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MAGIC VALLEY As good as sold? Wendell mayor says there's an 85 per-cent chance his city will land major ethanol plant. said Thursday. In tracking records from the Page B1

because the cow was likely infected before it got to Mabton.

If the cow did come from out of state, it could widen the potential circle of risk. Each step back hair investigators go to find the birth farm exponentially increases the number of ways the infection might have spread elsewhere.

"While we initially went from the index herd where we found

two locations, we are tracing back further from there," W. Ron DeHawen, USDA's deputy admin-istrator and chief veterinary offi-cer, said Thursday night. "It gets to be a spider web of possibilities from there."

Regulators want to find the birth herd and the sources of the

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## Watchdog **auestions** county purchase

Plans for former Anderson building violates law, Boise-based group says

By Sandy Miller Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — A county plan to buy the former Anderson Lumber roperly may be illegal, the leader of a Boise-based government watchdog group says.

A 2002 judicial decision appears to back that contention, but the county's lawyer says the deal is legal.

In an email to The Times-News, Laird Maxwell called I'win Falls County's proposed 10-year lease-to-buy agreement a "long term debt subject to a young to be a a young to

County commission-

ering a pro-posal to pay \$3.2 million for the for-mer building-supply store. The deal involves 11.5 acres at 960 Eastland Drive.

The meeting will begin at 9 a.m. on the fourth floor of the

deal movies In a dust a Job Eastland Drive. Commissioners are scheduled do decide Monday, But Commissioner Tom Mikesell said the deal with Wells Fargo Bank might fall through before then. Mikesell said commissioners want the county to be able to pay off the 10-year lease-to-buy agree-ment as soon as possible after the fifth year without penalty, but the bank has said the county would still have to pay the full amount. "Tm not sure that's going to

"I'm not sure that's going to work for us," Mikesell said Wednesday

work for us," Mikesell said Wednesday.

The property is owned by Stock Building Supply, part of the North Carolina-Based Carolina Holdings Inc. It has been appraised at 55 million, Commission Chairman Gay Grindsraff said.

The county's plan is to secure a loyear, \$3.2 million lease-purchase agreement, with an interest rate of 493 percent through Wells Furgo Bank. If the papers are signed, the county's payments would begin in June, with the county begins overy six months or \$240,000 a year, Gindstaff said. The 10th and the 10th payments of \$1 million each, he said the supplements of \$1 million each, he said the said of the

ud. Stock Building Supply has fored to donate the remaining offered to donate the remaining \$1.8 million. Renovations are expected to cost about \$700,000

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#### Time to dump your computer? Make sure it has software information and licensing papers

#### Want to donate?

When donstung a computer to a chart-ty, school or other organization, include with it all of the software discs, licensing certificates and man-uals you can find. Computers for Mids in Boils is author-ized by Microsoft Comp. to give every— for a \$35 processing fee — donated

computers to children and teens through a licensing agreement with the compretion. Children in need of a computer must only write an essay describing what school subject is their most difficult. As part of the competer peckage, Computers for Klds will install learning softwere targeting that specific need. Constitute them in Bolles at 206-345-0346.

a viable solution for moving donated computers through his stores, which generate money for the organization's programs for troubled children.

# ow came from elsewhere

Discovery opens possibility that Holstein might carried disease when it entered Washington state

A Washington state Holstein cow found infected with mad cow disease may have brought in the disease from outside the state, even outside the country, a top U.S. official and a veterinarian familiar with the investigation

Focus on the dairy - B4

Sunny Dene Ranch in Mabton, which acquired the cow in Oct. 2001, Agriculture Department officials had initially said that one of two herds in Washington state was the birth herd. Identifying this herd is crucial



Report:

The Washington Post

in surgency, according to U.S. military com-manders who said

Families, tribes

lead Iraq fights

TIKRIT, Iraq - As U.S. forces tracked former president Saddam Hussein to his subterranean hiding place, they unearthed a trove of intelligence about five families Troops

being used to uproot the remainder of the resist-

ance.

Senior U.S. officers said they were surprised to discover – clue by clue over six months – that the upper and middle ranks of the resistance are overwhelmingly filled by members of five extended families from a few villages within a 12-mile radius of Tibrit along the Tigris River. Pop operatives drawn from these families

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valk with her dog Pepper in Twin Falis Thursday. About an Inch of snow gave Twin Falis a white Christmas moming, before mostly melting later in the day

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## Scientists remain optimistic despite continued silence from Mars craft

The Associated Press

LONDON — Scientists at a British observatory, listening for a signal from Europe's first Mars lander, failed to determine Thuraday if the Reagle 2 arrived on the Red Planet, a government agency said.

More than 19 nail-biting hours after the tiny craft was to have rolled to a stop on the surface of Mars, the radio telescope at Jodrell Bank Observatory in Cheshire, England, took advantage of the planers position to begin scanning its surface for the Beagle's signal –about as powerful as that of a mobile phone's.

"Jodrell Bank listened out for Beagle 2 tonight, but did not detect at runsmission," the physics and astronomy research agency said in a statement. It said the next chance will come this evening of the Said million mission is

chance will come this evening for the \$370 million mission is designed to search for life on

Molli Wingert, shown with her son Christopher, 11, and it Woodward, 11, left, collects and refurbishes discarded or



Scientists wait Thursday at the European Space Agency in Da nany, for the first signal of the European Mars probe 'Beagle 2.'

ment-crammed Mars Express mother ship successfully slid in Marian orbit. That was a make orbreak task since the craft is supposed to beam back the data gathered by the lander from the surface, as well as do its own scanning and mapping.

A separate craft already in orbit—the U.S. Mars Odyssey—couldn't detect the probe's signal on its first pass over the landing site. ment-crammed Mars Express mother ship successfully slid into

"It's a bit disappointing but it's not the end of the world. Please don't go away from here believing we've lost the spacecraft," said Colin Pillinger, Beagle 2 project's lead scientist.

r, 11, and his friend Christian

on to schools and children not able to afford a personal computer.

lead scientist.

Officials said the 143-pound Beagle could have landed with its antenna pointing at the wrong angle for Odyssey, or the Martian cold could have distorted the radio frequency is continuous.

By Jennifer Sandmann Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS – It wasn't long ago that three 53-foot containers packed with used computers were at last shipped out of Idaho. Getting a handle on electronic waste generated by a tech industry producing faster, more powerful computer models and a public gobbling them up, is an issue gaining more attention in the state. And when better to check in on its progress than at a time of year when thousands of people will be replacing older computers with the latest models Santa left under the Christmas tree.

Jeff Beamguard, director of Idaho Youth Ranch thrift stores, is all too familiar with the growing volumes of electronic waste, known as "e-waste." He has been inundated by it for more than five years as he has attempted to find

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Yesterday's Weather

#### TWIN FALLS FORECAST

ostly of Fady, windy and Highs in the upper 20s

Tonight: Mostly cloudy, brisk and cold with a snow shower possible. Lows in the upper teens. Tomorrow: Periods of clouds, brisk winds and chilly temperatures are expected. A snow shower is possible

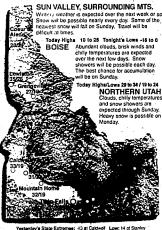
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# Cold

#### Death toll from China explosion nears 200

BELJING (AP) - Crews worked desperately early today to plug a burst natural gas well in southwest China and stop a leak of toxic fumes that has left nearby villages full of bodies. At least 191 people were killed, nearly 300 injured, and more than 41,000 forced to flee their homes, the state-run Vidney new genery expected.

Minhua news agency reported.

Disaster officials feared the death toll could rise as 20 special teams combed the area near the gas field looking for survivors and more victims, Xinhua reported.

Rescue workers were prevented from entering the area immediate-

ly after the well erupted Tuesday inght in a gas field in the town of Gaoqiao because they lacked the proper equipment and the fumes from the deadly mix of natural gas and hydrogen sulfide were too strong, Xinhua reported.

The mountainous terrain and muddy roads also made it difficult for villagers to flee and hindered rescue work and communications, Xinhua said.

When disaster teams finally entered the area on Thursday, they made one grisyl discovery after another, finding villages full-of-bodies, the agency said.

### Cow.

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infected Holstein's feed in order to predict which other cattle may have eaten the same feed and are at risk. Every extra step in their search dramatically complicates efforts to clamp down on the source of the disease.

Officials also announced Thursday that a top British labo-ratory had confirmed from tissue samples flown in on a military plane that the Holstein suffered

plane that the Holstein suffered from mad cow disease — final proof that the dreaded illness has made its first appearance in the United States.

A veterinarian in the Yakima Valley familiar with the investiga-tion who asked not to be identi-fied said he had learned that the "cow didn't spend her whole lin in the state of Washington." In accent years, a large number of cattle have been imported into the Yakima Valley, primarily from Canada, following a rapid expan-sion of local dairy herds, accord-

ing to another veterinarian, Ernie Munck. "I have several clients that have brought in cows from Canada," said Munck, a large ani-mal veterinarian from Prosser, Wash. "One client brought in a few truckloads from Ontario."

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De Haven declined to speculate on whether the Holstein might have come from Canada, where a case of mad cow disease was unearthed in May. Following that discovery in Alberta, the U.S. clamped down on beef imports from Canada. The infected Holstein likely ate contaminated feed around 1999 or 2000, before the ban on Canadian cattle and products was put in place.

"Cattle move interstate and internationally all the time."

DeHaven said "At the time this swe entered the hord from whitch swe went to slaughter was before Canada had found their first can dil we cattle were moving back and forth ... what we're doing is racing all the premises of residence."

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"I had a glut of computers without licenses and nowhere to dispose of them," he said.

Most computers come with
Microsoft software, and to resell
them after they have been donated, charities need the original
software discs and certificates of
authenticity to ward against fines
from corporations policing software piracy.

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Microsoft, contacted by The Times-News, said that because of holidays and the demands on its spokespersons' time, the company couldn't respond to a request about information regarding its charity resale policies.

Finally, this past fall, Beamguard found a California company that paid the Youth Ranch salvage fees to haul off the equipment. Three 53-foot-long containers left the state, and the salvage company planned to send them to China.

The donations or recycling

them to China.

The donations or recycling drop-offs of many well-intentioned Americans are shipped there. The Washington Post reported that e-waste from the United States and other wealthy countries has in turn created health and environmental problems for China.

Lead is among the primary pollutants in e-waste. The glass in computer monitors contains an average of 2 pounds of lead. Even more lead is found in television screens – an average of 5 to 8 pounds.

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The Idaho Department of Environmental Quality, at the request of state Sen. Bert Marley, D-McCammon, has established a committee to evaluate how to deal with this type of waste. Crushed in landfills, the equipment poses the threat that lead and other heavy metals could leach into groundwater. Unlined landfills are of particular concern. As far as giving away that old computer, the Youth Ranch tells donnors to bring in their software information. Then the organiza-

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tion cleans up the hard drive and handles the software licensing

handles the software licensing issues.

Despite having had enough computers to fill three shipping containers, the licensing constraints have limited the availability of used computers in Youth Ranch stores.

"If you go into one of my stores, you probably can't find a working computer for sale, and that's not a good thing," Beamguard said.

It climinates im affordable means for families on tight budgets to buy computers.

And what student can get by nowadays without a computer for school?

Computers for Kids, a nompofit for the start is the start in the start in the start in the same contents.

computers for Kids, a nonprofit organization based in Boise, has been started by a mom who knows how to fix computers. Molli Wingert works with organizations such as the Youth Ranch in dealing with the piles of misfit computers. She was spurred into action by her sons 'friends who needed computers for school. "Nobody had computers at home because it was too expensive," she said.

Wingert said she has been

monody had computers at the mome because it was too expensive, 'she said. Wingert said she has been authorized by Microsoft as a refurbisher. This allows her to put refurbished computers complete with operating software in the hands of children for just a \$35 processing fee. She finds sponsors to help pay for the remaining \$40 ni licensing costs.

The program not only keeps computers out of landfills, it puts useable machines in the hands of children. Wingert said she has about 1,000 computers stockpiled and ready to match with applicants.

And even if a computer is a

and seven if a computer is a dinosaur without much use for today's student, thrift store operators say someone still may find a use for it.

Marion VanHofwegen, manager of Mustard Seed Thrift and Resale in Twin Falls, said a customer wanting to repair an old organ came in and bought old computers for the parts.

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Auja in late October, they effec-tively separated the leaders of the insurgency from their guerrilla forces, dealing the anti-occupation insurgency from their guerrila forces, dealing the anti-occupation campaign a major blow, said Lt. Col. Steve Russell of the 4th Infantry Division, responsible for the Tikrit area. "It's amazing that all roads lead to this region."

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A trusted lieutenant of Hussein, who ultimately pointed U.S. interrogators to the former president's hideout in the nearby village of Dawron Dec. 13 was one of at least five brothers in Hussein's innermost circle, U.S. Army officers said. U.S. officials described him as. a. senior. officer. in. Hussein's elite Special Security Organization with roots in the village of Abu Ajeel, just north of Tikrit.

### Building

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commune from A:
and would be taken out of county
reserves or financed locally, commissioners have said.
In a letter to local media, commissioners said the purchase was
justified because "the county needs
more room than our existing facilities provide, to better serve our citizens."

more room than our existing facilities privide, to better serve our citizens. That need makes the purchase a "necessary and ordinary expense," said Rosemary Emory, the county prosecutor's chief chief deput, ed og of or a vote because there are no bonds." (Public agencies commonly borrow money by selling bonds to investors. They repay the bonds with interest over several years). Emory said the lease-option deal is not considered a long-term debt, because it includes a "nonappropriation clause." That means if county commissions soineday choose not to appropriate money for poyments, "then we're not obligated to pay," and the lease ends, she said. But a judge in Boise dismissed similar arguments a year and a half ago. The city of Boise asked a 4th District Court judge for judicial confirmation—to let the city bypass toters for a new police building.

Judge Cheri Copsey denied the city's request in August 2002, saying it did not constitute an "ordinary and necessary" expense, She said its lease-to-buy financing — the same kind of financing flywin Falls-County's project. The new police huilded a handgun range, child care facility, vaniung center, office and class-room space, an armory, a fimessmeter would meeting space and

handgun range, child-care facility raining center, office and class room space, an armory, a fitness center, public meeting space and storage. The city would have paid almost \$19 million over a 30-year period.

almost also manufactured the Idaho-Constitution-allowed the e-city-to-bypass voters, because the project was an "ordinary and necessary" expense. Judge Copsey replied that "if the Court were to adopt such

reasoning then every time a local government wanted more room or wanted to improve service, such expenditures would escape the debt limitations."
Like Twin Falls County, Boise intended to finance its project, through a "lease-to-buy" agreement with a local bank, making semi-annual payments. Like Twin Falls County's proposal, Boise's lease contained a nonapropriation clause allowing termination of the lease if the City Council chose to not to appropriate money for payments.

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But Judge Copsey called it a lease "in form only" and "borrowing by another name." She wrote that "local governments throughout the United States have been devising such schemes for quite some time and commentators clearly recognize these schemes are specifically designed to avoid one students and the form of the council of the co

"two to one" against going to a judge.
Mikesell would not divulge how each commissioner leaned in that straw vote. "I don't think that's relevant today." he said.

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# **Report:** Was target Vegas?

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — U.S. government officials said Thursday they believe some of the passengers soarding one of the three Air France flights from Paris to Los Angeles that were canceled due to security concerns this week might have intended to hijack it and crash land in Las Vegas.

Police in Paris questioned .13 people who had checked in for two Air France flights that were canceled Christmas Eve because of a terror warning from U.S. authorites, but no evidence of wrongdoing was found, the French Interior Ministry said. All 13 were released.

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But U.S. officials said they remain suspicious about some passengers who did not show up at the airport to claim their seats on the ultimately aborted Flight 68 from Paris to Los Angeles. One of those who did not appear for the Christmas Eve flight apparently is a trained pilot, one U.S. official said.

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"We still have an interest in talking to those people who didn't show up," said one American official knowledgable about the investigation. "There might be more to come on this."

Despite French statements suggesting, some American fears about the Air France flights were groundless, U.S. government officials said they believe they might have averted a terrorist attack by arranging for the flights' cancellation. Officials said they feared al-Qaida operatives planned to hijack one of the flights and use the plane as a missile to attack as site on or near its route Moreover, American officials said that intelligence indicators suggest that al-Qaida might have set other terrorist operations in motion that do not involve aviation and are not centered in California. As on other occasions when terrorist fears are heightened, U.S. officials said their main concern is that al-Qaida might use a chemical or biological weapon, or a radiological "dirty" bomb.

"Our fear is that a Other things are going on" that have nothing to do with jetliner flights in or our of U.S. airports, said one U.S. official briefed on high-level intelligence. "The concern is that there still could be a lot of activity that was underway."

Another government official with received to the desirified.

could be a lot of activity that was underway."

Another government official with access to the classified reports said U.S. security officials "are really concerned something major will happen" despite the cancellation of the three incoming and three outgoing Air France flights between Paris and Los Angeles on Dec. 24 and 25. One scenario embraced by a number of U.S. security officials is that al-Qaida operatives were in the final stages of planning an attack in this country, and were awaiting final direction from al-Qaida superiors to proceed.

direction from al-Qaida superiors to proceed.

"Government people hope that by deploying, they'll shut down whatever might have been in motion," the official said.

In Paris, French Prime Minister learn-Pierre Raffarin said Thursday that Air France would operate its, normal schedule Friday. "The grounded flights can be resumed," the said in a statement.

U.S. officials have said that they passed on to the French government names of travelers they suspected might commandeer the planes on the Paris-Los Angeles oute in a terror attack.

Seven of the questioned people had checked in at Paris Charles de Gaulle Airport for Air France flight 68 on Christmas eve, according to a French official. He identified them as four Americans, one German, one French citizen and one Belgan.

#### MOMENT OF PRAYER



San Miguel mission community center Thursday in San Miguel, Calif., nea where the earthquake struck Monday. A series of earthquakes Thursday shook ere no reports of damage or injuries from the Christmas Day temblors, the San Luis Obispo County Sheriff's Department sald.

## Florida's Gov. dedicates first faith-based prison

LAWTEY, Fla. (AP) - Marlin Cliburn, inmate No. 575042, recently transferred to Lawtey Correctional Institution, where he is serving 6.5 years for aggravated assault, auto theft and fleeing officers

is serving 6.5 years for aggravated assault, auto theft and fleeing officers.

"My life was headed down the wrong road," said Cliburn, a Baptist. "I've kind of seen the light. I've been screwing up my whole life. I see this as a turning point in my life."

He was one of nearly 800 inmates from 26 faiths who on Wednesday attended the dedication ceremony of what Gov. Jeb Bush called the nation's first faith-based prison – a facility focused on encouraging the spirituality of inmates of all faiths. Along with regular prayer sessions, the Lawtey prison will offer religious studies; choir practice, religious counseling and other spiritual activities seven days a week. Participation is voluntary and immates are free to transfer out. "This is not just fluffy policy."

week. Participation is voluntary and immates are free to transfer out.
"This is not just fluffy policy, this is serious policy," Bush told the crowd. "For the people who are skeptical about this initiative, I am proud that Florida is the home to the first faith-based

prison in the United States."

prison in the United States."

Other prisons and programs have used religious thinking to try to turn inmates away from crime. The Prison Fellowship Ministries runs its Christ-centered InnerChange Freedom Intitative in prisons in Minnesota, Kansas, Iowa and Texas.

The idea of promoting God behind bars has a long history. From 1829 to 1913, for instance, the Eastern State Penitentiary in Philadelphia used a Quakerinspired system in which prison-ers were isolated from each other and made to perform labor in hopes of encouraging spiritual reflection and change.

Inmates at the Lawtey prison in north Florida were told more than a month ago that it would be completely converted to a faith-based institution, prompting 111-to transfer out. But their beds were quickly filled with volunteers from other prisons.

"We've developed a coccon, a place where they can practice where they can practice their faith and not have the severe negative pressures and interactions that naturally take place in some of our institutions," said Correction Secretary James Crosby Jr.

#### Students catch, kill, eat possible rabid raccoon

ATHENS, Ga. (AP) – A fraternity member was treated for possible exposure to rabies, and he and two others could be expelled for beating, skinning and then eating a raccoon that might have had the disease, the fraternity's president said.

two others could be expelled to beating, skinning and then eating a raccoon that might have had the disease, the fratternity's president said.

The men had spotted the raccoon behaving erratically outside the Phi Kappa Psi house at the University of Georgia on Dec. 12. One hit it with a pellet gun in the fratternity's parking lot, Athens-Clarke County Animal Control officials said. Another skinned the raccoon, and a third cooked and ate some of its meat. Erratic behavior can be a symptom of rabies in an animal, but the raccoon could not be tested because its carcass was burned. At least one fraternity member was treated for possible exposure to rabies, which can be fatal if left untreated.



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## Experts: Saddam's capture won't have much impact on war on terror

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON - President
-Bushrhas described the Dec 13
capture of Saddam Hussein as a
victory for the "way on terrory," saying that Iraq represented "a visible front" in that war, like
Afghanistan, the Philippines and
other unmamed countries
where U.S. commando teams
have been secretly hunting alQaida and its affiliates.
But the prevailing view
among many U.S. intelligence
agencies and terrorism
experts is that Saddam's capture, and indeed the U.S. war
in Iraq, will have little discernible short-term impact on
the web of al-Qaida-affiliated
organizations which most
threaten the United States
and U.S. interests abroad.
Some terrorism experts,
including a few favored by the
Bush administration, view
Iraq as a key a Qaida supporter and believe Hussein's capture
serves as a deterrent for other terrorist organizations. The more
common view, however, is that
there was never a strong link or
even ideological bond between
Hussein's government and Osama

bin Laden's terror network, and that the capture could well push al Qaida to prove it is still

relevant:
Al-Qaida "did not consider
Saddam a friend, but an enemy, a
ruler who did not establish true
Islam as a state religion," according to one of the Pentagon's con-

Bin Laden's capture will be ten times more important to reduced recruitment rates of hard core terrorists like the ones who flew the four planes on 9-11.

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- Michael Pilisbury Pentagon consultant on terrorism

sultants on terrorism, Michael Pillsbury. Bin Laden's capture will be ten times more important to reduced recruitment rates of hard core terrorists like the ones who flew the four planes on 9-11." Terrorism experts and U.S. intel-

ligence officials were interviewed before the terrorism threat level was elevated last Sunday. Two officials said the view was reinforced recently when intelligence sources were reporting that bin Laden was again in communication with his followers. Those reports, one officials aid, could not be confirmed, he cautioned.

The view that Hussein's capture will not affect the terrorist threat against Americans and U.S. interests is based on the judgment from many in the intelligence community, shared in classified briefings with senior Bush administration officials and members of Congress, that there is no credible proof that Hussein was supporting, directing or financing bin Laden or al-Qaida.

"The question has been asked a million times at the CIA," said a counterterorism intelligence analyst. "The bottom line is, there were little probing attempts (between Iraq and al-Qaida) but neither side saw in their interest to do anything together."

"It an't going to change their operations," said a defense official with access to daily terrorism reports and analysis.

## Disaster teams prepare to respond

WASHINGTON (AP) WASHINGTON (AP)
Disaster teams are ready to
respond to any strike by the
al-Qaida terrorist network
and special equipment is
monitoring the air for biological agents in some 30
cities, the Bush administration said Thursday.
Four days after the nation
went to a high Code Orangestance against terrorism, the
thursd thad not diminished.
Credible reporting suggests
al-Qaida continues to desire
o attack American interests, said Brian Roelurkasse,
spokesman for the

ests," said Brian Roehrkasse, spokesman for the Department of Homeland Security." "People have their anten-nas up," he said. President Bush was spending Christmas at his

mountaintop retreat at Camp David, Md., where he received updates from senior advisers and military, sides, said. White House spokesman Jim Morrell.

The increased threat level triggered activation of the disaster teams, composed of government experts from different agencies.

The teams would:

Provide expert advice and support to the on-scene commander if there's and threat, or an incident involving weapons of mass destruction.

Respond to any release of radiation with advice and air monitoring equipment.

Provide medical personnel to assist state and local medical personnel to assist state and local medical authorities.



LAPD officer Patrick O'Dea, left, writes Chris Domino a \$60 ticket for driving a private car in a lane designated for buses and taxis at Los Angeles International Airport Thursday.



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#### Editorial

## Snowmobile ban chills multiple use of parks

Our view: A

heavy-handed federal judge has thrown a

wrench in the engines of

snowmobile enthusiasts.

What do you think? We welcome viewpoints

from our readers on this

and other issues.

Ebenezer Scrooge.
Then came Old Man
Potter and the
Grinch.

you can add U.S. Judge Emmet Sullivan list of cold-weather

Issued a ruling our view heavy-hand administration's snowmobile ban in Yellowstone default and Grand Grand Tenn in Yellowstone and Grand Teton national parks. The decision dram a t i c a 1 l y reduces the number of snowmober of snowmo-bilers going into the two parks this winter, and it

eliminates then

entirely next year:
The Washington, D.C., judge threw\_out the Bush administra-The Washington, D.C., judge threw out the Bush administration plan that chose to limit snow machines and to require cleaner technology, rather than ban them altogether. Sullivan said the Bush administration did not give a full legal explanation for the changes, and that the new plan was "politically driven."

What Beltway cave has this judge inhabited for the past five years? The Clinton campaign to ban snowmobiles for air pollution concerns is a textbook example of a politically driven crusade.

It takes an enormous amount of gumption to ban a whole segment of outdoors enthusiasts from entering a national park – land owned by

American taxpayers and public land users. The ruling reeks of environmental elitism. Sure, the Clinton plan allows for tourists to enter the park aboard environment-friendly snow coaches. But that's like telling people in Martha's Vineyard to enjoy the beach from inside a tour bus.

Maybe that should be the ecos' new new

snould be the ecos' new bumper sticker: "See the great outdoors through safety glass."
Under the Bush plan, snowmobile use would be restricted to cleaner machines

cleaner machines with four-stroke engines, and snowmobile num-bers in the park would be

reduced. The main objective was to balance clean air needs with a recreational land use that has been in the parks for decades. snowmobile ban was

The snowmobile ban was issued in the last months of Clinton's administration, and Bush was fully justified to put a hold on the draconian plan. His counterproposal was from the banded than Clinton's. Sullivan's decision is a major hit to multiple use of public lands. But it won't be the last word.

lands, But it won't be the last word.

As Rep. Mike Simpson, R. Idaho, said after it was issued, "This misguided and erroneous ruling is a blow to those who have responsibly enjoyed access to our nation's national parks. It must not be allowed to stand."

## The Times-News

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#### LETTER

#### Varied local talent filled Wilson Theater with fun

Music and song filled the Wilson Theatre on Dec. 19 with a variety of voices and instru-

a variety of the ments.

The Snake River Flats hosted a fund-raiser for the restoration of the Wilson Building and Theatre and brought in \$688.25, plus a standing-room-only audi-

plus a standing-room-only audi-ence.

A myriad of local talent her-alded in the holidays from
Shannon Aston's Memorial
School boys choir to Minico
High School Reflections and the
Rupert Ripcords. The Snake
River Flats performed a multi-tude of favorites and featured
three quartets — Dependence,
For Sure and Dissonance —
breaking out to entertain with
old and new tunes.
The jazz band, Skip-N-School,
was outstanding and many in
the audience noted they could
listen to more from this awesome band.

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The grand finality was fun with Stan Bruin's fourth-grade class playing the acoustic accompaniment while the Snake River Flats sang their final number.

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thankful for this local support of the Wilson Building and Theatre. Hearing the beautiful voices and music gave a vision of what this facility can become to the community. The local talent in this area is wonderful. It will be great when the Wilson Theatre is completed and we can showcase our local talent more often.

The generosity of the Snake River Flats and all of the wonderful entertainers sends a message to the community that there is support and passion for this project. This support is an important commitment in the overall success of our renovation and future.

and future. CHRIS JACKSON

Wendell (Editor's note: Chris Jackson is e executive director of the maissance Arts Center Inc. in



GIVE UP GEORGE. AL GOKE HAS GIVEN ME HIS ENDORSEMENT!

## Post-Saddam rally lives short life

The Saddam railly was a bust.

If you expected the tyrant's
capture to boost stocks or
the dollar, you were disappointed
and therein lies a story.

A great drama is now unfolding
in the world's money markets. In
2003, the United States's current
account deficit (a broad measure
of trade) will total around \$550
billion, a modern record. Because
Americans pay for imports with
dollars, this means that every day
foreigners must decide whether to
keep about \$1.5 billion in dollars.

If they self dollars for euros, yen
or other currencies, the dollar's
exchange rate will drop – with
lung and possibly disruptive consequences for all trading nations
and global stock markets.

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exchange fare with an ex-huge and possibly disruptive con-sequences for all trading nations and global stock markets. After Saddam's capture, U.S. stocks actually declined slightly, as did the dollar. The curro – which was worth only 86 cents in early 2002 – inched up to what was then a rector 51,23. The actual changes didn't matter much, but they reflected a simple reality: Finding Saddam, though critical for Iran, barely altered the power-ful money flows now moving glob-al stock, bond and currency mar-kets.

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What's occurring is a turn-around from the patterns of the late 1990s, when foreign money poured into the United States, chasing the Internet dream and rising stocks. From 1998 to 2000, foreigners invested \$2 trillion in U.S. securities (stocks; brinds) and companies, reports the Federal Reserve. The flood of money pushed up the dollar's exchange rate, as other currencies were sold for dollars. Now the cycle is reversing.

Although global investors aren't withdrawing funds from the United States, they're wary of new commitments. "What is striking is how unwilling foreigners are to add to their exposure of U.S. stocks." (reports Merrill Lynch, it surveyed about 300 global investment managers for pensions.



mutual funds, insurance companies and hedge funds. A surprising \$8 percent thought U.S. stokere already "overvalued." Only 12 percent preferred American investments to those in Europe, Japan and elsewhere.

What this means is that the rest of the world is receiving, through U.S. current account deficits, more dollars than it wants. So, the dollar has already been slipping on foreign-eschange markets. Since early 2002, it's down about 30 percent against the euro, 13 percent against the euro, 13 percent against the euro, 13 percent against the van 14 percent against the world's largest trading nation; in 2002, American exports and imports totaled almost \$5.4 trillion. A high dollar makes U.S. exports more expensive and imports cheaper, a low dollar does the opposite. The dollar's exchange rate affects the competitiveness of U.S. industries and also of European, Asian and Latin American industries. It's a big deal that could get big-reer-Fred Bergsten of the Institute for International Economics thinks the U.S. current account felicit needs to drop by half. It's now 5 percent of gross domestic forduct. Getting to 2.5 percent of GDP will require, Bergsten sus, another 15 percent to 20 percent decline in the dollar. What does a sliding dollar mean for the world economy? Here are three possibiles:

• First, the United States wins-and no one else losses. A falling and no one else losses. A falling

ities:
• First, the United States wins – and no one else loses. A falling dollar spurs the U.S. economy by increasing exports and restraining

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imports. Surplus industrial capacity keeps inflation low. But Europe and Japan don't suffer much, because the ongoing global economic recovery gathers strength and custions export losses. Indeed, the pressure on their exports - from shifting exchanges rates - prompts policy changes to raise domestic growth. Europe cuts interest rates, for example.

Second, the United States and China win - and Europe and Japan loss. Because China keeps its currency, the renminbi, fixed to the dollar, it also gains competi-

Second, the United States and Japan lose. Because China keeps its currency, the renminibi, fixed to the dollar, it also gains competi-tive advantage when the dollar drops. Meanwhile, a sharp rise of the euro to, say, \$51.40 depresses Europe's exports and destroys its economic recovery. Protectionism rises. Japan suffers a similar fate. Third, the dollar "crashes"— and everyone loses. Foreign investors sell U.S. stocks and bonds, whose values are weaken-ing in terms of their currencies. This triggers massive selling. Stocks and bond prices drop starply, as does the dollar. Americans and foreigners suffer huge losses. Confidence crumbles, the global economy stumps. "There are two risks (of a rising dollar): one is that it creates a European showdown; the second is that it upsets financial markets," says economic blip. Whatever effects it had on confidence are swamped by the uncer-tainties of the dollar. No one knows what will happen. Indeed, it's possible that a reviving American economy could bolster the dollar by rekindling foreign interest in U.S. securities. How this drama turns out will be a big story of 2004, The best ending would be so boring that no one notices.

Robert Samuelson is a columnist for Newsweek.

#### U.S. returns to nuclear arms race

Buried in the energy bill signed by the president carlier this month are three little lines. The amounts are small, but together they do nothing less than put the United States on the road to developing and eventually testing new nuclear weapons for the first time since the end of the Cold War.

