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Fort will go to prison



Former Twin Falls County Clerk Bob Fort hugs his wife, Carol, after receiving a one- to three-year prison sentence Wednesday.

Judge sentences former clerk to one to three years for stealing public money

By Sandy Miller
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — In front of a standing-room-only courtroom of teary-eyed family members, friends and members of his church, former County Clerk Bob Fort was led off to the county jail Wednesday.

He will remain there until the Idaho Department of Corrections decides on the prison where he will serve one to three years for gambling taxpayer dollars.

"I'm very sorry I used someone else's money for my gambling problem," Fort told the court before 5th District Judge Monte Carlson passed sentence.

"I apologize to the county and all who trusted me."
Fort hugged his wife, Carol, and his family before bailiffs took him to jail.

Fort and his attorney, Roger

"I did spend 27 years building that trust in public service, only to shatter it."

— Bob Fort, to the court

Harris, have 42 days to make a decision on whether to appeal the sentence. Fort declined to make a statement to the press following the sentencing but did say he would be willing to talk at a later date.

Deputy Attorney General J. Scott James had asked for a prison sentence of two to four years, and Fort could have received up to 10 years. He pleaded guilty in August to one felony count of taking more than

1992, when he was appointed to the post by Twin Falls County commissioners. He was elected to the seat in 1994 and again in 1998. He also served on the Filer City Council and as mayor of Filer.

"I did spend 27 years building that trust in public service, only to shatter it," Fort told the court.

Fort said he was relieved when he was finally confronted by county commissioners in June. He knew it had to stop.

"I had been living a miserable existence knowing what I did was wrong," he said.

Since pleading guilty, Fort has paid back most of what he owes the county, plus interest, and has been getting counseling and attending Gamblers Anonymous meetings, said Harris, who asked for probation for his client.

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Officials issue arrest warrant for 'King of Pop'



Michael Jackson
Faces child molestation charges

The Associated Press

SANTA BARBARA, Calif. — Authorities issued a warrant for Michael Jackson's arrest on charges of molesting a child and asked the pop superstar Wednesday to turn himself in and surrender his passport. Jackson's spokesman called the allegations "scandalous and totally unfounded."

The 45-year-old King of Pop was accused of multiple counts of lewd or lascivious acts with a child under 14. A decade ago, Jackson was also accused of molestation but was never charged because the youngster refused to testify.

"I am sad that there is another victim out there. I feel bad for the family. I feel bad for the victim. Beyond that, I feel it is a sad thing for all those involved," District Attorney Thomas W. Sneddon Jr.

said at a news conference. Jackson was believed to be in Las Vegas working at a recording studio.

"Get over here and get checked in," the prosecutor said. Sneddon would not say when or where the alleged crimes took place or how old the youngster was. He said an affidavit outlining the details will be sealed for 45 days.

But Brian Oxman, an attorney who has represented the Jackson family over the years, told CBS that the case involves the alleged molestation of a 12-year-old boy at Jackson's Neverland Ranch, the storybook playground where the singer has been known to hold sleepover parties with children. Oxman is not representing Jackson.

CBS immediately pulled a Jackson music special planned for

next Wednesday on his greatest hits and the impact on pop culture of the former child star who got his start with his brothers as a member of the singing-and-dancing Jackson 5.

"Given the gravity of the charges against Mr. Jackson, we believe it would be inappropriate at this time to broadcast an entertainment special," the network said.

On Tuesday, as many as 70 law enforcement officers spent 12 hours searching the Neverland Ranch for corroborating evidence. The \$12.3 million ranch has a mansion, its own zoo and amusement park.

Each of the sex charges is punishable by three to eight years in prison. Sneddon would not say how many counts Jackson faces. Bail will be set at \$3 million, authorities said.

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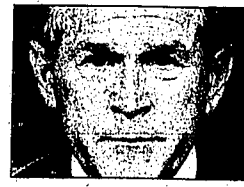
Bush urges Europe to work with U.S. on rebuilding Iraq

President says U.S. won't 'retreat' from Iraq mission

By Edwin Chen
Los Angeles Times

LONDON — An unyielding President Bush defended the Iraq war to a conflicted Britain Wednesday, asserting that "duty sometimes requires the violent restraint of violent men," particularly when international institutions such as the United Nations fail to resolve security threats.

"In some cases, the measured use of force is all that protects us from a chaotic world ruled by force," Bush said in a foreign policy address before a hand-picked audience in a heavily fortified city that Thursday is expected to host as many as



President Bush gives his speech Wednesday at the Banqueting Hall in London.

100,000 antiwar demonstrators. Far from backing down, the president delivered remarks replete with history

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Antiwar demonstrators take to the streets Wednesday outside Buckingham Palace in London.

Reporter breached security at palace

By Jill Lawless
Associated Press Writer

LONDON — The new footman at Buckingham Palace boasted he rode on royal carriages, served tea to the queen and had free rein in the royal residence. It turns out he was a tabloid reporter who obtained his royal job using a false reference.

With President Bush staying at the palace, the story was a huge embarrassment to the British government and its elaborate efforts to guarantee their guest's security.

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Tonight: Overcast and cold. A few flurries may surface. Lows near 25.

Tomorrow: Cold and cloudy. A few passing showers possible. Highs near 32.

BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST

Today: Brisk, cloudy and colder with a low mixed showers possible. Highs in the upper 30s to low 40s.

Tonight: Brisk and cloudy with a low late night flurries possible. Lows in the middle 20s.

Tomorrow: Breezy, cloudy and cold. A low passing snow showers possible. Highs in the upper 20s to lower 30s.

TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Table with 7 columns: Today, Tonight, Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Monday. Includes weather icons and temperature ranges.

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Table with 4 columns: Temperature, Precipitation, Humidity, Barometric Pressure. Includes sunrise and sunset times.

MOON PHASES

Table showing moon phases: Nov 23 New Moon, Nov 30 First Qr, Dec 8 Full Moon, Dec 16 Last Qr.

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Table showing moonrise and moonset times for Friday and Saturday.

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Table showing U.V. index levels: Low, Moderate, High.

IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY SURROUNDING MTS. Periodic snow showers coupled with brisk winds and cold temperatures today through Saturday.

BOISE Colder and overcast with brisk winds expected today. Isolated rain and snow shower development is not out of the question.

NORTHERN UTAH Windy and cloudy with falling temperatures and increasing shower chances today.

REGIONAL FORECAST

Table with 4 columns: City, Today, Tomorrow, Saturday. Lists cities like Boise, Idaho Falls, Pocatello, etc.

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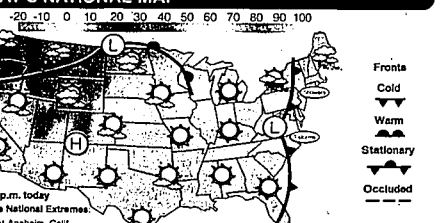
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TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP



Illinois lawmakers overhaul capital punishment system

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. (AP) - After four years of tumult that fed a national debate on the death penalty, lawmakers Wednesday changed the face of capital punishment in Illinois.

Taxpayers

Continued from A1 as happy as when they were taking home more money," Michael said.

America's agriculture could be vulnerable

WASHINGTON (AP) - A simple handkerchief wielded by a resourceful terrorist could cause billions of dollars of damage to America's food system and untold terror in the nation's kitchens, senators were told Wednesday.

Chairwoman Susan Collins, R-Maine. Such an attack would have a devastating effect on the American economy, with food production accounting for about 10 percent of the U.S. gross domestic product.

U.S. promises 'open competition' on Iraq contracts

ARLINGTON Va. - Hundreds of companies hoping to get slices of the \$18.6-billion Iraq reconstruction pie were promised Wednesday that there would be "full and open competition" for the contracts.

Unlike earlier Iraq contracts, which were restricted to American companies, the next round is likely to be open to bidders from any country.

Fort

Harris pointed out that until his gambling problem took hold, the 65-year-old Fort had been a productive member of society.

Does make you a repeat offender?" James asked. James said the sentence should "send a message that this is something the court is not going to tolerate."

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CORRECTIONS. Part of ISAT chart had incorrect numbers. A chart in the Nov. 2 newspaper included incorrect numbers for Buhl School District scores on the Spring 2003 Idaho Standards Achievement Test.

Judge: New mining regs cheat the public

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Interior Department is not requiring companies to pay fair market value for the use of public lands and resources, according to a federal judge who ordered the Bush administration to revisit its mining rules.

Regulating the mining of minerals such as gold, silver and copper, the department operated "under the erroneous assumption that it did not need to attempt to obtain fair market value for operations on unclaimed land," U.S. District Judge Henry H. Kennedy Jr. said in an opinion Tuesday.

The department's obligation to prevent environmental harm, when he advised the department it lacked authority to ban a company from doing anything "necessary" to mining. Myers resigned his position after being nominated by President Bush on May 15 as a federal appeals court judge.

Ruling on marriage changes legal landscape around the country

By Justin Pope
Associated Press writer

Homosexuality and religion

Religious beliefs influence many Americans' attitudes toward homosexuals and gay marriage, according to a new poll.

Religious Affiliation	Percent who favor gay marriage, by religious affiliation	Percent who say clergy focus negatively on homosexuality
Evangelical Protestant	13%	59%
Mainline Protestant	37%	13%
Catholic	35%	28%

Top reasons for opposing gay marriage

- Morally wrong: 59%
- Against religious beliefs: 17%
- Marriage is between a man and a woman: 16%

Mixed messages

- Gay marriage undermines the traditional family: 59%
- Gay/fashionable couples can be good parents: 54%
- Society should put no restrictions on sex between consenting adults: 80%

Note: People of other religions, such as Muslims, Hindus and Buddhists, and nonreligious people not included in this poll. Source: Pew Research Center, Oct. 15-19, 2003. For more information, visit www.pewresearch.org.

BOSTON - The Massachusetts high court decision endorsing gay marriage raises a host of complex legal questions, and one of the biggest is this: If one state allows same-sex marriages, must other states recognize them?

Experts say it could take years for lawsuits challenging gay marriage to wind their way through state and federal courts, inside and outside of Massachusetts, before ultimately ending up at the U.S. Supreme Court.

Much of the litigation probably will center on the "full faith and credit" clause of the U.S. Constitution, which says states must accept other states' judicial proceedings.

"People in very short order will move back to Alabama and Tennessee and demand that marriages will be recognized," said Gary Bauer, president of American Values, a conservative group. "At that point, you have got a constitutional crisis."

In its 4-3 decision Tuesday, Massachusetts' Supreme Judicial Court gave the Legislature six months to rewrite the state's marriage laws for the benefit of gay couples. The effects could soon reverberate across the country.

Experts, however, generally believe the "full faith and credit" argument favors opponents of gay marriage. What little interpretation the U.S. Supreme Court has given indicates the clause applies to legal judgments in "adversarial proceedings" such as lawsuits, and not such things as a marriage license.

Strangely, since divorce is an

adversarial proceeding, the Massachusetts divorce of a gay couple could be recognized in other states more easily than their marriage.

The Massachusetts decision also could open the door for challenges to "defense of marriage acts" passed by Congress and 37 states, on the grounds that laws against the recognition of gay marriages violate the rights of gays to equal protection under the Constitution. That was the basis for the U.S. Supreme Court's recent decision striking down an anti-sodomy law in Texas.

"The meta thing hanging over all of this is the general constitutional question of whether or not states can discriminate against same-sex couples," said William Eskridge, a law professor at Yale University. "In the near term it's a state constitutional question. In the longer term, it will loom as a U.S. constitutional question."

In the hours after the decision was released, Gov. Mitt Romney and several other opponents of gay marriage focused on a state constitutional amendment as the best tool to reclaim marriage as a heterosexual-only institution.

House backs limits on exotic pets

WASHINGTON (AP) - The House on Wednesday passed legislation intended to help control the exotic animal trade by banning interstate sale and transport of lions, tigers and other big cats. The Senate passed a similar bill last month and the two sides must work out some minor differences before a final version can be sent to President Bush.

purchase of big cats, which can be purchased over the Internet for a few hundred dollars, the bipartisan bill passed the House 419-0 but only after a contentious ride that at one point had sponsors convinced it would not move at all.

The near fatal tiger mauling of magician Roy Horn in early October gave the Senate bill momentum.

Report: Limbaugh probe involves money laundering

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. (AP) - Authorities are investigating whether Rush Limbaugh illegally funneled money to buy prescription painkillers, a law enforcement source who spoke on condition of anonymity said Wednesday. In his third day back on the air after rehab, Limbaugh responded with a blanket denial of the allegations first reported Tuesday by ABC News.

"I know where the story comes from, I know who's behind it, and I know what the purpose of the story is, and I'll be able to tell you at some point," he said.

Law enforcement sources in Palm Beach County, where Limbaugh owns a \$24 million oceanfront mansion, previously confirmed that a criminal investigation into a prescription drug ring involved the radio commentator.

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NATION

Bomb targets leader

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — A car bomb exploded outside the home of a tribal leader in a city west of the capital on Wednesday, killing one child in yet another attack aimed at a U.S. ally.

The explosion in Ramadi targeted the house of Sheikh Amer Ali Suleiman, according to his cousin, Yasser Ali. Suleiman was not injured but at least one child was killed, he said.

Suleiman is a leader of the Duleim tribe, one of the largest Sunni Muslim tribes in Iraq.

He is a member of the city council and is close to the Americans.

Ramadi, 60 miles west of the Iraqi capital of Baghdad, is part of the "Sunni Triangle" where anti-U.S. attacks are concentrated. Rebels have repeatedly attacked police stations and Iraqis perceived to be cooperating with the occupation.

Meanwhile, military officials said Wednesday that American jets unleashed some of the biggest bombs in the U.S. inventory against suspected insurgent targets in central Iraq.

A new offensive against rebels, dubbed "Operation Iron Hammer" began Tuesday and continued Wednesday with sounds of firing in the capital. An American general said the offensive was to intimidate the guerrillas by "planting the seeds of doubt in their minds" that they can ever overcome U.S. power.

Two 2,000-pound, satellite-guided bombs were dropped late Tuesday near Baquba, 30 miles northeast of Baghdad, on "targets suspected to have been used for bomb-making," said Maj. Gordon Tate, a spokesman for the 4th Infantry Division.

Bush

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lessons as he urged Europeans never to forget that their relative harmony was achieved only by "allied" armies of liberation and NATO armies of defense.

To further justify the Iraq war and his controversial doctrine of taking pre-emptive military action, Bush invoked memories of World War II and the Holocaust, saying they occurred because "free nations failed to recognize much less confront, aggressive evil in plain sight." The result was a century filled with violence and genocide, he told an audience composed of several hundred members of two British national security think tanks.

Today, with the possibility of dictators supplying terrorists with weapons of mass destruction, "the evil is in plain sight" once more. Bush alluded in his only official address of a three-day state visit. "The danger only increases with denial."

In a day rich with royal

Security

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Palace, police and government officials scrambled Wednesday to investigate how the Daily Mirror reporter was hired and assigned duties that reportedly included delivering chocolates to the guest quarters of Bush and his wife Laura.

Buckingham Palace said it was considering legal action against the newspaper.

The Daily Mirror splashed the story across 15 pages Wednesday, the first full day of Bush's state visit to Britain. The newspaper said the infiltration by reporter



Top, a gunner of the 82nd Airborne Division watches from a Black Hawk helicopter while on patrol in central Iraq 138 miles northwest of Baghdad on Wednesday. Above, Navy C.P.O. Jason McLaughlin weeps at the casket of his cousin, Pfc. Jacob Fletcher, on Wednesday at Long Island National Cemetery in Pinelawn, N.Y. Fletcher died Friday when explosives struck a bus he was riding in Samarra, Iraq.

Elsewhere, insurgents fired on a U.S. supply convoy north of Samarra on Wednesday, witnesses said. American troops returning fire killed two Iraqis, including a teenager, the witnesses said.

In recent days, U.S. forces have used heavy artillery, battle tanks, attack helicopters, F-16 fighter-bombers and AC-130 gunships to pound targets in central and northern Iraq.

Iraqi civilians living near the affected areas have expressed outrage over the use of such over-

whelming force.

"They (the Americans) called on us from the tanks to stay at home," Hamziya Ali, a housewife living near the plant, said Wednesday. "But me and my children spent the night shaking. We do not want to be their targets."

Some senior U.S. officers have privately expressed fears that people in Iraq and the Arab world will see the escalation of attacks against insurgents as no different from Israeli crackdowns on the Palestinians.

pageantry, Bush also met privately with about a dozen family members of some of the 67 British citizens who died in the 9/11 terrorist attacks.

As the president attended a Wednesday night banquet there in his honor, throngs of antiwar demonstrators converged outside. Police arrested more than two dozen protesters. Also because of security considerations, the White House canceled a Bush appearance scheduled for earlier in the day in Grosvenor Square, just across from the U.S. Embassy, where he was to have lain a wreath at the United Kingdom's 9/11 memorial.

For many, Bush's visit touches an exposed nerve, still inflamed months after an anguished national debate over whether to join Washington in its invasion. The failure to uncover weapons of mass destruction in Iraq only served to further anger opponents of the war.

Blair has attempted to draw a

line under the nation's division in recent weeks, firmly defending the decision to topple Saddam Hussein but offering a balm to critics by trying to refocus his government's attention on domestic problems.

The president's visit has come in the midst of that political makeover, once more exposing the war's fault lines. And for Blair, the prospect of standing shoulder-to-shoulder with a president whose style grades on many British citizens, the visit has threatened to turn into a public relations nightmare.

A poll published Tuesday in The Guardian newspaper showed a residual affection for British ties to the United States, which may supersede opinions about any one president.

The poll found that 43 percent of those questioned approved of Bush's visit to the United Kingdom, with 36 percent saying they would prefer he stayed away.

Blunkett, who is in charge of policing and security, said officials "are satisfied that both the security and the criminal records checks were done robustly and correctly and that there was no risk from this individual."

But he conceded the failure to fully check Parry's background "is a breach and ... it needs to be closed."

Andy Trotter, deputy assistant commissioner of the Metropolitan Police, said the force was "extremely concerned" and was working to ensure there would be no repetition.

Fledgling postwar Iraqi democracy takes baby steps to self-government

By Lee Hill Kavanagh
Knight Ridder News Service

KADEMIYAH, Iraq — Down a shady river road, where a month ago American coalition troops were ambushed, sits the Kadamiyah Advisory Council building.

Dozens of Iraqi men mingle in the hallways of the single-story building waiting for the Advisory Council to begin. Some are dressed in Western-style suits, others are in elaborate robes and headresses. American soldiers are here too, wearing body armor, Kevlar helmets, M-16s slung over their shoulders and 9 mm pistols strapped to their legs.

Here, the fledgling postwar Iraqi democracy is taking its first baby steps.

With little fanfare, Iraqis in the 85 neighborhoods of Baghdad already have made history. For the first times in their lives, they voted by raising their hands for representatives. Now they are teaching how to govern and trust in their own leadership instead of a dictator's.

For six months, coalition troops, including those from the 3rd Brigade, 1st Armored Division based in Fort Riley, Kan., have worked with Iraqis, teaching them the basics of how to run a civil affairs meeting, then how to organize themselves into representatives of their neighborhoods. From there, two representatives were elected to district councils, with two more representatives going to the Baghdad City Council.

The Fort Riley soldiers' orders were to find people from 24 of Baghdad's 85 neighborhoods and teach them about democracy. How the soldiers did that was up to them. The 3rd Brigade's commander, Col. Russell Gold, remembers telling each neighborhood group over and over that the soldiers were only teaching them a guide to democracy.

"Early in the process I told them, 'We are not here to make you American,'" Gold said. "We are here to make Iraq a free, independent state. You will be the ones making the decisions."

Bringing order out of the chaos of those early meetings was difficult. In 35 years of being ruled by a dictator, the people never had been given choices.

"At first, when we gathered everyone together, they all wanted to talk at once, a sort of cultural thing they do here," said Maj. Paul Daniels of Joplin, Mo., who is one of the officers working on the project. "They didn't believe that we wanted them to decide how to govern themselves. For so long someone told them how it would be, but now instead of those early meetings, when Saddam's way problems are being solved from the bottom up."

Saddam Hussein ran the country like a criminal enterprise, Daniels said. "Saddam was the big don. Convincing Iraqis that we weren't going to do that, too, took a lot of meetings."

The soldiers began by teaching Iraqis a simplified version of Robert's Rules of Order. The process was slow at first. Arguments broke out. People talked about their own problems, forgetting they were supposed to represent their geographical areas.

More often than not, Daniels broke up arguments by rapping his knuckles on the table. After

several weeks, however, he handed the first chairman a hand-carved wooden gavel. Now the chairman decides when the bickering should stop.

Things are changing. "A lot of families do not have fathers or husbands because of Saddam Hussein," said Asma Tome, 27, a physician and a member of the Advisory Committee and the subcommittee on women and childhood. "Women are taking their rightful places with men, to help rebuild our country. I believe if a woman is efficient, she will shoot like a missile to the top of success."

For many women, the meetings are a chance to speak with others from around Baghdad, to learn about what other women's groups are doing.

At Kadamiyah, Zena, 28, wanted Americans to know how grateful she was for the coalition victory against Saddam in Baghdad. She also is saddened that soldiers must risk their lives to help her and other Iraqis.

"At the women's meeting that I believe if a woman is efficient, she will shoot like a missile to the top of success."

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Family of slain worker arrives in Afghanistan

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP) — Relatives of a slain French refugee worker arrived Wednesday to bid her a somber farewell after she was shot in broad daylight by suspected Taliban in central Afghanistan last weekend.

The parents, brother and sister of Bettina Golsard, 29, flew into Kabul and were greeted by members of the Afghan government, the French Embassy and colleagues from the U.N. High Commission for Refugees.

"We, the family, are devastated by the pain. We have lost our child, our sister and we know how many people are suffering also from her absence," the family said in a statement. "She paid with her life for her commitment and her convictions, conscious of the importance and the difficulties of her mission."

Maki Shinohara, a spokeswoman in Kabul for UNICFR, said the family planned to view Golsard's body, which was at a base for international peacekeepers in the capital.

"They want to see Bettina for one last time," Shinohara said.

Meanwhile, there was another report of violence against a U.N. worker in Ghazni province, where Golsard was killed.

Armed men on Monday jacked a vehicle belonging to a U.N.-affiliated demining program, abducting the Afghan driver, beating him up and then stealing the vehicle, said Patrick Fruchet, a spokesman for the U.N. Mine Action Center. The Afghan driver managed to walk six miles back to Ghazni to seek medical attention.

Fruchet said the U.N. agency had restricted the movements of its staff in the area while it reviewed security. The driver, an employee of the Afghanistan Mine Detection and Dog Center, was in good condition Wednesday. The vehicle was clearly marked as belonging to the aid organization, Fruchet said.

Mine clearing is critical to the construction of a major road between Kabul and the southern city of Kandahar.

A small funeral for Golsard was planned for today at a cemetery in Kabul, Shinohara said. A larger memorial was to be held Sunday.

Golsard worked in Afghanistan for more than a year and told colleagues that if anything happened to her she wished to be buried there.

Her killing sent shock waves through the international community, already facing an increasingly dangerous situation in Afghanistan's largely lawless provinces. There have been a rash of attacks on international aid organizations and the United Nations.

NAVY RETURNS TO VIETNAM



Ensign Eather 'Mary' Alcantara, 23, from Northridge, California, center, and Lt. Jr. Grade Don Shrador, 31, right, from San Diego, shop for souvenirs in Ho Chi Minh City (formerly Saigon) on Wednesday. The two naval officers are from the USS Vandegrift, which became the first U.S. Navy ship to dock in Ho Chi Minh City since the end of the Vietnam War.

New generation of U.S. military fills streets of Ho Chi Minh City

By Margie Mason
Associated Press writer

HO CHI MINH CITY, Vietnam — The streets of what was once Saigon were again teeming with American sailors on Wednesday following the arrival of the first U.S. Navy ship since the Vietnam War.

The crew of the USS Vandegrift — many of them sons and daughters of Vietnam veterans — made a historic port call in Ho Chi Minh City during a symbolic visit aimed at boosting bilateral relations between the former foes.

