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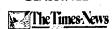
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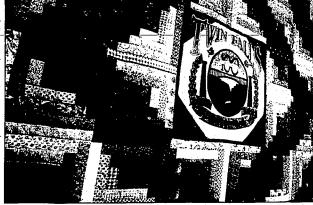
Desert Sage Quilters of Magic Valley members Cathy Reltz, front left, Peggy Jardine, Julie Allen, second row left to right, Jane Slickers, Marllyn Gardner,

uilts commemorate T.F. centennial

TWIN FALLS - Years from now, local quilters hope, you'll still see reminders of Twin Falls' first 100 years and its 2004 celebration. Others wrote books, blazed canyon trail or sculpted a statue to carry something of the city's first century into the second. But two groups of quilters of Magic Yalley club members and the quilting team of the Twin Falls senior Citizens Center each created a commemorative quilt to be donated to the city at the New Year's Eve gala that kicks off Twin Falls' centernial acclebration. The senior center has its quilt inshed and hanging for now, on a wall in its main dining room.

We're getting a lot of raves about it,' quilter Clee Benson said. Desert Sage members, meanwhile, are scurrying to complete theirs before Dec. 31.

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The Twin Falls Senior Center's Centennial quilt has a traditional quilt pattern with the centennial logo and the na

This 1954 cake, which celebrates the city's 50th birthday, is topped by a wagon bearing the 'Twin Falls or Bust 1904.' Lindsay ilins says the photogreat-grandmother, Lora Moon Doss, who moved to Magic Valley in 1901. Mullins and her Falls house where her parents, grandparents spaper clippings and other local relics, this

Gala organizers line up more New Year's events

By Virginia S. Hutchins Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - On a summertime evening in 1954, 11-year-old
Bob Running found a Sav-Mor
Drug Store coupon in his slice of
the city's birthday cake.
He gave the coupon to his mom,
who got nylons at the drug store.
"And I have no idea why I
remember that," sald Running,
now an investment executive in
Lakewood, Wash.
But Twin Falls' 50th birthday is
prominent among his memories

prominent among his memories of the town he grew up in. The 50-

year-old city in 1954 celebrated with a tiered cake stuffed with coupons, topped by a little wagon, and served at the center of downtown: Main Avenue and Shoshone Street.

"As I recall, they had the streets blocked off. That might be foggy memory, but it sure seemed to me

memory, but it sure seemed to me it was right smack in the middle of the intersection," Running

said.
The sweet 1954 creation is pic-tured here, courtesy of another Twin Falls family.
Almost 50 years later, Twin Falls Please see GALA, Page A2

Christmas tree growers improve on Mother Nature and balsam seeds by happen-

photo among them

CHINA, Maine (AP) - Clark Granger stands in his snowy field, looking proudly upon thousands of budding Christmas trees.

At five years old, they are bigger and thicker than a typical balsam fir, and when they hit the market in two years, Granger doesn't expect to see a sad-looking Charlie Brown tree in the bunch.

The firs represent the latest

selective breeding efforts by Maine growers to produce a tree that grows faster and denser, drops fewer needles, resists pests and requires less trimming.

"This is the sort of tree that we're trying to grow," Granger says, squatting next to a 3-foothigh, perfectly shaped fire.

Other growers across the country also are tapping science to provise sort and the stapping science to provide a produce a produce

try also are tapping science to pro-duce better trees and entice cus-

tomers away from artificial trees, which now represent the majority of Christmas trees displayed in

of Christmas trees displayed in homes.
Weir Tree Farms in Colebrook, MH., came up with a Fraserbal-sam combination that has the fragrant smell of balsams and needle tetention Frasers are known for.
They call it the "Fralsam," and it was a happy accident for grower William Weir, who mixed Fraser

and batsam secus or mappersistance.
"Once a person has any of these, they don't want anything else," Weir said.
Cross breeding in trees is rare and usually happens only by accident. Most tree farmers are relying more on science.
In the South, growers have been cloning specialty trees for decades, Please see TREES, Page A2

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Officials shift their Afghan strategy

They will try to woo non-criminal Taliban members

The Washington Post

KABUL, Afghanistan - U.S mis
itary officials, after two years of
marrowly focusing on anti-terroriscombat operations, say they are
shifting to a broader strategy that
includes trying to woo noncriminal
members of the Islamic Taliban
movement back into mainstream
society and establishing long-term
civilian assistance, programs in
conflict zones.

At the same time, the U.S. military does not appear to be having

civilian assistance, programs in conflict zone.

At the same time, the U.S. military does not appear to be having serious second thoughts about combat tactics after two controversial incidents this month in which atotal of 15 children were inadver tently killed during: U.S. air assaults on two villages in Paktia and Ghazni provinces.

L. Gen. David Barno, the new senior U.S. military commander in Afphanistan, said in a wide ranging interview last week that U.S. military commander in Afphanistan, said in a wide ranging interview last week that U.S. military commander in Afphanistan, said in a wide ranging interview last week that U.S. military commander in Afphanistan, said in a wide ranging interview last week that U.S. military fifted saw three distinct adversaries in different parts of the country, each requiring a different approach.

In soutifier provinces bordering Paktika, where Arab Islamic extremists, and al-Quida fighters have repeatedly attacked U.S. bases, Barno said U.S. combat money would continue to approsively track down, captures and kar as many ast two could.

In northern border provinces such as Knara and Nuristan; which armed followers of fugitive Afgham militia leader Gulbuddin Helmatyar have used as a base for urban sabotage and links with other Islamic groups, Barno said destroy these forces.

But in southeastern provinces such as Ghazni, Zabol and Kandabar, where revived Talibon forces have staged numerous.

Time honors U.S. soldiers with Person

The Associated Press

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coust, or come; time Managing, Editor Jim Kelly said.

The selection echoes 1950, the year the Korean War begon, when the magazine's editors picked the American Gl for the cover, writing that "it was not a role the American had sought, either as an individual or as a nation. The U.S. fightingman was not civilization's crusader, but destiny's draftee."

The 2003 Person of the Year package, on newstands Monday, features an artillery survey unit from the 1st Armored Division to tell the story of the American soldier.

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Tomorrow: A little warmer with partly cloudy skies. Highs in

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After that night, the Twin Falls Centennial Commission wants to display both quilts, moving them from place to place in public buildings during the centennial year, the commission's Executive Director Bonnie Lezarniż said. After the centennial, the commission intends to find each quilt a permanent home in the public yea.

The senior center's quilters opted for a traditional quilt pattern, embellished with Twin Falls' centennial logo and with embroitents and the part of the property of the part of the public pattern, embellished with Twin Falls' centennial logo and with embroitenia page 100 page 10

tern, embellished with twin raus centennial logo and with embroidered names of about 16 early residents. Desert Sage, members pieced a collage depicting Magic Valley scenery and activities and reproducing historical photographs.

graphs.
"We just hope that it represents
Magic Valley, the history of Magic

Valley," said Peggy Jardine, who chairs the Desert Sage club's centennial quilt committee. The club's collage of meniories" covers pioneer times and current. The club's collage of meniories covers pioneer times and current events, the said. At the top of the 6-by. How quilt are old-time pictures spreen printed on the fabric. At the bottom is a huge picture of the Snake River Canyon, the Perrint Bridgs, the river and its falls; with other scenes embedded in the canyon walls. The scenes, pieced from various fabrics, represent farming, ranching, trout farming, hunting, fishing, a church, a golf course and the like.

Jardine and fellow club members started the project in late summer. Tuesday, they met to put the finishing touches on the quilt-top piecing in preparation for machine quilting - which holds together the

layers of quitt - and edge binding.
They've had good ideas, collaborated well and have been eager to finish their masterpiece in time for New Year's Eve, Jardine said.
"It's been really fun and interesting," she said.
Desert Sage's gift to the city is a valuable one, given the hours and handlwork involved.
"If we wanted to sell it we probably would sell it for several thousand dollars," Jardine said.
The senior center's quilters, meanwhile, chose a traditional log cabin pattern that local settlers might have used in their own quits, said Benson, who designed the quilt with Helen Slater. Their square wall hanging measures about 70-75 inches on each side.
The pattern is made of strips of materials – of the same width but

different lengths - arranged con-centrically in 10-inch-square blocks. Each block's "logs" are of light shades on one side and dark on the other, with a traditionally red center.

on the other, with a traditionally red center.

"It's a pattern that goes way, way back," Benson said. "This, is supposed to represent the log abins of the early settlers, and the red center-represents-the-hearth-of-the-home."

The 'quilt's middle – a space equivalent to four blocks – features a fassimile of the city's official certennial logo. Quilter Deana Steela appliqued the logo using colored fabrics.
"And your years" believe it.

appliqued the logo using contect fabrics.

"And you won't believe it's appliqued. It looks like it's just painted oit there. Sie does such beautiful work," Benson said.

To coordinate with the logo col-

ors, the senior center's quilters chose predominantly yellows and tans for the "logs" on the light side of each block, and wines, brown and navies on the dark side. The blocks' centers are on the wine side of the red spectrum.

In some of those centers, the quilters embroidered names of some early I'win Falls planners and developers - names Benson - and-Stater-found at the public library or elsewhere.

"This list by no means includes everyone who contributed to the beginnings of Tivin Falls," Benson said.

Times-News Business Editor Virginia \$. Hutchins – serving also as Centennial editor – can be reached at 735-3242 or virginia@magic valleu.com.

Giving credit

hese volunteers helped create Twin Falls' contennial

ate Twin Falls' centennial quilitas:

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• Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center Machine pieced by Cleo Benson, Hand quilted by Helen Slater, Benson, Loretta Wollers, Dottle Amazeen, Deana Steele, Gayle Egbert, Louise Bowles, Sally Klaas, Isabel Wilson and Lorraine Call, Center appliques by Steele.

Trees

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Continued from Al according to Clarke Gernon, a grower in Louisiana.

On his Shady Pond Tree Farm in Pearl River, La., Gernon has produced a hybrid of the Arizona Cypress and Alaskan Codar called Leyland Cypress, a tree whose leaves are green, and white with some gold.

"It's pretty darn spiffy stuff," he

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"It's pretty darn spiffy stuff," he said.
Granger, a plant pathologist whose Maine farm is about 20 miles from the state capital Augusta, said he hopes to bring his trees to market about a year shy of the typical eight-year growing san.

the typical eight-year growing span.

That's good news to the state's 230 or so growers, who started hinking about how to build a better Christmas tree more than two decades ago.

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Tree experts spent years scouring the United States and Canada for the best balsam firs based on shapeliness, rich color, fast growth, needle retention and resistance to disease and insects.

Growers transplanted cuttings from those trees onto regular stock. The resulting parent trees — or phenotypes – were grouped together on seed farms to ensure that only the very best trees cross pollinated each other.

While Maine's trees may be bigger and greener, even with selective breedings no two trees will ever turn out exactly alike, said Maxwell McGormack, a retired University of Maine forestry pro"There is no perfect Christmas tree except, my wife says, ours."

tree except, my wife says, ours. Beauty is in the eye of the behold-er," he said.

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Gala _

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gets another birthday cake.
Centennial leaders will serve it in
the final hours or 2003, at a gala
launching the city's 10-monthlong birthday party.
The Times-News' Dec. 14 edition
included many details about the
upcoming New Year's Eve gala at
Magic Valley Mall – historical displays, artwork unveiling, music
and midnight festivities among
them. But organizers continue to
line up new attractions for the
Dec. 31 event.
Here are the updates:

Birthday cake

Birthday cake

The Cake Boutique owner
Debbie Miller is donating a
fancy, decorated cake for Twin
Falls' 100lı birthday. But she's
still designing it and hasn't told
gala organizers what to expect.
"I'Il he a surprise to all of us,"
said Bonnie Lezamiz, executive
director of the Centennial
Commission.
The cake will be on display at
the mall's Center Court from the
beginning of the 7 p.m. gala. The
serving of slices will start around
9 p.m. But separate sheet cakes

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Ticket basics

The livin Falls Centennial Commission's glas for all ages runs from 7 p.m. to midnight on New Year's Eve, at Magic Valley Mail.

Pictors: Tickets sold in advance cost \$12 for adults; \$10 for students and senlors: or \$25 for a family of up to five. Tickets at the door cost \$15 per person.

cost \$15 per person.
Included: Pay the admission price and you can partake of hors d'oeuvres and nearly all of the evening's attractions and activities, with just two exceptions.
Those exceptions are alcoholic drinks at the no-host bar, and old fashioned

will be the first to go, saving the decorated masterpiece for as long as possions and Costco Wholesale have donated some sheet cakes, but the Centennial Commission needs more. You don't lave to be a commercial bakery to donate a half-sheet cake; a gift of about 528 would do the trick.
"That's a nice, smaller area that we could use help with,"

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photographs of yourself and your friends. Merchandise will also be for

Mentionate with above to Mage Valley branch of First Federal Savings Bank; Twin Falls Wells Fargo Bank toatons; A Happy Camper at the Magic Valley Malt: Clos Office Supply in downtom Twin Falls; Everybody's Business in the Shops at the Malt: the CSI Bookstore at at the Malt: the CSI Bookstore at lotting falls; or the Twin Falls; or th

For information: Call the Centennial Office at 736-0800.

Lezamiz said.

But if you want to pitch in, don't show up on New Year's Eve bearing a cake. Instead, call the centennial office as soon as possible to offer money toward the purchase.

Giveaway drawings
Magic Valley Mall has donated
\$1,000 in mall gift certificates to
distribute in drawings throughout
the evening, Lezamiz said.
Families whose children play
various carrival games that night
will receive tickets to enter drawings. for. the. 10. \$100. gift. certificates. Entrants will write their
names and contact information
on the tickets and needn's stick
around all night in order to win.
Adults, too, can earn chances to
win by participating in mock
sumo wrestling or in "monsterboxing" with huge, soft gloves.

Oregon Trail tales

Mary J. Inman of Twin Falls, a former National Park Service naturalist-turned-medical technologist, now, tells stories of the Oregon Trail through a character called "Grammaw Maudle," called "Grammaw Maudie," who's based on a composite of

several real pioneers.

Through the Centennial Commission's contract with the Idaho Humanities Council, Inman will present her 30-minute "Oregon Bount 1843" program at 8:30 pm. Dec. 31 at the mall's Center Court. Grammaw Maudie tells of the hardships and heart-break of a wagon caravan.

"She takes you on the actual rip, You're there, You're on the trip, too." Inman said.

At the gala, Inman will also sell her "Living History Stories of the Crogon Trail" on compact dises. (Maudie's is one of four stories on the CD.) Also for sale will be Inman's new book of Twin Falls Charurybook, "1904-2004," and her Twin Falls history." "Win Falls Centurybook, "1904-2004," and her Twin Falls historical tour tapes.

Second storyteller

Gala organizers have lined up another Oregon Trail storyteller, too, Centennjal Commission staffer Jenny McDowell said Friday.

Afton Patrick, a Filer Elementary School teacher, will perform a 7:30 p.m. and 9:15 p.m. at the mall's Center Court, for 30 minutes each time."

"She really gets into character; she's in historical costume," McDowell said. "She engages the crowd."

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rowd. Sand. She disages the Patrick's appearance – unlike luman's – is a volunteer one. In her stories, McDowell said, Patrick describes life aboard a wagon, tells listeners what pioneers experienced in Magic Valley and talks specifically about local sites, including liagerman and the area that's now home to Magic Valley. Regional Medical Center.

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U.S. forces round up rebel suspects | Idaho looks at

BAGIDAD, Iraq (AP) - Acting on intelligence gleaned from the capture of Saddam Hussein, U.S. troops rounded up dozens of suspected robels during two days of raids in towns where loyalty to the deposed president remains strong, officials and Sunday. Two Iraqis were killed.

Smashing down doors troops

Smashing down doors, troops went house to house in Fallujah, a Smashing down doors, troops went house to house in Falluijah, a center of resistance west of Baghdad, early Sunday. Troops of the Army's 3rd Armored Cavalry Regiment blockaded Rawah, near the western border with Syria, for a sweep dubbed Operation Santa Claws, the U.S. Army told Associated Press Television News. Rawah was put under a night-time curfew, while the towns of Samarra, 75 miles north of Baghdad, and Jaludah, northwest of Baghdad, were also targeted. Support for Saddam has been strong in all of those areas. Soldiers arrested 60 Iraqis for questioning, and are seeking more than 100 senior members of Saddam's Baath Party and insurgents the military calls 'terrorists,' said Lt. Brian Joyce of the 3rd Armored Cavalry.

In one of the Rawah raids, a 60-year-old woman was killed when soldiers blasted open the rein-

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An traci official of the Ministry of Oil looks at a burning pipeline near ra, north of Baghdad, Sunday. Thieves trying to steal gasoline caused ey breached a pipeline, creating a blaze that destroyed cars that were loaded with barrels of gas on Saturday

Humvees and Bradley armored vehicles seized dozens of AK-47 assault rifles and several rocket-propelled grenade launchers, Kievenaar said.

They were searching for more

Kievenaar said.

They were searching for more arms and "people who finance, supply and organize resistance to the coalition," he said.

Gen. Richard Myers, the chairman of U.S. Joint Chiefs of Staff, said several hundred Saddam loy-

their grief and do themselves a favor."
About 90 percent of the families
- as many as 2,700 out of 2,976, as
of Friday evening according to the

About 90 percent of the families – as many as 2,700 out of 2,976, as of Friday evening according to the Department of Justice – who lost loved ones in the worst terrorist attacks in American history are expected to file papers by the deadline of midnight Monday. They will seek compensation that, altituugh varying widely, will average about \$1.8 million, tax free. (The highest award has been just under \$7 million). The remaining 200 or so families are expected to embark on a legally uncertain journey, suing the airlines and airlines security agencies, among others.

of gas on Saturday,
alists had been rounded up in
recent raids. They include "some of
the leadership of this insurgency,
absolutely, some of the cell leaders," he told Fox News Sunday.
Myers tied arrests to Saddam's
capture. "Some of the information
we gleaned when we picked up
Saddam Hussein led to a better
understanding of the structure of
the resistance from the former
regime elements," he said.

Those who claim physical injury - from terrible burns to lingering respiratory problems - can file claims with the fund, too, and more than 3,000 have already.

Saddam was arrested Dec. 13 near his hometown of Therit, and the U.S. military has said soldiers also seleza? briefease containing documents that shed light on the anti-U.S. insurgency. The CIA is interrugating him in Iraq; Iraq; officials say the former dictator is in the Baghdad area.

"The only word I have is that he's not being cooperative. But other than that, I don't know." Myers said.

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In other news on Sunday;

Guerrillas fired a rocket-propelled grenade at a U.S. military convoy at a police recruitment center in Mosul, 250 miles north of Baghdad. The grenade hit a civilian vehicle, seriously wounding the Iraqi driver, said an AP Television News cameraman at the scene.

Some of the U.S. soldiers in the three-truck convoy were outside

News cameraman at the scene.

Some of the U.S. soldiers in the three-truck convoy were outside their vehicles when the attack happened but were unhurt, APTN reported.

The head of the Iraqi Governing Council met with Syrian President Bashar Assad in Damascus. Abdul Aziz al-Hakim said Syria is trying to stop fighters from crossing the border into Iraq to join the resistance.

Al-Hakim said his administration planned to sign agreements with Syria, a staunch opponent of the U.S. led invasion, to improve security along their long, desert border.

Deadline for 9/11 fund applications approaches

sought to protect the airlines from lawsuits. The major airlines faced billions of dollars in potential-claims, and legislators worried that the industry might come to a halt, if not collapse altogether. The resulting legislation grant-ea airlines 55 billion in cash and an additional \$10 billion in loan guarantees. It limited the liability of airlines to the amount of insurance carried for the four-hijacked-planes. Anyone who accepts compensation from the fund must relinquish the right to sue the airlines, the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey – which owns the World Trade Center property – or any other domestic company.

mail-in voting

BOISE (AP) — The Idalio Association of Counties is pushing for mail-in voting for the states smallest precincts, those with fewer than 250 registered voters. Kootenai County Clerk Dan English, whose county has one of the small precincts in the Rose Lake/Harrison area, said he'd only recommend the move il local voters wanted it.

Some Idaho precincts are tiny. The Joseph precinct in Idaho County has just 15 registered voters, 12 of whom voted in the last election.

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This plan could make casting ballots easier and cheaper for Idaho's small precincts.
Although voters can vote through mail by requesting absence bal-

lots counties must maintain a local polling place on Election Day. Secretary of State Ben Ysursa is backing the counties' idea, whigh will be proposed to lawmakers when they convene next month. "By testing the waters of a mail election, we'll see how it works," he

election, we'll see how it works," he said.
Ysursa said Oregon and Washington have had successes with mail-in voting. Oregon now conducts all its elections by mail, and has seen an increase in voter turmout. Two-thirds of Washington's ballots are sent by mail.
Idaho has 134 precincts that have fewer than 250 registered voters. Although most are in remote and rural areas, a few are in more populated counties.

San Francisco power outage leaves thousands in the dark

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SAN FRANCISCO (AP) - Tens of thousands of current of thousands of customers remained without power Sunday following a massive blackout that disrupted traffic, shut down transit stations and, at its height, left a third of the city without electricity on one of the busiest days of the holiday season.

The power outage started just before 6 p.m. Saturday when a fire erupted at a major Pacific Gas & Electric Co. substation that feeds smaller neighborhood substations.

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"There's no indication that it was vandalism or sabotage. As far as the exact cause, we just don't know yet," utility spokesman Jonathan Franks said.

About 24,000 remained without power by late Sunday afternoon.

At the height of the blackout about 24,000 customers lost power, including parts of Mission, North Beach, Chinattown and downtown San Francisco. Power was expected to be restored throughout the city by the evening. Franks said.

The Washington Post NEW YORK – How to calculate the monetary value of loss? In lost earnings, in holidays and vacations forgone, or in aching loneliness? Charles Wolf wrestled with this question for more than two years. Then late last month, he filed papers with the Sept. 11 Victim Compensation Fund, seeking to determine the monetary value of losing his wife. Katherine Wolf, 40, died on Sept. 11, 2001, in the World Trade Center. "It took me a white toget there," said Wolf, who lives in Greenwich Village, about 25 blocks north of Ground Zero. "But people need to realize this is their last clane. They need to overcome Strategy

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Continued from A1, attacks against civilians while also trying to win political influence, Barno said U.S. officials were shifting to an "integrated" approach that woos back former Islamic fighters into civilian life. "Those who are criminals must be held accountable, but for the rank and file, the noncriminals,

there will be opportunities for reconciliation and reintegration," Barno said His remarks suggested that U.S. officials now agree with Afghan President Harnid Karzai that the revived Taliban movemen needs to be courted politically.

In numerous speeches and interviews, Karzai has made a distinction between what he describes as

good and bad members of the Taliban. He said that as fow as 150 Taliban officials might be guilty of terrorism and abuse and that the rest needed to be brought back into civilian life, si the case with thousands of ones from Afghan militia forces, who previously fought the Taliban but are being disarmed and offered job training.

file claims with the fund, too, and more than 3,000 have already. About 400, the New York Post reported over the weekend, have withdrawn their claims against the city and have instead chosen to apply to the fund. Nearly every step in this process has been laden with controversy, and sometimes with anger. Congress created the compensation fund in the days after the terroits attacks not as solace for the families of victims at the World Trade Center, the Pentagon and aboard the plane that crashed in Pennsylvania. Rather Congress



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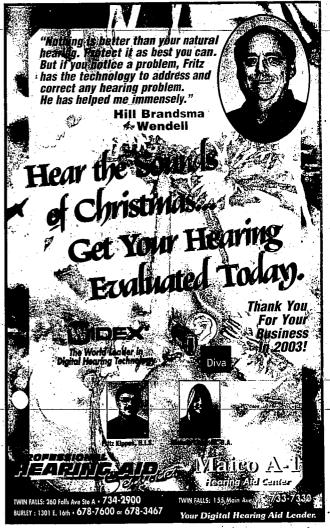
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Fatherhood changes outlook of country singer Tim McGraw

One such high point was performing at the recent Nobel Peace Prize concert in Oslo. McGraw, his wife, Faith Hill, and

"To be able to travel like this and the kids to see things like this, it's pretty amazing," McGraw said.