Three little lines, but with potentially shattering impact:

#### DANIEL SNEIDER

The bill funds research on new, so-called mini-nukes, nuclear warheads with an explosive power a third or less of the atomic bomb dropped on Hiroshima.
The bill also increased spending on "bunker buster" warheads that can burrow deep into the earth, even through rock, and destroy buried bunkers or command centers.
Finally, the bill provides money to refurbish the Newada test site. Underground nuclear tests, halted since 1992, could then resume in a year and a half, rather than the two to three years now needed.
The administration, portrays, this as part of a revamping of our nuclear arsenal to meet metherats, including the spread of weapons of mass destruction to so-called rogue states. But the military has never asked for nuclear waspons to meet that threat.
The shift in strategy actually began during the Clinton administration.
The U.S. nuclear arsenal mainly consists of warheads powerful enough to wipe out a more and a more and

mainly consists of warheads powerful enough to wipe out a city. Planners wanted a more flexible arsenal to face new

flexible arsenal to face new threats.

If North Korea, for example, used chemical weapons against American troops, the United States would be faced with retaliating with a massive nuclear bomb. It would be a more effective deterrent if he United States could strike back with mini-nukes.

nukes.
The advocates of this shift are now firmly in command of nuclear policy. While there is room to carry out research in these areas, there are great dangers as well.

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Such weapons may not workexperts warm that the radioactive fallout of an underground nuclear explosion will not be contained. Moreover biological agents stored in bunkers may not only not be destroyed but also could be released into the air.

Battlefield nuclear weapons blur the line between nuclear and conventional weapons. But the line between nuclear and conventional weapons blur the line between nuclear and conventional weapons blur the line between nuclear and conventional weapons in dermining the firebreak against nuclear use that held since 1945. This is even more troubling given the administration's declaration that it won't hesitate to strike first if it believes regue nations or organizations have weapons of mass destruction. It lends credence to North Korea's propaganda that it needs its own nuclear weapons to counter this threat. Finally, mist experts believe such new weapons ideas will eventually require testing, and Russia, China and other nuclear powers will quickly follow; and Russia, China and other nuclear powers will quickly follow; and the strength of the strength of the Sex beet well and sex powers will packly first it was a few decades ago — in the midst of a nuclear arms race no one needs or wants.

Daniel Sneider is foreign affairs columnist for the San Jose Mercury News.

#### Does state law allow lumber yard purchase?

Twin Falls County commission-

ers:
I present the following to you for consideration prior to purchasing the Anderson Lumber property:

ing the Anderson Lumber property.
Tiel 31-1902 Prerequisites to issuance. This section of Idaho Statute. County Law, seems to require, prior to issuance of boads for any outstanding indebtedness, "that the commissioners ascertain they are valid and legal obligations of the county."

"STILE 31-1607. Expenditures financed by bond issue — expenditures in excess of appropriations—liability of officers. This section of Idaho statute, "Counties and County Law," appears, as it was determined in District Court for hospital expenditures in the '80s, to prevent expenditures in the '80s, to prevent expenditures in the '80s. hospital expenditures in the '80s, to prevent expenditures, bond issued or not, in excess of the cur-

rent county budget, except for emergencies. Emergencies in the statute do not, in my opinion, allow for property purchase based on wish or desire or partial dona-tion/good deal. This title also tion/good deal. This tide also seems to make it very clear that any officer creating any liability or any county commissioner or commissioners, or county auditor approving any claim or issuing any warrant in excess of such budget appropriation shall be liable to the county.

Remember, the issue in the '80s-even included the fact that the hospital had the money. It simply had not budgeted for the expenditure and had hidden the monies in an account not provided/report-

in an account not provided/reported as hospital revenue. The court concluded that it must. Secondly, there is also court precedent on this issue with Bannock County this issue with Bannock County trying to build a skilled nursing facility without the appropria-tions being budgeted.

I would appreciate your showing this to Grant Loebs, prosecutor, and receiving either a written response or a phone call or appointment to discuss this issue. I feel that it is in your best interest and the prosecutor's, that the statute he or you feel authorizes the purchase without being budgeted be published for our review. After my research, I am still questioning the commission ers' authority for the expenditure. As I stated Saturday while touring the facility, I am clearly for the purchase of the building and will support the special use permit. However, I feel the commissioners and the prosecutor have an obligation to share with your constituents the Idaho statute(s) that allow you to expend millions with or without an election and without public input during the budgeting process.

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## The future of marriage gains public support

After two decades of propaganda about homosexuality and the "gay rights" movement, including one-sided media presentations depicting gay as great with no downsides (other than "homophobia"), the common sense of the public still prevails. According to a New York Times/CBS News poll (Dec. 21), there is widespread support for a proposed constitutional amendment that would preserve marriage as a unique relational contract between a man and a woman. The poll, which found "unease" about homosexual relations in general, also discovered that many of those who have supported "gay rights" oppose samesem marriage. The numbers break down along religious and secular lines, with religious believers who oppose same-sex marriage supporting a constitutional amendment by a large margin and secularists, who favor "gay rights," opposing an amendment by not as wide a margin. Under 30s and "those who know gay people" are most supported of allowing them to marry, according to the poll.

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This ought to be good news for social conservatives. But infight-

social conservatives. But infight-ing among members of various conservative religious and politi-cal organizations threatens to frus trate the effort to vin passage of an amendment. At several recent meetings in the Washington area attended by leaders of social con-servative armus there were disattended by leaders of social con-servative groups, there were dis-agreements over the wording of the amendment and doubt about whether Congress would pass it. —The debate divides those who believe the amendment should outlaw "civil unions" and those who think both traditional mar-riage and civil unions can coexist. One group of social conserva-tives prefers language contained in a Nebraska law. "Only mar-



CAL THOMAS

riage between a man and a woman shall be valid or recognized in the United States. The uniting of two persons of the same sex in a civil union, domestic parnership or other similar same-sex relationship shall not be valid or recognized in the United States. One of the conservatives who attended the Washington meetings, which, he says, included a strategy session at the White House, says his group is working on language similar to Nebraskar "Marriage in the United States shall consist of the union of a man and a woman. Neither the United States nor any state shall grant or recognize the legal status of a spouse to any person in a relationship other than marriage.

States nor any state shall grant or recognize the legal status of a spouse to any person in a relationship other than marriage.

If conservative groups fail to rully around marriage as a core value of our society and nation, there will be little left for them to stand on when activist groups try to remove the few remaining foundational principles of our nation. And they will try.

People have many rights in our nation, including the right of consenting adults to live together. They do not have the right to demand society approve of any and every relationship and provide benefits reserved for married heterosexuals. A constitutional amendment defining marriage in the traditional way is worth fighting for. Conservatives and their unlikely allies should settle for nothing less.

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Cal Thomas is a syndicated columnist and Fox News Channel

# Illegal drugs stab at heart of civilization

The illegal drug trade may be the only free market left in the world. It operates without tariffs, taxes or unions it is the classic economic model: low production consist edeemdole low production consist edeemdole accuracy of distribution, a price structure distribution, ad with more sophisticated methods of money

sophisticated methods of money laundering, a way of getting huge returns quickly.

But drugs are a dagger to the heart of civilized society. And U.S. policy has done nothing to deal with the core of the problem – curtailing demand. At the same time, the United States has spent much and accomplished precious little when it comes to eradicating the supply.

Washington's counter-narcotics policy has since the 1990s focused almost exclusively on supply-side interdiction of South American drug sources, which account for most of the cocaine and heroin in the United States. The bilateral strategy, authorized by Congress in 1999, is a \$1.3 billion aid package known as Plan Colombia, the primary feature of which is spraying land where the coca and opium poppies grow. Plan Colombia has been a wrongheaded failure. It has done nothing but exacerbate the central problem of Latin America — lack of per capita economic growth. It has only hurt impoverished farmers who grow coca or poppies to support their families. Meanwhile, the highest echelons of the drug trade her luxuriously with impurity. The evidence on exfoliation, moreover, is less than convincing. Though U.S. counter-narcotics policies have been superficially effective on a country by-country basis, they have failed to stem the tide in the region overall, where acreage cultivated has remained the same over the past four vears.

#### JAMES D. ZIRIN

of the "D word" – demand,
Although the administration
claims 45 percent of its counter
charge funding goes toward reducing demand, there is still no comprehensive government-sponsored public awareness and prevendon campaign, no discemible
imprevement in access to effective treatment and rehabilitation
programs and no ratcheing up of
community law enforcement.
So what is the way forward?
First, stop the fumigation program and make supply-side interdiction efforts more effective by
focusing directly on the narro-terportiss – degrade their operation
and drain the swamp of laundered funds on which they subsist. Then the United States
needs to spur domestic rehabiliratios over the states of the superior of the sup-

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A Rand study in the 1990s found that, in a single year, \$34 million invested in treatment reduced cocaine use as much as the \$783 million spent for pro-grams targeting the source in for-eign countries or the \$366 mil-

lion for interdiction. Yet the Bush administration still spends most of its annual global drug-control budget on supply-control efforts. Instead, the focus should be on the demand side. Target the major dealers and distributors rather tilan the street pushers. Fund enhanced domestic media and community campaigns. If the word on the street is that it is cool to do drugs, the word in the schools and on television must be that drugs ruin lives and destroy families.

imilies. The rule of free markets is that where there is demand, supply will find a way to it. Shift U.S. priorities to stemming demand

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#### **CONSUMER NEWS:**

## IF YOU READ NOTHING ELSE IN TODAY'S PAPER...READ THIS!

CHEVROLET CADILLAC OF TWIN FALLS
IS HOLDING ITS FIRST EVER
"MILEAGE AMNESTY" EVENT
By: Scott Munroe

(Twin Falls) – They say there's nothing new under the sun and that's been true, until now!
This Fri. Sat. Sun. Dec. 26th thru.
31st. Chevolet Cadillac of Twin—
Falls will have possibly the most unique savings event ever. For these 6 days only, they'll be appraising trade-in cars as if they had 15,000 fewer miles than is shown on the odometer!

"Mileage is one of the most significant items we look at when we appraise the value of a cusappraise the value of a cus-mer's trade in", said Ken Lynch, tomer's trade in', sald Ken Lynch the manager in charge of used vehicle appraisals at Chevrolet Cadillac of Twin Falls. "It's right there in the Kelley Blue Book. As a car hits different mileage levels the value goes down. Any trade-in, regardless of condition is worth more if it has fewer miles." It's a fact of life that we've all come to accept.

But leave it to the innovators at Chevrolet Cadillac of Twin Falls to come up with a way to truly turn back time! "We're faced with a serious problem," said Barry Langdon, the General Manager of Chevrolet Cadillac of Twin Falls,

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overloaded with new vehicles that we have to move and we've got a tremendous demand for good used cars that are just hard to find. After analyzing the problem, we feel like we ve come up with the perfect solution to solve both issues. Barry conflued, "Even though it's an expensive proposition for us, we decided the best way to get quality trade-in's is to

"...give customers a way to actually get more for their old car than it's worth."

The easiest way to do that is to appraise every trade-in as if it had 15,000 fewer miles...it's like putting a full year's worth of depreciting a full year's ation right in the customer's pocket."
And to solve the excess new vehicle problem?

"That's the really exciting part," said Lynch, "we've rolled back prices on our entire excess inventory and clearly posted the discount price right in the Window. These savings are huge!" I toured the Chevrolet Cadillac Of Twin Falls lot and was astonished by what I saw. Mr. Langdon showed me 2003 Chevy Cavaller for only \$8,995 or 2003 Chevy Mailbu for only \$1098.

S1095.
Impressed, I asked them to show me exactly how the sale would work. Mr. Lynch walked me through it. "Let's say your trade is in preity good shape for a vehicle of that age. Your mileage is 42,650 so when I check the book value it should be worth around \$15,900. Now, let's see what happens when we take 15,000 miles off the odometer reading. The value goes up by \$1250 making your trade in worth \$17,150 for these of days only. It's important to remember that the overall condition and marketability of your vehicle are factors that contribute to the determination of the actual trade in value of your car and that this incredible opportunity only applies to cused I asked them to opportunity only applies to cu tomers trading in their old car on the purchase of a new or used vehicle.

So, now it's easy to see with these trade-in values, fantastic discounts prices, huge rebates and low interest rates why this weekend is the best chance of the year to get the vehicle you want at a payment you can alford. \*Looking at all these factors, we predict that we'll have customers come in whose payments may actually be lower payments may actually be lower payments may actually be lower on their new car than on the car their driving now." Langdon added. ".... this truly is an opportunity that a smart customer just can't pass up."

Chevrolet Cadillac of Twin Fells is located on the corner of Pole Line Rd. and Blue Lakes Blvd. North, Sale hours at are Mon. thru Sat. 8:00am - 8:00pm, and Sunday 10:00a.m. to 5:00p.m.

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# Twin Falls Police CLICK IT OR **Departments**

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2002 Hyundai Santa Fe SUV

Donated by Rob Green Auto Dealership

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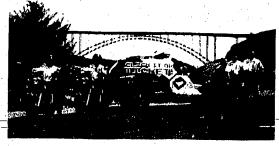
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To be given away New years eve December 31, 2003 at the Magic Valley Mall

**New Year's Gala** 

If you haven't registered, YOU STILL CAN! Here's how it works!

During the year, in an effort to increase the use of seat belts, the-Twin Falls Police Department had randomly stopped motorists and if they were wearing their seat belt, the officer gave them his/her business card. In order to enter the drawing, they simply wrote their name, address and phone number on the back of the officers' business card and deposited it at either of the Rob Green Auto Dealerships. If you haven't gotten your business card in the final drawing, stop any police officer and ask them for a card. Then enter New Year's Eve at the Magic Valley Mall. Any questions, call Detective Sergeant Bill Hanchey at 735-7283.



Lack of seat belt use is the #1 cause of death in crashes, with over 50% fatalities and 70% serious injuries.

"Click it or Ticket" promotion has brought lots of great response from the community. In the year since it was started, we have gone from 39% seat belt use to over 70% now!

Winner must have a valid driver's license and you need not be present to win!

PLUS...lots of other prizes! Special support from Lytle Signs and The Times-News.

City Editor: Chad Baldwin, 733-0931, Ext. 234

The Times-News

Friday, December 26, 2003

## AROUND THE

#### **VALLEY**

#### Some offices will be closed today

Closed today

TWIN FALIS - Some offices, agencies and places of business will be closed today. Here's a list of what's closed and open:

• Most city, county and state offices will be open.

• Federal offices will be closed.

• Most banks will be open.

• The Twin Falls Public Library will be open from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

• The YMCA/Ivin Falls Municipal Swimming Pool will be open for scheduled lap swimming and from 1 to 4 pm. and 6 to 8 pm. for open swim.

• The U.S. Post (Office will be open. The Magic Valley Mall will be open from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m.

• Major grocery stores, including Albertson's, Smith's, Swenmart and Swensen's, will be open.

#### Project still accepts toy holiday donations

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#### Technicians work on CSI phones, internet

CSI phones, Internet
TWIN FALLS-Information technology technicians at the College of
Southern Idaho will be working on
CSI's phone and Internet connections Tuesday.
Most of the campus will still be
closed because of Christmas break.
The Herrett Center for Arts and
Science will be open from 930 a.m.
Technicians cannot predict exactly
thow long phone service will be
disrupted. Callers who try to reach
a CSI office that day are advised
that their calls may not go through.

#### Save Christmas trees for Paul burn, hot dog roast

Paul burn, hot dog roast
PAUL - Now that Christmas has
passed, Paul firefighters remind residents to save their live Christmas
rees for the annual Christmas tree
burn and hot dog roast.
This year's event is scheduled for
Saturday, Jan-17.
Paul city employees collect live
Christmas trees as long as residents
put the trees near their garbage
cans. Trees must be stripped of all
decorations. The tree are piled up
and then set on fire at noon Jan. 17 in
City Park. The bot dog roast begins at
1 p.m. that day.
Reople who
forget to put their
tree out for pick up can take it to
the burn themselves.
Hot dogs and drinks are free.
Complied from staff reports

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# Snowpack levels

Watershed	% of Avg."	% season peak **
Upper Snake Rive	95%	35%
Salmon Falls	106%	34%
Salmon	96%	32%
Oakloy	104%	31%
Big Wood	94%	30%
Little Wood	108%	32%
Henrys Fork/Teton	108%	38%
Big Lost	106%	33%
Little Lost	82%	29%
	As of	Dec 25

# County seeks memorials for park

#### T.F. intends to improve 10 locations

By Julie Pence Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - You can now celebrate the birth of a child or remember a loved one who died by buying a memorial to be viewed in a Twin Falls County

park.

The Twin Falls County Parks and Waterways Board recently approved a program to improve the appearance of the 10 parks it oversees by allowing people to buy such things as new trees, park

benches and picnic tables with engraved names, dates and affirmations.

In addition to obtaining improvements for the county parks without spending county money, the intent is make it easier for the people to honor those who have done outstanding things for the community, said Jim Olson, beard chairman. In addition, owners of funeral homes have said families have made requests for those kinds of memorials, said Tom Mikesell, Twin

Falls County commissioner.

Neither Olson nor Mikesell expects the kind of complications such as what recently faced Minidoka County commissioners

Minidoka County commissioners when the controversial minister Fred W Phelps of the Westboro Baptist Church in Topeka, Kan, tried to buy a section of land in front of the court-house to protes to had asked to buy a 2-by 3-foot section of lawn for a Ten Commandments moument, Phelps asked to buy land for a 6-tot granite monument in order to condemn Matthew Shepard, a

#### Want to buy a memorial?

Learn more about the program of the Twin Falls County Department of Parks and Waterways by calling 734-9491. The department says memorials can be purchased for Rock Creek Park,

Balanced Rock Park, Owsley Park, Centennial Waterfront Park, Murtaugh Lake RV Park, Roseworth Reservoir Park, Salmon Dam and Rock Creek RV Park.

Laramie, Wyo., gay man who was murdered in 1998. A 2002 10th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruling states that a city that displays a Ten Commandments monument must also display monuments espousing more unpopular beliefs. As a result, Minidoka County commissioner refused to consider both

the American Legion proposal and the Phelps request. Grant Loebs, Twin Falls County

Grant Loebs, Twin Falls County prosecuting attorney, said there should be no problem with memorials in county parks. "There is a difference between a memorial with someone's name Please see PARK, Page B3

Mayor:

Wendell

may get

new plant City races to win bid for ethanol-facility By Mickey Walker Times-News correspondent

Times-News correspondent

GOODING — Wendell Mayor
Paul Isaacson is "85 percent" sure
his city will be the new home of
an ethanol plant that potentially
will create 85 jobs with a S2 million annual payroll.
"Tm seeing this as an 85 percent possibility of it actually taking place." Isaacson said. "Tm
seeing this as putting a quarter of
a million dollars into the city
budget annually and about
\$550,000 into the school district. I
don't know what it's going to put
into the county but we're talking
about a \$56 million investment
on the ethanol site alone."

Isaacson's comments.

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County Commission meeting,
where he urged the county.

where he urged the county's three top officials to get behind the project.

ie project. An ethanol plant would have :

An ethanol plant would have a large and positive impact on both Wendell and the county - yet it would only be a portion of a three-fold division producing ethanol, methane gas and animal feed, Isaacson told the commis-

## THE SHOW GOES ON



Micheal Clair, owner of the Schubert Theater, sits next to the old lighting board backstage with Daron Novolny, who volunteers at the theater in Gooding. Renovation of the theater continues even after a recent windstorm blow off part of the building's reof.

## Damage to roof doesn't derail restoration

By Loretta Burkhart Times-News correspond

GOODING - Wind-related damage to the roof of the historic Schubert Theater in Gooding hasn't stopped efforts to restore the

When damage threatened to delay an open house at the theater last weekend, volunteer muscle kept the scheduled event on

unteer muscle agod volunteer crew – people "We had a good volunteer crew – people came out of the woodwork to help," said Michael Clair, owner of the three-story brick building at 402 Main St.

ilding at 402 Main St.
The open house included a three-night

performance of a Christmas cantata, but the main event was an opportunity for patrons to get a close-up look at some finished and some ongoing restoration projects at the landmark site.

The most recent project has involved moving old materials from the balcony

removing old materiate two.
front.

Although the balcony is not yet in use, the original black and gold front is once again in

original black and gold from is once again.
"This place has a certain magic," said Daron Novotny, whose volunteer efforts over the past year-have been in helping to restore the building searly theatrical character.
The downtown site is home to Western

States College, where dramatic history is a significant element in the study of the performing arts.

Restoration of the nearly century-old building is centered around the unveiling, and the preservation, of the ambiance of the building itself.

"The more we do, the more the theater comes alive," said Novotny, a full-time teacher in the school's music department. Novotny also helped restore the theater's stage and balcony, and he was part of the crew that helped with repairs to the wind-damaged roof over the past week.

The old movie palace was built in 1917, Please see THEATER, Page B3

ethation, incomrecod, Isaacson told the commissioners.

Magic Valley Energy Co. has
been formed to own and operate
an ethanol plant. It is owned by
Intrepid Technology & Resources
of Idaho Falls and Magic Valley
Energy Coalition LLC, based in
Declo. Intrepid has been shopping for property in south-central
Idaho for the company's first
ethanol plant.

About half - or \$200,000 of the
needed \$400,000 - of the initial
setup costs have been secured
from investors. If the remaining
Please see PLANT, Page B3

# T.F. Police will give away SUV | Burley wind farm

#### Drawing is part of ongoing education effort

By Jennifer Reynolds

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls Police Department is giving away a 2002 Hyundai Santa Fe SUV on New Year's Eve.

And officers hope the winner wears a seat belt while driving it.

"People have realized it is a real safety concern," said Sgt. Bill Hanchey, who noted that failing to wear a seat belt is "the No. 1 killer of people ages 4 to 34."

The Hyundai SUV, donated by Rob Green Auto Dealership and valued at \$26,000, has less than 10,000 miles on it and includes a 56,000 stereo-system donated by Power Plant of Twin Falls.

Entry forms - which are officers' business cards - may be picked up from any police officer, at the police station in Twin Falls or each time you ride the "Convincer" at the Magic Valley Mall.

The Convincer is a harmless-

Mall.

The Convincer is a harmlesslooking chair on a little ramp.
Riders are strapped in and hoisted about 4 to 5 feet before being
let-go-The-device-simulates-a-

crash at the speed of 8 mph.
"For 8 miles an hour, that's a
pretty good hit," 17-year-old
Kenny Kemper said shortly after

riding it.
"It's going to make me put on
my seat belt," added Cody Hicks,
16.

16. Mall patrons may ride the Convincer between 4 and 9 pm. today and Tuesday, between noon and 9 pm. Saturday, and between 3 pm. and midnight on New Year's Eve.

Eve.
The business-card entry forms for the SUV drawing may be returned to the Rob Green Auto Dealership on Blue Lakes Boulevard in Twin

Falls.

When Rob Green closes
Wednesday, the entry box will be
taken to the mall and a winner will
be drawn before midnight, during
the New Year's Eve gala that kicks
of Twin Falls' centennial celebration. Between 1,000 and 1,500
entries have been received so far,
organizers say. Participants don't
have to be present to win.
The SUV giveaway is part of
the Twin Falls Police
Department's ongoing effort to

encourage seat belt use. A few years ago only 39 percent of Twin Falls residents regularly wore their seat belts, according to a state survey. About 65 percent area area residents now are in compli-ance, this year's annual survey said.

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Creative projects have been developed throughout the years to inform the public to buckle up. In 1999 Roy Raymond donated a Ford Festiva for a similar raffle, and raised \$6,000 to help promote seat belt awareness programs.

The current "Cliek it or Ticket" program has received support from entities such as South Central District Health, Rob Green, Power Plant and others. State and Federal grants havehelped the police department in its ability to develop creative ways to get the seat belt message out. to, the public. Advertising, community instructors, the Convincer and the SUV vivesway.

out to, the public. Advertising community instructors, the Convincer and the SUV giveaway have led to good results, Hanchey said.

"We've been pushing this for three to four years," Hanchey said.

"We have turned the corner, and I think two years the human I think.

"We have turned the corner and I think we're over the hump I think people have got the message."

# questions get answers

By Rose Marie Parsons Times-News correspondent

BURLEY - State and county officials from Mini-Cassia raised a number of questions and concerns about a proposed wind farm project in Cassia County at a meeting this week with

farm project in Cassia County at a meeting this week with Windland Inc. President Roald Doskeland.

Doskeland met with county commissioners, other county offi-cials and some local legislators

cials and some local legislators for a lunch meeting.
Sen. Denton Darrington, R. Docto, asked why Windland officials haven't been required to post a performance bond for the proposed wind farm on Cotterel Mountain.
Doskeland expects the Bureau-of-Land-Management to request such a bond if the wind farm project receives final BLM approval. Windland and its partners "will do whatever BLM wants," he said.
The BLM is the lead regulatory agency for the proposed project.

agency for the proposed project. Most-of-the-land which-Windland is interested in leasing is man-aged by the BLM. A couple of sec-

#### Wyoming wind farm - B2

tions of state land are also involved.

involved.

Darrington pressed Doskeland for full disclosure of who is financing the Cotterel project. He had heard rumors that a limited liability corporation had been formed.

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Shell has agreed to partner with Windland on the project, according to Doskeland. No limited liability corporation has been set up, but Shell has agreed to a -50-50-partnership—Doskeland-pointed out that Shell is already the second-largest owner of wind farms in the United States.

Public perception that the Cottered wind farm would make cheap power available locally was another concern voiced by Darington. He wanted to know what the actual cost of production will be and where the power generated by the wind farm will be sold.

Doskeland replied that

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## Airline moves operation to Idaho

#### **Empire Airlines** expands facilities in Coeur d'Alene

In Coeur d'Alene

COEUR d'ALENE (AP) —
Empire Airlines is expanding its
offices in Coeur d'Alene and
building a new maintenance
hangar, company officials said.
The company had also considered a site in Spokane for the
expansion, but Idaho won the
interestate tugeof-war with
Washington by offering Empire
development package of local,
state and federal funds to stay.
Washington state's offer was
closer to \$3 million, officials
suid.
"We've accepted the proposal
by the Coeur d'Alene Airport and
the state of Idaho," Empire
Airlines President Tim Komberec
said on Tuesday. "We're really
pleased with it. It was a very tough
decision for our board."
Empire's decision will eventual
by bring about 60 additional aircraft maintenance jobs to

Kootenai County, with salaries starring around \$35,000 a year. The company already employs about 40 people in Coeur d'Alenc. Empire Airlines hauls freight, primarily for FedEx, in 13 Western states and British Columbia.

"This is another example of our

Western states and British Columbia.

"This is another example of our ability to keep successful Idaho companies in Idaho," Gov. Dirk Kempthorne said. "Successful economic development is more than just attracting new businesses and giving them the tools to expand is just as important."

The incentive package included \$850,000 from the state. Included in those funds were a \$500,000 Rural Idaho Initiative Grant to Kootenal County for a new airport hangar and other improvements, \$50,000 for engineering work and \$300,000 in Cadho Britiship in

Idaho Workforce Development Training Funds. Empire Airlines will move its corporate office in Coeur d'Alene from Government Way to the Coeur d'Alene Airport. Kootenai County will build a 45,000 square foot maintenance hangar and a 12,000 square foot corporate

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office at the surport to the con-pany to use.

"Now the work begins," said Greg "Delavan," Coeur d'Alene Airport manager. "Long term, it opens up the north side of the air-port. It's a very positive activity for the area."

for the area."

The airport is also planning a major expansion to start next summer, including a north taxiway, which would open the door for additional hangars and busi-

nesses.
Komberec said Empire Airlines

Komberee said Empire Airlines expects its new hangar to be completed by August and the corporate "office" to be 'finished by November.

Empire Airlines currently leases two hangars at the Spokane International Airport and maintains and operates a regional fleet of 50 aircraft, with FedEx as its major customer. The company employs about 190 full-time employees throughout the throughout

employees throughout region.
"It's a real shot in the arm for the residents of Kootenai County," said county Commissioner Rick Currie. "It's a top-flight organization. They pay their employees a good working wage."

## Court plans '04 ruling in lawsuit

POCATELLO (AP) – Though a trial between two defunct Lockheed Martin subsidiaries concluded Nov. 4, a decision will not be handed down before February 2004, U.S. District Judge B. Lynn Winmill said.
Winmill presided over the feedral trial and is expected to decide whether Lockheed Martin should have to refund the money it was paid under a nuclear waste cleanup contract at the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory.
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management complex.

Besides failing to finish the project by the 1999 deadline, the lawsuit claims the company also made unreasonable demands and refused to return the money as part of a guarantee of performance clause in the contract.

The energy department is seeking the return dirrught Locked Martin Idaho, which operated the laboratory from 1994 to 1995 Lockheed Martin 1996 that it could promed for the deanup project acknowledged in 1996 that it could not complete the project in time.

Lockheed Martin Idaho eventually fired its sister company for failing to meet the deadline.

Attorneys originally hoped to have a decision by the end of the year, but Wimmill said the court reporter needs more time to subsection for the same of the McMartin Company for the country of the court reporter needs more time to subsection the same of the McMartin Company for the court reporter needs more time to subsection the same of the McMartin Company for the court reporter needs more time to subsection the same of the McMartin Company for the McMartin Company for the McMartin Company for the same of the McMartin Company for the Martin Company for the McMartin Company for the Martin Company for the Martin Company for the Martin Compa

year, but Wimmil said the court reporter needs more time to sub-mit a final transcript of the 45-day trial. The judge also pushed back the deadlines for attorneys to file post-rial briefings and other doc-uments from December to January and February.

### Neighbors rally to help elderly Lewiston woman

LEWISTON (AP)—It was a rocky holiday season for Deanna Graham and her mother, Margy Fullerton.

The day after Thanksgiving, Fullerton, 83, fell and cracked two werebrae. While Graham was with her at the hospital, the pair's only-wehicle-was stolen-from the parking lot. The two were finally able to return home, only to find their house had been burglarized. Then police called to say their van had been found – submerged in the Clearwater River.

To top it all oli, Graham said, she had just finished paying off the 1987 Ford Aerostar van and had taken out a \$5,000 loan to cover repairs on the vehicle. But her insurance company told her it would only pay \$1,000 for the van. Despite their misofrune, Graham said the Grindriddin steal Christmas. "Hearned how beautiful people are," said Graham, \$9. "There's very few people that's like the people who took my van."

In the past few weeks, Graham has been overwhelmed with Christmas cheer. After reading an article on Graham and Fullerton in the Lewiston Morning Tribune, the folks at local dealership Mick McClure Honda called Graham. They wanted to give her a 1991 Buick Le Sabre.

"I said, You've got to be kiddin Nobody does that!" Graham said. "Thank God for Mick McClure of Tol be really hurting for a rig."

The burglary was financially difficult for Graham, who works at the Hangar Antique Emporium in

Clarkston, Wash. Missing was a TV, police scanner, coins from a piggy bank, jewelry boxes, dolls and collectibles inspired by the movie "E.T" Graham also lost a collection of state quarters and was saving for her granders listen was saving for her granders listen free learner compenition.

and her darts, which she needed, for a league competition.
A school teacher contacted Fullerton to tell her that students wanted to get together to replace a stolen item. And a half-dazen antique dealers who work with Graham gaw her money or merchandise.
"Two of the dealers brought us," she said.

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And perhaps the most cherished off camer from a co-vorker, Sandy Flectmen, who wanted to help but had no money to give. Flecther that the common to give the local newspaper to Gratiam's plight.

"She brought me an angel," said Gruham. "And she said it was to warch over us."

### Wind farm plans to go online soon

CHEYENNE, Wyo. (AP) —
Wyoming's largest wind farm — a
\$150 million, 144-megawatt project in Uinta County — is nearly
complete and slated to go online
by the end of the year.
Construction on the 80-wind
turbine facility along the Bear
River Divide northeast of
Evanston wrapped up recently
on time and under budget. Crewswere busy testing the facility this
week, said Steve Stengel,
spokesman for FPL Energy, a
Florida-based utility that built
the farm and will operate it.
"We're making sure the turbine operates as it was
designed," he said. "They'll put
each individual turbine through
a series of tests to make sure that

each individual turbine through a series of tests to make sure that they operate as designed." Two years in the works, the wind farm is the third and largest in Wyoming. Its turbines are capable of powering 43,000 homes.

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Their blades encompass an area 262 feet in diameter and spin 17 times per minute, slower than most wind turbines but safer for birds and more efficient. The technology has been used in Europe and California.

"The actual construction-process was about 112 days and, given some of the weather conditions up there with the snow, the construction team did a really outstanding job getting the facility ready to got." Stengel said.

The project, on state and practe grazing land, was made possible by the Legislature's approval of a measure that provides a tax break on equipment purchased to produce electricity from renewable energy.

Portland, Ore-based PPM Energy, a division of ScottishPower, will purchase the power from the Ulinta County site and market it to customers in Wyoming Utah and Colorado.

