#### GOOD MORNING

WEATHER



Today: Mostly cloudy with slight chance of snow today and tonight,

high 28, low 16.

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Deadly stats: Fatalities on Idaho's roads in 2003 are ly to hit a 20-year-high.

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# HILLED FOR CHARITY

#### Donations were down slightly for yearly fund-raiser

By Rebecca Meany Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Luke Brown put on a pair of snow skis and squatted into position on the dock.

"I saw this in a movie," said the 22-year-old Twin Falls resident. "I was thinking about doing it all summer."

Dressed in snow pants, windbreaker, life-preserver and a helmet, Brown prepared himself for the feat.

"I think its the perfect time to do it, in the winter," he said. "They were trying to getme to wear a wet-suit, but I said!"—I'm going down, I'm going down like a snow skier."

snow skier."
Randy Cox, of Pinetree Sports,
manieuvered his Malibu Response boat
to drench the dock with water, hoping
the slick wood would give lift off to
Brown's heavy skis.
Cox straightened out the boat and let

Cox straightened out the boat ann ter it fly.

Brown's launch was smooth and he skidded over the water for more than a minute before letting go.

"That was cold water," he said as people pulled him from the river.

And with that, the annual "Freeze on Skis" fund-riser, held New Year's Day on—and sometimes in—the icy waters of the Snake River at Shoshone Falls, celebrated its 17th year Thursday with an expanded meaning.

The pledge total was \$10,475, down from last year's take of more than \$12,500.

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Part of the proceeds this year will go to the animal shelter fund, said John Pohlman, one of the organizers. An emergency medical fund will receive money as well.

"I used to double my pledges every year," said participant \$500, more year," said participant \$500, more year," and participant \$500, more year, but nised \$1,002.

"I was going to break the \$1,000 mark," he said. "Itwas still working it this morning. My brother and sisterin-law put me over the top."

Getting money from his usual contributors proved more difficult, he said.
"Alt of of wr regular people didn't give this year," he said. "They cringe when they see me come in with my little tan packer. Bur I just keep at it."

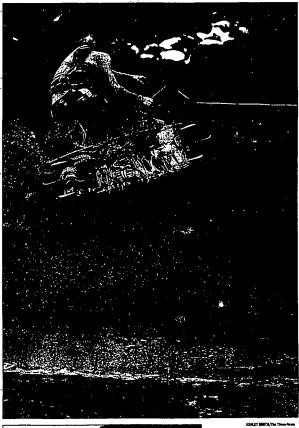
Participant numbers, too, were down from last year, Pohlman said, estimating the mumber at 15.

"We're going to have to go out there and do a little recruiting," he said.

The spirit and derring do of the water-skiers, however, was as high as ever.

Cup. Trevino, 18, of Ruppert, perform acrobatics on a weake board.

Tike to do crazy things," he said, adding that he donated \$500 to the event. The sheer spectacle of it all was enough to bring some people out of Please see PREZE, Page A2





Above, Cupp Trevino, 18, of Rupert, catches air while wake boarding on the Snake River above Shoshone Falls Thursday. Trevino was participating in the annual event on New Year's Day, which raised \$10,475 this year. At left, John Pohlman, right, one

Scott Trappen warm up in a hot tub after skiling in the winter water of the Snake River.

## Research eves noise to drive wolves away

—STANLEY – Loudspeakers blar-ing out the recorded sound of gun-fire or other loud noises or dog shock collars could resolve prob-lems with wolves before ranchers resort to a rifle bullet, researchers believe.

believe.

Since the federal reintroduction of 35 wolves into Idaho in 1995-96, conservationists have warred with opponents of the predator. In the past three years, at least 30 wolves have been killed or removed in and around the Sawtooth National Recreation Area due to conflicts with livestock.

"There's no one simple solution for the wolves," said John Shivik with the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Wildlife Services. "What we're trying to produce is options. You can never have too many tooks in your toolbox." Shivik, Adrian Theves with the Wildlife Science Center in Forest Lake, Minn, reported on hose alternatives in the December issue of Conservation Boilogy. Since the federal reintroduction of 35 wolves into Idaho in 1995-96,

Biology.
They researched whether devices – called RAG or radio-activated guard boxes – would scare off walkers

vated guard boxes – would scare off wolves.

The RAG boxes have cassette players that are activated to broad cast loud noises when wolves with radio collar; come too close.

The three researchers compared the predators' consumption of road-killed deer carcusses and ol dog food before and after being exposed to the noise.

The sound scared the wolves off to the point that roadkill consumption dropped by Iwo-third and dog food consumption by three-quarters.

This experiment was done on

three-quarters.
This experiment was done on wild wolves and bears in Wisconsin.
The problem with the RAG boxes is wolves can learn to ignore

the noise.

Instead of scaring the wolves, electric collars like those used to train dogs may teach them to stay away from livestock, said Shivik, who has researched their use. They

away from livestock, said Shivik, who has researched their use. They would also activate if the wolves get too close to calves or lambs protected by the system.

Niemeyer estimated there are about 760 wolves in Idaho, Wyoming and Montana, where the recovery project has been concentrated. About 360 are in Idaho, Although some wolves are captured and collared each winter, only about 50 Idaho animals have collars, Niemeyer said.

## Scientists report oldest evidence yet of humans near Bering land bridge

WASHINGTON – A people who may have been ancestors of the first Americans lived in Arctic Siberia, enduring one of the most unforgiving environments on Earth at the height of the Ice Age, according to researchers who discovered the oldest evidence yet of humans living near the frigid gateway to the New World.

Russian scientists uncovered a

30,000-year-old site where ancient hunters lived on the Yana River in Siberia, some 300 miles north of the Arctic Circle and not far from the Bering land bridge that then connected Asia with North

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America.
"Although a direct connection remains tenuous, the Yana ... site indicates that, humans extended deep into the Arctic during colder (Ice Age) times," the authors wrote in a study appearing this

week in the journal Science.

The researchers found stone tools, ivory weapons and the butchered bones of mammoths, bison, bear, lion and hare, all animals that would have been available to hunters during that Ice Age period.

Using a dating technique that measures the ratios of carbon, the researchers determined the arti-

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#### Storm slams valley, cutting power, closing-highways-By Rebecca Meany Times-News writer Alenskis, spokeswoman for Idaho Power.

TWIN FALLS - The relative calm of New Year's Day was bro-ken by an evening storm that-dumped as much as two feet of snow in some parts of Southern Idaho, causing power outages and dangerous foad conditions.

More than 24,000 Idaho Pewer customers in Southern Idaho were affected by the storm, said Anne

Power.

"As the storm rolled across the state, we experienced increased power outages," she said.

Just before '6 p.m., '900 'Twin Falls residents were without power, she said. Two hours later, the number reached 4,700. By 9 p.m., 6,300 were without power. In Gooding, 5,500 people were

# Earth-bound NASA gets ready for Martian jet lag

Red Planet's day adds about 40 minutes to 24-hour routine

The scientists whose rovers will explore the surface of Mars in January won't be leaving home themselves. But they'll have to get used to a hassle that no jet-lagged Earth traveler has ever faced: living on Martian time.

Martian time.
Starting Saturday, when the first of two
National Aeronautics and Space
Administration Mars buggies is scheduled
to touch down, more than 200 NASA per-

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Spacecraft operators Stan Thompson, right, and Serilk Zadourtan at work at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, Calif.



For a color graphic explaining the Martian mission, and a story on another craft set to fly through acomet's tall. please see page

#### TWIN FALLS FORECAST

Highs near 30.

Tonight: Light snow, otherwise cloudy. Lows in the teens.

Tomorrow: Breezy to brisk winds at times, mostly dry. Highs in the mid 20s

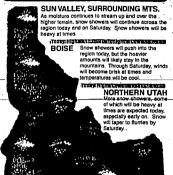
#### BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST

Today: Colder, developing snow showers possible. Highs in the mid to the upper 20s.

Tonight: Scattered snow showers possible. Lows in the

leens.
Tomorrow: Mostly cloudy with brisk winds. Highs in the 20s.

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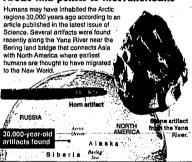


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#### Arctic find points to first Americans



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facts were deposited at the site
about 30,000 years before the present. That would be about twice as
old as Monte Verde in Chile, the
most ancient human life known in
the American continents.
Donald K. Grayson, a paleoanthropologist at the University of
Washington in Seattle, said the discovery is very significant because
it is so much earlier than any other
proven evidence of people living in
the frigid lands of Siberia that
formed the guteway to the
Americas.

formed the gateway to the Americas. "Until this site was reported, the earliest site in Bering land bridge area was dated at about 11,000 years ago," said Grayson. "Every other site that had been thought to have been early enough to have

something to do with peopling of the New World has been shown not to be so."

to be so."

At the time of the Yana occupa-tion, much of the high latitudes on the Earth were in the grip of an ice age that sent glaciers creeping over much of what is now Europe, Canada and the northern United States.

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States.

But the Yana River area was ice free, a dy flood plain without glaters. It was home to mammoth, horse, musk ox and other animals that provided food for the human hunters who braved Airtic blasts to live there. "Abundant game means lots of food," Julie Brighammers lots of the University of Massachusetts, Amherst, said in Science." It was not stark tundra as one might imagine."

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## Security officials maintain vigil on nation's airways

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WASHINGTON - Responding to a heightened threat of terrorists commandeering commercial air-craft from overseas, U.S. and for-eign officials in the last two weeks have beared courlet manuscript.

craft from overseas, U.S. and forcing officials in the last two weeks
have boosted security measures at
airports at home and abroad to
their highest levels' yet, government officials said Thursday,
"There is a higher level of sectrity domestically, and also with
our international partners, than
here ever has been," said Brian.
Rochrikasse, spokesman for the
Department of Homeland Security.
British Airways canceled two
flights between London and
Washington on New Year's Day.
The move came one day after the
London to Washington Flight 223
was escorted by U.S. fighter jets
and then detained on the tarmac
at Dulles thermational Airport for
several hours while passengers
and luggage underwent additional

screening.

An Aeromesico plane that took off from Mexico City on Christmas Eve turmed around after it was in flight for about 15 minutes because a Transportation Security Agency inspector on the ground did not believe passengers had been adequately screened, according to the airline and a senior administration official. After rescreening, the Flight 494 and, its passengers headed to the Los Angeles International Airport.

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Counterterrorism officials said for security concerns.

Counterterrorism officials said fluxed by that the Aeromesico flight 490 on New Year's Eve was of a particular concern because it, like an Air Framec Flight 69 from Paris to Los Angeles last week like an Air Framec Flight 69 from Paris to Los Angeles last week had been specifically identified in intelligence reports as possible targets of al-Qaida.

## Freeze -

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their post.New Year's Eve languor.

"We just came to see what this
was like," said Kinc Corona, 24, of
Jerome, who was with friends.

When asked if hed consider,
joining the skiers, he laughed and
shook his head.
"No way," he said. "It's too cold
just standing here. They gotta be
crary."

Some participants themselves
agreed.

Some participants themseues agreed.
"I did it because I'm stupid," joked Rick Gooding, 48, of Twin Fulls. "Tm old enough to know better, but I'm old enough to know better, but I'm Cravy Rick," he yelled, waving and smiling, as the boat pulled him to his feet.
While some skiers were old hands at the event, others joined at the last minute.
Michael McKee, 39, was at the Iluric Club New Year's Eve and waspersuaded by Pohlman to join in.

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In just a few hours' time, McKee managed to raise \$41.

"Why not? It's for a good cause," he said.

Finetree Sports donated time, people and boats to the event, and other agencies such as Twin Falls County Search and Rescue provided support in case the choppy water turned dangerous.

"It's a mess out there," said Troppen, eighthyear participant, as he defrosted in the hot tub near the dock. "The worst I've ever seen."

Truppen estimated the

True worst I've ever seen."
Truppen estimated the river water to be 38 degrees, which contrasted sharply with the 100-degree water in the hot tub.

"It stung so bad on my feet," Pohlman said, as he eased in to the tub with a glass of champagne.

"Gotta have some bubbly to warm you up," he said. "Like anti-freeze."

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#### Mars Continued from A1

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The idea is to squeeze as much science as possible from the soline powered rovers, which will search for signs of ancient water on the Red Planet. They're designed to last just 90 days and must do most of their exploring when the sun is shining.

of their exploring when the sun is shining.

Although it sounds simple enough, that requirement will make life pretty strange. To keep up with the longer Martian day, scientists and engineers will be setting their alarm clocks 40 minutes alhead every night.

"In some ways it's nice because it means you can sleep lafer every day," says Andrew Mishkin of the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, Calife, where the Mars rovers will be operated.

On the other hand, it means aworkday that began at 8 a.m. Earth time at the outset of the mission will begin at about 10 pm. just three weeks later, and at roughly 2:30 a.m. a week after that.

To help scientists and engineers

2:30 a.m. a week after that.

To help scientists and engineers adjust, NASA has enlisted experts who train long-distance pilots now to battle fatigue. They've draped blackout curtains over the windows of the Jet Propulsion Lab's mission control room to keep the sun from messing up-controllers' Mars-tuned body clocks. NASA has even ordered 150 custom-made Mars watches.

But the mission - the largest coordinated experiment in off-world living ever conducted - may also shed light on how humans

would hold up on manned voyages to Mars, or in Martian colonies. "

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Investigators from the NASA
Ames Research Center In
California are also recruiting 39
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will keep track of cat naps in sleep journals.

"We're trying to see how people adapt," says Melissa Mallis, director of Ames' Fatigue Countermeasures Group and leader of the study. In addition to its value for future Mars mission, Mallis says, the research may provide new insights into fatigue and sleep on Earth.

The problem of keeping time on Mars has inrigued scientists and science fiction writers since the 19th century.

science fiction writers since the 19th century. In February 1954 the Hamilton Watch Co. unveiled a Mars clock. Described as "the world's first interplanetary timepiece" by The New York Times, the device had a 16-inch face and four dials that simultaneously showed the hour, day, month and year on Earth and Mars.

so."
"People have thought about this for a long time," says Michael Allison, a scientist at the NASA Goddard Institute for Space Studies in New York who studies Martian timekeeping.

#### Storm

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wss.1990.

Problems in Hailey peaked-around 7:30 pcm, Alenskis said, when 2:500 people were without power. Several hours later, the number dropped to 1,300.

Winds, snow pack and downed trees contributed to power loss, she said. "There are so many types of outages caused by a storm like this."

Crews were out working to restore power across the state, but efforts were hampered by road closures.

efforts were hampered by road closures.
"There's so many different situations right now," she said.
"There's no way to predict how long it's going to take."
Cassia County Sherriff's Office reported several road closures: I 84 arthe 186 split to the Utah border; 186 to Pocatello; and U.S. Highway 77 from Albion to Malta. Officials declined to speculate

when the roads might reopen.

Blaine County dispatch reported getting more than two feet of snow. There were 73 slide-offs, but none of them serious.

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There were no major accidents within Jerome, Lincoln or Gooding counties, according to a Southern Idaho Regional Communications Center dispatch-

r. The Twin Falls Communications enter reported only minor traffic

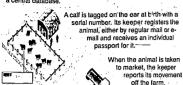
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#### Name of woman at New Year's Gala was misspelled

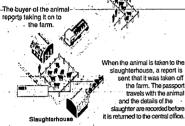
about fashions at the Twin Falls Centennial New Year's Gala incorrectly spelled Liz Woods' name... The Times News regrets the

#### British beef meets big brother

Cattle industry representatives are advocating a tracking system for cows in the United States. A similar system has been in place in England since 1996, Called the Cattle Tracing System, it involves reporting every animal's movements, from birth to slaughter, to a central database.



The market reports a "through movement," a record that the animal has passed through the market and whether it was sold or not.



## Safety measures take cattle lobby by surprise

GOP leaders killed similar effort in November

.The Washington Post

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WASHINGTON — The Agriculture Departments announcement
Tuesday of a ban on the sale of
meat from ailing "downer" cattle
marked a policy rumabout for the
Bush administration, coming only
a few weeks after the department
and allies in the powerful meastype in Congress.

Faced with the first case of mad
cow disease in this, country, the
White House and the Agriculture
Department were scrambling to
restore public confidence in the
niation's meat supply, encourage
foreign governments to resume
beet imports and head off a possiblush.

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The ban announced by Agriculture Secretary Ann Yeneman was the answer, and it represented a repudiation of years of industry efforts to limit government intervention in shaping fie nation's response to the threat of mad cow disease.

"We're going to support the actions of the secretary," said a subdued Chandler Keys, vice president of government affairs of the National Cartlements Bed Association, acknowledging that you have been producers had not anticipated such a sweeping government response.

For years, the politically potent

such a sweeping government response. The present and well-financed cattle and meat-packing industries have held sway in the debate over the practice of slaughtering and marketing non-simbulatory or "downer" cattle. They repeatedly blocked efforts by urban Democras and a handful off moderate Republicans to end the practice - which provides producers with millions of dollars of profits each year but also represents the biggest potential source of contaminated meat.

An estimated 190,000 sick of injured cattle are shipped to slaughterhouses annually, and only about 5 percent of them are tested for serious illness such as mad cow disease. Just last month, Republican congressional leaders deleted a measure banning that practice from a pending spending bill.

Rep. Gary Ackerman, D.N.Y., a

Hen. Gary Ackerman, D.N.Y., a longtime advocate of legislation to ban the slaughter of sick or injured cattle, said cattle and meatpacking industries have "shot themselves in the hoof" by resisting a necessary safeguard to the food system.

The new ban also gave a lift to animal rights activists and consumer groups who had been consigned to the fringes of the mad cow debate. "We've been pushing this for years," said Wayne Pacelle, senior vice president of the Humane -Society of the United States.

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cure.

Sen. Dick Durbin, D.Ill., in 2000 and 2002 asked the General Accounting Office, Congress's investigative arm, to check feed-company compliance with a Fool. and Drug Administration regulation prohibiting protein pellets made from the remains of cattle and other ruminants from being fed to cattle. Twice GAO found serious lapses.

In 1997 the Center for Science in the Public Interest began calling for stronger controls to prevent brain and spinal chord tissue from contaminated meat separate from beef bones through a decade-old technology called "advanced meat recovery." The Agriculture Department's own survey this year found that 35 percent of product samples tested in ~2002 contained "unacceptable-nervous tissues." Tuesday Vennema snuounced further restrictions on the tissues that can be included in AMR products.

Democrats said the recent failure to enact a ban against slaughtering of downer animals high-lighted the tight linkages between the Bush administration, congressional Republicans and the meat lobby. In 2000, the livestock industry time you talk about something time to the meat to the political campaign, of which 79 precent with group time you talk about something time government could do, you had opposition," Durbin said, "First the group being regulated and proposition, the lobby stand geneses in the federal government. Anything trend committees and agencies of monthing committees.

was blocked."
The congressional committees overseeing agriculture programs and meat inspection are also dominated by lawmakers from cattle states such as Texas, Nebraska, Kansas and Oklahoma.

# Senators: Blocking terror funds stalls

WASHINGTON (AP) - The top senators on the powerful Senate Finance Committee are openly questioning a key federal agency's ability to, block terrorist money, citing examples in which U.S. officials failed to freeze the money of people identified as terrorist financiers by American allies.

"Other nations rightly look to the United States for leadership and information in the war on terrorism. We should not be playing catch-up," Sens. Charles Grassley, R-lowa, and Max Bauicas, D-Mont., wrote the Treasury Department's

Office of Foreign Assets Control in a letter just before Christmas. Grassley, the committee chair-man, and Baucus, its senior Democrat, cited numerous con-cerns about OFAC's performance, including evidence of sloppy record keeping, failure to provide required information to Congress record Keeping, failure to provide required information to Congress and reliance on voluntary companience by banks to impose sanctions against suspected terrorists.

Though an internal investigation in 2002 recommended OFAC make changes to ensure it has the legal authority to test banks' com-

pliance with sanctions, the agency hasn't taken steps tor do so, according to the letter obtained by The Associated Press.

"This leaves OFAC in a position of not knowing what it does not know," the two senators wrote. "While many financial institutions report their own violations when they are detected, we do not have the luxury of assuming that all financial institutions do this."

"The dangers of terrorism financing operating unbindered are too great to take a passive approach," the letter said.

Treasury Department spokes-woman—Tura—Brudshaw—said-Wednesday she was unfamiliar with the lawmakers' complaint, and OFAC Director Richard, Newcomb was out of town and unavailable for comment. OFAC is an obscure office that plays a key role in the war on ter-orism. It is charged with freezing the bank accounts and other financial assets of countries, com-panies and individuals who are deemed enemies of the United States – everyone from-Saddam Hussein to Osama bin Laden.

## Annual parades escort in New Year; others dive into 'polar' swim tradition

The New Year marched in with Mummers in. Philadelphia – including paraders dressed as Saddam Hussein and Martha Stewart – while a huge crowd gathered for the Rose Parade marveled at petaled spectacles including water-squiring elephants and a bubble-blowing octopus. Others marched to their own drummers and took part in a different New Year's Day tradition: jumping into bone-chillingly cold water for a quick "polar bear" swim.

swim.

But some people had to put their celebrations on hold as a snowstorm hit the West Coast, shutting down a 90mile stretch of Interstate 5 in Northern California and knocking out power for thousands of people.

About 12,000 elaborately costumed men and women strutted through Philadelphia in the annual Mummers Parade, where many of the string bands strum "Oh Dem Golden Slippers."

This year's party along Broad Street featured people dressed like Philadelphia Flyers hockey players and a shackled Saddam.
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Stewart, and the FBI bug found in Philadelphia Mayor John Street's office during the last election campaign, also came in for spoofs from the parasol-waving participants.

"The crowd was very welcoming to us and if felt great," said Peter Broomall, head of the Broomall String Band.

About 800,000 spectators gathered on the streets of Prasadena, Calif., to cheer marching bands and fantastical floats during the 115th annual Tournament of Roses parade.

"Twe never been to a big parade before, so it's kind of exciting," said 12-year-old Sydney Froullette for Lafayette, Ind. Her favorie float was a sunken ship covered with sea animals, including the giant octopus that waved its arms and blew bubbles.

The Grand Marshal's trophy went to the "Springime Symphony" float, which had eight waterials and patriotic floats, including one that featured a massive Statue of Liberty and abother craving a statue of Abraham Lincoln made forces rice sessure swell and shoot.

statue of Abraham Lincoln made from rice, sesame seed and shred-ded coconut. The 23 marching bands, 49 floats and 25 equestrian groups were led by grand marshal John Williams, the conductor who com-posed the music for "STar Wars" and many other popular films.



s up B during the 103rd annual New Year's Day Mummers Parade in Philiadelphia. Below, 'Sushi,' portrayed by female impersonator Gary Marion of Key West, Fla, atts in an oversized high-leeded shoe after it was lowered early Thursday outside the Bourbon Street Pub in Key West.



## Clark hikes campaign against Dean

WASHINGTON (AP) – After separating from the pack, as the only Democrate presidential candidate to give Howard Dean a late-year run for the money, Wesley Clark is mapping his final sprint to become the Democrate alternative to Dean.

"It's now clear that I'm one of only two candidates in a position to win the nomination," Clark, a retired general, said in a statement issued Thurs day, "and I'm the only candidate positioned to actually win the election with the candidate best able to what with the country secure over the next four years."

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President Bush had a 67 percent to 21 percent lead over Dean on who people trust more to handle national security, according to a mid-December ABC-Washington

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Dean's campaign aides say his strength in a general election campaign is his unique ability to mobilize new voters and his ability to mise more beyond the limits required by taking federal matching funds.

Dean spokesman Jay Carson said the former Vermont governör was the one candidate "who had the good judgment to oppose the war in Irna when that was not politically popular." Carson said Clark and other candidates taking matching funds will be "flat breafter-the-primary campaign and sitting ducks for President Bush." The president's re-election campaign has already raised more than \$115 million.

#### Who has winner?

SOUTH EUCLID, Ohio (AP)
Someone who buys lottery tickets in this Cleveland suburb is going to have a prosperous new year. Ditto for ticket buyers in Pennsylvania and South Carolina. A winning Mega Millions ticket worth \$162 million was sold at a convenience store here, a Ohio Lottery spokeswoman said. It was the only ticket in the 11-state jackpot that matched all the numbers in Tuesday night's drawing. The winning numbers were 12, 18, 21, 32 and 46. The Mega Ball number was 49.

# Justice criticizes new federal sentencing process

WASHINGTON - Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist blasted Congress in his annual assessment of the courts this week, saying it passed a law that governs the fearal sentencing process without consulting any judges.

In his report, Relinquist said the Protect Act, passed in April to cruck-down on-child-sex. crimes, also required federal agencies to track how often judges meted out lighter sentences than guidelines suggested.

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The law passed "without any consideration of the views of the judiciary," Rehnquist wrote. The

Patriot Act also requires agencies to track how often judges give light sentences, Rehnquist says

tracking of judges' sentences, he wrote, could "appear to be an unwarranted and ill-considered effort to intimidate individual judges in the performance of their judicial duties."

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Federal judges, he wrote, "are
not to be romoved from office for
their judicial acts."
Rehnquist's comments are the
latest salvo in an ongoing battle of
words over the role of judges in
sentencing. As a way to cut crime,
Congress and the Bush administration have been pushing for

mences, Rehnquist Says
tougher sentences while working
to temper judges' ability to reduce
those sentences as they see fir. The
judiciary rankles over constraints
on its freedom to sentence.
Rep. James Sensenbrenner, R.
Wis., who chairs the House Judiciary. Committee, said. Congress
didn't ignore the judiciary when it
passed the Protect Act. He said
the amendment that addressed
more lenient sentences was "the
subject of much debate before and
during the conference committee
with the Senate as members heard

from numerous folks, including many federal judges."
The Judiciary Committee considered those views – as articulated in a letter Rehnquist wrote in April – and rejected them, Sensenbrenner said.
Rehnquist's criticism of Congress was the most pointed part of his report, the 18th he's submitted since becoming chief justice in 1986. The report details the past year of activity at the Supreme Court and the nation's other fedyear of activity at the Supreme Court and the nation's other fed-eral courts, as well as recapping the year for the administrative and research-based parts of the judiciary, which Rehnquist over-

## Dubious distinction: Chicago tops nation in murders in '03

CHICAGO (AP) – Despite a Sharp drop in homicides, Chicago has regained a title it didn't want America's murder capital.

"The city finished 2003 with 599 foundides, police said Thursday. That was down from 648 a year earlier and the first time since 1967 that the total dipped below 600.

600. Still, the nation's third-larges

city outpaced all others for the second time in three years. New York, with about three times the population, ended the year with 596 homicides. Los Angeles, which had the most murders in 2002 at 658, wound up 2003 with an estimated total just under 500. Chicago's new police superinendent, Philip J. Cline, joined colleagues elsewhere in blaming

homicides largely on a volatile mix of gangs, guns and drugs. But officials pointed to a new system established in June, parly inspired by New York's computer ized crime analysis unit, that con-tributed to an 18 percent drop in Clicago murders in the second half of 2003 compared with a year earlier.

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der tally of 596 compared with 584 in 2002. That was a 2 percent jump but still made 2003 the city's

584 in 2002. Am., jump but still made 2003 the city's second straight year below 600 dramatically less than the 2,245 homicides recorded in 1990. St. Louis logged its lowest murder total in more than four decades, a showing that police crédited to aggressive efforts to track down violent offenders.

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# Bush charts own course throughout his presidency

President initiates number of policies to alter direction of U.S.

By Ron Hutcheson Knight Ridder News Service

WASHINGTON - George W. Bush came to office without a majority of voters behind him, fueling widespread expectations that he would seek to forge a bipartism coalition and govern cautiously from the center. Instead he rules as though he had won the White House in a landslide.

had won the White House in a landslide. He has stamped his mark on America and the world with a big. bold and, in some ways, even radical presidency. Emboldened by self-confidence – ritics call-tarrogance – Bush has, made striking departures from American and Republican traditions. "He's trying to forge a new definition of conservative," said Lee Edwards, an expert on political philosophy at the Heritage Foundation, a conservative think tank. "Just as Clinton was trying to be a 'new' Pemocrat, maybe Bush is trying to be a 'new' Republican." He certainly has charted his world by the property of the p

agreements, abandoned the glob-al-warming treaty, asserted a doc-trine of pre-emptive war against threats that are only potential, not imminent, and defied global opin-ion to invade Iraq in search of weapons of mass destruction that

ion to invade Iraq in search of weapons of mass destruction that no one can find.

The "humble" foreign policy that he talked about during the last presidential campaign was replaced by an us-versus-them style that alienated some traditional allies, led by France and Germany, and called into question America's will to work in partnership with others. Around the world, polls show that many fear he's trying to run the world from Washington. He says he's simply providing the leadership the world needs to confront urgent problems that others profer to duck each of the world with the specific profess of the state of the state

Faced with a tough choice betweer guns and butter – military or domestic spending – Bush chose



President Bush walks off Air Force One, with his dog Barney, after arriving last week at Texas Sta airport in Waco. Bush and his family are spending the New Year's holiday at their Crawford ranch.

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- George Edwards, Texas A&M University

both, along with big tax cuts.

Overall government spending is up by 16 percent since he took office, due in large part to the war on terrorism and the invasion of Iraq. But even non-defense domestic spending is up 11 percent, according to a recent analysis by the Heritage Foundation.

"This is a different orientation, that government is not necessarily

the enemy," said George Edwards III, director of the Center for Presidential Studies at Texas A&M University. "He wants to use gov-ernment in a conservative way for liberal ends."

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In a move that alarmed fiscal conservatives of every party, Bush expanded Lyndon Johnson's Great Society legacy by adding a big new entitlement – prescription drug coverage – to Medicare. Despite efforts to hold down costs, the change is expected to cost at least \$400 billion over the next 10 years, and many independent experts believe that-estimate is dramatically low.

Bush also meals coverage.

cally low.

Bush also greatly expanded the federal government's role in education, a remarkable turnabout from Ronald Reagan's call to abolish the Education Department. That was still a GOP crusade less than 10 years ago, when Newt Gingrich led Republicans to cap

ture control of the House of Representatives in the name of downsizing government. Republi-can control of Congress remains, yet so does a now much stronger federal Education Department.

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"We're building in a much lower revenue stream even as we've, added big government initiatives. That combination is unprecedented," said Robert Bixby, executive director of the Concord Coalition, a bipartisan budget-watchdog group, "It's an attempt to do big government on the cheap, which comes out as big deficits."

Administration officials and most economists say the deficit isn't a problem at this point because it is relatively small compared with the overall economy. Bush also, contends that his tax cuts will spur enough growth to cut

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will send federal spending on Social Security and Medicare soaring for decades, making it much harder to avoid deepening government debt.

Forced by the Sept. 11, 2001, terror attacks to put the government on a war footing, Bush also created a Cabinet-level Homeland Security Department in the biggest reorganization of the federal government since World War II.

And, with bipartisan support from Congress in enacting the Patriot Act, Bush's Justice Department is testing the limits of constitutional protections for individual liberties in its zealous pursuit of potential terrorists.

Recent court rulings have overturned the administration's featured with the control of the co

works.

He has served notice that he will conduct to push for a producer-friendly federal energy policy, an overhaul of the legal system to discourage lawsuits and legislation make his tax cuts permanent. Bush is also expected to amounce plans to revive the manned spaceflight program with trips to the moon or Mars.

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His proposal to privatize Social Security by letting workers invest in the stock market is at the top of his to-do list for a second White

in the stock marrier is at the top this to-do list for a second White House term. Bush's foreign policy agenda is even more ambitious. Some influential national-security advisers to Bush's civilian Pentagon leaders, such as Richard Perle, call for U.S. pressure to force regime change in Syria and Iran. In addition to the war on terrorism and the reconstruction of Iraq, Bush wants his legacy to include peace between Israelis and Palestinians and the spread of democracy throughout the Middle East.

