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# Cops nab suspect in baby assault

By Rebecca Meany  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** — A Filer man suspected of sexually abusing a child and then fleeing from police after his arrest Wednesday was back in custody Friday.

Adam Jackman, 19, was being held in the Ada County Jail awaiting transfer back to Twin Falls County after police arrested him at his father's home in Horseshoe Bend, a small community north of Boise, officials said.

## Filer man now faces escape, auto-theft charges

Jackman has been charged with one count of lewd and lascivious conduct with a minor and one count of injury to a child. He now also faces charges of escape and grand theft auto, Filer Police Chief Cliff Johnson said.

The suspect was being held in a Filer Police Department car Wednesday night when officers went into the home of the alleged victim to speak to his mother.

Police said Friday they learned that the man hid out in a Filer barn overnight, then stole a 1999 Nissan Altima the next morning. The suspect found the keys to the car on the console and drove himself, still handcuffed, to his father's house in Horseshoe Bend Thursday morning.

Sgt. George Erskine of Boise County Sheriff's Department went to the father's house Friday to inquire if he had seen the suspect, Johnson said.

"The dad said, 'Yeah, he's here,'" Johnson said.

The suspect was hiding behind the couch, Johnson said, but came out when Erskine called to him.

The suspect admitted to destroying the handcuffs with his dad's grinder before the father got home.

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Adam Jackman

# OUT OF IRAQ, INTO THE CHAPEL



By Ashley Smith/The Times-News

Spe. Michael Legg, an Army unit supply specialist with the 32nd Signal Battalion in Iraq, talks on the phone with a friend, while fiancée Stephanie Ford works on a scrapbook with photos of Legg in Iraq, at their home in Twin Falls Friday. Legg and Ford are high school sweethearts getting married on Sunday while Legg is on leave from serving in Iraq.

# Soldier, fiancée plan wedding

By Karin Kowalski  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** — He's home, He's getting married, He's leaving.

U.S. Army Specialist Michael Legg, 21, is back for 15 days after months serving in Iraq. He flew into Boise Monday to spend his leave with family and friends. He had dinner Tuesday night to catch up with family and friends.

"I proposed to my fiancée finally," Legg said, even though the wedding had been planned for a month.

Stephanie Ford, 18, a social work major at the College of Southern Idaho, has known Legg since they were children. They've been a couple since junior high school. Legg proposed to her on a dinner knee in front of the crowd at bender Tuesday, and they both cried, she said.

Their original plan was to take a

“They're thankful that we got rid of Saddam. But they're not thankful that we're still here.”

— Michael Legg, 21, Army specialist

trip to Las Vegas, then get married on the Fourth of July after he comes home for good. Legg and Ford stepped up their plans because Legg decided it would be better for Ford to be able to get support from the Army sooner. As a spouse she

can get medical care and be in support-group—groups—They will still have a big outdoor ceremony in July, possibly at Shoshone Falls, for their friends and family.

The two still plan to head to Las Vegas Sunday, but they're adding a stop at a wedding chapel to their agenda of four days with Legg's father, his stepmother, and Ford's mother and her companion. Ford planned the wedding herself and booked it on ChapelSoLasVegas.com.

Legg spent Wednesday visiting an old teacher at Twin Falls High School, then spoke to sixth-graders at Sawtooth Elementary School. Those students had sent blankets to a hospital in Iraq.

Legg is one of about 150 men and women from the Magic Valley who

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# Ranchers like new BLM plan

But environmentalists say there are problems

The Times-News and The Associated Press

**TWIN FALLS** — A new kind of "rangeland reform" is on the horizon, and environmentalists aren't happy about it.

But ranchers who decried the Clinton years say they welcome the shift in attitude by the Bureau of Land Management.

Interior Secretary Gale Norton announced the framework of the Bush administration's new grazing program Friday at a gathering of cattlemen in Albuquerque, N.M. Details of the proposal will be published Monday in the Federal Register.

That is what the Idaho Cattle Association is waiting to see before it embraces the plan, although the initial message sounds good, said Brenda Richards, a Murphy-area rancher and chairwoman of the

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# Judge dismisses Olympic bribery charges

The Associated Press

**SALT LAKE CITY** — With a stinging attack on prosecutors, a federal judge

threw out the case Friday against two civic leaders accused of bribery for lavishing \$1 million in cash, gifts and favors on Olympic officials who awarded this city the 2002 Winter Games.

The ruling by U.S. District Judge David Sam came midway through the trial of Tom Welch

**Upset judge, angry jurors** — A7

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Tom Welch

Dave Johnson

# Flu outbreak terrifies parents as children die

And it might be too late to get a shot locally as vaccine supplies dwindle

By Jon Sarche  
Associated Press writer

## No more vaccines — A2

**DENVER** — In a packed emergency room, Elijah Ibarra fussed and cried as his father gently slipped a purple elastic band around the 2-year-old's head to hold an oxygen mask in place.

The little boy settled into a restless sleep on the examining table; his long eyelashes occasionally fluttering as his worried parents listened to a whispered instruction from a doctor: Give him fluids. Watch his breathing. Check

his temperature. Bring him back if he gets worse.

"He was throwing up and I brought him in right away," said the boy's mother, Naomi Ibarra.

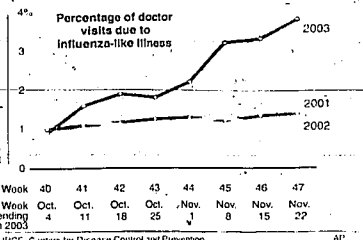
One of the harshest flu seasons in years has swept across Colorado, sending jittery parents rushing to ERs and clinics with feverish children. Within the past month, more than 6,300 people

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AP photo  
Emily Brown, 4, gets her flu shot Thursday in Wichita, Kan.

The percentage of patients who have visited the doctor for flu-like illness continues to rise, according to the latest government figures.



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Tonight: Periods of light rain mixed with snow at times. Low near 35. Tomorrow: Colder with freezing rain and snow possible. Highs near 37.

BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST Today: Gusty and cloudy with a chance of rain—Highs in the upper 40s to lower 50s.

Tonight: Rain showers mixing with snow at times. Lows in the lower to middle 30s. Tomorrow: Brisk with periods of rain and snow possible. Highs in the upper 30s to near 40.

TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST Today Tonight Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday

Weather icons and temperature forecasts for Twin Falls: Today (High 50, Low 35), Tonight (High 37, Low 26), Sunday (High 34, Low 23), Monday (High 36, Low 21), Tuesday (High 38, Low 26), Wednesday (High 37, Low 26).

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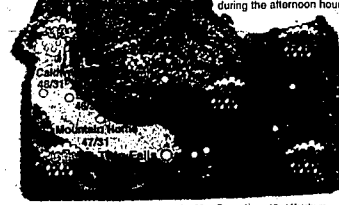
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IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS. Valley rain and mountain snow likely today, turning over to all snow for Sunday. Brisk winds, falling temperatures developing. Cold with lingering snow showers likely on Monday.

Today Highs 32 to 43. Tonight's Lows 18 to 29. BOISE Scattered rain showers developing today, mixing with snow around midnight tonight.

NORTHERN UTAH Scattered rain showers developing today and tonight. Turning much colder on Sunday with rain changing over to all snow during the afternoon hours.



Yesterday's State Extremes - High: 58 at Boise. Low: 18 at Ketchikan. Weather key: sun-sunny, sc-partly cloudy, rc-mostly cloudy, c-cloudy, th-thunderstorms, sh-showers, r-rain, s-snow, fl-flores, w-wind, m-mist.

Yesterday's Weather

Table of weather data for various Idaho cities including Boise, Burley, and Twin Falls, showing high/low temperatures and conditions.

WORLD FORECAST

Table of weather forecasts for major world cities including London, Tokyo, Sydney, and New York.

REGIONAL FORECAST

Regional weather forecast table for cities in Idaho, Oregon, and Washington, including Boise, Coeur d'Alene, and Lewiston.

NATIONAL FORECAST

National weather forecast table for major US cities including Chicago, New York, Los Angeles, and Miami.

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Olympics

Continued from A1. Dave Johnson and closed the book on the worst scandal in Olympic history. The judge said that in his 18 years on the federal bench, he had never seen a case so devoid of 'criminal intent or evil purpose.'

Suspect

Continued from A1. Johnson said. 'He cut the cuffs off himself in his dad's garage, then chopped them up with the grinder,' he said. The suspect was living in Filer with his girlfriend and her child when the boy, described as under 2 years old, was assaulted, police say.

Flu

Continued from A1. might be too late to get one this winter. South-central Idaho, like much of the rest of the nation, has almost run out of influenza vaccine, South Central District Health spokesman Monie Smith said Friday.

Running out of vaccine

Continued from A1. Smith said local health officials ordered the same amount of vaccine this year as last year, but demand has gone up dramatically as a result of news reports of children dying of influenza in Colorado.

Grazing

Continued from A1. The BLM no longer will be required to seek public comment when it issues a grazing permit or lease, or when it issues a temporary-grazing permit, BLM said.

Soldier

Continued from A1. Legg served or was serving in Operation Iraqi Freedom. In Iraq, Legg is a unit supply specialist, in the Bravo company of the 32nd Signal Battalion.

Helping troops - A4

Continued from A4. Legg said the United States has been able to do some good things for people in Iraq. 'They're thankful that we got rid of Saddam,' Legg said.

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# Bush turns to Baker as Iraq envoy

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush turned on Friday to a long-time family friend and troubleshooter, former Secretary of State James A. Baker III, to be his personal envoy in seeking an international deal to lower and defuse Iraq's staggering foreign debt.

The appointment gives high-profile attention to a complex issue that clouds Iraq's economic prospects. The war-ravaged country owes an estimated \$125 billion to other countries, excluding war reparations.

Baker, 73, who was Bush's main advocate in the 2000 Florida recount battle with Democrat Al Gore, brings a wealth of negotiating experience to the job as well as personal ties with many of the world's leaders.

Administration officials argue that major debt relief is needed for Iraq's economy to get back on its feet. The issue has become politicized, however, with countries that opposed the war, such as Germany and France, expressing doubt about high levels of debt forgiveness.

Negotiations are expected to be extensive and involve trade-offs as countries offer to forgive debt in return for bidding on new construction contracts.

Iraq's debt carries annual servicing charges of \$7 billion to \$8 billion.

Baker, a Houston attorney, served under President Reagan as White House chief of staff and then as treasury secretary. He also managed Bush's father's 1980, 1988 and 1992 presidential campaigns.

# Powell sticks to U.S. road map

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Israeli and Palestinian authors of a private Middle East peace plan presented their proposals to Secretary of State Colin Powell on Friday but were unable to alter the Bush administration's approach to peacemaking between Israel and the Palestinians.

Powell said the U.S.-backed "road map" for peacemaking still had "primacy" in the effort to resolve the Israeli-Palestinian dispute.

And a State Department spokesman, Adam Ereli, said that blueprint, which would establish a Palestinian state in 2005, would not be altered as a result of Powell's meeting with former Beirut and Yasser Arafat Rabbo, his Palestinian negotiating partner.

The so-called Geneva Accords propose borders between Israel and a future Palestinian state close to Israel's borders as they existed before the 1967 Six-Day War. That would give the Palestinians almost all the West Bank and Gaza Strip and part of Jerusalem.

In contrast, the U.S.-backed "road map" leaves open to negotiation the specific issues.

# BUNDLE UP



Roberto Virzi, standing in front of his horse cab at the edge of Central Park in New York, braves the driving snow Friday as the Northeast's first major storm of the season brought a blustery surge of sleet and snow, closing schools, making a mess on highways and triggering a rush on snow blowers and shovels. The snow was blamed for at least three traffic deaths, and caused lengthy airport delays. Forecasters said the system threatened to deliver an even heavier blow over the weekend, with up to 18 inches of snow forecast in parts of New England. "It's OK if it's cold, as long as I have this suit," Virzi said.

# U.S. Park Police suspend chief after making public complaints

WASHINGTON (AP) — The top uniformed officer of the U.S. Park Police was suspended Friday, days after she went public with complaints that her department was understaffed and underfunded.

Assistant Chief Ben Holmes was named as Teresa Chambers' replacement, according to a statement from the National Park Service, which oversees the Park Police. Spokesman Bill Line declined to elaborate, saying it

was a personnel issue. Chambers told various media outlets on Tuesday that she had been forced to cut back on patrols across the area because her officers are now required to guard national monuments.

The next day, Don Murphy, the U.S. Park Service's deputy director, said Chambers broke a federal rule against public comment on budget discussions and another barring someone in Chambers' position from lobbying.

## Southern Idaho's wine industry makes its mark.

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# Army's readiness raises concerns

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Four Army divisions — 40 percent of the active-duty force — will not be fully combat-ready for up to six months next year, leaving the nation short of ready troops in the event of a major conflict in North Korea or elsewhere, a senior Army official said Friday.

The four divisions — the 82nd Airborne, 101st Airborne, the 1st Armored and the 4th Infantry — will be returning from Iraq next spring, to be replaced by three others, with a fourth rotating into Afghanistan. That would leave only two active-duty divisions available to fight in other parts of the world.

Briefing reporters at the Pentagon, the official said the four returning divisions will be rated either C-3 or C-4, the Army's two lowest readiness categories, for 120 to 180 days after they return as vehicles and helicopters are overhauled and troops are retrained.

C-3 means a division is capable of performing only some of its combat missions, and C-4 means a division needs additional manpower, training or equipment in

order to fight a major regional war. This dip in readiness could have political consequences for President Bush, who sharply criticized the Clinton administration during the 2000 election for having allowed two Army divisions to fall to the lowest readiness category in 1999 because of peacekeep-

ing obligations in the Balkans. "Obviously, this is much worse in terms of the numbers," said Sen. Jack Reed, D-R.I., a member of the Senate Armed Services Committee who has called for increasing the size of the Army. "This is an indication of the stress the Army is under."

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## YOUR WEEKEND

### Festival of Trees

**What:** The Magic Valley Regional Medical Center Foundation's Festival of Trees continues.

**Where:** The former Lynwood IGA building at the Lynwood Mall in Twin Falls.

**When:** 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. today and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday.

**How much:** General admission is \$4 for adults and \$1 for children.

### Christmas in City Park

**What:** The weekly installment of Soprano International's Christmas in City Park will be held.

**Where:** Twin Falls City Park.

**When:** 5 p.m. Sunday.

**How much:** Free.

### Christmas concert

**What:** The College of Southern Idaho Chamber Choir and Madrigal Ensemble will present a Christmas Concert.

**Where:** Fine Arts Center auditorium, Twin Falls.

**When:** 7 p.m. Sunday.

**How much:** General admission is \$3, students and seniors are \$2 and CSI students are free with student identification.

### 'The Christmas Star'

**What:** The Faulkner Planetarium will present "The Christmas Star."

**Where:** Herrett Center for Arts and Science on the campus of the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls.

**When:** 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. today.

**How much:** Tickets, which are \$4 for adults, \$3 for senior citizens 60 and older, \$2 for students and \$9 for families, are available at the door. Children 4 and under are not admitted. The afternoon show is \$1.

### Holiday Art Show

**What:** The Art Guild of Magic Valley will sponsor its Holiday Art Show. Items for sale will be oil and watercolor paintings, quality craft and limited edition prints. All works are original and sold by the local artists themselves.

**Where:** The Magic Valley Arts Council Mall, 132 Main Ave. S., Twin Falls.

**When:** 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. today.

**How much:** Admission is free.

### For more Your Weekend please see page A6.

## WANTED in the Magic Valley

- Name: Dylan C. Byrne.
- Age: 21.
- Description: 5-foot-9, 195 pounds, brown hair, blue eyes.
- Wanted for: probation violation.
- Original charge: rape.

The Twin Falls County Sheriff's Department asks anyone with information about Byrne's whereabouts to call 736-4100 or Crime Stoppers at 732-5387, where you can remain anonymous and might be eligible for a cash reward.

## Snowpack levels

Watershed	% of Avg.	% of Norm.
Upper Snake Basin	96%	24%
Salmon Falls	88%	18%
Salmon	76%	16%
Oakley	90%	18%
Big Wood	58%	13%
Little Wood	49%	10%
Henry Fork/Teton	89%	22%
Big Lost	53%	11%
Little Lost	65%	16%

As of Dec. 5

A comparison of basin snowpack on this day, with a 30-year average.

An indicator of basin snowpack for the entire snow season, with peaks in spring.

# Census shows decline in student poverty

The Associated Press

**BOISE**—The percentage of public school students struggling with poverty as they try to learn declined across Idaho during the last half of the 1990s, a testament to Idaho's then-booming economy.

But one of every eight school-age children was still living in poverty at the end of the decade, according to new statistics released by the Census Bureau, and that number rose as the economy declined.

In south-central Idaho, student poverty rates ranged from 4.1 percent in Hagerman to 39.6 percent in Castelford, according to the statistics.

"We know that we've been in a tough economic time recently," Gov. Dirk Kempthorne said on Friday. "But every child deserves a quality education."

Educators say that is becoming an ever-greater challenge as tax support for schools gets tighter and tighter, especially in districts with large and now growing populations of poor students.

"If children are hungry, have limited facilities for personal hygiene, if they don't have access to reading, then they tend to be at a disadvantage when they get to school," said Jeanne Christiansen, dean of the College of Education at the University of Idaho.

"It's not a role and responsibility of schools, but those things have an effect," Christiansen said.

Gooding School District Superintendent Robert Sterns says teachers in his district know that the more than 22 percent of their students who are poor need more help and attention.

"Kids coming from poverty homes aren't as well prepared," Sterns said. "Parents working at low-paying jobs are working more hours, they don't have the time to spend with the kids and maybe didn't reach the educational level the children have."

"The teachers are under intense pres-

sure," he said. "They're working with kids who don't have the skills."

Schools cannot change home situations so instead must look at ways to help poor students through curriculum, teaching techniques and other programs, said Ron Bolinger, superintendent of southeastern Idaho's American Falls School District.

The census figures will be used to determine each school district's allocation of an estimated \$42 million that Idaho could get from the federal government during the coming year. The money is to help meet requirements of the No Child Left Behind Act.

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## 'IT WAS HEART-WARMING'



COLE MYERS/The Times-News

Searching for presents for her family, 6-year-old Harmony Wilhelm leads Idaho State Police Lt. Rob Storm through ShopKo department store at the Magic Valley Mall Friday. The inaugural 'Shop with a Cop' event was organized by the Salvation Army, the mall, Idaho State Police, Twin Falls Fire Department, Sawtooth National Forest and other business sponsors. Six children were given \$100 to spend as they wished at any of the mall's stores.

## M.V. kids go shopping with police officers

**By Loretta Burkhardt**  
Times-News correspondent

**TWIN FALLS**—Santa's elves took a back seat Friday to six Magic Valley youngsters who were making their lists and checking them twice during a shopping spree at the Magic Valley Mall.

For the city's first-ever "Shop with a Cop" event, a select few were given the opportunity to spend up to \$100 each on Christmas gifts for either themselves or members of their family.

And the extravaganza began in style.

The Twin Falls Fire Department picked the children up at the Salvation Army and gave them a ride in a fire truck to begin their special day.

—Although there was money to be spent, it was still a situation of first things first. Because the kids were left at the mall's food court — just in time to eat — that's just what they did.

With meals ranging from hamburgers and fries, to large orders

of chicken nuggets, their first order of business turned out to be a little more time-consuming than planned.

"We're eating slow 'cause we have to go back to school when we're finished," explained 11-year-old Randy Evans, a fifth-grader at Harrison Elementary School.

—Nevertheless, as soon as the last slurp of an Oreo shake was heard, they were off to meet their shopping buddies, get the money and shop, shop, shop.

While the name of the event refers primarily to law enforcement officers, there were others who filled their Christmas lists.

Lt. Rob Storm of the Idaho State Police took on the youngest of the group, 6-year-old Harmony Wilhelm, whose first dilemma was what to buy for Mom.

Her decision to buy her mother a (it's a secret) came after some careful considerations.

Capt. David Neal, also with ISP, Please see SHOP, Page A6

## Fashion show fund-raiser features old-time skiwear

**By Karen Bossick**  
Times-News correspondent

**KETCHUM**—The Batman cape and tights were missing as Adam West strolled down the runway in a lamb suede jacket with a rugged leather tobacco brown collar, jesting with some 180 onlookers as he went.

Carol Harlig practically waltzed down the runway in a long black skirt and boots—the kind of outfit women wore in the 1880s when they skied on longboards with one long pole.

Olympian Marvin Melville wore the white jacket he wore as a member of the 10th Mountain

Division, which fought World War II on skis in the mountains of Italy.

Even Santa Claus, who looked amazingly like Ketchum photographer Jack Williams, came decked out for the occasion in a three-quarter coyote parka from the Sheepskin Coat Factory.

The occasion was Freezin' Fashions—the inaugural ski fashion show benefit hosted by the Ketchum/Sun Valley Heritage and Ski Museum Thursday.

The display-of-ski-fashions from then to now was a whirlwind of druids, White Stag, and Woolrich sweaters, Pagosa rose

Please see FASHION, Page A6



Clare Bailey and Adam West walk the runway at Freezin' Fashions 2003, displaying ski wear from the Sheepskin Coat Factory. The event was a benefit for the Ketchum/Sun Valley Heritage and Ski Museum.

## American Red Cross offers way to support troops

**By Loretta Burkhardt**  
Times-News correspondent

**TWIN FALLS**—Looking for a way to help the troops in Iraq? The American Red Cross has a way.

"Treasures for Troops" is a new program that allows people to send sealed gifts to deployed troops, said Linda Norris, senior regional director for U.S. Sen. Mike Crapo.

The Sawtooth Branch of the American Red Cross of Greater Idaho was host to more than a dozen members of the South

**How to help**

For more information about buying a gift package in the "Treasures for Troops" program, call Patricia Lindholm at 733-6464 or e-mail her at lindholm@usa.redcross.org. The gift packages cost \$20 each, including shipping.

Central Medical Society Alliance sent two separate checks totaling \$3,500. The alliance donated \$2,500 to aid in local disaster

**Soldier gets married — A1**

relief, while \$1,000 was earmarked for Treasures for Troops.

"I'm humbled by their generosity," local Red Cross Executive Director Patricia Lindholm said.

Each Treasures for Troops kit contains sunscreen, hand wipes, coolies, candy gum, an electronic game, a deck of cards, crossword puzzles, a wooden game, a Hacky Sack ball, a magnetic checkers/chess game, a hand-held

fan and a multi-tool.

The medical group's donation was presented by Sue McClusky, whose son, John, is serving in Iraq as a captain in the Army.

"My son is in Iraq fighting for the people of America to protect them from future terrorist attacks," she said. "Any items, cards or words of encouragement from home are extremely helpful."

When McClusky told her son about the Treasures for Troops program, he sent the following message, which she shared during

## Woman dies in fall from T.F. bridge

**TWIN FALLS**—A woman's body was pulled out of the Snake River Friday morning after she apparently fell from the Perrine Bridge.

A jogger crossing the bridge around 6 a.m. Friday saw a woman alone standing next to the guard rail on the west side of the bridge, according to a release issued by the Jerome County Sheriff's Department.

The jogger continued across the bridge, but upon glancing back didn't see the woman, the release said.

A little while later, two kayakers noticed a body floating in the river west of the bridge, according to the release. Officials retrieved the body Friday morning.

The identity of the woman was not released pending notification of relatives.

Anyone with information about the incident is encouraged to call Capt. Gerald Brant of the Jerome County Sheriff's Department at 324-8845.

## Search continues for boy presumed drowned

**TWIN FALLS**—Search and rescue teams were still looking for a 16-year-old boy who was reported missing near Salmon Dam in the Drexler Park area on Wednesday.

Bradley DeCarr, 16, of Rogerson, was last seen by friends standing on rocks around 4:30 p.m. near the edge-of-the-dam-according-to-a news release issued by the Twin Falls County Sheriff's Department.

When the friends looked back over he was no longer there, the statement said.

DeCarr's jacket was found at the edge of the water, as one of his shoes was floating on the water.

The sheriff's department, Twin Falls County Search and Rescue and a dive team from Minidoka County searched the area Thursday and Friday.