"My father actually fought in the Vietnam War," said Ensign Esther "Mary" Alcantara, 23, of Northridge, Calif., one of about 200 sailors aboard the frigate. "This trip was actually very symbolic to me, and I know to the Navy as well."

The "missile frigate," based in Yokosuka, Japan and part of the 7th Fleet, cruised up the Saigon

River with American and Vietnamese flags flapping before docking on Wednesday. A chain of white-uniformed sailors stood along the ship's railings as it came in, some holding video cameras and binoculars.

"I think one of the messages here today is that the U.S. and Vietnam are showing the world that former foes can become friends," said U.S. Ambassador Raymond Burgin, who was on hand for the welcoming ceremony at Saigon Port. American commanders later attended a ceremony honoring Vietnamese communist leader Ho Chi Minh.

Burgin added that the United States is not pushing to establish a military presence in Vietnam but wants access to friendly nations' ports instead.

Bilateral ties have been steadily expanding since diplomatic relations were established in 1995. Trade has risen to more than \$3 billion annually with the

passage of a landmark agreement in 2001, and Vietnam recently said it sends more goods to the United States than anywhere else.

However, the two countries have only begun working on the more sensitive area of military cooperation. As the U.S. and Vietnam find common ground on issues of counterterrorism and regional stability, future military ties will likely include more high-level exchanges as well as more ship visits.

Many Vietnamese say the port call is welcome, demonstrating that old wounds have finally healed following the conflict that killed 59,000 Americans and 3 million Vietnamese.

"Since Vietnam is now at peace, it's normal for an American Navy ship to be in Vietnam," said Dang Van Hai, 49, a former South Vietnamese soldier who now drives a motorbike taxi.

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Eight people, including relatives of two suspected accomplices who allegedly provided the pickup trucks, were under interrogation, private CNN-Turk television said. Police would not confirm the report.

Officials identify suicide bombers as Turks

ISTANBUL, Turkey (AP) — Two Turks identified by DNA tests as the suicide bombers in last week's deadly synagogue attacks previously traveled to Afghanistan, the foreign minister said Wednesday, as police pursued the bombers' suspected Turkish accomplices.

Istanbul's governor said DNA tests identified the bombers as Mesut Cabuk, 29, and Gokhan Elaltuntas, 22, both Turks, and said the attacks against the two synagogues, which killed 23 people and wounded 300 others, resembled al-Qaida operations.

The daily newspaper Hurriyet, citing police, said Wednesday that the two bombers and two Turks suspected of being their accomplices were members of Beyyati el-

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Experts see major shift in al-Qaida strategy

By Sebastian Rotella and Richard C. Paddock
Los Angeles Times

PARIS — A spate of suicide bombings in several countries illustrates that al-Qaida has survived by mutating into a more decentralized network relying on local allies to launch more frequent attacks on varied targets, experts say.

In bombings from Turkey to Morocco, experts say, evidence suggests that al-Qaida provided support through training, financing or ideological inspiration to local extremists. Through an evolving and loose alliance of semi-autonomous terrorist cells, the network has been able to export its violence and "brand name" with only limited involvement in the attacks themselves.

"Al-Qaida as an ideology is now stronger than al-Qaida as an organization," said Mustafa Alani of the Royal United Services Institute for Defense and Security Studies in London. "What we are witnessing now is a major shift in al-Qaida strategy. I believe it is successful. Now they are not on the defensive. They are on the offensive."

A U.S.-led assault on al-Qaida has left many of the network's leaders dead, in jail or on the run. Still, counterterrorism officials have linked al-Qaida or its followers to a drumbeat of attacks in Russia, Indonesia, India, Iraq, Saudi Arabia, Morocco and the

Philippines, dating back to spring. Intent on maximizing the propaganda impact of its actions, the network has shifted from a single-minded focus on American interests to a broader mix including Jewish and Muslim targets.

Al-Qaida allegedly gave the direct order for some of the attacks, investigators say, including one in Indonesia and the May bombing of a residential compound in Riyadh, the Saudi Arabian capital. But in others, its local affiliates appeared to have operated more independently. The May suicide bombings in Casablanca, Morocco, are seen as a model of the network's emerging strategy.

Al-Qaida has always been relatively decentralized and unstructured. But today it moves faster, inciting attacks that require less time, expertise or high-level supervision, said Matthew Levitt, a former FBI analyst and terrorism expert at the Washington Institute for Near East Policy.

"It was always a network of networks whose inner core would wait patiently for three to five years to carry out spectacular attacks," Levitt said. "What's different today is that it's not clear they can conduct attacks with that kind of command and control. So to maintain relevancy, they gave the go-ahead: Do what you can, where you can, when you can. And they are targeting softer targets more frequently."

Insurgents: We act independently

SAMARA, Iraq (AP) — A former Iraqi general who claims to be part of the insurgency against U.S. troops says the guerrilla war around this "Sunni Triangle" city is being waged by small groups fighting on their own without direction from Saddam Hussein or others.

He and two other Samara men, who said they are in separate guerrilla units, insisted in interviews with The Associated Press

that their fight isn't aimed at returning Saddam to power. They said it's about ending the U.S.-led occupation and restoring Iraq's rule.

"I am fighting for my country — not Saddam Hussein — to get rid of the infidels."

"Very few people are fighting for him. They gave up on him at the end of the war," said one of the men, an unemployed electrical engineer.



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U.S. officer says he threatened to shoot detainee

TIKRIT, Iraq (AP) — An Army officer fought back tears Wednesday as he acknowledged threatening to shoot an Iraqi detainee to extract information about a planned attack, saying that to protect his troops, he would "go to hell with a gasoline can in my hand."

Lt. Col. Allen B. West made the statement on the second day of a U.S. military pretrial hearing on accusations that he threatened Yahya Jhodri Hamoodi by firing his gun near the man.

In addition to firing his pistol near Hamoodi, West also is accused of punching him during the Aug. 20 interrogation in Taji, according to Lt. Col. Jimmy Davis, who presided at the hearing at a U.S. base in Tikrit.

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EDITORIAL

Install a cheaper bridge to open traffic below Bliss

Residents who live on the south side of the Snake River near Bliss don't have many neighbors, and that's just the way they like it. The remote corner of the Magic Valley is home to about 15 families who enjoy an secluded and peaceful community that is isolated even by Western standards.

to 25 miles to Glens Ferry in the West, or 30 miles to the east in Hagerman Valley.

State officials are right that they are not responsible for the bridge's maintenance. That job belongs to Bliss Highway District and the Twin Falls Highway District. Meanwhile, affected residents say they are worried that the

Our view: A new iron-truss bridge may be the best solution for replacing the closed Bliss Bridge. What do you think? We welcome viewpoints from our readers on this and other issues.

issue will not attract sufficient attention unless state agencies step into the matter. And with possibility of foot traffic being closed off, the problems could worsen.

Local highway district leaders need to apply the simplest and most cost-effective solution to the problem. Installing a single-lane, iron-truss bridge at the Bliss Bridge crossing, would provide adequate passage for cars and residents. The cost would be significantly less than a major bridge construction, and it could be installed much faster.

An iron bridge would also have weight limitations, meaning those trucks using it to haul alfalfa from the south side would be the most adversely impacted. But there's nothing wrong with trucks shipping smaller loads of hay.

What's most important is that residents in the area have a way to travel over the river into Bliss. Highway district officials should continue examining the engineering possibilities and the costs of bridge repair. An iron-truss bridge may be the logical and most cost-effective way to satisfy residents' needs.

Now, that sense of isolation has gotten even bigger. The closing of the Bliss Bridge by the Idaho Transportation Department almost two weeks ago has created major obstacles for those who rely on the bridge to get into town.

Local highway district officials are on the hook to fix the situation. But a low-cost option of installing an iron bridge could solve the problem of how to get traffic once again moving across the river.

State officials had no choice but to close the bridge, after discovering that one of the bridge supports has at least two feet of water between it and the river bottom.

The erosion of the bridge support can best be labeled as the result of nature. A landslide along the north side of the Snake River in 1993 redirected the current, causing erosion to occur on both sides of the bridge.

Now the structure is accessible to foot traffic only, which means south side residents must park vehicles on either side of the bridge. Otherwise, drivers must take alternative routes on gravel roads headed

Economy swings back in Bush's favor

The U.S. economy seems to have just woken up. George Bush. Almost all recent indicators favor the president's reelection: economic growth, rising at a 7.2 percent annual rate in the third quarter; jobs, increasing 286,000 since August; productivity, expanding at roughly a 5 percent rate since late 2001. Nariman Behravan, chief economist for the forecasting firm Global Insight, has one of those equations that predicts election results based on the economy and various political factors (incumbency, party affiliation). By the latest reports, Bush wins 56.6 percent of the 2004 vote.



ROBERT J. SAMUELSON

Behravan admits that these equations aren't infallible and that, even if the economy stays strong, other factors — Iraq, terrorism — could doom Bush. But the business cycle is moving in his direction. It's psychology as much as numbers. Behravan talks regularly with corporate executives who, until recently, "had retreated into their shells. They stopped capital spending. They stopped hiring. They became extremely risk-averse. Now, they're coming out of their shells." In the third quarter, business equipment and software investment — aka, capital spending — spending rose at a 15 percent annual rate.

Government policy and the enormous resilience of the American economy explain the turnaround. Critics can gripe about Bush's big budget deficits but, until recently, they've grossly miscalculated the economy. The tax cuts alone provided \$61 billion in fiscal 2003 and will add another \$149 billion in fiscal 2004, estimates the Congressional Joint Committee on Taxation. (Cynics might suspect Bush of trying to buy the election.) Similarly, the Federal Reserve's low interest rate policy encouraged massive mortgage refinancing — boosting consumers' purchasing power — and ailed the economy in countless ways.

But this business cycle has also followed its own peculiar logic,



deeply rooted in popular psychology and the nature of American capitalism — which often seemed at war with each other.

On the one hand, stubborn public optimism kept the economy from collapsing. Generally, Americans aren't used to gloom even though gloom was amply justified by the stock market bubble, Sept. 11, rising unemployment and corporate scandals. But when mortgage rates dropped, millions of families bought homes. When automakers offered tempting "incentives," millions bought new vehicles. Sales of 17.1 million in 2001 were the industry's second best year (after 2000).

Since World War II, weak consumer spending has typically worsened recessions. Here, consumers were the economy's prop. Gene Sperling, a top economic adviser to President Clinton, argues that the 1990s' boom left a strong underlying optimism that, to some extent, defied the onslaught of bad news. If so, Bush — ironically — may be the chief beneficiary.

By contrast, corporate America retrenched relentlessly. Once the boom imploded, price competition in industries with surplus capacity — car manufacturers, retailers and

telco firms, among others — squeezed profits. Driven to restore profits, companies closed factories, warehouses and offices.

The explosion in productivity — meaning that fewer people accomplish the same or more work — is commonly said to reflect the triumph of new technologies. This has surely occurred. The 5 percent productivity gains are double the increases of the late 1990s and triple those of the 1970s and '80s. But what may really account for this surge is a Darwinian process of elimination, as efficient firms displaced the less efficient. From 1999 to 2002, Wal-Mart expanded from 3,993 to 4,694 locations, says Stores magazine; meanwhile, Sears cut back from 2,960 to 2,192 and K-Mart (in bankruptcy) from 2,172 to 1,831.

This business cycle pitted the irrational optimism of the American consumer against the rational ruthlessness of the American corporation. Would it be a surprise if the more consumers stopped buying, or vice versa? The good news — for most Americans and probably Bush — is that the issue seems to have been settled. Corporate Darwinism is subsiding, because it's succeeding. In 2003, pretax corporate

profits will rise about 22 percent from 2002 to \$597 billion, estimates Nigel Gault of Global Insight.

What we have is a cyclical recovery. The same thing is occurring in Europe and Japan. Of course, long-term problems remain: American consumers are heavily indebted; the big U.S. budget and current account deficits will someday have to be curbed; the mortgage refinancing boom is ebbing; worldwide surplus capacity is still widespread; China represents a huge unknown. Any of these problems might undermine economic and — Bush's greatest vulnerability — job growth. Could the recovery falter in a few months or, possibly, just after next year's election? Well, yes.

But for now, the recovery is strengthening and assuming it continues, the politics are plain. Democrats' economic criticisms will resonate less, and Bush's bragging will resonate more. At the White House, they may not be dancing over the economic news, but they must be smiling. Unlike his father, Bush may have beaten the business cycle.

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LETTERS

Veterans deserve honors and memories

I would like to honor all our veterans that have served. I want to give my special honor to my cousin, Steven, who is now serving.

We need to remember every day, especially Veterans Day, Nov. 11, is a day we can remember all our veterans. On this very special day, it's important that we know how they are doing and we need to mean what we say.

I have some other very special people who I would like to remember as well. I am also grateful that they did not get seriously injured. They are my Grandpa Gale and my Grandpa Vanden Bosch.

I hope we can really concentrate on safety of the veterans and hope for anyone for any who is serving. God bless them!

WENDY VANDEN BOSCH
Jerome

(Editor's note: Wendy Vanden Bosch is 9 years old and a fourth-grader at Horizon Elementary School in Jerome.)

Family appreciates support for Bob Fort

On behalf of my father and mother as well as my family, I would like to express our thanks to those individuals in the community who have offered their love and support for Bob. As he begins incarceration for his conviction, our family is pulling together to support him as he begins serving his punishment.

Unlike the opinions published recently, my father has not been campaigning for leniency but rather, as the rest of you have figured out, has admitted his guilt and is simply eager to put this period behind him.

JIM FORT
Twin Falls

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'Back-to-nature' zealots now run the EPA

In 1970, Congress founded the Environmental Protection Agency, which was sorely needed. Cities, factories, mines and chemical plants were dumping their raw waste into rivers and other vulnerable sites. Controls were badly overdue in many areas.

Unfortunately, this well-advised program became infiltrated with zealots of great enthusiasm and little wisdom. They pushed their "back to nature" agenda to the point of great suffering and cost to our nation.

The raging, uncontrollable wild fires in California, Colorado and throughout the West is an example of what happens when nature management policies are discouraged and stifled.

Farmers are a good example of how man can work with and manage nature. Granted, you cannot control nature, but think of the scenario if our food-producing people had this "back to nature" philosophy. The farms would be taken over by noxious weeds, insects, rodents and drought.

Ingratitude is just one tool of managing nature; another is how the dams control devastating floods, etc.

We are so protected from nature that we are naive concerning how brutal, uncaring and vicious nature can be. The present wonderful, comfortable life we are privileged to live in today is

because of managing nature where possible and adjusting where it is not.

This "back to nature" movement is a policy of warm, well-fed, dreamy-eyed innocents.

GLEN CAPPS
Jerome

Soldier who refused U.N. uniform deserves support

It is legal to order U.S. military personnel to wear the United Nations uniform, carry a U.N. identification card and serve under the command of foreigners?

Almost eight years ago, Army Spc. Michael Neuf refused to comply with such an order. He had sworn and order to defend the Constitution of the United States, not the United Nations Charter. A court martial board refused to consider his arguments that the order was illegal and handed him a Bad Conduct discharge.

Civil courts refused to hear his case until he had "exhausted every military remedy," which took six long years. He was finally able to file a petition with the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia in May 2002, which was well over a year ago. Presiding Justice Paul Friedman has not moved the case forward.

This case is very important to every man and woman in military forces. It would decide whether they are Americans fighting for freedom or foreign mercenaries.

Do no sign a petition asking our president to pardon him. This would terminate his case without trial.

Sens. Larry Craig and Michael Crapo had Rep. Mike Simpson, are you willing to take a public stand on this question in this newspaper?

Cecil Leon Rice
Filer

ACLU's efforts preserve our religious freedoms

This letter is in response to Donna Arp, Nov. 13. Just a point of clarification regarding Ms. Arp's reference to John Adams: She attempts to establish that the American Civil Liberties Union is damaging religious freedom in the United States.

Ms. Arp, as a scholar, I know you will appreciate some information about John Adams. Married to Abigail Adams, John Abigail and John Quincy Adams were all members of the United First Parish Church of Quincy, Mass. This church had roots in Puritanism but has been Unitarian since 1750, before the United States was established as a sovereign nation. The Adams are among our most famous Unitarians.

It is important to note that Unitarianism is rooted in Judeo-Christian tradition but is not Bible based. Rather, Unitarianism is based on the following seven principles: (1) the inherent worth and dignity of every person; (2) justice,

equity and compassion in human relations; (3) acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth; (4) a free and responsible search for truth and meaning; (5) the right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within society at large; (6) the goal of world community with peace, liberty and justice for all; and (7) respect for the interdependent web of all existence (source: www.uua.org).

The goals of the ACLU in preserving religious freedom in this country are consistent with these U.U. principles. John Adams was a key founding father, but he did not advance tolerance to biblical teachings in the public arena. Instead, he promoted freedom and responsibility of each American to follow his or her own search for truth, be that in the teachings of Jesus, Buddha or transcendentalism. Whereas I appreciate your concern for my freedom, I ask that you not speak for me, a fellow American, by declaring that the ACLU is jeopardizing my religious freedom. Even though I understand your fear, my perspective is quite different, and there is room in our free society for both views.

For more information about Unitarianism, contact the Unitarian Universalist Association or visit the UU Fellowship of the Magic Valley, which meets on Sunday mornings at the White Chapel in Kimberly. KACEE J. O'CONNOR
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Doonesbury



By Garry Trudeau

Mallard Fillmore



By Bruce Tinsley

Rush of good feelings won't last very long

Early last month, conservative talk show host Rush Limbaugh framed me on the air as a "noted feminist writer," and told his radio audience that I had written the best analysis of now Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger's candidacy that he had read anywhere.

He then took time out of his three-hour broadcast to read the column out loud to something like 20 million listeners. Some of those listeners were friends, who called to congratulate me. (Some other people who are also friends caught wind of this and called to castigate me.)

The next day, WBAL-AM talk show host Chip Franklin asked me to appear on his show and congratulated me for bringing Limbaugh's attention to Baltimore in such a positive way. "How does it feel to have Rush praise you like that?" Franklin asked me, without a hint of irony in his voice.

That was Wednesday. By Friday, Rush Limbaugh was in drug rehab.

Five weeks later, Rush is out of rehab. He returned to the air Monday, but I am still not sure how I am supposed to feel about the fact that Rush Limbaugh agreed with me.

And I can't help but continue to wonder whether his high opinion of my liberal, feminist point of view might have been, indeed, a high opinion.

I feel much like I felt when my parents finally agreed with me that President Nixon had to go. It is a weird, Alice-through-the-looking-glass kind of feeling, like waking up in a parallel universe where you are wrong about everything and everybody knows it but you.

When I read that Limbaugh had admitted to being addicted to the powerful painkiller OxyContin and would check into a rehab center for a while, I yawned.

"Everybody is in rehab; I thought. It is the secular equivalent of the confessional. Enter, and you are wrong, exit, begin again."

Everybody who leaves the confessional knows he will be back, sooner or later, and I have come to think of rehab the same way. Rehab is no more of a permanent fix for human weakness than priority abortion is.

And, just like the rest of the church sanctuary, rehab has become the haven for those facing the harsher judgments of law or society. Rush may not avoid prosecution for allegedly pressuring his maid to score drugs for him, but a stay in rehab will look good on the presentencing report.

More important for Rush, I think, rehab gives the righteous conservatives, who should have bailed on him, solid ground for issuing their own forgiveness. "It's not like any less of him for having ordinary frailties," said Gary Bauer, president of

SUSAN REIMER

American Values, demonstrating the kind of generosity of spirit that failed so many of Limbaugh's ditto heads when President Clinton admitted his human frailties a few years ago.

Other Limbaugh defenders made the distinction between his overuse of drugs to kill pain and the abuse of drugs to get high. The suggestion is, of course, that a herniated disc is a legitimate kind of pain while things like poverty and hopelessness are not.

Boston Globe columnist Ellen Goodman confessed to just the kind of soft-headed, soft-hearted sympathy for Rush that he would have ridiculed as "liberal wimpishness." She said he hoped he would learn something from walking the halls of a rehab center in someone else's slippers, that he would have a kind of St. Paul moment.

I'm not so hopeful. Limbaugh signed a \$285 million contract to be the caricature he has become: the righteous, unforgiving, judgmental conservative who, among other things, has said he thinks drug users should be thrown in jail.

When Rush returned to the air Monday, it was with a show of humility and gratitude that I'd like to think was genuine.

"I came to realize a number of things while I was away, and at the top of this list is how much I love all of you, how much I appreciated all of you, and how much this and other aspects of my life mean to me," he said. "I have a tremendous amount of gratitude for all that you have done for me over the course of my life."

But, alas, he also assured his listeners that there had been no personality transplant in that Arizona rehab center, that the doctors had not turned him into a "linguist-spined liberal."

I think we can expect that, after this initial display of good feelings, Limbaugh will return to his old bombastic, uncompromising, polarizing self.

I hope he does. It's the only way I know for sure when I'm right.

Susan Reimer is a columnist for The Baltimore Sun.



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Jerome's Jennifer Pond is making an impact on the CSI women's hoops team.

RISEING High School Sports STARS

Charlotte Freestone Hansen basketball

Most 13-year-old basketball players play their most meaningful games during recess.

Hansen's Charlotte Freestone will play varsity for the Huskies this year.

A high school freshman that skipped eighth grade, Freestone is possibly the youngest varsity girls basketball player in Idaho, if not the nation.

Hansen head coach Terry Dowd gave Freestone a chance to show her mettle in summer league play. When the 5-foot-6 guard hit the floor, it was obvious Freestone could play varsity ball.

"She's been playing with older girls all her life," Dowd said. "She doesn't look or play like an eighth-grader or a 13-year-old."

Oh, by the way, she's starting. While Freestone's first reason to skip eighth grade is the chance to play with her sister, it isn't the only one.

"All my friends were in the grade ahead of me and some of this school wasn't really that challenging," Freestone said.

Older sister Bonnie, a 5-6 guard, is expected to return from ankle surgery after Christmas. But the freshman Freestone will face girls five years her elder, beginning with Ketchum Friday night.

"I think I'll be pretty nervous, but once I get on the court I'll be OK," Freestone said. "I just really want to help the team out."

Dowd knows that his team and his freshman will face some growing pains this season. However, if they can make it through until Bonnie Freestone can play, the Huskies will be in good position for a mid-season run.

"We'll be a totally different team after Christmas," Dowd said. "Both these Freestone girls are really something."

-Eric Larsen

Caitlin Dill

Dietrich basketball

Dietrich sophomore Caitlin Dill played her first varsity game against Raft River last Saturday. No big feat until you look at the numbers.

With a 19-point performance that saw the 5-foot-10 forward hit all five of her five-throw attempts, Dill let every team in the Magic Valley know she had arrived.

But before the game, few would have looked at Dill and seen a star.

"I was in the locker room shaking," Dill said. "I couldn't hold still."

While Dietrich coach Gene Shaw foresees Dill as a contributor to his team, he isn't ready to laud her as an all-conference player just yet.

"There is going to be a time when other teams pressure. We'll see how she handles that," Shaw said. "That takes maturity. It will be her biggest test."

Dill is a versatile player with the ability to play any position on the floor. While her knack for scoring can be attributed to her aggressiveness, Dill says it hasn't always been that way.

"My dad used to get mad at me for not shooting enough," Dill said. "Getting more aggressive just came this year."

While Dill and the rest of the Lady Blue Devils can be pleased with their season-opening performance, Dill knows that her team has a long way to go this season.

"We've got a lot of improvement to do, but I think we can make it to State and play well," Dill said.

Dill and the Blue Devils will play Butte County on Friday and either Hansen or Ketchum on Saturday. This weekend's Hansen tournament.

-Eric Larsen

Tourney means more than golf in S. Africa

Only 12 years removed from apartheid, country's blacks see Woods, Singh at top of golfing world

The Associated Press

GEORGE, South Africa - The only black man in the bleachers behind the 15th green scampered down the steps when Vijay Singh passed below. He leaned over the railing and clapped furiously to cheer the Fijian on.