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"This is a guy who really wants to bring about major change. He's thinking big and bold," said Edwards, the Texas A&M professor. "He has squeezed about as much out of the system as you can. He keeps pushing."

#### Firms give warming plan chilly response

WASHINGTON - Two-years after President Bush declared he could combat global warming without mandatory controls, the administration has launched a broad array of initiatives and research, yet it has had little success in recruiting companies to woluntarily curb greenhouse gas emissions, according to documents, reports and interviews.

At the heart of the president's strategy is "Climate Leaders," a program that recruits the nation's industrial polluters to voluntarily devise ways, to curb, their emissions by 10 percent or more in the coming decade. Scientists believe these greenhouse, gas emissions, which include carbon dioxide, are contributing to a troubling rise in the earth's temperature that could disrupt weather patterns and cause flooding.

Only a tiny fraction of the thousands of U.S. companies with pollution problems – 50 in all – have joined Climate Leaders.

Industry groups, meanwhile, have crafted their own programs under a Bush administration initiative called "Climate VISION," but none of the programs requires individual companies to either enlist in the program or set goals for emission reductions.

Many of the firms with the worst pollution records have shunned the voluntary programs because even a voluntary commitment would necessitate costly cleanups or possibly could set the stage for future government regulation, according to industry insiders.

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Most of what the administration hopes to accomplish in terms of reduced emissions will not become apparent for many decades to come, experts agree. The president's more immediate goal, announced on Valentine's pay 2002, is to reduce greenhousegas intensity – the amount of gasput into the atmosphere per, unit. of economy – by 18 percent overthe next 10 years. Congress's-research arm, the General Accounting Office, concluded in October that Bush's pla

## EPA led policy shift to ease mercury-restrictions-on-plants

WASHINGTON - For nearly 21 months, a government task force steadily moved toward recommending rules that within three years would force every coalfired power plant in the country to reduce emissions of mercury, which can cause neurological and developmental damage to humans. The Environmental Protection Agency-sponsored working group had a well-regarded mix of utility industry representatives, state quality, officials and environmentalists. Without settling on specific emission reductions, the panel agreed that all 1,100 of the nation's coal and olified power plants must use the "maxdmum achievale control technology" (MACT) to reduce mercury and other hazardous pollutants.

But in April, the EPA abruptly dismantled the panel, John A. Paul, its co-chairman, said members were given no clue why their work was halted - that is, until late last month, when the Bush administration revealed it was taking an entirely different approach, using a more flexible portion of the Clean Air Act.

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The new approach would still cost the industry billions of dollars to most long-term goals. But it waster cheaper and less onerous than the MACT approach that most experts had assumed the EPA was developing to meet a courtimposed deadline of Dec. 15.

The administration's alternative plan would technically downgrade the danger of mercury pollution, grant utility companies 10 more years to develop and install new anti-pollution equipment; and launch a cup-and-trade system than would allow utilities to buy emisons "credits" from lesser-polluting companies to meet an overall industry target, or cap, without having to install new scrubbers or anti-pollution equipment on every plant.

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The proposed rule mirrored President Bush's "Clear Skies" legislation, which was stalled in Congress, and would regulate mercury pollution along with two less

toxic air pollu-tants, sulfur dioxide and n i t r o g e n oxide. Mike eavitt,

administrator, said the approach of the approach of the approach of the largest air pollutions of any kind not specifically mandated by the Congress." But some task force members were shocked and angered.

"It is as though the working group never existed," said Paul, supervisor of Ohio's Regional Air Pollution Control Agency. "Just when we think we have a process

from it."

If was a huge decision that dimonstrated that (the EPAs) desire wasn't to regulate mercun; in the way that Congress and a federal advisory committee and other stakeholders had anticipated," added panel member S. William Becker, executive director of a bipartisan association of state air roughts officials.

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Say\_their\_opproach\_is\_actually\_greener\* than the one prescribed by Congress and considered by the working group. In the long run, they say, it will encourage development of mercury-removal techniques envisioned under MAC.T; offer utilities conomic incentives to conditioned under MAC.T; offer utilities comomic incentives to conditioned under MaC.T; offer utilities como described in the described of the most conditioned under the described in the utilities and its allies in the utilities of the most toxic chemicals known, which once air borne can pollute rivers, lakes and oceans and penetrate the food chain. John Stanton of the National Environmental Trust, a member of the working group, said; the administration's decision

marks "really a fundamental shift in the recognition of the threat posed by mercury to the very most susceptible," including the fetuses of pregnant women who eat mercury-tainted fish.

Stanton and other environmentalists charge that by shifting the regulations from the rigorous Section 112 of the Clean Air Act, reafted by Congress to deal with the most hazardous pollutants, to the more permissive Section 111, the administration will excuse the utility industry from controlling more than 60 other toxins associated with the burning of coad and allow power plants to continue polluting for another decade. "This is a case of politics polluting science," Stanton said.

Some critics blamed White House political adviser Karl Rove, Office of Management and Budger regulatory experts or Vice-President Chency's office of Containing the new polity. In fact, the regulatory turnabout was engineered by Jeffrey R. Holmstead, the EPA's serior air quality official and a former industry lawyer, who is little known outside a circle of government regulators and utility industry executives.

Holmstead had been a scholar with a libertarian group that advacated market solutions to environmental problems and a partner at the Washington law firm Latham & Watkins, which has represented electric power companies and other industries before Congress. He was associate counsel to President George H.W. Bush, with primary focus on environmental

primary focus on environmental issues.
Neither Leavitt nor Christine Todd Whitmann, when she was EPA administrator, played a significant role in developing the mercusy rule backed by Holmistead, although Leavitt became a strong advocate of the overall capand-trade approach during last-minute high-level meetings, said a Leavitt aide.
"I was the one who started talking, about (the approach) about a year ago." Holmstead confirmed in a recent interview. "I can assure, but that no one on the industry side ever spoke about it."



## U.S. troops grind on in Saddam's hometown

Associated Press writer

TIKRIT, Iraq=Through the fog, seven American foot soldiers inch along a muddy neighborhood of small homes and trash-strewn loss, drawing a pesky trail of children who still marvel at the site of these strange warriors. Iraqi men with heads wrapped in checked searves scowl from the windows of passing cars. With the luster of Saddam Hussein's capture fading and an uneasy calm settling over the former dictator's stronghold, U.S.-forces grind on, patrolling daily, searching for street fighters who remain elusive, even as commanders say they've honed in onthe insurgency's top leadership in this city.

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"We'd love for them to put on
uniforms-and-come-out,"—saiddapt. Mitch Carlisle, a company
continander from the 4th
Infinity Division's 1st Battalion,
22nd Regiment. "It's an eery
quiet. We don't know what is
means. We know there's a lot of
bad guys out there."

On a recent chilly morning,
Carlisle, from Sidney, Ohio, stood
outside his base at "Birthday
Palace," on the western edge of
the city, where Saddam would
come each year to mark his birth
on April 29, 1937 - appearing on
a second floor balcony and firing
a rifle shot into the air one-handed before a crowd.

"It's good that Saddam is gone,
but for us the fight is still real,"
said Carlisle, wearing yellow sunglasses below his camouflage helmet and chewing tobacco.

Tikrit is still a dangerors place
for American forces. There's the

glasses below his camouflage hel-met and chewing tobacco.

Tikrit is still a dangero splace for American forces. There's the occasional mortar attack, and more feared: roadside bombs. They're hidden under sewage drain covers along Tikrit's main Highway No. 1 and even in the slit-open bellies of dead cats and other animals. Others are painted with yellow and white stripes to



U.S. Army Pfc. Sanzabeedee Guerrero, of the 4th Infantry Division, 1st Bettallon 22nd Regiment, smiles at fraqi children Saturday during a foot patrol in Tikrit, Iraq. U.S. forces patrol daily, methodically searching for street fighters who remain elusive

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Iraqis, too, are plodding along
toward this country's uncertain
future. Civilians have been killed
in insurgent bomb attacks and
other violence. Jobs have been
lost. And for those Iraqis happy at
Saddam's downfall, there's still
the disappointment of living
under an American-led occupation—leaving some feeling simultaneously freed and jailed.
Daily frustrations boil under
the surface. Iraqis wait in cars
sometimes for more than a day in
lines that stretch from gas stadions because of fuel shortages
and a thriving black market. And
most places still suffer power outages.

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S. Outside Tikrit's Birthday
Palace - now a cold, soldiers barracks stacked with cots, TVs, and
even outfitted with a veight lifting gym - a daily foot patrol readies to leave. Young soldiers strange
on body armor, knee pads and
helmets topped with tattered
strips of burlap for camouffage.
Along with the seven-manpatrol is their interpreter, Ali
Ahmed, a 31-year-old Iraqi Kundon
Who says he's been warned by
Iraqi police officers' that he's
marked for death by local Sunni
Muslim fighters who consider
him a traitor for working with the
Americans.
When he talks of the bounty
out on his life he bursts into rolls

of laughter that seem meant to shield him from worry. "Sometimes people downtown yell at me or call out bad words. They call me a spiy," said Ahmed, whom the soldiers have nick-named "Fabio," because his shoulder-length, curly hair is slightly reminiscent of the Italian model Fabia Largani

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The patrols have been largely quiet in recent days, giving sol-diers time to talk with shopkeep-ers and residents in hopes of fer-reting out tips on insurgents or hidden weapons.

No luck this time out. Residents smile uneasily, shake their heads and say they've seen nothing.

## Bomb kills 10 New Year revelers in Indonesia

—JAKARTA-Indonesia —A-bomb tore through a crowded New Year's concert in Indonesia's Aceh province, killing 10 people and challenging government claims that security in the restive region is

that security in the restive region is improving.
Wednesday's blast, which also wounded 45 people, was the bloodiest bombing in Aceh since the government on May 19 abandoned a six-month truce and launched an offensive against the rebels. Authorities accused separatist guerrillas of the bombing – a claim

guernias of the bombing – a claim denied by the insurgents, who have been fighting since 1976 for inde-pendence for their oil-and gas-rich-province\_on\_the\_northern\_tip\_oil Sumatra\_island.

Sumatra island. The bombing came as Jakarta undertakes a massive military offensive to crush the insurgency, one of several in remote regions of Indonesia that threaten to break up the sprawling archipelago in the Indian Ocean.

#### Israelis, Palestinians venture on Antarctic expedition

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SANTIAGO, Chile — Eight Israelis and Palestinians left Thursday on an expedition to climb an unnamed, unconquered mountain in Antarctica, vowing to show they can work, together under dangerous conditions.

The two yachts carrying the six men and two women of the 'Breaking the Ice' expedition sailed from Puerto Williams, a Chilean navy base 2,050 miles south of Santiago. 'I think we are setting a very good example on how different people can live and cooperate together, 'expedition leader Heskel Nathanial said as the expedition sailed off in good weather.

Heskel Nathanial said as the expe-dition sailed off in good weather. The four Arabs and four Jews plan to climb a mountain near the Bruce Plateau in Antarctica after sailing for 600 miles in some of the

Two of the Palestinians on the expedition spent time in Israeli prisons - one for attacking Israeli soldiers and another who was accused of terrorism. Two of the Israelis are former members of an elite commando unit.

#### First Pakistan India airline flight in two years takes off

NEW DELTH - An airliner made

flight in two years takes off

NEW DELHIT—An airliner madear roundtrip journey between India
and Pakistan Thursday, the first
commercial flight between the
rival nations in two years and the
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tates sign of improving relations.
The Pakistan International
Airlines "flight from Laborebrought 42 passengers to the
Indian capital, New Delhi, then
returned to the Pakistani city with
114 passengers, including Indian
and Pakistani businessmen, Indian
rilmmakers and journalists.
"Fantastic! It's the beginning of
a great year," said Capt. T.
Muzaffar, who piloted the flight.
The flight is the result of
improved relations between the
two South Asian giants, who have
been working to relieve tensions in
recent months, raising hopes they
will put decades of harred and misrust behind them. The two countries have also restored bus service,
resumed full diplomatic ties
and observed a cease-fire between
forces lined up on either side of
line dividing the Himalayan region
of Kashma between the countries.
India wants the indefinite ceasefire in Kashmir and other volaciaareas to be made permanent, the
Press Trust of India said. Botcountries claim Kashmir in its
entirety, and more than 65,000 people have died in an anti-india
insurgency in the territory.

Compiled from wher reports

United Nations observers show the empty ballot boxes Thursday before the council delegates began voting for a new constitution in Kabul, Afghanistan

## Power struggle puts Afghan talks on hold

KABUI, Afghanistan (AP) — Afghanistan's constitutional convention came off the rails Thursday, as panicked officials adjumed the gathering in the face of a boycot by opponents of President Hamid Karzai.

The delay was the sest severe setback yet to this warravaged nation's attempt to put its vision of a secure future on paper, and raises real concern that the historic gathering will end in failure.

Citics blamed the government for its insistence on a strong presidency, and its unwillingness to hear minority demands on such

dency, and its unwillingness to hear minority demands on such embitive issues as language rights. Offers point to the machinations of warlords and faction leaders seeking a new niche if Karali wins the powers he is seeking. There are several fundamentalists at work here," Mirwais Yasini, the loya jirga's deputy haprman, told The Associated Press. "The jihadi groups all want a share of the power."

chairman, told The Associated Press. "The Jihadi groups all wantasine of the power."
The 502 delegates have spent nearly three weeks wrangling over a draft constitution presented by Karzais U.S.-backed government back in November.
Frustrated by the lack of agreement, council chairman Sibghatullah Mujaddedi called a wote early Thursday on the first of a slew of disputed amendments. More than half of the delegates cast ballots on issues including how far to liberalize the economy and how many parliament seats to reserve for women and members of the country's impoverished nogadic trib, the Kuchis. But some 200 members, mostly from the Thijk and Uzbek dominated north of the country, stayed in their seas and refused to leave the huge tent where the gathering is taking place for lunch in a sur-

prisingly resolute rebellion.
Even Abdul Rashid Dostum, an Uzbek warlord, and Karim Khalili, a Karzai deputy and ethnic Hazara faction leader, were shouted down when they appealed to the delegates to take part.
Mahsa Topie, a Tajik delegate from the western city of Herat, accused Karzai's government of trying to push through a charter that ignores the claims of small minorities.
"This constitution is not for one

minorities.
"This constitution is not for one tribe, it is for the whole country," she said.
On the surface, the council is badly scarred by a dangerous ethnic rife.

she said.

On the surface, the council is only scarred by a dangerous ethnic rift.

Karzai appears to have rallied a clear majority behind his core demand for a presidential system that he says would provide strong leadership for a country racked by internal conflict.

But his support comes mainly

internal conflict.

But his support comes mainly from his Pashtun kinsmen, alarming smaller groups from the north that helped the United States oust the mainly Pashtun Taliban two years ago.

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years ago.

The president says a simple
majority is all that is needed to
pass the constitution, but most
observers recognize that a constirution that doesn't win wide-ranging support will hamstring the
country as it seeks to put two
decades of devastating conflict
Delegates say they crannor
return to their villages without
evidence that democracy will
mean equal rights: Tajiks want the
national anthem sung in Dari, the
Farsi-related language of much of
the north, as well as Pashto.
Utbels and Turkmen want their
language to be used in schools in
their main regions.

## Iran guake survivors tell of rescue

KERMAN, Iran (AP) — Mehrdad Vakili remembers his father screaming, "Get out of the housel" as Iran's devastating earthquake began shaking the walls of the family's home. The 12-year-old boy ran but was immedi-ately pinned by rubble. Mehrdad was rescued. His father and younger brother were not.

not.
"I don't want to live without

them, Mehridad said Thursday as a female relative dabbed his tears with a handkerchief at his bed-side in a Kerman hospital, where he was recovering from a broken leg and severe stomach wounds. Survivors brought to the provincial capital recounted narrow brushes with 'death during the Dec. 26 earthquake that struck at dawn, wiping out entire families in their homes, killing nearly 30,000 people and devastating the city of Bam.

In the flattened city, U.S. aid workers began admirting patients to an American field hospital – a rare contact between the nations since U.S.-Iranian relations were broken by the seizure of the Embassy in Tehran in 1979.

Taking their first look at the damage, six American ald worker spassed the mangled remains of crushed cars and people still sifting through the wreckage for their battered possessions. Robert Dube, of the Urban of crushed cars and people still sifting through the wreckage for their battered possessions. Robert Dube, of the Urban of the worker, and this -is-worse-than-that," Dube said. "The destruction is just complete."

U.S. officials have raised the possibility that Iran's acceptance of American aid may be a sign of slow-novement toward-better relations between the longtime-enemies. The Bush administration decided to lift sanctions on Iran for 90 days to allow aid to enter – a step praised by Iranian Foreign Minister Kamal Kharrazi out the signals could mean improved Iran U.S. relations, he said: "In an not sure but the signals could mean improved Iran U.S. relations, he said: "In an not sure but the signals could mean improved Iran U.S. relations, he said: "In an not sure but the signals could mean improved Iran U.S. relations."

direction."
Thursday marked the seventh day after the quake and was a day of mass mourning, with Iran's supreme leader holding a memorial—service in Bam. Iranian Shittes traditionally observe a mourning period for a deceased relative a week after the death.

#### Death toll in New Year's bombing rises to eight

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP)—The New Year's Eve car bombing of an upscale Baghdad restaurant, which killed eight people, was a sign that opponents of the U.S.-led occupation forces may be shifting to civilian targets, U.S. and Iraqi officials said Thursday.

The so-called "hard targets" in Baghdad—like coalition complexes and Iraqi police: stations — aricreasingly well guarded, pushing insurgents toward soft targets, like Mobil Restaurant, said a U.S. military officer with the 1st Armored Division. He spoke on the condition of anonymity.

"When terrorists can target coalition forces or Iraqi police," they will, said Lt. Gen. Ahmed Kadhem, deputy Iraqi interior minister and Baghdad chief of police." If they cant, they go to neaster target, aiming at civilians."

He said security was being increased around hospitals and government buildings and called on schools to put up checkpoints and keep cars off their campuses. Assailants have previously bombed civilian targets, including the Baghdad headquarters of the United Nations and the International Committee of the

Red Cross. Both organizations pulled most of their foreign staff out of Iriq after those attacks. In a city where sandbagged checkpoints, cement barriers and armed guards protect many potential targets, the Nabil Restaurant was easy prey.

Situated on a busy street in the upscale Karrada neighborhood, it was protected by a lone armed guard and had no cement barriers or sandbags to shield wealthy patrons from the blast of the car bomb that detonated Wednesday night as Imajis and Westerners celebrated.



#### Editorial

## Don't blame Idaho spuds for expanding waistline

ou can mash 'em, fry 'em, slice 'em and bake 'em. They grow abundantly year after year, in spite of feverish summers and an occasional early frost. It's fair to say Idaho's 'Famous Potatoes' are one of nature's most versatile and resilient foods.

But when it

comes to the marketplace. Our view: Idaho spud Idaho spuds have seen better days. defend the nutritional

value of potatoes What do you think? We welcome viewpoints from our readers on this and other issues.

market place, Idah spuds have seen better days.
Due in part to fad diets (Atkins, Zone) that limit car bo hy drate consumption, the demand for french fries, tater tots and hashbrowns is downright soggy. That's bad news for Idaho farmers and many Idaho communities. Fortunately, the Idaho Potato Commission is fighting back against diets and nutrition gurus who are giving the potatos ab ad name. The commission will launch a \$230,000 national campaign, with TV commercials and the hirring of a famous exercise expert, to promote the nutritional benefit of potatoes. The campaign is a good move and probably a tad overdue. Global sales of fries have dropped 5 percent, and the anticarbohydrate crowd is growing louder. Idaho needs to defend its most famous product and work with other states to let people know that potatoes are actually good for you. What's ironic about this campaign is that the darling of today's high-protein diets - the egg - went through a similar

public relations battle years

public relations usince younge, ago.

Back in the '70s and '80s, the egg was considered a ticking time bomb for the body. Rather than putting eggs in a pan, dieticians and doctors just panned them. Too much fat, too much cholesterol, not enough fiber. That was during the budding healthy diet boom, when salad bars and wheat germ were

wheat germ were all the rage. Now the roles have reversed. Potatoes have Potatoes joined pasta, rice, and noodles, and starchy beans on the verboten list. High-protein diets encourage eggs, cheese, and lean meats.

lean meats.
This Bizzaro
world of dietary
habits could go
on for decades. But Americans
eventually will learn the elementary truth that most foods
are good for you - when taken
in moderation.
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are good for you - when taken in moderation.

The real culprit in our eating habits isn't the choice of food, but the volume. There's nothing wrong with french fries. But a super-size box of fries with a double cheeseburger and a 32-ounce soda is a whole new beast - and not a lean one.

Eating right, eating less and exercising more would steer countless. Americans away from obesity, heart disease, diabetes and high blood pressure. The sooner we put the blame on our own excessive habits, rather than on particular foods, the better off we'll all be. Until then, pass the potatoes. Just hold the extra sour cream and butter.

# Dean's whistling the wrong Dixie

few weeks ago at a ritzy fund-raiser for the Committee to Protect Journalists, my wife, Lisa, was introduced to a man named Steven Isenberg, Isenberg was once New York Mayor John Lindsay's chief of staff, Later, he was the publisher of Newsday, Now he teaches literature at the University of Texas in Austin. That gave them something in common: Lisa is a graduate of the University of Texas.

#### ZEV CHAFETS

"Are you from Texas?" he asked.
"No. I'm a Louisianan."
And he said: "Well, you're the cleanest one I've ever met."
Reading Howard Dean's Christmas Eve interriew in the Boston Globe reminded me of Isenberg. Both are New York liberals who now live among people they regard as their inferiors.
Isenberg thinks these people are too primitive to bathe. Dean imagines that they're too stupid to think.
The Dean we have come to know is the very model of the modern metro-secularist, a Christian so tepid that in the 1980s he quit his Episcopal church in a dispute over a bicycle path.
But on the eve of primary sea-

church in a dispute over a bicycle
path.

But on the eve of primary season in the Bible Belt, Dean has
found religion. And not just any
religion. That old-time religion.

He confided to the Globe that
he prays every day, is a committed believer in Jesus Christ and
plans to include his relationship
with his Savior in his hitherto
godless campaign speeches.

This will probably come as a
surprise to Jesus. It will not, however, shock Southerners long
accustomed to the Northern
belief that they will swallow any
thing.

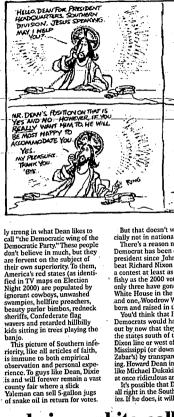
This assumption runs especial-

New economy brings white-collar assembly line

Tor the last two and halfyears the economy's
Achilles' heel has been its
failure to create a strong flow of
new jobs. There is, however,
another negative characteristic of
the labor markets that affects notjust the 6 percent of Americans
who do not have jobs but also
most of the 94 percent who do.
During the last eight years an
commous gap has opened
between the growth of employee
productivity — measured by the
value of employee output per
hour—and the growth of employe
ec compensation, measured by
the value of hourly wages and
benefits.

the value of hourly wages and benefits.

Economists like increases in productivity because the gains can improve the earnings and living standards of working Americans. But an economy that fails to distribute the fruits of rising productivity to those who have helped create it is as flawed as an economy that delivers little or no productivity increases at all. Yet this is exactly what has been happening in the United States. Even in the technology driven boom of 1995 to 2000, the average annual growth of employee compensation was a dismal 0.7 percent, while worker productivity



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But that doesn't work, especially not in national politics. There's a reason no Northern Democrat has been elected president since John Kennedy beat Richard Nixon in 1960 (in a contest at least as close and as fishy as the 2000 vote) or that only three have gone to the White House in the past century and one, Woodrow Wilson, was born and raised in the South You'd think that Ivy League Democrats would have figured out by now that they can't win the states south of the Mason-Dixon line or west of the Mississippi (or downscale from Edbar's) by transparent pandering. Howard Dean in the publit is like Michael Dukakis in a tankat once ridiculous and insulting. It's possible that Dean will do all right in the Southern primaries. If he does, it will be attributa-

ble not only to the weakness of the Democratic field but also to the falsity of Dean's own carica ture of the South There are enough of his people down there techies, yuppies, peaceniks, gays - for him to make a respectable primary showing. But not enough for him to win any red states in November and certainly none of the Southern states.

If he goes down in flames, the Steven Isenbergs of the world will say, in their unguarded moments, that white Southerners were too dirry and dumb to vote for him.

But that is wrong. A lot of them will vote against Dean because they are smart enough to spot a phony.

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LETTER

#### Gays should not be denied marriage vows

denied marriage vows

I just wanted to say that not everyone believes in God so we really shouldn't use the Bible as source for whether or not homosexuals should be allowed to get married.

I'm not a homosexual myself but I have friends who are, so I have a fairly good understanding of both sides of this debate. I just don't understand how any-body can honestly think they have the right to say who can get married and who can't.

One letter I read in the paper on Dec. 30 stated that marriage is for families; in other words,

on Dec. 30 stated that marriage is for families; in other words, you get married to have kids. Not entirely true. You get mar-ried because you're in love, then later on you decide you want kids so you start a family. You don't have to have kids to have a family

don't have to have kids to have a family.

Also, not all couples can have kids so they adopt, which is great-because it gives a child a chance to have a loving home. Who says it has to be a malefemale home? No one that I know, You see, if a single woman or a single man can adopt, why

can't homosexuals? At least then the child has two parents. In other words, this debate over whether or not homosexuals should be allowed to get married should not become a battle over what is morally right or wrong because everyone has different morals. It should be very simple to decide whether or not to allow it. If homosexuals get married,

simple to decide whether of not to allow it. If homosexuals get married, who does it hurt? It doesn't hurt anybody. It's not like abortion where, we have a choice to kill a child or let it live. All homosexual marriages will do is offend some people. It won't even offend all heterosexuals. I say it they want to get married, who are we to tell them they can't? My finnce and I disagree on this, but we agree to disagree.

My finnce and I disagree on this, but we agree to disagree because it's not worth the fight Furthermore, in regard to the previously mentioned letter about children being raised by their biological parents, what about adoption, foster care or even step-parents? Or is this statement limited to homosexua only?

only?

If so, isn't it a bit racist?

DANIELLE LONG

#### SIMON HEAD

grew more than three times faster at 2.48 percent. The latest data show no narrowing of the gap.

Why is this happening? In visiting factories and offices over the last 10 years, I've found that information technology is being used to renew the old industrial culture of mass production.

Computers and computer software, with their prodigious powers of measurement, monitoring and control, are turning the service economy into new, white-coller assembly lines.

The origins of the earnings/productivity gap can be found in the way people are working in these later-day white-coller factories. Mostly lower-income employees such as fast-food workers, retail clerks, truckers, airline reservation agents and customer service reps were among the first to join the new assembly lines. But a key feature of this dubious digital revolution is its upward mobility. So the assembly line also extends to production, warehouse and personnel managers; to caleston, accountrants, bank officers, insurance underwriters; and even to

physicians.
The call-center industry, which employs up to 6 million Americans, provides a compelling example of the new type of assembly line at work Anyone who is a habitual user of 800 numbers knows the importance of call centers for a service company. In the industry's heardand of Arizona, lowa, Nebraska and South Dakota, there are thousands of workplaces where managers peer into employees' computers with their own, govern their every utterance with prepackaged digital scripts, listen in on their telephone conversations, and time every facet of their work to the nearest second: time spent per call, time spent between calls, time spent between calls, time spent per difficant and controversial example of the white-collar assembly line is "managed care," which is essentially the application of mass production methods to the reastment of the skck. Patients are "processed" through hospitals, clinics and doctors' offices as fast and as cheaply as possible. As part of this speeded-up, assembly-line medicine, health maintenance organizations have

introduced what they call "utilization review," whereby medically, untrained case managers, relying on automated expert systems, pass judgment on the decisions of practicing physicians. Neither the medical profession nor the patient population has been prepared to accept this automated medicine.

For too many Americans the

pared to accept this automated medicine.
For too many Americans the white-collar assembly line has become a harsh, unstable work, place where their skills are devalued, where they shave little or no job security, no say in the restructuring constantly going on around them and no refuge from the electronic monitor's relentless gaze. They are not therefore well placed to press the boss for a raise, particularly since fewer adfewer of them enjoy the backing of labor unions. Nor are they enjoying the fruits of the increased productivity that they helped create. They are victims of what I call the new ruthless econy ony.

Simon Head, author of "The New Ruthless Economy: Work and Power in the Digital Age," is direc-tor of the Project on Technology and the Workplace at the Century Foundation in New York.

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# Coming soon: The gigabytes of politics

A cleast since Joe McGinnis' classic book "The Selling of the President," about the 1968 presidential campaign, it has been a staple of conventional wisdom that political campaigns and consultants borrow the best certaining of Medison Assence. But with the rise of paid advertising on the Internet, there has been for some time now a step conspicuous gap between the political world and the cropractal world and the cropractal world and the cropractal world and the cropract sing has become a settled part of the media strategy of mainstream companies and advertising agencies, it has remained a relatively isolated phenomenon in politics.

That is about to change dramat

politics.

To a bour to change dramatically, All indications are that as the 2004 presidential race gets under way in earnest in the months ahead we will see an explosion of paid political advertising online.

The Supreme Court's recent ruling on campaign finance may

ruling on campaign finance may be the spark that ignites the fire of online political advertising. The McCain-Feingold law bans corpo-rations, unions and interest And Cain-Fedingold law bans corpoleadions, unions and interest
groups from using certain funds
on behalf of a political candidate
in the period shortly before an
election, but the ban applies only
of I'v and radio. The court upheld
this ban and rejected claims that
it impermissibly favors the
Internet. But even without this
advantage, the case for online
political advertising would be
extremely strong.
In 2003, we witnessed the
imprecedented use of the
Internet as an effective tool for
political organizing and fund raising, particularly by the Howard
Dean campaign. It's only a matterof time before campaigns realize
it will do the same for advertising,
The facts about corporate adoption of online advertising are
overwhelming. Despite the boom
and bust of the Internet bubble,
topal online advertising are
exceeded 55 billion. Online advertising at leading media sites has
jumped almost 40 percent this
year. During the heat of the
Internet companies were spending heavily on Web advertising.

car companies, insurance compa nies, airlines, retailers and on an on through the largest sectors of the economy.

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The reasons are simple and straightforward. More than 140 million Americans are online. Many use the Internet at work. Daytime is prime time for the Internet. Internet advertiser to reach allows the advertiser to reach a primortant time of

#### CLIFF SLOAN

medium can match.
Online advertising also offers unique opportunities. In an age of fragmented television audiences and increasing use of commercial appers such as TWo, online advertising reaches a user who is on-task at his or her computer screen. Many sites gather enough demographic information about their viewers for ads to be precisely targeted by ZIP Code, age and gender. There is no waste in parts of the market that are not the target.

parts of the market that are not the target.

I predict that in the coming election season, viewers will be regularly seeing political ads on the Internet. When you go to any high-quality news and information site, chances are you will see a large, colorful political ad integrated into the page you're viewing or perhaps even a video ad that is the same high quality as a ing or pernaps even a vioce ac that is the same high quality as a TV ad. And the ad probably will be far more targeted at your per-sonal interests than a typical TV or radio ad – aimed at your com-munity, or at young parents, or at

sonal interests than a typical 1 v or radio ad - aimed at your community, or at youing parents, or at working women.

Imagine the benefit of this for the Bush campaign or the Democratic nominee. Concerned about 10 key states? Target a flood of online ads on the ZIP Codes and demographic groups that may tip the balance there. Facing a gender gap? Target online ads directly on the gender you're trying to reach.

Online ads will be especially appealing to the political community because they can be put up quickly and changed on the fly, even allowing a response in real time to breaking news or an opposing candidate's charges. Notably, studies have shown that Internet users overwhelmingly vote, contribute and get involved in campaigns.