The boy's body had not been located as of Friday evening.

## Woman dies when her car hits wrecked pickup

**BLISS**—A Twin Falls woman was killed early Friday when her car struck a pickup that had rolled over Interstate 84 near Bliss.

Jilynn E. Muir, 26, was pronounced dead at the scene of the collision at about 2:10 a.m., the Idaho State Police said in a press release.

Muir was headed east on the interstate when her 1988 Oldsmobile Cutlass ran into a 2004 Ford Ranger pickup that had rolled and come to a stop in the left-hand lane moments before, ISP said. The driver of the pickup, whom ISP did not identify, was not injured and was standing outside the pickup at the time of the collision. He was not hurt.

After the crash, Muir's car went off the interstate and then rolled back on the road. She was not wearing a seat belt, ISP said.

## Woman dies from injuries sustained in car crash

**RUPERT**—A Minidoka County woman died from injuries sustained when a car she was in collided with a train Tuesday night.

Leah Serr, 79, of Paul died Thursday at a Procello hospital.

Serr was traveling with Ruth Honeycutt, 63, of Rupert in a 1996 Pontiac. The pair was going south on 300 West and hit the train just north of Minico High School. The crossing has no blinking lights, only a stop sign, according to the accident report.

Honeycutt was reported to be recovering at a Boise hospital.

—compiled from staff reports

# Wife attracts wrong type of husband

**DEAR ABBY:** My husband and I have been friends with "Joyce and Dave" for many years. Our children are the same ages and go to school together. We have always enjoyed each other's company.

I find myself increasingly attracted to Dave, and I think the feeling is mutual. I have great strength of character, as I believe, Dave does, but spending time with Joyce and him is becoming difficult.

Dave and I do not speak to each other in any way other than with respect and humor — but there's an underlying sexual tension I can't ignore.

I don't want to spoil our families' shared times together, but I feel I am playing with fire. What should I do?

— CARLA IN PHOENIX

**DEAR CARLA:** People who play with fire usually get burned. It's time to take an honest look at your



**DEAR ABBY:** I identified with the letter from "Private Guy in San Jose," whose in-laws come for month-long visits twice a year. My mother-in-law used to visit for six weeks or more several times a year, with no date set for her return home 3,000 miles away. I told my husband I could handle her visits better if there were a return date to which I could look

forward, but it never happened. After years of frustration, I finally decided to create my own "escape" date: Six weeks — my limit. After that, I'd leave to visit my parents, thus letting my husband entertain his mother by himself.

It was amazing the speed with which my husband put his mother on a plane home!

Perhaps "Private Guy" could arrange a "business trip" or a visit to his own relatives after two weeks of hosting his in-laws.

— PROBLEM SOLVED

**DEAR PROBLEM SOLVED:** That's certainly better than sitting home feeling infringed upon and allowing resentment to build. Even the freshest fish can turn foul if it is kept beyond the expiration date. Thank you for the helpful suggestion.

**DEAR ABBY:** I have been dating

employees is not Micon's main goal in backing the school, said Kipp Bedard, foundation president.

Total cost for creating the program, including building construction, is \$4 million. The money beyond Micon's contribution will come from donations and grants.

**DEAR WAITING:** This is too long. If Steve was on the level, he would have postponed the trips, passed up the sheets and celebrated your engagement by now. He isn't ready for marriage. Since you are, I'd say it's time to move on.

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4. Strong
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6. Anti-grip control
7. Venetian blind, for example
8. Volleyball filler
9. Takes care of
10. Components
11. Creamy color
12. Type of sewer
13. Seattle player
14. In the midst of
15. Assumed name
16. Ropes-a-dope pugilist
17. Part of speech
18. Group of trees
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**Friday's Puzzle Solved**

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## Puritan advice: Deal with your children in aloof formal manner

"Deal with your children in an aloof formal manner." Not likely you'd think much of that advice, what? It's historical fact, though, that Puritan clergymen specifically urged parents not to become too close to their youngsters.



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When your great-granddad was a lad, nobody gave much notice to that thing called "body odor." Everybody had it. To one degree or another. Certainly it wasn't a community problem. But advertising agencies changed that. They redesigned a common condition to create a social plague.

In New Zealand, a couple of hundred years ago, any man without a tattoo was just a nobody.

Petrarch dimmed Mount Ventoux in southern France in 1336. Some say that marked the beginning of the "Renaissance," because "it was the first time anybody had climbed a mountain just to see the view."

**Q.** From first plan to finish, how long does it take to make a movie?  
**A.** 18 to 20 months, typically.  
 Slowest growing of all cancers is said to be that of the prostate.  
 Pharos built their tombs to last forever. No way. All of them in the Valley of the Kings, except Tut's, had been cleaned out by grave robbers before 1000 B.C.  
**Q.** What ended the age of knights in shining armor?  
**A.** Arrows — Welsh long-bows. They could pierce armor at 400 yards.

## DEATH NOTICES

**Asa David Ray King**  
 NAMPFA — Asa David Ray King, infant son of Gavin and Zandra King, died Nov. 24, 2003, in Nampa. The service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 6, 2003, at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls. Burial will follow at the West End Cemetery in Buhl.

**Floyd Samuel Barker**  
 ELBA — Floyd Samuel Barker, 69, of Vallejo, Calif., and formerly of Elba, died Thursday, Dec. 4, 2003, at his residence in Vallejo, Calif. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Payne Mortuary in Buhl.

**Jilynn E. Muir**  
 BOISE — Jilynn E. Muir, 26, of Boise and formerly of Twin Falls, died Friday, Dec. 5, 2003, as the result of an automobile accident. Arrangements will be announced by White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

**Ann Westfall of Burley**, memorial service at 11 a.m. Monday at the Burley First Presbyterian Church, 2100 — Burton — Ave. (Rasmussen Funeral Home, Burley).

**Alice Leah Vitale of Twin Falls**, memorial service at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls; inurnment will follow at noon at the Jerome Cemetery; a luncheon for family and friends will follow the service at the Jerome Catholic Church on the corner of Second Avenue and Buchanan Street in Jerome.

**Emily Francis Pyle**, graveside service at 2 p.m. today at West End Cemetery in Buhl. (Farmer Funeral Chapel, Buhl).

**Ruth Mae Hill of Twin Falls**, memorial service at 11 a.m. Monday at the Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls.

## SERVICES

friends may gather at the cemetery prior to the service (Rasmussen Funeral Home, Burley).

**Hattie Cranney Price of Burley**, service at 11 a.m. today at Payne Memorial Chapel, 221 W. Main St., Burley; burial will be at the Marion Cemetery near Oakley; friends may call from 10-10:45 a.m. today at Payne Mortuary.

**Jacob Raymond Evers of Wendell**, service at 11 a.m. today at the Wendell United Presbyterian Church; burial will follow at the Wendell Cemetery (Demaray's Wendell Chapel).

**Mary Moreland of Twin Falls**, service at noon today at Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls; friends may call from 9 a.m. until time of the service today at Reynolds Chapel.

**Lucas O'Killia of Roseville, Calif.**, graveside memorial service at 1 p.m. today at the Bruneau Cemetery; a gathering will follow

the service at the Bruneau American Legion Hall in Bruneau.

**Phyllis Ruth Ferguson Hechtle**, memorial service at 3 p.m. today 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, Twin Falls).

**Raymond Abundis of Twin Falls**, funeral Mass at 10 a.m. today at St. Edward the Confessor Catholic Church; burial will follow at Twin Falls Cemetery (Reynolds Funeral Chapel, Twin Falls).

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## OBITUARY

**Robert Ray Kimball - Bartley, Neb.**  
 Robert Ray Kimball, 55, died Nov. 18, 2003, in North Platte, Neb., after a courageous fight with cancer. He was born July 2, 1948, at Valentine, Neb., to Everett and Mae Kimball.

He attended college for two years prior to serving three years in the U.S. Army stationed in Vietnam. He was a member of the American Legion Post No. 161 at Russellville, Neb.

He married Mary Puchner, his childhood sweetheart, in Sterling, Colo., on Oct. 3, 1978. They just celebrated 25 years of marriage.

Before settling in Bartley, Neb., he lived in Jerome and Twin Falls working for Volco and Watt's Manufacturing Inc. He was owner/operator of a trucking company.

He was preceded in death by his father in 2001.

Survivors include his wife, Mary of Bartley, Neb.; daughters, Jamie (Mike) Tomlin of Cambridge, Neb., and Sara Kimball of Indianola, Neb., sons, Lt. Colonel Troy (Brook) Kimball of Omaha, Neb., Jerry (Dumman) of Hay Springs, Neb., Jason Onstott and Justin (Dawn) Onstott of

Rapid City, S. D.; nine grandchildren; his mother, Mae Kimball of Bartley; brothers, Melvin (Rene) Kimball of Bartley, Richard (Gloria) Kimball of Oxford, Neb., Edwin of Boise, Idaho, sisters, Theri Kim (Markle) (John) Tann of Las Vegas, Nev.; numerous nieces and nephews, including niece, Lisa (Brett) Sandau of Twin Falls.

Services were held Nov. 24, 2003, in Cambridge, Neb. Inurnment was at Fort McPherson National Cemetery with military honors.

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# Birthday today? You have interest in film

**IF DECEMBER 6 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY** ... you're artistic with an interest in theater and film. You could be a gourmet chef or restaurant owner. Fashion, too, is a possible domain. You love beauty and are well-dressed. Having a flair for money, you could work in the accountancy or banking fields. Short trips with writing assignments are possible this year. The waxing full moon suggests romance in bloom, if not quite soon. In March, surprise of an unusual nature are in store.

**ARIES** (Mar. 21-Apr. 19): Feeling overlooked and unappreciated, you're harboring misgivings. The devil's only in your mind. Traps are set but all is overcome when you see your glass half full.

**TARUS** (Apr. 20-May 20): The moon in your sign suggests passion, and you may be set to a romantic involvement; this sets the mood for today. Forget the daily routine. Enjoyment should be your priority, and why not?

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20): Prepare yourself; take a deep breath; you're freeing yourself of unwanted limitations. Be careful of an ego trip - yours or someone else's - as you need elbow room where your career is concerned.

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22): If life is not difficult enough, you may provoke a challenge instead of keeping your boat on an even keel. Keeping peace and making love should be your command words.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22): A change of circumstances asks for a different approach. Petty politics being alien to your Leo nature, your role as referee this weekend keeps things ticking. Someone realizes the importance of your presence.

## HOROSCOPE Jeraldine Saunders

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Don't waste precious time worrying about unimportant things. Trying to make up for lost time, you could miss the bend on the way to your destination.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Ongoing education and experience are part of life's journey. You can't be understanding unless you can't be learned otherwise. Someone is experiencing similar effects and wants to commiserate.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): A crowd isn't company when you're different and someone is imposing on you. Little do they realize how you detest being taken for granted. Say no at the beginning.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Being in fear of missing the boat, you overlook what's going on next door. Discord in a relationship needs working on. If you want success in love, don't sweep depression under the carpet.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Only when you walk in someone else's shoes do you experience what they've been through. Taking a snapshot doesn't give the full picture. Be open to ever-new possibilities.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You're feeling vulnerable despite the attention you're getting. When you're suffering grievances and want to build bridges to a happier outlook, it's up to you to open a discussion.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-Mar. 20): Stop running after an understanding when it's at your fingertips. The roaring tiger and the pussy cat have your innocent attention, but you need to look into your soul for answers.

# Accountant says Albion budget is OK

By Mary Lynne Bristol  
Times-News correspondent

**ALBION** - The city's budget and financial record-keeping are in good shape overall, accountant Jeff Poulsen told City Council members this week.

Poulsen said the city's audit was "clean" when it means it conforms with accounting standards. General fund expenses were over budget because a grant was received later than expected, Poulsen said. Transfers should have occurred to handle that grant. Poulsen also suggested to the council that the city's reserve funds be invested with the state to generate more interest.

The council voted to accept

the audit.

Other council business included:

- Power hookup - Council members agreed to let Bob Johnson connect to the city's electric system. Johnson owns eight acres south of town, part of which are in the city limits.
- Councilman Don Bowden was assigned to work with Johnson and Ruff River Electric officials on the connection.
- Fire station - Councilman Len Marrs reported that construction of the new fire station is progressing well and is basically on schedule. Most of the concrete has been poured and the building should start going up soon, he said.
- Drainage ditch - Two representa-

tatives from the Army Corps of Engineers are scheduled to be in Albion next month to look at the drainage ditch on the north side of the city. The ditch flooded earlier this year and damaged some properties. Corps officials have agreed to determine if they can help the city work on the ditch to prevent future floods.

- Police contract - Council members decided that when Bruce Bristol becomes the city's chief of police in January he'll receive half the vacation and sick days that full-time city employees earn. He'll work about 20 hours a week as the chief.
- Grant acceptance - Mayor Don Danner was authorized to sign an

agreement with the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality for a \$15,000 drinking water planning grant awarded to the city to evaluate the city water systems.

- Variance request - A variance request by Roger Jenkins for property on the southeast corner of Market and West streets was referred to the planning commission.
- Water study - The mayor was authorized to sign a redrafted order to proceed with Galena Engineering so the company can begin Phase 2 of the water study.
- Sidewalk ordinance - An ordinance changing the required width of sidewalks from five feet to four feet was amended.

# Asbestos cleanup expands to a second Montana town

**HELENA, Mont. (AP)** - A federal agency that is handling the multimillion-dollar cleanup of an asbestos-tainted Montana town found similar health problems in a second community nearby and will have to clean it up, too, officials said.

The western Montana town of Libby was contaminated with asbestos fibers from a vermiculite mine that was operated by W.R. Grace & Co. from 1963 to 1990. Asbestos contamination has been blamed for some 200 deaths and health problems of hundreds of other area residents.

Health screenings of residents of Troy, 15 miles to the northwest, found the same kind of asbestos problems found in Libby's residents, officials said Thursday. About 2,000 people live in or near Troy.

"We've got houses contaminated all over," said Jim Christiansen, EPA's project manager based in Libby. "We found the rate of contamination was much higher than expected. There's just more homes that have it (vermiculite)."

John Wardell, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's director for Montana, said the EPA's Superfund cleanup site was expanded to include Troy because of what the health screenings disclosed. He said conditions in Troy were similar to those in Libby.

Newspaper reports in 1999 first linked health problems in Libby to the mine and its vermiculite ore. Ordinarily, vermiculite is safe, and is used in various products, but the ore mined at Libby contained harmful tremolite asbestos. Residents unaware of the problem used it in various ways, including putting it on a local school track as a running surface and mixing it in with soil in yards.

# Chorale will sing Haydn's oratorio 'The Creation'

**KETCHUM** - The Caritas Chorale will present Franz Joseph Haydn's "The Creation" at 6:30 p.m. Sunday and 7:30 p.m. Monday at Church of the Big Woods at Saddle and Warm Springs roads.

There is no admission to the performance, which will feature a 45-piece orchestra of musicians from throughout Idaho and a 90-member chorus. But tax-deductible donations are appreciated.

"The Creation" focuses on the wonder and joy of the Genesis story, according to Director Dick Brown. Soloists singing the parts of Gabriel, Michael and Raphael narrate the story in solo, duet and trio, alternating with chorus hymns of praise and thanksgiving.

Soloists are Wood River Valley soprano Katherine Edison, Boise State University voice teacher Lynn Berg and Tyler Smith, a tenor from the Houston Grand Opera.

# Officials confirm brucellosis in western Wyoming cattle

**CHEYENNE, Wyo. (AP)** - A herd of cattle in western Wyoming's Upper Green River basin is infected with brucellosis, prompting concern that other states might ban imports of Wyoming's cattle.

The infected herd is near Boulder in Sublette County, about 100 miles south of Yellowstone National Park and next to a state feedground where elk have been known to have brucellosis.

Neighboring cattle herds have been tested and officials are awaiting results to determine the extent of the infection.

Wyoming Gov. Dave Freudenthal said he is extremely concerned about the possible impact on Wyoming's livestock industry.

"The state has struggled for 25 years to keep its brucellosis-free status and this obviously puts it at risk," he said.

Colorado officials have already prohibited any Sublette County, northern Lincoln County or Teton County cattle from coming into Colorado. Freudenthal said to his knowledge, no other states have taken action against Wyoming's livestock.

Colorado State Veterinarian Wayne Cunningham said his state's feedlots and rangelands receive large numbers of cattle from Wyoming.

"We get a lot of cows and we get a number of cow herds coming here to graze for the winter on corn stalks," he said. "Until we

know what the extent is, we feel it's very prudent to stop movement from there... It's incumbent upon us to protect that livestock population within Colorado."

Idaho had a similar scare in April 2002, the last time cattle in the United States were known to have contracted the disease, but Idaho State Veterinarian Clarence Siroley said no sanctions are placed against Wyoming. However, he said officials will be watching more closely for the disease in Idaho.

"We're going to turn the screws up to make sure we're increasing our surveillance," he said.

Animal health officials drew blood samples from the Boulder herd, estimated at 400 head, Tuesday and Wednesday. The herd has been quarantined and will be slaughtered to prevent the disease's spread.

Officials did not name the rancher who owns the herd.

Brucellosis is a bacterial disease that can spread among and cause abortions in bison, elk and cattle.

Though rare in humans, it is potentially debilitating and can be transmitted by drinking unpasteurized milk or handling infected cows. People who contract the disease typically are veterinary workers, hunters and butchers.

Since 1934, the U.S. Department of Agriculture has enforced standards to protect cattle from brucellosis, including vaccination, testing and slaughter of infected animals.

# F&G plan will open land attraction

**BOISE (AP)** - The Idaho Department of Fish and Game will hold a lottery of big game tags and seek voluntary donations starting in April to increase sportsmen's access on private land.

The agency also plans to ask for license and tag fee hikes in 2006 to help the Access Yes program as it grows.

Fish and Game commissioners

unanimously approved the funding plan Thursday in Nampa. Access Yes pays private landowners to allow hunters and anglers onto their property.

Access Yes started last year and paid about 30 landowners \$16,000 to open about 110,000 acres of private land. Fish and Game has budgeted \$300,000 from existing funds for the program through next June.

# Shop

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helped Tony Vallos make his selections at the Sears store. Shile Tony wouldn't say specifically who the gifts were for, the 13-year-old began by filling his cart with toys. A few of the items were a toy circular saw, some Play-Doh, a package that contained pink toy ponies, and (another secret) for Mom.

With that, he headed off to the junior clothing department to find a new pair of jeans, "size 12," for himself.

Sadie Maas shopped with ISP officer Doug McFall. And it seems she might have taught him a thing or two about making thrifty selections in a shopping mall.

"I'm looking for things on sale and for clearance items," said the well-traveled 8-year-old shopper.

While she was buying for five people, first on her list was "some Chap-Stick for my mom."

But for a smart shopper like Maas, there's more to Christmas shopping than merely buying the gifts. Maas also bought wrapping paper, Scotch tape, batteries and

film in her sweep through ShopKo. When she was finished, she had \$10 left over to put in her pocket.

"It was pre-planned, and she knew what she wanted," McFall said.

"Having \$100 to spend is kinda like you or I winning the lottery - and it was heartwarming," he added.

James Fincher and Matt Giddens of the Sawtooth National Forest and Public Safety Officer Ed Schab were the other shopping buddies who helped with the 45-minute shopping venture.

Chaz Drake, who is 8 years old, and Mikelle Bartlett, one year his senior, were also participants in the shopping event.

What did the mall's assistant marketing manager, Amy Lierman, think about her brain-child project?

"It was wonderful, and I can't wait to do it again, next year," Lierman said.

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# YOUR WEEKEND

**'Home for the Holidays'**  
What: Oakley Valley Arts Council will present a Christmas concert directed by Kent Seaver.  
Where: Howells Opera House, Oakley  
When: 8 p.m. today and Sunday.  
How much: Admission is free.

Where: The Jean B. King Gallery at the Herrick Center for Arts and Science on the campus of the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls.  
When: 1 to 9 p.m. on Saturdays.  
How much: Free.

**Gooding festival**  
What: Gooding County Memorial Hospital Foundation's Festival of Trees continues.  
Where: The Round Building on the campus of the Idaho School for the Deaf and the Blind in Gooding.  
When: A children's workshop with Santa's elves will be held from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. today. The festival is open to the public from 9:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. today and noon to 5 p.m. on Sunday.  
How much: General admission is \$2 per person. The cost of the workshop is \$2.50 per child.

**The Lamphouse Theatre**  
What: "Veronica Guerin" will be shown.  
Where: The Lamphouse Theatre, 223 Fifth Ave. S., Twin Falls.  
When: 4:50, 7:15 and 9:30 p.m. today and Sunday.  
How much: \$6.50 for adults, \$4.50 for seniors and students and \$4.50 for matinees.

**New York Chamber Solists**  
What: New York Chamber Solists will perform.  
Where: The Presbyterian Church of the Bigwood in Ketchum  
When: 7:30 p.m. today.  
How much: Tickets, which are \$25, are available at the door or by phoning (208) 726-9491, ext. 10.

**Magic Valley Improv**  
What: C.R. Larsen will headline Magic Valley Improv.  
Where: The Schubert Theater in Gooding.  
When: 8 p.m. today.  
How much: Tickets are \$5 at the door.

**'Retro Steel'**  
What: "Retro Steel," a retrospective of the work of Twin Falls artist LaVar Steel, will be on display.

**Pajama party**  
What: DJ night and a pajama party will be featured. Prizes will be awarded for the best pajamas.  
Where: The Disco Bar at the Lincoln Inn, 413 Main, Gooding.  
When: 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. today.  
How much: No cover charge.

# Fashion

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pullovers and contemporary wear made by Sporthill, Nordic and Burton.

"I feel like I won a gold medal today just by being able to get into Gretchen's old skirt," said Luanne Pfeiffer, who modeled a tiny-waisted skirt depicting cotton twill hand embroidery of a skier, which Sun Valley Olympic Grand Coach, Fraser wore at the 1952 Olympics.

Fraser, whom Pfeiffer wrote about in the book "Gretchen's Gold," was the first American to win an Olympic ski medal, snagging gold at the 1948 Winter Olympics.

Christopher Simms was also decked out in period dress - the high-waisted, button-down jacket and wool knickers worn by Sun Valley's Austrian ski instructors when the resort opened in 1936. But he wasn't quite as giddy as Pfeiffer.

"It was as if I was bulging out of my little waist jacket," he said

later. "The jacket and pants aren't nearly as comfortable as the Caplene we ski in now. But, then, you couldn't go to dinner in what we wear now and you'd be in the Austrian jacket."

Scenes from "Sun Valley, Serenade" flickered on the screen as lunch guests nibbled on

chicken schnitzel and spaetzle in the newly remodeled Sun Valley Inn.

The fashion show evoked plenty of memories, as onlookers relived the mid-1950s when Bogner's new stretch material revolutionized skiwear, and cringed at the eye-popping colors of the 1970s when skiers wore knit caps with bobbing yarn balls.

Anne Zauner sashayed down the runway in a fave fur coat that skiers used to don when boarding the chairlifts. Lift operators sent the coats back downhill, draping them on the fence for the next riders, said Idaho legislators Wendy Jaquet and Clint Stennett, who emceed the event.

Pat Butterfield recalled how her first skis were Army surplus skis that had been destined for use by the 10th Mountain Division before the war ended.

"They were the heaviest things," she said. "I had my brother put on edges because

they were just wooden skis. That's how Ed Scott (who introduced lightweight aluminum skis poles in 1958) got started, you know - putting edges on skis."

The fashion show was the first of many imaginative fund-raisers for the museum, promised Betsy Murphy, who co-chaired the event with Janice Johnston.

Mother will go to maintain the museum, which opened in 1995 in a building in Forest Service Park and expanded into a second building two years ago.

The museum features exhibits highlighting Sun Valley's rich ski history, as well as exhibits about the Indians who used to spend summers in the valley and Sun Valley author Ernest Hemingway.

The free museum, which has one paid staff member, runs on the donations of individuals and a few thousand dollars each year from the cities of Ketchum and Sun Valley.