A few days earlier, a 21-year-old caddy from the Xhosa tribe talked excitedly about the Presidents Cup, the biggest golf event ever to come to South Africa.

"I hear Tiger Woods is already in Cape Town," said the caddy, Leonard, his smile growing. "He's the dream. I'm telling you, he's the man!"

The face of golf, long considered a white, elitist sport, is slowly changing in a country that is only a dozen years removed from apartheid. And having Singh and Woods here for the Presidents Cup could be the catalyst to speed things along.

"Young kids sitting in Soweto and villages in South Africa, most of them have got a TV set somehow or another," said Gary Player, the International team captain and South Africa's greatest player. "When they can see the No. 1 and No. 2 players in the world are both black, it's an awful big dream. It's a dream that can be fulfilled."

There are already junior programs in place, and more black men who have advanced into the corporate ranks are playing golf.

"History shows that people pick up the game because they follow professional players," PGA Tour commissioner Tim Finchem said Wednesday. "When Tiger came on the scene, the percentage of African-American kids' interest in the game went up dramatically. With the amount of focus on this event, to some degree it will have the same impact."

The matches begin Thursday on the Links Course at Fancourt Hotel and Country Club Estate, with Phil Mickelson and David Tomms playing the first of six alternate-shot matches against Nick Price and Mike Weir.

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Photographers follow Tiger Woods during a practice session for the Presidents Cup Tuesday in George, S. Africa.

For all the apples

First-year coaches lead Huskies, Cougars to battle in Apple Cup

The Associated Press

SPOKANE, Wash. - Two first-year head coaches will bring teams they inherited to this year's Apple Cup, but Washington State's Bill Doba concedes his tenure has probably been the easier one.

Doba was defensive coordinator under Mike Price and Washington's Keith Gilbertson was offensive coordinator under Rick Neuheisel at last year's game. Subsequently, Price left for a job at Alabama and Neuheisel was fired.

The eighth-ranked Cougars (9-2, 7-1 Pac-10) will try to record their third consecutive 10-win season against the Huskies (5-6, 3-4), who are trying to avoid their first losing season since 1976.

Doba and Gilbertson were elevated to head coach after last season, although Gilbertson was previously head coach at California and Idaho.

The new experience as head coach has brought Doba closer to his team and made him more appreciative of his assistants, including Robb Akey, who replaced him as defensive coordinator, he said Tuesday in his weekly news conference from Pullman.

"I was fortunate enough to hire a good staff. It's kind of nice to walk into the defensive staff room and say, OK, Akey, how are we going to stop them?" instead of having to do it yourself," Doba said.

"It's been fun. Obviously, winning some ball games helps a whole lot, too," he said. "We haven't gotten dlobbered and have to go in and face the music and face you guys with a shutout and somebody scoring 60 points. We've got a good bunch of kids and it's been a lot of fun."

It hasn't been so rosy across the state in Seattle, where Gilbertson was unable to explain the Huskies' 54-7 drubbing at California, their second straight road loss.

Doba said Gilbertson was handicapped because Neuheisel's dismissal for gambling on the NCAA basketball tournament and lying to investigators came after spring drills and only a few weeks before fall camp.

Gilbertson conceded Monday the circumstances made his appointment far less than a dream job.

Doba, meanwhile, was delighted to become head coach when Price left for Alabama after last season's Rose Bowl.

A longtime assistant, Doba said he had considered becoming a head coach early in his college career, but "the opportunity never came, and quite honestly, I didn't think it would."

"Not then this opportunity popped open and it's been fun," Doba said. "I could have gone to my grave happy had I been just coach Price's defensive coordinator. I'd have been a lot poorer ... but I'd have been happy anyway."

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First-year Washington head coach and former University of Idaho coach Keith Gilbertson stands on the sidelines during the Huskies' 64-7 loss to California last Saturday in Berkeley, Calif. Gilbertson's Huskies (6-9) will meet Washington State in the Apple Cup Saturday.

TCU puts BCS on back burner

Horned Frogs focus on conference title

The Associated Press

HATTIESBURG, Miss. - While others debate whether unbeaten TCU is worthy of a spot in the BCS, the Horned Frogs have more immediate concerns.

Specifically, a showdown with Southern Mississippi that will decide the Conference USA championship Thursday night.

No. 10 TCU can clinch its first outright C-USA title by beating the second-place Golden Eagles (7-3, 6-0), who have won four straight games.

Still, it seems all most people want to talk to the Horned Frogs

(10-0, 7-0) about is the Bowl Championship Series standings.

"Yeah, it gets tiring sometimes," said TCU quarterback Brandon Hassell, who is 6-0 since replacing injured starter Tye Gunn. "Most of the time talking to some people, that's all they want to talk about it, and we're really focused on Southern Miss and the game we have coming up that week."

Sometimes you just really don't want to talk about it after talking about it so much and hearing about it so much."

TCU dropped two spots in the BCS standings this week to eighth. The top six teams are guaranteed spots in the four big-ticker bowl games - Rose, Sugar, Fiesta and Orange.

Staying undefeated keeps the

The only thing that matters to me is beating Southern Miss.

TCU coach Gary Patterson

Horned Frogs in the mix, even if it gives them only an outside shot. If they win the conference and don't make it to one of the big bowls, they will return to the Liberty Bowl.

"The only thing that matters to me is beating Southern Miss," TCU coach Gary Patterson said. "We know it's

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Eye healed and confidence up, Klitschko readies to fight again

Brothers hope to both be heavyweight champs

The Associated Press

It was just a year ago that Vitali and Vladimir Klitschko sat in a Las Vegas hotel room, telling jokes in one language and talking about dreams in another. They wanted to be heavyweight champions together, and the two giants from Ukraine thought their time was near.

Two losses and 12 months later, Vitali has changed for the brothers. Vitali's stock rose in a bruising loss to Lennox Lewis, while Vladimir's fell in a crushing knockout defeat to Corrie Sanders.

But as Vitali returns to the ring next month at Madison Square Garden against Kirk Johnson, the goal remains the same.

"I believe that your dream will come true," Vitali Klitschko said. "We're working hard for it and it will be the greatest moment in our lives when we're the same-time champions."

Klitschko can take a big step toward keeping his end of the bargain when he meets Johnson on Dec. 6. It will be Klitschko's first fight since he was stopped on cuts at the end of the sixth round in his June bout with Lewis.

A win over Johnson may be the next best thing for Klitschko to staking his claim to a title that may

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Teammates: Johnson's deactivation is no shock

The Associated Press

TAMPA, Fla. - When Keyshawn Johnson spouted, some of his teammates listened and others tuned him out.

"Me being a veteran, I can let one thing go in one ear and out the other. Some people can't," Tampa Bay receiver Keenan McCardell said.

"Some people need to vent their emotions. When you're losing, you can't do that ... I really think he just needed to get some things off his chest."

McCardell, like many of the other Bucs, Keyshawn Johnson were only mildly surprised when the Super Bowl champions decided Tuesday to deactivate Johnson

for the remainder of the season.

The two-time Pro Bowl selection likely will be traded or released next year.

"I don't want to make it seem like it was a distraction. It wasn't like he was around here being a jerk all the time," safety John Lynch said. "That's not his personality. He was here - he showed up - he was working. But it just was clear that he didn't want to be here."

The defending champs began life without their star receiver on Wednesday, holding team meetings in the morning and a two-hour practice in the afternoon in preparation for Monday night's game against the New York Giants.

Johnson's name remained on a locker full of his equipment, however the Bucs clearly are trying to move on.

"Obviously people are going to have their opinions about it, but at this point it doesn't matter," linebacker Derrick Brooks said. "You've got to get your focus back on the field and worry about the things that are important to this football team and that is preparing to get a win."

Johnson was unhappy with his role in Gruden's offense and

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SPORTS

Ducks rally for tie against Dallas

Keyshawn

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Let the coach and general manager Rich McKay know that he didn't wish to remain in Tampa Bay beyond this season. Although he vowed to continue to play hard, McKay said the eight-year pro's attitude changed and eventually became disruptive.

Gruden and McKay denied they were trying to make an example of Johnson or send a message to the rest of the team which is stuck in a three-game losing streak and in danger of missing the playoffs.

"It sends a message to Keyshawn, obviously, I don't know what it does for the rest of the team," cornerback Ronde Barber said.

"I don't know if we look at this as a spark. I think we need to spark ourselves. I think we need to realize the gravity of our situation right now. We're 4-6 and a loss or so away from playing spoiler roles for the rest of the year. That's enough of a motivating factor, I think."

While no one questioned Johnson's effort on the field, several players agreed with Barber's assessment that management could not let anything — or anybody — become a negative influence in the locker room.

McKay and Gruden said Johnson missed several mandatory workouts and meetings, an allegation the receiver denied.

"I think with everything that's taken place you have to buy into the team. You have to buy into the things that are said and told to you," quarterback Brad Johnson said. "Obviously, there were some things that took place between management and Keyshawn that they didn't agree upon, and management made the choice for themselves."

Joe Jurevics, who's missed most of this season with a knee injury, will move into Johnson's spot in the lineup opposite McCordell, who's having one of the best seasons of his career.

Reggie Barlow, Karl Williams and Charles Lee also could get more playing time.

TCU

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not going to make any differences at all unless we go 2-0 the last two weeks of the season. If TCU beats Southern Mississippi, only winless SMU stands in the way of the Horned Frogs' first unbeaten season since 1938, when quarterback Davey O'Brien led TCU to its only national championship.

A loss to the Golden Eagles not only ends the BCS debate, it very well could relegate TCU to second-place in its own league.

Southern Miss finishes the season against the USA rival East Carolina, which has won just once this season.

"I don't think it matters what they have riding on this game," Southern Miss center Jim Hicks said. "They have a lot riding on it, more so than just the conference championship. They have been high up in the rankings all year long, and we didn't pay much attention to that because we have our goals."

Southern Miss won three C-USA titles in the league's first four seasons, but none since 1999.

"This football team is really hungry and this is the position they wanted to be in," Golden Eagles coach Jeff Bowser said. "It has taken just three seasons in C-USA for TCU and Southern Miss to create a spirited rivalry."

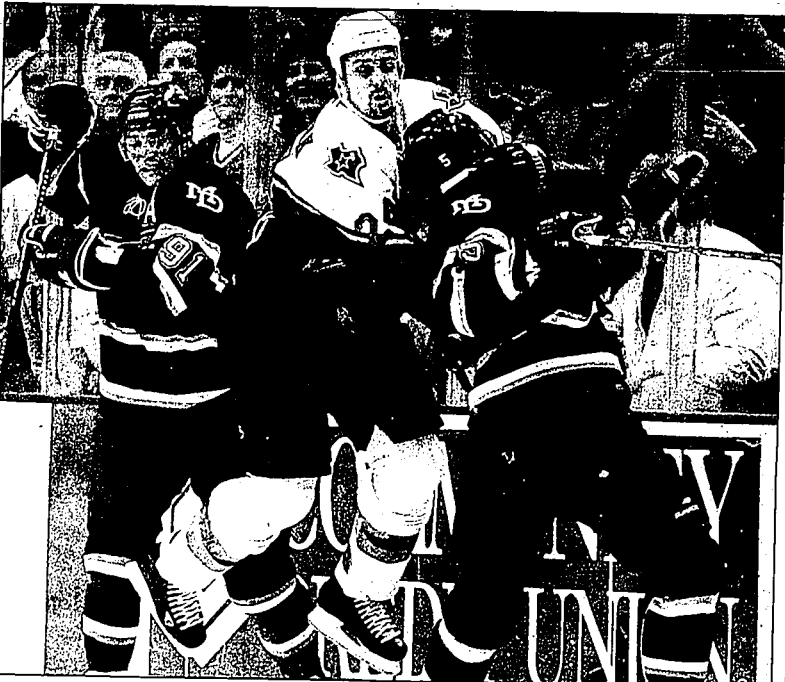
"It has turned into a big rivalry, not a rivalry of hatred," said TCU defensive end Bo Schobel, who leads the conference with 11.5 sacks. "We respect them as being a good football team and I think they respect us the same."

The year before TCU moved into the league, Southern Miss beat the LaDanian Tomlinson-led Frogs in the Meltzer Bowl on a last-minute touchdown. The next year, with a bowl bid on the line, TCU beat Southern Miss 14-12 in Hattiesburg.

Last season, TCU handed Southern Miss its most lopsided C-USA loss ever, 37-7, in Fort Worth, Texas.

Now, the Golden Eagles get a chance to ruin TCU's dream season.

"We know they have to come through Hattiesburg before they get to the BCS or the conference championship," defensive end Terrell Paul said.



The Mighty Ducks' Sergel Fedorov, 91, Vitaly Vishnevskii, right and the Stars' Richard Rindfleisch come together in the third period of the teams' 3-3 tie Wednesday in Dallas.

DALLAS (AP) — Andy McDonald scored twice, including a one-hopper from the red line with 11:41 left in regulation that rattled the Anaheim Mighty Ducks to a 3-3 tie with Dallas on Wednesday night, extending the Stars' winless streak to seven games.

With Anaheim on a power play and trailing 3-2, McDonald shot from 90 feet. The puck bounced once and got through the Ducks' Stars goaltender Marty Turco.

Jason Arnott had broken a second-period tie, and Jon Klemm added his first goal for Dallas 58 seconds later to give the Stars a 3-1 lead.

Arnott scored his fifth goal of the season on the power play at 4:41 of the second to give Dallas a 2-1 lead. Klemm, acquired in a trade with Chicago on Monday and making his debut with the Stars, scored his first goal of the season at 5:39 to make it 3-1.

Klemm's shot from just inside the blue line got past goaltender Martin Gerber, who was screened, while the Stars had an extra attacker in a delayed penalty.

Anaheim closed with a 3-2 at 16:51 of the second period on Petr Sykora's wrist shot that beat Turco through the pads.

Turco had 30 saves for Dallas, while Gerber stopped 26 shots for Anaheim.

Thrashers 5, Bruins 4, OT

ATLANTA — Ilya Kovalchuk scored his NHL-high 14th goal 3:42 into overtime to give Atlanta a win after Boston squandered three leads.

The Thrashers fell behind 2-0, 3-2 and 4-3 before Kovalchuk provided their only lead of the night with a power-play goal in the extra period.

Kovalchuk drew a penalty on Nick Emtton, getting pulled down at center ice, and Atlanta called a timeout to set up a play in the Boston zone. Slava Kozlov won the faceoff, and Frantisek Kaberle relayed the puck to Kovalchuk, who beat Felix Potvin with a slap shot off the far post.

Atlanta ended the Bruins' four-game winless streak with another comeback victory. The Thrashers have overcome two-goal deficits to earn at least a point six times this season.

Islanders 4, Panthers 1

MIAMI — The more physical Islanders out-competed the Panthers in a 4-1 win.

New York got the kinds of goals off deflections and rebounds the Panthers don't seem to get often enough.

The deflections were a chopping bouncer from Shawn Bates and a goal credited to Mattias Timander, but looked as if it had been tipped by Eric Godard. New York's Trent Hunter scored off a rebound in the first and a blown coverage in the third.

Rookie Nathan Horton got the Panthers' lone goal on a first-period power play. That and Panthers goalie Roberto Longo's stopping Michael Peca on a first-period penalty shot were the Florida highlights.

Coyotes 5, Blues 4

PHOENIX — Brian Savage and Shane

Doan each had two goals and an assist, leading the Phoenix Coyotes to a 5-4 win.

Savage scored the first and last goals of the game, beating St. Louis goaltender Chris Osgood for the second time with 1:45 remaining when he tapped in a rebound of a shot by Doan.

The final goal helped the Coyotes snap an NHL record-tying, five consecutive-overtime streaks just when it appeared they were headed for a sixth.

Jeff Taffe also scored and Sean Burke had 14 of his 22 saves in the third period.

Devils 4, Sabres 1

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Four different Devils scored and Sabres' goaltender Martin Biron was overwhelmed by the repeated waves of offense the defending champs sent crashing on him in the second period.

Jay Pandolfo, Brian Gionta, and John Madden each finished off odd-man rushes in a span of 4:14 to chase Biron from the game.

Biron lasted half a period less than the Rangers' Mike Dunham did in a 5-0 loss to the Devils on Saturday, leaving 9:25 into the second with his team trailing 4-0.

Red Wings 5, Blue Jackets 1

DETROIT — Detroit goaltender Manny Legace stopped 37 of 38 shots, including all 18 in the first period, and Brett Hull scored two goals to lift the Red Wings.

The Red Wings extended their unbeaten streak to five games (4-0-1).

Kris Draper, Tomas Holmstrom, and Steve Thomas also scored for the Red Wings.

Geoff Sanderson scored for the Blue Jackets, 0:32 in their last five games.

With 724 goals, Hull moved within seven

of Marcel Dionne for third place on the NHL's career scoring list. Wayne Gretzky is first with 894, and Gordie Howe is second with 801.

Wild 6, Penguins 2

PITTSBURGH — Antti Laaksonen scored twice in a three-goal Minnesota first period against rookie goalie Marc-Andre Fleury, and the Wild cruised to a 6-2 victory.

Marian Gaborik scored on a penalty shot, only his second goal in the seven games since re-signing with Minnesota. He also had an assist in what by Wild standards was a scoring eruption.

Despite going 7-3 since a 1-5-1 start, the Wild had scored as many as four goals only once in 10 games. They had only two goals in their previous three games, but still went 1-1-1.

The six goals were a season high.

Stojakovic, Kings deal Jazz first home loss

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Peja Stojakovic scored 30 points and the Sacramento Kings handed Utah its first home loss of the season, beating the Jazz 118-110 Wednesday night.

Mike Bibby finished with 18 points and Brad Miller had 17 points and 13 rebounds for Sacramento, which won its seventh straight regular-season game at Utah.

The Kings shot 23-for-37 (62 percent) from the floor in the first half and never trailed in winning for the fourth time in five games.

Carlos Arroyo had 25 points and eight assists and DeShawn Stevenson scored 21 for the Jazz, who had all five starters score in double figures for the second straight game but received hardly any help from the bench. Jazz reserves combined for just 12 points.

Anthony Peeler added 15 points off the bench and Vlade Divac scored 12 for Sacramento, which cooled off a little in the second half but still shot 40-for-69 in the game.

Andrej Kirilenko had 22 points and seven rebounds, and Greg Ostertag got his second straight double-double with 11 points and 10 rebounds. Matt Harpring had 19 points and nine rebounds for the Jazz.

Nuggets 94, Bucks 86

DENVER — Andre Miller hit a basket in the lane with 2:33 left, capping an 8-0 run, and the Denver Nuggets beat the Milwaukee Bucks 94-86 on Wednesday night.

Miller finished with 17 points and eight assists. Francisco Elson added 15 points and Voshon Lenard 14. Rookie Carmelo Anthony had 13 points and 11 rebounds after going scoreless in the first half.

Tim Thomas scored 25 points and Michael Redd 24 for the Bucks. Joe Smith had 12 points and 10 rebounds.

Lakers 104, Knicks 83

NEW YORK — Karl Malone was one of three Lakers to make more free throws than the Knicks attempted, helping Los Angeles end its three-game road losing streak with a 104-83 victory over New York on Wednesday night.

The Lakers had a whopping 47.6 edge in free throw attempts in a game that featured 53 fouls — 34 on the Knicks.

Malone had 17 points and 14 rebounds, Shaquille O'Neal had 23 points and Kobe Bryant added 21.

Hornets 81, Celtics 73

BOSTON — Baron Davis scored 17 points, and P.J. Brown added 12 points and 16 rebounds as New Orleans beat Boston for its fourth straight victory.

Walter McCarty's layup drew the Celtics to 74-71 with 0:14 remaining, but George Lynch sealed the game with a three-point play when David Wesley passed through three defenders and hit a cutting Lynch under the basket.

Jamaal Magloire had 15 points and 12 rebounds for the Hornets, who outrebounded the Celtics 50-31.

Paul Pierce scored 23 points for the Celtics. Boston was held to a season-low 73 points and has dropped six of nine.

Wizards 106, Cavaliers 95

WASHINGTON — Gilbert Arenas scored 25 points, Etan Thomas worked hard for a career-high 18 points and 10 rebounds, and Washington kept LeBron James and Cleveland winless on the road.

James scored a career-high 28 points on 10-for-18 shooting with eight assists and seven rebounds, but Thomas was the biggest force in the game. He came off the bench to cap an eventful evening that started when he got rear-ended in a car accident on the way to the arena.

Larry Hughes added 22 points for the Wizards, and Kwame Brown had 15 points and 10 rebounds in a rare quality game from the Washington frontcourt.

76ers 81, Raptors 75

TORONTO — Marc Jackson scored a season-high 23 points, Aaron McKie added 21 and Philadelphia beat Toronto despite playing without Allen Iverson and two other starters.

Eric Snow had 18 points, eight assists and six rebounds, and Kenny Thomas added 13 rebounds and 12 points for the 76ers.

Vince Carter scored 20 points for the Raptors, who dropped to 5-1 at home.

Pacers 91, Clippers 78

INDIANAPOLIS — Al Harrington scored 22 points and grabbed nine rebounds, leading Indiana over Los Angeles.

Jeff Foster added 11 points and 14



Kings guard Bobby Jackson goes around Jazz forward Jarrod Collins Wednesday in Salt Lake City.

rebounds for the Pacers, who improved to an NBA-best 9-2.

Keyon Dooling led the Clippers with 18 points and five assists.

The Pacers started the fourth quarter with a 15-3 run to put away the Clippers, who shot 1-for-12 during the stretch.

Harrington started in place of All-Star forward Jermaine O'Neal, who missed the game with tendinitis in his right knee.

Rockets 85, Warriors 83

HOUSTON — Yao Ming scored 23 points and supplied almost all of Houston's offense in the fourth quarter to lead the

Rockets over the Golden State Warriors 85-83 Wednesday night.

Yao had 15 of the Rockets' 21 points in the final period. The Warriors lost their fourth in a row.

Houston led by a point with 15 seconds left, but Yao missed two free throws. Kelvin Cato made a foul shot with two seconds remaining for the final margin.

Steve Francis scored 23 points as Houston beat Golden State for the fourth time in the last five meetings. Maurice Taylor returned from a six-game suspension and scored seven points in 15 minutes.

SPORTS

Plummer leads Denver against Bears

After failing to sign free-agent QB, Chicago now must try to stop him

By Terry Bannon
Chicago Tribune

CHICAGO - When last winter's free agent quarterback roulette began, Jake Plummer was the one almost everyone wanted. Sure, he visited with the Bears and said all the right things.

Then he hopped a plane west and signed with the Broncos, which everyone knew he was going to do all along. Plummer is a native of Idaho and played at Arizona State. Chicago Bears general manager Jerry Angelo and coach Dick Jauron would go hiking through the Rockies together before Plummer would move to the Midwest.

Just to add to Jauron's long season, Plummer has regained his health just in time to face the Bears on Sunday in Denver. Plummer, who hadn't played since the Oct. 5 loss to Kansas City, warmed up the Broncos' offense at the expense of the San Diego Chargers in one of those 37-8 games that wasn't really that close.

"He played extremely well and made some plays that a lot of quarterbacks can't make," Denver coach Mike Shanahan said.

"He'll be the first person to tell you that it is very tough to come back after being off for four weeks and ask a guy to come in and play at the level he played at. I was very impressed with that."

