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Doctors support change

Hospital physicians want private, nonprofit entity

By Jennifer Sandmann
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Physicians told Magic Valley Regional Medical Center's Hospital Board Monday that they support a change in the hospital's governance from its county-owned status to a private,

nonprofit entity.

The hospital has been considering such a conversion for a number of years. Supporters say it will better position the hospital for today's competitive health care market. St. Benedict's Family Medical Center in Jerome, affiliated with Saint Alphonsus

Regional Medical Center of Boise, plans to eventually build a hospital near the hub of U.S. Highway 93 and Interstate 84 north of Twin Falls.

The effect of a shift to private, nonprofit governance would be to move Magic Valley Regional's administrative and financial busi-

ness out of public view and beyond the purview of its competitors.

"If we're going to do any changing, we're probably talking about taking something to the voters," said Dr. Robert Lobb, chairman of the Hospital Board.

The hospital is a county asset. Hospital physicians today have a productive working relationship. Please see HOSPITAL, Page A2

Pit 9 test retrieval starts in December

By Jennifer Sandmann
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Long-awaited test retrieval of a nuclear waste burial ground above the Eastern Snake River Plain Aquifer is scheduled to begin in December.

The aquifer supplies drinking water to much of southern Idaho on the north side of the Snake River from eastern Idaho to the Magic Valley. The aquifer empties into the Snake River between Kimberly and King Hill.

The test-retrieval project will begin by Dec. 1, said Elizabeth Sellers, manager of the U.S. Department of Energy's Idaho Operations Office. She and other representatives of the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory near Idaho Falls spoke Monday to a small gathering of community leaders at the College of Southern Idaho.

The 578 million test project is expected to retrieve 80 to 100 cubic yards of buried waste from the infamous one-acre Pit 9. At that cost, the project adds up to at least \$1 million a cubic yard.

The buried waste is in an 88-acre landfill. An estimated 10 to 12 acres of the landfill contain the plutonium-contaminated waste buried in rusting barrels and broken boxes in unlined pits and trenches. There are other types of waste, including other types of radioactive waste, in the rest of the landfill.

The Energy Department plans to use the information gleaned from the test project to determine the best option for handling the buried waste, said Brad Bogger, an INEEL spokesman.

But the state of Idaho contends that the Energy Department must use the test project to determine how to dig up the rest of the plutonium-contaminated waste. An agreement between the federal government and the state doesn't give the Energy Department other options, such as leaving the waste in the ground, the state says.

The issue is now on appeal. U.S. District Judge Edward J. Lodge ruled this year that the 1995 nuclear waste cleanup agreement made by then-Gov. Phil Batt requires the federal government to dig up buried transuranic waste at INEEL and ship it out of Idaho.

The Department of Energy has appealed Lodge's ruling.

SPLASHDOWN



By Ashley Smith/The Times-News

Jordan Taylor, 9, of Jerome splashes after going down the new 'shark slide' at the Twin Falls city pool. The slide has been at the pool for a week and can be used Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 6 to 8 p.m., and 1 to 5 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays.

Lawmakers look at tattoo, piercing regulation

By Julie Pence
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Legislation is taking shape to provide standards and licensing for body artists doing such work as tattooing and piercing.

On Monday, a group of tattoo artists from Boise and the Panhandle area met in Twin Falls with Sen. Laird Noh, R-Kimberly, and Rep. Leon Smith, R-Twin Falls.

The group has put together a

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comprehensive plan its members think could be used in drafting legislation for the 2004 Legislature slated to begin on Jan. 12. The plan not only includes regulations for tattooing and piercing, but also other procedures such as branding and other forms of self-mutilation as might develop in the future.

The artists estimated that Idaho has between 50 and 100 tattoo parlors, about 15 of which are in Boise and five in Twin Falls.

"This is getting to be a bigger and bigger industry all the time," Boise tattooist Chris Krahn said. "A lot of people don't know how to do it right. Standards would protect both the artists and their clients."

Krahn said the group went to work on the issue after reading a Times-News article. Regulations would help protect people from such diseases as hepatitis C and

bacterial infections. It would also ensure that artists go through a 2,000-hour apprenticeship and prove they have performed at least 50 acceptable procedures under the direction of an artist who is already licensed.

Idaho is one of only six states with no regulations. Krahn said the group became involved preemptively to make sure the laws are strict but also make sense.

"We don't want to put anyone out of business," Krahn said.

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HOUNDS FOR THE HOLIDAYS



KIRSTEN SHATZ/The Times-News

'Lacey Rose', owned by Christine Willich, dressed for Christmas early this year as the U.S. Capitol Holiday Tree stopped in Ketchum on Monday. For more, see page C1.

Closer than Arlington: Government helps states build vet cemeteries

The Associated Press

HOPKINSVILLE, Ky. - Vietnam veteran John Brum plans to be buried in a veterans cemetery reminiscent of Arlington, yet situated in his hometown in western Kentucky.

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Nov. 21 in Hopkinsville, is the result of a federal program that provides money to states so they can build military cemeteries



Workers prepare grave sites at the veterans cemetery in Hopkinsville, Ky., Sept. 30. The state veterans' cemetery is to be dedicated Nov. 21.

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U.S. Supreme Court agrees to hear Guantanamo war 'detainees' appeal

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - The Supreme Court agreed Monday to hear its first case arising from the war on terrorism, an appeal asking whether foreigners held at the U.S. Navy base in Cuba may contest their captivity in American courts.

The case concerns more than

650 prisoners held essentially uncommunicated at Guantanamo Bay. The Bush administration maintains that because the men were picked up overseas on suspicion of terrorism and are being held on foreign land they may be detained indefinitely without charges or trial.

The men, mostly Muslims, have no access to lawyers or other out-

siders, and do not even know they are the subject of the case, the court agreed to hear, according to lawyers who have taken up their case. Some among them may eventually be tried before military tribunals, but the administration has not said when. How the court rules could affect those plans.

The detentions are part of a

global campaign against terrorism that has outraged civil liberties groups and left some U.S. allies grumbling. The administration has gained expanded powers to investigate and detain people suspected of terrorist links, has reorganized the way the government defends U.S. borders and has increased security at airports and other ports of entry.

The Supreme Court passed up several earlier opportunities to hear terrorism cases.

In the Guantanamo case, the justices limited their review to the narrow but significant question of access to U.S. courts. The case concerns only Guantanamo detainees, most of whom were

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TWIN FALLS FORECAST

Today: Mostly cloudy skies and brisk westerly winds. Highs in the middle to upper 40s.
Tonight: Decreasing clouds and wind. Lows in the middle to upper 20s.
Tomorrow: Abundant sunshine and light winds. Highs in the middle 40s.

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Table with 6 columns: Today, Tonight, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday. Includes weather icons and temperature forecasts.

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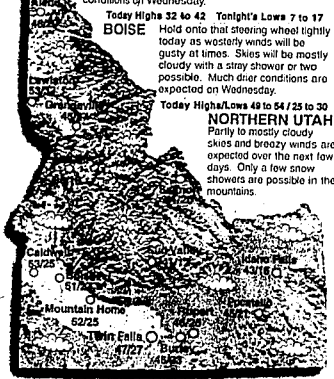
Table listing weather for various cities including Boise, Burley, Coeur d'Alene, Jerome, Lewiston, Malheur, Malma, Moscow, Nampa, Pocatello, Rouse, Shoshone, Starkey.

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Today: Windy at times under mostly cloudy skies. Highs in the middle 40s.
Tonight: Decreasing clouds and wind. Lows in the lower to middle 20s.
Tomorrow: Abundant sunshine and light winds. Highs in the middle 40s.

IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS. Periods of clouds and snow showers are expected today. Flares may become icy and snow packed above 6,000 feet. Look for clearing skies and dry conditions on Wednesday.



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Table with 2 columns: Yesterday's, Today's. Includes Temperature, Precipitation, Humidity, Barometric Pressure, Moon Phases, Moonrise and Moonset.

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Table with 2 columns: Today, Tomorrow. Lists cities and their weather forecasts.

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Table with 2 columns: Today, Tomorrow. Shows UV index levels for various cities.

REGIONAL FORECAST

Table with 2 columns: Today, Tomorrow. Lists regional cities and their weather forecasts.

Yesterday's State Extremes - High: 55 at Caldwell. Low: 24 at Hill City, Starkey. Weather key: sun, partly cloudy, mostly cloudy, mostly cloudy, m, misty, drizzle, rain, snow, hazy, fog, wind, m, r, c, d.

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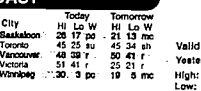
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Table with 2 columns: Today, Tomorrow. Lists Canadian cities and their weather forecasts.

TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP



Advertisement for Idaho vet cemetery project, including details about the project and contact information.

Hospital

Continued from A1. With the board and hospital administration, Lobbs said. But physicians remember when it wasn't good and believe the hospital's current structure is vulnerable to upheaval. Changes in membership on the Twin Falls County Commission and the Board directly affect physicians' lives and their businesses, Lobbs said. Physicians don't want to control the hospital, but they want to have a voice, Lobbs said. And they want stability in leadership and governing philosophy. Chief Executive Officer John Kee stressed the importance of the hospital's relationship with its doctors as health care competition intensifies. "It's important that we keep physicians close to us," he said. Nationwide, a growing source of competition for hospitals is from doctors who decide to open their own specialty clinics to perform the types of services that generate revenue, Kee said. That strips a county hospital down to the unprofitable but necessary emergency room, trauma and uninsured patient services. But one of the greatest competitive threats to the county hospital will come from a nonprofit corporation - Saito Alphonso. Maintaining an atmosphere that attracts physicians will be even more important to Magic Valley Regional, Kee said. Monday's discussion didn't lead to any decisions, and the issue will come up again at future board meetings. Magic Valley Regional leaders previously pushed to convert the county-owned hospital to a private, nonprofit corporation. At the same time, county commissioners and 2001-appointed an advisory committee to establish criteria for

Cemetery

Continued from A1. closed to veterans' homes. The program has taken on greater urgency in recent years, with the World War II generation dying off fast and the government running out of room at national cemeteries like Arlington. There are an estimated 19 million veterans in the United States, and about 1,500 die each day. The Veterans Affairs Department estimates the number of veterans dying is expected to peak at 687,000 in 2006. Since the program began in 1978, the VA has spent \$154 million assisting the expansion or creation of 54 state veterans cemeteries. They tend to open in less populated areas than national cemeteries such as Jefferson Barracks in St. Louis and Fort Lawton in Denver. The goal of the program is to provide a veterans cemetery within 75 miles of every veteran. "Military service has the most profound impact on a person. It's a life-changing event," said Tim Meives, director of the Kentucky Veterans Cemetery-West. "We need to have a place for them that they can be buried and memorialized. A veterans cemetery is that kind of place." The Hopkinsville cemetery is one of five now under construction as part of the program. The others are in Boise, Suffolk, Va.; Wakeney, Kan.; and Winchendon, Mass., according to the VA. Applications have been submitted for 20 other new cemeteries stretching from Redding, Calif., to Greenville, S.C. Others are near military installations such as Fort Hood, Texas, and Fort Belk, Mont. To participate in the grant program, states are required to provide the land. Three to eight veterans are expected to be buried daily in the Hopkinsville cemetery, which is down the road from Fort Campbell, on the Tennessee line. Already, thousands of veterans have submitted applications for burial. Other veterans are in temporary graves and will be moved once the new cemetery opens. The cemetery - planned eventually to have 27,600 burial sites - is under construction in the rolling hills. A 25-foot eagle and 65-foot flagpole will mark the entrance. On gravesites marked with in most cases with white crosses, veterans of all wars and ranks will be buried side by side. A computer terminal will help visitors find the graves or stored ashes of loved ones. A covered area for large memorial services is planned because the cemetery will also serve active-duty soldiers from Fort Campbell, home to the storied 101st Airborne Division, which has had more than 300 soldiers killed in Iraq. "It's going to be beautiful. It's going to be absolutely first-class. No corners have been cut," Brance said.

Idaho vet cemetery project awaits funds

The state's cemetery for veterans is on schedule for its July 4 dedication in Boise, but it will remain that way only if the congressional tug-of-war over the budget is wrapped up by month's end. Joe Bleyemeyer, director of the Division of Veterans Affairs, said work is wrapping up on the first phase of construction, which will include site preparation. But the state is awaiting for final congressional approval of the remaining \$4.3 million for the building and landscaping. The federal government is financing the other \$9 million. - The Associated Press

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Tattoo

Continued from A1. But Noh said he thinks some people probably should be run out of business. "I'm concerned about putting customers in the margin," Noh said. "So we certainly should be putting people out of business if they are not conforming to standards." During the 2001 session, lawmakers looked briefly at a one-page draft that included an age requirement for those getting tattoos or piercings. So far this time around, Sen. Denton Darrington, D-Idaho, who is the senior member of the Senate Health and Welfare Committee, has drafted a proposal requiring artists to make sure anyone getting a tattoo, piercing or brand proves he or she is at least 18 years of age. Darrington also said he's interested in developing another bill to address health and safety. Though he didn't attend the Monday meeting, he said he's willing to

Tattoos and hepatitis C

There is no hard data on how many people across the United States might have contracted hepatitis C as a result of getting body art. Studies done by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention rely on statistics gathered before 1997, and those do not take into account body art. Nevertheless, the CDC supports the idea that any time the skin is broken with needles, there is the potential for transferring infectious blood and blood-borne pathogens. One study showing a connection between hepatitis C infection and tattooing was conducted by researchers at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical School in Dallas. The study looked at 626 patients who sought medical treatment at an orthopedic spinal clinic. Patients were surveyed and tested in 1991 and in 1992, before widespread

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Court

Continued from A1. picked up during the U.S. war in Afghanistan, prisoners in the United States hold prisoners in numerous other places overseas. Lawyers for the Guantanamo detainees had raised broad civil liberties objections to their detention and treatment, but the high court declined to look at those issues. The men could presumably renew those challenges if they win this case. Several U.S. allies have complained about the open-ended

Idaho vet cemetery project awaits funds

Noh predicted the two sticking points with lawmakers will be on Qaida and Taliban foot soldiers. "The United States has created a prison on Guantanamo Bay that operates entirely outside the law," lawyers for four British and Australian detainees argued in asking the high court to consider the case. The four were seized in Pakistan and Afghanistan and have nothing to do with Qaida, other terrorist organizations or with the events of Sept. 11, 2001. The court combined the two appeals and will hear them together early next year.

NATION

Lost items spark dirty bomb concerns

WASHINGTON (AP) — Federal investigators have documented 1,300 cases of lost, stolen or abandoned radioactive material inside the United States over the past five years and have concluded there is a significant risk that terrorists could cobble enough together for a dirty bomb.

Studies by the Energy Department's Los Alamos laboratory and the General Accounting Office found significant holes in the nation's security net that could take years to close, even after improvements by regulators since Sept. 11, 2001.

"The world of radiological sources developed prior to recent concerns about terrorism, and many of the sources are either unsecured or provided, at best, with an industrial level of security," the Los Alamos lab concluded two months ago in a report that was reviewed by the Associated Press.

The report concludes that the threat of a so-called dirty bomb that could disperse radiological materials across a wide area "appears to be very significant, and there is no shortage of radioactive materials that could

be used." Security improvements under way "are unlikely to significantly alter the global risk picture for a few years," it added.