PPM spokeswoman Jan Johnson said interest in windenergy is increasing, partly due to advances in technology, larget-wind farms and the volatility of other energy markets, such as natural gas.

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want tarms on the control of the charge markets, such as natural gas.

"One thing about wind power is there's no fuel cost, so there's no volatility," she said. "That's been a big factor."

Uinta County was chosen because of its relatively high wind speeds and distance from bottlenecks in the electricity transmission system.

FPL worked closely with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and Wyoming Game and Fish, Department to determine besty placement of the turbines to

placement of the turbines to reduce danger to birds.

# For obituary rates and information, call 735-3278 Monday through Saturday, Deadline is 4 p.m. for next-day publica-tion. The e-mail address for obituaries is obits@magicvalley.com. Death notices are a free service and can be piaced until 4 p.m. every day. To view or submit obituaries online, or to place a message in an individual online guestbook, go to www.magicvalley.com and click on "Obituaries." John William Herrmann - Hunt

John William Herrmann, 79, of Hunt, went to be with the Lord-on Monday evening Dec. 22, 2003, at his home. He was born April 15, 1924, in Brush. Colo., the son of Charles and Rosa Rediess Herrmann and was reared and educated in Brush. John enlisted in the Army and served in the European Theater from 1943 until his discharge in 1946 and later served during the Korean Conflict.

On Nov. 20, 1949, John married Elfrieda Emma Krohn in Eden and they homesteaded in the Hunt Project and have resided there since. In addition to farming he also worked for the Amalgamated Sugar Company for 23 years.

John was a member of Eden Hinsip Luthern Church and former member of the American Legion. He loved to fish and warch his children and grandchildren participate in their many scrivings. Survivors include his wife, Elfrieda and five children, Saryie (Bill) West of Jerome, Janet Hunter of Boise, Tim (Brenda) Hermann of Robert 1



Hammett and Kathy Cox of Nampa. Also surviving are a sister, Incz Schwanke of Brush, Colo., '11' grandchildren and five great-

dchildren. e was preceded in death by brothers, four sisters and two dchildren.

grandchildren.
Funeral services for John W.
Herrmann will be conducted at
11:00 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 27, 2003,
at the Eden Trinity Lutheran



Church with Pastor Donald Adolf officiating, Burial will follow in the Trinity Lutheran Cemetery. Friends may call at the church one hour prior to the time of services.

services.

Services are under the direction of the Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome.

The family suggests memorials to the Trinity Lutheran Church Early Learning Center.

#### Robert Howard Ransom - Oakley

Robert Howard Ransom, a 62year-old Oakley resident, died
Monday, Dec. 22, 2003, at Parke
View Care and Rehabilitation
Center in Burley, Ile was born
Jan. 24, 1941, in Pocatello, the
fourth child born to Howard
Abner and Nildred O. Kingsford
Ansom. He attended elementary school in Grace and Baker,
Orc., and graduated from Logan
High School in 1959. He served in
the U.S. Army as a military policeman stationed at Governors
Island and was discharged in
October of 1965. He married
Marva Jean Ryncarson on Nov.
26, 1966, in Prairic City, Ore. He
startted working for Albert
Anderson and Sons in Oakley in
Ctober of 1965, where he
worked until February of 1972.
He moved to Boise and worked
for Willis Shaw Trucking for two
years, but the lowe of farming, the
open space and being home with
his children brought him back to
Oakley in January of 1974. He
went back to work for Anderson

Corrine M. Jaynes of Buhl, graveside service at 2 p.m. today at the West End Cemetery in Buhl.

James Robert (Jim) Clark Sr. of Twin Falls, service at 2 p.m. Saturday at White Mortuary; interment will follow in Sunset Memorial Park.



Farms, until he was forced to retire in April of 2001, because of his health. He wase a hard worker and often worked seven days a week if the crops needed him. He enjoyed camping, fishing, most of all spending time with his family. He was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

**SERVICES** 

Oakley

Survivors include his wife, Jean of Oakley; a son, Floyd (Carla) Ransom of Caldwell; a daughter, Cassandra Patterson of Oakley; his father, Howard Ransom of Burley; vow brothers, Jerry Ransom of Burley; two brothers, Jerry Ransom of Boise and Tuwaka Ransom of Burley; two uncles, Loren Kingsford; an aunt, Chloe Fowler of Grace; and seven grandchidren. He was preceded in death by his mother and twin sisters, Teresa Ransom and Tercee Ball.

Funeral services will be held at 11:00 am. Saundray, Dec. 27, 2003, at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Sauntday, Dec. 27, 2003, at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Oakley Stake Center, with Bishop Randy Hardy officiating, Burlal will be in the Marion Cemetery near Oakley, with military rites by the local vecerus. Friends may call at the church from 10:00 to 10:45 a.m. prior to the funeral on Saturday, Arrangements are under the direction of Payne Mortuary, 221 West Main Street in Burley.

## Investors fear they'll lose millions in allegedly longest-running Ponzi scam

SACRAMENTO (AP) – More than \$2,00 clients across America trusted James Paul Lewis Jr. with their life savings, pouring hundreds of millions of dollars into his Southern California investment funds on the word of a few friends.

Many heard about Financial Advisory Consultants through fellow churchgoers, although professional athetes and at least one movie actor are said to be investors. As their own retirement accounts sagged with the stock market, they marveled at Lewis reports of consistently returning upward of 40 percent from one fund and 20 percent from another, year in and year out for two decades.

They scrambled to give him money, any caution or doubts pushed aside as they saw their fellow investors periodically withdraw as much as \$250,000.

Their financial future came crashing down this week, when a federal judge froze the company's assets and the FBI carted away documents and computers from Lewis' three-room Orange County office suite.

but the FBI alleges Lewis was operating a "Ponzi scheme," in which early investors are paid with money from later investors. The federal Securities and Exchange Commission says the fraudulent scheme" involved 5813 million from more than 5.200 investors. "It's a house of cards," said Barry Minkow, himself once imprisoned for seven years for defrauding investors through his ZZZZ Best carpet cleaning company, "It will go down as the longest-running Ponzi scheme in history, and the mutual fund that didn't exist." The state Corporations Department has identified investors in Idaho, Utah, Oregon, Colorado, Georgia and California, according to a FBI affidavit.

Minkow, who now works as an anti-fraud investigator on FBI affidavit.

Minkow, who now works as an anti-fraud investigator of San Diego-based Fraud Discovery Institute, provided state and federal regulators with documents questioning Lewis' legitimacy, also prompting an investigation and story by The Associated Press earlier this month.

The FBI's search warrant, and

the SEC's civil complaint listed the SECS-CIVI complaint listed the same warning signs as tho-AP's story: the 57-year-old Lewis' was investing tens of millions of dollars for clients and claiming extraordinary financial returns without being licensed or regulate-ed as required. Morpower the ElTes-based for

without being licensed or regulatda s required. Moreover, the El Toro based firm.
Insa never provided clients with, any details on how it invests their mioney. Since, Jene, Lewis has been-delaying withdrawal requests with the false excuse that millions of-dollars in investments have been frozen by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security.
Yet investor after investor told the AP that they missed or ignored the warning signs in what the FBI and other scam experts said appears to be a classic case of affinity fraul.

said appears to be a classic case of affinity fraud.

"He's a family man, he's a religious man, he goes to church every Sunday. He sent us pictures of his grandchildren," said Ton Parsa of Irvine. "This is devastating devastating news."

Parsa was vacationing in Mexico when he heard that the more than \$3 million invested by his family was in jeopardy.

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Bobby Adams of Albion, service at 11 a.m. Saturday at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Saints Albion Ward Church, Burial will, be in the Albion LDS Cemeters, Friends may call from 68 p.m. today at the Payne Mortuary, 221 W. Main St., Burley and from 10-10-45 a.m. Saturday at the church.

at Reynolds Funeral Chapel; bur-ial will follow at Sunset Memorial Park; friends may call from 3-8 p.m. today at Reynolds Funeral Chapel, Twin Falls.

Norman Moore Miranda of Wendell, memorial service at 1:30 p.m. Monday at the Wendell United Methodist Church (Demaray's Methodist Chur Wendell Chapel).

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of Jesus Christ of Latter-Saints
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Kathleen (Kathy) Ross of Twin Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, TwinFalls, service at 11 a.m. Saturday
Falls.

Andrew Leonard Emerson of Twin Falls, graveside service at 11 a.m. Monday at Sunset Memorial Park; friends may call from 4-8 p.m. Sunday at White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

**NOTICE** Kenneth Duane Leazer

DEATH

FILER - Kenneth Duane Leazer, 50, of Filer, died Wednesday, Dec. 24, 2003 at St. Luke's Hospital in Boise. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by White Mortuary, "Chapel by the Park."

#### MAGIC VALLEY/WEST

#### A CHRISTMAS DINNER



Volunteers at St. Anthony's Dining Room in San Francisco help prepare some of more than 2,100 meals they served during their 54th annual Christmas Meal service Thursday. The menu included 1,200 pounds of honey-glazed ham, 800 pounds of mashed potatoes, 45 gallons of gravy, 750 pounds of green beans,

# Deputies investigate roadside murder

WEBER CITY (AP) — A murder along a busy, highway on the Davis-Weber County line Christmas Day left officers with little to go on in their search for a suspect.

Deputies received a call around 10:20 in the morning from a passerby who saw a man either beating or stabbing another man next to a white van parked alongside Highway 84. The witness drove forward a little way before pulling off to the side. That's when the witness saw the van pull back onto the highway, and the witness called 911.

The victim was already dead when deputies arrived to the scene. His hands were bound with electrical cord and his eyes were taped shut, deputies said.

"It appeared he had been stabbed multiple times in the chest," said Lt. Brad Wilcox, Davis County Sheriff's Office.

The man appeared to be in his 20s. Officers described him as very well-kept, with short black hair and a shortly trimmed mustache.

"He had on a green sweater with a black stripe across the chest, black Levis, black dress socks, and black dress shoes," said Wilcox.

Though police do not normally give out such detailed descriptions of the victim, Wilcox said the man had no identification and investigators hoped the information "might jog somebody's memory."

The body was found in a wooded area along-side Highway 84, which runs along the Weber River near South Weber.

It is not uncommon to see a vehicle parked on the side of the road, Wilcox said, because people often walk to the Weber River to fish. Initially, officers thought the man might have been killed in a different location, then dumped along the highway. But the witness claimed he saw the victim and suspect, both described as Hispanic, walking.

The witness also told police that the roads were busy at the time of the murder and that more people likely witnessed the crime. The vehicle is described as a white, early 1980s model Chevrolet or Ford van. There are no suspects, but officers urge any witnesses or anyone with information about the victim to call the Davis County Sheriff's Office.

## Judge refuses to suspend snowmobile ruling

HELENA, Mont. (AP)—A federal judge in Washington this week refused to suspend his weekold order mandating that the National Park Service begin phasing out snowmobiles from Yellowston and Grand Teton national parks.

Snowmobile manufacturers, Snowmobile manufacturers, Jena, with het, state of Womning,

and Grand feton national parks. Snowmobile manufacturers, along. with the state-of-Wyoming, the Idaho-based BlueRibbon Coalition and others had asked U.S. District Judge Emmet Sullivan to stay the ruling while they appeal it to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia.

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Wind

The Interior Department, which oversees the Park Service, supported their request. But Sullivan said he found no legal basis for putting his own decision on hold.

The Bush plan thrown out by Sullivan replaced one written by the Clinton administration that would have banned snowmobiles in favor of mass-transit snow coaches.

Sullivan ruled the Bush administration did not adequately istration did not adequately explain the switch and questioned

whether there was any basis for it, other than political considerations and a desire to allow snowmobiling to continue.

His decision meant the number of snowmobiles allowed in the park each day this winter was cut in half. The rules allow only snow coaches next year.

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The Park Service has said the plan to allow only snow coaches is the best way to reduce pollution and noise in the parks. But officials also have said that the plan Sullivan struck down—which would

have required snowmobiles to be less polluting and quieter in order to enter the parks – struck a need-de balance between protecting the park and allowing public access. The "Greater Yellowstone Coalition and Fund for Animals, which sued over the latest plan, argued that the snowmobile man-infacturers and state of Wyoming failed to show they are likely to win their appeals – something they needed to demonstrate in order for Sullivan to suspend his ruling.

#### **Investigators search for** clues in warehouse blaze

Nevertheless, a Boise City
Council member has recentlyexpressed interest in also removing the Ten Commandments monument, Stahl said.
Boise has a memorial program
in place such as the one Twin Falls.
County is implementing, Stahl
said.
Mikesell said Twin Falls County
is in the process of setting up a

Mixesen said twin rails county is in the process of setting up a nonprofit, tax-exempt category for people wishing to buy the memorials.

Times-News writer Julie Pence can be reached at 735-3241 or by e-mail at jpence@magicvalley.com.

"It was like ladder fuel, so we had unbelievable extension," he said. The leaping flames drew hundreds of spectators and forced authorities to temporarily close U.S. Highway 2. on Thesday night. The highway runs to the south of the building. Sandpoint firefighters were assisted by firefighters from Sagle, Westside and Timberlake fire districts, Spirit Lake, Coeur d'Alene and Hayden, Tyler said. Assistant state fire marshal Glenn Lauper is helping with the fire investigation. SANDPOINT (AP) - Investigators are trying to determine what caused a fire that destroyed the Traders Building Supply warehouse on Tuesday.

# huncing support Thresday. Firefighters were able to extinguish the blaze Wednesday, but not before 6,000 square feet of various hardwoods, cedar, pine and building supplies were lost. Much of the lumber inside the membranes had been stored verti-

# warehouse had been stored verti-cally, allowing the fire to climb rapidly, Sandpoint Fire Chief Robert Tyler said.

#### Theater

estimating the cost of production is tricky, but he is confident that the Cotterel project will be com-petitive. He said wind is a reliable resource, adding that a study of wind patterns at the Pocatello air-

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and making a political statement
on a monument," Loebs said.

The Roise Parks and Recreation
Department also recently dealt
with Phelps. Because there is a 28year-old Ten Commandment
monument in Julia Davis Park,
Phelps demanded he also be
allowed to put his anti-gay monument in a city park.

"The Board of Parks and
Recreation refused his request
because of the nature of the message," said Amy Stahl, department spokeswoman. "Because it
was essentially fighting words.

Their decision stands."

wind patterns at the Pocatello airport was used to compare availability of hind power with availability of hind power with availability of hind power. That study
showed that hydropower had
wider swings.

Another reason the project will
be competitive is the cost to integrate wind power into the existing
grid is not overly expensive,
Doskelands said. He said 20 percent of the power generated in
Demmark comes from, wind turbries, noting that Denmark has
no hydro resources. Doskeland
said it's cheaper to integrate wind
oliver with hydropower than with
other power sources.

Fower generated by the Control

other power sources.

Power generated by the Cotterel wind turbines would be tied into the existing nearby Bonneville Power Administration and Raft River Electric transmission lines. Darrington was also concerned that Windland and its partners would restrict public access to the mountain, which could interfere with grazing, hunting and other

recreational uses.
Deskeland said BLM officials will continue to control public access on the land, as the agency does on all sland it manages it is possible that access could be restricted during construction, because of safety concerns, he said, but experience has shown wind farms do not interfere with wildlife.

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Windland is waiting for a BLM

with wildlife.
Windland is waiting for a BLM decision regarding sage grouse, Doskeland said. The concern is primarily related to winter habitate for the bird.
Cassia County Commissioner Clay Handy distributed copies of a letter of support for the project from the Mini-Cassia Development Commission board. Handy said the county's zoning ordinance is under revision to allow wind farms in multiple-use zones.
The draft environmental impact-statement for the Cotterel project should be ready early next year, Doskeland said. Assuming BLM approval, he said construction could begin in 2005.
Windland is seeking to build on 4,600 acres of leased land. If the project is completed, it will be Idaho's first commercial wind farm.

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and according to historian Sharon
Kelley, it was a flourishing opera
nouse in the early 1920s. But all of
that changed, and later the historical building was used as a movie
theater for more than 50 years.
Two years ago, with an initial
investment of \$150,000, new owners Mike and Darcy Clair began
the task of restoring the theater
back to its original look.
Along with some major refushishing accomplishments, the
Clairs founded the Western States
College of Performing Arts and
Humanities at the site.
Although motion pictures continue to be part of the featured
offerings for some 35 students,
the stage is once again being used
for the performing arts.
Restoration efforts have includer
tepairs of the underpinning of the
stage, an unveiling of six murals, the
enterous of a suspended ceiling that
concealed the original curved dome
ceiling, a reamp of the balcomy
front, and the unweiling of hidden
works of youlderlile art.
Another major find was the
original stage backdrop, which
was believed to have been
destroyed by fire in the late '30s.
The significant find is a canvas

mural painting with background colors of blues and greens seemingly depicting the sounds of rushing water spilling over the Twin Falls on the Snake River. The backdrop, painted by Earnest Miller in 1920 to accommodate the 25- by 50-foot stage, had been hidden above the stage for 60-plus years. Recently, the building gained historical status, and with that, grants are now an avenue of sup-

historical status, and with that, grants are now an avenue of sup-port to help with restoration on the site, as well as for drama class-es and course projects for the non-profit organization. "The place is an important site, and we need to support it," said grants writer Teddy Keaton, direc-tor of education at Western States College.

tor of education at Western States College.
Another plan to help pay for college programs is to rewamp adjoining store for the 'sale' of T shirts and other items, Clair said. The small store served the community as a barbershop in the past, but if Clair has his way, it will help pay for tuition and technical equipment for the college.

Times News correspondent Loretta Burkhart can be reached in Twin Ralls at 734-3990.

## Montana trapper catches Idaho wolf

#### Officials release animal back to Yellowstone pack

Yellowstone pack

LIVINGSTON, Mont. (AP) - A
wolf that had wandered far afield
was captured in the Paradise
Valley last week, just a few days
after a resident pack had attacked
sheep for the first time.

The wolf, a male at least 2 years
old, wore a radio collar and extense
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sold salmon, Idaho, on Oct. 22.
Exist and Wildlife Service in Idaho.
That same wolf was captured
Dec. 19 by a leghold rup south of
here, in the Eight Mile are,
the trap is owned by a private
trapper seleng coyotes, who notified authorities when he found he
had captured a wolf instead.

"I respect the man," Niemeyer
said of the trapper. "Ehat kind of
response is admirable."

The wolf had traveled about 180
air miles, which translates into a
lot more than that, considering
the rough country between central Idaho and the Paradise Valley.

"There are a lot of wrinkles in
between," Niemeyer said.

The wolf was part of the Moyer Basin pack, which is suspected in some livestock depredations. Niemeyer said the animal started wandering away from the eightmember pack in August. His signal was picked up Oct. 22, but he wasn't located again until he turned up in Montana last week. Wollves occasionally break off from their pack and disperse over large distances, sometimes hundreds of miles. "More and more, it's going to be demonstrated that these wolves have the ability to go great distances," Niemeyer said.

The animal was released from the rap, unharmed except for a sore foot.

It was fitted with a new radio collar and is now considered part of the Yellowstone population of wolves.
Last spring, a similar event happened when a Yellowstone wolfwandered to an area north of Boise and was captured. That animal has been collared and is now considered part of the Idaho population. "We cruded, I guess," Niemeyer said in a telephone interview. "We roaded, I guess," Niemeyer we're even, for the time being."
The swap also illustrates that it's work and the control of the wolf advocates.

## Utah courts rarely grant requests for grand juries

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) – State court officials have invited Utah citizens who believe they know about criminal activity that could warrant a grand jury to report the information to a panel of judges early next month.

The panel is required by law to convene each year – but the state judges almost never actually call agrand jury, officials say,

"Rarely do they find a public complaint to be sufficient," said Kent Morgan, deputy Salt Lake County district attorney.

Still, the grand jury panel will listen to anyone; indeed, each time they meet they hear from a dozen or so state residents, said Mark Jones, district court administrator. Jones serves as the panel's serverary, and is the only person other than the judges and the complainant allowed in the room during, a session. Usually, he said, people are unclear on the panel's power and duties, or are unprepared for he judges' probing questions.

Often, people come to the sessions with issues beyond the panel's reach, such as appealing a court of the problem of the problem of the problem of the panel's reach, such as appealing a court of the problem of the problem of the problem of the problem of the panel's reach, such as appealing a court of the problem of

or witnesses who will testify under out to support a claim.

"A lot of people like to come and complain. For a lot of them, it's cathartic," Jones said. Others believe they need to testify in secret rather than go to a county attorney with information. "I've actually had people shaking because... they are afraid," he said. State residents must contact Jones at 801-578-3800 by Dec. 31 if they wish to appear before the panel on Jan. 8.

Usually, but only rarely, prosecutors request a grand jury

instead of conducting a prelimi-

instead of conducting a preliminary hearing in open court.
There have to be compelling reasons to avoid preliminary hearings, Morgan said.
In March 1995, then-Salt Lake County District Attorney Neal Gunniarson used a grand jury to indict prison inmate Forest Whittle in the 1986 slaying of Liss Strong, who was shot in the head in 1986 near her central Salt Lake City home.
Gunnarson said at the time he sought a grand jury because of the emotions surrounding the case. But his predecessor, County Attorney David Vocom – now the district attemey—said he requested a grand jury to hear the case against Whittle so prosecutors could protect witnesses. It was the first time a grand jury has-been formed for a state—investigation in 3rd District Court since 1986. Fen years later, Whittle Was convicted of murdering Strong.

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In 1986, prosecutors turned to the state grand jury process to get a felony indictment against then-County Attorney Ted Cannon in connection with allegations of sexual harassment ragainst him.

Obviously, Morgan said, Cannon couldn't prosecute himself.

The grand jury indicted Cannon, but the felony charges eventually were reduced to misdemeanors. Cannon served 25 days in juli; the case cost the county tens of thousands of dollars.

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A runaway grand jury also was convened in the 1970s to indict

convened in the 1976s to induct the federal government on a tax complaint. The state disbanded it, Morgan said. Over last 50 years, Utah's expe-rience with grand juries has been "a disappointment, I think," Morgan said.

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portion is raised within the next
two or three weeks, Isaacson
believes the company will publicly announce its intention to
build in Wendell.
"This is a win, win situation all
the way" he said.
Isaacson said he believes
Wendell and Gooding County
would be the ideal location for the
facility because of railroad and
interstate access, awailability to
gas and power utilities and its
abundance of livestock, particularly cows.

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Isancson said the payroll for the plant could run at about \$2 million annually with 35 jobs in the plant itself and 50 support jobs. Because of the highly skilled abor needed to run the plant the pay scale ranges between \$17 and \$27 an hour, he said.

A byproduct of ethanol is a high-protein feed, which could be used to supplement the more than 350,000 cows in Gooding and Jerome countries alone.

Jerome counties alone.
In addition to the feed and ethanol products, Isaacson said-Intropid-is-looking-at-methanodigesters to address any odor problems. A proposed 45-mile

accumulation line would place strategic digesters at dairies and feedlots taking in the manure and processing it into gas.

Isaacson said the conversion factor of one pound of manure equals 10 cubic feet of gas. "So we have a potential of somewhere between 25 and 50 million cubic feet of gas per day in Gooding County," he said.

Natural gas is currently being sold at 55 per 1,000 cubic feet.

Even if the gas were sold for \$3 per 1,000 cubic feet, he revenue generated would be equivalent to between 75 cents and \$1 per day per 2000.

between 75 cents and \$1 per day
per cow.
"But you're also digesting twothirds of the solids in a methane
digester and converting it into
gas, leaving only one-third solid
waste?" Isaacson said.
Both Intermountain Gas\_and\_
Idaho Power are interested in the
briogas produced to take care of
peek demand times, Isaacson said.
An added bonus, he said, is that
whey has bacteria in it that helps
in the digesters, increasing the
production of gas by as much as
-25-percent: "So-we-can-actually
use the whey for beneficial use,"
he said.

# Washington town rallies around dairy neighbors

### Northern Idaho's Albertsons stores recall ground beef

By Shannon Dininny Associated Press writer

MABTON, Wash. - Residents of this tiny south central Washington town rallied around neighboring dairy owners as news spread that a local farm was the source of the nation's first case of mad cow

nation's first case of mad cow disease.

On Thursday, federal agriculture officials said they had received preliminary independent confirmation that the initial tests on the Mabton cow were accurate.

Scientists at the Veterinary Laboratories Agency in Weylridge, England, concurred with the reading of tests on the stricken Holstein cow that led U.S. Officials to conclude it had the brain-wasting disease, said U.S. Department of Agriculture spokeswoman Alisa III-Wo are considering this confirmation." Harrison said, adding the English lab still will conduct its own test using another sample from the cow's brain. Final test results on the cow from Washington state were

cow's brain. Final test results on the cow from Washington state were expected by the end of the week. A government source familiar with the investigation told The Associated Press the infected cow came from Sunny Dene Ranch in Mabton, about 40 miles southeast of Yakima. Without releasing the farm's name, USDA officials have said a dairy in Mabton is under quarantine and that its herd would be slaughtered if the mad cow diagnosis was confirmed. Sid Wavrin, who identified himself as the owner of Sunny Dene Ranch, declined to comment

#### Northern Idaho beef recall:

sons grocer is asking rchased the following at Washington, Oregon or northern Idaho stories to voluntarily return them to any local Albertsons store:

- prepackaged one; and two-pound 5 percent lean ground beef with a ell-by date of Dec. 25.
- \* prepackaged one-pound 85 percent lean ground beef patty with a sell-by date of Dec. 25.
- ground beef of 91 percent lean quality bought from the Butcher Block Service Case Dec. 16 through Dec. 23.

through Dec. 23.

The recall applies only to beef pur-The recall applies only to beer purchased from the stores menuloned above. No other Albertsons stories outside of those areas are affected by the recall. The items listed — shove might be contaminated BSE, which causes mad cow disease.

when contacted by the AP on Wednesday. A man who answered the phone on Thursday, without identifying himself, said the family had no comment and referred calls to the USDA.

The test's confirmation did not surprise Mabton Mayor David Conradt.

"I don't think it really changes anything? Conradt told the AP on Thursday." I think we had all been thinking this cow had mad cow disease already, anyway, It would have been nice if it had come back rieg.

ease already, anyway. It would have been nice if it had come back rieg-ative, but it didn't. We just have to hope it's an isolated incident. We



Thursday, dressed in a flannel red and black checkered jacket and jeans pushed into cowboy boots. At the farm, work appeared to continue as usual. Cows were being fed outside, but otherwise the scene was quiet. The gravel county road leading to the dairy was empty. A day earlier it had been overrun by so many reporters and television cameras that police were directing traffic away from private property and warning members of the media they would be arrested if they trespassed. While the town grappled with

media they would be arrested it they trespassed. While the town grappled with the news, the USDA's Harrison said investigators were working through the holiday to prevent a potential outbreak of the deadly disease and calm public fears about the nation's food supply. Government and cattle industry officials continued to voice assur-ances that the beef on American tables was safe to eat.

The USDA said the cow was slaughtered at Vern's Moses Lake Meat, Inc., in Moses Lake, about 70 miles northeast of Mabton, on Dec. 9, after she became paralyzed, apparently as a mesult of calving. Agriculture officials said Vern's was voluntarily recalling about

Washington State Police officers warn reporters and media to stay on the pub-lic roads and off the dairy properties Wednesday, in Mabton, Wash. The Sunny Dene Ranch dairy farm located along this road in Mabton was Identi-fied Wednesday as the farm where a cow infected with mad cow disease originated.

10,410 pounds of raw beef, but the agency's Food Safety and. Inspection Service said there was an "extremely low likelihood" that the recalled beef contains the infectious agent that causes bovine

infectious agent that causes bovine spongiform encephalogathy.

BSE, or mad cow disease, eats holes in the brains of cattle. A human disease related to mad cow is known as variant Creutrfeld-Jakob disease, It is incurable and was blamed for 143 deaths in Britain, which suffered a mad cow disease outbreak in the 1980s. Representatives for Albertsons, Fred Meyer, Safeway and Wifcods all aid their chains get ground beef from Interstate Meat. All four chains have voluntarily

ground beef from Interstate Meat. All four chains have voluntarily temoved ground beef products from the affected distributors.

Supermarker giant Safeway Inc. Said it had stopped selling all fresh ground beef products from Interstate Meat and will look for another supplier.

#### Mad cow disease looms again

The discovery of an apparent case of bowine spongform encephalopy – known as mad cow disease – in Washington state has sent officials scrambling to find the source of the infection while several nations have banned U.S. beet imports.

#### Mad cow disease

Generally transmitted through contaminated feed, a four-to-live year incubation period makes the disease very hard to track.

Dangers to humans:
► Variant Creutzfeld Jakob disc

tatal brain disease in humans believed to be associated with mad cow disease

- Symptoms In cows:

  Nervousness or aggression
- ▶ Difficulty walking
   ▶ Decreased milk production
- Severe muscle twitching

## **Organic beef industry expects** boost from mad cow outbreak

HAGERSTOWN, Md. (AP) –
Organic beef producers predict
the U.S. mad cow scare will boost
demand for their meat, which
comes from animals fed only milk,
grasses and grains from birth to
slaughter.

Mad cow disease, officially known
as bovine spongiform encephalopathy or BSE, is believed to be spread
through cattle feed centaring protein or bone meal from infected
drows or sheep. Although the government banned feeding cattle such
products in 1957, organic food advocates say the law has loopholes and
is poorly enforced.

U.S. organic beef standards,
which took effect in October 2002,
provide for certification of producers whose practices havpassed muster with either a sate
dards include an all-vegetable
diet once the animal is weaned.

"We will now see a huge
increase in the demand" for organic beef, which currently accounts
for no more than I percent of U.S.
beef sales, Ronnie Cummins,
national director of the Organic
Consumers Association, of Little
Marais, Minn, said Wednesday.
Nick Maravell, owner of Nick's
Organic Farm, said he sold all the
feef from his small, but growing,
Black Angus herd in Adamstown,
Md, almost immediately after the
autumn slaughter. Maravell, vice
chairman of the Maryland Organic
Food and Farming Association,
said he conjects next year's cop of
six animals to go just as fast.

"Mary people have been in the
production of the standard or serving of
the and cow scare," he said. "People
whor are sirting on the stidelines"
right now in our state association, I
think this will be a definite incen-

tive for them to go into it."

Chicago based Dakota Beef Co. claims to be the nation's largest organic producer, with 25 farms and processors under contract to produce beef that will start showing up in national supermarket meat cases in 2004.

Spokesman Seldon Moreland wouldn't predict the sales impact of the mad cow news, pending confirmation of the Washington state case, but said: "Ica nation for the mad cown even pending confirmation of the Washington state case, but said: "Ica nation for granic beef is free of possible infection from BSE."

The same claim is made by some non-organic producers, including Denverbased Coleman Chairman Med Coleman Jeann Natural Products Inc. Coleman Deckard and the confidence from the products of the confidence from the blicides, pesticides and chemical fertilizers. Coleman beef, sold in Whole Foods Markets and other supermarkets are using the self-carries a premium price; organic ground beef, for example, is priced six to eight times higher at various outlets than the 68 cents a pound that supermarkets may charge for regular ground beef.

Some say the organic advocates are using the mad cown news to create panic over the food supply. The Center for Consumer Freedom, a coalition that includes mainstream restaurants and food producers, says—the Organic Consumers Association is run by "indical social activities."

"These activities are clearly hoping to drive U.S. shoppers away from the grocery meat counters and toward more expensive organic and toward more expensive organic and manders of the Center for Consumer Freedom, a condition that includes mainstream and toward more expensive organic and social enter for Consumer Freedom.

#### **Officials:** Beef is as safe as ever

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON - With the dis-WASHINGTON — With the dis-covery of mad cow disease in a sin-gle American cow, that hamburg-er on your plate may look a little less appealing. But the fact is, it's probably not any worse than it ever\_was\_according\_to\_govern-ment and independent food safe-tre officials

recer was, according to government and independent food safe, officials.

"The risk here is low – eating a hamburger and getting heart disease is probably much higher than getting the human form of mad cow disease," said Caroline Smith DeWaal, director of food safety for the Center of Science in the Public lathocate group that has warned consumers about eating Chinese food, movie popcorn and all sorts of snack food.

Still, DeWaal advised consumers that they may want to be careful about the ground beef they cat – either grinding it themselves of having it done at the store on the spot. That's because there's a slight chance the meet may contain parts of the cow's nervous system, the part of an infected animal that spreads the disease.

U.S. government officials and beef industry executives say the country's beef supply remains safe and consumers shouldn't be afraid to eat beef. "There is no reason to warm consumers to avoid meat products they normally consume," said James H. Hodges, president of the American Meat Institute Foundation.

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sume," said James H. Hodges, president of the American Meat Institute Foundation.