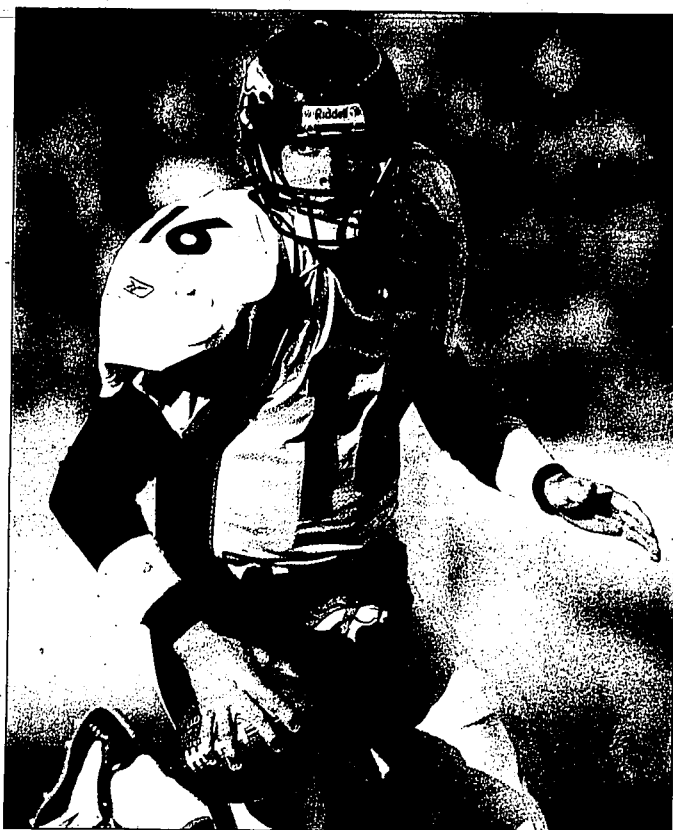
The Broncos are 6-4, but 5-1 in games Plummer started. He completed 23-of-34 passes for 235 yards and three touchdowns Sunday, all to tight end Shannon Sharpe. Alas, he did throw one interception. But it's a sign of the kind of year he's having that he had thrown 133 passes without one.

"Nothing was perfect but he hung in there and kept on competing and really gave us the spark we needed," Shanahan said.

For Plummer, this season has mirrored his career, one filled with promise and frustration. If the San Francisco 49ers had listened to their longtime coach Bill Walsh, Plummer likely would have been their first round pick in 1997, and who knows how that might have affected NFL history.

He went to Arizona on the second round and led the Cardinals to a wild-card playoff berth in 1998. The Cardinals beat Dallas for their first postseason victory in 51 years. But then everything in the desert went south. When Plummer's contract expired last winter, it was time for him to leave Arizona.

This year's season opener was something of a disaster for Plummer—he threw three interceptions and completed only 12-of-25, but the Broncos still won at Cincinnati 30-10. After that the offense started clicking. A month later the injuries knocked him out. While Plummer was out, backup Steve Beuerlein was knocked out for the season with a broken finger, forcing the Broncos to



Broncos quarterback Jake Plummer rolls out against San Diego last Sunday during Denver's 38-7 victory. Plummer and the Broncos head to Chicago this weekend.

use third-stringer Danny Kanell. Without Plummer, the Broncos went 1-3.

"It's hard to explain as a player what you feel when you're watching and can't do anything to contribute," Plummer said. "But I definitely felt great getting out there. We have expectations and a level as a team that we're striving for."

"(Sunday's game) was a big step for us because we came out and made plays for the first time in a while. That's not a knock on anybody before me, because Danny did a great job, but we just didn't make the plays. That goes for a lot of guys. There were some of his balls that should have been caught."

Plummer is the NFL's fourth-ranked passer, behind only Steve McNair, Peyton Manning and Daunte Culpepper. He has

completed 62.4 percent of his passes, 11 for touchdowns, and has only four interceptions. In facing a quarterback like Plummer, the Bears have to be conscious of his ability to get out of the pocket and make plays. He didn't pick up the nickname "Snake" because he runs straight ahead.

"You have to be careful to stay in your rush lanes but you can't be aggressive," Bears defensive end Alex Brown said. "When he gets out of the pocket he can make plays with his feet. We have to be aware of that."

"If you make a decision to go you have to go 100 m.p.h. and try to make the play." Running back Clinton Portis said. "He'll pick up third-and-6 by running the ball, or he can throw it downfield and create big

plays. When you have a guy who can do so many different things, then the defense has to prepare for all of that."

Nobody seemed happier to get Plummer back than Sharpe.

"With Jake, you figure the guy has been out five or six weeks, and for him to be as sharp as he was, he didn't miss a beat," Sharpe said. "It was just up to us to make big plays, and that was what we were missing the last four or five weeks. Once given the opportunities to make big plays, we were fine."

The additional bad news for the Bears is about Sharpe, 35, the all-time leader in pass receptions by a tight end.

"Actually, really, truly, this is the first time I have been healthy all year," he said. Just in time for the Bears' visit.

Golf

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Singh is paired with Retief Goosen in the second match. Woods and Charles Howell III are in the last match.

Ten team matches are scheduled Friday, six on Saturday and 12 singles matches Sunday will decide who wins the cup.

Interest already is high. The Presidents Cup is a sellout, with crowds of more than 20,000 expected all four days. Former President Nelson Mandela, who spent 27 years in prison for opposing apartheid, was to speak during opening ceremonies Thursday.

The real impact might be after the Presidents Cup is over.

The Sunshine Tour, in South Africa has about a dozen black players at most tournaments. They are largely unknown compared to the country's biggest stars, such as three-time major winner Ernie Els and Goosen, a U.S. Open champion.

"Our tour in South Africa is small, so they don't see a lot of golf," Els said. "But they know what's happening in the world."

They know Woods has dominated the game, winning 46 times in eight countries. They know Singh won the PGA Tour money list this year, and that he and Woods own green jackets from winning the Masters.

And they know there aren't many other stars in golf who look like them.

"We're 1 and 2 in the world, but we're the only two out there," Woods said. "You would think that there would be more players of color on tour by now, but it's going to take time for the junior golf programs to kick in."

Klitschko

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soon become vacant.

Derided as a slow Eastern European-type fighter who wouldn't have a chance against the slick Lewis, Klitschko more than held his own as he took the fight to the champion in a brawl that he very likely could have won had the referee not stopped the fight because of a bad cut over his eye.

Klitschko was ahead on all three scorecards when the fight was stopped.

"The fight with Lennox Lewis was very important to me," he said. "I feel that people pay attention to me now. They would like to see me get back in the ring. That's the best compliment."

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Apples

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A key to his success this year was his decision to let his assistant coaches do their jobs, Doba said. That was how Price worked with him when he was defensive coordinator, he said.

"He didn't second-guess me and I promised our coordinators the same thing," he said.

Although the Huskies are struggling, Doba said he doesn't think his team—which has lost five straight to UW—will get too confident. Game films show the Husky defense continued to play hard well into the fourth quarter, he said.

Doba sympathizes with Gilbertson, to a point.

"I think that's tough. It's tough on the whole program firing a guy that late and all the problems," Doba said. "I hope it's tough for one more week. I don't want them to wake up yet."

Find the fish

Today's Outdoors section has hints for winter fishing, as well as the angler's guide and the steelhead report.

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AROUND THE VALLEY

Pilot in crash had drugs in his system

LOS ANGELES - Cocaine and alcohol were found in the system of the pilot whose plane plunged nose-first into a Los Angeles apartment building in June, killing him and four others, coroner's officials said.

The plane piloted by Jeffrey T. Siegel had been headed to Ketchum, where he owned a two-story condominium.

Siegel, 50, died from his injuries, but his death certificate will note the detection of "cocaine and alcohol intake." Lt. Fred Corral of the county coroner's office said Tuesday.

The June 6 crash in Los Angeles' Fairfax district, near a trendy shopping area, destroyed much of the 15-unit apartment complex. A 76-year-old resident was killed.

The other victims were on the plane headed to Ketchum where Siegel, a contractor, built homes. Seven people on the ground were injured.

Siegel's widow, Judy Gantz Siegel, said the coroner told her that her late husband's blood-alcohol level was below the legal driving limit of 0.08 percent.

T.F. County Democrats plan fund-raiser Saturday

TWIN FALLS - County Democrats are preparing this week for their major fall fund-raising and social event, a "Grand Chili Feed and Family Fun Night," to be held at the Senior Citizens Center, 530 Shoshone St. W., beginning 6 p.m. Saturday.

Carolyn Boyce, state Democratic Party leader, and Wendy Janset, minority leader in the Idaho House, are expected to speak on major issues that may arise in the legislative session that gets under way in January. Lin Whitworth, former interim state senator from Pocatello, may also speak on repeal of the Idaho right-to-work law.

Entertainment will be provided by local musicians, who also will lead a sing-along, and attendees will have chances at several prizes.

The event is open to the public, and "we've tried to make it a family-oriented affair to reflect our party's program emphasis in Idaho," said Olga Bybee, the event chairman. Cost is \$5 a person, \$15 for a family of three or more.

Further information may be obtained by calling Bybee at 733-2752, or Harry Phillips, Twin Falls County Democratic Central Committee chairman, at 735-8825.

Students will hear talk on misuse of antibiotics

TWIN FALLS - As part of an effort to reduce the misuse of antibiotics, the Intermountain Region's Antimicrobial Resistance and Therapy plans presentations to second-grade classrooms at Lincoln Elementary School on Monday and Tuesday.

Students will learn the differences between viruses and bacteria and that antibiotics will not help them feel better when they get sick with a virus. In addition, researchers with IMPART will teach the kids how to wash their hands properly, to help avoid infections.

IMPART is a Centers for Disease Control and Prevention-funded project and has been tracking antibiotic resistance levels in the Twin Falls area for two years. For more information about IMPART or the school presentations, visit www.impartproject.org or call (801) 585-7085.

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Snowpack levels

Watershed	% of Avg.	% season peak**
Upper Snake Basin	114%	55%
Salmon Falls	98%	42%
Salmon	85%	57%
Oakley	108%	38%
Big Wood	75%	80%
Little Wood	69%	84%
Henry's Fork/Teton	109%	54%
Big Lost	78%	60%
Little Lost	88%	48%

As of Nov. 19

**A comparison of basin snowpack on this day with a 30-year average.
*An indicator of basin snowpack for the entire snow season, which peaks in April.

Aquifer recharge raises sturgeon worries

By Jennifer Sandmann
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - White sturgeon in the Snake River are the primary native fish of concern for state biologists when it comes to aquifer recharge plans.

Representatives of the Idaho Department of Fish and Game met Wednesday in Twin Falls with members of the Middle Snake Regional Water Resource Commission.

Representatives from Gooding, Twin Falls, Lincoln, Jerome, Minidoka and Cassia counties are members of the water commission, which is interested in developing a cooperative groundwater recharge plan. Aquifer recharge - which would involve diverting more water from the Snake River and sending it through canals - is just one tool under consideration for sustaining the

area's water supply.

Areas of the Magic Valley are facing serious water shortage issues, particularly on the north side of the Snake River.

Water commission members wanted to hear from biologists how recharge plans could affect Snake River fisheries as they consider the cause-and-effect scenarios of recharge. The popular catch-and-release white sturgeon, which can grow to 6 feet and longer, is biologists' main concern.

Water temperature is important for successful sturgeon spawning, said Tracey Trent, chief of the Natural Resources Policy Bureau for the Department of Fish and Game in Boise.

Sturgeon need cool water temperatures for spawning. The only productive spawning habitat in the mid-Snake River between Milner and King Hill is between the lower

Bliss Dam and C.J. Strike Reservoir, according to Fish and Game. But a combination of low-water years and slack water created by the dams increases the river's water temperature there.

Taking more water out of the river channel for aquifer recharge during spring spawning could further complicate sturgeon spawning success.

Canal managers say about one-third of their water is lost to seepage. The proposed recharge scenario involves buying reservoir water at American Falls from the state water bank and channeling water through canals on the north side of the river at Milner Dam. This would be done in the spring and fall before and after the irrigation season to allow the water to seep into the ground there.

"We're concerned that ... we won't get

sturgeon spawning conditions often enough to maintain a population," Trent said.

But the issue appears to be one that can be worked out by how the river and aquifer recharge are managed, he said. Managing recharge to limit the effect on sturgeon spawning would be ideal.

David Blew, aquifer recharge manager with the Idaho Department of Water Resources, said the amount of water that would be used for recharge probably wouldn't be enough to affect sturgeon spawning.

Before recharge can even begin, a recharge district must be formed, Blew said. And that could require some changes in state law.

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PIERCING THE DARKNESS



Saint Alphonsus Hospital Life Flight pilot Brian Toomey shows off a new set of night vision goggles at the Saint Alphonsus Life Flight hangar at Boise Municipal Airport in Boise Tuesday.

Boise hospital updates Life Flight helicopters

The Associated Press

BOISE - Life Flight helicopters and a fixed-wing plane that serve the Magic Valley are loaded with new equipment that allows pilots to see in the dark and relay their positions to dispatchers once a minute.

Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center is adding an automated flight tracking system, advanced night-vision goggles and upgraded dispatch software to its air force.

"I don't know of another flight program that's doing all three simultaneously and has all systems up and running," Life Flight manager Kenneth Sheldon said Wednesday.

The equipment will help pilots and flight nurses better negotiate weather, darkness, remote and rugged terrain, and improve ground-to-air communication.

Saint AL's operates three heli-

copters and a plane to reach patients in remote towns in southern Idaho, northern Nevada and eastern Oregon.

"You fly northeast of Bogus Basin, there's nothing out there," Sheldon said, referring to the ski area near the capital city. "It's just black at night, but there's still a lot of people out there."

The hospital has operated Life Flight for about 17 years. Limits on technology have made it more difficult for crews to maintain contact with dispatchers in mountainous terrain. The flight crew would speak with dispatch via cell phone or backcountry radio link.

"Or in extreme conditions, we would send the aircraft back to altitude to get back into contact and inform them what was going on," Sheldon said. "That was inherently more risky than leaving the aircraft on the ground."

The new OuterLink flight

tracking device continually monitors the aircraft with a global positioning system, reporting its location and air speed once a minute.

"We would not have radio communication with the flight crews, especially down in canyons and behind mountains," Sheldon said. "Now, as long as you can hit the satellite with a signal, they know where we are."

The dispatchers also can watch the craft's movement on a three-dimensional topographic map. The aircraft can send text messages about the patient and the flight even when it's out of radio contact.

Old-technology night-vision goggles were used by flight nurses but were not good enough for the pilots. The new goggles employ sources of light such as stars or even reflected light off clouds at night, and multiply that light 35,000 times, so the pilots

can fly with them.

"We won't use them to fly into weather, but we'll be able to see the clouds and the mountains," Sheldon said.

The new technology costs about \$280,000. The hospital expects to recoup its investment through improved service in two years, spokeswoman Sarah Berg said.

The helicopters have a range of about a 160 miles, taking in the McCall area to the north, Salmon in the northeast, Burley to the east and McDermitt, Nev., to the south. The airplane can fly to Seattle or Salt Lake City.

"It's all about access, being able to get to the backcountry," Sheldon said. "Patients receive not just the services of the flight program, but services Boise hospitals provide that they don't have in rural communities. Everybody is entitled to a level of care they don't always get."

Renegade deer stalks Sun Valley

Police: Animal likely
has 'gone bad' since
becoming domesticated

By Pat Murphy
Times-News correspondent

SUN VALLEY - A renegade deer that stalked and attempted to attack at least two people in Sun Valley in less than 24 hours gladed police and state Fish and Game officers Wednesday.

Sun Valley police officers witnessed both attempted attacks by the deer, which was described by one of its intended targets as a "very big" antlerless bull weighing about 200 pounds.

Sun Valley Police Chief Cam Dagggett said police were first alerted to the deer Tuesday night about 8:30 p.m. when Officer Mike "Abald" spotted "the deer chasing a bicyclist pedaling frantically along Sun Valley Road toward downtown Ketchum."

The officer pulled his SUV patrol car between the deer and the cyclist in the parking lot of the Lady of the Snows Catholic Church, which is six blocks from Ketchum's Main Street and only a block from fashionable shops. The deer then vanished into the darkness.

Chief Dagggett said the man, identified only by the last name of Fitzgerald, told police he was mountain biking at Proctor Mountain near Sun Valley's most expensive homes when the deer appeared and began stalking him.

The cyclist detoured down a path past the Sun Valley resort's Trail Creek Cabin in hopes of escaping, but the deer pursued him for some two miles along Trail Creek/Sun Valley Road until the police officer interceded.

Then, according to Chief Dagggett, the deer reappeared a few hours later just before midnight behind the Catholic Church in a condo complex, Val de Sol, frightening a resident who returned to his residence rather than taking a walk.

Chief Dagggett said Sun Valley officer Derek Brown, who was parked conducting radar speed checks, witnessed the deer charging up behind Marlin

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Resort will open Wednesday at latest

By Karen Bossick
Times-News correspondent

SUN VALLEY - It's official: Baldy will open Wednesday, one day ahead of its planned Thanksgiving Day opening.

But, then again, it could open even earlier if Ol' Man Winter sees fit to relieve himself of 3 to 5 inches of snow today, as weather forecasters are predicting.

"Anything's possible," said Shannon Besoyan, a spokeswoman for the resort. "We could open earlier. We could expand the list of runs we open with. We're at the point now where it would benefit skiers to call or check our Web site on a daily basis."

Cranking the lifts up will be an afterthought for Ketchum skier Sean McEntee. He has already skied down the mountain three times.

"They have mid-winter condi-



Skiers like Josh Zuok of Ketchum, here shown in action last year, are jumping for joy at the news that Sun Valley Resort will open early.

There's easily a foot of man-made snow, with 8 to 12 inches of

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Random drug testing in Richfield draws fire

By Jeannette Chambers
Times-News correspondent

RICHFIELD - School Board members have chosen to conduct a survey on their proposed drug policy after hearing more concerns from several well-versed parents, one of whom promised to hire a civil rights attorney to fight them if they permit random testing.

The public hearing Monday was much more subdued than a previous discussion on the topic in October, where 1 1/2 hours of fiery debate was punctuated by calls for order as residents talked out of turn and over one another.

Despite the more relaxed setting, several Richfield residents

spoke passionately against the random drug testing of students in extracurricular activities.

Terry Burnage, a district employee and mother of students attending the Richfield schools, told the School Board the testing would be a humiliating experience to students.

If the policy is adopted, Burnage said, she promised to "put all the money that I make from the school to hire a civil rights attorney to protest the policy, and the school could find itself in litigation."

Burnage told the School Board the story of a student she knew at another school who she said was called out of class over the loudspeaker for a random drug

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Doris Knudson - Twin Falls

Doris Knudson, age 61, of Buhl, passed away Sunday, Nov. 16, 2003, at her home.
She was born Oct. 6, 1942, at Twin Falls, Idaho, the daughter of Mark D. and Vonda Griffin Jaynes. On Dec. 26, 1961, at Elko, Nevada, she married Gary A. Knudson and the couple made their home in Twin Falls. She was a cook for several years at the Castleford School and a short time at the Buhl-Senior Center and also served on several election boards. Doris had many things she enjoyed like her children, grandchildren, gardening, and flowers, she loved to sing, and has participated many times in the Candlelight Christmas Cantata in Castleford and Clover. Doris loved all types of music and dearly enjoyed watching the sunset. She was a member of the Followers of Christ Church where she served faithfully with her wonderful husband. She loved to cook and feed the crowd. She



enjoyed traveling and visiting family and friends. Doris also enjoyed refinishing old pieces of furniture. She also had a great love for colored glass, vases, cups, saucers and such. Mom loved to read books. Doris always found the joy in every moment; she loved life and was a great mom

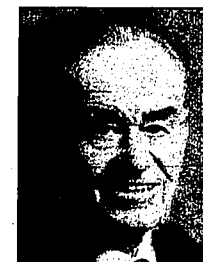
and friend to lots of people she came in contact with. She will greatly be missed.
In addition to her husband, Gary of Buhl, she is survived by her children, Mike and Jennifer Knudson of Halley, Idaho, Craig Knudson of Hansen, Idaho, Donnie of Boise, Idaho, Doug and Lisa Knudson of Buhl, Idaho, Casey and Teja Knudson of Boise, Idaho; brothers; Robert and Alene Jaynes of Buhl, Idaho, and Charlie and Linda Jaynes of Hurricane, Utah; four grandchildren, Caleb, Isaac, Brittnay, Nathan, and numerous nieces and nephews.
She was preceded in death by her parents and son, infant Eric James Knudson.
A celebration of Doris's life will be held at 1 p.m. Friday, Nov. 21, 2003, at Reynolds Funeral Chapel. Family will greet friends from 6-8 p.m. Nov. 20, 2003, at the Chapel. Interment will be at Sunset Memorial Park.

Raymond Leon Jones Jr. - Jerome

Raymond Leon Jones Jr., 80, of Jerome, went to be with our Heavenly Father, Tuesday, Nov. 18, 2003.
He was born Oct. 18, 1923, to Raymond and May Molyneux in Salt Lake City, Utah. After moving several times, the family finally settled in Preston, Nev.
Upon graduating from high school in Lund, Nev., in 1942, Raymond went to work in a gold mine near Round Mountain, Nev. Later he worked as a carpenter in Hawthorn, Nev.
He was drafted into the U.S. Army in February 1943 and sent to Camp Hood, Texas, for basic training. After finishing boot camp, he was sent to radio school. Raymond was then given the option of going through officers' training or going to college. He opted to go to college and studied engineering at the University of Louisiana until he was shipped out to Belgium in WWI. In January of 1945, due to the death of his father, he was discharged and returned home to help his brother Melvin run the family farm.
While in the service, Raymond was awarded two bronze stars in the French and Belgian Campaigns, a Good Conduct Medal, the European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign medal and the Expert Infantryman Badge.
Raymond married Marjorie L. Bunn on June 24, 1946, in Elko, Nev. Their marriage was solemnized in 1955 in the Idaho Falls



Temple. Together they farmed for about 25 years before they sold off most of the farm and bought several mobile home parks around the valley.
Ray was an active member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and served in many callings throughout his life: three bishoprics, Stake High Council for 11 years, high priest group leader twice and a temple worker in the Boise, Idaho Temple. He also sang in the ward choir, where he learned to sing tenor.
Raymond enjoyed singing so much that he became part of a men's quartet that sang for many programs and meetings around the Magic Valley. He also enjoyed playing pool, and for many years got together with friends for a "pool night."
He is survived by his wife,



Marjorie, of Jerome; sisters, Enid Huffaker of Mountain Home and Donna Lambourn of Edmond, Wash.; brother, Melvin (Beth) Jones of Jerome; three daughters, Carolyn (Eldan) Robbins of Boise, Jackie (Russell) Howell of Jerome, Sandi (Brad) Davidson of Kimberly; one son, Dale (Suzie) Jones of Pocatello; 22 grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.
The service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 22, 2003, in the Jerome LDS Stake Center, 26 N. Tiger Dr. (100 E.), Jerome, with Bishop Lon Thompson officiating. Visitation for family and friends will be held from 6-8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 21, 2003, at Farnsworth Mortuary, 1343 S. Lincoln, Jerome and one hour prior to the service at the church on Saturday. Following the service, interment will take place in the Jerome Cemetery.

Orvind 'Pete' Peterson - Burley

Orvind Fred "Pete" Peterson, 90-year-old Burley resident, died Tuesday, Nov. 18, 2003, at the Eastern Idaho Regional Medical Center in Idaho Falls.
He was born Feb. 1, 1913, in Mt. Pleasant, Utah, the son of Fred James and Estel Peterson. As a small boy he moved with his family to Rupert, where he went to school. He enlisted two separate times in the U.S. Army, serving during World War II. Orvind married Ethel Fern Monzer on June 10, 1945, in Mt. Pleasant. He worked for Ida-Gem Dairyman Inc. for 26 years, but in his earlier years he worked as a logger, mechanic, sheet metal worker and in various farm jobs. He was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and from 1941-1993, he was ordained a high priest. Orvind loved fishing and the outdoors. His favorite hob-



bies were gardening and wood-working. He appeared several times in the newspaper showing off his woodwork and flower gardens. He had a beautiful yard, and lovely flowers and trees.
Survivors include his wife,

Ethel of Burley; a son, Wallace Fred Peterson of Pocatello; two daughters, Melba Henderson of Lewiston and Lucile (James) Rose of Moscow; 15 grandchildren; and 19 great-grandchildren.
He was preceded in death by two parents; two sisters, Melba Brotherton and La Christiansen; a brother, LeVar Peterson; and a granddaughter, Kathryn Rose.
The service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 22, 2003, at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Burley West Stake Center, 2420 Parke Ave., with Bishop Eric Scott Bray officiating. Burial will be in the Pleasant View Cemetery in Burley, with military rites by the local veterans. Friends may call from 9:45-10:45 a.m. Saturday at the church.
Arrangements are under the direction of Payne Mortuary, 221 W. Main St. in Burley.

