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Ag odor regs will wait

Two area lawmakers say they're disappointed at the delay

By Julie Pence
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Odor standards for Idaho agricultural operations will have to wait another year. University of Idaho odor expert Ron Sheffield said the project is on hold until spring. A couple of Magic Valley lawmakers aren't happy about the news. "I'm disappointed," said the

chairman of the House Agricultural Affairs Committee, Rep. Doug Jones, R-Filer. Jones lives in a neighborhood that has been plagued with strong dairy odors for more than three years. "That's too bad," said Sen. Laird Noh, R-Kimberly, who chairs the Resource Committee and sits on the Senate Ag Committee. "Everyone is anxious to move forward."

Since Sheffield arrived in Idaho about a year and a half ago, he has been compiling information on agricultural odors in order to establish benchmarks on what constitutes odors that exceed those associated with usual farm smells. The plan is to eventually present standards to the Legislature to put into law. Jones said to his knowledge the 2001 Idaho Legislature passed



Rep. Doug Jones Sen. Laird Noh
The first law in the nation to establish odor standards. But the Please see ODDOR, Page A2

Dairy's neighbor protests tax value

She says surrounding property has unfairly affected her assessment

By Julie Pence
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Ginny Gunn thinks her property tax bill stinks, right along with the area around her home.

For the second year in a row, she protested her property assessment. On Wednesday the Idaho Board of Tax Appeals listened to her case. Gunn took it to the state level after being turned down by Twin Falls County commissioners for two years running.

"It's not just me," she told a hearing officer and board member David Kinghorne. "It's the whole neighborhood for five square miles by these dairies."

The value on her property — a house on one acre — near Filer went up from \$111,437 to \$120,235. The last time her property was assessed was in 2001. Typically the county assesses property on a five-year rotation. But Gunn said when she protested her tax bill this year, she found out she would have to have an updated figure. That meant inviting the tax man to visit sooner than usual. "I did it, and it cost me," Gunn said.

Twin Falls County Assessor Gerald Bowden said he sympathizes with Gunn. Nevertheless, he has rules to go by. And the rules dictate that he has to compare the Gunn property with similar properties in that area. The sales of similar properties, unfortunately for Gunn, show her property value has actually increased a bit.

"The sales were able to get a hold of actually show potential increase in a four- to five-mile radius of Ginny," Bowden said.

Gunn and other neighbors have pointed out that owners of three large dairies in that radius have sometimes bought some of the homes and paid market price. Bowden said he can't separate out dairy owners from other buyers. "It doesn't matter if a dairyman pays market price," he said. "A sale is a sale."

What about odors from operations other than dairies, such as the sugar factory, which sometimes plague Twin Falls city dwellers?

Bowden acknowledged those odors can offend some people but that they haven't affected the price of housing in the city.

"The sugar factory odor is factored into every sale," he said. "If anybody is buying here, it's already factored into the market price."

Bowden said the state board should have an answer for Gunn by May 1.

IT SOUNDS JUST DUCKY

CSI class helps hunters hone their skills

By Karin Kowalski
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Mike Plein bent over his plastic whistle, puffed his cheeks and made a call that assaulted the hunters' eardrums like a fire alarm.

They watched, eyes and ears entranced, hoping to learn to do the same.

Magic Valley mallards, beware: A community education class at the College of Southern Idaho is helping hunters learn to speak duck.

Plein, a CSI student who works at Sportsman's Warehouse, is teaching the five-week class to help hunters perfect their techniques.

“I am by no means an expert — the ducks prove it daily.”

Plein demonstrated several types of calls at the class Tuesday night, including the one he did to represent Idaho at the World's Championship Duck Calling Contest in Stuttgart, Ark.

Plein's competition routine is a type of call that demonstrates control and technique rather than a practical duck call, runs the gamut from a loud siren-like shriek to chattering sounds to garden variety quacks. Calls actually meant to summon ducks have several meanings such as "Hello," "Let's eat" and "Come back."

Students in the class ranged in experience from veteran hunters to raw beginners — all looking to improve the "duckiness" of their calls.

"I've blown a long time," said Mike Glenn of Twin Falls, who has been hunting about 52 years, "and it's time to get better."

Duck calls are a type of whistle with a plastic reed held in place by a piece of cork. They are usually made of wood or plastic. Plein prefers plastic because wooden calls



Mike Plein, four-time winner of the Idaho state duck calling championship, uses a Rich-N-Tone Duck whistle during his class at the College of Southern Idaho Tuesday night. The duck calling class will be held for the next four Tuesdays from 7 to 9 p.m.

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Ohio highway shootings unnerve parents, drivers

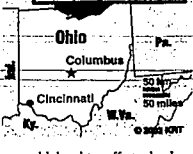
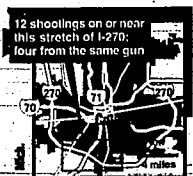
The Associated Press

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Parents nervously took their children by the hand and walked them to school. Teachers were given maps to help them get to work without using the highway nearby. Outdoor recess was canceled for the rest of the week.

A deadly series of 12 shootings around here since May — including one in which a bullet broke a window at Hamilton Central Elementary School last month in the middle of the night — have unnerved parents, motorists and others.

The shootings — which investigators believe are connected — have taken place around a five-mile stretch of Interstate 270. One woman in a car was killed last week.

"Until they catch him, there's no way they're getting on the bus," said Michelle Maupin, who changed her routine to drop her 7-



12 shootings on or near this stretch of I-270; four from the same gun

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President enacts forest bill

Administration also adopts rule to bypass environmental review

Combined wire reports

WASHINGTON — As President Bush, with much fanfare, signed legislation Wednesday aimed at speeding fire-prevention efforts in federal forests, his administration quietly adopted a rule that will expedite timber-thinning projects by removing a safeguard for endangered species.

Under the Endangered Species Act, the Forest Service and other federal agencies are required to seek confirmation from the Fish and Wildlife Service or the National Marine Fisheries Service before taking any action that may adversely affect any endangered plant or animal.

The new policy, which does not require congressional approval, authorizes biologists — for the



President Bush signs the bill Wednesday at the Agricultural Department with, from left, Sen. Max Baucus, D-Mont., Sen. Mike Crapo, D-Idaho, Rep. Richard Pombo, R-Calif., Rep. Bob Goodlatte, R-Va., Sen. Thad Cochran, R-Miss., Interior Secretary Gale Norton and Agriculture Secretary Ann Veneman.

Forest Service or other land management agency to make the call that no endangered species would be adversely affected, exempting them from consulting with the

agencies whose main mandate is protecting rare plants and animals.

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TWIN FALLS FORECAST

Today: Breezy with periods of sunshine. Highs in the middle... 40s
Tonight: Increasing clouds. Lows in the upper 20s
Tomorrow: Mostly cloudy and mild with showers developing... 40s

TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Table with 5 columns: Today, Tonight, Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Monday. Includes weather icons and temperature ranges.

Yesterday's Weather

Table listing weather for various cities: Boise, Burley, Idaho Falls, etc.

BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST

Today: Partly to mostly sunny and breezy. Highs in the upper 40s.
Tonight: Turning mostly cloudy. Lows in the middle 20s
Tomorrow: Mostly cloudy and mild with showers developing... 50s

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Table with columns: Temperature, Precipitation, Humidity, Barometric Pressure. Includes monthly and yearly averages.

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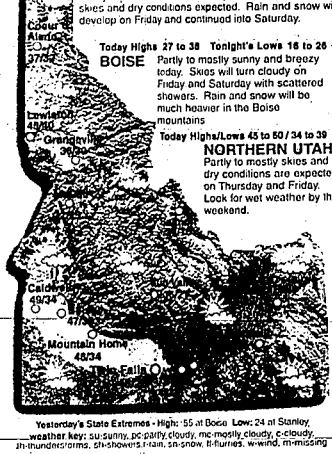


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Table listing weather forecasts for cities like Boise, Burley, and other regional locations.

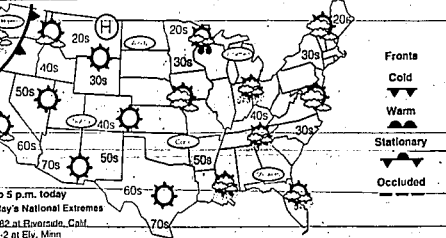
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Table listing weather forecasts for major US cities like Atlanta, Boston, Chicago, etc.

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Ducks to search woods for a weapon after residents reported a gunshot near the sites of the shootings.

Odor

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The Bush administration estimates 190 million acres of forest are at risk for severe fire. Below are the areas in the West.

Shootings

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Colleen McGowan normally walks her daughter along a gravel path to the edge of school property. But on Wednesday, she walked the second-grader into the school building.

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Census finds growing Arab population

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Arab population in the United States has nearly doubled in the past two decades, according to the Census Bureau's first report on the group. Experts cited liberalized U.S. immigration laws and unrest in the Middle East that led many people to come to America.

The bureau counted nearly 1.2 million Arabs in the United States in 2000, compared with 860,000 in 1990 and 610,000 in 1980. About 60 percent of their ancestry is traced to three countries: Lebanon, Syria and Egypt.

While earlier Arab immigrants came from countries with large Christian populations, newer arrivals come from heavily Muslim countries such as Iraq and Yemen.

Immigrants from the Arab world come for the same reason all immigrants come — economic opportunity, opportunities to have an education, to develop a professional career," said Helen Samhan, executive director of the Arab American Institute Foundation, a research group.

Samhan said the lifting of U.S. immigration quotas in the 1960s opened the door to people from Arab countries and many took advantage during the 1980s and 1990s, with a large number coming from nations such as Lebanon and Iraq where there were wars.

Almost half of the Arabs in the United States live in five states — California (190,890), New York (120,370), Michigan (115,284), New Jersey (71,770) and Florida (77,461).

New York City, the first stop for millions of immigrants for more than a century, had the largest Arab population among U.S. cities, 69,985. The Detroit suburb of Dearborn, Mich., where many Arabs first settled to work in the automobile industry, was next at 29,181.

Sterling Heights, Mich., was the city with the largest percentage of Arab-Americans, 3.7 percent, followed by Jersey City, N.J., with 2.8 percent. Dearborn's population is about 30 percent Arab but it was not ranked because the Census Bureau only counted cities with at least 100,000 residents; Dearborn has about 98,000.

The census report stops at 2000 so there is no data on the impact of the attacks of Sept. 11, 2001. But tighter immigration procedures imposed after then have reduced the flow of Arabs to the United States.

Bush looks to soften blow to steel industry

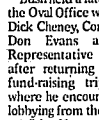
WASHINGTON (AP) — The administration is searching for ways to soften the impact on the domestic steel industry if President Bush withdraws steep tariffs on imports as expected.

The proposals under consideration, industry officials say, include early reporting requirements to detect possible surges of steel into the United States.

The administration was expected to announce Bush's decision around midday on Thursday, barring last-minute snags, one administration official said on condition of anonymity.

Bush held a late-night meeting in the Oval Office with Vice President Dick Cheney, Commerce Secretary Don Evans and U.S. Trade Representative Robert Zoellick after returning Tuesday from a fund-raising trip to Pittsburgh where he encountered last-minute lobbying from the steel industry.

White House advisers are urging Bush to abandon the tariffs he imposed on various types of



President Bush

foreign steel in March 2002 in an effort to protect the U.S. industry, reeling from bankruptcies and the loss of thousands of jobs, from foreign imports for three years.

The World Trade Organization has ruled the tariffs violate global trade rules, and the 15-nation European Union and Japan are vowing to impose retaliatory tariffs on U.S. products when the ruling becomes final later this month. The EU hit list targets \$2.2 billion of products from orange juice to pajamas from politically important states such as Florida, California and the Carolinas.

Administration officials said Bush has yet to make a final decision on lifting the tariffs. But industry officials in contact with the administration said they expected the president to remove the tariffs to avoid foreign retaliation.

The industry officials, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said that the administration was looking at many ways to provide help to domestic steel producers once the tariffs were removed. One of the proposals would keep in place an additional monitoring program on steel imports that went into effect when Bush first imposed the tariffs in 2002.

Federal agents raid Hells Angels sites

MONTEREY PARK, Calif. (AP) — Law enforcement agents raided Hells Angels motorcycle gang hangouts across the West on Wednesday and made at least 57 arrests after a two-year undercover investigation into drugs and guns.

Federal agents hit Hells Angels headquarters and clubhouses in Los Angeles, San Francisco,

Arizona, Washington state, Nevada and Alaska in pre-dawn raids.

Forty arrests were made by federal officials, and local police arrested another 17 in California on state charges. It was not immediately clear how many people were arrested on local charges in other states.

The investigation included law

enforcement agents who offered to buy explosives from members of the motorcycle gang. Donald R. Kincaid, special agent in charge of the FBI's Los Angeles office, said: "We purchased some stolen military explosives," he said, adding that they were identified as military property by lot numbers and other distinguishing marks.

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Judges question fairness of trial

RICHMOND, Va. — Federal appeals judges on Wednesday sharply questioned whether terrorism defendant Zacarias Moussaoui can receive a fair trial while the government denies him testimony from al-Qaida witnesses who he says could exonerate him.

During a hearing on the fairness and death-penalty issues that have delayed trial for the al-Qaida operative, the judges searched for a way to resolve a clash between defendants' rights and the government's ability to fight the war on terrorism.

With the government declaring the witnesses off-limits to the defense, Judge William Wilkins, who was appointed by President Reagan, asked the same pointed question of both sides:

"Is Moussaoui entitled to any remedy?"
Justice Department lawyer Paul Clement said that Moussaoui has the right to material that might exonerate him but that national security overrides his right of access to enemy combatants held abroad who might reveal secret information.

Court sentences defendant in terror case to 10 years

BUFFALO, N.Y. — A Yemeni-American man who attended an al-Qaida training camp and met with Osama bin Laden shortly before the Sept. 11 attacks was sentenced to 10 years in prison Wednesday.

Mukhtar al-Bakri, 23, was the first defendant to be sentenced in the Lackawanna Six case that has been held up by the Bush administration as a problem in pursuing and prosecuting terrorism suspects.

Nation/World In brief

Al-Bakri, the youngest of the group, was the last to accept a plea bargain earlier this year. His sentence for providing material support to al-Qaida was expected to be among the harshest because he is one of only two who completed the camp's training program.

Briton faces charge of aiding 'shoe bomber'

LONDON — Sajid Badat, 24, of Britain was arrested last week in southwestern England was charged Wednesday with conspiring with convicted "shoe-bomber" Richard Reid in an explosives plot, police said.

Shortly after the arrest, Home Secretary David Blunkett said the security services and police believed the suspect had "connections with the network of al-Qaida groups." Ibrahim Master, chairman of the Lancashire Council of Mosques, said last week that the suspect had been a student at the College of Islamic Knowledge and Guidance in Blackburn, northern England.

Reid was sentenced to life in prison for a Dec. 22, 2001, bombing attempt aboard a Paris-to-Miami flight. When he pleaded guilty in October 2002, Reid said he was a member of al-Qaida, pledged his support to Osama bin

Laden, and declared himself an enemy of the United States.

Shiite cleric opposes U.S. political blueprint

BAGHDAD, Iraq — The new president of Iraq's Governing Council is a Shiite cleric and former militia leader who strongly objects to a key part of a U.S. plan to give sovereignty to Iraqis by July 1.

Abdel-Aziz al-Hakim — in charge only for the month of December, but his elevation to the top Iraqi office testifies to a post-Saddam Hussein regime in which a long-oppressed Shiite majority has emerged as the nation's dominant force.

Addressing his first news conference Wednesday since taking over the rotating post, al-Hakim renewed his demands that a transitional legislature set to be formed by the end of May should be directly elected rather than selected from regional caucuses.

Under a Nov. 15 agreement between the U.S.-led coalition and the Governing Council, Iraqis will vote in early 2005 for an assembly.

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NATION

Convicted rapist waives extradition to face charges

CROOKSTON, Minn. — A convicted rapist suspected of abducting a college student 11 days ago waived extradition to North Dakota on Wednesday to face kidnapping charges, but authorities still appeared no closer to finding the victim.

Alfonso Rodriguez Jr.'s only words during the hearing were to say he understood the proceeding. Authorities have not said if Rodriguez is cooperating in the search for 22-year-old Dru Sjodin, who remains missing.



Alfonso Rodriguez Jr.

Nation in brief

Earlier Wednesday, Grand Forks, N.D., Police Chief John Packett said police had searched Rodriguez's car and the home where he was staying in Crookston. They also released a photo of the car, hoping someone might remember details that could lead them to Sjodin.

NASA asks Pentagon for aid in checking space station

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. — At NASA's request, the Pentagon is using spy satellites to check the international space station for any exterior damage that might

explain the loud metallic noise heard last week by the two men on board.

The space agency learned a lesson from the Columbia disaster. Because of the classified nature of the work, Charles Precourt, a space shuttle commander now serving as deputy manager of NASA's space station program, would not say whether NASA has obtained any satellite or ground telescope images so far that shed light on the problem. But he said nothing amiss has been found.

Coroner says struggle with police caused man's death

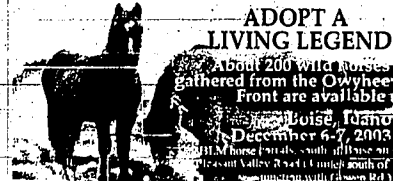
CINCINNATI — The coroner

said Wednesday that a struggle with police was the primary cause in the death of a 350-pound black man whose scuffle with officers outside a fast-food restaurant has prompted outcry among black activists in Cincinnati.

Hamilton County Coroner Carl Parrott said Nathaniel Jones, 41, suffered from an enlarged heart, obesity and had intoxicating levels of cocaine, PCP and methanol in his blood.

Parrott said the death will be ruled a homicide, but added that such a ruling "should not be interpreted as implying inappropriate behavior or the use of excessive force by police."

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EDITORIAL

Diversity on campus can go beyond ethnic origins

Say the word "diversity" on a college campus and you'll hear about the need for a student-body with varied ethnic backgrounds.

But diversity should be much more than that. Diversity should include recognition of different political and religious beliefs, as well. Colleges need to recognize students' inner differences - not just their exterior ones.

If they can't do that, the notion of diversity has lost its flavor.

Today's ivory tower crowd gives lip service to the idea of diversity, yet it scoffs at the needs of students with conservative views or religious beliefs, who may have their ideas ridiculed on campus.

It's hardly news to most college students and their parents, but today's colleges are a haven for liberal professional minds. Unless the student is headed to a college that specializes in a conservative curriculum, he or she will probably join the vast throng of students who are learning history, economics, biology and law from Abbie Hoffman's grown-up disciples.

College should be an atmosphere where ideas are challenged and different views are presented. Minds grow when exposed to more than one perspective. College students deserve instruction that respects all views, just as they

are asked to do the same. In Colorado, one Republican state legislator is asking the state's colleges and universities pointedly whether they embrace conservative viewpoints in classes - or if they stick to the one-sided liberal doctrine and force students to step into line.

Our view: The idea of a diverse college student body should include balanced views on religion and politics. **What do you think?** We welcome viewpoints from our readers on this and other issues.

College administrators are howling at having a politician barge into their curriculum. But it's a good question to ask.

Boise State University recently adopted a diversity class requirement for graduation in 2005 and thereafter. Each student must take a three-credit

course that will, as the student newspaper described it, "place cultural practices in a comparative framework that does not privilege a single cultural perspective."

Robert McCarl, a BSU professor for anthropology who helped pass the requirement, says the idea is to offer students courses that compare global perspectives equally.

That broad approach should be widened further. Diversity classes should also include additional perspectives on religion and politics.

College students pay big money to make sure they get a full education and adequate training for their careers. It only makes sense that colleges should cater to all of them, regardless of what they look like or what they believe.

Catching up on fund raising with Dean

Hi, my name is Howard Dean and I'm calling today to ask for your support.

For what? I'm seeking the Democratic presidential nomination. No, I'm not the one looking for a woman.

JIM SHEA

That would be Congressman Kucinich. Right, I'm the crabby one, right, the Confederate flag guy. No, I'm a former governor of Vermont.

Of course I'm glad the North won the Civil War. I was using the Confederate flag as a metaphor. In retrospect, I guess I did put my foot in my mouth.

Sure, I guess you could say that's not the only location I got a foot placed for that remark. I'm sorry, I'd be glad to cut to the chase.

I'm looking for a contribution to my campaign. Why? Well, because I have decided to spurn federal campaign funds.

How much am I spurning? Oh, roughly \$18.7 million. No, I don't think that makes me too stupid to vote for.

Well, I don't really have any choice. The simple explanation is that if I get the nomination it's the only way I can compete with President Bush.

How much does President Bush have? They predict he'll have about \$200 million.

I'm asking you for the maximum, a \$2,000 contribution. I agree, turning down \$18.7 million and then calling you up asking for \$2,000 does seem a little strange.

Again, I disagree; it does not make me too stupid to vote for. What do you get for your \$2,000? You help elect somebody who has your best interests at heart.

What do the Bush donors get for their \$2,000?



They get big tax breaks, deregulation, a seat at the table. Yeah, I suppose that does sound like a better deal. No, you don't have to contribute the whole \$2,000; whatever you can afford. Twenty-five dollars. That would be great. A thank you gift? We don't do thank you gifts. No, I don't think that makes me an ingrate. What would you like? I'm sorry, but an ambassadorship is out of the question.

OK, what's your second choice? Steak knives? Why not, we'll send you a set of steak knives. Some advice? I can always use some advice. You know, I'm not sure a bake sale would work for us. Anyway, I've got to run, thank you so much for your support. Well, it was nice talking to you, too, Mom.

Jim Shea is a columnist for The Hartford Courant.

America's great divide isn't so wide

One of today's popular myths is that we've become a more "polarized" society. We're said to be divided increasingly by politics (liberals vs. conservatives), social values (traditionalists vs. modernists), religion (fundamentalists vs. evangelicals), race and ethnicity. What's actually happened is that our political and media elites have become polarized, and they assume that this is true for everyone else. It isn't.

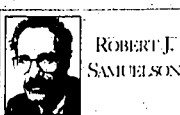
Anyone who lived through the 1960s, when struggles over Vietnam and civil rights spilled into the streets, must know that we're much less polarized today.

Unlike then, today's polarization exists mainly on the public stage among politicians, TV talking heads, columnists and intellectuals.

Still, the polarization myth persists. Consider a new report from the Pew Research Center for the People and the Press, which judges with public opinion data that show (it says) "rising political polarization and anger." Actually, the data stretch from the late 1960s until now - don't show that at all.

It's true that over this period political allegiances have shifted slightly. Republicans gained Democrats lost. As late as 1987, about 35 percent of adults considered themselves Democrats, 28 percent Republicans and 39 percent independents (including those who "don't know"). Now, it's a dead heat: 31 percent Democrats, 30 percent Republicans and 39 percent independents. Gaps on some issues between political parties have predictably widened. If Democrats favoring a stronger military become Republican, party differences on that issue will rise.

But polarization - a visceral loathing of your opponent - increases only if partisans feel more rabidly about their views. Here, little has changed. One standard survey question is whether Democrats and



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Republicans consider themselves "strong" party members. In the late 1980s, slightly less than half of Republicans considered themselves "strong" Republicans; it's still slightly less than half. Among Democrats, about half are now "strong" and were then, too. Beyond partisan divisions, Americans share many basic beliefs.

After Sept. 11, patriotism remains high. Most people (two-thirds or more) believe that hard work promotes success. Indeed, many opinions have hardly budged since the late 1980s. Surveys ask whether:

• "The United States should be 'active in world affairs'" - 87 percent said yes in 1987, 90 percent now.

• "Government should restrict and control people coming into our country" more than it does - 76 percent agreed in 1992, 77 percent now.

• "There is too much power concentrated in the hands of a few big companies" - 77 percent said so in both 1987 and 2003.

What's more important is that the changes that have occurred - generally outside politics - signal more, not less, tolerance, as the Pew data shows. There seems to be a general shift in attitudes, led by changes among the young. Consider race. In 1987, 48 percent thought it "all right for blacks and whites to date"; now, 77 percent do. Something similar has occurred on homosexuality. By a margin to 42 percent margin, Americans believed in 1987 that "school boards ought to have the right to fire teachers who are known homosexuals"; now that's rejected, 62 percent to 33 percent.

Today's polarization mainly divides the broad public from

political, intellectual and media elites. Of course, sharp differences define democracy. We've always had them. From Iraq to homosexual marriage, deep disagreements remain. But the venom of today's debates often transcends disagreement. Your opponents - whether liberal or conservative - must not only have bad ideas. Increasingly, they must also be bad people who are dishonest, selfish and venal.

Among politicians, the bitterness reflects less political competition especially in the House of Representatives. Democrats and Republicans increasingly have safe seats. In 2002, 83 percent of House incumbents won at least 60 percent of the vote; in 1992, only 66 percent of incumbents won with that margin. As a result, members speak more to their parties' bases than to the less vocal to appeal to the center. The Founders saw the House as responding quickly to public opinion. But "the barometer is broken," says veteran congressional correspondent Richard E. Cohen of National Journal.

As for media and intellectual elites - commentators, academics, columnists, professional advocates - they're in an attention-grabbing competition. They need to establish themselves as brand names. For many, stridency is a strategy. The left feeds off the left and the left feeds off the right, and although their mutual criticisms constitute legitimate debate, they're also economic commodities. To be regarded by one side as a lunatic is to be regarded by the other as a hero - and that can usually be taken to the bank through more TV appearances, higher lecture fees and fatter book sales. Polarization serves their interests.

All this distorts who we are and poses a latent danger: someday we might become as hopelessly polarized as we're already supposed to be.

Robert Samuelson is a columnist for Newsweek magazine.

LETTER

Idaho needs unions to improve way of life

The rich keep getting richer and the poor keep getting the shaft - the story goes on. I was informed that our insurance at work will be going up a scant 30 percent this year. I have read that power rates may go up 17 percent. A cruddy sheet of half-inch plywood will cost you more than 20 bucks. And how about this: The Department of Health and Welfare is now making it mandatory for all non-custodial parents to put their children on health insurance, whether the parents have an arrangement that better suits the child and that everyone is happy or not.

If the father is the non-custodial parent and the mother has the child on her health insurance and the father pays half of this insurance premium, it does not matter, even if the mother's insurance is better than what the father can provide.