The meat institute's Hodges said the brain and other parts of a cow's nervous system are kept out of the human food-processing chain. In Britain, where 183,000 heads of cattle were found to have mad cow disease, 143 humans died from the related human disease (10 more died outside Britain). But that's a country where brains were, until discovery of the disease, routile vested and deter food, he said. In the United States, "we don't routinely eat cows' brains," stid Hodges.

Consumers should avoid eating brains or any other nervous-generations or any other nervous-generations of the state of t





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#### GOODING COUNTY COURTS -

#### The Times-New

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#### Misdemeanor arraignments

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Robert Arthur Turner, 43; petit thefi;
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#### Misdemeanor sentencings

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license suspension; \$500 fine, \$300 sus-pended, \$78.50 court costs; \$35 probation fee; one year unsupervised probation 180 days in Jail, 178 suspended, credit for one day served; Magistrate Judge Kevin

one day served, magastane, page recent P. Cassidy.

David Erwin Elmo Madrid, 20; battery domestic violence; 5500 fine, 5350 use-pended, 563.50 court costs, 535 probation (ee, 5100 public defender fee; two years unsupervised probation; 180 days in jail, 180 suspended; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassido.

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violation; \$10 fine, \$63.50 court costs; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

#### Juvenile misdemeanor sentencings

Armando Dominguez Jr., 17; driving without privileges; 180-day driver's license suspension; 5500 fine, 5350 suspended, 578.50 court costs, 355 probation fee, 5100 public defender fee; one year unsupervised probation; Mogistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

#### Micdemeanor dismissals

Tomas James Felix, 23; driving witho privileges; dismissed by prosecut Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

#### Felony arraignments

Raymond Lee Rodriguez, 30; manufac-ture of a controlled substance; drug stamp tax violation; use or possession of drug paraphernalia with intent to use; preliminary hearing Jan. 20; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

#### Child support cases

State of Idaho Health and Welfare vs. rwen Leah Fullmer. Seeking 58 percent medical expenses for David D. Ratto dd Travis D. Ratto; \$363 attorney fees.

# Albertson College, ISU join forces to offer new nursing program face in the medical field." The state Board of Education

CALDWELL (AP) - Students at Albertson College of Idaho may soon be able to pursue a nursing career under an agreement with Idaho State University.

career under an agreement with Idaho State University. The agreement moves Albertson College closer to offering a cooperative nursing program with the university, officials said. "This program is a unique opportunity to provide students with a first-rate education while—helping fill a growing need for health care workers in the community and nation," Albertson College President Bob Hoover said. "The liberal arts education provided at ACI will prepare students for the challenges they will



approval for the nursing program by the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities could come in early 2004, officials said. The nursing program would be offered beginning next fall.

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Under the program, students could earn a bachelor's degree from Albertson College and a bachelor of science degree in nursing from ISU with 4.5 years of schooling.

The program would be held in the Treasure Valley.

The program is meant to help fill the nation's growing nursing shortage is expected to be twice that of the national rate, according to the Idaho Commission on Nursing and Nursing Education. Demand for nurses in the Treasure Valley is expected to exceed supply sometime between 2005 and 2007.

#### St. Anthony takes sewer issue to voters

ST. ANTHONY (AP) - St. Anthony voters will go to the polls for the second-time in-four months Feb. 3 to vote on a SS mil-lion bond to fix the city's troubled

monuts Peb. 3 to vote on a 35 imilion bond to fix the city's troubled sewer system.

The bond measure is the same one that voters shot down in November.

The Environmental Protection Agency has warned the city it could face fines reaching more than \$27.050 a day if its sewage lagoons continue to leak into the Henry's Fork of the Snake River.

City council members said they chose Feb. 3 for the emergency election because it was the earliest allowable date and to show state and federal regulators they are taking steps to fix the system.

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system. In the meantime, the city has in the meantime, the city has hired a part-time consultant to recommend what can be done to the system to make sure no viola-

the system to make sure no viola-tions occur.

St. Anthony also is continuing to work with engineers from the U.S. Department of Agriculture on a reassessment of a plan to fix the treatment plant and collec-tion lines.



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# LINCOLN COUNTY COURTS

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#### Misdemeanor arraignments

Ellen K. Brudshaw, 42; driving without privileges; failed to appear; Magistrate Judge Mark A. Ingram. Scott Holmes, 35; two counts driving without privileges; pretrial conference Jan. 7; Magistrate Judge Mark A. Ingram.

Tangram. A Russell, 37; failure to pur-chaseinvalid driver's license; failed to appear; Magistrate Judge Mark A. Ingram.
Jeffery Eden, 22; battery; pretrial con-ference Dec. 31; Magistrate Judge Mark A. Iurann

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Jeffery Eden, 22; battery; pretrial conference Dec. 31; Magistrate Judge Mark
A. Ingram.
Jeffery I. Johns, 20; two counts stalking; reddeess driving; failure to purchase/invalid driver's license; pretrial
onference Dec. 24; Magistrate Judge
Mark
Pedro Nova Zuniga, 27; failure to purchase/invalid driver's license; failed to
appear; Magistrate Judge Mark A.
Ingram.
Richard G. Theis, 57; driving without
rivileges; pretrial conference Dec. 24;
Magistrate Judge Mark A. Ingram.
Frances Window, no date of birth listed; three counts fraud - no account
rhecks-failed to appear; Magistrate
Judge Mark A. Ingram.

#### Misdemeanor sentencings

Misdemeanor sentencings
Emily M. Parks, 21; failure to purchase/invalid driver's license; 568.50
line, 363.50 cour costs; Magistrate
Magistrate Camarillo, 38; open container, 568.50 fine, 563.50 court costs;
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licesies; 568.50 fine, 563.50 court costs;
second togge Mark A. Ingram.
Armando Santos, 35; two counts
weight - exceeding allowable gross
loads; first count: 5316 fine, 563.50 court
costs; second count: 541 fine, 563.50
court costs; Magistrate Judge Mark A.
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Roberto Santos, 33; two counts weight exceeding allowable gross loads; first count: \$1,684 fine, \$63.50 court costs; eccopd count: \$993 fine, \$63.50 court costs; Magistrate Judge Mark A. Ingram.
James W. Countryman, 47; driving without privileges amended to failure to

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to property; \$63.50 court costs; one year supervised probation; Magistrate Judge Mark A. Ingram.
Gerardo: M. Gutierrez, 32; driving under the influence: 180-day driving under the influence: 180-day driving under the influence; 180-day driving under the influence; 50.50 public defender fee; open container, \$63.50 public defender fee; open container, \$63.50 court costs; providing false information to an officer regarding offensofdentity; \$63.50 court costs; fallure to purchaschwald driver's license; dispendent of the open container, \$63.50 court costs; fallure to purchaschwald driver's license; dispendent of the open court costs; of the open court costs; on a court costs; on a court cost cost of the open court costs; one year unsupervised probation; Magistrate Judge Mark A. Ingram.

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Nathan A. York, 18; driving under the influence: 120-day driver's license suspension 5221.50 fine, 578.50 cour costs. 2210 probation fee; one year supervised probation; failure to purchasedinaval driver's licenses 568.50 fine, 533.0 court costs. 255 pubble defender\_lee; Magatinate Judge Mark A. Inguley Mark A. Inguley

#### Juvenile misdemeanor sentencings

Juan Pedro Villa-Cabello, 17; failure to urchase/invalid driver's license; \$68.50 ne, \$63.50 court costs; Magistrate idge Mark A. Ingram.

judge Mark A. Ingram.
Christopher Dean Perron, 17; driving-racing on a public highway amended to driving- offense by person owning/con-trolling vehicle; \$100 fine, \$63.50 court costs; seven months unsupervised proba-tion; Magistrate Judge Mark A. Ingram.

#### Misdemeanor dismissals

Eric D. Higbee, 20; failure to carry dri-ver's license on person; dismissed by prosecutor; Magistrate Judge Mark A.

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John T. Peavey, 39; weight - exceeding he registered load limit; dismissed by rosecutor; Magistrate Judge Mark A.

prosecutor: Magistrate Judge Mark A. Ingram.

- Leigh E. Kelley, 64; criminal trespass; dismissed by prosecutor; Magistrate Judge Mark A. Ingram.

Jose L. Sibrian, 42; fraud - insufficient funds check; dismissed by prosecutor; Magistrate Judge Mark A. Ingram.

Civil Goode Motor vs. Roy I. Pope and Rose M. Pope, husband and wife. Seeking S. 297.15, plus interest; costs and attorney fees. Plaintiff alleges that defendant has failed or refused to make payments on a vehicle. Statewide Collections vs. Ricky Connell and Jeri Ann Connell, also known as Jeri Ann Wallace, spouse. Seeking \$1,328.76, plus interest; \$340 actorney fees. Plaintiff alleges that defendant ower for accounts assigned to the plaintiff for collection.

#### Child support cases

State of Idaho Child Support Services vs. Francisco Lara, also known as Francisco Javier Lara Sr, and Nicole Y. Lara, also known as Nicole Yvonne Lara. Scelang of Mr. Lara S606 monthly support for Francisco Javier Lara, Ruben Fidencio-Lara—and-Arliv-Angelo-Lam, plus 71. percent of children's medical expenses; 453 attomey fees; 56748.55 for his pro rata share of birth costs.

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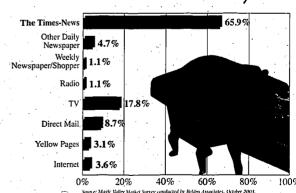
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## Studies uncover toxins in humans

Dangerous substances include fire retardant

By Colleen Diskin Knight Ridder Nev

HACKENSACK, N.J. – Susan Oliif tells everyone to take off their shoes when they enter her house. The Demarcs, N.J., mother doesn't want the fertilizers and posticides that may be on the soles to be tracked all over the carpet where her little ones play. "I do what Pean not to expose them to a lot of chemicals," she explained. But like plenty of other environmentally aware mothers, Oliffnever realized that her children could get a dose of toxins from exposure to one of the planet's most natural substances – her breast milk. New research is telling a disturbing tale – that high levels of polybrominated diphenyl ethers milk of American women. The flame-readrant chemicals are widely used in furniture cushions and the plastic that eneases computers and electronics. This unexpected spread of PBDEs, documented in about 100 studies across the globe, has increasingly concerned scientists, environmentalists, and government regulators. High levels of PBDEs have been shown to cause cognitive impairment, memory loss, and even brain damage in laboratory animals. The worry is that PBDEs could be on their way to becoming the mext PCBs, the cancer-causing chemicals used for decades to insulate electrical equipment. Although their use was discontinued in 1977, they were in so many products that PCBs are still persistent polluters of the water, soil, and wildlife – also making their way into the human body through the food chain. "There are a lot of similarities to the PCB story," said Sonya Lunder, environmental analyse for Washington-based Environmental

Washington-based Environmental Working Group.
Now that the EPA has eliminated we types of PBDEs, known as the penta and octa forms, environmentalists are asking the EPA reconsider the safety of a third type, known as deca. They are also questioning the wisdom of the EPA's recent approval of a substitute flame retardant containing bromine because of similar health concerns.

Groups such as the Environ-

WASHINGTON CROSSING, M, IAPI - A Christmas Eve down-pour following heavy min and snow made the Delaware River too dangerous for the annual re-enactment of George Washington's bod Revolutionary War crossing Thursday, grounding the actors for the second Christmas in a row.

Last year, sleet, wind and strong currents prevented the crossing conditions similar to what washington faced as he and his men crossed from Pennsylvania to New Jersey in the dark on Christmas Day 227 years ago. That 1776 maneuver led to key victories in Trenton and Princeton and reversed the Continental Army's fortunes:

Organizers call off Delaware

reenactment due to weather

mental Working Group argue the United States needs to consider a less toxic approach to preventing

less toxic approach.

The group did its own tests of the breast milk of 20 women across the country. The levels of PBDE found in those samples far exceed amounts found in Europewhich has widespread bans on PBDE.

Scientists test breast milk,

exceed amounts found in Europe—
which has widespread bans on PBDE.
Scientists test breast milk, rather than urine or blood, because it contains a high percentage of fat and PBDEs are fatsoluble. The downside of the studists they have led to headlines that make breast milk sound like the culprit, rather than a clue to the contamination in the human body, said Sandra Steingraber, an ecologist who wrote a book on fetal and infant toxic exposures.

While nursing mothers do pass, toxins in their bodies along to their infants, physicians still say the immunity boost that breast milk gives babies far outweights any possible risk posed by PBDEs. Toxins in the mother's body also will be passed along before birthdirough the placenta – so bottlefeed babies are also exposed. Steingraber said.
But at what point those toxins can cause health problems is still unknown. Toxic exposure is never a good thing. Steingraber said.
'And the concern here is that the levels are seen to be rising. But we still don't know at what level an infant will start to show, signs of neurological damage."

It's possible the health effects may not be seen until the future, because PBDEs persist in the environment and "bioaccumilate."

Still, the message as Steingraber is ton for women to stop

Still, the message as Steingraber sees it is not for women to stop nursing, but to get these chemicals out of the environment.

Several studies testing how PBDEs affect the neurological systems of laboratory animals have just gotten under way. Scientists hope to determine the levels at which human health might be affected.

affected.
Other researchers hope to discover how the chemicals get from the foam undermeath the fabric of a sofa to the fat cells of fish and humans, said Robert Hale, a professor at the Vignina Institute of Marine Science.

His own research has found PBDEs in treated sewer sludge in

Even with the crossing reenactment called off Thursday, thousands of spectators watched as actors in period costume marched, fired artillery and read from Thomas Paine's "Common Common Common

from Thomas Paine's "Common Sense."

New Jersey Gov. James E. McGreevey told the crowd that Washington's strengths are again needed to confront terrorism.

"It will be those same values, courage and determination that will forever keep this nation free." McGreevey said.

The reenactment, started by local history buffs in 1952, typically involves 60-foot wooden boats, replicas of the Revolutionary Warera Durham cargo boats.

## Rains turn part of S. California into mud

#### Flood-ravaged areas lose their ability to

withstand downpours

Withstand downpours

LOS ANGELES (AP) - A mudside swept over a Greek
Orthodox youth camp Thursday,
trapping at least 15 people as
heavy rains triggered flooding in
areas ravaged by wildfires last
month, authorities said.

At least seven people were rescued from the Saint Sophia Camp
in Waterman Canyon, just north
of. San. Bernadino, and, needed,
medical attention, authorities
said. Detail/sabout the victims, the
extent of their injuries and the
status of the other eight people
were not immediately available.
Flood waters in the area were
getting worse, forcing efficials to
pull back some emergency personnel, county fire officials said.



Rescue personnel extricate a man trapped in a landsilde after heavy rains pounded the area Thursday.

Authorities evacuated residents of Waterman Canyon, in the San Bernardino Mountains, and

closed off the road leading to the canyon.
Television reports showed a surging stream of water in the canyon, which was a see of gray mud.

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#### Sing of America

Proud-to-be-an-American Lee Greenwood will perform two shows a night on Tuesday and Wednesday at Cactus Petes Resort Casino in



#### Don't go runnin'

"Hee-Haw's" own Tommy Overstreet will do two shows tonight, Saturday night and Sunday night at Cacrus Petes Resort Casino in Jackpot.

#### Multi-media

The Herrett Museum's Faulkner Planetarium in Twin Falls plans New Year's Eve afternoon showings of "Steamrolling through the Holidays" and the "The Christmas Star."

#### Edgy science

The Sun Valley Center for the Arts is hosting "At the Edge of Science," a collection of drawings, video and camera-less photography that examines the relationship among chance, causality and the laws of nature. At the center's gallery in Ketchum.

#### Man of Steel

"Retro Steel," a retrospective of the work of College of Southern Idaho art department founder LaVar Steel, is on display at the Henett center for the Arts and Science on the CSI campus in Twin

#### Art and sculpture

Holiday-themed art and the work of sculptor Yvonne Jacques are on on display at the Magic Valley Arts Council office in downtown Twin

For times, dates and details ee Events Spotlight on Pages C7-8.

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College of Southern Idaho professor Gary Lauer stands next to a monitor with the official "Yes" band Web site on it recently in Twin Falls. Lauer organized an online course about the group and people from Australia, the United Kingdom and the United States have signed up.

## CSI instructor takes passion for prog-rock online

TWIN FALLS - Think of it this way:
In the history of rock 'n roll, first came
"Yeah, yeah, yeah."
Then came Yes, Yes, Yes.
"The Beales were the short version,"
explained Gary Lauer, fan of the 70s
British progressive-rock quintet Yes.
"These guys were the long version."
Lauer, who runs the radiologic technology program at the College of
Southern Idaho, thinks Yes still has
something to say after 35 years of nouring, recording, syuabbling, filling arenas
and selling records. So he's organized an
online, non-redit course to teach the
music and allure of Yes.
Yes? Why not the Beatles, the Stones
or The Who?
"Twe always lowed the music of Yes,"
said Lauer, 52. "And I think it deserves
some serious attention."
"Yesology," this effort is called, and
it's more than about frets and feedback!
It's also about the culture and business
of nock 'n roll.
"It's about one band, but by studying
the history of Yes we hope to teach
something about the environment they
worked in, too," Lauer said.
The "we" in Yesology is Lauer's col-



Yes, a British rock band, still commands attention from fans.

Yes, a Bittsh rock band, still commands att laborator, a 47-year-old Australian named Alan Farley whom Lauer met at a Yes concert in Henderson, Nev., a few years ago. An exchange of e-mails followed, and eventually a proposal for an online course, which they offered through CSIs Community Education Center starting earlier this year. Setting up such an enterprise is easier than you might think, thanks to the flourishing business of online hosting and Web-page development. Using Blackboard, Lauer and Farley were able to develop a Web site with a course syl-

labus, study guides, and, of course,

labus, study guides, and, ot course, music.
"The curriculum covers the people of Ves, how and when they came together, the logistics of Yes performances and touring, and most importantly, the music – how to listen to it, interpret it and appreciate it," Lauer said.
For the uninitiated, Yes is the most notable – and longest-lasting – manifestation of a movement called progressive rock. Progreck took the fast-evolving electronic music technology of the late '60s and integrated it with classical

#### To learn more ...

or more information on Gary Lauer's non-credit Yesology class at the College of Southern Idaho, tog on to http://www.csi.edu/lp/ce/yesology, or call Lauer at 732-6719.

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techniques and lush orchestration to produce long, intricate suites. Yes and Genesis, a hugely successful arena-rock act of the "Os that later drastically changed its style, were prog-rock's marquee practitioners.

But Yes is also interesting because its mercurial, often classically trained members just flat couldn't get along it was among rock music's most dysfunctional families.

Still...

"Their audience remains huge because they've always attracted younger listeners drawn to their mix of daunting virtuosity, cosmic (often mystical) lyrics, complex musical textures, and powerful yet delicate lead vocals, writes Bruce Eder in the online All Music Guide.

In 1968, lead singer Jon Anderson was pushing a broom in a London nightclub and thinking of starting up a new band.

### What are you doing New Year's Eve? Here are some suggestions

Twin Falls

The Twin Falls Centennial
Commission will host a New Year's
Eve Gala, 7 pm. until after midnight at the Magic Valley Mall, featuring three musical venues, plus
fireworks, games, fun, food and
merchandise sales. Advance tickets will be \$12 for adults, \$10 for
students and seniors or \$35 for
families of up to five; tickets at the
door are \$15. They cover admission, food and activities, but-notalcohol. Tickets are available at all
First Federal Savings Bank branches, at all Twin Falls Wells Fargo
bank locations, at The Happy
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Everybody's Business and the
Fulls Centennial office in
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Twin Falls and at Rosebuds in
Jerome.

The night's headline performers—
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Jerome.

The night's headline performers will be the local volunteer musicians of the Twin Falls Centennial Dance Orchestra, led by

Hollywood and Lake Tahoe musician Brian Farnon.
To set the stage for the orchestra, Shellien Gilliand will transform the malls entire J.C. Penney wing into a ballroom-style dance club with black backdrops, dramatic lighting effects, skirred tables and fiber optic centerpieces.
But New Year's Eve performers elsewhere in the mall will cater to dancers with other musical tastes, as well.

as well.

The evening's schedule:

7 p.m.: Doors open.

7 p.m.: Family activities begin on the east end of the mall near Shopko. They include carnival games, bigsuit sumo wrestling, mares, face painting and holiday

treats.

7 p.m. to midnight: Octane, a rock group from Mountain Home, will play for a youth dance at the west end of the mall beside The

west end of the mall beside The Bon-Macy's. • 7 p.m.: Twin Falls High School's Jive! choral ensemble performs near Center Court, followed by

Jeff Fox and his jazz combo at 7:45

Jeff Fox and his jazz combo at 7.45 p.m.

9 p.m. to midnight Renowned big-band conductor Brian Farmon leads the Twin Falls Centennial Dance Orchestra near Center Court for dancing to ballads and songs such as those played by the Glenn Miller, Count Basic and Duke Ellington orchestras of decades past. Local volunterans of decades past. Local volunter musicians formed Twin Falls' new dance exchestra his year, and New Year's Ev is the group's big gig.

9.15 p.m. Organizers might serve a 100th birthday cake, but they aren't ready to say for certain.

9.30 p.m. to midnight. Disc jockey Luis Vargas operates a sound system in the family venue near ShopKo for dancing and karaoke.

karaoke.

9:30 p.m.: A fully stocked no-host bar opens near the Scars

entrance.

9:45 to 10 p.m.: Ruchel-Williams sings-classical-pop-numbers near Center Court, temporarily taking the stage from the

Centennial Dance Orchestra.

• 10:45 to 11 p.m.: Rachel Williams and accompanist Caleb Collins perform near Center Court; while the Centernial Dance Orchestra takes another rest.

• 11:30 p.m.: The Twin Falls Folice Department gives sawy the vehicle it has used to promote seat belt use.

• Midnight: Partiers sig "Auld Lang Syne" in all three music locations, a clock marks the countdown, and confetti blasters. sprinkle the crowd.

crowd.

• Doors close: The marking of midnight is your cue to leave.

\*The Faulkner-Planetarium at the Herrett Center for Arts and Science on the campus of the College of Southern Idaho will present two New Years Eve shows, "The Christmas Star" at 2 p.m. and "Steamrolling Through the Holidays" at 1 - and 3 - p.m. Afterneon shows at the Faulkner are \$1. Children 4 and under are not admitted. Call 732-6655.

• Sweet Country Air will play for the John Pohlman Big 50 Bitchday Bash and New Years Eve Party from 8 pm to 1 am, at the Turf Club, 734 Falls Ave. The event will include hors of oethers. No host bar Dress is casual. Tickets, which are 510, will be available at the door. A portion of the proceeds will go towards the Freeze-On-Skis fundraiser for the Twin Falls Animal. Shelter, and the South Central Community Action Agency's emergency medical fund. For more information, call John Pohlman at 736-5690 or 420-0661.

Bob Nora Band will play from 8 p.m. to midnight at The Oasis, 1007 Blue Lakes Blvd. N. No cover-charge.
 Cobelt Blue will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Honker's Place, 121 Fourth Ave. S. Cover charge is

Please see PARTIES, Page C2

## 'Cheaper by the Dozen' crowds into theaters

"Bad Santa" -This is a Christmas movie that Lenny Fruce could love. In the comedy about a full-time cynic who works as a part-time department store. Santa, Billy Bob Thornton plays an unreconstructed boze-bound, chain smoker and serial philanderer who spends most of the year perfecting his down-and-dirty naughty act before domning threadbare red suit and a beard as white as week-old snow for his armutal "Santar sint. Written by John. Requa and Glenn Ficarra armutal "Santar sint. Written by John. Requa and Glenn Ficarra directed Terry Zwigoff. With Tony Cox, Bernie Mac, Lauren Graham and the late John Ritten (1.34. R, for pervasive language, strong sexual content and some violence.)

Brother Bear' – Set in the distant past when woolly mammoths roamed the Earth, this animated film from Disney is largely made in a traditional technique, hand-drawn, two-dimensional animation, a labor-intensive method that has fallen from favor not only because of cost but because computer-generated imagery have dominated the marketplace. The movie teffered by Aaron Blaise and Robert Walker) has a painterly look that was inspired in part by look that was inspired in part by the classic 19th century canvases of Albert Bierstadt With the voices of loaquin Phoenix, Dave Thomas and Other 1952.

vases of Albert Bierstadt. With the voices of. loaquin Phoenix, Jeremy Suarez, Rick Moranis, Dave Thomas and D.B. Sweeney, Songs by Phil Collins (125, 6, Attacking bears a little frighten-ing for youngest audiences and two of the characters die.

two of the characters die.)

"Dr. Seuss' the Cat in the Hat" – The studio production kit says the movie runs 73 minutes What it doesn't say is that one catin-the-hat "minute" equals "a "dog year. (1:22. PG, for mild crude humor and some double-entendors.)

humor and some double-entendres.

"Cheaper by the Dozen"—
Other than the tile, this supposed remake bears virtually no resemblance to the 1950s film or autographical memoir the earlier motive was based on. But the basic notion of a couple struggling to raise 12 children is intact. (98, PG, language and some thematic elements.)

"Cold Mountain"—An American Odysseus leaves behind the camage of the Civil War and strikes out on his own, determined to walk hundreds of miles to return to the woman he loves. Starring Jude Law and Nicole Kidman. (2:35, R, violence, language and brief mudity.)

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staman. 12:35, K. violence, ranguage and brief nudity.)

"EET"—The fable of what transpires when a young man raisedby elves goes back to investigatehis human roots, it manages to be
both genuinely sweet and just a
teensy bit, wised up. Directed by
Jon Favreau from a script by
Jon Favreau from a script by
Jonie Berenbaum, the movie
returns to the hip but warm-hearted spirit of "Swingers," which
Favreau-both wrote and starred
in. It brings sophisticated glee and
a sense of innocent fun to what
could have been a morbund traditional family film. In "Saurday
Night Live" allumus and star Will
Ferrell, the film has a guide who
steers it unerringly over the



The Baker family will light up the screens this Christmas in 'Cheaper by the Dozen.'

#### Now playing

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Century Cinema 5
"Lord of the Rings"
"Something's Gotta Give
"Cheaper by the Dozen"
"The Last Samurai"
"Mona Lisa Smile"

Burley Theater "Secondhand Lions"

Jerome Cinema
"Mona Lisa Smile"
"Lord of the Rings"
"Cheaper by the Dozen"
"Paycheck"

Twin Falls

Twin Cinema
"Haunted Mansion"
"Honey"
"Master and Commander"

bumpy patches. With James Caan,

bumpy patches. With James Caan, Mary Steenburgen, Zooey Deschanel and Edward Asner. (1:30. PG, for some mild rude humor and language.)

• "Gothika" – A horror movie that inspires as many giggles as gasps, Halle Berry plays a psychologist who becomes a patient in the mental hospital where she worked. After she's locked up for chilling, her husband\_and\_finger\_painting their home with his blood, the doctor begins hanging with the undead. The supporting cast includes wild cards Robert Downey Jr., and Penelope Cruz. (1:36. R, for violence, brief language and nudity.)

• "Honey" – Jessica Alba stars as distillusioned dancer-choroog-

guage and nudity.)

"Honey" - Jessica Alba stars as a disillusioned dancer-choreographer who renews her spirits by bonding with a group of neighbo-hood kids. With Mekhi Phifer, Joy Bryant, David-Moscow, Lonette McKee, Zachary Isaiah Williams and Lil' Romeo. Directed by Billie

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"Gothika"
"Peter Pan"
"Love Don't Cost a Thing"
"Missing"
"Looney Tunes"
"Paycheck"

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thematic elements and language.)

"The Human Stain" - Of all
the novels to jump into the cultural fray in recent years few seem as
unsuited to a Hollywood
makeover as Philip Roth's book.

Published in 2000, this convulsion of fury, literary ambition and aggressively impolite thinking pivots on five different bodies set into violent motion against a large, cumbersome and unmistably American canvas. Etched in acid, stoked by wrath, it is one of those big-ideas novels that fits perfectly in human hands, where it can be savored over time or wrestled with page by page Directed by Robert Benton from a screenplay by Nicholas 'Meyer. With Anthony Hopkins, Nicole Kidman, Gary Sinise and Ed Harris, Clase R, for language and sexuality/hudity.)

• "The Lnet Samural" - U.S. Army officer Tom Cruise, hired by the emperor of Japan to train solders in modern warfare circa 1870s, finds himself tom between cultures and countries. With Ken Watanabe, Billy Connelly, Timothy Spall and Tony Goldwyn, Written by John Logan, Marshill Herskoviz and Edward Zwick. Directed by Zwick. (R, for strong violence and battle sequences.)

• "Looney Tumes: Back in Action" - Enlivened by sly jabs and almost enough unabashed movie love to plug the plot holes, Joe Dante's movie signals a distinct improvement over the dreary synergy of "Space Jam," principally because of the gentle good humor of its director, goody non-sense from screenwriter Larry Doyle (a. "Simpsons" alum) and its state-of-the-art wizardry. (1:23. PG, for some mild language and insuendo.)

• "Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King" - Vigo Mortensen plays Aragorn, a reluctant here who helps defeat the ancient evil of Sauron in this part of the tribogy (3:20, PG-13, for intense goic battle sequences and felt emplace of the appending 1987 Please see MOVIES, Page C3

#### Planetarium offers new show

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — The Faulkner Planetarium will lcick off the new year with a new program. "Ring World" details NASAS Cassini Huygens mission to Saturu and its moon, Titan.

The show was produced by veteran planetarium program producers, formerly from New York's Hayden Planetarium, and was adapted to the Faulkner's equipment by Rick Greenawald and Chris Anderson. The show is voiced by John Billingsly, who plays the chief medical officer, Dr. Phlox, on the new Star Trek program, "Enterprise."

Faulkner manager Greenawald say "Ring World" differs from all the other programs that have been featured at the planetarium sinceit deals with an important space mission that's currently under way the heads that he is impressed with the

production of the program, poing out that the viewers almost ing out that the viewers almost ing an attachment as they seem to gad long with the spacecraft.

"Ring World" will be shown at 7 pm. Thesdays, Fridays, and Saturdays beginning Jan. 2. There also will be a matinee showing at 2 pm. on Saturdays. The new Saturday matinees of "More Than Meets the period of the Saturday matinees of "More Than Meets the Sky tour Rock music fans can entire sky tour Rock music fans can entire the Saturday of the Faulkners" "Lee Zeppelin: Maximum Volume I" Satis pm. on Saturdays.

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#### - Anniversary -

#### THE HODGES

MALTA – Mr. and Mrs. Ted M. Hodges will be honored at an open house for their 60th wed-ding anniversary. Friends and rel-atives are invited to attend from 2 to 5 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 27, at the Malta 2nd Ward Church. The fam-ily requests and state of the saturday.

to 5 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 27, at the Marta 2nd Ward Church. The family requests no gifts.

Hodges and Viola V. Beebe were married June 23, 1944, in Salmon. Their marriage was solemnized July 3, 1945, in the Logan LDS Temple.

They moved to Moody Cress the shortly after their marriage. On Dec. 26, 1944, he was called to serve in the armed forces in the 77th Division of the Army in the Pacific during World War II. He was later transferred to the 5th Air Force 317th troop carrier and stationed in Japan as a military policeman. The couple moved to Malta in May 1959 and have resided there since. He worked for the Idaho Transportation Department and retired in 1988. She has worked as a homemaker, wife and mother, carning for grandchildren and great-grandchildren. The couple has six children, Teddy Merland Hodges who died in the Viernam War, Rosiland Ann.





Larsen of Malin, Ore, Steven Val Hodges of Idaho Falls, Susen Valene Wadsworth of Fort Hall, Phillip Lewis Hodges of Green Rover, Wyo, and JoAnn Melissa Parke of Burley. They have 33 grandchildren and 52 great grandchildren.

#### Parties .

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Country Classics will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Montana Steakhouse, 1826 Canyon Crest Drive. No cover charge.

Karaoke will be featured from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Klover-Klub, 402 Main N.

• Buttons and Bows will hold its New Year's Eve dance from 9 p.m. to midnight at the Moose Lodge on Falls Avenue in Twin Falls. Squares begin at 9 p.m. and each person is asked to bring a finger

person is asked to bring a tinger food.

The cost is \$8 per couple or \$4 person. Anyone who can square dance is invited. For more information, call 324-3080.

#### Jackpot

• Lee Greenwood will perform two shows, at 8 p.m. and 11 p.m., at Cactus Petes Resort Casino. Ticket prices start at \$30. For reservations and information, call (800) 821-1103.

#### Albion

• A New Year's Eve dance will be held at 8:30 p.m. at the Marsh Creek Event Centre, 899 S. Highway 77. The band will be The Bronsons. Cover charge will be \$5; must be 21.

