, a fifth-grader at Washington Elementary School, hugs her sister, Tina, during her big sister's surprise visit to Lorea's school Tuesday in Washington Township, Ohio. Tina Vitale is on a 10-day leave from serving in Iraq. Vitale was deployed to Iraq on May 15.

White House extends Iraq contract for Halliburton

WASHINGTON (AP) - Citing new damage to Iraq's oil industry from saboteurs, the Bush administration Wednesday delayed its planned replacement of a lucrative no-bid contract that was awarded to Halliburton - Vice President Dick Cheney's former company.

Halliburton, paid \$1.59 billion so far, could stay on the job until early next year under the new schedule announced by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

The Corps, which supervises the reconstruction, already has received competitive bids for replacement contracts, but needs revised proposals that reflect the additional work that will be needed.

The anticipated workload has increased because of "continued sabotage ... plus the need to provide additional security," the Corps said.

The new schedule calls for selection of the winning bidders in either December or January, although the Corps said it hoped to award the contracts in December.



President Bush and Vice President Cheney walk from the Oval Office of the White House Wednesday.



Pet of the Week

Americans preach tolerance to Iraqi police

By Marlam Fann Associated Press writer

MOSUL, Iraq - When the U.S. Protestant chaplain finished explaining to Iraqi police the need to enforce only government laws in a religiously mixed city, one of the trainees asked: "If you believe in Jesus...then how come you don't apply the laws he passed?"

"I believe if God tells me I must do something then I must do it," replied Capt. David Arredondo, "however, in a free country, you have the state who rules."

That is a concept that can be hard to accept in a culture where the dominant religion, Islam, provides a detailed set of everyday rules which Muslims believe was handed down by God. U.S. concepts of separation of religion and the state are not widely accepted in the Middle East.

Mosul, however, is home to Sunni Muslim Arabs, Kurds, Christians, ethnic Turks and others. U.S. occupation authorities are trying to promote cultural and religious sensitivities among Iraqis who will be solely responsible for security here once the Americans have gone.

equality, rights of the people." However, the task isn't easy, especially when teacher and student come from such widely differing cultures. Nevertheless, the Americans say the Iraqis are open to the ideas and acknowledge many in Mosul are already tolerant of others.

"I think that it's having a good impact on the rebuilding of the police department, which in turn will help rebuild Mosul and eventually rebuild Iraq," Lt. Col. Donald Lockard, who supervises instruction at the Interim Police Academy, said of the sensitivity class.

However, it was clear that in Arredondo's lecture, some police men couldn't accept all the ideas thrown at them. After class, policemen surrounded Arredondo to continue the discussion, or huddled among themselves.

"Criminal laws were made by man, but God created man who made the laws," policeman Falah Jasim said. "Should we cut the hands of a robber? Yes. God is the

most merciful. This is called deterrence."

During his lecture, Arredondo made no attempt to change anyone's mind about the validity of his own religion. The idea of the course is to encourage a sense of tolerance in dealing with people of different faiths.

"As police officers your duty is to enforce the criminal law and not religious law because we want to ensure the safety of the people," he said. "The state in a free society takes precedence and overrides religious law."

Arredondo, dressed in full military uniform with his glasses perched on his nose, pointed to a table full of candies - some white, others green, yellow and red.

"These candies all represent different religions," he told about 30 students. "We have winter green and peppermint right here, Sunni and Shiite. There are a few Christians, Protestants; and then we have some Christians over here, Catholics, maybe Orthodox and other churches within our

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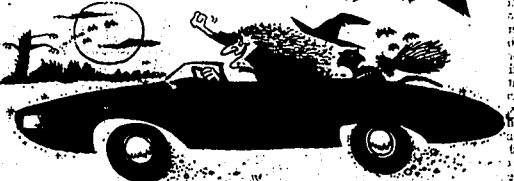
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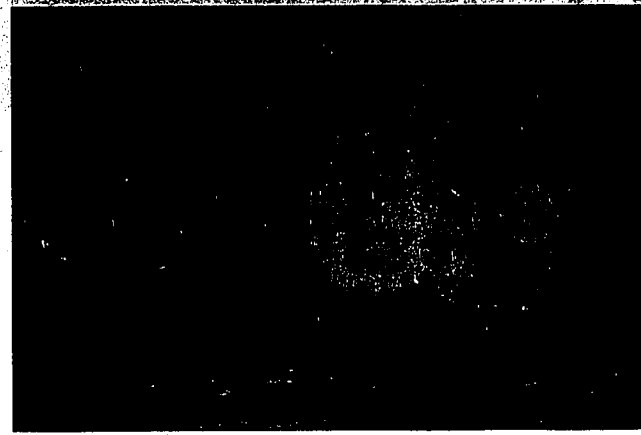


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LIFE AMONG THE RUINS



Children play in a destroyed neighborhood in Kabul, Afghanistan, on Tuesday.

Report: Opium threatens Afghanistan

VIENNA, Austria - Afghanistan, the world's leading opium producer, risks becoming a "failed state" if it doesn't curb its rising trade in illicit narcotics, the U.N. drug agency warned Wednesday. Afghanistan produces three-quarters of the world's illicit opium - the raw material for heroin - and two-thirds of all opiate abusers use drugs of Afghan origin, according to a new survey by the Vienna-based U.N. Office on Drugs and Crime. Provincial administrators, military commanders and terrorists all take a considerable share, the agency's director, Antonio Marja Costa, said in an executive summary of the report. Afghan opium farmers and traffickers brought home about \$2.3 billion, or about half of the country's legitimate gross domestic product in 2003, the report said. To battle the problem, the country must take "energetic measures" to "repress the traffickers, dismantle the heroin labs, and destroy the terrorists and warlords' stake in the opium economy - thus enabling the legitimate economy and the constitutional process to move forward," Costa said.

CIA contractors died in 'most evil place in Afghanistan' KABUL, Afghanistan - Two mountainous region where two

World in brief CIA operatives were killed on the Pakistani border often seen the heaviest combat in the country, treacherous ground for al-Qaida marauders that the U.S. military calls "the most evil place in Afghanistan." The CIA said Tuesday that William Carlson, 43, of Southern Pines, N.C., and Christopher Glenn Mueller, 32, of San Diego were ambushed and killed Saturday near the village in Shkin in Paktika province while "tracking terrorists." The ambush happened on the same day and in the same area as a six-hour firefight where U.S.-led coalition forces and Afghan militia killed 18 fighters. Six Afghan militia were wounded in the fighting, where coalition warplanes and helicopters were called in for airstrikes. The base at Shkin, 135 miles south of Kabul, is the most forward position for U.S. forces in Afghanistan, U.S. military spokesman Col. Rodney Davis said Wednesday, making it a natural target for those opposed to the American presence. The terrain is also some of the most challenging for soldiers, with mountain peaks rising as high as 11,000 feet and harsh weather conditions.

Pakistan welcomes India's offers to improve relations ISLAMABAD, Pakistan - Pakistan kept up the momentum toward peace with India on Wednesday, offering its own list of steps to improve relations and open the long-locked frontier in disputed Kashmir to civilian traffic - but only with United Nations monitoring. Foreign Secretary Riaz Khokhar acknowledged the measures each side has put forth were "piecemeal proposals," noting they sidestep a political solution on Kashmir which he called "the cancer and the poison" between the nuclear-armed rivals. Khokhar urged India to reconsider its rejection of broad-ranging political talks, but he did not make the confidence-building measures conditional on such talks, and welcomed most of India's 12-point proposal. Last week, New Delhi announced a series of proposals to ease tensions with Pakistan after a December 2001 attack on India's parliament brought the South Asian neighbors to the brink of war. India accused Pakistan of sponsoring the attack, a charge Islamabad denied. - compiled from wire reports

Nobel winner credits jailed Iranians

TEHRAN, Iran (AP) - Nobel Peace Prize winner Shirin Ebadi said Wednesday she owes her award to those jailed here for their beliefs by Islamic hard-liners and to the example set by a sixth century B.C. pioneer of human rights in Persia. Earlier this month, Ebadi, a lawyer and rights campaigner, became the first Muslim woman to win the Nobel Peace Prize. Since then, Iranian reformers have looked to her to rally opposition to hard-liners who say the country's cleric-controlled system of government cannot be changed. After a speech Wednesday that drew wild applause from over 1,000 students at Amir Kabir University, Ebadi made a small but telling gesture: shaking hands with two men, Habibollah Tajman and Mohammad Maleki, both prominent dissidents. Under Iran's Islamic-inspired laws, it is a crime for men and women who are not related to shake hands in public. Possible punishments range from jail to flogging.

guilty last year on charges of divulging state secrets and illegal possession of a firearm after speaking out about the murders of Iranian dissidents. He is serving a five-year sentence. Dozens of political activists, journalists and others have been jailed on vague charges of working against the Islamic establishment. Ebadi herself was convicted in a closed trial three years ago of slandering government officials. She spent three weeks in jail before being given a suspended sentence.

"The road to the peace prize was also paved through the pain and suffering of people who have spent many years in jail because of their beliefs... long live all those who paved this road," Ebadi said Wednesday. She added the road to her Nobel was "paved by our ancestors, including Cyrus the Great, and his Charter of Human Rights," referring to an ancient document by the king of Persia, precursor of what is now Iran, who founded his dynasty in 550 B.C. "When the world was under suppression and the most powerful emperor of the world undertook not to oppress his people and not to impose his views on his nation... We are the children of that emperor," Ebadi said.



Shirin Ebadi

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EDITORIAL

Measure education with results, not just input

A new teacher-quality study shows Idaho with an exceptionally high percentage of teachers meeting certification standards.

That's good, but certification is only the beginning of educational quality. It's not the goal.

Under the 2002 No Child Left Behind Act, states must assure by 2006 that all core-subject teachers meet requirements showing they are qualified. The standard usually is to have a bachelor's degree, state certification and demonstrated mastery of the subject.

Idaho was second in the nation, with 98.1 percent of educators meeting the "highly qualified" standard. Only Wisconsin was higher, with 98.6 percent.

Idaho's high percentage is a notable achievement for the state, but it isn't a true indicator of teaching prowess. Credentials have only limited value as a measurement of quality.

Moreover, definitions of "mastery" vary from state to state. Idaho law says a teacher must have a degree or pass a state skills test.

Regardless, the teacher training and certification that go into a classroom aren't the best way to measure educa-

tional quality. What really counts is the student achievement that comes out.

Just because an educator has a degree and has been certified by the state does not mean the teacher has a proven ability to teach. Even the national teachers union acknowledges this.

Our view: The quality of education is determined by what comes out of classrooms, not just the certification that goes in.

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

But having those credentials can't be the lone factor in measuring quality teaching. After years of funding increases and little progress on test scores, taxpayers want to see real results.

That's why measuring student achievement with testing should continue to play a bigger role in identifying the strengths and weaknesses of our schools. Student achievement should help districts identify those teachers who excel, as well as those who are not helping kids make the grade.

What goes into education is important. But to measure quality effectively, you have to focus on what comes out.

Put Iraq casualties in proper perspective

Listening to the gloomy news from Iraq, I can't help but wonder how today's news media might have covered D-Day. I can just imagine the story: "More than 8,000 Allied servicemen were wounded, 3,000 of them fatally, during an assault on Normandy beaches yesterday. Despite these heavy casualties, almost all of France remains under Nazi occupation."

MAX BOOT

The supreme Allied commander, Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, claimed that everything had gone according to plan, but a number of retired military officers suggested that the invasion is in grave danger of failing."

I don't want to make light of the casualty figures from Iraq or to minimize the dangers and challenges that U.S. troops face there. Every death is a tragedy, every service member lost is one too many. And it's not just Americans who are being murdered. Almost all the victims of Monday's car bombings in Baghdad were Iraqis.

But as awful as the car bombings and mortar attacks and roadside ambushes are, it's important to keep things in perspective, which is something the news media have a tough time doing. During the "major combat" phase in Iraq, which ended May 1, the United States lost 115 soldiers to enemy fire. Since May 1, we have lost 117 more. In fairness, it must be added that more than 700 have been wounded since May 1, many severely, and that dozens more have died from accidents or other causes. But so far, Saddam Hussein and his gang have killed just 228 Americans.

This isn't Vietnam (47,355 battle deaths). It's not even the Spanish-American War (385).



For purposes of comparison, I went to the Defense Department Web site that lists U.S. military deaths from all causes. Look at the figures and you see that 1,007 service people died last year, only 17 of them in combat (presumably in Afghanistan). The other 990 were victims of accidents (538), illness (178), suicide (130), homicide (46) and causes yet to be determined (98). Assuming that the noncombat death figures for this year will be roughly similar to last year's, it appears likely that far more service people will have died of accidents or illness than from Iraqi bullets and bombs.

Other national statistics add to the context. According to the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund, 114 police officers have died in the line of duty this year, almost exactly the number of service people who have been killed by Iraqi insurgents since May 1. And

more than 41,000 people are killed on the nation's highways every year, according to the Department of Transportation. So during the past six months, while more than 300 Americans were dying in Iraq, more than 20,000 were dying on the roads at home.

Clearly the amount of violence in Iraq is unacceptable, and more needs to be done to curtail it. The point is simply that the myopic media are focusing far too much on counting casualties and not enough on assessing the larger state of the campaign.

The frenzy reminds me of the way local TV newscasts cover major American cities: "If it bleeds, it leads." In general, the news is a catalog of horrors—child abuse, murder, celebrity rapes and other transgressions. No one bothers to announce: Oh, and by the way, millions of people went to work yesterday, ate lunch, came home, watched TV and went to sleep. That's not con-

sidered news, and rightly so when covering Los Angeles or New York.

But the fact that such normalcy is returning to Iraq is news. When I visited Iraq in August, I was surprised to see crowded streets where people were calmly going about their business.

Nothing in the media had prepared me for this. Since August, even more progress has been made. I was surprised to see electricity than it did under Saddam; yet after obsessively reporting on electricity woes during the summer, the news media are all but silent about how these concerns have been addressed.

By all means, report on terrorist attacks. But don't lose sight of the bigger picture.

Max Boot is a senior fellow at the Center for Foreign Relations and author of "The Savage Wars of Peace: Small Wars and the Rise of American Power."

Editorial missed facts on Amalgamated case

READER COMMENT Max Vaughn

The decision of the Board of Tax Appeals ruling in favor of Amalgamated was a result of new legislation that was retroactive to Jan. 1, 2003, which changed the burden of proof the taxpayer had to show in an appeal from clear and convincing to a preponderance of the evidence. Because of this change, the Board of Tax Appeals ruled in favor of Amalgamated's estimate of Market Value of \$52,926,489. In upholding the sugar company's value, the Board of Tax Appeals footnote states, "In fact, the level of value suggested by taxpayer likely approaches salvage value. The value for the four plants was barely higher than the new capital invested over the last five years. The percent good in the cost approach was minimal. These rock-bottom performance results would more normally be associ-

ated with inefficient operations, pending or actual plant closures, asset value write-downs or bankruptcy." This resulted in Amalgamated having a "salvage value" for tax purposes.

Taking districts can only increase their annual budgets from property tax dollars by 3 percent and any new construction. An increase in Amalgamated's assessment due to re-appraisal to achieve market value is none of these. It will not increase or decrease the amount of property tax revenue the taxing districts receive. If the assessed value of one property owner is increased or decreased over the other property owner, the effect merely shifts the property taxes to the other property owners.

In regard to the hefty property taxes paid by the farmers on their farmland, farmers already receive an exemption on land that is actively devoted to farming. Farm machinery was exempted from property taxes by the Legislature in 2001. Commercial and industrial properties are still taxed on personal property. All land is val-

ued for assessment purposes, with the exception of agricultural land, at full market value.

For the past six years, the assessors have negotiated in good faith but met with little success in regard to an assessment value that would be only fair to Amalgamated but the other property owners in the respective counties.

The move to go forward with an appeal by the counties with Amalgamated was not "short-sighted" and was pursued only after all avenues of negotiated settlement were exhausted. Administering the property tax laws is a difficult job. It becomes impossible when a newspaper that has the ability to influence public opinion renders one without the facts or a general understanding of the property tax system in the state of Idaho.

All evidence presented at the hearing is public record. If anyone would like to review the facts about the appeal, please contact me at my office.

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World War II: Larry served in the Army during the Korean Conflict (he is the only son of our sons have been in the military; Forrest was in the Navy and Wayne was in the Army, serving during

his career until an accident severed several fingers; Ken was in the Army. Jay, Allan and Robert all served during the Vietnam War in the Navy.

Allan and Robert both grew up in Twin Falls and attended schools here. Allan is retired from the military and lives in Wendell by his brother, Wayne. Robert lives in Boise. Of the Whitekield brothers, Forrest's sons, Les and Alvin, and a grandson, Peter, all served their country. Allan's son, Eric, is in the Army Reserves, and a son-in-law,

Carl, is in the Naval Reserves. Robert's son, Gerald, served in the Navy, and his son-in-law, Shane, is currently serving in Kuwait.

In my own family, my father, Arriel Green, served in the Army during World War II, and my two brothers, Larry and Lynn Green, were both in the military during the Vietnam War.

I feel it would be unjust to any one of my family not to include them in my newspaper of honor on Veterans' Day. Unfortunately, I am not inde-

pendently wealthy and cannot afford to include their pictures to be honored. I have honored them and this great country we live in by decorating a bedroom in our home with patriotic colors. Our family veterans and those serving now hold a place of honor on the wall. Everyone who visits my home comments on what a patriotic family we have. And you know what? We are. Patriotism is alive and well in the Whitekield family.
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Celebrating for the love of the dark

ELIZABETH HAND

A few years ago, I was walking home to where I lived on the west side of the city. It was late afternoon, a week before Halloween, one of those chilly, grey days when cracks of asphalt and broken bottles are hidden beneath oak leaves and horse chestnuts, and you can taste the air like Armagnac in the back of your mouth.

Suddenly a strange noise stopped me in my tracks. I looked around, saw no one, then turned and peered through a hedge to glimpse a very small boy, maybe 4 years old, standing all alone on top of a rock in a leaf-strewn yard. He was wearing a Dracula cape and fangs. As I watched, he lifted his arms, stilled, and began, in a very, very tentative voice to croon, "Boooooo... Boooooo..."

I observed him at vampire practice for a while, long enough to note that as the shadows grew longer, and night descended, that shaly little voice grew louder and more confident, until he was shouting, "BOOI!" at the top of his lungs.

I think that that little boy every year at this time. Part of it is recalling the intensity I felt as a child (and an adult) while in costume, the sheer exhilaration of being inside another's skin — so this is what it's like to be Dracula's Catwoman Marilyn Monroe — but also an accompanying terror: What if I can't get back to myself? There was also, though, something more primal — the sense that night was falling, and maybe not night but Night, when something might say, "Booi!" back to me. And did I really want to be out there facing that alone?

Halloween is one of my two favorite holidays. Like Christmas, it has always been a season for me, and not a mere day. But not a season measured by sales of candy and decorations, Wal-Mart and Martha Stewart notwithstanding. For me and everyone else in the Northern Hemisphere, the Halloween season is signaled by the dying of the light.

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the other — Faerie, the Land of the Dead — grows thin enough that a mortal might pass through to the other side. Once there you could become trapped: A single night might pass, but when — if you returned to our world, hundreds of years would have gone by; your home would have become unrecognizable, your loved ones would be dead, the face that met you in a mirror a skeletal vestige of your own. "Rip Van Winkle" is the most familiar American version of this tale, but its roots are deep and buried in the dark matter of myth.

Halloween isn't about Evil; it's about the Dark, about disguising ourselves and our most secret impulses so that, if we do suc-

ceed in momentarily passing through that veil to the Other Side, we won't be recognized or held accountable for what we do there. And I think that most of us do want to have a glimpse of what's down there in the dark, in spite of or because of our fears.

This is what today's schlock-and-gore-masters don't get: that down there in the basement, in the dark, there is a mystery, and not just hormonal teenagers and middle-aged faves hood. The English historian Ronald Hutton is a great debunker of Celtic mysteries — ley lines, Wiccan ceremonies, Druidic sacrifices, the provenance of many so-called ancient rituals that in fact are only a few hundred years old. But Hutton is surprisingly sympathetic to the neopagans themselves, and to the impulse that drives their belief — the impulse to lay claim to an ancient part of our psyche and acknowledge that, whether or not there is actually a veil between the worlds, it seems important for us to have a symbol of one. It's important to draw a line to separate the everyday from the mysterious, while still sanctioning our need to engage with the latter, whether by dressing up, rereading "The Monkey's Paw" for the hundredth time, or starting into a candle flame until things start to move at the corners of our eyes.

Halloween is our annual crisis of fear. Late autumn is when the earth tilts toward the dark and, seasonal creatures that we are, we feel it shift beneath our feet. Whether or not we like it — whether we're even aware of it while we're buying candy at the mall and worrying about our kids being out alone as night falls, our world moves in a circle, and we're part of the cycle.

This is the time of year to remember that; to go outside, all by yourself as the shadows are falling, and very, very quietly practice saying, "Boo."

Elizabeth Hand is a novelist living on the coast of Maine whose favorite ghost story for Halloween is the classic 1911 tale "The Beckoning Fair One" by British Gothic writer Oliver Onions.

LETTERS

Rupert city leaders make progress, but can improve

Some thoughts and questions about Rupert City government. Many of us do not know who told police not to enforce the law. Some of us would like to know because it certainly isn't in the interest of public safety.

The only way to run a police department is to hire a good chief and let him or her direct the department. One City Council member should be appointed police commissioner as a go-between between police and city government.

Mrs. Mewert will probably be re-elected, but whoever our mayor is, please, please do away with the Citizens Advisory Committee. Having a dozen or more people snooping in city personnel business is not appropriate; rumors and gossip are not conducive to good government.

A well-trained police officer should be paid more than a plumber or department head. If City Council members can't give necessary time from their jobs and business to take care of the city businesses that they were elected and paid to do, then they should resign.

Rupert City government should be commended for the works toward a new sewer plan, downtown restoration and good maintenance on electric and water services, but there is plenty of room for improvement in

other areas. LAWRENCE HOLLER, Rupert

Craig provided solutions for Kimberly Road issue

I am supporting incumbent Twin Falls City Councilman Trip Craig in his bid for re-election on Nov. 4.

Councilman Craig is a very approachable person, and he attends many functions within the city of Twin Falls. This combination makes him accessible to us, the community members he serves. I have talked with Trip on numerous occasions and found him to be a fiscal conservative with our tax money.

When some concerned citizens approached the city of Twin Falls about the growing traffic hazard along Kimberly Road, Trip took it upon himself to form a committee of affected citizens along Kimberly Road. This committee was able to give direct input into the decision-making process of the state, county and city officials. It was nice to have a chance for us, the affected citizens to have our ideas considered before final decisions were made affecting our individual properties. These meetings were the direct result of Trip's efforts to serve the people who elected him. I, for one, was very satisfied with the final plan for changes on Kimberly Road to make it safer for all of us who drive on it. Thanks, Trip, for putting forth

the effort to involve us, the affected citizens.

Because of my personal experience with Trip, I urge you to vote for Councilman Trip Craig on Nov. 4, 2003, an elected official who listens to us. JOHN HAIGHT, Twin Falls

Bohm works hard to improve Twin Falls

I am writing this in support of Wayne Bohm.

He is my best friend and husband for more than 40 years. Wayne is a sincere man who prides himself on always trying to do his best in any endeavor he takes on. He puts 110 percent of himself into the job. And City Council is a job.

Wayne loves Twin; we have raised our sons here, he built our business here. This is home. We have had many opportunities to move away, make more money, but living in Twin Falls is best place we have found.

Wayne volunteers and works hard to keep Twin Falls a great place for its citizens.

Please Vote Wayne Bohm on Nov. 4. DONNA BOHRN, Twin Falls

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LETTER

Public lands should be accessible for generations

In reading the article concerning the U.S. Forest Service being "warned and dangerous" in the paper on Friday, Oct. 24, I would like to thank you for bringing this injustice to the people! I have only one correction to make: In the photo caption, it is noted "Forest Service officials

are pressing Nevada's Shovel Brigade, headed by Eickhoff." I would like it known that I am not the leader of the "Shovel Brigade" nor am I a member of that group! And I had nothing to do with the advertisements referred to. I participated with them in the activities this last weekend solely on my own volition.

My intention is to keep our

public lands public so my family and others may enjoy the outdoors for generations to come! Please print a correction to this fact.