Way to go, Health and Welfare! This is also the time of year I get on my right-to-work handwag on. Oh, no, Idaho, let's get rid of right to work! I wonder what a few unions and better wages and benefits for employees would do for the state? The day for positive change for the working man is coming. Isn't it?

Happy holidays!
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LETTER

Kempthorne endorsement of diet slams Idaho spud

I was watching KTVB, Channel 3, news at 10 p.m. last Wednesday, Nov. 26, and they ran an extended piece on Dirk and Patricia Kempthorne and their success with and resulting endorsement of the Atkins diet.

How dare they? The governor of Idaho and his wife promoting a diet plan that excludes potatoes?

Not only excludes potatoes but denigrates and condemns this sacred symbol of our great state. It's disgraceful.

This heinous threaters to shred the very fabric of the agricultural heritage on which Idaho was founded, for which Idaho is renowned, and upon which Idaho's economy depends. It is an outrage.

The governor of Idaho recommending that the world "just say no" to potatoes? What about our farms? What about their children? What about school lunches without later? What about the impoverishment of teaching in Mexico and the Orient extolling the virtues of the bumble spud while at home shaming this symbol of all that we hold dear?

Has anyone examined the governor's travel records? Wasn't the timing of one of these Asian junkets similar to Neil Bush's?

I see no alternative but a recall petition demanding Mr. Kempthorne's removal from office.

Only a formal apology exhibiting sincere contrition, along with the (televized) consumption of a super-sized portion of fries by the Kempthornes can provide satisfactory remedy for this monumental injustice.

Please, I encourage you to call the governor's office (1.334.2100) and voice your displeasure at Kempthorne's propaganda attacking potatoes grown in Idaho, USA.

If an action-adventure film star can fire two full automatic weapons simultaneously, surely he is qualified to govern two states at the same time, we could move the statehouse to Sun Valley where it would be one of the smaller, less ostentatious expressions of power (read wealth).

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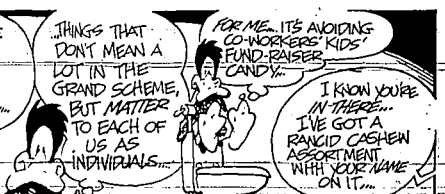
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Former Senator takes on anti-gay Baptist minister

By Al Kamen
The Washington Post



Alan Simpson

Former senator Alan Simpson, R-Wyo., has come under fire for supporting gay rights. The famously anti-gay Westboro Baptist Church in Topsham, Kan., recently picketed the Wyoming statehouse in Cheyenne, in part because

Simpson is honorary chairman of the Republican Unity Coalition and signed the group's "Cody Statement" for tolerance.

In a news release, the WBC said the idea was "to picket the funeral of (gay) senator Alan Simpson," calling the Cody Statement "a covenant with death and an agreement with hell." In addition, it blasted

"Simpson's signature with out-of-the-closet... Michael Huffington's" a reference to the former GOP congressman and Senate candidate from California and the ex-of former California Democratic gubernatorial candidate Arianna Huffington.

Simpson, apparently not having changed much since

leaving Washington, wrote WBC pastor Fred W. Phelps a response. "I just wanted to alert you to the fact that some dizzy (expletive) is sending out mailings and e-mails from the Westboro Baptist Church—and using your name!" Simpson said in his letter. "I'm certain that you would not want this to continue or some less-alert citi-

zen might think that you, yourself had done it. We know that is surely not the case, because you are a God-fearing Christian person filled to the brim with forbearance, tolerance and love—and this other goofy homophobic nut must be someone totally opposite."

"Quite Sincerely, Al Simpson."

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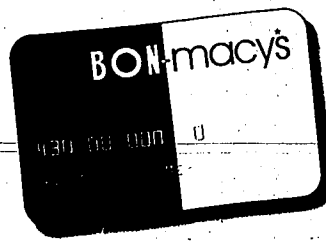
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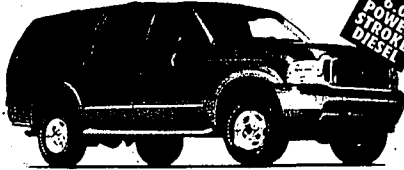
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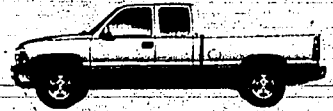
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Meghan Boettcher

Minico girls basketball

RUEPRT - Don't let the statistics fool you.

Meghan Boettcher's six points and four rebounds per game don't exactly pop out of a box score, but for a Minico team that averages 37 points per game, the 5-foot-10 junior forward's totals are key to the Lady Spartans' success.



But for all her scoring efforts, the things that don't show up in the box score are that have made Boettcher an important part of coach Clint Straatman's Spartan team. You see, Boettcher has "It."

"It" is the quality that put Rudy Ruetigier in a Notre Dame helmet, the same quality that turned Pete Rose into Charlie Hustle. Offense or defense, first or fourth quarter - it doesn't matter - Boettcher is always around the basketball.

"And that's a really good quality to have," said Straatman. "She's not afraid to defend somebody else and do whatever it takes to help us."

Boettcher slashes to the hoop and draws fouls. She forces turnovers and jump-balls. She drills over 80 percent of her free-throws and does her best to give opposing coaches headaches. But why does it seem like she's always on the ball?

"I'm drawn to it, I guess," Boettcher said.

While her hustle is an asset, it's Boettcher's defense that has the Minico faithful impressed. On the varsity team last year as a sophomore, Boettcher's scoring talents went all but unnoticed, as her inability to stop the opposition kept her on the bench.

"She's such an offensively oriented player but she played a limited role because of her defense," Straatman said.

With a summer's worth of hard work and increased playing time this season, Boettcher has become one of the better defenders on a tough Spartan squad.

"Just getting the opportunity to play more has made me a lot more confident. I pick up my offensive intensity from my defensive intensity."

That intensity - brought on by Boettcher's heart and desire to win - is a big reason why everyone at Minico is upbeat about their girls basketball team.

"We're excited about where she's at and where she's headed," Straatman said. "We really need her to lift us."

Boettcher fits the mold of this year's Lady Spartans to a tee. Minico's varsity squad features nine juniors, five of them 5-foot-10 or taller.

Like fellow juniors Amber Warth and Amanda Otman, Boettcher is a hard-nosed rebounder with a slim, athletic build.

While she lacks the ball-handling abilities of junior guards Chayla Neibaur and Kelsie Arritt, Boettcher is a twen-er - a forward with guard skills - the type of player that adds versatility to a roster.

Boettcher's ability to play three positions gives Straatman the option to go big or small.

Put her alongside physical posts Warth and 5-foot-10 senior Erica Miller, with Neibaur and Otman at guard and Minico can match height with anyone.

Bring in guards Arritt and sophomore Laura Bodenstine, and the Spartans will need to find a way to start games as strong as they finish them.

"We haven't put together a full game," Boettcher said. "Once we get together that full game we'll be good."

There's reason to believe Boettcher. In its first six games, Minico has earned its reputation as a second-half team, scoring 135 total points after the break as opposed to only 87 before the half.

The Spartans will need to find a way to start games as strong as they finish them.

As for Boettcher, a Spartan team that has persevered through injuries and illness is easy to believe in. In fact, she has a big goal for the Lady Spartans.

"Go to state," said Boettcher. "We definitely want to go to state."

It's wide open

Graduations leave Magic Valley and Northside Conferences in question

By Eric Larsen
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Try to pick a favorite for this year's Magic Valley and Northside Conference boys basketball season without reservations.

Defending state champion Castleford? No more Elvis Medina.

How about Hagerman? Oh, but they're awfully short.

Maybe Murtaugh? Two words; seven-man squad.

While the contenders are starting to make themselves known in the girls hoops season, it's still

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anyone's guess as to how the 1A basketball scene will shake out around the Magic Valley.

Defending state champion Castleford Wolves should be a clear-cut favorite: They were 25-2 last year and sport one of the Magic Valley Conference's proven scorers, 6-foot-1 senior Robert Comer. However, with Comer out the first four weeks with a broken foot, first-year coach Tyler Gaston will need the players who he thought would be Comer's supporting cast to step up and carry the load.

"Seniors Seth Blick and Wes Rodgers both played last year, they'll have to be tough," said Gaston. "A lot of these kids just need confidence, they're not positive about what they can do yet."

The 5-foot-6 Blick and 6-3 Rodgers saw limited varsity time off the Wolves' bench last year. Sophomore Drew Tverdy, 6-2, 210 pounds, remains undecided on whether to play varsity ball.

Raft River sports an impressive collection of athletes from this year's talented football team. Seniors Zach Nye and Quinn Harper are proven athletes, while the rest of the Trojan lineup boasts size and experience. With solid depth and quickness, the Trojans should improve on last year's 16-7 mark.

With a short, but quick team,

Hagerman coach Kevin Cato has bench depth and talent that could propel the Pirates into the state tournament picture. With seven returnees that saw varsity play last year - and Cato is confident enough in his bench to open the season with a full 12-man rotation. The Pirates will look to try to wear down opponents.

"I really want us to get the ball up and down the court," said Cato. "We'll fast-break more than usual and use a full-court press."

Seniors Nick Billiard, Quinn Smith, Brian Brown, and Tim

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Bruins top Century

By Phil Stevens
Times News Writer

TWIN FALLS - If the Twin Falls defense in the second half would have been similar to their defense in the first two quarters, the Bruins would have been embarrassed on their home floor.

Instead, Twin Falls stepped up with several defensive stops in the second half to defeat the Century Diamondbacks 63-60 in overtime, Wednesday night at Baun Gymnasium in Twin Falls.

"Our defensive intensity in the first half was horrible," said Twin Falls head coach Matt Harr. "However, several of our guys decided to step up and get up on their man in the second half and that made the difference in the game."

Mike Smith started the Bruins scoring off in the first quarter with one of his three 3-pointers on the night. Smith ended the quarter with nine points, and finished the game with 13 points for the Bruins. The Bruins got behind 18-13.

Thanks to a three-point play by sophomore post Brett Vriesman, and a couple foul shots by senior Luc Martin, the Bruins clawed to within four at half-time, 31-27.

"Coach Harr was banging on the chalkboard in the locker room, and when he does that, we know that we need to step it up," said Mike Smith.

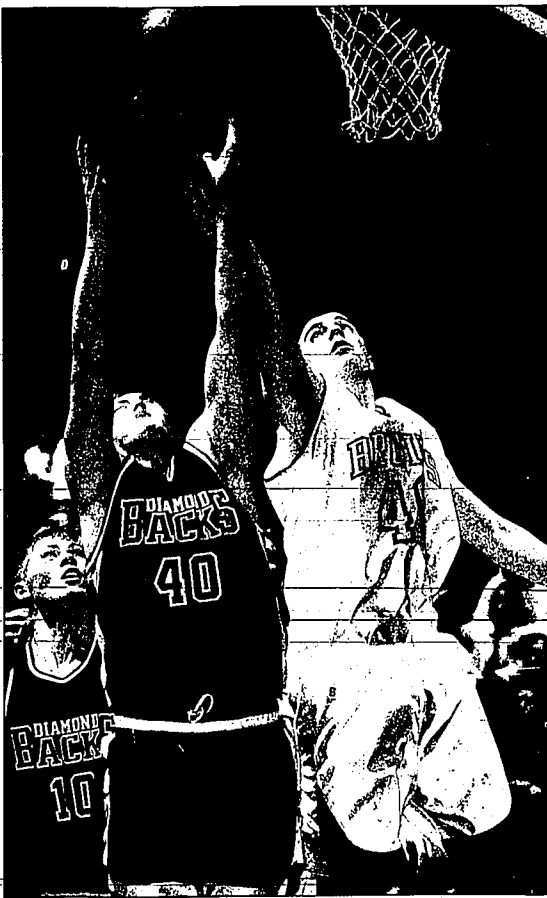
Twin Falls started pounding the ball inside to Vriesman and Martin and were able to pull ahead again late in the fourth quarter until Ray hit a game-tying 3-pointer with six seconds remaining to force overtime.

In the extra frame, the Bruins made clutch defensive plays including huge blocks by Martin, and twin brothers Mike and Mitch Smith made their free throws to pull out the win.

"It was a great win for our team. We were going to win a lot of these close games this year," stated Harr.

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Twin Falls High sophomore post Brett Vriesman fights for a rebound against Century defender Justin Walls in the second quarter of their overtime game in Twin Falls Wednesday. The Bruins won 63-60.

Backers: Bowl can survive sans Boise State

By Bob Fick
Associated Press writer

BOISE - After playing to its first sellout crowd a year ago, the Humanitarian Bowl is looking ahead to a future without its big drawing card - hometown Boise State University.

Backers believe they're up to the challenge.

"We're trying to get it to where it's an event, whether Boise State is in it or not, that people will come out for because it's big-time football," bowl director Gary Beck said on Wednesday.

Boise State, winner of three of the last four Humanitarian Bowls on its home-field "blue turf," is leaving town in December for the first time as a Division I-A team. The 18th-ranked Broncos (11-1) have accepted a conditional bid to the Dec. 23 Fort Worth Bowl in Texas to face No. 19 Texas Christian (11-1).

Boise State will play in the game if the Big 12 gets two teams in the Bowl Championship Series, as expected, and doesn't have an eligible team for Fort Worth.

Back in Boise, the Jan. 3 "H-Bowl" will be the last game in the series. Please see BOWL, Page B2

Humanitarian Bowl

Final scores and attendance totals for the first six Humanitarian Bowl games in Boise, Idaho (8-15) scheduled to play Georgia Tech (6-6) in the seventh game on Jan. 3. The 10 a.m. MST game is being televised by ESPN.

2002 - Boise St. 34, Iowa St. 16; attendance 30,446
2001 - Clemson 49, Louisiana Tech 24; attendance 23,472
2000 - Boise St. 38, UTEP 23; attendance 26,203
1999 - Boise State 34, Louisville 31; attendance 29,283
1998 - Idaho 42, Southern Miss 35; attendance 19,654
1997 - Cincinnati 35, Utah State 19; attendance 16,131

Brown revels in return to NFL

The Associated Press

OWINGS MILLS, Md. - When his body is battered, and it's all he can do to drag himself out of bed on Monday morning, Orlando Brown needs only to think back to his three years of inactivity. Then he knows no amount of pain can be worse than life without football.

Brown's career as an NFL player came to a standstill in December 1999 when he was struck in the right eye by an errantly thrown penalty flag. He spent the next three seasons riding a stationary bicycle on Sunday afternoons, all the while thinking what might have been.

He's back in the league now, starting as right tackle for the Baltimore Ravens. He's received more bumps and bruises over the past three months than in the previous three years combined, yet he limps through practice every day with a smile beaming through his face mask.

Clearly, the man known to his teammates as "Zeus" hasn't been this happy in a long time. "After being off for so long, it feels great to be playing again,"



Baltimore Ravens offensive lineman Orlando Brown is seen in this Nov. 1, 1998, photo in Baltimore. Brown's career came to a standstill in December, 1999 when he was struck in the right eye by an errantly thrown penalty flag while playing for the Cleveland Browns. It wasn't until this past offseason that he was finally cleared to play. He is now the starting right tackle for the Ravens.

Source says Red Sox plan to hire Francona

The Associated Press

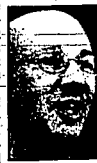
BOSTON - Terry Francona will be hired as Boston's new manager, a source told The Associated Press, reuniting pitcher Curt Schilling with his former boss in a push to bring the Red Sox their first World Series title since 1918.

The Red Sox scheduled a Thursday news conference at which they will announce Francona's hiring, a baseball source said Wednesday on the condition of anonymity.

Francona, 44, managed Philadelphia through four losing seasons from 1997-2000 when the Phillies were a young team trying to rebuild.

Francona will be under pressure to win immediately in Boston, where Grady Little averaged 94 wins over two seasons but was let go after the team collapsed in the seventh game of the AL championship series. The Red Sox also interviewed

Los Angeles third-base coach Glenn Hoffman, Anaheim bench coach Joe Maddon and Texas first-base coach DeMeco Hale. But Francona was established as an early front-runner, and his hiring was delayed only by the team's pursuit of Schilling, acquired last season in a trade with Arizona.



Terry Francona

The Red Sox traded four players for Schilling last week, but the deal was held up while they negotiated a contract extension with the 37-year-old pitcher to get him to waive his no-trade clause. They agreed Friday to a deal that will pay him \$37.5 million over the next three years, with an option for a fourth.

Schilling said one incentive for him to sign in Boston was word that Francona was "a slam dunk" to be the new manager. Even so, he made it clear that he did not make Francona's hiring a condition of the deal, nor did the Red Sox promise it.

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Eric Larsen

SPORTS

CLASS 1A BOYS BASKETBALL CAPSULES

Southside Conference

Castlego Wolves
Coach: Tyler Gaston, first year
2002-03 record: 2-22
Key returners: Robert Comer 6-1 jr.
Others to watch: Seth Black 5-6 sr.; Wes Rodgers 6-3 sr.; Tim Hill 6-0 sr.; Drew Vandy 6-2 sr.

Hagerman Pirates

Coach: Kevin Cato, fourth year
2002-03 record: 20-8; second district, state qualifier
Key returners: Quinn Smith 6-1 sr.; Nick Elliott 6-2 sr.; Brian Brown 5-11 sr.; Tim Silvey 5-10 sr.; Kyle Davis 5-11 sr.; Jesse Cornelison 5-10 jr.; Ben Stewart 6-1 sr.

Hansen Huskies

Coach: Mike Pfeifer, third year
2002-03 record: 8-12
Key returners: Tyrel King 5-10 sr.; Steven McArthur 6-1 sr.; Mitch Theives 6-0 sr.; Kyle King 5-9 jr.; Mark Terson 6-0 jr.; Matt Freestone 5-10 jr.

Preview

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Smith are the top players of a solid senior class, while 6-2 junior Tim Jay will add a post presence. Second-year coach Mike Pfeifer is looking for a balanced, up-tempo attack from his Hansen Huskies. A pair of Kings, 5-10 junior Tyrel and 5-6 sophomore Kyle, will lead the offensive charge as the Huskies build on last year's 9-11 season.

Lighthouse Lions

Coach: Jay Silver, first year
2002-03 record: first year of varsity
Key returners: first year of varsity
Others to watch: Chancey Calhoun 6-1 jr.; Powell Eaton 6-1 jr.; Stephen Mues 5-9 soph.; Matt Wendland 6-0 jr.; Charles Dawson 6-4 jr.; Jaden Mues 5-9 soph.; Mike Evlitch 5-6 soph.; Tyler Marshall 5-10 soph.; Justin Manning 5-8 jr.; Joey McCullough 5-11 jr.; Ryan DeKruyf 6-4 jr.

Coach says: "We should be fairly quick."
Others to watch: Blake Bedke 5-9 soph.; Chris Brewer 6-0 jr.; Gary Nilson 5-11 jr.; Tyrell Marchant 6-1 jr.; Elliot Thorn 6-4 jr.

Magie Valley Christian Conquerors

Coach: Joel Pyron, first year
2002-03 record: 6-16
Key returners: John Jarvis 6-3 sr.; Cody Griffith 5-10 jr.; James Jarvis 6-4 jr.; Nick Proost 5-10 jr.; Garrett Smith 5-8 sr.; Jim Rinard 6-3 sr.; Justin Cox 6-5 sr.; Jeff Sweet 6-1 jr.

Murtaugh Red Devils

Coach: Daren Garey, second year
2002-03 record: 13-10
Key returners: Lex Howard 6-0 sr.; Trent Cummings 5-10 jr.; Bridger Ward 6-1 jr.

be major concerns for this seven-man Red Devil roster. Murtaugh returns three starters from last year and the whole team is more experienced than before.

Oakley Hornets

Coach: Scott Armell, first year
2002-03 record: n/a
Key returners: Evan McBride 6-2 jr.; Kellen Kerbs 6-4 sr.; Bryce Adams 6-0 jr.; Eric Ellison 6-3 sr.; Jesse Bedke 5-10 sr.; Clay Critchfield 6-1 sr.; Kyle James 6-0 sr.

Raft River Trojans

Coach: Jeff Greenwood, fifth season
2002-03 record: 16-7
Key returners: Quinn Harper 5-9 sr.; Zach Nye 6-1 sr.; Alex Wilson 6-1 sr.; Braden Barrett 6-2 jr.; Garrett Smith 5-10 sr.; Freddy Arteaga 5-10 sr.

Northside Conference

Bliss Bears

Coach: Nick Smith, second year
2002-03 record: 1-17
Key returners: Gwne Erkins 5-10 sr.; Sam Emv 5-8 sr.; Rhett Wood 5-11 sr.; Brian Elliott 5-8 sr.

starters from last year's disappointing 1-17 season. Character and work ethic are strong with this Bliss team, but the bench is short and size is lacking.

Camas County Musers

Coach: Mark Hansen, fourth year
2002-03 record: N/A
Key returners: Steve Vouch 6-1 sr.; Zack Lee 5-9 sr.; Tony Gonzalez 5-11 jr.; Travis VanGelder 6-3 jr.; Mark Wilson 6-4 jr.; Michael Blodgett 5-10 jr.; Dakota Dalin 5-11 jr.

Coach says: "We will have the best overall speed we have had in years."
Others to watch: Kyle Menck 6-4 jr.; Josh Sturper 6-1 soph.; Josh Rast 6-4 soph.; Zack Kandle 5-11 soph.

Carey Panthers

Coach: Dick Simpson, second year
2002-03 record: 22-3, third at state
Key returners: Blake Surerus 6-3 sr.; Ty Simmons 6-3 sr.; K.C. Rivers 5-6 sr.

Community School Cutthroats

Coach: Mike Wade, 21st year
2002-03 record: 13-9
Key returners: John Hayes 6-0 sr.; Jim Fairchild 6-4 sr.; Dylan McIlhenry 6-1 sr.; G. Luc McCann 6-1 sr.; Logan Kotler 5-11 sr.

Outlook: The Cutthroats return five seniors from last year's team. The team has good height, but coach Wade believes that overall speed will be the key around the top of the Northside Conference.

Dietrich Blue Devils

Coach: Wayne Dill, third year
2002-03 record: 4-19
Key returners: Vance Dill 6-3 sr.; Shawn Divinc 6-0 sr.; Scott Southwick 6-0 sr.; Jared Telford 6-1 sr.

Richfield Tigers

Coach: Gary Ward, 10th year
2002-03 record: 5-15
Key returners: Charlie Amy sr.; Kyle Yorita sr.; Victor Vasquez jr.; Harlie Amy soph.; Tate Eason jr.; Tommy Scott jr.; Cobin Naylor jr.; Steven Ward jr.; Kyle Jones sr.

Shoshone Indians

Coach: Larry Messick, 29th year
2002-03 record: 17-11, fourth at dis-

trict.
Key returners: Tony Periera 6-1 sr.; Josh Zech 5-7 sr.; Kyle Bingham 5-10 sr.; Josh Jensen 5-10 sr.
Others to watch: Brandon Craig 5-8 sr.; Brock Astle 6-0 jr.; Pedro Garcia 5-7 jr.; Simon Jensen 5-6 jr.; Bradton Egendorf 5-7 jr.

Independent

Twin Falls Christian Academy Warriors

Coach: Brent Walker, 25th year
2002-03 record: 13-10; won Northwest Christian Schools Tournament in Pasco, Wash.
Key returners: Jacob Miller 6-0 sr.; Jake Walker 6-0 sr.; Ben Ledbetter 5-10 sr.

Junior Varsity

Idaho School for the Deaf and the Blind Raptors

Coach: Mikkel Nelson, fifth year
2002-03 record: 8-11
Key returners: Jeremy Castilleja 5-5 jr.; Peter Forsman 6-4 sr.; John Coles 5-10 jr.; Dustin Leppert 5-9 jr.; Brandon McRill 6-2 jr.

and a lot of heart. It's our goal to play a team game," said coach Joel Pyron.

Murtaugh will struggle with depth as their seven-man roster will need superior conditioning to keep up with teams with better numbers. Seniors Lex Howard, Jason Bishoff, Conely Dyer, and juniors Trent Cummings, Bridger Ward, Jesse Hunt, and Dakota Hollon "make up" the Murtaugh team. While they should be fairly quick, foul trouble or injuries could do the Red Devils in.

Oakley coach Scott Armell is looking to install a winning tradition into the Hornet basketball

program. Senior Eric Ellison is the best scoring option on a team that has height and talent.

Northside Conference

The Shoshone Indians sport five seniors, but are otherwise young and fairly inexperienced. Coach Larry Messick - now in his 29th year - will look to 6-foot-1 senior Tony Periera to lead the Indians. Periera and 6-0 junior Brock Astle are the only players on the Indian squad over six feet tall.

foot-1 senior. Height will be a big advantage for coach Mark Hansen, as he has a trio of 6-4 posts in juniors Mark Wilson, Kyle Menck, and sophomore Josh Rast. With a group of 10 players with some varsity experience, the Musers could make a strong showing in Northside Conference play.

Ketchum's Community School Cutthroats returns five seniors from last year's 13-win campaign. Seniors John Hayes, Jim Fairchild, Dylan McIlhenry, Luc McCann, and Logan Kotler are all pretty tall. Coach Mike Wade sees height and speed as the Cutthroats' best advantage.

While Carey posted an 11-10 record last year, they return only three players with sizable varsity experience. 6-foot-3 seniors Blake Surerus and Ty Simmons will need to lead the Panthers' up-tempo charge.

Bliss, Richfield, and Dietrich are all coming off 15-plus-loss seasons and are hoping to gain a measure of revenge on the teams that made last season so difficult.

Independent Twin Falls Christian is tall, but lacks experience and depth. The Idaho School for the Deaf and Blind will play a junior varsity schedule this season.

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Classic Peanuts By Charles M. Schulz

GRAMPA ALWAYS TOLD ME YOU CAN HAVE JUST AS MUCH FUN SLIDING DOWN A HILL IN A CARDBOARD BOX AS ON A SLED.

I REMEMBER GRAMPA ALWAYS HAD A LOT OF SNOW ON HIS FACE...

For Better or For Worse By Lynn Johnston

CHEESE, RICHARDS! CUT IT OUT! STOP FEELING SORRY FOR YOURSELF! YOU'RE NOT AS BAD OFF AS SOME CHAPS HALF YOUR AGE!

YOU CAN HEAR AND SEE AND ENJOY A GOOD MEAL. YOU CAN STILL READ A BOOK AND YOU CAN HAVE THE WIFE WHO LOVES YOU.