Despite all these advantages, there is some resistance in the political community to online advertising. Consultants are comfortable with the way they have done campaigns and are not eager to try something new. Corporate advertisers and their agencies similarly were skeptical two years ago. But in the end, they did not want to lose the advantage to their competitors. That's why, as with the use of other media, the gap between the political world and the corporate world will close in the months altered the control of t

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STANLEY CROUCH developed in our midst a type of criminal who is not new to the

criminal who is not new to the world but now appears as normal as poisonous snakes are to certain rivers: the serial killer. Once the profile for such a person was white male blah, blah, blah, but, but recently saw a blade man on New Orleans television who had been linked by DNA to the murders of about five women. And, of course, there was the D.C. sniper team of John Muhammad and Lee Malvo... Integration is all.

We've now got mad cow and

We've now got mad cow and the red or orange terrorist alerts. Some meat might do you in, or you might be the victim of an Islamic fundamentalist nut, who issamic rundamentalist nut, who is a cousin in brutality to the type represented so well by Timothy McVeigh.

McVeigh.

But when we follow the international chain of corpses destroyed by nature - or far more often by other people - I have to say, finally, life is a tragic affair in which we wage war against pain and death. That is the story of civilization.

death. That is me stony or crimination.

It is only because we have the idea of universal humanity so firmly in place that we are so distribed by the deaths of others that we hear reported on a daily basis. No longer are they merely numbers, digits of corpses from another culture. It no longer matters. We know that they are human beings.

And that, my friends, is a bittersweet victory to build upon.

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## Rising sense of risk gives us a sense of community

ome people may be more than lightly disturbed by all the violence that surrounds us, either a result of natural catary rophe or the workings of the human mind. Old Mother Nature is always ready to suddenly suff out thousands in, say, an earth-quake or sweep of water. If not that way, then through a disease like AIDS.

Then there is humankind, which has been competing with nature to see how well our species can measure up or exceed natural phenomena when it comes to killing. At least since World War I, the bodies have been stacking up in larger and larger numbers, going over the 50 million mark during World War II but slacking off in its wake because muclear weapons have held us in check, forcing expressions of animosity to be financed through small conflicts (some of which blow up in our faces).

rather than global warfare.

"We now see armed camps all over the world in which children kill with no compunction, sometimes firing off weapons that seem too big for them to hold. The financing of small or large conflicts, the business of weapon gales, the struggles between ide-dbegies or tribes have created atternational theath squads of both right- and left-wing persuasions.

ions.

The dead play the same role hat they have always played in lesse dramas. They give numbers the nature of specific threats the nature of specific threats in pricular locales. This spreads to be to unitst agencies, which have warn people that this place or hat has become off-limits to true-pris due to a murder rate that as gotten out of hand.

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is gotten out of hand. Of course, we seem to have

#### Letter was an unnecessary swipe at Sen. Clinton

Mike Simmons, your Christmas letter was cruel and uncalled for Look to yourself, Mike; you may not like what you see. AFTON SCOFIELD Twin Falls

#### Politicians betray the voters on Immleration

voters on immigration

The most evil thing on plauetearth is government!

The second most evil thing on plauetearth is government!

The second most evil thing on planet earth is the American politician! A good example is illegal immigration!

According to the General Accounting Office, politicians have allowed 21 million illegal immigrants into the United States in the last 20 years. The American voter, voted these people into office to protect our border from illegal immigrants, but instead they have allowed them to invade our country.

In my opinion as a veteran of

In my opinion as a veteran of World War II, these politicians should be tried for treason! I have been a GOP voter since 1948! Fil not vote Republican

## LETTERS

#### Write to us

he Times-News welcomes let-ters from readers on subjects of public Interest. Because of space constraints, please limit letters to 400 words. Include your signature, mailing address and telephone num-ber. Writers who sign letters with false names will be permanently
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again ever! I will vote third party stay home. WAYNE WHITTEKIEND

#### Seniors appreciate CSI fitness courses

Older folks can thank the College of Southern Idaho for its Over 60 and Getting Fit excep-tional exercise program. Besides the usual flexibility

and resistance training, the class meets the specific needs of sen-

meets the specific needs of sen-iors.

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youth in us. Our social circle widens and quality of life

widens and quality of life improves. I urge everyone eligible to take advantage of this no-cost class sponsored by CSI, the Idaho Office of Aging, Buhl and Shoshone School districts and the Jerome and Rupert Recreation departments. Thanks. We need this.

CATHY WILSON Buhl

#### Try a flat tax, and get

rid of property taxes

Reference: Article on flat taxes
First, I agree with eliminating
the IRS and the elimination of
tax forms and tax filing by the
American citizens. These things
are too time consuming, expen-

sive and complicated.

I like to think of using the sales tax as the collection method-A flat rate that applies evenly to everyone. No tax on necessities (air, water, food or medicine). No dual collection bederal, state and local governments.

ments.
Each state would collect the percentage required to run local, state and federal governments.
The states would take their share and forward the others their

shares.

People who have the most spend the most. People who spend the most would pay the

most.

I believe that property tax is unfair too. I have read too many rror stories concerning this ate it, too

Accordingly, schools should be-funded evenly by a "per student" rate. Buildings, grounds and whatever should be uniform. The federal department of education should advise and assist as neces-

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## AROUND THE VALLEY

## Fairfield forest

ranger retires today FAIRFIELD - Fairfield Forest anger Gary Fullmer is retiring day after a 36-year career in pub-

today after a 36-year career in pub-lic service.

Fullmer's 'federal career has, spanned five national forests in four states. He worked for four years with the Bureau of Land Management in Burley and for the BLM in 'Arizona'. Fullmer' also served three years in the U.S. Army. Fullmer, 63, has been the Fairfield District maper for the Savited National Forest since July 1994 after returning to Idaho from Arizona. He was the Middle Fork District ranger on the Challis National Forest in the 1980s.

District ranger on the Challis National Forest in the 1989s. Among his accomplishments in Fairfield: participating with other agenuies in procuring federal funds to establish a health clinic road maintenance achievements through an agreement with Camas County, working through tough situations with ranchers and regulatory agencies over bull trout, restoring the Baumgaztner Campground to a safe and enjoyable family camping area, and working with the Idaho-Department of Fish and Game to resolve elk feeding conflicts. Fullmer's auccessor has not been selected. Forest Supervisor Ruth Monahan said an acting ranger will be appointed in January.

#### Most offices, businesses will be open today

TWIN FALLS – Most offices, pencies and places of business will e open today. Here's a list of what's

open:

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

eral offices will be open.

• Banks will be open.

• The Twin Falls Public Library will be open from 9 am. to 6 pm.

• The YMCA/Iwin Falls Municipal Swimming Fool will be open for scheduled by 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.

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

#### Forest Service seeks Job applicants

Job applicants
TWIN FALLS - Applications are
now available for people who are
interested in firefighting and other
seasonal jobs with the Sawtooth
National Forest.
The Forest Service will fill a number of firefighting posts for the 2004
season, the forest office announced.
Engine crews, Hot Shots and helicopter crews are needed. Other seasonal jobs include timber marking,
rail maintenance, wildlife habitat
surveys and recreation and range
jobs.

jobs.
The forest generally hires between 20 and 30 seasonal employ-ees. The number varies depending on how many seasonal employees

on how many seasonal employees return.

The forest will have an informational booth open from 11 a.m. to 6 prn. Monday and Tuesday at the Magic Valley Mall near the food court. Applications will be available. An open house will be held from 10 a.m. to 2 pm. Jan. 10 at the forest headquarters at 2647 Kimberly Road E. in Twin Falls, Personnel will be on hand to provide information. More information is available conline at www.fs.ed.us/r/sawtothor by calling 737-3320.

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# Snowpack levels

Watershed	Kor Avg."	% season
Upper Snake River	110%	44%
Salmon Falls	127%	48%
Salmon	104%	40%
Cakley	131%	48%
Big Wood	106%	41.7
Little Wood	117%	43%
Henrys Fork/Taton	130%	49%
Big Lost	109%	41%
Little Lost	92%	37%
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# Fatality count looks grim

Final numbers for 2003 won't come in for a few months

By Pat Murphy Times News correspondent

HALLEY - The really bad news about Idaho's traffic accidents in 2003 ironically won't be fully known until well into 2004, when a mountain of statistics flowing into the state Transportation Department from local and state agencies are finally compiled and

analyzed.

But the news already was grim: by New Year's Eve, fatalities on state roads and highways are believed to have surpassed the decade's high of 278 set in 2000.

Idaho State Police spokesperson Rick Ohnsman said that two new confirmed fatalities in recent days have brought the total to 280, and a child critically injured in an accident may become a statistic in the fatality column. Moreover, he said, the state can countr any -2003 -accident -victim-who dies in the first 30 days of 2004 as a 2003 statistic.

The eight counties in the Magic Valley area recorded 25 fatality value accidents investigated by Idaho State Police in 2003 - some of which could involve several faralities in a single accident. But those 25 do not include accidents investigated by sheriffs departments or local city police, whose statistics were not immediately available.

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In 2002, there were 43 fatality accidents in the eight counter resulting in 54 deaths.

One of the worst 2003 records was in Blaine County, where Sheriff Walt Femling reported 14

road deaths for 2003 compared to only three in 2002. Idaho's worst year for traffic fanalities was 1981, when 293 died on state roads. Ohnsman pointed out, however, that the rate of road fatalities in Idaho – that is, the number of deaths per 100 million miles driven – has been higher than the national average. Nationally, 1.5 persons died per 100 million miles in 2002, while in Idaho the rate was 1.8 persons. is 1.6 persons. That rate could go even higher

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Dave Utley, left, and his wife, Marcy, embrace as confetti falls down at midnight during The Centennial New Year's Gala at the Magic Valley Mail.

# Centennial year begins on right foot

TWIN FALLS - Steve and Kathy Spencer of rome say their new year's resolution is sim-

Jerome say their new year's resouuon is sample.

"We're never moving again," said Kathy, nibhing on an hors d'oeuvre at the Centennial
New Year's Gala at the Magic Valley Mall
Wednesday night.

The Spencers relocated to Jerome from
Scaramento, Calli, in August, and say they now
consider the Magic Valley their home. They
chose to attend the gala to learn more about
the history of their new surroundings.

"The history here is amazing," Srew said. "I
really didn't know how important the Snake
River was to this area. I don't think lots of peoole realize it."

River was to t ple realize it." "It doesn't



happen like this in many communities," Kathy added, gesturing to the people making their was the mall's center court to nab a piece of centential birthday-cake. "A lot. of places, people don't pay attention to the area's history. This is neat." Sharon Thomas and Fran Best of Twin Falls sat at a table nearby, waiting for the unweiling of the statue of 1B, Perrine. The women said they came to the gala to people-watch. On any other New Year's Eve, Thomas said, she'd just as soon stay home.

they came to the gain of they came to the gain of they came to the gain of they came to they came they came they came they came they came they came to the come out to something like this."

The event that culminated at midnight kicked off the beginning of a 12-month celebration of Iwin Falls' centennial year. And then there were resolutions.

Thomas' New Year's resolutions.

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# Elk require haven

Officials close areas to protect wintering-animals

KETCHUM - The Sawtooth
National Forest is closing areas
in the Warm Springs Creek
drainage above Ketchum to protect wintering elk.
Cross-country skiers, snowmachimers and snowshoers are
asked to stay off the south-facing slopes in the Warm Springs
area, a Forest Service news
release said

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"Deep snow is forcing elk down into the drainage bottoms in search of food and shelter. The presence of people in these areas causes the animals to move, expending energy and strength that they need to conserve to survive the winter, Ketchum District Ranger Kurt Nelson said.

The closure includes National Forest Lands from Dollar and Penny lakes east into Ketchum. Signs will be posted at the closure area, Idaho Department of Fish and Game and Forest Service personnel will continue to monitor the situation. If need, the closure may be extended west from the Dollar and Penny lakes to the West Fork of Warm Springs.

west from the West Fork of Warm Springs.
The closure will remain in effect until the snow melts and elk have more areas free of snow that are away from roads and canyon bottoms.
Here are a few tips from the Fish and Game Department on living with wildlife:

Store feed, hay and grain in shed or building.

Wrap shrubs with buildop, or fence around them, to prevent wildlife from feeding on them.

Report large herds of congregated wildlife to Fish.

Game.

Do not feed wilunte, even just a few, for more will be sure to follow.

to follow.

• Drive with caution and watch for wildlife.

• Keep dogs kenneled or

Keep a safe distance from wildlife. If they move, you're too

Small critters also can cause problems. Here are additional tips:

• Place garbage in covered containers.

Don't feed pets outside at night. When night comes, bring food dishes inside.

· Place bird feeders on metal

poles...
• Clean up wood, brush and garbage piles near the home. For more information on living with wildlife, contact Fish and Game at 324-4359.

## New Year's babies arrive in 2004

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TWIN FALLS - Magic Valley elcomed two of its newest citi-

welcomed two of its newest clti-zens Thursday.

The first birth of the new year
was reported at Magic Valley.
Regional Medical Center at 5:27
am. No information was available Thursday from hospital
staff on the baby or the baby's
family.

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The little one received a bun-dle of gifts from the hospital and

die of gifts from the hospital and area businesses.
Cassia Regional Medical
Center welcomed Harley American Ferrell into the world at 6:13 a.m. on Jan. 1. Harley was born to Billy and Jennifer Ferrell of Paul and weighed in at 6 pounds, 1 ounce.
Neither St. Benedicts Family Medical Center nor Gooding County Memorial Hospital had any deliveries as of Thursday evening.
No information was available from St. Luke's Wood River Medical Center.



Harley Ann Terrell, born 6:13 a.m. Jan. 1, is pictured with parents Billy and Jennifer Terrell, of Paul, and big sister Aleah.

## Rupert system upgrade requires brief power outage

By Shelley Ridenour Times-News writer

RUPERT - The electric supply o about 200 homes and business-s. in Rupert is scheduled to be arned off for about three hours mmediately after midnight

immediately after midnight Sunday.

Sunday:

Electricity should be back on no later than 3 an. Sunday, the city's electric department operations superintendent said.

The outage will affect all properties south of Oneida and the integration of Oneida and the ing 10th Street, electric department Operations Superintendent Jim Bowers said.

United Electric customers west of Rupert between 100 West and 400 West will be affected by the outage.

400 West will be affected by the outage.

If people aren't sure if their home or business will be affected they may call City Hall at 436-9600 or United Electric at 679-2222 to find out.

City employees are going door to door to notify business that will be affected, Bowers said. The outage is necessary so that the Haymill electric substation can be upgraded, Bowers said. The outage is necessary so that the Haymill electric substation can be upgraded, Bowers said. The substation is owned by the city of Rupert and United Electric—The Sunday morning-work will be done by a private company - Caribou Construction of Jerome. Workers will de-energize the substation, ground out the power lines and then remove some parts, Bowers said. The lights can be turned back on then, and work can continue on the de-energized lines. The work site will be lit with spotlights from the city and United's truck fleets. The project might take less than the full three hours, but there's no way to know that in advance, he said.

Once the substation is upgraded, it will have adequate capacity.

## Regulators question utility's response

SALT-LAKE CITY (AP) – State regulators will call on Utah Power officials to explain the widespread power outages; that have left some residential customers without electricity for as many as five days.

More outages plagued the system Thursday, leaving 6,436 customers without power a week after the holiday storms began to pummed Utah with heavy snow.

Those outages, scattered in pockets from the Salt Lake valley to Fielding near the Idaho border, were new instead of days old, emphasized Utah Power spokesman Kimball Hansen. He said repairs were being mude quickly.

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Utility officials are being called
to a special meeting Tuesday of the
Utah-Public-Service-Commission

and its consumer-watchdog arm, the Committee of-Consumer

Services.

The state officials are questi-ing whether Utah Power can dr

The state officials are questioning whether Utah Power can draw on sufficient crews for major emergencies and whether it can fix computer system that has hindered restoration efforts. Utah Power officials have blamed extended outages on a computer malfunction. A new system that links telephone numbers to electric circuits went down and "impacted our ability to know how long some customers were out," Hansen said.

More than 100,000 Utah customers have lost power since Christmas night, with 70,000 lost ing power over the first 36 hours with the arrival of wet, heavy.

lost power during a two-day October 1984 storm, but none of them went without power for more than three days. The utility was better staffed then, said former them went without power for more than three days. The utility was better staffed then, said former Utah Power spokesman John Serfustini, dispatching 500 servicemen,—more than three times the number now being deployed.

"All of those guys out there were out there putting up lines," Serfustini told The Salt Lake Tribune. "Utah, Power was a lot beefier in those days."

In an interview with The Associated Press, however, Hansen disputed Serfustini's account, saying the former spokesman was lumping servicemen with support staff.



Bolse Community House resident Chip Eggleston, left, passes the time by playing a game of chess with John Carter at the house Dec. 16 in Bolse. Eggleston is currently unemployed and is actively looking for work, possibly as a mover.

Many of Boise's homeless

## **SERVICES**

Victor Thomas Crismor, of Buhl, funeral at 11 a.m. today, at the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Buhl; burial will, follow immediately at West End immediately at Cemetery, Buhl.

Kenneth Duane "Kenny" Lenzer, of Twin Falls, memorial service at 11 a.m. today at White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

Betty Sue Royce, of Twin Falls, memorial service at 1 p.m. today at the Community Christian Church, 303 Grandview Drive, Twin Falls (Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, Twin Falls).

Leona Ruth Anderson, of Hagerman, graveside services at 2 p.m. today, at Hagerman Cemetery, Friends may call from 9 a.m. to noon today at Demaray Funeral Chapel in Gooding.

Ronald J. Groeger, of Twin Falls, Celebration Funeral Mass at 11 a.m. today, at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Chapel, 630

Falls Ave., Twin Falls, with Father Boniface Lautz, OSB as celebrant. Falls Ave., Iwin Falls, with Father Boniface Laurz, OSB as celebrant. Family will greet friends at the church from 10 a.m. Friday until time of service. Burial will follow at Sunset Memorial Park (Reynolds Funeral Chapel of Twin Falls).

Anne Field Johnson, of Twin Falls, celebration of life and a showing of her artwork at 11 a.m. Saturday at Our Savior Lutheran Church, 1708 Heyburn Ave. E., Twin Falls (Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, Twin Falls).

David Gene Machacek, of Buhl, funeral at 11 a.m. Saturday, at Farmer Funeral Chapel, Buhl. Visitation will begin at 10 a.m. prior to the Chapel service. Interment will follow at West End

Brad David Jensen, of Heyburn, funeral at 11 a.m. Saturday, at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latterday Saints Burley 3rd and 7th Ward Chapel, 2200 Oakley

Ave., with Bishop Ted Tatcoka offi-ciating, Burial will be in the Pella Cemetery. Friends may call at the Payne Mortuary, 221 West Main St. in Burley from 6 to 8 p.m. today and from 10 to 10:45 a.m. at the

Helen M. Selaya, of Spokane, Wash., Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 am. on Saturday, at Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Catholic Church, 3624 W. Indian Trail Rd., Spokane, Wash., with Reverend Michael Savelesky celebrant. Interment will follow at Holy Cross Cemetery, 7200 N. Wali, Spokane; Wash.

#### DEATH NOTICE -

KUNA - Jose Arrate died Wednesday, Dec. 31, 2003, in Kuna. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Demaray's Funeral Chapel.

### **OBITUARIES**

For obituary rates and information, call 735-3278 Monday through Saturday. Deadline is 4 p.m. for next-day publica-tion. The small address for obituaries is obits@magfovalley.com. Death notices are a fine service and can be placed 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.magfovalley.com and click on "Obituaries."

#### Merlin R. Stock - Burley

Merlin Ross Stock, 95, beloved husband, father and grandfather, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, Dec. 30, 2003, at the Summerfield Manor in Orem, Utah.

Utah.

He was born Oct. 15, 1908, in Georgetown, Idaho, to Edwin Ephraim and Florence Pricilla Bee Stock. He spent most of his childhood in Oakley, Idaho, and

Merlin served an LDS mission Merlin served an LDS mission Merlin served an LDS mission Merlin served Moselle Baker on Sept. 28, 1934, in the Sait Låke Temple. They are the parents of three sons. They have lived in Burley, Idaho, for the past 45 wars.

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"Merlin followed in his father's footsteps, receiving a bachelor's degree in Range Management. From Utah State University in 1935. He worked as a forest ranger in four different districts in Montana, Utah and Idaho. Merlin was often sent to districts with many challenges. He was the Burley district ranger for the Sawtooth National Forest when



Merlin was an active member of The Church of Iesus Christ of Latterday Saints. He served in numerous callings in the church including Bishop, High Counselor, director of the Regional Genealogical Library in Burley and a Temple Worker in the Boise Temple.

enjoyed skiing and hunting. At age 95, he enjoyed sending and receiving e-mail from his family and friends.

Merlin is survived by his wife, Moselle, a sister, Bernire Shaw of North Ogden, Utah; his sons, Merlin Don (Denece) of West Jordan, Utah; Wayne R. (Janice) Jordan, Utah; Wayne R. (Janice) of Heber City, Utah; and Hal Baker (Janet) of Orem, Utah; 13 grandchildren; 31 great-grand-children; and one great-great-granddaughter. Merlin is survived by his wife

He was preceded in death by his parents and his three broth-ers, Forrest, Orville and Cordell.

ers, Forrest, Orville and Cordell.
The funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, Jan. 5, 2004, at the Burley 3rd & 7th Ward Chapel of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 2200 Oaldey Ave., Burley, with Bishop Tracy King officiating, Burial will be in Pleasant View Cemetery.
Friends may call from 5 to 8 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 4, 2004, at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley, and from 10 to 10:45 a.m. Monday, at the church.

# people defy stereotypes

brink of getting a home of her own when she died in August of a pul-

monary embolism.

The 49-year-old, who spoke at a 2002 vigil to remember a homeless friend who had died, was one of 12 people from Boise's homeless com-

2002 vigil to remember a homeless friend who had died, was one of 12 people from Boise's homeless community who were remembered, using first names only, at the 2003 vigil last month.

More Boise-area homeless died last year than in any other year since the memorials began five, case manager at El-Ada Community Action Agency.

Organizers had planned to memorialize 11 people, but the memorialize 11 people, but the memorialize 11 people, but the mumber grew last month after 40-year-old Elaine Warren died at the Boise YMCA, where she went to escape the cold.

An autopsy revealed that Warren, who told police she was homeless, had a large, apparently midiagnosed, brain tumor. Service providers say the stories of those who died belie common beliefs about the homeless.

These were not people who froze to death while aleeping on a park bench or under a bridge. Instead, most had lingering health problems but no consistent access to medical care.

Matthews believes most of the deaths could have been prevented if those who died had had a steady place to live and enough money to afford the care they needed.

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Like Donna, who had been admitted to an affordable-housing program a few weeks before her death, some who died were on the verge of finding permanent shelter or a reliable job. Some had been sick for years but watted until it was too late to seek help, Marthews said.

"Your daily routine is to get your basic needs met, like shelter, food and clothing," she said.
"Medical attention is almost a lux-ury item."

"Medical attention is almost a luxury item."

One man who died in the past
vear had diabetes but quit taking
his daily insulin when he couldn't
find free syringes, Matthews said.
He eventually found housing, but
died months later from diabetesrelated complications.

"That just does such horrible
damage," Matthews said.

There are local clinics that offer
drop-in care for people who are
homeless or have low incomes, but
the Treasure Valley is in dire need
of a medical facility that would
offer overnight care, say Matthews
and Daylynn 'Kuster, 'El-Ada's
multi-programs manager.

People who are homeless and
need immediate medical help can
get treatment at a hospital emer-

nere," she said.

Matthews said Seattle and most larger Northwest cities have a county hospital that admits home-

less people. Such a service is need-ed here, she said, but added she wasn't sure what could be done to make it happen. Prescriptions and medical sup-plies also are hard to come by for

Prescriptions and medical sup-plies also are hard to come by for the homeless, she said, recalling that she worked for months to find free syringes for the man with dia-betes who died this year. Matthews, Kuster and others said they know of ne physician, clinic or hospital that will provide free syringer to reveals. Even

clinic or hospital that will provide free syringes to people. Even healthy people face challenges when it comes to making the tran-sition from homeless and unem-ployed to working and having their own homes.

their own homes.

Members of the Treasure Valley homeless community say they lack the resources needed to stay afloat while waiting for jobs, paychecks or housing.

We find that over and over again. It's not for lack of education or work history. It's primarily economics.

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- Fran Matthews, El-Ada County Community Action Agency, on work-ers becoming homeless when they lost their jobs

It's a myth that most people become homeless because of sub-stance abuse or by choice, said Peggy Sedity, executive director of Community House. And a recent survey by a Boise State University class punctures other misconceptions about homeless-

misconceptions about homeless-ness.
Students in Tedd McDonald's class surveyed about 115 homeless people in late 2001 and were sur-prised to learn that most had an education and were either work-ing for low wages or had been working within the past three months, McDonald said.

Dianne Conley worked as a nurse in doctors' offices for 17 years before she had a nervous breakdown in March 2002, she said.

breakowsi in mass said.

"I've always owned my own homes," Conley said. "I always went to church on Sundays. I worked my way through school."

Conley said she had to sell her home after she stopped working to seek mental health care. She is live a new at Community House, she seek mental health care. She is liv-ing now at Community House, she said, because her children said they didn't have room for her. "I was like a puzzle that got knocked off the table, and now I'm just picking up the pieces,"

Being homeless represents the extreme end of what can happen when someone needs help, Sedivy said. A sudden medical condition.

when someone needs help, Sediny said. A sudden medical condition, layoff or death in the family can cause lives to spiral downward for those who lack resources such as relatives or a beefy savings account to fall back on, she said. "They're just in a situation right now where there are circumstances-beyond their control," she said. "It's primarily economics." McDonald, who has also conducted research among the homeless in northern California, said he was surprised to learn that 83 percent of those surveyed in the Boise area had a high school diploma or equivalent and that 35 percent had at least some college education.

nau at least some conge dense way through nursing school while raising her children.

More than 47 percent of the adults surveyed by the BSU such estates after being fired or laid off. Last year, El-Ada saw more people seeking jobs from the agency hey had work and became homeless after being fired or laid off. Last being fired or laid off. Last work and became homeless after losing their jobs.

"We find that over and over again," she said. "It's not for lack of education or work history. It's primarily economics."

"It's something that makes us challenge our assumptions of whether this is a just world," McDonald said.

John Carter was laid off from his job as a warehouse freight worker. He pays \$200 a mouth to sleep on the floor of a friend's Garden City apiartment. He eath his meals at Community House every day because he doesn't have enough cash for food, he said.

In the past, he has slept in a friend's garage or in homeless helters after losing a job."

"The macually doing much better this time around," he said.

When survey participants were asked what they needed most to help escape homelessness, McDonald said, 71 percent said low-income housing, A larger affordable housing system could help reduce deaths among the homeless, Matthews said.

"The third floor of Community House offers 39 units of perment housing at \$300 a month or a one-room—apartment. And liftong there is not enough meet. Boise five years ago, only one person was remembered at the event. To the proper death notices because of the high number of deaths.

## Zella Beulah Mae Fitzpatrick – Eden

Zella Beulah Mae Fitzpatrick, 81, of Eden, died Wednesday, Dec. 31, 2003, at Twin Falls Care Center.—Sheway

Dec. 31, 2003, at Twin Falls Care Center.

—She was born Jan. 6, 1922, in Mr. Home, Arkansas, the daughter of Columbum and Ollie Henderson Lewis. She was sisted and educated there, and on Feb. 8, 1941, she married Joe George Flupatrick in Gainsville,—Mo.—In -the -early-1950s—they moved to Eden, Idaho, where she continued to reside until 2002, when she moved to Desert Rose Retirement Center.
Zella worked for 16 years at Jr. Simplot as a fry cook until her retirement, She was a member of the Church of Christ. She is survived by her five children. Reba Higley of Hazelton; Joey Fitzpatrick of Hazelton; Helen



(Jerry) Chandler of Clarkridge, Ark.; Diane (Mark) Hohnhorst of Hazelton; Darrell (Lola)

Fitzpatrick of Eden; 13 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; one sister, Dorothy (Russ) Jones of Arkansas; and her sisterin-law, Hazel Lewis of Arkansas. Shewas preceded in death by her husband, parents, one great-grandson, Kade, three brothers and three sisters.

grandson, Kade, three brothers and three sisters.

Funeral services will be conducted at 1 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 3, 2004,—at.—White—Mertuary, "Chapel by the Fark," I'vin Falls. Interment will follow in Hazelton Cemetery, Friends medical at White Mortuary from 4 to 8 p.m. Friday.

The family suggests memorials to the Eden Silver-& Gold-Senior Citizens Center, Eden, Idaho, or 40 Hospice Visions, 308 Shoshone St. E., Twin Falls, Idaho, 83301.

#### Anna Louise Thibodeau - Jerome/Salome, Arizona

Anna Louise Thibodeau, 76 Anna Louise Thibodeau, 76, daughter of George Chase and Cora Price, passed away Monday, Dec. 29, 2003, in Salome, Ariz. Anna was born April 2, 1927, in Maine. She lived in Jerome for

Anna is survived by her hus-band of 58 years, Lawrence William Thibodeau; her sons, Bruce and wife Paula Thibodeau, Jack and wife Phyllis Thibodeau

and her daughters Nancy Hoke, Jill Thibodeau, Janet and hus-band Darrel Dickerson. Anna is also survived by 12 grandchil-dren and two great-grandchil-dren.

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## Relatives of crash victims hold conference

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) -Relatives of six people killed in a motor-home accident in Utah held a Juews. Conference with surviving, family members and thanked all those who have shown support and compassion.

compassion.

\_ Joel Hill, the family's
spokesman, told the news conference Wednesday at LDS Hospital
that his family has felt the love and

that his family has felt the love and prayers of everyone, from the hospital staff to a Utah motorist who passed the scene of the accident and sent one of the survivors an email of support.

"Salt Lake City has been absolutely tremendous to us," he said, adding hat Utah people were mourning with the family. "Absolutely every single one of you \_\_a are breaking down."

Mark and Margerie Mattila of

West Richland, Wash, and their four youngest children were killed Sunday when their rented motor home. went. Off. an. Interstate. 15 overpass near Droper, a Salt Lake suburb, and smashed into an embankement.

Investigators do not know what caused the vehicle driven by the father to go off the highway, but have speculated wind may have been a factor.

The family was returning home

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The family was returning home after a holiday vacation in Arizona. Killed in addition to Mark Mattila 41, and Marjorie, 35, antive of Rindge, N.H., were their children Max, 7; Katie, 6; Marci, 4; and Adam, 5 months. Survivors were Brent, 12, who remained in critical condition at Primary-Children's Medical Center; Misty, 18; Jordan, 14; and Shane, 9.

Wrong way

The news conference was attended by four of the children including Curt. He and several friends and relatives were flown by a chartered plane to Salt Lake City. They comforted the children as

friends and relatives were flown by a chartered plane to Salt Lake City. They comforted the children as they cried during the news conference. Shane was taken from the press conference shortly after it started because he was crying uncontrollably. "We just can't understand why," said Hill, a brother of Margerie. "We cried. We mourned, We hurt." The Hills will assume guardian-hip of the underage Mattillas, he said.

He thanked paramedies for their fast response, personnel at all the

fast response, personnel at all the hospitals, the motorist who e-

somewhere to stay, news organiza-tions who have told the family's story without invading their priva-cy and Utah people for their con-

tinued prayers.

He told of one nurse who searched repeatedly until she could replace Misty's glasses, which were lost in the accident.

Now, the family plans to move on with their lives, he said. Jordan will go to a hockey tournament this weekend, Shane will take hockey lessons and the family will continue to support Curt at his baske

Funeral services will be held in Vancouver, Wash., on Jan. 8.

A fund has been established for the survivors at U.S. Bank.

#### Non-profit groups assist public schools

NAMPA (AP) - Private founda-tions in Caldwell and Nampa are picking up where state funding leaves off for local public schools. The nonprofit organizations administer scholarships and fund classroom programs; but-leaders: of both groups say they would like classroom programs, h of both groups say they to do more.

to do more.