The FBI repeatedly has warned law enforcement over the past year that al-Qaida was interested in obtaining radiological materials and creating a dispersal bomb, most recently after authorities received an uncorroborated report a few weeks ago that al-Qaida might be seeking material from a Canadian source.

Nuclear Regulatory Commission spokeswoman

Beth Hayden said the agency recognizes the potential dangers of such materials and al-Qaida's interest in them — "there are millions of sources," she said. But she added most of the 1,300 lost radiological sources were subsequently recovered and the public should keep the threat in perspective.

"The ones that have been lost and not recovered, I'm told, if you put them all together, it would not add up to one highly radioactive source," Hayden said. "These are low-level sources."

Jury selection begins in Malvo sniper trial

CHESAPEAKE, Va. (AP) — As sniper suspect John Allen Muhammad stood trial in a courtroom 15 miles away, jury selection began Monday in the murder case against 18-year-old Lee Boyd Malvo, with his lawyers arguing he was brainwashed by the older Muhammad.

He laughed as he conferred with his lawyers, who plan to pursue an insanity defense.

Malvo and Muhammad, 42, are being tried for different killings; Muhammad is accused of gunning down a man at a gas station.

The start of Malvo's case sets the stage for simultaneous sniper trials in separate courtrooms in different cities.

Both cases were moved away from the nation's capital out of concern that an impartial jury could not be found close to Washington because the shootings caused such widespread fear.

Malvo's case was moved to Chesapeake, Muhammad's to nearby Virginia Beach.

Malvo, wearing black pants and a navy sweater over a white shirt, responded, "Not guilty," in a clear voice; each time he was asked for a plea to two counts of capital murder and one count of using a firearm in a felony.

In Muhammad's case, prosecutors called their final witness after three weeks of emotional testimony from victims and witnesses about the sniper spree that killed 10 and wounded three last fall in the Washington area.

He is accused in the slaying of FBI analyst Linda Franklin, who was cut down by a single bullet outside a Home Depot on Oct. 14, 2002.

In Muhammad's case, prosecutors offered no evidence that he pulled the trigger in the slaying for which he is on trial.

Officials suspect teenagers in slaying of counselor

GROVE CITY, Pa. (AP) — Two teenagers killed their counselor at a juvenile detention center Monday and escaped in his pickup, but were captured at a high school hours later, authorities said.

Police spokeswoman Tammy Ewin.

Wayne Lamont Urey Jr., 43, was killed in one of the boy's bedrooms shortly after midnight at George Junior Republic, a private residential school and treatment center about 50 miles north of Pittsburgh, authorities said.

Mercer County prosecutors planned to file charges of homicide, robbery, escape, auto theft, and criminal conspiracy against the teens. Trooper Robert Lagoon said. Authorities declined to say how Urey died. He oversaw the cottage at night to make sure the residents didn't leave without permission.

At about the same time, Anthony Machicote, 17, and Jeremy Melvin, 16, escaped in Urey's truck, police said. They were caught at a Pittsburgh high school Monday afternoon, said

George Junior Republic was founded in 1909 as a home for wayward boys by philanthropist William Ruben George. About 480 students attend the 450-acre campus, which is not walled or fenced, said the center's executive director, Rick Lassaso.

Kerry fires campaign manager

MARSHALLTOWN, Iowa (AP) — Democrat John Kerry shook up his fundraising presidential campaign Monday, firing his campaign manager as the Massachusetts senator, once the party's establishment candidate, struggled to make up ground on front-runner Howard Dean.



Trailing Dean in the current measures of the race — fund raising, opinion polls, crucial endorsements — Kerry replaced campaign manager Jim Jordan with Mary Beth Cahill, chief of staff to Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass.

"The move came less than three months before voters in Iowa participate in the first-in-the-nation caucuses."

"There's a new phase of the campaign now, and I wanted to change the dynamic," Kerry said during an Iowa campaign stop.

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U.S. soldier dies as U.S. steps up operations

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — Insurgents killed a U.S. military policeman, the U.S. command said Monday, and a top U.S. general sat down with local leaders in Iraq's most dangerous region to tell them attacks must stop.

In Sadr City, a poor, mainly Shiite quarter of eastern Baghdad, witnesses said a U.S. soldier shot and killed the head of the district's U.S.-appointed municipal council in a weekend altercation.

Gen. John Abizaid, head of the U.S. Central Command, met over the weekend with mayors and tribal leaders of Anbar province — where the so-called "Sunni Triangle," scene of the heaviest anti-U.S. resistance is located — an Iraqi who attended the meeting said Monday.

Abizaid pointed to Fallujah, one of the main towns in the Sunni Triangle, as a "hot area" and warned that if the city refuses to cooperate "in the rebuilding process," there "might be another policy," Fallujah Mayor Taha Bedawi told The Associated Press.

The general did not specify the new measures, but told the local leaders in Saturday's meeting, "irresponsible behavior such as



A U.S. Army soldier, top, talks to an Iraqi Monday as his comrade, unseen, holds a portrait of a man they are searching for during a patrol mission in Tikrit.

explosions and strikes against coalition forces are prohibited and violence recently — assassinations opened fire on the ear of a

we will take measures. We have the capabilities and equipment," Bedawi said.

Elsewhere, U.S. forces seized nearly 1,000 rockets during weekend raids in Tikrit and Beiji, north of Baghdad, the 4th Infantry Division said Monday. Soldiers from the division's 3rd Brigade also confiscated 1,500 rounds of 155 mm artillery shells in Balad, south of Tikrit, division spokeswoman Maj. Joselyn Aberle said.

Also, about 40 people were detained for various offenses in overnight patrols around Tikrit, she said.

The military policeman was killed when insurgents fired a rocket-propelled grenade at a patrol late Sunday in Iskandariyah, 40 miles south of Baghdad, a U.S. statement said.

In northern Iraq — which had been calmer than the Sunni Triangle but has seen increasing violence recently — assassinations opened fire on the ear of a

local oil official, Mohammed Ahmed Zibari, wounding him and killing his son, the official's brother said.

"It's the terrorists, I expect, because they think he's cooperating with Americans," Nawzat Zibari, the brother, said. "They think that any official or employee is happy if he's dealing with the Americans."

After a wave of increasingly bloody attacks that have killed 37 American soldiers this month, the military has said it will intensify operations against centers of resistance.

On Saturday, U.S. warplanes twice dropped giant, 500-pound bombs on sites near Fallujah in a show of force.

Lt. Col. George Krivo said the military has "picked up the intensity of our offensive operations" — particularly concentrating troops in areas west of Baghdad where guerrillas operate.

The downing of a Chinook transport helicopter and the crash of a Black Hawk helicopter made the first week of November the bloodiest for American forces since President Bush declared an end to major combat May 1.

U.S., Vietnamese defense chiefs gather for historic meeting

WASHINGTON (AP) — The U.S. and Vietnamese defense ministers met Monday at the Pentagon — the first such meeting since the Vietnam War ended in 1975.

As an honor guard stood at attention on the steps of the Defense Department headquarters, Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld and Vietnam's Pham Van Tra smiled and shook hands to start the meeting. Their agenda included lunch and talks about closer military ties and cooperation in promoting security in Asia, where terrorism is a problem.

The first President Bush initiated contact when he sought cooperation from the Vietnamese in accounting for Americans missing in action. President Clinton lifted the trade embargo in 1994 and established diplomatic relations the following year. In 2001, he visited Vietnam.

Over time, Vietnam and the United States have developed trade ties and discussed issues such as U.S. misgivings about Vietnam's human rights record.

Recent developments in the relationship include last month's aviation agreement to begin direct flights between the two countries. A U.S. ship will visit Ho Chi Minh City this month in the first such port call since the war.

He also planned to ask the Bush administration to do more to clear unexploded weapons that kill and maim dozens of people every year.

The United States and communist Vietnam had no formal relations until the late 1970s, when American combat troops left South Vietnam in 1973.

The first President Bush initiated contact when he sought cooperation from the Vietnamese in accounting for Americans missing in action. President Clinton lifted the trade embargo in 1994 and established diplomatic relations the following year. In 2001, he visited Vietnam.

Over time, Vietnam and the United States have developed trade ties and discussed issues such as U.S. misgivings about Vietnam's human rights record.

Recent developments in the relationship include last month's aviation agreement to begin direct flights between the two countries. A U.S. ship will visit Ho Chi Minh City this month in the first such port call since the war.

Energy Department touts nuclear as Idaho's future

TWIN FALLS — Idaho's nuclear future was the focus of a U.S. Department of Energy presentation Monday to a small group of community leaders.

Representatives of the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory near Idaho Falls pitched nuclear energy research as Idaho's economic future and as the answer to diversifying the country's dependence on foreign oil.

INEEL has been named the Energy Department's lead national laboratory to re-establish the United States' leadership in nuclear energy, said John K. Kotek, deputy manager of the department's Idaho Operations Office.

Technology that can address nuclear energy's biggest challenges — capital costs, protection against nuclear weapons prolifer-

INEEL workers get \$2.2M in compensation so far

IDAHO FALLS (AP) — About \$2.2 million has already been paid to several dozen current and former workers at the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory for job-related illnesses, and officials say many people still do not know that compensation is available.

"The majority of our claims are cancers and respiratory illnesses that are hard to diagnose," said Mark Hanson, manager of Idaho Falls' Energy Employees Compensation Resource Center.

The center has spent the last two years trying to publicize the compensation program Congress set up in 2000 for Energy Department employees contracting illnesses while working around dangerous materials at sites like INEEL.

So far, only 918 cases have been filed by workers at INEEL, which has 7,300 workers now and just over a decade ago had a payroll of nearly 13,000. Forty-two of those cases have been approved, about 4.5 percent.

A worker or surviving family

U of I prepares for downsizing

MOSCOW (AP) — University of Idaho interim President Gary Michael wants a "concrete proposal for action" on ways to reduce and restructure the school's administration.

Michael assembled a task force of administrators and faculty members last month. It's charged with looking for ways that the executive branch and administration could be thinned.

"We have some difficult decisions to make regarding the restructuring of the executive administration," Michael wrote in a memo to academic deans, vice presidents and provosts. He said set a deadline to have the proposals on hand at the university's leadership retreat on Nov. 21.

"In my view, it is important that we clear the decks for the next president by making critical decisions that bring closure to as many issues as possible," he said, adding that he would announce his new course of action before the end of the fall semester.

Michael took the university's reins in June following the resignation of Robert Hoover.

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MORNING BREAK

Grateful nation salutes veterans' service, sacrifice

DEAR READERS: Today is Veterans Day - the day that is dedicated to the brave men and women who have served this country with honor, in war and in peace. You have our gratitude for your devotion to duty.

The poem that follows has appeared in my column before. The author's wife, Marie C. Middleton, was kind enough to send it to me. I'm sure you'll agree that it's a fitting tribute to share on Veterans Day.

A Soldier's Prayer
by Maj. Gen. James B. Middleton
Lord, bless the wives who grieve alone
And comfort the mothers



DEAR ABBY
Abigail VanBuren

who mourn their own
Give solace to the fathers
who lost their sons
On foreign shores and in
places unknown.
Lord, strengthen the resolve
of we who remain
To see that they did not
die in vain.

DEAR ABBY: When my hus-

band gets out of the military, we will be deciding where to live. We want to live near my parents, but how close is too close?

The house next door is for sale. We don't have kids yet, but I keep imagining how wonderful it would be to have their grandparents next door. My mom and I have always been close; however, I don't want to move next door if it will hurt our relationship in the long run. If we set boundaries up front, could it work?

- CAUTIOUS WIFE AND DAUGHTER

DEAR CAUTIOUS: It all depends on the individuals

involved. In some families, the kind of situation you have described works well. In others, it leads to chaos and unhappiness. Much depends upon whether your husband wants to be your parents' "extended family" and on how well your parents respect boundaries.

In your case, no decisions should be made until your husband has completed his tour of duty and you have discussed this matter thoroughly and honestly.

DEAR ABBY: I am 57 years old with grown children. Twelve years ago, I moved closer to my

parents so I could care for them. After Dad died in '97, Mother was diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease. I took care of her in my home for a while, but when her needs increased to 24/7, I could no longer handle it. Fortunately, I found her a nice nursing home, and I visit her often. I host cookie parties for all the residents and take Mother out for weekly rides and ice cream.

She is no longer able to speak, and I am not sure she still knows me.

This Christmas, my husband

wants to take me to Arizona for a family vacation. He says Mother won't know the difference. Her. I feel so guilty leaving her. Should I go?

- DEVOTED DAUGHTER IN MISSOURI

DEAR DEVOTED: Yes, you should go. Have an early Christmas party with your mother and the other residents before you leave for Arizona. The timing won't matter to them. Please, do not feel guilty. Your signature says it all.

Norway gave birth to sport of skiing

Q. Where and when did skiing get started as a sport?

A. In Norway. About 1843. Same year the first YMCA was set up in England. Londoner Henry Cole sent out the world's first Christmas cards. Dickens' "A Christmas Carol" turned up in print. And a 24-year-old named J.L. Case came up with a threshing machine that really worked.

Not until the 1950s could reporters quote a U.S. President without explicit permission.

When driving, you blink less on a city street than on a freeway.

It's of prime importance to business people in Japan to be on time. It's of almost no importance to business people in Indonesia to be on time.

Four-fifths of the electric eel's length is taken up by the organ that generates the electricity.

In the evolution of the old standard wedding ceremony, "for better or for worse" was preceded by "For richer, for poorer."

Q. Schumann, Wagner or Mozart, one had perfect pitch. I forget which?

A. Mozart. That says neither Schumann nor Wagner did so, no? Not everybody realizes you don't need perfect pitch to be a master composer.

Q. Wolves only howl when they're separated from their pack or when they want to reconvene their pack, right?

A. Almost right. They also howl when their pups die.

According to Funk & Wagnall's Encyclopedia, an Adamantose widow dries the skull of her deceased husband, paints it with ochre, decorates it with rough lace, and wears it around her neck.

Reportedly found in China were the remains of that dinosaur - Mamenchisaurus (Mamenchisaurus - with a neck 33 feet long.

Q. Lions near Lake Manyara in Tanzania climb trees. Why?

A. To get above the flies. They're the only lions that do it.

A dairy cow, typically, gets up and down 14 times in 24 hours. Botulism is unknown in Asia.

Albert Einstein once wrote on a blackboard: "Not everything that counts can be counted, and not everything that can be counted counts."

Scholars say, "The ancient Mayans blew tobacco smoke toward the sun to appease their gods." Clearly, it didn't work.

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Things are getting somewhere now, Capricorn

HOROSCOPE Jeraldine Saunders.

Listening to music reawakens the love you feel for someone from the past.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): With Venus and Pluto in your sign, your charm and authority are enhanced. Dealing with officials and bureaucracy, you're winning out. If single, meeting a Libra could bring romantic bliss.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Things are moving that were going nowhere. Someone close could be jealous or holding grudges. Talk things out. Only words of respect and affection will be effective.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): A surge of inspiration gives you confidence. After much deliberation, a commitment gets under way. Listening to an older friend makes you try harder.

PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20): Someone urges you to join a special cause. You may want to share his or her dreams and play a part in this venture. A letter from afar means a lot to you or your dearest.

may galvanize you into action to achieve the real thing. Someone arrives unexpectedly in your home or abroad.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): A long-planned trip and get-together picks up support. Mars and Uranus are definitely speeding things up.