Billions over budget, highway opens in Boston

BOSTON (AP) - The hulking elevated Central Artery highway that has marred the city's landscape for more than four decades carried its last car Saturday as it was replaced - five years late and billions over budget - by a tunnel routing Interstate 93 under downtown Boston. In a simple morning ceremony, Mayor Thomas M. Menino and Massachusetts Turnpike Authority chairman Matthew Amorello net a ribbon to none a twe-mile

stretch of highway that allows traffic to soar over the Leonard P. Zakim Bunker Hill Bridge and then sweep through four southbound lanes of underground

southbound lanes of underground Interstate 93.

"This changes the face of Boston forever," Menino said.
The first motorist to travel the new stretch of highway was Elaine Cronin, returning home to Boston after visiting a sister in Woburn. She was met on the

bridge by Menino and Amorello and given a Big Dig baseball cap and map of the project autographed by the two men.
"It's part of history," Cronin said. "I live in the West End and I've watched this being built."

Moments earlier, officials had greeted Anne and Nick Najjar of Stoneham in the last vehicle to drive across the crumbling Central Artery.

"highway in the sky" when it open 1959 but it became clogged by more double the number of cars it was desi double the number of cars it was designed to carry.

Its matte green paint prompted Meninoto call it Boston's "other Green Monster." The original Green Monster is Fenway Park's left field wall.

The opening of the new southbound lanes of 193 was the last major milestone of the 514.6 billion Big Dig.

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national parks and

monuments would

boost idaho's economy.

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(Pocatello) Idaho State Journal

e in southeast Idaho often take for grant-ed the access to and convenience of the national parks in our region. In Idaho alone there are four designated and protected areas that are part of the system - Craters of the Moon, Hagerman
Fossil Beds, City
of Rocks
Their view: This

of ROCKS National Reserve

National Reserve and the Nez Perce National Historic Park, And that's not even mentioning the sliver of Yellows to ne. National Park within our state's boundaries, or nearby Grand Teton National nearby Grand Teton National

Park.
Officially created in 1916 to oversee the proper management and conservation

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and conservation
of our nation's treasures, the
National Park Service oversees
more than 300 sites across the
U.S. and U.S. territories.
The National Park system is
a spectacular asset to the country, especially in our region.
Tourists—come—to—enjoy—thebeauty of the parks, and they
bring their cash along too.
A recent study revealed that
Yellowstone and Grand Teton
national parks have had an
increasingly positive economic
impact on the state of Idaho.
According to the study, the
wop parks bring in about \$415
million annually to the
economies of Wyoming,
Montana and Idaho. The parks,
also create more than 8,800
jobs for people in the region,
many in small towns where
other opportunities are limited.
But the organization spon-

But the organization spon-soring the study - the National Parks Conservation Asso-

ciation also notes that the parks are having increasing trouble staying in peak condition due to insufficient funds. Congress' yearly budget allocations, though there have been recent increases, have not fulfilled the needs of all the parks. The budget shortfalls have meant that the National Park Service has had to scale back improvement projects and, at times, forego repairs and routine maintenance.

parks The deserve to be funded fully, and the National P a r k s Conservation

s and would seconomy.

The parks are great for the economy.

Not only do the parks are great for the economy.

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in our region.
It's time Congress realizes how important the park system is and allocate enough money to keep the parks in top-notch condition for years to come.

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Buying votes drives Congress

Tashington is once again buzzing with charges of bribery. Rep. Nick Smith, R.Mich, asserted a few days ago that unnamed individuals offered \$100,000 for his son's congressional campaign if the elderly Smith would vate for the Medicare bill backed by President Bush. Smith is retiring, and his son is seeking his seat. Smith now says he was offered "substantial and aggressive campaign support" for his son and not money per se.

Nonetheless, some congressional Democrats have called for an investigation of Smith's charges by the House Ethics Committee. If that investigation starts, where will it end? Big government itself is based on bribery.

JOHN SAMPLES

If Smith is telling the truth, someone was trying to persuade him to wote to add a prescription drug benefit to Medicare. In exchange for his vote, they offered money or "substantial and aggressive campaign support." That putative attempt to buy Smith's vote was part of a larger, much more expensive vote-buying scheme.

vote was part of a larger, much more expensive vote-buying scheme.

The prescription drug benefit at issue will cost at least \$400 billion over 10 years and may in the end cost much more than that. The money will help subsidize medicine for Americans who receive Medicare. When he signed the law uthorizing the benefit, President Bush pointed out that it would be worth more than \$2,000 annually to a typical Medicare recipient. Currently Medicare has 40 million beneficiaries who are exceptionally active politically. For example, about 75 percent of the cledity two in a typical election. In the 1998 congressional elections, Medicare beneficiaries made up about 40 percent of all voters in the 2000 elections (which had higher turnout because of the presidential race). Medicare recipients made up almost 30 percent of the entire electrorate. Their votes are crucial to victory for either party. They are especially crucial to the



Republicans, who have less than whopping majorities in both houses of Congress. Not surprisingly, Republicans were willing to offer each Medicare recipient thousands of dollars in benefits in exchange for a vote. The "bribe" for Rep. Smith, if it was that, pales in comparison to the multi-billion dollar voter purchase arranged by congressional Republicans. In their defense, we might say that a Democratic majority would have paid more for the same votes. Once again, the hard-nosed business instincts of the Republicans saved the nation some money! Of course, the bidding for voted the note of the Republicans saved the nation some money! Of course, the bidding for voted the robust of the Republicans should be proported to the property of the pr

Waste found \$22 billion in pork in the current omnibus appropria-tions bill. Democratic aides work-ing for the House Appropriations Committee identified 1,857 proj-ects costing \$896 million in that

budget that are specifically ear-marked for specific states. Over nine hundred economic develop-ment projects worth \$278 million are directed to members' districts. The transportation part of the bill has \$3.7 billion in earmarked proj-

her transportation part of the has \$3.7 billion in earmarked projects.

Labor, health and education has 2,027 projects worth \$862 million, while the energy bill, which has not yet passed, includes \$20 billion for a 3,500-mile pipeline from Alaska to the lower 48, \$2.9 billion in corporate welfare for oil companies, \$2 billion for ethanol production in the Midwest, \$800 million for loan guarantees backing a coad gasification plant in Minnesota and \$220 million for an environmental learning center in Iowa. Members of Congress direct all of these projects to their states or congressional districts. You can be sure that each member of Congress lets his or her constituents know who brought home the bacon. We might like to think this is "politics as usual," but it looks a lot like Congress is

buying votes with public money. In fact, they are. For some time now, the Supreme Court has refused to enforce explicit constitutional limits on congressional spending. As a result we have come to live in a society dominated by a gor-rmment that gives to Peter by taking from Paul. Of course, the politicians that give to Peter expect his vote in return, a fact we like to ignore. Big Government is based on legalized bribery.

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The House Ethics Committee should not limit its bribery inquiry to Rep. Smith's allegations. Every member of Congress-buys votes-every-year, and many-voters sell to the highest bidder. It will remain so until we restore the limits on congressional spending in our Constitution. Until then, the buying and selling of votes will remain the engine of American politics.

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- LETTER

Local production of Messiah was inspiring

Lovers of traditional music received a much appreciated Christmas gift last weekend with the Magic Valley Chorale's excel-lent production of Handel's "Messiah."

"Messiah."

Augmented this year by the
Kimberly High School choir, the
chorale and Magic Valley
Chamber Orchestra achieved a

seamless performance both in choral numbers and the many

continuous proposed and the many soloists.

The program notes said George Frederick Handel composed this best-Inowa and most successful of his oratorios in 24 days, reminding me of the legend about his masterpiece I printed many years ago when I cowered such events for The Times-News.

Tradition has it that Handel worked like one possessed, writ-

ing almost continuously, with litthe food or rest. His servant said,
"He just stares at me and doesn's
see me. He said the gates of heaven opened wide for him and God
himself was there."
(Any anyone who has stood in
respect for the "Hallelujah" chorus cannot doubt that statement.)
But while Handel may well
have felt God's presence, the
German composer was very
human for, so the story goes,

when the score was completed, he slept as though in a coma for 17 days and the poor servant, think-ing he was dying, sent for a doc-

But before the medic could arrive, Handel had revived and was "bellowing for food, wolfing half a harn washed with endless tankends of beer." Since the composer was out of fiver in London, the oratorio was first performed in Dublin in 1742.

After a triumphal reception there, the work was enthusiastically received in London where at the first performance the audience, following the king's example, rose to its feet during the "Hallelujah" chorus. Even though it may be the most perform oratorio in history, the power of the God-given music which drew the composer from deepest despondency surely has fulfilled the promise to "light the

dark places of earth as long as there are voices to lift in song, eyes to look to the hills, hearts to hope."
So it's not surprising that the

hope."
So it's not surprising that the "Messiah" never fails to move audiences in any country. Thanks to the signers and instrumentalists for the many hours of work in again providing us this musical treat.
LORAYNE O. SMITH
Twin Falls

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Bush holds winning hand for 2004 | Women can become

ovember was a rough month for President
George.W. Bush.
George.W. Bush.
Gauslites reached record highs in Iraq, Democrats were gaining raction in polls and rhetoric, and critics were complaining about Bush's short-lived and highly secured visit to Iraq – carping even about the authenticity of the turkey he held before serving the troops.

ROBERT STEWART

December, however, is a completely different story. With Saddam Hussein's capture, the Dow Jones inching over 10,000, and a rapidly improving unemployment rate, Bush now has a handful of aces, and a growing campaign war chest. His will be a tough hand to beat next November.

November.

Saturday's successful culmination to the hunt for Saddam was
a major breakthrough for the war
in Iraq, But it may also mark the
day in which Democratic candidates for president saw their
campaigns rendered largely
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Already bereft of new ideas or positive agenda items, Democrats are beginning to lose the economy as an issue. And each new day seems to brine most in their interest. my as an issue. And each new day seems to bring more slippage in their only other pre-eminent theme. The constant refrain that Bush and his policies are failing in Iraq. With a burgeoning new government in Baghdad, infrastructure that has far surpassed government in Baghdad, infra-structure that has far surpassed prewar levels, and now a monu-mental arrest, the Democrats' already-limited list of talking points is shrinking rapidly. Beyond Saddam's capture, there is a growing likelihood that the remnants of the regime, and

possibly information on weapons of mass destruction, can now mass destruction, can now ne to light. Tipsters, unfettered fear, can now tell all they ow. It is not difficult to imagine the mountains of informa



flowing to the CIA and other intelligence organizations because Saddam, whose loyally did not extend past the point of his gun, is no longer any threat. Iraqis no longer live in fear of Saddam's return and will be far less reductant to come forward, with details on weapons programs, placements and plans. Eleven months remain before the presidential election. Just one cache of chemical weapons, one nuclear lab, one vial of Anthrax, or one scientist stepping forward to unravel the enigma of Saddam's weapons programs, coupled with the 4th Inflantry Division's capture of the former dictator, would collapse the platforms of the Democratic candidates.

Although much remains to be done in Iraq to quell the insurgency and rebuild a once-great nation, critics of the Bush administration's actions forget at their

own peril that the country continues to move in a positive direction – just as in post Taliban Afghanistan. Every week brings new success, and despite the setbacks and casualties, life is better for the Iraqis. It should be even better next week and in the months to come.

Recall that it was only recently that men, women and children were sent to prison – or mass graves – for speaking their minds, or tortured for penninds, or tortured for lowed to build palaces and erect statues, not to feed starving people, and democracy was an impossible dream in Iraq. And it was not much more than 100 days ago when Saddam Hussein's son, Odai, and his thugs abducted young women from the streets to satisfy Odai's own particular type of evil. When Odai Hussein fin-

were threatened, executed or literally branded. No amount of rhetoric from political partisans or Democratic Party candidates can diminish the fact that the Iraqis are free from such threats. In the months before the 2002 election, Democrats wagered their electronal success on obstruction, failure and pessimism. It's a losing bet. And they failed to learn from their losses at the ballot box because their only strategy since then has been to complain more, to obstruct more and to accuse more. Now, given Saddam's arrest and the success of the US. military in the war against terrorism elsewhere, these candidates will have to find a new winning hand – the one they've been holding won't beat Bush's accs.

Robert Stewart, a former Army intelligence analyst, is a writer in Washington, D.C.

terrorist bombers, too

This month a woman killed herself and five other people in a suicide bombing in the center of Moscow. Earlier in the fall a female suicide bomber killed 21 others in a crowded Israeli restaurant. These incidents, and many others before, illustrate an important weakness in our counterterorism strategy. The official profile of a typical terrorist – developed by the Department of Homeland Security to scrutinize visa applicants and resident aliens – applies only to men. That profile was developed before the advent of Islamist chat rooms recruiting operatives for a global jihad, before the war in Iraq increased anti-American sentiment worldwide and before women started serving as suicide bombers for Islamist terrorist organizations.

Under a program put in place after Sept. 11, 2001, visa applications for males between the ages of 16 and 45 are subject to special scrutiny. Women, howevereven those from countries known to harbor terrorists – are not subjected to the program. Likewise, the requirement that resident aliens from countries such as Pakistan, Yemen and Saudi Arabia register with the federal government applies only to men.

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to men.
Terrorists seek out vulnerabili-ties in the enemy government's countermeasures. When metal detectors were installed at airties in the enemy governments countermeasures. When metal detectors were installed at airports, terrorists found other ways to attack planes. When governments began protecting their embassies with concrete barriers, terrorists turned to larger explosives. Profiling men exclusively, and also focusing so tightly on countries known to harbor terrorists, are significant loopholes that have not been closed despite the FBFs recognition that al-Qaida has begun recruiting women, and despite the discovery last spring that an MIT-trained female scientist may have been providing logistical support to al-Qaida. Although women represent a fraction of terrorists worldwide, it is naive to assume they re not recruited to violent extremist groups. Women are responsible for approximately one-third of the suicide attacks perpetrated by the Tamil Tigers in ST Lanka, and two-thirds of those by the Camil Tigers in ST Lanka, and two-thirds of those by the Camil Tigers in ST Lanka, and two-thirds of those by the Camil Tigers in ST Lanka, and two-thirds of those by the Camil Tigers in ST Lanka, and two-thirds of those by the Camil Tigers in ST Lanka, and two-thirds of those by the Camil Tigers in ST Lanka, and two-thirds of those by the Camil Tigers in ST Lanka, and two-thirds of those by the Camil Tigers in ST Lanka, and two-thirds of those by the Camilla of the suicide attacks of the company of the co

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The lack of scrutiny of women entering the United States and the broadly held – and correct-view that women are less prone to violence are likely to cause al-Qaida to turn increasingly to women and other recruits who don't fit the standard profile. According to intelligence assessments cited in the press, the al-Qaida movement is seeking recruits all over the world – in Western prisons and inner cities, among Hispanic-Americans and among French converts to Islam Through Internet communications, it is urging indiciduals to create their own cells and carry out their own strikes, without necessarily joining existing militant organizations. It is also recruiting women.

Despite the legitimate concerns it raises in regard to civil liberties, profiling is appealing to bureaucracies during wartine because it allows them to develop standard operating procedures, easing the burden on those who would protect us. It may well have eased the search of the retrorist suspects until now. But we are fighting an enemy that continues to change its factics, its purported mission and the ethnicity, nationality and gender of the personnel it recruits. This means we need to rely less on these variables as indicators of potential daniger.

A far more powerful instrument would be more and better human intelligence enabling us to penetrate the movement's armies, monitor its recruitment drives, predict its evolution – including the type of personnel it will recruit – and ultimately

it will recruit - and ultimately undermine its appeal to the broader population. In the absence of such intelligence, profiling can help, but only if those who police our borders receive constant updates from the field. With such a protean enemy, to rely on standard operating procedures such as raceand gender-based profiling is to put the safety of the American people at risk.

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Radical United Nations tax plans threaten America

any politicians seem to think that the answer to every alleged problem is higher taxes. Howard Dean, for instance, has said he would repeal the Bush tax cuts—even—though this would-boost the aver—age family's tax burden by nearly \$2,000.

This initiative sound.

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This initiative sounds radical, and it is. But some proposals out there are even worse.
The United Nations, for

instance, wants to create an international Tax Organization (ITO) that would have the power to interfere with national tax polies. This crazy-idea first surfaced

cies.

This crazy idea first surfaced two years ago in a report from the world body's "High-Level Panel on Financing for Development." Since then, the United Nations has been working to turn it into reality. For instance, U.N. General-Secretary Kofi Annan recently called for the creation of a global tax commission. But no matter what it's called, an international bureaucracy with power over tax policy would be an assault on American sovereignty. An international tax organization, of course, would mean higher taxes and bigger government. Indeed, U.N. officials have been quite open about their intentions. The chairman of the U.N. panel that first endorsed the creation of a ITO said that it would "take a lead role in restraining tax competition," According to this men.

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tality, it's unfair for America to

tality, it's unfair for America to have lower taxes than places such as France and Germany, especially if it means that jobs and investment flee Europe's welfare states and come to America. For all intents and purposes, the United Nations wants to create an "OPEC for politicians." Governments would conspire to keep taxes high, and countries with free-market tax systems—such as the United States, Switzerland, Ireland and Hong Kong—would be targeted for persecution.

secution.

The United Nations also wants the power to levy its own taxes. The original report looked at two options, a tax on currency transac-The original report looked at two options, a tax on currency transactions and a tax on energy consumption. Both of these proposals would hit America hardest. But this is just the tip of the iceberg. In the past, the United Nations has endorsed new taxes on the Internet, including a tax on email. Again, the U.S. economy would pay the lion's share if this reckless idea took effect.

But the prize for the worst U.N. idea probably belongs to the proposal to give governments permanent taxing rights over emigrants. You see, the United Nations thinks it's unfair when talented people leave high-tax socialist

nations and move to places such as America. But since even the United Nations realizes it would be unacceptable to prohibit emi-gration, the bureaucrats are instead proposing to let govern-ments tax income earned in other nations.

nations.
This scheme is a direct attack This scheme is a direct attack on American interests because of our high levels of immigration particularly the well-educated part of the immigrant population. For instance, if a doctor from the Caribbean moves to America, his home government would get to tax income he carns here. If a Chinese, and the proposed in the carries have the carries and the carne here. If a Chinese out the proposed in the carnet is the carnet in the carnet in the carnet here. Chinese entrepreneur moves to Silicon Valley, the Chinese gov-ernment would get to tax his U.S. income.

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Foreign-born workers in the United States, including both citizens and resident aliens, earn nearly \$500 billion each year.
Imagine the damage if foreign governments could tax that income. Even if they imposed only a 15 percent tax rate, foreign governments could drain nearly \$100 billion from our economy.
There is an understandable temptation to dismiss these U.N. proposals as silly. After all, the United States can veto amy bal initiatives, But this passive approach is a mistake. What would happen, say, if Howard Dean were president when the United Nations was voting whether to create an International Tax Organization?

Could we trust him to veto this nutty scheme?

Another reason we should worry: The United Nations is just one of several international bureautracies working to undermine fiscal sovereigncy. The Parisbased Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) targets 'harmful tax competition' and the Brusselsbased European Union enthusiastically backs' tax harmonization.' What's particularly troubling that U.S. taxpayers are footing the bill for much of this nonsense. We don't belong to the European Union, but we pay 25 percent of the costs at the U.N. and the OECD.

Fortunately, some members of Congress are trying to address this. For example, Rep. John

Fortunately, some members of Congress are trying to address this. For example, Rep. John Sweeney, R.N.Y., has introduced legislation that would end U.S. funding of these bureaucracies that undermine America. Bureaucrates at the United Nations and OECD don't want to risk their bloated budgets and tax-free salaries, so this is a good approach.

Clearly we have to do some ting. In unless we want to see our tax bills soar.

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LETTERS

Patients from ambulances add to the bottom line

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Regarding: Loss on ambulance sorvices?
Why does an ambulance go to any hospital? So the "future hospital patient" can have access to all of the medical services the hospital can provide. It's relatively easy to determine the cost of operating an ambulance service, it's also necessary to calculate the total amount of hospital revenue generated after the trip in—the ambulance.
Understand this concept and yor have sound insight into a hospital's profitability, site selection, scape of medical services available and wise use of our taxpayer resources.
Hospital revenue begins when-

resources. Hospital revenue begins whenegr someone comes through the
dopr needing medical care the
hospital can provide. It doesn't
matter if the person came by
arbulance or personal auto or if
they're from out of town. Simply
put, services rendered yields hospital revenue, which contributes
to the bottom line.

In fact, since the hospital pre-pares an annual cost report for Medicare reimbursement and some of that information would be helpful in analyzing depart-ment revenue and expenses, you could even combine the cost report information with patient census, revenue data and – ah, heck, let's just find out the hospi-tal revenue generated from patients arriving by ambulance— and compare that with the already calculated "loss from— ambulance service." LES PREADER Buhl

Buhl (Editor's note: Les Preader is a certified public accountant.)

Missing reindeer leave a hollow holiday feeling

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This letter is to whomever
removed my lighted reindeer
from my front yard. I have a few
things I would like to say.
First is the simple fact they did
not belong to you and you had no
right to take them from my property.
Second it by the light of the says t

rty. Second, it's Christmas - why do

those of you who steal feel obli-gated to do it during the holi-

days?
My family and I moved to this neighborhood thinking that I would not have to worry about items being taken from my front yard. I guess you have proved me wrong and that we should not trust anybody.

Anyway, I hope they look as pretty lighted up in your yard as they did in mine. Plus, I hope you can live with yourself for the grief and disappointment I feel toward mankind for the things you have done. Just remember, you will pay fee your criters one dry they want to the proper processors and they have they are the are they are the are they for your actions one day.

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Stores cross their fingers as consumers crowd malls

AS CONSUMERS

NEW YORK (AP) - Shoppers jammed the nation's malls on the last weekend before Christmas, snapping up bargains and hunting for popular toys, but realiders were auxious after a muchiceded Salesbonanza did not materialize for many of them.

Spirits were deflated a bit Sunday after the government warned of a possible terrorist crack during the holiday eason. In response to the heightened national alact level, major mall operators such as Taubman venters hie, which owns and manages 31 shopping centers in 13-states, immediately stepped up their security, though company officials declined to elaborate.

"The threat won't have an effect this weekend, because most people doi't know about the alert," said C. Britt Beeiner, chairman of America's Research Group, based in Charleston, S.C. "But it could reduce retailers' ability to have a lurge business on Monday and Tuesday, and the week after Christmas. It may likely make people who are close to being done decide they'te purchased enough."

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'Consumers learned to be vigi-iant, and I don't think this will have an effect, "Taubman spokeswoman Karen MacDonald said. She reported sales at a sampling of

Taubman mall stores were up mid-single_digits_on_Saturday_from_a

year ago.

Merchants are counting on heavy shopping this week to meet their goals.

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Merchants are counting on heavy shopping this week to meet their goals.

This past weekend, business was heavy at discounters and luxury stores. But seemand unevern at mid-priced department stores and malt-based appared chains, which deepened price cuts on sweaters, jewelry and other items, which deepened price cuts on sweaters, jewelry and other items, Beemer said.

"I think it was a very strong weekend, but I don't hink it was as big as retailers needed," said Beemer, who conducted interviews with retail clients. He added that consumers "were looking at the lowest price in each category of merchandise."

Despite a recovering economy, merchants struggled with modest sales throughout the season and were counting even more for a sales surge this past weekend after two weekends of Northeast snow-storms. Still, retailers held out hope that the last minute spending will help merchants meet their sales goals.

"Traffic was about the same as last year, and stores were very busy," said National Retail Federation spokeswoman Ellen Tolley. "And it some stores were a little short of their goal, there's plenty of time for that to change."