# Students in poverty

Here, at a glance, are the student poverty figures for South-central Idaho school districts. Following the district name is its total 2000 enrollment, the number of poor students, the percentage of poor students in the district and the change in the percentage of poor students from 1995 to 2000.

District	Enrollment	Poor	% Poor	% Chg '95
BLAINE COUNTY	3,516	279	7.9%	13.3%
BLISS	147	11	7.5%	-66.7%
BUMAL	1,687	224	13.3%	-36.5%
CAMAS COUNTY	191	15	7.9%	3.1%
CASSIA COUNTY	5,196	946	18.2%	30.0%
CASTLEFORD	285	68	23.9%	37.0%
DIETRICH	154	61	39.6%	181.9%
FILER	1,308	167	12.8%	-12.2%
GLENN'S FERRY	724	182	25.1%	48.8%
GOODING	1,335	300	22.5%	64.8%
HAGERMAN	392	16	4.1%	-70.3%
JEROME	455	98	21.4%	18.7%
JEROME	3,449	573	16.6%	7.8%
KIBBERLY	1,416	82	7.2%	-29.9%
MINIDOC COUNTY	1,718	98	16.9%	4.6%
MURTAUGH	277	54	19.5%	254.6%
RICHFIELD	214	23	10.7%	-61.5%
SHOSHONE	520	67	12.9%	52.7%
TWIN FALLS	7,776	1,071	13.8%	5.3%
VALLEY	716	121	16.9%	9.5%
WENDELL	1,602	204	12.8%	11.0%
STATEWIDE	272,843	33,578	12.4%	12.4%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau.

# Poverty

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"But there've already been cuts, and there looks to be more cuts later on," Bolinger said. "It's been very discouraging to school districts from what was promised."

While two-thirds of Idaho's 115 school districts saw their percentage of poor students decline from 1995 to 2000, Bolinger and his co-authors said 53 other, mostly rural districts had increases. More than 20 percent

of the 1,700 students in American Falls are poor.

In the recent battery of student assessment tests, Bolinger said, the students failing to achieve proficiency were largely from poor families. Typically, he said two-thirds or more of students performing below targeted levels in reading, for example, were poor.

Another 25 districts have equally large or larger concentrations of poor students.

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# Judge skeptical of government power

District Court dismisses Olympic scandal case

By Paul Foy  
Associated Press writer

**SALT LAKE CITY** — For the two defendants in the Olympic bid scandal, U.S. District Court Judge David Sam couldn't have been more understanding.

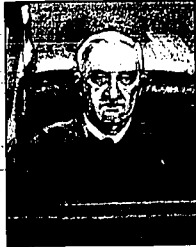
Sam, the son of immigrants who fled government oppression in Romania, says he values liberty and freedom above everything else.

So it was little surprise that Sam sent Justice Department lawyers packing Friday after throwing out what he saw as their fanciful, rack-etering case — for a second time and this time for good.

But he didn't let them go without a scolding, declaring their case was so lacking in evidence it "offends my sense of justice." Not only did Tom Welch, who led the campaign for the 2002 Winter Olympics, and his deputy Dave Johnson lack "criminal intent or evil purpose," the judge celebrated their victory bringing the 2002 Winter Olympics to Salt Lake.

But Sam, a 70-year-old senior judge, was just warming up.

"Several times during the history of this case I have heard counsel for the United States represent themselves as the protectors of our



Judge David Sam sits on the bench inside federal court in Salt Lake City.

moral values here in the state of Utah and protectors of the sacred standards of the Olympic charter. How commendable and noteworthy. But when considered in the light of the government's evidence in this case, how misplaced," he said from the bench.

After his ruling, an easy-mannered Sam sat in his chambers for an interview, savoring the end of nearly five weeks of trial. He showed off his portable beehive, which "really created a buzz here at the courthouse."

Sam had arrived at 4 a.m. Friday

to finish writing in longhand his nine-page statement exhorting the Justice Department. Most of the evening before he spent "thinking about this case winding down."

Sam — who had thrown out all the charges before, but was overturned by an appeals court that said the government deserved a chance to put on a case — called the Olympic ordeal "certainly one of the 'highlight cases of my career.'"

In interviews Friday, Olympic bribery jurors wholeheartedly endorsed Sam's decision to throw out the case. "I just felt like he had total control of the courtroom and did a wonderful job," said one juror, Linda Jardine.

Sam has a grandfatherly touch. He never failed to take note of jurors' birthdays, warn them of bad weather or joke about college football. When the football team for Brigham Young University, his alma mater, finished its poor season, he told jurors to "think about basketball."

"He's an unusually kind person," said U.S. District Court Judge Bruce Jenkins, who has served longer on Utah's federal bench than any of the other eight judges. "He's a great patriot. He's very appreciative of the blessings of this country and expresses that very often."

And on the law, Sam sets an

exacting standard for the government. He interprets law literally, frowns on fanciful legal theories like those used to prosecute the bid leaders and emphasizes the limited role of government, especially the federal government, in constitutional affairs.

"He's a conservative judge in conservative Utah."

"My, how blessed we are as American citizens," Sam said in Friday's bench ruling. "It's just a wonderful blessing to be an American."

A son of Romanian immigrants who fled fascism and fear in 1914, Sam appears to be profoundly influenced by his family's hardships, triumphs and pursuit of freedom.

"I'm so proud to be part of the legal profession. It plays a vital role, and under a dictatorship or communism would be the first to go," Sam told the AP in a 2001 interview, drawing a finger across his throat for emphasis. That interview occurred between two rulings Sam made that dismantled the government's original case against Welch and Johnson.

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# Jurors show anger over 'money-wasting' trial

Sources report trial cost climbs to more than \$1 million

**SALT LAKE CITY (AP)** — A waste of time, a waste of money. Those were the sentiments of jurors polled after a judge threw out the Olympic bid effort, and his deputy Dave Johnson, who led the campaign for the 2002 Winter Games to this city.

"I'd love to know what this costs, what the taxpayers put out for this," said juror Mark Combs, 44 and a hospital laboratory manager.

By May 2000 — two months before charging the bid leaders — the Justice Department told The Associated Press it had spent more than \$1 million in attorney salaries, travel and other costs investigating the dealings of Tom Welch, who led the Olympic bid effort, and his deputy Dave Johnson.

Prosecutors tried to argue the bid leaders defrauded "their overseers by secretly doing out more than \$1 million in cash, lavish gifts, and favors — to International Olympic Committee delegates who awarded Utah the games in 1995.

Welch and Johnson maintained they committed no crime. Their lawyers showed that all the money was accounted for and that any board member who wanted could have reviewed the bid campaign's checking account.

"I felt if they (Welch and Johnson) were going to try to hide something, they'd have done a better job of hiding things," said juror James Gunderson.

Out of seven jurors polled informally after Friday's verdict, six of

them said they were already strongly favoring the defense, even by mid-trial. Several jurors called the case disorganized and confusing.

"Even if there were some things that were questionable as far as ethics, I don't think they ever had anything but the best intentions for Salt Lake in their hearts and minds," said juror Kristen Michelle Everett.

Jonathan Kilgore, 23 and a blood component technician at Ogden Regional Hospital, said he and fellow jurors were "staked in the defense's favor, for sure."

Juror James Gunderson said the prosecutors failed to establish that the payments Welch and Johnson made to IOC delegates were outright bribes.

"We did a straw poll. Everybody agreed" the "bid leaders" were innocent, Combs said.

But while jurors agreed there was no evidence to support Welch and Johnson acted criminally, they said they had been keeping an open mind until the very end.

"The question in my mind wasn't, 'Did I agree with what those gentlemen did?' but, 'Was it that the Springville resident Mike Wallgren. And that was what I needed to hear, is what they did was illegal. Was it against the law? And that's what would've made the decision for me."

The prosecution cut its case short Thursday, after calling only 14 of its 43 witnesses to the stand and after presenting a long list of questionable payouts by Welch and Johnson to IOC delegates.

The defense immediately asked for dismissal, and Judge Sam heard impassioned arguments from both sides, reserving a decision until Friday morning.

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## Kyoto Protocol is a bum deal for Russia, too

President Vladimir Putin apparently has decided that Russia will not ratify the Kyoto Protocol on climate change. What will this mean? For the protocol, it simply means that it cannot go into effect since without ratification by the United States and Russia, it does not have the statutory required support for implementation.

**RICHARD LINDZEN**

For the climate, it means essentially nothing: there is general scientific agreement that the Kyoto Protocol, even if fully implemented, would not change global mean temperature over the next hundred years by more than a few tenths of a degree regardless of what one believes about climate.

Besides these obvious points, there are several more of potential importance. First, the decision represents a return of Russian self-confidence. Despite the chaos of the period after the breakup of the Soviet Union, Russia remains an advanced and well-educated technological society. It has world-class scientists and economists fully capable of assessing the situation, and has no need for tutelage by Western Europeans religiously obsessed with the issue of global warming. The second, and related, point involves two Russian scientists: K. Kondratyev and Y.I. Izrael. Kondratyev has long been a world expert on radiative transfer (the process by which carbon dioxide contributes to the so-called greenhouse effect), while Izrael has had a similarly prestigious role in the general field of climatology. Both have had serious and soundly based reservations about the claims being



made over the past 15 years. Both eloquently and courageously made their views public at an international climate conference in Moscow two months ago. Putin wisely recognized that his own experts were at least as reliable as the alleged 'thousands' of world experts in climate who seem to have largely appeared in response to the global warming issue, and, clearly referred to the shakiness of the science in making his decision. Russia has, unfortunately, had ample experience with the political manipulation of science. However, it benefits from that experience in its ability to recognize such manipulation.

The third point is simply that President Putin and his economic adviser, A. Blarionov, realized that the beneficiaries of Russia within the Kyoto Protocol were contingent on Russia being an economic welfare case dependent on unearned fund transfers from the West. Simply stated, Russia would be able to sell permits to emit carbon dioxide to other countries based on the reduced emissions in Russia resulting from the collapse of many industries in that nation after the breakup of the Soviet Union. Any attempt by Russia to grow vigorously in order to meet the long deferred needs and desires

of its people would be severely punished. It would not only have to curtail its own plans for growth but it would also lose the payments. In retrospect, it is hard to believe that any leader would long consider such an offer. Putin will suffer much criticism and pressure for his decision. But, on the whole, it seems to be a plus for the world, for science and for the Russian people.

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## LETTERS

### Consider the coalition's accomplishments in Iraq

I received the following news of some good things that have and are happening in Iraq from a friend who served time in Afghanistan and is not in Iraq.

This is just the "major action has ceased." Just so you know. Below is the list that never makes the "media mugs" "news" headlines. They just keep printing the explosions, shootings, deaths and failures. Remember, "if it bleeds, it leads" in media.

Since May 1:

- The first battalion of the new Iraqi Army has graduated and is now on active duty.
- More than 60,000 Iraqis now provide security to their fellow citizens.
- Nearly all of Iraq's 400 courts are functioning.
- The Iraqi judiciary is fully independent.
- On Monday, Oct. 6, power generation hit 4,518 megawatts exceeding the pre-war average.
- All 22 universities and 43 technical institutes and colleges are open as nearly all primary and secondary schools.
- As of Oct. 1, Coalition forces had rehabbed more than 1,500 schools - 500 more than their target.
- All 240 hospitals and more than 1,200 clinics are open.
- Pharmaceutical distribution has gone from essentially nothing to 700 tons in May to a current total of 12,000 tons.
- The Coalition program has helped administer more than 22 million vaccination doses to Iraq's children.
- A Coalition program has cleared more than 14,000 of Iraq's 27,000 kilometers of weed-choked canals. They now irrigate tens of thousands of farms. This project was created for more than 1 million Iraqis.
- We have restored more than

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three-quarters of pre-war telephone services and more than two-thirds of the potable water production.

• The wheels of commerce are turning, from bicycles to satellite dishes to cars and trucks; businesses are coming to life in all major cities and towns.

• 95 percent of all pre-war bank customers have service; first-time customers are opening accounts daily.

• Iraqi banks are making loans to finance businesses. The Central Bank is fully independent.

• Iraq has one of the world's most growth-oriented investment and banking laws.

• Iraq has a single, unified currency for the first time in 15 years.

Wouldn't it be wonderful if we had truthful, balanced reporting of what is really happening in Iraq?

**JAMES R. KIRCHER**  
Burley

### How is Sun Valley getting water for all that snow?

Reference to article on Nov. 27, "Thanks to Snowmelters": Where did Sun Valley get 71 million gallons of water? Sounds like a water rights issue or "Robber to Pay Pal." From all reports your paper has made, we are short of water. Seems applications for increases of electricity are a warning of lack of water. Warnings have been published that we will have a shortage of

### Water for irrigation this next year and years to come to recover from overuse and poor management of the resources: Even so, the resort industry in Sun Valley will benefit.

My understanding is the surface water and ground water is the same. It was also published that there isn't any further water available in the Big Wood reach, from which this water must have come. The article does not explain where or what on this water. Thanks for what?

**DAVID J. ADAIR**  
Gooding

### M-C area needs substance abuse treatment facility

I am writing this letter because of the need for a treatment center in the Mini-Cassia area. I am currently the executive director for the Community Support Centers in Burley and Twin Falls, in which we provide outpatient mental health services. I am going to school at Boise State University and, while studying, found a need to address a local concern.

I am writing this letter of concern about the lack of a local substance abuse treatment facility. I am relieved that there is a place for people to get detoxification when they get addicted to drugs and/or alcohol. The Walker Center is a good alternative to having nothing. The problem is that the Walker Center is in Gooding and a referral is nec-

essary to get in if there is a vacancy. Many times people will deny that they have a problem because they do not want to either go through the referral process or do not know about the center. Whatever the case, treatment needs to be easier to access for the people who need it.

When people do not have access to treatment in or near the community in which they live, they do not get it. Others consider addiction as a choice and disgrace themselves or others who need the help. Addiction is a treatable disease that goes untreated often.

The cost of not receiving treatment affects a person's quality of life, health, efficiency at work and taxes. Community agencies that deal with substance abuse issues are law enforcement, courts and corrections, as well as homeless shelters. Support the development of a local treatment center at the Mini-Cassia Justice Center.

**WILLIAM H. ALDRICH**  
Burley

### Leaders need to speak up on United Nations flap

Reference my letter questioning the legality of ordering U.S. military personnel to wear the uniform of the United Nations, published Nov. 20.

There was a typo in the second sentence of the second paragraph. It should have read: He had sworn an oath to defend the Constitution of the United States, not the U.N. Charter.

Why don't our senators and congressmen release their positions on this question?

**CECIL LEON RICE**  
Editor  
(Editor's note: Cecil Leon Rice is a retired chief master sergeant of the U.S. Air Force.)

## What did you do in the War and does it matter?

**MICHAEL KINSLEY**

Howard Dean, age 18, walked into his draft physical with a set of X-rays, walked out with a bad-back deformity and spent most of the next year on the slopes at Aspen. George W. Bush joined the Texas Air National Guard and was back-adequately about fulfilling even that mild commitment. John F. Kerry was a battlefield hero and then a leader of the antiwar movement. Wesley K. Clark joined the Army, served with honor and splash and never left until he was personally booted by the secretary of defense.

Does this ancient history matter to a decision about who should be president four decades later? Yes, of course it does. Anything that casts light on a candidate's character and wisdom matters. Vietnam was the great personal moral issue of their generation's lifetime, so far. How they each dealt with it is legitimately revealing. To take the most obvious example, there must be more to Kerry than meets the eye. If anything, the senator of 2003 seems callow compared with the youth of 1969.

All the candidates are of the Vietnam generation. And most of them avoided the war one way or another. They did this by signing up for some safer form of service such as the National Guard, by falling into one of many draft "deferment" categories or by benefiting from the luck of the lottery that replaced those deferments but they avoided the war one way or another. They did this by signing up for some safer form of service such as the National Guard, by falling into one of many draft "deferment" categories or by benefiting from the luck of the lottery that replaced those deferments but they avoided the war one way or another.

But the question is not a simple "Were you there when your country needed you?" Two things complicate that question in the case of Vietnam. The first is that many of them did not especially want to go. Vietnam was not World War II, which required the mobilization of the entire society. In the end, less than 10 percent of men who were of draft age (18-26) during the Vietnam War actually served in Vietnam or elsewhere in Southeast Asia. For most men, avoiding service in Vietnam required even less effort than Howard Dean made.

In fact, the experience of not serving in Vietnam is far more representative of the candidates' generation than the experience of serving there.

The second complicating fact is that the Vietnam War was a bad war. In 2003, despite the unending controversy about aspects of Vietnam, that basic fact is not even controversial. Some people believe the war was evil to its core. Some believe it was merely mistaken, some take the even milder view that it could have been a good thing if the country had truly been behind it. But almost no one thinks that the enterprise as it actually played out was a good idea. So in judging the presidential candidates on all this, there are two factual questions: "What did you do to help fight the war?" is one. The second is,

"What did you do to help stop it?"

Based on these facts, we can start awarding merits and demerits. What is your obligation, as a fighting-age citizen in a democracy, regarding a war that is morally wrong? Your first obligation is to decide what you think. So you get a small demerit if you couldn't be bothered to form an opinion (as seems to be the case with Bush) and a big demerit if you favored the war and nevertheless left the fighting and dying to others. No demerit, in my view, for mistakenly supporting the war if you acted on that mistaken belief by joining the fight or even accepted an opportunity not to serve.

Similarly, you get no merit point for simply being right about the war at the time. In the youth culture back then, this required no special wisdom or courage. But you get a big merit point if you were active to the point of sacrifice (i.e., more than a couple of sunny marches) in the antiwar struggle. And if you were working hard to spare others the killing and dying, you get no demerit for taking steps to spare yourself.

Most of the Democratic presidential candidates fall in a different category: They probably opposed the war at least vaguely, but they did not interrupt their lives to stop it. What you should do about the draft was a much discussed quondam back then. Even now it's easy to see both sides. On the one hand, it seems strange to say you are morally obligated to go and kill people in a cause you believe is morally wrong. On the other hand, democracy cannot function if everybody feels free to second-guess. And when nine out of ten in your age cohort aren't serving, finding someone else to put in your place will not be a major Pentagon challenge.

My own path through this thicket back then led to the conclusion that you have no obligation to seek out military service, but you also have no right to avoid it if it seeks you out. Some might find that formulation a bit Solomonic for their tastes. After arguing about all this continuously for four years and then especially for four years in your seat with absolute conviction that absolute conviction is impossible on this topic. So there are no demerits for reaching, and acting on, a different conclusion.

Anyway, thank goodness that's all settled at last. Now let's continue the '60s retro theme of this election and talk about Medicare.

Michael Kinsley writes a column for The Washington Post.

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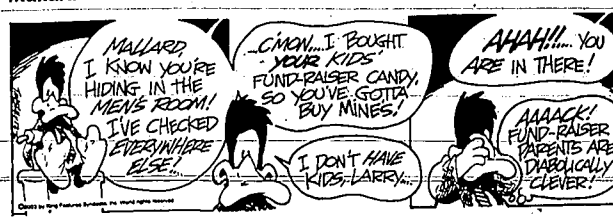
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By Bruce Tinsley



# U.S. forecasts increase in attacks; soldier dies

**BAGHDAD, Iraq** — The top U.S. administrator in Iraq, L. Paul Bremer, warned Friday that attacks against coalition forces will likely escalate over the next few months as the occupation authority prepares for a transfer of sovereignty to a new Iraqi government.

The warning came after a roadside bomb hit a U.S. military convoy in Baghdad, killing one soldier, the military said. Two Iraqi civilians also died and 13 were injured, hospital workers said.

A total of 79 U.S. soldiers died in Iraq in November. Twenty-five other allied troops also were killed, making it the deadliest month for the coalition since the invasion of Iraq on March 20.

The military said that on Friday a roadside bomb killed a soldier who was traveling in a three-vehicle convoy near the al-Samarrai mosque in the New Baghdad section of town.

## Report: Suspect in Istanbul bombings fled to Syria

**ISTANBUL, Turkey** — A key suspect in last month's Istanbul suicide attacks fled to Syria shortly after the bombings, Turkey's interior minister said Friday.

Interior Minister Abdulkadir Aksu said authorities had tracked down the driver who took a truck to a roadside bombing at the Nov. 15 suicide bombing at two Istanbul synagogues and the bombing of the British consulate and a London-based bank five days later. The attacks killed 61 people, including the four bombers.

Aksu said Edinci was believed to have ideological and psychological directed those who carried out the bombings.

## Woman files several injury claims against Wal-Mart

**ORANGE CITY, Fla.** — A woman who was reportedly trampled by Wal-Mart shoppers during a holiday sale on DVD players has filed numerous injury claims against stores since 1987, including nine against the world's largest retailer.

Patricia VanLester, a 41-year-old former Wal-Mart employee, has received thousands of dollars in injury and workers' compensation settlements from Wal-Mart, records show.

Paramedics reported finding VanLester unconscious on top of a DVD player Nov. 28 amid a driving of shoppers during an early bird holiday sale. She was airlifted to a hospital, where she spent two days.

Orange City police Cmdr. Peter Thomas said Friday his department found no evidence of a crime and has closed its investigation.

Wal-Mart spokesman Dan Fogelman said he had no details about the past settlements, including one filed by VanLester's sister.

### Nation/World in brief

#### Police add two additional shootings to investigation

**COLUMBUS, Ohio** — Two more shootings have occurred in the Columbus area since a woman was killed as she traveled to a doctor's appointment, bringing the number of cases under investigation to 14, authorities said Friday.

A trucking Association has asked drivers to report anything out of the ordinary to law enforcement as authorities try to solve the shootings. The American Trucking Association sent the alert this week to drivers, who can use a toll-free number that links them with law enforcement.

#### Tribunal gives general 20 years for siege of Sarajevo

**THE HAGUE, Netherlands** — A Bosnian Serb general was convicted Friday of commanding a two-year terror campaign against Sarajevo's civilians, unleashing sniper fire and shells that killed hundreds and wounded thousands in the Muslim sector of the city.

Gen. Stanislav Galic was sentenced to 20 years in prison by the U.N. war crimes tribunal, which in a 2:1 ruling found that he ordered his troops to fire on civilians while they were going about their daily lives — shopping, tending gardens or fetching water from the river.

It was the first decision at the U.N. court for the former Yugoslavia dealing exclusively with the siege of Sarajevo in the 1992-95 Bosnian war that brought the world images of "Sniper Alley" and corpses of children killed while playing in the snow.

#### Leaders focus on terrorism, immigration issues

**TUNIS, Tunisia** — French President Jacques Chirac urged North African nations Friday to work harder to resolve their differences over a territorial dispute that has simmered for decades.

His remarks at a summit meeting of five European and five North African nations appeared aimed at Algeria and Morocco, which have had chilly relations for nearly three decades over the disputed Western Sahara territory, which Morocco claims as its own.

As a result, the Arab Maghreb Union — comprised of Algeria, Morocco and three other nations — has not had a governing since 1994.

Chirac said the two-day summit that opened Friday in Tunis offers North African leaders a rare opportunity for friendly talks among themselves.

European leaders at the summit were also expected to press their North African counterparts for stronger measures against illegal immigration.

— compiled from wire reports

# Poll: Growing economy helps Bush's standing

**WASHINGTON (AP)** — Americans are growing more optimistic about the economy and that shift is beginning to improve President Bush's standing with voters, according to an Associated Press poll.

People are increasingly comfortable about job security for themselves and for those they

know — 44 percent now, compared with 35 percent in early October.

And more approve of the way Bush is handling the economy — 50 percent compared with 45 percent earlier, according to the poll conducted for the AP by Ipsos-Public Affairs. Support for his handling of other domestic issues like education, health care and the econo-

my, at 47 percent, has not shifted significantly.

The president's re-election numbers have slightly improved, with 41 percent saying they will definitely vote for him and 36 percent definitely against him. One in five is considering voting for someone else. In mid-November, people were evenly split, 37 percent for and against.

The economy is showing mixed signs of recovery: rapid growth last quarter, indications the job market could be turning around, a rebound in the stock market over the past six months. But the nation has lost 2.3 million jobs, the turnaround in employment is uncertain and states hard hit by revenue losses are making cuts.