IF NOVEMBER 11 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY—you are attuned to the unexpected with ready words to match any situation you're often singled out to shine. Your innovative talents and networking abilities would be excellent in the political field. Though a team player, you can be contrary at times. This is a year for completion and tying up loose ends. There's special success in December.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 19): Avoiding a discussion about debts and shortfalls, you become suspect of a hidden plan. Why not face the facts and prove there's nothing to hide? Any reluctance on your part to do so can cause embarrassment.

TAURUS (Apr. 20-May 20): Putting across your thoughts with effect is crucial when persuading a partner or loved one. Ups and downs can cause trouble, especially if you have a change of mind. Speak from the heart. It usually works.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Your sense of responsibility is robbing you of deserved fun. Obligations that have become a burden are better reappraised. It's the fear of not being perfect that makes your life unnecessarily hard.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): An arrangement that doesn't feel right has you seeking an improvement. You could be forced to think along radical lines to clear the way once and for all.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): A situation or done deed that you considered watertight could make you panic. Not to worry: Treated as a challenge, you'll be amazed at your mental resources. Your quick thinking brings praise not criticism.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You feel passionate about an arrangement, but don't allow yourself to be railroaded. Make your point that you don't operate in this way. Others listen and change their tune.

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'Secrets' unveils NORAD

Today

"Secrets" - NORAD headquarters, the U.S. Army's Fort Knox Armored Center. (TVPC) THE TRAVEL CHANNEL 6 p.m.

"8 Simple Rules for Dating My Teenage Daughter" - Cate is unprepared for Bridget and Kerry's reactions to their first day back to school following their father's death. James Garner guest stars. (CC) ABC 7 p.m.

"Nova" - The 100th anniversary of the world's first powered flight at Kitty Hawk, N.C., includes a profile of the Wright brothers and footage of flights. (CC) (TVG) PBS 7 p.m.

Wednesday

"Secrets of the Dead" - More than 100,000 allied POWs and Asian laborers lost their lives after being forced to work on the 250-mile River Kwai railroad in Thailand. (CC) (TVG) PBS 7 p.m.

"That '70s Show" - Eric celebrates his 18th birthday by dropping Donna off at the bus station for her move to Madison. (CC) (TV14) FOX 7 p.m.

"Ed" - Ed seeks professional counseling when he becomes troubled by his awkward relationship with a now New-York-based Carol. Eli finds solace with his wise physical therapist (guest star Raphael Nash Thompson). (CC) (TVPG) NBC 7 p.m.

Thursday

"Threat Matrix" - While the team attempts to prevent poisoned money from reaching circulation, Atkins is reunited with agents from his past. (CC) ABC 7 p.m.

"Tru Calling" - Tru must race against time to prevent her brother, Harrison, from being implicated in the death of a man when he falls in love with the victim's estranged wife. (CC) (TVPG) FOX 7 p.m.

"Friends" - Monica and Chandler fuss over their apartment as they expect a visit from the adoption worker (guest star Maria Pizillo); Phoebe and Mike opt for a small wedding and donate the extra money to a child's charity. (CC) (TV14) NBC 7 p.m.

Friday

"Hope & Faith" - Unexpected sparks fly between Hope's old flame (guest star Clint Black) and Faith; Sydney and Hayley work in secret to repair a giant hole they made in their bedroom wall. Also made in the room are Kim Patton-guest starring as Kim Patton-Johnston and Devon O'Day, co-star Faith Ford's real-life sister. (CC) (TVPG) ABC 8 p.m.

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Make sure public record fees comply with state law

Curious about the county's budget? Itching to see plans for a new jail, or salary levels at county agencies?

No problem. Idaho law entitles you to that information. No questions asked. In most instances, no written request is needed.

But the records may not be free.

Falls County wants to start charging fees for copies of public documents and audio tapes.

Charging fees to cover the county's copying costs may be warranted. But commissioners should make sure they follow the rules in doing so.

State law draws careful lines around public records fees. Twin Falls County should make those parameters clear in its own policy, so that citizens understand their full rights to access county documents.

The Idaho Code does allow public agencies to recover the actual costs of copying. The county proposes 5 cents per page and 60 cents per audio tape.

Also under state law, if the records request is for more than 100 pages, or if it includes records from which nonpublic information must be deleted, or if it requires more than two hours of labor, the agency can charge you for those costs as well.

But state law also allows fee waivers for certain instances when public records costs should not apply. One is for someone who demonstrates an inability to pay. Another is for someone who shows "that the

public's interest or the public's understanding of the operations or activities of government or its records would suffer by the assessment or collection of any fee."

In its current form, the county's proposal ignores those two conditions. Commissioners need to include them. If they don't, they may block the ability of some citizens to participate in open government.

Public interest has not been tightly defined by the courts. The term has a broad scope that includes the ability of individual citizens, community groups and the press to observe and understand the actions of public agencies and officers.

When fees stand in the way of a public-records request that could benefit the public at large, they strangle a key component of self-government.

In addition to adding those two waivers to the proposal, the commissioners should strike the paragraph that lets county agencies pass along fees set by third parties that hold county records - such as banks and title companies that hold public records. State law doesn't allow government agencies to do that.

There are good reasons for the state rules. If public records aren't affordable for citizens, then those records might as well be secret. State law deliberately prohibits any fee structure that blocks citizens' ability to observe and learn about the actions of government.

By doing so, the law enables the people's government to be studied and watched - just as it should be in a democracy.

Our view: Twin Falls County should closely follow state laws that regulate public records fees.

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

Politics handicap progress in Iraq

Iraq is not Vietnam. There is no popular, anti-colonial insurgency in Iraq. Our opponents, who number only in the thousands in a country of 23 million, are despised by the vast majority of Iraqis. The Iraqi insurgents do not enjoy the kind of sanctuary that Vietnam, Cambodia and Laos provided. They do not have a superpower patron. These murderers cannot carry the banner of Iraqi nationalism, as Ho Chi Minh did in Vietnam for decades.

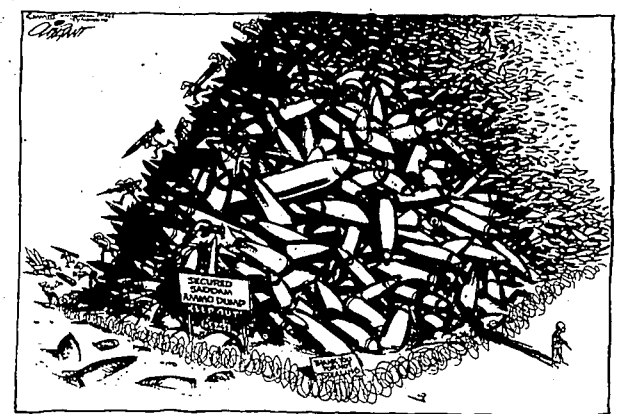
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But if we are to avoid a debate over who "lost" Iraq, as we debated who lost Vietnam a generation ago, we must act urgently to transform our early military success into lasting political victory. We lost in Vietnam because we lost the will to fight, because we did not understand the nature of the war we were fighting and because we limited the tools at our disposal.

The United States will fail in Iraq if our adversaries believe we can outlast us. If our troop deployment schedules are more important than our staying power, we embed our enemies and make it harder for our friends to take risks on our behalf. When the United States announces a schedule for training and deploying Iraqi security officers, then announces the acceleration of that schedule, then accelerates it again, it sends a signal of desperation, not certitude.

Politics at home has handicapped our progress. Today some Democrats who supported the war in Iraq oppose spending the money required to win the peace. Others blindly criticize the administration without proposing an alternative policy that preserves U.S. interests.

With the exception of Joe Lieberman and Dick Gephardt, who are committed to victory in Iraq, it is unclear what the other Democratic presidential candidates would do differently to ensure an American victory - or how they would handle the consequences of the early American withdrawal of some advocate. Howard Dean has



expressed ambiguity about the justness of our cause in Iraq. I hope he will learn that partisan anger is no substitute for moral clarity.

Administration officials must be careful not to adjust our military posture in Iraq for political reasons. The only legitimate reason to adjust our posture is to improve our ability to accomplish our mission or respond to our successes in stabilizing and rebuilding Iraq.

Prematurely placing the burden of security on Iraqis is not the answer. It is responsible to suggest that it is up to Iraqis to win this war. If the U.S. military, the world's best fighting force, cannot defeat the Iraqi insurgents, how do we expect Iraqi militiamen with only weeks of training to do any better?

President Bush speaks frequently of the need to take the offensive in the war on terror, but in Iraq we too often appear to be playing defense. The truth is that we do not have sufficient forces in Iraq to meet our military objectives. In early September, the U.S. commanding officer in Iraq, Gen. Ricardo Sanchez, admitted that his forces could not handle any new eruption of conflict in Iraq "if a militia or an internal conflict

of some nature were to erupt," he said. "... that would be a challenge but there that I do not have sufficient forces for."

Since then, attacks on American forces have doubled, to more than 30 a day, and their increasing sophistication has made them more lethal.

Yet the number of American forces in Iraq has not increased. Simply put, there does not appear to be a strategy behind our current force levels in Iraq other than to preserve the illusion that we have sufficient forces in place to meet our objectives.

I believe we must deploy at least another full division, giving us the necessary manpower to conduct a focused counterinsurgency campaign across the Suni Triangle that seals off energy operating areas, conducts search-and-destroy missions and holds territory.

While Iraqification will not solve our immediate security problems, we must move more quickly to transfer meaningful political authority to Iraqi leaders. The Coalition Provisional Authority continues to make a fundamental mistake in the way it interacts with the Iraqi people. The authority seems to think that

all wisdom is made in America and that the Iraqi people were defeated, not liberated.

It is our responsibility to help create the security in which Iraqi politics can flourish. We can leave it to the Iraqis to decide what kind of tax code they should have.

Iraq's transformation into a progressive Arab state could set the region that produced Saddam Hussein, the Taliban and al-Qaida on a new course in which democratic expression and economic prosperity, rather than a radicalizing mix of humiliation, poverty and repression, create a new modernity in the Muslim world that does not define itself in ways that threaten its people or other nations.

Failure to make the necessary political commitment to secure and build the new Iraq could endanger American leadership in the world, put American security at risk, empower our enemies and condemn Iraqis to renewed tyranny. It would be the most serious American defeat on the global stage since Vietnam.

This comment piece was adapted from a speech John McCain, R-Ariz., delivered to the Council on Foreign Relations.

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California fires will have a high cost for years

There have already been more than a dozen people killed and millions of dollars in homes and property destroyed in the California fires. This destruction from terrorist-like activity may not surpass the monetary figure of the 9/11 attacks, but it will take years to correct the damage that has been done.

The fee is smart, cunning and has no regard for life. Could this, in fact, be an act of terror or even eco-terror?
JACK STREETER
Mountain Home

New council member looks forward to serving

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the voters of Twin Falls for electing me to City Council. It is

humbly to know that you have entrusted me to carry out the important business of city government and to represent your views. I take this position very seriously and will serve you with honor and respect for all points of view. A candidate never gets elected without help.

First of all, I want to thank my loving wife, Pam, for her unconditional support. Also, a big thanks to Mel Quale, Ruth S. Pierce, Susi

Heintz, Ryan Horsley, David Mead, Dr. David McCusky, Art Frantz, Debbie, Kevin and Risky Dane and Ryan Maughan. Without your help we would not have been successful.

I look forward to getting to work right away. Please know that I am always available to listen to your ideas and concerns. God bless us all.
DENNIS MAUGHAN
Twin Falls

LETTERS

American veterans proud for standing 'in the way'

I wish to express my sincere appreciation and thanks to the Golden Corral restaurants across the country for their generosity to the veterans at this time of year.

I am a life member of the Disabled American Veterans and also a volunteer PAV van driver transporting veterans to doctors' appointments. Last year, our organization drove 375,000 miles in Idaho alone bringing veterans to Boise. As such, I am keenly aware of the needs of our veterans. The fine folks at the Twin Falls restaurant have opened up their facilities to us over this Veterans Day weekend for us to collect donations to assist us in the effort.

On one very busy night, a woman approached my table from behind. She said, "Don't you feel like you are in the way?" The management had set up our tables in prominent places where we could be seen.

As a disabled veteran, there has hardly been a waking hour over the last 35 years that I haven't felt "in the way." I had mixed emotions in quick succession. First, as you can rightly guess, was discouragement. The more I thought about what she had said and the way she said it, those emotions turned almost to despair, then surprisingly, to pride.

Friends? Yes, I am proud that thousands of veterans have been willing to stand "in the way" so that everyone, including the few like this woman, can enjoy the freedom to express their opinions. I am proud of the many who are, at this moment, standing "in the way" to protect our way of life from the terrorists. I am proud of the thousands who have suffered disabilities, discouragement and yes, despair.

This Veterans Day, let us remember and be proud of those who have stood and are continuing to stand "in the way" for our freedom. Thank you, Golden Corral, for

helping us remember.
DARRYL MCCALL
Burley

Local school official has impact in fighting drugs

I just wanted to say thank you to Vice Principal Ruam Meade. I think it's great that she does her part in educating children about drugs.

As a juvenile probation officer, it is heartbreaking to see the effect drugs have on children. Teaching kids about drugs in their youth has great impact on drug use in their later years.

Let's continue to do our part to get the word out: Drugs kill.
JOSE OROZCO
Twin Falls

Observe stop signs and avoid deadly accidents

There is an epidemic striking our country roads! It is worse

than driving under the influence (DUI). It is the steady stream of violators deliberately running stop signs. In most cases it is not an accidental infraction. It is a deliberate disregard for the law and safety. The chances are a car speeding through an intersection at 50 to 60 mph won't hit anything or reasonably good where the traffic count is four or five cars an hour. The last time I checked, the law of averages had not been repealed. The grim reaper is an excruciatingly patient deity, and when all the elements are present, he strikes with absolute and final accuracy.

In our small community, at least seven deaths have resulted from people running stop signs in the last year. We have tried every conceivable idea that had the remotest possibility of stemming the accidents. The sheriff and his deputies are frustrated in their efforts. They are responsible for cleaning up the mess when fate eventually catches up to the peo-

ple; it can turn your stomach. It deprives children of their parents and parents of their children. All because some fool tempted fate one time too often.

Safety is every highway jurisdiction's ultimate priority. A tremendous amount of time and effort is expended in making our roads safe for the public. There is no tactic yet that has been effective against idioy.

This state of affairs leaves few alternatives to stem this plague of death. The most plausible is to increase the penalty for people who habitually run stop signs. The way to get people's attention is to take away their privileges or their money. Habitual offenders should have their driver's licenses revoked for a period to adjust their attitude. Anyone who habitually blows through stop signs at 50 to 60 mph deserves a heavy penalty. The penalty should be just as severe as a DUI, speeding or reckless driving, insur-

ance companies should charge accordingly.

We ask for your support in our effort to change the law to substantially increase the penalties for habitual stop sign offenders. Help us to make Magic Valley a safer place to live.

Perhaps you have a better idea about ending this parade of death. If you think you do, please submit your idea to the Jerome Highway District by phone at 324-0661, fax at 324-6891 or e-mail at dh@newest.net.
RAYMOND G. CLARK
Jerome
(Editor's note: Raymond Clark is a Jerome Highway commissioner.)