QUIT SNIVELLING ABOUT THE THINGS YOU CAN'T DO ANY MORE AND BE GRATEFUL FOR THE THINGS YOU CAN DO.

HMPH! IT ALWAYS FEELS GOOD TO GIVE SOMEONE WHO DOESN'T LIKE A GOOD TALKING TO.

Dilbert By Scott Adams

THIS APPLE WILL REMIND US OF OUR CORE VALUES: RESPECT, CUSTOMER SERVICE, AND TEAMWORK.

THE APPLE'S CORE IS THE PART YOU THROW AWAY.

NOT ALWAYS. SOME-TIMES I ACCIDENTALLY EAT IT.

MAYBE THE STEEL CAN REPRESENT OUR LOYALTY TO THE COMPANY.

Blonde By Dean Young & Stan Drake

DONNE, YOU AND CONNER NEED TO LOOK AT THESE PHOTOS OF WEDDING CAKES WE CAN PREPARE.

WHO'S THE GUY IN THE BACKGROUND WITH "THE WIFE AND ROCKS"?

THAT'S MY HUSBAND.

B.C. By Johnny Hart

SHOW ME A MAN WHO WILL LIE, SLANDER AND SWINDLE FOR ONE LOUSY VOTE...

AND I'LL SHOW YOU AN INCUMBENT.

Pickles By Brian Crane

WHAT ARE YOU DOING, GRAMPA?

I'M SAFETY-PINNING MY SOCKS TOGETHER BEFORE I PUT THEM IN THE LAUNDRY.

DO YOU KNOW WHY I DO THAT?

SO ONE OF THEM DOESN'T GET LOST?

NOPE. IT'S SO THE BLUE ONES AND THE BLACK ONES DON'T GET CROSSBRED.

Garfield By Jim Davis

...WE NOW RETURN TO OUR HOLIDAY SPECIAL...

"THE CHRISTMAS THAT ALMOST WASN'T!"

SAW IT

RUDOLPH GETS A RUNNY NOSE

Dennis the Menace By Hank Ketcham

I HATE THESE ADS THAT KEEP POPPING UP!

On TV the commercials wait their turn!

YES, I'M SURE YOUR HAMSTER NEEDS A WARM PLACE TO SLEEP, BUT OUR BED IS NOT IT!

Hi and Lois By Chance Browne

DID YOU GET MY E-MAIL?

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DID YOU CLICK ON THE LINK TO THE WEBSITE?

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DID YOU ORDER THE ITEMS ON MY WISH LIST?

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ISNT CHRISTMAS SHOPPING ONLINE GREAT?

NOT NECESSARILY.

Rose Is Rose By Pat Brady

YES, IT'S TRUE THAT SNOW IS WATER!

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HOW IS IT?

NOT BAD... ONCE YOU GET USED TO IT!

The Wizard of Id By Brant Parker & Johnny Hart

DON'T YOU KNOW THE ECONOMY HAS TURNED AROUND?

YOU MEAN?

YES!

YOU'LL BE NEEDING A BIGGER CUP NOW

Zits By Jim Borgman and Jerry Scott

YOU'RE NOT GOING TO GET ZITS FROM MY HEAD, HECTOR!

WHAT?

I WAS PLAYING "STAIRWAY TO HEAVEN" AND SHE WET HERSELF OUT THAT I WAS CONCERNED TO THAT TUNE!

NO WAY!

AMAZING HUH?

HEAV!

YOU'RE LIKE THE POSTER BOY FOR THE HAZARDS OF CLIQUE ROCK & ROLL!

THANKS FOR ARTICULATING!

Hagar the Horrible By Chris Browne

WHEN YOU REACH MY AGE, YOU BEGIN TO EXAMINE YOUR LIFE MORE CLOSELY...

YOU SEE VERY CLEARLY THE THINGS THAT ARE IMPORTANT TO YOU!

AND BOILED LIVER FOR DINNER ISN'T ONE OF THEM!!!

Luann By Greg Evans

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555-2337

ARE YOU STILL SHARPENING YOUR PENCIL?

ALMOST DONE

Battle Bayley By Mort Walker

WHEN I NEED A SHOWER! HOW ABOUT YOU?

NO THANKS

I LIKE A REAL BATH IN A REAL TUB

Frank and Ernest By Bob Thaves

EMPLOYMENT DEPT.

I QUIT MY JOB AT THE PLANT THAT MAKES VELCRO... I WAS ALWAYS BRINGING WORK HOME WITH ME.

Strange Brew By John Deering

THIRD ADMISSION THIS WEEK: WHAT DO THEY PUT IN THOSE NEW ENERGY DRINKS, ANYWAY??

Non Sequitur By Wiley

HOW TO TELL IT'S GOING TO BE A LONG WAIT.

The Born Loser By Art Sansom & Chip

YOU HAVEN'T AGED SO BADLY! LOOK ON THE BRIGHT SIDE.

YOU MAY HAVE PUT ON A FEW POUNDS, BUT AT LEAST YOU HAVEN'T LOST ALL YOUR HAIR!

YUP! SEE--YOU'VE STILL GOT THIS ONE RIGHT HERE!

MORNING BREAK

Women possess sexual power in ancient Egypt

It was the women of ancient Egypt, always, who were the sexual aggressors, according to some historians. When you ride a bike, as your old physics prof would tell you, 95 percent of the energy you put to the pedals translates into forward motion.



REVISITED L.M. Boyd

Johnny Appleseed did his part to spread apple trees across North America. But that fruit's real pioneers, it's said, were those frontiersmen who craved hard cider. Pie was lagniappe.

Civil twilight is when the streetlights are supposed to go on. Nautical twilight is when the horizon disappears. Astronomical twilight is when the faintest stars come out.

Q. Who invented baseball cards?

A. Cigarette sellers. They wanted cardboard stiffeners in their packs. And at first, couldn't care less what was printed on the cardboard.

Discuss concerns with doctor

DEAR ABBY: I am a 14-year-old girl in my first year of high school. Two years ago, this 18-year-old guy, "John," touched me on a private area of my body. I told my mom. She didn't believe me, so she asked John if it was true. He denied it, and she accused me of being a liar.



DEAR ABBY Abigail VanBuren

My problem is, I am supposed to have a physical examination in a few weeks. My mom says the doctor will examine me in the place that John touched me. Even though my doctor is a woman, I don't want to go through with that part of the physical. My mom doesn't understand. Abby, please help me. How can I get out of it? - SCARED IN NEW MEXICO

Our relatives before the Christmas holidays begin and politely ask them not to buy anything for us? We have relatives, with whom we are not close, who always give us gifts "when we see them" at Christmas. Our finances are limited, but we feel obligated to reciprocate. How should we handle this? - NO THANKS IN WEST VIRGINIA

recognized my husband in 11 out of the 15 you listed. I had put off leaving him out of fear for myself and our beautiful 3-year-old daughter. However, when I read that 65 percent of abusers who beat their wives go on to abuse their children, I decided I could not allow this to happen to my little girl.

I moved out and I have seen a lawyer. We will soon be free from my abusive husband and will no longer live in fear. Thank you, Abby. Please continue to put the warning signs in your column. I pray they will help others to face the truth as they helped me. - NO LONGER A VICTIM

DEAR NO LONGER A VICTIM: So do I, because some of the saddest letters I have received have come from grieving family members who write: "I only wish my daughter (or sister) had seen those warning signs before her husband killed her." I am not implying that women cannot also be abusers, because some women are. And abuse also happens between same-sex couples. I'm sad to say.

DEAR ABBY: Would it be rude for my husband and I to contact

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ACROSS 1. Horse's head 2. Church official 3. Like the eye of a needle 4. Approval 15. Ratty a soul 16. Lin. Scuba 17. Air-freshener 18. Left-hand digit 20. Shirt 22. Measuring instrument 23. Boundary 24. Map volumes 25. Sounding up 30. Chaps side 31. Crazy 32. Parking area 33. Lattice strip 36. Smiles 37. Whing it group 39. Mata Hari, e.g. 40. Reheat 41. House opera 42. Branch of mathematics 45. Stove's 46. Installments 48. Served 49. Particularity 50. Goggles 51. Artificial bait 52. Butcher's call 53. Ties to periscope 60. MS-DOS computer 61. Residue 62. Flawless with honesty 63. Thin-edged breastplate

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Wednesday's Puzzle Solver

Sagittarius: You are unconventional

IF DECEMBER 4 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY... you're unconventional and can be stubborn. A natural eccentric, you like to be everyone's friend. The sun being aligned with royal star Antares in the tail of Scorpion you have a scorpion-like side. Often privileged, you're used to moving in high circles, if not born into them. This year promises rewards through hard work and unusual opportunities.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 19): How much can you fit in a day? Colleagues wonder how you deal with so much and still have room for more. Once you realize all your efforts are noticed, the effort seems worthwhile.

TAURUS (Apr. 20-May 20): Loving color but detesting the smell of paint, you have problems when you want to create a new ambience. Once you're adjusted to change, the rewards will be worth the pain.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Financial and property-related matters appear a burden. Are you underestimating your strength? Reveal your true potential, gives you a sense of self-worth as you are being scrutinized.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Others' opinions can be annoying. You're sailing in a sea of uncertainty, but in holding on to your ideas you could make a discovery or a new world.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Breaking ties without explanation makes someone perplexed. Once you declare your point of view all will be well. Your need is to be practical and not plague yourself with imaginary woes.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Your importance isn't displayed as the drama unfolds. The show happens and is another person's responsibility.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): With the need for a heartfelt talk with a loved one, your feelings are in lockup mode. You have to break out as bottling your feelings will damage yourself and a relationship.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): As the moon enters your sign, an event or experience may delight you. You have no complaints when

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someone compliments you, but steer clear of conversation that can become confrontational. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Often you think you know it all, but the more you learn the less you know. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Unanswered "questions" could

become embarrassing as you meet an old friend or partner. Leaving things unsaid can complicate matters. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Mars lingering in your house of money means you've spent more than you had in mind. PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20): Being a Pisces, you often wonder about the power of love. Should you broach the subject and express what's on your mind? Better to keep things to yourself until safe for sharing.

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AROUND THE VALLEY

Police say missing man has been located

TWIN FALLS - A 78-year-old man who was listed as missing Monday has been located, police confirmed Wednesday night.

Noah "Tony" Anthony was located Wednesday afternoon after last being seen almost 52 hours earlier.

Sgt. Steve Ryan of the Twin Falls Police Department said late Wednesday that a man training his dog ran into Anthony in a field off Hankins Road.

Police radio reports earlier in the day described Anthony as "cold to the touch" when he was located. The radio traffic suggested an IV had been established and emergency responders were trying to warm him up when he was located around 2:50 p.m.

Anthony, who is diabetic and suffers from Alzheimer's, had last been seen at 11 a.m. Monday at Immanuel Lutheran Church on Filer Avenue East in Twin Falls.

A Magic Valley Regional Medical Center spokeswoman said late Wednesday that Anthony remained hospitalized in stable condition.

Twin Falls Festival of Trees begins today

TWIN FALLS - Calling all tree lovers.

Twin Falls' 19th Festival-of-Trees exhibition begins today with Senior Citizens' Day. There will be Christmas trees, wreaths, baskets and other holiday decor items on display with continuous entertainment at the Lynwood Shopping Center at the corner of Blue Lakes Boulevard and Filer Avenue.

Wednesday was the festival's gala dinner and tree auctions. The proceeds benefit the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center Foundation's funds for quick response units and women's health.

Seniors get free admission and a complimentary photo from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The exhibition stays open until 9 p.m. and it runs through Sunday.

Hours that day will be from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is \$4 for adults, \$3 for seniors and \$1 for children 12 and under.

The festival's Ladies Night is tonight from 7 to 9 p.m. at Tomato's Italian Grill. Tickets are \$35.

Parents search for their 14-year-old son

CASTLEFORD - John and Lynette Griggs are asking for the community's help in finding their son, 14-year-old Christopher Petersen.

They suspect their son ran away from home. He was last seen at noon Monday at Castleford High School where he told friends he was leaving campus because he had a doctor's appointment.

"We just want to tell him that we love him and to please call Mom," Lynette Griggs said.

Petersen is Caucasian, 5-foot-6-inches tall and weighs about 120 pounds. He has brown hair and hazel eyes.

Those with any information on Petersen whereabouts are asked to call police at 733-0911 or the family at 731-8854, 543-5352 or 404-9563.

Compiled from staff reports

Snowpack levels

Table with 3 columns: Location, % of Avg, % of Dec 3. Locations include Upper Snake Basin, Salmon Falls, Salmon, Ostley, Big Wood, Little Wood, Henry Fork/Teton, Big Lost, Big Lost, Little Lost.

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.

More stories

Look for more Magic Valley stories on page C-3.

Airport board deflects criticism

By Pat Murphy Times-News correspondent

HAILEY - The attorney for a newly formed "Save Friedman Airport" group received a chilly return when he questioned the Airport Authority's interest in the fate of the site of a new, larger airport built farther south of Hailey.

Attorney Tom Campion read a statement that suggested board members were not properly assessing community concerns about the fate of the present field, even asserting that his clients fear the "authority is more interested in satisfying the FAA (Federal Aviation Administration) rather than the community."

Friedman Memorial Airport Authority member Martha Burke glowered, then testily told Campion that none of the 270 members he represents had attended

numerous meetings where a possible new airport was discussed as well as whether Friedman should be preserved.

"I don't understand why these people aren't here," Burke icily told Campion, who was standing at the rear of the meeting room, beginning to fidget as Burke spoke. "We've been deliberating for a year."

Had members of his group attended meetings, said Burke, who also is a Hailey councilwoman, they would've known that the future of Friedman also is part of the study that's been launched to decide if and where a new airport could be constructed to handle larger air carrier and general aviation aircraft.

Another board member, Len Harlig, a former Blaine County commissioner, supported Burke, pointing out that Campion's objections were made obsolete only a few moments earlier when he,

Harlig, reminded the board that the study should include recommendations on whether the present field could be economically maintained along with a new airport.

The study, Harlig said, needs to "look at the financial impact of two airports operating."

Campion at that point almost apologized, saying that "I was encouraged by what I heard" earlier, and said he would suggest to his clients to attend authority meetings in the future.

Before the colloquy ended, Friedman manager Rick Baird also reminded Campion that Friedman cannot be preserved in its present operating form - that even if it remains open, millions of dollars in modifications must be made to comply with FAA safety designs, including lengthening the single runway.

Authority Chairwoman Mary Ann Mix,

who's also a Blaine County commissioner, said an advisory committee made up of Friedman Memorial Airport "shareholders" - pilots, elected officials, community representatives and the business community - should be formed to hold meetings to collect community viewpoints on a new airport and the future of the present facility.

However, she stressed that the Friedman board "will not abdicate its responsibility" to decide whether to build a new airport and whether to also retain the present field.

Building a new airport is at least a 10-year project costing an estimated \$10 million.

But not only will a study determine financial feasibility, but also a location not so distant that it would discourage airlines from serving the Wood River Valley.

Biologists hold 'wing bee,' study bird trends

By Jennifer Sandmann Times-News writer

FILER - Biologists held a "wing bee" Wednesday in Filer.

It was a full day of measuring in four small-group circles to measure and survey the wings-of-Idaho game birds from southern Idaho sagebrush country.

The Idaho Department of Fish and Game records data for up to a couple thousand wings a year so stored by region.

The wings were provided by hunters who harvested a variety of birds this fall, including sage grouse, chukar, gray or ruffed grouse, quail, sharp-tailed grouse, blue grouse and tailed grouse.

Phasians were the exception. The wings of a pheasant do not provide biologists with useful information about age, gender and reproduction. Biologists are looking for all of that in the wings of the other upland game birds.

"We can tell a lot about the status of a population," said Andy Ogden, a Fish and Game wildlife biologist based in Mammoth.

The color, length and shape of the feathers offer the gender and age information. The underside of the wing shows how far along the birds were in their molts, which allows biologists to determine whether a hen produced a clutch.

Hens don't shed their feathers until they are hatching eggs, so the evidence of their molts isn't as advanced in the fall as that of other birds.

One year of data doesn't mean much, Ogden said. But evaluating long-term trends can help biologists determine whether upland game bird populations are holding



Idaho Department of Fish and Game wildlife technicians Jared Backer, right, and Tracy Stirling evaluate bird wings

Wednesday at the Magic Valley Steelhead Hatchery. The wings were clipped and deposited in bins by hunters and collected at hunter check stations in southern Idaho. The wings are used to evaluate trends in bird populations.

ing steady, growing or declining. "Wing bees" have been held by the department annually for decades, so a solid database of upland-game-bird information exists in Idaho.

By mid-morning at the department's Magic Valley Steelhead Hatchery near Filer, biologists were surveying the mottled earth tone-colored feathers of sage grouse wings.

Early indications were that there are a healthy number of

juvenile grouse for every adult, said Dave Musil, a research biologist with Fish and Game in Jerome.

"If you've got two or more juvenile birds for every one adult, your population is stable," Musil said.

Even more juveniles is indicative of a population increase. Fewer signals a population in distress.

By looking at the stage of a wing's molt, biologists can tell if a

female grouse had a brood of chicks for the year.

The wing information is combined with other studies such as lek counts - counts from sage grouse mating grounds - and nest counts to establish hunting limits and keep tabs on upland game bird populations.

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Car and train collision hospitalizes two women

By Loraine Cavener Times-News correspondent

RUPERT - Two Minidoka County women were receiving treatment in different hospitals Wednesday after colliding with a train Tuesday night.

Ruth Honeycutt, 63, of Rupert, was in stable condition at Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center in Boise, a hospital spokesman said Wednesday.

Leah Seer, 47, of Rupert, was Honeycutt's passenger - and in critical condition in the intensive care unit at Portneuf Medical Center in Pocatello.

Honeycutt said by telephone that she had surgery Wednesday morning and expected to be in the hospital at least 10 days.

The two women were extricated from a 1996 Pontiac after Honeycutt failed to stop at a stop sign and struck the lead engine of an Eastern Idaho Railroad train in the side about two-thirds the way back, said a Minidoka County Sheriff's Department report.

There was no indication that the Pontiac braked at any time, Officer Tim Dudley's report said. The train was traveling 18 mph, the report said.

Honeycutt and Seer were traveling south on 300 West and hit the train just north of Minico High School. The crossing has no blinking lights, only a stop sign, Dudley said.

"It hasn't been considered a problem intersection," he said. Honeycutt did not admit that she ran the stop sign, Dudley said.

"But she had to have been going at a pretty good clip to have caused that much damage," he said. She told Dudley that she did not see or hear the train because it didn't have any lights or it did not blow a horn or ring a bell, his report said.

But the train's headlights, horn and bell were all working properly, the report said.

The railroad warning sign is well in advance of the crossing, in place and visible. There were no obstructions to the driver, the report said.

"She just plain did not see the train," he said. The extrication team cut the doors and top off the car and had the women out in about 10 minutes, he said.

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Blaine County officials propose low-cost golf course in Hailey

By Karen Boslock Times-News correspondent

HAILEY - After seven years of discussion, the Blaine County Recreation District is preparing to present a proposal for a public golf course to the Hailey City Council.

The golf course would be located in Quigley Canyon just east of the new Wood River High School. The presentation on Dec. 8 will be an exploratory nature as recreation district officials and Quigley Ranch owners seek to learn whether the city council would like to enter into a cooperative agreement on the project.

That could take the form of selling the site to the recreation district, shouldering the cost of some studies, such as the traffic and parking studies in exchange for a share of the revenues when the course opens.

Initially, the proposed 212-acre

course was touted as a way to offer golf in the south part of the Wood River Valley at affordable rates.

Fees as low as \$23 for valley residents, who would probably comprise half of the players, and \$35 for visitors have been discussed. By contrast, greens-fees can exceed \$100 in Sun Valley during certain times of the year.

But the course recently took on additional import because Elkhorn Golf Course owners are considering privatizing that course.

That decision could take Elkhorn out of the mix for popular events like the Governor's Cup and Danny Thompson tournament. And it could leave Sun Valley visitors waiting for a tee time since the Sun Valley Golf Course already is typically maxed out during peak season.

Blaine County Recreation District Director Mary Austin

criticized the project's importance goes beyond golf.

The course would be transformed into a Nordic center during winter with a clubhouse available for skiers to warm up with cocoa and other snacks. Hiking and jogging trails would line the property in summer.

And the course, designed by golf architect John Harbottle, would be an Audubon Wildlife Sanctuary with landscaping and stream restoration done with wildlife in mind.

But more than that, the course would be a way to raise revenue for the recreation district's other programs.

Right now, the recreation district gets 35 percent or \$785,000 of its \$2.2 million budget from tax revenues. It raises \$1.4 million from donations, grants and user fees, such as the sales of Nordic ski passes.

A quarter of the revenues from the golf course would be plowed back into golf course upkeep. But the rest would go to fund operations of a new teen center, a nearby aquatic center, youth programs and trail maintenance.

A 1998 study by Economic Research Associates of San Francisco estimated an annual net operation income before debt service of \$100,000 the first year and \$800,000 by the eighth.

That's based on 15,000 rounds of golf the first year and 28,500 by the eighth.

Hailey resident Wally Morgus, who has worked in the golf industry around the country, said the course would enable the valley to be marketed as a golfing destination during the summer, in addition to increasing the value of surrounding property.

Recreation Board President Keith Perry said the course could offer golfers a longer season than the courses in the Sun Valley

Jerome traffic barrier causes some confusion

By Dixie Thomas Reale Times-News correspondent

JEROME - A yellow barrier installed down the middle of Main Street East by city crews earlier this week is turning a distinct "shade of black from motorists trying to cross it," says Jerome City Councilwoman Darcie Bohrowski.

The Jerome City Council authorized the installation of the barrier recently to eliminate a potential traffic hazard caused by eastbound motorists turning left off Main Street East into the parking lot of Wells Fargo Bank.

The bank is located at the corner of Main and Lincoln in the heart of the downtown area. In order for a motorist to turn left into the bank parking lot, the motorist has to cross double yellow lines and cross the oncoming traffic left turn lane causing congestion and hazardous conditions at the intersection.

"It may take a while" for motorists to realize the barrier is there," City Administrator Travis Rothwell told the council Tuesday. "But they will eventually get used to it."

In other business, a public hearing on a mobile home ordinance area in an existing home park is there. City Administrator Travis Rothwell told the council Tuesday. "But they will eventually get used to it."

If adopted, the ordinance will require a mobile home park to consist of at least six manufactured homes.

Currently only two units are in the area. The ordinance will require a mobile home park. The space per unit requirement will be the same under the new ordinance, as will the requirements for curbs, gutters, sidewalks, lighting, fencing and parking. All current manufactured home parks with less than six units will be grandfathered.

Rothwell told the City Council the ordinance is the second part of a manufactured home ordinance. The first portion of the ordinance was passed last year and limited the placement of single-wide mobile homes to manufactured home parks. Only multi-sectional manufactured homes are allowed to be placed on single lots within the city.

City Council business on Tuesday also included:

Appointment - Patty Ward, a sergeant with the Jerome Police Department, was appointed to the

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OBITUARIES

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Nola Cline - Eden



Nola Jane Stephens Cline, 73, of Eden, Idaho, went to meet her Heavenly Father on Dec. 1, 2003. Nola was born Feb. 3, 1930, in Twin Falls, Idaho, the daughter of Otis and Ethel (Goza) Stephens. She was raised in the Eden and Hazelton area and graduated from Eden High School in 1947. Nola worked at the telephone office in Twin Falls and cut many puzzles. On Feb. 14, 1953, she married Bill Cline and remained married to him for 49 years. They had five children and owned the Trophy Club in Eden for 35 years. Their motto was "Through this door, passes the nicest people." Nola loved *The Times-News* crossword puzzles and was always happy when she completed her puzzle before her sister, Vi. (Vi never believed her). She also enjoyed giving her sons-in-law headaches! She loved her children, adored her grandchildren and cherished her great-grandchildren.

She was known, not only by her own grandchildren, but by many other kids as "Crazy Grandma," a nickname she loved. Surviving Nola are her loving children, Judy and Bill Black of Twin Falls and Florida, Ron and Kathy Cline of Hazelton, Idaho, Don and Judi Cline of Garden Valley, Dohi and Jack Riley and Bobi and Bob Wood of Hazelton, Idaho; 15 grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; her sisters, Vi

Joye Arlene Barton Lynch - Gooding



Joye Arlene Barton Lynch, 59, passed away on Nov. 27, 2003. Joye was born Aug. 25, 1944. She is the daughter of Albert Lee and DeLoane Haslam Barton of Gooding, Idaho. Joye graduated from Gooding High School in 1962, where she was an excellent student, gifted musician and popular with many friends. She participated in band, choir and was homecoming queen her senior year. She loved dancing and won a jitterbug contest as a young woman. She married Larry Lynch in 1963. She spent her life devoted to her 3 children and caring for her grandchildren. She loved music. She played the piano and sang for family, friends and her church. She enjoyed playing games, joking, baking and her beloved Lord. She was an active member of the Payette Christian Church, known for her selflessness, faith, and charity to others. Joye is survived by her husband, Larry Lynch; two sons,

Dean and Albert; one daughter, Tammy Robertson; and eight grandchildren, all of Payette, Idaho. She is survived also by her mother, Delone Barton Rivers and her step-father, Louie Rivers of Gooding, Idaho; six sisters, Kay Schenck of Fort Worth, Texas, Barbara Barton of Eagle River, Alaska, Vonnice Claiborne of Twin

Gladys Elizabeth Bean - Twin Falls



Webb of Hazelton and Dorothy Bessan of Twin Falls; and her brothers, Delmar (Marjorie), Stephens of Buhl, Idaho, and Carl (Elsie) Stephens of Jerome, Idaho. Her husband, grandson, Bob "Woody" granddaughter, Brook, daughter-in-law, Cathy; her parents; two brothers; and two sisters preceded her in death. The service for Nola will be held at 2 p.m. Friday, Dec. 5, 2003, at the Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls, with Pastor Kevin Anderson officiating of the Valley Presbyterian Church. Interment will follow at the Hazelton Cemetery in Hazelton, Idaho. In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials be sent to The Valley Rec, Valley Weight Room or the charity of one's choice. These may be given to funeral staff at the services. All services and arrangements are under the direction of the Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls, Idaho.