Toss it

Mixed Emotions will play from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. at George K's East Restaurant and Lounge, 325 E. Third N. No cover

Pure Country will play from 9
 m. to 1 a.m. at TJ's Lounge, 112
 froadway Ave. S. No cover
 harme.

#### Declo

• The Fugitives will play from 8:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. for a New Year's Eve Party at Shakers, 826 Highway 81. A potluck dinner with Shakers providing the meat is planned. Capacity is limited, so reserva-tions are recommended. No cover charge. Call 654-4421.

#### Glenns Ferry

Glenns Ferry

• Jimmy Bivens and the Bullpen will perform originals, while also doing covers, from bluegrass and blues to light rock from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Carmela Winery.

Costs for dinner and dancing range from \$19.95 to \$39.95. Call the winery at 366-2313 for reservations.

Room reservations can be made at The Reddford, 366-2421; Hansons, 366-7983 or The Bed and Breakfast, 366-7124.

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#### Yes

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One day at the bar, he met self-taught bassist Chris Squire.
The two learned that they shared musical interests, including an appreciation for the tight harmonies of Simon and Garfunkel, and within days were trying to write songs together. They began developing the beginnings of a sound that incorporated harmonies with a solid-rock backing based on Squire's bass, the tightest in the business.

Anderson and Squire recruited Tony Kaye on keyboards, Peter Banks on guitar and Bill Bruford on drums and chose the name Yes.

At the time, the psychedelic era of rock in roll was ending in Britain, replaced by the heavier sounds of groups such as Cream. Progrock, with a heavy dose of late-19th-century classical music, was starting to make a moise in the guise of acts such as the Nice and the original Deep Purple.

Yes big break came in October of 1968 when the band, on the recommendation of the Nice's manger, Tony Stratton-Smith, played a gig at the Speakeasy Club in London, filling in for an absent Sly & the Family Stone. Yes was chosen to open for Cream's 1968 farewell concert at London's Royal Albert Hall, and then for Janis Joplin in the same arena. In 1969, the band signed with

Royal-Albert-Hall, and then for Janis Joplin in the same arena. In 1969, the band signed with Atlantic Records.

Their 1971 "The Yes Album" was a hit on both sides of the Atlantic, but Banks and Kaye moved on, replaced by guitarist Steve Howe and keyboardist Rick wakemian. Iwo more successful albums followed; the second,

"Close to the Edge," consisted of just three extended cuts, including a four-movement title track written as a suite.

Bolstered by nearly continuous FM radio play in the United States, Yes continued to sell records at a brisk pace as Wakeman left – returned – and then quit again in 1978, followed by Anderson, the group's founder and lyricist.

reformed it in 1983, scoring more hit records.

reformed it in 1993, scoring mor-hit records.

By 1989, there were competing Yesses – one with Squire and Kaye, the other with Anderson, Wakeman and Howe – until they all got together again for an epic eight-member band world tour in -1061

1991. Through it all, the group – with its constantly evolving neoclassical styles, high vocal harmonies and memorable three-hour arena rock shows – kept its old fans and

attracted new ones. The group continues to sell CDs in quantity and its periodic tours and solo albums are taken seriously by critics and fans. The foremost of which, of course, would be Lauer. The cost of his magical mystery tour through Yesology is \$29.

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James Cann, right, who stars in NBC's 'Las Vegas,' talks with Aloc Baldwin, who has a guest appearance in an upcon ing episode, on the set of the show in Culver City, Calif. Starring in a weekly series is something new for Cann, who plays Big Ed Deline, security boss of the fictional Montecito Resort and Casino. episode, on the set of the show in Culver City, Calif. Sta 8 Big Ed Deline, security boss of the fictional Montecito

# **Actor James Caan tries** series TV in 'Las Vegas'

CULVER CITY, Calif. - James

CUILVER CITY, Calif. – James Caan is not good at sitting still. – The star of the NBC series "Las Vegas" is talking, gesturing and didgeting in a makeup chair while his face and hair are smoothed and a fake tatoo transfer wiped off his forearm. He's also flirting with female cast members, conferring with a stuntman and worrying about when he'll find time to play host to friend Alec Baldwin, who has a guest appearance in this episode. Starring in a weekly series is something new for Cann, who plays Big ,Ed Deline, security, boss of the fictional Montecito Resort and Casino. More accusted to films, Caan was nominated for an Academy Award as Sonny Corleene in 1972's "The Godfather," and for a Emmy, as

nated for an Academy Award as Sonny Corleone in 1972s "The Godfather," and for an Emmy as terminally ill football player Brian Piccolo in the 1971 made-for-TV movie "Brians Song." He can be seen as Will Ferrells father in the hit comedy "Elf" and early next year in Lars von Trier's "Dogville," starring Nicole Kidman. be finding workly tol.

So how's he finding weekly tel-

evision?
"Different!" he chuckles.
"How's that for political correct-

"Different!" he chuckles.
"How's that for political correctness."
At first, the actor had his doubts about doing a series. For one thing, he wanted to make sure his role would demand some-effort. The 63-year-old Caan also wanted each episode to be rooted in a certain reality: "Yegas in itself is a circus; you don't need to add clewns."

Molly Sims, who plays Deline's rebellious daughter, Delinda, says Caan is a professional who just, wants things done right. Caan thought his character, as first written, was stiff and limited. He insisted Deline be "more elastic, so there could be some numor." He also wanted him fully integrated in story lines. "He was just going to be sitting in this room with cameras! I don't-feel, the best thing I do is talk to machines."
So Deline's job was changed

So Deline's job was changed from head of surveillance to head of security, allowing him to min-

gle in the casino.

"Las Vegas," which airs on Mondays, is the top-rated new drama in the 18-to-49 demographic that advertisers cherish, although it trails the new CBS detective drama, "Cold Case," in overall viewers. It features Josh Duhamel as Danny McCoy, Deline's protege and his daughter's sometime lower; Nikki Cox as Mary Connell, Montectio's director of special events; and Marsha Thomason as pit boss Nessa Holt. Nessa Holt.

Nessa Holt.
Soundstages in a cul-de-sac in Culver City contain a huge casino set, stuffed with all the flash of Las Vegas: glitzy red and gold decor, rows of one-armed bandits, gaming tables, even, it seems, the lack of fresh air.
Cann's career includes some 70

Cann's career includes some 70 movies, many of them failures, and he's been beset by personal problems over the years, including a well-chronicled bout with cocaine addiction. But a few years ago he moved his family—

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wife Linda Stokes, whom he married in 1995, and their two sons – to Park City, Utah.

A black belt in karate who spent nine years on the pro rodeo circuit, he says: "I looked at my birth certificate and started plays and ing golf – no more rodeo, no more karate."

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"Can't Buy Me Love" finds a nerdy high school student (Nick Cannon) maneuvering the most popular girl in school (Christina Millan) into posing as his girl friend for two weeks so he, too, can be popular. (1:41, PG-13, for sexual content/humor.)

"Master and Commander:
The Far Sidd of the World" — Directed by Peter Weir from a script he co-wrote with John Collee, the film intends to be an intelligent epic, but it's the epic

script he co-wrote with John Collec, the film intends to be an intelligent epic, but it's the epic qualities more than the intelligence that holds us. While Russell Crown is the rare heroic actor who can handle any kind of psychologically complex role, he's not really called on to do that here, playing an 1805 British sea captain. That the film succeeds despite a relative lack of depth and emotional involvement shows how powerfully effective it is in doing mhat it does best, recreating an extended nautical duel between Aubrey's HMS Surprise and the French (changed from the American in the original novel) privateer Acheron, (2-05. PG-13 for intense battle sequences, related images and brief leavence). Acheron. (2:05. PG-13 for intense battle sequences, related images and brief language.)

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• "The Missing" - Master sentimentalist. Ron Howard has made a dark, menacing film, a lean and disturbing western with some modern subtexts that goes where no Howard-directed feature has gone before. Tommy Lee-Jones and Cate Blanchett play a swagely estranged father and daughter who've not seen each other for decades but have to jointly face a life-or-death threat. Ken Kaufman adapted a novel y Thomas Eidson that focuses on the kidnapping of Blanchett's eldest daughter (Evan Rachel Wood) by a band of Apaches and white outlaws who intend to sell her in Mexico to the highest bidder. With Eric Schweig, Aaron

Eckhart, Val Kilmer and Jenna Boyd. (2:10. R, for violence.)

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"Mona Lisa Smile" – The film is a true ensemble piece, with Julia Roberts playing an independent-minded Wellesley College instructor and sharing the screen with some of Hollywood's most promising young actresses: Kirsten Dunst, Julia Stiles, and Maggie Gyllenhaal. (PG-13.)

"Paycheck" – This movie delivers a couple of nifty plot twists, which is what you'd expect given that it's from a short story by the late sciff writer Phillp" K. Dick. Michael Jennings (Ben Affleck) is an electronics genius who can take any product and, by studying it and working backward, uncover whatever secret makes it tick Of course, his work regularly violates patent laws, set with ord of the research he makes it tick. Of course, his work regularly violates patent laws, and at the end of his research he undergoes a memory wipe so he can't recall his illegal activities. Uma Thurman co-stars as the fel-low scientist with whom Michael worked and cohabited. (2, PG-13, violence language.)

low scientist with whom Michael worked and cohabited, 2, FG-13, violence, language.)

• "Peter Pan" - "Imagine a world you've never seen." the ads for "Peter Pan" promise. But one of the biggest problems with this live-action production of the classic J.M. Barrie stories about a boy who will never grow up is that we don't have to imagine it. We most certainly have seen this world before, both in the animated 1933. Disney version and in Steven Spielberg's Ill-fated attempt to go beyond the original story, 1991; "Hook." This "Peter Pan," is not necessarily destined to become the punch line that Spielberg's effort did. But it also isn't good enough to rise above the simple and inescapable sense of redundancy. Jeremy Sumpter, one of the kids in the creepy 2001 triller "Frailty," plays Feter Pan. (113, PG, adventure sequences.)

• "Secondhand Lions" —

Edgeless as a marshmallow and twice as syrupy, this is the story of two crusty Texans (Robert Duvall and Michael Caine) recruited to turn a soft, father-less boy (Haley Joel Osment) into a self-sufficient man. (PG, threat of violence, rough language.)

"Something's Gotta Give" – Aging, self-satisfied womanizer Harry Sanborn (Jack Nicholson) falls. for successful playwright Erica Barry (Diane Keaton), a woman who just happens to be the mother of Marin (Amanda Peet), the young person he's currently-dating—(2.0.8)—Pci-13-for-sexual content, brief nudity and strong language.

"The Station Agent" – Peter

strong language.)

"The Stution Agent" – Peter Dinklage delivers the male performance of the year as an antisocial dwarf in an unlikely friendship with a grieving artist (Patricia Clarkson) and a gabby food vendor (Bobby Cannavalet). Writer-director Tom McCarthy has crafted something wondrous out of the most intimate of situations, and the actors' camaraderie is utterly authentic and stripped of histrionic pretension. (90, R. for language and some drug content.)

"Stuck on You" – Matt
Damon and Gree Kinnear star as

drug content.)

"Stuck on You" – Matt Damon and Greg Kinnear star as conjoined twin brothers who face, life apart once they are separated in this Farrelly brothers comedy. (PG-13, for crude and sexual humor and some language.)

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# From country to classical: What's hot in new releases

KELIS "Tasty" (StarTrak/

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Aristan)

At the end of the production
credits for hor long-delayed second album, "Tasty," is a one-sentence declaration from Kelis: "I
thank the Lord for putting all the
right people in my life." Right
people, indeed, the leggy singed
ton help from the Neptunes and
Dallas Austin, dues a memorable
duet with Ouksat's Andre 3000,
gets nasty with Nas on the
voyeur fantasy. "In Public," and
collaborates with Raphael
Saadig on several numbers,
including the heated "Glow."

But even in the productioncentered world of contemporary
rhythm and blues, all that highprofile support doesn't mean
much without some wocal energy,
and in the years since her
assertive 1999 rock-funk debut
'Kaleidosope," Kelis has
learned to deliver.

She still sings with refreshing
abandon -check the way she and
Andre intertwine their voices on
the deliriously inspired
"Millionaire" - but on cuts such
as "Protect My Heart," an oldschool Koal and the Gang syncopation, and the clastic, dancehall-minded "Trick Me," she executes the hook phrases with
near-surgical precision, taking
extra care to adhere to R&B formula.

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The songs hit high gear once the grabby melodic foundations are established, and Kelis, freed from routine hook chores, chases apt, impulsive addibs that catapult these tracks well beyond assembly-line ordinariness.

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KORN "Take a Look in the Mirror" (Immortal/Epic.
As with most musical genres, heavy metal suffers from fickle kids hunting for a "next." The inhilistic nu-metalists of Korn, with their inconsolable lyricist Jonathan Davis, have found theirs by CliffsNotesing their gloomy, frenzied past to create a blunt, brighter present.
Davis, with his multiple personas, is second only to Mike Patton in rock's recepiest-character-actor sweepstakes. He pushes Korn through impressionistic short-song takes on the gloom, shame and frenzy, including the

molten metal-hop of "Y'all Want a Single" and the chiming chopped-pop of "Alive." This punchiness makes the brimstone of the usually tor-mented Davis more like treacle. Yet Korn's simplest move, self-

production, gives its raging machinery clarity. The sound is more frenetic, but it comes with an inventiveness ("Right Now") that's as tender as a brass-knuck-led uppercut.

- A.D. Amorosi

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CHICKS "Live" A year that early on found the Dixie Chicks engulfed in contro-

versy due to an anti-President
Bush comment ends with this
potent reminder of just how
good they are where it matters
the most – in the music.
The two-disc "Live" documents the three-some's tritumphant world tour – despite
the backlash, the fans came outwith performances ranging from
full-throttle, rock-edged treaments to, most effectively, the
acoustic-textured turns that
characterized their most recent
studio album, "Home."
—There-are-no-surprises-in-therepertoire or the arrangements,
and that's a bit of a disappointment, but this set still captures a
dynamic act in top form.

Minost AV WITOLS "Inter-

this year with both Lenny Kravitz and Spears, Her

single, Milkshake, off her new 'Tasty,' is rising steadily up

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JIM MILLER "Miller Time: If It's Not One Thing" (DreamboxMedia.com)
Despite spearheading the Philadelphia-based independent jazz label DreamboxMedia since 1995, drummer Jim Miller has declined to step out as a leader until now. This set, employing some of the region's best players, ranges from the angy and political to the swinging and humorous. It rollicks with a helping of funk and features plenty of paradoxically off-center straight-adical blown' by the percolating saxophonist Denis DiBlasio, who directs Rowan University's jazz development program.

An adjunct professor at Rowan, Miller assembles a set that requires more of the brain than the usual recording. The trune "nineleven" begins with the beguling novelty of Jef Lee Johnson's electric sitar and builds to a shattering climax avarious voices rectite quotations from people who were trapped avarious voices rectite quotations from people who were trapped inne coconspirator of Miller's, offers up a dreamlike, slowmotion version of "Cool" from "West Side Story" that no self respecting Jet ever did splits to Miller kicks off the set with an ear-catching solo titled "Sex Cymbals."

- K.S.

GABRIEL FAURE Violin

GABRIEL FAURE Violin Sonata No. 1 Op. 13, Piano Trio Op. 120 and other short pieces; Gil Shaham, violin; Akira Eguchi, piano; Brinton Smith, cello. (Canary Classics)

cello. (Canary Classies)

This is violinist Shaham's first self-produced disc since leaving Deutsche Grammophon, and though there's no lack of Faure violin music, Shaham's combination of lustrous tone quality and dignified emotionalism makes this an essential purchase for those who deeply love this music. Together with pianist Eguchi, Shaham gives the music an idiomatic flow, almost like buoyant ocean waves. The late-period piano trio is less successful: Though elegantly played, the less outgoing piece requires deeper probing.

-D.P.S.



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# The Golden Globes: 10 reasons to love them

By Barry Koltnow The Orange County Register

Too many awards shows.
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It has become a mantra this time of year. People love to say it in a tone of utter disdain, with a sense of righteous indignation thrown in for good measure. But everybody still watches them. Particularly the movie-awards shows.

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shows.

The second most important
movie-awards show is the Golden
Globes, which will air Jan 25.
The Golden Globes are the
responsibility of a group called
the Hollywood Foreign Press
Association, a shadowy organization whose members are more difficult to identify than covert operatives for the Central Intelligence
Agency. The 90 or so members of
the HFPA are the town's most
rotorious schmoozers, whose
unofficial motto is: "If you build a
buffet, we will come."

Although all are unabashed
movie fans, some members are
working journalists from courmires that actually can be found on
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It is no secret in Hollywood that the only way to win a Golden Globe is to be nice to the HiPPA. Stars and directors who are not nice to the HiPPA – being "nice" means that they show up to HiPPA news conferences furfiels, answer personal questions about their love lives and pose for photographs with individual members—find themselves shut out at the Golden Globes.

The HiPPA has its favorites—

Golden Globes.

The HFPA has its favorites –
Nicole Kidman gets nominated
for waking up in the morning –
but the group does surprise industy insiders at times by recognizing worthy performances and
films that might otherwise get lost
in the Oscar shuffle.

In fact, I can name 10 good reasons for the Golden Globes to
evist.

They create Oscar excitement: How would anyone know when the Academy know when the Academy
Awards were coming up
if we didn't have the
Golden Globes to remind us?
Everybody knows that the Oscars
follow the Globes. And it's not like
"Oscar Night" appears on calen-

NEW YORK - Bill Moyers begins his look at the charismat-ic leader of Manhattan's Riverside Church by setting up a straw Christian - then knocking

the heart of God."

The point is that not all evangelical Christian voices are so angry, that a spiritual leader has arisen who speaks with a loving, liberal voice for all those devout Christian who are all those devout

liberal voice for all those devour Christians who are not represent-ed by the Falwells and the Robertsons.
Forbes, says Moyers, has gained "growing influence on the national stage."
Moyers does not offer any evi-dence of that newfound influ-tence.

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In fact, earlier this year, when Forbes approached Vice President Dick Cheney with the idea of opening a dialogue to discuss his flock's differences with the administration, the vice president did not respond. But in a way, Forbes' influence is beside the point of this admining portrait of a man of faith and the Innusual institution he leads.

Moyers follows Forbes' path, from Raleigh, N.C., where his. Inther, a minister, worked as a

PBS takes a good look at

church's charismatic leader

dars outside of Los Angeles.

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Truman Show just isn't going to cut it with the Oscar folks.

The promote good will among people of difference of the common the common state of the common knowledge that actors on television feel inferior to actors in movies. They arely are seen in public together. One night a year, movie people and TV people are encouraged to mingle at the Golden Globes, although the television people are asked not to request autographs. That's the job of the HTPA.

They lessen the tension:

If you watch the red-carpet arrivals, you will hear arrivals, you will hear support of the the common the common through the common through

They provide another paycheck for Melissa Rivers: Oh sure, the daughter of Joan Rivers works the Oscars with her mother for E! Entertainment, but how much could that pay?

They give Jack Nicholson another chance to look cool: We can never get enough of the Globes, our, only glimpse of the star during the year would be on Oscar night and at Lakers games.

They guide Oscar voters:
Sad, but true. In recent years, the Golden Globes have become a fairly reliable predictor of how the Oscars are going to go. However, HFFA claims of how influential they are seem slightly exaggerated. When you nominate as many movies as they do, you're bound to get some right.

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Alicia Silverstone ieft, Keisey
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Thurman announced
nominees for the
61st annual Golden Globe Awards on Dec. 18 in Beverly Hills, Calif. The awards will be pre-sented on Jan. 25.

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speaks at New York's Riverside

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The Rev. Dr. James Forbes Jr. speaks at New York's hiverside Church. 'NOW with Bill Meyers,' which airs today on PBS, shifts to the awe-inspiring confines of this church, the soaring house of wor-ship built over the Hudson River by John D. Rockefeller Jr.

candy salesman to support his eight kids. The son studied to be a doctor, but he recalls a moment nearly 50 years ago when he was a Howard University student, lis-

Minor.
"I thought I heard, 'Jim Forbes, don't you know I have called you. Jim Forbes don't you know I have called you. Yes, oh, yes, I have called you." he says, singing the message to the notes of the symmetry.

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# Ben Affleck talks about gossip fans, his new movie and 'Jen' Tonight Show" to poke fun at it after it flopped. Was it hard to have a laugh at yourself? Affleck: No, that was fun actually. You can't take that seriously. "I've got three good movies in the can now. And having gon through the experience of the Galacto-Bomb "Gigli," it's nice to feel happy promoting a movie and encouraged about it.

By Anthony Breznican The Associated Press

In Associated Press

LOS ANGELES - Ben Affleck wants to tell you about his new scirfi "thriller" "Paycheck" "He does NOT want to tell you about the status of his romance with Jennifer Lopez.

One of the most bankable stars of his generation, Affleck has been a wisecracking hero to guys and a heartthrob to ladies with lead roles in popcorn epics like "Pear! Harbor" and "Armageddon". But now a lot of audience good will toward the Oscar-winning "Good Will Hunting" costar is at risk, due to one very bad film in an otherwise stellar career.

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Affleck's last movie – the one everybody loves to hate, even if they haven't seen it – was "Gigli," which has replaced 1987's "Ishtar" as shorthand for "box office disaster."

Not that "Gigli" was the world's biggest failure – it earned \$6.5 million and cost about \$40 million to make (other flops have lost twice that much). Rather, it was the buildup.

Affleck and Lopez hooked up while filming "Gigli," and their subsequent engagement was gossip gold. When it was time to promote "Gigli," they were everywhere: in magazines and on Tv, walking glitzy red carpets again and again and again, debating whether their future children would be Red Sox or Ynder world be Red Sox or Ynder were very whether their future children would be Red Sox or Ynder world world

and innuendo.

Then Affleck and Lopez, citing paparazio workill, indefinitely postponed their Sopt. 14 wedding just days before they planned to say "1 dog."

Now Affleck is trying to put the focus back on his work: In addition to "Paycheck," he has wrapped "Jersey. Girl" with director Kewin Smith (it also costars you-know-who-Lo) and next year's holiday comedy "Surviving Christmas." Soon, he'll start filming "Glory Road," the true story of white basketball coach Don Haskins, who broke racial barriers by winning a 1966 national championship with an all-black starting five.

For now, Affleck agreed to talk—grudgingly about Lopez, and more forthrightly about Lopez, and more forthrightly about tabloid readers, working again-with Matta-Dannon and what "Paycheck" says about the meaning of life.

AP: There have been a lot conflicting reports about your engagement. Is it still on?

Affleck. That's the chief concern of The Associated Press?

AP: People are interested.

Affleck That's its probably not the question! Tin going to answer. But everything is fine, I'll tell you everything its jood. It's all under control, and if I've learned anything it's too be more frugal with the information! I give out. That's about all I'vant to say.

AP: Does all the gossip make you laugh?

Afflecks: For whatever reason, my personal life became one of these stories that takes on a life larger than itself. I don't feel like it's about so the presently. And to preserve my sanity, I just ignore it.

it.

AP: In "Paycheck," you play a man who loses three years of memories after working on a secret project. Is this just a funaction movie or sci-fi with a mes-

secret project. Is this just a tim-action movie-or sci-fi with a mes-sage?

Affleck: Part of the theme is about a life well lived. Life is the present. It's all these little moments, it's all the little moments, it's all the little moments, it's all the little little the you have with people. They're the tim, little tiles that make up the giant mosaic of your life. The character takes this job where he has to give up three years of his life because he really has nothing going on in his life but his work. AP. You and Matt Damon won an Oscar for writing "Good Will Hunting". Are, you planning, to-work-together again?

Affleck! I probably would want to\_write\_something\_to\_direct with Matt...if we can find the time to make our schedules work. It was easier to write together when -neither-of-us-had-a-job-We-had-nothing to do all day. We did ("Good Will Hunting") no work-togod we wanted careers as writers, but because we were just writers, but because we were just trying to jump-start acting careers that were kind of stalled

AP: You put on a good face pro moting "Gigli," and went on "The

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He took it as a revelation, and set out to follow in his father's footsteps.

But when he started out as a Pentecostalist minister he realized that he was at a disadvantage – he did not speak in

tage - the tongues.

So he embarked on a more ecumenical career. He was teaching at Union Theological Seminary, next door to Riverside, when the church asked him to

take its pulpit, succeeding the renowned activist William Sloane Coffin.

Riverside has a long, liberal history, beginning with its first pastor, Harry Emerson Fosslick. Even its design is open-minded-besides carvings of Christ and other biblical figures, it's adorned with sculptures of Mohammed, Buddha, Albert Einstein, Charles Darwin, Abraham Lincoln and Booker I. Washington, among others.

Forbes, Riverside's first black minister, has extended its social activism over the last 14 years. The church trains welfare recipients in hair cutting in its basement; it offers the homeless an opportunity to take showers and do their laundry; it sanctions gay marriages.

Forbes is a gregarious man, and å fiery preacher. Occasionally, he raps from the pulpit: "Wealthy getting richer, poor getting poorer, with rats and

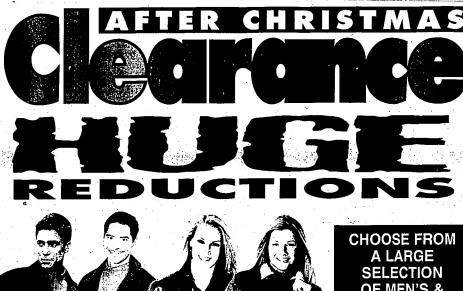
homeless living in the sewer."

There are other ways in which the style of worship at Riverside has become more like that of some black churches.

Now, the congregation sometimes breaks into applause during the service; to Barbara Butler, a member for 30 years, it was a jarring change.

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TIXX or online at http://www.ticketweb.com. Liquid Joe's is located at 3300 South 1249 East.

Victor Wooten will perform at the Big Easy Concert House at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$18.50, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at

965-4827, online a http://www.ticketweb.com, or a Atkinson's Market in Ketchum

The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

Feb. 10 - Utah

Linkin Park, Hoobastank and
Story of the Year will play the E
Center in the Salt Lake City suburb of West Valley City at 7 p.m.
Tickets, which are \$33.50, can be
reserved by phoning Smith's Tix
at (800) 888-TIXX or online at
http://www.smithstix.com. The E
Center is located at 3200 South
Decker Lake Drive.

Feb. 17 - Bolse
John Mayer will perform at the
Idaho Center in Nampa at 7:30
p.m. Tickets, which are \$3550,
p.m. be reserved by phoning
Select A Seat at (208) 425-1494,
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Falls or Paul's Market in Hailey.
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east end.

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Utah Symphony will perform
Dvorak's "Concerto for
Violoncello and Orchestra," 8
p.m. on Jan. 9 and 2 p.m. on Jan.
10, in Salt Lake City's Abravanel
Hall. Tickets, which are \$24, \$28,
\$36 and \$40, can be reserved by
phoning ArtTix at (801) 385-2787.
Abravanel Hall is located at 123
West South-Temple.

Jan. 15 - Utah

Jail. LD – Utan
Utah Symphony will perform a
program of baroque and nouveau
baroque music at 7:30 p.m. in
Gardner Hall on the campus of
the University of Utah in Salt
Lake City. Tickets, which are \$27,
can be reserved by phoning
ArtTix at (801) 355-2787.

Jan. 30-31 - Utah

Feb. 6-7 - Litah

Tonight and Saturday

charge.

are available at all First Federal Savings Bank branches, at 'all Twin Falls Wells Fargo bank locations, at The Happy Camper, Clos Office Supply, Everybody's Business and the College of Southern Idaho Bookstore, Blip Printers and the Twin Falls Centennial office in Twin Falls and at Rosebuds in Jerome.

Wednesday

Jonny Lang will perform at the Big Easy Concert House at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$35, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at http://www.tick-etweb.com, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy

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Church of the Bigwood in Ketchum at 7:30 p.m., the second Sun Valley Center for the Arts Chamber Artist Series event of the season. Tickets, which are \$25, are available at the door or by phoning 726-9491, Ext. 10. Jan. 22 - Boise Josh Groban will perform in the Morrison Center on the cam-pus of Boise State University at 8 p.m. Sold out.

Feb. 5 - Utah

Josh Groban will sing at the Delta Center in Salt Lake City at 8 p.m. Sold out.

Feb. 11
Guitarist Richard Smith and cellist Julie Adams will perform at the King Center in Burley at 7:30 p.m., the hird Mini-Cassia Community Concerts event of the season. Admission is by season membership only Subscriptions are \$32 for adults, \$16 for students and \$96 for families, which includes children over the age of 5 living at home. For more information, call Julie at 878-4704 or Susan at 678-1798.

Linda Eder will sing with Utah Symphony at 8 p.m. nightly in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. Tickets, which range from \$22 to \$45, can be reserved by phoning ArtTix at (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 132 West South Temple.

KARAOKE

Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Mr. Bill's, 101 N. Alder, Jerome. No cover charge.

Karaoke will be featured from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. at Garibaldi's, 113 Broadway Ave. S., Buhl. No cover charge.

High Mountain Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Shakers, 826 Highway 81, Declo No cover charge.

Kroakers Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Melody, 502 Sixth St., Rupert, and from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Cheers, 163 West U.S. Highway 30, Burley.

Tonight, Saun-and Sunday

Karaoke with Rabid Dog Entertainment will be featured from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. at the Pioneer Club, 15:19 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls. No cover

Tonight through Thursday

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The Ethos Percussion Group will perform at 7:30 p.m. at the Presbyterian Church of the Bigwood in Ketchum, the third concert of the Sun Valley Center for the Arts Chamber Artist Series. Tickets, which are \$25, are available at the door or by phoning 726-9491, Ext. 10.

Jan. 30-31. – Utan Utah Symphony will perform Beethoven's Seventh Symphony at 8 p.m. nightly in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. Tickets, which are 516 to 540, can be reserved by phoning ArtTix at (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Townte

Tell. 6-7 – Utan Utah Symbony will perform a program of Strauss and Brahms at 8 p.m. nightly in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. Tickets, which range from 516 to \$40, are available at the door. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South

Feb. 18 - Idaho Falls -

The Vienna Boys Choir will perform at the Colonial Theater at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$15, can be reserved by phoning (208) 522-0471. The Colonial Theater is located at 498 A St.

Jan. 17, 19, 21, 23 and 25

Jan. 11, 13, 21, 23 and 25 Unh Opera will sing Englebert Humperdinck's "Hansel & Gretel," at 7:30 p.m. on Jan. 17, 19, 21 and 23 and at 2 p.m. on Jan. 25, in Salt Lake City's Capitol Theater. Tickets, which are 512 to 555, can be reserved by phoning ArtTix at (801) 355-2787. The Canitol Theater is located at

DJ night with Kurt Kruzer will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at The Oasis, 1007 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., Twin Falls. No cover

charge.

Wednesday

The Twin Falls Centennial
Commission will host a New
Year's Eve Gata, 7 p.m. until after
midnight at the Magic Valley
Mall, featuring three musical
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Bob Nora Band will play from 8 p.m. to midnight at The Oasis, 1007 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., Twin Falls. No cover charge

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8 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Klover Klub, 402 Main N., Twin Falls.

Karaoke will be featured from 8 p.m. to midnight at the Sagebrush Lounge, 325 Main St., Hazelton. Singers can bring their own CD's for karaoke. No cover charge.

Saturday

Karaoke will be featured from 8 p.m. to midnight at the 610 Club, 1054 Overland Ave., Burley.

Saturday

Kroakers Karaoke will be fea-tured from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. at the Drift Inn, 545 F St., Rupert, and from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Big Kahuna, 9 E. Moin, Declo.

Karaoke will be featured at 7 p.m. at the Schubert Theater, 402 Main St., Gooding. Tuesday

Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Honker's Place, 121 Fourth Ave. S., Twin Falls. No cover charge. Tuesday Kroakers Karaoke will be fea-tured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the George K's East Restaurant, 325 E. Third N., Burley.

Thursday

P & D Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Montana Steakhouse, 1826 Canyon Crest Drive, Twin Falls. No cover charge.

Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at The Oasis, 1007 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., Twin Falls. No cover charge.

Thursday -

Kroakers Karaoke will be fea-tured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Riverside, 197 W. Highway 30, Burley.

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Tonight

The Snake River Elks Lodge will host a dance at 8 p.m. at the lodge, 406 E. 200 S., Jerome. Music will be provided by The Echos. A 55 donation is suggested. Dinner also will be available. in the restaurant. For mor mation, call 324-0200.

Wednesday

A New Year's Eve dance will be held at 8:30 p.m. at the Marsh Creek Event Centre, 899 S. Highway 77, Albion. The band will be The Bronsons. Cover charge will be \$5; must be 21.