Thank you very much. JOHN EICKHOFF, Wendell

(Editor's note: The Times-News published a correction on Eickhoff's connection to the Shovel Brigade in Wednesday's paper.)

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WORLD

Rescuers find 11 of remaining trapped miners

By Sergal Vengavsky
Associated Press writer

NOVOSHAKHTINSK, Russia — Search crews blasted through solid rock to rescue 11 of 13 coal miners who emerged covered in soot Wednesday after six days trapped in a deep shaft in southern Russia. One miner died underground and another remained missing, emergency officials said.

Rescuers reached the men Wednesday morning after drills punched through to the pit face where the miners had sought refuge following a flood. Entering the chamber, the rescuers found a note scrawled on a ventilation pipe, showing in which direction the miners had moved, NTV television reported.

"The guys looked fine for people who have been trapped in a mine for six days. They came out themselves," said Alexander Smertalin, one of the rescuers. "They were found in the northern part of the mine. They were lying there all together."

Rescued miner Vasily Karlov said conditions had become increasingly desperate in the last hours before the rescue.

"We felt that the water level was rising and there was little oxygen and people were not feeling well," he said from a hospital bed.

"When we saw the rescuers, it was like the appearance of Christ before the people," said another of the rescued miners, Vasily Avdeyev.

"We had nothing to eat. I delivered a speech saying that a 20-day fast has not ever helped for the health," added Avdeyev, who was the mine's director and had been trapped with the others.

Smertalin said that the miners had climbed an incline to the shaft from the Zapadnaya mine that kept them above the level of the icy water. The missing miner apparently had left the others in hopes of finding a way out, and rescuers were continuing to search for him, officials said.

In spite of their ordeal, most of the miners walked out of the shaft on their own after being carried or led about 1.5 miles underground, emergency officials said. Black dust coated their faces and thick blankets were draped over their shoulders.

As the miners emerged from the shaft, relatives who had kept vigil outside the mine cried out their names. Doctors, policemen and rescue workers surrounded the men who were hustled into waiting ambulances, and some reached out to pat the miners on the back in a restrained show of relief.

The rescued miners' eyes looked blank; none whose faces were captured by waiting photographers cracked a smile.

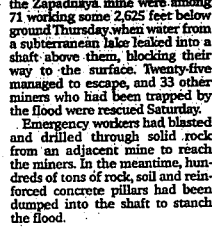
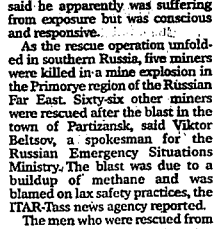
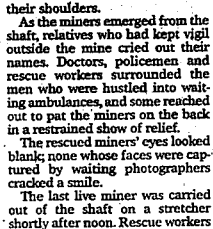
The last live miner was carried out of the shaft on a stretcher shortly after noon. Rescue workers said he apparently was suffering from exposure but was conscious and responsive.

As the rescue operation unfolded in southern Russia, five miners were killed in a mine explosion in the Primorye region of the Russian Far East. Sixty-six other miners were rescued after the blast in the town of Partizanski, said Viktor Beltsov, a spokesman for the Russian Emergency Situations Ministry. The blast was due to a buildup of methane and was blamed on lax safety practices, the ITAR-Tass news agency reported.

The men who were rescued from the Zapadnaya mine were among 71 working some 2,625 feet below ground Thursday when water from a subterranean lake leaked into a shaft above them, blocking their way to the surface. Twenty-five managed to escape, and 33 other miners who had been trapped by the flood were rescued Saturday.

Emergency workers had blasted and drilled through solid rock from an adjacent mine to reach the miners. In the meantime, hundreds of tons of rock, soil and reinforced concrete pillars had been dumped into the shaft to staunch the flood.

One of eleven rescued miners leaves a shaft in Novoshakhtinsk, Russia, Wednesday.



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Israeli army chief decries policy on Palestinians

JERUSALEM (AP) — The chief of the Israeli military harshly criticized his government's tough policy toward Palestinians, warning it could lead to desperation and a humanitarian crisis, Israeli media reported Wednesday.

The unusual public rift between the army chief and the defense minister reflects the frustration on both sides over the inability to bring three years of bloody conflict with the Palestinians to an end.

Columnists from three Israeli newspapers were called in for a briefing with "senior military officials," later identified by Israeli television and radio stations as Lt. Gen. Moshe Yaalon, the military chief of staff.

The newspapers said Yaalon warned that the heavy restrictions imposed in the West Bank by the military — at the orders of the Defense Ministry — could backfire. After twin suicide bombings last month, the army clamped a total closure on the West Bank, barring Palestinians from entering Israel, and also halted Palestinian traffic on West Bank roads, confining hundreds of thousands of people to their towns and villages.

Defense Minister Ehud Barak announced a slight easing of the restrictions Wednesday.

The military has repeatedly recommended the restrictions be eased significantly, the columnists wrote. "The senior military officers are worried by the possibility that maintaining widespread pressure on the Palestinian population will lead to a humanitarian crisis and increase Palestinian hatred of Israel," wrote Uzi Ben-Zion of the Haaretz daily.

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SPORTS

Thursday, October 30, 2003

Section B

Coming Friday

The football season comes down to a win for either Twin Falls or Idaho Falls.

The Times-News

MORNING LINE

SPORTSQUOTE

It looks un-American. It really does. It looks like a rigged deal.

—Sen. Joe Biden, D-Del, on the current structure of the college football Bowl Championship Series, to BCS representatives during a meeting Wednesday

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

High school football
2A State Playoffs
Glenns Ferry vs. North Fremont, at Holt Arena, Pocatello, 10 a.m.

Wendell vs. Soda Springs, at Holt Arena, Pocatello, 1 p.m.
High school volleyball
1A State Tournament, at Lewiston

Pool play (all times MST)
At Lewis-Clark State College
Dietrich vs. Clark Fork, 1:30 p.m.
Dietrich vs. Bonners Ferry, 4:30 p.m.
Dietrich vs. Troy, 7 p.m.
At Jenifer JHS
Shoshone vs. Genesee, noon
Shoshone vs. Council, 3 p.m.
Shoshone vs. Garden Valley, 7 p.m.

At Lewiston HS
Oakley vs. Kootenai, noon
Murtaugh vs. Highland-Craigmont, 1:30 p.m.
Murtaugh vs. Cambridge, 3 p.m.
Oakley vs. Rockland, 4:30 p.m.
Murtaugh vs. Mackay, 8:30 p.m.
Oakley vs. Horseshoe Bend, 8:30 p.m.

High school boys soccer
5A State Tournament, at Bannock Soccer Fields, Pocatello
Twin Falls vs. Coeur d'Alene, 1:30 p.m.

4A State Tournament, at Bannock Soccer Fields, Pocatello
Burley vs. Hillcrest, 11 a.m.
3A State Tournament, at Buhl Soccer Complex
Preston vs. Middleton, 12:30 p.m.
Wood River vs. Payette, 12:30 p.m.
Bonners Ferry vs. Snake River, 3 p.m.
Community School vs. Teton, 3 p.m.

High school girls soccer
4A State Tournament, at Bannock Soccer Fields, Pocatello
Burley vs. Hillcrest, 3:30 p.m.
3A State Tournament, at Buhl Soccer Complex
Preston vs. Payette, 12:30 p.m.
Wood River vs. Payette, 12:30 p.m.
Bonners Ferry vs. American Falls, 3 p.m.
Community School vs. North Fremont, 3 p.m.

IN BRIEF

CSI remains No. 3 in NJCAA poll

TWIN FALLS — The top four in the weekly National Junior College Association Division I volleyball poll remained unchanged for another week with 27-1 Miami-Dade College still ranked No. 1, followed by 25-1 Barton County (Kan.) Community College, the College of Southern Idaho (43-3) in third and undefeated Blinn (Texas) College (35-0) in fourth.

But the fifth through seventh rankings were stirred up by 27-6 Southwestern Illinois College's win over Southwest Missouri-West Plains (38-7) last week. The result is those two teams and Jefferson (Mo.) College (28-7) are all tied for fifth in the poll.

Candleridge Golf Course lowers rates for winter.
TWIN FALLS — The winter golf rates have been reduced at Candleridge Golf Course in Twin Falls. Starting Saturday through Feb. 29, the cost is \$5 for nine holes and \$10 all-day.

Soccer teams head to state with high hopes

By Joe Paisley
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The area's soccer teams head to their respective state soccer tournaments with measured, but still high hopes.

The Magic Valley's state tournament entrants include the Twin Falls High boys in Class 5A, the Burley boys and girls in Class 4A and the boys and girls teams from The Community School and Wood River in Class 3A.

The 5A and 4A boys and girls tourna-

State soccer tournaments

Area teams

• **Class 5A**, at Buhl High School
Wood River boys vs. Payette, 12:30 p.m.
Wood River girls vs. McCall-Donnelly, 12:30 p.m.

• **Class 4A**, Bannock fields, Pocatello
Burley boys vs. Blackfoot, 12 a.m.
Burley girls vs. Hillcrest, 3:30 p.m.
• **Class 3A** boys, Bannock fields, Pocatello
Twin Falls vs. Coeur d'Alene, 1 p.m.

ments are at the Bannock Soccer Fields in Pocatello while the 3A boys and girls will compete at the Buhl Soccer Complex near Buhl High School.

The Wood River boys and girls drew par-

ticularly tough first-round opponents. Both squads face two-time defending champions at 12:30 today.

Here is a breakdown by class for each tournament:

Class 3A

The match to watch today is the 12:30 p.m. showdown between two-time defending boys state champion Payette and District Four champion Wood River (16-3-1).

"Realistically speaking, that's the championship match right there," said The Community School coach Richard Whitelaw. "I don't know if the other coaches would agree with me, but you have the top teams with the best records and one will be knocked out."

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Jazz rally past Blazers

Kirilenko caps second-half surge in 99-92 victory

By Doug Alden
Associated Press writer

SALT LAKE CITY — The rebuilding Utah Jazz appear to have a good foundation so far.

Playing a season opener with neither John Stockton or Karl Malone in the starting lineup for the first time in 17 years, the Jazz rallied from a 13-point third quarter deficit and beat the Portland Trail Blazers 99-92 Wednesday night.

NBA inside

For a full NBA report, including a look at the debuts of LeBron James and Carmelo Anthony, please see Page B2

But we're going to surprise some people — like we did with those guys tonight," said Carlos Arroyo, who had 18 points and 13 assists in his second career start.

Arroyo has the unenviable task of replacing Stockton, the NBA career leader for assists and steals who retired last summer. If Arroyo was uncomfortable taking over for an icon, it didn't show.

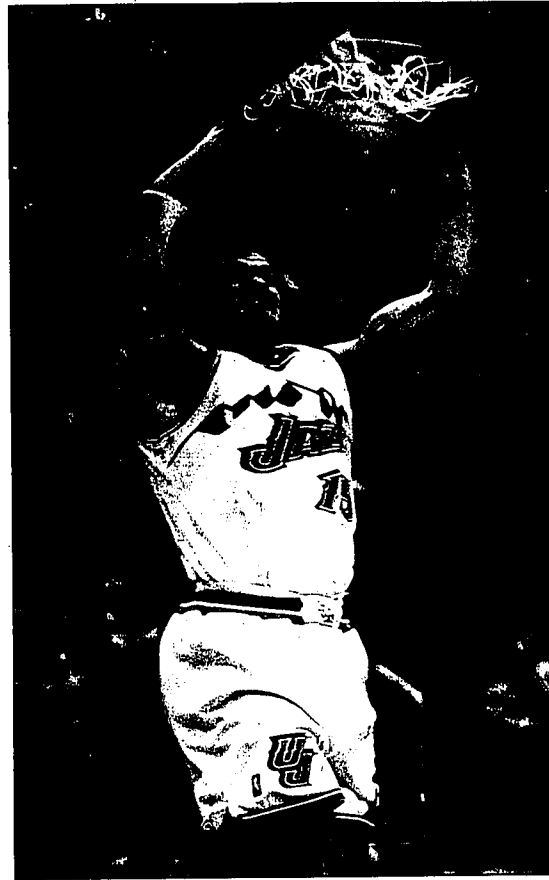
He calmly got the offense in sync in the third quarter, leading up to a torrid final 12 minutes when the Jazz hit 13 of 16 shots.

"To tell you the truth, I wasn't nervous," said Arroyo, who was 7-for-13 from the field. "I think this game let us know where we are at right now and let people know we're capable of winning some games."

First-round draft pick Sasha Pavlovic made his first four shots and scored 16 in his NBA debut. Raja Bell, who signed with Utah as a free agent this summer, also had 16 points, including a point-er that tied it and the go-ahead basket for a lead the Jazz never gave up.

Andrei Kirilenko finished with 16 points and seven rebounds and started a Utah celebration with 24

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Utah Jazz forward Matt Harpring dunks the ball during the first half of Utah's 99-92 win over the Portland Trail Blazers Wednesday in Salt Lake City.

BSU takes offensive prowess to Provo

The Associated Press

PROVO, Utah — With averages ranking in the top five nationally in passing, total offense and scoring, Boise State looks a bit like some of the Brigham Young teams of old.

It's the Broncos and not the host Cougars that have been outscoring opponents by nearly four touchdowns a game and are on top of their conference entering Thursday night's game at LaVell Edwards Stadium.

Even leading by 28 points may not be enough of a buffer against the Broncos (7-1), who average 517.9 yards of offense and 41.9 points per game while holding opponents to 15.9 points. Those are the kind of statistics BYU used to show before slumping the last two seasons.

It's also getting the Broncos some national recognition, although they have not cracked the national polls.

"We haven't hit the Top 25 yet and we're 7-1. We can show the world what Boise State is all about," said Boise State quarterback Ryan Dinwiddie, who has thrown for 2,609 yards and 68 touchdowns while completing 62 percent of his passes.

A 77-14 win over San Jose State last week kept the Broncos on top in the Western Athletic Conference and set a school record for points. The previous mark was set in a 74-0 win over Humboldt State in 1986.

The Bronco Defense is also playing well, allowing just 15.9 points and 75.5 rushing yards per game. Boise State has one shutout and has held two other opponents to no touchdown or less.

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Gooding rides streak into tourney

Senators could face Wood River again in second round

By Kevin Hall
Times-News writer

Still trying to get over the thrill of beating nemesis Wood River twice for the Class 3A District Four championship, the Gooding Senators hope to keep their winning streak going at Friday's start to the 3A Idaho Volleyball Tournament at Lake City High School in Coeur d'Alene.

The Senators (18-3) open with Priest River (13-11) at 12:30 p.m. In their first-round matches: District Three champion Middleton (20-5) meets District Six runner-up South Fremont (12-7) at 9:30 a.m.; District One-Two District Six champion Sugar-Salem (24-5) at 11 a.m.; and Wood River (28-12) faces District Five champion Marsh Valley (25-6) at 2 p.m.

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Jerome jays rest of field in gunning for Sandpoint

Undeclared Lady Bulldogs host 4A tourney

By Eric Larsen
Times-News writer

Talk about home court advantage. Undeclared and defending state champion the Sandpoint Lady Bulldogs will sleep in their own beds, eat home-cooked meals, and generally enjoy themselves as the rest of the participants in this year's Class 4A Idaho Volleyball Tournament teams schlep their luggage and their championship dreams up to the Funhandle for the start of Friday's two-round bracket play at Sandpoint High School.

Not like the Lady Bulldogs needed the help of hosting either. With a 32-0 record that includes wins over Moscow, Lake City, Coeur d'Alene, and Class 5A tournament favorite Idaho Falls, there might not be a team in the Northwest, let alone Idaho, that could come into Sandpoint and hang with coach Jamie Foncho's Lady Bulldogs, who open with Bishop Kelly.

Led by 2002-03 Gatorade Idaho Player of the Year and three-time, all-state outside hitter Amy Dyeck, a 5-foot-10 senior bound for the University of Arizona, Sandpoint brings talent, experience, and a hunger to accomplish its first perfect season in the program's history.

The defending state champions are vying for their third title in four years, but will face the pressure of defending both their homecourt and their championship in a state tournament some are calling "The Sandpoint Invitational."

3A state tournament

at Lake City High School
Friday's first-round pairings
All Times MST

• Middleton (20-5) vs. South Fremont (12-7), 9:30 a.m.
• Timberlake (18-8) vs. Sugar-Salem (24-5), 11 a.m.
• Gooding (18-3) vs. Priest River (13-11), 12:30 p.m.
• Marsh Valley (25-6) vs. Wood River (28-12), 2 p.m.

Wood River's Rachel Richards (left) is a rarity on the Wood River volleyball team as she is only one of two juniors on a team that has seven seniors. The Wolverines, along with Gooding, open the 3A state volleyball tournament Friday in Coeur d'Alene.

titles from 1997-2001, and was third last year. Gooding and Wood River, which have already met five times this season with the Wolverines holding a 3-2 advantage, could meet in the second round if both either win or lose. But for the moment, the Senators are enjoying their first trip to the state's elite eight since 1994, when they took third. That

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4A state tournament

at Sandpoint High School
Friday's first-round pairings
All Times MST

• Century (32-8) vs. Hillcrest (25-9), 9:30 a.m.
• Sandpoint (32-0) vs. Bishop Kelly (19-4), 11 a.m.
• Emmett (14-8) vs. Jerome (12-12), 12:30 p.m.
• Bonanza (31-6) vs. Moscow (24-5), 2 p.m.

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SPORTS

Lemieux joins 1,700-point club in tie with Islanders

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Mario Lemieux became the sixth player in NHL history with 1,700 points on an assist that started a four-goal run by Pittsburgh, but the New York Islanders scored twice in the third period for a 4-4 tie Wednesday night.

With the Islanders up 2-0 late in the first, Lemieux took Konstantin Koltsov's pass along the right wing boards, slipped the puck between the legs of defenseman Janne Niinimäen, then made a backhand pass to the slot to Dick Tomarkoff for his second goal of the season.

Lemieux joins Wayne Gretzky (2,857), Gordie Howe (1,850), Mark Messier (1,847), Marcel Dionne (1,771) and

Carolina Hurricanes captain Ron Francis (1,768) on the 1,700-point list. Only Gretzky reached the mark faster than Lemieux.

Trailing 4-2 in the third, the Islanders scored twice in a span of 2:48 to tie it as Jason Blew got his third of the season and Markus Ekstrand evened it with his eighth at 11:13 of the period.

Blues 6, Red Wings 5

DETROIT — Doug Weight had the second three-goal game of his career and Dallas Drake collected five assists as St. Louis ended Detroit's club record 15-game home winning streak.

Red Wings goalie Dominik Hasek

allowed four goals on St. Louis' first 13 shots and was pulled early in the second period.

Peter Sejna added two power-play goals for St. Louis, Keith Tkachuk had a power-play goal and Mike Danton had two assists.

For the Red Wings, Brett Hull scored the 718th goal of his career — breaking a tie with Phil Esposito for fourth place on the NHL's all-time scoring list.

Stars 4, Flames 3, OT

DALLAS — Jason Arnott scored 17 seconds into overtime and Bill Guerin had three goals as the Dallas Stars rallied from a two-goal third-period deficit for a 4-3 victory over the Calgary Flames on

Wednesday night.

Seconds after the overtime faceoff, Dallas' Brendan Morrow got to the net from the left side, where his shot was stopped by Calgary goalie Darryl Sloburkin, who was making his NHL debut.

But Arnott was set up in the slot and knocked the rebound past Sabourin, who had 24 saves.

Oleg Saprykin and Chuck Kobasew scored for the Flames in a span of 4:44 the second period to chase Dallas goaltender Marty Turco.

Flyers 5, Panthers 1

PHILADELPHIA — Michael Handzus and Joni Pitkanen each had a goal and

assist and Robert Esche stopped 21 shots for Philadelphia.

Justin Williams, Jeremy Roenick and John LeClair also had goals for Philadelphia, off to a 4-3 start.

Viktor Kozlov scored for the Panthers, who have lost two of three.

Mighty Ducks 4, Capitals 2

WASHINGTON — Sergei Fedorov scored two goals and Martin Gerber made 23 saves for Anaheim.

The Capitals lost their sixth straight and are winless in eight game since an opening-day victory.

Jason Krog and Steve Rucchin also scored for the Ducks.

Anthony leads Nuggets win

DENVER — Carmelo Anthony had 12 points and seven rebounds in his NBA debut, leading the Denver Nuggets to an 80-72 win over the San Antonio Spurs on Wednesday night.

Andre Miller added 16 points, Earl Boykins 13 and Nene Hilario 12 for the Nuggets, who overcame poor shooting to knock off the defending NBA champions.

Denver shot 29 percent from the field, compared with 27 percent for the Spurs.

Tim Duncan had 17 points on 7-of-22 shooting and 21 rebounds for the San Antonio, which opened its season Tuesday night with an 83-82 win over Phoenix.

Magic 85, Knicks 83, OT

NEW YORK — Tracy McGrady scored half of his 26 points in the fourth quarter and overtime to rally the Orlando Magic to a season-opening 85-83 victory over the New York Knicks on Wednesday night.

Orlando forced overtime with a 10-0 run over the final 3:55 of regulation. The Magic made it a 15-point spurt by scoring the first five points of the extra session — punctuated by McGrady's 3-pointer with 3:47 left.

But the Knicks came back with six straight points, taking a 79-78 lead on Kurt Thomas' turnaround jumper.

Tyronn Lue responded with a 3-pointer that made it 81-79, and McGrady then made a huge defensive stop to block the final Houston jumper. That sent Gordon Gierick to a fast-break basket and three-point play that made it 84-79 with 1:46 remaining.

The Knicks had one last chance as Lue missed two free throws with 17 seconds left. But Howard Eisley and Thon both missed shots during the game's final possession.

Keith Van Horn scored 29 points and grabbed eight rebounds before fouling out while the Knicks held a 73-69 lead with 34 seconds left in regulation.

Pacers 89, Pistons 87

AUBURN HILLS, Mich. — Jermaine O'Neal had 22 points and 15 rebounds Wednesday night as the Indiana Pacers held on for a 89-87 victory over the Detroit Pistons, helping coach Rick Carlisle beat the team that fired him.

In the season opener for both clubs, Indiana led by 10 midway through the fourth quarter before a 13-2 run put Detroit ahead 87-86 with two minutes left. O'Neal scored a go-ahead basket with 1:41 to go and Jeff Foster made a free throw with 14.8 seconds remaining.

Detroit's Chauncey Billups and Mehmet Okur missed shots in the final second.

Ren Artest scored 21 points, Reggie Miller had 14 and Kenny Anderson added 10 for the Pacers.

Ben Wallace led the Pistons with 16 points, 17 rebounds, five steals and six blocks. Okur scored 17 off the bench. Tayshaun Prince had 16.

Timberwolves 95, Bucks 89

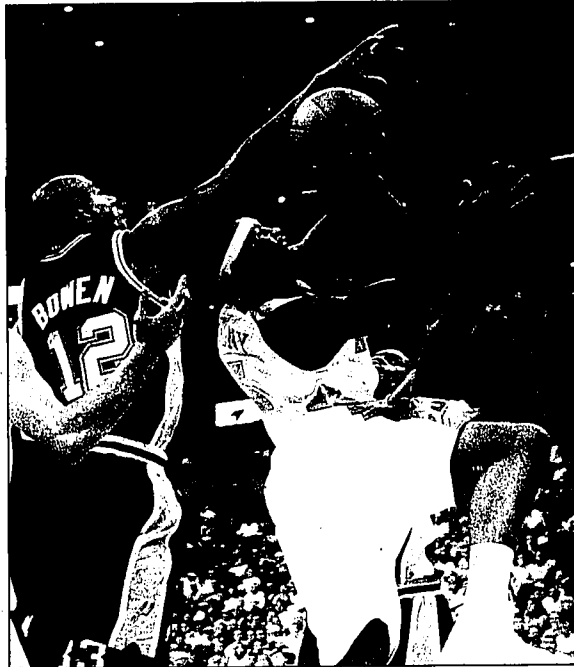
MINNEAPOLIS — Kevin Garnett had 25 points, 21 rebounds and six assists as the Minnesota Timberwolves hung on to beat the Milwaukee Bucks 95-89 Wednesday night in the season opener for two teams sporting a much different look.

Newcomer Scottie Cassell (18 points), Latrell Sprewell (15 points) and Michael Olowokandi (11 points, nine rebounds) helped out Garnett, as did holdover reserve Gary Trent (14 points).

Michael Redd and Desmond Mason each had 16 points for Milwaukee, playing their first game under rookie coach Terry Porter.