Terry Joyce Lucore

Terry Joyce Gates Lucore, beloved mother, grandmother, sister, aunt and friend passed away Sunday, November 16, 2003 after a long battle with heart disease.
Terry's life began June 17, 1951. She was the oldest daughter of O.R. "Hap" and Thelma Gates. She grew up in Gooding, graduating from Gooding High School in 1969. During her childhood, she enjoyed riding horses on the family ranch with her father and her sister. After graduation, she joined the Army as a nurse and was stationed at Fort Sam in Houston, Texas, and Fort Dix in Kentucky. After her discharge, she continued her career as a nurse, which she enjoyed a great deal because she was able to help people.
Terry's life was fulfilled with her children, Chris, Heather and



Holly. She loved them very much and enjoyed watching them grow up. Her love for her children would only be surpassed by the love for her three grandchildren, Derek, Cora and Justin.
Terry is survived by her chil-

dren, Chris (Veronica) Lowe, Heather (Phil) Conklin and Holly Lowe; her grandchildren, Derek and Cora Lowe and Justin Conkin; her sisters, Marta (Henri) LeMoyné and Sharon Warner; her niece, Kayla (Craig) Kelly and her nephew, Sean Brown; her stepmother, Nettie Gates; and her extended brothers and sisters, Gary Merit, Ron Marit, Phyllis Drake, Jeannie McCreary and Carol Fields.
Her parents, O.R. "Hap" Gates in 1981 and Thelma Gates in 1995; her sister, Joyce-Webb in 2002, preceded her in death.
A memorial service to celebrate her life will be held at 2 p.m. Friday, Nov. 21, 2003, at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home in Twin Falls. Visitation will be held from 5-7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 20, 2003, at the funeral home.

John J. Miltenberger - Twin Falls

John J. Miltenberger, 62, of Twin Falls, passed away at his home in Twin Falls. He was born June 15, 1941, in Oklahoma City, Okla., the son of John J. Sr. and Francis Outlaw Miltenberger.
When he was a young boy, his family moved to California and he completed his education and graduated from San Fernando High School in San Fernando, Calif. He went onto to attend National Trade School in Los Angeles, Calif., and earned his degree in electronics.
On Jan. 7, 1961, in Las Vegas, Nev., John married his high school sweetheart, Colleen McFall.
John worked for a company called Rockadine for several years and then he moved to Litton Industries and quickly became manager of the Data Systems Department. He held this position until 1979, when he moved his family to Idaho. After moving here, he quickly put his skills to use for several employers including Scotts Refrigeration, the Jerome School District and Jerome Cheese Company.
He was very active in the Twin Falls First Presbyterian Church as a deacon and elder. John and



Colleen also served as high school advisors in the church for several years and took the group on several trips to assist smaller churches with various projects.
John was a devoted family man for whom the greatest pleasure was spending time with his wife, his children and grandchildren. He loved camping and hiking, and instilled this love of the outdoors in his family. He was a kind and generous man who was always available to help when asked. All who knew and loved John will

miss him very much.
Surviving John are his loving wife, Colleen; three children, John Allen Miltenberger of Twin Falls, Idaho, and Patricia (Bill) R. of Jerome, Idaho; his mother, Francis Forbes of Twin Falls; one brother, Charles (Toni) Miltenberger of St. Louis, Mo.; and sister, Francis Zimmerman of Pittsburgh, Calif.
Also surviving are three grandchildren, Nicole Ruby (Daniel Spencer), Melissa Ruby and Shawn Miltenberger.
His father, John Sr.; and his daughter, Cherie, preceded him in death.
The memorial service for John will be held at 4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 22, 2003, at the Twin Falls First Presbyterian Church, 209 Fifth Ave. N. in Twin Falls, with Pastor Paul Reeves officiating. The family requests that everyone attending please dress casual.
In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorials be sent to St. Alphonsus Cancer Research Center, 1055 Curtis Road N., Boise, Id 83706.
All services and arrangements are under the direction of the Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls, Idaho.

Elmer Dale Hamilton - Medical Lake, Wash.

Elmer Dale Hamilton, age 69, entered into rest Nov. 9, 2003, with his family by his side.
Elmer was born on June 16, 1934, in St. John, Kan. He was drafted into the U.S. Army after high school, serving three years as a medic. Elmer met and married his wife and companion of 34 years, in Othello, Wash. Their first child, Ginger, was then born. After moving to Sprague, Wash., they had their second child, Samantha. In the year of 1979, he and his family moved to Medical Lake, Wash., where he resided and lived for 23 years. Elmer spent his years taking care of his family, being a wonderful husband and father. He worked with all his heart for 27 years at Lakeland Village before retiring only a few days ago. There he developed many friendships that will live on forever. He was an avid sport fan and cook.
Elmer was preceded in death by his parents, Elmer Thomas and Irene Hamilton and his sisters, Inogene Hamilton and Mamie Ann Johnson.



He is survived by his wife, Andrea Hamilton, Medical Lake, Wash.; brothers, Larry Dean Hamilton and sister-in-law, Mary Jo, Tigard, Ore.; and Sam Hamilton, Paul, Idaho; daughters, Ginger Sonneborn and son-in-law, Edward, Spokane, Wash.; and Samantha Beattie and son-in-law, Clifford, Lacey, Wash.; grandchildren, Jerred, Jordan, Carter and

Ryan Sonneborn and Jaydean and Dale Beattie; brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Phil and Linda Grunden, Henderson, Nev.; numerous nephews and nieces.
His family will keep him in their hearts forever. He will always be remembered as a loving husband, father, brother, grandfather, uncle and friend. A special thank you to all of his friends and coworkers at Lakeland Village. Thank you for keeping Elmer in your thoughts over the years. He cared for you, dearly.
Elmer will be entered into final interment at 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 22, 2003, at Spokane Memorial Gardens Cemetery, 5909 S. Cheney-Spokane Rd. There will be a family and friends remembrance at the family home directly following the memorial service.
The family requests in lieu of flowers that a donation be made to the Spokane Guildy School and Neuromuscular Center, 2118 W. Garland Ave., Spokane, WA 99205. Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

DEATH NOTICE

Kyle J. Bell
BUHL - Kyle J. Bell, 83, of Buhl, died Wednesday, Nov. 19, 2003, at the Twin Falls Care Center in Twin Falls.
The memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 22, 2003, at Farmer Funeral Chapel, 130 N. Ninth in Buhl.

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Water rate hikes meet no opposition

By Diale Thomas Raska
Times-News correspondent

JEROME - A typical family of two in Jerome will see its water bills increase \$50 per year if an ordinance to raise rates is adopted by the City Council.

A hearing on the proposed water rate increase Tuesday attracted no public testimony, but City Administrator Travis Rothweiler used the opportunity to outline a \$3.9 million water system improvement project and its relation to the rate increases for the half dozen people in attendance. The city will begin the project soon if the water rates are increased.

Rothweiler said the last raise in the city water rate was in 1996. Growth and economic expansion has allowed the city to capture additional revenue without increasing rates to the residential customer until now, he said.

Of the \$3.9 million water system improvement, \$3.6 million will come from a loan through the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality's State

Revolving Loan Fund, payable at 3.75 percent interest over 20 years. The remaining \$300,000 will come from the city's Water Fund Capital Reserve Account.

The proposed billing increase follows Water rates go from 57 cents per 100 cubic feet to 67 cents from \$160 debt service to \$410 debt service, the capital reserve stays the same at \$2.25, and the operating reserve stays the same at 45 cents per household.

The rates are based on a three-fourth-inch-diameter water connection. Rates for service different than three-quarters-inch diameter will be calculated individually using a formula.

Rothweiler pointed out that the 72 cents per 100 cubic feet was based on actual water consumption.

A hypothetical water bill for a family of two that uses 1,110.5 cubic feet of water per month would increase just above \$50 per month. The family currently pays \$6.33 on the water consumption portion of their bill. Calculated at the new proposed

rate of 72 cents, that family would pay \$7,995.67, or \$8 - a difference of \$1.67. The debt service rate would increase \$2.50 per month for a total monthly increase of \$4.17 on the hypothetical family's water bill.

Jerome received judicial confirmation from 5th District Judge Barry Wood in October 2002 to allow the city to get a 20 year, \$3.6 million loan from the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality to repair and upgrade the city's water system.

The proposed water project includes a new well, a well pump, a booster station and a million-gallon storage tank to be constructed at the butte east of town. More than 49,260 linear feet of water mains varying in size from six inches to 14 inches in diameter will be installed throughout the community to replacing old, worn out and corroded lines that are too small.

The city water system was originally built in the 1920s and crews occasionally come across one of the original cast-iron water mains, which don't have the good water pressure, Rothweiler said.

"This project is not to serve industry but to replace lines in the heart of the community," he said.

The increased fire flows will allow more fire hydrants to be installed where needed. This would in turn lower the city's fire insurance rating. Dead-end lines will be closed as a series of loops.

Rothweiler said he calculates that with the increased rates the city will have about \$20,000 in additional revenue over the amount required for the debt service on the loan. He plans to place the extra money in capital improvement funds for future improvements.

Councilman Rob Lundgren suggested the city might want to "bump up the water bill a little bit at a time, periodically, and so that it is not such a big bite and does not hurt so much all at one time."

"The city may not need all the money because the city crews will be doing the labor themselves," city engineer Scott Bybee said. "More people and businesses are coming on line which is generating additional revenue. In a few years the water rates could go down."

Walker Center offers workshop for parents

Magic Valley In brief

GOODING - A parent workshop will be held from 7 to 9:30 p.m. today in the Archie D. Walker Auditorium at the Walker Center's new facility, 605 11th Ave. E.

"What To Do When a Teenager Uses Alcohol/Drugs: A Step-by-Step System That Really Works" will be presented by Dick Schaefer, a national presenter and author.

Admission is free; the public is invited. For more information, call the Walker Center at 934-8461 or (800) 227-4190.

Newspaper seeks thoughts about JFK assassination

The Times-News is working on a story to commemorate the 40th anniversary. President John F. Kennedy's assassination.

Readers who would like to share their thoughts and memories of Nov. 22, 1963, and the days following can call reporter Sandy Miller at 735-3264 or respond by e-mail to smiller@magicvalley.com.

safety check ride as part of a course. The R-44 was taking off, it was struck by another helicopter, a Robinson R-22 piloted by a solo student.

The student survived the collision, but Boyd and his occupant did not.

An official investigation is being conducted.

Boyd had worked as a grocery store manager and owner of a cell phone business. At age 30, he obtained his private fixed-wing license.

By release issued by Silver State Helicopters, his employer said Boyd "was a shining example for the company ... and we will continue to implement several of Brett's systems and ideas company-wide."

He had been with the company for a year and a half.

TFHS graduate dies in helicopter crash

TWIN FALLS - A graduate of Twin Falls High School who was living in Arizona died in a helicopter accident while completing a safety training course.

Brett Dean Boyd, 36, was undergoing the safety course in Torrance, Calif., as part of his job as a general manager of two Phoenix locations for Nevada-based Silver State Helicopters.

According to unofficial reports, Boyd and a senior test pilot had been flying in a Robinson R-44 at the Torrance airport the afternoon of Nov. 6. Boyd was completing a

Photo exhibit opens today at Burley library

BURLEY - A photo exhibit which focuses on the experiences of Idaho's diverse immigrant communities opens with a reception at 3 p.m. today at the Burley Public Library.

The exhibit is organized by the Idaho Community Action Network. It is titled "Shared History, Shared Hopes."

The exhibit documents immigrant contributions to Idaho's communities, along with the challenges immigrants face and must overcome in their everyday lives, a press release from ICAN said.

It was compiled from staff reports

New auditing makes Hagerman look richer

By Sandra Wisecaver
Times-News correspondent

HAGERMAN - A change in audit reporting will make Hagerman richer on paper by the end of the 2003-04 fiscal year, but appearances can be deceiving.

The new reporting model will require the city to re-profile on the same basis as a for-profit entity. The model has been handed down by the federal General Accounting Office. Idaho states require government entities to follow GAO methods for audits, certified public accountant Michael Burr said.

Hagerman city personnel are

now busy doing complete inventories of everything from buildings and infrastructure to office supplies. The streets, curbs, sidewalks, bridges, and other assets will be put on depreciation schedules.

Property deemed to the city as part of the downtown improvement project will be recorded under the new method as an asset. The value of the property will show up as income, but since there is no expense to offset it, it will go into the asset column.

This concept could give a false impression on the city's actual worth. On paper the income statement will look good, but will not

translate into more dollars in city coffers.

The new procedure will, however, require more audit time that translates into higher costs for the city.

The downtown project was a joint effort of the city and businessman Gary Chappel, who built the new Chappel Food Market. Chappel purchased three lots valued at \$129,000, and donated them to the city for the new public parking lot. The lots served as match for project grants.

A for-profit entity utilizes the depreciation expense, but small nonprofit cities typically have tight budgets and lack the funds

to set aside for replacement of depreciated infrastructure.

Hagerman broke even on the 2003 budget according to the annual report.

Other City Council business included:

- Patrol cars sold - Doug Wickham was the high bidder on the city's two retired police cars. Wickham's bid of \$575 for each vehicle was accepted by the council members.

- Manual update - Council members will review the city's personnel policy manual and make recommendations for changes. The policy was last updated in October 1988.

Boys & Girls club gets use of Buhl elementary school

By Mary Lou Potts
Times-News correspondent

BUHL - The School Board has approved a request from the Boys & Girls Club to use Popplewell Elementary School this summer for club activities.

Like this past summer, programs will start one week after school is out. Although it does not yet have its own facility, the Buhl Boys & Girls Club is rapidly making progress now that it has secured land at Linden and Seventh streets from the Buhl School District.

Club officials presented school district officials a rough draft of their proposed facility Tuesday including its floor plan, teen center, work areas, gymnasium, nutrition center and parking area. The facility will have a number of windows placed at strategic locations so that children can be accounted for at all times.

The club's plans call for less than an acre of land for the facility.

Construction bidding

A special meeting of the Buhl School District has been set for 3 p.m. today in the district office for the purpose of opening bids for the construction of the new high school. The meeting is open to the public.

ty, but changes and additions might occur before construction begins.

Representatives in Buhl are working with the club's regional board on financing.

The Buhl representatives have met with the Magic Valley board, who will hire a campaign consultant to organize a fund-raiser for construction of the facility, which we hope will be ready in January or February," said Steve Kaatz, a member of the club's board of directors.

"We will keep the school board updated as the plans unfold and make plans to pay the first year's lease, which is \$1," said Don Hall,

the club's Magic Valley facilitator. Other business by the School Board included:

- Test scores - The board reviewed the Idaho Reading Indicator Test scores with elementary Principal Helen Brown and Curriculum Director Mary Wiggins.

- The kindergarten class scores were low for Hispanic and special education students, while first graders worked at a close 90 percent, with the exception of special education students.

- Second graders shot to 47 percent overall and third graders fared from 53 percent to a low of 24 percent for Hispanics.

- Brown explained that with all the programs in place, reading is the number one priority and math is second.

- The school uses language interventions and students-at-risk tutoring in addition to other programs such as Open Court and Title One.

- "Even though the programs initiated two years ago are working,

we are still striving for better scores overall," Brown said.

- Tennis courts - The board approved an \$18,806 payment that was its share of the cost to redo the tennis courts and make them available to the physical education classes in the spring.

- Superintendent Rick Hill said the community got behind the project and helped with the renovations.

- All-day kindergarten - Parent requests for an all-day kindergarten brought both pros and cons to the surface during a discussion.

- Elementary Principal Brown spoke favorably because she has some kindergarten students who are specially tutored before classes, which already translates to an all-day session at school.

- The biggest problem the district would have with an all-day kindergarten session is lack of space and teachers.

- More research on the subject is expected to be discussed at a later date.

Rupert police participate in seat belt enforcement campaign

The Times-News

RUPERT - Police officers are participating in the national "Click or Ticket" project this month, according to Rupert Police Department Public Information Officer Juan Martinez.

Martinez reminds drivers and passengers that failing to wear a seat belt in Idaho is against the

law. If law enforcement officers see drivers or passengers who aren't buckled up, they plan to make traffic stops and issue tickets, Martinez said.

"We enforce this law because it's the best proven way to save lives," Martinez said. "If you won't buckle up to save your life, then buckle up to save yourself a ticket."

Extra police patrol is planned

for the next couple of weeks, with officers on the lookout for people not wearing seat belts or children who aren't in child safety restraint seats.

The November crackdown is targeted at teenagers and young adults, who are most likely to ride without wearing seat belts, the press release states. Fatality rates for teens are twice that of older

drivers and the risk of crashes for teens is four times as great as for older drivers, according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

Two out of five deaths among teens are the result of a traffic crash. In 2001, 5,341 people between the ages of 16 and 20 died in car accidents, Martinez reported.

Deer

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Miller, 41, a masonry contractor, at the intersection of Sun Valley Road and Butteron, only a block from the Catholic Church.

Miller told *The Times-News* that as he walked his 6-year-old wolf-dog, Tundra, he turned just in time to see the deer rear up on his hind legs and begin the telltale scissoring action of his front legs preparatory to an attack on him and his dog.

Officer Brown then drove his SUV between the deer and Miller, who jumped into the police car with his dog. The deer then vanished again into the night.

Just over a year ago, Miller said he and his dog were attacked by a moose just off Highway 75 south of Ketchum while hiking across the highway from the St. Luke's Wood River Medical Center. Miller said he stumbled onto the

moose's sleeping area. The attack seriously injured his dog, who needed surgery and a plastic knee, he said.

Chief Daggert said he had never heard of a deer stalking and attacking people. He said the deer probably was fed by humans thinking they were doing a good deed, but has become domesticated, and no fear of humans and has "gone bad."

He described both men as gen-

erally "very scared" by the episodes.

The deer was last seen in a large meadow area bordering both sides of Sun Valley Road where trail and sleigh horses are kept in a barn or in the open.

The chief said that unfortunately the deer might have been destroyed by "Fish-and-Game agents when found to prevent further attacks in the populated area.

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powder on top. And we haven't had any melt despite the warm temperatures of the past few days, except perhaps for a little right at the base."

Panoramic Ski Area, meanwhile, only got 6 inches of snow, but a storm that dumped 10 inches on Sun Valley and is still waiting to open.

On Wednesday Sun Valley was reporting 24 inches of snow at the top of 6 inches of snow on mountain and 16 inches at the base.

Open from top to bottom on both the River Run and Warm Springs sides. Open runs will include Upper Colunga, Roundhouse Lane, Roundhouse Slope, Mid and Lower River Run, Upper and Lower Canyon, Flying Squirrel, Lower Picabo and Lower Warm Springs.

Warm Springs Pace, Mid Warm Springs, Ridge, Blue Grouse and Cutoff will likely be next in line to open on a day-to-day basis.

Dollar Mountain's Quarter Dollar Lift and Dollar Cabin will be open through the Thanksgiving,

weekend and close on Sunday, Nov. 30, reopening as conditions permit.

Meanwhile, Galena Lodge and the North Valley Trails will officially open for cross-country skiing on Saturday, although early birds are scouting around the tracks already.

Groomers began packing the trails north of Prairie Creek for skate skiing on Monday following a storm that dumped 19 inches of snow overnight.

"I don't think we've ever gotten that much overnight since I've

been here," said Galena Lodge Manager Chas Savage, who took over the lodge two years ago. "It was nice wet snow, too, so it made for a good base and great skiing."

Galena Lodge will open for the season Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. with a new menu that includes a variety of appetizers, burger topped with mushrooms and onions tailored for those on the Atkins Diet.

Golf fees will return to Burley council next month

By Shelley Ridenour
Times-News writer

BURLEY - Two hours of discussion at Tuesday's City Council meeting failed to result in any action on the city administrator's request to establish the rates for season golf passes for the upcoming year.

Instead members of the council's golf course committee agreed to meet and hammer out a proposal for consideration by the full council at the Dec. 2 meeting. The meeting will include a public hearing on any proposed rate changes.

City Administrator Mark Mitton pointed out Tuesday that season pass rates haven't changed in three years. He asked the council to set rates because people often want to buy golf passes as Christmas gifts.

Council members earlier this fall debated a proposal to charge people who live within the city limits a lower rate for season passes than people who live outside the city limits. But opposition from golfers seems to have dissuaded the council from that plan.

Mitton passed on a couple of suggestions to the council that he's heard from citizens about

golf rates. Some people have said all season pass rates should be increased by \$50 and others have suggested that an additional per round fee of \$1 or \$2 be assessed for season pass holders.

Or - the council - might think about two tiers of season passes, he said. One could be a limited season pass that allows a certain number of rounds for the year and the other would allow unlimited play.

Councilman Brent Kerbs suggested the council "consider reducing the rate for junior passes, to encourage kids to start golfing, which might pay off over the years, if they continue to golf."

There was also debate Tuesday night about whether the golf course needs to be maintained to as high standards as it is. If the course was mowed less often and other maintenance work conducted less frequently, the city could save money in labor costs, several speakers and council members said.

Some of the were made about course maintenance.

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test. The girl was humiliated when she was told she had to urinate in a cup with a school staff member listening right outside the door.

The girl tested negative, but the student was worried and stressed as she awaited the results.

"This was a student who was getting As and doing very well in school, and the only extracurricular activity she was involved in was Academia - a debate club for high-level students," Turnage said.

Rick Drieling, another parent, showed the School Board a petition with more than 20 signatures of those objecting to the proposed policy.

Other parents said if the district is going to adopt the testing policy, it should have trained personnel present to do the testing.

Some parents said the testing is targeted toward the wrong students because it singles out just those involved in extracurricular programs.

"Don't cut down the apple tree because you fear one apple may have a worm," Turnage told the School Board.

Chairwoman Brenda Farnsworth said if the drug testing policy is adopted, it will be done so correctly.

"We will send out the policy to parents and the date of review, so parents can come, and if it is passed we will obtain legal counsel to make sure all is done right," she said. "We need to take time to do it right and go through all the proper steps."

Farnsworth also concluded the hearing by offering several recommendations:

- A lot of preparation needs to be done to establish whether there is a drug problem among students.

- Staff members need to be trained in the detection of drug use and abuse.

- If drug use by a student is identified, staff members need to file a written report to substantiate suspicion of drug use, and it definitely needs to be kept confidential.

- If substance abuse is found, it needs to be acted on, and law enforcement needs to be notified.

- Letters need to be sent to parents.

School Board member Mike Cenarusa said he supports the proposed policy.

"The current policy is fine; we just need to implement it," he said. "We're trying to stop kids from going down that road."

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OBITUARIES

Marie Brehm Favaro - Twin Falls

Marie Brehm Favaro, 94, of Twin Falls, went to be with her Lord on Nov. 18, 2003, after a lengthy illness.

Marie was born on Sept. 9, 1909, in Brunental, Samara, Russia, the daughter of John and Elizabeth Kinsfater Brehm.

Marie worked for Victor Adding Machine Company for 23 years in Chicago.

Marie married John Favaro on Dec. 17, 1956, in Chicago. He preceded her in death in 1993. They moved to Twin Falls in 1970 and were members of the Bethel Temple Church.

Her parents, two brothers, John and Edward (Ed) Brehm preceded her in death.

She is survived by one sister,



Frieda (Brehm) Hallsten of Twin Falls, Idaho; three brothers, Dan

Arno E. Lange - La Grande, Ore.

Arno E. Lange, a resident of La Grande, Ore., formerly of Rupert, Idaho, died Sunday, Nov. 16, 2003, in his home. He was 84 years old.

The service will be held at 10 a.m. Friday, Nov. 21, 2003, at Hansen Funeral Home 710 Sixth St., Rupert, Idaho. Interment will follow in the Rupert/MAR Cemetery, Rupert, Idaho.

The officiating at the service will be the Rev. Mike Donnan, of the Lutheran Church of Burley, Idaho. Loveland Funeral Chapel, 1508 Fourth St., La Grande, OR 97850, (541) 963-5022 is handling the arrangements.