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#### Former bounty hunter pursues operatic fame

By Annie Gowen The Washington Post

WASHINGTON - The teen-age hoodlum shouched into his hand-cuffs and glared at the man he had just shot at - and missed - more than 15 times. It was a long ride home from the kid's hide-out in the mount of the home from the kid's hide-out in the mount of the home from the kid's hide-out in the mount of the home from the kid's hide-out in the mount of the home from the kid's hide-out in the mount of the home from the kid's hide-out in the lecture his young captive. "Im telling this kid, You need a whole attitude and life change." I'm telling this kid, You need a whole attitude and life change is with my life."

Tanner king shot at Wasying it to myself," Tanner recalled last week. "Getting shot at Naying it was a sign I should do something else with my life."

Tanner knew he was a gifted singer, but at the time he was living with his parents, driving a delivery truck by day and chasing criminals who'd skipped bond as a bounty hunter at night. Fast-forward 13 years, to December 2003.

Tanner, a rising star on the international opera scene, strides to his place onstage before members of the Choral Arts Society of Washington and launches into the first velvety notes of "O Holy Night." As his tenor voice soars over the choir, musical director Norman Scribner says in a stage whisper: "Domingo is crazy about this guy. He is really a comer."

Indeed, Placido Domingo, the Washington Opera's general director, has asked Tanner to star in the opera's upcoming productions of Verdi's "Il Trovatore and Saint-Saens' Samson et Dallia." It's been a heady year for Tanner, "and to Tokyo for "Drama" in the pera's upcoming productions of Verdi's "Il Trovatore and Saint-Saens' Samson et Dallia." It's been a heady year for Tanner, "and to Tokyo for "Drama" in the pera's upcoming productions of Verdi's "Il Trovatore and Saint-Saens' yamout the National Theatre of Japan.

He claims to have turned down an offer to perform on Christmas a home.

The barrel-chested man with wispy blond hair looks more copt than virtuos. "He looks like.

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'I carried a 9mm Glock handgun here," he said, gesturing at the inside of his tailored Italian jacket. And a sawed-off shotgun, "more for intimidation purpos-

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The bounty hunting world took its toll. He was threatened. He saw a suspect jump to his death from a third-story window. Then he met up with the 16-year-old who got off 15 shots before Tanner tackled him. "That's when I thought there must be a better job than this," Tanner said.

In 1990, Tanner set off for New York to follow his dream.

A few months later, he was singing at a restaurant in the East Village when a distinguished-looking man beckoned him over to the table.

The man was Richard Gaddes, general director of the Santa Fe Opera.

Schuman said Tanner is the

opera.

Schuman said Tanner is the rare breed of heavy-voiced tenors, called spinto tenors, who develop later in life, well into their thirties and forties.

"It's incredible what's happened to him, but he never let his, head get big," said the Rev. Blaine Blubaugh, a Methodist minister and friend.

Tanner flies back to Washington every Christmas Eve to sing, for free, his signature carol, "O Holy Night," at Blubaugh's church in Falls Church, Va.

#### **Events**

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Jan. 8-11 - Bolse

Jan. 8-11 - Boise
Dragon Tales Live will perform
at the Bank of America Center at
7 p.m. on Jan. 8, at 10:30 a.m. and
7 p.m. on Jan. 9, at 10:30 a.m. and
2 p.m. on Jan. 11 Tickets,
which range from \$10 to \$20, can
be reserved by phoning Select A

Seat at (208) 426-1494, online at http://www.idahotickets.com, or at Albertson's in Twin Falls or Paul's Market in Hailey.

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Through Jan. 9

The Sun Valley Center for the Arts will present a new exhibi-tion, "At the Edge of Science." Through drawings, video and

camera-less photography, nine camera-less photography, nine nationally known and emerging artists explore the cosmos and examine the relationship among chance, causality and the laws of nature. Gallery hours are Monday and Tuesday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and admission is free. The Sun Yalley Center is located at 191 Fifth St. E. in Ketchum.

Through Jan. 29 'Retro Steel," a retrospective of the work of Twin Falls artist
LaVar Steel, will be on display in
the Jean B. King Gallery at the
Herrett Center for Arts and
Science on the campus of the
College of Southern Idaho in
Twin Falls. Gallery hours are
Tuesday from 9:30 a.m. to 9 p.m.,
Wednesday from 9:30 a.m. to 9.p.m.,
wednesday from 9:30 a.m. to 9.p.m.,
and Saturday from 1:9 p.m.

Through Jan. 31 Holiday-themed art and the work of sculptor Yvonne Jacques will be on display at the Magic Valley Arts Council office, 132 Main Ave. S., Twin Falls. Free.

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Section D

#### MORNING LINE **SPORTSQUOTE**

Next thing you know, somebody might actually try to bunt the runners over. Then you've got total chaos.

> Atlanta Journal Constitution's Jeff Schultz; on the Major League Baseball Players Union's njetion of the proposed Tixas Rangers-Boston Red Sox swap of Alex Rodriguez for Manny Raminz after Rodriguez made the decision to give some of his earnings back

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#### TRIVIA

QUESTION:

Who holds the NFL rookie record for touchdowns?

...answer below

IN BRIEF

#### Jerome Rec posts holiday schedule

IRIONICAL THE JEFORM THE JEFORM TO DISTRICT. HAS announced its open gym schedule for the holidays.

The gym will be open to seniors from 8:30-11 a.m. Dec. 29-31 and Jan. 2. The gym will be available for adults from 11 a.m. 1 p.m. on Dec. 30-31 and Jan. 2. The youth open gym will be from 11-330 p.m. on Dec. 27 and the 29-31, as well as Jan. 2 and 3.

Call 324-3389 with any questions.

#### Coaches\_plan\_youth basketball camps in T.F.

basketball camps in I.F.
TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls.
High School basketball coaches have announced the dates for the upcoming classic clinic and Little Dribblers hoops camps. The classic clinic, for boys and girls in grades 46, will be held from 8 a.m.noon on Jan. 10 at O'Leary Junior High School.
The camp will be instructed by THS coaches and players. The cost is \$20 per participant. A Little Dribblers camp will also be held for boys and girls in grades kindergarten-3. The clinics will take place from 10 a.m. noon on Jan. 17 and 24, and also from 6-7 p.m. on Jan. 26.
The campers will also perform at halftime of the THS girls basketball game on Jan. 29.All participants will receive a Tshirt, with the first 175 Little Dribblers campers receiving a custom Bruin basketball.
Registration forms are available at Donnellev Sports Call

Registration forms are avail-able at Donnelley Sports.Call Matt at 735-5310 for more infor-

#### Rocky Mountain baseball camp will be Jan. 17-19

Camp will be Jan. 1.7-19
LOGAN, Utah - The Rocky
Mountain School of Baseball will
hold its 1tth annual Winter Ball
Camp in Mesguite, Nev. on Jan.
17-19-The camp will be conducted for ages 8-18. The staff will consist of college coaches, professional players and pro secouts. For
more information or to register,
log on to www.rmsb.com, or call
toll free at 877-272-0862.

#### Magic Mountain offers

rice cross country lessons

IIANSEN - From 10 a.m. to 3
p.m. Saturday, Jan. 10, the Magic
Mountain Ski Resort will sponsor
free rentals and lessons for beginning cross country skiers.For
möre information, call Jack at837.4505.

Compiled from staff reports

TRIVIA ANSWER:

Gale Sayers, Chicago Bears, with 22 touchdowns in 1965.

# STAR GAZING

McGrady outduels

#### LeBron James in Orlando's win

By Fred Goodall Associated Press writer

ORLANDO, Fla. - Tracy McGrady got the best of LeBron James this time. He's not making any promises about the future. "He's unbelievable," McGrady

"He's unbelievable," McGrady said Thursday.
"He's not 18. Can't possibly be. If he continues to work hard and stay hungry, it can be ugly. It's scary how good he can be. You just look at thim, man. The poise that he has out on the basketball court. The confidence. He has that swagger."

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So does McGrady, whose 41point performance overshadowed
James 34 points in the Orlando
Magic's 113-101 overtime victory
over the Cleveland Cavaliers.

The three-time All-Star, who's
only 24 himself, conceded that he
drew extra motivation from the
first meeting between two of the
NBA's brightest young stars.

"Absolutely, It's Christmas. I
would like to be home with my
family. But it's my job to come und
and perform. And when you have
a guy like LeBron coming into
town with all the hype around
him, everybody's going to be
tuned in and want to see the outcome." McGrady said. "You have
no choice but to get yourself ready
to play."
James matched last season's

James matched last season's James matched last season's league scoring champion point for point for most of the afternoon. The rookie phenom made 13 of 28 shots, but was just 4-of-10 from behind the 3-point line and missed all four of his shots in over-

behind the appears missed all four of his shats in overtime.

"I play the same way every game. It doesn't matter who I play against or what team we are playing against or what team we are playing against. I just try and help my team win, "James said, noting that he and-McGrady-play-different positions and rarely found themselves matched one-on-one. "He is an All-Star. He is a future Hall of Famer. Guys like him, you cannot stop. You can only hope to contain him."

Juwan Howard scored Orlando's first eight points in the extra period, then McGrady made a pair of 3-pointers to finish with his second dyplus game of the season. He also had eight rebounds and I1 assists. "Tracy's a big-time player,

#### Lewis needs first 100-yard game against Steelers

Matchup stands between runningback and rushing record

By Alan Robinson Associated Press writer

PITTSBURGH - To break the NFI's single-season rushing record, Baltimore's Jamal Lewis must do something he's never done since joining the Ravens in 2000.

2000. Namely, have a 100-yard game against the Pittsburgh Steelers. Lewis has 23 100-yard games, including his league-record 295 yards against Cleveland this season. None of the 23 were against the Steelers, who have held him to an average of 59.6 yards in five games.

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"The best way to take Jamal Lewis out of the game is to get a lead—(so) the option to run is not an option," Steelers coach Bill Cowher said. "If they get a lead and he starts to pound, he gets stronger as the game goes along. Those age the situations, Steelers defosive end Kimo von Oelhoffen said, when Lewis "will go for 3-4-5 (yards), then 75." "That is something we want to prevent," he said. "We want to prevent," he said. "We want to

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Cleveland's LeBron James drives to the basket past Orlando's Kelth Bogans in the third quarter in Orlando, Fla., on

Thursday, The Magic won in overtime:
there's no question, as is LeBron
James," Magic coach Johnny
Davis said. "But TNIacs's focus is
not on any one-on-one contest
between him and LeBron or him
and anyone else. He understands
that it's about our team and what
he does for our team in terms of
making us better."
Howard scored 19 points and
Drew Gooden had 12 for Orlando,
which has won seven of 10 since
ending a 19game-losing streak.
Carlos Booger had 18 points and
18 rebounds for the Cavs, who had

their first three-game winning in two seasons snapped. Reserve Eric Williams contributed 18 points and seven rebounds, taking up some of the scoring slack when James' shots stopped falling late in the again.

James' shots stopped falling late in the game.

The game drew the first sellout crowd to the T.D. Waterhouse' Centre since James made his prodebut here in July. It also kicked off a nationally televised triple-header' featuring some of the league's highest-profile personalities and teams.

James has the NBA's top-selling jersey, as well as a signature sneaker released just in time for Christmas, and McGrady's No. 1 is third on the jersey list behind benver rookie Carmelo Anthony. McGrady made his first three, including uncontested dunks on consecutive possessions that set the tone for a high-scoring first half.

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James was even better during a 14-point first quarter, making his first four shots and five of seven in the period.

#### Injuries play major role in who wins

There are several formulas for making the NFL playoffs this season:

1. Stay relatively healthy, as Kansas City has been en route to the AFC West title, or Dallas has been on the way to its first playoff berth in five years.

2. Overcome the injuries, which is why New England has the NFL's best record.

#### DAVE GOLDBERG

Or even: 3. Let injuries be your friend, as St. Louis has done in a 12-3 sea

St. Louis has done in a 120 sci.
Yes, injuries have been a major factor this season, starting in exhibition games when the Falcous lost Michael Vick with a broken leg and the Jets lost Chad Fennington with a broken wrist. The absence of the two quarterbacks for a significant period effectively ended their teams playoff hopes before the season began.

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"It really just comes down to you try to do the best you can and you got to have a little luck, too," Dallas coach Bill Parcells said Monday, the day after his Cowboys clinched a playoff spot after three straight 5-11 seasons.
"Basically that is what happened. I've never had a lot of injuries on any team I've coached. That's luck, but it's also a byproduct of trying not to have them."
Some injuries can actually help.

Some injuries can actuary, help.
St. Louis lost quarterback Kurt Warmer with a concussion in an opening-season defeat to the Giants, and then kept Mar Bulger as the starter Back and the Warmer was healthy. The Rank for the without Marshall Faulk for the without the without the without the witness of the without the without the without the without the witness of the without the without the without the without the witness of the without the witness of the witnes

me off. But New England is the center-But New England is the center-piece for teams that have over-come injury, going 13-2 despite starting more than 40 players. Secause-of a rash of injuries. If the Patriots beat Buffalo in Foxboro next week, they will have the home-field advantage throughout the AFC playoffs. New England has survived because it has hybrid players. Coach Bill Belichick loves a front seven made up of players who can play both lineman and line-backer; Willie McGinest, who is having an oustanding season, is

naving an outstanding season, is

## Martin battles through another 1,000-yard season y season there is no hope," Martin said. "It is a feeling you don't like and it leaves a taste in your mouth and a feeling in your stomach you don't want.

Martin is tackled by New England Patriots' Roman Phifer (95), Richard Seymour (93) and Mike Vrabel (50) Saturday, at Glants East Rutherford N.J. The

HEMPSTEAD, N.Y. – The reality of not challenging for the playoffs at the end of December sank
in a while ago for Curtis Martin.
Now that the season finale is at
hand, the star running back for
the New York Jets inn't any more
comfortable with the idea of going
bone, early.

the New York Jets isn't any more comfortable with the idea of going home early.

Although Martin has had his ninth straight 1,000-yard rushing season, one short of Barry Sanders' league mark, 2003 has been a struggle. There's been critism that he's not the same runner – although the Pittsburgh Steelers, against whom he ran for 174 yards in the snow on Dec. 14, would argue against that.

There's also a losing record for the Jets for the first time since 1996, a full season before Martin joined New York as a free agent.

"This is only the second time in my career that at the end of the

and it leaves a taste in your mouth and a feeling in your stomach you don't want.

"In a personal way, in 2002 the pain was physical (from a high ankle sprain) I had to deal with. This yoar with all the criticism, you hear things that affect your mind."

Martin and the Jets got off to a rough start. With Chad Pennington out with a broken wrist, they lost their first four games. The offensive line performed poorly, rarely giving Martin any room to run. He totaled 197 yards in his first four outings.

Then he begain coming on, including three games over 100 yards rushing in a four-week span. Heading into Sunday's game at Miami, Martin has 1,216 yards and, with a strong showing against Please see MARTIN, Page D2

Please see MARTIN, Page D2

#### Hawaii Bowl ends in helmet-hurling melee after 3OT

ASSOciated Pross writer

HONOLULU — Michael
Brewster's Byard touchdown run
in the third overtime sent Hawaii
to a 54-48 Victory over Houston in
a Hawaii Bowl game-that ended
with an ugly fight at midfield.
Thursday night.
Shortly after Hawaii stopped
the Cougars on fourth down in the
third OT, several scuffles broke
out with some players swinging
helmets at each other and throwing punches.

Coaches and police broke up the brawl after several minutes, and both teams finally headed to their locker rooms. It was a wild ending to a trilling game. Houston (7-6) took advantage of a-major clock-management mistake by Hawaii (9-5) to tie it at 34 with 22 seconds left in the fourth quarter. After the Warriors blew a

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from Kevin Kolb to tie it.
In the first overtime, Hawaii's Timmy Chang completed an 11-yard touchdown pass to Britton Komine, and Houston tied it on Anthony Evans' 6-yard run.
Houston went up 48-41 in the second overtime on a 4-yard run-by Jackie Battle, but Hawaii answered with an 18-yard pastrom Chang to Jason Rivers.
The Cougars nearly got the victory when they partially blocked Hawaii's extra point, but the ball still went through the uprights.
It was the fifth straight bowl

loss for the Cougars. Houston, making its first bowl appearance since 1996, hasn't won in the post-season since defeating Navy. in the 1980 Garden State Bowl.

Chang, selected the game's MVP, was 26-61-42 passing for 475-yards and five rouchdowns after-coming off the bench. The junior moved into third place on the NCAA career passing list with 12.614 yards.

Rivers had seven receptions for 143 yards and three touchdowns for the Warriors, Jeremiah Cockheran added five catches for 162 yards.

Marshall RB Wallace stars in Blue-Gray



By John Zono.

TROY-Ala:—Marshall running back Butchie Wallace rushed for two fourth-quarter touchdowns, lifting the Blue squad to a 31:24 victory in the Blue-Gray All-Star Classic on Thursday.

Long a Christmas Day tradition, the Blue-Gray game was canceled last year because officials couldn't line up a sponsor, It had been held 50 miles north in Montgomery since 1938, matching college sentent of the world (Blue) against those from the North (Blue) against those from the South (Gray).

Wallace, who played for Blue offensive coach Bob Pruett at Marshall, was a late addition the roster and responded with touchdown runs of 3 and 17 yate in a 3:34 span of the fourth quarter at Troy State's Movie Gallery Veterans Stadium.

Wallace arrived in Alabama on Tuesday night or eplace Southern Illinois running back Tom Koutoso, who hurt his right knee in practice. Representing a pro-

Infinos running back took flow to the houses, who hurr his right knee in practice. Representing a program more known for its passers than runners, Wallace capitalized with seven carries for 33 yards.

The Blue squad broke a 17-all tie early in the fourth on Wallace's 3-yard score.
San Jose State quarterback Scott Rislov was 3-6f-3 passing for 62 yards on the drive, including a 4-yarder to Penn State tight end Matt Kranchik to the 3. Wallace rambled into the end zone again on the next drive.
Rislov, who threw for 3,016

on the next drive.

Rislov, who threw for 3,016
yards and only five interceptions
this season, was equally efficient
in the All-Star game to earn-overall MVP honors for the Blue. He
was 16-0f-24 for 195 yards, including a '35-yard touchdown to
Nebraska-Omaha's Ryan Krause
in the second quarter.

Los Angeles Lakers' Shaquille O'Neal tries to break through Houston Rockets' Maurice Taylor, left, Moochle Norris (12) and Yao Ming Thursday in

### Los Angeles lags-against Rockets, loses 99-87

LOS ANGELES - The Shaq

LOS ANGELES - The Shaq-Yao matchup was a push. Otherwise, the Houston Rockets were clearly superior to the Los Angeles Lakers - especially down the stretch. Steve Francis had 22 points, nine rebounds and seven assists, and Yao Ming and Jim Jackson added 18 points each Thursday night to help the Rockets beat the suddenly slumping Lakers 99-87.
Cuttino Mobley added 15 points and Maurice Taylor came off the bench to score 14 for the Rockets (16/12), who snapped a two-game losing streak.

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The loss was the second straight and fourth in six games for the Lakers (20-7) since they appeared dominant during a 10-game win-

dominant during a 10-game win-ning streak. Yao, who also had eight rebounds, committed his fifth foul and came out of the game with 9-26 remaining and the game tied at 77. He watched the rest of the game from the bench as the Rockets outscored the Lakers 22-10.

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Kobe Bryant led the Lakers with 23 points, eight rebounds and six assists, but he shot just 9-of-26 – including 1-of-7 in the fourth purchase.

of 26 — including 1-of-7 in the fourth quarter. Shaquille O'Neal had 22 points and 10 rebounds and Gary Payton added 13 points and seven assists for the Lakers, who shot a miserable 37.6 percent (326-685). The Rockets shot 44.4 percent (36-of-65).

Rockets snot 1-12 personnels 81). The Lakers played without Karl-Malone, who missed-his-second-game since spraining his right knee. Malone is expected to sit

out at least one more against
Boston on Sunday night
before being re-evaluated.
Mobley's free throw with
908 left put Houston ahead
for good. Consecutive 3-point
ers by Mobley and Moochie
Norris triggered a 10-1 run
that made it 90-80 with a little
under four minutes left, and
the Lakers didn't pose a threat
after that.

Mavericks 111, Kings 103

MAYERICKS 111., MIRGS 100:
SACRAMENTO, Calif. - Dirk
Nowizlei had 31 points and 14
rebounds and Antoine Walker
punctuated an outstanding game
with a 3-pointer with 1:04 left,
helping Dallas snap a fourgame
losing streak.
Walker had 23 points, 12
rebounds and eight assists, hitting
five a assistment to the Mayericke

rebounds and eight assists, hitting five 3-pointers as the Mavericks got their fifth win in their last six egular-season Sacramento games

regular-season games in Sacramento. In just their second home loss of the season, the Kings played without suspended All-Star Peja Stojakovic and injured forward Chris Webber, who hasn't played since blowing out his knee early in the team's second-round playoff series last spring, won in seven games by Dallas. Antawn Jamison had 22 points for Dallas, which fell behind by 18 in the first half and then struggled to finish off the short-handed Kings after a second-half rally.

in the first half and then struggled to finish off the short-handed Kings after a second-half rally. Dallas scored the final eight points of the game, beginning with Walker's 3.

Mike Bibby had 23 points for the Kings.

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"It was new territory," he said.
"It was new territory," he said.
"I always was credited with being
the cause of our team to win. This
year, I was the focus of why we did
not win.
"But I didn't have any problem
with ii. I get good press nine out
of 10 times, so if one time it's bad,
I can't be mad, I'd be a fool.
"I knew nothing had changed

and it was just a matter of us thinking and getting together. There were a lot of different factors people don't get to see that go into it."

Martin admits the physical pain he went through in 2002, when the Jets went from 25 to 9.7 and AFC East champions, was much more difficult than the mental burden of dealing with critics. He "did not consider it a pain, but a challenge," Martin said.

"Even more important than what people say about you is what you say about yourself," he

added. "I said something different about myself than (what others said). I believe knowing what I am and what I am capable of is more important."

No one is a bigger of Martin's than the coaches for whom he's played. That begins with Bill Parcells, who drafted him in New England and signed him away from the Partoits for the Jets. Current coach Herman Edwards calls Martin 'the ultimate warrior" and wishes he had a roster full of Martins.

"You're talking about a great player and a great leader and a

man who sets a great example for everyone around him," Edwards said. "Curris is everything you want in a football player tough, smart, great work ethic, a leader." But Martin couldn't lead New York back to the playoffs, and that definitely hurts.

"We feel there is no reason why we shouldn't be in a better situation," he said. "To have this season get away from us is the most frustrating.
"So we'll just go out on a winning note and that makes you feel good until you get it going next year."

## The Associated Press PHOENIX - Virginia Tech seems a bit disappointed to be in the Insight Bowl. The California Bears hardly could be more

Tedford's turnaround has

Bears in first bowl since '96

remothers - viginia seems a bit disappointed to be in the Insight Bowl. The California Bears hardly could be more thrilled.

The Hokies have grown to expect better than this mid-level bowl played Friday night in a baseball park.

"We may be disappointed not playing in a BCS bowl game, but we are playing in a great bowl game," said Hokies' coach Frank Beamer, who added that he work know until the game begins whether his players will approach the contest with the intensity the might bring to a bigger bowl.

Six games into the season, Virginia Tech was unbeaten and No. 3-in the country. Even after a loss at West Virginia, the Hokies' beat Miami to climb to No. 5.

Then things fell apart with losses to Pittsburgh. Boston College and Virginia. The lone with down the stretch came in overtime against lowly Femple.

"The reason we lost four out of the last six is because we weren't playing together," Hokies line-backer Vegas Robinson said.
"Everybody was out there doing more than they were supposed to do. Guys were out of position. If cell like we're calmed down now. We're level headed. We're ready to get back at this thing."

Cal won four of its last five to finish 7-6 and earn its first bowl bid since 1995. Tedford inherited.

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bid since 1996. Fedford inherited a 1-10 team year ago and led the Bears to a 7-5 season. The last year of probation for long-ago NCAA infraction's kept the team out of a bowl game.

Despite having just nine returning sur

"Last year we had the best turn-

around in college football, and this year the key fact is that we're in a bowl game." Tedford said.

The game could be a shootout, with Cal's high-powered offense going against an offense on Virginia Tede (8-4) that features running back Kevin Jones. He will forgo his senior year of eligibility in favor of the NFL.

#### Motor City Bowl Bowling Green vs. Northwestern

Northwestern

DETROIT - Among MidAmerican Conference quarterbacks, Bowling Green's Josh
Harris got less recognition than
Miamis's Ben Roethlisberger.

Still, Northwestern'coach
Randy Walker is wary of facing
Harris and the Falcons in Friday's
Motor City Bowl.

"Josh is a great player - he's too
good for us to believe that we can
stop him." Walker said, "All we
can do is contain him and try to
keep him from going crazy."
Harris has thrown for a schoolrecord 3,427 yards and 24 touch
downs this season, and hed confeence quarterbacks with 762 yards
rushing.

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"We know just how important
Josh is to our team," Falcons
coach Gregg Brandon said. "If you
look at our season and the games
we won, he played great. When he
didn't play great, we lost. Luckly,
hat only happened twice."

"I don't think we need to prove
anything any more," he said. "All
we can do is play football and
have fun. We've learned that we
can't force the country or the
media to give us any respect."

He knows that he already has
respect from the Wildcas. The
GOO, the then-sophomore threw
for 402 yards and three touch
downs and ran for two more in
43-42 upset of Northwestern.

five games against Pittsburgh.

One reason is the Ravens have rarely been in the lead against Pittsburgh, losing five straight to them and six of seven.

"Since I've been here and playing Baltimore, we've been reading, the runs. right," linebacker. Kendrell Bell said. "He's a down-hill runner. When he's lateral, he's not as good a runner as when he's coming downhill."

Don't think the Steelers work been coming downhill."

Don't think the Steelers won't be counting every Lewis yard, even though they have little incentive for winning other than avoiding their second double-digit loss record in five seasons. "Our defense really wants to go out and shut them down so he doesn't get the record against

them," wide receiver Hines Ward said. "But it's going to be a challenge. Playing in Baltimore is tough, and their fans will be rallying behind them."

The Steelers have won six in row in Baltimore, but they never had been eliminated from the playoffs going into any of those games.

Steelers running back Jerome Bettis (12,299 yards in his career) also is shooting for the record book, needing 14 yards to move past Jim Brown into sixth place in NFL career rushing.

Bettis admires how Lewis runs with speed and power, but won't concede be's had the best season by any NFL runner even if he breaks the record.

"I would say O.J. Simpson, because he did it (rushed for 2,003 yards in 1973) in a 14-game season," Bettis said. "If you're looking at the best single season, I think O.J. Simpson, definitely. That year he had three 200-yard games in a row."

Of course, neither the Steelers nor the Ravens are very interested in saying much good about the other, given the intensity of the rivalry that's built since the former Cleveland Browns relocated to Baltimore before the 1996 season.

son,
"They haven't changed, we haven't changed, and we plan to go out there and do the same thing we do every time we play them," Bell said.

#### NFL

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free-agent acquisition Rosevelt Colvin, out for the season after breaking his hip in the second

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Wide receiver David Patten and center Mike Compton also are on injured reserver, wide, receiver Troy Brown has been out a lot; and Pro Bowl cornerback Ty Law has been playing all season with a nagging leg injury.

But Belichick has an outstanding rookie class - center Dan Koppen, safeties Eugene Wilson and Asante Samuel, defensive linemen Ty Warren and Dan Klecko and return mandwide receiver Bethel Johnson. Johnson is significandly responsible himself for wins over Tennessee and Indianapolis, two playoff teams.

comerback.

Denver also has overcome injuries, clinching a playoff spot by beating Indianapolis Sunday night despite losing quarterback players and outside linebackers Ian Gold and John Mobley for the season.

In Sunday's critical game, the Broncos were without Pro Bowl running back Clinton Portis, out with Alkned Linton Portis, out with Alkned Linton Portis, out of the Committee of the Propose of the Propos





Blue squad's Tony Johnson (14) of Penn State tries to pull away from Gray squad's Quintin Williams (37) of Wake Forest In the first half of the Blue-Gray All Star Classic in Troy, Ala., on Thursday.

Luke McCown found North Carolina's Bobby Blizzard for a 14-yard touchdown with 23 seconds left, but Ward recovered the onside kick. McCown was 15-of-24 passing

onside kick.

McCown was 15-0f-24 passing for 114 yards, while Jackson State's Robert Kent went 5-0f-9 for 52 yards. Kent replaced Kentucky's Jared Lorenzen, who skipped the game with a nagging shoulder injury.

Blue quarterback Brett Mitchell of the NAIA's Evangel University in Springfield, Mo., was only 2-0f-5

but completed a 56-yarder and a 49-yarder in his first appearance in the national spotlight. McCown overcame a sluggish start by leading a big third-quarter drive. A four-year starter at Louisiana Tech, he had a 39-yard scramble and completed three short passes to set up Leach's second touchdown run, a 3-yarder. McCown was just 3-67- for 12 yards in the first half. Rislow made up for offenses that combined for only 76 yards in the first quarter by leading a 95-

yard touchdown drive to open the

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He completed a 35-yarder down the right sideline to Lance Young of Towa State. Two plays later, Rislov found Krause on the opposite side for a 35-yard touch-

down.
Larry Croom of UNLV scored
on a 3-yard touchdown run midway through the second quarter
to give the Blue squad a 14-3
lead, and Steve Azar of Northern
Illinois added a '28-yard field
goal.

# ing a '35-yard touchdown to Mobraska-Omaha's Ryan Krause in the second quarter. Derrick Ward of Ottawa College in Kańsas was the Blue's offensive MVP with five catches for 59 yards and 38 yards on five rushes. Syracuse linebacker Rich Scanlon won defensive honors with eight rackles. The Gray's overall MVP was Cody Spencer, a North Texas linebacker who had a game-high 13 tackles. Defensive MVP. was Alabama linebacker Jorden Frick Pope (nine tackles), while East Carolina's 253-pounds running back, Vonta Leach, plowed in for two short-touchdowns to earn offensive honors. Martin

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the Dolphins, he could surpass all
but three of his season totals.
Once again, anyone who doubted
the strong-willed veteran
learned just how resourceful he

Lewis Continued from D1

keep him off the field as much as possible, because with Jamal Lewis chasing that record, they're probably going to give him the ball 40 times." ball 40 times."
Even if the Browns (4-11) upset
the Bengals (8-7) and the Ravens
(9-6) don't need to beat
Pittsburgh (6-9) on Sunday night
to win the AFC North, Ravens
coach Brian Billick said Lewis
will talav.

will play.

Lewis needs 48 yards to become the fifth 2,000-yard rusher in NPL history and 154 to break former Rams star Eric Dickerson's 1984 league record of 2,105 yards.

Lewis has been held to 48 yards or fewer in two of his previous

Belichick also loves role players who have been with him in the past, simply plugging one in for the other when the starter is hutt. Roman Philer for Nike Vrobel, for example. And perhaps the only indispensable Patriot, quarterback Tom Brady, has remained healthy all season.

In fact, the injuries helped New England beat Tennessee by hulling the Titans to sleep.

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With less than two minutes to go, the Titans were driving for the go-ahead touchdown when Law grabbed a Steve McNair pass and returned it 65 yards for the clinch-

ing score.
"I thought I could get it in there with the bad leg he had," said McNair, who acknowledged he was trying to pick on the hobbled

Terrell Davis; Anderson for Gary and Davis; Portis for Anderson; and Gary; and now Griffin and Anderson for Portis. Portis should be back for the playoffs, if not for next week's finale at Green Bay. But after Sunday night's game, he said: "I think I'm playing for my lob Thesamers were not not

my job. These guys went out and played great."



Real Madrid's David Beckham, right, and Ronaldo attend the team's training session at Tokyo's National Stadium on Aug. 4.

BASKETBALL

## Beckham tops 2003 world sports story list

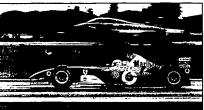
LONDON (AP) – David Beckham, the most recognizable face in the world's most popular game, was the biggest newsmaker in international sports in 2003. The England captain's \$43 million transfer from Manchester United to Real Madrid was voted the top sports story of the year in a worldwide poll of Associated Press subscribers.

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The Beckham saga finished com-fortably ahead of the doping scan-dals that rocked-sports, Michael Schumacher's record sixth Formula One title, Lance Armstrong's fifth sraight four de France victory and England's World Cup rugby tri-umbh.

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Beckham received 15 first-place votes and 321 total points from 55 ballots cast from sports editors and broadcasters on all continents—not counting the United States, which has its own survey.

Even before this year, Beckham was magnet for attention: his hair-styles, fashion statements, sponsor-ship ads and marriage to a former Spice Girl – not to mention his trademark free kicks and brilliant passes.