Wizards 99, Bulls 74

CHICAGO — Gilbert Arenas was a winner in his Washington debut, scoring 18 points and adding six assists in the Wizards' 99-74 victory



Nuggets rookie Carmelo Anthony tries to shoot against Spurs forward Bruce Bowen Wednesday during the Nuggets' 80-72 win over San Antonio in Denver.

over the Chicago Bulls on Wednesday night.

Larry Hughes added 20 points to lead six Washington players in double figures, and Eran Thomas had a double-double with 13 points and 13 rebounds.

The loss spoiled the homecoming of Scottie Pippen, who is back in a Bulls uniform for the first time since winning the 1996 NBA title.

Jalen Rose had 15 points to lead the Bulls, who shot less than 32 percent and tied the franchise record for worst defeat in a season opener. Pippen had seven points, seven rebounds and two assists.

Celtics 98, Heat 75

BOSTON — Paul Pierce scored 23 points and Boston made up for the absence of Antoine Walker by placing six scorers in double figures as the Celtics beat Miami.

Playing without their longtime co-captain, who was traded nine days before the season began, the Celtics got 15 points apiece from Ray Baker and Eric Williams, 12 each from Mike James and Raef LaFrenz and 10 from Tony Battie.

Eddie Jones had 22 points and eight rebounds for Miami, which was missing Lamar Odom.

Hornets 88, Hawks 83, OT

NEW ORLEANS — Darrell Armstrong scored 18 points and made an assortment of crucial plays in his New Orleans debut, lifting new coach Tim Floyd and the Hornets over the Atlanta

Hawks 88-83 in overtime Wednesday night.

David Wesley added 16 points, including a 3-pointer in overtime to spark a 7-0 run as the Hornets overcame a late 81-77 deficit. George Lynch, starting for injured All-Star Jamal Mashburn, added 14 points and 12 rebounds in the opener for both teams.

The game marked the first regular-season game for Floyd since December 2001, when he resigned as Chicago Bulls coach after a 49-190 stint in a little more than three seasons.

Stephen Jackson led Atlanta with 21 points.

Raptors 90, Nets 87

TORONTO — Vince Carter scored 25 of his 39 points in the second half as the Toronto Raptors rallied for a 90-87 victory over the New Jersey Nets in the season opener for both teams Wednesday night.

Carter, who played only 43 games last season because of injuries, almost single-handedly gave new Raptors coach Kevin O'Neill his first win.

Carter went 5-for-14 from the field in the first half, but finished 15-for-30. He also went 9-for-10 from the foul line for the Raptors, who hope to rebound from an injury-plagued 24-58 season.

Kenyon Martin had 26 points and 11 rebounds for the Eastern Conference champion Nets. Jason Kidd went 4-for-18 for 11 points and missed a 3-pointer that could have tied it at the buzzer.

Richard Jefferson shot 3-for-13 and scored 10.

Halladay tops MLB in statistical rankings

By Ronald Blum
Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — Toronto pitcher Roy Halladay was the top player in baseball this year, according to the annual statistical rankings released Wednesday by the Elias Sports Bureau.

Halladay, 27, with a 3.25 ERA, received a 98.476 rating on a scale of 100. Boston outfielder Manny Ramirez was second at 98.293, down from last year, when he became just the fifth player with a perfect score. Los Angeles reliever Eric Gagne was third at 97.347.

Halladay took over as the top AL starting pitcher from Oakland's Barry Zito, who dropped to second at 95.020. Zito was followed by Athletics teammate Mark Mulder (94.309) and Tim Hudson (91.855).

Ramirez was among the top three AL outfielders for the seventh time in eight seasons — he led designated hitters last year. Chicago's Magglio Ordonez (95.122) was among the top three for the third consecutive year and New York's Bernie Williams (90.976) was in the top three for the seventh straight season.

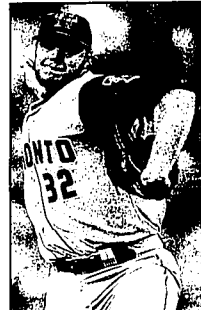
The flaws in the system, created as the result of the settlement of a 1995 strike, are evident in the rankings of AL relievers. Boston's Keith Foulke (91.464) was first, with Boston's Byung-Hyun Kim (89.828) second and the Yankees' Mariano Rivera (88.711) third.

While Rivera was first in wins plus saves, fourth in strikeouts per walk rate and fifth in ERA, he was 20th in relief appearances, 26th in innings and 26th in his per nine innings.

Following the departure of Ivan Rodriguez from Texas, the Yankees' Jorge Posada (88.940) led AL catchers for the first time. Toronto's Carlos Delgado (94.737) was the top AL first baseman for the second time, the first since 2000, taking over from the Yankees' Jason Giambi.

Seattle's Bret Boone (94.180) led second basemen for the second straight season, and Texas' Alex Rodriguez (96.273) led AL shortstops for the fifth consecutive year. Oakland's Eric Chavez (88.095) was No. 1 at third for the second year in a row.

Seattle's Edgar Martinez (87.500) was the top designated



Blue Jays pitcher Roy Halladay throws against the Orioles June 18. Halladay went 22-7 with a 3.25 ERA.

hitter, the seventh time in nine seasons he held or shared the top spot.

Ivan Rodriguez (86.842) took over from Paul Lo Duca at catcher, and Colorado's Todd Helton (95.217) led at first base for the fourth straight season. Montreal's Jose Vidro (91.705) replaced Jeff Kent at second base, and Edgar Renteria of the Cardinals (84.341) took over from Rich Aurilia at shortstop. St. Louis teammate Scott Rolen (92.381) led third basemen for the second straight year.

The Cardinals' Albert Pujols (96.642), Montreal's Vladimir Guerrero (95.789) and San Diego's Brian Giles (93.053) were the top three NL outfielders, replacing Barry Bonds, Lance Berkman and Sammy Sosa.

Arizona's Curt Schilling (96.769) led pitchers after finishing second to teammate Randy Johnson two years in a row, and the Big Unit (94.303) was second. Gagne replaced Houston's Octavio Dotel as the top reliever.

The rankings, which are based on statistics over two years, are used to decide whether players are Type A, B or C free agents, and what draft picks their former teams get as compensation if they sign elsewhere. The top 30 percent in each group get A ranking, the next 20 percent a B ranking and the group between 50 and 60 percent a C ranking.

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one-handed dunk in the final seconds before confetti fell from the rafters and the Jazz gathered for high fives and hugs in the lane in front of their best fans.

Utah's Harrington scored 14, and Greg Ostertag pulled down eight of his nine rebounds in the second half.

"I like to watch what those guys do after I tell them," Utah coach Jerry Sloan said. "We're going to make mistakes and we did make some mistakes, but we stayed in there."

Zach Randolph led Portland with 22 points, and Rasheed Wallace scored 21 for the Trail Blazers, who outrebounded Utah 40-29 but couldn't overcome the Jazz's shooting in the fourth quarter.

"I always know Jerry Sloan's teams are going to keep battling," Portland coach Maurice Cheeks said. "That's just what they do. I don't know at what point we lost

it. We had a timeout, up six points, and then just played a terrible fourth quarter."

Utah shot 58 percent (42-for-73) in the game, despite missing 11 of its first 19 attempts.

With Stockton retired after 19 seasons and Malone playing for the Lakers after 18 years in Utah, the Jazz opened a new era with a younger, smaller lineup. Three Jazz players were making their NBA debut and, although the inexperience showed early, Utah pulled together in the second half to win its first season opener since 2000.

Bell tied the game at 81 with a 3-pointer just before the shot clock expired, then added a layup with 5:35 for the Jazz's first lead since early in the game. The 3 by Bell opened a 10-4 run and Utah never trailed again.

Damon Stoudamire had 16 points and six assists, and Jeff McInnis scored 19 for Portland.

James dazzles Sacramento crowd in debut

By Chris Sheridan
Associated Press writer

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — LeBron James dazzled a crowd of 17,000 fans with his hype in the first regular-season game of his NBA career, playing like no other 18-year-old ever had in his professional debut as the Cleveland Cavaliers lost 106-92 Wednesday night to the Sacramento Kings.

James had 25 points, nine assists, six rebounds and four steals, mesmerizing one of the league's loudest crowds with skills no teenager had ever displayed at this level.

James' point total was by far the most by any prep-to-pro rookie since Kobe Bryant made the

jump in 1996, eclipsing the 10 points scored by both Jonathan Bender of Indiana in his 1999 debut and Amare Stoudemire of Phoenix last year.

In fact, James' 25 eclipsed the combined totals of Bryant (no points), Jermaine O'Neal (two), Kwame Brown (two), Eddy Curry (two), Tyson Chandler (one), Kevin Garnett (eight) and Tracy McGrady (none) in their professional debuts.

James led the Cavaliers back from an early 19-point deficit, giving Cleveland its first lead by feeding J.R. Bremer for a 3-pointer that made it 85-83 with 10:05 left in the fourth.

Sacramento regained control with a 6-0 run, and the Cavaliers never made a game of it down the

stretch. James capped his night by shooting an airball from 3-point range just before the final buzzer, drawing taunts from the fans.

These taunts, however, were only half-hearted. James entertained the fans too much to be treated too harshly.

Though the Cavaliers often were uncreative running their half-court offense, James made things happen whenever he was moving with the ball — using his first step to get around defenders and initiate action.

James' best stretch of the third quarter included a high-arching bank over Wade Davis on a 1-on-3 break, followed by a left-handed finger-roll from 5 feet away in the lane.

As impressive as that stretch

was, it was equaled by what James did right from the get-go.

Just 88 seconds into the game, James earned his first professional assist on an alley-oop pass to Ricky Davis for a dunk. His first shot was a 12-footer from the right corner that swished and was followed by an identical shot from the opposite corner.

Next came the jumper of the night, James twisting and releasing a shot simultaneously from a tough angle in the right corner over the outstretched arm of 7-footer Brad Miller.

Switch again, his first professional game ended the quarter 6-for-10 from the field with three assists and two rebounds. He was 12-for-20 from the field for the game.

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games this season and needs now to keep alive hopes of a winning record. The Cougars (4-5) finally got some good luck last week in a 27-20 overtime win at UNLV.

With the win, the Cougars avoided their first three-game losing

streak of the season. BYU has already lost two in a row twice this year.

There's a lot of tradition surrounding our shoulders. We've got to be able to set BYU as that standard of being that powerhouse team a team to beat," Kucukhilo said.

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Eagle aims to defend 5A crown

Coeur d'Alene, Idaho Falls loom

By Eric Larson
Times-News writer

Friday's start to the Class 5A Idaho Volleyball Tournament sees seven of eight teams from last year's field making a return showing, along with newcomer Skyview of Nampa.

The tournament, at Coeur d'Alene High School, kicks off with a 9:30 a.m. MST match with the Couer d'Alene's Lake City and Pocatello's Highland - looks to be a four-team race between defending champion Eagle (25-10), 2001 champion Centennial (29-9), two-time state runner-up Idaho Falls (36-6) and 2000 champion Skyview (29-11), which won the Region III Four-Five-Six crown over state qualifiers Idaho Falls and Highland.

Eagle will have an uphill battle to hold onto its title, losing five players to graduation off a team that defeated Idaho Falls twice for the championship last year.

Despite graduating nine, eight of which are playing collegiately, the Mustangs have succeeded on the strong play of team captains

5A state tournament

at Coeur d'Alene High School
Friday's first-round pairings:
All Times MST
• Lake City (20-9) vs. Highland (23-17), 9:30 a.m.
• Centennial (29-9) vs. Idaho Falls (37-4), 11 a.m.
• Skyview (29-11) vs. Skyview (11-5), 12:30 p.m.
• Eagle (25-10) vs. Coeur d'Alene (18-14), 2 p.m.

Amanda Fahnstock and Drew Choules, who played at Hagerman as a freshman.

If Eagle can defeat host Coeur d'Alene on its floor, coach Paul Schwager feels the Mustangs have a solid shot at defending their state title.

"We see playing Coeur d'Alene on their homecourt as an advantage," Schwager said. "That extra energy will pump our girls up."

"Our goal all year has been to defend our championship and we've been working all year to have them to that level."

Tammy Sorensen's Skyline Lady Grizzlies (29-11) enter the tournament peaking off a huge 3-2 win over Idaho Falls in the Four-Five-Six championship.

"We're coming in pretty focused, excited after the win over

Idaho Falls," Sorensen said.

Strong play from 5-foot-10 middle blocker Ashley Baldwin will be key for Skyline's hopes of a second state championship since 2000, when the Grizzlies won it all on their home floor.

Idaho Falls (36-6) comes into the tournament motivated after its loss to Skyline for the district title, and the heartbreak of losing in the last two state championship matches. The Tigers open with District Three champ Centennial (29-9), with that winner taking on the victor between Highland (23-17) and Lake City (20-9) in Friday's later second round.

With the best overall team size in the tournament, Idaho Falls looks to overpower opponents with great blocking and a heavy-hitting attack.

Consistency and focus could be a concern for coach Wendy Johnson, who typically starts five sophomores. Defensive spots with Megan Albiston and 5-11 OH Caitlyn Anderson, two of those sophomores, will complement the senior leadership of 5-8 setter Pam Cousins who is making her third trip to state. Ashton Hansen, a 6-3 MB will hold court near the net for Johnson's pseudo-underdog team.

"We want to be thought of as underdogs," Johnson said. "We'll do fairly well as long as our skills

are on, but our sophomores' focus could be an Achilles' heel."

The Patriots may not have the advantage in size, but they more than make up for it with their quickness and work ethic. Head coach Steve Bartlett knows that heavy play will be big during the tournament.

"You hate to fall under the scrappy label, but our team plays with some real heavy," Bartlett said. "I think most matches in the tournament will be five games, so we'll see who has enough."

The Skyview Hawks are the lone entrant that didn't compete for the title last year. Entering with an 11-5 record only makes sense for their first trip to state, this year's Skyview team will have to get past the initial awe of taking in the state experience.

"What worries me is are we come out wide-eyed or are we going to come out as hard," coach Kevin Murphy said. "Our lack of experience is a bit of a concern."

Highland is led by the strong-serving Kelsey Rhoades, but will have to overcome a match with Coeur d'Alene on the Lady Vikings' home court. While head coach Cliff Rhoades thinks his team will surprise some people, a possible match with a surging Skyline team would prove a tough task for the Lady Rams.

Experienced Vikings open against Grace

Entire field from '02 tournament returns

By Eric Larson
Times-News writer

Experience is what the Valley Vikings are banking on as they open play Friday at the Class 2A Idaho Volleyball Tournament at Lewiston High School.

The senior-dominated team faces gritty Grace (23-11), state runner-up from last year and District Five champion, in Friday's first round. It would probably pit the Vikings (20-2) against favorite and three-time reigning state champion Nampa Christian (20-0) in Friday's second round.

But experience is with every

2A state tournament

at Lewiston High School
Friday's first-round pairings:
All Times MST
• Grangeville (17-2) vs. Homedale (15-7), 9:30 a.m.
• Firsh (29-4) vs. Pralife (18-14), 11 a.m.
• Valley (20-2) vs. Grace (23-11), 12:30 p.m.
• Nampa Christian (20-0) vs. West Side (9-10), 2 p.m.

team in this year's 2A field, as all eight teams are back from last year's state tournament.

In the first round, Nampa Christian meets eastern Idaho power West Side (9-10), which beat Butte County in its inter-district playoff just to get in. Firsh faces Pralife and Grangeville plays Homedale to

open the tournament at 9:30 a.m.

For Valley, senior Mindy Malone - a four-year varsity middle blocker - leads the experienced Vikings into the tournament along with seniors Sara Praegitzer, (5-foot-5 outside hitter), Jessica Kowitz, (5-foot-6 outside hitter) and Brenton Valley (5-6 setter).

Malone head coach Julien Escobedo sees his team's experience as a huge asset.

"They've all been there and they've gone through it all," Escobedo said. "I hope that pays off."

Escobedo is hoping for anything to work, since the Vikings have struggled in their last four state appearances, which has yielded a 1-3 record, including being swept in 2002, 2001 and '99.

"It basically comes down to

showing up those two days," Escobedo said. "You know all those teams are going to be good."

Across the net, the Grace Grizzlies are led by two seniors - in 6-1 middle blocker Brimley Jensen and 5-7 outside hitter Alisa Smith. The Grizzlies rely on solid defense, good quickness and their amazing resiliency - at last year's tournament in Filer, Grace had to win three early matches. It was the final one a five-setter - before falling to eventual champion Nampa Christian in five heart-breaking games.

After last year's improbable run, head coach Ray Yamauchi heads up a team that shouldn't snuck up on anyone this year.

"We love to go up to Lewiston. Nice climate, location, and accommodations," he said. "It's a great place."

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showing came after back-to-back state championships in 1991 and '92.

Head coach Joelen Toone said the team is playing for each other.

"They like to work hard and they like to win," she said. "Right now it's about the whole team. They're committed to each other and they cheer for each other."

The Senators will hope to keep cheering after they face Priest River in the first round Friday. The match looks to be a clash of youth vs. experience. The Senators sport just one senior in Katie Rice, while the Spartans have 10 seniors, led by 5-foot-9 middle blocker Sarah Johnston, the co-MVP of the Intermountain League, and 5-8 senior outside hitter Ashlee Erdman.

Toone said the defensive-minded Senators will key on the left hand of the offense, despite losing to Gooding in the championship. Tall, lean and mean, Wood River also brings experience, having now qualified for its fourth straight tournament. Since 1977, the Wolverines have captured 18 district titles and 18 state tournament titles.

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All the more reason for someone to pull off a miracle.

Gooding for the Lady Bulldogs are Century (32-8), Bonneville (31-6) and District Three champion Emmett (14-6), along with Hillcrest (24-9), Bishop Kelly (19-4), Moscow (25-5) and Jerome (12-12).

The Jerome Tigers took the hard way into the tournament, losing their first-round match at district, before coming back to beat Burley and an interdistrict match against Rigby Saturday.

Head coach Brent Clark's focus lies on representing District Four and encouraging his players to play their game as they open with Emmett Friday. The Tigers will play either Bonneville or Moscow in the second round.

"We're going to go up there, have some fun and hopefully plant a seed for some of our younger players to want to get back," Clark said.

This year's trip ends a 10-year drought for Jerome, which is led by the front line tandem of middle blocker Elissa Hope and outside hitter Vanessa West. Setter Whitney Clark is the team's quarterback.

"We put the pressure on our middle hitters all year and they've responded well," Clark said.

The Emmett Huskies bring good height to their match with Jerome. With 6-foot junior middle blocker Jessica Gurney prowling the net and 5-3 senior defensive specialist Jordan Reinstra, coach Mindy Madsen brings a solid all-around team to the tournament.

"Jerome has a good right-side hitter (West), but they're not real tall," Madsen said. "We'll have to play at the top of our game to do well against them."

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"Our defense is probably a big key, either at the net blocking or in the back row digging up balls," she added. "If you can play defense the rest comes with it."

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Payette remains the favorite as the team tries for the three-peat.

"Until someone beats Payette, they are the champions," Whiteclaw said. "I know it is Wood River with the players they have."

The Wolverines are led in scoring by Tate Mills, Maicol Corrales and Chase Cleveland.

The Community School boys are very much in the mix. The Cutthroats (11-3-2) have a chance to work through the bottom bracket and face the winner of that first-round match in the finals.

"No one is expecting to do anything," he said. "But we've been plugging along on our merry way. No one expects much from us, which suits us fine."

The Cutthroats take on District Six champion Teton (7-6-2) at 3 p.m. today and would face the winner of Bonners Ferry (13-3-1) vs. Snake River (10-5-4) in the semifinals Friday. The Community School last played Teton in 1999.

Senior John Hayes leads the Community School with 18 goals (followed by junior Bobby Flanagan with 16).

Senior goalkeeper Luke Fostved leads a strong Cutthroats defense.

"He's kept us in a number of games," Whiteclaw said. "Defense is definitely our strength."

The Community School's only three losses are to Wood River.

The biggest match of the 3A girls tournament will be Metaline today and would face Metaline. The Wolverines (9-8-3) meet the two-time defending champion McCall-Dannely Vandals (14-4-1) at 12:30 p.m. at the Buhl Soccer Complex.

The Wolverines won the title three years ago, beating the Vandals. So today's first-round match has the appearance of an early state title game.

"It could turn out that way," said Wood River coach Doug Stouffer. "I think both Wood River and McCall have strong teams."

The Vandals are a young team with 13 freshmen but have experienced upperclassmen at key positions. Sophomore forward Natalie Hatfield leads the team with 15 goals and four assists.

Senior center midfielder Irene Shaver runs the offense and coor-

dinates the defense, led by middle fullback and senior three-year starter Megan Martens. Junior forward Michelle Dorris has nine goals and two assists this fall.

Junior Nikki Knox is a top goalkeeper while juniors Jessica Moore and Tegan Troutner are versatile defenders.

The Wood River girls counter with senior captain Charlotte Gourlay, who has "almost 20" goals this season, according to Stouffer. Goalkeeper Danielle Donovan excels behind junior sweeper Gina Thomas. The center midfielder is team captain Kate Elge.

Rebecca Schwartzberger is a striker.

The teams tied 2-2 early in the regular season.

The Community School (8-3-2) faces North Fremont (11-6-3) at 3 p.m. Thursday. The Cutthroats could go far in this tournament, led by Jenny Rutterford and Cassidy Duchesne. Kira Tenney, Christina Walsworth and Morgan Arritola also chipped in points this season.

Class 4A

The Burley girls (6-12) defeated Valluue in a state play-in game to book a berth at state, taking on District Six champion Hillcrest (9-6-2) at 3:30 today at the Bannock field in Pocatello.

"They're pretty darn solid," said head coach Shane Ogden said. "It will take quite a bit for us to come in there and upset them. We hope to put in a good showing and have fun doing it."

Goalkeeper Brylee Whitehead leads the defense. Jessica Byington and Daisy Heimer share the sweeper spot.

"The strength of our team is our speed," Ogden said. "We have some fast girls and that comes into play on both sides of the ball to our benefit."

The Bobcats sweeping leaders include Lindsey Abo, Heimer, Ashley Williams and Amy Thomas.

Sandpoint (14-4-2) and Century (14-1) are the favorites and may meet up in a big semifinal clash Friday.

The Burley boys (9-4-3) are led by Oscar Rios, one of the best players in the Magic Valley. Sam Child and Adam Rice chip in points, but Rios' individual skills

make him a top finisher. He has 16 goals.

The Bobcats take on Blackfoot at 11 a.m. at the Bannock fields in Pocatello.

Coach Wes Nyblade said Blackfoot has a skilled forward in Danny Gomez, two solid midfielders and a good sophomore sweeper.

"They're just a solid team," Nyblade said. "They have no glaring weaknesses."

Three-time defending champion Sandpoint (17-0-1) is unbeaten for the third straight game.

"Everyone has picked them to walk away with it," Nyblade said. "Of course there are some teams who hope to upset the apple cart."

The defensive unit - Michael Kelsey, Jason Andersen, Adam Rice, Hector Magana and Eric Gonzales - deserve the bulk of the credit for a tremendous six-game shutout streak including wins over Jerome, state 2A entrant Wood River, District Four-Five champion Century and a 0-0 tie with District Six runner-up Blackfoot (10-5-2). Burley beat Blackfoot 1-0 later this season.

A return to that form would help the Bobcats raise some hard-

"Saturday is a big goal for us," Nyblade said. "We want to get there and show we can play."

Class 5A

Thanks in large part to a 9-3-4 season record, the Twin Falls boys may be slipping in under the radar in this tournament, which suits head coach Trent Felton.

"No one will be looking for us," Felton said. "They'll be looking past us. It won't give us the game, but it gives us an edge."

The Bruins, the No. 2 seed out of District Four-Five-Six, face District One-Two champion Coeur d'Alene (13-3-2) at 1:30 p.m. at the Bannock Soccer Fields in Pocatello.

Coeur d'Alene eliminated Twin Falls 3-1 in a loser-out match at state last fall.

"We're looking to redeem ourselves as an senior goal keeper," said Coach O'Neil. "We can't do much worse than last year."

Avoiding an 0-2 finish will be up to Twin Falls in many ways. "We have made a commitment to play our best soccer over

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AROUND THE VALLEY

Firefighters pull man out of burning house

HEYBURN - A call from two teens who were passing by a burning house allowed firefighters to arrive with enough time to safely pull a man out of the house alive.