Gladys Elizabeth Bean, 92, of Twin Falls, passed away Saturday, Nov. 29, 2003, at SunBridge Care and Rehab. Gladys was born Nov. 23, 1911, in Parsons, Kan., the daughter of Earl and Rosina Hawkins Maurer. Gladys moved with her family to Wendell at the age of 1 1/2 where she attended schools graduating from Wendell High School in 1929 as valedictorian. While growing up, Gladys had been very active in the 4-H Club. On April 20, 1935, she married Herman L. Bean in Buhl, Idaho. They moved to Hagerman in 1959 where she was active as a 4-H leader. She later moved to Jerome in 1963 where she did tutoring for the Jerome Adult Literacy program. She also was very involved in the Jerome Senior Citizens. In 1989 Gladys moved to Twin Falls where she has resided since.

Gladys is survived by four daughters, Mary Morgan of Wendell, Ruby (Dale) Olson of Buhl, Linda (Tom) Roehlshberger of Castleford and Evelyn Mallica of Twin Falls; 29 grandchildren; great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren; one brother, Leonard (Marilyn) Maurer of Davis, Calif.; two sisters, Marguerite Churchill of Snohomish, Wash. and Dorothy (Hugh) Nelson of Boise.

Her parents; her husband, Herman in 1963; one daughter; one brother; two sisters; and two grandchildren preceded her in death. The memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, Dec. 5, 2003, at White Mortuary "Chapel by the Park" in Twin Falls with Pastor Mark Cox officiating. The family suggests memorials be given to 1st Choice Hospice, 147 Main Ave. E., Twin Falls, ID 83301. Cremation will take place under the direction of White Mortuary.

The family suggests memorials be given to Idaho Home Health & Hospice, 418 Oneida, Rupert, ID 83350.

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Mary Moreland - Twin Falls



Mary Moreland, 103, of Twin Falls, Idaho, passed away Monday, Dec. 1, 2003, at the Alterra Living Center. She was born on March 26, 1900, in Corning, Iowa, the daughter of Hattie and John Metz. She spent her early years in Iowa and on Nov. 26, 1919, she married Earl Moreland in Red Oak, Iowa. They moved to Filer, Idaho, in 1934 where Earl was engaged in farming and the milling business until his retirement. Mary was a housewife, active in community affairs. She enjoyed working in her garden, especially roses, helping in the Methodist Church, playing bridge with her friends and traveling. She and Earl spent many happy days sitting on the bank fishing for trout and perch. She was a long time member of PEO and the Eastern Star. Surviving are her two daughters, Elouise Perrin of Green Valley, Ariz., and Shirley Hull Ridgeway of Twin Falls; six grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; and six great-great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband of 70 years, Earl; four brothers; and two sisters. The service will be held at noon Saturday, Dec. 6, 2003, at Reynolds

Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls with the Rev. Dale Metzger officiating. Friends may call from 9 a.m. until the time of the service Saturday at Reynolds Chapel. The family suggests memorials to a charity of your choice. Donations may be left with funeral chapel staff or mailed to Reynolds Funeral Chapel, PO Box 1142, Twin Falls, ID 83303-1142. The family would like to express their deepest gratitude for the loving care that they and Mary received from the staff and management at Alterra.

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Hattie Price - Burley

Hattie Cranny Price, our beloved mother, grandmother, sister, aunt and friend, passed away Saturday, Nov. 29, 2003, in Superior, Mont. She was 89. Hattie was born Sept. 13, 1914, in Island, near Oakley, the oldest of three children born to Keith and Sarah Briggs Cranny. Hattie married Rulon J. Price on June 21, 1943, in Paris, Idaho. They lived in the Oakley, Burley, and the Rupert area most of their married life. Hattie was a very devoted wife and mother. Survivors include her three children, Deloyce Tyler, Craig Price and Alex Stitzer; six grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

The service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 6, 2003, at the Payne Memorial Chapel, 221 W. Main St. in Burley, with Kim Cranny officiating. Burial will be in the Marien Cemetery near Oakley. Friends may call from 10:30-11:45 a.m. Saturday at the Payne Mortuary. The family suggests memorials be given to Idaho Home Health & Hospice, 418 Oneida, Rupert, ID 83350.

Emerald Mary Perrine - Hagerman



Emerald Mary Perrine passed away peacefully in her sleep Thursday, Nov. 27, 2003. Her obituary will appear in the Twin Falls track and football teams. During this time it was her high school sweetheart and future husband, Irv Burton Perrine II. Lady Em and Mr. B were married on Aug. 31, 1934, in Twin Falls, Idaho. After the birth of their children, Burton Perrine and Trudi Perrine, they moved the family to Boise, Idaho, as Mr. B. was a director for the Idaho Fish and Game. While in Twin Falls, Lady Em and Mr. B. started the Blue Lakes Trout Farm. After World War II, Emerald was instrumental in the birth of the Blue Lakes Country Club. She and Mr. B. were a big part of bringing catfish into the fish farm industry during the 1950s. Emerald was active in the League of Women Voters and was an avid lady golfer with lots of first

and second place trophies to prove her golfing skills. During her lifetime, she worked at Iris Hale's Ladies Apparel, The Mayfair and Ann's Casuals. Fashion and clothing were a big part of Lady Em's personality. She was a true "lady" and loved to dress the part. Emerald and Burt retired in the mid 1970s after Em required bypass surgery. Mr. B. passed away in July 1979. Emerald continued living in Twin Falls until the mid-1990s when she moved to Hagerman, Idaho. During her lifetime, Em gained many lifelong friends that she dearly loved and trusted. Through these friends, she kept a positive outlook, living each day to its fullest with the love of her children, Burt and Trudi, and her grandchildren embedded in her

soul, everything she did was with zest and vigor. This made her an inspiration for anyone around her. She was the backbone of the Perrine family. Em's favorite quote was, "A person worthwhile is a person with a smile when things seem to go wrong." We will miss her dearly. Emerald was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Irv Perrine II (Mr. B.); two brothers, Ray and Jay Martin; two sisters, Ione Watson and Wanda Wildman; her daughter, Trudi Bowler; and great-grandson, Jeffrey Oswalt. Emerald is survived by her son, Burton Perrine, Twin Falls; grandsons, Randy (Tamii) Perrine, Twin Falls, Douglas Perrine, Portland, Ore.; Brent and Kent Fillmore, Twin Falls; granddaughters, Becki Lynn Perrine, Mackay, Idaho, and Shaann Perrine, Twin Falls; great-grandsons, Scott, Brian, Nikkian, Nick and David; great-granddaughters, Jessica, Chazane; great-grand-grandson, Keegan. She is also survived by her brother-in-law, Eugene Perrine, Big Sur, Calif.; and her devoted nieces, Joyce (Newt) Everett, Twin Falls, Idaho, and Barbara (Mike) Risikos, Claremont, Calif. At her request, cremation took place at White Mortuary. She will be laid to rest in the Perrine family cemetery, Blue Lakes Ranch with her daughter and husband during a private ceremony. A celebration of Lady Em's life will be held at a later date to be announced.

Community Holiday Memorial Service

Sunday, December 7 ~ 5:30 pm
Hansen Mortuary ~ 710 6th St. - Rupert

Hansen Mortuary would like to extend an invitation to the Mini-Cassia area to attend our annual Community Holiday Memorial Service to honor and remember friends and family members who have died. This time will be filled with words of encouragement, songs of comfort, and will include a candlelight remembrance ceremony. The guest speaker at this year's service will be Pastor Keith Wise, Rupert United Methodist Church. This non-denominational service will be held at 5:30 PM, Sunday, December 7, 2003 at Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel 710 6th Street, Rupert. For questions, transportation, or more information please call Hansen Mortuary, 436-5636. Please come join us and other Mini-Cassia area families, in this annual Holiday remembrance service. Refreshments will be served.

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DEATH NOTICES

Raymond Abundis

TWIN FALLS - Raymond Abundis, 82, of Twin Falls died Tuesday, Dec. 2, 2003, at the Life Care Center of Idaho Falls. A private visit with rosary will be recited at 7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 5, 2003, with Deacon Lloyd LeClair reciting. A funeral Mass will take place at 10 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 6, 2003, at St. Edward the Confessor Catholic Church with Father John Koelsch as celebrant. Military rites by area veterans and auxiliary. Burial will follow at the Twin Falls Cemetery. Friends may call from 3 p.m. until the time of the rosary with family to greet friends at 5 p.m. Friday at Reynolds Funeral Chapel. Arrangements are under the direction of Reynolds Funeral Chapel, Twin Falls. A full obituary will appear in Friday's edition.

Helen Darrington Wood

DECILO - Helen Darrington Wood, 79, of Declo, died Wednesday, Dec. 3, 2003, at her home. The funeral will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 6, 2003, at the Declo Stake Center of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 213 W. Main St., with Bishop Danny Turner officiating. Burial will be in Declo Cemetery. Friends may call from 6-8 p.m. Friday at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley, and from 1-4:45 p.m. Saturday at the church. A complete obituary will appear in Friday's edition.

Ruth Mae Hill

TWIN FALLS - Ruth Mae Hill, 78, of Twin Falls, died Tuesday, Dec. 2, 2003, at Twin Falls Care Center in Twin Falls. Arrangements will be announced by Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls.

Alice Leah Vitale

TWIN FALLS - Alice Leah Vitale, 83, of Twin Falls, died Wednesday, Dec. 3, 2003, at Bridgeway Estates in Twin Falls. Arrangements will be announced by Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls.

Emily Pyle

BUHIL - Emily Pyle, 79, of Buhl, died Tuesday, Dec. 2, 2003, at her home. The funeral will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 6, 2003, at the Declo Stake Center of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 213 W. Main St., with Bishop Danny Turner officiating. Burial will be in Declo Cemetery. Friends may call from 6-8 p.m. Friday at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley, and from 1-4:45 p.m. Saturday at the church. A complete obituary will appear in Friday's edition.

died Dec. 3, 2003, at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls. Arrangements will be announced by Farmer Funeral Chapel, Buhl.

Ann Westfall

BURLEY - Ann Morgan Westfall, 71, of Burley, died Wednesday, Dec. 3, 2003, at Parke West Care & Rehabilitation Center. A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, Dec. 8, 2003, at the Burley First Presbyterian Church, 2100 Burton Ave., with the Rev. John A. Rakestraw officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley. A complete obituary will appear in Friday's edition.

William Woods

TWIN FALLS - William Woods, 80, of Twin Falls, died Monday, Dec. 1, 2003, at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center. At his request, no service will be held. Cremation will take place under the direction of White Mortuary and Crematory in Twin Falls.

SERVICES

Clarence Lester Sparks of Paul, service at 11 a.m. Friday at the First Christian Church, 1110 Eighth St., Rupert; friends may call from 6-8 p.m. today at Hansen Mortuary - Rupert - Chapel - 710 Sixth St., Rupert, and one hour prior to the service at the church; interment will be at the Paul Cemetery.

Shirley Heck of Twin Falls, memorial graveside service at 3 p.m. Friday, at Twin Falls Cemetery; family and friends will gather after the service at the Moose Lodge in Twin Falls for a potluck dinner.

Irving Ray Walters of Twin Falls and a longtime resident of Winnemucca, Nev., graveside service at 11 a.m. Friday at Sunset Memorial Park (Reynolds Funeral Chapel, Twin Falls).

Clifford L. Jackson of Burley, service at 1 p.m. Friday at the Burley United Methodist Church, 450 E. 27th St.; burial will be in Pleasant View Cemetery; friends may call from 6-8 p.m. today at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley.

Emmett E. Harrison of Twin Falls, service at 1 p.m. Friday at the 1st Ward LDS Chapel, 847 Eastland Ave. in Twin Falls; burial will follow at Sunset Memorial Park; family will greet friends from 11:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. the day of the service at the church.

Robert R. Matthews of Burley, service at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Burley Stake Center of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 2050 Normal Ave.; burial will be in the Marion Cemetery; friends may call from 6-8 p.m. Friday at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley, and from 10-10:45 a.m. Saturday at the church.

Lucas O'Killa of Roseville, Calif., graveside memorial service at 1 p.m. Saturday at the Brunaucon Cemetery; a gathering will follow the service at the Brunaucon American Legion Hall in Brunaucon.

Adeline Groves Tipton of Tacoma, Wash., graveside service at 11 a.m. Saturday at Sunset Memorial Park.

Phyllis Ruth Ferguson Hechle, memorial service at 3 p.m. Saturday at the Moonglo Village Rec Hall, 910 Moonglo Road, Buhl; a potluck dinner for family and friends will follow the service (White Mortuary and Crematory in Twin Falls).

Moose foundation will meet in Sun Valley

The Times-News - SUN VALLEY - The third annual convention of the North American Moose Foundation, featuring a world-renowned expert who has sighted more than 30,000 moose, is slated for Friday and Saturday in Sun Valley. The two-day convention, chaired by John McDonald of Ketchum, offers holiday shopping opportunities, live and silent auctions, door prizes and raffle drawings, a press release from the group said. Safe and auction items include African safaris, Wyoming moose and elk tags, Alaska pack saddle and fishing trips, Yellowstone snowmobiling expeditions, original art, furs, jewelry, bronze sculptures and metal art, a Weatherby Mark V Deluxe rifle, Mexican dove hunts, New Zealand huns, clothing and log furniture. On Friday, a "Breakfast of Champions" sponsored by Eastman Hunting Journal opens the convention at 8:30 a.m. in the Ram Dining Room of the Sun Valley Inn. Cost is \$10 per person. Tim Trefren of Thayne, Wyo., two-time international moose calling champion, will be the host. Booths featuring a wide variety of sale items will be open from noon to 8 p.m. A welcome reception from 5 to 8 p.m. in the Continental Room at the Sun Valley Inn features hors d'oeuvres, a no-host bar and a photo display by Maine photographer Bill Stilliker. The reception is sponsored by U.S. Bank. Saturday's schedule features Vince Crichton of Manitoba, Canada, during Education Day from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Crichton is known for his participation on the Discovery Channel and Animal Planet and is considered one of the world's foremost moose experts. A Boone and Crockett scoring seminar starts at 10:30 a.m., Kids' moose calling finals are at 1:15 p.m., and adult moose calling preliminaries begin at 4:30 p.m. Sale booths will be open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. Saturday for the foundation's annual banquet fund-raiser, sponsored by Monsanto, in the Limehilt Room of the Sun Valley Inn. Larry Flynn, auctioneer and convention co-chairman, will be the master of ceremonies for the silent and live auctions and moose calling competition finals. A western barbecue dinner starts at 7 p.m. Cost is \$100 for two dinner tickets and two moose memberships. To register for the Saturday night banquet, call (208) 588-2939. The North American Moose Foundation is a nonprofit conservation organization.

ing, which was built in the 1880s. "There are other ways to tack down the dirt and we need to see if there are highway districts with some surplus of materials we could utilize," Councilman Pete Weir said.

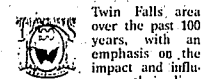
Cassia agencies get Homeland Security money

The Times-News - BURLEY - Emergency service agencies in Cassia County received \$123,192 in Homeland Security funds last week, Cassia County Sheriff Jim Hignens said. The money is added to \$56,028 the agencies received earlier this year. While Hignens said the money will help the agencies, it isn't the total amount requested by the 18 groups that sought money. Some agencies didn't get any money and no one got the full amount they applied for, he said.

Displays will feature T.F. history

By Loretta Burkhardt Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS - A report to the Twin Falls Centennial Commission Wednesday revealed that at least two displays of the city's early history are scheduled for public view by year's end. As part of the city's 100th birthday celebration, co-chairwomen Donna Scott and Zoe Ann Shaub are displaying antique items of historical interest that include vintage clothing, early cooking utensils and even a few postcards. One display will be located at the Twin Falls airport. Other locations for a quick look back at the way things were are to be announced later. While the Centennial Commission's heritage committee is also putting together a book of stories about people who lived in the



Twin Falls area over the past 100 years, with an emphasis on the impact and influence of their lives on the area's growth. The purpose of the book is to celebrate "the courageous quality of mind that enabled our forebears, both men and women, to face the hardships of the early Twin Falls." The report said. The stories will reflect the character of "all those folks who have contributed to the fabric, the human brick and mortar, that is Twin Falls, Idaho," while begging the question of what I.B. Perrine might say about the city today. While there is no firm figure for the cost of putting the book together, the committee has set May 2004 as a deadline for the book's printing.

In the commission's quest for relevant information, the younger generation has not been overlooked. With prizes yet to be purchased, the committee is planning a competition among classrooms that may involve essays, stories, skits or other chosen activities. Entries must be in no later than March 31, 2004. In other business, Executive Director Bonnie Leamiz presented the centennial key chain and the centennial lapel pins that are now available. Leamiz also announced that the gold centennial coins to celebrate the century will be available in time for the Christmas gift-buying season.

Times-News correspondent Loretta Burkhardt can be reached in Twin Falls at 734-3990.

Hagerman seeks help with drainage

By Sandra Wisecaver Times-News correspondent

HAGERMAN - City Council members want several more entities to get involved in financing the work required to fix the Lake Street drainage problem in front of Hagerman's Senior Citizen Center. "To start with we need to pursue a proper design," Councilman Jim Scott said. "We need to coordinate the project with all the different players." The Idaho Transportation Department has been contacted since runoff from State Street - a state highway - contributes to the problem. The Hagerman American Legion, the National Parks Service and the senior center membership will be asked to get involved in helping find funds to fix the problem. "When I talked to the state, they sounded like they would be able to give us some help," city engineer Greg Kelley told the council Tuesday. Runoff from State Street and drainage from the block to the south of the center pools in front of the seniors' facility. Alan Hansten, a contract engineer with E.B. Engineers Inc., has estimated the best option to eliminate the problem could cost the city \$17,700. This option would include the installation of a catch basin to capture runoff from State Street, which would be piped along Lake Street to the catch basin near the senior center. The State Street runoff would then flow through a pipeline under Lake Street to the city's park.

Other Hagerman city news

HAGERMAN - City Council business on Tuesday included: • Homeland Security - The Hagerman Valley Fire District announced it has been awarded a \$23,384 homeland security grant. Those funds will be used to purchase rescue equipment including a spreader, two rams, a cutter and power unit to be used in extrication. The community is healthier and more accident free this year than in the past, Fire Chief Tim Peterson told the City Council. Those calls are down about 30 percent this year, but our fire calls have already exceeded last year's total call volume. • Burning - Peterson reminded residents within the city that burning operations must be conducted between the hours of 7 a.m. and 4 p.m. Rural residents living within the boundaries of the Hagerman Valley Fire District should call the department at 837-4552 to log fires and eliminate unnecessary requests by firefighters to controlled burns. • Emergency response reports - Police calls during the month of November included nine agency assists, three citizen assists, one simple assault, one animal call,

nine investigations, 33 calls for service, two traffic accidents, 25 traffic violations, 40 thefts, 24 traffic citations, one other citation, one narcotics arrest, one vehicle identification number inspection, 10 suspicious incidents and 10 miscellaneous responses. Last month the Quick Response Unit had five medical calls, two trauma calls and two standby calls. The fire department had one structure fire, one motor vehicle, one smoke scare, one hazardous materials call and three responses to controlled burns. • IDEA meeting - Council members and the public are invited to attend the Hagerman Improvement Development Education and Appreciation Committee review of Hagerman's Gem Community plan. IDEA will meet at 6 p.m. Monday at the Hagerman Senior Center to update the city's Gem Community plan. Gem Community status makes the city eligible for grants to improve projects. • Library usage - Usage by patrons of the Hagerman Public Library was down 18 percent compared with November of last year. Eighteen patrons joined the library and 186 patrons used the library during the month.

Another safety issue addressed by the city in cooperation with the Hagerman Highway District was the posting of 30 mph speed limits on East Avenue to slow down traffic entering Hagerman. The city recently purchased a

snow plow from the highway district for \$125. It has been attached to the dump truck purchased from the district earlier this year. A motorist who tore down a stop sign and street sign at the intersection of Valley and Third streets will be responsible for replacement costs. The city will send a bill. If it is not paid within a specified period, the bill will be turned over to the driver's insurance carrier.

Jerome

Continued from C1 planning and zoning commission for a six-year term to expire in February 2010. Ward will replace Paul Lloyd, whose term is set to expire in February, 2004. Gem Community - The City Council passed a resolution recognizing the City of Jerome's Gem Community Plan and appointed members to the Gem Community Action Team. Appointees include Ruthweiler, Rick Bernson, Jim Cobble, Bob Richards, Bryan Craig, Thomas Scott Bybee, Gary Phelps, Elizabeth Thomas, Tom Kuntz, Art Brown, and Dennis Maughn to one year terms on the Gem Community Action Team. The action team is charged with the responsibility of promoting the economic health of the community and its citizens. The Idaho Department of Commerce offers the Gem Community program to communities as a way to help prepare for grants and sustain economic development.

Twin Falls airport gets new flight schedule for SkyWest commercial flights

TWIN FALLS - Beginning Jan. 7, commercial flights on SkyWest to and from Jostin Field will have a modified flight schedule. The new schedule at the Magic Valley Valley airport is planned as follows: in brief Twin Falls to Salt Lake City departures: • 6:53 a.m. • 9:37 a.m. • 12:15 p.m. • 3:19 p.m. • 6:24 p.m. Salt Lake City to Twin Falls departures: • 8:20 a.m. • 11 a.m. • 1:50 p.m. • 5 p.m. • 9:10 p.m.

Gooding hospital foundation hosts auction tonight

GOODING - The opening auction for the Gooding County Memorial Hospital Foundation is scheduled for tonight in the Round Building on the campus of the Idaho School for the Deaf and the Blind. It will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. There will be wine-tasting and hors d'oeuvres and live entertainment. The festival itself will run Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Hours are 3 to 7 p.m. Friday, 9:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. on Sunday. Admission is \$2. Birdwatchers gather for Christmas count TWIN FALLS - The Prairie Falcon Audubon Society invited birdwatchers and bird-lovers to participate in the annual Christmas Bird Count.

The group will hold a free workshop at 7 p.m. Friday in Room 223 of the Shields Building at the College of Southern Idaho. At the workshop, participants will learn how to identify the early winter birds in our region.

Groups hold Christmas party for caregivers

TWIN FALLS - Grandparents Raising Grandchildren and Relatives Raising Children will hold their second annual Christmas party from 7 to 9 p.m. Monday at the Episcopal Church of the Ascension at 371 Eastland Dr. Those attending are asked to bring finger food to share with the group. Children are welcome at the combined party of the Twin Falls and Mini-Cassia groups. The free groups are designed to inform and support grandparents who have questions about their unique role as primary

caregivers for grandchildren. The groups are sponsored by the Area Office on Aging and Adult Services at the College of Southern Idaho. For more information, call 736-2122.

Safe Kids Coalition cancels 'Buckle Up' safety event

TWIN FALLS - The Magic Valley Safe Kids Coalition "Buckle Up" safety event scheduled Dec. 19 at Rob Green Motors has been cancelled due to a scheduling conflict, according to a news release from Magic Valley Regional Medical Center. The hospital apologized for any inconvenience. - compiled from staff reports

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OBITUARY

J. Ray Evers
(Jacob Raymond Evers) - Wendell

J. Ray Evers (Jacob Raymond Evers), went to be with the Lord last Tuesday, Dec. 2, 2003, at St. Benedict's Family Medical Center in Jerome, Idaho, with his family at his side. He was 87 years of age. Jacob Raymond Evers was born, May 13, 1916, in the family farmhouse northeast of Hildreth, Neb., the second of five children, to Lena Buss-Evers and John Evers and was baptized in the same house. Ray was confirmed at age 13 at the St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Hildreth, Neb., and his Aunt Minnie Buss was chosen to be his sponsor. Ray graduated from Hildreth High School in 1933 and continued his education at the Nebraska College of Commerce in Hastings, Neb., during the Great Depression. When no jobs could be found, he traveled with his friend LaVern Routh in a model A Ford and arrived in the Magic Valley area with \$5 to his name in the spring of 1935.

He worked for Jack and Elsie Morgan on their farm south of Twin Falls, Idaho, by the month for approximately 14 years. The Morgan family always treated Ray as family and a trusted friend, including him in holiday and family celebrations, trips and the like, when many of his relatives were still living in Nebraska. Ray also worked for the Amalgamated Sugar Company after the Morgans retired and moved to town. Eventually, Ray saved enough to buy his first 40 acres south of the sugar factory and went on to make farming his livelihood. He made 160 acres basic in the early 1960s, and raised his family there along with many crops and a lot of livestock. Ray married Darlene Smith from Holstein, Neb., the love of his life, on June 5, 1960. They were married for 43 years, nearly half of Ray's life, and had two sons, John and Jerry. Ray was a longtime member since 1964, of the Wendell United Presbyterian Church, and he and Darlene were married in the old white Presbyterian Church in Wendell. He and his family had many fond memories revolving around church activities and involving his church family.

Interior Alaska gets dose of cold

FAIRBANKS, Alaska (AP) — Mark Ross looked at the temperature reading at Creamer's Field Farmhouse Visitor Center and thought perhaps he needed a new thermometer. "It was 48 below at 8 o'clock," Ross said. Fairbanks shivered through its first 40-below-zero temperatures in almost two years Tuesday when the mercury dropped to 42 below at Fairbanks International Airport, snapping one of the longest stretches between 40-below temperatures on record in the city. The last time it was 40 below or colder in Fairbanks was Jan. 26, 2002, when the official temperature was 43 below. Aside from that single reading, the temperature has not dropped to 40 below for almost four years.



extremely important to Ray. In 1963, he took his wife and only son, John, at that time to Germany to seek out family history and remaining relatives. The Evers family tree contains farmers for as many generations as he could trace back, and Ray loved the farm and farming, and eventually farmed with his sons, and unselfishly handed the business over to them. Ray was a progressive farmer, and was always eager to try new methods and technology. He was a "hands on" farmer and loved to run the big tractors, even as recently at two years ago at the age of 85.

He is survived by his wife, Darlene; his sons, John and Jerry (Brenda); a granddaughter, Amanda; grandsons, Justice and Jaxon all of Wendell, Idaho; and granddaughter, Melissa Evers of Austin, Texas. Also surviving are his sister, Johanna Barta, Pocatello, Idaho; and his brother, George Evers (Lucille) of Denver, Colo., as well as many extended family.

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4

Tomato's Italian Grill (open only for this event) 7:00 p.m. Hors d'oeuvres, complimentary champagne and sparkling cider. 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. Silent Auction. Ladies you will love these items. Live music, \$35 per person, limited seating. For reservations, call 737-2480.