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Dean attacks moderate wing

WASHINGTON - The decade-long internal truce former President Clinton imposed on his fractious party is rapidly groding as the fight for the Democratic presidential nomination approach-es a decisive phase.

If there was any doubt of that, it ended Thursday when front-un-ner Howard Dean delivered a wide-ranging attack on the party's moderate wing - and seemed to link Clinton to the minimalist phi-losophy he was rejecting.

link Clinton to the minimalist philosophy he was rejecting.
"While Bill Clinton said that the era of big government is over, I believe we must enter a new era for the Democratic Party, not on where we join Republicans and aim simply to limit the damage they inflict on working families," Dean said. "I reject the notion that damage control must be our credo."

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Dean went on to outline an agenda of greater governmental activism that includes new spending on health insurance, child care, college financing and retirement savings, along with stricter regulation of and higher taxes on corporations.

tion of any matter.

Dean's rivals, as well as former Clinton aides working for those rivals, pounced on the Vermont governor's reference to Clinton as emblematic of his rejection of policies that had produced economic

political prosperity for their party
-in-the-form-of-its-first-two-termpresident since Franklin
Roosevelt, "Did Howard Dean live
through the same eight, years, as
the rest of use?" said retired Gen.
Wesley Clark.

Dean spent much of Friday
doing some damage control of his
own. He telephoned the former
president to assure him that his
comments han't been directed at
him, and later went out of his way
in a speech in lowa to include
Clinton in a pantheon of
Democratic heroes that included
Roosevelt and Harry Truman.

Clinton's office maintained a
stony silerice about the affair. But
former aides weren't accepting

former aides weren't accepting Dean's olive branch.

Clinton's-secretary of commerce; who is now an adviser to Clark. "If he's not trying to alter in a signifi-cant way the Clinton approach to

Clinton era versus a new era?... arn really having trouble under standing why he would make the reference and pick the fight."



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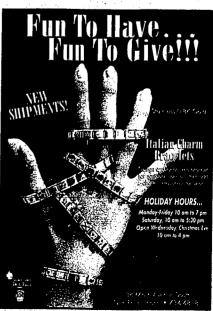






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music will be conducted by Jim
Keezer of Pocatello. Special guera
trists include the men's quartet
from the Soft Touch musical group,
the Variations singing group and
Doug Manning. Some of the numbers will include Leroy Anderson's
"A Christmas Festival", "Carol of
the Bells," "Intinnabulation's
"Sleigh Ride," "Jesu, Joy of Man's
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Admission is 33 for adults, \$2 for
seniors, \$1 for students and \$7 for
samilles Tickets are available at the
door or by calling Sally Sanford at
438-8624.

DEO seeks comments on wastewater permit

PAUL.—The Idaho Department of Environmental Quality is seeking public comment on a proposed per-mit for Circle A Construction to operate an industrial wastewater land application system on a 20-acre site in Minidoka County west of Paul

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of Paul.

Circle A Construction owns and
operates a trucking business hauling food products. When cleaning
the trucks, residues considered
industrial byproducts are generated. The company proposes to filter
and land apply about 250,000 gallons of wash water a year for irrigation.

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Proposed permit conditions
include: a test well monitoring system to track groundwater quality
buffers and runoff prevention; an
odor control plan; and other crivironmental requirements. After filtering
solids will be used for fertilizer.

Written comments on the draft permit rate waitable for review at
DEQs state and Twin Falls regional
offices and on DEQs Web site at
www.deq.state.id.us. Select the
"News and Notices" section, and
find the Circle A information under
the Dec. 19 heading.

Direct questions, comments, and
requests to David Anderson, DEQ
Twin Falls, 601 Fole Line Road,
Suite 2, Twin Falls, 83301; 736-2190;
or danderso@deq.state.id.us.

Filer officials seek renewal

Filer officials seek renewal of wastewater permit

FILER - The Idaho Department of Environmental Quality is seek-ing public comment on a draft per-mit renewal for the city of Filer to continue operating a municipal wastewater land application system serving residential

wastewater land application system serving residential and commercial users.
The city has operated the system under a DEQ wastewater land application permit since 1989.
As part of the permitting process, the city is required to demonstrate how it will continue to address health and environmental concerns, including protection against surface and ground water contamination and odor management.
Written comments on the draft permit will be accepted through 5 p.m. Jan. 16.
Copies of the draft permit are available for review at DEQ's state and Twin Falls offices and on DEQ's Web site at www.deq.state.id.us. Direct questions, comments, and requests to David Anderson, DEQ Twin Falls, 601 Pole Line Road, Suite 2, Twin Falls, 83301; 736-2190 or danderso@deq.state.id.us.

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Salmon	96%	31%				
Oakley	96%	29%				
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Little Wood	103%	33%				
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Big Lost	104%	33%				
Little Lost	84%	29%				
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nnexation re-examination

T.F. council will take another look at request

By Rebecca Meany Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS – The City Council tonight will re-examine annexing a parcel of land that has stirred controversy in the way its development is being proposed.

Neighbors of Candleridge East on Eastland Drive south of Pole Line Road voiced opposition during last week's City Council meeting to a proposed rezoning from R.1 43,000 to R.1 Variable would allow for much smaller lost than the current zoning requires.

Many people spoke out against the way the development is proposed but said they

are not necessarily against annexation if it is done with consideration for property values and neighborhood "feel" in mind.

The request for annexation was unique, in that no homes are in the area yet. Council members debated whether annexing bare land would set an unwanted precedent.

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A public hearing on the issue is scheduled for 6 p.m. during today's regular council meeting.

The council is also scheduled to consider the final plat of Morning Sun Subdivision No. 2, which would develop 23 residential lots.

The development would be the second phase of a project that is proposed to have

Meeting tonight

The Twin Falls City Council will meet in regular session at 5 p.m. today in the new council chambers at 305 Third Ave. E. next to City Hall. The meeting is open to the public

a total of 268 residential lots on 98 acres near the intersection of Falls Avenue East and Hankins Road.

The land has R-1 Variable zoning and is within the city's area of impact, according to a staff report. The minimum lot size is 8,000 square feet and must also be at least 85 percent of the average of all lots within 150 feet of any lot, the report says.

In June 2002, Gerald Martens, a partner

in the proposed Morning Sun Subdivision, received final approval from a rarely used joint city-county appeals board for the first phase of the subdivision. Previously, he had met with hostile crowds at public-hearings. Some residents, calling themselves Neighbors for Sound Development, hired an attorney to appeal the approval from the city's Planning and Zoning Commission and the City Council.

In another matter today, the City Council is expected to discuss a request from Twin Falls County to change a planned-unit development agreement for the old Anderson Lumber property on Eastland Drive, The agreement now calls for it to be used as a lumber yard, but the county wants to buy it and convert it into county government offices.

NOSE KNOWS



Honey, a three-year-old yellow lab, right, finds Ranae Capps, left, and John Lewis during a weekly training session for the Snake River K-9 Rescue Unit Sunday on the north side of the Snake River Canyon. About 12 people belong to the group.

Trained dogs sniff out clues on land and in water

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By Rebecca Meany Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Gizmos and gadgets have nothing on Honey. The yellow lab's skills as a search dog have allowed her and other canines like her to fill a gap in Magle Valley's search and res-

in Magic Valley's search and res-cue efforts.

"This is all very new," said Darrell Scott Glick, commander of Twin Falls County Sheriff's Search and Rescue.

In the past, the county relied on the sheriff's two K-9 unit dogs, but they are not as well-versed in cadaver or missing person recov-ery.

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They're trained for police work," he said, adding that the skills in that area might include biting a subject rather than rescuing him.

Honey and other search dogs have been trained to find lost or missing hunters, hikers and drowning victims. They find a human scent, then report back to their handlers.

"I train her each week trying to prepare her so when we get called out on a search she'll be

successful at it," said Sassy Connell, Honey's owner, and sec-retary/medical officer of the Snake River K-9 Rescue Unit, an all-volunteer group. "When my dog finds the person, she immediately comes back to me and gives me the re-find sign," Connell said, For Honey, that Honey, that means a half jump up on Connell's right

Connell's right hip.
"Each dog has a different re-find sign," she added.
"Some people attach toys to their belt that the dogs can pull, others train their dogs to do a body slam, to jump up on them with the paws on their chest." Glick has called on Honey's owners a few times.
"Dogs can cover more area by seent than we can visually," he said. "Instead of all of us taking a

360-degree approach, the dogs can lead us in one direction. They help us concentrate our search

rea." During training sessions, skilled dogs aining sessions, skilled dogs demonstrate how quickly they put their nose to work.

"It can take a person 35 minutes to hide, and just eight min-

It can take a person 35 minutes to hide, utes to hide, and
just eight minutes for the dog
to find him,"
Connell said.
"That's how
quickly they can and just eight minutes for the dog to find him.

" - Sassy Connell,
Snake River K-9
Rescue Unit

"Exposure is

"Exposure is the worst enemy, especially if we're looking for a child or an elderly person." Glick said.
This month's search for Bradley DeCarr at Salmon Falls Creek Reservoir was aided by search dogs and their handlers.

Although the search resulted in sad news for DeCarr's family, dogs were useful in locating the boy underwater.

"The dog we had sat on the nose of the inflatable boat and would show interest in an area when he'd detect a scent," Glick said.

in the beginning

In the beginning
Connell's 12-member group got its start after the Sept. 11 attacks, when her husband, Calvin, the group's equipment officer, saw an article in a newspaper about search and rescue dogs helping to locate victims at the Twin Towers. "He started to get involved in (training dogs for search and rescue)," she said, "and since there we've seen a huge change in attitude in our dogs."
Coal, Calvin's black lab, is also a search and rescue dog.

Gaining recognition

The time Connell has put into search and rescue earned her an award from her employer of 10

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Rupert looks at transportation plan-update

By Rose Marie Parsons -Times News correspondent

RUPERT - It would cost \$62 nillion to add sidewalks, curbs and storm drains to all of the and storm drains to all of the streets in Rupert at one time, says City Streets Superintendent Bob Russmann.

Russmann said having an updated transportation plan will help Rupert obtain funding to make those and other improvements. Such a plan must be included in every grant applica-

tion submitted to Idaho's Local Technical Highway Assistance Council, the agency that adminis-ters federal funding to smaller communities.

Last year the cities of Rupert and Paul obtained a grant from the highway council to update city transportation plans. the highway council to update city transportation plans. Rupert's plan hadn't been revised since 1976. Sunrise Engineering, based in Fillmore, Utah, was hired to develop the plans. Rupert City Administrator Roger Bagley said Paul was

included since the council encourages cities to work together. East Paul and west Rupert share truck routes and Idaho Highway 25 is a direct the between the two cities, he said.

Burley and Heyburn already have transportation plans in place, and Surnise Engineering employees have taken those

prace, and Sunrise Engineering employees have taken those plans into account in formulating the plans for Rupert and Paul, Bagley said. Representatives of Sunrise Engineers presented their recom-

mendations to the Rupert City.
Council last_week_Russmann.
said the Idaho Transportation
Department and the Minidoka
County Highway Department are
completing their reviews of the
plan. Highway council officials
asked that certain data be included in appendices to the plan.
Russmann said that data has
already been collected.
Bagley said the transportation
plan will be presented to the
Rupert council for final action on
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Offenders, victims come face to face

Program seeks mediators to act as . neutral third parties

By Karen Bossick Times News correspondent

Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS — A new victimoffender mediation program is
looking for participants who
would be willing to serve as mediators.

The program would bring youthful offenders face to face with
their victims, with mediators acting as neutral third parties, said
Sam Sites, satus offender condinator for the 5th Judicial Distric.

The restorative dialogiues program, as it's called, would focus on
the how a particular crime hursy
victims and communities, not just
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—It would focus on restoring the losses suffered by victims, hold offenders accountable for the harm they caused and bring together victims and offenders to identify ways to repair the harm. Offenders, for instance, would be given the opportunity to ask their offenders such questions as How did you pick my place to vandalize?

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their offenders and questions as How did you pick my place to vandalize?

Victims also would get a chance to tell offenders how they fel about their property being destroyed. And they could ask for monetary restitution or for the offender to repair whatever damage he or she might have cussed.

Offenders, in turn, would be required to take responsibility for their actions. And, through listening to the victims, they might understand for the first time how their actions did affect others.

The mediation will not start out on neutral grounds, as do most mediations, because the offenders, are already charged with a criminal offense, Sites said. The process only begins after the offender has admitted wrongdoing and has indicated a willingness to participate in providing restitution and trying to heal relations.

The process would be optional for victims. The description of the program draw praise from a couple of judges.

Fifth District Court Judge-Hames May said he thought the program had merit, noting that perhaps it would help alleviate the violated feeling that victims often sustains.

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Oscar-nominated film star dies at 70

SANTA MONICA, Calif. (AP) – Hope Lange, who starred opposite Hollywood's top actors over a decades-long career and earned an Oscar nomination for her sup-porting role in the 1957 film

"Peyton Place," has died, her hus-band said Sunday, She was 70. Lange died Friday at Saint John's Health Center in Santa Monica after suffering an infec-tion caused by an intestinal

Lange split her time between homes in Los Angeles' Westwood section and New York City.

Idaho Native Plant Society monthly meeting, 7 p.m., Taylor 276.

Tuesday

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"Retro Steel" art show on display (through Jan. 2004), Jean B. King gallery, Herrett Center for Arts and Science.
"The Christmas Star," 7 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.
"Steamfolling Through the Holidays," 8:15 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium

Planetarium.

Wednesday

"The Christmas Star," 2 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium: "Steamrolling Through the

Friday ""

CSI TODAY

Holidays," 1 and 3 p.m., Faulkner Styx Narcotics Anonymous meeting, 7 p.m., Taylor 276.

Thursday

Campus is closed for Christmas break (through Jan. 4).

p.m., Desert 113.

Saturday

Saturday
CSI baseball camp, all day,
Eldon Evans Expo Center.
United Church of God
International weekly meeting: 10
a.m., Aspen 145.
"The Christmas Star," 2 and 7
pm, Faulkner Planetarium.
"The Search for Life in the
Universe," 4 p.m., Faulkner
Planetarium.

"Steamrolling Through the Holidays," 8:15 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.

Church on the Rock weekly services, 11 a.m., Shields 114.

Friday CSI baseball camp, all day, Eldon Evans Expo Center. "The Christmas Star," 1, 3 and 7 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium. "Steamrolling Through the Holidays," 2 and 8:15 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium. Huggie Bears Narcotics Anonymous weekly meeting, 7 ON THE AGENDA

Today

Blaine County commissioners, 8:45 a.m., courthouse, 206 First Ave. S., Hailey. Cassia County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 1459 Overland, Burdow

a.m., courinouse, 175 Oriente, 180 Medies, Elmore County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 150 S. Fourth E., Mountain Home.
Gooding County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 624 Main.
Gooding County Memorial Hospital Board, 7:30 a.m., confer-

ence room, 1120 Montana St. Hailey City Council, 6 p.m. courthouse, 206 First Ave. S., Hailey.

Hailey.
Jerome County commissioners,
9 a.m., courthouse, 300 N. Lincoln.
Lincoln County commissioners,
8:30 a.m., courthouse, 111 W. B,
Shoshone.

Minidoka County commission-ers, 9 a.m., courthouse, 715 G St.,

Rupert.
Twin Falls City Council, 5 p.m.,
council chambers, 305 Third Ave.
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Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse, 425 Shoshone St. N.

Tuesday

Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse, 425 Shoshone St. N.

This list is compiled from advance schedules. The Times-News suggests that you confirm the infor-mation by calling the appropriate clerk's office before attending.

Idaho firm gears up to increase waste disposal

BOISE (AP) - An Idaho compa ny is set to bring more low-level

BOISE (AP) - An Idaho company is set to bring more low-level hazardous-waste to a former Cold War missile site 10 miles north-mest of Grandview.

U.S. Ecology, a subsidiary of Boise's American Ecology Corp., treats waste ranging from household products to industrial waste from cleanups for federal agencies like the Environmental Protection Agency.

So far this year, the company has brought in 350,000 tons of waste, said Brian Monson, hazardous waste program manager

ardous waste program manager for the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality, the state agency responsible for regulating such sites.

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That represents a 40 percent increase in waste brought to the Idahosite, and prompted the company to invest \$4.5 million to build a new storage cell that will have a capacity of 3.5 million cubic yards.

The site is located about three miles south of the Snake River, but Monson, said a hydrology, study predicts no danger of waste contaminating the river.

Company President Stephen Romano said the site's desert climate was one of the reasons the it was chosen.

was chosen. The Idaho Conservation League

was critical about the landfill's business in Idaho, but director Justin Haynes said American Ecology is handling the waste appropriately and following required regulations All the landfills have synthetic

required regulations
All the landfills have synthetic
liners meant to keep the waste
from contacting the surrounding
soil. Sump pumps are also
installed in the landfills to collect
any water and prevent the possibility of waste leaching into nearby soils.

Sites are also constantly monitored for any possible leaks. When
waste is deposited in the landfill,
it's given a Global Positioning
System coordinate. If there is a
leak the company can immediately identify the location and type
of waste stored there.

Before any-waste is, put into a.
landfill, it is treated with a combination of line and coment that
essentially renders the material
non-hazardous.

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The Oywhee County property is one of its larger waste disposal sites and the most profitable. The company also owns a large site in Richland, Wash, and two smaller sites in Beatty, Nev. and in Robstown, Texas.

Potlatch tags land for sale

LEWISTON (AP) – After 100 years of land acquisition, Putlatch Corp., Idaho's biggest landowner, has tagged 35,195 acres – a little more than 5 percent of its property in Idaho – for sale or trade. It's possible this is the largest amount of land that has been identified for disposal in the company's history, said Michael D. Sullivan, Potlatch's corporate spokesman in Spokane. Potlatch executives began the most systematic analysis and cataloguing of its land the company has ever undertaken, Sullivan said. The result was the acreage identified in Idaho, plus about 10,000 of Potlatch's 500,000 acres in Arkansas and 50,000 of 320,000 acres in Minnesota.

These types of studies might have been undertaken in the past, but technology has made it possible to distribute the information more widely in the company said. Mark Benson.

possible to distribute the information more widely in the company, said Mark Benson, Potlatch's public affairs director for the Western region.
Company officials said the land transactions will be incremental and spread over at least 20 years. In some instances the company will put restrictions on the sale to preserve wildlife habitat or views.

preserve wildlife habitat or views from heavily traveled roads, said Bob Borden, property marketing and sales manager for Potlatch's Idaho resource management division in Lewiston. The company is also trying to accomodate local users. Sullivan said that for example, Potlatch is looking for a replacement site for an Idaho archery club because the land it's currently using is on the disposal list.

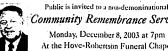
Remember the needy

worship went into effect. An earlier version of the law said houses of worship could post signs notifying congregants of gun bans. Under an amendment sponsored by Sen. Mike Waddoups, R-Taylorsville, clergy must also register with the BCI, which will post the individual bans on its Web site. As of Sunday, three churches—Shepherd of the Mountains Lutheran Church in Park City, St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Salt Lake City and Summun Church of Salt Lake — had registered. Your DIGITAL HEARING AID EXPERTS



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Community Remembrance Service

Monday, December 8, 2003 at 7pm At the Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel 3rd & Fillmore • Jerome, Idaho 324-4555

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SERVICES -

Brent Rounds of Twin Falls service at 11 a.m. today at Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls; burial will follow at Sunset Memorial Park.

Nettie Marie Melissa McCool Nettie Marie Melissa McCool
of Gooding, service at 11 a.m.
today at The Church of Jesus
Chorist of Latter-day Saints in
Gooding; interment will be at
Elmwood Cemetery in Gooding
tDemaray Funeral Chapel,
Gooding).

Karen Harmon Vincent Rementeria of Sandpoint and for-merly of Rupert, service at 11 a.m. today at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls; interment will follow the service at the Hazelton Cemetery; friends may call one hour helore the service at the funeral home.

Ace (Ashel) E. Caldwell of Rupert, service at 1 p.m. today at Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel, 710 Sixth St.; family and friends may call one hour before the serv-ice.

Bradley Allen DeCarr of Rogerson, service at 2 p.m. today at the Filer High School; inter-ment will follow in Sunset Memorial Park (White Mortuary, Twin Falls).

Krystal Michelle Leisle Zack of Fresno, Calif., and formerly of Twin Falls, service at 2 p.m. today at the Lisle Calaveras Chapel (Lisle Funeral Home, Fresno).

Marcos Verdin of Oakley, vigil Marcos Verdin of Odikey, Wight service with rosary at 5 p.m. today at Little Flower Catholic Church, 1601 Oakley Ave, Burley, funeral Mass at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Little Flower Catholic Church, burial at Basin Cemetery near Oakley, fam-ily and friends may call from 4-5 p.m. today and 10-10-45 a.m. Tuesday at the church p.m. today and 10-10:45 a.m. Tuesday at the church (Rasmussen Funeral Home, (Rasmu Burley).

Trent Wesley Davis of Wendell, Service at 11 a.m. Tuesday at the Wendell Gymnasium with burial following at the Wendell Cemetery; friends may call from

5-7 p.m. today at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls Winifred "Winnie" C. Brown of Gooding, graveside service at 10 a.m. Tuesday at Kohlerlawn Cemetery in Nampa (Demaray Funeral Chapel, Gooding).

Edith Rebecca Alexander of Buhl, graveside service at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday at the West End Cemetery in Buhl; viewing from 1-4 p.m. today at the Farmer Funeral Chapel, 130 N. Ninth, Buhl.

Oralia Rendon Chapa of Mountain Home and formerly of Burley, memorial service at 2 p.m. Tuesday at the Hansen Mortuary Burley Chapel, Friends may call one hour before the service at the motors.

– Death notices -

Wanda McKinney

TWIN FALLS - Wanda McKinney, 87 of Twin Falls, died Sunday, Dec. 21, 2003, at Bridgeview Estates in Twin Falls.

Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls.

Edith Wright

BURLEY - Edith Wright, 89, of Burley, died Sunday, Dec. 21, 2003, at Cassia Regional Medical at Cas Center.

enter. Funeral services are pending and will be announced by the Hansen Mortuary Chapel.

OBITUARIES

For obituary rates and information, cail 735-3278 Monday through Saturday. Doadline is 4 p.m. for next-day publica-tion. The email address for obituaries is oblist@magicvalloy.com. Death notices are a free service and can be placed until 4 p.m. every day. To view or submit oblituraties online, or to place a message in an individual online guestbook, go to www.magicvalley.com and click on "Obituaries."

Barbara Mae Ross - Jerome

Barbara Mae Ross, died McCammon.
Satuiday Dec. 20, 2003, at her home in Jerome.
She was born Oct. 22, 1934, at Kimberly Idaho, the daughter of Kenneth and Adeline McCammon. She went to school in Kimberly. She latter married 23, 2003, at the McCammon and McCammon. She went to school in Kimberly. She latter married 23, 2003, at the McCammon. Merlin Ross, and they resided in

Barbara is survived by one sister, Judy Miller; and five brothers, Harvey, Ervin, Kenny, Mike and Pat

She was preceded in death by her husband, her mother, and two brothers, Max and Bob McCammon.

ammon. aveside services will be conducted at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 23, 2003, at the Sunset Memorial

23, 2003, at the Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls. No viewing is planned. Funeral arrangements are under the direction of the Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome.