Heyburn Fire Chief Mike Brown said firefighters responded with two trucks to a house at 500 South 400 West around 7:26 p.m. Tuesday. Ambulance and police personnel also responded to the scene.

Ty Peterson and Colton Pickup saw the fire and couldn't get anyone to answer the door, Brown said, so they reported the fire to authorities.

Firefighters were already at the scene when someone said there was a man inside the smoke-filled house, Brown said. Firefighters donned extra gear and went inside to get David Drage. It was lucky the teens reported the fire when they did, Brown said, because it's possible Drage might not have lived had he been in the house much longer.

Brown estimated \$3,000 to \$5,000 worth of damage to the home.

New judge will be sworn in later this week

BURLEY - Rick Bollar is scheduled to be sworn in as a magistrate judge in Cassia County at 2 p.m. Friday.

Bollar succeeds Judge Roy Holloway, whose last day as a magistrate judge in Cassia County is Friday.

Bollar will take the oath of office in the district courtroom in the Cassia County Courthouse. A reception follows.

Bollar was selected magistrate judge in August after members of the 5th Judicial District Magistrates Commission interviewed six attorneys who applied for the job. He'll be on probation for 18 months. Like other magistrate judges, he'll face a retention vote in the first election after his probationary period ends.

On Friday Bollor leaves his jobs as the Minidoka County Prosecuting Attorney, the city attorney for Rupert, Minidoka and Acquia and a partner in the Rupert law firm of Goodman and Bollor.

Glass explores holiday eating, diabetes condition

TWIN FALLS - The holiday season is fast-approaching and with it come the temptations of food. But for people with diabetes, the holiday eating season can be difficult to manage, according to a news release from Magic Valley Regional Medical Center.

The hospital will offer a free community education class to focus on creative, guilt-free and yummy ways to incorporate the season's goodies into diabetic meal plans beginning at 6:30 p.m. Nov. 17 in Magic Valley Regional's education center located north of the main hospital building at 650 Addison Ave. W.

Diabetes is a disease where the body either does not make or is unable to use insulin properly.

The pancreas produces a hormone called insulin that helps the body use sugar from foods. If the pancreas cannot produce enough insulin, or if the body cannot use the insulin properly, blood sugar levels rise and the body cannot use foods effectively. High blood sugar levels are harmful to many body tissues, the news release said.

Registration for the meal plans class is required. To learn more about it or to sign up to attend, call 733-2102.

Seminars cover U.S., international adoptions

TWIN FALLS - Two free public seminars on adoption in the United States and internationally are scheduled in the Magic Valley area this week.

Seminars will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. Monday at Barnes & Noble in Twin Falls and from 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday at West River Inn in Magic Valley. The events are sponsored by the CASI Foundation for Children.

Anyone who is considering adoption is encouraged to attend. Seminars will be available to share their stories.

For more information, call (208) 736-0558 or visit www.adoptcasi.org

Compiled from staff reports

By Sandy Miller
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Gov. Dirk Kempthorne Wednesday appointed two local attorneys as district judges in the 5th Judicial District. G. Richard Bevan and John K. Butler will fill the seats left open by Roger Burdick, who was appointed to the Idaho Supreme Court in June, and Nathan Higer, who retired from the bench on Oct. 1 after three and a half years as a district judge and 26 years as

Governor appoints Bevan, Butler to 5th District openings

a magistrate judge in the 5th District. It will be up to 5th District Administrative Judge Barry Wood to decide which man will fill which seat, said Mike Jounce, Kempthorne's press secretary. However, Butler did not apply for Burdick's seat. The annual salary for a district judge is \$95,718, according to the Idaho Supreme Court.

Bevan is a Twin Falls native. He earned his undergraduate and law degrees from Brigham Young University. He has been a partner in the Hollifield & Fran law firm in Twin Falls since 1997 and was the Twin Falls County prosecuting attorney from 1993 to 1997. Bevan has been married to Pamela Joy Otterberg since 1980. They have five children. "Rich Bevan will be a law and

order judge," Kempthorne said in a news release. "His perspective and background in criminal law will serve him and the people of Idaho very well in his new position." Bevan said he's looking forward to wearing the robe. "I want to make the courts work for people the best I can," Bevan said. "I hope to work hard and bring respect and honor to

the bench." What qualities make a good judge? "The judges I've respected the most were the embodiment of fairness," Bevan said. "You have to be well reasoned in your decisions, and you have to listen to people. You might not agree, but at least they know they've been heard. You need to be approachable. Sometimes judges get in the black robe and they're not as Please see JUDGES, Page C3

MARCH AGAINST DRUGS



Lincoln Elementary School fifth-grader Victoria Pamparau, center, holds a sign that reads "Our school is too cool for drugs" during a march down Main Avenue Wednesday. The school has been participating in Red Ribbon Week, a week of education and promotion of drug-free youth.

Kids take steps to stay drug-free

By Rebecca Meany
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Nearly 270 fourth-, fifth- and sixth-graders from Lincoln Elementary School paraded down Main Avenue Wednesday as part of their school's celebration of Red Ribbon Week, a nationwide effort to educate and promote drug-free youth. Some, at least, are getting the message. "People do drugs just to look good," fifth-grader Victoria Pamparau said, "but they shouldn't be doing it. I will never do drugs."

This week, Pamparau learned that people can easily get addicted to drugs and that kids should always say no to drugs, she said. Marchers later joined their younger school-mates back on the school's track and released 500 helium balloons, donated by Key Bank, into the air as a sign of the school's pledge to be drug-free.

Schools and communities across the country have celebrated Red Ribbon Week since 1986. The march is the first for Lincoln Elementary and was the brainchild of second-year Vice Principal Ruann Meade, who implemented the idea seven years ago while teaching at Kimberly Elementary School. "When I came to Twin Falls as vice principal, I sat down with a team of teachers to come up with different ideas that we could do," she said. "This year's activities included anti-drug stories that teachers read to children in the classrooms, encouragement to wear red clothing as a symbol of participation in the

events and a poster-making contest with the creations donning the school's halls. Last year, staff members gave students red ribbons to wear, but they didn't last too long, Meade said. This year, they opted instead to spend money on a large banner, emblazoned with the phrase, "Our school is too cool to do drugs," and the signatures of all the students. The activities were designed to be meaningful and fun, Meade said, so the message could have more impact. "This drug-free attitude, she hopes, will not soon be forgotten. "It's not just this week, but forever," she said.

"I will never do drugs."
- Victoria Pamparau, Lincoln fifth-grader

Gooding to neighbors: Document Neighborhood Watch could reduce crime near shooting scene

By Mickey Walker
Times-News correspondent

GOODING - A special meeting called to hash out concerns of neighbors in the area of a recent shooting netted no concrete action from the City Council. But residents were encouraged to keep records of suspicious activities and form a Neighborhood Watch program. "We've gotten some good input here tonight, but we're all a part of the problem - i.e., the council, the police, prosecutor, the community," Councilwoman Sharon Seifert said. "And now we're trying to be a part of the solution."

Worried that their neighborhood is no longer safe, residents in the area of Fifth Avenue East and Michigan Street filled City Hall on Tuesday for the second time in two weeks, to discuss possible remedies and to vent their frustrations. Many neighborhood residents say at least part of the blame for the shooting should fall on negligent landlords of certain rental properties near where the incident took place. During the council's regular meeting last week, the same neighbors suggested the council adopt a nuisance ordinance that would give the city more oversight. "All we're asking for here is some

responsible management on the part of these landlords," said Brent Owen, a resident and spokesman for neighbors. The residents' outcries were prompted by an Oct. 8 shooting that sent one man to the hospital and another to jail on an attempted murder charge. Jeremy Michael Groat, 19, of Jerome, was arrested in connection with the shooting of his brother, 18-year-old James Nathan Groat of Meridian. The shooting, at the corner of Fifth and Michigan, resulted from an argument that began over car keys, police have said. Jeremy Groat remained lodged in the Gooding County Jail on Wednesday, with bail set at \$100,000. He is scheduled to reappear in court at 9 a.m. Nov. 7. Owen told City Council members that

"We understand that they (landlords) can't be held responsible for problems that just suddenly surface," Owen said. "But they can't be allowed to let it go over a period of time and ignore it like they have done in our area." Police Chief Paul Brown told residents at the meeting that letters were sent to the landlords. Besides defining Idaho law on public nuisances, the letters advised property owners to impress upon their tenants that unlawful activities will not be tolerated, Brown said. The letters also encouraged landlords to become more involved in the neighborhood. Tuesday's meeting generated favorable discussion about starting a Neighborhood Watch program. Brown, Gooding County Prosecutor Phil Brown and several council members also advised residents to keep records of suspicious activities. Documentation and observation deter unwanted activities in neighborhoods, they said. And unlawful activities and public nuisances should be reported immediately to the police department, they added.

most residents could deal with an isolated incident, but the recent shooting was part of a greater problem. "We understand that they (landlords) can't be held responsible for problems that just suddenly surface," Owen said. "But they can't be allowed to let it go over a period of time and ignore it like they have done in our area." Police Chief Paul Brown told residents at the meeting that letters were sent to the landlords. Besides defining Idaho law on public nuisances, the letters advised property owners to impress upon their tenants that unlawful activities will not be tolerated, Brown said. The letters also encouraged landlords to become more involved in the neighborhood. Tuesday's meeting generated favorable discussion about starting a Neighborhood Watch program. Brown, Gooding County Prosecutor Phil Brown and several council members also advised residents to keep records of suspicious activities. Documentation and observation deter unwanted activities in neighborhoods, they said. And unlawful activities and public nuisances should be reported immediately to the police department, they added.

Commandments idea draws interest from controversial minister

By Shari Chaney
Times-News writer

RUPERT - As predicted by county commissioners, one request for a piece of the courthouse lawn has brought another. A controversial Kansas church faxed a letter to the Minidoka County Commission asking the county to sell a 3-foot by 4-foot section of the courthouse lawn for an anti-gay monument.

Commissioners were approached Monday by the American Legion Post 10 to buy a 2-foot by 3-foot section of the lawn for a Ten Commandments monument. The faxed letter from Fred W. Phelps, pastor of the Westboro Baptist Church in Topoka, Kan., said the church wants to buy a section of land for a 6-foot granite monument with a bronze plaque. The plaque would be inscribed with a picture of Matthew Shepard - a gay man who was murdered in Laramie, Wyo., in 1998 - and the words "MATTHEW SHEPARD, Entered Hell October 12, 1998, At Age 21, In defiance of God's solemn warning: Thou shalt not lie with mankind as with womankind; it is abomination." Leviticus 18:22." The monument would be identical to one the church wants to erect in the city park in Casper, Wyo., where the church's request has generated controversy. Please see MINISTER, Page C3



Russ Lively



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TWIN FALLS - City Council hopeful Russ Lively has collected and spent significantly more campaign money than other candidates in Tuesday's election, reports show.

Lively, who's challenging incumbent Trip Craig, reported receiving a total of \$4,844 in contributions - including \$3,300 of his own money - while spending \$2,929 between Oct. 1 and Monday. Despite the bulk of Lively's funds coming from his own pocket, he had the most contributors each giving more than \$50. He received eight donations from companies or individuals. The biggest contributor was Darren Hall Construction, which gave \$250.

Also adding to his kitty were 14 donations of \$50 or less, amounting to \$569. Donations \$50 or less do not have to be itemized, meaning the sources do not have to be listed on the report. Lively's expenses included paper supplies, stamps, radio advertising and campaign signs. As of the filing deadline Tuesday, Lively had almost \$1,915 remaining in his campaign account. Craig listed his contributions for the reporting period as \$294, with expenses of \$13,711, leaving his campaign chest with \$280.29. Five people contributed \$50 or less to Craig, with one person, Jack Clough, donating \$100.

The candidate with the second-biggest campaign war chest was Wayne Behm, one of four candidates.

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Federal windfall bails out Legislature

BOISE (AP)—More than \$80 million in federal funds has given state lawmakers the cushion they need to navigate this winter's election-year session without facing critically dry budget and tax decisions.

The money is Idaho's share of the cash Congress disbursed to the states as part of the tax relief package last spring. More than \$30 million is essentially a credit against health care expenses for the poor. The rest has no strings attached.

But the top Republican in the Senate said on Wednesday that the one-time cash infusion provides only a year's reprieve, leaving the Legislature elected in November 2004 facing those critical spending and taxing questions.

That following winter, lawmakers

will have to write a new state budget without the benefit of the federal money or the \$160 million a year that the temporary penny increase in the sales tax has been generating. That tax expires in mid-2005, just as the budget lawmakers will write that winter takes effect.

"We'll be back to where we were," Senate President Eva Tamm, Gov. Robert Geeddes of Soda Springs told his colleagues on the Legislative Council. "We can either grow our economy out of needing that 1 cent sales tax or we can be very frugal. In my opinion, we'll need to do both."

The latest economic forecast, published by the state's economic team a day earlier, provided no evidence of any vigorous economic resurgence that would generate

the kind of additional tax revenue to fill the gap left by the loss of the federal money and the extra penny of the sales tax.

Absent from Wednesday's discussion in the leadership panel that handles legislative business when lawmakers are not in session was any mention of the special task force looking at the possibility of extending the sales tax to the billions of dollars of transactions that are now exempt.

That panel holds what has been billed as its final meeting next week, and most lawmakers expect no recommendation for change. Geeddes and House Speaker Bruce Newcomb, R-Burley, said Wednesday they would consider extending the panel for another year with some unspecified changes.

GOP leader admits 'mistake' in claiming Internet address

SUN VALLEY (AP)—The vice chairman of the Idaho Republican Party is admitting he made a mistake when he took control of the Internet address that used the name of the top Democratic leader in the state Senate.

"The Web site thing was a mistake," Wood River Valley banker Latham Williams said during a recent local candidate forum. "I shouldn't have done it."

Williams, a member of the Sun Valley City Council who is running for mayor of the resort community, registered an Internet site 14 months ago using the name of Democratic state Senate leader

Clint Stennett, also a businessman in the Wood River Valley.

At the time Williams explained that he "bought an advertising vehicle." Campaigns buy up Web sites.

Stennett suggested the tactic was the beginning of a political dirty trick, and other Democratic leaders called it deceptive.

But nothing was ever done with the site by Williams, who joined the GOP after a 1998 run for state treasurer under the Reform Party banner. At one time, he considered challenging Stennett for his Senate seat but never followed through.

Williams said earlier this month that he terminated his registration of the domain name www.clintstennett.com.

Stennett said on Wednesday that he had not registered the name himself and knew of no one else who had.

Williams said he had asked the company he used for the registration to determine if the domain name was in someone else's control or would be offered to the public for re-registration but has not received an answer. "I have no interest in running the Web site. I just de-registered it. Where it goes from here, I can't control."

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Piper Rose Hall - Twin Falls

Piper Rose Hall, beloved infant daughter of Jeffry and Valerie Creech Hall, was stillborn at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center Saturday, Oct. 25, 2003.

Piper is survived by her parents, Jeffry and Valerie; grand-

parents, James and Debbie Hall of Richfield, Idaho, Bonnie Creech of Hansen, Idaho, Charles Creech of Nampa, Idaho; great-grandparents, William J. and Verma Dobson of Twin Falls, Idaho.

The service for Piper will be conducted at 11 a.m. Friday, Oct. 31, 2003, at White Mortuary Chapel, with Bishop Aaron Williams conducting. Interment will follow at Sunset Memorial Park.

Renee Keller - Burley

Grace Irene "Renee" Keller, an 89-year-old former resident of Burley, died Tuesday, Oct. 28, 2003, at Salt Lake Regional Hospital.

She was born Dec. 2, 1913, in Horton, Mo., the daughter of Elmer Forrest and Ollie Pearl Hamersley DeAtley. She received her education in Missouri, graduating from high school and attending the University of Missouri. She married William Lloyd "Bill" Keller in 1932, in Columbia, Mo.

Following marriage, Renee and Bill lived in Birchtree and Wright City, Mo., where Bill taught school. Bill was then called, through the reserves, to serve in World War II. During this period of time, Renee moved to Corvallis, Ore., and in 1945, moved to Shoshone, Idaho, where she worked in the local bank.

She is survived by her children, Miquelyn Ann (Bob) Pickens of Victor, Idaho, and Robert Lloyd (Donna) Keller of Crestview, Fla.; nine grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Bill; one daughter, Elizabeth "Betty" Keller Cleveland; two brothers, Alpha DeAtley and Charles DeAtley; and one sister, Leota DeAtley Hughes.



Renee was a dental assistant for Dr. Burton Holcomb for more than 30 years. She also assisted her husband with their Keller's gift shop as well as making puppets for hospitalized children. Additionally, she liked to golf and was a member of the Elks Bowling League. She was also an active member of the United Methodist Church in Burley.

A celebration of Renee's life will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 1, 2003, at the Burley United Methodist Church, 450 E. 27th St., with the Rev. Dr. John A. Rakestraw officiating. Burial will be in Pleasant View Cemetery.

The family will receive friends at the church prior to the service. Funeral arrangements are under the direction of Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley.

The family suggests that memorials be directed to the Burley United Methodist Church or the Alpha 1 Antirypheus Association, care of Rasmussen Funeral Home.

Gale L. Burton - Burley

Gale L. Burton, 71-year-old Burley resident, died Tuesday, Oct. 28, 2003, at Cassia Regional Medical Center in Burley.

He was born July 18, 1932, in Burley, the son of Joseph E. and Selma May Danielson Burton. He attended school in Springdale through the eighth grade, then he attended junior and senior high in Burley, where he graduated from Burley High School. He attended the Albion State Normal College for one year and Idaho State University for one year. Gale married Nina Arlene Flood on Oct. 18, 1952, in Elko, Nev. He was a farmer with his

two brothers, Max and George for eight years, then he retired from Boise Cascade after 29 years of service. At the time of his death, he was working for Western Farm Service. He loved hunting, fishing and spending time outdoors.

Survivors include his wife, Arlene of Burley; a son, Lynn Burton of Bozeman, Mont.; two daughters, Chris (Roger) Piper of Elko, Nev., and Karen Burton of Pocatello; two brothers, George Burton of Rupert and Max (Bessie) Burton of Burley; three grandsons, Ryan Piper of Sacramento, Calif., Justin (Corrie) Piper of Reno, Nev., and

Billy (Sara) Burton of Bozeman, Mont.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

The service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 1, 2003, at the Payne Memorial Chapel, 221 W. Main St. in Burley, with worship by Keith Wise officiating. Burial will be in the Pleasant View Cemetery in Burley. Friends may call from 6-8 p.m. Friday and from 10-10:45 a.m. prior to the funeral on Saturday at the Payne Mortuary.

The family suggests memorials be given to the Mountain States Trust Institute, 151 E. Bannock, Boise, ID 83712-6297.

Twila Rae Mecham Adamson - Carey

Twila Rae Mecham Adamson was born on Oct. 14, 1931, at Carey, Idaho, to George Wallace Mecham and Emma Florence Young. She passed from this existence on Oct. 27, 2003, in Boise, Idaho, at the age of 72 years.

She was educated in the Carey School System and graduated from high school in 1949. She loved athletics and was high on the basketball team that won the championship in 1949. Her love for athletics remained and one of her great joys was watching her grandchildren play ball. She was also the first nurse of the Idaho Falls Old West" celebration.

After graduation, she attended business school in Utah and was employed in Halley by the First Security Bank. Later in Idaho Falls by the INEEL.

She was a member of the LDS church and was married to Bab Garn Shaffer on Jan. 28, 1954 in the Idaho Falls Temple. To this union was born six children, Larry B., Cary B., Rosemary, Lori, Susan and Michael V. This marriage ended in divorce.

On Oct. 31, 1975, she married John Adamson in the Idaho Falls Temple and in 1985, her six children were all adopted by him.

After her divorce, she was



employed by First Security Bank in Ketchum until she moved back to Carey to work for Adamson's Inc.

Twila served in many callings in the church, among them were the 11-year-old scout leader, Young Women's president and director as Young Women's camp director. She was called to be ward Relief Society president, a calling she truly loved and also taught in the church's seminary program for two years. She was recently just released as a Relief Society counselor.

She loved the outdoors and

camping with her family. A special highlight was the many pack trips made with trees into the head of Little Wood River. She loved flowers and kept the house full of them. She was an excellent seamstress and spent many nights sewing clothes for her family. Most of all she just enjoyed being with her family.

She loved the Christmas season and was noted around Carey for her lighting display.

She is survived by her husband, John Adamson of Carey; her children, Larry (Karla) Shaffer of Carey, Gary (Sarah) Adamson of Flower Mound, Texas, Rosemary (Rich) Peterson of Carey, Lori (Phil) Cooper of Valparaiso, Ind., Susan (Tim) O'Crowley of St. Cloud, Fla., Michael (Renee) Adamson of Carey, and her sister, Eva Williams of Buhl. She has 29 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, two brothers, Clayd and Lowell; and her sisters, Adelaide, Iva and Leah; and one grandson, Luke.

The service will be held at 10 a.m. Friday, Oct. 31, 2003, at the Carey LDS Chapel. Friends may call the church one hour prior to the service. Interment will follow in the Carey Cemetery.

Report: Fugitives killed themselves

GARDEN CITY (AP)—An alleged husband-and-wife robbery team apparently shot themselves to death after their car was riddled by police gunfire during a high-speed chase that ended at the Boise Airport, according to a task force report released Wednesday.

Milton Sanchez, 40, and Melody Sanchez, 32, both of Boise, suffered multiple wounds early April 9 after a 17-minute car chase that covered 15 miles of city streets. But the question of who took whose life may never be known.

"What we do not have a clear understanding of what occurred inside the van that night," Police Chief Don Pierce said.

"The most likely scenario is that one of them killed the other one, and then killed herself, but we do not know which actually killed the other one," he said.

Pierce and Garden City Police Chief James L. Bensley released

the findings of the Critical Incident Task Force, law enforcement's own investigative arm that looked into the incident.

The report summary says investigators interviewed 22 police officers or deputies, 26 civilian witnesses and listened to numerous police radio traffic recordings.

Forensic tests indicated that both Sanchezes died of gunshot wounds to the head from a 38-caliber bullet. A 38-caliber Rossi revolver was found in the Sanchezes' van. None of the police or deputies involved in the shooting was carrying that type of weapon at the time, Pierce said.

However, as police dragged the two out of their Dodge Caravan after the chase ended, the blood-spattered stainless steel revolver fell to the floorboards on the passenger's side. There's no indication where it was before that.

Before the day of the chase,

police had been alerted by an informant who said the Sanchezes intended to rob a restaurant for the second time in less than a month.

The two were also the chief suspects in a March 29 robbery of the International House of Pancakes, where Melody Sanchez was a former employee.

Police staked out the neighborhood on the night of April 8. At about 1 a.m. April 9, an officer spotted the Sanchezes' van—a convenience store near the restaurant. He turned on his lights to pull the van over and the chase began.

Before it was over, it covered 15 miles, racing through downtown and neighborhood streets at speeds higher than 75 mph.

Shots fired from inside van hit two patrol cars; one penetrated through a driver-side rearview mirror, another shot shattered a passenger-side window.

OBITUARY

Keith Dee Wayland Olsen - Twin Falls

Our beloved father, brother, grandfather, uncle and friend passed away through this life and touched each of our lives because of it.

Keith was born Nov. 24, 1941, in Twin Falls, Idaho. He passed away on Oct. 27, 2003, from congestive heart failure. The little barber with a heart much bigger than his body will be dearly missed by all who knew him.

Keith was a sportsman who loved the great outdoors, he enjoyed telling stories about his many hunting and fishing quests along with his bowling and golfing adventures.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Dorothy Ellen Sayer and his father, Stanley James Olsen.

He is survived by his daughters, Stacie Gardner, Penny Bell, Marnie Olsen and Andrea Buidan. He is also survived by the following grandchildren: by his daughter, Stacie - Ryan, Patrick, Chelsea and Chance; by his daughter, Penny -

OBITUARY

Keith Dee Wayland Olsen - Twin Falls

and his brother, Leroy Olsen of Kimberly, Idaho. Leroy also is survived by many nephews and nieces who loved their Uncle Keith and will miss him greatly, as will Zephair, his chocolate Lab and long-time companion and hunting buddy.

Keith built a great reputation as an expert barber owning a shop for many years in South Lake Tahoe, Calif., before moving to Twin Falls and opening the Gents Den where he practiced his trade for 10 years before falling ill with heart disease in 2002. He then moved to California to enjoy warmer weather and to be closer to his sisters.

Keith often spoke of his accomplishments in life but, none more fondly as his love for his daughters and grandchildren.