Bill Gigray III, president of the Caldwell Foundation for Educational Opportunity, said the foundation has set aside funds for programs including fine arts, teacher assistance, transportation, athletics, parenting help for students who have their own children, and special equipment for students with disabilities. But the foundation has several other interests and many remain unfunded.

unfunded.

"It's very, very broad and intendedly so," Gigray said.

"Things come up that you can help with."

The foundation's transportation fund — started by Caldwell

The foundation's transportation fund – started by Caldwell Transportation Co. –helps pay for special trips for the high school choir and other school groups. "That's where donors come in," Gigray said. "If they can fund it, we can put it together." The program, started in 1992, was inspired in part by former Caldwell Superintendent Dariel Deide. Gigray said the school distict had been entrusted with money for college scholarships.

Gala

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## Weather may cause teams to halt search for bodies

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) Search teams may have to wait
until spring to recover the bodies
of two snowboarders swept up a
week ago by a series of avalanches in Provo Canyon.
High winds and more snowfall
kept searchers off the mountain
for a fourth day on Thursday, and
a sheriff's deputy said the bodies
may not be found for months.
The body of one snowboarder,
Mike Hebert, 19, of Orem, was
recovered on Sunday, but harsh
weather has kept rescue teams
from returning to look for the two
others.

others.

Another three feet of snow has fellen since all three were swept Another three feet of snow has fallen since all three were swept up by four slides on Friday in a major avalanche path that funnels down 11,000-foot Elk's Peak.

More snow was forecast

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overnight Thursday and high
winds were loading ridgetop cornices, "making the avalanche
danger even more extreme for
rescuers," sheriff's deputy
Dennis Harris told The
Associated Press. "The weather
forecast doesn't look good for the
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Rod Newbury, 20, Pleasant, Grove, and Adam Merz, 18, Orem, are presumed buried and dead under as many as 35 feet of snow and layers of almost impenetrable ice caused by the friction of the slides."

imagine the difficulties they, must going through now.

Although the bodies may not be recovered until spring, Herris said rescue teams will return to the mountain when it's safe, if only for "training purposes."

Bad weather also has kept helicopters from dropping explosures on the characteristic and the same of the same

Searchers have broken metal novels and aluminum poles look-

ing for the snowboarders.

The prospects for recovery are diminishing with each snowfall, Harris said. "We're feeling very bad for the families. We can't imagine the difficulties they.

sives on the chute to release addi-tional snow and make it safer for rescue teams.
The snowboarders were not

carrying shovels or beacons despite trave avalanche beacons despite traveling in what one expert called one of the Wasatch Mountains' most danrous avalanche chutes.

gerous avalanche chutes.

Hebert was the second confirmed avalanche fatality in Utah in 2003. The statewide total for avalanche-related deaths since 1951 will reach 73 if Merz and Newberry are added.

An estimated 10,000 avalanch-

es occur in Utah each year, with about 100 of those unintentional-

ly triggered by humans.

About 20 people are caught in avalanches every year.

## Grant will help Ada County preserve Oregon Trail

BOISE (AP) - Just a few steps from an unmarked parking lot in Boise a remnant of American his-

tory remains.

The ruts of the Oregon Trail mark the journeys of settlers who followed the path by foot and wagon more than 150 years ago.
But sections of the trail, which are listed in the National Register

But Sections of the data, are listed in the National Register of Historic Places, have been torn up by four-wheelers and other vehicles. A home has been built on one portion of the trail.

Armed with a \$300,000 federal grant, Ada County is starting to work on preserving part of the Oregon Trail between Idaho 21 near Columbia Village subdivision and Bonnerville. Point-Development and misuse of the land in the area threatens to wipe out what remains of the settlers' exodus to Oregon.

Much of the trail is already on public land. But with the grant money, the county-will try to buy about 1.5 miles of trail that crosses private land.

"It's some of the best preserved Oregon Trail near an urban center in the country," said Sux Neitzel, deputy historic preservation officer. But being close to a growing city could be the bane of the ruts, as well. A place on the Register of Historic Places does not guarantee protection. Private landowners may do as they please as long as there is no federal involvement in the project.

there is no reacrai involvement at the project.

"As development creeps out there," Neitzel said, "we're not going to have any trail left."

The county's effort has the sup-port of the Idaho State Historical Society and Oregon Trail history buffs.

## TWIN LAKES (AP) - Bill forris has watched piles of road

Resident says de-icer pollutes lake

at an entrance to Interstate 86 in Chubbuck, I-86 was closed from Chubbuck to Raft River and Interstate 15

was closed from the Pocatello Creek entrance to Blackfoot due to gusting winds and heavy snowfall Thursday afternoon.

Idaho Department of Transportation technicians Scott Christensen, left, and Biaine News

way snow get pushed into the lower Twin Lake for the past four

years.

Snow is pushed off the roads down to the boat dock and into

the water.
"Every year about two weeks after the thaw, you can see a thick Every year about two weeks after the thaw, you can see a thick oil film on top of the lake," said Bill Morris, a Twin Lakes resident. "We have a lot of kids swimming and taking fish out of this lake every summer. This is something that they don't even allow to happen in Alaska near the Arctic Ocean, and that's a lot bigger than our little Twin Lakes."

Morris, after calling various county and state officials, turned to the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality. The

department could start looking into the matter next month.

A site visit will be made and then the office can make a decision on the next step, said June Bergquist, regional water quality compliance officer with the department.

compliance officer with the department. The department allows certain areas of the Silver Valley to dispose of snow into the river.

"It's basically an education issue and you don't typically see it except in the Silver Valley, they're only allowed to dispose of clean snow into the river. Nothing that has litter, road debris or de-cling substances."

Bergquist said highway crews shouldn't contaminate surface water with dirry snow.

The Lakes Highway District

the agency responsible for snow removal in the area – did not return calls.

A former Alaska resident, Morris said many states prohibit snow disposal in ground water sources

A 1990 study done by the South Dakota Department of Water and Natural Resources found that roadway snow can despoil lakes and streams and aquatic life.

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But Dave Jones, a member of
the Pacific Northwest
Snowlighters and an operations
manager with the Idaho
Transportation Department, said
that when lange amounts of snow
are piled in an area, dilution
occurs and any impact is benign.
"Only testing will find out what
is going on after the snow is
gone," Jones said.

# V newsman faces molestation charges

SEATTLE (AP) – A television news reporter has been arrested by King County sheriff's deputies on a charge of lewd conduct with a minor in Latah County, Idaho." Eric Cannavaro, 36, has been suspended with pay by KIRO-TV of Seattle while the case pends, KIRO-TV news director Helen Swenson said Cannavaro former-ly worked for KXIX-TV in Spokane.
Cannavaro was arrested by U.S. marshals Thesday evening at his home in Seattle's Lower Queen Anne neighborhood, after

the Latah County Sheriff's Department issued a warrant for his arrest. He appeared Wednesday before a judge who set bail at \$5,000.

set out at 35,000.

A boy, 14; from Genesee, Idaho, told police that Cannavaro fordled him several times during a four-year period, beginning when the he was 9

the he was 9.

According to Latah County court records, the boy told police the incidents occurred when Cannavaro, a family friend, was "staying at his home and sleeping in the same room."

Leona Wood, KXLY-TV's news director, said Cannavaro left KXLY in the winter of 2002.

Cannavaro is a graduate of Brigham Young University, received a master's 'degree 'noplitical science from the University of Idaho and spent seven years working at KXLY.

Latah County Prosecuting Attorney Bill Thompson said the charges against Cannavaro stem from an investigation that began in July 2003, after the boy and his father went to police.



Magic Valley Mail manager Brent White removes chairs from the confetti-li

#### **Magic Valley New Year's Resolutions**

"I just hope I can improve my time management." — Twin Falls Meyor Lance Clow "To travel more this year." — Terry Barnes, Butley — To get Irino shape and ride horses as much as possible. — Gloria Bastlan, Twin Falls

\*\*To be more organized." – Tom Barnes, Burley
"The only thing I want is peace throughout the world." – Betty Shriver, Twin Falls.

## **Fatalities**

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if the numbers of deaths increase but fewer miles are driven.

Ohnsman as well as Transportation Department

Ohnsman as well as Transportation Department - spokesperson Darla Christiansen said-the most tragic element in road fatalities is that as many as two-thirds of the victims weren't

wearing seat belts and might've survived had they buckled up. "All the 'high-tech' safety designed 'into-cars - is - all - for naught," Ohnsman said, "if a per-son is ejected."

Ohnsman has a motto drivers should heed, he said: "People who stuy in the car (wearing safety belts) live, people who don't, die."

A driver education program being conducted in Coeur d'Alene in northern Idaho is being watched with interest, Ohnsman said. Accidents that are fatallites are down since the voluntary program began. He said a new session this weekend has 65 drivers already registered.

Schwarzenegger

SCHWAIZENEGGE

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP):—
Saddled with a shortful of at least
\$14. billion and a promise not toraise taxes, Gov. Arnold
Schwarzenegger is likely to release
— budget next week with few surprises — it will contain cuts, cuts
and more cuts.

While the administration has
released no details of the 20042005 spending—plan, lawrankers
and lobbyists engaged in budget
negotiations with the governor say
they expect to see a painful list of
spending reductions that reach
every corner of the state bursear.

cvery corner of the list will likely be public health and welfare programs – especially Medi-Cal, the state's health insurance for the poor and disabled that costs more

poor and disabled that costs than \$10 billion a year.
Education is also expected to share the burden, despite Schwarzenegger's campaign promise to protect school funding.

plans cuts in California budget He is likely to renew his pledge to get a bigger share of Indian gambling profits, and his call for new concessions from labor unions. And there are hints of reforms and erorganizations aimed-at making the state more efficient and cost conscious – including changes in parole and immate supervision.

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The new governor's finance director, Donna Arduin, is known for cutting billions in social services in Florida as budget director for Gov. Jeb Bust.

Tempering all the bad news, however, the governor is expected to paint a rosy economic outlook. to paint a rosy economic outlook where billions of dollars in unan-ticipated tax revenue over the next year, will let him sidestep some of the most difficult funding choices. And there are no expec

any new taxes.
"I think the governor has been fairly clear about that," said H.D. t that," said a

nor's Finance Department although there have been no simi lar promises when it comes to rais-ing fees. "The plan is to control

spending,"
Still riding a wave of popularity
since winning office in October's
historic recall election,
Schwarzenegger takes over at a

Schwarzenegger takes over at a critical time.

While former Gov. Gray Davis and the Legislature took some steps last year to solve the state's financial problems, spending remains badly out of balance with income.

income.

Last summer's budget agreement used a long list of one-time savings, accounting gimmics and borrowing to make ends meet. The one-time savings and many of the gimmicks expire at the end of this fiscal year, and analysts say a new deficit will begin growing almost immediately that will exceed \$10 billion by June 2005.

## Power

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To handle all the city's electric
meeds, Bowers said. That way if
there's ever a problem at the
city's other substation, customers
you't be affected because one
pagle substation will be able to
handle the entire city.

"It will be advantageous to our
customers to expand that substation." Bowers said. "It will be a
great shot for our customers."

The work will occur Sunday, no

matter what the weather condi-tions are, Bowers said. As long as the proper precautions are taken nce, rain or snow

in advance, rain or snow won't affect the project.

The midnight to 3 a.m. time frame was chosen to disrupt as few customers as possible, Bowers and United Electric General Manager, Raiph Williams said.

Bowers cautioned that the outage may affect some people or

businesses and he urges people who roly on special medical equipment or other such life-sup-port systems to make back-up-power arrangements or possibly stay somewhere that electricity is assured.

assured.

Bowers and Williams suggest people in the affected areas turn off their computer systems during the outage or back up their systems prior to Sunday morning to prevent the loss of any data.

#### KISSIN' IN 2004



## Resorts adjust to snowmobile ruling

CODY, Wyo. (AP) – Each of the past 29 winters, Pahaska Tepee lodge has opened for snowmobilers eager to take a ride into Yellowstone National Park.
But in the two weeks since a federal judge ruled against the Bush administration's new snowmobile plan and imposed a Clintonerar phiseout, lodge owner Bob Coe has had second thoughts about keeping his business open through the winter.

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"It's just put a chill on the entire business," he said Wednesday.

Profit margins in the winter have always been tight, he said, but the restrictions this season have made it especially hard for his business near the east entrance to stay open and break even, much less carve a profit.

"Business is down 65 to 75 percent," he said, adding that a design will be made Monday whether to keep the lodge open for the rest of the winter.

The number of snowmobiles, heading into Yellowstone is down across the park. In some cases, such as at the south entrance, the decrease is closely tied to the daily cap of 30 machines allowed through that gate.

But at the entrance near West Yellowstone, Mont., the number of snowmobiles has not regularly piushed the daily cap of 278.

According to statistics provided by park officials, the average number of snownobiles coming in each day between Dec. 21 and Dec. 28 was 291, far below the daily cap of

#### Nampa couple died of stab wounds

NAMPA (AP) — Bob; and Idella Voung died of stub wounds, Police Chief Curtis Homer said Thursday. The olderly couple was bound and killed in their Nampa home-sometime. between Saturday. and Monday, police said.

— Bob Young died of two stab wounds and his wife one, according to the autopy. Evidence suggested that Bob Young struggled with his attracker, Homer said.

Their bodies were discovered by police Monday after a friend said he had been mable to reach them. Because there was no signs of forced-entry, police believe the killer was an acquaintance or someone the couple might have invited into their home on business, Homer said. The Youngs operated a real estate company out of their home.

— The home had been runsacked but there was no indication any

their home.

The home had been ransacked but there was no indication anything was taken, police said.

Funeral plans are pending, but family members said a service could be held late next week.

493 imposed by the court ruling.
At the west entrance, the busiest gate during the winter, the highest daily total was 263 on Dec. 29, still below the daily limit of 278.

"Things could certainly change, but we haven't hit the (daily) allotments," said Stacy Valle, a Park Service spokeswoman.

Meanwhite, nearly 2,000 people rode 256 snowcoaches into the park between Dec. 21 and Dec. 28.

In the future, snowcoaches into the park between Dec. 21 and Dec. 28.

In the future, snowcoaches into the bear of travel for winter visitors to Vellowstone, depending on final resolution of the court case. The state of Wooming and snowmboile manufacturers have appealed Judge Emmet Sullivan's ruling, but it likely will be several months before a decision is issued.

If the judge's decision is issued.

If the judge's decision sistude, 40 years of snowmobiling, in Yellowstone would come to an end. At West Yellowstone, the self-styled "snowmobile capital of the world," he week between Christmas and New Year's is usaally a busy one, second only to Presidents Day weekend. But this holiday season, the town was quiet, said Marysue Costello, president of the West Yellowstone Chamber of Commerce.

"On the street I live on, there's a motel," she said. "And usually on that street there would be a pickup truck and a snowmobile trailer, a pickup truck and a

would be full.
"Now, they're just not there."
Costello said more people in town are starting to talk about other ways to market West Yellowstone in the winter, including an extra emphasis on the continuation of snowcoach service. The problem is that it takes time and money to conduct rosearch and

remaining is that it takes time and money to conduct research and then go after that market, she said. As for the drop-off in the number of snowmobiles coming through Yellowstone's west entrance, Costello cited a number of probable factors, including cancellations after the Sullivan decision, continued confusion, foul weather for travelers and good snow conditions that keep visitors enjoying winter recreation closer to home.

"We're not really seeing the Utah, Idaho and Wyoming plates," Costello said.

But at the south entrance, the snowmobile tour business has been brisk.

But at the south entrance, the snowmbile tour business has been brisk.
"I could be pushing 30 people a day into the park, no question," said Jelf Gollightly, manager of Togwotee Snowmobile Adventures in Jackson. "Instead I'm capped at 12 guests, so that means for every one person I take in, I'm turning away one and a half people."
"Coe, at Pahaska Topee, said the snowmobile ban, so stridently debated for years, may simply be the picture of the future.
"Thave little or no faith there are going to be big changes," he said.

## Yellowstone airport on hold

CODY, Wyo. (AP) - United Airlines' financial troubles have made it doubtful any air-service agreement for Yellowstone Regional Airport will be secured

Regional Airport will be secured in the near future.

State Sen. Hank Coe of Cody, chairman of the Cody Yellowstone Air Service Organization, said the airline is too busy with other

issues right now.

But Coe said the organization is ready to reach an agreement when

United does have time for it.
Coe originally expected an agreement to be finalized in November. Then he thought a deal would be wrapped up by the end of December.
"It's hard to sign it when we don't have it," he said.
Coe said he has kept in touch with the Wyoming Business Council and local leaders abut securing a revenue guarantee for United.

Find help at DivorceCare.

DivorceCare is a 13-week seminar and support group for people who are separated or divorced. It's a place where you can be around people who understand what you are feeling. It's a place where you can hear valuable information about ways to heal from the hurt of divorce.

DivorceCare group meets every Wednesday evening 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. beginning Jan 7<sup>th</sup> at Twin Falls Nazarene Church (west of CSI campus), 1231 Wasington St. N. Childcare is provided. For more information, call 733-6610. Cost \$10.00

## **JEROME COUNTY COURTS**

JEROME - Recent activity in 5th District Court in Jerome County included the following:

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#### Misdemeanor dismissals.

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#### Juvenile misdemeanor dismissals

Ashlee N. Larsen, 17; fuilure to carry driver's license on person; dismissed by prosecutor; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

#### Felony arraignments

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#### **Divorces**

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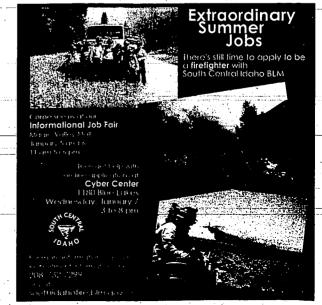
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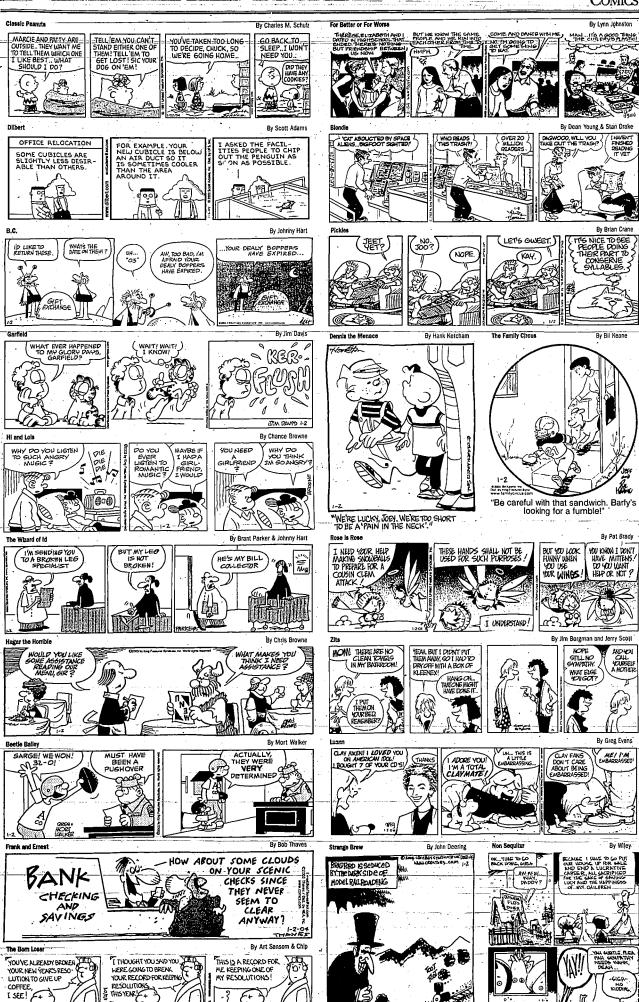
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#### Divorces

Tricia J. Schelling vs. Luke Henry Schelling Elisabeth Achen-Devena vs. Johnathan



#### COMICS



## Utah takes custody of tot found wandering in snow

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) – The state has taken protective custody of an 18-month-old Midvale boy found wandering in the snow wearing only a diaper.

The state Division of Child and Family Services also took the boy's two older sisters, ages 2 and 4, into protective custody.

DCFS director Richard Anderson said Wednesday that an investigation of the family's background found a series of neglect incidents involving all the children

over a number of years.

Both parents were involved in the neglect situations, he said.

No charges have been filed, but Midvale police said they were investigating allegations of neglect and abuse.

The boy was found Tuesday by a bus driver and a neighbor He was treated at Primary Children's Medical Center for a minor case of hypothermia and, low blood sugar, and was released from the hospital Wednesday.



Hundreds of Nev d'Alene Thursday du ing the 25th annual Polar Bear Plunge in Coeur d'Alene.

## **Judge sets** \$1M bail in abuse case

COEUR d'ALENE (AP) – A man being held in the Kootenai County jail in lieu \$1 million bail was accused of sexually and physically abusing five children, including two of his own.
Franklin David Towner, 36, will face a preliminary hearing in mid-January on 31 charges that could bring him life in prison. The alleged abuse dates back to 2001.
Towner moved 16 Colorado Springs, Colo, last fall, leaving the children, ages 3 to 12, but was extradited to Idaho on Monday.
Dressed in the red jumpsuir designating maximum security confinement, Towner made his initial court appearance before Senior Magistrate Paul 'McCabe on Tuesday.
In a report, Coeur d'Alene

on Tuesday.

In a report, Coeur d'Alene
Police Detective Ame Massie
quoted one child as saying
Towner was nice when he wasn't
drinking, which the child said was
often.

drinking, which the child said was often.

The charges accuse Towner of forcing the children to perform sexual acts on him and rewarding them with glits including a large screen television and DVD player.

He was accused of threatening the children with a kinite, burning and threatening to burn them with a lighter or matches, hitting them with a yard-long plastic pipe and other objects and stabbing them with a yard-long plastic pipe and other objects and stabbing them with syringe needle neused for his diabetic condition.

Investigators said in court documents that to punish the children, Towner would make them take baths in tubs full of ice water, dunking their heads underwater. He also was accused of holding the youngest child was a staircase railling in his house.

#### Former Caldwell bus aide faces molestation charges

CALDWELL (AP) – A former school bus aide who admitted fondling a 5-year-old passenger is accused of violating his probation by contacting the victim and failing to notify police he was moving

ing to notify police he was moving.

Clinton Tidquist, 77, was arrested Monday after police received a complaint about the alleged probation violation, Nampa Assistant Police Chief Tim Vincent said. The Nampa city prosecutor is investigating the allegations.

Tidquist was given a 5-to 10 year auspended sentence in October after pleading guilty to lewd contact with a minor, a charge stemming from an incident in December 2002.

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#### Lord of the Rings

"Ring World," a new multimedia show about NASA's Cassini/Huygens mission to Saturn and its moon, Titan. opens tonight at the Faulkner Planeranum at the Hener Center for the Arts and Sciences on the campus of the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls, It continues Saturday afternoon and evening and Tuesday night.



#### Roar and dance

Dragon Tales Live, a stage show based on the PBS kids' series, will play Boise's Bank of America Center Thursday night and lan. 9-11.

#### They're baaaack

The Sun Valley Company's production of Stuart Ross' tuneful, nostalgic "Forever Plaid," fea-turing Wally Huffman, Gordon Flade, Eric J. Larson and Paul Stooms, returns to the Boiler Room for the for the sixth sea son, on Sunday nights through the end of March.

#### Stand on your man

The Vurnettes, the Wood River Valley's outrageous send-up of Girl Groups, is back in the Boiler Room at the Sun Valley Resort on Wednesday nights through the end of March.

Celebrate Jan. 2

"First Friday at Rudy's," the

monthly Friday downtown

Twin Falls musicfest, renums on

the night after New Year's Day with the Chapter Two Jazz

Quartet, featuring Jeff Fox, Brian

Cricker, Steve Cox and Aaron Miller Rudy's, a Cook's Paradise, is located on Main Avenue.

see Events Spotlight on Page C5.

# Nicole in character, in the Civil War epic film 'Cold Mountain.'





# Despite world affairs,

battle movies continue to draw an audience

HOLLYWOOD - In the just-concluded holiday movie season, the hills - and the occans - are allow with the sound of bat-de. In films as seemingly diverse as "Cold Mountain," "The Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King," "The Last Samurai," "The Missing," and "Master and Commander The Far Side of the World," men and the occasional woman are at furious war, sometimes against their own deepest selves.

Given that the United States has launched two wars in a little over two years, it's tempting to see some connection between the headlines and the outbreak of war at the multiplex. The zeitgeist movie is one of most cherished fictions of the Sunday newspaper commentator, but one contradicted by the realities of Hollywood business, Most of the epic-scaled features currently in theaters were a glimmer in some producer's eyellong before the World Trade Center felil and U.S. bombs began falling on Afghanistan and Iraq. Director Anthony Minghella, for one, signed on to "Cold Mountain" in 1997, the year Charles Frazier's novel was published, and shooting on "The Return of the King" ended

you want to say about want to say about them, movic executives do not have the gift of prophecy. The studio notic could not have known that Russell Crowe's heroic poise in Master and Commander would find an end of the could not the image of an American president who likes to deliver speeches on aircraft carriers. What the executives did know, though, is that war, heroes and lavish productions are carring to popular audiences and tastemakers alike, especially if packaged without politics and obvious ideological tain, and set in some distant past. While these movies - which represent great top-grosslift inancial investment

light on this country's wars, they nonethe-less say a great deal about the people who made them.

about the people who made them.

What's really pushing the big studio guns onto the bartlefield – among those heeding the call to arms this year are mega-star Fom Cruise and director-darling Peter Weir – is a trend ignited by "Bitanie" in 1997 and ratified a few years later by "Gladiator." Namely, Hollywood's steady retreat from the rec-

ognizably real world - the place where people work, pay taxes, raise families and struggle along without Viking stoves and BMWs - into false worlds. The retreat takes many forms and cuts across

lan McKellen performs as Gandalf in the New Lines epic film 'The Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King, the third film in a hugely suc-cessful trilogy.

tan McKellen

Last weekend's top-grossing movies:

The Lord of the Rings: The Return of the Ring. New Line.
 Cheaper by the Dozen, Fox.
 Cheaper by the Dozen, Fox.
 Cold Mountain, Miramax.
 Somethings's Gotta Give, Sory.
 Psycheck, Paramount.
 Source: Exhibitor Relations

iny forms and cuts across genres, and this season it's expressed through period violence and warfare. It is, it appears, easier and more attractive to sell simplified dollhouse worlds, whether they're set in an idyllic feudal Japan or the 19th century American West, than to deal with contemporary life. deal with contemporary life.

In the late 1990s, James Cameron's "Mitanic" didn't just become the highest-grossing movie in history, it kick-started a studio rage for period spectacle unseen since the 1950s, when biblical, Roman and western epics filled the wide-

# Once more, with less feeling

You don't mess with perfection; That is the main reason why "The Singing Detective," a virtual remake of the brilliant BBCTV series of the 80s, falls flat on its respiratic face.

series of the 80s, falls flat on its postatic face.

The 6 1/2-hour original was an astringent, delusory blend of melodrama, musical and potboiler, starring Michael Gambon in a performance for the ages as a crime novelist hospitalized with howling skin condition.

The story, swayed by the patient's delirium, moved back and forth between the reality of

'The Singing **Detective**'

Who's in It? Robert Downey Jr., Mel Gibson, Ketile Holmes.
What's it retach? R.
Where's it playing? Lamphouse Theater,
Twin Falls
Should you go? This move has more bells and whisters than the RRC sales. but compare which the RRC sales.

Should you go? This movie has more bells and whistles than the BBC series, but compa isons are inevitable – and it can't compare.

the hospital and the pulp mystery novel the patient writes in his head. It also moved like a fever

dream among genres, so that a routine bedside exam could turn on a dime

into a nightmarish musical revue.

This version does more or less the same thing. It stars Robert Downey Jr., who must have looked perfect for this part on paper. Having sone through his own hell in revolving-door drug rehab, Downey could draw on his experience of being locked inside himself, furious at a world that sees him as a ess case.

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bert Downey Jr., Mel Gibson and Katle Holmes star in 'The Singing

# 'Cold Mountain,' 'Cheaper by the Dozen' continue holiday run

New to the valley

"The Singing Detective" - In
Keith Gordon's awkward condensation of Dennis Potter's 1986
miniseries, Robert Downey Jr. is
excellent as the hospital-bound
patient, a pulp novelist whose
delirium conflates personal fact
with paranoid fiction. With Mel
Gibson and Robin Wright Penn. R
(sexual candor, medical candor,
violence, profanity)

#### Continuing

Continuing

"Bad Santa" – Directed by
Terry Zwigoff, who did such great
work with the teen misfits of
2000's "Ghost World," hits black
comedy has moments of inspired
impertinence, but the unpleasantness of its title character (Billy
Bob Thornton) spills ower to the
film as a whole. R (pervasive language, strong sexual content,
some violence)

"Brother Bear" – With top-

film as a whole. R (pervasive language, strong sexual content, some violence)

"Brother Bear" - With topnotch (traditional) cartooning talent and a script laced with jokes that parents and guardians can chickle at, Disroys "Brother Bear" is a solid entry in the family film fare category - generally upbeat and engaging tale of friendship and understanding. G (mild violence)

"Cheaper by the Dozen" - Synthetic as a plastic Christmas tree, this shiny new reworking of the autobiographical Frank Bunker Gilbreth Carey book means to send a family-is-everything message, but by largely unfunny default instead makes it clear that having it all is virtually impossible for a father of 12 unless he's seriously well-off. Steve Martin and Bonnie-Hunt star as the parents, but the picture is stolen by an unbilled Ashton Kutcher as their eldest daughter's hilariously self-loving, aspiring-actor boyfriend. Amid clunky knockabout comedy sequences, Kutcher contributes the film's sole notes of humor and humanity. It's better to try to rent the charming and very different 1950 version starring Clifton Webb and Myrna Loy, (133. EG, for language and some thematic elements.)

"'Cold Mountain" - Atwang with mountain music and actors.

for language and some thematic elements.)

"Cold Mountain" - Atwang with mountain music and actors stretching their wowels in long, loping cadences, this romantic odyssey set during the Civil War is the equivalent of comfor food old-fashioned, earthy (lots of root vegetables), satisfying, Jude Law and Nicole Kidman star as lovers separated by conflict, carnage and hundreds and hundreds on miles. R (violence, profanity, nudity, adult themes)

"Dr. Seuss Cox in the Hat" -

"Dr. Seuss" Cat in the Hat"—

"Dr. Seuss" Cat in the Hat"—

The studio production kit says that "Dr. Seuss" The Cat in the Hat" runs 73 minutes. What it, doesn't say is that one carin-theat minute equals a dog year. This is not "The Cat in the Hat." This is kitty litter. PG (crude humor, double-entendres)



Tom Baker (Steve Martin) is hot on trail of a renegade frog, in Twentieth Century Fox's 'Cheaper by the Dozen.'

Ferrell in yellow tights as he leaves Santa's workshop at the leaves Santa's workshop at the North Pole to go looking for his biological father (James Caan) in New York - braving the Candy Cane Forest, the Sugar Plum Valley and the Lincoln Tunnel to get there. PG (profanity, cartoon violence)

violence)

"Gothika" – Hyper-rational criminal psychologist Halle Berry thinks she's delusional: She sees undead people in this unnerving thriller from Mathieu Kassovitz that suffers from a weak third act. R (violence, profanity, nudity)

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is drugs, sexual candor)

"The Last Samural" - Tom
Cruise is a hardbitten Civil War
vet who goes to Japan to teath
the military a thing or two, and
learns a bit himself when he is
captured by the samural wise in
the ways of the warrior. Epic bartle scenes and great costumes,
but a hollow movie star and
stereotyping screenplay are at its
core. R (violence, adult themes)

"The Lord of the Rings: The
Return of the Kings"—It took one
ring to rule them all, and now
there's one lim to end it all, to
bring to a close the cinematic
epic of our time, the one by which
all others will be judged.

of a renegade frog, in Twentieth Century
Powerfully imagined two times
over, first by the matchless fantasy mind of J.R.R. Tolkien and
then by the bravura filmmaking
of director Peter Jackson, this is a
fitting climax to a story about the
quest to rescue the world from
evil. Like anything restlessly and
eagerly anticipated, the film will
inevitably be quibbled with. It is
both formidably long and unsure
where it ought to end. Its critical
human moments include some of
the strongest of the trilogy, but
because the film by definition has
to showcase battles that will literally end all battles, the brevity of
those character beats at times
thread with unraveling. With
Elijah Wood, Sean 'Astin, Ian
McKellen and Viggo Morensen.
(3:20. PG-13, for intense epic battle
sequences and frightening
images.)