Gwen R. Merkley - Gooding

Mae (Don) Morrow of Gooding; grandsons, Bart (Marcy) Morrow of Gooding, and Nathan Morrow of Portland, Orc. She was preceded in death by her husband, Max, in 1982, and

her son, Ron

ner son, Ron.
At her request there will be a private family graveside service next to her husband in Logan City Cemetery, Logan, Utah.
Demaray Funeral Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

Gwen R. Merkley, age 88, of Gooding, was born July 14, 1915, in Hyde Park, Utah, and died Saturday, Dec. 20, 2003, at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls. Survivors include: daughter, Oralia Rendon Chapa - Mountain Home

Oralia Rel
Oralia Rendon Chapa, 52
year-old resident of Mountain
Home Air Force Base, Idaho, and
formerly of Burley, passed away
surrounded by her family,
Thin-day, Dec. 18, 2003, at Sain
Alphonsus in Boise, Idaho, after
battlin; years of lung disease.
Oralia was born in Caldwell,
Idaho, on Sept. 25, 1950, to
Francisco and Allele Rendon.
She was the baby of seven natural children and the oldest of six
adopted children, which resultof from the passing of her oldest
sister. Oralia loved being the oldest to these children.
She was a jack-of-all-trades. In
her lifetime she had been a fastfood worker, waitress, cook.

ner lifetime she had been a last-food worker, waitress, cook, bank teller, secretary, and a cer-tified nursing assistant. Above all these, the charge she was most proud of was being a mom and grandma. These two things brought her great joy and happi-ness and were the apple of her eve.

eye. Oralia has been married four times and though the marriages did not last she was blessed with four daughters who loved and

four daughters who loved and adore-their-mother.

During her lifetime she had many wonderful and lifetime friends. Oralia did not have acquaintances or passers by in her life. If you knew her, you fell in love with her.

Oralia was an avid fisher woman. She instilled this passion in ner sons-in-law and grandsons. She also enjoyed or tried to master sewing, crocheting, reading, camping, playing ing, reading, camping, playing cards, watching TV, crafts, play-



ing chess, and crossword puzzles. Her ultimate hobby which was her lifestyle was forever striving to serve her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Oralia loved her maker and never gave up her commitment through good and hard times to remain a daughter in Christ.

hard times to remain a daughter in Christ.

She had a wonderful sense of humor, good nature and lived a life of caring and sharing.

Oralia was a beloved mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, great-grandmother, sister, and friend; she will be deeply missed by all of her family and friends.

We'll miss you mom. Though we cannot feel you physically, we feel you in our hearts. God bless you richly and thank you old less you richly and thank of everything. We love you.

She is preceded in death ber parents, Francisco and Allete Rendon, sisters, Suan Amaya and Alleta Perez, and brothers, Jose Sanchez and



Francisco Rendon Jr. Oralia is survived by five brothers, "Chen" Correa (Pauline) Sanchez, Carlos Rendon, Tony Rendon, and Robert Rendon; four sisters, Maria Herrera, Amelia Rodriguez, Estella Romero and Sylvia McDonald: her daughters, Reassure Mata. Alicia Quintin, Olympia Morandon, and Ruby Castro, six grandsons, Felipe Mata Jr., Victor Mata. Michael Quintin Jr., Cashmere Mata, Daniel Mata and "Alex Castro Jr. (ive granddaughters, Monica Castro, Felion Quintin and Amalia Castro, and one great-granddaughter, Mia Castro.
Funeral services are under

Castro.

Funeral services are under the direction of the Hansen Mortuary Burley Chapel and are set for 2 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 23, 2003. Friends may call at the mortuary one hour prior to the services.

Utah clergy defy state rule to register gun bans

NALT LAKE CITY (AP) – Nearly four dozen leaders of Utah churches and synagogues are refusing to comply with a law that requires them to post firearms bans on a state-run Web site, saying they don't want to register with the state to keep guns out of their sanctuaries. "We don't think we need to be on a state list of who's allowed to be exempt from the gun law," the Most Rev. George Niederauer, bishop of the Roman Catholic Church's Salt Lake Diocese, said Sunday.

Church's Salt Lake Diocese, said Sunday.

Niederauer and several of his fellow religious leaders organized a news conference in Salt Lake City to protest what they consider unconstitutional state interference in church matters. The protest came after a newspaper report in November found that no churches had registered with the state Bureau of Criminal Identification their intention to ban firearms.

That meant any of the state's 50,000-plus, residents, with con-

Identification their intention to ban firearms.
That meant any of the state's 50,000-plus, residents—with-coaled-carry permits could legality bring guns Into any house of worship despite stated gun bans. In a joint statement issued Sunday, religious leaders said guns had no place in holy spaces. "We do not need the state of Utah to give us permission to make such a statement or hold such a position," the religious leaders said.
Earlier this year an amendment to the concealed-carry law allowing religious organizations, to prohibit guns inside houses of

MAGIC VALLEY/WEST

BURLEY - Recent activity in 5th istrict Court in Cassia County includ-

Misdemeanor dismissals

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Misry Dawn Sanderson, no age available; failure to carry driver's license on person, dismissed.

Carly Nelson, 28; insufficient funds check fraud, dismissed, 5100 fine; Magistrate Jodge Rick Le Bollar.

Pedro Martinez, 38; insufficient funds check fraud, dismissed, 5100 fine; Magistrate Judge Rick Le Bollar.

Travis R. Morrell, 18; insufficient funds check fraud, amended to public disturbance, dismissed, 5100 fine; Magistrate Judge Rick Le Bollar.

Jeannette A. Williams, 44; weight missed, 524,550 fine; Magistrate Judge Rick L. Bollar.

Brad Robert Clark, 24; failure to purchase a driver's litense, dismissed.

William T. Esant, 42; failure to stop at checking sturion, dismissed.

Carrie L. Steinmert, 36; two counts insufficient funds check fraud, one count amended to public disturbance, dismissed, 563,56 me, Magistrate Judge Rick L. Bollar.

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Misdemeanor sentencings

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Elias Coja Gil, 29; failure to purchase
a driver's license, pleaded guilty, 568.50
Benito Zaragota, 21; failure to carry
hunting license on person, pleaded
guilty, 575 fine.
Rogelio Arrola Royes, 25; failure to
purchase a driver's license, pleaded
guilty, 569.50 fine, \$83.50 court costs.

TWIN FALLS ARRAIGNMENTS

set for Jan. 6; released under own recognizance.

John n ny Ramos Trujillor, 232, 259 Pheasant View Road W, No. 40, Phin under the influence, driving without privileges; public defender appointed; pleaded innocent; pretrial conference set for Jan. 6; 5500 bond.

Timotty Bur Dennis, 27, 2076 Elizabeth Bivd., No. 112, Iwin Falls; possession of paraphernalia, public cent; pretrial conference set for Jan. 6; celeased under own recognizance. Billy Joe Study. 34, 535 UZ Main Ave. W, unit B, Twin Falls; intimidating a witness; public defender appointed; no plea entered preliminary hearing set or Dec. 29; released under own recognizance.

Jessica Shilo Kutnyak, 22, 380

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no plea entered; preliminary hearing set for Dec. 29, \$10,000 bond.

Lalanne Dawn Starry, 31, 834

Bracken St. N., Twin Failis; driving withust privileges, possession of paraphermalia; contempt; public—defenderpapointed; pleaded innocent; pretral
conference set for Jan. 6, \$1,000 bond;
restricted appointed proprieted; pleaded innocent; court trial set for Jan. 5, \$5,000
bond; obstructing an officer, public
defender appointed; pleaded innocent; court trial set for Jan. 5, \$5,000
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nary hearing set for Dec. 29; \$1,500 bond.
Sandra K. Lee, 45, 210 Eighth Ave.,
No. 6, Jerome trespassing, frequenting as place where controlled substances rare used; public defender appointed; pleaded inacoent; perchal conference set for Jan. 6; released under own recombiance.

set for Jan. 6, Preased under own recognizance.
Daniel Paul Ray, 30, 321 Fourth Ave.
E. Jerome; trespassing, malleious injury to property, frequenting a place where controlled substances are used; public defender appointed; pleaded innocent; preiral conference set, for Jan. 6; released under own recogni-zance.

innocent; pretrial conference set, of paraphernalis; and cases dunder own recognizance.
Crystal Ann Alarcon, 32, 815 Walnut, Bulti; possession of paraphernalis; bublic defender appointed; pleaded innocent; pretrial conference set for Jan. 6; 5750 bond.
Joshwa L. Stritesky, 21, 401 W. Polk, Kimberly, driving without privileges, obstructing: public defender appointed; pleaded innocent; pretrail conference set for Jan. 20; 55,000 bond; open container failure to appears no counsel listed; pleaded innocent; sentencial conference set for Jan. 20; 55,000 bond; open container failure to appears no counsel listed; pleaded innocent; sentencial conference set for Jan. 20; 55,000 bond; open Defender alloy for Jan. 20; 55,000 bond; per Joseph Briton Lilly, Jr., 30, 450 Pole Line Road, No. 97, Twin Falle; perjuny: public defender appointed; no plea entered; preliminary hearing set for Dec. 29; 5500 bond.
Robyn Lyun Malberg, 43, 508 11th Ave. N. Bult; controlled substance-obtaining by fraud, forgery, etc., burglary, public defender appointed; no plea entered; preliminary hearing set for Dec. 29; summons issued.
Keven Wesley McCord, 33, 504 Monroe St. W., Kimberly; two counts of theft by receiving stolen property; public defender appointed; no plea entered; preliminary hearing set for Dec. 29; \$2500 bond.

Share your heritage recipes with T-N

TWIN FALLS - It seems each family has a special tradition that centers around food - especially this time of year.

Grandma's Sourdough pancakes on Christmas morning. That special soup to warm

Around the valley y o u r in sides after a

in sides after a morning of working cattle in the blowing snow. The way your mother's homemade bread scented the kitchen.

The Times News hopes you'll share your memories and open your recipe box for the newspaper's special look at the Magic Valley's heritage recipes – recipes from the families that helped settle the land and made this valley grow.

grow.

If your family homesteaded here and you have a traditional family recipe to share, call writer Karma Fitzgerald at 735-3353 or send e-mail to

Officials clean up gasoline spill at Hailey station

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HAILEY — A gasoline spill
occurred Sunday at the Chevron
ignories station in Hailey, according to the Blaine County Sheriff
Department's dispatch center.
The spill was cleaned up, but
further details were unavailable
Sunday.

Legislators from M-C meet with commissioners

RUPERT - County commissioners rom Cassia and Minidoka counties are scheduled to meet with state legislators at noot day at the Wayside Cafe. Issues expected to surface in the 2004 legislative session are planned for discussion.

planned for discussion.

The lunch meeting is open to the public.

- compiled from staff reports

Gas prices end year

wholesale prices that already have begun to climb again,

have begun to climb again, Lundberg said. World and U.S. crude oil sup-plies are somewhat tight, due to rebounding oil demand and OPEC's decision not to raise oil

OPEC's decision not to raise oil production.

Also, prices at the nation's pumps may increase because new standards will take effect in January, Lundberg said. Lower sulfur gasoline mandated by the Environmental Protection Agency will be introduced, and a ban on the additive MTBE will take effect in New York, Connecticut and California.

The national weighted average price of gasoline, including taxes, at self-serce pumps Friday was about \$1.48 a gallon for regular, \$1.58 for mid-grade and \$1.67 for premium.

in getting their pets involved can call Snake River K-9 Rescue Unit and attend a training session. "We're not really breed specif-ic," Connell said. "Larger breeds tend to cover more area but there's a purpose for both. A smaller dog can get up under-neath a bush."

neath a bush."

Newcomers watch training a few times without their dogs to see if that's what they want to do.

"If they're serious and if the dog is interested in it," she said, then they may join the group.

"I haven't seen any dog that isn't interested in searching, but I'm sure there could be," Connell said.

said.

For the dogs that make the effort and for the training the owners put in, the rewards are

with signs of stability

CAMARILLO, Calif. (AP) — In a year of unpredictable shifts, retail gasoline prices ended with two weeks of stability. But that isn't expected to last into the new year, an industry analyst said Sunday. The average price Friday for a gallon of self-serve gasoline nationwide, including all grades and taxes, was about \$1.51, according to the Lundberg Survey of 8,000 stations. That was down 0.08 of a cent since Dec. 5, but 6.51 cents higher than the average on Dec. 20, 2002. "We're back down to approximately where we were in January," analyst Trilby Lundberg said. For 2003 overall, retail gasoline prices averaged about \$1,64x,up 21.6 cents from the average price last year.

last year.

Prices were stable for the last two weeks because of lower

Dogs

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years, Idaho Power.
On Dec. 10 she received the
Individual VIP Award, a valunteer
involvement award that recognizes employees who make significant contributions to their communities.
"Applicants meeting certain
criteria receive \$100 for their
organization," Connell said. From
all applicants they take two top
winners, one in the group award
category and one in the individual award category. Winners get a
\$500 check, made out to the name
of the group.
Connell said she'll use the \$500
for-equipment or an educational
sentence.

How to help

Members of the public can ssist as support people in mock

assist as support people in mock searches.
"We're always looking for new volunteers so dogs can have new people to look for," she said, "We don't want the dogs to think, This is the only person I need to look for."

r. People can volunteer just once, or many times.

Dog owners who are interested

owners put in, the rewards are great.

"Our dogs look forward to raining day," she said. "They wake us up Sunday mornings."

The benefits extend to every day of the year.
"I find it quite rewarding."
Connell said. "It's something we can do as a family. And it feels really good to know we have a tool that can help, but at the same time we have a wonderful pet."

Rupert _ Continued from B1

Jan. 6.
Todd MacGillvray, an engineer with Sunrise, told Rupert council members that traffic counts were conducted at about 30 major intersections. He said signs and visible utilities also were surveyed.

visible utilities also were surveyed.

MacGillvray categorized Rupert traffic as free flowing. The current street system should be adequate for the next 20 years in terms of traffic, he said, but some problems were noticed. Ideally, intersections should meet at 90-degree angles, MacGillvray said. He said the configuration of some Rupert intersections is closer to 45 degrees. The ability to see oncoming traffic and the spacing of intersections

are other safety issues the truns-portation plan will address. Russmann said geographic information system software is an important part of the transporta-tion plan prepared by Sunrise. The survey of every road in Rupert included shoulder width, pavement condition and road his-tory, GIS mapping is in a layered format that shows the location of manholes, utility lines and fire manholes, utility lines and fire

manholes, utility lines and fire hydrants, —GIS also will help with budget-ing iesses because it will track juventory and labor costs, Russmann said. He said all of this information will be used in planning the maintenance schedule and in prioritizing street projects.



For more court records, please see page D-4

TWIN FALLS - Recent activity in 5th District Court in Twin Falls included the following:

Timothy Wigley, 46, 20 Rio Lobo, Hagerman failure to purchase drivers illicense; public deforder appointed; pleaded innocent; puerrial conference set for Jan. 6; 51,000 bond.
Guy Lee Jones, 26, 1495 Sadler Ilvain Falls; possession of a controlled substance; public defender appointed; no plea entered; preliminary hearing set for Dec. 29; released under own recognizance.

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The Care Selessed under own recognisation of the Ellis Perkins, 32, 2606 Bonneville Ferrace, Ogden, Utah; assault; private counsel; pleaded innoent; pretrial conference set for Jan. 6; released under own recognizance.

Lawrence Eggleston, 35, 4329
Canyon View Lane, Buhl; possession of a controlled substance; public defender appointed; no plea entered; arraignment set for bec. 22, 825,000 band. 305
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zance.

Jerrod S. Siver, 21, 440 Elm St., Twin
Falls; petit theft, possession of paraphernalia; public defender appointed;
pleaded innocent; pretrial conference

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Auflion Awa, Twin Falls, spotsession of a controlled substance probation for controlled substance probation will be controlled substance probation rolation; public defender appointed; no plea entered; admit/deny hearing set for Dec. 22; 510,000 bond.

Shawn David Martin, 33, 1517 E. 4000 N, Buhl; three counts of insufficient funds; public defender appointed; in plea entered; preliminary hearing, in please of the control of the co

CASSIA COUNTY COURTS Magistrate Judge Rick L. Bollar.

Brian T. Hall, 28; one count failure to obtain oversize permit, dismissed; one count weight exceeding allowable gross loads, pleaded guilty, 5161 fine, 563.50 court costs; Magistrate Judge Rick L. Driving under the influence dismissals

William J. Hedges, 46; misdemeanor driving under the influence, dismissed; Magistrate Judge Michael R. Crabtree.

Driving under the influence sentencings

Influence sentencings

Sergio Ceja Vargas, 37; one count misdemenary driving under the influence, pleaded guilty, \$200 fine, \$78.50 court costs, six months driver's license suspension, two years probation, 90 days in jail, one count fallure to purchagaitente Judge Michael R. Crabtree. Susan M. Shockey, 46; misdemeanor second offense driving under the influence, amended to driving under the influence, pleaded guilty, \$300 fine, \$78.50 court costs, 90 days driver's license suspension, two years probation, 180 days in jail, 176 days suspended, one day credited, four days Ministers and the suspension in flue of jail; Magistrate Judge Michael R. Crabtree.

Felony dismissals

Jody Casimira Soto, 18; two counts theft by receiving stolen property, dis-missed; two counts forgery, dismissed; two counts criminal conspiracy, dis-missed; Magistrate Judge Michael R.

two counts criminal conspiracy, dis-missed; Magistrate Judge Michael R. Crabtree. Jose Damian Tellez, 24; forgery, dis-missed; District Judge Monte B. Carlson.

Felony sentencings

Davin R. Clegg, 48; one count felony attempt to obtain a controlled substance by fraud, pleaded guity, \$175 fine, \$88.50 court costs, one year probation, 90 days in jail, 86 days suspended, four days credited; one count misdenneany possession of drug paraphernalia, dimissed; Magstrate Judge Rick L Bollar.

sentencings

Commercial truck driving

Sentencings

Robert A. Tyler, 62; failure to stop at checking station, pleaded guilty, \$118.50 fine, \$53.50 court costs; station, pleaded guilty, \$118.50 fine, \$53.50 court costs; and station of the control of the cost of the checking station, pleaded guilty, \$18.50 fine, \$63.50 court costs; one count mort carrier lop book violations, pleaded guilty, \$43.50 fine, \$63.50 court costs; pleaded guilty, \$43.50 fine, \$63.50 court costs; Majstrate Judge Rick, L. Bollar. Paul R. Freeman, S0; exceeding maximum driving and on-duty time, pleaded guilty, \$263.50 fine, \$63.50 court costs; Majstrate Judge Rick, L. Bollar. Jesus Hernander, 24; motor carrier log book violations, pleaded guilty, \$43.50 fine, \$63.50 court costs; Majstrate Judge Michael R. Crabtroy, A. Lambey, 30; motor carrier log book violations, pleaded guilty, \$43.50 fine, \$63.50 court costs; Majstrate Judge Michael R. Crabtree:

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Magistrate Judge Michael R. Crabtree.
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Steve W. Berkley, 40; failure to stop at checking station, pleaded guilty, \$118.50 fine, \$53.50 court costs; Magistrate Judge Rick L. Bollar.
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David Lee Mashburn, 56; motor car rier log book violations, pleaded guilty \$43.50 fine, \$63.50 court costs.

Juvenile sentencings

Jesus Perez, 16; reckless driving, amended to inattentive driving, plead-ed guilty, \$100 fine, \$98.50 court costs, one year probation, 10 days in jail, 10 days suspended; Magistrate Judge Michael R. Crabtree.

ed, lour days Mant-Cassta work in heud jali; Magistrate Judge Rick L. Bollan et J. Ranios Jr., 23; one count respassing, pleaded gality, \$36.50 fine, \$63.50 court costs; one count disturbing the-peace, pleaded-gality, \$100-fine, \$98.50 court costs; one count resisting officers, dismissed; Magistrate Judge Michael R. Crabtree. Jose Luis Lord Jr., 22, disturbing the peace, pleaded gality, \$36.50 fine, \$80.50 fine, \$90.50 fine, \$60.50 fine, \$6 MINIDOKA COUNTY COURTS

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RUPERT - Recent activity in 5th District Court in Minidoka County included:

Misdemeanor dismissals

Marthew John Davis, 30; failure to purchase a driver's license, dismissed; Magistrate Judge Larry R. Duff. Cary Von Shaffer, 48; failure to obey traffic control derives, amended to failure to notify upon striking fixtures on the highway, dismissed, \$150 bond for feiture.

feiture.

Teresa Jo Coffey, 31; driving without privileges, dismissed; Magistrate Judge Rick L. Bollar.

Misdemeanor sentencings

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Sergio Mongel, 32, failure to purchase

of driver I licence, pleaded guilty, \$68.50

fine, \$65.50 court costs; Magistrate

Judge Larry R. Duff. 35- failure to purchase

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of the proper service of the service one year probation, 90 days in jail, 88 days suspended; one count contempt of court, dismissed; Magistrate Judge Michael R. Crabtree.

Jim Rogers, 25; one count hattery, needed gailty, 5200 fine, 575.05 court costs, 12 months probation, 90 days in gail, time credited; one count contempt of court, dismissed; Magistrate Judge Mick L Bollar.

Mark A. Olgain, 36; one count felony domestic battery causing traumatic injury, amended to misdemensor bar texp, pleaded gailty, 560.00 count of, 90 days suspended, one count contempt of ocur, pleaded gailty, 560.00 count, pleaded gailty, 560.00 count costs, 100.00 country of c

Driving under the

influence sentencings immenice sententings
Femando T. Carrillo, 22; one count misdemeanor driving under the influence, pleaded guilty, \$500 fine, \$78.50 court costs, \$160 days driver's license susplaced support of the property of the property

costs, 12 months driver's license suspen-sion, 24 months probation, 180 days in jail, 170 days suspended, two days cred-ticd, reatment program; one count fail-ure to purchase a driver's license, dis-missed, one count contempt of court, dismissed Magistratte Judge Michael R. Crabtruce.

disnisséd; Magistrate Judge Michael R. Cabtree.
Daniel Richard Schoen, 43; misdemeanor second offense driving under the influence, amended to driving under the influence, pleaded guilty, \$200 fine, 578.50 court costs, 90 days driver's license suspension, 12 months probation, 30 days in jail, 28 days suspended, treatment program; Magistrate Judge Rick L. Bollar.
Enigmenia R. Sotto, 27; misdemeanor

reatment program; Magistrate Judge Rick L Bollar.
Epigmenio R, Soto, 27; misdemeanor driving under the influence, pleaded guilty, \$1,000 fine, \$78.50 court costs, 12 months drivery license suspension, \$18 months probation, \$180 days in jail, \$100 Magistrate Judge Michael R, Corbure.
Rockland J., Gulbranson, 40; one count misdemeanor driving under the influence, pleaded guilty, \$200 fine, \$78.50 court costs, 90 days in jail, \$200 days suspension, \$12 months probation, 90 days in jail, \$88 days suspension, 90 days in jail, \$88 days suspension, \$12 months probation, 90 days in jail, \$88 days suspension, \$10 months of the probation of the probation

Feiony dismissals

Joe P. Beltran, 46; two counts grand theft, dismissed; Magistrate Judge Michael R. Cabtree. Jose D. Teller, 24; possession of a forged cheed, dismissed; District Judge John M. Melanson. Sharon Mara, 29; no account check read, dismissed; Magistrate Judge Larry B. Daff.

Felony sentencings Dusty R. Timmons, 26; one count delivery of a controlled substance, amended to possession of a controlled substance, pleaded guilty, \$190,50 court costs, three years probation, one year six months determinate penitentiary time, five years six months indeterminate penitentiary time, time credited, peni-tentiary time suspended; one count po-session of a controlled substance, dis-missed; two counts probation violation, pleaded guilty, three years probation, retained jurisdiction; District Judge John M. Melanson.

Deferred prosecutions

Joe J. Dignata, 32; one count possession of a controlled substance, deferred prosecution; one count possession of drug paraphemalia, dismissed; Magistrate Judge Rick L Bollor. Brian Edward McGuern Jr., 19; batery; Magistrate Judge Michael R. Crabtree.

Crabtree.

Daryl Shane Albertson, 38; domestic battery, Magistrate Judge Michael R. Crabtree.

Juvenile sentencings

JUVENIIE SORTEONICINES

Jose I. Vasquez, 15; failure to purchase a drivers license, pleaded guily, 568.50 fine, 563.50 court costs; Magistrate Judge Larry R. Duff.
Daniel Guerren, 16; failure to purchase a driver's license, pleaded guily, 568.50 fine, 563.50 court costs; Magistrate Judge Larry R. Duff.
Juan Pedro Villa, 17; failure to purchase a driver's license, pleaded guily, 568.50 fine, 563.50 court costs; Magistrate Judge Larry R. Duff.
Juan Pedro Villa, 17; failure to purchase a driver's license, pleaded guily, 568.50 fine, 563.50 ceurt costs; Magistrate Judge Larry R. Duff.