Mr. Lange was born Oct. 29, 1919,

in Ellsworth, Kan. He was the son of August C. and Ida W. (Carolina) Lange. He was raised and educated in Elliston, Kan. The family later moved to La Grande, Ore., in 1955. He had been a member of the Trinity Lutheran Church in Rupert. He greatly enjoyed gardening, and picking up cans to help support his wife, Virginia's, doll collection. He loved to read westerns. He had a

(Edith) Brehm of Hayden Lake, Idaho, Bob (Dolores) Brehm of Twin Falls and Alex (Linda) Brehm of Sun City West, Ariz.; three step-children, twins Rose Thies of Boise, Charles Favaro of Chicago, and Kay Benedetto also of Chicago.

Numerous nieces and nephews survive Marie.

The service will be conducted at 1 p.m. Friday, Nov. 21, at the Howe-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome with the Rev. Allen Picklesimer officiating.

Friends may call from 9 a.m. until noon Friday at the Howe-Robertson Funeral Chapel.

Memorial donations may be made to the Magic Valley Home Health and Hospice.

quick wit and enjoyed his family. Survivors include six children and their spouses, Norma and Bruce Arbogast of Elgin, Ore., Barbara and Ted Knight of Wallawa, Ore., Don and Linda Frank of Boise, Idaho, Doug and Audrey Frank of Billings, Mont., Ron Frank of Butte, Mont., and Ralph Sievers of Columbia Falls, Mont.; one sister, Elvera Dockett of Rupert, Idaho; and several grandchildren and many nieces and nephews also survive. He was preceded in death by his wife, Virginia, in 2000; one step-son, Dale Frank; his brothers; and his parents.

Army officer, former Idaho resident dies in Baghdad

KAMIAH (AP) - A former Idaho resident and U.S. Army officer died in Baghdad Monday, the victim of what an Army spokesman called "non-hostile gunshot wounds." A relative said Shull was killed when another soldier's rifle accidentally fired.

The death of Capt. James A. Shull, 32, remains under investigation, said Maj. Doug Edwards, an Army spokesman at the Pentagon.

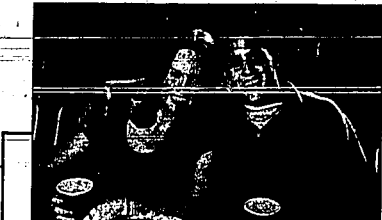
Married with three young children, Shull had been in Iraq since April. His brother, Brad Shull of Boise, Wash., told The Seattle Times that Shull had been checking whether local community centers needed supplies when another soldier's rifle accidentally went off, striking Shull in the head.

"James was such a loving person," Brad Shull said. "He wanted to create good in this world and really cared about all people."

Shull was assigned to battery headquarters and served with the 4th Battalion, 1st Field Artillery of the 3rd Brigade 1st Armored Division, Edwards said. Shull's headquarters provides support services to the soldiers operating artillery emplacements, Edwards said.

He is the third soldier from Idaho killed so far in Iraq. His parents, Joseph and Sandy Shull of Kamiah, could not be reached.

Shull was born in California and later moved with his family to Kirkland, Wash., where he graduated from high school in 1989. He went on to serve a two-year Mormon mission in the Philippines before moving to Rexburg, Idaho, where he graduated with an associate's degree from Ricks College, now Brigham Young University-Idaho.



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Toddler used mother's gun in accidental shooting

WEST VALLEY CITY, Utah (AP) - The gun used by a 4-year-old who accidentally shot and killed his 3-year-old brother belonged to the boy's mother who carried the weapon during her overnight job as a security guard, police said Wednesday.

Ryker Lambert was shot in the head Tuesday morning. The mother, Reagan Lambert, was sleeping after her night shift ended when the children got a hold of the keys to the safe where the gun was located.

"It looks like the little boy knew where his mom kept the keys and was able to connect the fact that the keys opened up the safe to get to his mom's gun," said Captain Craig Biggs of the West Valley Police Department.

The boys had been playing, and a toy gun was found near Ryker's body.

The boy who fired the real gun woke his mother up and told her he shot his brother. But by the time paramedics arrived, Ryker was dead.

Their mother works as an armed security guard on the night shift for a security company. She apparently didn't hear the gun go off, officers said.

Riley told police he was holding the gun when it went off. Police said it's likely he doesn't know the magnitude of what happened or think he sees the lack of supervision of his family, but I don't think it's possible he fully comprehends what happened," said Black.

The state's Division of Child and Family Services had received three anonymous calls in the last year about the boy's lack of supervision. The most recent call came in September or October, a DCFS spokeswoman said, but the case

was closed in November. Each time the department received a call, police were notified and DCFS investigators went to the family's home, but nothing was found to justify claims against the family.

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Library program focuses on award-winning book

HAILEY - A story of love and cultures set in Mexico will be discussed at the Hailey Public Library.

The program is part of the library's bilingual discussion program.

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The movie, "All the Pretty Horses," will be screened at 6:30 p.m. Dec. 2 at the library, 7 Croy St. W. The movie is free.

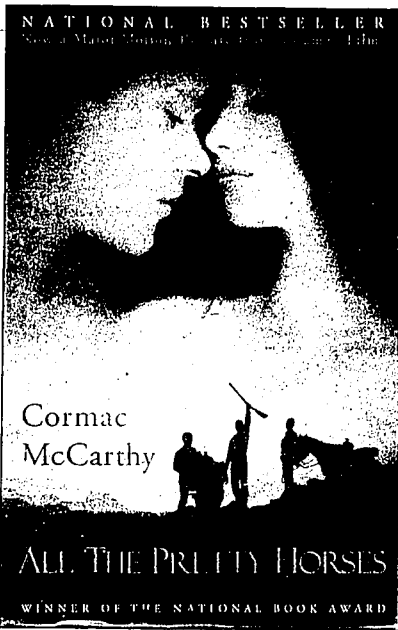
The book by Cormac McCarthy and the movie also will be discussed at 6:30 p.m. Dec. 4 at the Hailey Public Library.

Participation in the discussion and use of the books are free. The books are available in English and Spanish at the front desk of the library.

Although McCarthy is not of Latino descent, the book is included in the Hailey Public Library's bilingual discussion series because it reveals vital intersections between Anglo and Hispanic society, the library reported.

Set in 1949 in the borderlands between Texas and Mexico, McCarthy's novel tells the story of the 16-year-old son of a broken home who decides to run away with his buddy to Mexico. There he discovers a world ruled by rigidity and violence that indelibly marks the man he is becoming.

The movie stars Matt Damon as the young Texas cowboy and Penelope Cruz as the daughter of a wealthy Mexican owner (Ruben Blades) of a ranch where Damon and his buddy (Henry Thomas) are working. Directed by Billy Bob Thornton, the movie is rated PG-13 and will be shown with Spanish subtitles.



Raquel Arenz will moderate the bilingual discussion on Dec. 4 and help translate for Spanish-speaking participants. Arenz is associate professor of bilingual education at the College of

Southern Idaho. The bilingual discussion program is funded by Human Pursuits of Salt Lake City with funds from the National Endowment for the Humanities.

HBA sponsors Toys for Tots party

NAMPA - The Hispanic Business Association is sponsoring a Toys for Tots Party to collect toys for needy children.



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The party will be held from 5-10 p.m. Dec. 8 in the Hispanic Cultural Center

Lobby, 315 Stampede Drive in Nampa. The event will include food and music. Admission is an unwrapped toy or \$10, which will be used to purchase a toy.

Know a Latino who deserves recognition?

TWIN FALLS - Do you know a Latino person who has overcome

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The unveiling of 'Anna' focuses attention on playwright Nilo Cruz

By Michael Kuchwara
The Associated Press

NEW YORK - Not many theatergoers saw "Anna in the Tropics" during its brief run last winter at the tiny, enterprising New Theatre in Coral Gables, Fla., but enough people read it, including jurors for the 2003 Pulitzer Prize for drama.

Now, the curtain is going up on three different productions of the Pulitzer-blessed play - in Princeton, N.J., Chicago and Costa Mesa, Calif. Broadway will see "Anna" in November when the version from New Jersey's McCarter Theatre, directed by Emily Mann at the Royale Theatre.

Their unveilings will focus even more attention on the play's soft-spoken, yet intense author, Nilo Cruz. For the 42-year-old, Cuban-born Cruz, it has been a heady six months since he won the Pulitzer. Countless interviews. Renewed interest in his earlier works. The recent visits to Hollywood for talks with show biz executives.

"It is very much about the power of art," Cruz says when pressed to give a shorthand explanation of the plot. Yet the play is also very much about a time and a place.

"Anna in the Tropics" is set specifically in 1929 in a small town near Tampa, Fla. The place is a cigar factory that employs Cuban immigrants. While they roll cigars, these workers are read to by a lector. And what he reads is the great Russian romance, "Anna Karenina" by Leo Tolstoy. "I wanted to write about the cigar industry in Tampa and specifically about the role of the lecturers (readers) in the cigar factories," Cruz says. "It's a beau-



Actor Jimmy Smits, left, and Cuban-American playwright Nilo Cruz are photographed on the set of the Broadway play 'Anna in the Tropics,' during a press conference in New York on Nov. 7. Cruz wrote the Pulitzer Prize winning work which features Smits and an all-Latino cast.

tiful tradition," a long-dead tradition the playwright first heard about from his father. "I always thought it was fascinating that these workers, some of the illiterate, would pay out of their own pockets to have someone read to them from newspapers and world literature."

The play was commissioned by the New Theatre in Florida, using grant money from the National Endowment for Arts and the Theatre Communications Group. It had closed by the time the Pulitzers were announced and was chosen on the strength of its script.

"Anna in the Tropics" is a gorgeous play and Nilo's most beautiful one to date," enthused Mann. The director, who runs the McCarter, has been one of Cruz's earliest and most ardent champions.

"Anna" was chosen by Mann to open the McCarter's new 360-seat Roger S. Berlind Theatre, located next to its main stage on the Princeton University campus. "Nilo is very particular kind of stage poet," Mann says. "He is a stage poet the way Tennessee Williams is a stage poet, Lorca is a stage poet and Chekhov is a stage poet. Nilo deals with the human heart, and the human soul, in a very romantic, very erotic, very beautiful and very personal way. He reminds me of each of them and yet he's totally himself."

That self was formed in Cuba, a country Cruz left when he was 9. As a child in Cuba, he wrote poetry and mounted the skits with his cousins. His family, brought to the United States by an uncle, settled in Miami. His father ran a shoe store which is where Cruz had his first job.

LET IT BE THE BEATLES



Employees of a record store, Marcela Gomez, center, and Arturo Sanchez, right, give out a poster with each sale of the Beatles CD with a new version of 'Let It Be...Naked' at a crowded store Monday in Mexico City. The new version takes the music closer to the band members' desire to return to basics, as expressed in the optimistic claim on the original sleeve, 'This Is a Now Phase Beatles Album.'

BSU workshop focuses on Mexican clients

BOISE - A workshop focused on working with Mexican clients will be held from June 20-July 9, 2004, in Cuernavaca, Mexico, known as "The City of Eternal Spring." Boise State University's School of Social Work will offer three undergraduate or graduate academic credits or continuing education credits to attendees.

The purpose of the workshop is to help professionals in the health, mental health and education fields learn about contemporary Mexican issues to improve their work with Mexican clients who have recently immigrated to the United States.

Using Mexican professionals as guest lecturers, the workshop will provide more than 45 hours of course content in the following areas: ethnically sensitive practice with Hispanic clients; gender issues; the political, religious, historical and socio-economic context of work with Hispanic clients; Mexican/U.S. relations; and theories of behavior and diagnostic

processes sensitive to the Hispanic experience.

Two well-known social work educators will lead the workshop: Bill Whitaker, a professor and social work program coordinator at Boise State; and Morley Glickson, director of the Big Sky Institute for Personal Growth.

In addition to the workshops, participants will live with Mexican families and take 60 hours of immersion Spanish. They can also participate in several low-cost field trips to such destina-

tions as the Anthropological Museum in Mexico City, the Pyramids of the Sun and the Moon, the homes of artists Diego Rivera and Frida Kahlo, and the famous mural by Rivera at the Presidential Palace in Mexico City.

Cost is \$1,245, plus airfare and fees for academic or continuing education credits. For more information, contact the Boise State University Division of Extended Studies, 1015 Grant Ave., Boise, ID 83725-1120 or call 208 426-1709.

Money sent home from migrants builds community projects in Mexico

By Alfredo Corchado
The Dallas Morning News

PROVIDENCIA DE SOSNABAR, Mexico - A newly leveled road in this Central Mexico village now sits where there were once mud tracks. Electricity is slowly replacing candles in the sturdy brick homes that have supplanted wood and cardboard shacks.

Soon, locals will no longer have to travel miles to pay homage to the heavens on Sundays.

"They're building their own house of worship - thanks to money sent home by immigrants abroad and a government program that matches what they send back to the homeland.

Providencia de Sosnabar is living up to its name - "Providencia." At a time when direct government investment in Mexico is falling because of tough economic times - and the attraction of ever-cheaper labor markets like China's - city leaders and residents have found a way to triple, sometimes quadruple, the town's fortunes.

That's thanks in part to rising money transfers, or remittances, from Mexicans in the United States.

By the end of 2003, Mexican immigrants are expected to send a record \$12 billion back to the

homeland, up from \$9.8 billion a year ago.

Those guiding the town's future are natives like Fortunato Rubi and Jose Carmen Richardo, men who have reinvented themselves as binational citizens. They routinely cross the border between urban Dallas and rural Providencia in the central state of Guanajuato to work or gather donations for community projects from fellow villagers living in Texas.

"We're like an extended family, working together to inject life and hope into our community," said Richardo, standing in foot-deep mud caused by incessant rains. "Without them, Providencia would be living on prayers."

Richardo and Rubi take part in the Mexican government's 3-for-1 program through Casa Guanajuato, a Dallas club formed about eight years ago to meet the needs of communities back home in Mexico.

For every dollar the group kicks in, the government adds \$2 to \$3 more, with the matches coming from the municipal, state and federal governments in Mexico.

In the state of Guanajuato, the number of public-private projects financed this way has nearly doubled to about 100 in two years, says Diana Alvarez, coordinator

of Guanajuato's Migrant Abroad Program.

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Officials scope out Hells Canyon hydro license

BOISE (AP) — Federal regulators heard from business, agricultural and recreational interests on Tuesday in the first public hearing on Idaho Power Co.'s renewal application to "continue" operating the three hydropower dams in the Snake River Canyon between Idaho and Oregon.

The issue looming largest over the proceeding was whether the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ought to consider dam retirement and eventual breaching as a viable alternative to Idaho Power's request to continue operations.

The purpose of Tuesday's hearing was to allow the agency to gather comments from local and regional stakeholders about what sort of environmental, social and economic considerations should be considered in the process of relicensing, which is still expected to take years.

In July, Idaho Power submitted its final application to the federal government seeking relicensing of its massive three-dam Hells Canyon hydroelectric complex, which collectively can produce 1,167 megawatts of power a year.

The 36,000-page document suggests \$324 million worth of mitigation efforts to offset any environmental problems posed by the dams.

The current 50-year license for Brownlee, Oxbow and Hells Canyon dams expires in 2005, but it is unlikely that the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission will decide whether to grant a new license by then.

Predictably, representatives of Idaho's business and agriculture sectors said at Tuesday's hearing that Idaho Power must be allowed to continue to produce cheap electricity to power the state's economy.

'Smokeout' lets smokers choose life

DEAR ABBY: Would you please forward my letter to a very good friend of mine? I have never met this remarkable woman, but she has been a big part of my life for a couple of years. I met her through your column. Her name is "Heartbroken Sister."

I recently celebrated my first year of abstinence from tobacco. She was my inspiration. Had it not been for her letter, I would never have been able to stop. Like "Heartbroken's" sister, I, too, am in my early 40s with small children. Like her, I started smoking at 13.

That letter broke my heart, but it also made me think about the importance of being responsible for my health.

I know she was trying to get through up saving my life. Her sister didn't die in vain.

Please let "Heartbroken" that I love her and that she's always in my heart and prayers. Her letter remains posted on my refrigerator where I can see it every day as a reminder of her inspiration and love.

—LYDIA ELDREDGE, POCATELLO, IDAHO



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begin immediately. Twenty minutes after the last cigarette, blood pressure drops to a level close to that before the last cigarette. Eight hours after quitting, carbon monoxide levels in the blood drop to normal. Twenty-four hours later, the chance of heart attack decreases.

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After five years, stroke risk is reduced to that of a nonsmoker. After 10 years, the lung cancer fatality rate is about half that of a smoker's, and the risk of oral, throat, esophageal, bladder, kidney and pancreatic cancer also decreases. Fifteen years after quitting, the risk of coronary heart disease is the same as that of a nonsmoker's.

Take it from me — those are all terrific incentives to quit today.

The letter that inspired you appeared in my column in November 2000.

Today I'm printing excerpts from it because more than half of all smokers start before age 14. A majority of teenage smokers have tried to quit, but can't. They're "hooked." An estimated 2,000 teens a day begin to smoke. Tragically, half of them will eventually die from a smoking-related illness. Read on:

READERS: The American Cancer Society informs me that when smokers quit, the benefits

Feds list low water as factor in salmon deaths

GRANTS PASS, Ore. (AP) — A long-awaited federal report on what caused the deaths of 33,000 salmon in the Klamath River in September 2002 points to a large return of fish and low water levels as two primary factors.

The report released Tuesday by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service office in Sacramento, Calif., said the low river flows, particularly out of Iron Gate Dam on the Klamath River, failed to draw adult fish upstream. That left large numbers of fish crowding into warm pools where they succumbed to the fast spread of deadly gill rot diseases, according to the report.

Agency Director Steve Williams said the report was consistent with the recent findings of a National Research Council panel of scientists, which found that solving the water problems of the Klamath Basin requires a range of fixes, not just putting more water down the river.

The fish kill has been a central issue in the battle over water in the Klamath Basin. It came after

the Bureau of Reclamation restored full irrigation to the Klamath Reclamation Project. That ended a shut-off to meet Endangered Species Act demands for endangered suckers in Upper Klamath Lake and threatened coho salmon in the Klamath River.

Environmentalists and commercial salmon fishermen said they hoped the report would push the Bureau of Reclamation, which controls the split of water between the Klamath Reclamation Project and the Klamath River, to allocate more water to the river.

Reclamation spokesman Jeff McCracken said that was unlikely. The agency has a biological opinion dictating how much water it must release down the river to maintain threatened coho salmon, and the Fish and Wildlife Service report does not direct any change in flows, he said.

McCracken added that the Klamath Project accounts for only a third of the flows where the fish died.

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Aries' eloquent expression convinces partners

IF NOVEMBER 20 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY — you are sensitive and home-loving, you have talents for interior design, architecture and cuisine. Attracted to unusual people and situations, you would also make a good researcher and explorer. There's financial gain in December and a love interest early next year, if single.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 19): Having expressed what's on your mind with eloquence, you've made a convincing case to partners and friends.

TAURUS (Apr. 20-May 20): Someone near and dear needs you. It may be that you find it hard to decide what is best. A new perspective is gained when you realize you're not responsible.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Tolerating bad behavior can arouse anger. Despite well-justified fears about alienating co-workers, you're better off confronting a situation.

CANCER (Jun. 21-July 22): You may have to review a relationship that has been under stress for a while. Make sure a get-together offers the opportunity for an exchange of minds.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Showing love and consideration is what a partner or loved one expects. Take time to assure him or her that your feelings are.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Keeping a relationship on the right keel as you are sailing the sea of life is not easy. You want to share responsibilities.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Proving doubters wrong, you get busy on a project. The moon in your sign linked to an inspirational

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Jeraldine Saunders

Neptune gives you confidence. **SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** Concentration on a business deal requires you all. Being secretive is to your advantage, as too many in

the know may spoil the broth. **SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** Lauding your achievements and singing your own praises can cause embarrassment and jealousy to some family members.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Getting a grip on a confusing situation singles you out. Be aware that you could look dictatorial to some.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Your worthwhile ideas are well within your range and know-how. Asking for help gets the project going.

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Pimples and pregnancy send girls to the doctor

Q. Pregnancy is the No. 1 reason females aged 15 through 20 go to doctors. What's their reason No. 2?

A. Pimples. That sage J.B. Priestley said, "Marriage is like paying an endless visit in your worst clothes." Clues to your basic nature are revealed, it's said, in how you think of Time. "Killing time." "Passing time." "Making time." "Wasting time." "On time." "Out of time." "Just in time." And "Timing time."

Q marriage, the actress Simone Signoret said, "It is threads, hundreds of tiny threads, which sew people together through the years. That's what makes a marriage last, more than passion or sex."

The more wildflowers you plant along the roadside, the less people tend to throw out litter. The governmental caretakers say they've found that out.

Q. Do the Mongolians still live in those tents called Yurts?

A. Summers. Or many do. The herders. Winters, most live in two-story apartment buildings.

An insect can put its heart into reverse to beat backwards.

A widow or widower grieves,



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L.M. Boyd

that's no curiosity. What's odd is the surviving spouse of a poor marriage may grieve longer than the surviving spouse of a good marriage. So say researchers. Can you explain the why of it? Our Love and War man theorizes some mourn the failure as well as the loss.

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Find winter fishing hot spots

Fish should abound where springs pour into Snake River

By Stu Murrell
Times-News correspondent

The general fishing season in Idaho closes Nov. 30, but anglers still have ample opportunity to ply their favorite sport.

Lakes, ponds and reservoirs are open the entire year, with some waters designated as family fishing waters with a six-fish daily limit for trout, bass, walleye and pike with no length limits or restriction on gear. In addition, Magic Valley fishermen have the Snake River, which also is open year-round.

Chuck Warren, regional fisheries biologist with the Idaho Department of Fish and Game in Jerome, said the best fish spots should be where springs empty into the Snake River.

Other favorite angling areas are Dierkes Lake, Salmon Falls Creek Reservoir and Crystal Springs in Niagara Springs State Park. Many of these areas have received surplus trout donated from commercial fish hatcheries throughout the year.

The sad story with Idaho's continuing drought is that many of the reservoirs have almost gone dry and fishing is projected to be poor. This is particularly true for the ice fishing this winter. Warren indicated there are some large perch being caught in Magic Reservoir, but angling will probably be slow.

Little Wood Reservoir north of Carey may be a bright spot since it has a conservation pool that could provide some ice fishing.

I took a tour of some spring areas last Saturday and found no fishermen on the Malad River or



These three nice rainbow trout were caught at Banbury Springs outlet into Snake River.

Bell Rapids access area. The temperature was 52 degrees and the sun was periodically shining - a typical late fall day in the Hagerman Valley.

Physical access is difficult in most of the Malad drainage open section upstream to the interstate highway. There were good paths down to the mouth into the Snake River from the parking area at the Malad access road.

A dry fly fisherman would have a ball since there was a mayfly and midge hatch and the water was literally churning with rising trout. After trying, about 10 wet flies with my fly rod, I gave up with only one trout. Most of the fish I saw rising were small, but some broad tails periodically showed that belonged to 15- to 16-inch fish. There should be some bigger trout moving into the Malad River to spawn later in the year.