"Towe Don't Cost a Thing"—

(3:20: TG-13, for Intense epin our les sequences and frightening images.)

"Towe Don't Cost a Thing"—A defir remake of the appealing 1987"Can't Buy Me Lowe' finds a nerdy' high school student (Nick Cannon) maneuvering the most popular girl in school (Christina Milian) into posing as his girl friend for two weeks so he too can be popular. As he gets carried away she grows introspective and disapproving, and the result is a film that is frequently rowdy and uproarious but also has considerable depth. With Steve Harvey, hilarious as Cannon's father, intent on instructing his embariased son on the art of low-making and safe sex. (1:41. PG-13, for sexual content/humor)

""Master and Commander"—"
"Master and Commander"—"

ing and safe sex. (1.41. Pt-1.5, tor sexual content/humor)

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script he co-wrote with John
Collee, the film intends to be an intelligent epic, but it's the epic qualities more than the intelli-gence that holds us. While Russell Crowe is the rare heroic actor who can handle any kind of psy-

chologically 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 here, playing an 1805 Brussn sea captain. That the film succeeds despite a relative lack of depth and emotional involvement shows how powerfully effective it is in. doing what it does best, recreating an extended nautical due between Aubrey's HMS Suprise and the French (changed, from the American in the original novel) privateer Acheron. Based on two of the 20 novels written by Patrick O'Brian in a series called the Aubrey-Maturin novels after the captain and his best friend and Shipmate Dr. Stephen Maturin (played by Patrick O'Brian in a series called and Shipmate Dr. Stephen Maturin (played by Patrick O'Brian in a series called the Aubrey-Maturin novels after the captain and his best friend Bettany), (205. PC-13 for intense battle sequences, related images and brief language.)

"The Missing" C Call Blanchett and Tommy Le Jones play an estranged daughter and tather in this compelling, and visually stunning, western with mystical overtones about the hunt for a missing girl in the Southwest's ruiged mesa country. R (violence, profanity, adult themes)

"Mopna-Lisa Smile" – Julia

Southwest's rugged mesa country, R (violence, profanity, adult themes)

"Mona-Lisa Smille" – Julia Roberts as an art-history professor who brings 2003 feminist consciousness to Wellesley College, circa 1953. Strictly a paint-by-numbers affair. Excellent performances by Maggie Gyllenhaal, Marcia Gay Harden, Julies Stevenson and Julia Stiles PG-13 (sexual candor, mature themes)

"Paycheck" – Directed without personal feeling and evident interest by John Woo and written by Dean Georgaris from a short story by the most talented science-fiction writer in Hollywood, the late Philip K. Dick, the film stars Ben Affleck as a hotshot engineer who, steals ideas on behalf of whomever is writing the check, then has his memory of it

Now playing

Twin Falls Iwin Cinema 'Bad Santa" 'Brother Bear"

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"Elf"
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Return of the King"
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"Looney Tunes: Back in Action"

ction"
"Love Don't Cost a Thing'
"The Missing"
"Paycheck"
"Peter Pan"

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"The Singing Detective"
"The Station Agent"

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eturn of the King"
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Sun Valley Opera House "Peter Pan"

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Return of the King"
"Mona Lisa Smile"
"Paycheck"

erased. Although the promised Woo movie never emerges, it furnishes some low-level cheap entertainment for about an hour. Affleck and his chin are in fine form, bursting through doors and down corridors with impressive energy, but after the first hour the film rapidly devolves into an overextended generic chaes, complete with the usual car crashes and firehalls of death. This is the sort of noisy nonsense that Woo's earlier action movies made irrelevant, but alas not extinct. With Aaron Eckhart, Paul Giamatti and Uma Thurman. (1:59. PG-13, for intense action violence and brief language)

"Peter Pan" – The latest adaptation of the LM. Barrie play, directed and co-written by PJ. Hogan, is the first to star an actual boy (Igenny Sumpter) in the title role. And though this is the first live-action theatrical feature version since 1924 and being magical is very much its intensit, in ever manages to cross the threshold that makes that happen in our hearts. Even the existence of oodles of special effects and fairy dust. For flying can't make the fantasy flourish on more than a sporadic basis. This is by no means; a bad film, just one thars not as successful as weld wish. With Jason Isaes, Olivia Williams, Rachel Hurd-Wood and Ludvine Sagnier. (1:53. PG, for adventure action sequences and peril.)"

"School of Rock" – With a force that can only be described

School of Rock" -- With a force that can only be described as Belushiesque (as in John), Jack

Black throws his considerable heft into "School of Rock" – an engagingly screwball comic vehicle in which the actor and Tenacious D frontama goes, through an inventory of heavy, metal moves and makes a mockery of them at the same time. PG-13 (profanity, drug references).

"Something's Got to Give"—Nancy Meyers' bedroom fare teams Jack Nicholson and Diane, Keaton as an unlikely twosome dealing with conflicting issues accommitment, vulnerability and attraction to much younger members of the opposite sex. With Amanda Peet and Keanu Reevest-PG-13 (sex, nudity, profanity, adult themes)

"The Station Agent"—A quiet, beauful little film about friendship, family, loneliness and trains, this New Jersey-made indie stars a true star, Petor Dinklage, as a rail buff who inherits a long-unused train depot; like the best sort of short story, the quiet, oddball pic captures: lives in fleeting, but telling moments. R (profanity, adult themes)

"Stuck on You" —A movie

moments. R (proratity, water themes) "..." A movie about togetherness and sepant-tion, about partnership versus individuality, about best buddies and following one's dream, the Farrelly Brothers' "Stuck On You," despite its penchant for the partnership of the best of the penchant for the and following ones dream, the Farrelly Brothers' "Stuck On You," despite its penchant for the rcude and leved, is goosy in ways' that have nothing to do with bodiy fluids. PG-13 (crude humor, adult themes)

- Source: Knight Ridder News Service, Los Angeles Times

## Tolkien fans celebrate – finally, it's OK to speak Elvish in public

It hasn't always been this easy to be a Tolkien fan.

For most of my young-adult and adult life, people tended to look at me sidelong should I happen to mention that I had read "The Lord of the Rings" several times—OK, pretty much once a year since I got my first copies when I was in the fifth grade. Boyfriends especially would grow suddenly still, their eyes wildly scanning the walls for the nearest exit should I suddenly whip out my faux hobbit feet or start speaking in Elwish.

To the uninformed, Tolkien fans occupied the vaguely sinister and decidedly weird regions shared by Dungeons. \*\* Dragons\*\* players, members of creative anachronistic societies and women who collected flower fairies and unicorn

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tic societies and women who col-lected flower fairies and unicom figurines.

Science fiction was a more acceptable obsession: It was mas-culine, based on science and rea-son. There were rocket ships and time continuous, things that were possible. Fantasy, on the other had, was just out to lunch. Elves and wizards were girly, hobbits and dwarfs were fey.

It was useless to protest that "The Lord of the Rings" was an-epic masterpiece in an age-old scholarly and literary tradition, useless to point out its roots in myth and language. At best, the trilogy was associated with the drug culture of the '60s, granted a certain camp credibility like tie-dye and bongs. But for most non-

Now, every Tolkien fan I know has come out of the closet, proudly displaying their long-concealed obsession if only to help first-timers understand the director's work,

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ans, it was considered a big waste of reading time.

Now, of course, all that has changed. Now Viggo Mortenson is on the cover of Vanity Fair for playing Aragorn, son of Arathorn, heir of Isildur, last king of Gondor – and nobody thinks he's fey airly. Now teenage girls in Hello Kitry Tehirts swoon over magairles stories about Orlando Bloom. "Legolas is my favorite," one sighed at a checkout counter in Target. "I like him even better than Frodo."
Watching her, all I could think

Watching her, all I could think of was how at her age I would have said the word "Legolas" and risked eternal social alienation.

ing about.

As any member of any disen-franchised group will tell you, it's pretty strange when the main-

people conversant in the ways of Criddle-earth. Galadriel, Gimli, Saruman, Theoden, Eowyn, Samwise, Treeboard – not four-years ago you took your chances when uttering these names in public. Sure, you might find a fellow fan amid the blank looks, but you'd have to take your business outside the pale—the park at midnight, certain-bars and dark-curtained rooms.

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Now, every Tolkien fan I know
has come out of 1. ce closet, proudy displaying their long-concealed
obsession if only to help firsttimers understand Jackson's
work. (Dwarfs and elves have a
long-standing animosity, that's
why Gimli is so mean to Legolas at
thist; no, hobbits are not immortal,
-though-they-live-longer-than-wedof, Farnair is Boromir's brother
and their father is steward, not
king, of Gondor).

Now we can talk about the characters we have loved for so long
without people looking at us as if
we were about to break out in
Entish song. This turn of events is
both liberating and unsettling.
Yes, any armchair shrink will tell
you that scerete beget shame, but
in some cases they can engender a
feeling of specialness, even superiority. Finding another Tolkien
fon always guarenteed hours of
conversation, made even more
delicious by the knowledge that
most people within earshot didn't
know what the heck we were talking about.

As any member of any disen-



ster Corry Schroyer, 22, of Pikesville, Md., wait with about 800 atre to see all three 'Lord of the Rings' m

stream starts speaking your lan-

or actually, not quite. As awe-some a work as Jackson's "The Lord of the Rings" is, it remains, as he has said since the beginning, exactly that: Jackson's "The Lord of the Rings," not folkeins. So it's hard sometimes not to interrupt a movie funt hapsodies with bits of crucial background (one reason Denethor disliked Faramir was because of Faramir's admiration for Gandall) or to point out the (many) places in which the film diverges from the books.

This is no doubt annoying to lose who are more than satisfied those who are more than satisfied with Jackson's vision and have no desire to mull the possibility of other choices. They look at us long-standing Tolkien fans with smiles half irritated, half sympathetic. But like people who wore Burbern's before it got but again, we need to stake our claim, to make sure that people know we appreciated the greatness of the work way before New Line even existed.

It's not that we're obsessive, it's just if you're going to talk about it,

you should know ... ""
One friend who asked a fow questions about certain characters gave me a queer look wheil inished answering. "Welf inhanks," he said. "I get in now Antiby the way, you need professional" by the way, , help." See, that's more like it.

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# VAMPIRE'S FAREWELL

Her library holds half a dozen 15inch to 2.5 foothigh statues, including a porcelain Virgin Mary and
Child dressed in embroidered velvet and stiff, gold lace. Almost lifeszed wooden figures of Mary and of
St. Lucy, holding two eyeshals on a
plate, stand serenely in a dining
from decorated with antebellum
rhurals of rural Italy. A smaller,
arrow-pierced St. Sebastian writhes
on a sideboard, contorted in holy
agony.

arrow-pierces of contorted in holy agony.

Rice's fascination with sanctity started long before she began "Interview With the Vampire". her first novel to ask whether the undead might be part of God's plan. 'Blood Canticle' is the latest and list of her books about vampires and with the sanction.

Island Cantack" is the latest and last of her books about wampires and witches.

As a child, she read about saints and arranged a small room as an oratory, a room for prayer.

"I wanted to be a saint. I wanted to be like St. Rose of Lima," Rice says. "She could toss roses in the air and they'd stay as a wreath – she was so powerful as a saint. I used hat image in The Witching Hour! I had Lasher, the evil spirit, help the little girl Beriter. — toss flowers in the air and they'd stay.

"But I don't want to take those things and use them any more for the witches and vampires. That chapter's closed. I seek something fluch more extensive."

Like many writers, Rice hears, and sees her characters so wirdly in her mind that they seem to have a life of their own. Such was the case with her flamboyant master vampire.

"Lestat didn't speak to me for a

and background.

"What she does in Interview' is say, You really want to know about the inner life of the vampine That is where the full vampine as us, as an image of our own identities, comes into part of the popular culture."

Margaret L Carter, whose work about vampires has been published in anthalogies and on the Internet, potes that authors before Rice wrote first-person short stories about vampires—and even a novel alternated by a vampire speaking into a tape recorder, as Louis does in "Interview." But they are known ealy to fans of horror fantasy and science fiction, she says. Rice was the first to become widely popular, writing one best seller after another.

et.

Before Rice, she says, writers, either followed the lead which Bram Stoker set with "Dracula," or reacted against it. "There are now two competing templates – the shadow of Dracula and the shadow of Anne Rice" the says.



Anne Rice says her new book, 'Blood Cantile,' will be the last in her series about vampires and witches.

Anne Rice says her new book, 'Blood canticle' (a hymn or song of praise), she knew the book would be the last of what have become the Wampire Chronicles.

The decision had nothing to do with the death of her husband of 41 years, who designed the round koi pond centered in a rectangular flagstone terrace outside the glassed-in porch, and whose vivid oil paintings are the only art hung on the 14-foothigh walls of the mansion they shared.

Anne Rice had about oneshird

high walls of the mansion they shared.

Anne Rice had about one-third of the book written when Stan Rice, whom she had known since high school, was diagnosed with brain cancer. He died Dec. 9,2002.

"It was a nightmare," the author says. "The only good thing was that it was short. So he died without stifering a long time. It was rough."

There is, though, an almost supernatural shape to it all Rice began the series a year after their Syearold daughter, Michelle, died of Teukernia in 1972. She has said that she gave Lestat her husbands looks and grace, and that the child vampire in "Interview" was an unconscious way of giving Michelle immortality. Thirry years later, her husbands life and the series ended.

"I had made up my mind to end

ended. "I had made up my mind to end

it before he was sick. So I can't say there is a connection. But it certainly seems like it when one stands back and looks at the big picture," she says.

A few months after finishing "Blood Canticle," Rice began another transformation - one of her own body. Weight had been a lifelong problem, and as she watched her husband die, she hit 254 pounds. She couldn't walk more than a few steps without panting. Her blood pressure was high. She suffered from sleep apnea. She was almost a hemit! "I didn't want to go anywhere."

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On Jan. 15, 2002, she had a gas-tric bypass operation:
She has lost 104 pounds and works out daily about 40 minutes on a stationary reclining bicycle, while she reads the New York Times ("it's the ultimate readers' bike") and 20 minutes lifting weights. She'd like to lose another 20 rounds.

weights. She'd like to lose another 20 pounds.

"A year ago I was a 3X. I bought things based on whether they fit and covered me. I still have to stop myself from buying things just because they fit. I have to remember I no longer have to. Thave choices?"

ampires and witches.

towear a Ralph Lauren blouse," she says, gently touching the sprigged fabric. "Tm so thrilled!"

Even better, she became fit enough for a national book tour. Meanwhile, Rice plans to keep writing novels about the philosophical questions that have gripped her from the start: "about good and evil, about whether there is a God, about our personal quest for redemption."

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She expects to finish her next book by the end of January, and to see it in print next fall. She's been working on it for at least a decade.

She wouldn't talk about the subject, except to say that it won't be part of a series.

Rice does have a new series in mind—about the supernatural, just not witches and vampires.

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The song of blood is over. It is time to sing unto the Lord a new

About angels, perhaps?
A good guess, Rice says, without making any commitments.
"It does seem logical, doesn't it? And it I do it, I'll probably do something nobody else has done, just as I did with vampires."

## **Cartoonist mines** humor in family life

Circus.

And then there are the Stones, of 
"Stone Soup," who are extended, 
blended and look a lot more like 
today's "typical" American household - if such a thing still even

todays "typical" American household – if such a thing still even exists.

"Stone Soup" is the creation of cartonist Jan Ellot, who has just published her fourth collection of strips, "Road Kill in the Closet," subtitled: "If Want My Own Room, and I Want It Now." From humble beginnings in a Eugene weekly, the strip has expanded to 150 newspapers across the country.

And the Stone family has gravin up in the elight years since it haunched.

The strip is one of the only ones to center on a single mother, in this case the widowed, working Val Stone. She lives with her two daughters, 13-year-old princessy Holly and 9-year-old tomboy Alix, and their yippy little dog, Biscuit, who carries on a torrid love affair with Val's bunny slippers.

Val's peppery, mother lives with them, too, pitching in with child care and protecting her turf on the living room sofa when her soaps are on.

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living room sofa when her soaps are on.
Next door lives Val's sister, Joan, divorced from a deadbeat dad who went out to buy milk one day and wound up purchasing it in the Virgin Islands. Joan, who has a toddler son, is newly remarried to nice guy-neighbor Wally, who in turn has taken in his hormonal nephew, 15-year-old Anidy. It's a complicated bunch, and the issues the comic takes on are also complicated, unlike the gaga-day format that still prevails in some older family strips, like "Deanis the Menace."

complicated, unlike the gage-day format that still prevails in some older family strips, like "Dennis the Menace". Val lost her job, mirroring the Val lost her job, mirroring the commit downturm in Eliot's home state of Oregon, which has one of the nations highest unemployment fates. She was eventually rehirred, but has just been told the her new job will involve extended travel to Sheboyan, Wis. – In the her new job will involve extended travel to Sheboyan, Wis. – In the dead of winter, naturally Eliot, who was born in San Jose, Calif, but grew up in Elinois, has also dealt with Andy's feelings about parental neglect, and Joan Sone's fears about remarying.

"Ecople want to read the funnies and see themselves," she says." The basic thing in our lives is family, and there is always room laugh at things like waking up in the middle of the night with the new baby."

While "Doonesbury" creator Garry Trudeau had Oregonians from the governor on down winging their hands last winter after his series of strips on the state's budget-battered educational system, Eliot has been lampooning over-crowded classrooms and over-

worked teachers for years.

Her most recent effort is a just-concluded series of pointed cartoons about the lavishly appointed, air-conditioned lockers doled out to members of the University of Oregon's football team (the school is not named outright in the strip) versus the ill-equipped condition of many public school classrooms. "This is ridiculous!" exclaims Val Stone in one recent strip. "You're trying to educate 35 kids with 33 desks, you don't have enough texts, he A.V. equipment is broken, tie heat isn't working. Should we get the jantior?"

"At your service," replies Holly's eacher, the aptly named Ms. Wingit, donning a pard hat and grabbing a mop.

The point is, Eliot's got a point to make, as befits her status as one of just a handful of, women whose cartoons are nationally syndication after she took up cartooning as a creative outlet to relieve her stress as a single mother of two young daughters.

gle mother of two young daughters.

Back in 1980, editors thought there were plenty of wome already represented on the comics page—there was Cathy Guisewite's eternal single gal, "Cathy," and Lynn, Johnstron's enormously popular "For Better or for Worse," one of the few strips that has allowed its characters to age. Why, the inquired, did they need Eliot? When she did get an offer from a syndicate, they wanted her to sign syndicate, they wanted her to sign away all rights to her work - forcy-

syndicate, they wanted her to sign away all rights to her work – forever.

She turned them down, Eliot said, then went home and cried, sure that she had lost her one shot. But her hometown newspaper, the Eugene Register-Guard, was willing to give her another one. "It was the work itself," recalled Jim Godbold, then the managing editor of the Register-Guard, now the paper's executive editor. "She was looking at women and their relationships to each other in a new way for us."

Eliot is part of a new generation of cartonists who are pushing the boundaries of the "sit-comics," all of the said and wanted and wanted the said and wanted the said and wanted the said and wanted the said and her the said and won't marry off Val, but might write in a sun and friends thrown in for good mende characters, and won't marry off Val, but might write in a sun and friends thrown in for good mende characters, and won't marry off Val, but might write in a romance for Gramma with a younger man. The main female characters, she said, are amalgams of herself at different anges, with bits of her own daughters and friends thrown in for good measure.

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measure.
"And if I can't think of anything.
I can usually write for the dog," she says. "People love the dog."



Jan Ellot, cre-ator of the comic strip 'Stone Soup suggestathe frame of a comic strip with her hands in her Eugene, Ore..

## Author takes fresh look at fact, tales of fiction of Pony Express

RENO, Nev. (AP) - Christopher Corbett-was-chasing down the fruth about the Pony Express one day near Mud Springs, Neb., when a local shared some words of wis-

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his home in Baltimore.

"This is a lift the Hilke Paul Revere's ride.

Revere's ride.

It's rooted in fact, but it's layered, with 150 years of cen be Illis of the ment, fabrication and outright lies."

Cor bett's book, written in an engaging, non-scholarly style, is the first major examination of the Pony. Express in 50 years.

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Douglas Brinkley, director of the Eisenhower Center for American Studies and a history professor at the University of New Orleans, brands it "a first-rate narrative history." Dale Ryan of Carson City, former president of the National Pony Express Association, calls it "one of the most authoritative books ever switzen" on the subject.

knew nothing about the Pony Express until stumbling across an old station in 1996 at Fort Churchill, 50 miles southeast of Reno.

Reno. More than five years of research, Corbett visited research facilities in eight states along the route of "the Pony," as it was known in its time.
"The more I researched the Pony, the more I-lowed it," said Corbett, 51, a University of Maryland-Baltimore County journalism lecturer and former Associated Press reporter and news editor.

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But Corbett also found the story was embellished over the years by Mark Twain, Buffalo Bill Cody, Frederic Remington and others. Dime novels and Hollywood added to the lore. Cody Immorralized the fast-mail service by making it a fixture in his popular Wild West shows from 1883 to 1916, Corbett said, though he doubts stories that Cody was a Pony rider at a tender age. "It's apparent that other peo-

ple didn't let the facts get in the way of a good story." Corbett said.
"It was the golden age of prevaricators and these guys were masters. Delice Buffalo Bill was just a messenger for the Pony."

Corbett also is skeptical that the much-repeated phrase "orphans preferred" appeared in Pony Express rider recruitment ads. No evidence of the original has ever surfaced, he said.

"Ipicked the phrase for the book title because it perfectly evoked title vestigen truth and lasting legend of the Pony." Corbett said. "Rere's not a gift shop between St. Joe and Sacramento where you can't buy that ad."

Corbett challenges the whole some image that stems from the oath that all. Pony employees-signed stating they would not drink, gamble or swear.

He cites accounts to the contrary by travelers of the time, and archaeological digs that uncovered hundreds of fragments of liquer bottles at two Nevada Pony sta-

tions. "The myth is that they were choir boys, but they weren't. These were tough guys." Corbett said. Despite the legends, the fact remains that the Pony's unprecedented mail service of 10 days or less was an amazing feat that helped link the young country from one coast to the other, he said. Corbett praises the grit of riders such as Robert "Pony Bob" Haslam, who is widely, credited with making the Pony: longest ride.

Haslam's 380 mile roundtrip gal-lop from his Lake Tahoe home sta-tion to central Nevada took place at the height of the Paiute Indian

War.

Ile encountered burned sta-tions, slain station keepers and a relief rider who refused to go - all in a ride that took less than 40

in a ride tran took
hours.
"Pony Bob wasn't a tall tale; he
was the real deal," Corbett said.
"His ride was the high-water mark
of Pony rides."

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# It might have been the day music died

By Tom Moon Knight Ridder News Service

If you had to reduce all the bad news hovering over the record industry this past year down to just two headilmes, these would be the choices: "Warner Music to Be Sold to Group headed by former Seagram's boss Edgar Bronfman," and "DreamWorks Records Swallowed Up by Mammoth Interscope."

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Forget about file sharing or the steady erosion of CD sales to DVDs and video games. Those two developments, both announced in the fall and awaiting governmental approval, represent a tipping point – the moment when, with swift decisiveness, the patient, long-term approach to record-making that prevailed at the major labels through much of

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the rock era bit the dust.

Here was Warner Bros. Records, Records, the best cauldron for artist development the industry has ever seen, cut loose after becoming an economic albatross to its corporate overlords at Time Warner And over

Now runs Warner Brothers

overlords at Time Now runs We Warner. And over there was the tiny operation by Warner And over there was the tiny operation of the works, transformed into low-hanging fruit, an opportune babble seized in the majors' relentless push for market share. Ry Cooder, the guitarist and composer with dim prospects for commercial success when Warner Bros. signed him in the early '70s, sounded disgusted the orther day just thinking about it. "The quarterly earnings thing has' changed everything," he groaned, talking about the freedom he had to make early recordings such as "Chicken Skin Music," and how so many of his favorite works by others were a direct result of the tolerant Warner idea to let artists be addrect result of the tolerant Warner idea to let artists corporate system has done in in." Rick Rubin, producer and preferror of the Universal distributed American Recordings, put it his way. "The influstrys in such a bizarre state right now. It's like a completely different business than what Mo Ostin, who is my hero in life, used to do." Ostin, the longtime head of Warner Bros. Records who founded DreamWorks in 1996, "cared so much," Rubin said. "He loved it so much, was so supportive. And now that kind of approach isn't welcome. It's so not about the art." Of course, Warner Bros. hasn't been the old Warner for a while. Is market share has dwindled, and though it still retains the services of artists it helped launch (Neil Young, Madonna, Linkin Park), it no longer discovers radial, boundary-shifting artists, buch less lets them find their way year several albums, which was the norm during the Ostin era. "The demise of DreamWorks' the only warnother lived by at Warner Bros. during its peak that if artists have he norm during the Ostin era. "The demise of DreamWorks' were every more and and artists cucess and is revered by artists as one of-fere wimprints where a crary musical notion could flourish. Its store proves the axiom that Ostin and veteran producer Lenny Warnother lived by at Warner Bros. during its peak tha

rejected or misunderstood eisewhere.
Smith was hardly the only artist
who thrived in such an environment. Among the others are topselling country singer Toby Keith,
the pioneering hip-hop-R&B duo
Floetry, alt-nock band Jimmy Eat
World, singer-songwriter Rufus
Wainwright, and the adventurous
Nelly Furtado. All are likely to be
retained by Interscope, and their
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But in Interscope's artistic ethos which, to be fair, has included some artist development — the DreamWorks-style willingness to forgo the instant hit to cultivate more lasting and artistically constitutions may not sequential contributions may not sequential contributions may not work after the sale was announced. Wainwright said with the would be insulative will be the constitution of the work of the most the form any executive meddling, and that his highly orchestrated "Waint Two" would be released in the form he intended sometime in the spring of 2004. But in the next breath he admitted that others on the roster might not get the same treatment.

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admitted that others on the roster might not get the same treatment. One indication of Interscope kiniking came several weeks ago, when the label asked Neilsen/Soundscan to include sales of DreamWorks recordings (more than 8 million in 2003) as part of Interscope's total sales tally. The move gave Interscope an extra 2 percent of the new-release market and put the label well in front of its closest competition - Island/Del Jam, another Universal unit, and Columbia Records, which is part of Sony Music – for overall market share.

Few DreamWorks acts have the commercial pull to help shore up Interscope's numbers all by themselves, the way an act such as No Doubt can in the first week of a release. But collectively, they obviously do have some power. Raised under Ostin and others for whom the quality of work was at least as important as units sold, these artists have become a perverse corporate commedity, valuable precisely because they were able to grow in an environment far from the prevailing mercantile wisdom.

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More important, DreamWorks serves as an illustration that no matter how much emphasis is placed on sales charts, the music industry still needs people to advocate for the art. It still needs warriors willing to stick with an unproven talent long enough for that talent to mature. It needs representatives from the radical fringes.

The success stories that characterized DreamWorks might have been more midlevel than stratospheric, but each represents another little tribe, an audience the fitterscopes of the world don't usually bother with, a devoted coalition of listeners who found their way to Floetry, say because the sound was unlike anything else. That should still count for something, And it does, of course, at the many thriving independent labels, where the focus remains on documenting important artistic expression, not simply dominating the market. Rubin and others contend that if they're to remain relevant, the major labels will sooner or later have to return to that philosophy. "My interest, and that of the artists I work with, is in doing it forever," Rubin said. "Being great forever, not just for one hot record. Somehow the people runing the buginess don't seem to care about that anymore. I just don't understand it."

## Saturn show begins at Faulkner Planetarium

TWIN FALLS - The Faulkner Planetarium will kick off the new year tonight with a new program. "Ring World" details NASA's Cassini/Huygens mission to Saturn and its moon, Titun. The show was produced by vetran planetarium program producers, formerly from New York, and the show its model of the producers of the pr

Phlox, on the new Star Trek program, "Enterprise."
Greenawald says "Ring World"
Greenawald said. "But it's going to be an exciting way for the public

and area students to become familiar with one of NASA,s most sophisticated missions and feel like they, re a part of it."

Greenawald is impressed with the production of the program, as well, pointing out that the viewer almost feels an attachment as he or she seems to fly along with the spacecraft, which is expected to reveal new details about Saturn that still mystify scientists.

"Ring World" will be shown at 7 p.m. Tuesdays, Fridays, and Saturdays, beginning tonight. There will also be a matinee showing at 2 p.m. on Saturdays. The

new schedule will also feature 4 p.m. Saturday matinees of "More Than Meets the Eye" that will feature a live hosted sky tour after the program. Rock music fans canenjoy a reprise of the Faulkners. Ted Zeppelin: Maximum Volumo I" at 8:15 p.m. on Saturdays. Admission to the planetarium is \$4 for adults, \$3 for seniors, \$2 for students, and \$9 for families of the total classes for which arrange, ments must be made in advance by calling the Herrett Center for Arts and Science at 732-6655.

# ELECTRONIC ADVENTURES

## 'Star Wars' title was the best game of past year

Well, gamers, now that you've had a chance to rip through that lame PlayStation 2 copy of Starsly & Hutch your aunt gave you for Christmas, lets recap the titles you wished you'd received this year and look ahead to 2004.

Game of the year: "Star Wars-Knights of the Old Republie" (\$49-ages 13 and up) for Xbox and PC.

This role playing game, set thous sands of years before the events in the movies, makes George Lucas look like an illiterate hack.

The complex tale woven into the game is revealed subtly, layer by layer, as you zoom across alien worlds, build your own light saber and face the temptations of the dark side and the rimphs of the light.

Or you can wallow in the wanton destruction, self-serving betrayals and the cold cruelty of the dark side and the rimphs of the gint.

The barrage of moral choices in this game – will you save the weak or run them through with your light saber and steal their money? gauts you an investment in the plot and characters that no other game does.

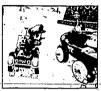
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And there's not even a hint of Jar-Jar.
The role-playing standards – such as stats, character building and combatin which you take turns with the computer – are all there.
But the developers didn't forget to throw in grumbling Wookiees, a contemptuous robot who calls you Moatbag" and even a goofy Star Wars bar.
"Knights of the Old Republic"

Wars bar:

"Knights of the Old Republic" also boasts impressive graphics, and you can't go wrong with the Star



'Marin Kart' Double Doeb' wine raves as the best racing game.

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Wars music.
Runnerup: "Call of Duty" (\$49; ages 13 and up) for the PC.
This first-person shooter, set in World-War II, does a great job of conveying the scope not just of individual battles, but of the entire European theater.

You get to play, alternately, as an American, British and Soviet foot soldier, and the developers clearly saved their best for the last, with the massive siege of Stalingrad.

The action is intense and thrilling, and there's a satisfying mix of assult fighting, steath missions and sniping.

And for once, your computer-controlled buddies came in handy during combat and don't need a baby sitter to guide them through doors and turnels.

"Call of Duty" is so good that my only complaint is that fet los othert.

Honorable mention: "Tron 20" (\$19; ages 13 and up) for the PC.

Neon blue lights never looked so cool!

cool!
You've been digitized and down

hoaded into your computer, and must fight off evil viruses, corrupted memory slots and rogue programs. And the cycle races are fun

enough that they come nave went-stand-alone game.