Juvenile dismissals

Jessica C. Hollbaugh, 14; failure to purchase a driver's license, dismissed, \$6.50 fine, \$63.50 court costs; Magistrute Judge Larry R. Duff.— Vanessa Arteaga, 17; failure to pur-chase a driver's license, dismissed; Magistrate Judge Rick L. Bollar.

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IF DECEMBER 22 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY... you possess intense charisms and are intensely goal-oriented. You are a real force in anything you're involved with You love freedom yet won't sacrifice your well-thought-out plans for yourself in order to be free. Woe to the person who gets in your way! You have to ability to

your way! You have to ability to charm anyone into saying yes. ARIES (Mar 21-Apr. 19): It's a very public day and career is still at the forefront. Still, things may nove slower than you wish. Feelings may be difficult to express. Take into account a ten-dency toward igcreased irritabili-te.

TAURUS (Apr. 20-May 20): Know when to teach and when to learn. Traveling is a focus. Passions run high, but don't sacri-fice. your independence entirely. You may be angry without know-ing why.

You may be angry without knowing why.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20):
Someone is very willing to share.
Don't be afraid to let in the abundance. It's time for some active brainstorming in group associations.

brainstorming in group associations.

CANCER (June 21-July 22):
Loosen your reserve and let yourself enjog connecting with your
partner. It's after now than you
night think. Career plans move
forward quickly.

LEO July 23-Aug. 22): Practical
matters come first today, and your
persistence pays off. You may be
feeling more romantic than you
are able to express.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): It's
time to shore up relationships
with children. Moods are backward – playtime (sels too serious,

playtime feels too serious, discipline is hard to find.

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I Periods of note

HOROSCOPE Jeraldine Saunders

Practical applications of art and creativity pay dividends. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Talking about feelings at home may become more frustrating than you thought. Nonetheless, it's a great time to get serious tasks done in the domestic arena. Take some time out to get a breath of air.

SAGITTARTUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You may feel that others have the upper hand with finances or are freezing you out. Don't worry a a peace can probably be reached. Your way with words can be your salvation. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22.Jan. 19): You're especially warm and fuzzy, but don't push yourself on anyone. Partners may seem cool and dis-tant. Stay busy at home to avoid cabin fever. Spiritual insights delight.

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AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Daily routines are burdensome. Inner, seeking yields bountiful treasures, but just thinking of ideals is not enough. It's time to walk your table.
PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20): Make a tangible gesture toward helping. Consider joining a group or organization. Support others in achieving their dreams.

No help?

New e-mail law may

increase inbox troubles. Tuesday in Computers & Technology

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Write what you're feeling, Scorpio:

Aries experiences very public day

spin.

Crew members on commercial aircraft take regular physical exams, and a medico who gives such says it's the flight attendants who are always in the best shape.

Q. How do we know the ancient Egyptian Pharaohs believed in sex after death?



DEAR ABBY Abigali VanBuren

Send some holiday cheer to troops

www.OperationDearAbby.net, and send these brave, dedicated voung send these brave, dedicated young people heartfelt holiday greetings today. They deserve our thanks, our prayers ... and much more.

DEAR ABBY: After 30 years of marriage, my husband, "Alian," began an affair with a young woman in his office. I was devastated, and our three children and two grandchildren were all affected.

I made up my mind not to become revengeful or bitter. I realized that Allan no longer loved me or he wouldn't have left. I returned to school, est a part-

time job, and did the best I could to keep things smooth for my youngest daughter, who still lived at home.

Lam now working full time and Lam now working tun time and, loving it. I have met some nice men at church, but I now have serious trust issues, so I prefer to go it alone.

The children's relationship with Allan is still trained. He now has

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Allan is still strained. He now has Albeiner's and needs them, but they cannot forgive him for destroying our family. Abby, do people who have affairs with married men or women ever consider the pain, that is left in their wake?

- STILL RECOVERING N HOUSTON

DEAR STILL RECOVERING: Rarely, I think it's safe to say that there's a distinct lack of empathy. They justify or rationalize their behavior by convincing them-selves that the injured party

DEAR ABBY: A good friend of tine, "Robert," recently returned

mine, "Robert," recently returned from a three-week vacation. When he left, he had hardly any hair. When he returned, he had a full head of hair. It is blatantly obvious that he gut a hairpiec.

Would it be rude to compliment him on his "new" hair? If he had gotten new glasses we would all compliment him on those. But low do you go about complimenting someone's new hair?

—TRYING TO BE A GOOD FRIEND IN AKRON, OHIO

DEAR FRIEND: It is an extremely delicate subject. You might want to approach it as if might want to approach it as it you're hugging a porcupine - very gently. Say, "Gee, you look rested. You look great." And leave it at that. He'll get the message, and you won't ruffle his feathers or anything else.

Nylon finally replaced hog bristle for toothbrushes

First toothbrushes with hog bristles showed up in China in 1498. Six years after that best-remembered date, 1492, when Columbus sailed elsewhere. The Chinese later experimented with brushes of horse hair and badger fur. But the hog-bristle version remained the best for 440 years. 14nil Nylon. remained the beat Until Nylon.
Nobody knows why all planets

DEAR READERS: Carols fill the air, our halls have been decked with boughs of holly and the Christmas trees are decorated. Yule logs have been kindled, and Santa's on his way. In Jewish homes, Hanukkah candles burn brightly, and Kwanzaa begins in less than a week. Tis the season to be jolly – a time when thoughts that homeward to loved ones and with homeward to loved ones and

holidays past. This is also the time of year This is also the time of year that's hardest for our young men and women in the military, stationed far from home – many for the first time. Most of them are between the ages of 18 and 22, and while we folks back home are

and while we folks back home are fighting the crowds in shopping centers, they are dodging bullets and ar bombs.

So, please, dear readers, you are the most generous people in the world. Remember our troops. They need our support. Go to your com-



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Among the finer prizes won by
Rome when it conquered Greece
a couple of thousand years ago
was the world's first recipe for

was the word cheesecake.

"Half the people have gray hair by the time they're 50," say the medical statisticians.

How do you suppose London

wound up with a reputation for rain? It only gets about 24 inches a year. New York City gets 44 inches, typically, and it's not known worldwide for rain. Neither is Houston, and it gets 45 inches.

Q. Didn't early American colonials have rugs and carpets?

A. Bed rugs and table carpets, yes. But hardly anybody ever put such a thing on a floor back then. New England didn't get a printing press until almost a century ing press until almost a century

New England didn't get a prin-ing press until almost a century after Mexico Civ got one. Not just school cafeterias but every cafeteria in the nation, I suspect, has served beel-tomato-cheese-macaroni casserole. So why isn't Mary Marzetti (amous? She invented it. In Columbus,

Ohio. Almost a century ago.

At Oxford College in the 19th century, undergrads were in residence for only eight weeks. This was cited as why the college administrator, one Dr. Routh, declined to authorize showers or tubs in dormitories.

Only the unconflortable chairs become valuable antiques.

Q. I say bartending is the occupation with the highest divorce rate. What do you say?

A. Different studies come up with different statistics, I note. One group recently claimed physicians had the highest divorce rate. Almost of the process of the precent are the most divorce rate of the precent are the most divorce-prone.

Michael feigns sickness on 'Everybody Loves Raymond'

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Today

"Everybody Loves Raymond" -Michael claims he's too sick to go to school and spends an entire day watching Ray work in his down-stairs office. (CC) (TVPG) CBS 8

stairs office. (CC) (1976) CS o p.m. "When Harry Met Sally" - Rob Reiner's portrait of a couple whose growing attraction toward each other threatens to disrupt their friendship. (CC) TURNER CLASSIC MOVIES 8 p.m. "CSI: Miami" - The team finds a rape victim clinging to life after

TV Best Bets

being beaten, and Horatio suspects the imprisoned rapist is somehow responsible. (CC) (TV14) CBS 9 p.m.

Tuesday

"On Stage at the Kennedy Center: A Holiday Concert for the Troops With Marvin Hamilisch" – Marvin Hamilisch and the National Symphony, Orchestra Pops perform festive songs and classics including "O Holy Night" and "Santa Claus Is

Coming to Town." (CC) (TVG)
PBS 7 p.m.
"A Home for the Helidam"

Coming to Town." (CC) (TVG) PBS 7 p.m.

"A Home for the Holidays" –
Lauren Holly, Jamie Foxx and Rene Russo raise awareness about adoption by sharing their sories; No Doubt, Sheryl Crow, Mary J. Blige, Mya, Enrique Iglesias, Vince Gill, Amy Grant, and Pat Monahan perform; (CC) (TVG) CBS 7 p.m.

"Independent Lens" – The experience of three missionaries, from the time they receive their mission, calls to the end of their 22-month missions in Germany. (CC) (TVG) PBS 10 p.m.

Wednesday

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"Where Cliristmas Began" – A
trip to the area where Jesus was
born to uncover the real story of
his birth. (CC) (TVPC) THE
TRAVEL CHANNEL 6 p.m.
"Arthur's Perfect Christmas" –
Arthur, D.W. and their family and
friends prepare, for, gift-giving,
parries and family traditions for
Christmas, Hanukkah and
Kwanzan, (CC) (TVY) PBS 7 p.m.
"Anastasia" – Animated
Unaware of her true heritage as a
long-lost princess," an "orphan'
accompanies two con artists to
Paris. (CC) FOX 7 p.m.

Eminem searches for music thieves

Eminem and his record label are conducting a "witch hunt" to find out who stole three of the rapper's unfinished tracks and tried to sell them on eBay, music insiders have told The New York Post. "Eminem is in the studio right now doing his new album," a source who spoke on condition of anonymity told the Post. 'About a week and a half ago, somebody copled three unfinished raps onto CDs and tried to sell them on EBay."

Thankfully for Eminem, the eagle-eyed exces at Interscope, his

eagle-eyed execs at Interscope, his record label, saw the tracks up for

auction and contacted eBox.

"EBay immediately took the auction and contacted result auction down and has promised Interscope the tracks will never be auctioned on its site, but the problem is every time they shut the auctioned own, it pops back up," the Post's source said.

People in the news

EBay is trying to find out the

Lossy is trying to find out mean-identity of the seller, but mean-while, interscope has taken things into its own hands.

"Every single person in Em's entourage is being interviewed," the Post's source said. "Every one of Em's managers, friends or advi-sors who had access to the record-ing studio is now under surveil-lance."

Police say they found Gore's son with marijuana

The son of former U.S. Vice President Al Gore has been charged with possession of mari-juana after being stopped by police while driving a car in a Maryland suburb of Washington, Reuters.com reports.

Montgomery County, Md., police said Albert Gore III, 21, was arrested Friday night along with two passengers after police officers observed a Cadillac being driven without its headlights on. As officers approached the car they saw that the sun roof was open despite freezing temperatures, county police said.

The officers searched the car and found what appeared to be a partial marijuana digarette and a plastic bag containing what was suspected to be marijuana, police said. Gore and the two passengers were arrested and charged with one count of marijuana possession, a misdemeanor, police said.

A family spokesvoman said the

said.

A family spokeswoman said the family is in the habit of not commenting publicly on the private lives of their children.

- compiled from wire reports



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Mexico City confronts drunken driving

Get-tough campaign doesn't apply on Christmas-Eve

MEXICO CITY (AP) - Police are coming down hard on drunk-en drivers in Mexico City this holiday season, but not on Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve. The two exempted days may seem like good news for the overindulgent, but they add a fresh layer to the controversy that has surrounded the use of checkpoints and breath tests since they were introduced in the capital in September.

points and breath tests since they were introduced in the capital in September.
Gerardo Balles, 35, a lawyer, said the law is unconstitutional, and that waiving it on Dec. 24 and Dec. 31 makes no sense.
"I believe this, of all times, is when they should be doing it," he said speaking over the clamor conversation in a crowded bar. Police explain that traffic the city of 8.5 million will be down by as much as 85 percent on those two days.
"These are strictly family days," said Mexico City police department spokesman Enrique Gonzalez. "The Mexican custom is to settle at the house of a family member. ... They'll sleep there, rest, wake up possibly with a hangover and then go home."

Of the city's 748 dead in traffic accidents in the first half of 2003, 17 percent tested over the limit, cronners resort. Authorities esti-

accidents in the first half of 2003.
I7 percent tested over the limit, coroners report. Authorities estimate a drop of 90 percent in alcohol-related wrecks and fatalities on checkpoint nights, but have no firm statistics.

The get-tough campaign was among recommendations made by Rudolph Guilani's consulting firm for fighting crime in Mexico Civ.

him for figures.

City.

Taking a page out of Giuliani's boook from when he was mayor of New York City, police have the power to impound cars of drivers who flunk the Breathalyzer test.

They can also jail drivers until they sober up.

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Mexico's fiestafriendly culture, and
drivers suspected it
was just another way
for corrupt cops to
solicit bribes.
But the police persisted. They shifted
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and punch.

Balles was one of more than
50,000 drivers pulled over at
Mexico City checkpoints this
year and among more than 6,000
given the alcoholimetro test. He
passed, but more than 1,000 drivers have tested over the 0.04 ers have tested over the 0.04 blood-alcohol level. Officials esti-

shots to be over the limit.

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coroners report.

The fuss has political potential to the common of the comm

Party's faction at City Hall. "Our

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Sipping a beer at a bar, video editor David Naval, 28, tied the crackdown to the political ambitions of Mayor Andress Manuel Lopez Obrador, a potential presidential candidate.

"It's an effort to show his government is clean," Naval said. "But if you're going to do it, do it every day."

Jimenez said his party has received complaints of extortion by police and mistreatment of women under the testing program. But he couldn't provide specific examples, and the allegation is disputed by some.

"Of the people that I have heard from, you can't give the police a single pesso," said teacher Lydia Alvarez, 31, as she ordered a cocktail at an upscale bar.

Alvarez said she and her friends have changed their night habits, opting to take taxis, appoint a designated driver, drink less or walk.

Israeli leader warns of conflict over settlements

JERUSALEM (AP) - A government plan to dismantle Israeli set-tlements and impose a new bound-ary with the Palestinians will touch off bitter confrontation with

Jements and impose a new nouncary with the Palestinian's will touch off bitter confrontation with Jewish settlers but must go ahead for the sake of the country's security, the prime minister's top deputy said Sunday.

Vice Premier Ehud Olmert's comments pointed to fears of a bitter internal conflict over Prime Minister Ariel Sharon's recent announcement that Israel will have to evacuate settlements even mithout a peace agreement. The Palestinians vehemently oppose the plan, and now even members of Sharon's Likud Parry say they would rather break a government coalition than back it.

paintul, difficult, heartbreaking process, and. a confrontation, of (previously) unknown proportion in the life of this country. Olmert told the local Foreign Press. Association. "It's a serious crisis ... There's no doubt about it. I expect it to be very emotional and very confrontational."

Olmert said Israel had to leave most of the West Bank and Gazaan about-face for his Likud Parry because otherwise Anabs will soon outnumber Israel's 55. Illion Jews in the territory it controls. "Do we want (the Palestinians) to be equal citizens in the state of Israel and ultimately dictate the nature of the state?" Olmert said.

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Libya hopes for U.S. diplomatic ties and oil companies, say analysts

CAIRO, Egypt (AP) - Libya hopes to reopen relations with the West and gain lucrative oil contracts blocked by U.S. sanctions as well as reap other economic benefits by abolishing weapons of mass destruction.

Under the surprise disarmament agreement by Libyan leader Moammar Gadhafi, Libya would allow U.N. and U.S. inspectors to monitor its nuclear program in addition to getting rid of its arcsenal, moves it believes will return the country to the good graces on the international community.

"We are turning our swords into bloughshares, and this step should be appreciated and followed by all other countries," Libyan Prime Minister Shukri Chanem told the British Broadcasting Corp. - a clear reference to the United States, the one country that maintains sweeping sanctions.

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The United States imposed sanctions in 1986, accusing Libya of supporting terrorist groups. En years later, America passed-the Iran and Libya Sanctions Act that threatened to penalize the U.S. partners of European companies that did significant business in Libya and Iran. When the U.N. Security Council voted to abolish its sanctions on Libya in September, the deputy U.S. ambassador to the world body, James Cunningham, said U.S. sanctions on Libya would remain "in full force."

Cunningham accused Gadhafi of actively developing biological and chemical weapons, upgrading its nuclear infrastructure, and seeking ballistic missiles to deliver weapons of mass destruction.

With Friday's decision, Libya believes it has wiped the slate clean.

"What Gadhaff is stutiving for is"

"What Gadhafi is striving for is reacceptance into the community of nations," said Heury Schuler, a Libyan specialist who has met Gadhafi and spent eight years in the North African country as an American diplomat and an oil company executive.

So far, Gadhafi seems to be winning friends, even in places where he might not want them.

Israeli Foreign Ministry spokesman Jonathan Peled said Sunday that the move on weapons of mass destruction could lead to

his country's establishing rela-tions with Libya.
"There is no conflict or animos-ity with the Libyan people. We are definitely willing to have reladefinitely willing to have rela-tions with any nation or country in the world that is willing to rec-ognize Israel as a sovereign or free country, "Peled said. However, Libya's state-run press made clear that Israel would have to follow suit with it

would have to follow suit with it weaponry.

The Al-Jamahiriya newspaper said Libya's decision had reversed the "race" to produce weapons of mass destruction in the Middle East and placed "exceptional pressure on Israel" to come clean on its nuclear weapons, which the Jewish state has neither admitted foor denied possessing.

In Cairo, Egyptian President Hosni Mubards said Libya's move will have an "echo in the world-including Israel, which should remove its weapons of mass destruction".

Saad Djabbar, a North African expert at Cambridge University,

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said what Libya seeks is normalization with the United States and the removal of all sanctions. American oil companies own joint-venture concessions in the Libyan oil 'fields,' but 'sainctions' have blocked them from developing those fields. Oil experts say their Libyan state 'partners are now operating the fields, but at levels far below their potential. "With U.S. investment, Libya can become a world class oil producer," oil industry consultant Peter Gignoux told The Associated Press. The American companies "hold the best concessions and they have got very good

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sions and they have got very good technology."
Djabbar said Libya kinow that once American companies have re-established themselves, "they would enhance the pro-Libyan lobby in Washington."
He believes the move on weapons of mass destruction will allow Libyan scientists to return to American universities and acquire the technical know-how Libya needs.

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Philippines landslides, floods kill 83

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Lil.OAN, Philippines - Mud and floodwaters sweet away villages across the eastern Philippines on Sunday, killing at least 83 people and blocking rescue workers from reaching victims — including entire families huried alive.

Of those killed, 61 were in the hard-hit central province of Southern Leyte, according to the National Disaster Coordination Center. The death toll seemed libely to rise, as at least 123 people were missing and regional officials reported more bodies than in the government's official count.

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Leyte Gov. Rosette Lerias returned from a devastated village in the San Francisco coastal area late Sunday and reported 16 more dead there, which would place the toll at 99.

We were expecting some Christmas parties, but now all we write the brief a little better for those who were left behind," she said.

Some blanned years of illegal logging for the landslides, triggered by six days of pounding rains and winds in six provinces near the Pacific Ocean lane Friday to carly Saturday.

President Gloria Macapagal Arroyo said most of the affected areas were near overlogged hills and mountains and urged officials on cancourage forestation that could hold the soil better on steep-slopes near villages.

Malaysia halts deportation of suspected Islamic militant

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Mohammad Rahman, architectured States of being the main recruiter for the Asia-based terrorist network Jemaah Islamiyah. Idhal has been jailed without trial in Malaysia for more than two years.

Malaysian immigration authorities had told his wife, Fadmah Zahrah Abdul Aziz, to buy him a plane ticket and give it and other documents to the Indonesian Embassy in Kuala Lumpur so he could be repartiated there. Having followed instructions. Fadinah said she was told her husband would be brought to the Kuala Lumpur International Airport on Sunday and escorted onto-the flight to Indonesia, his native country.

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Fatimals went to the airport for the flight with their nine children with hier to say goodbye. When she airline that her lustband had not checked in. Officials at the immigration detention center in northern Malaysia, where Iqbal was being held told her by telephone that he was still there and that his deportation was postponed indefendent and that his deportation was postponed indefinitely.

Women in France march against head scarf ban-

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PARIS – Thousands of people,
mannly Muslim women shouting.

"The veil, my choice," marched
through Paris on Sunday against
presidential proposals to ban
lamic head scarves from public
schools and maybe at work, too.

The protest, a cry of anguish
from a rarely heard section of
French society, was the first in
Paris against President Jacques
Churac's announcement
Wednesday that head scarves and
wher conspicuous religious sym-

Chiracs announcement Wednesday that head scarces and other conspicuous religious symbols, including Jewish skullcaps and large Christian crosses, should be banned from schools to protect French secularism.

Chirac urged parliament to pass the law before the 2004-2005 school year starts in September. He also proposed giving company losses the right to decide whether religious symbols can be worn at work and said a law should stop patients from refusing care from doctors of the opposite sex animed at Athislim, women who, have rebuiffed male medical workers.

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Paris police put the number of marchers at 3,000. More than half were women, girls and even young children wearing head scarves. They marched in a boisterous, Tag-waving column hundreds of yards long through rain to the Place de la Bastille, where the prison stormed at the start of the prison stormed at the start of the stood.

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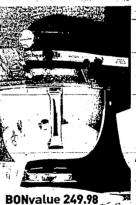
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SPORTSQUOTE

Coincidentally, the only thing that has collapsed worse than the computer technology industry in the Silicon Valley is the UCLA football program.

> -- comedian Jerry Perisho, regarding UCLAs meeting with Fresno State in the Silicon Valley Classic at San Jose on Dec. 30.

TRIVIA OUESTION:

Which NBA owner has the most

...answer below

IN BRIEF

BSU boosters plan to meet Tuesday

TWIN FALLS—'The Boise State Booster Club will meet at Woody's Sportsbar and Grill at 5:30 p.m. Ruesday for the Fort Worth Bowl. The Bruncos play Texas Christian University.

Open gym times are available in Twin Falls

TWIN FALLS - The City of Twin Falls Parks and Recreation Department and the Twin Falls Iwin Falls Parks and Recreating Department, and the Livin, Falls School District are sponsoring a free open gym on Sundays through Feb. 29 at Robert Stuart Junior High. Adults play from noon-3 p.m. withyouth playing from 3-4 p.m. For more information, call 736-265.

Burley football team will be 'Santa's helpers'

BURLEY - Coach Scott Palin and the Burley High School foot-ball team are offering their serv-ices as Santa's helpers this holi-day coach

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Anyone in need of holiday help
decorating, putting up light,
wrapping presents - can call 6783903 or 431-4274, or e-mail
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The fee-for-help is a donation made to the Bobcat Football Camp Fund. For your donation, a team of adult-supervised athletes will help you get ready for the hol-idays. They will also be available after Christmas to help take down decorations and haul away Christmas trees.

CSI baseball camp will be held late this week

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TWIN FALLS - The 23rd annual Southern Idaho Baseball Campwill be held Dec. 27:29 at the
Eldon Evans Expo Center on the
College of Southern Idaho campus. Camp directors Jim and
Boomer Walker lead a group of
instructors including current and
former professional players and
coaches Ed Gustafson, Arizona;
Jim Horner, Seattle; Nate Tebbs,
Boston; Kody Kirkland, Tigers;
Christian Colonel, Colorado; and
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ers.
The camp covers hitting, pitch-ing-fielding,-catching, outfield play and base running.
The cost is \$250 per person or \$200 per person in groups of six or more.

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TRIVIA ANSWER:

Jerry Buss, with eight. Jerry Reinsdorf, owner of the Chicago Bulls, is next with six. The Boston Celtics won their 16 titles with a variety of owners.