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- 11:00 Hansen Elementary Choir
- 11:30 Oregon Trail Elementary Choir
- 12:00 Robert Stuart Bel Canto Choir
- 12:30 Kimberly Elementary & 5th Grade Choirs
- 1:00 Kimberly Elementary & 5th Grade Choirs
- 1:30 Kimberly Elementary & 5th Grade Choirs
- 2:00 Liberty Christian Academy Bell & Select Choir
- 2:30 Liberty Christian Academy Bell & Select Choir
- 3:00 Magic Valley Christian Jr. High & H.S. Choir
- 3:30 Magic Valley Christian Jr. High & H.S. Choir
- 4:30 Rosin Dusters
- 5:00 Razz-Ma-Tazz Jazz Dancers
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- 6:00 Celtic Fire
- 6:30 Toft-Jacobson Fiddle Guitar
- 7:00 Brut Huish
- 7:30 Klass Act Kids
- 8:00 Vena & Gracie

- 6:00 Kimberly Middle School Choir
- 6:30 Kimberly Middle School Choir
- 7:00 O'Leary Jr. High Jazz Band
- 7:30 Strings Alive
- 8:00 CSI Madrigal Ensemble
- 8:30 CSI Madrigal Ensemble

Saturday • December 6

- 10:30 Top Hat Tappers
- 11:00 Maudlin Dance
- 11:30 Maudlin Dance
- 12:00 Dance Center
- 12:30 Sanjurtu Martial Arts
- 1:00 JuMP Company
- 1:30 Immanuel Lutheran 1st-5th Grade Choir
- 2:00 Star Gazers Dance Co.
- 2:30 Star Gazers Dance Co.
- 3:00 Magic Valley Allstars & Gymnastics
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- 4:00 Magic Valley Eagle All-Star Cheerleaders
- 5:00 Alaina Davis
- 5:30 Marla Garrett & Angi Naerebott
- 7:30 CSI Institute Choir
- 8:00 CSI-Institute Choir

Friday • December 5

- 10:00 First Baptist Preschool
- 10:30 Immanuel Lutheran Kindergarten
- 11:00 Lincoln Elementary Choir & Drum Corp.
- 11:30 Clover Trinity
- 12:00 Vocal & Chime Choir
- 12:30 Filer Madrigals
- 1:00 Filer Jazz Band
- 2:00 Immanuel Lutheran Kindergarten
- 2:30 Poppewell Honor Choir
- 3:00 Central Elementary
- 3:30 Songsters
- 4:00 M.S. Honor Choir
- 5:00 Rocky Top Cloggers
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Sunday • December 7

- 12:00 Immanuel Lutheran After School Cloggers
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- 1:00 El Sol Dancers
- 1:30 Nanayatem & Yamanky
- 2:00 Afsana Middle Eastern Dance Groupe
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- 3:00 Magic Valley Dilettantes
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Annual Family Holiday Concert Dec. 7, Morrison Center, 7:30pm, 208-426-3880

Holiday Lights Tour, East and West Boise Dec. 12-27, 208-426-1494, www.holidaylights.com

Winter Garden Aglow, Idaho Botanical Garden Dec. 13-Jan. 3, 6pm, 343-8649 or www.idahobotanicalgarden.org

The Nutcracker, presented by Ballet Idaho Dec. 13-14, Morrison Center 343-0556, www.balletidaho.org

Handed's Messiah, presented by Boise Master Chorus Dec. 20, St. John's Cathedral, 8pm, 208-344-7801

Idaho Steelheads Hockey, Bank of America Centre Dec. 1-Mar, 208-383-0080, www.idahosteelheads.com

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IDAHO WEST

Museum offers look into Christmas of color

BOISE (AP) — The angels are black in the museum on Julia Davis Drive. So is Santa Claus.

The Idaho Black History Museum in Julia Davis Park is featuring a holiday exhibit called "A Black Christmas." It has black artwork and figurines during a holiday scene where the icons are rubber-stamped as northern European.

"I recognize Father Christmas is a European tradition, but black people celebrate the holiday and

we look for portrayals of who we are," said Fran Jones, president of the museum's board of directors. "I felt this was a warm peek into the world of people of color."

"When I was a little kid, in an Afrocentric background, we typically believed in the support of angels in life, the natural and spiritual together," Museum Director Kimetta Coleman said.

She showed a portrait of two young children crossing a perilous bridge, guided by a black angel.

"These are slave children," Coleman said. "We have a tendency to reflect back on what got us through such hard, bitter times, and it was that we always had those angels on our side."

Coleman said Harriet Tubman, the woman who formed the "Underground Railway" to move hundreds of slaves to the free states, was referred to as the "Black Angel."

Museum volunteer Yvonne Mack said that growing up in

Chicago, she always saw Santa Claus portrayed as white. But beginning in the late 1960s, figurines of black Santas started appearing in the homes of upper-middle class families who paid local artisans to make them.

Christmas also has combined with the tradition of Kwanzaa, which runs from Dec. 26 through Jan. 1, to celebrate family, community and culture.

The exhibit runs through Jan. 15.

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State budget overhauls security costs

NAMPA (AP) — The state's persisting budget problems are forcing significant reductions in security at Idaho's institution for the developmentally disabled, where safety questions have been raised in the past.

Beginning Friday, the four full-time security officers will be replaced with three part-timers at the State School and Hospital in Nampa.

"It's not something we wanted to do," Department of Health and Welfare spokesman Tom Shanahan said. "We are committed to a safe environment for the community and our staff. I don't think we're going to do anything that's going to jeopardize safety."

But Daniel Romero, who lives near the institution for people with severe developmental disabilities, believes the reduced security increases the risk that potentially dangerous residents can escape into the community.

"I know they're going to save a nickel, but they are going to place people at risk," Romero said.

The institution serves 98 residents, about half with severe behavioral problems. It has more than 370 staff members to provide around-the-clock supervision and care. In the last three years, the complex has undergone a \$9 million upgrade to facilities for residents who might pose a danger to themselves, other residents or staff.

Population pressure effects highway safety

BOISE (AP) — Tuesday's death of a northern Idaho man, thrown from his pickup as it hurtled down an embankment along a logging road, pushed Idaho closer to reaching its most traffic fatalities in more than two decades.

Shane Garretson, 31, of Athol, was the first reported traffic death of December, and state safety analysts are still compiling information on the deaths in November. But they are working off of a "Thanksgiving Holiday weekend that saw five people killed, including Lewis County Sheriff's Deputy Christopher John Hensley, 25, whose patrol vehicle went out of control last Sunday after hitting black ice.

Through October, 241 people had died on state roads, the Idaho State Police said. If the November and December average of 35 more deaths is exceeded even slightly, the state's fatality total will exceed the 278 mark set in 1999 — the most highway deaths since 1982.

Last year, 264 people died on Idaho roads, according to State Police statistics.

The increase comes despite the steady rise in seat-belt use throughout Idaho — something authorities say has kept the fatal numbers from being even higher. Seat-belt use hit 72 percent throughout Idaho this year. That was nine percentage points higher than last year.

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Interest groups object to 2002 state district map

BOISE - Eastern Idaho interests have renewed their objections to the 2002 redrawing of state legislative districts, claiming for the first time that the Legislature approval should have been required.

That claim runs counter to the principle behind the decision in 1996 to turn congressional and legislative redistricting over to an independent bipartisan six-member commission. Advocates of the system wanted to cut lawmakers and their incumbency protection politics out of the process. They made the commission's plans subject only to review by the Idaho Supreme Court.

The petition filed this week asked the high court to throw out the current map and order a new one drawn before next May's primary.

In addition to the question of legislative approval, the challengers, led by Senate President Pro Tem Herbert Hedges of Soda Springs, also raised issues similar to those put before the court in March 2002 but rejected because there was no time to resolve them without disrupting last year's elections.

Demanding a new legislative map were the commissions of Bonneville, Caribou, Oneida, Owyhee and Teton counties, Geddes and GOP Reps. Bill Sali of Kona and Eulalie Langford of Montpelier, former Republican legislators Kathy Sims of Coeur d'Alene, Stan Hawkins of Ucon and Tom Lowmeyer of Jona and GOP activist Larry Eastland of Boise.

Bill exceeds \$500,000 on board inquiry

LEWISTON - Some lawmakers are expressing concern about the escalating price of the state Board of Education's investigation into the

Idaho in brief

University of Idaho's failed plans to build an academic center in Boise. The latest report filed by the board's investigator, Boise attorney Larry Prince, put the price tag at \$536,000 through October.

"It's about five times more than I would expect," Boise Education Chairman Jack BaracloUGH of Idaho Falls said. "It just shocks me to hear that amount."

Gary Stivers, the board's executive director, said Prince will brief the board behind closed doors on his findings on Friday in Pocatello. He expected the final report would be released sometime next week after review by the attorney general.

Prince has spent about six months looking into the questionable \$10 million loan the university made to its foundation to finance some of the upfront costs of the University Place complex just east of downtown Boise.

The financial maneuvering cost Robert Hoover his job as university president and Jerry Wallace his, as the school's chief financial officer. The economic downturn scuttled much of the project, forcing

the university to pull back from a multibuilding, \$136-million complex to just the \$48 million Idaho Water Center.

State extends ban on Boise Front development

BOISE - State Water Resources Director Karl Dreher has extended for another five years the moratorium on development of new or increased uses of the geothermal aquifer under the Boise Front.

While water levels in the aquifer have stabilized during the 15 years the moratorium has been in effect after dropping 25 feet in a matter of a few years, Dreher said more study is needed before additional use can be allowed.

The state Capitol Mall complex, city and county buildings and more than 200 homes and businesses currently use the hot water for heat at a cost less than natural gas. The city would like to expand

access to the cheap heating source. The water is pumped from as deep as 3,000 feet at temperatures ranging from 85 to 175 degrees.

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BEDROOM FURNITURE
Bedlaks 3 piece bedroom suite with double bedstead, his and hers dresser, chest of drawers, 2 night stands, box springs and mattress - 2 piece bedroom suite with double bedstead, box springs, mattress, his and hers dresser - pair of matching twin beds with western design, mattress and box springs - vanity cabinet - double rollaway bed

FURNITURE
Duncan Phyle type table with 4 leaves and 5 matching northwest chairs - nice mahogany china closet with linen drawers below - electric lift chair recliner - swivel rocker - small drop leaf table with 2 roll around chairs - round breakfast table with 4 chairs - some back wood trimmed couch and chair - 2 recliner chairs - bookcase/shelfboard - pair of large end tables - marble topped round end table - drop leaf end table - Victorian occasional chair


GLASSWARE - COLLECTIBLES
Spode china service for 8 from occupied Japan - Noritake progressive china set - Red Wing 2 gallon stone crock - crystal glasses and decanter - couple of Fenton pieces - Harvest fruit bowl - candle holder - computers - glass pitchers - serving sets - old bottles - pictures and picture frames - glass basket - assorted costume jewelry - Perex music boxes - antique clock - 145 old 78 and 45 speed records - jewelry box - trinkets - pair of antique pictures - 8 trunk tapes - Christmas ware - casserole dishes - cups and saucers - glasses - fancy handwork and runners

SPORTING
Small wooden folding table - 2 Coleman lanterns - lg/ho 12 volt cooler - fish basket - 2 boat life vests - Coleman cooler - large water cooler

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WORLD

Seven companies announce plans to fund HIV programs in Africa

Court cites treason for death penalty

YANGON, Myanmar (AP) — A Myanmar court has sentenced nine people to death for high treason, including the editor of a sports magazine, legal community sources said Wednesday.

A special court held inside Insein prison, on the outskirts of the capital Yangon, issued the sentences last Friday, said the sources, speaking on condition of anonymity.

The junta has been under widespread international criticism for human rights violations since it seized power in 1988 and refused to yield to a pro-democracy party that won elections in 1990.

The government did not reply to questions about the trial Wednesday. Shortly after the arrests in July, the government said the suspects were accused of plotting to overthrow Myanmar's military junta through bombings and assassinations.

The nine people sentenced were among 12 arrested in mid-July. The fate of the other three was not immediately known.

NAIROBI, Kenya (AP) — Nine major international companies initiated an effort Wednesday to expand treatment and prevention programs for Africans with HIV, starting in some cases with their own employees.

The companies will run the programs with their own money and with funds from the Geneva-based Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria.

U.S. Health and Human Services Secretary Tommy Thompson, on a four-nation tour of Africa, welcomed the initiative by Anglo-American, ChevronTexaco, Bristol-Myers Squibb, Daimler-

Chrysler, Eskom, Heineken, Lafarge, Pfizer and Tata Steel.

"We have not done enough to incorporate the business community in the fight against AIDS," Thompson said. "We need everyone to join us in this fight... The continent of Africa has been ravaged for far too long."

Officials from the companies and the Global Fund did not say how much money they would put forward for the projects.

Some 30 million of the world's 40 million HIV patients live in Africa, where many countries don't have the health care infrastructure to cope with the disease.

Thompson, who is accompanied by top U.S. health officials, lawmakers and business leaders, began the trip in Zambia before

moving on to Rwanda and Kenya. The final stop is in Uganda. "Business has a vital role to play in the war on AIDS," said Richard

Holbrooke, a former U.S. ambassador to the United Nations and now the president of the Global Business Coalition on HIV/AIDS.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING AND VOTING ON A PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE BY-LAWS OF THE TWIN FALLS CANAL COMPANY

Notice is hereby given to the Stockholders of the Twin Falls Canal Company, an Idaho corporation, that on the 13th day of January 2004, the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Company shall be held at the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Auditorium, Twin Falls, Idaho, and voting shall be conducted on proposed amendments to the By-laws, which said amendments shall require an affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the stock voted. The proposed amendment to the By-laws is as follows:

- (1) That Article VIII.f. be amended to hereafter require at least ten (10) shares of Company water for delivery to a new headgate.
- (2) That Article XI be amended to provide that notice of future proposed By-law amendments be noticed pursuant to the Non-Profit Corporation Code instead of I.C. §42-2401(6).

Voting on the proposed amendment shall be conducted at the Company office and the polls shall be open at the offices of the Company at 357 Sixth Ave. West, Twin Falls, Idaho, between the hours of 12:00 pm and 6:00 pm on January 13, 2004. Proxies shall be filed with the Company's Assistant Secretary at the Company office on or before January 2, 2004.

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






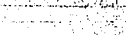


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BRIEFLY IN MONEY

Weather dampens opener for resort

KETCHUM — Dreary weather meant fewer skiers came to Sun Valley's opening Thanksgiving holiday weekend than the resort had hoped for.

"It went fair. I think the guests that were here certainly had an enjoyable time," marketing director Jack Sibbach said. "The weather, of course, didn't help the skier count."

Thanksgiving Day and the following Friday brought 2,068 and 2,258 skiers, respectively. But the numbers dropped on Saturday and Sunday as warm, wet weather moved into the Warm River Valley and Idaho's premier ski resort.

The holiday weekend's count of 7,504 was down sharply compared with last year, when 10,785 skiers and snowboarders took to the slopes during the extended weekend.

Ski runs were open from top to bottom on both sides of Bald Mountain. Despite the lower count, Sun Valley has generally found better fortune than other Idaho ski resorts.

Bogus Basin Mountain Resort near Boise was forced to close indefinitely on Monday after weekend rains melted several inches of an already lean snow base. Soldier Mountain, near Fairfield, has not yet opened due to lack of snow.

Pomerelle Mountain south of Burley reported 32 inches at the top Wednesday with early-season skiing conditions. Sun Valley reported 24 inches on the top of Bald Mountain and 19 inches at the base.

Homeless tracking system helps needy

TWIN FALLS — Idaho Housing and Finance Association said it has activated a homeless management information system called ServicePoint, a Web-based homeless tracking system that the association said will help ensure that Idaho receives necessary funding for those in need.

Through ServicePoint, IHFA said, it can accurately document usage of Idaho's homeless services. Providers report data on types of assistance given, referrals made, and other demographic details, but security is maintained to protect personal information and identity.

Idaho was the second state to purchase a homeless management information system.

"The Department of Housing and Urban Development was directed by Congress to provide an unuplicated count of homeless services by the end of 2004," said IHFA Grant Programs Manager Earl Cook. "As the administrator of HUD funding in Idaho, we felt that the IHMS implementation presented us with an opportunity to make more informed decisions addressing the housing and service needs of homeless families."

With ServicePoint, providers of homeless services in Idaho can keep track of the federal assistance they provide, the referrals they make to other providers, and the numbers they serve. That will enable IHFA to more accurately determine the use and value of current grants, identify service gaps, and provide an unuplicated count of homeless people served.

Pre-pay in December to get tax breaks

NEW YORK — A quick way to bolster your tax savings this year is to pre-pay your January mortgage in December.

"If you do, it means you can deduct 13 months of interest on mortgage payments rather than just 12. This strategy can also be used if you are paying a second mortgage."

"You can repeat this tactic next year, so you will not have to deduct less than 12 months of mortgage interest the following year."

This pay-in-December strategy also applies to local, county and state taxes that you can deduct on your federal returns. Find out what taxes are eligible, whether you can pay them early, and make the move to get extra tax savings come April 15.

These strategies do have a potential risk, however, especially from the Alternative Minimum Tax, or AMT. If you qualify for the AMT, state and local deductions are not permitted.

Compiled from staff and wire reports

Dollar Tree takes Lynwood spot

By Virginia S. Hutchins
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — A Chesapeake, Va.-based chain of discount variety stores said Wednesday it will open its first Magic Valley store in early March.

Dollar Tree Stores Inc. will lease the prime Lynwood Shopping Center space vacated this summer when Lynwood Market trimmed its inventory and moved to a smaller space next door.

"Everything in the store is a dollar or less," Dollar Tree spokesman Adam Bergman said. The chain's offerings include party, gift, seasonal, food, health and beauty items.

"We're sort of the modern-day

equivalent of the old 5-and-dime," he said.

This week, the former market spot is the site of the 2003 Festival of Trees, a hospital foundation fundraiser. But the shopping center's property manager, Hammack Management Inc., had sought a national tenant to fill the 24,619-square-foot store at 1147 Filer Ave. E.

Hammack's Cathy Rosera and John Hess handled the transaction with Dollar Tree, and City Hall this week issued a building permit for an estimated \$150,000 remodeling project to suit the space to Dollar Tree's purposes.

"It's big for a Dollar Tree," Bergman said.

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Other businesses lease T.F. spaces

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — Lynwood Shopping Center's biggest recent catch was a Virginia-based discount variety center.

But Hammack Management Inc., the property manager for Lynwood owner Crazy M LLC of Lake Havasu City, Ariz., also announced three new leases of smaller spaces at the Lynwood and at another Twin Falls property managed by Hammack.

Washington Mutual Finance leased 1,740 square feet at 669 Blue Lakes Blvd. N. in the Centennial Square Shopping

Center and will move in about Jan. 1.

LA — Weight-Loss-leased 1,800 square feet at 621 Blue Lakes in Centennial Square and will move in about Dec. 15.

California Nails leased 620 square feet at 1257 Filer Ave. E. in the Lynwood and moved in Nov. 1.

Cathy Rosera and John Hess of Hammack Management handled the transactions — with help from Jeffrey England of Prudential Idaho Homes & Properties on the L.A. Weight Loss deal.

EURO SKYROCKETS

Mark Farmer, center, and other traders watch the boards in the euro dollar options pit Wednesday at the Chicago Mercantile Exchange. The euro rose to another record high against the U.S. dollar Wednesday, spiking to \$1.2127 as it resumed a surge driven by worries about the U.S. trade and budget deficits.



AP Photo



Credit card purchase
Transaction is cleared through a credit card company's system which charges the store a fee each time a card is used.

Signature transaction
The customer signs as though he or she has used a credit card. The transaction is processed through the credit card company's system.

PIN
The customer uses their PIN number. The store pays a smaller transaction fee than for a signature transaction.

A debt is placed on the customer's credit account.

Money is deducted from the customer's existing bank account.

SOURCE: Associated Press Truck Barrels, Chris Kasper/AP

Idaho guards property for Magic Valley, Mini-Cassia residents

The Times-News

GOODING — Make sure Jacob Nielson reads this. The state is safeguarding unclaimed property for him, and for hundreds of other people and businesses whose last known addresses are in Magic Valley.

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.

The tax commission said each person or business listed today owns unclaimed property worth \$50 or more. Watch for other towns in coming weeks.



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 36, Boise, ID 83722-0410.
- Send e-mail to lostandfound@tax.state.id.us.

Burley
Allen, Charles W.
Allen, Elsie J.
Hunter, Rodney A.
Hunter, Viola S.
Jackson, Geneva
Jackson, William
McIntosh, Marjorie H.
McIntosh, Marvin
Meads, Miriam T.
Meads, David T.
Murphy, James E.
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Peterson, I.L.A.
Reyes, Pedro
Turley, Myrtle G.
Turley, Evelyn H.
Webster, Gary
Webster, Amber

Gooding
103 Commercial Printing
Alban, Delela Pearl
Awood, Elizabeth
Bauman, Glenn
Becker, Joy Marie
Bannat, V.
Bennett, Victoria L.
Billso, Alex
Billso, Mary
Bonor, Douglas M.
Brown, Mary E.
Bryan, J.L.
Bryant, W. Lucille
Cain, Alan
Chapman, Ronald
Coates, David E.
Coates, Wava S.

Coe, Johnie L.
D&D Service Center
Day, Ralph W.
Day, Bethel B.
Fent, Ronald E. Sr.
Frontier Bar
Funk, Tony
Garcia, Ignacia
Garcia, Ignacia C.
Giesler, Harry Brent
Giesler, Joann Janel
Guerra, Bertha
Herbert, Thomas A. Jr.
Hawes, Rodelli B.
Huffaker, Maria W.
Huffmaker, Hazel
Hussen, Jeanne M.
James, Ashley E.
Jones, estate of Robert H.
Kilbourn, Ethel
Lagunas, Norma Vincenote
Landries, Felix Domingo
Laut, Viola S.
Leavitt, Joyce
Martins, Mary
McCool, Kelly
McFeters, Carrie
Medina, Helene
Medina, Vincent
Miller, Dr. Ed
Moseley, Jon
Navarro, Victor J.
Nichols, Gene
Nielsen, Franklin
Nielsen, Lisa L.
Nielsen, Joseph
Pronobio, Guy

Robinson, Mildred K.
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S & N Service Center
Sherry, Victor
Sherry, Sidney May
Smith, Charles H.
Stockham, Debbie Barry
Swin, Brenda
Tappan, Helen
Thomas, Dorci E.
Vach, L.
Varela, Gwain J.
Vill, Laura M.
Wright, Anna A.

Hailey
Bailey, Jeff
Bailey-Lauree
Christian Science Society
Cook, Sarah
Couch, William C. Jr.
Deckard, Robert Wayne
El Rinconito
Ehridge, Huntington T.
Floyd, Timothy
Glesser, John
Hailey Autobody
Helferman, Michael
Helferman, Kathleen M.
Hill, Dennis G.
Hunt, Sharon Damon
Mann, Larance
Moseley, Nick
McKoon, Wesley
Mercer, Nicky A.
Mercer, Christopher
Rainwater, Randy K.
Strongren, Carl
Swenson, Kurtis
Szaflyk, John

Todd, Janice
Todd, David
Vought, Norman
Williams, Gerald F.
Williams, Jean C.

Ketchum
Aventum
Brett, Carolyn
Boza, Erickunz
Barker, Rick O.
Barker, Kayvan
Barrow, Mark
Bloom, Neuhaus, Nicole
Hoon, Byron
Hoon, Michelle
Hummel, Virginia
Hummel, Peter
Hummel, Sandy
Hummel, Scott
Meza Ruelas, David
Mura-Maxson, Jenny
O'Donnell, Kaitlin Lee
O'Donnell, Mark J.
O'Donnell, Cate Ann
Parker, Robert
Parker, Virginia
Redwood Industrial Condo
Wiggins & Coover Inc.
Williams, Elizabeth
Williams, James
Wolf, Jane Roberts

Twin Falls
Dora, Perry W.
Lepard, Constantine
Lepard, Maria
Lepard, S.

Claimants against Magic Valley Foods

Boise Cascade	\$147,329
Barclay Mechanical Services	\$80,441
Idaho Equipment & Sheet Metal	\$6,910
U.S. Traffic Inc.	\$60,671
Total	\$295,351

Creditors take M.V. Foods to court

By Carol Ryan Dumas
Times-News writer

RUPERT — A landmark lawsuit for 57 years in the Magic Valley for 57 years has been taken to bankruptcy court by four companies claiming the business owes them money.

Magic Valley Foods — an offshoot dehydration business of parent company Rolland Jones Potatoes Inc. — is the seemingly surprised recipient of an involuntary Chapter 11 filing in U.S. Bankruptcy Court. The case was filed Nov. 26.

The claimants are Boise Cascade of Boise; Barclay Mechanical Services, Paul; Idaho Equipment & Sheet Metal, Burley; and U.S. Traffic Inc., Pleasant Grove, Utah. Boise Cascade claims a debt of \$147,329. Claims by the other three companies total \$148,022. Pocatello attorney Craig Christensen is representing all four companies.

Assets of Magic Valley Foods were unknown. Phone calls to Roger Jones, previous owner of Magic Valley Foods, no longer in business, were not returned. His son, Douglas Jones — involved in the family's different operations — was unaware of the filing when contacted Tuesday afternoon.

"I don't have anything to do with it," he said, adding that he was going to meet with his father shortly.

The processing plants of Magic Valley Foods and another Jones holding, Glens Ferry frozen potato producer Magic West Inc., were sold to Clement Enterprise LLC of Lovelock in July 2002. Clement processes and markets fresh potatoes and processed potato products under the Idahoan Foods label.

Steve Trevino, now with Idahoan and formerly vice president and sales manager of Rolland Jones Potatoes — housed next door to Magic Valley Foods — said he had no knowledge of the bankruptcy filing and assumed business dealings were complete when the company was sold. He was, however, familiar with the companies filing claims.

When contacted again Tuesday afternoon, Roger Jones' secretary said Jones wasn't in but would "probably not be interested" in talking to the press about the matter. She did, however, verify that Rolland Jones Potatoes is no longer operating but that another

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MONEY

Nasdaq flirts with 2,000

NEW YORK (AP) - The Nasdaq composite index flared up 2,000 for the first time in nearly two years Wednesday and the Dow Jones industrials approached the 10,000 level as investors eagerly picked up stocks following a recovery productivity report but then grew cautious.