## Police say prosecutor drowned

**BALTIMORE (AP)** — Federal prosecutor Jonathan Luna was stabbed 36 times in a furious fight for his life before a drowning in a Pennsylvania creek, investigators said Friday.

A federal law enforcement official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said authorities have not established a motive for the slaying — the first killing of a federal prosecutor in three years.

Investigators are interviewing people connected with cases Luna prosecuted, as well as friends, but no immediate promising leads have come up, the official said.

Luna apparently was attacked after leaving his office in Baltimore around midnight Wednesday, the source said. His body was discovered six hours later, near his blood-soaked, idling car, according to a police affidavit.

Lancaster County, Pa., coroner Dr. Barry Walp said the 38-year-old assistant U.S. attorney was "brutalized with multiple stab wounds" that could have been caused by a penknife, and then drowned in the creek.

"They were defensive wounds," a second federal law enforcement source told The Associated Press on condition of anonymity.

Walp said Luna was dressed in a suit and overcoat, and had his wallet with identification and cash, but it was unclear whether he had been robbed.

Money and cell phone equipment were found inside his car, which had blood on the driver's side door and tender and a large pool of blood on the floor, according to a police search warrant application.

The affidavit said Luna also had a "traumatic wound" on the right side of his head.

Authorities have not said whether the rapper's case had anything to do with the slaying. Smith and Poindexter were behind bars at the time.

Tuminelli said the FBI interviewed Poindexter on Thursday.

"He had absolutely no information that would be of help to them," he said. "I believe that this has nothing to do with my client or Mr. Smith."



Jonathan Luna

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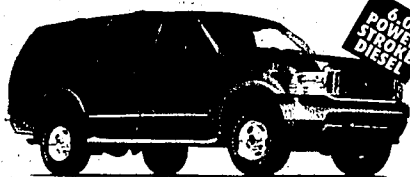
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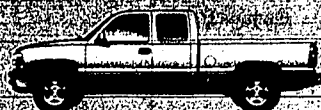
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I'm not saying (they) are wacko, but if the Times computer were ranking movies, 'Casablanca' would be No. 7, four spots behind 'Tango & Cash.'

—Mike Bianchi of the Orlando Sentinel, on the New York Times' college football rankings



Boise State quarterback Ryan Dinwiddie throws Nov. 21 against Fresno State.

# Boise St. heads to Hawaii

## Warrior QB gets chance to shine

The Associated Press

HONOLULU — Nearly the entire season, Hawaii backup quarterback Jason Whieldon has watched starter Timmy Chang snag headlines, be touted as a Heisman Trophy hopeful, even inspire a bobble-head doll.

But Whieldon will be the center of attention Saturday when the Warriors take on No. 18 Boise State in the season finale for both teams.

Whieldon was named the starter this week after replacing an ineffective Chang and rallying

## Boise State at Hawaii

TV: ESPN2, 9:30 p.m.  
Note: Due to the late start, the result of the game will be published in Monday's Times-News.

the Warriors to a 37-29 victory over Alabama last Saturday.

"This is a game that we've been wanting to play all year, and it's finally here," said Whieldon, one of 19 seniors playing his final regular season game for Hawaii (8-4, 5-1 Western Athletic Conference).

Boise State (11-1, 7-0 WAC) is coming off a 56-3 victory over Nevada that clinched a second-straight conference championship for the Broncos.

"This is probably the best coached and most flawless team that we've played," Hawaii coach June-Jones said. "They know what they're doing and we're going to play very good football to compete with them."

Boise State is led by senior quarterback Ryan Dinwiddie, the nation's third-leading passer with a 166.4 rating. Behind Dinwiddie, the Broncos are fourth nationally in total offense, averaging 494.8 total yards per game, and score 43.6 points per contest, second only to No. 1 Oklahoma's 48.3 scoring average.

The Broncos aren't a one-man show either. So far this season, coach Dan Hawkins has taken advantage of his team's depth at the skill posi-

tions, using four quarterbacks, four tailbacks, two fullbacks, five tight ends and nine wideouts at different times this season.

"This is the most involved our team has ever been," senior tight end Kevin Louwms told The Idaho Statesman. "It's because of how they've been recruiting. We've got a lot of young guys who can make plays and are great athletes."

Jones counters the Boise State attack with a high-powered offense of his own.

Hawaii is second in the nation in passing offense, averaging 379.2 yards per game through the air, and seventh in the country in total offense with 482.1 yards per game.

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# Tigers trounce Bobcats

## Jerome's defense stifles Burley in 60-19 win

By Eric Larsen  
Times-News writer

BURLEY — The Jerome Lady Tigers fully utilized their height and quickness advantage over the Burley Lady Bobcats on their way to a 60-19 Great Basin Conference win Friday night at Bobcat Gymnasium.

While physical senior posts Vanessa West and Elisa Hope were able to out-muscle Burley's front line, it was Jerome's defensive effort that locked down.

The Tigers allowed Burley to connect on only six of the Bobcats' 31 field goal attempts.

The Tigers' (6-0, 1-0 Great Basin) man-to-man defense swarmed at Burley, creating turnovers and transition lay-ups. Hope and West altered any Bobcat (2-4, 0-1 Great Basin) drive to the basket, blocking shots or forcing Burley's guards into heavily contested heaves.

For the first time this year, coach Michelle Skyles saw a Lady Tiger team that looked like the 4A state championship contender they've been billed as.

"I've really been waiting for them to break out," said Skyles. "It was one of our best games of the year."

Jerome started slow, only ahead 8-2 in the first quarter. However, Hope and West were able to lead the Tigers to a

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Jerome post Vanessa West shoots over her Burley defender during the Lady Tigers-60-19 win over the Lady Bobcats in Burley Friday night.

# Eagles dominate inside

## CSI cruises past Colorado Northwestern

By Kevin Colbert  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The College of Southern Idaho men's basketball team knew it had a significant advantage in the land of the big men going into Friday night's game with Colorado Northwestern Community College.

Facing a 5-foot-7 Spartan frontcourt, the Eagles went inside — over and over again — on the way to a 103-67 Scenic West Athletic Conference victory at the CSI Gymnasium.

The CSI women dedicated the Spartan women 102-55.

CSI (8-2, 3-2 WAC) outscored a total of 49 points from its frontcourt, as opposed to 26 from the CNCC big men.

Yusuf Baker provided the power down low for the Eagles, scoring 15 points and grabbing 18 rebounds. Dante Sawyer added 14 points despite not playing in the first half, and Jason McCriff chipped in with 13 points and seven rebounds.

"Between Yusuf and Jason and Dante, they scored about 40 points, and most of those were in the gold, in the paint," said CSI head coach Gib Arnold. "But the emphasis of going inside. It's not just to slow things down and pound it around the rim. When it's really going well, we're getting it inside and kicking it out for the wide-open threes."

CSI point guard Jason McKinley led all scorers with 19 points while finishing with 13 assists. His seven steals left him just three shy of a triple-double. "Good for Jason," Arnold said. "There's only one point guard I know of that can come close to a triple-double like that, and his last name is Kidd."

McKinley's backcourt teammates David Sills and Schafer Jackson added 13 points.

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## TRIVIA

### QUESTION:

Tiger Woods won this year's Vardon Trophy, which goes to the PGA Tour golfer with the lowest scoring average, based on a minimum of 60 rounds. Woods is the third five-time winner of the award. Who are the other two?

...answer below

## TODAY'S SCHEDULE

### College basketball

Women, Colorado-NW at CSI, 6 p.m.

Men, Colorado NW at CSI, 8 p.m.

### High school girls basketball

Dietrich at Rimrock, 6 p.m.

Jerome at Kuna, 6 p.m.

Hansen at Carey, 6 p.m.

Middleton at Buhl, 6 p.m.

Shoshone at Hagerman, 6 p.m.

Vallivue at Wood River, 7:30 p.m.

### High school boys basketball

Twin Falls at Boise, 6 p.m.

American Falls at Burley, 6 p.m.

Kimberly at Wendell, 6 p.m.

Raft River at Dietrich, 6 p.m.

Mountain Cove at Glenns Ferry, 6 p.m.

## IN BRIEF

### Muni course pond will be dedicated today

TWIN FALLS — Former City of Twin Falls employee Jesse Hernandez will have the pond at Hole No. 4 dedicated to him at a ceremony at 2:30 p.m. today.

A finger foods reception will be held at 2 p.m. in the Twin Falls Municipal Golf Course clubhouse.

Hernandez, who has cancer, was one of the principal designers of the pond when the course was built.

### Flu outbreak triggers Valley game cancellation

HAZELTON — The scheduled boys basketball game between Valley and Malad for Saturday night was cancelled due to the flu shutting down the Malad school. The game was rescheduled for Jan. 31 in Hazelton.

### Junior Eagles hoops camp set for today

TWIN FALLS — Boys and girls in grades K-6 can take part in the College of Southern Idaho Junior Eagles Basketball Club Camp from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. today. Registration begins at 8 a.m. at the Twin Falls High School gymnasium.

By registering, the child becomes a member of the basketball club and receives one general admission ticket to all CSI home games; an official Junior Eagles T-shirt; an official CSI basketball; autographs from CSI players and coaches; a 2003-04 team poster and becomes eligible for a drawing to select a junior manager. A junior manager gets to sit on the bench during a selected game.

The cost is \$50 per person and \$40 for each additional family member.

For more information and where to pickup an application, compiled from staff and wire reports

## TRIVIA ANSWER:

Billy Casper and Lee Trevino.

# Declo's Christiansen heads All M-C football squad

The Times-News

BURLEY — The 2003 All Minicassia football team was released Friday. The local dream team of sorts is comprised of standout area athletes in divisions 1A through 5A. Voted on by the Burley, Declo, Minico, Oakley, and Raft River head coaches, the team honors the top area performers for the 2003 season.

The Declo Hornets' Bjorn Christiansen — a 6-foot-2 junior wide receiver — was named Player of the Year. Declo head coach Kelly Kidd took home

Coach of the Year honors.

Declo and Burley each placed 10 selections on the team, while nine Minico players, along with eight from Raft River and seven from Oakley were selected. Raft River's Zach Nye was selected to both the offensive and defensive teams as a tight end and line-backer.

Player of the Year — Bjorn Christiansen, Declo.

Coach of the Year — Kelly Kidd, Declo.

Offense  
Quarterbacks — Ken Webb, Declo; Quinn Harper, Raft River.

Running backs — Aaron Edgar, Declo; Norman Kimber, Raft River; Dale Sayles, Minico; Weston Hughes, Oakley; Jake Martin, Burley.

Wide receivers/Tight ends — Zach Nye, Raft River; Kody Bingham, Minico; Charlton Coats, Minico; Bjorn Christiansen, Declo.

Offensive line — Justin Pickop, Declo; Brian Brackenbury, Declo; Derrick Barrus, Declo; Brett Bonkhead, Raft River; Chad Evans, Raft River; Skyler Matthews, Minico; Brady Liernann, Oakley; Brad Barlow, Burley; Andy Sherrod, Burley; Kyle Bowers, Burley.

Kicker/punter — Nick Ramsey, Declo.

## Defense

Defensive line — Matt Brown, Declo; Ryan Blauer, Declo; Zach Nye, Raft River; Jacob Maughan, Minico; Kit Carney, Minico; Elliot Thorn, Oakley; Brand Hines, Burley.

Linebackers — Spencer Stoker, Declo; Brodie Hutchings, Raft River; Matt Schenk, Minico; Craig Shaw, Minico; Jesse Larsen, Oakley; Evan Melchior, Oakley; Roy Meyer, Burley; Aaron Kirk, Burley.

Defensive backs — Brady Erickson, Raft River; Gerrit Nye, Minico; Jake Gerratt, Burley; Cade Jones, Burley; Jesse Bedke, Oakley.

Kickoff/punt returner — Wes Hadden, Burley.

# Destiny? Oklahoma, Kansas State collide for Big 12 championship

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## Big 12 Championship

TV: ABC, 6 p.m.

ning through the schedule undefeated and unchallenged.

The 13th-ranked Wildcats (10-3, 6-2) fell out of national title contention with a three-game skid in the middle of the year.

Unlike the usual conference title matchup between a national championship contender and an also-ran, it's Kansas State that has the more tangible prize on the line.

The Wildcats can make a BCS

bowl for the first time with a win, while the Sooners have such an overwhelming lead in the Bowl Championship Series standings that even a loss wouldn't keep them out of the Sugar Bowl for the national championship.

"I don't much care what the BCS experts think or say," Oklahoma coach Bob Stoops said. "What matters most is winning the Big 12 championship. That's very important to this team. The rest doesn't matter at this point."

Oklahoma is playing for history as much as anything else. Wins

Please see CHAMPIONSHIP, Page B4

SPORTS

Valley edges Oakley in OT, 43-36

Wendell defeats Murtaugh by one

HAZELTON - The Valley Vikings needed an extra quarter to earn a hard fought season sweep over Oakley with a 43-36 victory in girls non-conference basketball.

The Vikings were up by 10, but got tentative and the Hornets came on the attack. Valley held a slim two-point edge with time running out, but Oakley's Ali Cranney was fouled on a three-point attempt as time expired.

In overtime we got aggressive again and set the tone," said Valley coach Brian Harby. "Lindsay Wood led the Vikings with 21 points. Valley (6-1) hosts Raft River on Wednesday.

Cranney led the Hornets with 11 points. Oakley recorded just its second loss of the season, both coming against the Vikings.

Wendell 28, Murtaugh 27

WENDELL - Wendell built a lead, then held on in the final seconds to defeat Murtaugh 28-27 in girls non-conference basketball.

"We are just happy to get the win, even though we didn't play well in the fourth quarter," said Wendell coach Brian Pope.

That period, Wendell got tentative and stopped shooting only attempting four shots. Murtaugh went on a run, cutting the deficit to a single point, but could get no closer.

Whitney Wert gave the Trojans a lift, coming off the bench to go 4-4 from the field, leading Wendell with eight points.

Katelyn Perkins led the Murtaugh with 10.

Wendell (3-3) hosts Hagerman on Thursday.

American Falls 50, Filer 32

AMERICAN FALLS - Coming off its big Sawtooth Central Idaho Conference win Thursday at home against Bull, the Filer girls basketball team took its lumps on the road, only to fall to American Falls 50-32 in American Falls Friday.

"We just had no legs," Filer coach Kim Remus said. "We won a big conference game last night and it was hard. We need to learn how to play two nights in a row."

Hayden from American Falls led all scorers with 13 points.

"I think we can beat that team," Remus said. "We just have to shoot better."

Filer (3-4, 1-0 SCIC) plays Tuesday at Declo.

Richfield 53, Wilder 27

WILDER - Richfield scored a big win over the 3A team, led by freshman Cassie Wood with 15 points, and senior Michelle Schmidt with eight rebounds and six points.

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Richfield (4-1 overall, 2-0) will host Dietrich Thursday.

Local sports

Declo 48, Snake River 35

DECLO - The Declo Lady Hornets' basketball team had three different players score in double-digits as they beat Snake River 48-35 in Declo Friday.

Megan Webb and Katie Wall each scored 11 points and Ashley Peterson led all scorers with 12 points. All three girls are seniors.

"We like to get our scorers more consistent," Declo coach Kurt Murdock said. "We do get a lot of girls scoring, but we'd like to see them all scoring on the same night."

The Declo defense held Snake River to 19 points through three quarters.

"We started handling their press and started to score some lay-ups off it," Murdock said.

Jordan Hale led The Panthers with 10 points and helped lead Declo to 16-15 in the fourth quarter, before fouling out.

"We tried to press them in the fourth and they got some lay-ups," Murdock said.

The Hornets (3-3, 0-1 SCIC) hosts Filer Tuesday.

Carey 59, Challis 53 OT

CAREY - Sophomores Jessica Royal pumpeled 22 points while Whitney Peck added 13 to lead Carey past Challis 59-53 in overtime in the opening round of the Carey Holiday Girls Basketball Tournament.

Senior Cheyanne Bingham added 11 points.

Carey took advantage of 32-of-55 free throw shooting. All five Challis starters fouled out.

Carey (2-3) plays the winner of Hansen-Mackay game later Friday night at 6:30 p.m. Saturday in the championship.

Twin Falls Christian 37, Magic Valley Christian 27

TWIN FALLS - Twin Falls Christian came out slow in the first quarter only hitting one of 25 shots, but picked it up after the first half in a 37-27 win.

Junior Jenna Fenderson led Twin Falls Christian with 18 points in this battle that featured a total of 43 fouls and six foul outs, including all five Magic Valley Christian players.

Twin Falls Christian (2-5) will travel to Gooding to go up against Idaho School of the Deaf and Blind Wednesday, Dec. 10.

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Boys Basketball Community School 92, Oakley 61

KETCHUM - John Hays tossed in 30 points to lead hot-shooting Community School squad to a 92-61 victory over Oakley in boys non-conference basketball action Friday night.

The Panthers led at the half, but Oakley kept it close with a full court press.

"We talked at halftime about breaking their press and scoring off it and that worked," said Community School coach Mike Wade. "We started shooting better. It was a good shooting night for us."

The Community School also had a solid rebounding game, an area of concern for Wade.

Dylan McIlhenny chipped in 22 points for the Cattoos while Evan McBride paced Oakley (0-2) with 22 points.

The Cutthroats (2-1) hosts Twin Falls Christian Tuesday.

Century 65, Minico 40

POCATELLO - The Minico Spartans led after the first quarter, but struggled from there as they fell to Century 65-40 in their season opener.

"We did a good job until the end of the half. In the second we half didn't execute at all. That is the sign of an experienced team against a veteran team," said Minico coach Mike Graefe.

Luke McCall led the Spartans with 10 points.

Minico travels to Jerome on Tuesday.

Kimberly 64, American Falls 53 OT

KIMBERLY - Kimberly switched to a zone defense in overtime and shut down visiting American Falls to capture the Bulldogs' season opener 64-53 Friday night.

"We gave up a three on their first (overtime) possession but after that the kids did a good job finding their perimeter shooters," said Kimberly coach Roger Keller. "That was the difference.

The kids executed well.

Darin Musser led the Bulldogs with 21 points and 16 rebounds followed by Ricky Zadrow with 19 points and 14 boards. JJ Shover added 11 points and 11 rebounds.

Kimberly (1-0) travels to Wendell Saturday.

Hagerman 89, Lighthouse Christian 14

HAGERMAN - Hagerman jumped out to a 29-4 lead in the first quarter en route to a 89-14 win over visiting Lighthouse Christian Friday night.

Brian Brown scored 14 for the Pirates while Ben Stewart added 10. Lighthouse was led by freshman Joey McCullough with four points.

Hagerman (1-0) plays at Shoshone Wednesday.

Shoshone 55, Gooding 48

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Washington State readies for Holiday Bowl

SPOKANE, Wash. (AP) - They don't know who they'll play, but the No. 15 Washington State Cougars returned to practice Friday to get ready for the Holiday Bowl.

Their opponent in the Dec. 30 bowl in San Diego won't be known until Sunday, after the Big 12 championship game and Bowl Championship Series selections.

It is the Cougars' third consecutive postseason bowl and WSU's first return to the Holiday Bowl since 1981.

Coach Bill Doba said this week the Cougars (9-3, 6-2 Pac-10) don't consider the bowl bid a disappointment, although WSU had hoped to play a second straight Rose Bowl and notch a third 10-win season.

"I don't think there's a level of disappointment of going to the Holiday Bowl," he said. "I think there is a level of disappointment about losing that last game and not getting our 10-win season and not trying for the Pac-10 championship."

"That is the thing that we as a

team and coaching staff have to get over," he said. "We have to get behind us and look forward to an excellent experience down at the Holiday Bowl."

Doba was an assistant coach at Indiana on the 1979 Hoosiers team, but lost Young in the Holiday Bowl.

Doba said he wants to keep starters fresh during the seven days of practice in Pullman, but also wants to use the time to develop younger players who will be starters in the future.

The team is using a new air-supported dome near Martin Stadium to practice out of the elements. The rainy, windy, 30-degree temperatures in Pullman were much different than the balmy climate of Southern California, where temperatures Friday were in the upper 60s and lower 70s.

The Cougars were to practice Friday, Saturday and Sunday, then be off until Dec. 11. Final exams occur the week before the Cougars leave for San Diego on Dec. 23.

CSI

Continued from B1. Truman each scored 13 to pace CNCC (47, 0-5).

The Spartans opened the second half with a 3-pointer by Trent Dykster, but CSI responded with a 9-0 run. The duo of Baker and McKinney hooked up twice during the spurt once with Baker hitting McKinney with a full-court pass for a layup, the other with McKinney finding Baker on a break with a drop-off pass for a dunk.

The Eagles led by as much as 13 in the second half when a David Slig ball put CSI ahead 35-22. But CNCC scored the next nine points, including two 3-pointers by Darnell Jones and a bank shot from behind the arc from Clint Mortensen, to cut the CSI edge to 35-31.

Baker actually had his double-double by halftime, finishing the first 20 minutes with 11 points and 12 rebounds. He also electrified the crowd with three thunderous dunks, including one on a fast break after an underhanded lob from McKinney.

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Women

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Eight players collected six rebounds or more for the Eagles, who outrebounced CNCC 68-48 after holding just a four-board advantage in the first half. The Spartans grabbed 10 offensive rebounds in the first half.

"When you play a team that shoots as many long shots as they do, there are going to be some long rebounds that they'll get," said CSI head coach Randy Rogers.

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Jerome

Continued from B1. 25-point second quarter. On the defensive end, the Tigers proved almost as impenetrable as they looked in the first, giving up only three points in the second period.

Trailing 33-5 at the half, there wasn't much for coach Gordon Kerbs to tell his frustrated team.

"After they came out the second quarter, we just quit," Kerbs said. "But they're a very good team. They've got three kids that could potentially play college basketball. They should win the state title in 4A if they stay healthy."

The Tigers were led by slashing senior guard Whitney Clark's 17-point effort, along with 16 from West and 10 from Hope. Senior guard Mallory Meservy skillfully took care of the ball for the Tigers on the way to a seven-point, three-assist performance.

Firing on all cylinders, the

Tiger offense probably could have scored 80 had they not seen in their substitutes in the third quarter.

"Our kids did exactly what we asked them to do tonight," Skyles said. "Our defense was exceptional, our rebounding was strong, and when we were executing, our offense was strong."

After tough losses this week - the first to Twin Falls - Kerbs knows his players are mentally down.

"We're mostly concerned about their psyche now. We took a big beating this week," said Kerbs.

Senior wing Jessica Byington and freshman guard Jessica Brice led the Bobcats with six points each. Burley missed a lot of close-range shots that rattled around the basket but refused to drop, mostly caused by Jerome's defensive pressure.

Burley will take a few days off to re-focus and regain their confidence before Tuesday's home game against a physical Minico.

Jerome travels to Kuna tonight before hosting Century on Wednesday.

Jerome 60, Burley 39

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NFL National Conference Week 15 Results table.

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Basketball

- Oklahoma vs. Michigan St., ESPN, 10 a.m.
Arizona at Saint Louis, ESPN2, 11 a.m.
John R. Wooden Classic, Kentucky vs. UCLA, CBS, 11:30 a.m.
St. John's at Duke, ESPN, noon.
Missouri at Indiana, ESPN, 2 p.m.
S. Illinois at Drake, FSN, 2 p.m.
John R. Wooden Classic, Stanford vs. Kansas, WGN, 2 p.m.
Memphis at Mississippi, ESPN2, 4 p.m.

Boxing

Champion Kirk Johnson (34-1) vs. Vitali Klitschko (32-0), for WBO intercontinental championship, at New York, HBO, 7:45 p.m.

Football

- Note Dame at Syracuse, ABC, 11 a.m.
Army vs. Navy, CBS, 2 p.m.
Oregon St. at Southern California, ABC, 2:30 p.m.
Big 12 Championship, Oklahoma vs. Kansas State, ABC, 6 p.m.
SEC Championship, LSU vs. Georgia, CBS, 6 p.m.