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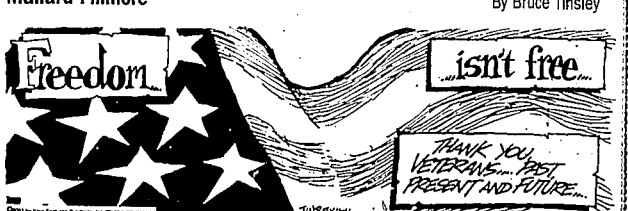
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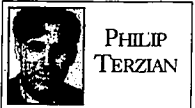


By Bruce Tinsley

OPINION

Debates are too much of a bad thing

In case you missed the Democratic presidential debate two weeks ago, I can tell you who won: It was Sen. John Kerry of Massachusetts. Sen. Kerry did not win because of his skilled explanation of what ails the economy, or the dazzling verbal fireworks he showered on his rivals. He did not win because his competition seemed shallow by comparison, or because his sonorous voice hypnotized the audience. He prevailed by virtue of a single one-liner.



PHILIP TERZIAN

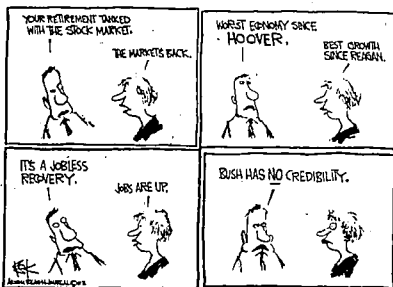
It began when Gwen Ifill, the TV personality who was asking questions, told Kerry that he suffers from a public perception of cold aloofness, East Coast elitism, etc. Kerry, who looked as if he was about to burst into tears while Ifill was speaking, broke a barely perceptible grin. That would change, he responded, when the public gets a chance to see his new video, "Kerry Gone Wild." The audience laughed appreciatively - as did Ifill, whose raucous has-had-haws split my eardrum.

This was in the great tradition of presidential debates. No one now remembers anything that Jimmy Carter said to Gerald Ford in 1976, but most recall Ford's gaffe about Poland or the 27-minute interval without audio. The historical version of the 1960 Kennedy-Nixon debates is not anything that was said, but things that were seen: Kennedy's dark pin stripes and youthful good looks, Nixon's light gray suit and five o'clock shadow.

When Ronald Reagan admonished Jimmy Carter - "There you go again" - in 1980, does anyone know what Carter had just done? When Walter Mondale (1984) raised the issue of Reagan advanced age, the 73-year-old Reagan prevailed with a well-rehearsed gibe about his opponent's youth and inexperience.

From Al Gore's sigh (2000) to the elder George Bush's glance at his wristwatch (1992), debates have been lost and won on stunning one-liners. It is asserted that people who listened to the Kennedy-Nixon debates on radio concluded that Nixon had won, but that those who watched on television preferred Kennedy. But does anyone remember the second Kennedy-Nixon match, or the fifth? Words ("lockbox") and phrases ("fuzzy math") are recalled from the Bush-Gore confrontations, but few retain the context in which they were spoken.

Nor, for that matter, is the substance all that relevant. In 2000, candidates Gore and Bush were filled to the brim with impressive statistics and policy prescriptions, but the subject of terrorism never came up in their discussions. Brit Hume once (1992) asked Dan Quayle what his first act would be on inheriting the presidency - an invita-



tion, for appropriate sarcasm - and 31 years after V.E. Day (1976), Bob Dole was heard complaining about "Democrat wars."

All this mildly comic tradition has prompted Sunday night's victor, John Kerry, to register a complaint. Speaking in Iowa about the debates, he made the patent observation that "the crowded field allows the most shrill, conflict-oriented, confrontational voices to be heard, and not necessarily the person who might make the best candidate or the best president." Some of his fellow candidates have been privately griping that the number of debates (now held nearly weekly) plays havoc with their schedules, waste time and resources, and put the sponsors of debates, and not the candidates themselves, in charge of campaigns.

To be sure, Kerry was aiming his remarks at the marginal aspirants (Carol Moseley Braun, Dennis Kucinich, Al Sharpton), whose incendiary rhetoric and crowd-pleasing cracks overshadow any substantive arguments in the media, and needlessly undermine plausible candidates. But his basic complaint has a wider application. While it is irritating to play second fiddle in press accounts to Al Sharpton's stand-

up routine, it is also fair to wonder if the format has gotten out of control.

I confess I am a longtime opponent of the institution: These shows are not so much debates as TV confrontations between self-important journalists and politicians held hostage. They seldom explore the differences among candidates, and distort minor

quirks of personality or verbal dexterity. They are just as misleading as any negative commercial.

Moreover, as Kerry has discovered, their sacrosanct status can be lethal as well. The senator from Massachusetts is fighting to salvage his endangered campaign, but is forced every week to stay out of those places (Iowa, New Hampshire, South Carolina, etc.) where he stands to win or lose in favor of deferring to Dennis Kucinich, smiling while enduring Howard Dean's attacks, listening politely to Carol Moseley Braun, or reciting canned responses to Gwen Ifill's declarations.

You have to wonder how Franklin Roosevelt - capped, bow-tied, wearing pince-nez, waving his cigarette holder in the air and sounding like an honorary master of the hunt - would come across in one of these televised spectacles.

Philip Terzian is the associate editor of the Providence Journal.

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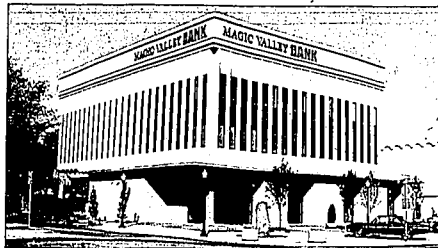
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T.F. man pleads guilty in child sex abuse case

By Rebecca Meany
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — In a clear, unwavering voice, James Alan Gerdon, 34, answered "guilty" nine times Monday to charges in connection with events that occurred in May with neighborhood children at his Twin Falls home.

Gerdon pleaded guilty to four counts of sexual abuse of a minor, three counts of lewd conduct with a minor and two counts attempted lewd conduct with a minor.

Sexual abuse of a minor carries a maximum sentence of 15 years in prison and a \$50,000 fine per count. Lewd conduct with a minor carries a maximum sentence-of life imprisonment without possibility of parole and a fine of \$50,000. Attempted lewd conduct with a minor has a maximum sentence of 15 years' imprisonment and a \$50,000 fine.

The defense and the prosecution worked out an agreement wherein Gerdon would enter pleas of guilty to the charges and the state would drop eight other, lesser charges.

The prosecution recommended a life sentence with 25 years fixed — meaning Gerdon would serve 25 years in prison before he had a chance for parole — and a fine of \$50,000.

"By reaching an agreement, the state gets what it needs to get," Twin Falls County Prosecuting Attorney Grant Loebs said. "We didn't give up anything. And we gain nothing by going to trial," he said, adding that jury trials often "revictimize" the victims by making them live through the incidents again.

"Given what he pleaded to," Loebs said, "he has the possibility of three life sentences plus 90 years."

Gerdon was charged with committing the sex acts with three children at his home.

Fifth District Judge John Hohnhorst reviewed the charges with the defendant, asking Gerdon if he understood that the agreement the defense made with the prosecution was not binding on the judge, to which Gerdon answered "yes." Hohnhorst also said that once he issued a sentence, the defense could not retract any of the guilty pleas.

When the judge asked Gerdon if he accepted from any mental condition that might not allow him to make a reasoned decision about entering guilty pleas, Gerdon said, "Kind of, your honor." The defendant explained that he has problems when under stress and is unable to make good decisions.

"I freeze up," he said. Hohnhorst asked if the defendant had a reasonable opportunity to think through the decision to plead guilty and if he was satisfied with his representation, defense attorney Tony Valdez said "I thought this decision through a long time," Gerdon said, adding that he was not concerned with the wisdom of his decision.

Hohnhorst ordered a presentence report, including a psychosexual, psychological evaluation or some combination of the two, of Gerdon. His sentencing will be scheduled after all parties review the report.

The defense asked for bond to be lowered from \$500,000 to \$100,000 so Gerdon could "see his family and do the things he needs to do prior to being sentenced by this court," Valdez said.

The judge denied the request based on the gravity of the charges.

"I believe the state-proposed sentence is clearly extreme," Valdez said. "But in the interest of all parties involved, Gerdon's desire to accept responsibility to accept the plea agreement and to avoid having these young persons having to testify at trial."

A grand jury indicted Gerdon in July. In a separate incident in 1995, a jury convicted Gerdon of second-degree kidnapping of a minor, which was reduced to a misdemeanor.

Report: There is no evidence Iran is trying to make nukes

VIENNA, Austria — The U.N. nuclear watchdog agency has found "no evidence" Iran is trying to make nuclear weapons, but cannot rule out the possibility because Tehran previously hid parts of its program, diplomats told The Associated Press.

The report, drawn up by the head of the International Atomic Energy Agency, says Iran has

World in brief

been cooperating with the agency since September, the diplomats said on condition of anonymity.

But disclosures made recently by Iran "clearly show that in the past, Iran had concealed many aspects of its nuclear activities, which

resulted in breaches of its obligations of the safeguard agreement" it had signed with the agency, the report says, according to the diplomats.

The report comes as Iran, after months of pressure, declared Monday that it has temporarily halted enrichment of uranium and committed to unfettered inspections of its nuclear facilities, two

top demands of the IAEA.

Former German chemical giant files for bankruptcy

FRANKFURT, Germany — IG Farben, the former German chemical giant that used thousands of slave laborers at Auschwitz, said Monday it plans to file for bankruptcy and is unlikely to pay fur-

ther compensation to victims of the Nazi war machine.

Once the world's largest chemical firm, IG Farben was broken up and ordered into trusteeship by the World War II Allies in 1952. It continued operating as a trust to pay Nazi-era claims and its shares are still traded on stock exchanges.

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Drew's

The store also acts as a warehouse for our fire, says Cavanaugh. Cavanaugh says Drew's is the nation's largest seller of White's... Drew's expanded by offering its own line of boots.

Toschik try to repair eight to 10 pairs a day. "It depends on how technical we get," Toschik says. The Drew's crew traveling business began in 1986.

Boots needing repair are shipped to Klamath Falls. While the main floor of the downtown store is stuffed with men's and women's clothing, the basement is boot heaven. Workers like Bill

"Lots of firefighters will wait for us to show up in camp to be fitted," says Cavanaugh, noting the company keeps a computerized data file on every customer who has bought a boot.

Renewal

Monday, directing its projects committee to take a closer look at a renovation expenses first. A group of members in March had voted to spend \$200 million to help Perrine Partnership LLC, a group of local business people who are directors of Magic Valley Bank, renovate the former Main Street building.

Evans recommended allocating at least \$200,000 for paying off debt. The company has \$545,000 that's not already earmarked for other debt payments, bond interest, promised incentives and the like.

In July, Urban Renewal declined to increase its promised \$20,000 contribution. Several agency members said they didn't want to set a precedent that would encourage other beneficiaries to ask for bigger boosts than they were originally promised.

McAlindin said he and a Wells Fargo banker will travel to California Friday to meet with Hydro Fitting co-owner Seth Schwab. McAlindin said an agreement on incentives.

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Renewal

Monday, directing its projects committee to take a closer look at a renovation expenses first. A group of members in March had voted to spend \$200 million to help Perrine Partnership LLC, a group of local business people who are directors of Magic Valley Bank, renovate the former Main Street building.

Evans recommended allocating at least \$200,000 for paying off debt. The company has \$545,000 that's not already earmarked for other debt payments, bond interest, promised incentives and the like.

In July, Urban Renewal declined to increase its promised \$20,000 contribution. Several agency members said they didn't want to set a precedent that would encourage other beneficiaries to ask for bigger boosts than they were originally promised.

McAlindin said he and a Wells Fargo banker will travel to California Friday to meet with Hydro Fitting co-owner Seth Schwab. McAlindin said an agreement on incentives.

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MONEY

Weston

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 consumers: These electronic pay-
 ments are typically easier, faster,
 cheaper and more reliable than
 using the U.S. mail.

Even the Internal Revenue
 Service, not always known for
 being on the cutting edge of com-
 puterization, has moved away
 from requiring taxpayers to keep
 mounds of paper when electronic
 records can suffice. So even in the
 unlikely event that your transac-
 tion had tax implications, the elec-
 tronic transaction would be suf-
 ficient proof of payment in an
 audit.

You, of course, are welcome to
 take your business anywhere you
 like. But don't be surprised if
 other stores eventually adopt this
 practice. Paper checks very well
 might be the buggy whips of the
 21st century.

Q: I have a 5-month-old grand-
 daughter. Her mother (my
 daughter) is in the process of set-
 ting up a college fund for her. I
 was told that \$29 college savings
 plans will be taxable if the
 money is withdrawn after 2011,
 so the plan won't benefit my
 granddaughter, who won't be
 attending college until after
 that.

A: Would you tell us which plan
 would be best for my granddaugh-
 ter?
 A: It's true that the law that
 makes \$29 withdrawals tax-free
 is set to expire after 2010. Be-
 cause those plans have be-
 come so popular, though, many
 are betting that Congress will
 make the tax-free treatment per-
 manent.

Even if lawmakers don't act,
 these state-run plans will

remain a good deal for many
 families. That's because gains
 in the plans would be taxed at
 the child's tax rate. Because
 those gains would have 18
 years to compound in your
 granddaughter's case, that
 could prove to be a consider-
 able tax savings.

The other advantage of \$29
 plans is that your daughter
 would remain in control of the
 money. If your granddaughter
 decided not to go to college, the
 money could be transferred to a
 sibling or another family mem-
 ber, or even be withdrawn
 (although your daughter would
 have to pay penalties and
 income tax, at her tax rate, on
 the withdrawal).

A \$29 might not be the best
 choice if your daughter is in a low
 tax bracket, or generally for any

parent trying to save for an older
 child (such as a teenager).
 Typically, the small tax benefits in
 these cases don't offset the disad-
 vantages of the plans, such as
 their restrictions on how the
 money is used and the lack of
 direct control over how it is invest-
 ed.

You can find a more thorough
 discussion of \$29 plans, and other
 ways to save for college, in Los
 Angeles Times staff writer Kathy
 Kristof's book "Taming the
 Tuition Tiger" (Bloomberg Press,
 2003).

Questions can be sent to Liz
 Pulliam Weston at
 asklizweston@hotmail.com
 mailed to her in care of Money Talk,
 Business Section, Los Angeles Times,
 202 W. First St., Los Angeles, CA
 90012.

Filings

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Donald A. Litzinger, also
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 Anna Rose Litzinger, also known
 as Rose Litzinger, Anna M.
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 Litzinger, 2913 E. 3600 N., No.
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 tors, assets \$50,000 to \$100,000,
 liabilities \$100,000 to \$500,000.
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J. Robert Loveland and Shirley
 W. Loveland, 758 Juniper St., Twin
 Falls, individual, nonbusiness,
 Chapter 7, 11-15 creditors, assets
 \$100,000 to \$500,000, liabilities
 \$100,000 to \$500,000. Case no. 03-
 42399.

Labels

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a feedlot, how does he collect all
 the paper and records to demon-
 strate that all those cattle originat-
 ed on all those ranches?" Craig
 asked. "The producer is totally
 responsible, because they are the
 point of origin."

The burden of finding and
 maintaining that information may
 even be enough to tip some small
 producers into bankruptcy, said
 Jack Silzel, agricultural adviser to
 fellow-labeling opponent Rep.
 George Nethercutt, R-
 Washington.

"In the present form, the peo-

ple who are going to be harmed
 the worst are the small- and medi-
 um-sized producers," Silzel said.
 "They may not be able to sell
 their animals because all animals
 will have to be certified where it
 was born and buyers could say,
 'We're not going to mess with
 this,' and buy their animals from
 Canada."