GA Formula One car as he races an Italian Air Force Eurofighter Typhoon fighter let in Grosseto, Italy, Dec. 11.

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frenzy in June with his transfer
from Manchester United, his home
for 13 years, to Real Madrid, a ninetime European champion. He
joined a roster that includes
Ronaldo, Zinedine Zidane, Luis
Figo, Roberto Carlos and Raul
Gonzalez.
"If I have become a better player it's because these players
around me have made me step up
to another level," Beckham said. "I

would say coming to Real Madrid was one of the best decisions I have ever made."

A series of high-profile drug cases finished second in the AP points with 13 first-place votes and 297 points.

British sprinter Dwain Chambers, four U.S. track and field athletes and four NTL players have tested positive for the THG, a previously undetectable steroid.

The scandal has widened with dozens of prominent stars, including baseball's Barry Bonds; testifying before a federal grand jury in San Francisco investigating the California lab accused of being the source of the drug.

Third in the voting with 279 points, including seven first-place votes, was Schumacher's F1 title. The Ferrari driver won his latest championship by just two points over Kimi Raikkonen, with an eighth-place finish in the season's final race.

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Armstrong was fourth in the poll with 225 points. The Texan matched Eddy Mercko, Miguel Indurain, Bernard Hinault and Jacques Anquetil with his fifth Tour de France victory.

England's first World Cup rugby championship, an overtime victory against Australia in Sydney – was fifth with 150 points and the season of Chelsea's soccer team was sixth followed by the death of Cameroon soccer star Marc Vivien Foe at the FIFA Confederations Cup. Kobe Bryant's arrest on sexual assault charges was voted eighth.

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#### SPORTS IN BRIEF:

#### Varsity page will return when teams resume play

TWIN FALLS - With most area high school athletic teams idle for the holidays, the Yarsity page will not run this week.
The weekly feature will return Jan. 2.

## Oregon State caps season

with Las Vegas Bowl win

with Las Vegas Bowl Win
LAS VEGAS - Steven Jackson
tied a bowl game record with five
touchdowns, and Oregon State's
defense overwhelmed New
Mexico in a 55:14 win at the Las
Vegas Bowl on Wednesday night.
After the game, Jackson
announced he'll skip his senior
season and enter the NFI, draft.
He's expected to be a first-round
nick.

He's expected to be a first-round pick.

Jackson, the leading rusher in the Pac-10 this year, ran for 149 yards on 28 carries.

The 6-foot3, 225-pound back caught a 34-yard pass from Derek Anderson five minutes into the game and added touch down runs of 3,11,6, and 1 yards.

The five TDs are also an OSU record.

record.
Two of Jackson's scores came
in the second quarter. That got
the Beavers (8-5) rolling and
extended the Lobos' bowl

extended the Lobos' bowl drought.
New Mexico (8-5) has not won a bowl game since 1961 and lost its third postseason game since 1997. It was the second straight defeat for New Mexico in this game, having lost to UCLA 27-13 last year.
The Lobos' scores came on a 27-yard pass from Casey Kelly to Hank Baskett in the first quarter and Kole McKamey's 17-yard toss to Dwight Counter in the fourth.

#### CSI still has reserved seats available for games

TWIN FALLS - Plenty of good reserved chair-back seats are still available for the remainder of basketball home games at the CSI Gymnasium.

basketball home games at the CSI Gymnasium.

Both the men's and women's squads will play Salt Lake Community College Jan. 9 and 10, North Idaho College Jan. 23 and 24, Eastern Utah Feb. 13 and 14, and Snow College Feb. 27 and 28.

For more information, contact Christi Kaye Ure at 732-6486.

## Candleridge offers

all-inclusive golf packages TWIN FALLS - Candleridge Golf Course is offering all-inclu-sive golf packages through Dec.

Golt County
31.

Unlimited golf, unlimited range balls and use of an electric cart may be purchased for the 2004 season at rates of \$500 for one person, \$750 per couple and \$1,000 for a family.

Call 733-6577 for more information.

#### Burley football team will become '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 seepon

ices as Santas neares and day season.

Anyone in need of holiday help can 'tail' 678-3903 or '431-4274, or e-mail hondo@pmt.org to ask for assistance.

The fee for help is a donation

made to the Bobcat Football Camp Fund. For your donation, a team of adult-supervised ath-letes will help you take down decorations and haul away

#### T.F. Rec coaches get into Bruins games free

INTO Brains games free TWIN FALLS - All Twin Falls Parks & Recreation youth coaches who show their T.F. Parks & Recreation volunteer pins will be admitted free of charge to all Twin Falls High School boys and girls home basketball games this season.

#### Former Masters champion

Former Masters champion
Kelser dies at age 89
COPLEY, Ohio – Herman
Keiser, the 1946 Masters champion, died from complications of
Albeimer's Disease. He was 89.
Keiser died Wednesday at an
assisted living home in suburban
Akron, daughter Diane Parker
said Thursday.
The five-time PGA Tour win
are beat Ben Hogan by a stroke
in the 1946 Masters, Keiser's first
trip to Augusta after serving
nearly three years in the Navy in
World War II.
Keiser, a Springfield, Monative moved to northeast Ohio
in 1940, becoming an assistant
pro at Fortage Country Club and
later was the head pro. at
Firestone Country Club in
Akron.
Among his students was Jack

Akron.
Among his students was Jack Stewart, the father of the late U.S. Open champion Payne

Stewart.
Keiser also played in the 1947
Ryder Cup in Portland, Ore., a
team captained by Hogan. While
the United States won 11-1,
Keiser's 4 and 3 loss to Sam King
prevented a clean sweep.

#### Devils' Brodeur leads NHL All-Star voting

NHL All-Star voting
New Jersey goaltender Martin
Brodeur leads the voting for
February's NHL All-Star game
with 96,946 through Monday...
The Eastern Conference could
end up starting two defensemen
from the Deviis. New Jersey's
Scott Stevens (80,373) and Scott
Niedermayer (71,776) are first
and second in the voting at their
position. In the Western
Conference, Vancouver's Todd
Bertuzzi (78,261) and Markus
Naslund (64,572) lead among
wings.

### Yankees get tax bill from

NEW YORK — George Steinbrenner got a big bill, just in time for the holidays. His New York Yankees are the only base-ball team paying the new luxury

tax.

The Yankees were told by the baseball commissioner's office that they owe \$11.82 million, a baseball official told The Associated Press on Wednesday under the condition of anonymit—

under the condition of accounts, by New York's payment is due by Jan. 31.

A tax rate of 17.5 percent this year means the Yankees' final payroll, for tax purposes, was \$184.5 million. The other 29 teams all stayed under the tax threshold of \$117 million established by baseball's new collective bargaining agreement.

Compiled from wire reports

# Teacher could learn from his students

to be bullies.
If anything, the long and distinguished history of college hoops suggests just the opposite is true.

ue. The teacher with the most disci-

The teacher with the most disci-ples in the game, Dean Smith, retired as the winningest coach in major college history and one of the classiest. The active coach with the most disciples, Mike Krzyzewski, is like Smith – already both a proven winner and a ventleman.



IM LITKE

So what is it about Bob Knight? The man who taught the game to Krzyzewski, among others, and may yet pass Smith in the "W" coltinues to behave like the

umn continues to behave like the petitiest of tyrants.
On Monday, just a few hours before his Texas Tech Red Raiders were to play an lowateam coached by Steve Alford, another of Knight's disciples, the two sat down for an interview. Former coach and ESPN analyst Fran Fraschilla asked Knight where his relationship with Alford, once rumored to be distant, stood now. ant, stood now. Knight's answer?

iant, stood now.
Knight's answer?
"Bleep."
With Alford squirming next to him. Knight sanswer?
"Bleep."
With Alford squirming next to him. Knight then launched one of those very public rants where you half-expect one of his inner demons to peel back the skin on his scalp and pop into full view. What followed were several more bleeps; a few "bleeping" media references, and just for good measure, he reiterated how he and Alford got along was nobody's bleeping" business. Then he dared ESPN to run the piece in all its unedited glory.
The network didn't bite, of course. It couldn't, Not without opening itself up to heavy fines and a series of headslaps from the Federal Communications. Commission Knight knew that better than everyone on the set and at least as well as the higher-ups back at the studios.
But here's the really aggravating part: Whatever passed between them since 1987, when they won the NCAA championship together as coach and star guard for the 1987 Indianal Hoosiers. Knight and Alford-couldn't be much closer today.
Why Knight refused to say so, only he knows. The truth is that he's always been generous and he's sidways been generous and he's sidways been generous and he's sidways been generous and set him on the bench.

then some - to Just about every-body who ever played or sat along-side him on the bench.

The rift with Alford, such as it was, dated to 1999. That's when the student moved up in the coaching ranks from Southwest

Missouri State to Iowa, which also moved him into the teacher's Big Ten orbit. At the time, the two Missiouri State to lowa; which also moved him into the teacher's Big Ten orbit. At the time, the two reportedly had not spoken for nearly a year, and there were at least three possible reasons for Knight's rumored displeasure. One was a book Alford wrote, tiled, "Playing for Knight." The second. was supposed to be comments Alford made about wanting to coach Indiana someday. The third was the transfer of former player Luke Recker, who had a turnultuous relationship with Knight and wound up at Iowa. Whether any of that actually bothered Knight, he hasn't let anyone know – with the possible exception of Alford. But it certainly hasn't changed the order of

things. Just like the two previous meetings between their teams, Knight's won the Monday night encounter. What was different, though, was Knight's willingness to talk about the student-teacher relationship.

He remembered his own toughest coaching assignment, facing his mentor, Ohio State coach Fred. Taylor.

to find it tough going against a friend, and not even the only one to do in the last two weeks. Louisville coach Rick Pitino beat his old student, Florida's Billy Donovan, in their teams' matchup. Though they were uncomfortable about their teams playing one another, both registered complaints about the hype leading up-to the game without so much as a single bleep. Even though the NCAA tournament selection committee takes an almost perverse delight in serting up the brackets to bring such games about, few teachers scheduchter former assistants or players during the regular season unless them's upper good reason.

ers during the regular season unless there's a very good reason Pitino invited Donovan to a

Louisville tournament to help out a charity established in the memory of close mutual friend. In Alford's case, his caree hit a rough patch last season and he sought out Knight over the summer for advice. That's what led to the meeting in Dallas.

"He's the best coach there is," Alford-said-afterward, and theresults suggest Knight remains a pretty good mentor, besides. Which begs the question; Since his students have learned to take the best of his lessons and leave the excesses behind, why can't their teacher do the same?

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Texas Tech ceach Bob Knight, left, and one of his former players, lowa coach Steve Alford meet on the court prior to the game Monday in Dallas.

#### Lions could have a Champ to add to Boss

By Curt Sylvester Knight Ridder Newspapers

DETROIT - Don't be surprised if the Detroit Lions make a pitch for four-time Pro Bowl cornerback Champ Bailey - brother of rookie linebacker Boss Bailey - during the off-season.

Champ turned down a nine-year, 555-million offer from the Washington Redskins in September and has made it clear he does not want to continue his

September and has made it clear he does not want to continue his career with the Redskins. The Lions cannot talk about it of onything about it while Bailey is under contract with Washington, but it's no secret that Boss and Champ are extremely close and would like to play together at some time during their NFL careers. The speculation is that the Redskins might put a frunchise tag on Champ and trade him, likely asking for a first-round draft pick and more. "The trying not to concern

and more.
"I'm trying not to concern myself with it," Champ said. "I don't know what's going to happen. I'll just worry about the Eagles and beating them. Everything else will take care of itself."

#### Broncos run to playoff berth

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Either — Denver — coach — MikeShanahan has a heck of a system
or he does a heck of a by coaching the running game.

When Quentin Griffin rushed
for 136 yards against
Indianapolis, helping the Broncos
clinch a playoff berth, he became
the eighth Denver player to rush
for 100 yards or more in a game
since Shanahan became head
coach in 1995.

## With 200 sacks, Smith prepares for final game

ASHBURN, Va. - For Bruce Smith, 200 has a better ring than

"It is a nice round number,"
Smith said. "It's rather catching,
so opposed to 199, which sounds
like you're getting something at a
discount."

discount."

Sack No. 199 gave the
Washington Redskins defensive
end the all-time record on Dec.,
and he hit the double-century
mark Sunday when he tackled
Chicago's Rec Grossman for a 5yard loss in a 27-24 loss to the
Bears.

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Bears.

Now Smith is preparing for his
last NFL game, Saturday night's
finale at home against
Philadelphia. The Redskins will
honor him at halftime, with former Buffalo quarterback and cabinet member Jack Kemp leading a
ceremony in which Smith and his
family will be presented with a
special life-size plaque designed
in his form.

One would expect a 40-year-old,
19-year veteran to be reflective or
even wistful in the final days of
his career, but no amount of prodding could make Smith express
any special feelings about suiting
up one final time.

"Tm not even thinking in terms
of that," Smith said. "Tm thinking
in terms, winning against, thePhiladelphia Eagles. ... We're
entertainers. We have to go out
and put on a good show."

Smith hasn't formally
announced his retirement,
although he has said it would take
an "unusual circumstance" forimit to play next season. Certainly,
this isn't the type of farewell he
had in mind.

Smith passed Reggie White's

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Redskins defensive end Bruce Smith (78) is congratulated by team mates after becoming the all-time NFL sack leader. after sacking New York Glants quarterback losse Palmer during the Redskins 20-7 victory over the Glants Dec. 10 Glants Stadium in East Rutherford, N. J. Sack No. 199 gave the Washington Redskins defensive end the all-time re-on Dec. 7, and he hit the double-century mark Sunday when he tackled Chicago Bears quarterback Rex Grossman.

total of 198 to get the sack record, but only after complaints about playing time that made him look self-serving. He also expected this year's Redskins to be good enough to challenge for the Super Bowl title he never-won during his 15 years in Buffalo.

Instead, Washington has lost nine of its last 11 to slump to a 5-

In record of 10-5 or some winese with a record of 10-5 or some with a record of 10-5 or some thing in that ballpark, knowing we'd have a chance at extending our season,' Smith said.

—Smith has made no secret over his disappointment with some of the team's personnel moves, particularly the release of tackle Dan Wilkinson, which left the defense a

ans quarterback Rex Urosaman.

undermanned along the front.
In his final days, he isn't taking
a parting shot at anyone specific,
instead choosing to wax philos
sphical on the way it's ending.
"Life is filled with bumpy rides
and-ups-and-downa,"-Smith-said"It's times like this that build character in an individual and makes
him stronger and prepares him for
the struggles of life in general."

### Patriots eye home-field advantage

By Dave Goldberg Associated Press writer

For the New England Patriots,

For the New England Patriots, opening week in Buffalo must seem like 3.5 years ago, not 3.5 months. The same for the Bills.

The Patriots lost 31.0 that week, but have lost only once since. If they beat Buffalo in Foxboro on Saturday, they clinch ho me · fi e l d advantage for the AFC play offs. Buffalo, on the other hand, is out of the play-offs and perhaps about to lose its coach.

Don't expect a letdown from New England, which has won 11 straight games.

Don't expect a letdown from A letdow

Patriot, quarterback Drew Bledsoe. But Bledsoe has played badly in the second half of the season and about all the Bills have left to play for is coach Gregg Williams, job. Owner Ralph Wilson was noncommittal on the subject earlier this week. Incentive and talent. PATRIOTS, 22-3 Denwer (plus 65) at Green Bay. Denwer is in the playoffs and may rest starters. The Packers are going for a playoff spot and may rest starters. The Packers are going for a playoff spot and maybe the NFC North tiple. PACKERS, 24-13 Seattle (even) at San Francisco (Saturday)

The Seahawks, 1-6 on the road, have to win to stay alive for a clawoff berth. The 49ers, 6-1 at

have to win to stay alive for a playoff berth. The 49ers, 6-1 at home, want to win to finish at .500.

49ERS, 31-30 Philadelphia

49ERS, 31-30
Philadelphia (minus 6.5) at
Washington (Saturday)
The Eagles' letdown against
the 49ers probably cost them the
top record in the NFC. But they
won't let the division title slip

vay here. EAGLES, 33-14 Dallas (minus 2) at New

Orleans
The Cowboys probably will
have nothing to play for. But Tuna
teams play hard regardless.
COWBOYS, 13-10
Discoburgh (plus 7.5) at

(plus 7.5) at

Two goals for the Ravens: clinch the AFC North and give Jamal Lewis a shot at the single-season rushing record. RAVENS, 30-16 (plus 7) at

Cleyeland (plus 7) at Cincinnati The Bengals make the Ravens work for their title. BENGALS, 34-20

Minnesota (minus 7.5) at

Arizona The Vikings rarely win out-doors. The Cardinals rarely win, although they are much better at

ome.
For the NFC North title ...
VIKINGS, 27-20
Tampa Bay (plus 7) at

Tennessee Could the Titans win their divi

TITANS, 14-13 Indianapolis (minus 7) at Houston Could the Colts lose their divi-

sion?
COLTS, 31-13
Chicago (plus 10) at Kansas

Cricings (press 27)
City
As long as the game is at
Arrowhead ...
CHEFS, 37.24
St. Louls (minus 10.5) at Detroit
The Lions lose at home, too.
Rams take home-field advantage.
SET.

Rams take home-field advantage in NFC. RAMS, 41-14 Carolina (minus 5) at New York Glants

Even if John Fox rests ALL his

PANTHERS, 20-3
PAWYORk Jets (plus 4) at Miami
Herman Edwards over Dave
Wannstedt

Vannstedt
JETS, 21-20
Jacksonville (plus 3) nt Atlanta
Vick over Leftwich
FALCONS, 31-23
Oakland (plus 3-5) at San Diego
The Chargers are trying harder
han the Raiders.
CHARGERS, 26-20

LAST WEEK: 6-10 (spread); 12-

4 (straight up)
OVERALL: 133-102-5 (spread);
152-88 (straight up)

# Teen follows dead brother's path to Army

#### Son feels. responsibility to enlist

The Associated Press

FORRESTON, III. – Nobody, would have faulted Joe Tyrrell if he changed his mind about joining the Army now.

Not after standing over the hos-

changed his mind about joining the Army now.

Not after standing over the hospital bed of the badly burned body of his brother, seeing only empticals when the same should have been, understanding then as few do the price some soldiers serving in Iraq have paid.

But after, he buried Pvt. Scott Mätthew Tyrrell, 19yearold Joe Tyrrell, with the blessing of his family, enlisted in the Army.

In an interview at his mother's home in this tiny Illinois town, Joe Tyrrell realled what he told his brother, who lay before him unconscious. "It old him that I had the responsibility of joining the military and I was going to do it for him.

"It was always something I want-

tary and I was going to do it ton him.

"It was always something I wanted to do," Tyrrell said, "but now I felt like I needed to do it."

It happens in towns and cities across the United States, a sibling follows a brother or sister into the military. In Illinois, for example, among the soldiers killed in the war and its aftermath were Army Spc. Brandon Rowe, Illinois National Guard 1st Sgt. Brian Slavenas, and Army Ptv. Matthew Bush—all of whom are survived, stiblings who were either serving or had served in the armed forces.

rces. Yet, as casualties in Iraq contin-Yet, as casualties in iraq conun-ue to mount and more questions are raised about the war, and as headlines are dominated by such dramas as the capture of Saddam Hussein, quiet stories like that of Scott and Joe Tyrrell sometimes are lact

Scott and Joe Tyrrell sometimes get lost.

"What the Army did for Scott was wonderful," said Susan Tyrrell.
"I am not angry at all. I am very proud of Scott and I am very proud of Joe."

of Joe."
Any understanding of how a mother just weeks past the death of a child could say that begins with the boy Scott Tyrrell was.
The way his mother tells it, Scott Tyrrell had a difficult childhood.
Overweight, with a learning dis-



Susan Tyrrell and her former husband, Arnold, go through piles of sympathy letters and cards with their son, Joe, right, at Susan's home in Forreston, III., Dec. 17. the family received the mail after their son and brother, Scott, died of injuries he received in Iraq.

ability that made reading a strug-gle, he was just the kind of kid who other kids are able to sniff out. "He was picked on all his life," said his

-was picked on all his first, -saux mother.

In high school, he told his family he was going to become a soldier.

"After he decided to enlist, we saw such a transformation in him," said his aunt, Mary Beth Mitchell of Eligin.

About a month after he graduated from high school, Tyrrell was in boot camp. A few months later that transformation was obvious. Gone were about 45 pounds.

"I didn't recognize him," said Joe.

Joe.

Also gone-was the teenager unsure of himself and what he wanted to do with his life.

"He was a different person," said his mother, a fourth grade teacher. "He did not live until he got into the Army."

His father agreed. "He matured and had a sense of responsibility

that had been missing," said Arnold Tyrrell, a machinist who lives in a town nearby.

That memory of the solid, confident young man is what the Tyrrells held on to when they were told last month there had been a terrible accident.

On Nov. 14, Tyrrell, a combat engineer, was operating an armored earth mover. His job was to help build a dirt berm in front of the entrance of a bunker loaded with collected enemy ammunition that the Army hoped to protect from looting and use against coalition forces, according to a report received by the Tyrrells.

For a unknown—reasons—the

earth mover was enguned in flames. Less than two days later, the Army called Pvt. Tyrrell's family and told them Scott Tyrrell had been taken to a hospital in Germany. "They said Scott was

burned really bad and ... (doctors) had to remove his arms," said Kelly Zitelman, his sister.—After-Tyrrell's-condition-stabilized, he was flown to Brooke Army Medical Center in San Antonio where his family flew to be with him.

Medical Center in San Antonio where his family flew to be with him.

When they arrived, they did not recognize Tyrrell. His face was covered with white cream, his badly swellen body wrapped in "white padding," said Zitelman. And his arms had been amputated above the elbows.

Only his feet appeared normal, his boats shad protected them from the fire. "He would wrap his coes around. my finger, when I talked to him," said his mother. Family members said doctor. Family members said doctor, maybe 50-50, that Tyrrell would survive. But whether he would ever walk again or how well he would see was uncertain. They said they had to decide whether

to take him off the ventilator and allow him to die or wait to see if he would regain enough strength-while on the ventilator. to survive.

Psychologists were brought in to talk to them, as were other burn victims. But while they said they all wanted to keep him on the ventilator, they soon came to realize that Scott would not have wanted to live the life the fire had left him. He had, in fact, told his mother as much before he was injured, saying he'd rather die than be attached to a ventilator. Joe said there would be in oway-to explain to his brother how they could have let him live a life in, which he couldn't be a soldier any more. Zitelman said that as much as the wanted her brother around for her own selfish reasons, she kept thinking about her 5-year-dot son, who adored his Uncle Scott. "Scott would never be able to hug Ethan again," she said.

Said Scott's mother: "I told the surgeon I didn't want to bury my son in 4 or 5 years when he figures out how to end his life."

Tyrrell's surgeon, Maj. Sandra Wanek, had been neutral. But when they told her of their decision to remove the soldier from the ventilator her words suggested to the family that she agreed with, or at least supported their decision.

decision.
"She said, 'OK guys, let's go make him whole," said fyrrell's

make him whose, mother. Pvt. Tyrrell was taken off the ventilator the night of Nov. 19. He died the next evening. He was 21 years old.

dier's death has not made them angry at the Army. Scott Tyrrell's life was short, but it had meaning. The Army, they said, made him

life was short, but it had meaning. The Army, they said, made him happy.

Now, weeks after his death, family members have no doubt they did the right thing.

"He'll never grow old: he'll always be a hero," said his mother. Which leads them back to Joe.

"I think if it (the Army) does anything for Joe what if did for Scott it will be good," said Zitelman.

Armold Tyrrell said it is already-clear that his son benefits from a structured environment. After Joe dropped out of high school last year he went into a rigorous program sponsored by the Illinois National Guard in which he was able to get his GED.

"He's been a little flighty here, had trouble doing his school work," he said. "I think the Army will give him a sense of belonging to something."

Susan Tyrrell said Josing one son has not made her worry about the other's safety. She also knows.

to something."

Susan-Tyrrell said losing oneson has not made her worry about
the other's safety. She also knows
the Army was careful to make
sure Joe wasn't joining to avenge
his brother's death.

One thing she did ask of her son
is that he not become a demolitions specialist like his brother. So
Joe, who reports for boot camp in
April, will train to be a lightwheeled mechanic.

Joe, a gangly teenager who
wears a black "Army of One"
shirt and carries his stuff in a
black backpack with an Army
logo, said he is ready to be a soldier – something he hopes to
make his career.

It is goal is to achieve the high
est enlisted rank of master sergeant within 10 years.

"This is something I wanted to
do since I was 12."

# Local resistance can derail 'No Child Left Behind' Law

WELDON, N.C. - Nelson Edwards is unhappy with the education his daughters are receiving at Weldon Middle School, which has failed to meet federal standards. But help should be on the way. The No Child Left Behind law gives the Winn-Disc meat cutter the option of transferring his children to a better-performing school. At least, that is the theory of one part of the most sweeping aducational reforms adopted by Congress in more than a generation. The practice, from the perspective of a poor, overwhelmingly African Annerican school district in North Carolina, is rather different.

in North Carolina, is rather different,

A few months ago, Weldon school officials attempted to negotiate a school-choice agreement with their counterparts in Roanoke Rapids, N.C., a predominantly white, middle-class school district on the other side of Interstate 95. They were turned down flat.

Weldon's request would "create an administrative nightmare," said Roanoke Rapids school Superintendent John Parker, who employs two investigators to ensure that children living in Weldon and surrounding Halifax County do not try to sneak into his schools. "There is no way we could accommodate all the students who want to come here, if we opened our doors."

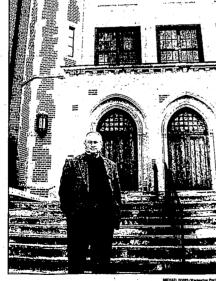
The experience in Weldon sug-

our doors."

The experience in Weldon suggests the depth of entrenched local opposition to school choice, as the Bush administration refers to its plan for offering parents an alternative to failing schools. It also illustrates the formidable practical difficulties in implementing the concept, particularly in small school districts.

Although the obstades to school choice may be greater in Weldon than elsewhere, the number of students changing schools under the

than elsewhere, the number of stu-dents changing schools under the No Child Left Behind law is minuscule nationwide. In rural areas, it is often difficult for par-ents to find more acceptable schools without traveling great dis-tances. Even in urban areas, good schools are often overcrowded and



Roanoke Rapids, N.C., school Superintendent John Parker employs two investi that children living outside his predominantly do not try to sneak into his schools

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reluctant to accept students from "failing" schools.
According to Bill McGrady, who supervises school-choice-programs for the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction, fewer than 50 students in the state transferred last year as a result of No Child Left Behindt. Figures for this year are not yet available, but are not expected to be dramatically higher.

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In neighboring Virginia, 432 students out of a student population of 1.2 million took advantage of the federal school-choice provision this year, up from 226 last year, according to state officials.

Federal officials were unable to provide figures for the numbers of transfers nationwide under the school-choice provisions of No Child Left Behind, now in their second year in many jurisdictions. Some Weldon residents question whether the fierce opposition of the Rounoke Rapids school board to accepting Weldon students has more to do with race than administrative convenience. According to retired Weldon teacher Helen Brown, the very existence of two small school districts next door to each other is a legacy of decades of segregation.

#### **Disparate Neighbors**

Weldon—a poor, overwhelmingly African-American school district—lies on the opposite side of I-95 in North Carolina highway from the Roanoke Rapids, N.C., school district, which is predominantly white and middle class.

#### WELDON SCHOOL DISTRICT Race of students 97%

White . 3% Students meeting basic state

Math 00'00' 68% Reading

Needy students in free lunch 73%

#### ROANOKE RAPIDS SCHOOL DISTRICT

Race of students White . Black 23% Other , 3%

Students meeting basic state expectations in:

Math 1970 Reading (53) 81%

Needy students in free lunch program 1992 39%



Roanoke Rapids Lake (4) (6) Garysburg 300 (300)

BY GENE THORP - THE WASHINGTON POST

white schools in Roanoke Rapids have no interest in admitting large numbers of poor, black students. "It's a bit too late for No Child Left Behind," Brown said of the 1,000 or so students on the Weldon side of the line. "These kids have already been left behind." A once-thrying railroad town that has fallen on hard times, Weldon is typical of the kind of neglected school district targeted by No Child Left Behind. Passed in 2001 by Jarge bipartisan, majorities in both houses of Congress, the law is meant to ensure that public school chil-

os GENÉTIGOR-- DE MADEMATION POST dren reach grade-level math and reading standards by 2014. The idea behind the legislation is to hold schools, teachers, and administrators accountable for their performance. Less than five miles apart, Welldon and Roanoke Rapids-belong to two different worlds. Property values on the "white" side of the highway are 50 per-cent higher than on the "black" side. Although Roanoke Rapids is hardly a hub of economic dynamism - the textle mill dis-missed its last 320 workers earli-er this year - it is an oasis of pros-

perity compared to Weldon, where men hang around on porches with nothing to do and the major employer is the school

system. Historically, Roanoke Rapids had the reputation of being a paternalistic textile town, the scene of an epic struggle to create a union immortalized by the movie "Norma Rae" Apart from the railroad, Weldon was known for its Tara-like southern manisons and country club. Until the 1950s, there was a sizable white population in Weldon, which sent its children to segregated public schools. The white ellic, which sent its children to segregated public schools. The white ellic, which sent its children to segregated public schools. The white ellic, white she was a sizable white population in Weldon, which sent included local cotton farmers, did everything it could no keep industry out of Weldon. The social and ethnic mix of the two towns changed drastically with the desegregation of the two towns changed drastically with the desegregation of the two towns changed drastically with the landmark Brown vs. Board of Education decision of 1954.

According to Brown, the retired teacher, "Once the Weldon school system became integrated, the whites lost interest and pulled out." Weldon's transformation into a virtually all-black, town was complete by the early '70s.

Last year, Weldon's school board called Brown out of retirement at the elementary school because of a chronic shortage of qualified teachers. She was shocked by what she found. Of 19 children in her class, two came from two-parent families. Teacher turnover was so high that many students were taught by substitutes. Over a dozen years, the school had gone through nine principals.

In order to meet state and federal standards, Weldon's school board has embraced a strategy of relentless. Esting and practicing-for tests. Every week, students are required to take practice tests for as long as three hours, leading up to the mandatory state tests in the spring. Some teachers Su say the emphasis on testing and practicing-for tests. Every week, students are required to take practice tests for as long as three hours, leading up to the mandatory state tests in the spr

#### - $\operatorname{Calling}$ home -



U.S. soldlers Neely Brandon from Texas, left, and Justin Mulhollen from Colorado phone home on Tikrit's military base, Iraq Thursday, Both soldlers are from the 1st Battailon, 22nd Regiment of the 4th Infantry Division.

## Soldiers use phones, cafes to keep in touch

COLUMBIA, S.C. (AP) - Pfc. Mathew Galchick may be thou-sands of miles from home and fac-

COLUMBIA, S.C. (AP) - Pfc.
Mathew Galchick may be thousands of miles from home and facing daily danger, but he is comforted by a special lifeline while
serving in Iraq: He's got e-mail.

U.S. soldiers are keeping in
ouch with their families by phone
and e-mail this holiday season
through dozens of so-called cyber
cafes that the military has set up
in tents across furq.
"I had to miss my daughter
being born, so I try to keep up,"
said Pfc. Mathew Galchick, 20, a
curgo specialist from Fort
Campbell, Ky, who uses the cafe's
selephones and computers every
day to check on his wife,
Samantha, and 7-monthold
daughter, Emily, back home.
"She's saying 'da-da-da' now.
She's growing like crazy and doing
something new every day," said
Galchick, who also can 'dat with
his parents, siblings and other relatives living in Austintown, Ohio.
The mobile communication stations were developed at the Naval
Weapons Station in Charleston,
Teach unit includes a 32-foot-by-20foot ten with 20 laptop computers and eight telephones, printers,
air conditioning, generators and
satellite communication sets.
"These troops have really taken
to the idea of, being, able to callhome. Some of them had not
attalked with family or loved ones
for months," said project manages
fed Gallagher, a civilian. "They
have been in use virtually nonstop
since they were put up."

Jim Condon, a program senior manager, said the \$20 million program was devised us a morale-booster for the coops and was developed as a "high priority" by Army Lt. Gen. Ricardo Sanchez, the top military commander in Iraq.

While e-mail has become common place for sailors on some ships and others at high-tech military bases, it has not been available to most soldiers in the field.

"They are so starved for communication, it's a godsend," he said. "Now, they can pick up the phone and talk to anyone they want or send an e-mail anywhere they want."