Baseball

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Area ski report

Boise State at Hawaii, ESPN2, 9:30 p.m.
European PGA Tour, Hong Kong, open, third round, TGC, 9 a.m.
PGA Qualifying School, first round, TQ, 11:30 a.m.
Faber/Son Challenge, first round, NBC, 1 p.m.
PGA of America Grand Slam of Golf, final round, TNT, 2 p.m.

Hockey

Blue Jackets at Avalanche, FSN, 7 p.m.
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Wendell standouts sign with Southern Utah

WENDELL - Senior Kael Pope, a 6-foot-8 forward, has signed a national letter of intent to play basketball for Southern Utah University in Cedar City, Utah.

Wendell championship banquet set Wednesday

WENDELL - The Class 2A state football champion Wendell Trojans will hold an awards night at 7 p.m. Wednesday at the high school's gymnasium.

Idaho State downs Ark-Little Rock

AMES, Iowa - Marquis Poole scored 21 points and Aaron Bradley hit a pointer with 37 seconds left for the winning basket, lifting Idaho State to a 51-47 victory over Arkansas-Little Rock in the first round of the Cyclone Challenge on Friday night.

Idaho State (3-2) survived 21 turnovers, 16 in the first half, and never led Bradley hit his shot from the left wing to make it 49-47. Bradley had been 0-for-5 from 3-point range and 1-for-8 from the free-throw line during the shot off an inbound play.

Arkansas-Little Rock (2-3) had plenty of time to try to tie or regain the lead, but Poole poked the ball away from Nick Zachery, then made two free throws with 15 seconds remaining to secure the victory and send the Bengals into Saturday night's championship game.

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LSU played the role of spoiler in the Southeastern Conference championship game.

This time, it's the Tigers (11-1) who might have more of a stake than just a conference tie. No. 3 LSU meets fifth-ranked Georgia (10-2) on Saturday night, clinging to hopes of playing for a bigger championship in about a month. The game will be televised at 6 p.m. MST on CBS.

The Tigers are third in the Bowl Championship Series standings, needing to jump ahead of second-place Southern California to get a spot in the Sugar Bowl. All three of the top teams are playing Saturday; unbeaten Oklahoma faces Kansas State in the Big 12 title game, while USC finishes the regular season at home against Oregon State.

Florida schools will join Sun Belt

MIAMI - Florida Atlantic and Florida International accepted California's Thursday to join the Sun Belt Conference in football beginning next season, which will help with their move to Division I-A.

Florida International is already a member of the Sun Belt in all other sports, and Florida Atlantic is a member of the Atlantic Sun. Both schools have been Division I-AA independents in football. Florida Atlantic started playing football in 2001, and Florida International followed a year later.

The current Sun Belt membership for football is North Texas, Louisiana-Lafayette, Louisiana-Monroe, Middle Tennessee, Arkansas State, Utah State, New Mexico State and Utah State.

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SPORTS

# USC needs win to stay in title hunt

## Trojans battle Oregon State today

The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES - Unless Southern California wins today, all the hoopla over BCS



Matt Leinart

rankings won't mean much. USC, second to Oklahoma in both the polls and the BCS standings, must defeat Oregon State to remain in the hunt for their first national title in 25 years.

"We have to beat the team we're playing," USC center Norm Katnik said. "That's all we can control."

Trojans coach Pete Carroll is looking forward to the big game.

"This is really an exciting time for us," Carroll said. "This is a

### Oregon State at USC

TV: ABC, 2:30 p.m.

great game, with everything riding on it. There will be tremendous focus on the outcome. This is kind of the exclamation point of the regular season."

The Trojans (11-1, 6-1 Pac-10) have clinched at least a tie for the Pac-10 title and will play in the Rose Bowl if they don't finish in the top two in the BCS. Those rankings will be announced Sunday and will determine who meets for the national championship in the Sugar Bowl.

"We can't lose. It's the Rose Bowl or the Sugar Bowl," Carroll said. "What an awesome opportunity."

USC has beaten Oregon State (7-4, 4-3) at the Los Angeles Coliseum 19 straight games dating to 1960. The Trojans had won 26 in a row overall against the Beavers until a 31-21 loss at Corvallis three years ago.

The Beavers already are set for

the Dec. 24 Las Vegas Bowl, where they will play New Mexico.

Although USC is favored by 21 points, Carroll believes Oregon State will be at its best.

"It's a good matchup," he said. "They've got some firepower and they've got defense and they've got experience. They'll be free-wheeling and going for it."

An upset would be special to Beavers coach Mike Riley, a USC assistant under John Robinson from 1993-96. When he was coaching the San Diego Chargers three years ago, Riley initially was considered for the USC job that eventually went to Carroll. Riley wound up back in Corvallis for his second stint with the Beavers.

"I really enjoyed the people at USC, and the time I coached there will always be a great time in my career," Riley said.

He's duly impressed by the Trojans, who have scored 40 or more points in their last six conference games, the longest such streak by a Pac-10 team.

Both USC and Oregon State are coming off byes. The Trojans beat UCLA 47-22 in their last game, and Oregon State lost 34-20 to

Oregon.

The USC offense features Matt Leinart's passing to Mike Williams and Keary Colbert, and the running of tailbacks Hershel Dennis, LenDale White and Reggie Bush.

Leinart was chosen the Pac-10 offensive player of the year, the first sophomore to win the award since Stanford's John Elway in 1980.

The Trojans' quarterback has passed for 2,951 yards and 30 touchdowns. He has thrown seven interceptions - none in his last 197 passes - and is fifth nationally with a 164.5 pass efficiency rating. His numbers are comparable to Heisman winner Carson Palmer's statistics last year for USC.

Williams has 1,167 yards on 80 receptions, with 14 touchdowns.

The Beavers rely on the running of Steven Jackson and the passing of Derek Anderson. Jackson is 10th nationally in rushing with an average of 121.3 yards a game. Anderson has thrown for 3,251 yards and 20 touchdowns, but has been intercepted 19 times.

# Marbury's 3-pointers help bury Celtics

BOSTON (AP) - Stephen Marbury hit consecutive 3-pointers in the final three minutes to cap a 29-point comeback - the largest in Suns history - in a 110-106 victory over the Boston Celtics on Friday night.

Marbury scored 21 of his 34 points in the second half after Boston took a 65-36 lead with the first basket of the third quarter.

Phoenix's largest comeback previously was 27 points at Dallas on March 2, 1997.

Shawn Marion had 15 points with 10 rebounds and Joe Johnson, a former first-round pick for Boston, scored 17 coming off the bench for the second straight game. Phoenix snapped a three-game losing streak and won on the road for just the second time this season.

Vin Baker had 22 points and nine rebounds for the Celtics, who have lost four in a row.

take a little pressure off coach Byron Scott.

Michael Redd had 24 points for the Bucks.

## Rockets 83, Hornets 74

NEW ORLEANS - Maurice Taylor came off the bench to score 17 points and Curtino Mobley added 16 with sharp 3-point shooting as the Houston Rockets defeated the New Orleans Hornets 83-74 Friday night.

Yao Ming and Kelvin Cato combined to dominate the inside. Yao had 16 points and 10 rebounds, and Cato added 10 rebounds, nine points and four blocked shots. Houston finished with a 43-34 rebounding edge.

Darrell Armstrong led the Hornets with 17 points off the bench. Jamaal Magloire was able to start strong against Yao by hitting mid-range jumpers and foul shots for 10 first-quarter points, but he scored only four points the rest of the way.

Baron Davis had 16 points and 11 assists for New Orleans.

## 76ers 93, Heat 90

MIAMI - Allen Iverson scored 35 points and the Philadelphia 76ers witnessed a second-half comeback and frantic finish.

The Heat fell behind by 19 points with three minutes left in the third period before they rallied. Miami missed three 3-pointers down the stretch that would have tied the game, including a 24-footer by Lamar Odom with two seconds to go.

Iverson missed 16 of 23 shots but went 16-for-17 from the line and scored the game's final points on a basket with 21 seconds left. The NBA scoring leader is averaging 38.8 points in his past four games.

## Spurs 105, Magic 94

ORLANDO, Fla. - The Orlando Magic put up a good fight but still lost their team-record 18th straight game, allowing San Antonio's Tim Duncan to score a season-high 47 points in the Spurs' 105-94 win Friday night.

The Magic came back from an 18-point deficit in the first half and held a five-point advantage entering the final quarter after Tracy McGrady had 16 of his 28 points in the third period.

But Orlando missed 16 of 21 shots down the stretch to surpass the previous longest losing streak in franchise history set in 1991-92. McGrady missed his final nine shots as the Spurs closed the game with an 18-7 run.

Rasho Nesterovic added 12 points for the Spurs, who snapped a four-game losing skid. Ron Mercer scored seven of his 11 points in the opening seconds of the fourth quarter to kick off the Spurs' comeback.

## Grizzlies 92, Wizards 77

MEMPHIS, Tenn. - Pau Gasol had 17 points and 12 rebounds, and newcomer Benzi Wells' 12 points and six assists highlighted the Memphis Grizzlies' 92-77 victory over the Washington Wizards on Friday night.

James Posey added 15 points for Memphis, while Mike Miller finished with 13 and Shane Battier-10.

## Jazz 86, Clippers 87

SALT LAKE CITY - Matt Harpring scored 20 points and Utah held the Los Angeles Clippers to their lowest point total of the season despite the return of Elton Brand in an 86-67 win Friday night.

Utah improved to 10-1 at home and 11-7 on the season and continued to dominate the Clippers, who have won just once in Salt Lake City since the Delta Center opened in 1991.

The Clippers, whose previous season-low was 78 on Nov. 19 at Indiana, shot 35 percent from the field. Quentin Richardson was just 3-for-19.

Guards DeShawn Stevenson and Mo Williams scored 12 points apiece for Utah, and Andrei Kirilenko added 10. For Williams, a rookie, the 12 points were a career high.

Raul Lopez, starting for the injured Carlos Arroyo, had nine assists.

Corey Maggette led the Clippers with 15 points.

## Raptors 92, Hawks 87

TORONTO - Jalen Rose had 22 points, 10 assists and eight rebounds, and Vince Carter also scored 22 in the new-look Raptors' third straight victory.

Donyell Marshall added 21 points for the Raptors, who are 3-0 since acquiring Rose, Marshall and Lomax Baxter from Chicago.

Carter, in foul trouble throughout the game, had 12 points in the fourth quarter.

Jason Terry had 19 points for the Hawks, who have lost three straight and five of six.

## Nets 93, Bucks 86

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. - Kenyon Martin had 20 points and matched his career-high with 21 rebounds, helping the struggling New Jersey Nets snap a four-game losing streak.

Playing before a crowd of about 3,000 due to a snowstorm, Jason Kidd added 16 points, 11 assists and 10 rebounds for his 54th career triple-double to help the Nets defeat Eastern Conference champions (8-11)

# Tarheels, Huskies meet again for soccer crown

CARY, N.C. (AP) - North Carolina and Connecticut will meet in an NCAA women's soccer championship game for the fourth time after shutout semifinal victories Friday.

UNC, seeking its 17th NCAA title, beat fourth-seeded UCLA 3-0, after unseeded UConn topped Florida State 2-0.

North Carolina (26-0) got goals from Kendall Fletcher, Heather O'Reilly and a miscue by UCLA (20-23). The Tar Heels have outscored their five tournament opponents 26-0, a record.

Kristen Graczyk scored twice off assists from Jessica Gjertsen to lead Connecticut (15-5) past Florida State.

The Huskies lost to North Carolina in the 1984, 1990 and 1991 title games.

The Tar Heels showed their power and speed early against UCLA, breaking through in the 24th minute when Alyssa Ramsey's corner kick curved around goalie Arianna Criscone. Fletcher put the ball in her third.

UNC made it 2-0 five minutes later when UCLA defender Kathryn Lee's pass back to Criscone went past the goalie.

O'Reilly, a freshman who missed the World Cup because of a broken leg, scored her 11th goal in 11 games with four minutes left. She pounced on a loose ball just outside the penalty area and curved a right-footed shot inside the far post.

In the first semifinal, Graczyk



Florida State goalkeeper Joy McKenzie can't stop the shot of Connecticut's Kristen Graczyk during the second half of Friday's NCAA Women's College Cup semifinal game in Cary, N.C. Connecticut won 2-0.

headed home a cross from Gjertsen in the 63rd minute to put the Huskies ahead. The goal came seconds after UConn's Karlyn Mielisz cleared a Florida State attempt off the goal line, when

goalkeeper Erin Rice mishandled a corner kick.

Graczyk scored her 20th goal of the season with her left foot from near the penalty spot after first allowing a centering pass by

Gjertsen on the right wing pass between her legs to Kristin Fisher on the left side. Fisher passed back inside to Graczyk, who caught goalie Joy McKenzie off-balance.

# No. 24 Marquette men cruise past Grambling

MILWAUKEE (AP) - Travis Diener and Terry Sanders scored 13 points each, and No. 24 Marquette stayed undefeated by beating Grambling 71-55 Friday night.

Marquette (6-0) also got 12 points from Scott Merritt and 10 from Karon Bradley.

Grambling (1-4) was led by Brian Rush - 24 points - Paul Haynes added 13 and Larry Haygood had 11.

Diener hit a 3-pointer to start the second half, putting Marquette ahead by 21. The

Tigers responded with nine straight points to pull within 45-33, but got no closer.

Grambling managed only eight points in the final 10 minutes, five coming in the final minute.

## Women

### No. 12 Kansas State 94, Sacramento State 31

MANHATTAN, Kan. - Kendra Wecker had 20 points and 16 rebounds for her 26th career double-double, and No. 12 Kansas

State beat winless Sacramento State 94-31 Friday night in the first round of the Commerce Bank Wildcat Classic.

Laurie Koehn, six of eight from 3-point range, also had 20. Nicole Ohlde and Brie Madden added 12 points apiece for Kansas State (4-2).

Teisha Brown led Sacramento State (0-6) with 11 points.

### No. 4 Wake Forest 85, Duke Forest 55

WINSTON-SALEM, N.C. - Iciss Tillis scored 17 points, and Duke

won the Atlantic Coast Conference opener for both teams, despite getting just 9 points from All-American Alana Beard.

Cotelia Bond-Young and Tonia Brown had 10 points apiece for Wake Forest (3-3).

### No. 13 North Carolina 90, South Carolina-St. 51

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. - LaTangela Atkinson scored 17 points and Kenya McBee had 14 points and nine rebounds, for North Carolina.

# Championship

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in the final two games would put the Sooners up there with any of the great teams from the past.

They have outscored opponents by 35-1 points per game, despite playing the 14th toughest schedule in the nation. They lead the country in scoring offense and total defense and have a roster filled with All-American candidates.

Jason White leads the nation in passing efficiency and has thrown a remarkable 40 touchdown passes compared to just six interceptions. White leads an offense that has scored at least 50 points seven

times.

Oklahoma's eight touchdowns on defense or special teams are half the opponents' total on offense this season.

Yet none of that matters if the Sooners don't finish the season with a pair of championships.

"I think it's the biggest game for this team this year," White said. "It is one of our major goals" to win the Big 12 championship.

Saturday marks just the second start of Whieldon's two-year Hawaii career. The junior college transfer also started the season

of their 12 games by more than 20 points.

"Everybody is already talking about how OU is No. 1 and they already have them in the national title game. We're the clear-cut underdog," Kansas State tight end Brian Casey said.

Few thought Kansas State would be in this position after a midseason swoon that began with a loss at home to unranked Marshall, with quarterback Ell Roberson sidelined with an injury. Defeats to at Texas and Oklahoma State followed, leaving the Wildcats at 0-2 in the Big 12.

Kansas State hasn't lost since,

winning six straight games by an average of more than 30 points to move into position for its first conference title since winning the Big Six in 1934.

Roberson and Darren Sproles lead one of the nation's most balanced offenses. The Wildcats are one of seven teams to average more than 200 yards per game rushing and passing.

Sproles leads the nation with 1,713 yards rushing, while Anderson has thrown for 2,024 yards and run for 881 despite missing two full games and part of a third with an injured left wrist.

"I can just predict that we'll be worn out and tired as we come off the field," Whieldon said.

Both teams also are headed to postseason bowl games. Hawaii is set to play Houston in the Hawaii Bowl on Christmas Day. Boise State may play Texas Christian in the inaugural Fort Worth Bowl on Dec. 23.

## BSU

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But those numbers have been run up almost entirely by Chang. The junior ranks third nationally in passing average with 326.4 yards per game, but was booted off the Aloha Stadium field against Alabama after suffering through one of the worst games of his career, completing just 7 of 23 passes for 38 yards.

Whieldon came off the bench to throw four touchdowns and run for another as Hawaii overcame deficits of 14-0 in the first quarter and 21-16 in the fourth to notch one of the program's biggest victories.

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opener against Appalachian State when Chang served a one-game suspension for an academic violation.

He finished that game 21-of-35 passing for 359 yards and three touchdowns in a 40-17 victory. Whieldon won't predict the outcome of Saturday's contest, just that he'll give it his best shot.

# Flyers defeat Phoenix to win 11th straight at home

PHILADELPHIA (AP) - Jim Vandermeer, Tony Amonte and John LeClair scored, leading the Philadelphia Flyers to their 11th straight victory at home, 3-0 over the Phoenix Coyotes on Friday night.

The NHL-leading Flyers are 12-0-2 at the Wachovia Center this season. The only team unbeaten at home.

Brandon Radevojevic and Andrei Nazarov scored for the Coyotes, who were unbeaten in their last four games. Hasek stopped 18 shots to beat his former team and improve to 8-2-2. Former Flyers goaltender Sean Burke had 28 saves for the Coyotes.

## Hurricanes 1, Canadiens 1

RALEIGH, N.C. - Mike Ribeiro scored a powerplay goal with 5:49 left in regulation as Montreal extended its unbeaten streak to four games (2-0-2).

Jose Theodore stopped 35 shots for the Canadiens.

a possible six points in a three-game homestand.

## Thrashers 6, Mighty Ducks 2

ATLANTA - Marc Savard scored two goals, Byron Dufour won for the first time in 10 months and the Atlanta Thrashers defeated the Anaheim Mighty Ducks 6-2 Friday night.

Slava Kozlov scored a goal and assisted on three others, and the Thrashers' winning for just the second time in six games.

Savard has scored six goals in six games since recovering much sooner than expected from ankle surgery. J.P. Viguier scored for the fourth game in a row, his third-period goal knocking out struggling Anaheim goaltender Jean-Sebastien Giguere.

Making his first appearance in 20 days, Dufour didn't look rusty at all. He had several dazzling stops among his 36 saves.

Analysts are defending Western conference champion, lost its third in a row and has only one win in the last nine games. Giguere has gone from playoff hero to struggling goalie; his record dropping to 4-12-2 with the loss.

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## Marlins fare well at Spook Splash

The Times-News

IDAHO FALLS — Twenty-four Magic Valley Marlin swimmers competed recently in the annual Spook Splash meet in Idaho Falls. Teams from Idaho Falls, Boise, Sun Valley, Elko, Ontario, Ore., Jackson Hole, Wyo., Caldwell, Twin Falls and Nampa competed.

Several Marlin finished in the top five overall in their respective age group.

Leading the way was Kyle Miller, who won every event he entered for a first-place high-point trophy in the boys, 8-year-old division.

Rowdy Greene was the Marlin's only other high point winner, placing first in the 13-year-old boys' division.

Others who placed in the top five included Michael Shea O'Donnell (2nd in 11-year-old girls);

David Borden (2nd 10-year-old boys); Parker Davis (2nd 7-and-under boys); Dana Wright (3rd in 13-year-old girls); Jessie Layton (4th in 13-year-old girls); Makayla Greene (4th in 8-year-old girls); Justin Borden (4th in 7-and-under boys); Austin Adams (4th in 10-year-old boys); and Matt Wright (5th in 7-and-under boys).

### Relay team results

1st 10-year-old boys: 1st Idaho Falls 1:10.2, 2nd Sun Valley 1:11.5, 3rd Boise 1:12.8, 4th Caldwell 1:14.1, 5th Elko 1:15.4, 6th Jackson Hole 1:16.7, 7th Twin Falls 1:18.0, 8th Nampa 1:19.3, 9th Magic Valley 1:20.6, 10th Ontario 1:21.9, 11th Sun Valley 1:23.2, 12th Elko 1:24.5, 13th Jackson Hole 1:25.8, 14th Twin Falls 1:27.1, 15th Nampa 1:28.4, 16th Magic Valley 1:29.7, 17th Ontario 1:31.0, 18th Sun Valley 1:32.3, 19th Elko 1:33.6, 20th Jackson Hole 1:34.9, 21st Twin Falls 1:36.2, 22nd Nampa 1:37.5, 23rd Magic Valley 1:38.8, 24th Ontario 1:40.1, 25th Sun Valley 1:41.4, 26th Elko 1:42.7, 27th Jackson Hole 1:44.0, 28th Twin Falls 1:45.3, 29th Nampa 1:46.6, 30th Magic Valley 1:47.9, 31st Ontario 1:49.2, 32nd Sun Valley 1:50.5, 33rd Elko 1:51.8, 34th Jackson Hole 1:53.1, 35th Twin Falls 1:54.4, 36th Nampa 1:55.7, 37th Magic Valley 1:57.0, 38th Ontario 1:58.3, 39th Sun Valley 1:59.6, 40th Elko 2:00.9, 41st Jackson Hole 2:02.2, 42nd Twin Falls 2:03.5, 43rd Nampa 2:04.8, 44th Magic Valley 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### Qwest offers Internet service in Hailey

HAILEY — High-speed Internet availability is growing in Magic Valley with this week's announcement from a telecommunications company.

Denver-based telecom giant Qwest Communications International Inc. said its high-speed Internet service — dubbed Qwest DSL — is now available in Hailey after Qwest invested to upgrade the local network.

Digital subscriber line, better known as DSL, enables subscribers to use their existing phone lines to browse the Web or send e-mail while talking on the telephone. The always-on, immediate-access Internet connection permits users to make and receive phone calls without interrupting the high-speed service.

DSL users can send and receive large files such as photos, documents, music and video much faster than with dial-up Internet connections. And Internet-based gamers with high-speed connections can interact in real time with players elsewhere.

Companies that spread DSL availability typically tout the offering as an economic boost.

Qwest said it is spending \$100 million to expand DSL availability across its 14-state region by more than 20 percent. In Idaho, Qwest has launched DSL in Twin Falls, Jerome, Ketchum and now Hailey.

With Qwest DSL, customers can surf the Internet at speeds ranging from about 256 kilobits per second to 7 megabits per second, the company said. The highest DSL speed is about 125 times faster than a traditional dial-up connection.

### Lee Enterprises will webcast presentation

TWIN FALLS — Iowa-based Lee Enterprises Inc., parent of *The Times-News*, will provide an audio webcast of its presentation Tuesday at the Credit Suisse First Boston Media Week conference in New York.

The 30-minute presentation, followed by questions, is scheduled to begin at 9:40 a.m. in New York — that's 7:40 a.m. for Magic Valley listeners.

Instructions for accessing the webcast will be posted at [www.lee.net](http://www.lee.net). Replays will be available at [www.lee.net](http://www.lee.net) beginning Wednesday.

Lee's speakers will be Mary Junk, chairman and chief executive; Kevin Mowbray, vice president, sales and marketing; and Carl Schmidt, vice president, chief financial officer and treasurer. The presentation will include a review of Lee's fiscal 2003 results and a forward look at fiscal 2004. Text and key slides will be posted at [www.lee.net](http://www.lee.net) after the presentation.

### Kraft Foods declares quarterly dividend

RUPERT — Directors of Illinois-based Kraft Foods Inc., which has a cream cheese plant in Rupert, declared a regular quarterly dividend of 10 cents per share on common shares of Class A and Class B stock, payable Jan. 5 to stockholders of record as of Dec. 22.

The board also authorized a new share repurchase program of up to \$700 million of its Class A common stock. Kraft expects to complete its current repurchase authorization of \$500 million during the fourth quarter. Purchases under the new authorization are expected to run through 2005.

The repurchased shares will be used to satisfy the exercise of employee stock options, and issuance of restricted stock under employee incentive plans; thus preventing the dilution that results from newly issued shares," Kraft said in a statement.