Idaho Cattle Association direc-
 tor Lloyd Knight said most cattle
 producers think the labeling
 should be market-driven and vol-
 untary rather than federally man-
 dated.

"People are real reluctant to

create another government-
 mandated program," Knight
 said. "We have a lot of questions.
 It looks like it's going to be
 expensive. And some of the
 requirements will be costs
 passed down to the producer,
 either in lower prices for their
 cattle or increased production
 prices."

Though estimates put the pro-
 gram's cost between \$582 million
 and \$3.9 billion a year, lawmakers
 have not given a solid figure.

"Even the USDA isn't sure of
 the costs, and that's concerning to
 our folks," Knight added.

The proposal will now head to a
 House-Senate conference com-
 mittee for further debate.

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 164 Main Avenue • Twin Falls 734-2309
 John Cusack Gene Hackman Danny Hoffman
RUNAWAY JURY (R) 7:00 - 9:30

Jerome Cinema 4
 955 West Main • Jerome 734-2400
Radio (PG) 7:00 - 9:15
Elf (G) 7:15 - 9:30
Planet Earth (G) 7:00 - 9:15
Matrix Revolutions (R) 7:15 - 9:45

Odyssey 6 Theatre
 Inside Magic Valley • Twin Falls 734-2001
Mystic River (R) 6:45 - 9:30
Secondhand Lions (G) 7:00 - 9:15
Rescue Dogs (G) 7:00 - 9:30
The Matrix Revolutions (R)
 Shows in 3 Screens
 7:00 - 7:15 - 7:30 - 9:30 - 9:45 - 9:55

Twin Cinema 12
 100 Eastwood • Twin Falls 734-2000
Pirates of the Caribbean (PG) 6:45 - 9:30
Lord of the Rings (PG) 7:00 - 9:30
School of Rock (G) 7:45 - 9:45
Texas Chainsaw Massacre (R) 7:40 - 9:50
Under the Tropic Sun (G) 7:15 - 9:45
Seven Years in Tibet (PG) 7:20 - 9:20
Railly (PG) 7:30 - 9:45
Elf (G) 7:00 - 7:30 - 9:20 - 9:45
Intolerable Cruelty (PG) 7:40 - 9:50
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 7:00 - 7:30 - 9:20 - 9:45

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 Noon - Sauer's Fiber Arts • Watch Judy make a one-of-a-kind work or art to be given away at the show!
 12:45 - Healthy Essentials • Benefits of Supreme Greens with MSM.
 1:30 - Pharamex • Check your body defense Index.
 2:15 - Isagenix • Cleaning, Detox & Weightloss
 3:00 - Tastefully Simple • Great Gift Giving Ideas.
 3:45 - Healthy Way • IISANA - Lowering Blood Sugar & Cholesterol.
 4:30 - TF Institute of Holistic Studies • Acidosis - The Silent Killer.
 5:15 - Xango • The health breakthrough you should know about.
 6:00 - Dr. Crane • Natural Hormone Balancing.

SATURDAY
 11:00 - Sprint PCS • How to use a Vision Phone.
 11:45 - Miracle Touch • Healing Power of Stones.
 12:30 - Arbonne International • Exfoliating Peel.
 1:15 - Isagenix • Cleaning, Detox & Weightloss
 2:00 - Kitchen Tune-Up • Secrets of Successful wood care.
 2:45 - Tastefully Simple • 15-minute Recipes.
 3:30 - Healthy Essentials • Balance Acid/Alkali in your body using Supreme Green with MSM.
 4:15 - Nelson Realty • Hints for selling your home.
 5:00 - Parks Funeral Home • Preplanning for the future.
 5:45 - TF Institute of Holistic Studies • Message Therapy and the role it plays in Health Care.

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 12:15 - Senior Benefits of Idaho • Everything a Senior Should Know
 1:00 - Healthy Way • Energy & Massage
 1:45 - Arbonne International • Estrogen Dominance & Hormone Imbalance.
 2:30 - Dr. Crane • Your Nervous System - The Key to Health.
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 4:00 - Nelson Realty • Hints for buying a home.

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AROUND THE VALLEY

Man dies of injuries from ATV accident

TWIN FALLS - A 51-year-old man died from injuries sustained in an all-terrain vehicle accident Saturday night.
Rory Lee Denman, 38, was riding along with a friend near the intersection of Orchard Drive and 2700 East when his four-wheeler somehow ended up on the pavement, Twin Falls Sheriff's Department spokeswoman Nancy Howell said. Denman suffered severe head injuries and was airlifted to Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center in Boise.
He died at the hospital Sunday.

Commissioners polish county credit card policy

TWIN FALLS - County commissioners passed two resolutions Monday making slight revisions to the county's new credit card policy. One clarifies credit card, vendor card and house account guidelines; the other deals with procedures for payment of county claims.
All requests for new credit cards must be submitted by department heads and elected officials to the auditor's office. The requirement for approval by county commissioners was left in place. Previously, there was no written policy stating who may request a new credit card.
Also, any request for employee reimbursement must include a receipt, bill, mileage log and other information to substantiate the expenditure.
An item in a separate resolution mandates that a request for payment of a county claim must include copies of a receipt if the claim is sent to different departments but the charge is listed on one receipt or bill.
The resolutions were passed 2-0. Commissioner Gary Grindstaff was not in attendance.
Commissioners earlier this year adopted a more restrictive credit card policy following the admission by former County Clerk Bob Fort that he used his county credit card for cash advances totaling more than \$64,000, money he reportedly admitted using to gamble.

Former T.F. resident plans talks and book-signings

TWIN FALLS - Former Twin Falls resident Arthur Rathburn will discuss his new historical novel, "Meeting the Enemy," with several service clubs and plans several book-signings over the next few days.

This morning, he'll speak to the Blue Lakes Rotary Club at 7 o'clock at the Red Lion Canyon Springs Inn. Tonight at 6:30, he'll be at the Twin Falls United Methodist Church.

At noon on Thursday, Rathburn will speak to the Twin Falls Kiwanis Club meeting at the noon at the Turf Club.

On Thursday night, he'll be at the Community Library in Ketchum at 6:30 p.m., and on Friday, he'll sign books at the Chapter One Bookstore in Ketchum from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Rathburn plans another book-signing Saturday at Waldenbooks in the Magic Valley Mall in Twin Falls Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

On Monday, he'll speak at the Burley Public Library at 6:30 p.m. "Meeting the Enemy" is the story of a German English teacher-turned-paratrooper commander who is captured in North Africa during World War II, and his experiences as a prisoner of war in Texas, New Mexico, Utah and Idaho. Published by Champion Books, it sells for \$16.95.

Rathburn and his wife, Ursula, lived in Twin Falls from 1971 until 1984, where he was a community and resource development specialist with the University of Idaho Cooperative Extension Service. He later operated his own private consulting business, Rathburn & Associates.

Legislators will hear from Camas County residents

FAIRFIELD - State Reps. Tim Rittinger and Wendy Inquet and Sen. Clint Stenseth will attend a legislative update at the Fairfield City Office at 407 Soldier Road today at 10 a.m. The public is welcome to bring questions and concerns.

Following the meeting, the legislators will lunch at the Camas County Senior Citizen Center and will be available for further discussion.

Compiled from staff reports

Mom continues block schedule protest

By Julie Ponce
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - The school district has worked for two years on a block schedule for Twin Falls High School, and by December the board will take a look at the final version, board Chairwoman Vera Redman said Monday.
It was with that statement and the pre-text of following protocol that Redman headed off unscheduled comments from parent Gwen Jones at Monday's regular School Board meeting. Redman told Jones there would be chances to comment at public hearings next week.
The district plans a public hearing at 7 p.m. Nov. 18 at O'Leary Junior High School

to explain the new plan, then at 9:45 a.m. on Nov. 20 for sophomores and juniors and their parents. There will be one more public hearing at 7 p.m. on Nov. 20 at Robert Stuart Junior High School.
Interim Superintendent Wiley Dobbs said the high school scheduling committee, teachers, the board and administration will take comments into consideration and tweak the plan if necessary before the board makes a decision.
When Jones had shown up for a meeting in October with a plan she thinks is better, the board gave her a few minutes to protest the one that the 20-member committee has almost finished. Jones is convinced her seven-period schedule is superior to a blended schedule the committee

came up with that includes holding some classes every day and others every other day.
Since protesting at the October meeting, Jones has spent more than two hours meeting with Dobbs and other administrators. In addition, she recently presented her schedule to the committee working on the blended block schedule. But after studying Jones's schedule, the committee decided hers wasn't much different from the one it has almost completed, Dobbs said.
"It looked very similar, honestly," Dobbs said.
In addition, Dobbs said he believes Jones's schedule would cost the district quite a bit more money. He explained the

board would have to renegotiate contracts with teachers with the Jones schedule because it requires teachers to instruct six out of seven periods, rather than the five out of six they are currently teaching. The blended block schedule the board is planning would allow the board to continue to study and possibly vote on in December would not cost more, Dobbs said.
However, Redman did accept a letter from Jones on Monday. The Times-News acquired a copy after the meeting. In her letter, Jones complained that the board is calling the blended block schedule only a "proposal," yet in an e-mail to par on Monday, the high school that referred to the schedule as a "change" that will take place

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ON THE ROAD



Gov. Dirk Kempthorne speaks to a group of revelers after arriving on his Harley-Davidson in Ketchum Monday afternoon during the U.S. Capitol Holiday Tree

Holiday tree visits Ketchum, Fairfield

By Karen Bockick and Amy Ballard
Times-News correspondents

KETCHUM - A semi-truck bearing the U.S. Capitol's Christmas tree rolled through Ketchum Monday afternoon, coming to a stop on Main Street as the driver leaned on his horn.
But the experience was not quite what everyone imagined.



"I can't see it. It's covered up," said Ketchum resident Bob Kohli, as he stared at the heavy plastic stretched around the full length of the 11,000-pound tree. "They ought to take the plastic off, hoist it up and put an ornament on its top at every stop!"
Despite the disappointment that some of those in the crowd expressed, the tree was a sight to behold - for those with enough imagination, at least.



Children decorate sugar cookies donated by members of the community at U.S. Capitol Holiday Tree festivities Monday in Fairfield.

Earlier in the day, a big crowd turned out in Fairfield to welcome the tree, as retired members of the military donned their uniforms, children took a break from school.

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Chance meeting brings together vet, rescuer

By Loretta Burkhardt
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS - If you have met him, then you already know that Richard Hansing is a Pearl Harbor survivor.
More often than not, he'll see a person the trouble of asking.
Although the morning of Dec. 7, 1941, is still first and foremost on the Twin Falls veteran's mind, there's yet another date - just one year later - that holds a great significance for the 84-year-old Hansing.
Shortly after surviving the Pearl Harbor attack - with a leg injury caused by shrapnel - Hansing was transferred from the USS Nevada to the USS



Northampton, where he was involved in yet another attack on America's naval forces by Japan.
But this time, there was one primary difference for Hansing. His second underwater experience took place a little farther out to sea.
"What's more, in this battle, the ship Hansing was on did not survive the attack.
Therefore, after obeying an order to abandon ship, Hansing spent the next two hours in the

waters of the Pacific Ocean before he and 600 of his shipmates found themselves safely aboard a destroyer - the USS Fletcher 445.
"It was the longest two hours I've ever spent," Hansing said.
While Hansing remembers vivid details about the nighttime disaster, a night so dark "you couldn't see your hand in front of your face," what he couldn't tell - until recently - was the name of the U.S. Navy chief torpedoman who took part in a rescue mission that saved his life.
While a successful World War II rescue mission could easily be the end of the story, the tale had one more twist.
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Tree travels

The 2003 U.S. Capitol Holiday Tree is traveling throughout Idaho before it heads to Washington, D.C., and south-central Idaho communities will take part in the celebration. Here's a schedule of events planned in local communities to be visited by the tree and its entourage on Saturday:

- **Burley** - Tree scheduled to arrive at 12:30 p.m. in the parking lot at the old Rite Aid building on Pomona Avenue, next to Albertsons. Before its arrival, the choir from White Pine Intermediate School will sing Christmas songs - from 12:10 to 12:30 p.m. Free hot chocolate will be served.
- **Jerome** - Tree will be escorted east on Main Street to Jerome City Park at 2 p.m. Activities include parade, food, entertainment, Santa Claus visit, tree-lighting ceremony.
- **Twin Falls** - Parade at 5:30 p.m. on Main Avenue, followed by patriotic program in City Park honoring veterans and including patriotic songs and Christmas carols by the Twin Falls Municipal Band.

Council approves golf fee reduction

By Rebecca Meany
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - People will soon pay less to play the Twin Falls Municipal Golf Course.

The six attending City Council members unanimously voted Monday to approve cuts in user fees at the course.

The golf advisory commission met three times this fall to discuss ways to increase play at the course, commission member Scot McNeley told the council. Two years ago 43,111 rounds of golf were played at the course. This year, 31,031 rounds have been played as of Oct. 2. The remaining three months might add 4,000 rounds to that total.

Many factors are to blame for the shortfall, he said.
"People's discretionary income is not there, or they're spending money elsewhere," he said. "And there's added competition with other golf courses."

To drum up business, the commission is looking to reduce rates. Proposed changes were a reduction from \$18 to \$14 for the weekday rate, and from \$15 to \$12 for the weekend rate. Senior prices would drop from \$18 to \$14 weekdays and from \$12 to \$10 weekends. Junior prices and season passes, including the \$2 surcharge, would stay the same.

The commission also requested and received approval for a winter rate of \$10 per round. The council will also reinstate a nine-hole rate of \$10 that was suspended two years ago.

Additionally, McNeley proposed to the council a 10-round punch card that would be sold through December. He told the council it would go on sale today at City Hall, the municipal golf course, Donnelley Sports and other area businesses.

Course manager Mike Hamblin has previously said that municipal golf courses exist to provide affordable recreation for citizens. The council agreed.

"With competition, we cannot be under the illusion that the course will pay for itself," Councilman Chris Talkington said. "We don't have a lot of flexibility on that."
As an independent contractor, Hamblin receives \$25,000 per year from the city to manage the course. Among his expenses are rent, wages of certain employees and utilities. He receives concessions

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Trout-producing company founder dies at age of 78

By Sandra Wisecaver
Times-News correspondent

BUHL - The founder of the largest trout-producing company in North America died early Monday morning at his home north of Buhl at the age of 78.

Ted Eastman started Clear Springs Foods in September 1966, with the construction of a lean-to. And from the beginning he had a hand in everything. He was always vague about how many years he served as president of the company, and when someone came around to see Eastman, he was usually found at the ponds or at the plant, wearing his green hat and working on something.
"Ted was absolutely the heart and soul of this company for many, many years," said Larry Cope, company president and chief executive officer. "Indeed, it is a great loss to everyone at Clear Springs. He was a true example of a very successful entrepreneur, who brought benefit to many people in this area during his career."
Clear Springs operates four large fish production farms, including Snake River Farm and Clear Lake Farm, both north of Buhl, Box Canyon Farm between

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CHALK IT UP TO TALENT



Photo courtesy of Magic Valley Arts Council

Emily LaBatra, 11, and Shanna Stowman, 7, won the Best-Kids entry at the Magic Valley Arts Council's Oktoberfest Chalk Walk Oct. 3. Other winners were Brie Rousseau and Callita Stanley; Best of Show, The Pearson Family, Best Use of Harvest Theme; Caleb Collins, Best Artist; and Pam Maughan, Kristy Deftensen and Susanne Helnze; People's Choice, Historic Old Towne Twin Falls and Target helped sponsor the event.