The complex sutorial and massive amounts of computer jargon at the start of the game can be off-putting. But you'll find this is really a star-dard first-person shooter with some extra puzzles.

The action is good, but the best part of 'Tron 20' is the pure visual evole.

yle.

Best-racing-game: "Mario Kart:
ouble Dash" (\$49; all ages) for

Double Dash" (549; all ages) for GarneCube.
Don't listen to the naysayers. Yeah, the single-player mode in Mario Kart is largely a retread of the N64 and Super NES versions. But the multiplayer LAN mode shines And if you're feeling adventrous, the folks at Warp Pipe (www.warppipe .com) have developed a program you can download to let you play Double Dash online. You might never leave your house again.

gain.

Best platform game: "Ratchet & lank 2: Going Commando" (\$49; ges 13 and up) for PS2.

It's big, bright and beautiful, and ist about everything explodes then shot

just about everyum, when shot. But "Going Commando" isn't just there are nifty puzzles to

But "Going Commando" isn't just pretty; there are nifty puzzles to solve, big worlds to explore and genuine humor.

Best sports game: "Top Spin" (549; all ages) for Xbox.
Yeah, "Madden," "NBA Live," "SSX" and "Tony Hawk" all sold 40 bejillion copies.

But playing tennis with Microsoft's Top Spin is just more fun, and the create-splayer mode is the best ever.

It's not a complex title, but you

tne best ever.

It's not a complex title, but you can replay Top Spin for a long, long time.

me. Best innovation: Sony's EyeToy

Camera for the PS2.

This unassuming gadget could-change the way we play games, bit depends on how Sony uses it.

Imagine a sword-lighting game where, instead of punching buttons on your controller, you swing a toy sword in front of your TV, parrying and striking.

Or karaoke games where you don't just sing along with the lyrics but also appear on stage in front of.

also appear on stage in front of of thousands of virtual scream

ing fans.

Hopefully, Sony is busy cooking up neat applications for this fun

gizmo.

On the other hand, if you find glee in the subpar, take a look at the worst game design, public relations and advertising moves in video games this year at the Warshaw Awards 2003 (www.shacknews.com/

#### Coming in 2004

So what do we have to look forward to in 2004?
Well, "Half-Life 2," "Doom 3" and 'Halo 2" But that's assuming all

"Halo 2." But that's assuming all three are released next year. Given that they've each been delayed at least once, don't be surprised if one or more of them end up coming out in 2005. I'm also looking forward to "Ninja Gaiden," "Fable," "Gran Turismo 4" and Sony's PSP handheld system, as well as price cuts on all the consoles. Gamers might also want to keep their ears perked for a PS2 title called "Killzone," a European shooting game that supposedly makes "Halo" look like an Atari 2600 reject.

reject.

And this spring, all the hardware companies should finally announce the official specifications for the next generation of consoles.

## Oakley arts council sets 'Annie' auditions

OAKLEY - Oakley Valley Arts Council will hold auditions for its production of "Annie" from 7:30-9:30 p.m. Thursday and from 9-11:30 a.m. Jan. 10.

The show is directed by Harlo Clark. Performance dates are March 4-6, 8-9, 11-13, 15-16, 18-20. For more information, call 677-ARTS.

Dilettantes seek players for 'Damn Yankees' production

TWIN FALLS - The Dilettantes of Magic Valley will hold the first cast call for its production, "Damn Yankees," at 7 p.m. Monday at Lincoln. Elementary, School, 238 Seventh St. N. Twin Falls. Those attending should enter the school's door by the basketball courts.

After introduction of the

After introduction of the Dilettante-board\_of\_directors, choral rehearsals will begin with music director Sharon Warner.

News in brief

This meeting is for everyone in the cast and board members.

#### WSCPA to sponsor movie-watching marathon-

GOODING - The Western States College of Performing Arts will sponsor an attempt to set a world record for the longest movie-watching

longest movie-watching marathon.

It starts at midnight on Jan. 9 and will last until midnight on Jan. 12 at the Schubert Theater.

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Participants will watch 38 movies in row - 72 hours - to break the mark listed in the Guinness Book of World Records. Records.

Cost is \$25. For more information, call 733-7695.

- compiled from staff reports

## ENGAGEMENT -HILL-WARREN

BURLEY - Rex Hill of Paul and Alice Hill of Burley announce the engagement of their daughter, Vicky Faye Hill, to Curtis Merle Warren, son of Merle Warren and Jeanette Warren of Burley. Hill is a 2000 graduate of Burley High School and a 2003 graduate of the College of Southern Idaho. She is employed at Valley Vista in Rupert.

Ruperi.

Warren is a 2000 graduate of Burley High School and is currently attending CSI. He served an LDS mission in Argentina. He is employed by Stars Ferry Building Supplies in Burley.

The wedding is planned for Friday, Jan. 2, at the Manti LDS



Curtis Warren and Vicky Hill

Temple. A reception to honor the couple will be held from 7-9 p.m. couple will be held from 7.5 pan. Saturday, Jan. 3, at the LDS Institute Building, 1650 Parke Ave in Burley.

# Trivia buff? Try the Pop Culture DVD

St. Louis Post-Dispatch

Remember old-school Trivial

Remember old-school Trivial Pursuit?
That was the game that asked questions about the number of isomers in chemical compounds or called for the middle name of the 15th-century ruler of a Chinese dynasty.

ynasty.

Unless you happened to be a hysicist, medical doctor or just ne of those annoying people who now a lot of useless stuff, more than not the questions left know a lot of useless suff, more often than not the questions left you feeling about as dumb as you did when your math test included one of those word problems with two trains leaving the station in opposite directions.

have put out a game about stuff that people actually know movies, TV, music, sports, video games, trends and celebrity gos-

sip.
The Trivial Pursuit DVD Pop Culture Edition (534.99, Parker Brothers) plays mostly like its predecessor. There are more than 1,800 new questions in six new categories.

categories.

The old game pieces, shaped like pieces of a divided pie, are gone, replaced with an audio cassette, Ataristyle, video game controller, a lawa lamp and a cell phone. The colored wedge pieces fit into a slot around the base of the pieces.

To win a wedge piece, players must take a question from a DVD filled with more than 400 pop culture questions. The questions often include clips of films, such as "Animal House" or from sportoften include clips of films, such as "Animal House" or from sporting events, such as the winning goal in the U.S. hockey team's upset of the Soviet Union in the 1980 Winter Olympics.

The categories-cover all the major bases in popular culture.

• Movies and TV cover the big and little screens, sticking mostly to mainstream flicks and shows rather than arthouse pictures and A&E specials.

• Music covers mostly popular

Music covers mostly popular music; no questions about Wagner's operas here.

 Sports and Games includes questions about video games as well as about athletic events.

Buzz deals with celebrity gos-sip from today and days gone by.
 No word on the number of "Bennifer" questions.

"Bennifer" questions.

• Fads asks questions about everything from the hula hoop to baggy hip-hop pants.

And if this edition doesn't do it for you, Trivial Pursuit is planning another anniversary edition of the old-school game. Or you can just figure out how long it will take for Mike Eruzione to get out of town on one of those two trains that are leaving the station going in opposite directions.

# -ANNIVERSARY-



#### THE TURNERS

DECLO - Bruce and Lila Turner of Declo will be honored at an open house for their 50th wedding anniversary. Friends and relatives are invited to attend from 7 to 9 p.m. Friday, Jan. 2, at Sweetheart Manor, 2178. Highway 27 (corner of Overland Avenue and 42nd Street) in Burley, No gifts, please. The couple was married Jan. 2, 1954.

# Our prices go over easy.



# The Faulkner Planetarium presents new show tonight at CSI

Tonight, Saturday, Tuesday and Wednesday



the Herrett
Center for
Arts and
Science on
the campus of
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the Campus of the College of S o u t h e r n I daho in Twin Falls will present a new show, "Ring World," at 7 p.m. today, Saturday and Tuesday, along with a matinee at 2 p.m. Saturday. Other Shows are "More Than Meets the Eye" on Saturdays at 4 p.m. and "Led Ceppelin: Maximum Volume I" at 8:15 p.m. on Saturdays at 4 p.m. and "Led Ceppelin: Maximum Volume I" at 8:15 p.m. on Saturdays. Tickets, which are \$4 for adults, \$3 for senior citizens 60 and over, \$2 for students and \$9 for families, are available at the door. Children 4 and under are not admitted.

#### Thursday through Jan. 11 -Rolse

Dragon Tales Live will perform at the Bank of America Center at 7 p.m. on Thursday at 10:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. on Jan. 9, at 10:30 a.m.



rom S10 to S20, can be reserved by phoning Select A Seat at (208) 426-1494, online at http://www.idahotick-ets.com, or a Albertsogle-in Twin Falls or Paul's Market in Hailey.

ROCK 'N' ROLL

#### **Tonight and Saturday**

Cobalt Blue will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Honker's Place, 121 Fourth Ave. S., Twin Falls. Cover charge is \$4.

#### Tonight and Saturday

Split Second will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at The Oasis, 1007 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., Twin Falls. No cover charge.

#### Jan. 10 – Utah

Jail. AU – Utan
Locust will perform at Salt
Lake City's Albee Square at 7 p.m.
Tickets, which are \$10, can be
reserved by phoning Smiths Tix at
(800) 888-TIXX or online at
http://www.smithtix.com. Albee
Square is located at 165 South
West Temple.

#### Jan. 14 – Utah

Juli, 14 – Utah
Guttermouth will play Salt
Lake Ciry's Albee Square at 7 p.m.
Tickets, which are \$12, can be
reserved by phoning Smiths Tix at
(800) 888-TIXX or online at
http://www.smithstix.com. Albee
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West Temple.

#### Jan. 19 – Boise

Jan. 19 – Bolse

Mushroomhead, Dope, 40
Below Summer and Twisted
Method will perform at the Big
Easy Concert House at 7:30 p.m.
Tickets, which are \$13.50, can be;
Served by phoning (800) 9644827, online at http://www.tickstruck.com, or at Atkinson's
Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy
Concert House is located at 416 S.
Ninth St.

#### Jan. 20 - Utah

Jani. 20 – UTAII
Ima Robot will play Liquid
Joe's in Salt Lake City at 8 p.m.
Tickets, which are 58, can be
reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at
(800) 888-TIXX or online athttp://www.smithstix.com. Liquid
Joe's is located at 3300 South 1249
East.

#### Jan. 21 - Boise

Jan. 21 – Bolse

MXPX will perform at 7:30 p.m. at the Big Easy Concert House. Tickets, which are 515, can be reserved by phoning (800) 955-4827, online at http://www.ticketo.oru/ob.com\_or\_at\_Atkinson's. Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

#### Inn. 22 - Utah

MMPX will play Brick's in Salt Lake City at 6 pm. Tickets, which are \$15, can be reserved by phon ing Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX or online at http://www.smith-stix.com. Brick's is located at 579 West 200 South.

#### Jan. 25 - Bolse

Jan. 25 - Bolse
Lawrence Arms and The Ghost
will play the Big Easy Concert
House at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which
are \$8, can be reserved by phonlag (800) 955-4827, online at
http://www.cicketweb.com, of at
Atkinson's Market in Ketchum.
The Big Easy Concert House is
Legated at 416 S. Ninth St.



#### Feb. 2 - Utah

Gome: will play Liquid Joe's in Salt Lake City at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are S12 can be reserved by honing Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX or online at http://www.ticketwbc.com. Liquid Joe's is located at 3300 South 1249 East.

#### Feb. 3 - Bolse

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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) 9654827, online at http://www.tickettweb.com, or at Atkinson's
Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy
Concert House is located at 416 S.
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#### Feb. 10 - Utah

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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
(800–888–71XX or online—at
http://www.smithstix.com. The E
Center is located at 3200 South
Decker Lake Drive.

#### Feb. 13 ~ Utah

M.E.S.T. will perform at Brick's in Salt Lake City at 6 p.m. Tickets, which are \$12, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. Brick's is located at \$79 West 200 South.

#### Feb. 17 - Bolse

John Mayer will perform at the Idaho Center in Nampa at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$35.50, can be reserved by phoning Select A Seat at (208) 426-1494, online at Seat at (208) 426-1494, online at http://www.idahotickets.com, or at Albertson's in Twin Falls or Paul's Market in Hailey. The Idaho Center is located at 5000 Garrity Blvd. on Nampa's east end.

#### Feb. 23 - 1ltah

Cannibal Corpse and Hipocrisy will play Brick's in Salt Lake City at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are 515, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX.
Brick's is located at 579 West 200

#### March 2 - Utah

Dillinger Escape Plan will perform at Salt Lake City's Albee Square at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$10, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX or online.

online at http://www.smithstix.com. Albee Square is located at 165 South West Temple.

#### COUNTRY MUSIC

#### Tonight and Saturday

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

#### Saturday

The Fugitives will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Shakers, 826 Highway 81, Declo. No cover charge.

#### Jan. 25 - Boise

Juli. 20 ~ DUISE
Riders in the Sky will play the
Morrison Center on the campus of
Boise State University at 3 p.m.
Tickets, which are \$15 and \$20,
can be reserved by phoning Select.
A Seat at (208) 426:1494 or online
at http://www.idahotickets.com

#### Jan. 30-31

Ray Price will do two shows a night, at 8 and 11, at Cactus Petes Resort Casino in Jackpot. Ticket prices are \$20, \$25 and \$30, available on by phoning (800) 821-1103.

#### Jan. 31 - Utah

Hank Williams III will perform at Liquid Joe's in Salt Lake City at 9:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$12; can be reserved by phoning can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX or http://www.smithstix.com. Liquid Joe's is located at 3300 South 1249 East.

#### Feb. 6 - Boise

ren. 6 - Bolse
Tony Furtado will play the Big
Easy Concert House at 8 p.m.
Tickets, which are \$10, can be
reserved by phoning (800) 9654827, online at http://www.ticketryeb.com, or at Atkinson's
Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy
Concert House is located at 416 S.
Ninth St.

#### Feb. 25 - Utah

The Bastard Sons of Johnny Cash will perform at Brick's in Salt Lake City at 10 p.m. kets, which are Sty, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX or online at http://www.smithstix.com. Brick's is located at 579 West 200 South.

#### B L U E

#### Jan. 20 - Bolse

Jan. 20 - Boise
Jonny Lang will perform at the
Big Easy Concert House at 8 p.m.
Tickets, which are 335, can be
reserved 'by phoning (800) 9654827, online at http://www.ticketweb.com, or at Atkinson's
Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy
Concert House is located at 416 S.
Ninth St.

#### CLASSICAL MUSIC

#### lan 9.10 - Illah

Jan. 9-10 – Utah
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) 355-2787.
Abravanel Hall is located at 123
West South Tomple.

#### Jan. 15 - Utah

Jan. 15 – Utah

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 Sal Lake City. Tickets, which are S27, can be reserved by phoning Art Tix at (801) 355-2787.

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Jan. 30-31 – Utah

Utah Symphony will perform
Beethoven's Seventh Symphony
at 8 p.m. nightly in Salt Lake
City's Abravanel Hall. Tickets,
which are \$16 to \$40, can be
reserved by phoning ArtTix at
(801) 355-278'. Abravanel Hall is
located at 123 West South Temple.

#### Feb. 6-7 – Utah

Utah Symphony will perform a program of Strauss and Brahmfs at 8 p.m. nightly in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. Tickets, which range from 516 to \$40, are avail-able at the door. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

#### 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.

#### Feb. 19 - Utah

Soprano Barbara Bonney will sing in Gardner Hall on the cam-pus of the University of Utah in-Salt Lake City at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$25, can be reserved by phoning ArtTix at (801) 355-2787.

#### Feb. 20-21 - Utah

Feb. 20-21. – Utah
Utah Symphony will perform
Rachmanioffs Piano Concert No.
2at 8 p.m. on Feb. 20 and 2 p.m. on
Feb. 21 in Salt Lake City's
Abravanel Hall. Tickets, which
range from \$16 to \$47, can be
reserved by phoning ArtTix at
(801) 355-2878. Abravanel Hall is
located at 123 West South Temple.

#### Feb. 27-28 - Utah

ren. 21-28 - Utan Utan Symphony will perform music by Bernstein and Brahms at 8 p.m. nightly in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall Tickets, which range from 516 to 540, can be reserved by phoning ArtTix at (801) 355-2878. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

#### JAZZ MUSIC

#### Jan. 11 and 25

The Great Riff Jazz Society and the College of Southern Idaho Jazz Program will present Jam at Java, 6-8 p.m. at Java in Twin Falls. Free. Java is located at 228 Blue Lakes Blvd. N.

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#### Jan. 17, 19, 21, 23 and 25

Unh Opera will sing Englebert Humperdinck's "Hansel & Gretel," at 730 pm. on Jan. 17, 19, 21 and 23 and at 2 pm. on Jan. 25, in Salt Lake City's Capitol Theater Tickets, which are \$12 to \$55, can be reserved by phoning ArtTix at (801) 355-2787. The Capitol Theater is located at 50 West 200 South.

### GOSPEL

The Blind Boys of Alabama will perform in the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium in Twin Falls, an Arts on Tour concert. Tickets, which are \$18 for adults and \$15 for students and children, are available

518 for adults and \$15 for students and children, are available at Everybody's Business, Kur'ts Pharmacy and Hallmark, Crowley's Old-Time Soda Fountain, The Magic Valley Arts Council office and the CSI Community Education Center in Twin Falls, Saw-Mor Drug in Buhl; Arlene's Flowers in Jerome; and the CSI Outreach Centers in Burley, Halley and Gooding. For season ticket information, call the Community Education Center at CSI at 732-6288.

#### MISCELLANEOUS

#### Tonight

Ionight
"First Friday at Rudy's" will be held from 6 to 9 pm. at Rudy's in downtown Twin Falls. "First Fridays" is a monthly event featuring live music with local artists. This month's music will be Chapter Two Jozz Quartet, featuring Jeff Fox, Brian Crider, Steve Cox and Aaron Miller. No cover charge.

#### Wednesday

The Vuarnettes will perform at 6 p.m. in the Boiler Room at the Sun Valley Resort. Tickets, which are \$8, can be reserved by phoning 622-2135. The show will continue every Wednesday night through the end of March.

#### Ian 9

Jan. 9

New Hollywood String Quartet will perform at the Presbyterian 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 campus of Boise State University at 8 p.m. Sold out.

#### Jan. 23 - Utah

The Chieftans will play Kingsbury Hall on the campus of the University of Utah in Salt Lake City at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which range from \$32 to \$65, can be reserved by phoning ArtTix at (801) 355-2787.

#### Jan. 24

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 Series. Tickets, which are \$25, are available at the door or by phon ing 726-9491, Ext. 10.

#### Feb. 5 - Utah

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

Feb. 11
Gulturist Richard Smith and cellist Julie Adams will perform at the King Center in Burley at 7.30 pm. the third Mini-Cassin Community Concerts event of the season. Admission is by season membership only. Subscriptions are 532 for adults, 516 for students and 596 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.

#### Feb. 12-13 - Utah

reul. LF-13 - Utall Linda Eder will sing with Utah Symphony at 8 p.m. nightly in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. Tickets, which range from S22 to \$45, can be reserved by phoning ArtTix at (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 132 West South Temple.

#### K A R A O K E

#### Tonight

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

#### Tonight

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.

#### Tonight

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

#### Tonight

Kroakers Karaoke will be fea-tured 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, Saturday and Sunday

Karaoke with Entertainment wil Rabid Dog from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. at the Pioneer Club, 1519 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls. No cover charge.

#### Tonight through Thursday

Karaoke will be featured from 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 ... the Sagebrush Lounge, 325 Main St., Hazelton. Singers can bring their own CD's for karaoke. No cover charge:

#### Saturday and Thursday

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. Main, Declo.

#### Monday

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

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Kroakers Karnoke will be fea-tured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the George K's East Restaurant, 325 E. Third N., Burley.

Wednesday

Kroakers Karnoke will be from 9
p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Office Lounge,
118 E. Idaho St., Paul.

#### Wednesday and 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.

#### Thursday

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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#### A Tonight

The Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary will hold a dance at 8:30 p.m. at the DAV Hall, 459 Shoup Ave., Twin Falls. Archie Turner will provide the music. A \$2 donation is suggested.

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The Snake River Elks Lodge will host a dance at 8 p.m. at the lodge, 406 E. 200 S., Jerome.

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#### Talented hip-hop star outshines MC on new album

Movies.

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Nas may well be one of the best MCs to ever pick up a mike. But you'd never know it from his con-tributions to "Brave-hearted," the debut of Nas' younger brother, Jungle, and his partner Wizard.

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widescreen. The revived interest
in spectacle has something to do
with contemporary film financing,
which finds studios pouring enormous sums into high-concept
movies. It likely also has something to do with director ego, since
filmmakers still like playing with
big train sets, and with the strategic fact that epic-sized movies can
dwart character-based independent films at Oscar time. For these
and other reasons, Hollywood
enters a new time warp next year
with "The Alamo," Wolfgang
Petersen's Thojan War epic "Troy,"
Oliver Stone's spectacle about
Alexander the Great,
"Alexander and Kevin Reynolds'
medieval love story "Tristan &
Isolde."

There's little doubt that the vio-

There's little doubt that the violence in these movies will be as
effects-laden and blood-soaked as
that in current period epics.
There's little doubt, either, that
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blacks are conspictuous unity of their near absence.

Minghella is a smart, talented director, as is Weir. Yet like Minghella, Weir put on blinkers to make "Master and Commander," which principally takes place in an all-male world in the early 19th century far from the hardships of British maintand and colonial life. The war waged in the film is against the Napoleon-led French. But the Royal Navy wasn't just defending merry old England, it was protecting one of the most rapacious colonial powers in history.

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story. It's worth remembering that in

the years leading to the Napoleonic War, the Royal Navy brutally fought American colonists, such as George Washington (The movie is largely

Detective

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As has been proved time and again in hip-hop, a guest star with superfor skills usually only makes: the featured act look bad That isn't the case here, but only because Nas seems content to wallow in the generic thuggery of his two Queensbridge homics, scaling back his rhymes to match their boneheaded, familiar cliches about

based on a novel set in 1812, during another British-American war, Worse, until Great Britain abolished the slave trade in 1807—two years after the film opens—the Royal Navy helped enslave millions of Africans.

For its part, "The Last Samurai" sells the fiction that a 19th century U.S. soldier who engaged in genocidal warlare against American Indians can wash away his sins by embracing the way of the samurai. Leaving aside that the way of the samurai helped prop up centuries of feedalism. Still, you can see the appeal. In "The Last Samurai," abstractions such as "honor" and "loyalty" are the foundation of a seductively simple moral universe, one set in apast as hermetic as a museum diorama. In idylls like these, there are no true bad gurs, just bad guns, and no politics worth dying for, just ideals.

Hollywood has always been in the business of selling beautiful lies. That doesn't make films such as "Master and Commander" any less satisfying an entertainment, but entertainment, but

Commander" any less satisfying an entertainment, but it's debatable whether well-directed scenes, stellar technique and beautiful stars

and beautiful stars really make those lies more palatable. Perhaps it depends on who's watching One person's romp is another person's work of art is a third's gross distorted, movies have a

firearms, freaks and floss.
Competent production only underscores' how 'pointless' Bravelicarts'
-gangsta boogie is.
Aside from "Quick to Back
Down," which channels he manic
energy of crunk king Lil' Jon into
an ominous stomp, and the retro
title track – these beats are timeless in the wrong sense.

#### Music will be provided by The Echos. A \$5 donation is suggested. Dinner also will be available in the restaurant. For more information, call 324.0200 tion, call 324-0200. Sunday

**Events** 

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Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center will hold a dance with music from 2-5 p.m. at the center, 530 Shoshone St. W., Twin Falls. Music will be provided by the Melody Masters. Cost is \$4 per

#### Feb. 13-14, 18-21 - Utah

Ballet West will dance Tchaikowsky's "Sleeping Beauty" ar 7:30 pm. On Feb. 13 and 18-21 and at 2 p.m. on Feb. 14 and 18-21 and at 2 p.m. on Feb. 14 and 21 in Salt Lake City's Capitol Theater. For ticket information, call ArTix at (801) 35-5TIXX. The Capitol Theater is located at 50 West 200 South.

COMEDY

#### Jan. 20 - Bolse

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Second City will perform at the
Boise State University Special
Events Center at 7 p.m. Tickets,
which are S5, 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.

#### Jan. 23 - Idaho Falis

Second City will play the Colonial Theater at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$19, can be reserved by phoning (208) 522-0471. The Colonial Theater is located at 489 A St.

#### COWBOY POETRY

#### Ian. 24-31

The 20th annual National Cowboy Poetry Gathering will be held at the Elko Convention Center in Elko, Nev. For an event schedule or ticket prices, phone (775) 738-7508 or log on to http://www.westernfolklife.org

THEATER

Sunday

The Sun Valley Company's production of Stuart Ross' "Forever Plaid," featuring Wally Huffman, Gordon Flade, Eric J. Larson and Paul Stoops, will play the Boiler Room at the Sun Valley Resort at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$12, can be reserved by phoning 622-2135. The show continues every

Jan 22-24, 29-31

Jan 22:24, 29:31
The Friends of CSI Players will present David Auburn's "Prodt," 7 p.m., Lamphouse: Theater, Twin Falls. Tickets, which are \$8 in advance and \$10 at the door, are available at the Lamphouse Theater, the College of Southern Idaho Community Education Center or by phoning 732-6288.

Sunday through the end of March.

#### Jan. 23-24, 29-31

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Mount Harrison Heritage
Foundation presents Rodgers and
Hammerstein's "South Pacific,"
sponsored by D.L. Evans Bank, at
7:30 p.m. Jan. 23-24, 29-30 with a 2
p.m. matinee Jan. 31 at the King
Fine Arts Center at the Burley
High School, 2100 Parke Ave.
Dennis R. Byington is director,
Alan Hale is music director and
choreography is by Kristine Alan Hale is music director and choreography is by Kristine Handy. Reserved seats are \$10 and general seating is \$8. General tickets may be purchased at the Book Plaza and Welch Music in Burley or the Book Store in Rupert. Tickets will be available at the door. For tickets or for more information, call 678-6868.

#### Jan. 27-29 - Boise

The national tour of David DaSilva's musical version of "Farme" will play the Morrison Center on the campus of Boise State University at 8 p.m. nightly. Tickets, which are \$25, 538.50 and \$46, can be measured by the control of the \$46, can be reserved by phoning Select A Seat at (208) 426-1494 or line http://www.idahotickets.com.

#### Jan. 29-31

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Magic Valley School for the Performing Arts will present Gene deFaul and Johnny Mercer's "Seven Brides for Seven Bruthers" in dinner theater at 7 p.m. nightly at the Twin Falls Reformed Church. Tickets are \$13.50, which includes dinner catered by Outback Steakhouse. There's also a matinee scheduled for 3 p.m. on Jan. 29, tickets are \$6 for adults and \$3 for children. The Twin Falls Reformed Church is located at 1631 Grandview Blvd. N.

#### Feb. 4-22

Hailey's Company of Fools will present Jason Robert Brown's "Songs for a New World," at 8 p.m. on Feb. 47, 11-13 and 18-21 and 3 p.m. on Feb. 8, 15 and 21, Liberty Theater. Tickets, which are \$24, can be reserved by phoning 788-6520

#### Feb. 6-8 - Utah

The touring Broadway produc-

#### Woody Allen turns back to acting

NEW YORK (AP) - Consider it New Year's resolution for Woody

a New Year's resolution for wow. Allen.
The Academy Award winning illumnater says he wants to act in but not direct, a film about a New Year's 1972 robbery at the Fier-Hotel, the Daily News reported. According to the paper, Allen said he's talked to actor John Cusack about the project. The film

would be based on a book called.
"The Man Who Robbed the."
Fierre: The Story of Bobby
Confort's by Ina Berkow.
Allen's works as an actor-direct
for include hits like "Annie Hall"
and "Manhattan," but recent
films, among them "Anything
Else" and "The Curse of the Jade
Scorpion," have fared poorly at
the box office.

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tion of Bob Fosse's "Chicago" will play Kingsbury Hall-on-the-campus of the University of Utah in Salt Lake City at 8 p.m. on Feb. 5-8 and at 2 p.m. on Feb. 7-8. Tickets, which range from \$27.50 the 557.50, can be reserved by phobing ArtTix at (801) 355-2787.

ART SHOWS

#### Thursday

A galley opening for Gay Odmark's "The Value of Inheritance" will be held from 5, pm. at the Buhl Arts Council, 200 N. Eighth, Buhl. Free admission-The exhibit will be on display through Feb. 27

#### Thursday

A performing arts preview party will be held from 5-7 p.m. at the Buhl Arts Council, 200 N. Eighth, Buhl. All ages are wel-come. Free admission.

#### Through Jan. 9

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The Stan Valley Center for the Arts will present a new exhibition, "At the Edge of Science." Through drawings, video and 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 through Friday Irom 9 am to 5 pm., and admission is free: Thersun Valley Center is located at 191 Fifth St. E. in Ketchum.

#### Jan. 16 through March 12:-

Jan. 16 through March 12"Cowboys and Indians: the
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Photography" will be on display
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Arts in Ketchum. Gallery house
are Monday through Friday from 9
a.m. to 5 p.m., and admission is,
free. The Sun Valley Center is
located at 191 Fifth St. E.

#### Through Jan. 29

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"Retro Steel," a netrospective of the work of Twin Falls artist LaVar's teel, will be on display in the Jean, B. King Gallery at the Heriett 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 4:30 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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who gets the patient to link his scaly, angry skin with his subconscious repression of childhood trauma is, of all people, Mel Gibson. Barely recognizable, he is clearly having the time of his life behind coke-bottle glasses and a prosthetic bald head that he thrusts gleefully at the camera. Here, again, the movie suffers,

work of art is a third's gross distoration. Then too, movies have a strange way of offering up their own truths. "Gone With the Wind" is hugely enjoyable claptrap, and racist to boot, but it also features wonderful performances from black actresses Butterfly McQueen and the deeply affecting Hattie McDaniel, who put her own distinct spin on a character who might otherwise come across as an offensive caricature.

Over half a century later, "Cold Mountain" features no substantive speaking parts for black actors. I'm not sure what Minghella was thinking here, but because he adapted Frazier's novel himself, he knows that the book is filled with black characters - slaves and runaways, the children of black-white unions, even an enslaved woman sought by a desperate white lover. And because Minghella is smart, he must also have known that these black characters are essential to the meaning of the novel, which tracks two white Southerners struggling through the sort of everyday barbarism that had

because the original's hourlong segments complemented the idea of periodic shrink sessions that gradually get under the patient's

been visited upon enslawed blacks for generations. Minghella has said that the film "is not a history lesson" and clearly he didn't want history, and by extension black people, to get in the way of his love story.

The whitewash in "Cold Mountain" is remarkable even by Hollywood standards, but it's typical of the industry scultural conservation, which dictates that no potential audience member be offended by unpleasant ruths. If Minghella included as many black-horacters in his story as Frazier put in his, the director would have to deal with the fact that his white lovers are rucis. Products of their very specific time and place, Frazier's white Southerners don't transcend their historical context because such a thing would be impossible. By contrast, Minghella advances the canard that war is reducible to individual struggle without regard to ideology, power or the political violence that human beings are forced to perpetuate on behalf of power. In Hollywood, every hero is innocent, especially if a star plays him.

History is such a downer it's no wonder most filmmakers ignore it, even when they're mucking about in the past. And I'm the first to admit that it's way more fun watching Russell Crowe romp around intight breeches while trade winds tousel his hair than it is watching Africans endure the horrors of the Middle Passage. That helps explain why Steven Spielberg's film about a rebellion and one of the director's few box office misses. We may like our violence bloody as hell, but we like our wars and our heroes clean and simple.