Services will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, Nov. 3, 2003, Sierra View Funeral Chapel, 6201 Fair Oaks Blvd., Carmichael, Calif.

Kayla, Kelsie and Lucas; by his daughter, Marnie - Madalyn and Mallory; and by his daughter Andrea - Ashley, Crystal, Cody and Cory. He is also survived by his sisters, Shyrlyn Mathison and Sherry Slater of Rancho Cordova, Calif.

SERVICES

Arville (Hepworth) Carter of Twin Falls, memorial service at 2:30 p.m. today at the Community Christian Church, 303 Grandview Drive, Twin Falls; a dinner will follow the service with a graveside service after the dinner at Jerome Cemetery (Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel, Jerome).

Cora Francis Pitts of Twin Falls, service at 11 a.m. Saturday at

SERVICES

White Mortuary in Twin Falls; interment will follow at the Filer Cemetery; friends may call from 4-8 p.m. Friday at the mortuary.

Melvin Wheeler Jackson, memorial service at 11 a.m. Saturday in the Henderson-Cornelson Funeral Chapel; family will receive friends from 10 a.m. until service time Saturday at the funeral home.

DEATH NOTICES

Kristopher Gene Good

TWIN FALLS — Kristopher Gene Good, 25, of Twin Falls, died Tuesday, Oct. 28, 2003, at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center.

The service will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 1, 2003, at White Mortuary in Twin Falls. Friends may call from 4-8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 31, at the mortuary.

A full obituary will appear at a later date.

Edward "Ted" Loveday

KIMBERLY — Edward "Ted" Loveday, 79, of Kimberly, died Wednesday, Oct. 28, 2003, at St. Alphonsus Regional Medical Center.

The service will be conducted at 11 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 1, 2003, at the Kimberly LDS Stake Center, with Bishop Mark Olsen conducting. Friends may call from 4-8 p.m. Friday at the family greeting friends from 4-6 p.m. Friday at White Mortuary Kimberly Chapel. Interment will follow in Sunset Memorial Park.

Take in some community events.

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Election

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dates - to replace retiring Councilman Howard Allen. Bolter reported \$1,600 in contributions, including \$600 of his own money, while spending \$907.

Following are details from the candidates' reports. Contributions under \$50 are not itemized; nor are expenditures under \$25.

Seat 7

Wayne Bolter
 Report period: Oct. 1-19
 Total contributions: \$1,600
 Contributions of \$50 or less: 23
 Total of contributions of \$50 or less: \$1,090
 Total expenditures: \$907.93
 Expenditures of \$25 or less: 0
 Total of expenditures of \$25 or less: \$0
 Contributors of \$50 or more: Wayne Bolter, \$600.

John Pohlman
 Report period: Oct. 1-27
 Total contributions: \$225
 Contributions of \$50 or less: 1
 Total of contributions of \$50 or less: \$50
 Total expenditures: \$477 (incurred but not yet paid)
 Expenditures of \$25 or less: 0
 Total of expenditures of \$25 or less: \$0
 Contributors of \$50 or more: Patrick Florence, \$100; Phillip D. Branton, \$100.

Shawn Barigar
 Report period: Oct. 1-19
 Total contributions: \$630
 Contributions of \$50 or less: 1
 Total of contributions of \$50 or less: \$30
 Total expenditures: 0
 Expenditures of \$25 or less: 0
 Total of expenditures of \$25 or less: \$0
 Contributors of \$50 or more: Shawn Barigar, \$100; William S. and Suzanne F. Root, \$500.

Erik Andersen
 Report period: Oct. 1-19
 Total contributions: \$749.62
 Contributions of \$50 or less: 0
 Amount of contributions of \$50 or less: 0
 Total expenditures: \$549.62
 Expenditures of \$25 or less: 0
 Total of expenditures of \$25 or less: \$0
 Contributors of \$50 or more: Erik Andersen, \$549.62 (in kind); Lon and Betty McDonald, \$200.

Minister

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None of the three commissioners had seen the letter faxed to the courthouse Tuesday morning. Commission Chairman Dave Tector said commissioners hadn't been able to speak to county attorneys about the first request, let alone a second one.

"There's no answer one way or another," Tector said. "I truly doubt if we can do it."

Commissioner Marvin Bingham was surprised another request for a piece of the land had already come in. But, he said, it already raised the concern that if a request is granted for one organization's message, other organizations and messages would also need to be accommodated.

"While the Ten Commandments is a hard thing to be against, Bingham said, "I'm not too enthused about (the monument to the Ten Commandments) in the first place."

"I don't have any use for home-ownership Commission. Dan Stapelman said, "but I'm not the judge, and neither are they (the Westboro Baptist Church). We don't need that kind of stuff."

The idea of selling chunks of property to private groups for monuments probably isn't legal anyway, Stapelman said. And he agrees with Bingham; all one request is granted, other requests will come.

To answer the Westboro Baptist Church's request for space for a

Judges

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"I've really enjoyed the practice of law for 20-plus years," Butler said. "It's a new adventure for me, and I'm looking forward to the challenge."

What kind of judge would Butler like to be?

"I want to be a judge the community looks at as being fair-minded with a good temperament - someone who is prepared to handle the problems that come before the court," he said.

The 5th Judicial District is made up of Twin Falls, Blaine, Camas, Cassia, Gooding, Jerome, Lincoln and Minidoka counties.

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

Commission will sell commemorative coin

By Loretta Burkhart
Times-News Staff Writer

TWIN FALLS — Gold topped the agenda when members of the Centennial Commission met Wednesday.

In a rush for additional commemorative wares, the board voted unanimously to put up \$2,500 for a merchandising project that will add a gold three-dimensional coin to the list of collectibles tagged to represent the city's first 100 years.

For \$55, coin collectors can buy a 39-millimeter testament of Twin Falls history.



The coin - with the centennial logo on one side and the shape of the state of Idaho surrounded by "Celebrating the Centennial" and "Twin Falls 100th 1904-2004" on the other - will be made by Northwest Territorial Mint, based in Seattle.

Centennial contributors

Here's a list of \$1,000-plus contributors who've committed so far to help fund Twin Falls' 100th birthday celebrations:

Contributor	Amount
First Federal	\$50,000
Gooding, Tina	\$50,000
The Time-News	\$50,000
KWTV-TV	\$50,000
Community Broadcasting	\$50,000
Stutzman Inc.	\$50,000
Hepworth, Lezarak & Janis	\$10,000
Lee Fraser Trust	\$10,000
Glabella Foods Inc.	\$10,000
Cactus Petes	\$5,000
Wills Toyota/Jeep Inc.	\$5,000
Magic Valley Bank	\$5,000
M.V. Regional Medical Center	\$5,000
Little Signs	\$5,000
Bill Printers	\$5,000
Sportman's Warehouse	\$5,000
Tom Frank Trust	\$1,000
Tom Frank and Sherry Olsen Frank	\$1,000

Source: Twin Falls Centennial Commission

banking institutions, the price is right.

According to commission member Pat Harder, the banking community has agreed to help market the gold coins, offering the coins for sale to their customers - with all proceeds going back to the Centennial Commission.

Included in the merchandise mix, the commission plans to offer a key chain with the identical cast, though made in a bronze-like finish in the \$10-\$12 range.

The sales will help to cover the projected costs for the \$1 million-plus celebration.

Last-minute concerns about ticket sales for the New Year's Eve Centennial Ball also were part of Wednesday's discussions.

Even though the event is being held in a city where, according to committee member Paul Smith, "people knock me aside to be honest," there is some concern that people might come and go from the ball without really pay-

ing. Commission members discussed possible ways to enforce admission fees but came to no decision.

Advance tickets will be \$12 for adults, \$10 for students and seniors or \$35 for families of up to five. They cover admission, food and activities, but not alcohol.

Another issue of concern is the 4,000-person limited capacity at the Magic Valley Mall, where the ball will be held.

In other business, Doug Maughan reported that the Twin Falls history book being written by College of Southern Idaho history professor Jim Gentry is nearly complete.

The commission has joined with CSI in publishing the book, which Maughan said could possibly be available for sale before Christmas.

The Centennial Commission and CSI have decided on a \$14.95 retail price for the book.

Accomplice suspect returns to Mini-Cassia

The Times-News

BURLEY - A woman involved with a Paul Bank robbery suspect has come back to Mini-Cassia.

Lisa Ledford, 34, of Paul was brought to the Mini-Cassia Criminal Justice Center Saturday by Minidoka County sheriff's deputies, jail officials confirmed.

Ledford was arrested with John Kurkowski in September following an incident at Cactus Petes in Jackpot, Nev., where Minidoka County Lt. Randy White was shot three times. Kurkowski is suspected in a Sept. 19 armed robbery at



Lisa Ledford John Kurkowski
 the Key Bank in Paul. Minidoka County Prosecutor Rick Boljar said in Minidoka County, Ledford has been charged with accessory to robbery, a felony

that carries a maximum penalty of five years in prison. In Elko County she is charged with a misdemeanor count of obstructing.

A prior pending case against Ledford in Minidoka County has a charge of possession of methamphetamine, Boljar said. The preliminary hearing in that case was set while Ledford was still being held in Elko County.

Preliminary hearings are set for each charge against Ledford in Minidoka County, but dates were not available.

Kurkowski, who Ledford was with when arrested in Jackpot,

has been charged in Elko County with two felonies, said Elko County Deputy District Attorney Robert Lowe. The charges include one count of attempted murder with use of a deadly weapon and one count of ex-felon in possession of a firearm.

Lowe said the three charge carries a potential sentence of four to 40 years in prison; the second charge has a potential sentence of one to six years.

Kurkowski had a preliminary hearing Oct. 22 and is set to be arraigned in district court, but no date is set, Lowe said.

Buhl postman moves to top job in Fairfield

The Times-News

FAIRFIELD - The city has a new postmaster.

Joe Wisecaver, 28, took the oath of office recently during an afternoon ceremony.

"Thank you for all the good work you have done and all the good wishes you will do," Paul Harris, manager of postal operations in south-central Idaho, told Wisecaver as he administered him the oath.

A 1983 graduate of Castledo High School, Wisecaver joined the U.S. Postal Service in Buhl in 1997 as a clerk.

"I really hate to lose him," said Buhl Postmaster Ollie Turner. "He will be hard to replace, but he's going to be good for Fairfield and Fairfield will be good for him."

The reception was hosted by Postmasters Mary Dayley of Gooding, Tina Holland of Shoshone and Ellen Youngling of Hammett. Several special guests attended, including Fairfield Mayor David Hanks and someone Wisecaver said he'd like to emulate.

"I'm really excited to be here in Fairfield," Wisecaver said. "I hope I can carry on the legacy of past Fairfield postmasters like Marie Tucker."

Tucker, who attended the ceremony, worked at the Fairfield post office for 27 years, serving in the capacity of postmaster from 1972 to 1992. Harris presented a plaque to Wisecaver which identified Tucker and every past city postmaster dating back to May 1912.



Paul Harris installs Joe Wisecaver as the new Fairfield Postmaster as former Postmaster Marie Tucker looks on.

Teleconference focuses on youth violence

TWIN FALLS - The fourth in a series of five satellite-delivered teleconferences at the College of Southern Idaho will be presented at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday.

This session will feature Dr. James Alan Fox, the Lipman Family Professor of Criminal Justice and former dean at Northeastern University in Boston. His presentation is called "The Young and the Ruthless: Youth Violence and Public Health."

Fox is an authority on homicide. He has appeared on the Today Show, Dateline, 10, 48 Hours and Oprah. He also served as an NBC News analyst during the Washington, D.C., sniper investigation.

He often gives expert testimony, having appeared before Congress and serving on President Clinton's advisory committee on school shootings.

Topics will include the nature vs. nurture argument, whether violence is a biological trait of the United States than in other industrialized nations, and what has caused the rash of school shootings.

The program is produced by the National Phi Theta Kappa and Collegiate Honors Council.

Dr. Russ Tremayne, Phi Theta Kappa adviser at CSI, said the series is being held as a fund-raiser

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er for the group. Admission for the general public is free, but donations will be accepted, half of which will be donated to the American Cancer Society.

For more information, contact Tremayne at 732-6885 or rtremayne@csi.edu.

Free listing of charities

TWIN FALLS - On Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 27, The Times-News will publish a free listing of charities and groups that help others at holiday time. The list will include descriptions of items that the groups are asking people in the community to donate.

If you would like to have your holiday provider group included in the list, send your name, address and phone number, along with some information about the items you need for distribution, to Denise Turner, The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, Idaho 83303-0548, or to Trenea Tegan, The Times-News Burley Bureau, 1263 Overland Ave., Burley, Idaho 83318. Or fax the list to 735-5538. Or e-mail to denise@magicalvalley.com.

The deadline is Nov. 17. For

more information, call 733-0931, Ext. 243.

Feds claim terror suspect's wife led to investigators

BOISE - The federal government contends the wife of a University of Idaho graduate student linked to terrorist activity lied in denying she knew the head of an Islamic charity that agents claim supported terrorists.

In documents filed last week with the government's administrative immigration court, Special Agent Gail Gnecko of the Federal Bureau of Investigation said electronic interceptions of e-mail and telephone calls showed both Maha Al-Hussayen and her husband knaw Mohammed Alahmari, president of the Islamic Assembly of North America.

Based on these interceptions, Gnecko said, "it appears clear that Maha Al-Hussayen knowingly provided a false statement to a federal officer."

"My take on this is the government will go any lengths to get to this family," said Monica Schurtman, Maha Al-Hussayen's attorney. "We have evidence that directly refutes what Gnecko has to say. Suffice it to say her characterization is entirely inadequate."

- compiled from staff and wire reports

Man receives prison in drug killing case

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) - A judge sentenced Giovanni Mendiola to at least eight years in prison Wednesday in the killing of a man prosecutors say headed a lucrative marijuana smuggling operation.

First District Judge John T. Mitchell imposed a life term for Mendiola's guilty plea to second-degree murder in the death of Brandon Butler.

Under Idaho law, that means Mendiola, 31, of Lake Forest, Calif., is eligible for parole after eight years. But if the parole board so decides, he could end up serving as much as a life term.

Mendiola apologized tearfully and said the killing was accidental. "I don't mean to belittle their testimony ... but people need to know you admitted killing a man and left him there, dead."

Butler, a 20-year-old former honors student, was strangled and stabbed to death Oct. 11, 2002, in a remote area near Hayden Lake, Idaho.

Lawyers will present the Olympic case Friday

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - Let the Olympic trial begin.

After three days of careful jury selection, the defense and prosecution are scheduled to deliver opening statements Friday in the case that turns on how Salt Lake City won the 2002 Winter Olympics.

The judge planned to seat a 12-member jury plus two alternates after lawyers for both sides make their final choices Thursday.

"Sometimes justice is a slow

process," a weary Tom Welch, 59, who was president of the Salt Lake bid and organizing committees, said Wednesday after six hours of jury picking in a judge's chambers.

Welch and the other co-defendant, Dave Johnson, have been sitting in since Tuesday on one-by-one sessions with jury prospects that lasted from five to 25 minutes each.

Welch and Johnson are accused of lavishing \$1 million in cash,

gifts and favors on International Olympic Committee delegates who awarded Salt Lake the 2002 Winter Olympics.

They face 15 felony charges that could bring them a minimum of four to six years in prison. A federal grand jury indicted them more than three years ago on five counts of racketeering, another five of mail, wire and "honest-services" fraud, four of violating the Travel Act and a single count of conspiracy.

MAGIC VALLEY/WEST

Groups schedule Halloween events

The Times-News
Halloween-themed events scheduled around the Magic and Wood River valleys this week:

Today and Friday:
Twin Falls - The Idaho National Guard Readiness Group will sponsor a haunted house at the Twin Falls armory from 7-10 p.m. today and from 7-11 p.m. on Friday. Admission: \$4.50 for adults and \$3.50 for children 12 and under. A discount will be given to visitors bring a canned food item (children under 10 must be accompanied by adult). Proceeds will benefit the Salvation Army and the Idaho National Guard Family Readiness Group. The armory is located on the College of Southern Idaho campus, at 1069 Frontier Road.

Today:
Rupert - The Minico High School Mi-Caddette drill team will host a Halloween carnival from 4-9 p.m. in the back gym at the high school. The event is for kids aged 3 and up, and will include games and prizes. Hot chocolate and apple cider will be provided. Tickets to play the games are \$5 for 25 tickets. Minico High is located at 100 South 292 West.

Friday:
Twin Falls - Students from the College of Southern Idaho's Interclub group will host a Halloween party for kids from 4 to 6 p.m. at the Boys and Girls Club on Frontier Field Road. Admission is free. Various CSI clubs will set up booths including bobbing for apples, donut-eating contests, fishing ponds, and bean bag toss. Kids are encouraged to wear their Halloween costumes to the party.

Twin Falls - Twin Falls Reformed Church will sponsor its annual Harvest Festival in the College of Southern Idaho Center, 540 p.m. Free games include inflatable toys, mini-trains, a batting cage, darts, mini-golf, face-painting, plinko, candy fishing, a mechanical bull, sumo wrestling, a bell-ringer, monster boxing, a bungee run, cakewalk and bingo. Food will be available for purchase. Admission is one bag of candy per family.

Twin Falls - The Magic Valley Church of Christ will sponsor a trunk-or-treat from 5-7 p.m. in its parking lot, 2002 Filer Ave. E. Free.

Twin Falls - Woody's Bar and Grill will sponsor an '80s costume contest. Prizes will be awarded at 9 p.m. Woody's is located at 213 Fifth Ave. S.

Twin Falls - The Faulkner Planetarium in the Herrick Center for Arts and Sciences on the campus of the College of the Southern Idaho, will show the multi-media "Amazes of Ghoulish Delight" at 7 and 8:15 p.m. Tickets, which are \$4 for adults, \$3 for senior citizens 60 and over, \$2 for students and \$9 for families, are available at the door. Children 4 and under are not admitted.

Burley - A children's carnival will be held from 6-8:30 p.m. at the Calvary Baptist Church, featuring games, prizes and candy. It's free, and costumes are encouraged. The church is located at 515 W. 27th St.

Rupert - The Minidoka Memorial Hospital Extended Care Facility residents will sponsor a Halloween party from 6:30-8 p.m. in the east-wing dining room. Under the event will feature popcorn balls, cookies, witches' brew and apple cider.

Rupert - Trinity Lutheran Church will host a food drive. Instead of asking for candy, participating trick-or-treaters will receive non-perishable food item each to help stock local food banks. Each youngster will visit about 10 home between 5:30-6:30 p.m., and participants will wear pins that read "I am a child of God."

Rupert - The Rupert United Methodist Church will sponsor its annual "Orange You Glad You Know Jesus Party" for children and adults from 5-7 p.m. The public is invited, and costumes are encouraged. There will be carnival booths with a biblical theme, and food will be available. Each family that attends should bring a one-pound bag of wrapped candy, which is used for prizes. The church is located at 605 H St.

Ketchum - The Roosevelt Tavern will sponsor its seventh annual Halloween Bash, featuring a silent auction and prizes for the scariest, best, and most politically incorrect and creative costumes and the best overall costumes. The Roosevelt Tavern is located at 280 N. Main.

Kimberly - The People for Pets "Build the Shelter Fund" will sponsor a haunted house for trick-or-treaters, 207 Garnet, 6-10 p.m. Donations will benefit the proposed animal shelter.

Buhl - The sixth annual Buhl First Christian Church Harvest Carnival will be held during the evening. There will be food, carnival games, candy, and prizes. Admission is free. The First Christian Church is located at 1005 Poplar.

Shoshone - A fifth annual Community Halloween Party and Dance is planned in the Merchants Building at the Lincoln County Fairgrounds from 6-11 p.m. Activities include a kids' carnival from 6-8 p.m., hay rides, a hay maze/pool alley, cakewalk, balloon animals, booths and games. Dance to the music of Slow Childrens Playing from 8-11 p.m. Donuts and chili will be provided by the Shoshone High School cheerleaders. Admission is \$1.50 for adults; kids get in free.

Hagerman - The Lea Owsley Legion Auxiliary will sponsor a Halloween carnival from 6-9 p.m. at the Hagerman American Legion Hall on State Street. Games will include a battle-ross dart game and fish pond, as well as a cakewalk. Admission is free, and hamburgers, chili, nachos, cupcakes and soft drinks will be available for pur' hase.

Friday and Saturday:
Twin Falls - The Lamphouse Theater will show three classic Halloween films each night, starting on Friday with "Terror in the Wax Museum" at 7:30 p.m., "From Beyond the Grave" at 9:45 p.m. and "The Rocky Horror Picture Show" at midnight. On Saturday, it will be "From Beyond the Grave" at 7:30 p.m., "Terror in the Wax Museum" at 9:45 p.m. and "Rocky Horror" at midnight. Admission to all three movies is \$7; tickets to "Rocky Horror" are \$4 and "Terror" and "Grave" are \$2 each.

Authorities hunt for arsonists

More than half of the blazes raise suspicion

LOS ANGELES (AP) - Even as crews battled Southern California's ferocious and fatal wildfires, investigators were trying to determine who set them.
"Over half of the fires in Southern California are of suspicious origin or definitely arson," said James Wright, with the the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection.
More than 13 fires have started since last week, with eight continuing to burn Wednesday.

No arrests had been made, but federal, state and local investigators said they were making progress. Several people have been detained in connection with the 28,000-acre Old Fire in San Bernardino County that has killed four elderly people who had heart attacks.

Several were released after questioning. On Wednesday, U.S. Forest Service employees on patrol detained a man they believed matched the description on a want-poster issued by the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department, said Jerry Moore, a Forest Service sperry agent.

However, the man was released after being questioned by authorities, said Robin Hynnal, a spokeswoman for the San Bernardino County Fire Department.
Investigators had not determined whether there was any link between the Old Fire and the Grand Prix Fire, which started near Fontana and had torched 50 homes and 68,000 acres.
Moore also said a man had confessed to starting the Firu fire that burned three homes and nearly 56,000 acres in Ventura County, but

California's wildfires



the case remain under investigation.
San Diego County authorities, meanwhile, said they are positive a wildfire that has so far killed 12 people and burned more than 1,000 homes was sparked by a lost deer hunter who set a signal blaze. Sergio Martinez, 33, of West

Covina was rescued by a San Diego County sheriff's helicopter on Saturday in the Cleveland National Forest. He was given a misdemeanor citation for setting an unauthorized fire.
The fire was only 50 square yards when he was rescued. The pilot who rescued him, Deputy Dave

Weldon, said Martinez initially denied setting the fire but then said, "I'm sorry about all this" and apologized repeatedly.
Arsonists could face federal state charges, including aggravated arson, which in California carries a 10-years-to-life sentence. They could even face murder charges.

Flames force evacuations in Colorado

CASTLE ROCK, Colo. (AP) - Wind-whipped wildfires raced across tinder-dry forest north and south of Denver on Wednesday, forcing thousands of families to flee and dashing hopes that Colorado's fire season was long gone. At least two homes were destroyed.

A fire in the foothills northwest of Boulder exploded to 3,500 acres, burning an unincorporated town and pushing firefighters off the lines as 100-foot flames leaped into the air. Authorities said it would be "suicidal" to fight the blaze head on.

A few hours later, a fast-moving fire swept through pine-covered hills in the suburbs of far south Denver, destroying two homes. Evacuation calls, relying on the 911 system, went out to 3,000 homes and businesses.

By nightfall, the fire covered 300 acres and threatened 300 to 400 homes, according to fire officials. One firefighter was treated for a minor injury.
Authorities said they believe both fires were started by power lines downed by high winds, though investigations were ongoing.

Fireman died trying to save town

WYNOLA, Calif. (AP) - Fast-moving flames overtook a four-man fire crew on Wednesday, killing one firefighter and injuring three others as they tried to save a home threatened by the largest blaze in Southern California.

It was the first firefighter death in the outbreak of fires that have ravaged the region this week. Twenty people have now died in the fires, many of them trying to escape the flames.

Steve Rucker, a 38-year-old fire engineer, died while battling the Cedar Fire in San Diego County. The fire has burned more than 230,000 acres and nearly 1,100 homes.

Rucker was part of a fire engine crew from the Novato Fire Protection District, just north of San Francisco, that was trying to save a mountain home near Wynola. The town is a few miles northwest of Julian in eastern San Diego County.