STORK REPORT

St. Benedicts Family Medical Center

Curtis Jeffrey Jacobsen, son of Jeff and Ashley Jacobsen of Jerome, was born Monday, Oct. 20, 2003.

Kylee Ann Wellisch, daughter of John and Bailee Wellisch of Jerome, was born Saturday, Oct. 25, 2003.

Duane C. Carpenter, son of Wayne and Tracy Carpenter of Jerome, was born Sunday, Oct. 26, 2003.

Nolan Robert Chopp, son of Michael and Kelli Chopp of Gooding, was born Wednesday, Oct. 29, 2003.

Christina Karlet Lindsay, son of Mick and Crystal Lindsay of Jerome, was born Monday, Nov. 3, 2003.

To announce a birth Send a copy of the birth certificate to: Melissa Morgan The Times-News P.O. Box 548 Twin Falls, ID 83303 Or fax to: 734-5538. Deadline: noon Tuesday for Sunday's paper; and noon Friday for Tuesday's paper. More Information? Call Melissa at 735-3278

Burrell Mangum of Filer, was born Tuesday, Nov. 4, 2003.

Christian James Estep, son of Rebecca Renee Packham and Travis G. Estep of Twin Falls, was born Tuesday, Nov. 4, 2003.

Camren Justin Firth, son of Anny Marlene and Justin Curt Firth of Jerome, was born Wednesday, Nov. 5, 2003.

John Wesley Sprattling, son of Amber Dawn and Johnny Allen Sprattling of Declo, was born Friday, Nov. 7, 2003.

Cassia Regional Medical Center

Hannah Elizabeth Greenman, daughter of David and Julie Greenman of Burley, was born Tuesday, Nov. 4, 2003.

Magic Valley Regional Medical Center

Zachary Bryant Mangum, son of Marlene Renee and Micheal

AND THE AWARD GOES TO . . .



Photo courtesy of Twin Falls Kiwanis Club

The Twin Falls Kiwanis Club 2003 Kiwanian of the Year

Award was presented to Clark Walworth by past president Norma Blass. Walworth, The Times-News managing editor, was selected for his work, service and commitment on projects and committees. This award has been given to an outstanding Kiwanian each year since 1967. The award was begun to honor two early Kiwanis members: O. P. Duval, a former Twin Falls County judge, and O. A. Gus' Kelker, former editor of The Times-News.

FOCUS ON PEOPLE

Speicher earns spring semester honor at Azusa

Twin Falls resident and Azusa Pacific University student Jennifer L. Speicher was honored for a spring semester 2003 academic standing of 3.5 or better grade-point average.

Speicher, a graduate of Twin Falls Christian Academy and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard C. Speicher, is a nursing major. Azusa Pacific is located in Azusa, Calif.

Jussel joins Ambassadors Circle and honor society

Adam Jussel, a junior from Twin Falls, majoring in business administration, was selected for the Ambassadors Circle, a newly formed organization at California Lutheran University in Thousand Oaks, Calif.

The mission of the Ambassadors Circle is to provide another connection between the university and its community of friends and supporters. Carefully selected and

trained juniors and seniors, who are already highly involved in leadership activities on campus and in the community, will represent CLU in the community and at high profile university events.

Jussel also was one of six students elected to CLU's Scholastic Honor Society. Students qualify by maintaining a grade point average of 3.0 or by being in the top 5 percent of their graduating class.

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HANSEN STUDENT COUNCIL

Hanson Elementary School student council members for the 2003-2004 school year are, from left, front row: Marly Rife and Tajon Robinson; back row: Elaine Navarrete and Tyson Clark.

Council members organize fun days, direct the annual READ Basketball Tournament, assist parents during parent/teacher conferences and read with primary grade students to name just a few of their duties.



Photo courtesy of Hanson Elementary School

SERVICE NEWS

Evans completes basic Marine Corps training

Marine Corps Pvt. Brandon S. Evans, son of Dory A. and Jim Evans of Elko, Nev., has completed 12 weeks of basic training at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego, Calif., designed to challenge new Marine recruits physically and mentally.

In addition to the physical conditioning program, Evans spent numerous hours in classroom and field assignments which included learning first aid, uniform regulations, combat water survival, marksmanship, hand-to-hand combat, and assorted weapons training.

Evans is a 2003 graduate of Spring Creek High School in Spring Creek, Nev.

Scholl graduates from communication course

Air Force Airman Lee A. Scholl has graduated from the satellite and wideband communications equipment apprentice course at Fort Gordon, Augusta, Ga.

The graduate learned the theory

and principles of electronic systems, components and devices, fiber optics, cryogenics, computers and satellite tracking systems and equipment; principles of fixed and transportable wideband and earth terminal communications systems and telemetry.

Scholl is the son of Danny L. and Patty J. Scholl of Hansen. He is a 2001 graduate of Hansen High School.

Floyd graduates from USAF basic military training

Air Force Airman Christopher D. Floyd has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas. During the six weeks of training, the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization, and military customs and courtesies; performed drill and ceremony marches; and received physical training, rifle marksmanship, field training exercises, and special training in human relations.

He is the grandson of Merry Floyd of Buhl and a 2002 graduate of Buhl High School.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Wendell High School Honor Society holds craft fair

WENDELL - The Wendell High School honor society and student council will hold its second annual craft, yard and bake sales from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday at the school, 750 E. Main St.

Donations for the yard sale will be accepted from 8:27 p.m. Friday in the school office.

For information, call Jennifer Goodbody or Jon Goss at 536-2100.

Times-News will publish 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 Treva Tegan, The Times-News Bureau, 1263 Overland Ave., Burley, Idaho 83318. Or e-mail to denise@magicvalley.com

Deadline is Nov. 17. For more information, call 733-0931, Ext. 243.

Twin Falls Farmers' Market vendors hold potluck dinner

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls Farmers' Market vendors and board of directors will hold a potluck dinner at 6:30 p.m.

Thursday in the Obenchain Insurance Building, 264 Main Ave. S. in Twin Falls.

Those attending should park in the parking lot behind the building and use the rear entrance.

Students raise funds at Twin Falls antique show

FILER - The Twin Falls Antique Show and Sale will be held from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Sunday at the Twin Falls County Fairgrounds in Filer.

Lighthouse Christian School will sell homemade fleece blankets to raise funds for a mission trip to Mexico.

Thirty intermountain dealers will display their antiques and collectibles.

Admission is \$2. Preschoolers are free. Drawings will be held for \$50 shopping sprees each day.

Seniors serve community breakfast this weekend

BUHL - The West End Senior Center will serve an all-you-can-eat community breakfast from 8-10 a.m. Saturday at the center, 1010 Main St. in Buhl.

The cost is \$3 for adults and \$1.25 for children age 6 and under.

Volunteer organizations group collects blankets

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls Area Volunteer Organizations Active in Disaster will host a blanket harvest from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday at the Salvation Army Administrative Building, 348 Fourth Ave. N. in Twin Falls.

The public is invited to bring

new or clean used blankets. Refreshments will be served. Harvested blankets will be used for a mass shelter in the case of an emergency or disaster in the Magic Valley area.

For more information, call Ed Patterson at 733-8720 or Jackie Frey at 736-4087 or 731-6835.

Buhl Community Ed announces classes

BUHL - The Buhl Community Education and Recreation Association announced the following upcoming classes:

"Santa Face" will be offered from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Saturday at Langdon's, 1476 E. 4400 N., Buhl. Participants will create an antique-looking metal Santa. The cost is \$7 plus \$55 for materials.

"Ceramic Sun Incentive Burner" will be offered from 6:30-9:30 p.m. Friday in the Buhl

High School art room, 525 Sawtooth. Students will create an incentive burner that hangs on the wall. Students should bring paint brushes if they have them. The cost is \$7 plus \$18 for supplies.

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

Buhl American Legion will meet Wednesday

BUHL - All current and former members of the American Legion Post 43 of Buhl are encouraged to meet at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday at Lincoln Courts, 1310 Main in Buhl.

All area veterans also are invited and should bring their DD214 (honorably discharge) to join the post.

This is an effort to re-establish the Buhl Post. For more information, call Bill Woodfin at 543-5437.

WTO panel confirms steel duties illegal

GENEVA (AP) — An appeals panel has ruled that U.S. duties on imported steel introduced last year are illegal, officials said Monday, and the European Union is threatening to retaliate with \$2.2 billion in sanctions unless Washington lifts the tariffs swiftly.

European Union trade chief Pascal Lamy, in an interview with Dow Jones Newswires, said the World Trade Organization panel upheld the major find-

ings of a July ruling — issued following a complaint from the EU and seven other countries — that said the duties break WTO rules.

In a joint statement, the countries that brought the case said the United States had "no other choice" but to remove the import duties without delay.

Lamy confirmed that the EU could impose sanctions on U.S. imports within weeks if Washington fails to drop the

duties. Other countries also could join in.

When his administration introduced the three-year duties of up to 30 percent in March of last year, President Bush claimed they were justified to protect domestic steel producers during a period of restructuring.

The appeals panel upheld the major findings of the July report which said that the United States failed to prove that its industry had been harmed by a sudden flood of cheap imports — a condition for

imposing such duties under WTO rules.

That report also said it was illegal for Washington to exclude imports from the countries with which it had free trade agreements at the time — Canada, Mexico, Israel and Jordan.

The 15-nation EU is threatening to impose up to \$2.2 billion of sanctions on U.S. imports by introducing 100 percent duties, effectively pricing the goods out of the EU market.

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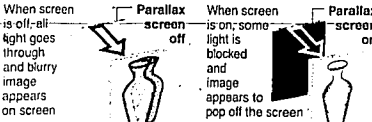
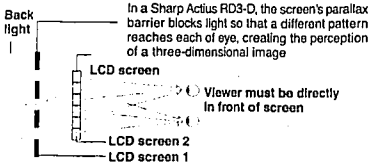
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COMPUTERS AND TECHNOLOGY

Seeing 3-D without the glasses

Sharp has developed a new computer screen that works like a pair of 3-D glasses.

With 3-D glasses, each lens blocks light differently so each eye sees a different image; the brain merges the two images, making it appear in 3-D.



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Laptop allows users to see in 3-D

By Tamara Chung Knight Ridder News Service

HUNTINGTON BEACH, Calif. — 3-D movies aren't limited to movie theaters and amusement parks any more.

Sharp Systems of America has unveiled a notebook computer that lets users see 3-D flicks without wearing those funny-looking glasses with red and blue lenses.

The company, which has its U.S. headquarters in Huntington Beach, is the first to sell 3-D computers to the public, not counting a few small businesses that make 3-D monitors, such as Dimension Technologies in New York.

Sharp has already sold 1.5 million cell phones with 3-D displays in Japan since introducing them last November.

The intended market for the \$3,299 Actius RD3D includes computer-aided designers, such as those at automobile companies; medical professionals, including brain researchers; and computer gamers who like to immerse themselves in their games. Each of those could benefit from a 3-D machine, Sharp says.

For most people, the price puts the new laptop out of reach, said Steve Baker, a PC analyst for market researcher The NPD Group.

Sharp isn't among the top five PC sellers in the United States, according to NPD.

"If neat technology was all it took, Apple would have a 50 percent market share," Baker said. "It's about pricing, marketing and standards. When you bring everything together, a 3-D notebook has a lot of appeal — but only for some customers." New owners of Sharp's 3-D computer can get immediate gratification. As part of the package, Sharp includes a collection of 3-D movie trailers and photo software to create 3-D images. Buyers also get three 3-D games from Electronic Arts — James Bond 007: Nightfire, Tiger Woods PGA Tour 2003 and Need for Speed Hot Pursuit 2.

For some computer users, 3-D visuals are already routine. But graphic designers and scientists who work in 3-D can't lug around a heavy workstation.

"Professionals who already use 3-D will go for this because of the portability," said Ian Matthew, 3-D business development manager at

Sharp. "We think gamers will be early adopters because there are already 3-D games."

Sharp estimates that nearly 1,000 3-D games already exist. To play them with a standard computer, gamers must wear special goggles, much like the flimsy 3-D movie glasses.

To create its 3-D effect, Sharp fused together two LCD screens. When users touch a button, the back screen starts blocking light so it can't reach every other vertical line of pixels on the front screen. It's a bit like looking through a picket fence.

Just as in the real world, each eye of the viewer sees an image from a slightly different perspective. If you look at the Actius screen with a hand over your left eye, the view from your right eye is skewed to the left. The opposite is true for the other eye.

With both eyes uncovered, your

brain kicks into action — it creates a sense of depth from the two slightly offset pictures.

The effect takes getting accustomed to. The user must sit directly in front of the Sharp display. It's blurry at first because you're really looking at two offset pictures of the same image. After a while, your brain adjusts and you see a 3-D image that seems to extend out from the screen. But move slightly out of position and you lose clarity.

The 10.2-pound notebook includes a 2.8 GHz Pentium 4 processor, DVD burner and a 64 MB graphics card.

With two screens, it's 2.1 inches thick — not as thin as most notebooks. Battery life is 1.3 hours.

For now, you won't be able to see or try an Actius RD3D before you buy. White Sharp plans to sell the computer at retail stores, currently the new laptop is only available online, at Sharp3D.com.

Malware is hard to avoid, get rid of, but there is help

By Erika D. Smith Knight Ridder News Service

The Blaster worm? Blasted. Sobig? Not so tough — at least for right now.

But what about Computer Spy, Xploit, ClientMon, Cydoor, lambljbrother and Stop Pop-up Ads Now?

If you've never heard of these programs, but they're on your office or home computer, chances are the war to reclaim your PC is just beginning.

You're not malware — and it's not easy to avoid, detect or get rid of. There are products out there to help, though.

Most experts define malware, short for malicious software, as an unwanted program that's designed to disrupt a computer's operations.

Viruses, adware and spyware all fall into this category, and the effects of each can range from merely annoying to downright invasive.

Typically, malware latches onto a computer when users agree to download it with a free program, like KaZaA. Some people fall victim to "drive-by downloads," in which merely surfing to a certain Web page can trigger an installation.

Once malware is installed, a blizzard of pop-up advertisements and poor system performance are usually the only outward signs of the infection. "More (programs) are literally popping up every day," said Wayne Porter, the U.S. spokesman for Xblock.com, an online computer cleanup company that specializes in spyware, adware and worms. "It's really the wild, wild West."

Richard M. Smith, a computer security expert from Brookline, Mass., said about one out of every two computers running Microsoft's Windows operating system has unwanted software lurking within.

Killing it isn't easy either.

Several services — some free and some for a fee — are on the market to help tame the malware problem. But none promises to remove every malicious program. Lavasoft's Ad-Aware and PepiMK Software's Spybot Search & Destroy are two of the top, free debugging programs on the Web. But both are generally marketed to home and small business users.

To remove malware from computers on a large network, it's best to use commercial-class software, like Medina, Ohio-based Central Command's Vexira Antivirus software.

A lot of anti-virus programs don't detect malware, said Steven Sundermeier of Central Command, "because it's not necessarily a virus." Adware is one of the more harmless types of malware.

Programs such as Gator, Bonzi Buddy and Getout monitor a user's surfing and shopping habits to build a profile for targeted, pop-up advertising.

The software can trigger pop-

up windows, create desktop shortcuts to pornographic or gambling Web sites, hijack a browser's homepage and redirect an Internet search to an ad-supported engine.