### Jobs report, Intel forecast send some stocks lower

NEW YORK — Stocks retreated Friday after a report on November employment revealed disappointing job growth and Intel Corp. issued a forecast that fell short of expectations. The market's major index closed the week mixed, with the Nasdaq composite index down after briefly touching the 2,000 level on Wednesday.

While the government announced the creation of 57,000 new jobs last month, that figure was well off the 150,000 Wall Street expected. And Intel, while predicting revenue growth, wasn't as upbeat as investors had hoped.

Compiled from staff and wire reports

# Economist praises jobless rates

By Virginia S. Hutchins  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Western Magic Valley's low unemployment in November had a local economist crowing Friday.

"These rates are very pleasing," said Greg Rogers, the Idaho Department of Labor's regional labor economist.

The department on Friday forecast November unemployment in Twin Falls, Jerome and Gooding counties combined at a seasonally adjusted 3.8 percent — down four-tenths of a percentage point from October and three-tenths of a point lower than a year ago.

"That's really an extraordinarily low rate," Rogers said. "For the improvement from a year ago, he credits a combination of job creation and consumer confidence. The three-county market's seasonal expansion in the retail and service sectors is outpacing losses in construction employment, which normally falls off at this time of year.

This week's announcement by a Chesapeake, Va.-based chain of discount

### Magic Valley's seasonally adjusted unemployment rates

County	Nov. '03	Oct. '03	Nov. '02
Blaine	3.4%	3.6%	4.3%
Camas	6.2	8.5	5.7
Cassia	6.7	5.6	6.8
Gooding	3.6	3.1	4.0
Jerome	3.9	4.5	4.2
Lincoln	3.7	3.6	5.2
Minidoka	8.7	6.9	7.9
Twin Falls	3.9	4.4	4.2

Source: Idaho Department of Labor forecasts



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variety stores will bring 25 to 30 new jobs to Twin Falls next year, but most of those positions will be part time. Dollar Tree Stores Inc. said Wednesday it will open its first Magic Valley store in early March, in the Lynwood Shopping Center space vacated this summer when Lynwood Market trimmed its inventory and moved to a smaller space next door.

Even in Mini-Cassia, Rogers is heartened by the optimism he's hearing among employers, and by the positive attitude toward attracting growth which is evident among business people and community leaders.

That makes a difference in Mini-Cassia's better-than-expected numbers, he contends. Despite J.R. Simplot Co.'s end-of-October

plant closure in Heyburn, Mini-Cassia's November joblessness was forecast at 7.2 percent for the two counties combined — actually lower than 7.4 percent last year. But the year-ago rate followed Simplot's first phase of shutdown in Heyburn; where the first round of layoffs hit at the end of October 2002. Many workers displaced by Simplot and other companies at that time have since found jobs elsewhere or become discouraged and dropped out of the labor force, Rogers said.

When they stop seeking work, the latter are no longer counted in the Mini-Cassia labor force. Perhaps some who dropped out have returned to the labor force for temporary holiday jobs, Rogers said. Retailers' holiday hiring has been close to average — which is great, he said, considering the economic blow Mini-Cassia has suffered.

While 426 more people were counted in

## California strike saps profits from Albertsons

The Associated Press

BOISE — Albertsons Inc. reported a 51 percent decline in third-quarter profits on Friday as the strike by Southern California grocery workers siphoned an estimated \$132 million from revenue in just the last 19 days of October.

The nation's second-largest food and drug retailer — whose Magic Valley stores are in Burley, Hailey and Twin Falls — said net income totaled \$92 million, or 25 cents per share of common stock, on revenue of \$8.8 billion for the three months through Oct. 30.

That compared with a profit of \$188 million, or 47 cents a share, on sales of \$8.66 billion for the same period a year ago.

The performance fell far below expectations on Wall Street, where analysts surveyed by Thomson First-Call anticipated per-share earnings of 37 cents.

Albertsons Chairman Larry Johnston blamed the strike, well into its second month after beginning Oct. 11, for the financial erosion.

"While the labor disputes negatively impacted our overall results, we were pleased with the underlying performance of our business," Johnston said in a statement.

"Most importantly, comparable and identical-store sales, excluding the labor disputes, were positive in the third quarter, indicating the underlying strength of our marketplace programs and the improving economy," he said.

With the impact of the strike, both comparable and identical-store sales were lower for the sixth straight quarter.

Three weeks ago, the Boise-based corporation withdrew its projection for a 2003 per-share profit of between \$1.70 and \$1.75 because of the uncertainty created by the strike that has affected about 850 stores it and two other chains operating in San Luis Obispo and San Diego.

Albertsons posted a profit of \$1.22 a share in 2002. For the first nine months of the year, the company reported \$426 million in profits, or \$1.16 a share, on \$26.8 billion in sales compared with \$280 million in net income, or 69 cents a share, on \$26.5 billion in sales during the first three quarters of 2002.

Albertsons, which spent much of 2002 extricating itself from unprofitable markets, reported third-quarter sales were off nearly 1 percent at comparable stores and just over 1 percent at identical stores from a year earlier. But the company said that after adjusting for the strike, comparable-store sales were 0.7 percent ahead of a year ago while identical-store sales were 0.3 percent higher.

"We believe we were on track to meet the First Call consensus of industry analysts," Johnston said. A cost-cutting campaign, begun two years ago, has racked up \$567 million in savings so far, the company said, and was ahead of the schedule to slash \$750 million in expenses by the end of next year.

Albertsons employs 200,000 workers at about 2,300 stores and other facilities in 31 states.

## RICHER AND POORER



High school freshman Marilin Patez of Shoshone kicks her feet up on the dresser in her room while she talks to her boyfriend on the phone at her home Thursday afternoon.

## Region shapes teenagers' attitudes on money

The Associated Press

SHOSHONE — At 13, Leslie Molyneux is already planning a financial strategy.

"I'm going to save money for a car and college by getting a job," the Shoshone High School freshman said. "I'll go to state — I've been planning on Boise State or Pocatello."

Just 45 miles up the road, 16-year-old Liz Floride is also considering her college plans. But the Hailey teen admits that living in the state's wealthiest region makes her planning easier than that of most high schoolers in Idaho.

"Money has an impact, we just don't realize it because we're around it so much. If someone here doesn't have the money for Dartmouth, then people in the area have the money to help so they can go anyway," Floride said.

In many ways, teens are the same no matter where they live.

said Tod Gunter, a social worker for the Blaine County School District who works with middle and high schoolers.

"They all strive for the same thing: to feel like they belong in their communities and in their family," Gunter said.

But fitting into the Wood River Valley community can mean something much different than in the rest of the state. In Ketchum, Hailey and Sun Valley, fitting in can mean getting a new car at age 16, spending a year in Europe or skiing every winter weekend.

In Shoshone, it can mean being on a high school sports team or having enough cash to head to the nearby mini-market for lunch instead of eating in the school cafeteria.

Shoshone High School student Marilin Perez is familiar with both worlds. Her mother is a supervisor at the Sun Valley Resort, and like most of the workers that run the resort town, the Perez family lives

outside of the wealthy enclave.

"I never really cared about the money, but I know some girls do," the 14-year-old said. "If we live in a house and we have what we need, that's all we need. We don't have money, you have to wait for things you want."

Perez's ambitions are shaped by her culture, she said.

"I have a Mexican family and in our culture girls are supposed to know how to cook because they have to prepare themselves to be a wife and mother. I want to learn to be mature, support myself, be responsible and know how to cook," Perez said.

She hopes to attend college — maybe in Twin Falls, maybe in California if she can afford to go that far — and become a nurse or a cosmetologist.

"I picture myself having a family and a better life. That's what I want," she said.

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High school junior Liz Floride of Hailey stretches before rehearsing for an upcoming holiday performance of 'The Nutcracker' at a dance studio in Ketchum.

## Walgreen won't work with insurance plans that use mail

Knight Ridder News-Service

CHICAGO — In an escalation of the war between traditional drug stores and mail-order prescription companies, the nation's largest pharmacy chain said this week it would not do business with new insurance plans that require patients to order drugs by mail.

Walgreen's decision doesn't affect consumers covered by prescription plans that currently have deals with the Deerfield, Ill.-based company. But the company's move has repercussions for its future contracts.

It's also a pre-emptive strike against the possible side effects of the new Medicare drug bill passed last month by Congress — now awaiting President Bush's signature.

Under the proposed Medicare drug benefit, private pharmacy management companies — which encourage and increasingly require patients to order their maintenance drugs by mail — will be a key option for seniors seeking drug coverage.

Though only 5 percent of its business is done with insurance providers that require mail order, Walgreen said.

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## Kmart reports smaller Q3 loss

The Associated Press

DETROIT — Retailer Kmart Holding Corp.'s third-quarter loss narrowed to \$23 million, but sales fell as the retailer offered fewer discounts.

Kmart, which emerged from bankruptcy in May, said Friday it lost 26 cents per share in the quarter ended Oct. 29. Its predecessor company Kmart Corp. lost \$383 million, or 76 cents a share, in the same quarter last year.

Sales tumbled 21.2 percent to \$5 billion from \$6.45 billion a year earlier. On a same-store basis, which compares results from stores open at least a year and is considered the best measure of a retailer's health, sales fell

8.6 percent. A Twin Falls store is Kmart's only one still operating in Magic Valley.

Kmart attributed the decrease in same-store sales to several companywide promotional events that were held in the third quarter of 2002 and the reduction of midweek advertising circulars this year. The decline in total sales also reflected the closure of 316 stores in the first quarter.

Excluding interest, income taxes and expenses connected to reorganization and discontinued operations, the third-quarter loss was \$10 million, compared with \$328 million last year, Kmart said.



# Spokane Valley company seeks lower wages in Idaho

**SPOKANE VALLEY, Wash. (AP)**—A clothing company is moving a few miles east from the Spokane Industrial Park to Idaho because of its lower minimum wage.

Mark Gantar will take his All Seasons Apparel Inc. to Post Falls, where the minimum wage is \$2.52.

"This state drove me out," Gantar said, pointing to Idaho's

\$5.15 an hour minimum wage. "I would love to stay, but this is a matter of survival."

The Washington minimum wage is set to rise from \$7.01 to \$7.16 on Jan. 1.

Gantar once employed 200 people stitching jeans and jackets. He took his management team and 25 workers to Post Falls, which is about 25 miles east of Spokane. About 50 people were

laid off or chose not to take on an Idaho commute for a job that rarely pays more than \$7.50 an hour.

"These employees moving to Post Falls will have their base wages cut to \$6.50 an hour. Earnings climb depending on productivity."

The base wage for new employees will start at about \$5.50 an hour, he said.

Besides the wage gap, Gantar said Washington's workers' compensation program is costing business an average of 40 percent more than two years ago.

"Even a water bill is more. I paid \$600 a month (at the industrial park) and my new bill in Post Falls was \$177," he said.

The relocation is cause for celebration in Post Falls.

"We're just delighted about

this," said Steve Griffiths, president of Jobs Plus, the economic development agency in Kootenai County.

Gantar said he hoped to land several government clothing contracts, from caps and tops for sailors, to Gortex pants and underwear. If he wins those, he said he could hire more than 150 additional employees.

Gantar bought the business in

1984 and routinely collected contracts from clothing companies such as Levi Strauss, L.L. Bean and Lands' End.

"But many companies have moved most of their garment manufacturing work to other countries to exploit cheap labor costs."

"At least we're staying close to home and looking to Mexico or China," Gantar said.

## Idaho jobs increase for third straight month

**BOISE**—Idaho employers added workers for the third straight month in November, driving seasonally adjusted unemployment to its lowest level in two years.

The Department of Labor on Friday estimated the November jobless rate at 5.1 percent, down two-tenths of a point from October and nearly a full percentage point lower than a year ago.

It was the 11th straight month that the Idaho rate has been under the national rate, which fell a tenth to 5.9 percent as employers added 57,000 new jobs.

Economists expected 150,000 Idaho jobs to be added by Dirk Kempthorne said, "is below the national average, and that's tremendous. It's certainly moving in the right direction."

Reinforcing the governor's assessment was a preliminary report on November 2003 activities that showed paycheck withholding, a key indicator of the economy's underlying job strength, coming in higher than expected. That marked the fifth month in the past six that withholding has exceeded the benchmark.

Kempthorne also said sales tax receipts, a reflection of consumer confidence, were on target for November after missing the mark

in October.

Combined, he said, the preliminary report indicated total collections last month were as much as \$10 million higher than expected. That would push the state's cash surplus to nearly \$30 million. Should collections remain on or above the targets for the next several months, preserving that surplus and the financial pressure on lawmakers would significantly ease during this winter's election-year legislative session.

Labor analysts reported job gains last month in nearly all but the seasonal sectors of agriculture, recreation and accommodation, where operators are between the summer and winter seasons.

Another 1,600 people were on the job in November as those without that total to 35,000 for the first time since 2001.

Total employment has increased nearly 8,000 since August, and there were nearly 12,000 more jobs last month than a year ago.

Every major region of the state reported employment gains between the final October and a year ago, but 19 counties, mostly rural, reported jobless rates over 6 percent.

Sixteen counties also reported losing jobs from a year ago, but

the losses were modest compared with past months, when some major population centers like Boise lost thousands of jobs.

Kempthorne, speaking to the state construction industry on Friday, emphasized the impact the state's public works and economic development programs have had on the industry, highlighting a score of projects under way or under construction throughout the state.

"Work is under way in every corner of the state," the governor declared. "We're making great progress. I believe the future is bright for Idaho."

The state's latest economic forecast anticipated only anemic growth in nonfarm employment this year and then comparatively stronger growth in 2004 but still at less than 2 percent.

Kempthorne acknowledged the outlook, agreeing that it will be the mid-2006 before the state's economy will have fully recovered.

With just one month left in 2003, the unemployment rate has averaged just under 5.4 percent, still well below the projection for the year. Labor Department analysts in early February predicted average unemployment this year would run about 5.7 percent, down slightly from 2002.

## Teens

Like most teens, she asks her parents for money when she needs it. Next year, she said, she will try to get a job, at a nearby mall or at the local Dairy Queen.

Pfordte has worked several places in Ketchum and Hailey and often babysits for extra cash.

"I make between \$10 and \$15 an hour for babysitting, and on a holiday day you can make hundreds of dollars. On New Year's Eve, you can walk out with at least a grand," Pfordte said.

But \$1,000 is not enough to tempt her to ring in the new year with a party in Ketchum and Hailey.

"Oh no, I don't give up my New Year's Eve," she said.

Not everyone in Blaine County is wealthy, though it is difficult for many low- and middle-income families to meet the high cost of living in Ketchum and Hailey.

"It creates a pretty big divide for kids to try and cross," said Gantar. "They're forming social groups at this time anyway, and the wealth gap gives them another layer of division."

Still, he said, the impact of the community's wealth on teens can be subtle.

"Wealthy communities have more resources to meet kids' needs. There's an expectation that

goes along with that—that the kids are going to go to prestigious colleges and be successful," Gantar said.

Pfordte said sometimes those expectations can be hard to meet. Like most of her friends, she has several hours of homework a night and has to juggle extracurricular activities. Pfordte takes ballet and is a member of the Teen Advisory Council, a group of kids who work with town leaders to improve community youth programs.

"I feel pressure to be successful because of the small rate of people who are unsuccessful here. It's the most embarrassing thing in the world to tell someone you got a 'D,'" Pfordte said. "I know kids whose parents say, 'Cs are for homeless people.' That's a lot of pressure."

Rich or poor, the differences between teens within the ritzy community and those without may be more about opportunities than anything else, Gantar said.

Pfordte, who lost her father at a young age, who lost her inheritance for a year for college, and who studies in the area are the beneficiaries of local grants, and some even find sponsors—wealthy, childless couples who agree to pay for a local teen's schooling. Pfordte will also benefit from the network of

friends she has built during high school, because her parents will attend good schools and she likely will become business owners or entrepreneurs someday.

Perce, on the other hand, lives and plays with a crowd that is less likely to attend college. And the difference between her and Shlousne is different, she said.

"Most Mexicans don't make it college because they don't have money or don't have legal papers to be in the United States. But I'm pretty sure I'll be able to go to college because of the good," she said. "If I go to college and I study for something, I think I could be rich someday, but it depends on how much you study and pay attention and work for what you're doing. But where I live, the money is important. It's more about being responsible."

## NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

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# Bombing on commuter train kills dozens in Russia



YESSENTUKI, Russia (AP) — A suicide attacker set off an explosion that tore through a commuter train Friday near the rebellious region of Chechnya, killing 41 people and wounding nearly 200 others in a bombing that President Vladimir Putin said was intended to disrupt this weekend's parliamentary elections.

Authorities said a man triggered the shrapnel-filled bomb and three women also were involved in the attack. Two of the women jumped from the train before the rush-hour

blast and a third was gravely injured and unlikely to survive, the head of the Federal Security Service said.

A Chechen rebel leader denied any responsibility for the blast, the second fatal attack on the rail line near the war-torn region since September. Russian forces have been bogged down in Chechnya since 1999. Earlier they fought an unsuccessful 1994-96 war against separatists that ended in de facto independence for the region.

The 8 a.m. explosion ripped open

the side of the second car of the train as it approached a station near Yessentuki, about 750 miles south of Moscow, throwing out passengers. Others were trapped under twisted, burning wreckage.

Authorities found undetonated grenades still strapped to the legs of a male suicide attacker, said Federal Security Service chief Nikolai Patrushev. Bomb disposal experts gingerly entered the wreckage to remove the explosives and later detonated them, Russian

television reported.

Patrushev said two women jumped from the train just before the explosion; their fate was not known. The male suicide bomber has not been identified.

The attack killed 41 people, many of the apparently university students judging by their ages, said Lt. Col. Andrei Somishchenko, an Emergency Situations Ministry official in southern Russia. He said 159 people were hospitalized and 25 others treated at the site of the blast.

The ninth page of a 178-year-old manuscript signed by Beethoven sold for \$2 million at Sotheby's in London Friday.

## Beethoven's manuscript tops \$2 million

LONDON (AP) — An original manuscript of a movement from one of Ludwig van Beethoven's last compositions sold Friday for more than \$2 million.

The manuscript from the scherzo movement of his Opus 127 string quartet was purchased by a private buyer who bid by telephone and asked not to be identified, Sotheby's auction house said.

Beethoven composed the quartet in the last three years of his life, after he had finished the epic Ninth Symphony. Sotheby's said single pages written by Beethoven appear fairly often at auction, but that no manuscript of this size had been offered for more than a decade.

The manuscript sold for \$2.03 million, Sotheby's said. Before the sale, the auction house suggested the price might go as high as \$2.58 million.

In May, Sotheby's auctioned Beethoven's final manuscript of the Ninth Symphony for \$3.47 million. The manuscript was done by a copyist, though it included revisions and a few initials addressed to the copyist in Beethoven's hand.

The scherzo manuscript of the quartet is clearly a working document, with emendations and late alterations added.

Prince Galitzin of Russia, who played cello, commissioned Beethoven to write three quartets in 1822, but the composer was inspired to produce five.

Opus 127, in E flat, was the first of the group, composed in 1824-25. It also was the only one that Galitzin paid for.

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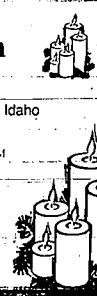
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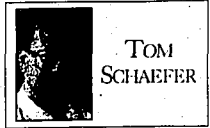
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## 10 ways to lighten load for holidays

The weather outside might not be frightful, but the holidays are definitely stormin' in - with ubiquitous holly wreaths, multicolored lights and enough sweets to crush a Christmas elf. Oh, the sweet madness of it all - and the stressful, over-the-top nature of trying to make the holidays something they can never be.

Take heart if you're among the holiday harried. Although I can't offer you a blue-light special, or a 20 percent discount on your next purchase, I can suggest 10 ways to ease back a bit and find room to breathe.



TOM SCHAEFER

1. Decide this weekend with your family what you want to emphasize this season (spiritual practices, how much you will spend and the specific ways to keep the holidays from getting out of hand). And stick to your decision. Mid-course changes or a rush to get "just one more thing" will sap your spirit and could tilt you toward a bah-humbug attitude.

2. Make a paper chain that counts the days until Christmas. Write on each link a task you'll complete each day: "Send a letter or e-mail to someone who has made a lot to you," "Turn off the TV and play games with the kids," "Bake some cookies for a neighbor," "Wish a stranger a happy holiday." Get the whole family involved in a holiday brainstorming session.

3. Reserve time for yourself, or you and your significant other, to meditate or pray together. Consider some of these resources to revive your spirits: "Life Together: The Classic Exploration of Faith in Community" by Dietrich Bonhoeffer; "Conversations With Jesus" by Listerine; by Jacques Gauthier; "Grace for the Moment," by Max Lucado; "A Sacred Primer: The Essential Guide to Quiet Time and Prayer" by Elizabeth Harper Neeld. Or read the sacred scriptures of your faith tradition at the words of the prophet Isaiah and poet Bernard of Clairvaux ring true: "There is an endless road, a hopeless maze, who seek for goods before they seek for God."

4. Focus on three themes, one per week until Christmas: repentance, contentment and commitment. During the coming week, ask for forgiveness from and seek reconciliation with those from whom you are estranged. The next week, find contentment in simple pleasures (an evening walk, quiet prayer, family interaction). Finally, make a commitment to seek a better way to live as the new year approaches and begin to put it in practice. Whatever change you commit to, keep it simple.

5. Support a local charity or select an angel from a Salvation Army angel tree. When you care about others, you renew your own spirit as you enrich the lives of others.

6. Consider some alternative gifts made in or to be given to developing countries. Two sites to check out: [www.walgit.org](http://www.walgit.org) and [www.worldvision.org/worldvision/inter.nsf](http://www.worldvision.org/worldvision/inter.nsf). Such gifts can extend the love of the giver in powerful ways.

7. Make a coupon booklet with individual slips of paper redeemable for services you'll provide: "Baby-sitting," "Walk the dog," "Shovel snow from driveway" etc. A simple gift can show a depth of caring.

8. If a family member has died, take time to remember him or her and to look to others for support and strength, especially those who have also lost a loved one. Don't overextend yourself, but seek the spiritual and emotional resources that are available in your congregation or through support groups.

9. Make some treats for the animals. Blather pine cones with peanut butter and cover with birdseed, or leave a salt lick for deer. An ancient story says that people can communicate with animals at midnight on Christmas Eve. Start the conversation.

10. Celebrate in song with others. Rejoice in the hope you have within. Spread good cheer to those who are strangers.

Tom Schaefer writes about religion and ethics for the Wichita (Kan.) Eagle.

# Tree sings songs of the season

By Denise Turner  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - First Assembly of God's spectacular 27-foot singing Christmas tree is tuning up its branches for another holiday season.

Lit up and filled with song, the tree "performed" its festive magic from 1986 to 1997. Then the performers took a break, and reinstated the tradition "by popular demand" last year.

"This year, there will be arrangements of Christmas music, such as black gospel songs," said Caleb Collins, the church and tree music director who has provided some of the arrangements himself. "The CSI Jazz Band will be playing, too."

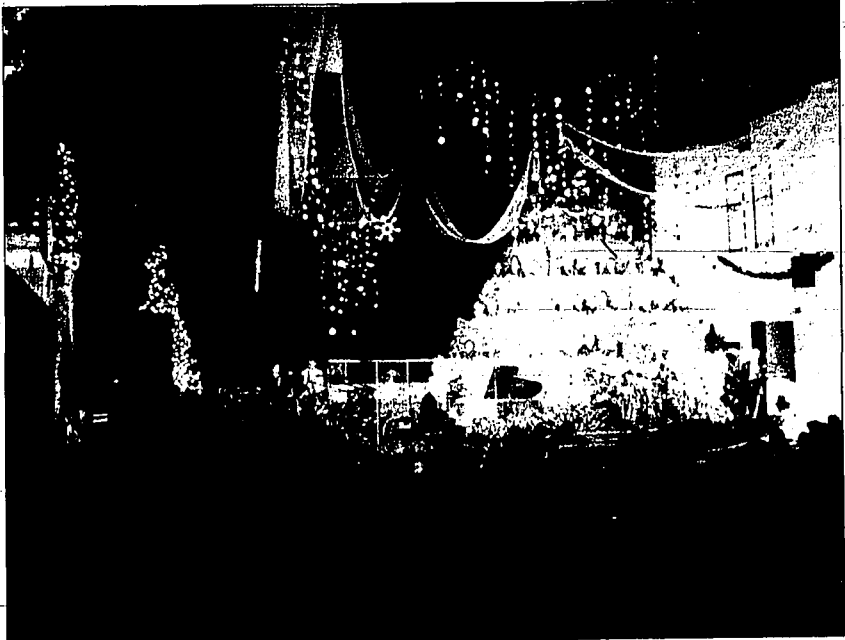
As for the tree, it will stand on a plywood-covered metal framework with screening for attaching pine boughs. About 50 people will form the chorus part of the evergreen, some from First Assembly and some from other churches.