Athletes fund sports programs

Cash-strapped schools rely on students to support athletics

By Rebecca Boone Associated press writer

Associated press writer

BOISE, Idatio – With six active kids – five still in school – Mike and Carol Beard know all about the costs that go along with extracurricular activities.

"When school starts and we have to come up with three sets of football fees plus new cleats aschool clothes and school ergistration fees, well, it's something we have to plan for. It does add up very quickly," Carol Beard said.

Like nearly half of the high schools around the state, Skyline

High School in Idaho Falls charges students involved in extracurricular activities fees designed to cover transportation and other related costs.

School district officials say the fees are the only way to supplement budgets hamstrung by limited state funding. But opponients of the so-called pay-to-play fees say the cost simply punishes students for participating in activities that keep them out of trouble during after-school hours. Out of 146 high schools in Idaho, 71 have pay-to-play programs, according to a recent survey by the Idaho High School Activities Association:

Bill Young, executive director of the association, opposes the participation fees.

"We believe in the values of activities and being involved. It's not so much the winning, it's the

lessons you've learned," Young said. "If families can't afford that experience, then not everybody's equal and that becomes a real

equal and that becomes a real concern."

For most school districts, the fees defray the costs related to transportation, officials, equipment and coaches.

A report from the state Office of Performance Evaluations shows that in 2002, school districts spent more than \$67 million – about 4.6 percent of current expenditures – to transport students to or from school, field triy, and athletic and extracurricular events. The amount averages to about \$272 per student, according to the report, but can range from \$130 in larger districts to more than \$4,000 per student in smaller, rural districts.

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Carol Beard and two of her five children, Matt, left, and Chris, are shown at Skyline High School in Idaho Falls Dec. 11. Part of the requirements to play athletics is to come up with extra money to fund the activities. For Beard, it is a matter of budgeting and planning for her kids pay-to-play sports schedule. Matt plays football, and Chris in involved in both football and wrestling.

Jazz can't slow Pistons

AUBURN HILLS, Mich. (AP)—
The offensive drought that plagued Detroit throughout December finally ended. For the first time this month, the Pistons reached 90 points.
Chauncey Billups and Chucky Atkins scored 19 points and Chucky Atkins scored 19 points angiece Sunday night in a 95-75 victory over the Utah Jazz. The Pistons' \$4.5 percent shooting marked just the second time this season they have made more than half their shots.
"That's what Pistons basketball is supposed to be," Billups said. "We've, Played like this in spurts, but this is the first time in a while that we've been able to do it for 48 minutes. We knew the defense was there, we just needed to get the offense back."
The win was Detroit's second in seven games.
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The win was Detroit's second in seven games.

"I don't think we ever lacked confidence, it was just a matter of execution," said Ben Wallace, who finished with 13 rebounds. "If felt good to get someone down and finally be able to close it

"It felt good to get someone down and finally be able to close it out."

Andrei Kirilenko scored with two seconds left in the first half before Wallace's long inbounds pass found Tayshaun Prince for a buzzer-beating layup and a 48-36 lead. Billiups and Richard Hamilton combined for 26 points in the half.

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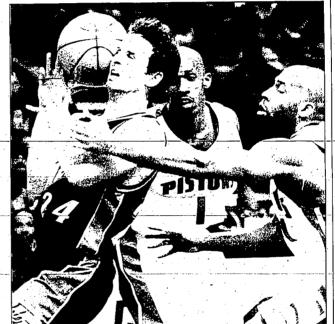
Prince scored nine more points in the third quarter, allowing Detroit to build a 70.55 edge with 12 minutes to play. Atkins scored the first seven points of the fourth quarter to give the Pistons a 22-point lead. Atkins had 15 points in the final period.

Utah dropped to 23 on a sistem road trip that ends Monday in Chicago.

"Tomorrow is an important game for 6s, because it will really show what we're made of after

game tor us, because it will really show what we're made of after the long trip," Jazz guard Raul Lopez said.

Detroit's three-guard rotation of Billups, Atkins and Hamilton combined for 50 points. Prince added 18.



The Detroit Pistons' Chucky Atkins, right, fouls Utah Jazz guard Raul Lopez (24) while going to the basket as the Pistons' Chauncey Billiups (1) looks on in the second half Sunday in Auburn Hills, Mich. Atkins scored 19 points in the

Darko Milicic, the No. 2 pick in this year's draft, entered the game with six minutes to play after loud "We want Darko" chants from the Palace crowd. Milicic finished with three points and his first two assists. "The crowd going crazy for me gave me a great feeling," he said.

"I'd been sick for five days, but it was good to get out there and play six minutes and score."
Milicic committed four fouls in his first 2:50, and was taken out briefly.
"I just wanted him to play the disappointed in the refs-1 think

they were expecting him to foul."
Carlos Arroyo (11 points) was the only Jazz player to reach doube figures.
"They had us from the beginning," Utah coach Jerry Sloan said. "They manhandled us all night long, and we were never able to get back into the game."

Price finds second chance at UTEP

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Bengals falter against Rams

By R.B. Fallstrom Associated Press writer

ST. LOUIS - A week after clinching the NFC West, there was no letdown for the St. Louis Rams. That was bad news for the Cincinnati Bengals and their plausiff house.

Cincinnati nengas applayoff hopes.
Marshall Faulk scored two touchdowns, Torry Holt had his 10th 100-yard receiving game and Grant-Wistrom added 2.5 sacks to. help St. Louis beat Cincinnat 27-10 Sunday, knocking the Bengals from a first-place tie in the AFC North.

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Jeff Wilkins added two-field goals to give him 37 for the sea-son as the Rams (12-3) clinched a first-round playoff bye.

Baltimore (9-6) shut out Cleveland and leads the Bengals (8-7) by a game heading into the final weekend, with the Bengals finishing at home against the Browns and Baltimore at home against the Steelers. The Bengals hold all the relevant tebreakers if the teams end with the same record.

The first-round bye and staying alive for home-field advantage in the NFC turned out to be plenty



Bulger passes in the first half against the Cincinnati Bengals Sunday in St. Louis. The Rams beat

of incentive for the Rams, who intercepted three of Jon Kitna's passes.

The Rams, who broke a 7-7 second-quarter tie and were never

caught, finished 8-0 at home and now have won 14 straight in the Edward Jones game, breaking a record they set from 1998-00. Mare Bulger was 24-for-38 for 229 yards with touchdown passes of 28 yards to Holt in the second quarter and 9 yards to Faulk early in the fourth. That score put the Rams ahead 27-10. Holt caught 10 passes for 124 yards to help the Rams compensate for the absence of the injured Isaac Bruce, out with a mild high ankle sprain sustained last week.

last week.
Faulk had 121 yards on 22 carries, his fifth 100-yard game in six
weeks. His touchdown catch was
his first in his last 11 games, dating to Oct. 20, 2002, against the
Seahawks.

Seahawks.

Both teams were missing a receiver, with the Bengals' Peter Warrick out following arthroscopic knee surgery on Priday. Chad Johnson caught seven passes for 115 yards, setting a franchise single-season yardage record with 1,326.

1,326.
Kelley Washington, the replacement for Warrick, caught a 2-yard pass from Kitna in the second quarter.

Georgia Tech cruises

Associated Press writer

ATLANTA - The first game without coach Mike Jarvis was much like the others this season for St. John's - poor shooting and plenty of turnovers, all of which led to another loss.

B.J. Elder scored 11 of his 15 points in the second half and No. 5 Georgia Tech beat the Red Storm 79-66 Sunday, spoiling the debut of interim coach Kevin Clark.

Jarvis was fired only six some

Clark.

Jarvis was fired only six games into his sixth season. St. John's (2-5) lost four of its first five game, which hadn't happened since 1922.23, and even a victory over St. Francis, N.Y., in his final game wasn't enough to save Jarvis job. The Yellow Jackets (10-0) continued their best start since 1985-86, the last season they were ranked in the top five. They held St. John's to 38 percent shooting and forced 14 turnovers:

Luke Schenscher and Jarrett

and forced 14 turnovers.
Luke Schenscher and Jarrett
Jack each scored 12 points for
Georgia Tech.
Elijah Ingram shook off a
bloody nose to finish with 21

points for the Red Storm, and Andre Stanley added 15.
St. John's got within four points midway through the second half on a 3-pointer by Ingram, but the Yellow Jackets slowly pulled away with the help of their pressure defense.
A 3-pointer by Tech's Marvin Lewis made it 52-43, with Ingram getting hurt on the play. He was run over on the baseline by Clarence Moore and stayed writhing on the court for a few minutes.

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Once he was helped to the bench, the Red Storm had a turnover-and-two-missed slusts-and when Jack made two free throws, Georgia Tech took a 54-14 lead.

St. John's missed six straight shots at one point down the stretch, and a soaring, alley-op dunk by Isma'il Muhammad made it 67-49 with 522 left, and the Red Storm couldn't recover.
Clark, in his first game ever as a head coach, didn't make an appearance until just before the national .uthern, walking out of the tunnel .with Georgia Tech coach Paul Hewitt.

Sunday's NFL leaders

Passing

Steve McNair, Titans
• was 17-of-36 for 268 yards and two touchdowns

Aaron Brooks, Saints

• was 22 for 38 for 296 yards and two touchdowns

Rushing

Jamal Lewis, Rave Jamal Lewis, Ravens
• rushed for 205 yards and two touchdowns, one for 72 yards, in a 35-0 romp at Cleveland

Fred Taylor, Jaguars
• ran for a season-high 194 yards on 34 carries

Receiving

Chad Johnson, Bengals

• had seven catches for 115 yards, setting a franchise single-season record with 1,326 yards

Torry Holt, Rams caught 10 passes for 124 yards and a touchdown



Baltimore Cincinnat Pittsburgh Cleveland

San Francisco 49ers linebacker Julian Peterson, left, fumbles an interception of a

pass intended for Philadelphia Eagles running back Brian Westbrook, right, during the first half Sunday in Philadelphia. The Eagles recovered the fumble.

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Eagles' streak ends

PHILADELPHIA (AP)

PHILADELPHIA (AP) - Tony Parrish's second interception set up a 22-yard field goal by Todd Peterson in overtime, helping the 49ers snap the Eagles' nine game winning streak in a 31.28 win Sunday in Philadelphia. The Eagles (11-4)

win Sunday in Philadelphia. The Eagles (11-4) still can clinch that still can clinch thrid consecutive NFC East title and secure a first-round bye with a vitery over. Washington next Saturday. They need to beat the Redskins and have St. Louis (12-3) lose at Detroit next Sunday to earn home-field advantage throughout the playoffs. The win by San Francisco (7-8) was its first on the road in eight games this season.

Seahawks 28. Cardinals 10

SEATTLE - Shaun Alexander ran for two touchdowns. Matt. Hasselbeck threw for another score and Seattle's defense had eight

sacks.
Arizona (3:12) lost its seventh straight game and 13th in a row on the road – including all eight this season. Scattle (9:6) remained alive for a wild-card playoff spot.

Steelers 40, Chargers 24

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PITTSBURGH – Tommy Maddox
threw three, touchdown passes and
Jerome Bettis passed Marcus Allen
to become the seventh leading rush
er in NFL history for the Steelers (6-6)

9).
Drew Brees had three costly turnovers for the second straight week for San Diego (3-12) as Poshoza Townsend intercepted two passes and recovered a fumble. Townsend returned the second interception 25 yards for a TD.

Panthers 20, Lions 14

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CHARLOTTE, N.C. - The Detroit Lions set an NFL record with their 24th straight road loss, a 20-14 by a Carolina team that rested five starters.

Jake Delhomme threw for two touchdowns and John Kasay kicked a pair of field goals to lead the Panthers (10-5).

DeShaun Foster, playing for resting Pro Bowler Stephen Davis, ran for 76 yards, and had six catches for 38 yards, including a 10-yard touchdown pass from Delhomme.

Cowboys 19, Giants 3

IRVING, Texas - Billy Cundiff kicked four field goals as the Cowboys clinched at least a wild-card

Cowboys cuntered as a security of the berth.

One year to the day since Bill Parcells expressed interest in coaching the Cowboys, Quincy Carter had one of his most efficient outings.

The 10 wins in his Parcells' debut year are the most for the Cowboys

yards.
Lewis has 1,952 yards and needs jus 48 to become the fifth back to get 2,000 yards in a season. He needs 153 to tie Eric Dickerson's NFL mark of 2,105, set in 1984.

(10.5) since 1998, the last time they had a winning record. The Giants (4-11) lost their seventh straight, game four days after coach Jim Fassel was told he won't be back next season.

Jaguars 20, Saints 19

JACKSONVILLE, Fla.—The Saints scored a touchdown on one of the wackiest plays in NFL history. Then, almost more unbelievably, John Carney missed the extra point with no time left and New Orleans—dropped-from-the playoff race.
The Jaguars (5-10) have all their wins at home.

Ravens 35, Browns 0

CLEVELAND — Jamal Lewis closed in on the 2,000-yard rushing chub and the Ravens zeroed in on the AFC playoffs.

Lewis rushed for 205 yards on 22 carries and socred two touchdowns, one for 72 yards in the third quarter as the Ravens (9-6) moved back into first place in the AFC North over Cincinnati (8-7). In the first meeting with the Browns, Lewis set an NFL single-game rushing record with 295 yards.

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HOUSTON - Steve McNair, playing with a cracked bone spur in his left ankle, hit Drew Bennett for a 23-yard touchdown with 17 seconds left to lead Tennessee (11-4) fell behind with 1-48 remaining when Domanick Davis capped a lightning-quick drive

Broncos 31, Colts 17

Bears 27, Redskins 24
CHICAGO - After shanking two
makeable field goals, Paul Edinger
kicked a a 45-yarder with five seconds left to give the Bears their
fourth win in five games.
Anthony Thomas rushed for a season-high 141 yards, and rookie Rex
Grossman improved to 2-0 as a
starter for the Bears (7-8). Grossman
was 19-6/32 for 249 yards against
Washington (5-10) and his old
Florida coach, Steve Spurrier.

by the Texans (5-9) with a 5-yard touchdown run. That put the ball-back into the hands of McNair, who drove the Titans 75 yards in the wan-ing seconds.

Dolphins 20, Bills 3
ORCHARD PARK, N.Y. - Terrell
Buckley returned an interception 74
wards for a touchdown, leading a stifling defensive effort that kept alive
the Dolphins wild-card hopes.
Jason Taylor had 2.5 sacks as
Mami limited the Bills (6-9) to 177
total yards - a mere 11 in the first
half, Miami (9-6) still needs help to
make the playoffs.

Bears 27, Redskins 24

Dolphins 20, Bills 3

Broncos 31, Colts 17
INDIANAPOLIS – With Clinton
Portis out with a knee injury,
Quentin Griffin ran for 186 yards,
Mike Anderson added 56 more and
Jake Plummer ran for two scores.
Denver (10-5) won its fourthstraight and clinched its first playoff
soot since the 2000 season and only
its second postseason berth formation
John Elway retired following the
1998 season. The Broncos also prevented the Colts (11-4) from wrapping up the AFC South.

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In remote areas like Challis, transportation costs take up a large chunk of the budget, said Bill Hamm, prin-cipal of Challis Junior/Senior High School.

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The district was so cash-strapped that administrators were ready to cut all sports programs unless voters passed a property-tax levy to fund the programs. The \$220,000 two-year property tax increase was soundly defeated last spring, but a second, scaled-back \$180,000 levy was passed in July. Even with that money, the district still had to add the pay-to-play fees to keep athletics alive. Students now pay \$100 per sport, with a yearly maximum of \$300.

"People have just accepted it as the only way we could keep our after the programs going," said Hamm. "Those programs are pretty important to us. But I am trying to cut the

amount down because I'm leery of having-to-go-ask-parents for-more money. We're always asking for pic-ture money, class rings, graduation announcements."

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George Phillips, a basketball coach and teacher for Challis Juniori/Senior-High School, said the new participation fees will likely become a way of life for-high school athletes.
"We've found that some other schools have been charging fees for some time. I can see the amount changing in years to come, either higher or lower, but right now I don't see them going away." Phillips said. It is difficult to 'tell If pay-to-play programs have impacted the number of students participating in sports, said Young, because this is the first year the Idaho High School Activities 'Association has surveyed schools on the matter.

Initial numbers of students in

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sports appear to be roughly the same as last-year, he said, but it could take

as fast year, he said, but reduct take a few years to spot any trend. If numbers do decline because of the fees, it could be the beginning of the end for Challis sports, Phillips

the end for Challis sports, Phillipssaid.
"If you drop out a few students
from the program, you need more
money from the remaining students
to fund it, and that increased cost
could force more to drop out. It's
downward spiral," Phillips said.
In Challis, sports mean much more
than just learning how to compete,
he said. The activities are the only
thing the small town offers for teens
after school.
"It think it's the best chance kids
have to stay away from alcohol, drugs
and messing around with sexual
affairs," Phillips said. It's also one of
the few things outside the classroom
to motivate kids academically."

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No. 4 Texas Tech upends Stanford

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LUBBOCK, Texas — Alesha Robertson made the most of her first start.

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defensive plays.

Jametra Clark scored 11 points and Jia Perkins added nine for Texas Tech.

No. 1 Connecticut 87, Saint Joseph's 34 PHILADELPHIA - Barbara Turner scored 19 points, and

NCAA women's hoops

Diana Taurasi added 18 for top-ranked Connecticut.

No. 2 Tennessee 71, No. 13 Oklahoma 55 NORMAN, Okla. – Shyra Ely scored 17 points, and Shanna Zolman added 14 to keep Tennessee unbeaten.

No. 9 Minnesota 75, Wisconsin-Green Bay 55 MINNEAPOLIS – Lindsay Whalen had Z2 points for unbeat-en Minnesota.

No. 12 Louisiana Tech 87, No. 6 Penn St. 84 STATE COLLEGE, Pa. – Amber Obaze hit a 35 footer with 1.2 sec-

onds left, and Louisiana Tech ended Penn State's 24-game home winning streak.

Amisha Carter had 17 points and 13 rebounds for the Lady Techsters (7-1).

No. 17 Virginia Tech 60, James Madison 53 HARRISONBURG, Va. – Erin Gibson had 15 points and 12 rebounds for unbeaten Virginia Tech, which took control with a 17-1 run in the second half. Jody LeRose and Shirley McCall scored 11 points apiece for James Madison (2-6).

No 18 Ohio St. 95, Penn 54 COLUMBUS, Ohio – Brandie Hoskins scored 22 points on 10-of-12 shooting to lead Ohio State. Jessica Davenport added 20

No. 23 Auburn 63, Marist 47
POUGHKEEPSIE, N.Y.
Le'Coe Willingham had 16 points
and 11 rebounds in Auburn's fifth
straight victory.
Nicole Louden scored 13 points
and Mandisa Stevenson had 11
points and 11 rebounds for the
Tigers (9-2).

No. 25 Boston College 94, Sacred Heart 49 BOSTON - Lisa Macchia had a career-high 28 points for Boston College, which scored the game's first 13. The Eagles (8-1), shot 58.3 per-cent from the field.



Texas Tech's Alesha Robertson (55) moves past Stanford's Nicole Powell (14) during the first half Sunday in Lubbock, Texas. Robertson scored 18 points, helping No. 4 Texas Tech beat No. 7 Stanford 55-46 and set a school record

SPORTS IN BRIEF

Devils, Blackhawks

battle to 2-2 draw

Favre's father dies after

Irvin Favre was pronounced dead at 6:15 p.m.
An autopsy will be performed on Monday.

Slew of baseball veterans

become free agents

NEW YORK - Outfielder Jay
Payton and reliever Braden
Looper were among 58 players
dumped onto the free-agent
market Sunday after their
teams failed to offer them 2004

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Javy Lopez, one of the unsigned players, was on the verge of finding a new team Sunday. The All-Star catcher was working on finalizing an agreement with Baltimore on a three-year deal worth about \$23 million, and the Orioles hoped to wrap it up Monday.

Also cur free were Cleveland-pitcher Danys Baoz, and Baltimore pitchers Damian Moss and Jason Johnson. Others made free agents included Tampa Bay infielders Marlon Anderson and infielder sandberg Cincinnatio utifielders Ruben Mateo and Reggie Bralyan; Colorado pitcher Scott Elarton; Deroti catcher Ben Petrick; and Toronto pitchers Trever Miller and Cliff Politte.

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Fave's father dies after fourth-quarter lead

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BOSTON – Paul Pierce scored
31 points, Jiri Welsch added 22
and the Celtics overcame a 12
point deficit in the final quarter
to defeat Philadelphia 87-84
Sunday night.
The Celtics, who trailed 65-37
at the start of the fourth quarter,
used a 14-0 run to take a 75-70
lead with 4-99 left. Welsch
scored six of those points on a
pair of 3-pointers, and Pierce
made a free throw following a
technical foul on 76-rs coach
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their first lead since the second
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Philadelphia answered with a 3-pointer from Aaron McKie with 2-40 left to go ahead 77-75. but Mike James 3-pointer with 50.7 seconds remaining gave Boston the lead for good, 80-77-Pierce went 16-for-18 art the foul line and added 10 rebounds and seven assists, Vin Baker had 10 points and 10 rebounds.

Arizona receiver breaks NFL rookie catches mark

NFL rookie catches mark.
SEATILE Arizona
Cardinals receiver AnquanBoldin broke the NFL record for
catches by a rookie Sunday.
Boldin's fifth catch, a 12-yard
reception from Josh McCown,
came late in the third quarter
against Seatile. It was his visit catch, one more than Terry
Glenn had for New England in
1996.
He finished the game with 10
catches, giving him 96 for the
season.
Boldin, the former Florida
State player drafted 54th overall, was selected to the NFC Pro
Bowl roster this week.

Favre's father dies after suffering heart attack
BILOXI, Miss. - Îrvin Favre, longtime Hancock North Central High School football coach and father of Green Bay Packers quarterback Brett Favre, died Sunday afternoon of a heart attack or stroke while driving his pickup truck. He was 58.

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The family indicated that three-time NFL MVP Brett Favre will play on Monday night nagainst the Raiders in Oakland. They had encourated Brett, who has an NFL record 204 consecutive starts at quarterback, to play in the game. I drove off Mississippi 603 at 5.23 pm. near Kiln. Favre run into a dirch, said Sgt. Joe Gazzo of the Mississippi State Highway Patrol.

Irvin Favre was pronounced dead at 6.15 p.m.

No. 10 Missouri slips

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COLUMBIA, Mo. - Preseason
All-America Ricky Paulding was
held scoreless until the midway
point of the second half, but
scored nine points in a late run
as Missouri beat North Carolina
Greensboro 106-98 Sunday, Jason Conley, a transfer, had
J points in his Tigers debut,
while Arthur Johnson scored 19
points and Linas Kleiza and
Travon Bryant each had 17 for
Missouri (4-1).
Paulding hit a 3-pointer from
the top of the key to ignite an
11-0 run that gave Missouri a 9275 lead with under seven mintutes to play. After a kayup by
Jimmy McKinney, Paulding
added six consecutive points
and the Spartans (4-5) got no
closer than eight the rest of the
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Jay Joseph and Roimic
Burrell each had 22 points for
the Spartans, while Dwon
Clifton and Roimic Taylor each
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Italy's Simoncelli wins giant slalom in Italy

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ALTA BADIA, Italy – Davide
Simoneolli captured his first
World Cup victory Sunday, winning a giant slalom in which
Bode Miller finished third.
Simoncelli won by 1.03 seconds and became the first
Italian to win a giant slalom on
the Gran Risa course since
Alberto Tomba in 1994-He-liuda two-run time of 2 minutes,
33.90 seconds.
Finlands Kalle Palander was
second and Miller finished 1.21
seconds behind. Other
American finishers were Dane
Spencer in 11th place and
Daron Rahlves in 28th.
Miller won the season's first
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Now the question was whether to lead a diamond to the jack— the right play if East had a dou-bleton honor—or to lead up to dummy's diamond 10, the correct move if West had the doubleton king or queen of diamonds.