"I'm aware is usually nothing more than an annoyance," Porter said from his office in Kirtland, Ohio.

Spyware, on the other hand, has more insidious qualities.

These programs can communicate personal information, like credit card numbers, to private servers over the Web, take and send screenshots of a user's activity, and let other people remotely connect to your computer. Still others can secretly change a computer's dial-up connection, so that instead of calling an Internet service provider, your PC calls expensive 1-900 numbers to connect.

The most dangerous type of spyware is the "commercial keylogger," said Jan Hertensens of Xblock.com.

Keylogger software can record everything a users does, from the Web pages he surfs to what he says in e-mail to the passwords he types. Newer programs can even record conversations over a phone line when a modem is attached, he said.

These "programs are being sold as fully legit. Notices are put up to 'use only for legal purposes.' At the same time they tout full stealth, undetectability," he said. "Some can be remotely installed by sending an infected e-mail to the victim or even by sending an e-card." Sometimes spyware, adware and worms team up to create a particularly toxic blend of attack.

The combination could be debilitating.

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SPORTS

Coming Wednesday
• A preview of the area 5A and 4A girls basketball teams.

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Section D

MORNING LINE

SPORTSQUOTE

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I'd hate to say it, but maybe I'm a father figure, an authority figure, in the huddle.
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-San Diego quarterback Doug Flutie, 41, on his success leading the Chargers this weekend

McNabb leads Eagles past Packers, 17-14

The Associated Press
GREEN BAY, Wis. - Donovan McNabb threw a 6-yard touchdown pass to Todd Pinkston with 27 seconds left to give the Philadelphia Eagles a 17-14 victory over the Green Bay Packers on a rainy Monday night.
Pinkston caught his first touchdown pass of the season when he beat cornerback Brian Dawkins off the line and got free in the left side of the end zone.
The Eagles (6-3) stayed one game behind Dallas in the NFC East and the Packers (1-5) fell two games behind Minnesota in the NFC North.

Philadelphia started the winning drive at its 35 with 2:42 remaining and McNabb completed passes of 11 yards to Duce Staley and 20 yards to Chad Lewis.
The Packers drove to midfield with eight seconds left when Brett Favre, playing with a broken right thumb, fumbled for the third time, sealing Green Bay's third home loss of the season.
Ahman Green rushed for a team-record 192 yards and scored on a 45-yard run and a 24-yard screen pass. But he fumbled two more times, giving him an NFL-leading seven.
His 45-yard TD on fourth-and-1 with seven minutes left gave Green Bay a 14-

10 lead. It came after the Eagles had taken their first lead at 10-7 on McNabb's 1-yard run with 9:32 left in the fourth quarter.
McNabb set up his first rushing touchdown of the season with a 51-yard pass to James Thrash when defensive back Mike McKenzie slipped on the soaked grass.
Favre was 14-of-22 for 109 yards with one TD, one interception and three fumbles, two of which he lost, including the final one, which was recovered by defensive tackle Darwin Walker.
Green and Favre each fumbled twice in the first half before hooking up on a 24-yard

touchdown on a screen pass for a 7-0 half-time lead.
Thrash returned the second-half kickoff 33 yards and Philadelphia went 52 yards in 10 plays for John Akers' 21-yard field goal that made it 7-3.
Akers missed from 47 yards in the first half, when the Eagles gained just 68 yards.
Eagles 17, Packers 14
Philadelphia 17
Green Bay 14
Q1 Green 10-0
Q2 Philadelphia 17-0
Q3 Philadelphia 17-7
Q4 Philadelphia 17-14
Final Score
Philadelphia 17
Green Bay 14
Paisley

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

High school girls basketball
Jerome jamboree, main gym
Jerome vs. Kimberly, 6 p.m.
Kimberly vs. Wendell, 6:45 p.m.
Wendell vs. Jerome, 7:30 p.m.
Declo jamboree, 6 p.m., main gym

IN BRIEF

Regional tourney begins Friday

TWIN FALLS - The schedule for this weekend's Region 18A college volleyball tournament at the College of Southern Idaho gymnasium was announced recently.
No. 4 seed College of Eastern Utah will play No. 5 seed Colorado Northwestern at 2 p.m. Friday with the winner advancing to a semifinal against No. 1 seed Golden Eagles at 7 p.m. Friday.
In between, Salt Lake Community College, the No. 2 seed, will play No. 3 seed North Idaho College at 5 p.m.
The championship in this single-elimination tournament is at 5 p.m. Saturday.

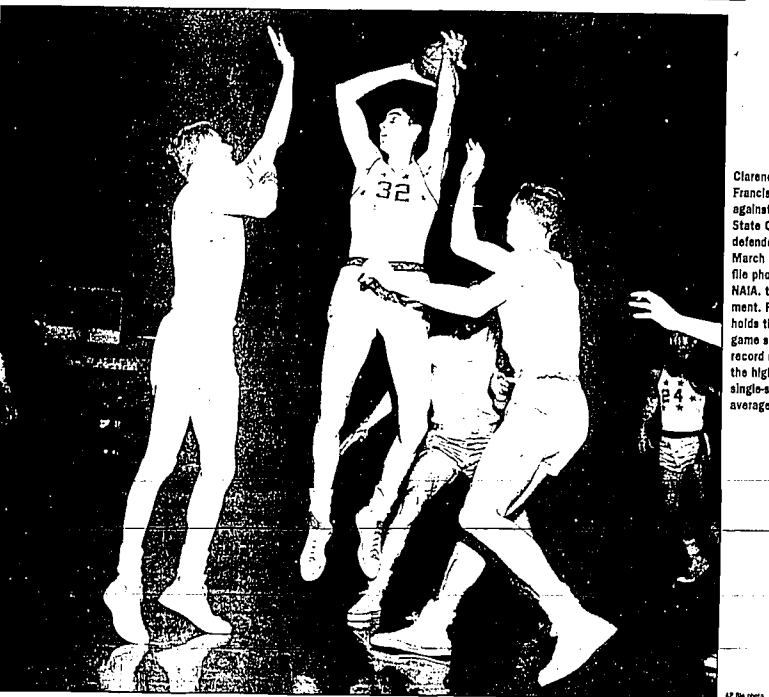
CSI hosts 34th annual Ski Swap this weekend

TWIN FALLS - The College of Southern Idaho Ski Club will hold its 34th annual Ski Swap Friday through Sunday 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 9 a.m. Nov. 14, 10 a.m. to 2 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.

CSI baseball camp will be in late December

TWIN FALLS - The 23rd annual Southern Idaho Baseball Camp will be held Dec. 27-29 at the Eldon Evans Expo Center on the College of Southern Idaho campus. Camp directors Jim and Boomer Walker lead a group of instructors including current and former professional players and coaches including Ed Gustafson, Arizona; Jim Horner, Seattle; Nate Tebbis, Boston; Kody Kirtland, Tigers; Christian Colon, Colorado; and the CSI coaching staff and players.
The camp covers hitting, pitching, fielding, catching, outfield play and base running.
The cost is \$250 per person or \$200 per person in groups of six or more.
Call 733-2834 for more information or e-mail walker@csi.edu to register.

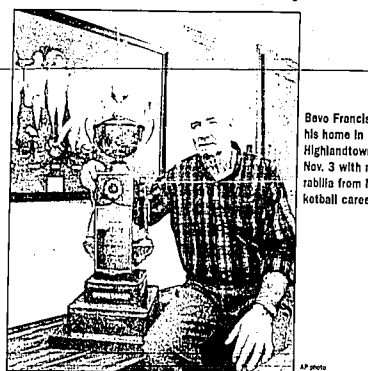
LONG FORGOTTEN RECORD



Small-town Ohio basketball player set NCAA record 50 years ago

By Hal Bok Associated Press writer
Long before Kareem and Hakeem or Michael and Magic, the most imposing basketball player in the land was a gangly country kid from rural Ohio named Bevo Francis.
This was in the dark ages of the game, when there were no shot clocks or dunks, no baggy shorts or Technicolor sneakers. It was a less sophisticated time for Dr. Naismith's sport.
Into this rather stark basketball environment stepped Francis, who spent most of his spare time with a ball and a basket, shooting. He shot in backyards and barns, any place he could find an available backboard and an empty hoop.
Scoring became almost second nature to him, no big deal, really. See the basket. Shoot the ball.

Score the points.
"I had a lot of practice," he said. "I spent four hours a day in the gym."
In his only year of varsity ball at Wells-Vesey High School, the 6-foot-9 Francis played for coach Neft Oliver and averaged 32 points per game. Suddenly, he was a hot property with offers pouring in from colleges all over the country.
At about the same time, tiny Rio Grande College, an NALA school with four buildings and 94 students, was shopping for a new coach and Oliver, a graduate, went after the job. It didn't hurt his chances that he had a shooting machine tagging along.
In his first year at Rio Grande, in the midst of a 39-0 season, Francis scored what appeared to be a record 116 points against Ashland, Ky. No good, the NCAA decided. Too many junior college games.
Please see BEVO, Page D2



Clarence 'Bevo' Francis shoots against Arizona State College defenders in this March 8, 1954, file photo, at the NAIA tournament. Francis holds the single-game scoring record (113) and the highest ever single-season average (48.5).

Bevo Francis sits at his home in Highlandtown, Ohio, Nov. 3 with memories of his basketball career.

Berroa, Willis get honors as top rookies

The Associated Press
NEW YORK - Kansas City shortstop Angel Berroa beat New York Yankees outfielder Hideki Matsui in the closest AL Rookie of the Year vote in 24 years, Florida pitcher Dontrelle Willis won the NL award.
Berroa received 12 first-place votes, seven seconds and seven thirds for 88 points in balloting released Monday by the Baseball Writers' Association of America. Matsui got 10 firsts, nine seconds and seven thirds for 84 points.
Willis was the closest vote since the BBWAA adopted the current format in 1980, a year after Minnesota's John Castino and Toronto's Alfredo Griffin tied with seven votes each. Berroa and Matsui each were picked on 26 of 28 ballots.
In the NL, Willis received 17 first-place votes and 118 points, easily defeating Milwaukee outfielder Scott Podsednik, who got eight firsts and 81 points.
"I never thought I would make it to the big leagues so soon. Let alone have success," said Willis, who signed out of high school in 2000.
Berroa hit .287 with 17 homers, 73 RBIs, 21 steals and 92 runs. Matsui batted .287 with 16 homers, 106 RBIs, two steals and 82 runs.
Matsui was a three-time MVP of Japan's Central League before signing with the Yankees after the 2002 season. While some have argued Japanese players shouldn't be eligible, the BBWAA has always allowed voters to pick them.
Willis went 14-6 with a 3.30 ERA as Florida won the NL wild card, shipping in the second half of the season. The high-kicking left-hander was 9-1 with a 2.08 ERA before the All-Star break, then went 5-5 with a 3.00 ERA. He was dropped from the Marlins' rotation during their World Series win against the Yankees.
Podsednik hit .315 for the Brewers with nine homers, 58 RBIs, 43 steals and 100 runs. Arizona's Brandon Webb was third in the NL voting with 73 points.
Tampa Bay outfielder Rocco Baldelli finished third in the AL voting with 51 points, followed by Cleveland outfielder Jody Gerut (20).
Berroa is the fourth Kansas City player to win the award, following Lou Pinella (1969), Bob Hamelin (1994) and Carlos Beltran (1999). Willis is the first Florida player to win the NL honor.

TCU moves to No. 6 in BCS

The Associated Press
NEW YORK - TCU moved a big step closer to busting up the BCS.
The Horned Frogs jumped up to sixth place in the Bowl Championship Series standings Monday, the highest ranking ever for an outsider to the system.
"We understand those things are in the hands of other people," TCU coach Gary Patterson said. "We feel privileged to be where we're at. We really appreciate the respect around the country."
TCU needs to remain in the top six to guarantee a bid to one of the four most lucrative bowls. However, even if they win out they could drop because of their weak schedule, ranked 87th among the 117 teams.
Oklahoma remained the runaway leader in the standings that will determine which two teams will play for the national championship in the Sugar Bowl.
The Sooners (10-0) are No. 1 in both polls and the seven computers used in the BCS.

Southern California leads the three one-loss teams hoping to challenge Oklahoma for the title, followed by Ohio State and LSU.
The formula uses the AP media and USA Today/ESPN coaches' polls, seven computer rankings, strength of schedule, losses and a bonus-point system for quality wins.
The Sooners have a 1.0 for poll average, 1.0 for computer-rank average, 0.28 for strength of schedule, zero for losses and 0.6 bonus points for beating fifth-place Texas for a 1.68.
USC was second with 6.27 points, followed by Ohio State at 7.73 and LSU at 13.17.
The Buckeyes could pass the Trojans for the No. 2 spot even if neither team loses because of their tougher schedule down the stretch.
Ohio State finishes the season against No. 11 Purdue and No. 5 Michigan, while USC has games left against Arizona, UCLA and Oregon State - who have a combined record of 14-15.

Clijsters captures another crown

WTA championship is Belgian's second straight
The Associated Press
LOS ANGELES - Kim Clijsters successfully defended her title at the WTA Championships, defeating Amelie Mauresmo 6-2, 6-0 Monday night.
Clijsters became the first player since Steffi Graf in 1996 to win successive titles at the season-ending tournament.
She earned \$1,000,030, the largest prize in women's tennis. The extra \$30 represented the WTA Tour's 30th anniversary. Clijsters finished the year with \$4,029,094 in earnings, the first female player to win more than \$4 million in a season.
Clijsters dropped her serve to start the match, then dominated Mauresmo, who had just two more break points against the Belgian the rest of the way.

Clijsters broke Mauresmo three times in the first set and served two love games. Her first match point came on a 40-love on Mauresmo's serve, but Clijsters netted a backhand. She won on her second match point when Mauresmo's backhand went into the net.
Clijsters won all five of her matches in Los Angeles, including a 3-6, 6-4 victory over Mauresmo in "round-robin" play Saturday.
She finished the year with a 102-12 record and nine titles. She was particularly successful in California, winning titles at Los Angeles, Indian Wells and Carson, and she was a finalist in Carlsbad.
However, Clijsters will drop from No. 1 to No. 2 when the year-end WTA Tour rankings are released. She will finish 75 points behind top-ranked countrywoman Justine Henin-Hardenne, who lost to Mauresmo in a three-set semifinal.
Mauresmo is projected to equal her career-best ranking of fourth.

SPORTS

Duncan leads Spurs past Jazz

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Tim Duncan returned to the lineup to score 16 points and grab 10 rebounds, and San Antonio honored former star David Robinson with a 87-78 victory over Utah on Monday night.

Manu Ginobili added 18 points for the NBA champion Spurs, who retired Robinson's No. 50 in a postgame ceremony. Robinson retired last summer after 14 seasons with the Spurs.

Duncan, who missed three games with a sprained left ankle, helped the Spurs beat the Jazz for the 14th straight time.

Hedo Turkoglu had 14 points and Bruce Bowen 12. Tony Parker, also back after missing the first seven games with a sprained left ankle, scored nine points.

Matt Harpring led Utah with 21 points, and Carlos Arroyo, Andrei Kirilenko and Jarrod Collins each added 10.

After trailing by as many as 18 points, Utah cut it to 80-74 on Curtis Borchardt's free throw with 49 seconds remaining.

After Collins made it 81-76 on two free throws with 24.8 seconds to play, Malik Rose and Parker and Turkoglu made six free throws in the final 24 seconds for San Antonio.