The set design this year will be a sort of Art Deco look, according to Collins.

The church is also planning to record a tree performance on DVD, to sell.

## The Singing Christmas Tree

Where: First Assembly of God, 189 Locust St. N., Twin Falls  
When: 7 p.m. Friday through Dec. 15, plus a 3 p.m. matinee on Dec. 14  
Admission: No charge. Offerings will be accepted.  
More information: 733-5349.



Last year, The Singing Christmas Tree at the First Assembly of God church in Twin Falls, revived an old holiday tradition in the Magic Valley.

## Church aids homeless children

By Joan Bean  
Times-News correspondent

Homeless kids in Hermocillo, Mexico, need help - and the Roca Firme Pentecostes Church is coming to their aid.

Every January, Pastor Dagoberto Martinez and his wife, Lupica, spend four weeks in Hermocillo, delivering basic goods for the children.

"They have people in the streets who don't have a home," said Martinez, whose church serves Twin Falls and Rupert. "We help with blankets and food and whatever we can."

Now, there are plans to build an orphanage, "Cendro de la Cruz," in the area, explained Martinez, adding that the name means "Path of Life." The minister who serves the area, Carlos Mexia Escalante, is involved in the project.

Robert Gomes, Roca Firme's assistant pastor, said there are so many homeless children that the orphanage will have no trouble filling 150 beds.

"Some of them are living in the streets at 2 and 3 years old with older brothers and sisters and friends," he said. "Some of them have just been abandoned."

Gomes said the International Pentecostal Church sponsors the church in Hermocillo, and has sanctioned the orphanage project.

"And since I'm a retired contractor and a pastor, we got involved in it," said Gomes. "What they want from me is not only my expertise as a pastor, but my expertise as a contractor to help."

The idea is to construct the facility correctly with adequate room for the children, because it's also going to be a school, with quarters for a headmaster and his wife. The orphanage has been in the planning stages for a couple of years. Ground was broken "in January 2003. Size and cost have yet to be determined, because donated materials may alter the price of the project.

Building will begin when Gomes and his wife, Stella, go to Mexico in the spring. Construction will probably start on a small scale and expand as funds and materials become available.

"We will have plenty of free labor" with the church down there," Gomes said. "We're looking for donated materials here that we can take down with us. It's possible some other churches in the valley might want to help with that."

To donate to the orphanage, call 321-5080.



Top, the Roca Firme Pentecostes Church is collecting donations to help needy children in Mexico. Above, Pastor Dagoberto Martinez and his wife, Lupica, left, team up with Pastor Robert Gomes and his wife, Stella, to minister at Roca Firme Pentecostes Church, which serves Twin Falls and Rupert.

## Convicted pastor defends mission to help children

By Rebecca Meany  
Times-News writer

JEROME - A pastor convicted of one count of injury to a child rigorously defends his innocence - and his planned mission to Mexico to help children in need.

The Rev. Robert Gomes, 64, assistant pastor at Roca Firme Pentecostes Church in Jerome, pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor

charge of injury to a child in 2001. He received a suspended sentence of 180 days' incarceration and two years' probation.

The original charge of sexual battery of a minor was reduced in exchange for Gomes' guilty plea.

The victim, 16 at the time, told investigators that Gomes touched her in a sexual manner while she

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## Once shamed, TV ministers thrive again

By Carolyn Tuft and Bill Smith  
St. Louis Post-Dispatch

ST. LOUIS - The end of the 1980s was a bad time for TV preachers.

One moment, men like the PTL Club's Jim Bakker and television's Jimmy Swagart seemed bigger than life, supermen blessed with an uncanny ability to attract followers and money. The next instant, they were only men - fragile, flawed and the butt of barroom jokes and newspaper cartoons.

In many ways, it seemed like the beginning of the end for big-time TV religion. Look, the critics said: The emperors really do have no clothes.

But Americans, at least many of

them, seem to have forgotten and forgiven. TV's salvation shows are still here, bigger and flashier than ever, thanks to the proliferation of the Internet and the continued spread of satellite and cable TV.

The names may have changed - Juanita Bynum, Kenneth and Gloria Copeland, Creffo Dollar, Benny Hinn, T. D. Jakes, Joyce Meyer and a dozen others have replaced Bakker; Swagart and Oral Roberts at the top of the evangelical mountain - but the message remains virtually identical: Believe with all your heart and soul - and give, give, give until you can't give any more.

In the late 1980s, when the sex-and-fraud scandals boiled over

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### Popular TV preachers

- Juanita Bynum - Waycross, Ga. Reach: Her program, "Weapons of Power," is seen worldwide on TBN; she holds conferences throughout the United States. Wealth: No information available. In the news: In April, Bynum married Thomas Wesley Weeks III in the palatial Regent Wall Street Hotel in New York City.
- Kenneth and Gloria Copeland - Fort Worth, Texas Reach: Ministry Web site says its TV show, "Believer's Voice of Victory," is seen by more than 76 million households on nearly 700 U.S. stations. Show also airs on about 135 international stations. Wealth: A ministry official estimates the ministry's annual revenue at \$70 million. In the news: In June, the Copelands joined four other TV preachers, who gathered around Oral Roberts, 85, considered the grandfather of the prosperity gospel, to pray for healing the ailing founder of the university that bears his name.
- Jan and Paul Crouch - Costa Mesa, Calif. Reach: The Crouches own Trinity Broadcast Network, the world's largest Christian TV network. TBN reaches millions of viewers on more than 5,000 TV stations and 33 international satellites around the world. Wealth: The Crouches and their son Paul Crouch Jr. said they earned a total of \$855,000 last year. TBN's annual income exceeds \$100 million a year, according to the Los Angeles Times. In the news: The ministry recently purchased the Nashville, Tenn., home and estate of the late country
- Creffo Dollar - College Park, Ga. Reach: Dollar's "Changing Your Word" TV program on TBN reaches 150 countries. Wealth: Newspaper accounts say the ministry paid \$18 million in cash for its new 8,000-seat World Changers Church International on the southern edge of Atlanta. In the news: Dollar's ministry became a focus of a court case involving boxer Evander Holyfield in 1999. The lawyer for Holyfield's ex-wife estimated that the fighter gave Dollar's ministry \$7 million.
- Benny Hinn - Grapevine, Texas Reach: Hinn's "This is Your Day" program is seen throughout the United States and in nearly 200 foreign countries. Wealth: The ministry took in \$60 million in 2001. A news story in the Colorado Springs Gazette said annual income now exceeds \$90 million. In the news: A "Dateline" segment on NBC examined five of Hinn's faith-healing "miracles," showing that none of the people was cured and that one woman with lung cancer died nine months later.
- T.D. Jakes - Dallas Reach: Jakes' "The Potter's House" TV program is seen throughout the world on TBN and Black Entertainment Television. Wealth: He has mansions in Charleston, W.Va., and Dallas. In the news: Called the best preacher in America by Time magazine in 2001.

St. Louis Post-Dispatch

RELIGION

# Summer-camp curriculum offends Asian-Americans

By Karin Miller  
The Associated Press

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — It's meant to help children learn about their faith, but the Southern Baptists' curriculum for next year's summer Bible school is drawing fire from some church officials and Asian-Americans who say its images and title — "Rikshaw Rally" — promote stereotypes.

The teaching tool is built around a race through Japan, with children running through Tokyo streets, climbing Mount Fuji and diving for pearls. But the curriculum's central image, the rikshaw, along with photos on its Web site featuring young people dressed in kimonos and eating out of takeout boxes with chopsticks have been called "grossly misguided and inappropriate" by critics.

At least one group of Southern Baptists in New England voted last month not to use the curriculum from the LifeWay Christian Resources publishing house in Nashville.

"We just determined that it was insensitive to Asian culture, and we didn't feel we could stay sensitive to our culture and context in New England and promote this material," said Jim Wileman, executive director of the regional convention. "We felt that this material, however unintentionally offensive, could prove to be a huge stumbling block for us as we attempted to reach and minister to Asian-Americans."

Wideman said the New England

convention will use alternate material from LifeWay, the publishing arm of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Vacation Bible Schools vary typically three-hour, five-day courses in the summer for children in first through sixth grades. More than 1 million children are expected to attend Vacation Bible Schools next summer in churches that belong to the SBC, the nation's largest Protestant denomination.

The main complaint about the "Far-Out Far East Rikshaw Rally — Racing to the Son" material is the prominent image of the rikshaw, a two-wheeled passenger cart pulled by a person. The Rev. Paul Kim of Berkeley Baptist Church in Cambridge, Mass., and a trustee on the Southern Baptist Convention's international missions board, said the rikshaw is "an image of poverty in Asia," outlawed in many countries.

LifeWay officials say they have had very few complaints. "We're getting really great response from across the country, saying it's the best curriculum we've done," said Mary Katharine Hunt, LifeWay's Vacation Bible School project manager.

She said the rikshaw was chosen because it's a "fun form of transportation" found in tourist areas of Japan. Other symbols were used because "kids are very literal-minded. We had to have things they could wrap their minds around."

# Presbyterian Women plan Christmas Brunch

TWIN FALLS — The Presbyterian Women will hold an annual Christmas Brunch, open to all women, at 10 a.m. today at the First Presbyterian Church, 209 Fifth Ave. N. A program by Susan Courtney and concert by the Children's Light Chorus Choir will follow.

## Gere will perform at Gospel Opry; children plan Goshop

TWIN FALLS — Darin Gere of Nampa will perform at the Magic Valley Gospel Opry at 7 p.m. today at the First Assembly of God, 189 Locust St. N. Admission is free.

First Assembly children will present a Christmas program, "I Wish You Jesus," during worship at 10:30 a.m. Sunday at the church. Through a Christmas wish game, three grand children discover memories behind treasured heirlooms.

## Singer will sing two songs at Crossroads Methodist

KIMBERLY — Jack Hyder of Jerome will sing "Jesus" and "America the Beautiful" during 10:30 a.m. worship Sunday when

## Church news

Crossroads United Methodist Church, 405 Madison St. E., celebrates Advent. Sunday school for the family begins at 9:30 a.m. The annual Christmas Brunch and decorating of the church is set for 9 a.m. Dec. 13. For reservations, call 423-4311.

## First Presbyterian Church in Burley plans Logos program

BURLEY — The Logos Christmas program is set for 5 p.m. Sunday at the First Presbyterian Church, 2100 Burton Ave.

## Eastside Baptist Church plans Hanging of the Greens

TWIN FALLS — Eastside Baptist Church will present its ninth annual Hanging of the Greens at 11 a.m. Sunday at the church, 204 Eastland Drive N. The 9:45 and 11 a.m. services will be combined this Sunday only. The service, open to all, features children singing and candle lighting,

with solos by Steve Hanchey, Audrey Kindt, Sara Bortz and Susan Brown and a duet by Billie Dobson and Helen Regua. Mary Terrell is the keyboardist and Issy Gibbs is the pianist.

## Zion Lutheran Church offers mid-week Advent service

BURLEY — A mid-week Advent service is set for 7 p.m. Wednesday at Zion Lutheran Church, 2410 Miller Ave. The theme is "Being Prepared for Christ's Coming." A soup and sandwich supper is set for 6 p.m.

## Ladies fellowship will hold luncheon Wednesday at noon

HEYBURN — The Ladies Lifeline Fellowship will hold a non-denominational luncheon from noon to 2 p.m. Wednesday at Connor's Cafe.

Joan Falkner will present the program, with music by Doris Senel and Darcey Gratzmacher as the speaker. For reservations, call Lila at 438-5376. For prayer concerns, call Ruth 436-5380.

Prayer circle, open to all, is set for Dec. 17 at Ruth Stimpson's home.

Call 436-5380 for directions.

## Nativity Celebration will be Friday and December 13

BURLEY — The third annual Nativity Celebration is set for 5 to 9 p.m. Friday and 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Dec. 13, with time for senior citizens and the handicapped from 2 to 2:30 p.m. Friday, at the Burley West Stake Center of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 2420 Parke Ave.

Nativity collections, music, works of art and Bibles, children's activities and a live Nativity characterization will be featured. To display Nativity collections, artwork or Bibles, bring them to the church between 4 and 8 p.m. Thursday. Strict security will be provided.

Admission is free; the public is invited.

The Times-News welcomes news of church events. Send to Ellen Thomson, The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303, or Trina Tegen, The Times-News Burley Bureau, 1263 Overland Ave., Burley, ID 83318. Deadline is noon Thursday for publication on Saturday.

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# RELIGION LETTERS

## Superstitions abound among people of this world

Scientists and archaeologists have proven to many people that there has been life on our planet for millions of years. The Bible gives us the history and religion of a group of people, mostly the Jewish people for a period in the neighborhood of a thousand years.

We also know that there were some ancient civilizations that we have no written history of. Early man was very superstitious for he knew very little about the world he lived in. Superstition is still widespread, for in this big old world of ours, there are still some people who pray to idols that can neither hear, see, walk nor talk. There are also some people who still pray the way Jesus said the hypocrites prayed (Matthew 6:5-6).

WILLIAM HAFNER  
Twin Falls

## Identification implants could be fulfillment of prophecy

There was some alarming information on my MSN Web site news Wednesday morning:

Applied Digital Solutions Co. of Palm Beach, Fla., spoke at the ID World conference in Paris, France, last Friday.

They stated that they have a 12x1.2mm radio frequency ID tag, shrunk to half the size of a grain of sand, to be implanted under the skin. This chip implant is an ID alternate. The first 100,000 Americans to sign up to get "chipped" will receive a \$50 discount. Mastercard may also be considering this as an alternative to credit cards. On national television news last week, there was a blurb about each American being given a new identification number by the year 2013. Revelations in the Bible predicted this would happen in the end times. Time to get your hearts right with Jesus Christ, folks!

JEANNE DREWREY  
Twin Falls

The Times-News welcomes letters on religious topics of 200 words or less. Include signature, address and phone number. Letters considered libelous, obscene or in bad taste will be rejected, and The Times-News reserves the right to edit all letters.

# Pastor

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was at his house, according to an affidavit written by Jerome police detective James Baker and filed with court documents. Medical examiners later found an apparent abrasion on the girl's genitals, the affidavit says.

Gomes told The Times-News Thursday that he never inappropriately touched her and that the evidence could have come from any number of things or from another person.

During the preliminary hearing in June 2001, Gomes' defense attorney brought up the question as to whether the girl may have had sexual contact with another person.

The pastor, who had previously pleaded innocent, explained his "Alford plea" of guilty as his best option. In an Alford plea, a defendant does not admit the act, but admits that the prosecution could likely prove the charge.

"I was out of funds and resources," he said. "I lost my home, and I lost every penny I've ever had and every penny I'm going to make. My lawyer said it was the best way to put an end to

it. It wasn't."

He had to do to over, he said, he would have gone a different route. "I wish I had gone full court and taken my chances with a jury," he said. "The Alford plea is like being in limbo land — for people to make their judgments as they want. They assume that you're saying 'no' but I don't want to admit it because I never did it. It's a miserable plea, but I was at the end of my rope mentally."

Gomes' supervisor at the church is keeping the faith about his copastor and says he doesn't have any questions about Gomes' involvement in the mission to Mexico.

"We are aware of the situation," the Rev. Dagoberto Martinez said. "We know he's not guilty."

Martinez said the church board has imposed some disciplinary measures — including suspension of preaching duties — until Gomes completes his court-ordered obligations.

Dave Markus, Gomes' probation officer, told The Times-News that he was aware of Gomes' planned mission, but that Gomes was free to travel as he pleases once his probation expires June 27, 2004.

Markus declined to comment further on Gomes' plans.

Gomes said he intends to request permission to go to Mexico in February. If that request is denied, he said, he'll go shortly after his probation ends.

Terms of Gomes' probation include getting sexual offender counseling but do not include registering as a sex offender.

Gomes' record also includes a conviction of contempt of court. After he was put on probation, Gomes relocated to Oregon. Soon he discovered there was a warrant out for his arrest.

"I had to get away and rest," he said, adding that he got requisite counseling while there and that the move was verbally cleared with his probation officer.

Markus, however, said it was he who requested the warrant on Gomes. That probation violation was dismissed in June 2002 after Gomes pleaded guilty to contempt of court.

Jerome County prosecutor Jon Nicholson declined to comment on the case because he did not prosecute it. Jerome County prosecutor

# Televangelists

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into America's living rooms. Joyce Meyer's little radio ministry was scarcely a blip on the evangelical radar screen. Today, Meyer heads a ministry fast approaching \$100 million a year and is among a dozen or so evangelical superstars heading into a revived and very healthy industry.

Meyer says everything she has come from God: the \$10 million corporate jet, her husband's \$107,000 silver-gray Mercedes sedan, her \$2 million home and houses worth another \$2 million for her four children. But the way Meyer spends her ministry's money on herself and her family may violate federal law, legal and tax experts say. That law bars leaders of non-profits — religious groups and other charities — from privately benefiting from the tax-free money they raise.

Last month, Wall Watchers, a Christian watchdog group, called on the Internal Revenue Service to investigate Meyer and six other TV preachers to find out whether their tax-exempt status should be revoked. "Some of these folks are scrupulously abides by all federal laws.

Critics of TV evangelists, from Bible-quoting theologians to groups devoted to preserving the separation of church and state, abound.

"Some of these people are charlatans," said Michael Scott Horton, who teaches at the Westminster Theological Seminary in Escondido, Ca. "Others are honestly dedicated to one of the most abhorrent errors in religious theology: often think of these folks as the religious equivalent to a combination of a National Enquirer ad and professional wrestling. It's part entertainment and very large part scam."

Bakker, who spent five years in prison for defrauding Heritage USA investors, says he has had a change of heart about the prosperity gospel. "For years, I helped propagate an impostor, not a true

gospel, but another gospel," Bakker has said in his 1996 book, "I Was Wrong."

Today, the nation's most famous fallen electronic preacher is in Branson, Mo., the family entertainment capital of America's Bible

Belt. He's scraping to make ends meet at a little cafe-TV studio where he hawks whipped cream-topped pies and barbecue sandwiches, pleads for a new piano and begs for volunteers to operate his TV cameras.

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### Purchase of names by LDS church ranks some

By Mark Thlesson  
The Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY — Less than a year after The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints promised, again, to stop baptizing dead Jews into its faith, the Mormons have raised concerns by buying — at 10 cents a sheet — thousands of names of dead Russian Orthodox Church members.

The church says it will use the names to provide an archive of genealogical data for the good of all mankind, but others claim these names also are being used to posthumously baptize the dead as Mormons — a practice critics say is rife with ethical and moral problems.

"Obviously we can't approve the practice," said Father Joseph, a spokesman for the patriarchal parish of the Russian Orthodox Church in the United States. "It takes away the most essential gift God has given people, their freedom."

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints has long collected names from government documents and other records worldwide. The names are then used in temple rituals, during which Mormon stand-ins are dunked in water to offer the dead the option of salvation and entry to the Mormon religion.

"The practice 'does not force a change of religion on any deceased person,'" said Dale Bills, a spokesman for the Utah-based church which has more than 10 million members worldwide. "Proxy baptisms is a long-standing part of our faith that provides deceased persons the opportunity to accept or reject what we believe to be a blessing offered in their behalf."

Salt Lake City independent researcher Helen Radkey said she has found such notable non-Mormons as Adolph Hitler, Anne Frank, and even Roman Catholic popes and saints within the church's database — called the International Genealogical Index — of 600 million names.

"From our perspective, the Catholic church does not recognize the validity of Mormon baptisms," said the Rev. Ronald Robertson, of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops in Washington, D.C. "Rebaptism is, by definition, an impossibility."

But Mormon faithful believe that individual's ability to choose continues beyond the grave. In 1995 the Mormon church agreed with Jewish leaders to end its practice of posthumously baptizing Jews. However, after several Jewish organizations complained that the practice hadn't stopped and Radkey produced the names of at least 20,000 Jews in the index, the church last December rededicated itself to ending the practice and removing the names.

Radkey said many names still have not been removed, including David Ben-Gurion, Israel's first prime minister. Radkey said the inclusion of Ben-Gurion, listed by his birth name of David Green and baptized since 2000, indicates the Mormons are not sincere about abiding by the agreement with Jewish leaders.

Bills said the church is actively abiding by the agreement and will remove Jewish names when they are presented to church officials.

### Former Baptist president Lyons leaves prison

LAKELAND, Fla. (AP) — The Rev. Henry J. Lyons, former president of the National Baptist Convention USA, has been released from prison after serving nearly five years for wrongdoing while he led the denomination.

Lyons was convicted of grand theft and racketeering after an investigation revealed he abused his power in the convention and as pastor of Bethel Missionary Baptist Church, steal about \$4 million. He used the money to buy luxury homes and jewelry, and to support his mistresses.

"I have suffered God's rod of correction," the 61-year-old Lyons said. "I stand here today to tell you I truly, truly, repented of my sins."

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# Legoland has become most recent Bible Belt

By Meredith James  
The Baltimore Sun

For as long as the stories that make up the Bible have been written down, their authors have been adapting them in varying ways. From the Hebrew Bible to the Ten Commandments to the Precious Moments Bible and the Extreme Teen Bible, the text's sacred stories have been tailored for different audiences.

The oddest new addition to this genre may be "The Brick

Testament" (Quirk Books, \$14.95), 10 stories from the book of Genesis "re-sculpted" using Lego toy building bricks.

"I choose to work in the medium of Lego simply because it's eye-catching and great fun to work with, and who doesn't get a chuckle out of seeing Lego Adam and Eve in the garden, or Lego Moses smashing the Ten Commandments? For me, it's all about making the content of the Bible more accessible without changing that content," creator Brendon Powell Smith

explains. Smith began publishing his bricks on the Internet. "The Brick Testament" (at [www.thereverend.com](http://www.thereverend.com)) quickly gained fame and cult following. Over two years, the site has had almost 2 million visitors and has been featured in Time and Spin magazines.

It now includes seven books from the Old and New Testaments; one of them, Genesis, is now featured in a book released last month. Although some may scoff at

the idea of using children's toys to relate the Scriptures, Smith says that he's had a generally positive response: "I've received hundreds of e-mails about the Web site and now the book, and there is a large following both among religious believers, including pastors and youth workers, and devout atheists."

The Catholic Telegraph, the newspaper for the Archdiocese of Cincinnati, is including "The Brick Testament" on its annual Christmas book list. Publisher's Weekly said: "This

creative, iconoclastic work is colorful in every sense of the word, and will be appreciated by Lego enthusiasts everywhere as well as whimsical Sunday school teachers."

Still, just what Smith's intentions are remains a little fuzzy. While he refers to himself as "The Reverend," Smith describes himself as an atheist.

On his Web site and in his book, he claims that while he was eating at Taco Bell, God spoke to him and told him to write this story.

## Harry Connick Jr. offers Christmas CD

The Wichita Eagle

### Religious CDs

1. Harry Connick Jr., "Harry for the Holidays" (Columbia)

It's been 10 years since Harry Connick Jr.'s first Christmas album with his original big band. With this, he's back with most of his original band, and the band is awesome. "Santa Claus Is Coming to Town" gets a kicking zydeco beat, while "Blue Christmas" showcases the shift the band has taken to a '50s sound. For pure classic Harry crooning, nothing tops his "I'll Be Home for Christmas." Harry is a devoted Catholic and often performs some gospel and hymns in concert.