In the end, the biggest casualty of the new movie wars is real life. The fact that complexity is hard to salve ship, "Amistad," was, well, about a rebellion and one of the director's few box office misses with as "Mystic Rivers" rucegain why Steven Spielberg's film about a rebellion and one of the director's few box office misses why follywood has a rereated from reality and why movies such as "Mystic Rivers" rucegain why Steven Spielberg's film about a rebellion and one, of the d

skin.
Keith Gordon directed from a script by the late Dennis Potter, who retrofitted his own material to suit the running time and other parameters of a feature film.

7:00PM

SPECIAL SNEAK PREVIEW TONIGHT



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FRONT ROYAL, Va. (AP) — Two residents discovered dead rats in their toilets — and town officials say a nest in the sewer line could be the problem.

bathroom?"

Betty Lamb said her daughterin-law found a dead rat in the toilet last Wednesday. "She thought
it was a joke we pulled on her,"
she said.



Great sex is all about great communication. If a dish isn't spire, enough, I see nothing to be gained by diluting it. To do something that makes you uncomfortable or is makes you uncomfortable or is makes you uncomfortable or is not some the summaringe, it could also be the summaringe constitution for what alls your marriage would be to consult a sex therapist or a marriage counselor. ties. I told him I'm against it, but he insists.

The idea of exposing myself to strangers is mortifying. But the more I tell him no, the more insis-tent he becomes.

Should I agree to it to save our

DEAR ABBY: My husband has arkinson's disease with demen-ia. I have good friends who ask

DEAR ABBY: My, husband nas Parkinson's disease with demen-tia. I have good friends who ask me to coffee or lunch to get me out of the house, but what I'd really like is if they'd ask my HUSBAND out to coffee or lunch. Every hour I'm away, I worry

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years.

Please pass on a message to your readers. If you really want to help, offer to take out the ill person, and give the caregiver some quiet time.

. ...NEEDING A RREAK

DEAR NEEDING A BREAK
DEAR NEEDING: To expect
someone not trained in caring for
a patient with dementia to take
the person out into unfamiliar surroundings is asking a lot. It may be
too much responsibility for your
friends to assume.

A better solution would be to
arrange for respite care for your
hisband.
You could have your quiet time,
or time alone in the house, by asking your husband's doctor which
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ing your husband's doctor which
senior centers in your vicinity are
quipped to provide safe activities
for him on a regular basis. Either
that, or contact Fuith in Action at
www.FuithinAction.org or (877)
324-8411. It's a national program
that helps establish community

programs providing volunteer care to neighbors with long-term health

DEAR ABBY: I just returned from visiting my 25-year-old daughter, her 27-year-old invining my 16-year-old twins. They live in Kansas, where they own their home, and both have good jobs.
During dinner Saturday night, my daughter asked me if I plan to pay for their wedding next June. Am I obligated to help them finan cially?

THEY LIVE IN KANSAS

DEAR KANSAS. No, you are not. A wedding is a gif from the parent or parents. It is not, and should not be considered an obligation. Your daughter and her fiance are self-supporting and can pay for their own wedding. If you wish to contribute money toward their wedding, it would be a generous gift. But under no circumstances should you feel put on the spot to do so.

## DeGeneres feels good about career after slide in late '90s

DeGeneres actually the carber was over.

She became a hero to gays in 1997, following the most highly publicized coming-out in modern history. But she soon lost her NBC sitcom. "Ellen," and her girlfriend, actress Anne Heche. A second sitcom, "The Ellen Show" came and went in 2001.

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since But since the Ellen I September premiere of her syndicated talk show, "The Ellen DeGeneres Show," the 45-year-old has become a hot com-niodity and the show's ratings continue to climb. Her guests



Ellen DeGeneres

grossing film of the year "Now it seems like everything is so flattering and positive.\ Tm savoring this," she fold for Sunday's editions. "It's interesting, you try to plan every step when you try to plan every step when you have a career," she said. But, she added, "There's no controlling it. To think that we're ever controlling anything is just ridiculous."

DeGeneres also provided the voice for the chatty fish Dory in the animated "Finding Nemo," the highest-grossing film of the

#### Virginia town deals with dead rats in toilets

marriage?
- WAVERING IN VIRGINIA DEAR WAVERING: No. If you do, the dynamics of your marriage will change forever – and not for the better.

On Monday, Lyndon Flood found a dead rat she described as "half the size of a cat" in her toi-

"I went in there to use the toi-let. ... I can hardly talk about it," she said. "Could you imagine hav-ing a rat in your toilet while you're getting ready to go to the bathroom?"

George Shadman, Front Royal's director of public works, said sewer rats appear occasionally in

the system.

But two complaints from people living in the same neighborhood within a week made Shadman realize there might be a nest Thetown was planning to have the sewer line flushed with water on sewer line flushed with water on Tuesday, using a high-pressure machine, he said.

## **Expect workplace changes, Gemini**

IF JANUARY 2 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY ... you are an especially genule Capricorn; you show great loyalty to your family. You love taking care of others and frequently occupy a piarental Tolk with those around you. You prefer company to being alone and have high ideals. Your sweetness conjoined with your resilience make you loved and respected.

ARIES (Mar 21-Apr. 19): New insights may arise in regard to your financial destiny. Try not to come down too hard on others or squelch their dreams. Allow a few days for the stars to realign before trying to reconnect.

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TAURUS (Apr. 20-May 20): It's a no-nonsense day, and you arrange matters practically. With the moon traveling through your sign, you enjoy simple pleasures. Communication may still be strained.

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GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Surprising changes may begin in the workplace. Make sure to keep your focus; you could be easily distracted. Authority issues could arise.

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CANCER (June 21-July 22): Be patient with your partner, things are already beginning to improve. Surprises in travel are possible. New and unconventional interests

eckon. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Avoid philosophical disputes. You're building a new solidity in your career. New ideas for creative projects are blossoming.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Consider learning a new marketable skill to expand your resume. The home scene may ben-

resume. The home scene may benefit from constructive changes; discuss this diplomatically. LIBRA (Sept. 2-30-ct. 22): Changes in daily routines are beginning. Although it may be difficult to adjust to them at first, ultimately they will be enlivening. Look at the deeper meanings of events. Put planning on hold for now.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You can begin to think of reaching out to others again now, though unconventional ideas may still not be well-received. Look for income from unexplainted assets.

be well-received. Look for income from unusual sources.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): High-magnitude emotions are a possibility, but don't use them as an excuse to be over-critical. Things are still a little touchy.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Spend some time teaching (and learning from) children. Single Caps find their dating university of the companding. At home, things are still prone to being troublesome.

AOUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Home is probably the still and quiet eye of the storm. Release frustrations by writing a letter, then burn it. Don't confront yet — you won't be understood.

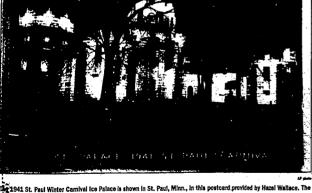
you won't be understood.

PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20):
Career is strong and will still be strong long after the current financial frustrations are resolved. Don't sabotage this by venting inappropriately. Time may be the best problem solver.

# **Nobody comes** close.

And that's a fact.

Adults in our market\* turn to The TIMES-NEWS more than any other source when looking for major household appliances.



21941 St. Paul Winter Camival Ice Palace is shown in St. Paul, Minn., in this postcard provided by Hazel Wallace. The \$1 Ice palace was the last one available to walk through.

## Walk-through ice palace returns to Minnesota winter carnival

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festival, a popular embrace of all
timgs frozen, hasn't built a palace
since 1992, when costs soared,
laving the project with a
\$600,000 deficit and the festival
yidhout its ethereal centerpiece.
But it's been even longer – 62
lears, to be exact – since awestruck visitors could not only
tygard the incebound fortnesses,
ha stroll through their rooms and
corridors as well.

If will take 27,000 blocks of ice
each one 500 pounds and roughtyth the size of a bathtub – to build
the castle.

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But for it to be ready for the car-nival's Jan. 22 opening, construc-

tion must start by Jan. 2. Longer delays could mean a scaled-down palace on the downtown site. So far, the site has been wired fights, and eight concrete archivays and scaffolding have been cretted.

This year's planned version, with multiple rooms that visitors can tour inside 75 foot high walls spanning 20 feet, would be an homage to the grandeur or places and festivals past.

Hazel Wallace and Inez French remember those days.

"You kind of had the feeling of being closed in Most people went in, got a look and left," Wallace cube on top of another."

As French remembered, "It was so beautiful – but cold inside."

Favorite son F. Scott Fitzgerald himself, in a 1920 short story seemed both inspired and terrified by the top places, which are

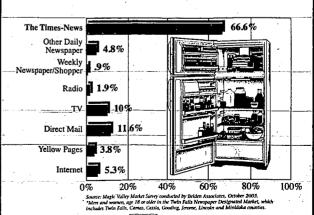
built here and in only a handan-cities around the world.
"It was magnificent, it was 'remendous!" one of his charac-ters thinks upon entering one such castle. But later, after getting lost in a dark and chilly maze, she laments: "It was an icy breath of

laments: "It was an icy breath of death."

"People call us every year and ask, Will there be a palace this year?" said Robert Viking, the executive director of the St. Paul Festival and Heritage Foundation.

With the help of local business-a, trade unions and architects, there will be. In all, 55,000 hours of volunteer work, about 57 million worth of contributions and more than \$1 million in donations from businesses and individuals will go into building the palace.

Organizers were still working to raise another \$250,000. Visting the palace in downtown \$t. Paul also will cost \$5; in 1992; it was free.



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# Tube's fresh cable ideas beat the networks' crud



# Those stretching the boundaries produce best fare

Let's just call it the year of viewing dangerously.
You could lose a lot of brain
rells in 2033 just by inadvertently
gazing upon such disturbing
sinings as "Joe Millionaire."
Britney kissing Madonna,
"Coupling," Trista and Ryan's
redding, or the feeding frenzy of
cable news coverage of Kobe, Laci
Peterson and Wacko Jacko.
And let's not forget the bizarro

world of President George -W.
Bush landing on that aircraft carrier. Schlock and guffaw.
Meanwhile, the real carnage,
death and anguish of the war in ray was initially lost last spring
amid the gee whiz, techno-dazzle
immediacy of embedded
reporters and boom-boom video
game visuals from the combat
zone. The very genuine human
suffering on both sides was too
often showed to the background as
news anchors with flag pins in

sports announcers. Appalling.

Back in the prime-time entertainment combat zone, the commercial networks continued to
flounder as more nimble, adventurous cable channels like FX
("Nipfruck," "The Shield"), Bravo
("Queer Eye for the Straight
Guy") and HBO ("Angels in
America") refused to play it safe.
Cable took chances, generated
buz, got viewers excited.
And the major networks? They
remain infatuated with cheap,
largely cheesy reality programs,

coms. Same old, same mold. The latest fall season produced zero new breakout hits. And ratings for popular old series from "Friends" to "NYPD Blue" fell off as mass viewer apathy increased. The Big Ho-Hum.

The amazing thing? It could be

Challenging, imaginative televi-sion still gets made. Amazing but true. Let's just hope there's more in 2004.

TV's top 10

"Angels in America" (HBO). Al Pacino and Menyl Streep brought their unforgatable "A games to this measuring adaptation of Topy (Mushner's epic Putter-Prize-Mening plays. A trilling, uncompromising work of television artistry, Quite simply a classile.

"The Daily Show with Jon Stewart" (Comedy Cantral). From the Iraq War to Wacko Jacko, the wickedly inspired newscast satire delivered a smart, histerious week-light ended to comic

"Joan of Arcadla" (CBS). The fall season's most interesting new network drama is a minor miracle – a refreshingly witty, emotionally absorbing and blessedly non-sanctimonious contemplation of faith and spirituality.

plation of faith and spirituality.

"Curb Your Enthuslasm" (HBO). Larry
David's outlandishly entertaining
odyssey of curdled Hollywood manners remains an improvisational

'24" (Fox). The amazing thrill ride hasn't blown a gasket yet as Klefer-Sutherland races to save the world for a third time in the supercharged, cilfhanger-crazy suspense drama. custonage: crazy suspense drama. Boomtown\* (NBC), An innovative crime drama, blessed with fine witl-ing and a riveting performance by Neat McDonough as tormented District Attorney David McNorris, was unceremonlously shot dead this fall by NBC after only two episodes of its second season. That's a real crime.

The Office" (BBC America). A British comic tour de force of passive-aggressive workplace behavior, punctuated by writer-creator Ricky Gervais' smarmily outrageous performance as insufferable middle manager David

Brent.

\*Atlas\*\* (ABC), Fabulous spy.glrl fun.

Series creator J.J. Jacobs has corcocted television's most enticingly
stylish and entertaining esplonage
caper, Biff, barn, powl Jennifer Garne
rocks!

underrated and overlooked drama series weree a sit, hearfuld and chamingly withy portrait of family life in a small Colorado mountain community. Touching, terrific. "Six Feet Under" (HBO). A dark, smart, furry and compolling soop opera about death, love, neuroses and compilicated life in the Fisher family funeral home. Drop dead entertaining.

#### Honorable mention

The Sheld' [7A] "Without a frace" (CBS)
The Q.C. (Fica)
Ed' (RDC)
Sea and the City" (HBQ)
Mont' (USA Network)
Codi Case" (CBS)
Flare (GBC)

Rogers.
Best Reality TV: "The Joe Schmo Show"
(Spike TV), "Queen Eye for the Straight
Guy" (Brave), "The Simple Life" (Fox).
Personnial High Quality Hall of Fame: "Th
Simpsons" (Fox).

t Good/Bad Guilty Pleasure:









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Section D

#### MORNING LINE

SPORTSOUOTE

Why do the Vikings envy the Portland Trail Blazers? The Blazers have a better record on grass.

"

- Dwight Perry of The Seattle Times, on the Minnesota Vikings' recent struggles and the history of players on the Blazers being caught with marijuana

Trivia QUESTION:

What does last year's Rose Bowl game involving Oklahoma and Washington State have in com-mon with UCLA's regular-season meeting against Oklahoma in 1990?

#### TODAY'S SCHEDULE College basketball

Women, CSI at Eastern Urah, 6

nm. Men, CSI at Eastern Utah, 8

high school girls basketball

Richfield at Lighthouse Christian, 6 p.m. Valley at Shoshone, 6 p.m. Declo at Kimberly, 6 p.m. Jerome at Vallivue, 6:15 p.m. High school boys basketball

American Falls at Declo, 4:15

p.m.
Kimberly at Buhl, 6 p.m.
Kimberly at Bunley le, 6 p.m.
Castleford at Hansen, 6 p.m.
Richfield at Lighthouse
Christian, 7:30 p.m.
Migh school wrestling

Kimberiy, Filer, Glenns Ferry at Cakley Invitational

#### ÎN BRIEF

#### **Eimberly Boosters** WIII meet Monday

KIMBERLY - The Kimberly Jobster Club will meet Monday, fab. 5 at 7 pm. in the media cen-er at Kimberly High School. All are welcome to attend.

ere welcome to attend.
For more in formation, call

#### I.F. Rec offers skl packages for Pomerelle

TWIN FALLS - The City of Twin Falls Parks and Recreation Department is offering four-sunday skiing/snowboarding gackages to Pomerelle Mountain Resort on Jan. 25, Feb. 8, Feb. 22

The package includes a one-The package includes a one-poir sking/snowboarding lesson and lift tickets for all four plubdays. The cost is \$50, Rental qulipment is available from formerelle for an extra \$10.15. The galkage does not include trans-portation, which is available ferectly from the Northside Bus company for \$8. Children ages 7 to 11 must be accompanied by a parent. Children 12 and up may travel adding.

registration deadline is 3. Register at 136 Maxwell n Twin Falls, or call 736-

#### Free cross country centals set for Jan. 10

HANGEN - From 10 ann. to 3 gm. Saturday, Jan. 10, the Magic Mountain Sid Resort will sponsor fee rentals and lessons for begin-ning cross country siders. For more information, call Jack at \$27,4505.

Compiled from staff reports

TRIVIA ANSWER:

The score. Oklahoma won both



USC 28 MICHIGAN 14

# **USC** makes its case





Above, USC head coach Pete Carroll coach Pete Carroll
holds up the Rose
Bowl trophy as he cele-bretes his team's 2814 defeat of Michigan
with Keary Colbert (83), left, and game Leinart (11).

Left, USC wide receiver Keary Colbert (83) heads for the end zone to score early in the third quarter as Michigan's Jeremy LeSueur hange on during Thursday's game.

# Trojans dominate Michigan in Rose Bowl

PASADENA, Calif. - Point

made.

Top-ranked Southern California laid out its case for the national championship the best way it knew how – by dominating No. 4 Michigan with a 28-14 victory Thursday in the Rose Bovu. Matt Leinart threw three touchown passes and caught another to lead the Trojans past the Wolverines with a performance that should be enough to persuade voters to leave USC atop the poll.

The Associated Press' No. 1 team has never dropped in the rankings after winning its bowl, and it doesn't look as though it will happen this time, either. "I think we just won the national championship," jubilant: USC coach Pete Carroll said. While the Trojans are primed to win their first title in 25 years, they would have to share it. Voters for the USA Today/ESPN coaches' poll. are obligated to crown the winner of Sunday's Sugar Bowl between No. 2 ISU and No. 3 Oklahoma, playing in the BCS championship game.

The Trojans were left out of the

Bowl Championship Series title game because of a weaker-schedule, but they felt right at home in front of a sellout crowd of 93,849. Leinart, the game's MVP, shredded the nation's sixth-nanked pass defense for 327 yards, and the Trojan's (12-1) had a season-high nine sacks and even blocked a field goal by Michigan (10-3). The signature play came late in third quarter when Mike Williams took a reverse handoff from Hershel Dennis and filched an easy pass to Leinart, who jogged in for a 15-yard score that made it 28-7. With the big lead, all the

Trojans needed to do was run out the clock - and start waiting for the final AP poll early Monday

the final AP poll early Monday morning.

The victory caps USCs return to prominence after years of mediocrity. The Trojans went 31-29 in the five years before Carroll brought his youthful enthusiasm to one of college footballs traditional powers.

The Wolverines allowed only five touchdown passes all year before running into USC. Keary Colbert had six catches for 149 yards and two touchdowns, and LenDale White had the other scorn-Paless see USC. Page D2

# **CSI** faces **CEU** on the road

Eagles will have just nine players in tonight's game

By Kevin Colbert Times-News write

TWIN FALLS - No matter how many presents College of Southern Idaho men's basketball head coach Gib Arnold may have had under his tree on Christmas Day, one has to wonder if he was hoping Santa could bring him a lirtle bit more.

After a rash of injuries, violations of team rules and visa problems in recent weeks, Arnold is left with just nine players - who are certain to be in uniform when the Golden Eagles (103 overall, 5-3 Scenie West Athletic Conference) travel south for games tonight and Saurdaya t 8 p.m. with the College of Eastern Utah (104,6-4).

The CSI women will meet CEU are 5 p.m. with the College of Eastern Utah (104,6-4).

The CSI women will meet CEU are 5 p.m. who pened the season for CSI. David Sills was dismissed from the team for a violation of team rules in December.

Clint "Boo" Gulley was also dismissed earlier in the season for poor academic standing.

Nurudeen Adepoju was sent home to Nigeria by the United States Embasy in order to get his visa renewed. He will be away from the team hadefinitely.

And Schafer Jackson, who severely sprained his ankle in a practice prior to CSIs Dec. 16 contest against Treasure Valley Community College, is questionable for this weekends games. Jackson was able to put weight on his foot earlier in the week for the first time since the injury.

Arnold has, however, been able to add several walkons to the team that are only allowed to participate in a practice capacity, in accordance with NJCAA rules.

Eastern Utah, a guard-oriented team, will likely look to take advantage of CSIs depleted guard copps, now anchored by Aking Elting, Jason McKinney and Dani Harut.

Elting, Jason McKinney and Dani Harut.

"They are a scrappy team and their guard line is very quick," Arnold said of CEU. "They don't have great sike but they requick. They look to take you off the drible, drive and penetrate."

Casey Iverson, a 6-foot-1 soplismore guard, leads a balanced CEU attack. at 12.5 points per game. He also heads the team in 3-point shooting, connecting on 35 of his 74 tries from outside the arc, good for 47 percent. Tyrone Shephard, a 6-3 sophomore, and Steve Williams (6-4, apphomore) are solid weapons from the wing, Shephard averages, 11.5 ppg, Williams is at 97.

Jeremy Atwater, a 6-6 forward, is CEU's best weapon in the posit. He is scoring 9.5 ppg and grabbing 4.0 rebounds per contest. But Please see CSI, Page 102.

# **Hawkeyes pound Gators in Outback Bowl**

By Fred Goodall
Associated Press writer

TAMPA, Fla. - Kirk Ferentz can rest a little easier. Iowa's 45-year drought in January bowl games is over, the Hawkeyes have consecutive 10-win seasons for the first time, and Ferentz and his players can finally stop thinking about last year's flop in the Orange Bowl. Iowa's 37-37 rout of Florida on Thursday in the Outback Bowl ensured all that.

"This is yery gratifying and

very rewarding. This is one more hurdle for us to climb." Ferentz said. "None of us had a good taste in our mouths after the game last January. It stuck with us."

With Fred Russell running for 150 yards and one touchdown, the 13th ranked Hawkeyes answered critics who felt Ferentz needed to win a New Year's Day Bowl to truly re-establish Iowa as one of the nation's top programs.

Nathan Chandler threw for one TD and ran for another, Nate Kaeding kicked three field goals

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Kansas City

coach Dick Vermell, right, cele

Dante Hall

(82) during a recent

Daryi Dixon (34) Thursday during lowa's 37-17 win in the Outback Bowl.

## Vermeil will stay with K.C. fourth year

By Doug Tucker
Associated Press writer

KANSAS CITY, Mo. - The NFIS
oldest coach figures staying
around young people is the best
way to stay stry.
"It's true," said 57-year-old Dick
Vermell. "My football team energizes me."

Vermeil. "My football team energizes me."

So Vermeil will be back next year with the playoff-bound Kansas City Chleft, a decision he made after thinking how much he regretted leaving 81. Louis shortly after the Rams won the 2000 Super Bowl.

Chiefa general manager Carl-Peterson, one of Vermeil's closest friends, talked him out of rettrement. in 2001 and gave him a three-year, \$10 million contract. Cailing Vermeil "due best coating the hatfoat player," Peterson has said



repeatedly that as long as he is general manager of the Chiefs, Vermeil is welcome to be head

oach.

After going 6-10 in 2001 and 8-8 ist year, Vermeil guided the 2003 hilefs to a 13-3 regular-season scord and the No. 2 seed in the

AFC playoffs. He took Philadelphia to the Super Bowl following the 1980 season and guided the Rams to the NFL championship in the 1999 season, he could be the first coach to take three different teams to the Super Bowl.

## Top-ranked Huskies can set home win mark

HARTFORD, Conn. - The plan simple and the results beyond

is simple and the results beyond question.
"Our approach is we're not going to lose at home," Connecticut coach Geno duriemma said.
Top-ranked Connecticut stays true to its word, and has a chance to again rewrite the record books of women's college basketball. The four-time national champion Husides (90) already own the record for longest win streak at 70 games set last year. A victory at Hartford Civic Center against No. 4 Duke on Saturday would be their 70th straight home win,

breaking the mark they share with Tennessee.

The nationally televised game also features an acquee matching of two of the game's best players—UConn's Diana Teurasi and Duke's Alana Beard.

"We don't cross (the wins) out on the chalkboard," Teurasi said. "You just play the game and it's a little added bomus. Cost always says if you get a chance to put your name in the record books, you should take advantage of it." Thursai, as senior All-American, has not lost at home and hardly at all anywhere else for that matter. The Huskies are 117-4 in the Thursai era, winning back-to-back national titles along the way.

#### What other big game? Georgia loses lead, makes comeback\_

ORLANDO, Fla. - A big lead. A remarkable comeback. Just another Georgia-Purdue bowl

another Georgia-Furaue own-game. Kregg Lumpkin redeemed him-self for a stunning fumble late in regulation, scoring on a 1-yard run in the first overtime to give No. 11 Georgia a 34-27 victory over No. 12 Purdue in the Capital One Bowl on Thursday. The Bollermakers (9-4) millied from a 24-0 deficit in the first half,

The Bollermakers (9-4) rallied from a 240 deficit in the first half, getting a chance to the it up on a remarkable turn of events with just over a minute left in the fourth quarter.

Purdue was out of timeouts when Georgia coach Mark Richt called a run instead of ordering quarterback David Greene take a knee. Lumpkin, a freshman, got tied up in the backfled and fumbled trying to get away. After a wild scramble, Nicotuciudes recovered for Purdue at the Georgia 34.

The Buildogs (11-3) kept the Bollermakers from getting a first down, but Ben Jones kicked a 44-yard field goal with 49 seconds remaining to force overtime tied at 27.

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It was reminiscent of the "Miracle at the Meadowlands," a 1970s fumble by the New York Giants that gave Philadelphia-a-memorable NFL victory, Only this time, Georgia had a chance to make up for its mistake in over-

make up for its mistake in over-time.

Taking the ball first, the Bulldogs got to the 3 with the help of a pass interference penal-ty, on Stuart Schweigert, then went for it on fourth down from inside the 1. Lumpkin managed to slide through a crease for the roughdym.

to stue through a chance to keep the game going. Georgia appeared to get the clinching stop when Kyle Orton threw an incomplete pass on fourth-and-goal from the 8, but the Bulldogs were officiales.

offsides.
Orton's final pass was intercepted by Tony Taylor in the end zone, setting off a wild celebration by the Georgia players after a game that lasted nearly four game that lasted nearly four hours.

The Orlando game was similar

Late goal lifts Senators over Islanders

OTTAWA (AP) - The Ottawa Senators intend to carry their strong December into the new

year.
Peter Schaefer scored with
5:55 remaining and Patrick
Lalime recorded Ottawa's second
straight shutout, leading the
Senators to a 1-0 victory over the
New York Islanders on Thursday
right.

New York Islanders' six-night.
Ottawa ended the Islanders' six-

Ottawa ended the Islanders' sixgame winning streak by extending its own season-ligh unbeaten
run to eight games.
"We're finding ways to win,"
Senators, captain Daniel
Alfredsson said." In November, we
didn't win those games, but
tonight we found a way to win
'Schaefer scored his ninth of the
season 14-05 into the third, beatting goalle Garth Snow with a shot
from the slot after taking defenseman Karel Rachunek's pass from
the right corner.

man Karel Rachunek's pass from the right corner. "It was a tough game," Schaefer said. "Both goalles played great and it was a defensive battle. We

vere just fortunate enough to get



ne against Purdue during the Capital One Bowl in Orlando, Fla.,

to the only other meeting:
between the schools, the 2000
Outback Bowl.
In that one, Purdue built a 25-0
lead early in the second quarter,
but was stunned by one of the
greatest comebacks in bowh later,
V. Georgia rallied for a 28-25 victory in overtime.
Greene passed for three touchdowns in the first half and the
Buildogs seemed on the verge of
their own blowout. He finished
27-of-37 for 327 yards and was the
game's MVP.

Orange Bowl No. 10 Mlami 16. No. 9 Florida St. 14

MIAMI - Jarrett Payton ran for 131 yards, Jon Peattie kicked three field goals and Miami shut out Florida State in the second half to give the Hurricanes a 16-14 win.

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a chance late in the game, and for-tunate for it to go in."

Lalime made 32 saves for his

secutive victory in the heated section victory in the fleated series - its longest winning streak since 1957. No. 9 Florida State lost consecutive bowl games for the first time since the 1979 and 1980 seasons.

1980 seasons.

Like several other memorable games in this storied rivalry, the outcome was decided by a kick-

er.
Not only did Peattie hit a careerlong 51-yarder to give the Hurricanes the lead in the third quarter, but Florida State's Xavier Beitia missed a 39-yarder

xawer Beitia missed a 39-yarder with 5:30 to play. And yes, it was wide right. It was the fifth time a Florida State kicker has missed a deci-sive kick in this rivalry. Beitia also missed a 43-yarder wide left against Miami as time expired in 2002, and the Hurricanes won 28-27.

Miami (11-2) sealed the latest victory with a defensive stand with less than two minutes to play. Chris Rix's final pass fell

College football

incomplete. Rix was 2 of 12 for 18 yards in the second half – another poor performance against Miami

ing. Payton provided many of the big plays on offense, and Sean Taylor, Vince Wilfork and others did the damage on defense.

But Peatile was equally effective.

**Gator Bowl** No. 23 Maryland 41,

No. 20 West Virginia 7

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. – Scott McBrien threw for a career bigh. 381 yards, helping Maryland rout West Virginia in a rematch of a regular-season game that was almost as lopsided.

Playing against the team he left, McBrien threw for three scores and ran for another. Steve Suter returned a punt for a touchdown and made a highlight-red catch to help the Terrapins (10-3) reach the 10-win mark for the third straight year under coach Rajh Friedgen.

Friedgen can thank West Virginia (8-5) for part of the turnaround. Counting the 34-7 win the regular season, the Terps have defeated the Mountaineers four times over the last three years by an average score of 35-13.

The Mountaineers, co-champs of the Big East, came in on a seven-game winning streak but dropped to 1-10 in their last 11

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Miami. He threw two interceptions in the first meeting.
This game wasn't as close as the final score indicated. The Hurricanes outgained Florida State 375 yards to 206 yards and scored the final 13 points. They also finished with 218 yards rushing

His Teature was equany effect.
His 51-yarder came a play after
Miami punted. Florida State (103) was penalized 5 yards for illegal substitution, moving the
Hurricanes into field-goal range.
Feattie also connected from 32
and 44 yards. He had one blocked
from 45 yards with 2:18 remaining, but it didn't matter.

# No. 20 West Virginia 7

## LSU. Oklahoma profess little interest in USC-Michigan matchup

NEW ORLEANS – Big game?
What other big game?
To LSU and Oklahom and most everyone else at the Sugarbow, this is the only matchup that really matters. Just listen to Sooners star Teddy Lehman talk about the Rose Bowl.
"To me, it's just another game," the All-American linebacker said Wednesday. "I don't see how you can lose to a very, very average team and still be considered No. 1 in the country. But that's just me." Sure, Southern California fell 34-31 to California in triple-overime in late September, Yet a victory by the top-ranked Trojans over Michigan will likely give them The Associated Press' championship.
Regardless of who wins in the Rose, No. 3 Oklahoma and No. 2 LSU will play for the Bowl Championship Series title Sunday.
So would a split crown be OK?

Sunday, So would a split crown be OK?

"No, not really," Lehman said.

Most of the Sooners and Tigers insist they have no set plans to follow the proceedings in Pasadena. Some were even more in the dark about the Rose.

"What day is it?" Oklahoma co-defensive coordinator Brent

"What day is it?" Oklahoma co-defensive coordinator Brent Venables asked. Told it was Thursday, he said, "What time?" LSU was scheduled to be on the practice field at the Superdome when that other game kicks off. Oklahoma players will just be finishing up a goodwill visit to a hos-pital.
"I'm not going to make a special point to watch it," Tigers lineman Rodney Reed said, "USC is cer-tainly deserving, but the trophy is

going to be here at the Sugar Bowl, and whoever wins this game is going to get it."

If Michigan pulls off an upset, the Sugar winner would have a sure shot at a unified crown.

"But it's not like I wish Michigan kills USC or anything like that," added another one of Oklahoma's five All-Americans, defensive lineman Tommie Harris. "Tve got friends on both of those teams."

LSU quarte back Matt Mauck intended to true in for a bit, fully aware that a Wolverines' victory would pawe the path to having just one champion.

"It's nice to have that finality for fans," Mauck said. "But hower it works out, it probably won't be a big deal."

"Well, maybe not.

The specter of a split title has again sparked calls for a playoff system and prompted more complaints about letting computer rankings determine who plays in the BCS title game.

"The system is not equipped to handle three very closely ranked teams at the top," ISU coach Nick Saban said. "We all started the season thinking, that this is the espect for it."

And that Leaves no room for the Rose in his mind.

"I don't really care about that game, because there's nothing we can do about that game," he said.