An angler is allowed six trout in his daily bag if fishing at the mouth of the Snake River. The Malad River itself is classed as a wild trout water with a two-trout

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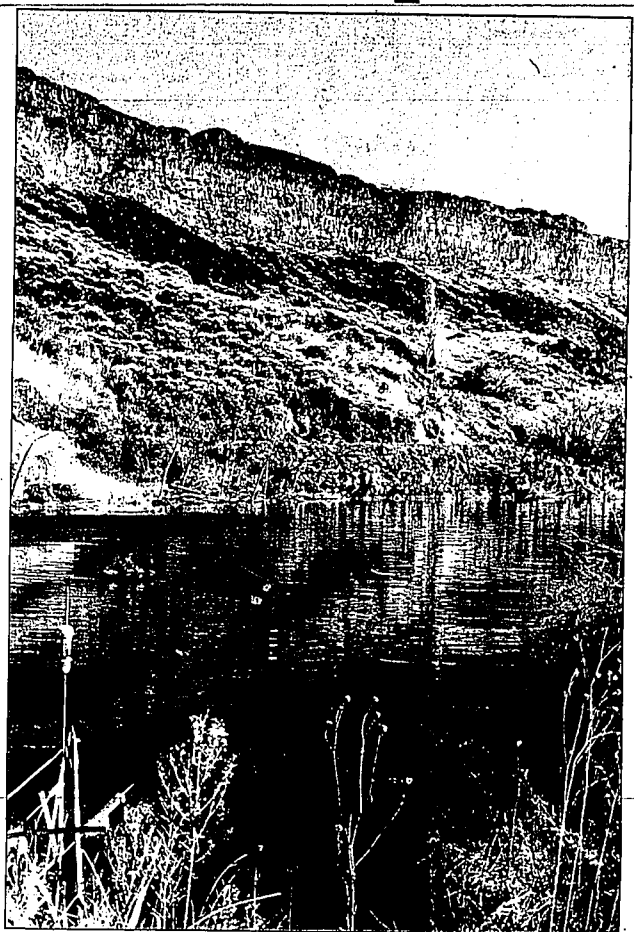
limit. Fishing season on the lower Malad River will close March 31 to protect spawning trout.

The Bell Rapids access area was devoid of fishermen, which is surprising since this has been a popular fishing spot over the years. A restroom and special fishing docks were installed to provide the necessary facilities.

There was a large sign saying, "Closed to Harvest," which may have misled anglers since it applies to bass only. It should read, "Trout - Open" entire year with a six-trout limit; Bass - Catch and release Jan. 1-June 30; and then July 1-Dec. 31 with a two-bass limit, none between 12 and 16 inches." This would clarify the special regulation.

Another local fishing water is Rock Creek, which is open year around from its mouth upstream to the Highline Canal in Twin Falls County. It has been planted with brown trout, which seem to do better in this stream. Access is limited, but anglers can fish it in Rock Creek Park near the College of Southern Idaho fish hatchery and other areas where they can obtain permission.

Fishermen in the Wood River



Crystal Springs in Niagara Springs State Park is one location that has received surplus trout.

Valley have the big wood River available with varying regulations. Penny and Dollar lakes, plus Gaver's Lagoon near Hayspur Fish Hatchery, are classed as family fishing waters. They are planted throughout the summer but receive heavy fishing pressure and may be marginal as winter fisheries.

Milner Reservoir, Emerald Lake and the Snake River below Minidoka Dam are all available to residents in the Burley-Rupert area. If Oakley Reservoir freezes over safely, then it may provide an ice fishing opportunity. Salmon Falls Creek Reservoir has been stocked heavily with

trout from the commercial hatcheries and has been producing trout in great body condition. A person must be very careful when fishing through the ice as, many times, the conditions are unsafe on this body of water. Roseworth Reservoir has almost gone dry and fishing is predicted to be poor.



Low water is still the norm at Grey's Landing on Salmon Falls Creek Reservoir, an excellent trout fishing spot.

Oregon's elk officers make cabin home during season

For a month each year, a small-town bungalow is their home and the forest roads are their beat

By Jayson Jacoby
The (Baker City) Herald

UKIAH, Ore. - Inside a cabin with a woodstove in a corner, elk antlers on the walls and a stuffed blue grouse perched atop the television, a phone chimes its annoying electronic chirp.

Oregon State Police trooper Craig Gunderson lifts the cordless handset. "Ukiah PD," he growls in a deadpan Joe Friday tone. A smile dawns on Gunderson's face, shattering its temporarily grim facade.

The joke, it seems, is a familiar one, its punch line irresistibly funny.

There's no police apartment in Ukiah.

There's no traffic sign in Ukiah. But when the month-long elk season is on, there are cops in Ukiah. Five or six of them - as many as in towns 10 times Ukiah's size.

In the daylight the officers drive the gravelled forest roads of four counties, trolling for hunters who succumb to elk fever and acquire a temporary amnesia about Oregon wildlife laws.

But after dusk Gunderson and his colleagues congregate at Ukiah P.D. headquarters, a single-story, green-roofed bungalow near downtown Ukiah that's listed on the Umatilla County tax rolls as the faction cabin belonging to OSP Sgt. Jeff Williams.

Inside the wood-paneled living room, officers warm their frigid fingers before a crackling pine fire. They munch thick steaks broiled on a barbecue. They swap stories of other days, other hunts.

They partake, in other words, of the

same pastimes taking place at the same time in hundreds of hunters' camps scattered through the woods. Except most of the cops' tales involve not the six-point bull that got away, but the poacher they never nabbed with his finger on the trigger.

The atmosphere is as comfortable as a well-worn moccasin - the sort of place where your voice blends smoothly into the conversation even though you've never met any of the people in the room.

Peals of laughter splash around the room as they regale each other with tales legendary for the participants' sheer stupidity and brazenness.

Hunters who butchered a buck deer in the parking lot of a Pendleton motel.

Hunters who stood astride the yellow line in the center of Highway 395 and fired volleys of lead at a herd of elk.

Hunters who killed deer during elk season, or elk during deer season. Williams said the Ukiah P.D. tradition dates back at least 25 years. The game wardens used to sleep at the Oregon Department of Forestry office.

But when Williams bought his vacation home about a decade ago, he started inviting his fellow officers to bunk there instead.

"It's a lot more comfortable," Williams said. "I think it's a homier atmosphere."

Then he steps outside to soak in the hot tub - this year's new amenity. OSP officers recognized long ago the monumental inefficiency of requiring the game wardens who patrol the Ukiah country to return to their home offices every evening. The nearest OSP station is in

Pendleton, an hour's drive from Ukiah - unless an early storm has sheened the highway with ice.

That means an officer would spend two hours of an eight-hour shift driving rather than talking to hunters. Members of the Ukiah P.D. can find hunters almost literally off the back door.

"We can maximize our time" working from Ukiah, Williams said.

Although they spend most of their working hours in the distant forests, the officers' overnight presence in the tiny town also adds an element of truth to that Ukiah P.D. joke they're so fond of. If a beer-fueled brawl breaks out in a Ukiah bar, the game wardens are available to break it up.

"If an emergency happens in town we're going to respond, whether we're on duty or not," Scobby said. "Technically we're on duty 24 hours a day."

And residents aren't particular about when during those 24 hours they summon officers from Williams' place.

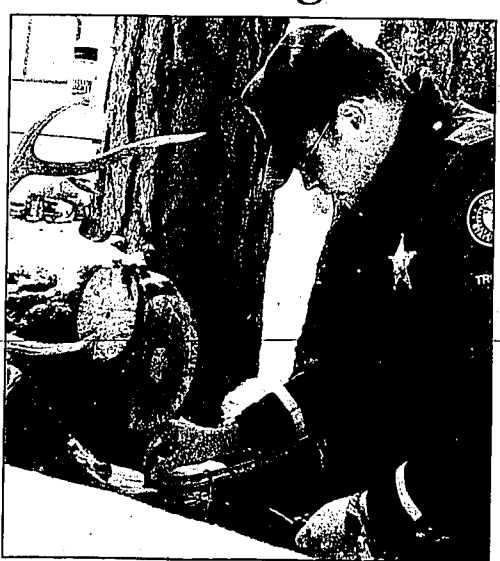
"You name it, we've had it," Williams said.

The wildlife officers once investigated a fatal snubbing that occurred in Ukiah, Williams said. That time the phone jangled at 2 a.m. Another year a man called at 5 a.m. to say his truck had been stolen. The game wardens caught the thieves.

One year a freak storm pummeled the nearby mountains with a few feet of snow, Williams said. He had to call in National Guard helicopters to rescue stranded hunters, many of whom didn't reclaim their snowbound trailers until the next spring.

A few hunters have steered into Williams' driveway with the body of a friend or relative who died of natural causes while hunting.

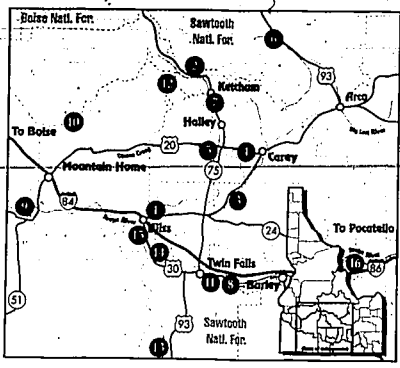
"The public just seems to know to come here," Williams said.



Oregon State Police trooper Craig Gunderson peels a hunting tag from the antler of a five-point bull elk Oct. 30. In Ukiah, Ore. During the month-long elk season, officers patrol the forest roads around tiny Ukiah to enforce wildlife laws. In their downtime they stay at a cabin owned by Sgt. Jeff Williams.

OUTDOORS

Magic Valley Angler's Guide



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The Magic Valley fish report is for the week of Thursday, Nov. 20. Updated conditions from Silver Creek Outfitters and Blue Lakes Sporting Goods are listed for family fishing waters and major rivers in the Magic Valley/Wood River regions. Check Idaho Department of Fish and Game regulations for restrictions.

Malad River: GOOD. River below dam becoming very good for topwater fish. Fly floating pheasant tails, parachute baetis, adams, serendipities and hares ears.

Little Wood River: FAIR. The brown trout spawn is done. Look to midge hatches and the river below Shoshone for action. Try serendipities, brassies, jigs and plastic grubs.

The Big Wood: FAIR. The Big Wood is in a transitional phase as fall hatches subside and fish look for nymphs as their main food source. The fishing should improve when temperatures begin to warm, possibly this weekend. Have a good selection of nymphs in your vest. As water temperatures cool, fish will move into the deeper pools and pockets. Try using a bead head olive Bieck's Nymph (size 16-18), a Prince Nymph (size 14-16), Copper John's (size 18 in copper, green, or red), or a bead head Flashback (size 16-18).

Silver Creek: FAIR. The recent cold snap has shut down most of the dry fly activity on the Creek. Look for midge and possibly some baetis activity on the warmer days. Nymph and streamers will take fish when the surface activity is slow. Size 16-20 pheasant tails and black zebra nymphs are effective patterns.

Big Lost River: FAIR. It's that time of

year - recent snows have closed Trail Creek Summit Road. The Big Lost is still fishable, but only accessible via Arca or Challis. Nymph fishing below the reservoir can be very productive, especially on the warmer afternoons. Small dark bodied nymphs continue to be your best bet.

Magic Reservoir: FAIR. Some great trolling is at hand, but slow down and keep an eye on the weather because ice isn't far off. Best strategies are jumbo midge fishing off of indicators, trolling rapalas, panther martins and wedding rings tipped with night-crawlers.

Milner Dam: FAIR. Some better weather would make conditions promising but the fish are waiting. Try Carolina rigging, rebel crawdads and fovy jigs.

C.J. Strike Reservoir: FAIR/GOOD. The bronze backs are active but slow down and don't be afraid to go big. Use spinnerbaits, rattletaps, shadrap, and frenzy rattlers.

South Fork of the Boise: GOOD. The cold season is here and so is the chironomid fishing. Concentrate within four miles of dam. Try serendipities and palomero midge, and some brassies.

Derkes Lake: FAIR. Warmer days have produced some dry fly midge fishing. Use griffiths gnats, adams,

and serendipities.

Salmon Falls Creek Reservoir: FAIR/GOOD. The fishing is spotty but if a school can be located, slow down often to a crawl. The walleye will follow. Jigging or creeping jigs tipped with nightcrawlers and dead minnows is best, but don't overlook trolling and shad raps.

Clear Lake: EXCELLENT. The colder it gets, the better the fishing. Try Clear Lakes specials, ducktails, buggers and jumbo midge pupae.

Billingsley Creek: POOR. Midges with a few remaining baetis make up most of the action. Use parachute baetis, serendipities, pheasant tails, and jumbo midge pupae.

Lake Walcott: FAIR. Though hunting season is here, fishing season is not over. Go deep and slow down. Wind drifting bait is consistent but midge fishing and crawling leech patterns can be good.

Steelhead report: Lower Granite Dam has seen 161,000 fish. The upper Salmon River from Salmon to Corn Creek has slowed down. Deadwater near North Fork is also frozen. Open water temperatures are 33 or 34 degrees. Downriver near Riggs and on the Snake, slip bobbers rigs are pulling some nice fish. Clearwater is also catching many big B Runs.

For additional updates on the Big Wood, Silver Creek, Warm Springs, Trail Creek, Penny/Dollar Lakes and the Big Lost, call Skooter Gardner of Silver Creek Outfitters at 1-800-732-5687 or (208) 726-5282. For updates at all other locations call Doug Cherry of Blue Lake Sporting Goods at (208) 733-6446.

Nephew must be present for license

Question: "I wanted to purchase an adult resident hunting license for my nephew as a birthday gift. When I went to the fish and game regional office they told me I could only purchase a gift certificate. Why can't I buy my nephew's license?"



ASK THE OFFICER
Gary Hompland

fishgame/common/licensing/licen ses.htm. The telephone number is 1-800-824-3729.

There is probably no better gift than the opportunity to hunt and fish, even if it's given as a gift certificate.

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Answer: You may purchase his license (pay for it) but he must accompany you to the vendor when you buy it.

All resident hunting and fishing licenses require residency verification. As such, only immediate family members (spouses and children under age 18 living in the household) may purchase resident licenses for each other.

Typically a parent buys licenses for their children. To assist others who would like to purchase resident licenses as gifts, the department allows a gift certificate for the amount of the license to be purchased in lieu of the license. The recipient can redeem the gift certificate whenever they are ready at any fish and game regional office.

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Montana man describes surviving bear attack

LIVINGSTON, Mont. (AP) - Facing a charging bear he described as "the size of a washing machine," Enar Rosen had time to get off one shot from his deer rifle. When that didn't stop the animal, the hunter man knew he was in trouble.

"He was just so powerful, there wasn't much to do but let him chew on me," said Rosen, who spent one night in a Livingston hospital for observation after the Sunday attack. "I was out of options, except to play dead."

When the attack was over, Rosen had puncture wounds in his shoulder and a gash in his neck.

Rosen was deer hunting with his wife along Mill Creek, south of Livingston, when he startled the bear, which apparently had been sleeping. Rosen had just crossed a small stream when the bear charged.

Rosen retreated across the creek, then turned and fired one shot as the bear continued charging.

"I'm not sure where I hit him, but it didn't even slow him down," Rosen said.

That's when Rosen tripped and fell, and the bear was on him immediately.

"I was in his mouth and I was bouncing around off the ground at a couple points," he said. "At first, it felt like a big vise. Then, when he shook me, I could feel things start to tear."

Out of options, Rosen went limp and played dead. The bear finally released him and walked away.

With the help of his wife, Ciella, Rosen made it back to his pickup truck and to the hospital.

The attack left Rosen with a 3-inch gash in his neck that exposed his collarbone. He also has deep puncture wounds and the bear tore a bunch of meat away from the bone on the back of his arm, he said.

Rosen said he did not have time to tell if bear that attacked him was a black bear or a grizzly.

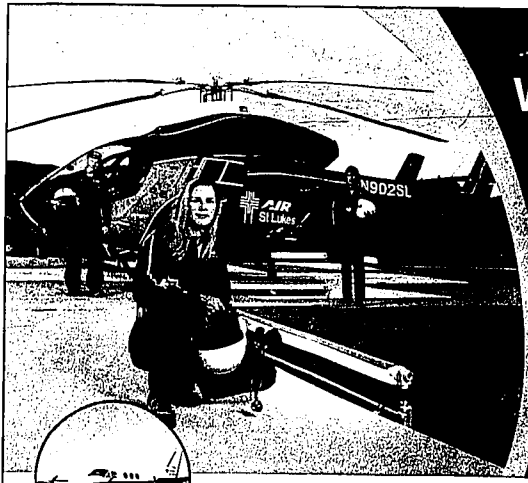
Jim Miller, Idaho state Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks warden who investigated the attack, said he found a blood trail indicating Rosen's

shot hit the animal, but the extent of injury couldn't be determined.

"It's hard to say," he said. "They're tough animals."

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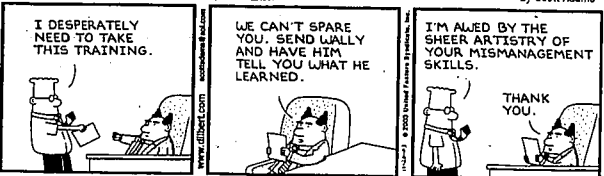
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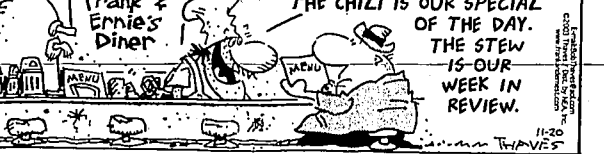
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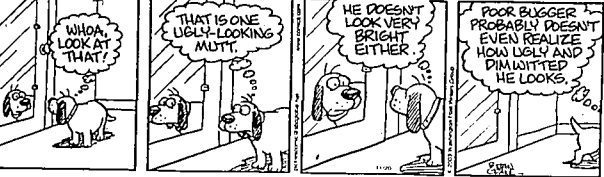
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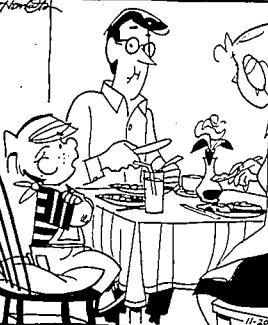
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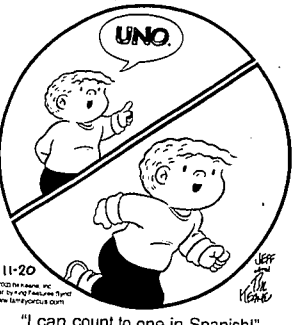
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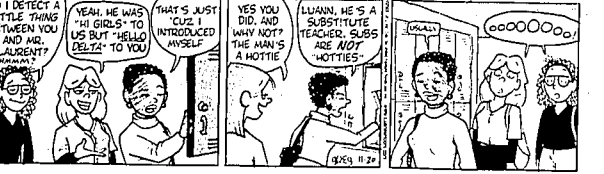
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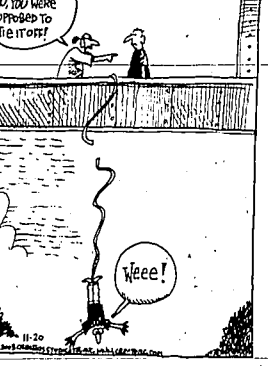
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OUTDOORS

Steelhead guide will speak at meeting

TWIN FALLS — Steelhead fishermen and guide John Stenersen will be the featured speaker at the Magic Valley Fly Fishers meeting, set for 7 p.m. today at the Rock-Creek Restaurant, 200 Addison Ave. W.

The program will be about steelhead fishing on the Salmon River in central Idaho. Stenersen will discuss the life of the steelhead, family history on the river, seasons, tactics and tips to be successful. He also will demonstrate his successful steelhead flies and will have spray rods on hand.

Stenersen was born and raised in Salmon, attended Idaho State University in Pocatello and lived in Dillon, Mont., before returning to Idaho Falls in 1993. He has guided for steelhead and trout and currently serves as senior

Outdoors in brief

adviser for the Upper Snake River Cutthroats Trout Unlimited Club. He is a Federation of Fly Fishers Western Rocky Mountain Council Board director, and a fly-casting and fly-tying instructor. He will be teaching a beginning fly-fishing course for JSU in the fall. He has been assistant manager at Jimmy's All Seasons' Angler in Idaho Falls for the last nine years.

Stenersen said his 5-year-old son, Parker, caught his first steelhead at age 4 and is perfecting the art of tying a greenbutt skunk and wooly bugger.

The public is invited to the meeting.

Twin Falls Parks and Rec offers scuba class Monday

The city of Twin Falls Parks and Recreation Department is offering a Discover Scuba class on Monday, Nov. 24 at the Twin Falls City Pool from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. This class is designed to introduce participants of all ages to the basics of scuba diving. The cost is \$10. Register at 136 Maxwell Ave. or call 736-2265 for more information.

Young artists can compete in duck stamp art contest

Young wildlife artists are invited to participate in the 10th annual Junior Duck Stamp Art Contest in Idaho. The contest is sponsored by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

The art contest is part of a larger conservation education program for students from kindergarten through high school. Teachers use the program's classroom activities to teach environmental science, habitat conservation, and a greater awareness of the nation's natural resources. In one program activity, students develop a design for the annual junior duck stamp.

The Junior Duck Stamp Program is modeled after the Federal Duck Stamp Program, in which professional artists compete to have their artwork used on federal duck stamps. Sales of federal duck stamps have generated more than \$500 million that has been used to purchase more than five million acres of wildlife habitat for the National Wildlife Refuge System. For the Junior Duck Stamp, winning entries from statewide art contests are entered into a national Junior Duck stamp contest. The winning artwork adorns the next Junior Duck Stamp.

All Idaho students can enter their artwork into the statewide contest. Entries are judged in four categories: grades K-3, grades 4-6, grades 7-9, and grades 10-12. All students that submit a contest entry receive a certificate of par-

ticipation. Over 25 ribbons are awarded to winning entries in each age group. The state's top winners are given prizes by Ducks Unlimited and the Idaho Department of Fish and Game.

Information about the stamp program has been sent to schools throughout Idaho. Students and parents are encouraged to ask their teachers about the program. Further information can be obtained by calling Todd Fenzl at 208-467-9278.

Area personal will teach personal protection course

Stu Murrell will teach a personal protection course which will qualify a person to apply for a concealed carry permit for the sheriff. The course includes basic pistol and concealed carry laws. How to handle different confrontations is also covered along with instruction on home defense. A number of try guns are available for students to shoot.

NRA certified Murrell has been teaching the course at the Twin Falls Rifle and Pistol Club at 253 5th Ave. West in Twin Falls for 10 years and has graduated about 1,000 students. The course dates are Dec. 1, 2 and 4 from 6:30 p.m. to 10 p.m.

The cost is \$50 per student. Contact Stu Murrell at 324-5960 to register or learn more information.

Twin Falls Gun Club will sponsor turkey shoot

The Twin Falls Gun Club will be sponsoring a Turkey Fun Shoot Sunday, Dec. 7 to benefit KMV's Christmas For Kids. The event is from 10:30 a.m. to sundown and the public is welcome to participate.

The cost is \$5 per shoot or \$25 for guaranteed shoot cards. Participants will be shooting for turkeys, hams, bacon, steaks, and merchandise certificates from area merchants.

For information call the Twin Falls Gun Club at 734-0639.

— compiled from staff reports

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Club news

The Times-News welcomes announcements and other news from outdoor clubs. Address your news to "Outdoors Editor." Then mail it to P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83301; or e-mail it to twnews@mtm.com.net. Be sure to include a contact name and phone number.

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Your best shot

Did you bag a big buck this year? Did you reel in a whopper?

If you have a snapshot, The Times-News would like to publish it as part of our new "Trophies" feature. We welcome readers' photos of hunting, fishing or other outdoor scenes.

Address your photo to "Outdoors Editor." Then mail it to P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83301; or e-mail it to twnews@mtm.com.net; or bring it to our Burley or Twin Falls office. Be sure to include your name, address and phone number.

Share your adventure

Do you have a personal story of an outdoor adventure? If so, The Times-News would like to print it as part of our new "Calls From The Wild" series. We welcome readers' true stories about hunting, fishing and other outdoor activities. Please write your story in the first person, keeping it under 500 words. Photos are a plus. Be sure to include your phone number. Address your story to "Outdoors

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Steelhead count

Bonneville Dam	2003	2002
Daily count for 11/15	89	111
Total count for the run year	380,030	480,030

The Year 2003 run count over Bonneville Dam began March 18 and will end November 30. To date, the 2003 cumulative steelhead count over Bonneville Dam is 78% of the 2002 run, but is about 29% greater than the 10-year average for that date (378,859 steelhead).

Lower Granite Dam	2003-04	2002-03
Daily count for 8/12	181	225
Cumulative count on this date	182,031	201,422

The steelhead counting season at Lower Granite Dam begins each year on June 1. The fall portion of the count ends Dec. 15. Counting for the spring portion resumes on March 1 of the following year and continues through May 31. To date the 2003-04 cumulative steelhead count over Lower Granite Dam is 80% of the 2002-03 run, and is about 60% greater than the 10-year average for this date (101,028 steelhead).