— Patry Ringenberg

2. Various artists, "A Windham Hill Christmas II" (Arista)

The holiday season is hectic. This classical instrumental

album from Windham Hill is just right to help you de-stress. The soothing piano, guitar, and orchestral instruments will put you in the mood for Christmas. The light and airy renditions of holiday favorites are just the thing to listen to as you unwind with a glass of hot cider. Included on the album are instrumentals by Jim Brickman ("The First Noel") and George Winston ("Silver Bells").

— Brent Castillo

3. T.D. James Presents, "Follow the Star" (EMI Gospel/Dexterity Sounds)

The selections on this release are a collection of T.D. James' favorite Christmas songs that he says have touched his heart and shaped his life. There are the

classics "Joy to the World," "O Holy Night," "Silent Night," "And Away in a Manger," "The Blind Boys of Alabama (Real World Records) and Mavis Staples give a powerful interpretation of "Born in Bethlehem." James' narration of "From Our House, to Your House" is set to a mellow beat as he reminds listeners about the true meaning of Christmas.

— C.J. Hyshe, The Wichita Eagle

4. Michael English, "A Michael English Christmas" (Curb)

Michael English offers renditions of his Christmas favorites. He's got a strong voice, and his style gives the carols some grit. His voice and style are a great match for the melody and message of "Mary, Did You Know?" Overall, it's a solid collection of songs.

— Brent Castillo

## Noah's story is true even if not literally so

The Kansas City Star

### Faith Q&A

READER'S QUESTION: How literally should we take the story of Noah and the Ark and the flood story? History has accounts of ancient floods, and I read that there is archaeological evidence in the Black Sea of a flood.

The Rev. Holly McKissick, pastor of St. Andrew Christian Church, Olathe, Kan.: As a 6-year-old, I loved Dr. Adams. Gentle, bald, short Dr. Adams.

I loved his waiting room with its cool leather chairs on a hot, sticky, Texas day. And I loved the blue children's Bible on the cor-

ner table with its pictures of Noah, the flood and the little patch of dry ground.

As I grew, my understanding of Noah's story evolved: I learned that the story is literature — not science, not archeology, not history. Far from unique, it has variants in many cultures, and its origins lie in the Gilgamesh epic. Our ancestors didn't read it literally; only a small minority could even read.

They treasured this Scripture not because it was literally true, but because it was the truth

Much as the wise elder explained before recounting his tribe's beginning, "I'm not sure if what I'm going to tell you really happened but I know it is true." So scholar Marcus Borg said: The Bible is true and some of it happened. The truth of the flood is not that the animals went on two by two. The truth is this: God holds out a word of hope. The damage we have caused can be repaired.

There is no wound that cannot be healed, no mistake that cannot be forgiven. Ours is a world of rainbows, fresh starts, new beginnings. So the 6-year-old in all of us longs to hear.

## Hemingway deals with tragedy in new book

The Dallas Morning News

### Religion in the media

### BOOK

"Finding My Balance," Marcell Hemingway (Simon & Schuster, 231 pages, \$24)

Her grandfather, Ernest, was the famous writer who committed suicide. Her sister, Margaux, was an actress whose life also ended tragically. In this poetic memoir, Hemingway candidly tells how she battled to overcome a legacy of tragedy. Although taken to Episcopal services as a child, she says her spirituality was ultimately shaped by yoga.

— Susan Hogan/Albach

### Religion in the media

Egyptian village and not selected for the New Testament. It records 114 "secret teachings" of Jesus. Ehrman's "Lost Scriptures," a companion to "Lost Christianities," includes acts attributed to Thecla, a female companion of Paul; gospels of Mary Magdalene and Jesus' brother James; epistles allegedly written by Paul to Seneca, the Roman philosopher; and an apocalypse attributed to Simon Peter.

— Bob Trimble

### BOOKS

"Lost Christianities: The Battles for Scripture and the Faiths We Never Knew" and "Lost Scriptures: Books That Did Not Make It Into The New Testament," Bart D. Ehrman (Oxford University Press, \$30 each)

During the three centuries after the death of Jesus, bishops, writers and just plain Christians battled to decide the shape of Christianity. Ehrman, the chairman of the department of religious studies at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, takes a detailed look at how the battles were fought in "Lost Christianities."

"And he said, 'Whoever finds the interpretation of these sayings will not experience death.'" It sounds familiar but not quite right. That's because it's from the Coptic Gospel of Thomas, in a document found in 1954 near an

### FILM

"Bonhoeffer," Unrated (Disturbing Images) 93 minutes

While many of Germany's Christian churches supported Hitler's rise, one of the first voices of resistance came from Dietrich Bonhoeffer, a young theologian and preacher. In the States, he'd heard "the black Christ preached" with "repurposed passion and vision" by the Rev. Adam Clayton Powell Sr. at Harlem's Abyssinian Baptist Church. Buoyed by an awareness of racial prejudice, a socially and politically engaged church and the Christian activism of scholar Reinhold Niebuhr, he returned home, not only to oppose Hitler but also to conspire to assassinate him. The documentary tracking the philosophical road that the courageous pacifist traveled en route to a Nazi gallows at age 39, is a powerful film.

— Jane Sumner

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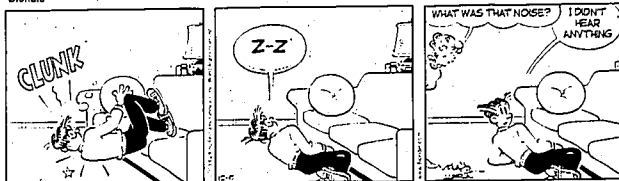
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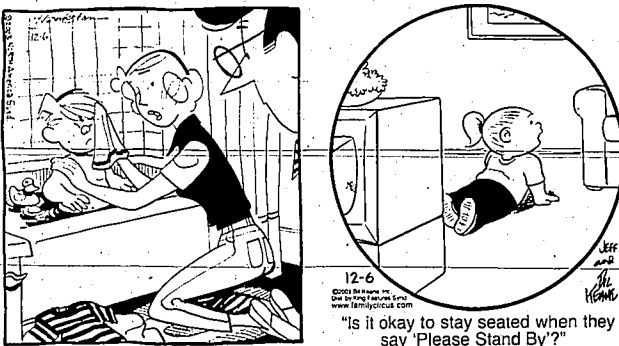


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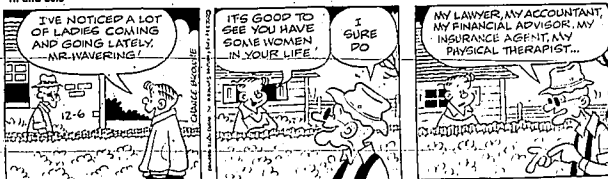
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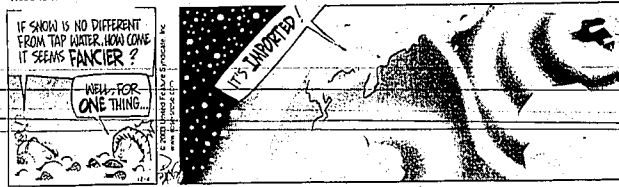
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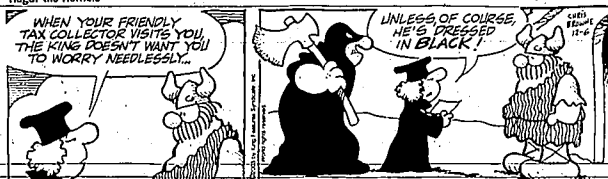
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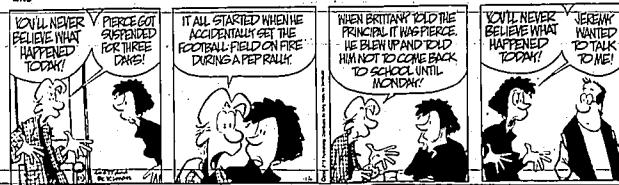
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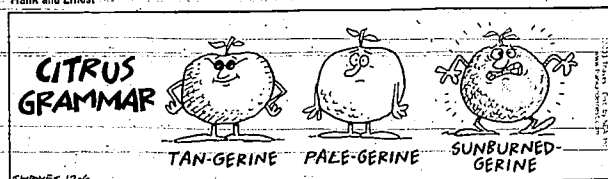
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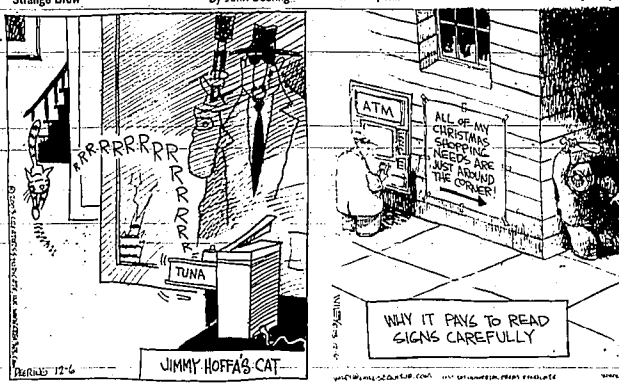


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**Tax-Aide volunteers** - The AARP Tax-Aide Program needs volunteers throughout south central Idaho to help low and middle income people with their tax returns. Volunteers are especially needed in Camas, Cassia, Lincoln and Minidoka counties. Study guides will be distributed in December. In January, volunteers will receive free comprehensive classroom training. No prior tax experience is needed, but some computer experience is helpful. Volunteers will need to commit at least 40 hours of volunteer service over the 10-week tax season. Call Bob Wunderle at 837-9178 or Fred Ripley at 534-6544.

This public service column is designed to match needs in the communities of the eight counties in the Magic Valley with volunteer help. If you need a volunteer, call the Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP), at 736-2122, Ext. 920. RSVP is a United Way-sponsored agency at the College of Southern Idaho. Please submit your request before 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday for Saturday publication. Call weekly to retain request.

Call Ruth Scott at 732-6536 or 1-800-680-0274, ext. 6536.

p.m. and 1-4:30 p.m. Mondays through Fridays. To adopt a family for Christmas, call Aleksandra at 736-2166.

**Transportation** - Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers/Faith in Action needs a volunteer to transport a woman from Jerome to counseling from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Wednesdays in Twin Falls. Call Nora at 733-6333.

**Walking companion** - Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers/Faith in Action needs a walking companion for a disabled woman. The volunteer would walk once a week in the afternoon or early evening at the Magic Valley Mall. Call Nora at 733-6333.

**Drivers** - The Twin Falls Senior Citizen Center needs volunteer drivers for its home-delivered meals program. Volunteers don't need to be a senior and will work one or two days a week. Call Karen at 734-5084.

**Head Start** - The North Side Head Start needs a treadmill in good condition. Call Linda or Judy at 324-2385.

**Storm door installation** - A volunteer is needed to install/modify a storm door for an elderly woman in Twin Falls. Call Nora at 733-6333.

**Christmas items** - The College of Southern Idaho Refugee Center needs Christmas items such as gifts and toys. Items may be dropped off from 8 a.m. to 12

**Tutors** - The College of Southern Idaho Adult Basic Education program needs volunteer tutors in the Mini-Cassia area to assist students three to four hours a week in advanced math.

## 50-YEAR REUNION



The Rupert High School class of 1953 held its 50-year reunion Sept. 5-6. Alumni visited, toured the Wilson Theater and enjoyed dinner at the East Western Inn in Butley. From a class of 100 plus, 60 classmates and their spouses and friends attended. Those attending were, from left, first row: Paul Bildeback, DeVere Kent, Rollo Harrison, Russ Newcomb, Chuck Stuart, Bob Dalby, Lee Carter, Norm Bagnall, Allen King, Bob West and Richard Jacobson; second row: Theron Griffin, Roberta Rytting, Virginia Howard, Dixie Eppera, Lena Tracy, Ailena Blacker, Alice Allen, Donna Cox, Louise Freilinger, Shirley Anderson, Vivian Sparks, Bobbie Lee Robbins and Jeannine Quore; third row: Vernell Maricle, Jane Hensberg, Frances Storey, Lois Crandall, Marva Storey, Toni Antonio, LeNeil Hugh, Delores Freeman, Francis Badger, Verice Robbins, Cora Mae Hilling, Alta Day, LaRaine Staker, Maxine Rice, Elaine Newarth, Regina Rausch and Carol Dunn; fourth row: Joel Whitaker, Ricky Barksdale, Theron Wilkins, Richard Judd, Elwood Wall, LaMar King, Delbert Potter, Ken Fenton, Donald Pickering, John Tracy, Terry Hunter, Jarl Gibson, Margaret Cameron, Christine Hymas and Richard Fenton. Below, the original class photo.

## REHEARSING FOR A CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Draw Jones, Jordan Anderson, Jordan Montoe and other members of the Declo Trendsetters gear up for their upcoming Christmas concert at 7:30 p.m. today in the Declo High School auditorium, 505 E. Main St. Admission is free, but donations will be accepted. The show choir consists of 38 members, ranging from freshmen to seniors. The students are under the direction of JanRae Christensen and Tamara Barras. For more information, call Christensen at 532-4683.



Photo courtesy of JANA RAE CHRISTENSEN.



## CHURCH BAZAAR

Dolly Drew, Linda Craft, Cathy Willis and Judy Cutler display some of the raffie items available at the Little Flower Catholic Church annual bazaar. The event will be held from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. today at the church at 28th Street and Oakley Avenue in Burley. Items include an Afghan, quilt, ceramic St. Nick, a hand-loomed rug, gift baskets and two 50-pound boxes of potatoes. Tickets are \$1 or \$16 for \$5. Crafts, home-baked goods and candles also will be for sale. Food will be served all day, including homemade chili, cinnamon rolls, potato bar, hot dogs, chili dogs, pies, coffee and punch. The public is invited.



Photo courtesy of Little Flower Catholic Church.

## CSI speech, debate team places in tourney

**TWIN FALLS** - The College of Southern Idaho speech and debate team continued a successful season by placing second at the recent Lower Columbia College tournament in Longview, Wash. CSI was 14 points behind overall winner, Clackamas Community College, despite entering fewer than half the number of competitors that Clackamas entered. Fourteen colleges and universities from three states competed. CSI finished ahead of such schools as Washington State University, the University of Washington, Pacific Lutheran University and the University of Portland. Individually, Bridgette

Harwood of Challis and Kaylie Steel and Jenette Miller, both of Twin Falls, led CSI by placing in every individual event that they entered. Harwood placed first in the open divisions of informative speaking and persuasive speaking and fifth in prose interpretation. Steel placed second in the novice divisions of informative speaking and persuasive speaking, while Miller placed in the novice divisions, first in persuasive speaking, third in informative speaking and third in prose interpretation. Flint Espil of Kimberly placed third in the novice divisions of informative and persuasive speaking, while Jeremy Esguiza of Kimberly placed in open divisions: eighth in editorial

commentary and second in persuasive speaking. Katie McFarland of Salmon placed in novice divisions; first in informative speaking and sixth in persuasive speaking. Aaron Packham of Kimberly placed in the novice divisions: fourth in extemporaneous speaking and third in persuasive speaking. Dane Johns of Kimberly placed sixth in the open division of extemporaneous speaking. Harwood and McFarland provided CSI's only debate points by teaming up to tie for eighth place in the junior division of parliamentary debate. In February, CSI will compete at Spokane Falls Community College in Spokane, Wash.

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

### Registration begins for BSU Twin Falls program

**TWIN FALLS** - Students can register for the spring 2004 semester for Boise State University's Twin Falls program through the start of classes January 12. Students are encouraged to register early because classes will fill quickly. BSU will offer 14 courses in Twin Falls at the College of Southern Idaho campus. Students who have completed their lower division core requirements can earn a degree in accounting, general business management or criminal justice administration without leaving Twin Falls. Courses toward a master's degree in bilingual education are offered. Fees are \$162.40 per credit for part-time—undergraduates—or \$1,625.50 per semester for students who enroll in eight credits or more. Graduate fees are \$199.15 per credit. For more information, call Shari Stroud at 732-6284 or e-mail sstroud@csi.edu.

### American Mothers Inc. share holiday traditions

**TWIN FALLS** - The Magic Valley Chapter of American Mothers Inc. will meet on Tuesday at the home of Lorayne O. Smith, 916 Blue Lakes Blvd. in Twin Falls. Members will share family

Christmas traditions. All members are invited. For more information, call Carol Conover at 734-1588.

### NARFE donates canned goods to Salvation Army

**TWIN FALLS** - The National Association for Federal Retirees Employees Chapter 1959 will hold a Christmas meeting at 11:30 a.m. Monday at the Loong Hing Restaurant, 1719 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls. Members are asked to bring a canned good to donate to the Salvation Army. A Christmas video also will be shown, and the installation of officers will be completed. All presently employed and retired federal employees are invited. For more information, call 326-5636.

### B.J. Duplicate Bridge Club announces results

**RUPERT** - Results for the B.J. Duplicate Bridge Club for Dec. 2 were, north/south first, Faun and Warren McEntire; second, Vera Mai and Nanette Woodland; third, Al Anglin and Barbara Carnoy; and fourth, Dona Kunat and Peggie Payne. East/west winners included first, Trudy Carver and Nancy Gibson; second, Pat Adams and Marlene Temple; third, Dee Keicher and Leo Moore; and

fourth, Dot Creason and Norma Goodman. Play continues at 1 p.m. each Tuesday at the Rupert Elks. The public is invited.

### Fabric store announces classes for the month

**HEYBURN** - Carleen's Fabrics & Crafts, etc., 450 21st St., announced classes for December. For more information, call 679-3573. The classes are: Today, giant Santa; 1:15 p.m. the cost is \$15; Monday, rag quilt class, 1:30 p.m. The class is free, but materials must be purchased from Carleen's; Tuesday and Wednesday and Dec. 16 and Dec. 18, finish a project day, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Call to reserve a place; Tuesday, beginning piecing, 6-9 p.m. The cost is \$30 and includes a second class; Dec. 13, table runner, 1-4 p.m. The cost is \$15; Dec. 19, free stitcher's corner, 6-8 p.m. Everyone works on their own projects; Dec. 20, holiday open house, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; and Dec. 21, open for last minute projects, 1-4 p.m.

### Wishing Star Foundation meets Tuesday

**TWIN FALLS** - The Wishing Star Foundation will meet for dinner at 6 p.m. Tuesday at the Teriyaki Chicken Express in Twin Falls. The meeting will follow at 7 p.m.

The public is invited.

### Twin Falls VFW discusses business plans

**TWIN FALLS** - The Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States Henry D. Lytle Post 2136 of Twin Falls will meet at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in the Disabled American Veterans Hall, 459 Shoup in Twin Falls. Members will discuss the Voice of Democracy, Patriotic Teacher and Patriots Pen winners and business plans for 2004. For more information, call Post Commander Bob Jackson at 733-6042 or e-mail thechie@vfw.net.

### Twin Falls Sewing Center offers free demonstrations

**TWIN FALLS** - The Twin Falls Sewing Center will offer a free demonstration on pillow cases using glow in the dark thread at 11:45 a.m. today. The center will also offer last minute gift ideas at 11:45 a.m. Dec. 13. For more information, call 733-3344.

### Lincoln County Holiday Celebration takes place

**SHOSHONE** - The Lincoln County Holiday Celebration and the Festival of Misfit Trees will be held today in Shoshone. Food will be available at the celebration, which starts at 6 p.m. in

downtown Shoshone with the lighting of the Memorial Tree. The celebration will then move to old gym at 6:30 p.m.

Entertainment featuring everything from cowboy poetry to dancing, will be center stage. Children can have their photos taken with Santa. Horse and carriage rides are planned. At 9 p.m. the party moves to the football field where the Shoshone Fire Department will present a fireworks show.

A misfit tree can be anything but a traditional Christmas tree, organizers say. Last minute entries will be taken from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. today.

To reserve a spot, call Julie Oxenring-Ingram at 420-3350 or Karina Fitzgerald at 308-3185.

### American Legion holds Christmas potluck Tuesday

**TWIN FALLS** - The American Legion Auxiliary Unit 7 and the Legion Post 7 will meet for a Christmas potluck at 6 p.m. Tuesday at the post home, 447 Seastron St.

The post will provide a ham, and members are asked to bring salads, vegetables, rolls or desserts. Unit members should bring contributions for Christmas baskets for veterans and shut-ins. Small new or clean toys are still needed for distribution by the local fire and police departments.

For more information, call Carma at 733-2782.

### Jerome chamber holds home tour, auction

**JEROME** - The Jerome Chamber of Commerce Ambassadors Club will hold its HolidayFest Home tour from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Dec. 13. The tour will include five homes. Tickets are \$5. An auction will follow at 6 p.m. in the old Ridley's building on West Main Street. The live auction will begin at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$10 at the door.

Advance tickets are available at the Jerome Chamber of Commerce, St. Benedict's Family Medical Center Festival of Wreaths, Rosebud's Florist or from any chamber Ambassador. For more information, call 324-2711.

### Twin Falls Public Library offers holiday celebration

**TWIN FALLS** - The Twin Falls Public Library will offer a family holiday celebration at 4:30 p.m. Monday in the Storywell Kiva at the library, 201 Fourth Ave. E. The event will include lighting the tree, interactive skits, stories and songs. No registration is required. For more information, call the library at 733-2964.

# REAL ESTATE

## 501 OPEN HOUSES

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Sat. Dec. 6 & Sun. Dec. 7  
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<b>OPEN 1:15-2:15</b> 608 CRESTVIEW DRIVE (TWIN FALLS) \$132,900 #108866	<b>OPEN 1:30-2:30</b> 423 WOODLAND COLLETT (TWIN FALLS) \$157,900 #108152	<b>OPEN 1:45-2:45</b> 387 LONGBOW CIRCLE (TWIN FALLS) \$164,900 #106370

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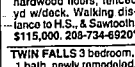
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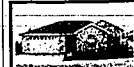
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Today's deal highlights one point of modern bidding, and a very subtle point in the play. In the auction, South's three-heart call in balancing seat shows an opening bid and a good six- or seven-card suit, in other words an intermediate jump rather than a weak-jump overall, hence North's decision to bid on to the heart game. With an ace less, South would simply balance with a two-heart call, which does not promise as much as an overall in direct seat.

In the play, after West leads a top spade, and east Sees's discouraging three, suggesting three cards in the suit, he carefully shifts to the diamond queen. With all the cards marked offside in the auction, South has to make maximum use of dummy's spot-cards in both major suits. First of all, he must take dummy's diamond ace and lead the spade eight, pitching his losing diamond on it. West wins the spade 10 and can do no better than exit with another diamond, and South takes care to ruff high. Then he draws two rounds of trump ending in dummy and leads the spade nine to pitch a club away.

West can take his spade ace and exit with a third diamond, but declarer can ruff high again and recross to dummy by using his heart four, overaken by the five. Finally, the spade jack has been established as a winner, and it will take care of the club queen, giving declarer his 10th trick and the contract.

**NORTH** 12-4-A  
 ♠ J 9 8 2  
 ♥ A 5 3  
 ♦ A 6 4  
 ♣ 8 6 2

**WEST**  
 ♠ A K 10 6 4  
 ♥ 8  
 ♦ Q J 10 3  
 ♣ K J 4

**EAST**  
 ♠ 7 5 3  
 ♥ 6 8 2  
 ♦ K 9 8 5  
 ♣ 10 9 7 3

**SOUTH**  
 ♠ Q  
 ♥ K Q J 10 9 7 4  
 ♦ 7 2  
 ♣ A 5

Vulnerable: East-West  
 Dealer: West

The bidding:  
 South West North East  
 3♥ Pass 3♠ Pass  
 4♥ All pass

Opening lead: Spade king

**BID WITH THE ACES** 12-6-B

**South** holds:  
 ♠ A K 10 6 4  
 ♥ 8  
 ♦ Q J 10 3  
 ♣ K J 4

**South** West North East  
 1♠ 1NT 2♥ Pass

**ANSWER:** Pass, rather than reverting to two spades or risking three diamonds. Your partner's auction is nonforcing (typically 6-9 points) with a six-card suit. There is no reason that any other suit will play better than hearts, and at least in hearts partner's hand will be worth something. It could be valueless in spades.

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