While the e-mail service is free, phone calls cost about 47 cents a minute and soldiers can pay by credit card or have their families prepay through a Web site. The goal is to install 145 such cyber cafes for Army troops stationed in Iraq.
Gallagher said troops wait patiently in the and use an honor system o share time.

He recalled that soldiers from the 10th Mountain Division, who'd been under constant fire on convoy duty, recently entered one of the tents about 40 miles north of aghadad, saving they had just 15 minutes of free time.

"Not one soldier, hesitated.
Every single person got up and let those gusy get on'' the computers, Gallagher said. "And sure enough, 15 minutes later, those gusy get on'' the computers, Gallagher said. "And sure enough, 15 minutes alter, those gusy get on'' the computers, Gallagher said. "And sure enough, 15 minutes later, those gusy get on'' the computers, Gallagher said. "And sure enough, 15 minutes later, those gusy get on'' the computers, Gallagher said. "And sure enough, 15 minutes alter, those gusy get on'' the computers, Gallagher said. "And sure enough, 15 minutes later, those gusy get on'' the computers, Gallagher said. "And sure enough, 15 minutes later, those gusy get on'' the computers, Gallagher said. "And sure enough, 15 minutes later, those gusy were out the doors and gone."

### Plane crash kills dozens in Benin of West Africa

COTONOU, Benin (AP) – A jettimer dipped a building during takeoff and crashed into the sea off the West African nation of Benin on Thursday, killing dozens of Lebanese workers on their way have for the holidays.

A winess easied 90 passengers were dead, while a doctor said 57 had been taken to a hospital morgue and more bodies were being retrieved from the water.

The chartered Boeing 727 bound for Beirut had just lifted off from the seaside airport in Cotonou, Benin's commercial capital, said Jerome Dandjinou, a senior airport security official.

"The back of the plane hit a building at the end of the runway. There was a fire and an explosion was heard." Dandjinou told The Associated Press. "The plane exploded and the debris fell into the water."

Airpor officials in Beirut said the

Airport officials in Beirut said the Airpor officials in Beirus said the plane was charcred from United Transit Airlines; but officials in Guinea, where the plan began its trip, identified the company as Union des Transports Africain. Air France said the company was unre-lated to the former French airline UTA: which was absorbed by Air France ad decade ago.

A U.S. Army tank

It was unclear how many people were on the plane. Benin's trans-port minister, Ahmed Akobi, said there were 156 passengers and an unknown number of crew, while an official with UTA said 253 peo-ple were on board.

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Dozens of bodies - men, women, children and babies - floated among the plane's wreckage about 150 yards off a Cotonou beach. Fishermen and residents waded into the water to search for survivors and recover the dead. Television images showed pieces of the plane lying in the surf; a shorn-off landing gear, part of a wing, the cockpit and the rear part of the fuselage, along with an engine.

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Tangled wires and metal hung
from the ripped-open fuselage.
One man sat in the sand, blood
running down his bare chest.
Another injured man held his

head One of the Lebanese survivors. Nabil Hashem, told Al Manar television in Beirut that he was in the back of the plane and was able to swim to safety. "Those in the front were the most hurt," Hashem said. "May God's mercy fall on them. It was a horrible scene."

## Pakistan leader survives bomb blasts

#### Leader escapes in second attempt in 11 days; 14 die

RAWALPINDI, Pakistan (AP) -

RAWALPINDI, Pakistan (AP) – Suicide attackers detonated two massive bombs. as President Pervez Musharraf's comvoy passed on a congested road Thursday, killing 14 people and getting close enough to crack the windshield on. his limousine in the second attempt on his life in 11 days. Musharraf, 60, was unhurt, but the attack – just a few hundred yards from the site of the previous bombing – raised troubling questions about the Pakistani leader's ability to hold on to power and keep an Islamic radical movement at bay. The attack occurred a day after Musharraf made a deal, with hardline Islamic political parties to quit his post as head of the army by the end of 2004. In a televised interview about seven hours after the attack, the president – a close ally in the U.S. war on terrorism – blamed Islamic extremists for both attempts on his life and vowed to fight.

"I was the target," Musharraf said, appearing calm and cleans the may blue business sait. "We must fight against them and cleanse the country of these extremists. These

navy blue business suit. "We must fight against them and cleanse the country of these extremists. These

country of these extremists. These are cowardly people, but my resolve is strong and I have total faith in God."

Officials said two suicide attackers driving pickup trucks, each loaded with 45 to 65 pounds of explosives, detonated as they tried to ram into the motorcade as it passed two gas stations on a main road at about 1:40 p.m. in Rawalpindi, a bustling city near the capital, Islamabad. Witnesses reported seeing body parts, shatthe capital, Islamabad. Witnesses reported seeing body parts, shat-tered cars and broken glass along

Two policemen and at least two



Left, a relative of a police inspector killed in a suicide bombing cries in front of the Casualty Department of Rowalpindi Center Hospital in Rawalpindi. Pakistan, Thursday. Two massive suicide bombs exploded Thursday moments after President Gen. Pervez Musharral's motorcad passed. The president's car was damaged but he was unhurt. At least 14 people were killed. including the two attackers. Bottom left, President Gen. Pervez Musharraf appears on television hours after the bast.



suicide attackers were among those killed, said Abdur Rauf Chaudry, a spokesman for the Interior Ministry. At least 46 people were wound-ed, including several police offi-

cials traveling in a van at the back of Musharraf's motorcade. Musharraf expressed grief at the loss of life and said he would do everything in his power to help the families of the victims. "I know this tragedy happened to them because of me," he said. The attack occurred just a few hundred yards from where would-be assassins detonated a bomb Dec. 14 that also narrowly missed

Dec. 14 that also narrowly missed the president – and just 10 days ahead of a summit of South Asian leaders to be held in Islamabad.

leaders to be held in Islamabad. No suspects have been identified in either attack, although both times Musharraf has implicated Islamic extremists who have been angered by his support for the U.S.-led war in neighboring Afghanistan, Pakistan had been a key backer of Afghanistan's hardline Taliban regime before

## Flipino workers flock to Bethlehem to celebrate, worship on Christmas

BETHLEHEM, West Bank (AP)

Barren of pilgrims and tourists,
Bethlehem filled up Thursday
with Filipino workers living in
Israel who came to celebrate
Christmas in the traditional birthplace of Jesus.

Three years. of Israelir-Palestinian fighting made foragloomy holiday overshadowed by
politics and Israel's contentious
separation barrier, which cuts
through this West Bank town.

A few hundred tourists – a farcry from the tens of thousands
who flocked here before the violence – were in Manger Square on
Christmas Eve to watch the annual procession and attend midnight
Mass.

By Christmas morning, most
ourists had left, and some 1,500
Filipino foreign workers were
bused into Bethlehem to attend
English-language services. The

rimpino foreign workers were bused into Bethlehem to attend English-language services. The Philippines is overwhelmingly Roman Catholic.
"My family is very jealous that I get to come here every year, and Lifa Rementilla, 34, who was spending her sixth Christmas in Bethlehem.

Munching on hot corn doled out of pots of boiling water by Palestinian vendors, the Filipino worshippers gathered in Bethlehem's anchem streets, taking pictures, chatting and thriving in the atmosphere of one of the holiest Christian cities.

"It's nice to be able to forget, if



A young Palestinian girl is held by her father as she lights a candle outside the grotto in the Church of the Nativity Thursday in Bethlehem. Christians, who are celebrating Christmas, believe the grotto is the exact place where Jesus Christ was born.

even for just one day, the prob-lems in this land," said Lora Lanipol, 39, who works as a care-taker in Tel Aviv.

"Who knows, maybe this Christmas will bring peace," she added, striking a rare note of opti-mism in a town that spent a third Christmas under the conflict's gloom.

Economically shattered by the conflict, the cash-strapped Palestinian Authority cut its Christmas budget this year, making decorations sparse. Political banners declaring "No land, No future, No Christmas trees" were prominently displayed alongside a meager showing of lights and streamers.

Musharraf switched sides following the Sept. 11 terror attacks.

The attacks also raised frequestions about the murky issue of succession in this nuclearmed nation should Musharraf be killed or incapacitated.

A pro-American fourstar general, Mohammed Yousaf Khan, is seen in line for the command of next in line to take command of the army, and Musharraf's ally, Zafarullah Khan Jamali, serves as prime minister but with little

prime minister but with little power.

Musharraf still enjoys popular support after ousting the ineffective government of then-Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif in a blood less 1999 coup. The general seized power after Sharif denied landing rights to the civilian plane carrying Musharraf, nearly causing it to crash with well over 100 people on board.

## Pope gives **Christmas** blessing

VATICAN CITY - A fatigued but determined Pope John Paul II read his traditional Christmas Day blessing Thursday to the faithful in St. Peter's Square and prayed for salvation from the evilsof war and terrorism.

Although the infirm 83-year-old pondiff looked tired after having presided over midnight Mass hours earlier, he completed his boundary of the product of t

ple."

Despite the pope's chronic maladies, he still might proceed with four planned trips in Europe and Mexico in 2004.

## Bombing kills four in Tel Aviv minutes after air strike

JERUSALEM - A Palestinian suicide bombing at a bus stop outside Tel Aviv killed four people Thursday just minutes after an Israeli helicopter fired missiles at a car in Gaza, killing a senior Islamic Jihad commander and four others. The attacks were the first of their kind in more than two months and were likely to lead to a wave of retaliatory violence

and damage new efforts to restart the Israel-Palestinian peace process. Palestinian officials and Egyptian mediators have been struggling to convince militants to halt attacks and get Israel to forgo such targeting killings of militant leaders. Palestinian officials condemned both militant leaders. Palestinian officials condemned both attacks Thursday and called for

renewed peace talks. Israeli leaders said the suicide bombing proved why such airstrikes were needed and pledged to continue fighting militants. The suicide bombing took place during the busy evening rush hour at a bus stop at the Geha junction outside Tel Aviv where Palestinian workers routnelly wait for people to pick them up for

potential jobs, police said.

The Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine claimed responsibility in a call to The Associated Press, saying it was in retaliation for the killing of two of its members last week. The group identified the bomber as Said Hanani, 18, from the village of Beir Furik, east of the West Bank city of Nablus.

#### Irag rebels usher in Christmas with attacks

BAGIIDAD, Iraq — Rebels unleashed a string of grenade, rocket; and mortar attacks in Baghdad before dawn on Christmas Day, hitting a hotel housing foreigners for the second time in as many days and targeting two banks, several embassics and a U.S. Army base.

Thursday night, several explosions were heard in central Baghdad, and sirens sounded in the Green Zone, a barricaded area

that houses the headquarters of the U.S. led coalition governing Iraq. A U.S. military spokesswams aid there were "two to three impacts in the vicinity of the Green Zone," but no casualties were reported.

The morning's strikes on prominent targets had more symbolic than military impact; two civilians – a woman and her daughter sleeping in an apartment – were injured, and dam-

age was limited.

U.S. forces had increased security in the capital following threats of attacks. over. Christmas, but the strikes showed how easily small bands of rebels operate under cover of night in the city center, and then slip away. They were a blow to American efforts to restore a sense of normalcy in a city where few people venture out after dark, for fear of violence.



secures an area outside Baghdad City Council Thursday, The council building was hit by one rocket early Thursday morning. Above the end of the tank's barrel are festive representations of reindeer antiers.



Battling obesity: States battle new

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group of pickers carry their loads of Sauvignon Blanc grapes to a trailer bin during the beginning of the Napa V the harvest Aug. 14, 2002, in Calistoga, Calif.

# With sadness, illegals choose to stay in U.S. for holidays

Tougher border security to keep migrants out, now keeps them here

The Associated Press

Migrant workers who once crossed the border each spring from Mexico and returned south for the holidays at home are more likely than ever to spend Christmas in the United States.

lions of dollars in beefiere border security.

The new reality is clear in Northern California's Napa Valley, where farmhands once packed for Mexico after harvesting prized wine grapes. The vines are now bare, but many workers are still kicking around for odd jobs and finding retige at the Rex. John Brenkle's St. Helena Roman Catholic Church.

"It's supposed to keep people out," Brenkle said of more muscular border security, "but it's locking people in, no question about it."

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It was once hard to find Mexican
workers in December. Now sign up
lists for an odd-jobs program are
twice as long as usual. This year,

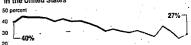
#### **Mexican migrants** staying longer

More Mexican migrants who cross the border each spring for employment are staying in the United States after the seasonal work is finished. Immigration officials say that after harvesting, workers are staying for odd jobs.

Length of stay in the United States, men and women over 15



Probability of returning to Mexico after one year in the United States



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ailer. From Nebraska to Alabama and

across the West - in states where Mexicans have come as cheap labor - word is the same: This year, Christmas will be spent in the United States.

United States.

Population researchers in both countries say the phenomenon was building before the Sept. 11

terrorist attacks prompted a fur-ther crackdown on the U.S.-Mexico border, making the cross-ing more dangerous and expen-sive. Getting back to Mexico is casy, but the harder road north has caused migrants to delay trips home out of fear they won't be able to return to the United States.

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# Worried about obesity, states mull laws to fight fat

Fighting to shed a few pounds and control that waistline? For the soaring number of Americans who are becoming dangerously over-weight, states and cities across the

soaring number of Americans who are becoming dangerously overweight, states and cities across the 
country want to help.

With the U.S. Surgeon General 
calling obesity an epidemic, legislations to encourage healthy 
food choices and ban the worst 
temptations.

Steptics say government should 
stay away from trying to legislate 
something as personal as what we 
cat. But supporters say they can't 
ignore a growing public health 
problem or how it drives the everrising cost of health care.

Few ideas have become law yet. 
But states have become law yet. 
But states have considered scores 
of bills this year that would, 
among other things get kids exercisting, warn restaurant eaters 
about fat, sugar and cholesterol on 
the menu; and, has usgary sodas 
and fattening clups from school 
vending machisma experiment, the 
state will pay for a few government employees' gastric bypass 
surgery – or stomach stapling – to 
see if it reduces health care 
costs.

"As a country, we have to war, 
who has had her own battles with 
weight but now its a champion 
weightliffeer.

She heads a state committee 
gathering data on obesity, and how 
the "legislature, food companies, 
the health care system and schools 
can act. "We're all paying the 
price," she said.

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Under the laws that have passed, states will:

-Test the BMI – body-mass index, a ratio of height to weight—of students in six Arkansas schools, and send results home. Pediatricians say regular tests like this should be performed nation-wide to track children at risk of becoming obese.

-Ban junk food from vending machines in California. New York City, in an administrative decision, banned hard candy, doughnuts, soda and salty chips from its vending machines.

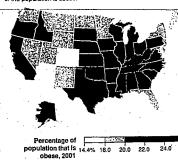
-Require physical education programs in Louisiana schools, and encourage it in Arkansas and Mississippi. Hough once a staple, such daily classes are now Unity-cquired by state law in Unitoric States let local officials decide or require exercise less often.

Public campaigns aimed at get-

often.
Public campaigns aimed at get-ting people to change their eating habits also remain popular.

#### States put squeeze on growing waistlines

Some states are considering laws for restaurants, schools and public employees to encourage healthy food choices and ban junk food in order to battle obesity. In more than half the states, at least 20 percent of the population is obese.



SOURCE: Contres for Dissass Control and Billboards across West Virginia featuring photos of bulging stomachs and couch potatoes, exhort people to "Put Down Chips & Trim Those Hips." Houston, Philadelphia and San Antonio, Texas have started "get fit" drives. The statistics show the need for such efforts. The number of obese adults has doubled in 20 years, and is now up to nearly 59 million people, or almost a third of all American adults.
Childhood obesity has tripled, with one child in six considered obese.

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As the pounds add up, so do the health care costs, because obessils is linked to diabetes, heart disease, and deaths from canceramong other aliments.

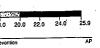
West Virginia found that, for state employees, costs for obesity have more than doubled since 1995, rising from \$37 million to '578 million, now nearly a fifth of the employees' \$400 million health plan.

Still, some are critical both of the statistics and the proposals.

"There's a lot of fear and hysteria," said Mike Burita at the Center for Consumer Freedom, an advocacy group for the restaurant and food industry. "We're allowing government and these public

and food industry. "We're allowing government and these public licath groups to dictate our food choices to us."

Among his top targets is the Center for Science in the Public Interest, a consumer advocacy group that produces a steady flow



of warnings about unhealthy food, from movie popcorn to Chinese takeout.

"It's OK to have a cheeseburger and fries, but it shouldn't be a mainstay of your diet," Burita said. Exercise and education are the solutions, he said. "Kids went from playing dodge ball to playing computer games".

— The skepties are being heard. A Texas proposal to limit school children's access to snack and sodwending machines died after the state soft drink association complained. Most of the 80 or so obestiy-related bills around the country also failed to pass.

"It's difficult to want to tacksomething like this, something as huge as this," said. Weiner, the Nevada lawmaker. She plans to bring together people from the-food industry and the public health community to work with lawmakers.

The federal government is acting, too. The Bush administration urged insurance companies to offer premium discounts to people with healthier lifestyles. It has started giving grants to cities to target unhealthy habits.

More immediate changes are brewing on the state and local level.

brewing on the state—level.

In—West—Virginia, the—state-agency that insures public employees has started offering exercise benefits and diet counseling, in addition to the state's advertising

#### Illegals \_

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In the year leading up to Sept. 11, 2001, the average undocumented migrant worker stayed instruments a year, according to a large survey by one Mexican think tank. The most recent figures, from 2002, show the average stay surpassed 70 weeks - the longest since the Tijuana-based Colegio de la Frontera Norte began its study in 1993. Even legal workers saw a similar increase in stay, to about 45 weeks.

"It is not the desire of Mexican migrant workers to stay," said-Rodolfo Cruz Piniero, a researcher on the survey. "If they can cross the border without any problem, they would come one or two times a year."

Garrison Courtney, and

Garrison Courtney, aspokesman for U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, said agents in the field have noticed a drop in the number of annual returness.

Christmas is a focal point of Catholic Mexico, where towns all but abandoned during the American growing and construit on seasons reanimate as workers return laden with gifts and money.

money.

While workers continue to send cash, they are less likely to send themselves.

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Investigators at the Inter-American Development Bank tracked the 59.3 billion Mexican workers sent home in 2001. They had expected to see the flow to slow that fall as people hoarded cash during uncertain times. In fact, the bank's surveys showed a surge in remittances. The explanation: Money for plane tickets was wired home instead.

The reasons for the shift so beyond the border crackdown, according to American and Mexican researchers. A wobbly U.S. economy means Mexican workers might stay longer to reach their savings target; the deterioration of subsistence farming in rural Mexica workers have fanned out to states thousands of miles from the Southwest border, making at rip home more journey than jaunt; Mexicans now work factories and construction, jobs that are less tied to seasons, and construction, jobs that are less tied to seasons, and construction, jobs that are less tied to seasons, and construction in the provide for their extended family have sent for their wives and chilly and the sent for their wives and chilly have sent for their wives and chilly and the sent for their wives and chill the sent for their wives and chill the sent for their wives and child the sent for their wives and children and the sent for their wives and their case of the sent for their wives and their case of their case of the sent for their wives and their case of the sent for their wives and t

dren, making a return trip less pressing and more expensive. Around 10 percent of Mexican workers returned in 2000 – down from more than 20 percent in 1997, according to Public Policy Institute of California researcher Relinda Reven

Institute of California researcher Belinda Reyes.
During those three years, as tighter security in California and Texas funneled crossers into the deadly deserts of Arizona, deaths surged from 129 to 491 Mexican consulates that send their bodies home.

You play with your life like dice in your hand.

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- Roberto, migrant worker, on the prevalence of bandits lurking along the U.S.-Mexican border

Deaths have since ebbed yet remain three times higher than when the border crackdown revved up six years ago. The number of illegal crossers apprehended has also fallen, but in 2003 stood at nearly 1 million – a historically high number that suggests increased security has not deterned Mexican migration.

Because crossing is harden, him a human smueeler is more

Because crossing is harder, hiring a human smuggler is more
expensive. The \$1,500 average is a
fortune for workers whose wages
in Mexico average a 10th of the
United States. And the shift to
more remote routes makes the
work of bandits easier.
"You play with -your life likedice in your hand," said one
Mexican-born worker named.
Roberto with a flick of the wrist.
Roberto, 41, lives in his van
around San Francisco and waits
on corners to score S&an-hour
jobs, mostly in construction.
Until the crackdown, he
returned to Mexico regularly Now
he speaks of the border as despair
and desperation.
"You feel it." he said. "People

d desperation.
"You feel it," he said. "People afraid."

are afraid."

In Nebraska, the Rev. Damian
Zuerlein ministers to Omaha's
Mexicans, many of them
employed in meatpacking. He has-

n't seen the statistics, but he has seen the change.

A few years ago, Christmas midnight mass attracted about 100 parishioners. Last year, more like 500 people came.

"I hear it over and over again. They're telling me they're not going home," Zuerlein said. "There is a little sadness, and you can kind of see that at the midnight mass."

In Alabama, the story is the same.

same.
"They say, 'No, now it's more
dangerous. I don't want to leave
my kids here," said Hernan
Prado, head of the Alabama Latin

my kids here," said Hernan Prado, head of the Alabama Latin American Association.

Prado-cites-Spanish-languagenews beamed by satellite television into even packed, hardscrable shacks. Reports from the border are inevitably grim: more than a dozen crossers die together, ruffickers, exchange gunfire after stealing each other's human cargo. And then there are the Border Patrol agents with more technology than ever to intercept crossers. The government budgeted 59 billion for border protection in the current fiscal year, up \$400 million from Last year. The number of Border Patrol agents along the U.S. Mexican line rose from 8,500 n 2000 to at least 9,500 today Miguel Escobar Valdez is the

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Miguel Escobar Valdez is the
Mexican consul in the border
town of Douglas, Ariz. Escobar,
who has arranged for the bodies of
dozens of crossers to be returned,
said he understand why Mexican
migrants are staying north.

"They're going to be yearning for their homeland," he said. "But first things come first - a job and the possibility of working and earning some money to send back."

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Across the small checkpoint, in the Mexican town of Agua Prieta, Miguel Garcia Romero sits in a public park and wishes he could return to the sheepherding job in Ogden, Urah that paid him \$500 in month. He went home to see his family but he has been trying for two weeks to cross back, only to be caught by the Border Patrol and marched back to Mexico.

Garcia, 43, is trying to scrounge money to buy a bus ticket back to his home state of Chihuahua.

If only he could make it back to Utah, he said, he would stay as long as he could—and his wife and three children would know he made it because of the money he would send back every month.

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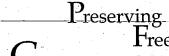
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## Females are the generals among forest baboons

Among forest baboons, the females start troop movements and decide when to fight.

Q. You once said a man named Matt Honk changed the saloons of the West. How?

A. He sold planos to them. Once the control of the cont

some of Nevada.

Surgery to draw back ears that stick out too far is called "otoplasty." Not so unusual. At last report about 10,000 "Americans a year were having it done.

It was Ted Turner who said, "Life is like a B grade movie. You don't want to leave in the middle of it, but you don't want to see it again."

again."

If the earth were the size of an apple, the earth's atmosphere would be only as thick as the apple's skin.

If that citizen across the dinner table is fond of the taste of mushrooms, you may call said worthy a "mycophagist." Or you may not. Up to you.

Q. Do grasshoppers have ears with cardrums?

A. They do. One on each side of ne abdomen.

Something else the science minds have found out about



REVISITED L.M. Boyd

chimponrees is the female of the species may mate as many as 50 times in one day.

"A man doesn't know what he knows until he knows what he doesn't know." So said that sage Scot, Thomas Carlyle.

What makes acupuncture work? One medical specialist contends it's a highly refined variation of the old counteriritant treatment. More sophisticated than mustard plasters. But related. Its acute stimulation keeps the brain too busy to pay much attention to other pains and cravings.

much attention to other pains and cravings.
A group of rhinos is called a "crash." Or was. Once.
Q. How many items of apparel are in the typical costume of a striptease dancer?
A. Count them: Outer gown. Gloves. Panels. Strip bra. Strip pants. Net bra. G-string. Pastics.
All the fish in a school of fish are about the same size. Can you explain why? Ask your fish teacher.

#### Remember responsibilities, Aquarius; Virgo enjoys service

IF DECEMBER 26 IS VOUR
BIRTINDAY ... you are thoughtful
and careful in your approach to
overy part of your life. You take
pride in your reasoning power, and
out have the right to do so, You are
u gifted conversationalist. A strong
personality, you are a better leader
than a follower Make sure to give
yourself and others a break at
times you could have a tendency to
push too hard.
ARIES (Mar 21-Apr. 19): Take it
easy and don't overindulge. Your
mind is spinning with future plans
and schemes. Moncy has to factored in be sure your ideas are feasible on a practical level.
TAURUS (Apr. 20-May 20):
Intense foelings should be left at
home. Planning is best done at
another time. Read, study, learn
and felan.
GEMINI (May 21-June 20):

home. Planning is best done at another time. Read, study, learn and relax.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20):
Thinking and feeling are both misfiring today, Avoid making major 
decisions. Devote yourself to active 
ly helping others.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): A 
commitment may be in the offing, 
but wait to make formal plans. 
Committed Cancerians might want 
to explore their sensuality. You're 
magnetic now, but be sure to let 
others shine.

TEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Romanticimpulses are very strong, but wait 
until you're completely clear before 
taking action. Don't be overly critical – it could backfire. If you need 
alone time, work it in.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): 
Service is still what turns you on 
and gives satisfaction today. Do it 
creatively and make it fun. Strong 
feelings can be told to the special

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few, and you can work them out in activity.

activity.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):
Powerful emotions may or may not find a willing audience; don't inflict them on the unreceptive. Future plans may seem to be going awy now, But relact — the stars will align better soon and things will definitely are heater.

now. But relax – the stars will align better soon and things will definitely get better. SCORPIO (Oct. 23 Nov. 21): Find the common thread amid the ups and downs. You enjoy being both nurruning and being the authority. Invite friends to visit. SAGTIFARTUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Try not to be too territorial; we all have to share. Strong feedings about career may surface; if you share them, do it carefully. The focus is on values.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jon. 10).

them, do it carefully. The focus is on values.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 Jan. 19): Cash flow should be strong. However, a long-term subconscious transformation may incline you to want to change financial arrangements. Think it through carefully before you speak.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Don't-let-your-desire-to-have-funierfere with your responsibilities. Avoid being drawn into a heighborhood dispute. With the moon in your sign, you may feel detached. PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20): Private musings can fund future performance. You're able to be more objective than usual now. Don't be afraid to stand up for what you believe in.

## Teen delays telling parents she's had sex

ents that she and her boyfriend (of nine months) have become sexually active?

Both of her parents are really protective, and she is not sure how to break it to them. She knows that have the right to know, and I want to tell them—but how?

ATA LOSS FOR WORDS, IN LAFAYETTE, LADEARATA LOSS: "She "should ask her mother to make an appointment for her with a gyne-cologist because she needs to be put on birth control and also to learn what she needs to know about sexually transmitted dis-rases. It will be a shocker, but it is also the truth. If you are mature enough to be having sex, you must be mature enough to be having sex, you must be mature enough to be having sex. Anonen who is sevanly active

consequences.

Anyone who is sexually active must have regular gynecological and/or urological examinations to Vor urological examinations to sure that she (or he) hasn't

ABBY Abigail

unknowingly picked up an STD. (To ignore an STD is to risk becoming sterile, and can be fatal.) Please don't put this off.

DEAR ABBY-Before he met me, ny husband, "Stan," was involved with a crazy, alcoholic, self-centered woman. "Evelyn" has never been married, but she acts like she is Stain's ex-wife. She has never accepted the fact that he married me and not he so me at work shortly after the wedding. She follows me when I am alone. She has told everyone that Stan is important has slandered my children. She even stole our family portrait from

How can I get this crazy womato leave me alone? I need help.—STALKED IN NORTH CAROLINA DEAR STALKED: You have my sympathy. She appears to be unbalanced. Notify the police that you are being stalked and obtain a restraining order. Then notify the phone company about the unwanted calls. If they can be traced to her, it is further proof of her harassment—and there is a way to block them.

DEAR-ABBY: I-have-been-dat-ing "Dale" for nearly two years. I am 32, he is 29, and he is every-thing my husband wasn't. Dale is wonderful to me and even more so to my two young daughters. He comforts us when we're sad. He takes care of us when we're sick. He even handles our finances and is always there for me regardless of the situation. He is a very romantic person who always makes me feel special.

My problem? He cannot carry on an intellectual conversation. He also lacks some language skills and doesn't always make "adult" decisions. In other words, although he's perfect in every other way, he lacks the mentality of a man his age.

Should Itet himpo? Sometimes I feel he may not be the one for me because he's not as smart at I think he should be.

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INTEXAS DEAR SECOND THOUGHTS: DEAR SECOND THOUGHTS: Ideally, when people "couple up" they do it with individuals whose strengths-compensate. for ... their weaknesses. For many women. Dale's positive qualities would be considered a prize. However, because intellectual accomplishment ranks high on your list of priorities, by all means let Dale go so be can find a woman who will lowe him for who he is, and you can find a partner who is more intellectually stimulating. You do not appear to be in love with him.



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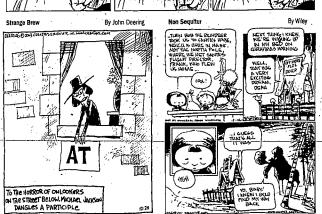
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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bill Baker at (206) 732-7200.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The following out lie lands near the community of Jarome, Jerome County data have been examined and found suitable for class fleation for lease to Jerome County, Idaho under the provisions of the Rocreation and Public Purposes Act, a amended (#3 U.S.C. 889 at seq.):

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SUMMARY: Jerome County, Idaho has applied for an RAPP lease on public lands along the north rim of the Snake River Canyon for recreation purposes, including klosks, stagling areas, equestrian, motorized and non-motorized, and podestrian trails. The land would be devaloped through partnerships with recreation

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2. Any other conditions that the authorized officer de-mines appropriate to ensure public access and proper anagement of Federal lands and interests therein.

3. All authorized uses and designations will continue to administered by the Bureau. Detailed information con-ming this action is available for review at the office of Bureau of Land Management, Upper Snake Visited estates, Shoshona Field Office, and 400 West F Street, bottone, (dafe 63352.

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On today's deal, Gabriel Chags and Howard Weinstein faced the Italian world team champions Lorenze Lauria and Alfredo Versace and run into an excellent defense.

ise. At some tables East had been able to double an artificial spade call by North to get his partner off to the right lead against three no-trump, ensuring the defeat of that

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contract.

Versace, who had no such help,
led a low diamond. Chagas won,
layed the king and queen of
clubs to knock out East's club ace
and, when East switched to top
spades, ducked the first two
rounds and won the third round,
pitching diamonds from dummy.

Chagas then led the heart king.
If West takes this — which is, after
all, the natural thing to do — blest play is to return a heart. However, declarer simply wins in dumny and cashes the jack and then
the 10 of clubs, squeezing West in
the red suits in the process. Versace saw the threat and neutralixed it by ducking both the heart
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The bidding: South

West North East
Pass 3 & Pass
Pass 3 NT All pass

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South 2 A

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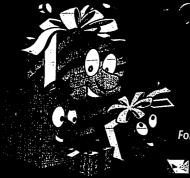
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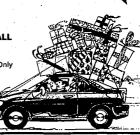
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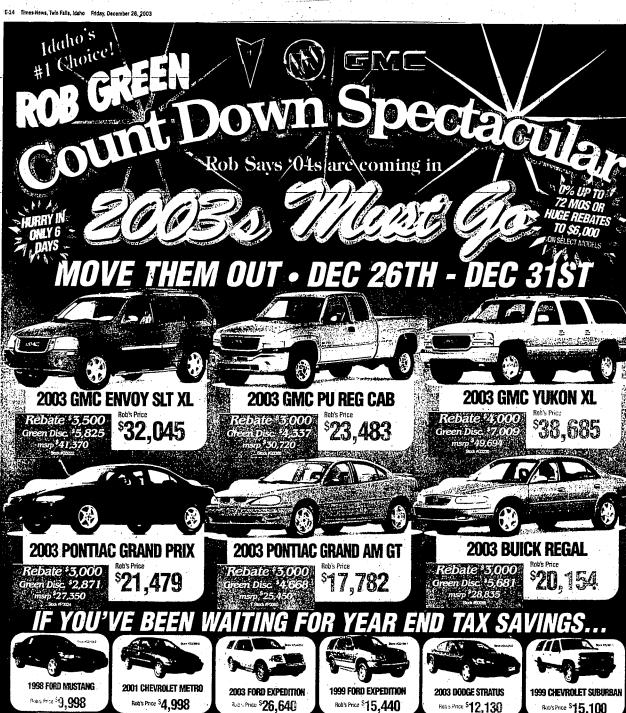
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