There was very little information available about the count in hearts or spades, but it was rea-sonable to hypothesize that if West had the long clubs, perhaps he would have short diamonds—and vice versa.

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Section D

It's time for a few pickup lines

Let's say you're a middle-aged guy. It's a Sunday afternoon, and you're planning to relax by watching a little football, defined as "11 con-secutive hours of football." You settle on the sofa and turn on

You settle on the sofa and turn on the pregame show, and the first hing you see is a commercial for a pickup truck. This is followed by another commercial for a pickup truck, and then, for a change of pickup truck, and then, for a change of pickup trucks. Then there's about 5 seconds of men talking about football, followed by still more commercials for pickup trucks. At this point, you start to wonder if you're the only gay in America who doesn't drive a pickup truck. You drive a pickup truck you then only gay in America who doesn't drive a pickup truck in your line of work - accountant - the largest appload you haul is Chinese food.



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But you are envious of the men in the truck commercials — manly, bulging men, with manly, bulging men, with manly bulging men, with manly bulging whicles, men who do not mind getting sweaty and dirty. In the morning, when white-collar Camry drivers like you are applying underarm decodorant, these men are deliberately perspiring and smearing dirt on their bodies, preparing to go work on the rig.

on their bodies, preparing to go onk on the rig.

That's where the men in truck commercials always work: on a rig. You have never, in your accounting career, been involved with a rig.—You're not sure what a "rig." is: But moy you wish you had one. You have rig envy.

Of course you could not get to the rig in your Cannry, because you have to drive over boulders. That's how your TV-commercial-truck-driving you showly gets to his rig. He drives over the largest boulders he can find. If he cart find any boulders, he simulates them by banging, his lead violently against the roof of his cab. That's how manly he is.

By the 18th pickup-truck commercial, you are no longer able to focus on the pregame show, because you're feeling deeply insecure about the size of your Carmry. You wonder if you could trade it in for a pickup truck. Of course, you'd have to convince your wife that there were practical benefits. ("Look, honey! It has a 1,700-pound payload! I could carry 250 gallons of wonton soup!") But your wife would never see the need for a truck. Your wife is—face it—a woman.

And just then, when you're starting to get really depressed, then ever see the need for a truck. Your wife is—face it—a woman.

And just then, when you re starting to get really depressed, when you realize the problems with his rig. But then he took a pill, and and a rig, the gar now showing ruck commercials. They're all basically the same A man a rugged man, far more manly than and a rugged man, far more manly than the took a pill the same A new of the rugged man, far more manly than he took a pill the came play provided the sum of the rugged man, far more manly than the took a pill the same A new of the rugged man, far more manly than han a rugged man, far more manly than han a rugged man, far more manly than the need fo

monroof.
This is what you're picturing as you lie on your sofa, curled into the feral position, when finally, mertifully, the pregame show comes to an end, and the actual game is about to

Are you ready for some football?

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RACKING A SMILE



Putting the smack down on chapped lips Winter: Time to give your skin extra TLC

Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS – Now here's a conundrum for you:

Lick your lips, and you'll dry them out. Put water on them, and they'll stay moister.

How's that again?

"When the moisture you get from licking your lips evaporates, the natural moisture is gone and your lips can feel even drier," explained Dr. Chris Scholes, a Twin Falls dermatologist. "The drier your lips get, the more tempted you are to bite them, which just aggravates the problem."

which just agravates the problem."

And almost everyone who lives
in a cold, dry climate knows that
first hand.

"Chapped lips are very common when the weather turns colder and the air dries out," Schoel
said. "And if you live in a windy
climate like we do, that dries
said. "And if you live in a windy
climate like we do, that dries
them out even more."

All the more so during flu and
cold season, when noses are
stuffed and we turn into a community of mouth-breathers.

"Saliva contains digestive
enzymes which are mean to stup
in the mouth," Dr. Garin Barth,
Columbus, Ga., dermatologist told
Knight Ridder Newspapers
Putting acid on your lips would
be wet but wouldn't feel very
good. The saliva enzymes cut away
at your lips and the area around
them.

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Nutritional deficiencies such as those of B-Complex vitamins and iron can also play a part in dry lips, as can allergies and sensitivy to flavoring agents in candy, chewing gurn and mouthwash, according the University of Tennessee Center for Health Services.

Drinking a lot of water can help fight dry skin – and lips – and so can using a humidifier at home. But what about everybody's go-to remedy the ubiquitous ChapSitck?

The Orange County Register

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Cold temperatures outdoors can day keated air indoors can leave your skin parched. Your scalp and body may become flaky, your chin and nose red and irritated. Your lips may be chappied. Your hands and feet may develop painful cracks.

Here, some advice from board-certified dermatologists Dr. Kristen Kelly, associate clinical professor of dermatology at the University of Colifornia, Irvine, and Dr. Susan Goodlerner, spokeswoman for the American Academy of Dermatology.

Face

- Wash with a mild facial cleanser and lukewarm, not hot, water. Blot - don't rub dry - and use a moisturizing cream.

- Scale down use of cleansers and moisturizers with exfoliating ingredients such as acids or anti-acre components if they are making your skin dry.

- Remember that even if your skin is typically oily, some parts of the face may be dry during the winter. Use a moisturizer lightly

"Parafin-sed lips balms work pretty well," Scholes said. "But I prefer the Vascline-type products. They hold in the moisture better and protect the lips." Paula Begoun, the Scattle-based_cosmetics writer whose syndicated column appears regularly in The Times-News, like Instant Lip Remedy, made by Neutrogena (\$3.4" for one-half ounce).

ounce). "It contains a great combina-tion of emollients and soothing agents to remedy dry, chapped lips." Begoun writes. "Be sure not to leave lips naked at night, is a sure way to guarantee you will never stay ahead of the prob-lem."

your skin extra 1LCc in the oily areas and be liberal with it in dry spots.

• Use a sunscreen with a minimum SPF of 15 during the day. Many good facial moisturizers have a built-in sunscreen.

• Use a waterproof sunscreen with a minimum SPF of 30 if you are participating in outdoor sports such as skiing, snowboarding and snowshoeing.

• Look for UVA and UV-B protection. Look for at least one of the following ingredients: zinc oxide, titanium dioxide, avobenzone.

one.
• Reapply after several hours.

- * Keep showers and baths short.
 * Use warm, not hot, water, even if hot water feels better.
 * Remember that antibacterial soaps can sometimes be drying to the skin.
 * Use soaps, bath oils and shower gels with moisturizing qualities.
- Rinse thoroughly and blot dry.
 Apply body cream immediately to seal in moisture.

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A stick or tube of ChapStick, Blistex or Carmex will cost you between \$1 and \$4; petroleum jelly-based products are a bit

more.
And you can buy lip moisturiz
ers and lip balms that will protect
you from ultraviolet rays - specifically with SPF values 15 or high

er.

But whatever you choose, remember to use it before you put on lipstick, the experts say.

"Chapped lips are easier to prevent than to treat," Scholes said.

- Kright-Ridder News Service contributed to this report

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Sewing has gotten more sophisticated

With this column, I am celebrating my 20th anniversary! In December 1983, I debuted as the Detroit Free Press sewing columnist and my first story was about "glamorous holiday styles." It was the beginning of a richly rewarding writing experience frome, and a wonderful relationship with a host of readers. Some of you have told me you saved columns. Please write or e-mail, and let me know what you liked best, what was helpful and what you'd like me too address. So many changes have occurred in this 20-year period, in businesses, techniques, trends and especially in technology.

Janet Pray, owner of the consumer show American. Sewing Expo, says there was a huge growth period following the polyester-pant decade. Attendance are growth period expo has steadily increased.

"Sewing became more sophistic."

increased.

"Sewing became more sophisti-cated, and while chain stores

"Sewing became more sophisticated, and while chain stores drove out many private shops, those that survived met the needs of higherend home-sewers, and still do," she says.

In the '90s, the industry stabilized. Toby Haberman of Haberman Fabrics sees the return to sewing as a reaction to technology, and as a "gournet" trend comparable to gournet cooking. "There's no stigma anymore, but instead, a sense of pride in having sewn your own," she says.

Haberman also notes that



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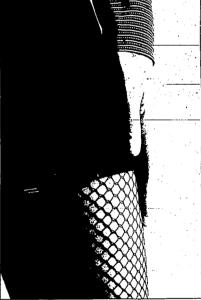
there's more individuality now, and a definite appreciation of quality. Independent pattern companies are thriving, too, offering interesting, sometinies chalcenging alternatives to the standard pattern lines.

As for sewing machines, companies such as Singer say they have adjusted by offering hoth leading-edge machines for experienced home-sewers and lower-priced entry-level products.

"In the last 10 years, we've seen a steady growth in sales, traced to the computer's sewing machine

a steady growth in sales, traced to the computer seving machine, and the hot embroidery machine, says Rich Scaglione of Singer Sewing Company. What about quilting and home dec sewing? And what are the trends for the future? Next week I'll touch on these subjects. Be sure to write!

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Jennifer Culter says she has a whole wardrobe of fishnets in various colors.

Fishnet stockings are back

In the 1950s, fishnets were for sultry pinup girls such as Bettie Page. In the 1950s, fishnets in the form of pantyhose went Carnaby Street mod. Worn in the punk world with micro-minis, they took on a more sinister cast in the 70s. In the '80s, women pulled on fishnets to dance to Madonna's 'like a Virgin.' More recently, fishnets to dance to Madonna's 'like a Virgin.' More recently, fishnets to cance a staple among the Goth and Industrial subcultures. "They come and go, bur I think they are sort of timeless," says fishnet fan Karina Vaysburd, the marketing and public-relations director for Water Water Everywhere, a chain of bathingsuit stores. "So what's the big news?" Fishnets now come in countless variations and can be wornt on practically any occasion by women of all ages. With so many colors and pattern sizes to choose from, fishnets can be sexy, subtle or just a lot of fun. And today, fishnets, reinforced with lycra, don't pouf out at the knees and ankles like they used to.

or just a lot of fun. And today, Issi-nets, reinforced with lycra, don't pouf out at the knees and ankles like they used to. "Once it's at Target, you know it's mainstream," says Vaysburd, who finds her fishnets "anywhere from Nordstrom to Wet Seal to Target."

Worn "in a graceful and sophis-ticated way, (fishnets) always look so feminine and beautiful," says Vaysburd, 28, who lives in Baltimore. Fishnets add texture, yet can

Baltimore.

Bishners add texture, yet canwork in the most conservative of settings. "I would never wear nude pantyhose," Vayshurd says. "An alternative to that is wearing a pair of nude fishnets with high heels or open-toe sandals." Jennifer Culler, an administrative assistant at Triban Burden & Charles advertisting agency and a free-lance costume designer, makes the most of fishnets. "I have a whole variety; different colors, black and silver, sparkly, burgundy. Beige (fishnets) are very popular right now," says Culler, who has bought them at Victoria's Secret and Hot Topic.

Like Vaysburd, Culler, 31, sees fishnets, every where. "I had a friend who just got married in Vegas in a Titanticera gown, and she wore Victorian bouts and toys inshnets," the Charles Village, Md., resident says.

Not long ago, Culler went to Pleasé see ATHTUDE, Page D2

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Study calls treatment into question

Research suggests treating breast cancer with surgery alone could lead to recurrence Los Angelos Times

Many women with a noninvasive form of breast cancer have chosen in recent years to undergo only surgery. Radiation was not necessary, they were told. That advice may have been wrong.

A Harvard University study of women with ductal carcinoma in situ (small tumors of the milk ducts) has found a "surprisingly high rate of recurrence" among a small group of patients who opted for surgery alone.

The finding suggests that all such patients – \$0,000 are diagnosed annually in the United States—should consider additional treatment with radiation. About a third of women with the form of breast cancer, called DCIS, are treated solely with surgical removal, most often breast-picserving lumpectomy, federal data show.

Based on the new findings.

Based on the new findings, Harvard affiliated hospitals are Harvard-attiliated hospitals are routinely giving radiation therapy to DCIS patients, said senior study-author-Dr-Jay-R.-Harris, chief of radiation oncology at Dana-Farber Cancer Institute and Harvard Medical School in

Dana-Farber Cancer Institute and Harvard, Medical - School in Boston. It's unclear how the study results will affect decision-making elsewhere.

Researchers at Dana-Farber and Brigham and Women's Hospital, both Harvard teaching hospitals, in 1994 began studying the outcomes for patients who had surgery alone for DCIS, hopeful that women would do fine without daily radiation, which is inconvenient, expensive and can affect the breast's appearance.

That expectation was bolstered after Dr. Melvin J. Silverstein, medical director of the Harold E. and Henricta C. Lee Breast Center at the University of Southern California, published an important study in the May 13, 1999, New England Journal of Medicine showing DCIS patients who had a wide margin of healthy tissue, removed from around their tumors (at least 10 millimeters) had no higher rate of recurrence than those who also underwent radiation. Silverstein reported only three recurrences among 133 women who had a surgery alone and were followed an average of more than six years.

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and were followed an average of more than six years.
But in a presentation Dec. 3 at the San Antonio Breast Cancer Symposium. Dr. Julia Wong, a radiation oncologist at Dana-Farber and Brigham and Wonnen's reported that 13 of 157 DCIS patients who were treated at Harvard hospitals and followed an average of 3-1/2 years after surgery developed same-breast recurrences: four had invasive cancer.

Attitude ___

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New York City, where she wore "knee-high black boots, a pleated skirt, cashmere sweater and fish-

The "trend is definitely pat-terned hose and fishnets," says Lyan Fram, co-owner of Bary Necessities, a Baltimore-area lin-gerie shop where Wolford fishnets are available for \$38 and \$40 a pair.

are available for \$38\$ and \$40\$ a pair.

Even if your occupation is not dancer at the Moulin Rouge, fishnets can easily go to the work, because I want people to see that they can be fun and they can wear them all the time.

Classic black fishnets "sell more for evening," Fram says. She recently had a client who was attending an evening wedding that called for cockrall attire. "She had a funky dress and killer. shoes," and, the fishnets "went great with them," Fram says.

"If you wear them for work, I would stay away from black," Vaysburd says. She suggests wearing, mude, fishnets: "On -a, great, hown pair with a tweed skirt and hown pair with a tweed skirt and hown pair with a tweed skirt and

ing-nude-fishnets—or. a_great-brown pair with a tweed skirt and maybe high-heeled Mary Janes." Pairing brown fishnets with something sexy, such as velvet, achieves a look that is richer instead of racier, Vaysburd says, "I'm working them into my

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Water fluoridation means more people get to keep their teeth

Baby boomers have brushed, flossed, polished and whitened their teeth like-no-generation

their teeth like no generation-before them.
For that, they are rewarded with having prettier smiles and the privilege of retaining most of their natural teeth as they reach old age. No denture jokes for this bunch,

please.
"I have never lost a permanent from having my tooth, aside from having my impacted wisdom teeth removed," says Diana Hopper, a 53-yearold Irving, Texas, resident, who credits her dental success to twice-annual

Irving. Texas, resident, who credits her dental success to tvice-annual teeth cleanings, an avoidance of sugar and nightly flossing, "I want to hold on to my natural teeth ferever," she says.

But boomers cannot take full-credit for managing to retain their pearly whites. In 1945, a year before this generation began to swell the U.S. population, there was a major tooth-sawing breakthrough in America – possibly the biggest tooth-sawing breakthrough in America – possibly the biggest tooth-sawing breakthrough in America – possibly the control of the same controversy, the federal government launched an experiment to add fluoride to community drinking watter in hopes of reducing the national incidence of dental cavities. Starting in Newburgh, N.Y., and Grand Rapids, Mich., the nation's drinking watter was gradually fluoridations. ing water was gradually fluoridat-ed until more than 55 years later,

two-thirds of the U.S. population is drinking the fortified substance at

home. ,"Fluoride has made a big differ-"Fluoride has made a hig difference in the number of cavities wesee nowadays" notes Dr. Thomas
McKinney, associate professor of
College of Dentistry in Dallas, value
soft, chalky teeth that were prone
National surveys reported a drop
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according to the U.S. Centurs for
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In the mid:1960s, one-fifth of Americans, 45 to 54 years old already had lost all their teeth due mainly to childhood cavities and persistent dental problems. By the mid:1980s, people in that age group who were edentulous, or toothless, had fallen to 9 percent. And those numbers keep getting better.

"The oldest post-World War II baby boomers will reach age 60 in

"The oldest post-worid was a baby boomers will reach age 60 in the first decade of the 21st century, and more of that birth cohort will have a relatively intact dentition at that age than any generation in

history," the CDC concluded in a recent report on the effects of fluoridation.

The controversy over fluoride has_not_disappeared_however.
"Opponents of water fluoridation have claimed it increased the risk for cancer, Down syndrome, heart disease. osteoprorisis and bone tor cancer, Down syndrome, neart disease, osteoporosis and bone fracture, AIDS, low intelligence, Alzheimer's disease, allergic reac-tions and other health conditions," the CDC notes in the report, adding that "no credible evidence supports an association between fluoridation and any of these con-

fluoridation and any of these conditions."
The long-term effect of fluoridation has made it possible for a mouthful of healthy teeth to become the prized possessions they are today. It can even be said that a set of shiny, white teeth has become a universal symbol of health. Certainly, for people who don't want to work out in the gometon the continuity of the perfect force, a perfect in the properties of the perfect face, a perfect simile is an attainable goal.

"There is a stigma among comper and middle-aged people that you just don't lose your teeth, which was a pandigm change from the previous generation."

which was a paradigm change from the previous generation," McKinney says. "People are more and more aesthetic-conscious, which is why they work so hard to save their natural teeth. They think they will look better."

Research shows exercise may prolong men's sex lives

WASHINGTON (AP) - A new study offers an additional reason for men to exercise: It could add years to their sex lives. Researchers hope men will learn from this and exercise no protect their potency even it they haven't exercised to protect their hearts.

hearts.

Men over 50 who kept physically active had a 30 percent lower risk of impotence than men who were inactive, the study

men who were inactive, the study found.

As men aged, the odds rose that they would have erectile dysfunction. But physical activity seemed to slow the process.

Researcher Eric B. Rimm, an associate professor at the Harvard School of Public Health, and his colleagues looked at darform questionnaires by 31,742 men ages 53 to 90 in the Health Professionals Follow-up Study of dentists, optometrists, pharmacists and veterinarians. The researchers excluded men with prostate cancer because impotence can be a side effect of surgery for the cancer.

The researchers were checking which lifestyle and health factors affected the risk of erectile dysfunction, which the study defined as the ability to have and maintain an erection adequate for intercourse. Their findings were published in the August issue of the journal Afinals of Internal Medicine.

Men who were physically active reported better erections,

and the most physically active men did best. Men who were able to run at least 3 hours a week had a 30 percent lower risk of impo-tence than men who did little or no exercise. These men seemed to have the sexual ability of men two to five years younger than they were, Rimm said.



G. Adrian Dean, M.D.

Q. What is Art Therapy and can it really be helpful in the care of the elderly?

A. Most programs in senior centers and long term care facilities employ the techniques of art therapy, which is based on the concept that the creative process involved in making art is healing and life enhancing. Art therapy can be the bridge between the medical and psychological models of treatment for those suffering from cognitive impairments. One of the more innovative forms of art therapy for people with dementia is the storytelling method. This method opens the

torytelling.process_to_ incorporating any responses the people in the group contribute, by emphasizing the use of imagination rather than fact basedmemory, the therapist can weave all contributions into the story and involve even those who can only make sounds and gestures. The participants can then realize they are being listened to, accepted and understood on some level, which is helpful to them_ and to all of us.



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Research says chopsticks may be bad for the bones

Los Angeles Times

Tips_

Hands

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Chopsicks, with a history that dates 5,000 years, provide a simple and neat way to get small birds of food to your mouth. They also may contribute to arthritis in the fingers.

A study of 2,500 elderly residents of Beijing who had used chopsticks throughout a lifetime of eating and cooking has linked the mechanical stress of manipulating chopsiticks with osteourthri-plating chopsiticks with osteourthri-plating chopsiticks with osteourthri-

-lating chopsticks with osteoarthri-tis of the thumb, index and middle fingers.

Wash your hair with warm, not

hot, water.

To treat dandruff, wash hair most days with a mild shampoo.

Use an anti-dandruff shampoo two to three times a week. These shampoos contain an active ingredient such as selenium sulfide, coal tar, zinc pyrithione or keto-conazole.

Mona brand doesn't work try.

If one uname community is a Leave shampoo on your scalp for the recommended time listed on the instructions for best results.

Rinse thoroughly.

Choose a lotion or cream that won't easily wash off when you

izoie. If one brand doesn't work, try

The condition, also known as degenerative arthritis, is the wearing away of the cartilage that cushions a joint, leaving bone to scrape against bone. In addition to pain and stiffness, it restricts the ability to extend and bend the fingers.

the ability to extend the Boston University School of Medicine X-rayed participants' hands looking for signs of arthritis, such as narrowing inside the joint space, worn-out-carillage and the formation of bony knobs at the ends of the joints. They also compared

wash your hands.

• Use lotion or cream immediately after washing hands with soap and water to seal in mois-

For extremely dry hands, heavier creams and ointments may be more effective.

Some myths about

winter skin care:

the hand that wielded chopsticks with the hand at rest during eat-

ing.
Men and women alike had an Men and women alike had an elevated risk of developing osteoarthritis in the thumb and middle finger of the hand they used for eating, the study found. Women had an additional risk of developing it in the index finger. Researchers haven't quantified the stress-that-chopstick use places on the fingers, but they have determined its effects. Among women, the stress accounted for 36 percent of the

UV damage.

• Myth: Only pricey moisturizers have good quality. Fact: Some drugstore brands, such as Cetaphil, Neutrogena, Eucerin, Aveeno and Oil of Olay, can do a good job of cleansing and moisturizing the skin.

• Myth: Soap is not good for the skin. Fact: It depends on the soap. Pure soap can be drying to the skin. Choise one that's appropriate for the condition of your skin, whether it's ty, oily or a combi-

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Might: More is always better when moisturizing the face. Fact: Overmoisturizing areas that are irritated or have acne may worsen the situation.

- Source: Dr. Kristen Kelly, associate professor of dermatology. University of California, Irvine.

likelihood of developing osteoarthritis in the small joint of the thumb; the figure was 25 percent among men, said lead researcher Dr. David J. Hunter. Researchers asked about other hand activities, "including calligraphy, which is very common among Chinese, and did not find any risk associated with those activities," Hunter said.

The findings were announced—last month at the American College of Rheumatology Scientific Meeting in Orlando, Fla.

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SUMMARY. Coloroscopy is a simple outpatient examinate is often performed with the patient lightly reduced. The procedure provides againstein information upon with specific treatment can be given. In certain Cates, therapy can be administered directly through the endoscope. Serious complications rarely occur from colonoscopy.

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work wardrobe, which I can do because I work at the American Civil Liberties Union, where we're all about freedom of expression," says Stacy Mink, director of devel-opment and public education for the ACLU of Maryland.

the ACLU of Maryland.
Fishnets have a way of uniting
the old and the new, "I dress in a
mix of new and vintage clothes,"
and the fishnets tie it all together,
says Mink, 38, who lives in North

itimore. Wearing fishnets should not be Wearing fishnets should not be limited to women of a certain age, Fram says. She recently had a client who was "probably in he late 70s. She was tall, very attrac-tive, very hip." She bought fish-nets with the new large diamond pattern and looked great, Fram says.

says.
"I do think age is a factor with fishnets, but more in terms of color," Vaysburd says, "Neons like pink or green or yellow definitely work best on younger women, but I think that a pair of nude or brown or dark-green fishnets would be beautiful and elegant on an older-woman. "More than anything," Vaysburd says, "I think it comes down to a woman's attitude and personal style – if she feels she can wear fishnets, then she proba-

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personal style – if she feels she can wear fishnets, then she probably can."