The firefighters were overrun so they didn't have time to reach their engine and flee, said Fred Batchelor, a state fire marshal. They took refuge in the house they were trying to protect, but one of the firefighters was overcome on



the porch. "It's calm one moment, and the next moment you have an explosive situation. In this case, it flared up and rolled in there and engulfed them."
Off Highway 78 and Orchard Lane near Wynola, yellow police tape cordoned off the area. San Diego County Sheriff's Sgt. Conrad Grayson said the firefighters were overcome about a mile down Orchard Lane. "It just swept right over them," Grayson said.

"I was hoping we wouldn't have to do this with a firefighter or a deputy," he said as he walked away to meet the coroner.
In San Diego, John Hawkins of

the California Department of Forestry struggled to sum up the loss. "It's a tragic event to the people of San Diego County and it's an example of the American spirit of protecting our assets," he said.
"Steven Rucker gave his life today in pursuit of saving someone else's house."
Rucker, an 11-year veteran firefighter, is survived by a wife and two children. Capt. Doug McDonald was burned on 18 percent of his body - mainly to his legs, arms and face - and was in critical condition at the University of California, San Diego Medical Center. He is expected to recover.

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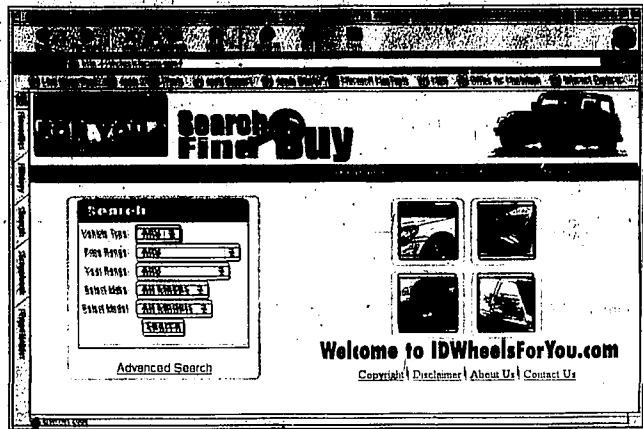
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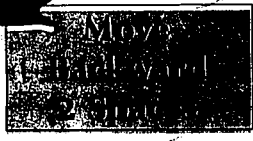
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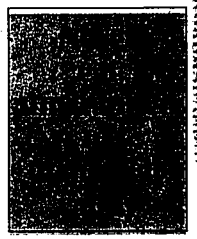
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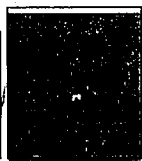


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Steelhead: A true test for anglers

Anglers need skill and patience to catch these ocean-going fish when they return to Idaho

By Stu Murrell
Times-News correspondent

The trophy steelhead is a fisherman's challenge and worth the effort. Idaho is blessed with a run of these sea-going rainbows, and there has been an excellent number counted over Lower Granite Dam since the state this year. There were 146,057 steelhead on Oct. 21 or 167 percent of the 10-year average at this time.

There are three drainages available for these runs - the Clearwater, Salmon and Main Snake River below Hells Canyon Dam.

The main attributes of a steelhead angler are patience, persistence and willingness to constantly replace gear lost to the rocky fishing areas. Any catch rate below 20 hours per fish is considered good. Recent checking-station records have shown as few as five hours per steelhead caught in Idaho.

The steelhead has an unusual life cycle, with the adult fish returning to Idaho after a one- to two-year sojourn in the ocean. They start upriver in the summer and fall but, more importantly to the fishermen, remain in Idaho waters until the spawn the following spring. This provides an eight-month long fishing season for the avid steelheader.

The beginning of this cycle results from a physical change in the rainbow trout that prompts their migration to the ocean. At this stage, they are called smolts and even change color to a bright silver. Many of these fish are raised in Idaho hatcheries and have their adipose fin removed before their release. This is important to the fishermen, as they are allowed to keep only hatchery-raised, adult steelhead with the adipose fin missing.

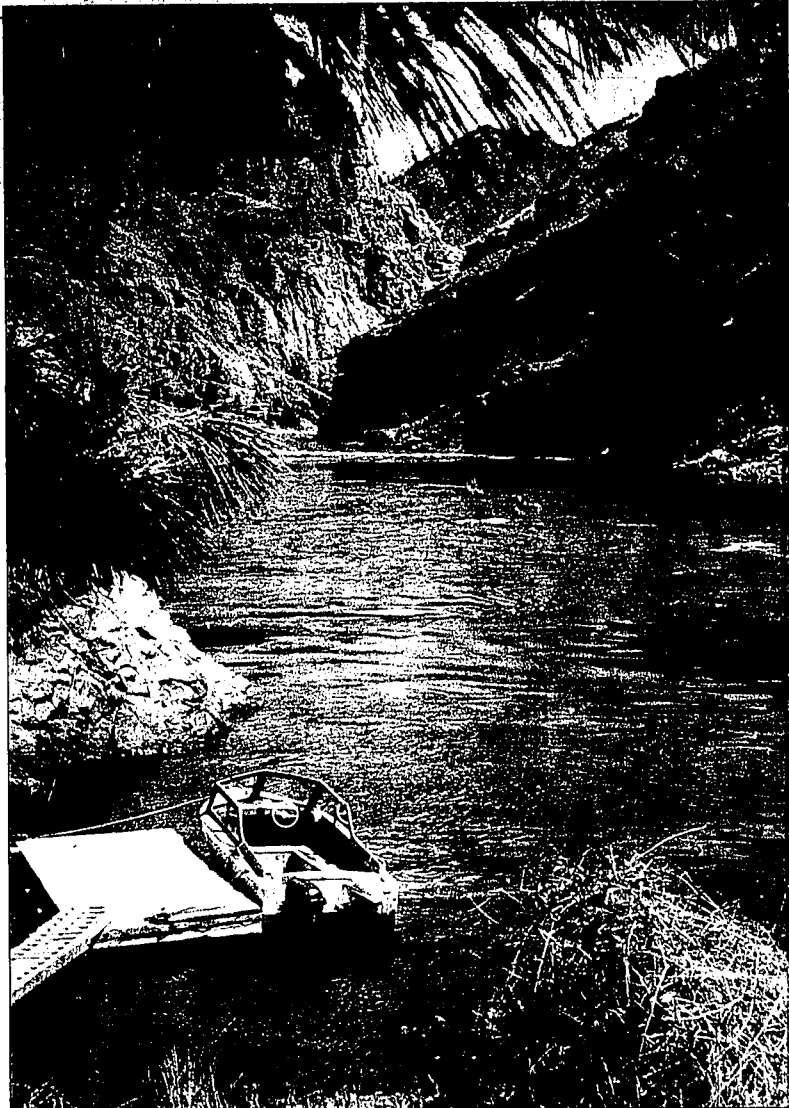
The returning adults have the uncanny ability to find their original spawning stream or hatchery. Current thinking is they locate the mouth of the Columbia River by following magnetic lines of the earth from the ocean. A phenomenal sense of smell then sends them on their way to the final destination in Idaho.



A steelhead fisherman holds a fall steelhead at Pine Bar on the main Salmon River.

There are numerous methods that steelheaders use to catch their prey. A recent trip to the Lower Salmon River near Whitebird showed two types of fishing to be the most common. Many anglers were using side-planners with hot-shots or wiggle wort lures that constantly work in the current with their shovel noses. Side-planners must have current to work them out from the bank and hold them in place on the river. This method works well when fish are actively moving upriver. Water temperatures should be in the 40s or below to cause fish to move, according to John Hanson, Fishery Research biologist in Salmon.

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The Main Snake River downstream from Hells Canyon Dam is a good place to go after steelhead.



A worker clips the adipose fin at Niagara Steelhead Hatchery prior to release in the main Salmon River. Only steelhead without the fin can be kept.

Utah club skis the sands of Bruneau Dunes

Annual event helps skiers kick off season

The Associated Press

BRUNEAU SAND DUNES - They call it skiing, but the Wasatch Mountain Club's 10th annual season opener certainly has a different flavor.

Face plants here leave a gritty taste in one's mouth, rather than providing an exhilarating avalanche of snow down the back.

There are no lifts, no lines and only a lone coyote for an audience. Every trip is on a clean slope because the sand quickly slides to replace that moved by skis.

More than two dozen skiers from Salt Lake City, Boise and Seattle gathered at Bruneau Dunes State Park in eastern Idaho on Saturday to kick off the 2003-04 season.

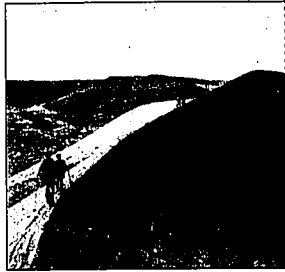
"It is a little bit easier the second time you do it," said Kathie Taylor of Salt Lake City. "Sand is a bit slower and maybe a little bit easier than snow, but maybe that's just because the runs are shorter."

Taylor and about 18 other Utahns made the 300-mile drive to help Utah's Wasatch Mountain Ski and Hiking Club celebrate a decade of the ritual.

The tallest dune at the park is 470 feet, but skiers preferred a 440-foot hill away from Boy Scouts flying madly down the sand on sleds.

The goal for nearly everyone in the group is to make 12 runs down the dunes so they can say they skied a vertical mile.

Outfits consist of shorts, tank tops and gaiters, which led one person to comment about the odd sun tan lines to be had here.



Skiers trek along the ridge of a sand dune at Bruneau Dunes State Park Saturday.

Donning Arabic attire was once the norm of this trip, but the events of Sept. 11, 2001, changed that.

After a steep climb up the closest dune, the skiers turn south and follow the ridge to a more secluded area. The first few runs are full of crashes.

"Guess I need to get the wax off my skis," one skier laments.

"The first run feels really different," says Steve Pritchett of Salt Lake City. "After that it starts to feel really good. You get your balance and away you go."

Most of the participants are on old telemark skis, but organizers say little damage is done to

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Steve Pritchett, of Salt Lake City, makes a run down a 440-foot sand dune at the Bruneau Dunes State Park near Boise Saturday during the Wasatch Mountain Skiing and Hiking Club's 10th annual celebration at Bruneau. The event kicks off the ski season for the club.

OUTDOORS

Wildlife tracts on BLM land are open to fishing, hunting

Question: "I know the department works with many federal land management agencies to improve wildlife habitat. A friend and I recently came across a sign on Bureau of Land Management land that indicated the area was managed for wildlife habitat. My question is are these areas open to hunting?"

Answer: Yes, they are open to hunting, fishing and trapping. These public lands are administered by the Bureau of Land Management and managed under a cooperative agreement with the Idaho Department of Fish and Game.

These small parcels of land are called "wildlife tracts." They are parcels of land that were not easily farmed or could not be irrigated using conventional methods of the era and subsequently were not transferred to private ownership under the Carey Act or

ASK THE OFFICER
Gary Hompland

Desert Land Entry Act. The Sikes Act allows the Bureau of Land Management to manage these wildlife tracts with the Fish and Game Department for wildlife. For years these wildlife tracts remained relatively unknown and difficult to locate. Fish and Game habitat managers worked with neighboring farmers to sharecrop portions of the tracts to develop irrigated habitat for upland birds.

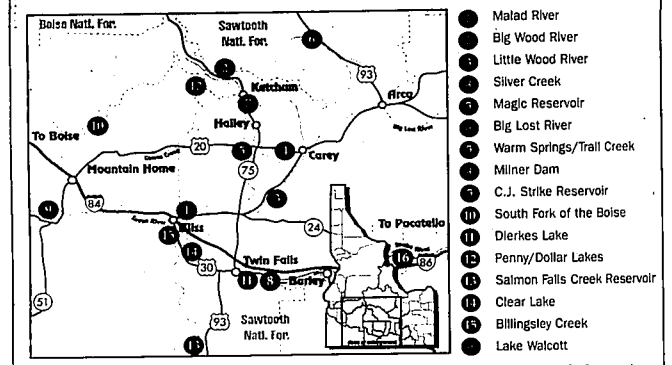
This year Fish and Game volunteers have taken on the project of cataloging and signing as many wildlife tracts as possible. The signs they are using are the ones you referred to in your question.

A complimentary map is available at Bureau of Land Management, Bureau of Reclamation, and the Department of Fish and Game Magic Valley regional office. This map shows the location of the wildlife tracts as well as small parcels of Bureau of Reclamation land, also open to public use. As public land, these parcels are open to hunting, fishing, and trapping. Some areas contain restrictions on off-road vehicle use, camping, and the like. It is also unlawful to post any public lands against trespass.

Reference Idaho Code 36-1603.

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Magic Valley Angler's Guide



The Magic Valley fish report is for the week of Thursday, Oct. 30. Updated conditions from Silver Creek Outfitters and the Blue Lakes Sporting Goods are listed for family fishing waters and major rivers in the Magic Valley/Wood River regions. Check Idaho Department of Fish and Game regulations for restrictions.

Malad River: The baetis hatch is in full swing. Emergers and floating nymphs typical outfish dries. Use baetis emergers, floating pheasant tails, parachute adams and royal wulfs.

Big Wood River: GOOD. The Wood is fishing well with nymph, midge and baetis patterns. Late afternoon and early evening fishing has been good; however hatches are sporadic. Expect the afternoons to continue to fish well. Cooler temperatures will shift the emphasis more towards nymphs, but keep a few baetis and midge patterns handy for those cloudy days.

Little Wood River: EXCELLENT. Be very careful of redds. Use clausers, egg leeches, woolly buggers, pheasant tails and glo bugs.

Silver Creek: GOOD. The Browns are in full spawning mode right now and the perpetuation of a healthy brown trout fishery depends on a successful spawn - be respectful of their time and environment. The fishing on the Creek has been good; however the hatches on the Creek have been unpredictable. This week we should experience decent baetis activity under cloudy skies. Nymphs are your best bet when surface activity is slow.

Waterfowl hunting season is now open and hunters may be present on area waters through the end of the season.

Magic Reservoir: FAIR. Many fish are

restocked up near Big Wood River inlet. Midge fishing will consistently produce good catches through. Use woolly buggers, crowd patterns, ducktails, zebra midges.

Big Lost River: GOOD. The water levels on the Lost are perfect for wading. The trout are hungry for fall baetis, midges and nymphs. Bugs appear on the water in the early afternoon and sometimes earlier on cloudy days. When top-water activity is slow try using a small dark bodied nymph to fish the ledges and deeper pools.

Trail Creek/Warm Springs: POOR/FAIR: Trail Creek is low and fishing opportunities are better on Warm Springs north of Board Ranch where water levels and access are angler friendly. Size 14-18 mayfly nymphs work best in slow water sections during the warmer afternoons. Otherwise, try a size 14-16 attractor nymph in the riffles and pools.

Miller Dam: FAIR. With weed growth going down a lot of water has the opportunity to be fished. The grass are likely suspended. Cast out some frenzys, shad raps and spinnerbaits.

C.J. Strike Reservoir: FAIR. Warmer water from the Snake side of the reservoir is keeping the fish fairly active. Use Carolina jigging, shad raps, and wind drifting ball such as minnows and nightcrawlers.

South Fork of the Boise: GOOD. Spectacular baetis hatch. Overcast days tend to be the best, otherwise

floating nymphs on the swing are hot. Use parachute baetis, adams, floating pheasant tails, clausers, hares ears and copper jugs.

Dierkes Lake: GOOD. Most activity is in the top five feet of water. Throw in a stimulator, g/f/lifts gnat, hares ear and jumbo midge pupae.

Penny, Dollar Lakes, and Lake Creek Lake: GOOD. Size 16-18 mayflies (Parachute Adams, Gulpers Specials, Baetis and black or cinnamon ants) are a good selection for surface feeders. Switching a lightly weighted nymph (#12-18) on a slow retrieve will also tempt a few fish.

Salmon Falls Creek Reservoir: FAIR. Cooler temperatures have slowed walleye bites, but increased trout activity. A few walleye are taking jigging. Use Carolina blood leeches, rapalas, wedding rings, pate plastic worms and grubs.

Clear Lake: GOOD. Weed growth is low but it will continue to get better. Clear Lakes special, ducktails, buggers and jumbo midge pupae are your best bets.

Billingsley Creek: FAIR. Do yourself a favor and grab a float tube. This will open up a huge amount of otherwise untouched water. Try adams, October caddis, pheasant tails, Janssen's minnow and woolly buggers.

Lake Walcott: FAIR. Trolling at a medium depth is turning up some nice rainbow trout. But keep using wedding rings, double whannys, flat fish and rapalas.

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CSI hosts ski swap in November

TWIN FALLS - The College of Southern Idaho Ski Club will hold its 34th annual Ski Swap Nov. 14-16 at the Eldon Evans Expo Center.

Buyers and sellers of good, used ski and winter equipment are invited to participate in what has become one of the largest events of its kind in southern Idaho.

Check-in for used equipment will be from 3 to 9 p.m. Nov. 13. Anyone who wants to sell skis, snowboards, winter camping equipment or other winter recreational clothing or gear is invited to bring their merchandise to the Expo Center during that time. The CSI Ski Club will oversee the selling of all merchandise at prices determined during check-in. The club will then deduct a 17-percent commission on all merchandise that sells. All money raised by the club will be used for student activities through the current school year.

The show will be open to the public from 3 to 9 p.m. Nov. 14, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Nov. 15, and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Nov. 16. Admission is \$1, which also buys a raffle ticket for prizes to be given away near the end of the show.

Unsold items can be picked up from 2 to 3 p.m. Nov. 16. Unclaimed items will be donated to the Idaho Youth Ranch.

Sportsmen for Fish and Wildlife hold banquet

Sportsmen for Fish and Wildlife will be holding their first annual Banquet and Fundraiser on Saturday, Nov. 15 at the Radio Rodeo banquet hall in Twin Falls. The event opens at 6 p.m. with dinner and a raffle drawing at 7 p.m. Speakers, slide shows and various auctions will be presented throughout the evening.

Featured items for the event raffle include a Kodiak Island Cast and Blast, numerous rifles, shotguns and bows as well as locally donated artwork, outdoor equipment and hunting tips. Sponsor packages will include a one in 10 chance to win firearms, raffle prizes and dinners. Dinner packages range from \$45 to \$180 sponsor packages.

Sportsmen For Fish and Wildlife has been active for over 10 years and is committed to be a political voice for the hunters and fishermen of the West. SFW is committed to represent the interest of 240,000-plus license holders in Idaho by working directly with the state legislature through hired lobbyists and to provide financial and public support of programs to benefit fish and wildlife for Idaho hunters, fishermen and trappers.

Steelhead

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The second method observed near Whitebird was fly fishermen in their waders who worked their way out on shallow points and cast bright streamer flies. This technique works particularly well in the fall when water levels are low and the steelhead are moving.

Other anglers were working lures from jet boats, rafts or drift boats and covering runs with bottom-hugging equipment. Both bank and boat fishermen also cast wobbling spoons and other lures.

As the steelhead move into Idaho, the Upper Salmon River near Sheop comes into play. Hanson said the last week in October is normally the height

Outdoors in brief

Seating for this event is limited, reservations are highly recommended. For reservations or more information, contact Scott Alban at 733-4150. Scott Wayment at 733-5010 or Rusty Tews at 308-3771.

M.V. Snowmobile Clubs fire up for grass drags

The Magic Valley Snowmobile Clubs will hold their 2nd Annual Grass Drags at KN Turf Farm in Kimberly, Saturday, Nov. 1. Spectators and racers are welcome. Gates will open at 6 a.m. and racing starts off at 9. Pre-register by Oct. 31 with an entry fee of \$30. The fee is \$40 on the day of the event.

Participants can sign up at www.magicvalleysnowmobileclubs.com or pick up a form at any snowmobile dealership. Call for more information at 280-1369 or 280-5296.

M-C Duck Unlimited chapter hosts banquet

BURLEY - The Duck Unlimited Mini-Cassia Chapter will hold its annual banquet Saturday, Nov. 15 at the Burley Convention Center, 800 N. Overland Ave., Burley.

Happy hour will be at 6 p.m. and dinner will begin at 7:30 p.m. A silent auction, live auction and raffle will follow dinner. Prizes include decoys, guns, prints and more.

Early bird registration is due no later than Nov. 10. The cost is \$110 for singles or \$130 for couples and includes entry in an early bird drawing, dinner, \$100 worth of raffle tickets, Ducks Unlimited membership and a magazine subscription. Tickets will also be available at the door for \$45 for singles and \$65 for couples and includes dinner, Ducks Unlimited membership and a magazine subscription. Attendees should be at least 12 years old.

Early registration can be mailed to Mini-Cassia Ducks Unlimited, c/o Dave Cole, P.O. Box 42, Burley, ID 83318. For more information, or to reserve an early bird package, call 678-8935 or 431-7363.

Fish and Game needs hunters' harvest reports

JEROME - With golf there is a concealed basketball here, stats and with hunting there is the mandatory harvest report. As many of the general big game hunting seasons end, sportsmen need to remember to send in their reports.

"This data we are requiring sportsmen to send in is a critical for us to manage Idaho's big game herds," said Randy Smith, Fish and Game Regional Wildlife Manager. "Harvest information combined with our aerial survey data helps us to determine the appropriated number of permits to authorize next year with out degrading the current population."

In areas where harvest was low and herds are larger than the habitat can support, biologist can then change season dates, methods of hunting or number of tags to increase harvest.

"It is one of the most useful pieces of information we gather each year before we have the big game public meetings in February," said Smith. "If we have all the information to present to the sportsmen they can then make informed decision on how they would like us to meet the regions management goals."

To help sportsmen report the information in a timely manner the Idaho Department of Fish and Game has created several methods to simplify the process.

On the Internet, sportsmen can log on to <http://www.idahohunter.com/harvest-reports/idlog-in-ASP> on the Fish and Game web site. Reports can also be filed by mail to Hunter Harvest Reports, PO Box 7007, Boise, ID 83707-0107; by phone at 1-877-268-9365; or by fax at 775-423-0799.

All deer, elk and antelope hunters must complete and submit a report for each tag issued within 10 days of harvest or within 10 days of the close of the season for which their tag was valid.

Hunters who do not report will not be able to purchase a license the following year until the report is filed. A new license may be purchased only after the report has been filed.

Pistol course begins in November in Twin Falls

Red's Trading Post is sponsoring a NRA Basic Pistol course, which will be taught by Certified NRA Instructor and Coach, Kinlaw of Idaho Ordnance. The course will begin Nov. 17 and will be held for three days from 6 to 9 p.m. at 253 5th Ave. West located in Historic Old Towne Twin Falls. Cost is \$50 or \$40 if you prepay by Nov. 15, the class will be limited to eight students. This course meets state training requirements to obtain a Concealed Weapons License. For more information please call Idaho Ordnance at 420-6163 or Red's Trading Post at 733-3549.

- compiled from staff reports

For additional updates on the Big Wood, Silver Creek, Warm Springs, Trail Creek, Penny/Dollar Lakes and the Big Lost, call Scooter Gardner of Silver Creek Outfitters at 1-800-732-5687 or (208) 726-5282. For updates at all other locations call Doug Cherry of Blue Lake Sporting Goods at (208) 733-6446.

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OUTDOORS

WILD EMU CHASE



This emu's feathers were a bit ruffled at the Zoo in Gulf Breeze, Fla., Tuesday, where it was taken after it led six pest control workers on a 90-minute chase near Pensacola, Fla. Officials said the 6-foot, flightless bird may have escaped from an emu ranch or been deliberately released.

Idaho State course teaches wilderness first aid techniques

POCAHELLO (AP) - Imagine this... It's a warm, sunny day in southern Idaho's back country. Hiking along a new trail with friends, everything seems perfect, until someone falls and sprains their ankle.

Now it's up to you to help. You can't dial 911 because there's no cell phone reception, and you don't have first aid training.

So what do you do? Wilderness Medicine Institute instructor Lance Thyson says those who are trained in wilderness medicine would be able to assess the situation and offer treatment to any life-threatening injuries. "Wilderness first aid places great value on thorough patient assessment, high-level care and sound judgment and decision-making," he said.

Some of the most common injuries in the back country might be a sprained ankle, minor burn, or laceration, Thyson says. But wilderness medicine training prepares students to assess and care for all medical emergencies.

"For instance, not all chest pain means a heart attack and warrants calling a helicopter. Or how do you decide if your headache is due to fatigue and dehydration, or could it be a stroke?" Thyson said. "These distinctions become important when the patient is far from professional medical care."

Idaho State University students and local outdoorsmen gather twice a year to get certification in wilderness first aid.

The ISU Outdoors Program and the Wilderness Medicine Institute National Outdoor Leadership School

sponsor the course, which could end up being a life-saving measure.