The high-tech dominated Nasdaq reached 2,000 and the Dow came within 58 points of 10,000 in the early afternoon before both indexes retreated and closed mixed. Analysts said investors were optimistic but choosing to take their time in sending stocks significantly higher.

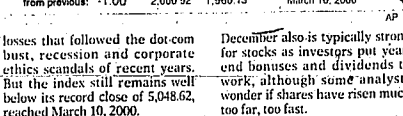
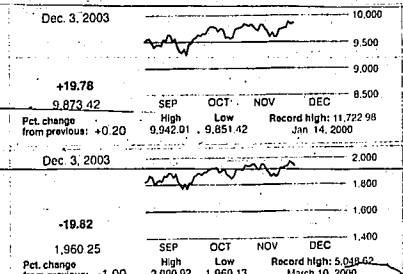
"Folks are really starting to believe in the sustainability of the economic recovery," said Richard J. Nash, chief market strategist at Wedbush Capital Management. "The productivity numbers were just spectacular" and should bring "another good surge in corporate profits."

"The economic data is so encouraging, folks still want to get involved in the market," he said. The Nasdaq rose as high as 2,000.92 before falling back to close at 1,960.25, down 19.82, or 1 percent. The index, which suffered the worst losses during the bear market of the past few years, had not traded above 2,000 since May 15, 2002.

The Dow, meanwhile, closed up 17.84, or 0.2 percent, at 9,873.42. Earlier in the day, the blue chip average rose as much as 88 points to reach 9,942.01. The last time the Dow traded above 10,000 was May 31, 2002.

The Standard & Poor's 500 index fell 1.89, or 0.2 percent, to 1,060.92.

The Nasdaq's return to 2,000 was a significant step in the stock market's recovery from the heavy



losses that followed the dot-com bubble, recession and corporate ethics scandals of recent years. But the index still remains well below its record close of 5,048.62, reached March 10, 2000.

A report on U.S. service sector growth was weaker than expected, however. The Institute for Supply Management said its index of business activity in the non-manufacturing sector stood at 60.1 in November, compared to 60.7 in October, according to Dow Jones Newswires. It was the lowest rate of growth since May, it also fell below analysts' estimates of 64.5.

Stocks have risen in recent days, partly on investor optimism for a stronger economy

Small Business Administration honors reforester

HORSESHOE BEND (AP) - Mark Quijas, the owner of M.Q. Inc., has been named a 2003 Minority Businessman of the Year.

The honor from the U.S. Small Business Administration recog-

nized Quijas' success in the five years since he opened his business that has done re-

habilitation and management work.

He is about to expand the business to providing forest fire-

Since opening the business in Horseshoe Bend, Quijas has built up a payroll of six permanent full-time employees and hires up to 75 more temporary workers during peak work periods.

Dollar

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So the chain will employ an oval hub-and-spoke store layout in Twin Falls.

"When we have a site that's big enough... it allows us to do a 'racerback' design," he said.

The results, he said, are better product display and aisles wide enough to use shopping carts.

The Twin Falls store will employ 25 to 30 people, Bergman estimated. Of those, 15 are managers and one of the assistant managers will work full time.

The second assistant manager and the store's clerks, for the most part, will get part-time hours.

"At this time of year, we also employ seasonal help," he said. Christmas and Easter are Dollar Tree's biggest selling seasons.

Dollar Tree's arrival brings a national player to the local everything-for-a-dollar market.

With stock publicly traded on the Nasdaq since 1995, under ticker symbol DTLR, the Virginia company now boasts annual sales of over \$2 billion and 2,511 stores, all corporate-operated. Eight of them are in Idaho: three in Boise and one each in Meridian, Idaho Falls, Chubbuck, Coeur d'Alene and Post Falls.

Dollar Tree acquired the southern Idaho locations

Profits rise 17 percent for Dollar Tree Stores

increased labor productivity, while it had higher costs related to investment in stores and point-of-sale systems.

Macon Brock Jr., Dollar Tree's chief executive officer, said in a statement that the company prepared well for the Christmas shopping season and should have a strong fourth quarter.

The official operating calendar for the fourth quarter to fall within a range of \$80 million to \$90 million, with a slight improvement in sales in stores open at least a year.

This year, the fourth quarter closed 31 days, compared with 33 days in 2002.

During the third quarter, Dollar Tree opened 50 stores and closed seven, ending with 2,511 stores in 47 states.

It had 16.6 million square feet of selling space, up 32 percent from a year ago.

that center, Bergman said. Before the acquisition, Dollar Tree's closest distribution center was in Stockton, Calif.

Times-News Business Editor Virginia Maguire's column can be reached at 35-3242 or virginia@maguire.com.

December also is typically strong for stocks as investors put year-end bonuses and dividends to work, although some analysts wonder if shares have risen much too far too fast.

Russ Kroeber, U.S. equity strategist at State Street Corp. in Boston, said the Nasdaq 2,000 and Dow 10,000 barriers represent somewhat of a psychological breakthrough for investors. That might explain why the Nasdaq retreated once it reached the milestone.

Still, he said investors were upbeat and that in terms of valuation levels, the 1,075 level for the S&P would be particularly significant.

"Investors are looking for reasons to buy and they're looking to buy risk," such as tech shares, Kroeber said.

"We have the potential to close higher since December is normally a strong month... But in the latter part of the first quarter of '04, the market might need to take a breather."

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

Table of New York Stock Exchange data including NYSE, AMEX, and NASDAQ indices, and a list of individual stock prices and changes.

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Table of NASDAQ National Market data, including individual stock prices and changes.

STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST

Table of stocks of local interest, including company names, prices, and changes.

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Table of American Stock Exchange data, including individual stock prices and changes.

Source: The Associated Press. Some figures are unofficial.

MARKETS

CLOSING FUTURES

Table of closing futures prices for various commodities including soybeans, corn, wheat, and oil. Columns include contract name, price, and change.

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Table of bean futures prices, including soybean and bean contracts, with prices and changes.

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Table of grain futures prices, including wheat, corn, and soybean contracts, with prices and changes.

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Table of cheese futures prices, including cheddar and other cheese contracts, with prices and changes.

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WASHINGTON Post

WASHINGTON - Labor productivity, the source of rising standards of living in the United States, rose in the July-September period at the fastest pace in more than 20 years, the Labor Department reported Wednesday.

Foods

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percent annual rate:

Workers' pay and benefits increased at a 3 percent annual rate, but the huge jump in the efficient use of labor caused the cost of the labor going into each unit of production to plunge at a 5.8 percent rate.

Foods

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MUTUAL FUNDS: A large table listing various mutual funds, their categories, and performance metrics. Includes columns for fund name, category, and other details.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Snake River Weavers' Guild meets Tuesday

TWIN FALLS - The Snake River Weavers Guild will meet at 1 p.m. Tuesday at Prasa's Thai Cuisine, 428 Second Ave. E. in Twin Falls. For more information, call Elly Young at 734-5358.

Twin Falls Shrine Club holds Christmas meeting

FILER - The Twin Falls Shrine Club will hold its Christmas meeting at 6:30 p.m. Monday at Curry Cafe, 21313 Highway 30, Filer. All Shriners and their Ladies are welcome.

Recent Wood River Bridge winners announced

HAILLEY - The recent Wood River Bridge winners were announced.

Nov. 3, the Blaine County Senior Center in Hailley, north/south; first, Marilyn Nesbit and Dee Swartz; second, Jo Murray and Al Poynter; third, Monique Nelson and Maggie Traylor; second in flight C, Deanne and Jerry Drake. Winners for cast/dress were first, Beverly McGowan and Linda Edwards; second, Peter Gray and Larry Kelley; third, Mary Louise McConigal and Julie Stevens; second in flight B and C, Claire and Lynn Bailey.

Nov. 13, Harker Center, first, Larry Kelley and Beverly McGowan; second, Arne and Eric Zauner; third, Gillian Mursell and Joanne Eirtenberg; second in flight C, Deanne and Jerry Drake; and third in flight C, Barbara Corwin and Linda Edwards.

Nov. 17, Blaine County Senior Center in Hailley; first, Max Thompson and Al Poynter; second, Marilyn Walker and John Chapman; third, Marilyn Nesbit and Larry Kelley; first in flight B,

Joy Mores and Yolande Bennett; and second in flight C, Monique Nelson and Maggie Traylor. Nov. 19, Harker Center; first, Bill Cassell and David Meyers; second, Linda Edwards and Barbara Corwin; third, Gillian Mursell and Bee Langley; and fourth in flight B, Anne Zauner and John Chapman.

Nov. 24, Blaine County Senior Center; first, Jo Murray and Larry Kelley; second, Sue Binz and David Meyers; third, Craig and Lynda Saunders; first in flight C, Claire and Lynn Bailey; and second in flight C, Linda Edwards and Barbara Corwin.

Creating natural bath salts is subject of class

BUIL - Debbie Cottle will offer a class on creating natural bath salts and salt glow rubs from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday at the Eighth Street Center, 200 N. Eighth Ave. in Buhl. The cost is \$25 and includes supplies. For more information, call 543-2888.

Hansen holds arts, crafts bazaar Saturday

HANSEN - The Hansen Community Arts and Crafts Bazaar will be held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday in the Community Center. Stalls will be sold by the MJD Action Committee to benefit the Wishing Star Foundation. For more information, call 423-4788.

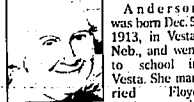
Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center holds dance

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center will hold a dance from 2-5 p.m. Sunday at 536 Shoshone St. W. in Twin Falls. Music will be provided by

Melody Masters. The cost is \$4. For more information, call 734-5084.

Twin Falls woman celebrates 90th birthday

TWIN FALLS - Nellie "Babe" Anderson of Twin Falls will celebrate her 90th birthday with an open house from 2-5 p.m. Sunday at her home, 190 Polk St. in Twin Falls.



Anderson was born Dec. 5, 1913, in Vesta, Neb., and went to school in Vesta. She married Floyd Anderson in 1930 in Science, Idaho. They moved to Idaho in 1934 and have lived in the Magic Valley for 69 years. She has three children, Betty (Jim) Prunty of Twin Falls, Mary (Don) Norris of Twin Falls and Dan (Charlene) Anderson of twin Falls; 10 grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren; and six great-great-grandchildren. The family requests no gifts.

Wendell United Methodist Church schedules bazaar

WENDELL - The annual Christmas bazaar and cooked food sale will be held from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Friday at the Wendell United Methodist Church. Lunch will be served at 11 a.m. Annabelle Isaacs will prepare chili and Herb Allred will prepare vegetable-beef soup. Items to be sold will include tea towels, pot holders, pillow cases, kitchen towels, baby quilts, large quilts, candy and baked goods. A lap robe crocheted by June Graves will be raffled at 5 p.m. Tickets may be purchased from church members or at the bazaar.

Twin Falls seniors serve pancake breakfast

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls Senior Citizen Center will serve a pancake breakfast from 8-11:30 a.m. Saturday at the center, 530 Shoshone St. W. The meal will include a choice of french toast, pancakes or waffles and fried potatoes, eggs, juice and bacon, ham or sausage and fruit. The cost is \$3.50 for seniors, \$5 for adults and \$2.50 for children under age 12.

Office on Aging sponsors GAP, RAP Christmas party

TWIN FALLS - A Christmas party for Twin Falls and Minicassi Grandparents as Parents (GAP) and Relatives as Parents (RAP) groups will be held from 7-9 p.m. Monday in the parish hall of the Episcopal Church of the Ascension, 371 Eastland Drive N. in Twin Falls. Those attending should bring a finger food to share. Grandchildren and children are welcome. The event is sponsored by the Office of Southern Idaho Office on Aging and Adult Services. For more information or to RSVP, call 736-2122 or 1-800-574-8656.

Snake River Elks hold charity ball at its lodge

JEROME - The Snake River Elks will hold a charity ball at 8 p.m. Saturday at the lodge, 412 E. 200 S. Jerome. Music will be provided by Magnus 44. Tickets are \$22. The Elks will also hold a memorial service for all deceased Elks at 1 p.m. Sunday at the lodge. Family and friends are invited. Everyone is welcome as guests of the Elks.



Theta Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma President Dorothy Morris, Wendy Jaquet and speaker Margo Healy at the November meeting at Jaquet's home.



The German band, Alpine Splinters of Jerome entertained at the joint meeting of chapters of Delta Kappa Gamma in Jerome.

Teacher's organization will meet on Saturday

RICHFIELD - The Theta Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma will meet Saturday at Sandra Calkins' home in Richfield. Members will bring books for Nickel Tubs, an organization in Gooding that provides people an opportunity to shop for toys for Christmas.

Teachers and guests are welcome. Delta Kappa Gamma is a group for female educators. For more information, call 543-4068. The Theta Chapter met Nov. 7 at the home of Wendy Jaquet in Ketchum. A meal was served to 16 members and guests.

President Dorothy Morris presided.

Margo Healy was speaker. She is a director of training and consultation at the Pesky Language Center in Boise and leads a team of training specialists who assist and advise teachers to become better at their jobs of helping and teaching students to read. Guests were Gawn Willis, a reading coach at Gooding Elementary School; Daphne Coble from Triumph, Idaho, an English as second language teacher/coordinator; Ellen Noble of Ketchum, a first-grade teacher of dual immersion classes; Catharine Parris, an occupation-

al therapist for Blaine County schools; and Lea Stone, a Title I reading teacher at Jerome.

Carolyn Mason, chairman for scholarships, announced that Jeannie Ruffing had received the Theta Chapter scholarship this year.

Ruffing is majoring in education at Idaho State University and is secretary for Wendell Elementary School.

Morris thanked everyone involved with the joint meeting with the Xi, Nu and Gamma chapters in October at the Best Western Sawtooth Inn in Jerome.

Theta chapter members were hostesses.

The program included musical numbers by the German band, Alpine Splinters of Jerome. The speaker was Janice Matteson-Howell, a member of the program committee for Alpha Nu, Idaho's state chapter. She told the 45 teachers and friends gathered that as a member of Delta Kappa Gamma they were a key woman educator and have opportunities to participate and enrich themselves professionally and personally. "Participation does generate friendship," Matteson-Howell said.

Family is grateful for those who organized benefit golf

We would like to express our sincere gratitude to the generous friends, business and all golf participants that contributed to the John Avila Benefit:

Teresa Toste, Maria Avila, Garibaldi's Restaurant, Jaker's Restaurant, Jerome Fitness Center, Armas and Armas Transformations, Rosebud's Florist, Juliana's Nails, the Branding Iron, Donald and Evelyn Ardema, Al and Barbara Roche, John and Susan Reitsma, The Headliner, Connie Costa, Jack and Sue Arnott, The Cave, Rock Creek Restaurant, Mike Hamblin, Rob Ellis, Jackpot Golf Course, Nelson and Connie Borges, Marty and Paula Meunier, the Outback, Signs Now, Herb and Mary Allen, Dolores Cochrane and Soza, Ida and Country Auto Custom Detail.

Thank you very much for all your help organizing this successful event: George and Mary-Lou Alves; Kurt and Alma Standley, John and J. Lynn Allen, Donald and Evelyn Ardema and for the awesome golf balls! JOHN AND SUSIE AVILA BRIAN AVILA Twin Falls

Many contribute to retreat for HIV/AIDS victims

Our heartfelt thanks to the following churches, businesses, individuals and nonprofit organizations for making this year's successful retreat for people living with HIV/AIDS at the Monastery of the Ascension in Jerome possible:

Aren Ford, Kurt's Pharmacy, Dick's Pharmacy, Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, Regional Bank and Jackie Last, Johnny and Karen Lopez, Diane Langworthy, Teresa Smith, Cheryl Phillips, Cathy Tadlock, Grace Cosole, Marian Wallace, Patrick Byle, Julie and Darla of Argo Co., Episcopal Church of the Ascension, Dick and Aileen Goetsch, Calvey Episcopal Church, Charly Lockwood, Jeff Ruprecht, Fran Golding, Terry Kalange, Michelle Pregelsson, Connie May, Maurice Masser, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Nutsch, Bishop Michael Driscoll, Ed and Gail Brune, John and Caryl Murphy, The Monks of the Monastery of the Ascension, Roche Pharmaceuticals, Agouron Pharmaceuticals, Marc's Hobbies & Crafts in Nampa, Anne Martin. BROTHER SELBY COFFMAN Monastery of the Ascension Jerome

Donors make Democrats chill feed memorable

To donors whose gifts helped make the Twin Falls Democrats' Nov. 22 "Grand Chili Feed and Family Fun Night" at the Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center the most memorable and successful ever, we extend our heartfelt thanks and appreciation.

Those contributing were: Cindy Gochnour, Corral West Ranchware; Gal Bowman, Health Foods Emporium; 2Alls.com; Lupe Goodman, Magic Valley Design; John and Nancy Barnes & Book Sellers; Bobbi Wolverson, Black Rock Clothing; Brenda Malone, Massage Therapy; Kalauna Smith Massage; Jose Perez, Garibaldi's; Doug at Jaker's Steaks and Seafood; Cheryl Phillips Massage; Grant Harvest Bread Co.; Edwards, Tomato's and Pickling Restaurants; Joque Nix, Harry and Cory Phillips, Barbara Powers and Julie Fanslow; and Fran Hernandez and three generations of her family for an outstanding evening of musical entertainment.

BOB HARRISH Secretary Democratic Central Committee Twin Falls

Leaders in Literacy Luncheon is great success

The Zonta International Club of Magic Valley would like to extend its heartfelt thanks to all who helped make the Leaders in Literacy Luncheon for 2003 a great success with more than 100 children's books donated. These books were along with the Twin Falls Library were donated with a \$300 donation from our Zonta Club to the library foundation. Attendees were graced with the wit and wisdom of Idaho's First Lady, Patricia Kemphorne; this year's recipient of the Leaders in Literacy Award. Thank you to Judi Baxter for delighting us with readings from choice children's books and sharing insight into the school district's Early Reading Program.

This event would not have been a success without the kind contributions of Mary J. Inman, Everybody's Business, Red Lion Hotel, Barnes & Noble, The Times-News and those that attended our luncheon.

DEBY JOINSON AND members of the Zonta International Club of Magic Valley Twin Falls

LETTERS OF THANKS

The Letters of Thanks column will publish letters of up to 150 words from:

- Organizations thanking contributors or supporters.
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For more information, call 733-0931. Ext. 288

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Families help host during K&T Steel Tournament

The College of Southern Idaho Booster Club would like to thank the following families who were tournament hosts for the basketball teams for the K&T Steel Tournament: Corrie and Donna Lanting, Joe and Lois Skaug, Blaine Ream, Rex and Sandee Goley. Thank you so much for helping us welcome the teams for the tournament. We couldn't have done it without you! Thank you for your continued support of the CSI Booster Club!

KATHY REAM CSI Booster Club Twin Falls

Several people contribute to Veterans Day ceremony

SunBridge Care & Rehabilitation for Twin Falls wishes to express its heartfelt thanks to everyone that helped with the Veterans Day ceremony. Bob Jackson, we couldn't have done it without you. Ken Gould, thank you so much for the prayers. David Mead, your words touched our hearts and gave us a greater understanding of the sacrifices that were and are being made by the men and women of this great country. Jim Willis, without the bugle, the ceremony could not have been complete. To all the gentlemen that presented the 21-gun salute, without your help, the ceremony would have lacked a fundamental part of paying tribute to our veterans. Thank you to the men of the Veterans of Foreign Wars for raising the Stars and Stripes and the Corps of War Flag. We also appreciate Mayor Clow and Sen. Krapcho's office for being in attendance. Lastly, thank you to all service organizations and the community for coming out to a blustery day to pay tribute to

the great men and women of this country.

LAURALEE SMITH Community Relations Director SunBridge Care & Rehabilitation Twin Falls

Family Literacy Night comes off without a hitch

Orchard Valley Head Start staff and parents would like to thank State Rep. Wendy Jaquet, Wendell High School Bilingual Education Service Organization and National Honor Society student and Julie Theate with the Parents and Teachers Program, the Legion Hall for the use of the building and the Reading is Fundamental Program for a very successful Family Literacy Night. The high school students put on a great bilingual puppet show, and Wendy and Julie read to children.

Once again, thank you to each of you. CINDY SCOTT Center Supervisor MARGIEA Coronado Chairman, Parent Committee Orchard Valley Head Start Wendell

1940's fire truck gets new life thanks to contributions

The Twin Falls Optimist Club wishes to thank the city of Twin Falls for the donation of the 1940's fire truck earlier this year. The Optimist Club took the truck for the debut of "her" new life in the "Home Land Tree" Parade on Nov. 15. With children from 3 to 33-plus riding, the parade was a fun treat. Thank you to the citizens for the applause.

A special thanks goes to Bruce Bly of Blaine Trucking for donating his truck and expert service to extracting the fire truck from years of settling in the ground; Optimist members Archie Goodman, Don Bohrn and Wayne Bohrn for the work to ready "her"; Orfan Strens for the donation of a battery and wiring.

DONNA BOHRN President 2003-2004 Optimist Club Twin Falls



Christina Monroe, Elizabeth Bengt and Teresa Jones, the stage manager, work on a scene from "The Odd Couple," which will be presented this week by the Filer High School.

Filer High School stages a female 'Odd Couple'

FILER - A female version of a Neil Simon classic will be performed at Filer High School Friday and Saturday. "The Odd Couple" will be held at 7 p.m. at Filer Middle School. The cost for adults is \$4, seniors are \$3 and children under age 6 are free, visiting students with activity card are \$3 and Filer High School students with activity card are free. This "semi-rewrite" was originally produced in the 1970s and starred Rita Moreno and Sally Struthers. It is the story of Olive Madison, who is divorced and has

a successful career. When her best friend's marriage dissolves after 14 years, Olive invites Florence Unger to move in. But Florence and Olive discover that they are totally opposite.

This is a "story" of girlfriends supporting each other through good times and bad times. The cast includes Emily Hanman as Florence, Rosanna Jones as Olive, Elizabeth Bengt as Sarah, Candice Young as Renee, Mickey Porter as Sylvie, Christina Monroe as Vera, Jim Barry as "Manole" and Tyler Hutchinson as Jesus.

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Group builds cultural awareness

By Pat Marcantonio
Times-News writer

MOUNTAIN HOME — The Elmore County Hispanic Cultural Organization focuses on education, tradition and culture — and it is spreading that message through dances, celebrations and scholarships.

The group was formed in 1992 by Lupe Whissel, who eventually left to work for Sen. Larry Craig. When she left in 2001, a committee of 16 people from Mountain Home, Bruneau, Grandview and Glenns Ferry took over, said current president Debbie Brito, who is assistant director of the Mountain Home Parks and Recreation Department.

The group's purpose is to raise Hispanic cultural awareness. It has partnered with the Mountain Home Air Force Base Hispanic Heritage Committee to stage Cinco de Mayo and Mexican Independence Day (Sept. 16) celebrations.

Want more information?

Call Debbie Brito at 587-2113 or send e-mail to echoclub@aol.com. The organization will begin meeting regularly at 7 p.m. Jan. 14 at the Mountain Home Park and Recreation Department, 795 S. Fifth West.

Seven core group members gather, but the whole committee comes together when it comes to planning the celebrations, Brito said.

The organization also holds for the family, she said. It also is planning a celebration honoring the Virgen de Guadalupe on Dec. 12, with a mass at 6 p.m., dinner and performance of Aztec dances at about 8 p.m. in the Lady of Good Counsel Hall. The event is free to the public.

Elsa Guillen has been a member since the beginning and is helping to organize the group that has

been performing folkloric dancing at the cultural celebrations. For the latest event, they wanted to try something different with the Aztec dance, she said. Lina Juarez is the instructor.

Guillen said that no one else is going to organize such cultural celebrations so it is up to Latinos to do so. In addition, it is important for Latinos to pass on traditions to their children.

"You have to know where you come from," she said. "That is a very important part of your life, not only so you can succeed in life, but to help other people: We are focusing on our Hispanic kids so that they take pride in their Hispanic culture."

The organization gives a \$500 scholarship to high school students for college or a vocational program. In 2003, it gave two scholarships.

Brito was a scholarship recipient when Whissel ran the organization.

"It was there for me and because of that, I have the position I do have and I am striving to further education of our Hispanics," Brito said.

Born in Lubbock, Texas, her family were migrant farmer workers who ended up in Mountain Home. She attended Boise State University, majoring in business management.

The organization also is a clearinghouse of information of help to Hispanics, she said. For example, it may help sponsor adult education classes.

The important thing is to let Hispanics know of the opportunities out there for them, she added. But some Hispanics are afraid of going after them. Brito sees that as one of her goals.

"The potential is there, you just have to strive for it," Brito said. "I think it (the organization) has made a huge impact, a huge awareness."

Latino organization will host speaker

HAZELTON — Valley High School's La Onda (Latino American Organization — Never Denying Anyone) will host Richard Santana, who will speak on "Homeboy Goes to Harvard."

Santana works with schools that want to develop strategies for enhancing cultural sensitivity in order to better serve a growing and diverse population. His unique background as a third-generation gang member who went on to obtain a master's degree from Harvard University is the essence of transformational change, reported Becky Rudolph, a teacher at the school. He challenges others to rethink perception versus reality and critically assess how prejudice and judgments continue to affect how people work and relate to each other.

His message will encourage students to stay in school; challenge them to evaluate their gang involvement, drug use and promiscuity; and celebrate their rich cultural heritage, Rudolph reported.



Noticias

All Hispanic clubs and English as second students in the Magic Valley are invited. Commemorative T-shirts will be sold for \$8.

For further information, call Rudolph at Valley High School at 829-5353.

Hispanic Professionals Network group will meet
TWIN FALLS — The Hispanic

Professionals Network will meet Monday.

The no-host lunch starts at noon at Eduardo's Restaurant on Blue Lakes Boulevard. Anyone is invited.

For more information, call Leticia Coronado at 735-3207 or Pat Marcantonio at 735-3288.

LDS Church offers Hispanic Christmas Celebration

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah — The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints will hold an Hispanic Christmas Celebration at 7 p.m. Dec. 14, at the Marriott Center on the campus of Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah. The event is free to the public, and tickets are not required.

It is the second year that the church has staged such an event — a reflection of the growing importance of the Spanish language within the church as Hispanic membership increases, reported the church.