Information on numbers of steelhead crossing Columbia River dams is taken from data posted by the United States Army Corps of Engineers at Internet site www.nwp.usace.army.mil/np/fhdata/, and is updated weekly during the counting season.

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Notes on the economy

County-by-county sales

These exclude sales by some businesses that have locations in more than one county. (If those companies each file just one sales tax return, they aren't listed in county-by-county numbers.) Also excluded from county totals are sales by businesses based outside of Idaho.

Also, each monthly report reflects returns processed that month, and the Idaho State Tax Commission's speed of processing varies with its staff workload. So the tax commission cautions against comparing a single month's report with the yearend one to spot sales trends.

Source: Idaho State Tax Commission

County	Total sales	Taxable sales
Blaine	\$79,489,035	\$49,997,933
Camas	\$932,586	\$481,773
Cassia	\$49,785,929	\$13,517,302
Coeur d'Alene	\$12,711,707	\$4,576,608
Gooding	\$23,144,977	\$13,399,454
Lincoln	\$1,780,458	\$1,058,069
Minidoka	\$26,434,580	\$7,180,702
Twin Falls	\$207,822,281	\$54,213,017
Valleywide	\$432,202	\$144,428

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BRIEFLY IN MONEY

Wal-Mart will open a diversity office

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. — Wal-Mart Stores Inc., the nation's biggest private employer with more than 1.1 million U.S. workers and the world's biggest retailer, is opening a diversity office to help ensure all its workers have an opportunity to advance.

The move disclosed this week by Wal-Mart, based in Bentonville, Ark., comes as it defends itself in a variety of employment-related court actions in which plaintiffs claim the company exerted a bias against women and didn't pay overtime that employees worked.

The company has acknowledged it is the target of a federal grand jury probe into whether illegal immigrants worked for contractors hired to clean Wal-Mart's stores.

The retail chain has stores in Burley and Jerome.

Look at the contract before switching carriers

NEW YORK — Starting Monday, telecom companies must allow most customers to keep their cell-phone numbers when they switch carriers.

The new policy removes one of the primary barriers that prevented consumers from switching cell-phone plans.

Before jumping to a new plan, however, you should remember that you may still be under contract with your old carrier. Moreover, that contract may contain hefty termination fees that should not be ignored.

The average cell phone contract costs \$175 to break, according to Bill Hardselkopf, owner of www.CellUpdate.com, a Web site dedicated to explaining cellphone plans.

"A family with two cell numbers that decides to switch in the middle of their contract can expect to pay at least \$450 in early termination fees and in purchasing new cell-phones," said Hardselkopf.

Clothing retailer reports jump in its Q3 profits

SANDPOINT — Upreti clothing retailer Coldwater Creek posted a 16 percent increase in third quarter profits on Wednesday, marking a significant shift from catalog to retail outlet sales.

The Sandpoint-based company reported net income of \$6.6 million, or 23 cents per share of common stock, on revenues of \$138.2 million for the three-month period through Nov. 1.

That compared with a profit of \$4.8 million, or 20 cents a share, on \$128.8 million in sales a year earlier.

The earnings matched the expectation of Wall Street analysts surveyed by Thomson First Call.

Compiled from wire reports

Qwest net income increases

Directory sale boosts profits, but revenue dips



The Associated Press

DENVER — Qwest Communications International Inc. swung to a \$1.8 billion profit in the third quarter because of the sale of its phone directory business while revenue dipped amid strong competition.

The mixed results were in line

with expectations of analysts who said Qwest — still the target of an ongoing federal probe of accounting practices — faces significant challenges from wireless, cable and other phone companies.

"The decisions of the US West management team in the 1980s to sell its wireless assets haunt this company far more than any recent issues," Janco Partners

analyst Tom Friedberg said.

Qwest merged with US West, a Baby Bell, in 2000. It's the predominant provider of local-phone service in Magic Valley.

Denver-based Qwest earned \$1.05 per share for the July-September period versus a loss of \$123 million, or 7 cents a share, a year earlier.

The latest profit figures included a gain of \$2.5 billion for the completion of the second half of the sale of QwestDex, which Qwest agreed to sell to private investors last year.

Without the gain from the QwestDex sale and charges relat-

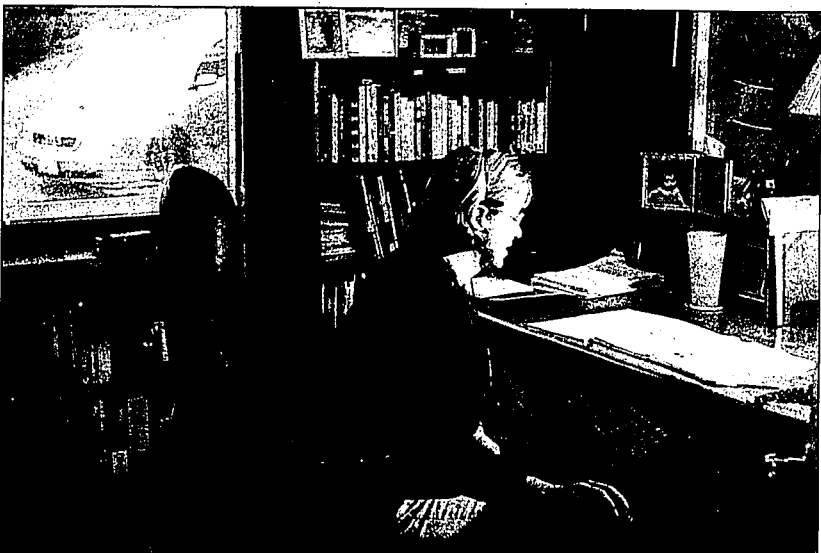
ed to the wireless network and unconditional purchase obligations, Qwest would have lost between \$100 million and \$150 million, Friedberg said.

Revenue for the quarter totaled \$3.6 billion, down from \$3.7 billion a year earlier, even as data and long-distance services revenue grew in its 14-state local service territory, where it has gained federal approval to offer those services.

Analysts credited lower prices and rollouts of availability of Qwest's high-speed DSL Internet service for helping Qwest add

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A NEW MEANING FOR 'HOMEWORK'



Kathy Ullrich, a freelance executive recruiter, works in her home office in San Mateo, Calif., Nov. 5.

Experts say companies can be flexible

The Associated Press

SAN JOSE, Calif. — Kathy Ullrich starts many days at 8 a.m., works until 3 or 4 p.m., then cares for her 9-month-old son until 8 p.m. Then she goes back to work.

"I love it. The flexibility is great," said Ullrich, an executive recruiter who works from her San Mateo home and shares child-care duties with her husband and a part-time day-care provider.

"My work day is 8 a.m. to 11 p.m., but I take the breaks I need when I need those breaks."

But to achieve this flexibility, Ullrich left the corporate world for self-employment. This raises the question: Is it possible to run a company in which work gets done efficiently, yet employees

are able to take care of their personal lives?

Many experts have ideas about how the workplace could change to make it easier for both women and men to meet their family responsibilities. But so far, changes have been slow. Some say attitudes need to change even more than the structure of work.

"The way we define good jobs in the U.S. is still around an 'ideal worker' who works full time, full force for 40 years straight," said Joan C. Williams, director of the Program on Gender, Work and Family at American University Law School in Washington.

But not many workers today have someone at home full time taking care of children, elderly relatives or household tasks.

Fewer than one in five U.S. families includes a married couple with only one worker, according to 2000 census data.

Proponents of workplace flexibility envision a corporate world in which full-time workers have more control over their schedules and can choose to work part time without penalty.

Williams advocates giving an employee who works three-quarters time 75 percent of the pay and benefits of a full-time worker — and eligibility for promotions at three-fourths the speed.

Another idea is to let employees negotiate a 90 percent schedule, for example, in which they would work full-time 90 percent of the year but take an extra five weeks off, said Kathleen

Christensen, director of the program on Workplace, Workforce and Working Families for the Alfred P. Sloan Foundation.

Many professions today have what Christensen describes as "relatively-rigid, probationary-up-or-out" paths for those trying to enter them. It can be difficult for workers to advance after having cut back, for example, to care for a baby.

"We need to change career paths to allow people to stop and start more," Williams said. "Now, if you stop, you do so at your peril."

Most organizations assume employees will sometimes get sick. But many don't acknowledge other demands on employees' time.

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Executives' perks bled Kmart dry, lawsuit says

Knight Ridder News Service

DETROIT — While Kmart was bleeding before its bankruptcy, former executives tapped the company further for a host of personal expenses including nannies, home improvements, dental work and a Lincoln Navigator and driver to shuttle one man's kids to school, according to a lawsuit filed this week.

The civil suit, filed by the Kmart Creditor Trust in Oakland County (Mich.) Circuit Court, reveals new allegations about lavish expenses Chuck Conway, the former chief executive and chairman, and his top lieutenant Mark Schwartz billed to Kmart in their nearly two years of running the Troy, Mich., retailer.

Kmart operates a store in Twin Falls but closed one in Burley. "Conway's and the other defendants' arrogance forced Kmart into a costly and highly destructive free-fall bankruptcy,"

the lawsuit said. It said the executives cost Kmart more than \$1 billion before the January 2002 bankruptcy filing.

Richard Chesley, a Chicago lawyer representing the trust, called it the marquee case the trust will pursue. The trust was set up in April to go after former executives and recoup money for creditors who lost billions when Kmart Corp. filed for Chapter 11 protection in the largest retail bankruptcy in U.S. history.

The trust sued six former executives in September to recoup millions in loans given to them weeks before Kmart filed for bankruptcy. All told, 25 former executives were given the controversial loans totaling \$28.8 million.

Chesley said the trust is seeking far more than the retention loans, but he didn't estimate how much a jury might award. The lawsuit contends the executives' Please see KMART, Page E3

Workplace discontent spreads in recent years

The Baltimore Sun

Scott Adams used to struggle for material for "Dilbert," his renowned, syndicated comic strip that chronicles a polly-haired boss and his tormented staff, such as Tina the Tech Writer and Asok the intern.

But in recent years, real-life tales of worker disgust and job frustration have poured into Adams' electronic mailbox and provide fresh fodder for the strip as jaw-dropping as any fictional cartoon.

There was the e-mail he received about a worker who was asked to contribute to his own farewell party. Another was from someone who relocated for a new position, only to discover that the post didn't exist. He was then offered a worse job.

"I think people were blaming themselves if there was anything wrong in their life" years ago, Adams said in a telephone inter-

view. "Now people are more likely to blame their management."

In various surveys, workers are registering the highest levels of job dissatisfaction in years.

Experts in the field, from labor professors to the founder of the largest classified-advertising Web site Monster.com, say workplace anxiety is near epidemic.

"Working discontent" one academic termed it, describing people who are improving their skills and working harder, but afraid to look for greener pastures.

along job creation plodding and corporate America unsettled by mergers and technological change, workers say they feel more uneasy and face fewer options to move around.

Equities growth is slow, health care costs are up and headlines about executive greed fuel frustration. Companies, meanwhile, uncertain of reports of the economy's comeback,

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What to do

See your name on Idaho's unclaimed-property owners list? To claim your property, do one of these:

- Call 1-800-972-7660, Ext. 7623 or Ext. 7627.
- Write to the Idaho State Tax Commission, Unclaimed Property Section, P.O. Box 38, Boise, ID 83722-0410.
- Send e-mail to lostandfound@tax.state.id.us.

State holds property for residents of Wendell

The Times-News

WENDELL — Marlene Franco and Adolfo Rubalcava have something in common.

The state is safeguarding unclaimed property for each of them, and for dozens of other people and businesses whose last known addresses are in Wendell.

The Idaho State Tax Commission is looking for those folks, and hoping they'll call to claim the property.

It's stuff for which Idaho businesses have been unable to find the rightful owners, such as payroll checks, contents of safe deposit boxes, tax refunds, stock dividends, worker's compensation benefits and the like.

The Times-News on Thursdays prints names of a sampling of unclaimed-property owners whose last known addresses are in Magic Valley communities. Today's list is mostly from Wendell, with a few other cities thrown in to round out the list.

Watch for more names from Ketchum next week.

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MONEY

Strong housing report boosts stocks

NEW YORK (AP) A stronger-than-expected report on housing construction topped Wall Street Wednesday and gave investors an incentive to pick up some bargains after four days of declines. A bullish outburst from General Electric Co. added to the gain.

"You had the record housing numbers, which were encouraging," said John Caldwell, chief equity strategist for McDonald Financial Group. "After several days of declines, you have some buyers stepping in."

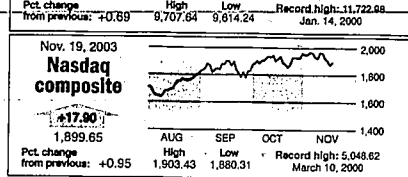
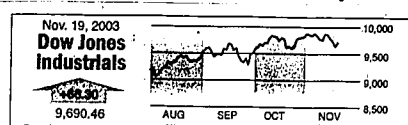
"The market is a little bit extended, so we're not looking for major moves in either direction," he added. "This market can hopefully trend water through the end of the year."

The Dow Jones industrial average closed up 66.30, or a 0.7 percent, at 9,690.46, after a four-day loss of nearly 225 points.

The broader market also finished higher. The Nasdaq composite index gained 17.00, or 0.3 percent, to 1,899.65.

Standard & Poor's 500 index rose 8.29, or 0.8 percent, to 1,042.44.

General Electric Co. rose \$1.03 to \$29.47 after the company said it will likely increase its quarter-



ly divided by a penny to 20 cents a share next year, citing in part optimism about an improving economy.

The Commerce Department reported Wednesday that housing construction rose in October to 1.96 million units at a seasonally adjusted annual rate, representing a 2.9 percent increase from September. It was the highest level of activity seen in 17

years and beat analysts' estimates.

Stocks have ratcheted up and down in recent weeks as investors, having sent the market higher since mid-March, wonder if share prices might be a bit high.

Analysts say the market might not have strength to advance significantly in the absence of surprisingly good economic news.

"When you look at valuations, it's one of the concerning factors that can limit gains over the course of 2004," Caldwell said.

AT&T Worldnet Service, managing director of equity trading at SG Cowen Securities, agreed.

"We've seen the market consolidate over the last four trading days. The market has been very defensive," he said. "What kicked it out of the trend was one, a slightly oversold condition, and two, the announcement by General Electric saying the economy will pick up. It's definitely a market leader."

SoundView Technology Group Inc. gained \$2.16 to \$15.41 after Charles Schwab Corp. said it would acquire the research and investment banking firm in a deal worth about \$324 million in cash. Schwab fell 8 cents to \$11.14.

Analog Devices Inc. climbed \$1.70 to \$46.59 after the chipmaker said quarterly profit was more than doubled and beat Wall Street's forecasts.

DoubleClick Inc. gained 76 cents to \$9.51 after Citigroup's Smith Barney division acquired the tech company's stock rating to "buy" from "sell."

Qwest

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41,000 lines in the quarter for 7.6 percent growth from the second quarter.

"We are confident with the foundation of customer service we have built," said Richard C. Notebaert, Qwest chairman and chief executive. "We believe that by improving the customer experience and delivering a comprehensive set of voice, data and video solutions, we will become the first choice for customers' communications needs."

Qwest had an operating loss of \$523 million for the quarter in contrast with an operating profit of \$76 million in the third quarter 2002 because of one-time charges of \$393 million to end arrangements with Calpoint and ICG Communications as well as a \$200 million impairment charge for its wireless network. The impairment charge comes because Qwest expects its network to get less use now that it is offering wireless service on Sprint's network.

The end of the Calpoint and ICG arrangements could add \$400 million to Qwest earnings next year, Friedberg said.

Qwest also gained federal approval to begin providing long-distance services to businesses in its region on its own network this month, which Notebaert said would save \$50 million to \$15 million a month.

The company said the number of its access lines dropped from 17 million in 2002 to 17 million in 2003, including a loss of 145,000 due to the WorldCom bankruptcy.

The company also announced a tender offer for up to \$2.25 billion for several categories of notes. Officials said when that payoff of outstanding debt is completed, Qwest will have reduced its total debt by more

than \$7 billion since the end of the third quarter of 2002, saving an estimated \$100 million annually in net interest expense.

In trading on the New York Stock Exchange, Qwest shares rose 30 cents to close at \$3.70.

Notebaert also rallied against conditions surrounding an emerging competition: those who offer consumers phone service over the Internet using technology known as Voice over Internet Protocol, or VoIP.

A federal court ruling in Minnesota blocked attempts to subject a VoIP provider to the same regulatory obligations and fees Qwest and other traditional phone companies must charge.

The ruling allows VoIP providers to offer phone service for up to 30 percent less than what a traditional phone company can charge, Notebaert argued.

Qwest has decided to fight back by offering VoIP in Minnesota, beginning in December.

Jefferies & Co. analyst Richard Klugman characterized it as more of a political play to highlight inconsistencies between regulation of providers of traditional and Internet phone service.

"They don't see this as an opportunity to run a new business. They see it as an opportunity to raise legitimate questions about how this industry will be regulated," he said.

Notebaert said, "We think entry into VoIP might just be the opportunity to break up the massive regulatory logjam that exists today while providing customers services they want at savings of possibly even 50 percent."

The Securities and Exchange Commission has been investigating Qwest and its accounting practices since early last year.

Work

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time: children's doctors' appointments, helping care for elderly parents, and so on.

In addition, planning ahead for business travel would ease the burden on working parents - and make it more possible for them to take the trips that can lead to career advancement.

Workers who want their employers to have flexibility see many obstacles. Two part-time

workers may require more work space, equipment and supervisors' time than one full-time worker.

"There is a cost associated with this," said Rick Fezell, office managing partner for Ernst & Young in San Jose. He helped lead an effort to combat the "brain drain" caused by women leaving his firm. The solution: Give everyone more flexibility.

"It's a much bigger cost than

you have a lot of people walking out your door that you've invested in for three or four years," Fezell said.

Many employers say that if they allow some workers to work from home or at odd hours, they will have to let everyone do it.

"For a people manager, the essence of their job is to direct work and lead other people," said Cheryl Hanson, vice president of human resources at iManage in

Foster City. "That means you've got to be available to them."

Fezell said that although his office's flexible arrangements have been successful, there are times when they don't work.

"You can lay out these plans, you can do everything," he said. "But it doesn't preclude a client calling and saying, 'I've got an emergency.'" Then, he said, employees have to be flexible as well.

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MARKETS

Kmart

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The lawsuit also targets PricewaterhouseCoopers, Kmart's accounting firm from 1993 until last month, for accounting negligence.

The lawsuit names four other former executives who are part of Conway's inner circle: David Ross, former chief administrative officer; David Montroy, former executive vice president of store operations; John McDonald, former chief financial officer; and Anthony D'Onofrio, former executive vice president and chief of staff.

Attorneys for Conway and Schwartz did not return phone calls seeking comment.

None of the executives named in the suit have been accused of criminal wrongdoing, but a federal investigation into the company's collapse has been ongoing. Federal charges against two lower-level Kmart executives were dismissed Nov. 7.

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Kmart skidded into bankruptcy after lagging sales, failed promotions and a massive \$850 million inventory buildup created a cash crunch. And just two months before the retention loan checks were issued to former executives in late 2000, managers were stalling vendor payments to avert a cash crisis.

The retailer eventually closed 600 stores and put 67,000 people out of work before it reorganized in late 2000. Managers who emerged from bankruptcy protection in May.

The lawsuit alleges that Conway and others concealed Kmart's deteriorating condition from the board of directors and acted to minimize the damage to Kmart's reputation and could have avoided some of the \$125 million spent on bankruptcy protection if not for the lawsuit.

Fossil Fuels

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Discontent

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Have been hesitant to hire. The added work often falls on the shoulders of employees who remain.

The anger and annoyance has become punch lines for TV commercials and new country music. A hit by Alan Jackson and Jimmy Buffett, "It's 5 O'Clock Somewhere," justifies a midday escape to happy hour, a modern-day descendant of Johnny Paycheck's "Take This Job and Shove It," the 1970s anthem to worker disgust.

"Most people at my job are stressed out. A lot of people are stressed out. It's just really bad right now," said an engineer for a computer services company who consented to an interview, but didn't want to be identified because of concerns about the Internet is a font of outlets for such discontent.

ithatmyjob.com, includes jingles about management and awkward work situations. Message boards for Microsoft's msn.com include posts about disgruntled employees on the topic, covering subjects from "mean bosses" to "office gossip."

"ARRRRG Why am I still here?" one poster wrote. "I keep hearing about how much I'm making but I don't know where I hired a guy over a year ago who's making more than me! I think it's

time to get off the fence and do something else."

A survey of 5,000 U.S. households, less than half of respondents described themselves as satisfied with their jobs. That was the highest percentage of disgruntled workers since 1995 in the survey by the New York-based business research group.

More disengagement in the survey: Fifty-six percent said they are unhappy with their employer's bonus plan, and 46 percent are unhappy with the company's promotion policy. On the plus side: Fifty-six percent said they like their co-workers, and 58 percent are OK with their daily commute.

In a separate opinion survey by Monster.com, 57 percent responded that they feel overworked, and 83 percent of them are not satisfied with their jobs. About 80 percent of the Monster respondents said they are unhappy with their workload but don't know whether saying they work more than 40 hours a week.

Bill Cunnane, founder of Boyce Cunnane Inc., a Baltimore firm that recruits tax professionals, said he has seen clients learned changing jobs, uncertain of what may await them, behind the proverbial door No. 2.

"You can hear it in their voice," he said. "It's 'I want to make a move, but I don't know whether this is the right time.'"

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

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The trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 Idaho Code, the trustee has been informed that according to the County Assessor's office, the address of 509 3rd Avenue West, Twin Falls, Idaho, is sometimes associated with said real property.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS

Case No. CV-03-0336
Re: ANDREW LOUIS MARKHAM, do# 41/1904 NOTICE OF HEARING

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Thursday, Nov. 20, 2003.

THE ACES ON BRIDGE

Bobby Wolff

"No blame should attach to telling the truth. But it does, it does."
— Anita Brookner

The Senior Kibitzer at the Dystepics Club is occasionally called in to adjudicate the proper apportionment of blame, which, as we all know, is as important as the mundane details of who was on or lost on any particular deal.

The facts of today's case were not in dispute. Against three no-trump, West had been put off attacking diamonds by South's bid in the suit. So he tried to find his partner by leading the spade nine, covered by the 10, jack and ace.

West now advanced the club king, and West was pressed on with spades. However, South could duck this to East's queen, and when declarer guessed to put in the diamond jack on East's shift, he had nine tricks.

While South was congratulating himself on his nice play, East and West were trying to allocate responsibility for the debacle. East claimed that the opening lead was ridiculous, but West argued that he did not know who had the spade intermediates, and that his play could have worked on a different day. When they called for arbitration, the kibitzer pointed out a wrinkle in the defense. Although the spade lead was unfortunate, it was not ab-

NORTH	11-20-3
♠ K 10 5 4	
♥ Q J 10 8 5	
♦ 7	
♣ J 8 3	
EAST	
♠ Q J 3 2	
♥ K 7	
♦ A Q 8 3 2	
♣ A 7	
SOUTH	
♠ A 8 7	
♥ A	
♦ K J 6 5	
♣ K Q 10 9 5	

Vulnerable: Neither
Dealer: South

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1♣	Pass	1♥	Pass
2♦	Pass	2♠	Pass
3NT	All pass		

Opening lead: Spade nine

BID WITH THE ACES

11-20-3

South holds:

♠ Q J 3 2
♥ K 7 3
♦ K 10 4
♣ 6 4 2

South West North East

1♥	1♥	Dbl.	2♥
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ANSWER: Bid two spades. You have enough to act, even if your heart king may not be pulling its full weight. Though double here would be responsive (takeout), with a balanced hand, it tends to deny spades — you'd bid them if you had them. So, since you know you have a spade fit, don't make partner guess what suits you hold, but bite the bullet and bid it yourself.

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