Outdoor recreation coordinator Justin Dayley says the course differs from traditional first aid and CPR courses.

"When someone's hurt, people generally react by dialing 911, but when they are in the wilderness, help can be two hours away," he said.

Dayley notes many people now carry cell phones when they are in the wilderness, but there are still many areas out of reception range, and it could take at least an hour to reach a trailhead.

The class is designed to teach wilderness care, how to treat for shock, spinal injuries and more," Dayley said.

One emphasis of the class is showing students the correct way to respond in an emergency. "While students might take the class to learn first aid techniques, they will also receive their WMI certification, which is valid for two years."

Dayley says while the program does get new students, people often attend the class to re-certify.

"I find that if you're going to be outside doing a lot of activities, eventually something is going to happen," he said.

Dayley suggests students take the class with friends, because generally they will do outdoor activities together. Along with avid outdoorsmen and women, others who take the classes are generally college-aged and work as guides during the summers.

To be considered for the Wilderness Medicine Institute course, applicants must have cer-

tification in wilderness first aid.

"This is vital if you are an employer who needs to know your employees are qualified for a job such as camp nurse or river guide," Thyson said.

He says wilderness first aid certification is only a steppingstone for those who want to set a personal benchmark.

Thyson says a person might consider taking the Wilderness First Responder course followed by the Emergency Medical Technician course offered by ISU.

"Wilderness medicine brings out the art and creativity of patient care," he said. "Many of my students got their start in wilderness medicine and have gone on to achieve advanced certification."

One of the advanced certifications offered by the ISU Outdoor Program is the Wilderness First Responder course. The class is a nine-day program that takes everything from the wilderness first aid class and gives the students more skills and time to practice.

The Responder certification is also valid for two years. To get recertification, students need only to retake the Wilderness First Aid class. There, students learn about wound management and infection, realigning fractures and dislocations, improvised splinting techniques, patient monitoring, and long-term management problems.

Students will also learn about first aid kits and how to personalize them to fit their own needs. Dayley says students must pack kits to fit their level of training and not include equipment they don't know how to use.

Bruneau

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The skis themselves. They don't recommend bindings with a lot of parts. Some people wrapped their bindings in duct tape in an effort to keep sand from causing problems.

Saturday was a clear and warm day with little wind, which is rare at Bruneau.

Some participants in this year's event arrived early and reported 40 mph wind blowing tumble weeds up the slope on Friday. Goggles are a necessity on windy days.

"I've been hearing about this place for a couple of years and figured I better get here before my knee goes out," said Salt Laker Dan Kelly, digging the sand out of his ears from a recent spill.

While they have skied at other sand dunes around the West, organizers of the event like the Bruneau State Park because motorized vehicles are not allowed. This makes for a safe, quiet and fume-free environment.

Facilities at the park include a grassy campground, solar-heated

showers - a must, considering the places sand shows up after a day on the hill. Another attraction is the Bruneau Dunes Observatory, located within the state park.

Most sand dunes form on the edges of basins, but the ones at Bruneau are unique because they form in the center of a large semi-circular basin not far from the Snake River.

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SkyWest reports falling earnings

TWIN FALLS - Third-quarter earnings lost altitude for the only commercial airline serving the Twin Falls airport.
St. George, Utah-based SkyWest Inc. on Wednesday reported operating revenues of \$230.5 million, up 13.7 percent from a year ago. But SkyWest's net income dropped to \$21.1 million for the quarter, which ended Sept. 30, or 36 cents per diluted share, from the year-ago \$22.9 million or 40 cents per diluted share.

WestCoast Hospitality releases earnings today

TWIN FALLS - Washington-based WestCoast Hospitality Corp. - owner of Red Lion Hotel Carayon Springs in Twin Falls - will release its third-quarter earnings before the market opens today, and anyone may listen online to a conference call with company managers.
The call to review WestCoast's financial performance will be conducted at 11 a.m. today and be web-cast live at www.westcoasthotels.com, in the Investor Relations portion of the Web site. The conference call will also be archived there.

Volunteers needed to provide free tax help

TWIN FALLS - The IRS and AARP are seeking volunteers to provide free tax assistance in Idaho next tax filing season. Bilingual volunteers are particularly needed.
The volunteers will prepare federal and state returns in their communities for the elderly, disabled, non-English speakers and those with limited incomes.
The IRS and AARP Tax-Aide provide the volunteers with free training on how to prepare basic individual income tax returns and, in some cases, how to file them electronically. Instruction will cover both federal and state tax returns. All materials and training are provided at no cost.

Last year in Idaho, 177 AARP Tax-Aide volunteers assisted 15,377 taxpayers by preparing their federal and state tax returns and helping them claim any refunds or credits they were eligible to receive.
Anyone can volunteer. Organizations, such as local civic or fraternal societies, educational institutions, religious organizations and social groups, can also participate or host a site.

For information, call the Idaho AARP Tax-Aide coordinator, Jim Todd, at 782-0189 or send an e-mail to jtodd@pcaccess.net.

Outback eaters choose smaller steak portions

TAMPA, Fla. - About half of the steak-eaters at Outback Steakhouse are choosing new, smaller portions of red meat.
But they're paying a slightly higher average bill, because customers are splitting entrees less often and spending a little more on appetizers, Outback executives said.
"It's startling, but we actually see them going up a little bit," said chief financial officer Robert Merritt.

Outback earlier this year introduced the reduced portions, in addition to full-sized steaks, to appeal to more health-conscious baby boomers.

More than 400 restaurants now offer the smaller steaks. Outback plans to put them on the menu at 150 more locations by year's end.

Verizon beats reduced earnings forecast

NEW YORK - Verizon Communications Inc. earned \$1.79 billion in the third quarter, edging reduced forecasts as more strong gains in wireless and long-distance helped offset mounting customer losses in the local telephone business.
"Executives insisted that the company's focus on long-term distance gains is helping stabilize the wireline business, but rejected the suggestion it needs to join the industry fray in cutting prices for cellular and high-speed Internet service."

About 12,000 of Verizon's 221,000 union and management employees are expected to accept a voluntary retirement offer.
"The third-quarter profit, amounting to 64 cents per share, was down sharply from the profit of \$4.41 billion or \$1.60 per share in the same period last year."

Jackpot earnings shrink

Ameristar puts up better numbers overall, however

By Virginia S. Hutchins
Times-News writer

JACKPOT, Nev. - Here's a local economic indicator that still points down.

Ameristar Casinos Inc. posted smaller earnings at its Jackpot casinos just south of the Idaho border, again blaming southern Idaho's economy for hurting revenues there. But the casino company overall saw quarterly earnings shoot up 60.4 percent.

Las Vegas-based Ameristar owns and operates six Ameristar

Jackpot performance.

Ameristar Casinos Inc. reported these third-quarter and nine-month financial results from its Jackpot, Nev., properties - Cactus Petes Resort Casino and The Horseshoe Hotel & Casino. Dollar amounts are in thousands.

	Three months ended Sept. 30,		Nine months ended Sept. 30,	
	2002	2003	2002	2003
Net revenue	\$16,521	\$18,115	\$45,726	\$45,523
Operating income	\$2,682	\$2,462	\$8,424	\$7,516
EBITDA	\$3,557	\$3,434	\$11,153	\$10,436
Operating income margin	16.2%	15.3%	18.4%	16.5%
EBITDA margin	21.5%	21.2%	24.4%	22.9%

(EBITDA is earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization. EBITDA margin is EBITDA as a percentage of net revenues.)

in Missouri, Iowa, Mississippi and Nevada. The Nevada casinos are major Magic Valley employers. Ameristar is another local tie

through its chairman and chief executive officer, Craig H. Neilsen. The former Twin Falls resident also is the developer of

Stores hire reinforcements for holidays



Gary Schorzman tries on a Santa hat in the holiday section at Wal-Mart SuperCenter in Burley. Large retailers in Magic Valley say they're hiring more temporary employees than last year to handle the holiday rush.

Improved economy might give retailers a Christmas boost

By Lorraine Covenor
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS - Large retailers in Magic Valley are hiring either more or the same number of holiday helpers as they did last year, according to a survey of the industry.

Wal-Mart SuperCenter in Jerome is hiring five to seven more holiday employees than last year. ShopKo, a few more than last year. Kmart, about 10 percent more. The Twin Falls J.C. Penney, about three more. Sears and Target, about the same number as

last year.
Greg Rogers, a regional labor economist with Job Service, said he is not surprised that holiday hiring in Magic Valley is up.
"Twin Falls has the hottest economy in the state right now," he said.

Economic indicators in general show positive signs.
"Things are a bit on the upswing," Rogers said. "Holiday shopping should be a bit better."
That upswing has been felt by Wal-Mart SuperCenter in

Jerome, which hired 12 full-time temporary employees starting about Oct. 1 and is planning to hire another 10 to 12 more around Nov. 1, said Jeff Hanssen, manager of the Jerome store.

"Our business has been good out here," he said. "And business will drastically increase after Thanksgiving."

Last year the store hired 17 full-time seasonal workers. This year's increase in hiring reflects a 10 percent increase in sales over last year, Hanssen said.
"If I get more sales I can afford

to spend more dollars than last year," Hanssen said.
Hanssen said he is excited about the holiday season.
"The average transaction is up over last year," he said.

Higher sales figures are an indication the holiday season will go well for retail.

"I'm getting good increases," Hanssen said. "We have three to four semi-loads of merchandise a day coming into the store."
And just as much leaving.

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Business people hail benefits of trade mission

The Associated Press

BOISE - Business and industry leaders who accompanied Gov. Dirk Kempthorne on last week's trade mission to Mexico said this week that the trip is already paying dividends that could run into the tens of millions of dollars.

Wheat growers took orders for \$650,000 and could have taken more if they had more specialty grain to sell this fall.

Union growers took their first-ever order from a major Mexico food retailer, and Magic Miles, a Nampa processor of dehydrated

potato flakes, made sales totaling \$50,000.

Agreements were made to facilitate sale of Idaho bean seed to Mexico, and Agriculture Director Pat Takasugi said more progress was made on expanding fresh potato sales south of the border.
"We made immediate sales," Takasugi said. "We've got more coming."

With the leverage the presence of Kempthorne and Lt. Gov. James Risch gave the trade delegation, an Idaho Falls software developer was able to set up product demonstration meetings over

the next month with six major utilities in Mexico.

"This trade mission was absolutely fabulous," said Jace Davis of AMX.
The potential for his company alone, he said, was \$80 million in software and services.

"That's what we're chasing," Davis said.

The governor called the week-long trip one of the most successful trade missions to date and remained committed to visiting Mexico again in two years. A trade mission to Asia is being tentatively scheduled for 2004, aides

said.
Kempthorne declined to put a figure on the near-term economic impact, emphasizing the other deals could materialize that are not in sight right now.

"But the potential is enormous," he said.

The delegation met with Mexican business and government officials in Guadalajara, Monterrey and Mexico City. Kempthorne said groups of Mexican officials are expected to visit Idaho in the coming months to further discuss trade relations.

Saving for retirement may give boost to college plans

Question: I'm an underemployed single mother. I have the good fortune to have an inheritance coming to me soon - and a gaggle of teenage daughters either in college or about to start.

We've been living in moderate poverty for the last 10 years, so there is nothing word on investing in anything but an IRA, but my car ate it. I'm afraid that the inheritance will disappear into

money, but my children won't qualify for enough financial aid to attend school.
At the very least, I'd like them to go to college and graduate without being hobbled by their student loans. What would you recommend?

Answer: First things first. Your desire to provide for your daughters' education is admirable, but the worst-case scenario for them

is that they might have to borrow money. But nobody is going to lend you cash to retire. And as much as they love you, your daughters don't want to support you in your old age. So make sure you take care of your own retirement before contributing to their college funds.

The good news is that saving for your retirement might wind

State safeguards property

The Times-News

SUN VALLEY - If you meet Sally S. Blow, tell her about this story.

The state is safeguarding unclaimed property for her, and for dozens of other people and businesses whose last known addresses are in Magic Valley. Tax Commission is looking for those folks, and hoping they'll call to claim the property.

It's stuff for which Idaho businesses have been unable to find the rightful owners, such as payroll checks, contents of safe deposit boxes, tax refunds, stock dividends, worker's compensation benefits and the like.

The Times-News on Thursdays prints names of a sampling of whose last known addresses are in Magic Valley communities. The tax commission said the people and businesses listed today each own unclaimed property worth \$50 or more.

Watch for other towns in coming weeks.

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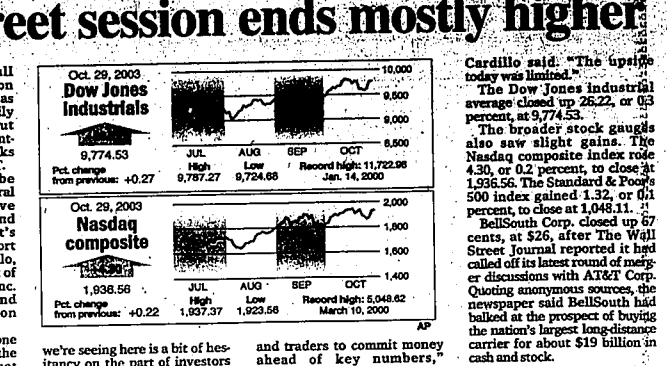
MONEY

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That's a lot of freight going through the registers," he said.
While the Jerome store has already hired a dozen holiday employees, its Burlington counterpart has yet to start...

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Roland Sorenson, Kmart store manager, said he expects to hire about 10 percent more than last year and is budgeting more salary dollars during the holidays...

Wall Street session ends mostly higher
NEW YORK (AP) - Wall Street closed a quiet session modestly higher Wednesday as companies reported generally positive earnings news, but by investors were disappointed by reports from AT&T and Microsoft.
The market seemed to be taking a rest after the Federal Reserve's decision to leave interest rates unchanged and ahead of the government report Thursday, said Peter Cardillo, president and chief strategist of Global Partner Securities Inc.
The break gives traders and investors "time to position themselves," he said.
"I think the market has gone up in a rather vivacious way the last couple of days and what we're seeing here is a bit of hesitancy on the part of investors and traders to commit money ahead of key numbers,"



Wal-Mart's drive for lower prices has hidden costs
By Steven Pearlstein
The Washington Post
According to supermarket giants Safeway, Albertson's and Kroger, the competitive threat from Wal-Mart's drive to survive without cutting the pay and benefits of unionized employees.
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ed, and how wages and prices are set. Wal-Mart is now the symbol for all that is good and bad in the hypercompetitive global marketplace, its impact on every corner of the U.S. economy.
Wal-Mart's relentless drive to deliver low prices now directly siphons American consumers \$20 billion a year by one estimate - and probably several times that sum once the indirect effect on competitors is factored in.
To win Wal-Mart's business, suppliers have been forced to overcut prices and sacrifice millions of American jobs lost in the process.
The ruthless efficiency of Wal-Mart's supply chain accounts for as much as a quarter of the economy's recent productivity gains, according to a study by McKinsey & Co.
The credibility of Wal-Mart's claim that it balances the interests of the workers and consumers took a direct hit week when federal agents arrested several hundred illegal aliens cleaning floors and emptying trash baskets at Wal-Mart stores. Conversations secretly recorded at corporate headquarters supposedly put the lie to executive assertions that they were shocked to learn their cleaning contractors had hired undocumented workers.
In a rather neat way, Wal-Mart presents the essential dilemma of modern global capitalism: how to capture most of its benefits while minimizing the unpleasant side effects.
Too much innovation and consumer saving would be lost if government were to step in and prevent Wal-Mart from opening new stores or purchasing goods from overseas, which in effect, is what its opponents would like.
At the same time, we know that, in the face of the market's ruthless search for efficiency, the only way to provide a healthy society to assure all workers a minimal standard of living.
I'm talking about a minimum wage that would put a family with two full-time workers above the poverty line in high-cost metropolitan areas - and no doubt put upward pressure on wages at places like Wal-Mart.
Or how about requiring employers like Wal-Mart to provide all workers with affordable health insurance, including part-timers and recent hires?

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STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST

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HOW TO READ THE MARKET REPORT

Here are the 525 most active stocks on the New York Stock Exchange, the 400 most active on the Nasdaq National Market and 100 most active on the American Stock Exchange. Mutual funds are listed in the "FUND" column.
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Ask: Lowest price a seller is willing to accept.
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% Chg: Percent change in price for the day.
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BJ Christensen, a professional tri-athlete, spoke to children at Acequia Elementary School at a recent assembly. With him are, from left, Jezzica Roseborough, Zach Robbins, Keagan Condie, Hawk Pruett and Beth Crane.

Acequia Elementary ignites Olympic theme

ACEQUIA - Acequia Elementary School has ignited its new theme.

The school has chosen to be called, unofficially, the Acequia Olympic Training Center. A recent assembly introduced the concept that the students will be like athletes who are training for the "big event." Teachers will be referred to as coaches or trainers, and students will receive "power training" to improve their academic skills.

Various scores from last year were shown in a computer presentation, and the crowd cheered as they saw how they had improved. BJ Christensen, a professional tri-athlete originally from the Mini-Cassia area, spoke to the students about doing their "personal best." He encouraged them to try always to improve their skills in everything they do. He also said that "you only compete with yourself and not others."

HALLOWEEN SPIRIT



The advanced drama class at Robert Stuart Junior High School in Twin Falls got into the Halloween spirit with a comical version of the Sleepy Hollow story called, "Hecabod" on Monday. The director was Maggie Fortnar.

LETTERS OF THANKS

Family appreciates work, kindness of funeral home

We would like to take this opportunity to thank Mike and Catherine Parke and their staff at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home and Crematory for the helpfulness and kindness shown to our families during the loss of our beloved family member, Dan Dutt.

Mike and Catherine Parke walked with us through this very difficult time and helped us with the difficult decisions that were necessary. They went beyond the call of duty and helped us accomplish what we wanted for Dad.

We, as a family, feel so fortunate and grateful to have a family owned business that gives so much back to our Twin Falls community.

Thank you again, Mike and Catherine Parke.
RUSTY AND CAROLYN BIGGS
 And Family
 Twin Falls

Church thanks community for support of dinner

We of the Crossroads United Methodist Church in Kimberly would like to thank the community for its support and all the workers for the best-ever annual turkey dinner. We served close to 600 dinners.

We appreciate you all very much.
FAT BALLARD
 Chairman, 72nd Annual Turkey Dinner
 Kimberly

Service crew does hard work at summer project
 Orchard Valley Head Start would like to thank the Magic

CAP joins with mayors for anti-drug week declarations

BURLEY - Burley Mayor Jon Anderson and Rupert Mayor Audrey Neirweh each met with Cader Eliza Chanry of the Joe Eagle Composite Squadron of the Civil Air Patrol to sign proclamations declaring this week Red Ribbon Week in their respective cities.

The purpose of Red Ribbon Week is to draw attention to the fight against drugs. DARE (Drug Awareness Resistance Education) officers in Cassia County teach anti-drug classes throughout the year to students in the district. Many schools have special activities in conjunction with Red Ribbon Week.

The Civil Air Patrol's local unit also is seeking people 12 years-old and up to join. Pilots are especially needed to help with rescue missions. For more information, call 678-0888.

Local businesses sponsor Halloween party

SHOSHONE - A community Halloween party and dance will be held at 6 p.m. Friday in the Merchants Building at the Lincoln County Fairgrounds in Shoshone. The dance will begin at 8 p.m. The event will feature games, trick-or-treat booths, a spook alley and hay rides. The band, Slow Children Playing, will play music. This is the fifth year for the event. In the past, the party was held at the Wood River Center Grange in rural Lincoln County, but has outgrown that venue.

The community Halloween party and dance is sponsored by local businesses. For more information, call Janet at 886-2961.

Calvary Baptist Church holds children's carnival

BURLEY - A children's carnival will be held from 6-8:30 p.m. Friday at the Calvary Baptist Church, 515 W. 27th St. in Burley. The event will feature games, prizes, candy and more. The event is free, and the public is invited. Costumes are encouraged. For more information, call 678-0793.

Comedian headlines dinner, auction for learning center

TWIN FALLS - Danny Martin will headline the Southern Idaho Hospital Center's dinner and auction at 6 p.m. Saturday at the Ballroom, 205 Shoshone St. N. in Twin Falls.

Dinner will be provided by Johnny Cannon, and auction items have been donated by several business and community leaders.

Tickets are \$40 per person or \$75 per couple and are available at Everybody's Business, Magic Valley Bank and Southern Idaho Learning Center in Twin Falls and the law offices of Felton and the law offices of Felton and Associates in Buhl. Tickets also are available by calling 734-3914. The center is funded and administered by the Scottish Rite Masons.

St. Nicholas Church holds annual harvest dinner

RUPERT - St. Nicholas Church will hold its annual harvest dinner bazaar and raffle Saturday at Parish Hall, corner of F and 9th Streets in Rupert.

The bazaar will be held from 2-8 p.m. Dinner will be served from 5-8 p.m. The menu will be an old-fashioned turkey dinner with all the trimmings and homemade pies.

Dinner tickets are \$7.50 for adults, \$3.25 for children under age 12 and free for children ages 6 and under. Raffle tickets are \$1 each and free for children.

For more information, call 436-3781.

4-H members, leaders are invited to awards night

RUPERT - Minidoka County 4-

Burley student accepts membership in academic group

Caroline Grace Christensen of Burley accepted membership in the National Society of Collegiate Scholars and will be honored during a campus ceremony this fall at Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah.

The organization reported that it is a highly selective, national, nonprofit honor organization, which recognizes first and second year undergraduate students who excel academically. The society was

Hawards night will be held at 6:30 p.m.

Saturday in the McGregor Center at the Minidoka County Fairgrounds, 85 E. Baseline Road in Rupert.

All 4-H leaders, members and their families are invited. Chili and cinnamon rolls will be served free of charge.

The event will include fair awards, awards for outstanding leaders and other miscellaneous awards. The 4-H Teen Association will have a silent auction and a \$1 auction.

For more information, call 436-7184.

First Christian Church starts annual harvest dinner

BURLEY - The First Christian Church will hold its annual harvest dinner at 6 p.m. Saturday at the church, 1401 Oakley Ave. in Burley.

This will be a turkey dinner with all the trimmings and pie for dessert. Take-outs will be available. A freewill offering will be taken for dinner.

There also will be a country store and a drawing for hand-crafted quilt.

For more information, call 678-2462.

Magic Valley New Neighbors hears from mountaineer

HAGERMAN - The Magic Valley New Neighbors will hold a luncheon at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday at The Outback, 1965 Blue Lakes Blvd. in Twin Falls.

Mark Goodman, Twin Falls businessman from 1974 to Saturday will talk about his mountain climbing experiences. Goodman climbed Mount Aconcagua in the Andes Mountains in Argentina.

Luncheons are \$10. For more information or reservations, call 420-8234.

Red Cross considers latest blood drive a success

RUPERT - The fourth American Red Cross blood drive of 2003 for Minidoka County held recently at the Rupert Civic Building was successful, achieving 109 units, which is one over the goal organizers set.

The canteen was hosted by the United Methodist women, and Knights of Columbus unloaded and reloaded the blood mobile. Also helping were Boy Scout Troop 940, Minidoka Memorial Hospital volunteers, all the media and many private individuals.

Receiving gallon pins were Patti Temple, one gallon; Stan Zimmerman, one gallon; Bruce Thomas, Walter Roberts, Roy DalSoglio and Zane Stewart, two gallons; Ron Fasset, four gallons; and Chris Sept, 10 gallons.

The donor drawing for a package of haled goods was won by Dana Rasmussen.

There will be a Christmas remembrance donated by donors floral to a free drawing for Nancy at the next drive.

The last drive of the year will be from 12-6 p.m. Dec. 8 at the Rupert Civic Building, 624 F St. in Rupert. Donors should bring their Red Cross card or Social Security card for identification.

CSI offers computer workshops for seniors

TWIN FALLS - The College of Southern Idaho will offer zero-credit workshops for those interested in learning various computer skills without the pressure of a grade.

"Wordfast Word for Seniors" will be held from 6-9 p.m. Wednesdays, Nov. 12 through Dec. 17 in Canyon Room 124C. Students will learn how to write a better letter, newsletter, flyer or brochure and insert graphics. The instructor will demonstrate how to open, close and save a project and how to format it with different fonts, colors and margins. The cost is \$60.

"Computers for Seniors II" will be held from 4-7 p.m. Mondays, Nov. 10 through Dec. 8 at Harrison

Elementary School, 600 Harrison St. in Twin Falls. The class picks up where "Computers for Seniors I" left off.