The Spurs, who snapped a two-game losing streak, outscored Utah 24-11 in the second quarter and led 41-33 at halftime behind 13 points by Duncan. Bowen had 10 points in the third quarter as San Antonio built its lead to 65-51.

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The Grizzlies' Mike Miller (33) congratulates Shane Battier for a basket late in Memphis' 105-95 win over the Lakers Monday in Memphis, Tenn.

Bevo

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teams on the schedule.

"The next year, we toughened the schedule," Francis said. "We played Miami, North Carolina State, Villanova, Providence, Nebraska."

And when they played Hillsdale on Feb. 2, 1954, he scored 113. He scored inside and he scored outside.

"We didn't have the 3-point shot and we didn't have 1-and-1 fouls," he said. "They put it in a computer one time and said with those rules, it would have been 164."

Good enough, the NCAA decided.

So today, 50 seasons later, Francis still holds the single-game scoring record and the single-season average record (46.5). In two seasons at Rio Grande, he had a record 14 games with 50 or more points.

Ron Marvich came close during three seasons at LSU, averaging 44.2 points from 1968-70. Pistol Pete scored 44.5 points per game in his final season.

Francis' arms never got tired during his days.

"Shooting was not as hard on them as having someone hitting them or hanging on them," he said.

Defending Francis was a challenge, one that Adelphi coach George Flaherty embraced when Rio Grande marched into Madison Square Garden in December 1953, equipped with a 40-game winning streak.

"I scouted them," said Flaherty, now 91. "Their team took 90 shots and Bevo took 60. I figured, why guard the other guys? We'll just concentrate on Bevo."

Adelphi surrounded Francis, defenders in front and in back, and won the game 83-76.

Francis was limited to 32 points, 28 in the first half with two men guarding him but only four in the second half when Flaherty added a third defender.

"It was nothing for him to score 40-50-60 in a game," Flaherty said. "But you have to have a lot of cooperation to do that. Somebody has to pass the ball. If you stopped that, you stopped him."

Francis said that was no, big secret.

"I was the designated shooter," he said. "I had a good team around me. Without them, I would have had 10 points a game. I worked at it. Sometimes, there were three and four guys on me. I found a place."

After two seasons at Rio — pronounced Rye-o — Grande, Francis was drafted by the old Philadelphia Warriors but he could not agree on a contract with owner Eddie Gottlieb.

"There was no money in the NBA in those days," he said. "There might have been 10 players making \$10,000. I could be a shipper in a steel mill and make more than that."

And that's exactly what he did. After three years of barnstorming with the Harlem Globetrotters, playing for the Globes' foils in those days, the Boston Braves.

"We never won," he said. "At first, it bothered me. But after a while, it was like a job."

Just as quickly as he became a basketball phenomenon, Francis drifted into anonymity. Except at Rio Grande.

The school never forgot the 39-0 season, those two 100-point games and the way the big, gangly country kid shook up college basketball.

This weekend, Rio Grande will hold its homecoming and the annual Bevo Francis Tournament with King College, Shawnee State and Ohio-Lancaster completing the field. Francis will return to find many changes, including a student population that has ballooned to 2,200.

But one thing remains the same — 113 points in a single game, an NCAA record.

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Hasek returns to help Wings blank Chicago

DETROIT (AP) — Dominik Hasek stopped 21 shots for his 63rd career shutout and the Red Wings won for just the second time in their last eight games (2-5-1), beating Chicago 3-0.

Pavel Datsyuk, Ray Whitney and Brendan Shanahan scored and Brett Hull had two assists.

Hasek, who missed five games with a groin injury, ranks third in career shutouts among active goalkeepers. New Jersey's Martin Brodeur and Toronto's Ed Belfour each have 66 shutouts.

Oilers 5, Rangers 4

NEW YORK — Raffi Torres had his first two-goal game in the NHL, and Radek Dvorak scored against his former teammates in the Edmonton Oilers' 5-4 victory over the New York Rangers on Monday night.

Torres scored consecutive goals 3:53 apart in the second period to push Edmonton in front 4-2. Dvorak's first of the season tied it for the Oilers, who trailed 2-0.

Jarret Stoll, playing for the first time in six games following a bout

with tonsillitis, scored his first NHL goal, and Jason Chimera added one in the third for Edmonton.

To Conklin made 32 saves for the Oilers, who sent regular goalie Tommy Salo back to Edmonton to have his injured hip examined.

Bobby Holik scored twice, and Boris Mironov added one in the first period for the Rangers. Brian Leetch got his first of the season late in the second period to bring New York within 4-3.

Kings 3, Capitals 2

WASHINGTON — Trent Klatt scored two goals to lead the Kings. Sean Avery also scored for the Kings, who have now won five straight games in Washington dating back to 1998.

Robert Lang scored twice for the Capitals, who have now lost 10 of 12 games.

Brian Chartrand and Alexander Frolov had the assists on Klatt's goals.

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SPORTS IN BRIEF

USA falls out of Division I-AA football poll PHILADELPHIA — Idaho State University's road loss to Northern Arizona dropped the Bengals out of the NCAA Division I-AA national football poll released Monday.

Glants' Shockey will miss six to eight weeks EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — New York Giants tight end Jeremy Shockey might miss the rest of the season with a sprained knee.

He will not need surgery but the recovery is six to eight weeks, coach Jim Fassel said.

Fassel refused to say which knee Shockey hurt, although it appeared he was favoring his left knee Monday.

Shockey stepped on a defender's foot running while running a fourth-quarter pass pattern in a 27-7 loss to Atlanta on Sunday.

Shockey, who set a team record for tight ends with 74 catches, had four touchdowns this season for 535 yards and two touchdowns. He had three catches for 46 yards Sunday.

IAAF rule offers leniency for whistle blowers LONDON — Athletes who tested positive for the steroid THIG could get reduced bans from the sport's governing body if they provide information on anybody involved in a doping conspiracy.

Five athletes are under investigation for use of THIG, or tetrahydrogestrolone, and face minimum two-year suspensions if found guilty.

International Association of Athletics Federations has a rule allowing reduced sanctions for athletes offering "substantial assistance" in a doping inquiry.

IAAF spokesman Nick Davies suggested Monday that Baltimore Ravens rookie quarterback Kyle Boller likely will miss the rest of the season with a leg injury.

Boller tore his left quadriceps in the first half of Sunday's loss to the St. Louis Rams. The injury could require surgery, although even in a best-case scenario he will be sidelined for at least six weeks.

He was on crutches at the Ravens' training camp Monday. He did not talk to the media, but obviously was downcast over the development.

There is a chance Boller could return in late December, although Billick said there's also a chance the quarterback will be placed on injured reserve as soon as Tuesday, sidelining him until next year.

The injury occurred in the second quarter of the Ravens' 33-22 win, either when Boller banged knees with Baltimore fullback Alan Rycard or upon being hit while rolling toward the sideline.

Boller finished the half, but was replaced by Chris Redman at the start of the third quarter.

Motorsports pioneer Muldowney retires LOS ANGELES — Shirley Muldowney has finally slowed down.

The first woman to win a major motorsports championship ended her long and storied career Sunday with a loss in the second round of the Auto Club NHRA Finals at Pomona Raceway.

Muldowney, a three-time Top Fuel champion, lost to Corey McClendon, completing her last run in 4.70 seconds and 317.12 mph.

At age 63, Muldowney said she has become tired of crisscrossing the country for National Hot Rod Association events, where she often has hundreds of people waiting in line for her. She doesn't have any immediate plans to make public appearances around the drag racing circuit except to watch her husband, Rahn Tobler, work as a crew chief.

Forty years in the racing industry and was the first female to obtain a Top Fuel license. She also was the first woman to win the NHRA championship in 1977, winning it again in 1980 and '82.

Her storied career was depicted in the 1983 film "Heart Like a Wheel," starring actress Bonnie Bedelia, and she'll be inducted into the International Motorsports Hall of Fame next April.

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Twin Falls wrestlers will meet tonight at 7

TWIN FALLS — All Twin Falls athletes interested in competing in wrestling are asked to attend an information meeting at 7 p.m. today in the school's faculty lounge with new head coach Said Dabestani.

Mincio high hosts girls basketball jamboree RUPERT — The Mincio high school girls basketball team will host a round robin jamboree against American Falls and Buhl Wednesday, Nov. 12 at 6:00 p.m. at Mincio high school. General admission is \$4, student admission is \$3.

Area coaches: Please send in questionnaires

TWIN FALLS — Some girls basketball head coaches need to fax their 2003-04 season questionnaires to (208) 734-5538 today. Thanks to those who have already completed.

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Crudup replaces Berlin at quarterback for Miami

CORAL GABLES, Fla. — Derrick Crudup will replace Brock Berlin as Miami's starting quarterback Saturday against Syracuse, after the Hurricanes traded Berlin to the Orange County, Calif., team.

Crudup spent two seasons playing behind Ken Dorsey and Berlin. Coach Larry Coker said Monday that Berlin would still remain on the roster.

Berlin has two touchdowns and three fumbles and two losses in his last two starts for the 14th-ranked Hurricanes (7-2). Berlin had five turnovers in losses to Virginia Tech and Tennessee.

A junior who transferred from Florida in the 2001 season, has completed 61.5 percent of his passes but has at least nine touchdown passes and just one turnover in eight in nine games.

Central Florida fires head football coach

ORLANDO, Fla. — Central Florida football coach Mike Krutczuk was fired Monday after a poor start to the fledgling season. He will be replaced by assistant coach Alan Gooch for the final two games.

Krutczuk had signed a three-year extension in April to keep him at UCF through the 2007 season. This season, however, the Golden Knights (3-7, 2 Mid-American Conference) are assured of their first losing season since 1999.

In the past week, Krutczuk had suspended five players, including starting quarterback Ryan Schneider, for off-the-field disciplinary problems. Schneider and two others were suspended for the season.

Another player, cornerback Omar Lawrence, has been suspended indefinitely pending criminal charges that he brought a gun on campus.

In five-plus seasons, Krutczuk posted a 36-30 record. He had spent 12 seasons as offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach at UCF before replacing Gene McDowell in 1998.

Krutczuk led UCF into the Mid-American Conference last season, posting a 6-9 conference record. UCF was an independent previously and is scheduled to join Conference USA in 2005.

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Federer knocks off Agassi at Masters Cup

HOUSTON (AP) — Maybe it was the rust from a two-month layoff. Or the sleepless nights any parent of a newborn experiences. Whatever the reason, Andre Agassi faltered late against Roger Federer, wasting two match points and losing their opening round-robin encounter at the Tennis Masters Cup 6-7 (3), 6-3, 7-6 (7) Monday night.

The result means Wimbledon champion Federer still has an outside chance of overtaking Andy Roddick for the year-end No. 1 ranking.

While eight-time Grand Slam winner Agassi mostly played low-level tennis, Federer went for a lot more, and it paid off. The third-ranked Federer finished with 20 aces and a total of 63 winners, bringing some double-faults and 50 unforced errors.

Agassi had just 22 winners and 28 unforced errors. He hadn't played a competitive match since Sept. 6, when he lost to Juan Carlos Ferrero in the U.S. Open.

Agassi and his wife, Stacey Graf, his wife, gave birth to their second child, daughter Jay, in early October.

At 33, Agassi is the oldest entrant in the season-closing championship since 1987. Ferrer is 22, and his legs were



Roger Federer gets set for a backhand during a round-robin match against Andre Agassi at the Tennis Masters Cup Monday in Houston.

fresher and his shots crispier late in the third set. He erased match points in the tiebreak at 6-5 when Agassi put a backhand return in the net and at 7-6 with a runaway forehand winner.

It ended after nearly 2.5 hours when Agassi hit a weak forehand volley, and Federer smacked a cross-court forehand passing winner.

In the tournament opener, second-ranked Juan Carlos Ferrero

could derail Ferrero's bid to hold off Federer and pass Roddick for No. 1. Roddick, whose first match is Tuesday against No. 7 Carlos Moya, supplanted Ferrero last week.

After the round-robin portion at the \$3.65-million event, the top two players in each four-man group advance to the semifinals.

Nalbandian held a 17-6 edge in winners, converted all four break-point opportunities and held serve throughout — all with his left wrist tightly wrapped by white tape because of a lingering injury.

It was Nalbandian's first match since he pulled out of the final at Basel, Switzerland, at the end of October, citing tendinitis in his left wrist. He withdrew from the Paris Masters the next week.

"I didn't play for a long time," said Nalbandian, now 20 against Ferrero. "So I feel fresh, and my mind is focused."

Agassi probably wishes he could have claimed the same in the latter stages Monday.

His 58 career singles titles are the same number as he has been won by the seven other Tennis Masters Cup participants combined, but Agassi wasn't at his best when it mattered.

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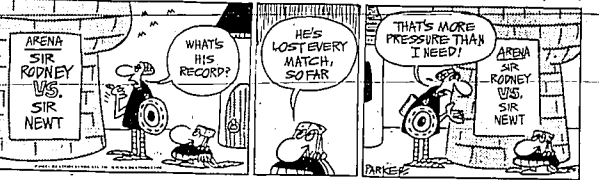
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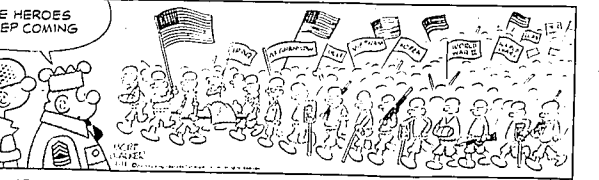
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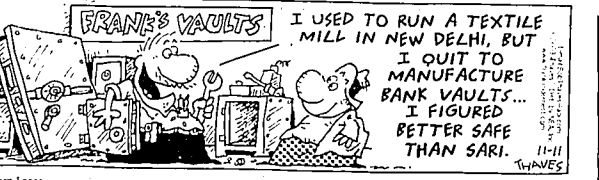
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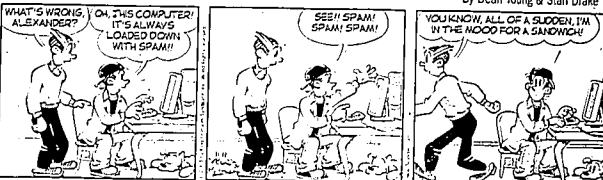
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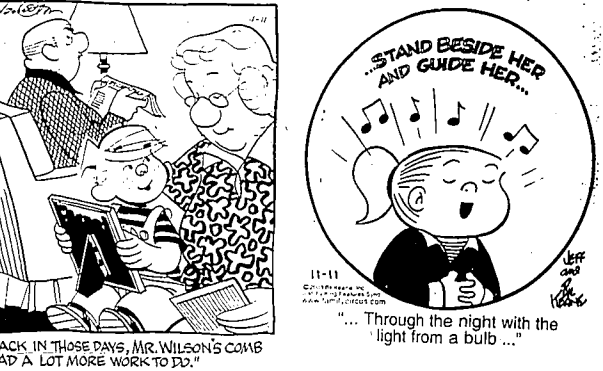


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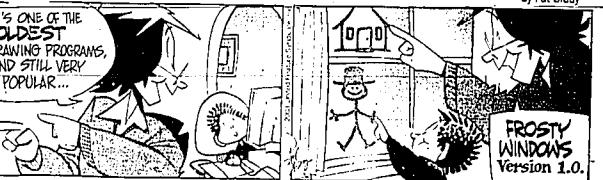
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