Conducted entirely in Spanish,

the program will feature music by BYU's Living Legends, the Young Ambassadors — and Hispanic choir.

It also will include a Christmas message by Elder M. Russell Ballard, a member of the church's Quorum of the Twelve Apostles, and remarks by Lydia Acuna, Miss Latina USA.

The church is inviting the entire Hispanic community and anyone else interested in enjoying a program of music and inspirational Christmas messages in Spanish, said Elder John H. Groberg, president of the Utah South Area and member of the First Quorum of the Seventy.

"Based on last year's historic gathering at the Conference Center in Salt Lake City, we expect attendance to be well into the thousands this year at the Marriott Center."

"But we want to emphasize that this celebration is for everyone in the Hispanic community, not just Latter-day Saints," said Jorge Becerra, event spokesman.

Sports leagues eye Mexico expansion

By Will Weissert
Associated Press Writer

MEXICO CITY — If major league soccer and baseball have their way, more Americans may soon be shouting "GOOOOOAL!" while Mexicans could be learning the words to "Take Me Out to the Ballgame."

The two most popular clubs in Mexico's highly profitable first-division soccer league are eager to grab a chunk of the growing professional market north of the border. One is ready to start a Major League Soccer expansion team in the United States, and the other is mulling the possibility of buying an existing MLS team.

Major league baseball has struggled to generate revenues in Canada, and Monterrey is vying to be the next home of the Montreal Expos, while Mexico City's mayor has pushed for a major league franchise for the capital.

"This is the first step toward globalizing sports and the relations between Mexico and the United States," said Carlos Bremer, who submitted a bid for the Expos to play some or all of their home games in Monterrey in 2004. "It will be a mix of Mexican-American culture that will really affect the whole baseball league and all sports."

HONORING LITERATURE



Columbian writer Gabriel Garcia Marquez (right) and Guadalupe's University Director Trilinda Padilla, center, cut a ribbon for the Latin American author receiving the Latin American Caribbean Juan Rullo Literature award during the opening day of the Guadalupe Book Fair in Guadalupe, Mexico.

Mexican town promotes history of guitar making

By Karen Brooks
Knight Ridder News Service

PARACHO — Mexico's going rate for the world's most golden woman is about \$5,000. Her golden body is smooth and solid, her graceful neck glimmers like African ebony, and she can sing a love ballad that will make the floor vibrate.

Fuente created her himself, out of rare rosewood from India in the back of his little guitar shop in this southern Mexican town.

"It's like the most beautiful woman in the world," he said, holding the guitar in his arms like a jewel and caressing his fingers along its curves.

"It's not just a guitar. This is true art."

Such passion is built into the foundations of Paracho, a town of 31,000, about 200 miles west of Mexico City. Known as "the Guitar Capital of the World," it has a century-old tradition of building guitars, an industry that sustains more than 40 percent of the town's population.

For proponents of free trade, Paracho is an object lesson in the benefits of unfettered competition, an example of what creative people can do when faced with the threat of economic disaster.

A few years ago, Paracho's 1,500 luthiers, as makers of stringed instruments are called, were closing up shop, moving to the United States as indentured workers or going into other lines of work. The price of



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raw materials was rising, free trade had opened up the market for cheaper guitars from Asia, and their own guitars weren't of high enough quality to command the kind of prices that would let them keep up with changing times.

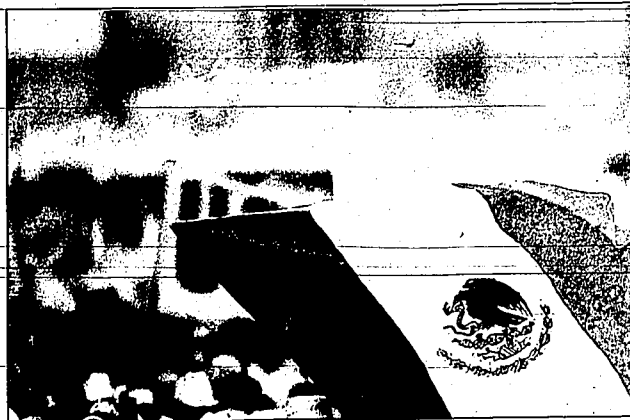
To make matters worse, they couldn't make guitars as cheaply or as quickly as Mexican factories nearby.

But instead of giving up, the luthiers found an answer. It was simply to make a better-sounding guitar, built not for living rooms, but for concert halls.

Now the town that was once famous for the number of guitars it pumped out is reinventing itself as the source of some of the best guitars in the world.

"Every day, more and more of our people are going to school and taking classes and learning how to make high-quality guitars," said Nicolas Zapata Vargas, the town's director of tourism.

IN-PROTEST



Hundreds of farmers from different states of Mexico gather at the Revolution monument in the preparation of the massive protest Nov. 27 in Mexico City. President Vicente Fox faced what was billed as Mexico's biggest protest march in nearly a decade, a challenge to his plans for privatizations, tax hikes and market-based reforms. The 150,000 union members, radicals and farmers predicted to turn out promised to remain peaceful, but thousands of police were sent into the streets to guard against possible violence.

Nudists cheer Rio court's ruling on clothing-optional beach

By Patrice Jones
Chicago Tribune

RIO DE JANEIRO — The city known worldwide for its jubilant annual Carnival celebrations, during which practically naked women gyrate on floats for a television audience, finally has the right to feature a beach where folks can frolic in the sun as nature.

After a nearly decade-long fight, a five-judge panel ruled recently that Abrico beach, a secluded, white sand cove on the western outskirts of the city, would be declared Rio's official nudist beach.



Vida Latina

equivalent of a state Supreme Court was a key victory for Brazil's growing number of sunbathers without bikinis who say they will take their court battle all the way to the federal Supreme Court if necessary.

The Brazilian Naturism

Federation — Brazil's national nudist association and the only such national group in South America — has 60,000 loyalists and counts more than 200,000 Brazilians as practitioners of nudism. The group says the number has fished out, growing rapidly, during the past decade.

The court decision means nudists such as Pedro Ribeiro, president of the Naturism Association in Rio de Janeiro, can now enjoy Rio's tropical sun without the worry of those annoying tan lines. "Believe it or not, there is a lot of conservatism in Rio," said Ribeiro, an unmarried, 45-year-old high school art teacher who said he has been arrested five times

for being nude on the beach — two times during the Abrico court fight.

Ribeiro and others in the group fighting for Abrico beach have argued that while the number of people wanting to appear naked on Brazil's beaches has been expanding, a dwindling number of beaches across the country were being made available to them.

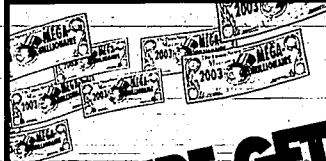
The court decision makes Abrico beach the eighth official nude beach in Brazil, which also is home to more than a half-dozen official clubs where members pay for access to pools, shops and even tennis courts where clothing is optional.

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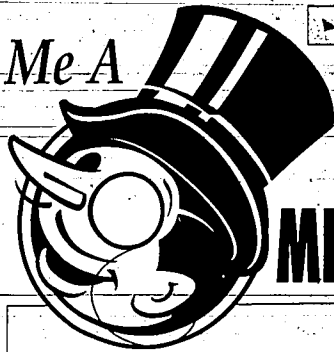
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Skiing the snow-scoured craters

By Karen Bossick
Times-News correspondent

ARCO - Don't bother with the color film. Black and white will do quite nicely when skiing the light side of the moon - that is, Craters of the Moon.

Blackened ridge tops look like black ribbons snaking through the snow. Buttes rise out of the ground like giant gumdrops slathered with powdered sugar frosting.

In fact, Interpretive Specialist Doug Owens says he likes Craters better in winter than summer. "I think it's a prettier contrast between white and dark. The basaltic rock seems more striking."

Craters of the Moon National Monument will never be the Nordic ski mecca that Galena Lodge is. But the area between Carey and Arco is certainly one of the most unusual places you'll ever have the opportunity to cross country ski.

Sitting at 5,900 feet, the eerie landscape takes on a surreal quality as snow hugs jagged cinder rocks like a down comforter, and drapes over twisted timber pines bent by harsh desert wind.

Each turn brings a treasure trove of jagged cinder cones and trees turned by dwarf mistletoe into an unsightly mass of dried twigs resembling witches' brooms.

Cruising through this geological past, you half expect Fred and Wilma Flintstone to come scooting down the path on skis made out of dino-tails.

In a typical year, the snow begins piling up in December and snow depth can average three feet by February and March, with January temperatures averaging between 10 and 29 degrees. Visitors can ski or snowshoe across lava tubes and tele-mark down cinder cones.

Park managers set diagonal and skate ski tracks along a relatively flat 7-mile loop that visitors drive in summer months. The loop, which typically takes between two and four hours to ski, takes you past the North Craters Flow and Devils Orchard, among other points of interest.

Ungroomed trails lead to the Tree Molds and other areas. The best slopes for telemarking are the North Crater and Paisley.

If you go ...
Craters of the Moon National Monument is 90 miles north of Twin Falls and 24 miles northeast of Carey on Highway 20/26. The visitors center is open between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. daily with snacks and souvenirs available for purchase. Wood fires are not permitted but campers can cook in grills. Information: 527-3257.

The snowpack allows visitors access to areas closed to foot traffic in summer. But you have to be cautious. While touring off trails is allowed, it can be hazardous because of the sharp jagged lava and lava cracks concealed by snow bridges. It's worth it, according to Frank Ross of Boise. "The North Crater is about the most perfect telemark hill I've ever seen. And I love seeing the Lost River Range in the snow."

Only about 1 percent of the quarter million people who visit Craters of the Moon each year do so between December and April when snow averages 75 inches. When the moon's full, some of these hardy come to camp and ski in the moonshine.

You can't always count on snow conditions being primo. Sometimes the Craters will go for weeks without

fresh snow. Occasionally, warm days thaw the existing snow, which then refreezes in a glazed state.

And, as the snow melts in spring, it becomes a game of figuring out how to get from one patch of snow to another without taking the skis off.

But when there's fresh snow, you can spot the tracks of fox, coyote, pygmy rabbit and chickaree pine squirrel.

You can find hay that pikas harvested last summer drying out in lava cracks next to tunneled tracks left by voles in the snow.

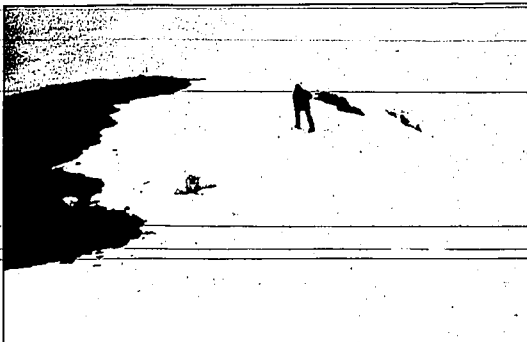


Frank Ross skis along the loop that winds for seven miles through Craters of the Moon National Park.

Photos by KAREN BOSSICK/The Times-News



Neil Hansen of Boise finds plenty of intriguing things to take pictures of - like this splatter cone.



A skier heads to the top of Inferno Cone.

Yurts offer comfort in Idaho's winter backcountry

By Jason Kauffman
Times-News correspondent

With the coming of winter snows to the Northern Rockies a broad swath of Idaho's remote mountain hinterlands become locked up in the icy clutches of Old Man Winter.

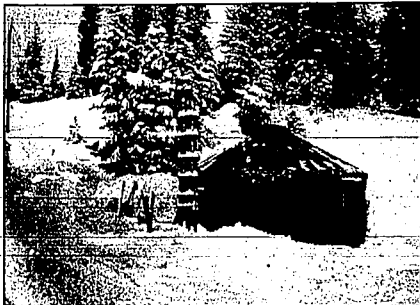
Signs that winter has arrived in Idaho are already quite evident this year. You need only look to the snow dusted mountains to see the obviousness of this fact.

For many years accessing the beauty of Idaho's snowbound backcountry usually meant putting up with bone numbing temperatures and little escape from arctic like winds. Fortunately, winter backcountry travelers no longer must commit to freezing temperatures while making a full nights stay in the backcountry.

Over the past several decades Mongolian yurts, with their circular floor plan and wood burning stoves, have vaulted into a position of popularity. Much of this can be attributed to the luxury yurts provide winter backcountry travelers.

While I've never been entirely dead set against spending the occasional cold-winter

Banner Ridge Yurt near the South Fork of the Payette River is deep in deep snow.



Photos courtesy of Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation

night in the confines of a four-season tent, there are times when waking up to sub-zero temperatures just doesn't cut it. The first night I spent in the cozy con-

finer of a backcountry yurt was something of a revelation for me. Even though a winter storm subjected our yurt to howling winds and heavy snows we stayed comfort-

ably protected within alongside a cheerful roaring fire.

Most yurts are stocked with all the amenities necessary for a comfortable nights stay. Therefore, you need only bring your warm clothes and the food you'll need for your stay at the yurt.

Within a reasonable driving distance of the Magic Valley numerous options for spending the night in a yurt exist. These are operated by a host of private and public entities alike. Access to these yurts varies from relatively easy to somewhat strenuous. Options for reaching these yurts include skiing and snowshoeing in.

Check out the following options if you wish to try your hand at yurt camping. Keep in mind that vacancies are limited and openings usually don't last long.

- Idaho State Parks and Recreation maintains five backcountry yurts in the vicinity of the Idaho City area winter trail system. These yurts can comfortably sleep six individuals and rent for \$60 a night. For more information call (208) 334-4180 ext. 232 or check out their website at www.idahoparks.org.
- Sun Valley Trekking operates five

wilderness yurts and huts in the mountains surrounding Ketchum and Stanley. For an additional charge they can also provide guiding services for those wishing for a little more assistance. For more information contact them at (208) 788-1966 or on their website at www.svtrek.com.

- Sawtooth Mountain Guides based out of Stanley operates a yurt set high in the upper reaches of the spectacular Sawtooth Mountains. The Williams Peak Yurt is part of the three yurt Sawtooth hut system and is operated in association with Sun Valley Trekking. Excellent opportunities for backcountry skiing and snowboarding abound near this yurt. For more information on this yurt and guiding services contact Sawtooth Mountain Guides at (208) 774-3324 or on their website at www.sawtoothguides.com.

- In the Portneuf Range near Pocatello the Idaho State University Outdoor Program operates five yurts. Access to these yurts varies from beginner to advanced. For reservations or more information on the Portneuf Range Yurt System contact the ISU Rental Center at (208) 282-2945.

OUTDOORS

Maps of South Hills trails improve this year

By Dale Stewart
Times-News Correspondent

HANSEN - Cross-country skiers visiting the South Hills this winter will find improved trail maps showing their routes over most tracks.

The revised maps were placed at trailhead markers by the High Desert Nordic Association. Each map will show only that trail and immediate surrounding area rather than all trails in the vicinity of the Magic Mountain Ski Area, said Bob Fuister of Twin Falls, association president.

The High Desert Nordic Association is made up of cross-country and back-country skiers from Twin Falls and the Magic Valley area. Members range in experience from novices to expert, and the organization has for more than 15 years, worked to improve Nordic skiing opportunities in the South Hills.

Those efforts include marking trails, grooming several of them periodically during the winter, and from time-to-time extending the trail system.

Other activities include moonlight skis, social events and ski trips to Harriman State Park, the Teton country and Yellowstone Park, as well as the Sawtooth Mountains.

"In addition to group activities, the association provides an opportunity for members to find skiing companions for day or weekend outings," Fuister said.

Other High Desert Nordic Association projects include assisting with Free Ski days, skier education in avalanche safety, proper equipment and clothing, food and nutrition and emergency procedures.

Trails marked and maintained in the South Hills include:

- **Wahstern Hollow** - trailhead on the Rock Creek Road a mile below Magic Mountain Ski Area. Recommended for advanced or expert skiers. Not groomed by skied often. Trail ascends the ridge east of the road, turns north through a timbered descent and returns along a road descending the side of the ridge.

- **Pike Springs** - not groomed by an easy ski through conifers and aspen. Improved marking this season. Trailhead is at the edge of the timber above the Diamondfield Jack parking area a mile above Magic Mountain on the east side of the road. Trail loops back to the

Nordic association

TWIN FALLS - The High Desert Nordic Association is an organization of cross-country skiers from throughout the Magic Valley. Meetings are held at 7 p.m. the second Wednesday of the month from November through March at Idaho Joe's Restaurant in Twin Falls. Skier education and safety are emphasized, as well as opportunities for group or individual ski outings during the season. The next meeting will be Dec. 10, at which information about parties and their location and development in Central Idaho will be presented. Anyone interested in cross-country skiing is welcome. For more information about the organization, call 733-1882.

starting point.

- **Rock Creek** - Trailhead across Rock Creek Road from the upper end of the ski area parking lot, left of the ski area. Marked with map and signs and groomed periodically. Easy to intermediate with short and long loops. Trail climbs the side of the ridge for several hundred feet before the short loop drops off to the left and rejoins the uphill track after a run down through the woods. The long loop climbs the ridge, follows it until swinging around the end above the tubing area, then runs downhill along the road until swinging left to rejoin the uphill track a quarter-mile from the trailhead. Snowshoers and snowboarders occasionally may be encountered on the lower part of the Rock Creek Trail.

- **Lower Penstemon** - Map and sign mark the trailhead at the entrance to the Lower Penstemon Campground. Trail climbs the side of the ridge on an up-and-down course before reaching the Rogerson Road. Skiers may turn left and follow the road to the junction with the Upper Penstemon Trail, or ascend periodically.

- **Upper Penstemon** - Map and sign mark the trailhead, a half-mile up the Rogerson Road from the Lower Penstemon junction. Trail courses around the end of a ridge through aspen and conifers, passes the beaver ponds and then offers skiers two options. One crosses Thompson Creek and climbs into timber to reach the High Desert Nordic Association "hut"; the other turns left and loops through timber to follow a



Jack Sears, a member of the High Desert Nordic Association, places a trail marker on a tree in the South Hills in preparation for one of the group's Full Moon Ski outings. One or two of these events are planned each winter, depending on dates for the full moon.

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road and reconnect with the uphill track. Easy to intermediate. In addition to the trails, the High Desert Nordic Association maintains, under agreement with the Forest Service, a seasonal shelter in the Thompson Creek

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Enthusiasts pine for snow as snowmobile season starts

By David Cooper
Times-News writer

Along with farmers, anglers, fish producers, and whitewater enthusiasts, old Idaho's snowmobilers to the list of groups that are thirsting for snow this winter. Last year's tepid snowfall didn't produce as much snow as was needed to enjoy a long snowmobile season in central Idaho and the Magic Valley. With a new winter comes new hope.

Up north in the Stanley Basin, early snowfall produced a good start for snowmobilers.

"We had it great from the end of January on," said Dan Hammerback, president of the Salmon River Snowmobile Club. "Last December we had about the same amount of snow, and then we had rain to the end of December to the first of January. Then it switched to snow, although a little bit less than usual."

covered above 7,000 feet with an 18-inch base, and good snow cover as far south as Smiley Creek.

But a warm blast in the past week has melted much of that accumulation, according to officials at the Stanley Ranger Station. "We had four inches in town (recently) although Bear Valley still has a good 18 inches to two feet in that area."

Hammerback said. "They didn't get the rain we did. Smiley Creek looks rideable but snow is pretty thin."

Elsewhere in the southern range, snowmobiling has already kicked off at Diamondfield Jack snowplay area. Late November weather brought about two feet of snow, before rain and warmer weather dropped it down to about one foot, according to Forest Service technician David McClymonds. "There's a heck of a road system so they can do some snowmobiling," McClymonds said. "The

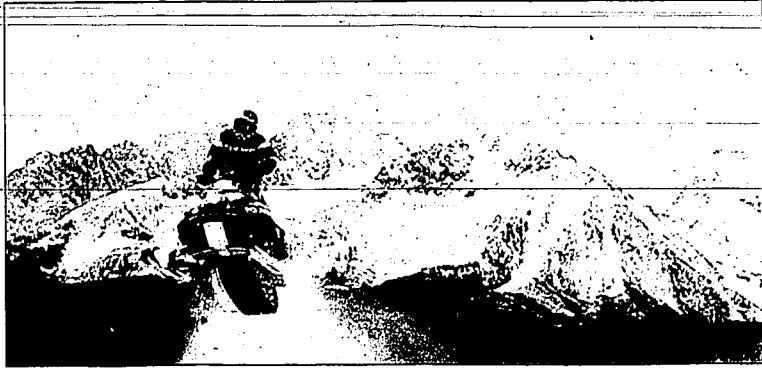


Photo courtesy of Salmon River Snowmobile Club

mountain roads are clear with some icy spots. I was surprised, it was nice."

Once the snow begins to fall, the Gem State should live up to its name with some premiere locations for snowmobile riding

in the West. Riders have a wide variety of locations to choose from in the South Hills of the Sawtooth Forest, and stretching north to the Wood River Valley and into the winter playground of the Stanley Basin.

To check conditions, call the locations, or go to the Idaho winter outdoor recreation Web site at www.idahowinter.org.

The following is a list from the Idaho Parks and Recreation Department on where the hot spots are for Magic Valley snowmobilers.

Your guide to snowmobiling sites

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Redfish Lake

The road to Redfish Lake is neither plowed nor groomed during the winter but the snow is packed down by the frequent snowmobiles in the area. Snowmobilers and nordic skiers must share parts of the trail, but the payoff is the spectacular view of the Sawtooth Mountains and Redfish Lake in winter.

A "demonstration project" is under way with trailhead parking fees. Phone: 774-3000

Sun Valley - Ketchum

Blaine County isn't just for world famous downhill skiing at Sun Valley, or top notch Nordic skiing on the North Valley trails. The area offers fantastic snowmobiling as well. The Blaine County snowmobile program grows 120 miles of trail in the Baker Creek area north of Ketchum and the Wood River National Area, three miles west of Hailey.

The area also has lots of off-trail riding and spectacular scenery. Phone: 622-5371 (Ketchum); 726-3423 (Hailey)

Fun Valley

In the heart of the Fairfield range, this trail begins at the MacLomson parking area, which is partly managed by Idaho's Off-Road Motor Vehicle program. Popular trails in this area include Trinity Lakes, Puffer Creek, Featherville and Pine, with 300 square miles of trails. Phone: 764-3202

Stanley

Considered one of the most spectacular regions for snow and scenery, the Stanley region rivals most of America's top snowmobile areas. The town boasts of over 165 miles of groomed trails. And for riders who like to play in the off-road powder, the Stanley-Lowman trail lets them play at the base of the Sawtooths with ample room to drive. A warming hut is set up in Bear Valley. Heights range from 2,500 feet to 9,000 feet.

Be aware of areas where fee demonstration project is in effect. Phone: 774-3000

Fairfield

The Fairfield snowmobile program grows 220 miles of trail in Camas County and provides a snowmobile shelter north of Well Summit. The area provides quality groomed trails and outstanding open play areas. Phone: 764-3202

Boulder Flats

Located north and east of Hwy. 75 14 miles north of Ketchum. There is a plowed parking area with an area map in the parking lot. The trails are not marked. Phone: 727-5000

SOUTHERN IDAHO

Diamondfield Jack

In the foothills and mountains of the south rim of the Snake

River Valley, south of Twin Falls, lie the Diamondfield Jack and Howell Canyon Snowplay areas. The Diamondfield Jack area offers more than 200 miles of groomed and marked trails in 200-square miles of Sawtooth National Forest and Bureau of Land Management land. The region surrounding Howell Canyon is much the same as Diamondfield Jack.

From Twin Falls, take Hwy. 30 east to Hansen. Turn south on Rock Creek Road drive about 28 miles into the area.

Both areas are easily accessible from Interstate 84 on Hwy. G3. Two 85-car plowed parking lots provide access and the forest service maintains a warming hut and heated rest rooms. Howell Canyon also has a warming hut and heated rest rooms. Phone: 737-3200

Howell Canyon/Mt. Harrison

Nearby to Pomeroy Ski Mountain, Howell Canyon is also a generous host to snowmobilers. Trail riding in an open area leads to additional play areas. Farther to the west are the Mt. Harrison trails. Cassia County, 25 miles south east of Burley, southwest of Albion. Serves 25 to 30 square miles mostly on Forest Service land.

From Burley, follow Hwy. 81 east to Delco. At Delco, drive south on Hwy. 77 south past Albion and turn right on Howell Canyon Road. Phone: 737-3200

Burley

Cassia County is much the same

as the South Hills of Twin Falls. The area is known for its long snowmobiling season and fantastic views of the Snake River Plain. At Howell Canyon is a warming hut, heated restrooms and an 85-car parking lot. The area boasts some of the highest snowfall totals in south central Idaho. Cassia County has an extensive 120-mile groomed trail system in the Sublett Range east of Burley. The main access for the trail system is in North Heglar Canyon. Phone: 678-0430

City of Rocks

A rock climbing hub in the spring and summer, City of Rocks allows snowmobilers on hiking trails when weather permits. City of Rocks encompasses 14,300 acres of land (about 1/2 is privately owned) renowned for its scenic, geologic and historic significance.

Take a walk to see inscriptions on the spires written in adobe grease by pioneers traveling through on the California Trail. There is a visitor center at Almo. Take Interstate 84 then 50 miles S. of Burley through Almo. The Almo route is open year round. The Oakley route closed in winter. Phone: 824-5519

Gooding County Snow Park

Located along the Gooding-Camas County line, 20 miles north of Gooding. This allotment has 150 square miles of BLM and private land. Phone: 732-7200

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS

Case No. CV-00-5334 NOTICE OF SALE MONY LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, a New York corporation, formerly known as THE MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEW YORK, Plaintiff

vs KENNETH A. MULBERRY &/s/ KENNETH MULBERRY &/s/ KEN MULBERRY, JENNIFER M. MULBERRY &/s/ JENNIFER MULBERRY, husband and wife; KEN MULBERRY-ENTERPRISES, a partnership; KEYBANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, a national banking association; WHITE CLAUD & ASSOCIATES, INC., an Idaho corporation; FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF OMAHA, a national banking association; LAND TITLE & ESCROW, INC., an Idaho corporation; SILVER CREEK IRRIGATION, an Idaho corporation; DIVERSIFIED FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC., an Idaho corporation; UNITED STATES NATIONAL BANK OF OREGON &/s/ U.S. BANK OF IDAHO &/s/ WEST ONE BANK, IDAHO, a national banking association.