The Internet, e-mail and word processing will be explored further. This class can be tailored to the needs of the individual class. The cost is \$60.

For more information, or to register, call 732-6288 or 732-6290.

Flier flea market gathers food for Salvation Army

FILER - An indoor Flier flea market will be held from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday at the Twin Falls County Fairgrounds in Filer.

Those attending are asked to bring a canned food item to go to the local Salvation Army's food bank.

Admission is 50 cents. Preschoolers get in free. New vendors always welcome.

For more information, call 532-4439 or 312-4900.

Kimberly Nurseries offers free seminar

TWIN FALLS - Kimberly Nurseries, 2862 Addison Ave. E. in Twin Falls will offer a free seminar on basic landscape design at 9 a.m. Saturday.

Pre-registration is required in The Garden Gate Gift & Garden Shop at Kimberly Nurseries.

For more information or to pre-register, call 733-2717.

Gooding Duplicate Bridge Club announces winners

GOODING - The Gooding Duplicate Bridge Club announced its winners for Oct. 24:

North/south: first, Kiley Burton and Peggy Haeley; second, Max Thompson and Bev Clark; and third, Al and Frances Anglen.

East/west: first, Cecil and Carma Davidson; second, Ruby Grimes and Les Saunders; and third, Henry and Dolores Robinson.

Refreshments were served. Susan Faulkner, Bud Povey and Ruby Jinkins celebrated their birthdays.

The club meets at 1 p.m. every Friday at Gooding City Hall, 308 Fifth Ave. W.

Wendell church serves turkey dinner Sunday

TWENDELL - A turkey dinner with all the trimmings will be served from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday at the United Methodist Church, 175 E. Main St. in Wendell.

A freewill offering will be taken.

For more information, call Mary Lou Ruby at 536-6583.

U of I extension office offers diabetes program

TWIN FALLS - The Healthy Diabetes Plate, a diabetes education program, will be offered from 6:30 a.m. Tuesdays, Nov. 4-25 at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in the doctors room in the cafeteria, 650 Addison Ave. W. in Twin Falls.

Family and consumer sciences extension educators Rhea Lanting and Cammie Jayo will teach. Gretchen Manker will assist.

The class will teach how to successfully manage diabetes through healthy eating habits. People with diabetes, family members of people with diabetes and those interested in learning more about the disease are encouraged to participate.

The cost is \$20 per person or \$25 per couple and will include materials, food and supplies. Participants will receive a cookbook of the recipes.

For a reservation deadline or more information, call 734-9590 or e-mail rhlanting@uidaho.edu.

Ageless Senior Citizens Center serves turkey dinner

KIMBERLY - The Ageless Senior Citizens Center will serve a turkey dinner from 12-2 p.m.

Sunday at the center, 310 Main St. N. in Kimberly.

The meal is \$6 for adults and \$3 for children under age 12.

Jerome Optimists seek nominations for awards

JEROME - The Jerome Optimist Club will hold its Youthful Appreciation 2003 on Nov. 12. Nominations for outstanding youth are now being taken from Jerome.

Letters of recommendation should be mailed no later than Friday to Jerome Optimist Club, PO Box 105, Jerome, ID 83338.

For more information, call Sheela at 324-4953 or contact a local member of the Jerome Optimist Club or Jerome Rotary Club.

Church offers series on taking control of your life

TWIN FALLS - An eight-week video series on boundaries and how to take control of your life will be presented at 7:45 p.m. Mondays, Nov. 3 through Dec. 22 at the Heritage Alliance church, 401 Sixth Ave. N. in Twin Falls.

The series will focus on physical, mental, emotional and spiritual boundaries and how they effect relationships.

The series is facilitated through the Life Recovery 12-step Christian support group. There is no charge, but a book can be purchased.

For more information, call Susan at 734-7201 or Suzanne at 736-0104.

Holiday events find place in Times-News publication

TWIN FALLS - On Nov. 16, 734-2222 Times-News will publish a free community calendar for holiday season activities in the "Festivities" section.

The calendar will include events that take place on Nov. 16 through Dec. 31.

If you would like your event included, send the time, date and place of the event to Christmas, Festivities of the Magic Valley, 734-2222 Times-News, P.O. Box 649, Twin Falls, ID 83303-0548; or to Trena Hegan, The Times-News, Burley, ID 83318. Or e-mail this information to patm@magvalley.com. Or fax to 734-5538. Please include your name, address and phone number.

Deadline is Nov. 10. Information received after Nov. 10 will not be eligible.

For more information, call 734-3288.

Children's support group holds kick-off session

TWIN FALLS - Kids Count, a children's bereavement support group, will hold a kick-off session from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 15 at First Choice Hospice, 147 Main St. E. in Twin Falls.

Follow-up sessions will be held from 6:30-8 p.m. Thursdays, Nov. 6-20.

Age-level group activities will include games, craft projects, singing-alongs, videos, dialogue and story time.

When possible, activities such as archery or bowling will be offered.

There is no charge. To register, call Gloria at 734-4064.

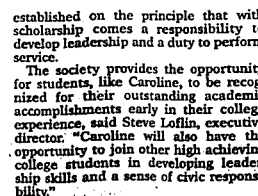
Buhl First Christian Church holds annual harvest dinner

BUHL - Buhl First Christian Church will hold its sixth annual harvest carnival from 6-8 p.m. Friday at 1005 Poplar.

There will be food, carnival games, candy and prizes. Admission is free. Donations will be accepted, and an admission donation of one bag of candy per family is suggested.

For more information, call Associate Pastor Steven Marshall at 543-4102.

FOCUS ON PEOPLE



Caroline Christensen

establishment on the principle that with scholarship comes a responsibility to develop leadership and a duty to perform service.

The society provides the opportunity for students, like Caroline, to be recognized for their outstanding academic accomplishments early in their college experience, said Steve Loflin, executive director. Caroline will also have the opportunity to join other students in developing leadership skills and a sense of civic responsibility.

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Idaho Latino organization aims to eliminate barriers to voting

By Pat Marcantonio
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - The goals of Idaho Latino Vote include getting more Latinos involved in the election process and reducing barriers to their participation. And an advocate considers absentee ballots as one way to meet those goals.

Maria Gonzalez Mabbutt, a volunteer with the organization, which is a nonpartisan voter-registration project of the Idaho Hispanic Caucus, told the Hispanic Professionals Network group in Twin Falls recently that Latino Vote is encouraging the early vote with an absentee ballot, especially if people have never voted before.

"If they vote now, they just go to one place and it's less time-consuming," she said. It may also meet their work schedule.

Usually, a plan of identification and a residence, such as a utility bill, is accepted to register, Mabbutt said. Through Monday at 5 p.m. people can register and vote absentee at city halls.

The organization also is encouraging Latinos to get out to vote at the upcoming smaller city elec-

To learn more ...
For more information about Latino Vote, call 877-252-1282.

tions as well as school board and off-year elections when "it's not so easy," Mabbutt said. "But that's where Latinos can make an impact."

Mabbutt said there is a lot of work ahead.

Statewide, Hispanics make up about 8.5 percent of the total population, but there only is one state legislator so the number of lawmakers doesn't reflect the population, Mabbutt said.

About 37,000 of the Hispanic population are eligible voters, but a little over 16,000 are actually registered to vote. And of those, 25 percent actually get out to vote on average, explained Mabbutt. But Latino Vote is seeing an increase in the percentage of people voting absentee.

Many Latino voters feel more comfortable voting at home than at polling places, where they may not feel as welcome, but it is intentional or unintentional, Mabbutt said.

The goal of Latino Vote is to

double the number of Latinos who get out to vote in city elections, Mabbutt said. The goal for 2004 is that about 70 percent of eligible voters get to the polls.

Education about voting and elections is the key for potential Latino voters. "Because no one has really educated them," she said.

There has been some positive change, said Mabbutt, a former Heyburn native. She noted that Damien Rodriguez is the Minicassia Democratic Committee chairman.

Latino Vote started in 1999. While it mostly has focused on the Treasure Valley, it is spreading statewide.

Idaho Latino Vote plans to use posters and other information to encourage voting by Latinos and has produced voter guides in Spanish, Mabbutt said, who has handled legislative and judicial races and worked around politics since 1980, said she also would be available to train people about how to get involved in the election process.

As for Latino candidates, they have got to appeal to mainstream voters as well as other Latinos to win races, she said.

DAYS OF THE DEAD

BSU commemorates event with colorful altars

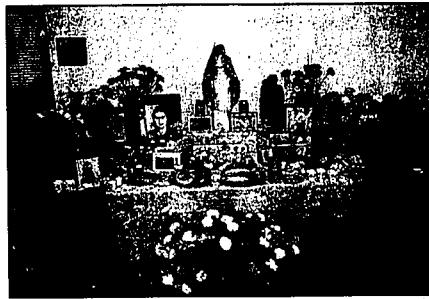
BOISE - Saturday and Sunday mark *Dias de los Muertos* (Days of the Dead), when several colorful altars will be displayed on the Boise State University campus.

The general public is invited to attend the free display.

The Days of the Dead are traditionally observed in Mexico to honor those who have died. *Dias de los Angeles*, or Day of the Little Angels, is celebrated Nov. 1 to honor children who have died before the age of 5, while *Dias de los Muertos*, Nov. 2, honors adults who have died.

The holiday has been observed in Mexico since pre-Hispanic days and is based in Aztec and Mayan tradition, BSU reported. Families construct elaborate altars, laden with fruit, bread, drink and other items in remembrance of loved ones. It is believed that the souls of those who have died return to the home or grave for 24 hours each year, and families strive to make them feel welcome with lighted candles, flowers and decorations.

Spanish professor Alicia Garza and her students construct an altar each year in the lobby of the modern languages and literature



This colorful altar was part of the display for last year's *Dias de los Muertos* celebration at BSU.

department, L140 on the west side of the Albartons Library. The altar will be available for viewing from through Monday.

In addition, several multi-ethnic student groups will prepare altars for display Oct. 30 through Nov. 4 in the Student Union Fireplace

Lounge. Traditionally sponsored by the Organization Estudiantes Latino-Americanos, the event has been expanded to allow other cultures to also honor their deceased ancestors. The Boise State Cultural Center is co-sponsoring this event.

Brothers gain fans with Tex-Mex rock

By Kim Curtis
Associated Press Writer

SARATOGA, Calif. - Three Mexican-American brothers from dusty, middle-of-nowhere West Texas move to Nashville to break into the music business and catch the ears of country icon Willie Nelson, who makes them superstars.

Well, the fairy-tale ending hasn't happened yet, but Los Lonely Boys are well on their way.

The boys are Garza brothers Henry, 25, on guitar; JoJo, 23, on bass; and Ringo (yes, that's his real name), 21, on drums, of coffee. Their sound is Tex-Mex flavored rock 'n' roll with impeccable three-part harmonies in both English and Spanish. Comparisons to Stevie Ray Vaughan and Santana aren't far off.

Henry doesn't deny the group's influences, calling it his "music burrito" theory.

"What we've done is made like our own tortilla, right, with all the knowledge of all the greats that are out there," he says. "We put them inside the tortilla, fold it up and there, we make our own burrito and we're selling it to the world, y'know?"

The boys, who performed with their musician father before branching out as a trio in the mid-1990s, are touring the country as Willie Nelson's opening act.

After years of trying to get a record contract, the boys demo made it into the hands of Nelson's nephew, who told the band his uncle would come to see them per-



Members of the Los Lonely Boys, from left, brothers Henry, Ringo and JoJo Garza, pose for a portrait in Los Gatos, Calif., on Oct. 1. The Tex-Mex rock band from San Angelo, Texas, is touring with Willie Nelson.

form at a local Austin, Texas club.

"We were like, 'Yeah right, Willie Nelson's gonna come see us. Right.' And, sure enough, there he was," Henry said. "We were nervous because Willie was out in the crowd. After the set was over, we went and talked to him and he really enjoyed it."

They recorded their self-titled debut album, which was released in August, at Nelson's Pedernales Studio near Austin, and Nelson played guitar on "The Answer." So far, the CD has sold about 32,000 copies, a drop in the bucket for most groups. But their buzz is deafening.

The single "Heaven" is starting to get national airplay, the group

packed 5,000 people into a tent made for 1,500 at the recent Austin City Limits festival, and the Texas House of Representatives declared last June 10 as Los Lonely Boys Day.

Not bad for three guys from San Angelo, Texas, whose father who taught them each how to sing and play guitar when they were preschoolers.

Ringo says the band's name came from a song their dad wrote for them when they were young. "I'm just a lonely, lonely boy," he sings. "It just stuck."

"We go all over and people don't know who we are," Ringo says. "We just give what we got to them and they love it."

Coalition donation is part of effort to boost minority home ownership

BOISE - Idaho Sen. Mike Crapo and partners in the Idaho Hispanic Financial Education Coalition announced a \$20,000 donation to a statewide outreach effort to increase home ownership.

Crapo, along with coalition members Alan Cameron of the Idaho Credit Union League and Hector de Leon of the Idaho Migrant Council, accepted an oversized check from fellow Coalition member Craig Naylor of Fannie Mae.

The donation will build upon statewide efforts to expand financial education and minority home ownership in Idaho through the "First Accounts" program, Crapo's office reported. Crapo and the coalition partners established the outreach effort two years ago amid reports that minority home ownership rates in Idaho were below those of other Idahoans.

The coalition programs seek to help minority populations build wealth through understanding the U.S. banking system and establish savings and checking accounts that can provide financial records leading to home ownership, Crapo's office reported.

The coalition has developed a comprehensive bilingual outreach and financial education program to encourage minority residents to use traditional banks for individual savings and checking account needs.

The Idaho Credit Union League created a partnership with the Idaho Migrant Council to maximize outreach and provide financial education to underserved minority communities that may not be familiar with the value of using banks due to language, cultural and institutional barriers.

"This program is already getting people into homes," Crapo said. "These efforts are an excellent tool to assist Hispanic families and other minorities so they can utilize our banking system to their advantage."

"The Idaho Migrant Council is a founding member of the Idaho Hispanic Financial Literacy Coalition because of our role as trusted advisors to local Latino populations. It is through this role that we can make a positive impact to the financial health of these families and communities by bridging the information and language gaps to friendly financial institutions and other valuable resources," de Leon said.

The grant made by Fannie Mae will allow the Idaho Credit Union League to continue the program. So far, 34 classes have been offered to 385 participants. As a result of the program, six families have started the home buying process with three families having closed on their first home.



Noticias

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Pat Marcantonio

'Zapata' film takes a revolutionary approach

By Laurence Iltff
The Dallas Morning News

CIUDAD AYALA, Mexico - Two revolutions are taking place on a sprawling former sugar plantation just south of Mexico City.

The first is a historical revision of the 1910 Mexican Revolution with the filming of the most expensive movie in this nation's history.

The second is an attempt to change the way movies are made in Mexico, where the industry is dominated by small-budget, government-supported films.

"Zapata" is a \$10 million tribute to national hero Emiliano Zapata, who fought for land and liberty and is the symbol of the modern Zapataista rebels in the southern state of Chiapas.

With a severe face, burning eyes and bushy mustache, the image of Zapata lives on like no other figure from the epic battle between moneyed landowners and poor farmers.

But rather than the traditional

treatment of Zapata as a mixed-race horse trader with tremendous courage, "Zapata" is spurring controversy by portraying him as an Indian "shaman" preordained to sacrifice himself for others in the same way as Jesus Christ or Ernesto "Che" Guevara.

"I am telling the story of Zapata that everyone has ignored," said director Alfonso Arau, whose credits include one of the most successful Mexican movies ever, "Like Water for Chocolate," and the Hollywood-produced "A Walk in the Woods" starring Keanu Reeves.

For Arau, "Zapata" could be a turning point in Mexican cinema. There has never been a more expensive or a bigger picture than this one in the history of Mexican cinema. That's a fact," he said.

Mexico's government-subsidized movies rarely cost more than \$1 million to make, and the industry rarely generates more than one hit a year.

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS
Case No. CV-03-4498
SUMMONS FOR DIVORCE
ELIZABETH RATLIFF, Plaintiff,
vs.
DENNIS HAWKINS, RATLIFF, Defendant.
NOTICE: YOU HAVE BEEN SUED BY THE ABOVE-NAMED PLAINTIFF. THE COURT MAY ENTER JUDGMENT AGAINST YOU WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE UNLESS YOU RESPOND WITHIN 20 DAYS. READ THE INFORMATION BELOW.
THE STATE OF IDAHO SENDS GREETINGS TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANT, DENNIS HAWKINS RATLIFF: You are hereby notified that in order to defend this lawsuit, an appropriate written response must be filed with the above designated court within 20 days after service of this summons on you. If you fail to so respond the court may enter judgment against you as demanded by the plaintiff in the Complaint.
A copy of the Complaint is served with this Summons. If you wish to seek the advice or representation of an attorney in this

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matter you should do so promptly so that your written response, if any, may be filed in time and other legal rights protected.
An appropriate written response requires compliance with Rule 10(a)(1) and other Idaho Rules of Civil Procedure and shall also include:
1. The title and number of the case.
2. If your response is an Answer to the Complaint, it must contain admissions or denials of the separate allegations of the Complaint and other defenses you may claim.
3. Your signature, mailing address and telephone number, or the signature, mailing address and telephone number of your attorney.
4. Proof of mailing or delivery of a copy of your response to plaintiff's attorney, as designated above.
To determine whether you must pay a filing fee with your response, contact the Clerk of the above-named court.
WITNESS My hand and the seal of this court this 30th day of September, 2003.
CLERK OF THE COURT
/s/Rhonda, Deputy Clerk
PUBLISH: October 9, 16, 23 and 30, 2003

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS
MAGISTRATE DIVISION
Case No. CV-2003-4329
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
I.C. § 15-3-901
In the Matter of the Estate of ELLEN MARIE SAGATA HALL, Deceased.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT ERIC D. HALL has been appointed personal representative of the above-named decedent. All persons having claims against the decedent are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented to the undersigned at the address indicated and filed with the Clerk of the Court.
STEPHAN, KVANVIG, STONE & TRAINER
/s/Russell G. Kvanvig, Attorney for Personal Representative, P.O. Box 83
Twin Falls, ID 83303-0083
Telephone: 208-733-2721
PUBLISH: October 16, 23 and 30, 2003

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS
MAGISTRATE DIVISION
Case No. CV-03-4408
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
In the Matter of the Estate of CHARLES R. YOUNG, Deceased.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE undersigned Personal Representative of the above-named estate. All persons having claims against the said decedent are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented to the firm of Coleman, Ritchie & Robertson, 156 2nd Avenue West, P.O. Box 525, Twin Falls, Idaho 83303-0525, and filed with the Court.
DATED this 29th day of September, 2003.
/s/Patricia Lynn Dally, Personal Representative
PUBLISH: October 16, 23 and 30, 2003

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS
MAGISTRATE DIVISION
Case No. CV-2002-5209
ORDER, NOTICE AND SUMMONS FOR HEARING
ON AND FOR THE TRIANA SCARAMELLA d/b/a: CS-30-82
Child Under Eighteen Years of Age.
A Petition under the Family and Juvenile Child Act has been filed by the Department of Health and Welfare. The merits of the petition will be examined in an evidentiary hearing on December 11, 2003 at 9:30 a.m. in the Magistrate's Court, Twin Falls County Courthouse, Twin Falls, Idaho. The following individuals shall personally appear at the hearing:
STEPHANIE SCARAMELLA, Mother
GARY SCARAMELLA, Father
The above-named individuals are further notified that they are entitled to be represented by legal counsel. If they are financially unable to retain an attorney, they may apply to the Court, prior to the hearing, for appointment of counsel.
September 23, 2003
Christina P. Bumbach, Magistrate
PUBLISH: October 23, 30 and November 6, 2003

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TWIN FALLS MAGISTRATE DIVISION
Case No. CV-03-4620
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
In the Matter of the Estate of PEGGY LOU OSUND, Deceased.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Personal Representative of the above-named estate. All persons having claims against the said decedent are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented to the undersigned at the address indicated and filed with the Clerk of the Court.
STEPHAN, KVANVIG, STONE & TRAINER
/s/Russell G. Kvanvig, Attorney for Personal Representative
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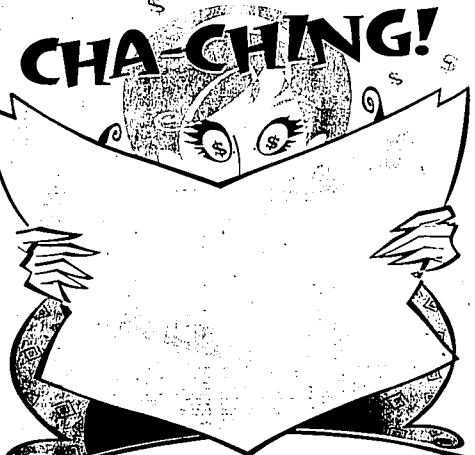
IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS
MAGISTRATE DIVISION
Case No. CV-03-3552
SUMMONS
GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY ELECTRIC INFORMATION ("GECC")
soliciting the Colorado Pacific Leasing Corporation.
Plaintiff,
vs.
REVAL AUTO BODY PAINT, INC. and JOSEPH W. REVAL,
Defendants.
NOTICE: YOU HAVE BEEN SUED BY THE ABOVE NAMED PLAINTIFF(S). THE COURT MAY ENTER JUDGMENT AGAINST YOU WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE UNLESS YOU RESPOND WITHIN 20 DAYS. READ THE INFORMATION BELOW.
TO: REVAL AUTO BODY PAINT, INC. and JOSEPH W. REVAL: 2548 E 4000 N, Kimberly, Idaho 83341
If you are hereby notified that in order to defend this lawsuit, an appropriate written response must be filed with the above designated court within 20 days after service of this summons on you. If you fail to so respond the court may enter judgment against you as demanded by the plaintiff in the Complaint.
A copy of the Complaint is served with this Summons. If you wish to seek the advice or representation of an attorney in this matter, you should do so promptly so that your written response may be filed in time and other legal rights protected.
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ery of a copy of your response to plaintiff's attorney, as designated above.
To determine whether you must pay a filing fee with your response, contact the Clerk of the above-named court.
WITNESS My hand and the seal of this District Court this 15th day of August, 2003.
Rhonda, Fax Clerk
/s/gdaw, Deputy
PUBLISH: October 23, 30, November 6 and 13, 2003

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OF ELMORE
Case No. CV 2003-1250
ANOTHER SUMMONS
ROSS SHURTZ,
Plaintiff,
vs.
THOMAS McWILLIAMS and TRISHA McWILLIAMS, husband and wife, Defendants.
NOTICE: THE COURT MAY ENTER JUDGMENT AGAINST YOU WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE UNLESS YOU RESPOND WITHIN TWENTY (20) DAYS.
READ THE INFORMATION BELOW
TO: THOMAS McWILLIAMS and TRISHA McWILLIAMS, you have been sued by Ross Shurtz, the Plaintiff, in District Court in and for Elmore County, Idaho, Case No. CV 2003-1250. The nature of the claim against you is a Complaint for collection.
Any time after 20 days following the last publication of this summons the court may enter a judgment against you without letting you know. If you fail to file a written response in the proper court, and paid any required filing fee to the Clerk of the Court at 150 South 4th East, Ste 5, Mountain Home, Idaho, and served a copy of your answer to the Plaintiff's attorney at A. Elizabeth Burr-Jones, Burr-Jones & Associates, P.C., P.O. Box 257, Burley, Idaho, telephone: 208-878-3155.
A copy of the Summons and Complaint can be obtained by contacting either the Clerk of the Court or the attorney for the Plaintiff.
If you wish legal assistance, contact immediately, or you may retain a lawyer to advise you in this matter.
DATED this 3rd day of October, 2003.
GAIL BEST
Clerk of the Court
By: Dguy
PUBLISH: October 20, November 6, 13 and 20, 2003



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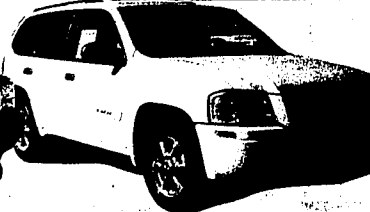
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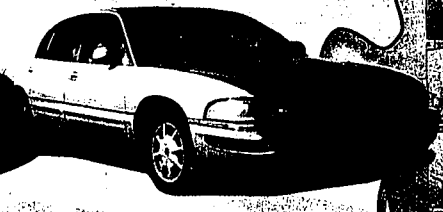
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