Kimry Perrone, the manager of Ma Petite Shoe and Oh Said Rose in Hampden, Md., is awaiting a shipment from We Love Colors, which offers 40 fishnet hues. As she speaks, Perrone says she is wearing tie-dye fishnets in a fashion fusion of the '40s and '60s. Many of the shoes in Perrone's shop are '40s-inspired and look great with fishnets, she says. Perrone also suggests layering colored, opaque tights underneath fishnets of another color She wears purple tights with green fishnets, for example. Knee-high fishnets are another new twist. "If I'm wearing jeans, I will put on black fishnet knee-highs, with open-toe-shoes-octarppy sandals," Vaysburd says. It's still a striking look, and 'you don't have to show any leg for that," she says.

Those who are more daring may.

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try to "pull off fishnet knee-highs, high-heeled Mary Janes and a little pleated, Catholic-school-girl skirt," Vaysburd suggests.
She describes the stockings sly. sex appeal as "almost like a wink."

Not to mention: "They do this great, curvaceous thing for your leg."

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A woman in the back row yawns. The woman next to her fidgets, Another student sneaks a peek.

peek.
"My mind still wanders,"
Jeremy Morelock, 33, says of the
Buddhist meditation class he has
attended for three months in
search of stress relief and spiritual growth. "I have these imaginary
conversations with people, and
then I think, Whoa, whoa, whoa
concentrate!"
Regular meditation practice is
supposed to quiet the mind and
allow the body to tap into its own
innate healing mechanisms. Yogis
and monks have preached the
powers of meditation for thousands of years, and the counterculture generation of the '60s
embraced transcendental meditation - a still-thirving form of internal mantra-chanting - as a
method to aldri consciousness.
But many people today are taking up meditation for reasons that
have little or nothing to do with
spiritual enlightenment and a lot
to do with improving their health. Scientists are using MRI and
other advanced technologies to
study the physiological changes
that occur in meditating Buddhist
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to treat a variety of ills, from
depression - or as it's sometimes
called, "relaxation rechniques"—
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is prescribed when other treat ments, such as prescription drugs

haven't worked, or as a complement to drug therapy. Recent research has shown that meditation can help reduce the risk of heart disease and stroke, as well as reduce pain and enhance the body's immune system.

Meditation is free, accessible and portable. It has no negative-side effects – a fact that makes doctors feel comfortable recommending it. Meditation requires only that you be able to sit quietly for 10 minutes or more, while focusing on your breath or a word or phrase. Anyone can do it. And while millions of Americans already are meditating in some fashion, many more would likely benefit. "I believe that meditation is the most important thing a person can

"I believe that meditation is the most important thing a person can do for their health," said Dr. David Simon, medical director and chief executive of the Chopra Center at La Costa Resort and, Spa in Carlsbad, Calif., the wellness clinic founded by New Age author and physician, Dr. Deepak Chopra.

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As with many lifestyle changes, most notably diet and exercise, getting started and sticking with meditation can be difficult. Meditation takes time and discipline. Desperately seeking health or sanity, many stressed-our people yearn for some quiet time amid the chaotic frenzy of their daily lives. Finding 10 uninterrupted minutes and a quiet place to sit down and shut your eyes can be a stumbling block. It's problematic to zone out in a cubicle at work; or ar a restaurant during lunch. And home life can be heating the control of th

tic in these wired and wireless times.

No one knows for sure how many of those who begin meditating continue the practice. Gen Kelsang Lekma, a Buddhist nun who has taught meditation for a decade in Los Angeles, said the dropout rate is fairly high: Only about half the students who begin a typical 13-class series will complete it, she estimates, and perhaps two out of 10 students who begin meditaring will-still-beding so after a couple of years.

Students abandon the practice for a variety of reasons, Lekma said. Some don't like it or can't get

the hang of it, and others lack the discipline to practice it regularly, usually daily. Some students are attracted to meditation out of a desire to learn something about Buddhist philosophy, but eventually lose interest.

How a person comes to meditation may also have an impact on his or her willingness to stick with it. For example, an increasing number of physicians are recommending meditation as a form of therapy to patients with heart disease, high blood pressure and even infertility. Dr. Herbert Benson, a Harvard University professor and president of the Mind/Body Medical Institute in Chestmut Hill, Mass., said that in its clinical experience, about 60 percent to 70 percent of those who begin a meditation-type practice primarily for medical reasons (sometimes at the recommendation of their doctor) adopt the teachings.

Proponents of the practice

teachings.

Proponents of the practice from Buddhists to cardiologists are trying to help more people
work meditation into their daily
lives. So what are the most effective approaches for starting medi-tation and ensuring you'll stick

with it?

The first step is to make the commitment, experts said. Learn about why it works physiologically and how it might benefit your boalth.

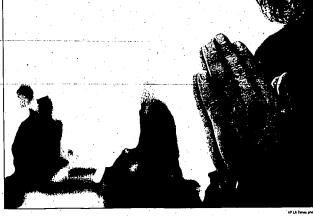
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Published more than 25 years ago, Benson's pioneering book.

"The Relaxation Response," showed how 10 minutes of meditative technique—a day—could-increase concentration and counteract the harmful effects of stress, such as high blood pressure and strokes.

Considered by many to be the father of U.S. meditation. Benson uses the phrase "relaxation response" to refer broadly to various meditation-type techniques—including prayer, qi gong, yoga and ai chi—that quiet the brain.

Newcomers need to stick with meditation long enough to make it. a habit, Taking a meditation-class-or-attending-a meditation retreat can be a shortcut to feeling-the-positive effects of-meditation faster and establishing a routine, experts said.



Meditation has surprisingly broad medical uses, science is finding. It takes discipline, though, to reap the benefits.

Meditation has suprisingly broad med
"Most people find it very difficult to begin a meditation practice on their own," said Lekma, 37, resident teacher at Khandakapala Buddhist Center in Los Angeles. "When you meditate with others, you get some kind of group dynamic going. When you get some people who are experienced, you kind of feed off it: Experts caution, however, that meditation won't produce the immediate "hit," such as reduced stress or increased energy, that a

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workout in the gym or other brisk exercise will do. Meditation takes time to learn, and even people who have been doing it for years still have times when their minds

still have times when their minus wander. It is important to be patient and start slowly, Lekma, the Buddhist nun, suggests starting with tiny steps, such as a single weekly eston with others, followed by a small personal commitment that you could stick to – for example, five to 10 minutes a day.

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"People come in with a lot of enthusiasm, but have unrealistic expectations," Lekma said "Instead of taking very small steps they say, I want to run a marathon." First you have to run half a block."



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and non-conforming labors.

Cost is \$20. Preregistration is not required. For more information, call 737-2900.

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Stih wedding anniversary. Friends
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DeKlotz and Eleanor J. Kistler
met while he farmed in Filer and
she worked for the Twin Falls hospital. They were married Oct. 18,
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He farmed for 22 years and

THE DEKLOTZES

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He farmed for 22 years and worked in the maintenance department at the College of Southern Idaho for 20 years. He



Gilbert and Eleanor DeKlotz

has served on the board of trustees at the Twin Falls Methodist Church, has been a camp coun-

selor for Camp Sawtooth, past-president of the Dilettantes, and a member of Masonic Lodge 55. She has helped in various clubs including Boy Scouts, 4-H, Rainbow Girls, Eastern Star, and the Methodist Church and Women's Society. They both volun-teer at the Buzz Langdon Visitor Center and have many hobbies they enjoy sharing with friends and family. They have two children. Martin

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They have two children, Martin (Roberta) DeKlotz of Filer and Linda DeKlotz (Melvin Howard) of W. St. Paul, Minn., and two grand-treaters.

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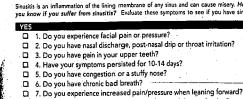
Homemade wills and trusts frequently contain ambiguities and inconsistencies. Trusts are no more lit-igation-resistant than wills. Each has its place in effece estate planning. If conflict-avoidance is your goal get it in writing, and say it clearly. A stitch in time still saves nine.

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TWIN FALLS - Recent activity in 5th District Court in Twin Falls County included the following:

Driving under the influence sentencings

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David Jay Theriault, 42, 1010 Locus St. N., Yom Falls; driving under the influence; picude girly \$500 miles for the content of the

Misdemeanor sentencings

Misdemeanor sentencings
Luke Christopheron Cross, 19, 360
1/2 Third Ave. W. Twin Falls, driving
without privileges; amended to fail to
purchasefuvalid driver's license; pleadde guilty, 569 fime; 56,350 court costs;
Magistrate Judge Randy J. Stoker.
George Layma Fried Jr., 540 court costs;
Magistrate Judge Randy J. Stoker.
Care Company Fried Jr., 540 co., care
steries, pleaded guilty; 536,550 fine;
54,350 court costs; prosecutor, William
R. Hollifield: Magistrate Judge Howard
Smysér.

rs. Holiniede: Magistrate Judge Howard Smyser.
Juan Daman-Felix, 32, 1926 Railroad Ave., Harelon; one count driving with-out privileges; amended to fail to pur-tabaselmental driver's license; pleaded guilty: \$100 fine; \$65; one count fail to provide proof of insurance; pleaded guilty: \$44,50 fine; \$63,50 court costs; prosecutor, William R. Hollifeld; Magistrate Judge Howard Smyser.

Cole Weldam Summers, 19, 207 Chillian R. Summ

i Inblifiedly, Maigistrate Judge, Randy J. Stoker.
Adam Dean Jackman, 19, 409 U.S. Highway 30, No. 11, Filter, driving without privileges, pleaded guilty, 578-20 out privileges, pleaded guilty, 578-20 out to the second driving privileges suspended for 180 days; Maigistrate Judge Howard Smyser.
Heary Lee Becker, 43, 3341 Kimberty Mond, Twin Falls, driving without privileges pleaded guilty, 578-20 outre costs, swieed, 60 days in jail, credit for time served, driving privileges suspended for 180 days; Maigarter Judge Howard 10 days; Maigarter 10 days Howard 10 days

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Tom Ilyn Callen, 19, 2134 E. 2200 N., Hölisteri fail to stop, render sid or leave the scene of an accident; amended in all to give immediate notice of an acci-dent placeded guilty; \$300 fine with \$30 supended; 530 court costs. The state of including the superior of the state of an acci-dent placeded guilty; \$300 fine with \$30 jail with 38 suppended probation for particular and the state of the stat

many actual; restitution to vice im Magistrate Judge Howard Suyver.
Shown Lynn Vantascel, 22, 3225 N. 261 E, Twin Falls, fail to stophoave the scene of a damage accident; amended to fail to notify upon striking fixtures on highway: pleaded guilty; 5300 fine with 500 suspended; 6,350 court costs; 575 public defender fee; 30 days in jail with 30 suspended; 12 months probabation; 535 per month probation fee; complete any reatment/counseling ordered by probation officer; 16 hours sheriffs work detail; restitution to victim; Magistrate Judge Howard Smyser.

Jacob T. Perkins, 22, 19517 U.S. Highway 30, Buhl; inattentive/careless driving; dismissed by prosecutor Magistrate Judge Howard Smyser.

Felony sentencings

Felony Sentencings
Lauce Christopher Swimer, 20, 2634
Addison Awe. E. Phin Falls, burglary,
ploaded guilty, eight years pentitentiary,
three years determinate, five years indeterminate; judge granted retained jurisdiction; sentenced to 180 days to be
served at the Idaho State Board of
Correction; 5,1000 fine with \$250 suspended; \$88.50 court costs; \$500 publicdefender fee; District Judge G. Richard
Bevan.
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Weston M. Jones 22, 1610 Fourth Ave. E., Twin Falls; rape; dismissed by prose-cutor; Magistrate Judge Kevin P.

E., Twin Falls, rayno-cutor, Magistrate Judge Neva-Cassidy.

Romilec Greene, 24, 449 Third Ave. S., Twin Falls, possession of a controlled substance, ampletemine; and/or substance, ampletemine; and/or cutor, at the officer's request and in the interest of justice, Magistrate Judge Howard, Smyser.

Kevin D. Eckelall, 41, 437 S. Main, Wimberly; possession of a stolen vehicle; when the control of the control of the control of the whole of the control of the control of the control of the substance currently being

Howard, Smyser.
Kevin D. Eckdail, 41, 437 S. Main,
Kimberly; possession of a stolen vehicle;
dismissed by prosecutor; currently being
prosecuted in North Dakota for stealing
vehicle; Magistrate Judge Mark Ingram.

Juvenile arraignments

Jessica L. McWilliams, 14, 335 Jefferson St., Twin Edls; possession of a weapon by a minor , two folding lock blade knives; public defender appoin-ed; pretrial hearing Dec. 30; Magistrate

Judge John Varin.
Timothy Slemp, 14, 120 13th Ave. N.,
buhl; petit theft; public defender
appointed; pretrait hearing Dec. 36,
Chase L. Ferguson, (0, 315 Clearskes,
Ne. 8, Buhl; wilful concealment; public
defender appointed; pretrait hearing
Jan. 22, Magistrate Judge John Varin.
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Juvenile sentencings

Sonya Livingston, 17, 3338 N. 3300 E.,
Kimberly, one count burglary; amended
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to victim; 520 court costs and 530 per
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dismissed by prosecutor; Magistralburntiese. I. Bailey, 13, 212 Ramasee

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Civil filings

Scott D. Johnson and Christine M. Johnson, husband and wife, parents and conservators of the estate of Matthews, Johnson, a minor vs. Alile Property and Casualty Insurance Company, an Iowa corporation. Seeking judgment against the defendants for the amount justify the personal auto policy;

attorney's fees and costs; other relief as the court deems just. Plaintiff's allege the defendants have refused to pay for including the defendants have refused to pay for including the defendants and the second of the defendants to the defendants of the defendant

Child support cases

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and Welfare, Child Support Services vs.
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and Welfare vs. Candace Rene

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Jami Day vs. Roarcy Kennedy.
Linda L. Klinsky vs. Rolph Klinsky.
Teresa G. Bridge vs. Cory D. Bridge.
Ronald E. Garrison vs. Cynthia J.
Johnson.

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William L. Rabe vs. Pamela L. Rabe.
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Juhns., Twin Falls, driving under the
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Misdemeanor sentencings

Steven J. Wilson, 26, 1322 Washington St. N., Twan Falls: reckless driving: found guilty: \$300 fine with \$200 suspended; \$62.30 court costs; 10 days in jail with 10 suspended; 12 months probation; \$35 per month probation fee; complete any

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Austin L. Faulkner, 25, P.O. Box 564,

Jerome-battery, amended to disturbing, the peace; pleaded guilty, \$36.50 fine; \$63.50 cutrost; one day in slid, credit for time served; restirution to victim, Magistrate Judge Howard Smyser. Judith J. Terroner, \$9, 328 N. 400 W. Jerome; disorderly conduct; pleaded guilty; \$63.50 cutr costs; Magistrate Judge Howard Smyser. Patrick James Brannard, \$14.21 St., Jerome; battery; pleaded guilty; with place of the server of t

tions sheriff's work detail; restriuten to victim. Magistrate Judge Howard Smyser. Tine Particia Williams, 22, 462 Third Ave. E., Twin Falls; one count enhancement of the state of the sta

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Holiday jingles

Penny wars encourage students to give

Recently, there has been a lot of jingling through the halls of Jerome High School, But, it hasn't been the typical jingling of bells. Instead, we've heard the happy sound of pennies.

Last week concluded the Penny Wass. Everybody in the school made a great effort to help needy families. Thanks to all the students, staff members and factury who helped and donated. As special thanks to Beeky Long and Terri Gardher in the office. Each year they spend countless hours sorting through thousands of dollars of change.

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TIGER ' PRINTS Kayla Earle

dents to help our community and provide a little healthy competi-tion between classes. All money collected is used to provide Christmas to families in need. The seniors brought in the most pennies with \$694, the freshmen were second with \$412, sopho-mores were third with \$404, facul-ty was fourth with \$156 and the

juniors raised \$131. The grand total for the penny wars for Christmas is \$3,33,52.
The spirit of Christmas is thriving at Jerome High School!
Thanks again to everyone who donated to this worthy cause and congratulations to the seniors for assembly to the giving spirit continues.
SkillsUSA recently earned \$122 for the veteran's cemetry and presented a check for that amount to Roland Gardner and Schule Sorenson of the Magic Valley veteran's organization on Nov. 11. This is a great accomplishment for SkillsUSA. Way to go!
Merry Christmas from Principal Patti O'Dell: The audito-

rium rocked with enthusiasm as Assistant Principal Ty Jones announced the winning class and the total amount for the Penny War Christmas collection contest. The band and the cheerleaders brought down the house with the "Hoy" song as the students celented their success in rusing \$1,000 more than last year. Youthful enthusiasm for giving to others—is anything more rewarding? With this spirit of giving, the saff members and students at JIS wish everyone a happy holiday season!

Kaula Earle is a lerome High

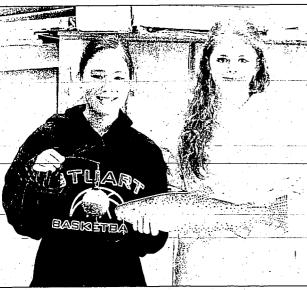
SINGING OVATION =



shak Elementary School in Burley perform otic program for parents and area veterans in commemoration of Veterans

Day, Music teacher, Loretta Peterson, led the children in a collection of pat otic songs and narrations. At the conclusion of the program, students sang songs for each branch of the Armed Services and asked veterans

FISHIN' FOR ART



Art students, left to right, Allissa Schuster and Angelena Maiberg at Robert Stuart Junior High School in Twin Falls, hold up one of the 12 Christmas fish ornaments sent to Washington, D.C. to be placed on the White House Christ tree. The ornaments were made from stoneware clay using a slab technique of labrication that they learned in Jay on. D.C. to be placed on the White House Christmas

Jerome High School students earn awards at Aca-Deca competition

By Laura Connors Special to The Times-News

JEROME - The Jerome High School Academic Decathlon team competed for the first time this year on Dec. 6, and the stu-dents brought home several

this year on Dec. 6, and the stu-dents brought home several awards.

Academic decathlon is open to students in grades nine through 12. Winners are listed by name, category and placement:

Honors category Christine Gardner, speech, gold

old Lacey Davis, speech, silver Jay Newman, overall, silver;

science, silver; math, silver; art, bronze; economics, gold; and essay, gold]amie Mitchell, sci-ence, silver; and essay, silver Kayla Earle, overall, bronze; language and literature, bronze;

art, silver; economics, silver; and interview, gold medal (perfect

Scholastic category Cairlyn Lancaster, overall, silver; speech, gold; länguage and literature, silver; economics, bronze; essay, silver; and inter-view, goldJennifer Waite, sci-

ence, bronze
Rebecca Ahern, overall,
bronze; science, bronze; language
and literature, bronze; and art,
gold Tami Nejezchieba, economics, silver; and interview, bronze
Ashlee Barber, essay, gold

Varsity category Vanessa Juarez, speech, gold; science, bronze; language and lit-erature, bronze; art, bronze; and essay, bronze

essay, bronze
Dana McCord; art, gold; economics, silver; and essay, goldThe
national finals will be held in
Boise on April 14-17, 2004. The
theme will be "America: Growth
of a Nation."

Twin Falls High gets into holiday spirit

Lately, students at Twin Falls High School have been getting into the holiday spirit.

Our own Chamber Singers, women's chorus and concert choir have been bringing joy to the masses with their renditions of Christmas favorites. On Dec. 8 at Roper Auditorium, the women's chorus sang, among others, Brightest and Best." "Sing a Song of Merry Christmas" and "All Alone Beneath the Mistletoe." Concert choir chimed in with song such as "Glad Moel," "God Rest Ye Merry Gentleman and "The Christmas Rose." Meanwhile, the always impressive Chamber Singers crooned "Somewhere in My Memory." Carol of the Bells" and my personal favorite, "Sleigh Ride." The TEHS hand and orchestraheld their winter concert on Dec. 16. "Winter's "Night," Nutcracker" and "God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemein" were some of the band's songs. The orchestra held their winter concert on Dec. 16. "Winter's "Night," Nutcracker" and "God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemien" were some of the band's songs. The orchestra followed with "Prosty the



man," "Ukraine Bells" and

Meanwhile, the students have been getting into the season of giving. There was a school-wide can food drive sponsored by FCCLA members. Key Club members have been buy raising money to buy, wrap and deliver gifts for a fantily, who without their help, may have had a not-so-bright holiday season. Key Club also is caralling at local senior conalso is caroling at local senior cen-ters in hopes of cheering those who may not have family close by to come visit them. The Bruin student councils also

are planning a fund-raising event never before attempted at TFHS -

an all-night party featuring food, games and live music. The event is planned to take place in February. TFHS also held a school-wide door decorating contest. Mrs. Palmer's CP class came in first with its wintry-scene and Mrs. Connor's CP class came in second with its "chemis-tree."

Mike Federico's class won the-canned-food-drive-with-2,753-items. Janis Mottern-High's Cast (1,860 items) and Jo Marie Connor's class (383 items) came in second and third.

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This holidary season students are taking time to spread good cheer and reach out to help those who haven'r quite felt the holiday-spirit. Even with all the fun, most students will still agree that the greatest part of the holiday season, of course, is more than two full weeks of winter vacation!

Emily Jackson is a staff writer with the Twin Falls High School Bruin News.

HAVE SOME PIE



eighth-grade homeroom class won the competition for most canned food items collected by the eighth-graders. Lani Tingey's homeroom class collected the most for the sixth grade. Judy Young's seventh-grade homeroom class collected goods with the help of Pierce Reynolds who brought in 720 food Items. The school collected a total of od Items that were donated to the East End Providers to give to local needy families at Thanksgiving.

SCHOOL NEWS

Buhl High School announces cast for 'Shakespeare' play

BUHL - Buhl High School announced the cast of its annual diamer theater production of "The Complete-Works-of-William-Shakespeare, abridged." The play will be held Jan. 16-17 at the Eighth Street Center in Buhl.

Buhl.
Tickets are \$25 per couple, \$15 per single or \$12 for senior citizens.
This is the Buhl drama department's annual fund-raiser. The dinner will offer a selection of two different entrees.
The play is performed by three actors who portray characters from all of Shakespeare's plays.

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There will be two casts, each per-forming one night.

The cast for Jan. 16 is Lara Welch, Jessica Adams and William Slemp. The Jan. 17 cast is Krystel Avelar, Asiel Arroyo and Andrew Hutchinson.

Reservations can be made by calling David Blaszkiewicz at Buhl Middle School, at 543-8292. Dietrich School announces

most recent honor roll

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Grade 9 Grade 9 Lindy Bingham Grade 7 Valary Fencion 3.50-3.99 GPA

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Nikki Towne
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Youg Hwan Kim, Lars Krekeler,
Bryant Pitman, Lindsey Shaw and
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Grade 10
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Nicki Miller, Dustin Towne and
Kellie Whittaker

Jackson Hill and Tatiana Weber

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Bliss FFA student earns national honor for leadership

BiLISS – Josh Patton, a member of the Bliss FFA Chapter from Gooding, has received the American FFA Degree. The honor was presented on Nov. 1 at the 76th National FFA Convention in Louisville, Ky.

The degree recognizes demonstrated leadership ability and outstanding achievements in agricultural business, production, processing or service programs. To be eligible, members must have earned and productively invested 57,500 through a supervised agricultural experience program in

\$7,500 through a supervised agri-cultural experience program in which they start, own or hold a pro-fessional position in an existing, agriculture enterprise.

Recipients must also make it their mission to demonstrate out-standing leadership abilities and community involvement.

Each award recipient receives a gold American FFA Degree key, certificate and a wallet ID card. Of 444,267 FFA members nation-wide, Josh was one of only 2,789 to

be recognized in 2003. FFA is a national organization preparing young people for lead-ership and careers in the science, business and technology of agri-culture with 7,194 local chapters in all 50 states, Puerto Rico and

Dietrich names students of the month

DIETRICH - Dietrich School named students of the month for December. Academics: Melanie Perron and Dustin Towne. Most improved: Tina Ross and Maria Zawala

enship: Kasi McCowan and