Defendants. Under and by virtue of an Order of Sale issued on the 14th day of November, 2003, by the court of the above-entitled cause on a Second Amended Decree of Forfeiture and Judgment recovered in said Court in the above-entitled cause on the 4th day of November, 2003, in favor of the above-named Plaintiff, I am commanded and required to proceed to notice for sale and to sell at public auction the property described in said Order of Sale and to apply the proceeds of said sale to the debt for said debt.

The property directed to be sold is situate in Twin Falls County and Idaho County, State of Idaho, and is described in Exhibits A, B, C, D, E, F and G.

EXHIBIT A

PARCEL NO. 1 Township 11 South, Range 18 East, Boise Meridian, Twin Falls County, Idaho Section 8: All that portion North of the Twin Falls Low Line Canal... Section 26: Part of the NE1/4NW1/4 and part of the NE1/4NW1/4, more particularly described as follows: BEGINNING at the Southwest corner of said Subdivision and said Section 8...

PARCEL NO. 2

Township 10 South, Range 2 East, Boise Meridian, Twin Falls County, Idaho Section 26: A tract of land located in the SW1/4NW1/4, more particularly described as follows: BEGINNING at the Southwest corner of said SW1/4NW1/4...

PARCEL NO. 3

Township 11 South, Range 18 East, Boise Meridian, Twin Falls County, Idaho Section 22: Part of the NW1/4NW1/4 and part of the NE1/4NW1/4, more particularly described as follows: BEGINNING at the North 1/2 corner of Section 22...

PARCEL NO. 4

Township 11 South, Range 18 East, Boise Meridian, Twin Falls County, Idaho Section 20: A parcel of land located in the SW1/4, more particularly described as follows: BEGINNING at the Northwest corner of said NW1/4...

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Falls County, Idaho Section 14: NE1/4NW1/4 EXCEPT the East one acre thereof, NW1/4NW1/4; SW1/4NW1/4; SE1/4NW1/4 and all of the SW1/4...

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3,150 feet of 10" portable aluminum mainline with risers 6,450 feet of 8" portable aluminum mainline with risers 4,200 feet of 6" portable aluminum mainline with risers

(1) 7 Tower center pivot serial #None (1) 7 Tower center pivot serial #None (1) Methson 30" center pivot serial #1158282-1129-07 (1) Cornell centrifugal pump serial #69861 (12.5")

(1) G.E. 30 hp motor serial #GJ210A20 (1) Wellins short coupled turbine pump serial #LP89146 1000 feet of 8" buried plastic mainline 1,300 feet of 8" buried plastic mainline

Together with all valve operators, end plugs, hoses, tubing, switches, panels, bowls, wiring, suction pipes, cones, valves, risers, straight tees, buttwelds, and other ground mainline, and any replacement thereof appropriate to the above listed equipment and lands.

JEROME COUNTY: (1) 200,000 GWT O-SPAN SLANT WALL POTATO STORAGE Together with all plenum pipe, control panels, fans, etc., pertaining and appurtenant and adequate for the above listed potato storage.

TWIN FALLS COUNTY: (1) 50,000 GWT BLENDED POTATO STORAGE Together with all plenum pipe, control panels, fans, etc., pertaining and appurtenant and adequate for the above listed potato storage.

EXHIBIT B PARCEL NO. 1 Township 10 South, Range 22 East of the Boise Meridian, Cassia County, Idaho Section 26: Part of the Northeast quarter of said Section 26, more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at the Southwest corner of the SW1/4NE1/4 of Section 26, said corner marked by a 5/8" inch rebar; thence North 89° 40' 05" East along the quarter section line for 653.51 feet to a 5/8" inch rebar; thence North 89° 33' 57" East for 725.88 feet to a 5/8" inch rebar; thence North 89° 05' 13" West for 158.20 feet to the Point of Beginning.

thence North 89° 34' 17" West for 598.93 feet to a 1/2" inch rebar on the South boundary of the Macadam Industrial Park; thence North 89° 33' 57" East along the quarter section line for 165.64 ft to a 1/2" inch rebar; thence North 89° 08' 36" West for 594.53 feet to a 1/2" inch rebar; thence South 89° 05' 13" West for 158.20 feet to the Point of Beginning.

SUBJECT TO A 50 foot wide access easement across the North and South 50 feet of the above described property. PARCEL NO. 2 Township 10 South, Range 22 East of the Boise Meridian, Cassia County, Idaho Section 26: Part of the Northeast quarter of said Section 26, more particularly described as follows:

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

On March 25, 2004, at the hour of 2:00 o'clock p.m. of said day at the front entrance of the Jerome County Courthouse, 300 North Lincoln, Jerome, Idaho, TITLE FACT, INC., an Idaho corporation, as Successor Trustee will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property situated in the County of Jerome, State of Idaho, and described as follows to-wit:

Lot 14, Block 135, JEROME TOWNSHIP, Jerome County, Idaho, as same is platted in the official plat thereof, now of record in the office of the Recorder of said County. Sometimes known as: 208 West Avenue F, Jerome, Idaho 83338

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust from ALVIN L. ABBOTT and BETTY SUE ABBOTT, husband and wife, to Land Title of Escrow, Inc., and ROBERT E. TAYLOR and WILFORD J. TAYLOR, wife and husband, Beneficiary, recorded November 17, 1993, as Instrument No. 842493, records of Jerome County, Idaho, under which the Trust is being maintained.

Default for which this sale is to be made is failure to pay: (a) Accumulated deficiency in balance due of \$4,829.53 as of December 1, 2003 (last scheduled monthly payment of \$112.77 8/99); and

(b) The principal balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$4,829.53, payable by 1/29 through 1/2004 as set forth in the amount of \$546.19 under Account No. 5027.00.

DATED this 13th day of November, 2003. TITLE FACT, INC. /s/ Bob Blass, Vice President

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Loan No. 0434910626 T.S. No. 1060303-09 Parcel No. 18181

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

On March 4, 2004, at the hour of 10:00 a.m. of said day, THE MAIN ENTRANCE TO ALLIANCE TITLE & ESCROW, 311 S. 2ND ST. NORTH, TWIN FALLS, IDAHO, FIDELITY NATIONAL TITLE INS COMPANY, as trustee, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, the cashier's check drawn by a State or National Bank, or a check drawn by a State or Federal Credit Union, or a check drawn by a State or Federal Savings and Loan Association, Savings Association, or Savings Bank, payable at the time of sale, the following described real property, situated in the County of TWIN FALLS, State of IDAHO, and described as follows, to-wit:

LOT 14, BLOCK 135, JEROME TOWNSHIP, TWIN FALLS COUNTY, IDAHO, RECORDED IN BOOK 9 OF PLATS, PAGE 38. Commonly known as 108 Davis Street, FILER, Idaho 83328

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the deed of trust executed by AN GELLA H. FERRERAN, A MARRIED WOMAN AS HER SOLE AND SEPARATE PROPERTY, as Grantor, to FIRST AMERICAN TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY, as Trustee, for the benefit and security of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., as Beneficiary, recorded on November 25, 2002, as Instrument No. 842493, Mortgage records of TWIN FALLS County, Idaho.

THE ABOVE GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506(4)(a), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION.

The default for which this sale is to be made is: Failure to pay the monthly payment due July 1, 2003 of principal, interest and impounds and subsequent installments thereafter until the obligation is satisfied, with subsequent sums advanced by beneficiary pursuant to the terms and conditions of said deed of trust.

The estimated balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said deed of trust is \$86,114.62 including interest, costs and expenses actually incurred in enforcing the obligation hereunder and in this sale, and trustee's fees and/or reasonable attorneys' fees as authorized in the instrument noted secured by the aforementioned Deed of Trust.

FIDELITY NATIONAL TITLE INS COMPANY 1200 N. CENTRAL AVE. EL CAJON CA 92022-9004 (888) 445-3162

Dated: November 03, 2003 /s/ Susan Sheppard

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Blanche, Robert E and LaDonna M

On March 16, 2003, at the hour of 10:00 o'clock PM of said day, in the lobby of Twin Falls Title & Escrow, 905 Sheehans Street North, Twin Falls, Idaho, CHARLES C. JUST, Trustee, Attorney at Law, will sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of the following described real property situated in the County of Twin Falls, State of Idaho, and described as follows to-wit:

Lot 19 and 20 in Block 17 of Blue Lake Addition Twin Falls, Idaho, as same is platted in the official plat thereof, recorded in Book 3 of Plats, Page 30, in the Office of the County Recorder of said County.

This Trustee's Sale is subject to a bankruptcy filing, a payoff, or satisfaction of any other indebtedness if the Trustee is not aware that would cause the cancellation of this sale. Further, if any of these conditions occur, the Trustee shall be relieved of any obligation to the Beneficiary and shall not be liable to the successful bidder for any damages.

The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purpose of compliance with Section 60-113 Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed the address of 175 Polk Street, Twin Falls, Idaho is sometimes associated with the said real property.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by Robert E. Blanche, husband, and LaDonna M. Blanche, wife, as Grantors, with Household Finance Corporation Inc. as the Beneficiary, under the Deed of Trust recorded November 29, 1995, as Instrument No. 1999-021189 in the records of Twin Falls County, Idaho.

THE ABOVE GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506(4)(a), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION.

The default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay the amount of the certain Promissory Note and Deed of Trust, in the amounts called for thereunder as follows: Monthly payments in the amount of \$100.00 per month, beginning on 1/1/03, through 1/1/04, including to the date of sale, together with late charges and monthly payments accruing. The sum owing on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$84,356.16 including interest, costs of the sale, and expenses of this foreclosure, any and all funds expended by Beneficiary to protect their security interest and interest on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust, together with delinquent taxes plus penalties and interest to the date of sale.

The Beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation.

Dated this 6th day of November, 2003. /s/ Paula Peterson

Trust Officer for Charles C. Just, Esc. For information concerning this sale please contact The Just Law Office at www.justlawidaho.com or Tel. Frio at 1-800-923-9106

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

The following described property will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder, payable in lawful money of the United States, in the office of Twin Falls Title & Escrow, 905 Sheehans Street North, Twin Falls, IDAHO, on 03/04/2004 at 11:30 am, (recognized local time) for the purpose of foreclosing that certain Deed of Trust recorded 02/14/2001 as Instrument Number 2001-0004 in the records of Twin Falls County, Idaho, as Grantor(s) in favor of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., as Beneficiary, to STEWART TITEL OF BOISE, INC., as Trustee, under which the record covering the following real property located in Twin Falls County, State of Idaho, and described as follows: THAT PART OF LOT 16, MOORMANS FIRST ADDITION TO THE TWIN FALLS COUNTY PLATS, IDAHO, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN BOOK 1 OF PLATS, PAGE 35, RECORDS OF TWIN FALLS COUNTY, IDAHO, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT A POINT WHICH IS 115 FEET SOUTH AND 135 FEET EAST OF THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 16, EITHER SOUTH ALONG A LINE WHICH IS PARALLEL TO THE WEST LINE OF BLOCK 16 A DISTANCE OF 71.75 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE EAST ALONG A LINE WHICH IS PARALLEL TO THE NORTH LINE OF BLOCK 16 A DISTANCE OF 10.40 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE NORTH ALONG A LINE WHICH IS PARALLEL TO THE WEST LINE OF BLOCK 16 A DISTANCE OF 71.75 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE WEST ALONG A LINE WHICH IS PARALLEL TO THE NORTH LINE OF BLOCK 16 A DISTANCE OF 140.45 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purpose of compliance with Idaho Code Section 60-113, the Trustee has been informed the address of 175 Polk Street, Twin Falls, IDAHO is sometimes associated with said real property.

Bidders must be prepared to tender the trustee the full amount of the cash at the sale in the form of cash, or a cashier's check drawn on a state or federally insured savings institution. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in that certain Deed of Trust.

The default for which this sale is to be made is: Failure to pay the monthly payment due 07/01/2003 of principal, interest and impounds and subsequent installments thereafter, plus late charges, with interest actually incurred by the beneficiary, together with subsequent sums advanced by beneficiary pursuant to the terms and conditions of said Deed of Trust, and any supplemental modifications thereto. The principal balance owing as of this date on said obligation is \$89,902.15, plus interest, costs and expenses actually incurred in enforcing the obligations hereunder and in this sale, together with any unpaid and accrued property taxes, late, or other assessments, attorneys' fees, Trustee's fees and costs and any other amount advanced to protect said security, as authorized in the promissory note secured by the aforementioned Deed of Trust.

Therefore, the Beneficiary elects to sell, or cause said trust property to be sold, to satisfy said obligation.

THE ABOVE GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506(4)(a), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION. Dated November 4, 2003. Name and Address of the Current Trustee is STEWART TITEL OF BOISE, INC., 9196 West Valley, Suite 100 Boise, ID 83704. PHONE: (208) 281-8219 for information. Stewart, Title of Boise, Inc., Successor Trustee, by: Bev Peterson, Sr. Trust Officer

PUBLISH: November 13, 20, 27 and December 4, 2003

NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD AND OPPORTUNITY

FOR A PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING AN APPLICATION FOR A PERMIT TO CONSTRUCT AND A TIER II PERMIT TO OPERATE AN AIR POLLUTION-EMITTING SOURCE.

SUBJECT: Application for a permit to construct and a Tier II permit to operate an air pollution-emitting source owned by Charmac Trailers, Twin Falls, Idaho.

PURPOSE: The Idaho Department of Environmental Quality (ID Dept) has scheduled a period to receive public comments, under Docket No. 10AP-0326 concerning the air quality impacts of the project, application and the proposed action.

AUTHORITY: In compliance with Sections 209 and 404, Public Law 94-101, the ID Dept, notice is hereby given that the draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the proposed action, Charmac Trailers, Twin Falls, Idaho, has been submitted to the Department for a permit to construct and a Tier II permit to operate an air pollution-emitting source owned by Charmac Trailers, Twin Falls, Idaho.

Public Hearing: Opportunity for a public hearing on the proposed action. The public hearing will be held on Monday, November 10, 2003, at 10:00 a.m. in the lobby of the Twin Falls Title & Escrow, 905 Sheehans Street North, Twin Falls, Idaho. The public hearing will be open to the public and will be held in the lobby of the Twin Falls Title & Escrow, 905 Sheehans Street North, Twin Falls, Idaho. The public hearing will be held in the lobby of the Twin Falls Title & Escrow, 905 Sheehans Street North, Twin Falls, Idaho. The public hearing will be held in the lobby of the Twin Falls Title & Escrow, 905 Sheehans Street North, Twin Falls, Idaho.

The selected meeting site will be accessible to the physically disabled. Interpreters can be provided upon 5 days notice for persons with hearing or vision impairments. Contact the undersigned at (208) 373-0234. Braille or taped transcripts can be provided after the meeting for persons with visual impairments.

Comments: Comments should be submitted to the regional air quality manager. They are applying for a facility-wide permit which establishes enforceable requirements to limit the facilities potential to emit in order to protect air quality standards.

PROPOSED ACTION: The Department has reviewed the application and completed a preliminary analysis of the information submitted by the applicant. The Department has tentatively determined that operation according to the proposed permit will not cause or significantly contribute to a violation of any ambient air quality standard and will not injure or unreasonably affect human or animal life or vegetation.

Based on this analysis, the Department proposes to issue the permit to construct and Tier II operating permit to Charmac Trailers, Twin Falls.

AVAILABILITY OF MATERIALS: A package containing the information submitted by the applicant, the Department's analysis and the draft action will be available for public review at the following locations:

DEQ State Office 1410 North Boise, Idaho 601 Pole Line Road, Suite 2, Twin Falls, Idaho Twin Falls Public Library 424 Second St. East, Twin Falls, Idaho

SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS, ASSISTANCE ON TECHNICAL QUESTIONS: Anyone may submit written comments to the applicant. The Department will make every effort to respond to the comments. To be most effective, comments should address air quality considerations and include support materials where available. Comments, requests, and questions regarding the permitting process should be directed to Joan Leichten, Department of Environmental Quality, 1410 N. Hilton, Boise, ID 83706-1255, phone: (208) 373-0234 or (208) 373-0234. Please reference the company name and docket number when sending comments or requesting information.

Technical assistance on questions concerning this project or the permitting process, please contact Bill Ford at (208) 373-0502.

All written comment and data concerning this project must be received by 12:00 p.m. on or before 5:00 p.m. MST, January 5, 2004.

DATED this 15th day of November 2003. Joan Leichten, Director Air Quality Division

PUBLISH: December 4, 2003

LEGAL NOTICE

The following application(s) have been filed to appropriate the public waters of the State of Idaho: 63-31741

CITY OF KUNA PO BOX 13 KUNA ID 83634-0013 Application of Jennifer SENW - S13102NR01W ADA County Source GROUND WATER Point(s) of Diversion SSE - S11020NR01W ADA County Source GROUND WATER Point(s) of Diversion NEE - S11020NR01W ADA County Source GROUND WATER Point(s) of Diversion WNW - S11020NR01W ADA County Source GROUND WATER Point(s) of Diversion WSW - S11020NR01W ADA County Source GROUND WATER Use: MUNICIPAL D101-T01231-16 CFS

Point of Diversion 16 CFS Date Filed: 10/20/2003 Applicant agrees to mitigate consumptive use in the future as needed. Municipal use is for applicants service area Water bearing zone to be appropriated is from 400 to 600 feet. Permits will be subject to all prior water rights.

This notice was published prior in the applicant's county area with a protest deadline on or before 08/25/2003. The Department will consider timely petitions to intervene from interested parties until December 15, 2003.

Petitions must state the direct and substantial interest of the potential intervenor in the proceeding, based on IDPA § 37.01(31.35). Any petition to intervene against the approval of this application must be filed with the Director, Dept of Water Resources, Western Region, 2735 Airport Way, Boise ID 83705 together with a \$25.00 fee for each application on or before 12/15/2003. The potential intervenor must also send a copy of the petition to the applicant.

KARL J DREHER, Director PUBLISH: November 27 and December 4, 2003

TWIN FALLS COUNTY JOINT REPORT 3RD QUARTER 7/01/2003 through 9/30/2003

Table with columns: Fund Description, Beginning Balance, Revenue, Transfer, Warrants, Paid By, Ending Balance. Rows include various fund categories like 100 Current Expense, 101 Solid Waste, 102 Tort, 103 Jv College of Southern Idaho, etc.

State of Idaho Twin Falls County We, Debbie Kaufman, Treasurer, and Kristina Glascock, Auditor, do solemnly swear that the foregoing statement is correct and true for 7/01/2003 through 9/30/2003. /s/ Debbie Kaufman, Treasurer - /s/ Kristina Glascock, Auditor

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FURTHER NOTICE UNLESS YOU RESPOND WITHIN 30 DAYS FROM THE INFORMATION BELOW TO JAMEY SWEET

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS Case No. CV 03-3470 SUMMONS ROY, NELSON & BARRING, Plaintiff, vs. JAMEY SWEET, an individual, Defendant. NOTICE: YOU HAVE BEEN SERVED BY THE COUNTY CLERK (JAMES TIFELS). THE COURT MAY ENTER JUDGMENT AGAINST YOU WITHOUT A COPY OF THE COMPLAINT is served with this Summons. If you wish to seek the advice of an attorney in response to this summons, you must file with the court an answer to the complaint within 30 days after service of the Summons on you. If you fail to respond, the court may enter judgment against you as demanded by the plaintiff(s) in the Complaint.

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BUSINESS HOURS: MONDAY-FRIDAY 8:00 AM TO 5:30 PM

Table with 2 columns: Day and Rate. Includes rates for 100 Announcements, 500 Real Estate For Sale, and 300 Financial.

Police: All advertising is subject to the newspaper's standards of acceptance. The Times-News reserves the right to edit, delete, or refuse to accept any advertisement.

500 REAL ESTATE RENTALS: 705 Farm Equipment, 810 Furniture/Carport, 910 Heating & Air Conditioning, 912 Auctions/Auctioneer, 913 Jewelry, 914 Lawn & Garden, 915 Exercise Equipment, 916 Miscellaneous For Sale, 917 Musical Instruments, 918 Office Equip./Supplies, 919 Bicycles, 920 Tools & Machinery, 921 Variety Food/Svcs., 922 Wanted To Buy, 923 Medical Supplies, 924 Guns & Rifles, 925 Camping & Hunting, 926 Equipment, 927 Garage Sale, 928 Food Markets, 929 Stock, 930 RECREATION, 901 ATVs & Motorcycles, 902 Boats & Accessories, 903 Motor & Shells, 904 Motor Homes & RVs, 905 Snow Vehicles, 906 Travel Trailers, 907 Utility Trailers.

733-0931 Twin Falls, Idaho 83402, Ext. 2 677-4042 Burley

Table with 2 columns: 50 LEGALS and 50 LEGALS. Includes sections for Continued from previous page, this matter, you should do so promptly, and Rescheduled Notice of Trustee's Sale.

50 LEGALS: Clerk of the above-named court. DATED this 31st day of July, 2003. Clerk of the District Court By Deputy Clerk. PUBLISHED: November 20, 27, December 4 and 11, 2003.

50 LEGALS: The Twin Falls County Courthouse, 425 Washington Street, Twin Falls, Idaho 83401. I will attend, offer, and sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, the above-described property as directed to be sold as may be necessary to pay and satisfy the Delinquent Judgment as set out in the Writ of Execution, with interest thereon, and for cash, in lawful money of the United States of America.

50 LEGALS: Talge, 2222 South 4th Ave., Twin Falls, Idaho 83401. Such portion will be sold at such time as the court may appoint, and objection may be filed by any person who can, in such objections, show to the court a good reason against such change.

THESE FINE CARDS, CASH, CHECK AND MONEY ORDERS ARE ACCEPTED. Logos for Discover, Visa, MasterCard, American Express, and Money Order.

50 LEGALS: ORDER, NOTICE AND NOTICE OF HEARING IN THE INTEREST OF LAKESHA LYNN CHALKER. A Child Under Eighteen Years of Age. Petition under the Termination of Parent-Child Act has been filed by the Department of Health and Welfare.

50 LEGALS: NOTICE OF HEARING IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS.

50 LEGALS: NOTICE OF HEARING IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS. Case No. CV 03-537. NOTICE TO CREDITORS in the Matter of the Estate of: RETA L. SCHURR.

50 LEGALS: NOTICE OF HEARING IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS. Case No. CV 03-537. NOTICE TO CREDITORS in the Matter of the Estate of: RETA L. SCHURR.

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50 LEGALS: Rescheduled Notice of Trustee's Sale. On the 8th day of January, 2004, at the hour of 10:00 A.M., of said day, the undersigned, James Thomas Thompson, Trustee, of the County of Twin Falls, State of Idaho, in the County of Twin Falls, State of Idaho, as Successor Trustee, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash or cashiers check (cash equivalent), in lawful money of the United States, all the above-described property, situated in the County of Twin Falls, State of Idaho, and described as follows: To-wit: Township 11 South, Range 16 East, Boise Meridian, Twin Falls, Idaho. Section 22. A tract of land BEGINNING at the Southwest corner of the SW 1/4 of said Section; Thence North 30° 00' 00" East, 110.00 feet; Thence East 300.00 feet; Thence West 300.00 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

50 LEGALS: NOTICE OF HEARING IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS. Case No. CV 01-4706. NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE IN THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS, IDAHO, AS CUSTODIAN TRUSTEE, in and for the County of Twin Falls, Idaho, in and for the County of Twin Falls, Idaho, in and for the County of Twin Falls, Idaho, in and for the County of Twin Falls, Idaho.

50 LEGALS: NOTICE OF HEARING IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS. Case No. CV 03-5225. NOTICE TO CREDITORS in the Matter of the Application of: JAMES THOMPSON for Change in Name.

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JEROME 4 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath, garage, 525 W. Ave. E. New flooring, \$650/mo. \$350. 208-731-3162

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Thursday, Dec. 4, 2003

THE ACES ON BRIDGE

Bobby Wolff

"Remorse is a violent dyspepsia of the mind."

Ogden Nash

NORTH 12-4-4 A 4 Q 8 6 5 K 5 4 2 A 9 6

WEST 110 9 2 K 5 2 A 8 5 Q J 10 9 7 K 7 4 3

EAST Q 8 6 5 K 5 4 2 A 9 6 SOUTH A K 7 3 A Q J 3 4 A 4 K 5 J

The players at the Dyspepsia Club tend to overbid and underplay... which always leads to more stimulating post-mortems.

Vulnerable: Both Dealer: South

The bidding: South West North East 1♥ Pass 2NT Pass 4NT Pass 5♥ Pass 6♥ All pass

Although the correct play missing these cards including the king is to finesse, here South should have considered refusing the heart finesse.

Opening lead: Spade jack

BID WITH THE ACES

The point is that if West had doubled the heart king, declarer would be able to eliminate both spades and diamonds.

South holds: Q 8 6 5 K 8 J 10 9 7 10 8 2

Similarly, if East had had the doubleton heart king, he would also have been forced to play a club after spades and diamonds had been stripped off.

ANSWER: Bid four spades rather than passing. Here your initial call of two spades suggested few...

South West North East 2♥ Pass 3♥ Pass 4♥ Pass 5♥ Pass

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Black Hall Angus Reg. Cattle fall Angus Reg. heifers or open heifers

FOR SALE OR LEASE Western Farm Building

FREE pigme goats (3) to good home

703 HORSES & TACK

ARABIAN 4 yr old pure bred gelding

TWIN FALLS 3000 sq. ft. storage area

FREE Border Collie Maltese puppy

610 STORAGE & WAREHOUSES

FREE Border Collie Maltese puppy

615 MOBILE HOME SPACES

FREE Border Collie Maltese puppy

KIMBERLY Single wide and new double spaces

FREE Border Collie Maltese puppy

TWIN FALLS 10x18 Storage

FREE Border Collie Maltese puppy

615 ROOMMATES WANTED

FREE Border Collie Maltese puppy

JEROME 3 bedroom, \$650

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TWIN FALLS Roommate wanted

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TWIN FALLS 5x10 Storage

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FREE cats, 2 beautiful young, would make good farm cats

CLAAS-02 class 870 forage harvester, 6 row corn head

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WANTED to rent, boot ground for 2004 in Jerome

FREE Dalmatian/English Setter X, 2 yr old neutered male

714 PASTURE WANTED

FREE dog, medium sized German Shepherd, female, house dog

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FREE kittens, 1 to good home, 2 outdoor kittens, good mousters

HAY TRAILER 8x16 tandem, good condition

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