"Added LSU-lineman Stephen-Peterman." I might take a peck. I larow a lot of people are saying that it's the national championship game, The system selected

## Patriots LB has good year on defense, offense

By Jimmy Golen Associated Press writer

FOXEORO, Mass.—Tedy Bruschi has been so proficient at getting into the end zone that New England Patriots coach Bill-Belichick joked he might switch the linebacker over to offense. Bruschi has three interceptions this season, and when he returned the first two for touchdowns, that made an NFL record four consecutive times he scored with a pickoff. With 12 points, he is the teams that the scored with a pickoff. With 12 points, he is the teams that the scored with a pickoff. With 12 points, he is the teams that the scored with a pickoff. With 12 points, he is the teams that the scored with a pickoff. With 12 points, he is the teams that the scored with a pickoff. With 12 points, he is the teams that the scored with a pickoff. With 12 points, he is the teams that the scored with a pickoff. With 12 points, he is the teams that the score with the score w

After finishing the regular season to has After finishing the regular season with the NFLS best record, the Patriots (14-2) are off this week while the AFC winnows its playoff field from six to four. New England will play at home Jan. 10 against the lowest-seeded team remaining in the conference, either Baltimore, Demero-r-Tennessee.

The Patriots earned the bye despite early-season injuries that might have decimated another



role as a player and a leader, on defense and on special teams. Ad though his touchdowns made though his touchdowns made though his touchdowns made though his touchdowns made though his touchdowns true contributions have come as a signal caller and steady leader of the defense. He is second on the team with 137 tackles, 87 of them solo. He also forced three fumbles and recovered one. It's all the more impressive because he hasn't been a line-backer that long, having converted from a defensive lineman after the Patriots draited him from Arizona in 1996. He didn't really become a starter until 1999.
"Twe only played linebacker for about four or five years in my entire life," he said. "So it was something that I just had to get used to I think a big attribute for myself is just my intelligence. I've been able to pick up various defenses, play various positions and get better at it."

## USC:

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ing reception. The Trojans needed
less than five minutes on their
four scoring drives.

USCS "Wild Bunch II" defensive line put relentiess pressure
on John Navarre. Whenever
Michigan seemed ready to mount
a sustained drive, the Trojans
came up with a big sack.
All-American Kenechi Udeze
had three sacks, and biltzing corher Will Poole added two against
an offensive line that had allowed
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After building a 140 hallftime
fead, USC took control on the
opening drive of the second half.
Leinart capped in with a perfect
47-yard scoring pass to Colbert,
who caught the ball with one
hand near the 25 despite being
interfered with by Jeremy
LeSuleur. Colbert then broke a
tackle and jogged in for the score.
Michigan answered with a 16play drive, capped by Navarre's 5yard pass to Tim Massaquoi to cut
it to 21.7 But Williams' pass to
Leinart put the game away.
The first traditional matchup ofPac-10 champion vs. Big Ten
champion at the Rose Bowl in
three. years. was billed as a
shootout, but it was the defenses

that controlled most of the first

Boston snap a nine-game wintess streak at home.

Felix Potvin preserved the vic-tory when he robbed—Tom Fitzgerald with a glove save with 29 seconds remaining. Potvin stopped 22 shots and won for the

on Tuesday.

"It just shows that we're committed to play well in our own end," said Lalime, whose wife is due to give birth to their second child Fridny. "We had a big game. We stayed patient the whole way and we got the big goal with five minutes left."

Bruins 3, Maple Leafs 2 BOSTON - Shaone Morrisonn had a goal and an assist to help Boston snap a nine-game winless

alf.

Michigan went 14 plays on its pening drive but came up empty then Shaun Cody blocked sarrett Rivas' 47-yard field goal

attempt:
The Trojans took over on their
46 and needed just four plays to
make in into the end zone. Leinart
completed passes to Brandon
Hancock, Colbert and Reggie
Bush before beating a blitz to
hook up on a 25-yard score with
Colbert.

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Ryan Killeen missed a 39-yard field goal for USC early in the second quarter before the Trojans broke through thanks to their

of a third-and-18 from his 9.

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Navarre threw a pass that hit off receiver Braylon Edwards' foot and into the hands of Lofa Thutpu, who returned it 26 yards to the 3.

Three plays later, Leinart threw a short pass to White, who broke a tackle from Jeremy LeSueur and slipped into the end zone to make it.

4-0. Javarre finished 27-of-46 for 271 yards one touchdown and one interception. Heisman Trophy finalist Chris Perry ran for 85 yards. first time in Boston this season. He was 0-2-3 in his previous five appearances. Morrisonn scored his first NHL goal for Boston, 0-5-4 during its winless streak.

winless streak.
Gary Roberts and Matt Stajan scored for Toronto, 0-2-1 since earning at least one point in a team-record 16 straight games.

Blues 5, Rangers 4

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ST. LOUIS - Chris Pronger scored the first of St. Louis' four powerplay goals and Doug Weight added three assists for the Blues, who wan for just the second time in seven games.

The Rangers, 3-20-1 in their last six, failed to win three straight for the fifth time this season.

St. Louis is 5-1-1 in its last seven against the Rangers. Blues coach

against the Rangers. Blues coach Joel Quenneville carned his 300th NHL victory in the only regular-season meeting between the

Reinhard Divis started his sec-ond NHL game for the Blues and made 39 saves.

### Predators 3, Penguins 2

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NASHVILLE, Tenn. – Kimmo
Timonen scored two power-play
goals and assisted on a third in the
Nashville Predators' 3-2 victory
over the Pittsburgh Penguins on
Thursday.

Martin Erat broke a 2-2 tie at
7.19 of the third period, beating
Sebastien Caron through the legs.
Nashville's Tomas Vokoum made
29 saves for his 81st career victory,
tying the franchise record set by
Mike Dunham.

#### Davils 2. Canitals 2. tie

Devils 2, Capitals 2, tie
WASHINGTON - Mike Grier's
first goal since opening night and
Joel Kwiatkowski's trying score in
the third period gave Washington
a draw with New Jersey.
Grant Marshall and Sergei
Brylin scored power-play goals in
the second period for the Devils,
who dominated early while the
Capital's piled up penalty minutes. Through two periods, the visiting Devils had more power-play
shots (17) than the Capital's had
total shots (12).

## CSI.

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Eastern Utah prefers to get him the ball in a different manner rather than lobbing it in from the

rather than lobbing it in from the wing.

"Atwater is a 6-6, 6-7 athletic-post," Arnold said. "They don't just pound it in to him. They like to get it in to him by spreading you-out-and-penetrating-against-you, then dumping it in when your big man steps up."

Defensively, CEU plays almost exclusively a 1-13 matchup zone, but Arnold is confident his team will be prepared. The Eagles often employ a similar matchup zone and practice against it every day.

zone and practice to day.

"It's almost the same as what we do," Arnold said. "They don't trap quite as much as we do, but the bottom slides are almost the same as ours."

#### Women

Sixteenth ranked CSI (12-2, 8-0), currently in first place in the SWAC, enters this key series against second place CEU (13-2, 8-2) without regular starters Delicia Jernigan and Lenka

Delicia Jernigo.. Zimova. Zimova broke her foot before

the team left for the holiday break. She is expected to miss 3-4 weeks. The 6-6 center is averaging 9.6 ppg and 4,3 rebounds. Jernigan, a point guard, tore ligaments in the arch of her foot

ligaments in the arch of her toot in a game against Casper College during the Coca-Cola Classic Tournament Dec. 12. Her return is being measured week-to-week. She is averaging 9.8 ppg and 4.2 assists.

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Rubina Shahbadan, a 5-1 point guard, has missed the first half of the season with a knee injury and is not expected to return to the lineup this year.
The point guard duties now fall to freshmen Megan Kane (3.4 ppg, 1.8 apg) and Jordan Eckman (0.9 ppg, 1.3 apg).
"We're missing, legitimately, two starters," said CSI head Canton Randy Rogers. "This team's going to have to find ways now to cover the benefits that we usually get from those players up."
CEU is led by the sister combination of Chelsey and Cassie Warburton, both guards.
Chelsey, a 5-9 freshman, is averaging a team-best 13.8 ppg while Cassie, a 5-9 guard, is chipping in with 13.4.

## Outback

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and Iowa (10-3) scored on a
blocked punt for the third time
this season to improve to 21-5 over
the past two seasons.

-Florida's season ended-with a
loss in the Outback Bowl for the
second straight year, and the lopsided result is almost certain to
start a renewed round of speculation about Ron Zook's future as
coach after a pair of 8-5 finishes.
"I apologize to the Gator fans.
It's my responsibility to get this
football team ready to play and weweren' ready to play," Zook said.
Chris Leak's 70-yard touchdown
pass to Kelvin Kight was the highlight of the day for the Gators, who
trailed 20-7 at the half and saw any
hopes for a comeback fade when
an offensive pass interference
penalty wiped out a TD that would
have cut Iowa's lead to 27-17.

Instead, Florida punted two
plays later and Chandler led an
80-yard drive that Russell capped
with a 34-yard TD burst to make it
34-10 with just under five minutes
left in the third quarter.
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34-10 with just under five minutes left in the third quarter. I lowa won a January bowl for the first time since beating California in the 1959 Rose Bowl. The Hawkeyes had been 0-4 since then, including an embarrassing

three-touchdown loss to USC in last year's Orange Bowl.

"I think it's just one more step toward credibility," Ferentz said.
Leak was 22-of-41 for 258 yards and one interception, but had most of his success after Iowa's Matt Melloy blocked Eric Wilbur' punt and fell on it for a touchdown to give the Hawkeyes a 20-poin-lead early in the second half.

"Chris had a tough day," Zoo's said. "Once again, you've got to give Iowa credit. They did a grea job."

The second-ever meetin

give Iowa credit. They did a grea job."

The second-ever meetin between the schools was just a critical for Zook as it was to Ferentz, who has turned Iow around after going 1230 in hi first three seasons.
Zook was not a popular choic to replace Steve Spurrier a Florida two years ago and his 16 10 record falls well below the star dard set by his former boss, wh resigned as coach, of th Washington Redskins this week. Although there are no indictions that Spurrier is interested in teturning - or that Florida want him back - the decisiveness of Thursday loss won't quiet Zoo critics who question whether he the right man for the job.

## Cowboys' defense faces must-stop game

IRVING, Texas - The Dallas Cowboys know they've done this already. They stopped Carolina's Pro Bowl running Stephen Davis

already. They stopped Carolina's Pro Bowl running Stephen Davis once.

This time, though, they have to be even better. Basically, they need to be flawless. It's because the margin of error is too small, with a hit-and-miss Cowboys offense providing little support.

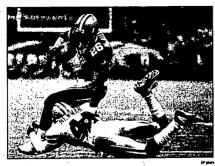
"We've got to play a perfect game," Cowboys inhebacker Deuter Coakley said. "We've got to try to create some turnovers on defense. We need to try to get the ball to the offense as many chances as we can. That's something we're going to have to do."

The loss to the New Orleans Saints on Sunday was a glaring example. The Cowboys' No. 1-ranked defense stilled 1,000-yard running back Deuce McAllister, but allowed a 76-yard touchdown pass from Aaron Brooks to Donte' Stallworth.

One play was enough in a 13-7 loss.

"When you hold a team to 13

Jose.
"When you hold a team to 13 you should win," Cowboys coach Bill Parcells said. "You'd be hard-



Cowboys defender Terence Nowman (41) Dec. 28. The D put to the test Saturday against Carolina.

pressed to him analy you don't win when you holo a team to 13."

But that's where the Cowboys are at this point. The defense almost needs to be a form of offense, generating points and turnovers, but those things haven't

happened. This week the focus falls on the Cowboys' run defense, which finished third in the NFL by allowing 89.1 yards per game. It needs a must-stop effort against Davis to survive at Carolina.

Davis was held to 59 yards on 26 carries in the Cowboys' 24-20 victo-

ry Nov. 23 at Texas Stadium. He finished the year with a franchise-record 1,444 yards, which was seventh-best in the league. "They've got other weapons than Stephen Davis, but the balance of their attack centers around the running game." Parcells said for you don't do something about it, then you've got problems." Davis' 2.3 yards per-carry average against the Cowboys was his second-worst in the 14 games he played. The Cowboys were committed to stopping Davis and never relented, swarming the line of scrimmage and overpowering the Panthers' offensive line. Davis' lanes were flooded and he didn't have a run of more than 10 yards. He was staring at tackle La/Roi Glover and linebacker Dat Nguyem most of the day. "Gang tackling like that made us successful," said Glover, who led the defensive line with four tackles in the first meeting. Since facing the Cowboys, Davis

the defensive line with four tackles in the first meeting.
Since facing the Cowboys, Davis has had only one 100-yard rushing game. He had 115 yards the following week in a loss to Philadelphia. He has battled a nagging ankle injury throughout the last half of the season.

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#### SPORTS IN BRIEF-

#### Minico Boosters will meet Monday in library

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RUFERT - The Minico
Booster Club will meet Monday,
Jan. 5 at 6:30 p.m. in the Minico
High School library. Parents
with students in grades 9:12 are
encouraged to attend, Please
call 436-5670 for more information.

## Jerome Rec holiday

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open gym continues

JEROME – The Jerome
Recreation District open gym
schedule for the holidays will
continue through Saturday.
The gym will be open to seniors from 8:30-11 a.m. today. The
gym will be available for adults
from 11 a.m.-1 p.m., also today,
the youth open gym will be
from 1-3:30 p.m. today and
Saturday.

Saturday. Call 324-3389 with any ques-

## Rocky Mountain baseball

camp will be Jan. 17-19
LOGAN, Utah – The Rocky
Mountain School of Baseball
will hold its 11th annual Winter
Ball Camp in Mesquite, New on
Jan. 17-19.
The camp will be conducted

Jan. 17-19.

The camp will be conducted for ages 8-18. The staff will consist of college coaches, professional players and pro scouts.

For more information or to register, log on to www.mrsb.com, or call toll free at 877-272-0862.

#### Reserved seats are still available for CSI games

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TWN FALLS. Plenty of good
reserved chairback seats arestill available for the remainder
of baskerball home games at the
CSI Gymnasium.
Both squads will play Salt
Lake Community College Jan. 23
and 10, North Idaho College
Jan. 23 and 24, Pastern Utah
Feb. 13 and 14, and Snow
College Feb. 27 and 28.
For more information, contact
Christi Kaye Ure at 732-6485.

#### Youth basketball camps are set for Twin Falls

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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
champ will be instructed by
TFHS 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 clincis 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 TFHS girls basketball game on Jan. 29.
All participants will receive a
halftime of the TFHS girls basketball game on Jan. 29.
All participants will receive a
Lshirt, with the first 175 Little.
Dribblers campers receiving a
custom Bruin basketball.
Registration forms are available at Donnelley Sports Call
Matt at 735-5310 for more information.

#### K-State quarterback

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PARADISE VALLEY, Ariz.—
Kansas State quarterback Eli
Roberson was accused Thursday
of sexually assaulting a woman
at the team hotel, leaving his
start in the Fiesta Rowl in ques-

tion.

Roberson told police he had consensual sex with the 22-year-old woman, who is a Kansas State alumna and acquaintance of the quarterback, Paradise Valley police Lt. Ron Warner said.

Valley police IA. Ron Warner said.

Neither the woman nor Roberson were staying in the room where they had sex at the Scottsdale Plaza Resort, Warner said it would be up to coach Bill. Snyder whether Roberson plays Friday night against Ohio State. The investigation began when the hotel's security office called police at 4:30 a.m. the players had an 11 p.m. curfew on Wednesday.

Roberson was not with Kansas State players at a pep rally Thursday atternoon.

## **Boston College continues**

Ha bowl success

SAN FRANCISCO - Derrick
Knight ran for 122 yards and
three touchdowns and Larry
Lester caught two scoring passes in Boston College's fourth
straight bowl victory, 35-21 over
Colorado State Wednesday

night.
Paul Peterson passed for 224', yards and T.J. Stancil had three interceptions for the Eagles (8-5), who finished their season on a three-game winning streak by shutting down the Rams and senior quarterbock Bradlee Van Pelt in decisive fashion.
Knight secured the victory on a winding 27-yard TD scamper with 9:29 to play.
Van Pelt passed TD scamper with 9:29 to play.
Van Pelt passed TD scamper refort the Mountain West representative Rams (7-6), who Ebehind 21-6) in the first quarter and never recovered.

#### Jazz sign center

Jazz sign center
to help replenish ilneup
SALT LAKE CITY – The Utah
Jazz announced Thursday that
they have signed center Paul
Grant to help with an injurydepleted lineup.
The Jazz, who lost reserve center Ben Handlogten for the season this week with torn knee ligaments, have been without forward/center Keon Clark (ankle)
for most of the year. Starting
center Grag Ostertag (knee) has
also missed two of the last three
games and forward Michael
Ruffin (abdominal strain) hamfplayed at all.
The 7-foot Grant, who played
at Boston College and
Wisconsin, spent\_the\_2003-04
training camp with Utah and
played in one preseason game,
soring six points, before being
released. He was also at Utah's
training camp last season.
Grant is expected to join the
Jazz in time for Friday's game at
Memphis.

## Blue Jackets make

change at head coach
COLUMBUS, Ohio – Doug
MacLean stepped down as
coach of the Columbus Blue
Jackets on Thursday after failing to duplicate the success he
had in Florida.

had in Florida.

MacLean remains president and general manager of the Blue Jackets, who have the worst record in the NHL. Assistant Gerard Gallant was elevated to the head coathing spot.

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MacLean coached the Florida Panthers to the 1996 Stadley Cup finals in the franchise's third season.

Gallant, an assistant with the Blue Jackets since their inception 3.5 years ago and a veteran of over 600 career NHL games, takes over immediately and will lead Columbus on a seven-game road trip that opens Friday in Tampa Bay.

#### **Former Glants coach**

Former Glants coach Interviews with Redskins NEW YORK - Washington Redskins owner Dan Snyder's quick-strike approach to woo-ing Jim Fassel began with a four-hour interview on Thursday night, followed by dinner in San Francisco. The two will meet again for a few hours on Friday.

Snyder and Redskins vice president Vinny Cerrato flew to San Francisco, where Fassel attended the San Francisco Bowl on Wednesday night, so they could get the jump on the Arizona Cardinals, who will interview Fassel in Tempe on Saturday and Sunday, Fassel is believed to be the Cards' top choice and there's speculation-they're preparing to offer him their job.

Fassel's agent, Steve Rosner, said his client still plans to interview with all the teams that want him, including the Chicago Bears, who have set up an interview for Monday.

Golfer Harold Henning

#### **Golfer Harold Henning** dles at age of 69

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PONTE VEDRA BEACH, Fla.
Harold Henning, who won
more than 50 golf tournaments
during a nearly five-decadecareer, died Thursday at 69.
He lived in Miami Beach and
died after a long illness, the
PGA Tour said. It was not
immediately known where he
died.
Henning, who was born in
South Africa, came to the
United States to compete in
1934 and played his way onto
the PGA Tour in 1966. That year
he won the Texas Open and in
1970 he captured the
Thillahassee Open.
He Joined the Champions
Tour in 1984, where he had
three victories in his 18 years on
the circuit for golfers 50 and
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Compiled from staff and wire reports

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By Eric Larsen

Times-News writer

SHOSHONE – Tell yourself this game doesn't mean anything.

Tonight's non-conference girls basketball game between Valley and Shoshone – two teams in different classifications – has no bearing on conference standings or potential playoff meetings. The 2A Valley Lady Vikings (10-1) don't need unother victory over a 1A team, they need conference wins.

On the other side of the court, he 100 Shoshone Lady Indians will still be a perfect 4-0 in Northside Conference play if they drop one to Valley, Just one loss – a mon-conference one a them of the conference play if they drop one to Valley, Just one loss – a mon-conference one at the vouldn't be a big deal, right?

Try telling that to Valley's Mindy Malone or Shoshone's Katie Strauß.

This game isn't about conference records, 1t's about conference or Shoshone's Katie Strauß.

This game isn't about conference proposed in the program. So both coaches Valley's Briam Hardy's and Shoshone's Tim Chapman – will have their players ready because opponents this good don't usually come around until state tournament time.

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Hardy's Lady Vikings have a Bona fide star in Malone, a senior post. While she's averaged 12.5 double-teams have kept Malone star double-teams have kept Malone stambers down from what they could be. However, with surprising sophomore forward Lindsy Wood scoting at a 12.5 points-per-game clip, defenses can't simply focus on stopping Malone. The sophomore is a high-energy player who has the potential to rack up the points a high-energy player who has the potential to rack up the points a high-energy player who has the potential to rack up the points a high-energy player who has the potential to rack up the points a high-energy player who has the potential to rack up the points of sophomore post Kate Strunk and senior floor general Sarink and senior floor general Sarink everaging 13 and Hubsmith chipping in 12 per game. Strunk has seen a steady performer all season, scoring in double-figures acach of Shoshone's games, save its first.

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son, scoring in double-figures in each of Shoshone's games, save its first.

While Shoshone may lack the size and othleticism that the Lady Vikings possess, Chapman's squad boasts once of the deepest benches in the area. If Strunk and Hubsmith can continue their steady play and get 25 to 30 points from their supporting cast, the Lady Indians will be tough to beat. But if Malone and Wood can make their presence felt on both sides of the floor, Valley has all the tools to hand Shoshone their first taste of defeat this season.

#### Girls basketball Declo at Kimberly

Decio at Kimberly
It's rivalry time torage the trip
to Kimberly for a big Sawtooth
Central Idaho Conference bout.
Kimberly's Lady Bulldogs have
struggled to a 2-8 start, but they
can even their SCIC record to 2-2
with -a -win -over -the -favoredHomest, While the Bulldogs have
had trouble this year finding the
basket, junior Whitney Funk has
seen afte to put up solid numbers.
She'll need some backup, though,
it Kimberly expects to hang with
the lean and aduletic Homets.
Declo comes out of the winter
break with a 6-5 record, 2-2 in conference. The -tall -trip of Ashley



Shoshone Junior guard Maghan Sorensen brings the ball up court against Dietrich Dec. 18, 2003. Shoshone hosts Valley Saturday night in the Times News' Game of the

## Game of the Week

**Shoshone** vs. Valley

Peterson and twins Megan and Melissa Webb ure the backbone of coach Kurt-Murdock's game plan. The three girls can form the bulk of an imposing 2-3 zone that leaves little room for passing, and all are capable of 20-point performances. The play of junior guard Holly Hurst and reserve post Sarah Kossler has often been the difference between a win and a loss for Decol. If Murdock gets the balanced scoring he's been looking for all season, the Homete should get the job done. However, Kimberly will come out looking to turn their season award, knowing they aren't out of the playoff hunt by any means. Final score regardless, this one should be interesc.

#### Boys basketball Gooding at Declo

Kuna Mountain Home

Gooding at Declo
The Gooding Senators' mission
is simple; just beat Declo.
A win in Saturday night's SCIC
game at Declo would even the
Senators' record to 3-3 and more
importantly, give them a 1-1 mark
in conference. Lose, and the
Senators will have dug themselves
an early hole in conference play.

The task won't be an easy one, as

Gooding will need to use their speed and endurance to overcome a height disadvantage. With five seniors with a lot of varsity experience, the Senators will need to play heady ball to offset Declo's rester reads like a who's who of 3A football, this year's basketball team is still unproven. After losing seven seniors off last year's state championship spuad, the Hornets have been forced to find new leadership. The Hornets have struggled to find consistent scoring, but all-everything junior athlete Bjorn Christiansen has started to shot signs that he ready to elevate his basketball game to the same level of his talents on the football field.

With two teams that can be feast or famine any given night, the outcome of this game is anyone's consistent species. But with two athletic squads facing off, this has all the makings of an entertaining context.

Community School at

#### Community School at **Camas County**

Camas County
Fairfield will be treated to a great Northside Conference show-down Saturday night as Ketchum's Community School comes to town to take on the \$2 cutthroats have posted impressive numbers this season, but will be looking to earn an important win to boost their conference record to \$2.2.

The Cutthroats have relied on speed and experience, as five seniors returned after playing varsity last season. John Hayes, Jimmy

**Parry's Power Guide** 

Fairchild, and Dylan McIlhenny – all seniors, and 6-foot or taller – have led the potent Cutthroat charge thus far.

The Mushers come inthe Sanchard of the Sa

#### Wrestling Kimberly, Filer, Glenns Ferry at Oakley invitational

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The Oakley Invitational is set to
start at 10 a.m. Saturday,
Kimberly's Joey and Sonny Silva
enter as usual favorites to win
their weight classes, while Filer's
Wildeats look to improve on their
3th-place finish at the Bear-Cat
meet. Oakley is once again combined with Raft River for the
meet, while Glenns Ferry makes
the long trip to round out
Saturday's card.

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# Athlete of Week

TWIN FALLS - There are 52 ceks in a year - 52 chances to be

weeks in a year – 52 chances to be hero.
While being named a Times. News Athlete of the Weeks show the property of the state of the Weeks with the state of the Magic Valley's high school athletes during 2003. From an Oscar Rios header that finds the back of the net in Burley, to a Gooding cross country team outrunning the valley wind, area fans have been treated to great feats through the past year.

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Throughout the cross country season, Burley's Stephanie Johnson gave our keyboards repetitive-stress injuries from typing her mane in on a near-week been given mane for an ender the season of the week calling boys team that earned the cross country season of the Week (ATW) homos after claiming the 3A state championship. The Senators' top seven proved that sometimes, the Athlete of the Week is really a ceasing the season of the seas

Athlete of the Week is really a team.

Athlete of me Week is really a team.

On Nov. 7, the Wolverines took. ATW honors in volleyball, along with boys and girls soccer. In the span of a few days, the boys took home the 35 occer champtonship while the girls finished second in both soccer and volleyball.

In football, Wendell's defensive squad rounded out the top group efforts of the eason, holding before the squad rounded out the top group efforts of the eason, holding before the squad rounded out the top group efforts of the eason, holding the squad rounded out the top group efforts of the eason, holding the squad rounded out the top group efforts of the eason, holding between the squad to the state of the week school of the yeek of A football tournament semifinal via.

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## **Player** of **the** Week

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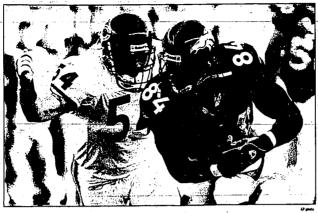
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# Denver's Shannon Sharpe never holds anything back

#### He plays every game as if it's his last one

DENVER - Denver's Shannon Sharpe has treated every game as if it were the last of his career. It's one of the reasons he's the top pass-catching tight end in league history. It's also why hat or treating Sunday's playoff game against Indianapolis any differently, even though it really could be his small on the pass-catching tight could be his read of the pass of t

arpe\_traded\_the\_blocking\_sled catching\_passes. Maybe his cking\_suffered in the process.



nver Broncos tight end Shannon Sharpe (84) pulls in a first-down pass as Chicago Bears linebacker Brian Uriachar 4) moves in to make the tackle Nov. 23 in the first quarter in Denver, Sharpe has treated every game as if it were e last of his career, it's one of the reasons he likely go down as the best pass-catching tight end in league history.

but there was no doubt Sharpe could catch a football like no other tight end before. At 6-foot-2, 228 pounds, he looked more like a big receiver than some of the offensive lines

men who called themselves tight ends. Sharpe played like a wide-out, too, using his speed to blow past linebackers and his size to fend off safeties.

sive.

Sharpe is the leagues all-time leader in receptions (815) and yards (10,660) for a tight end, and this season he passed Jerry Smith for most touchdowns at his posi-

tion with 62.

A seven-time Pro Bowler,
Sharpe also has won three Super
Bowls - two with Denver, another
with Baltimore - and was part of
an NFL-record 12
straight - playoff
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"They can put him in so many different places and look for the matchups, and try to get him the ball in a lot of different spaces that you don't see normal tight ends in," In d ia n a p o l is coach Tony Dungy said.

And he doesn't

said.
And he doesn't seem to be slowing down.
Sharpe caught
12 passes for a league-record 214

league-record 214
yards against
Kansas Cify last
scason, and this
year he caught 62
passes for 770
yards and eight
touchdowns at age 35 - second
only to Kansas City's Tony
Gonzalez in the AFC.
"Shannon can still play."
Indianapolis defensive tackle
Montae Reagor said: "He's got a
tot of athlete ability, and as Iong
as he can play, he's going to play."

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– Tony Dungy, anapolis coach

There's no doubting that.
One of the reasons Sharpe considered retirement in the offseason was because of the effort he, puts in to stay in shape. He's built like a bodybuilder and maintains his physique with carly-morning workous and his own personal cook. Sharpe's impact runs much deeport, and its catching footballs.
With a quick wit

the matchups, and try

footballs.

With a quick wit and insight few players have - or are willing to articulate - Sharpe became the kind of leader most coaches dram of. He's not afraid to chew out a teammate for missing an assign.

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not afraid to chew out a teammate for missing an assignment, but he's along the first to pat him on the back.

And when it comes to inspiration, few match Sharpe's sharpness in the huddle. "I've' just seen him grow tremendously since he's been here, both as a player and a lender," Broncos coach Mike Shapahan said. "He knows the mistakes he made as a young player and can share those with the players."



sesse's Eddle George (27) carries Houston Texans' Kenny Wright (43) Marcus Coleman (42) as he rushes Dec. 21 Houston. The Titans will play defensive-minded Baltimore Ravens on Saturday.

## Wild<sub>a</sub>card matchups could go down to wire

The Terinessee Titans are 56-24 since 1999, tied with St. Louis for the NFL's best record during that

the NFLs best record during that time.

But when the Titans open the playoffs in Baltimore on Saturday, they face these daynting numbers: The Rayens have won five strength games and six of the past seven in the series.

"They've been a thorn in oursides, and sometimes to move on in the future, you have to be presented with the past," Tennessees Eddic George says. "Maybe this is one of those times."

George has played a role in the Titans, troubles.

In a playoff game at Nashville

Tiens' troubles.

In a playoff game at Nachville during Baltimore's run to the 2001 Super Bowl, Ray Lewis wrested a pass from George and ran 50 yards for the clinching score in the Rayens' 24-10 victory. Baltimore won despite only 134 yards of offense.

won despite only 127 yaus offense.
These are two lower-seeds to mot want to face because they are so physical.
Baltimore's defense is better, and it's playing at home, which is why it's a 1-point favorite. But if Stewe McMair's leg injuries have cleared up, he can beat any defense.

defense.

Let's assume that.

TITANS, 20-16
Dallas (plus 3) at Carolina
The Cowboys beat the Panthers
24-20 in Dallas, one of just two
gumes in which Tunas troops
defeated a team that finished
with a winning record.

But Carolina is favored by three
points in the Saturday night
gume. That's for being at home
and because Dallas' offense has
been inery to the read, scoring 10 game, there and because Dallas' offense been inept on the road, scoring it points or fewer in four of eight

games. s might turn on the perform-of the two inexperienced

quarterbacks, Jake Delhomme for the Panthers and Quincy Carter for the Cowboys. Give the edge to Delhomme, because a rested Stephen Davis is more of a run-ning threat than Troy Hambrick. PANTHERS, 149 Seattle (July 2) at Green Bay.

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FANTHERS, 14-9
Seattle (plus 7) at Green Bay
The Packers lost their first
home playoff game ever to
Atlanta at this stage a year ago.
Don't look for it to happen
again. The Packers beat the
Seahawks 35-13 at Lambeau Field.
on Oct. 5. That loss made Mike
Holmgren 1-1 in Green Bay since
leaving as Packers coach after the
1998 season.
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Green Bay also is coming into the postseason playing very well. It's won four straight games and six of seven, and Brett Favre isplaying as well as he has for a while.

thile.
Favre over Holmgren.
PACKERS, 31-23
Denver (plus 3) at Indianapolis
-Another rematch, this one justwo weeks old.

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That first game went to Denver,
31-17. Clinton Fortis was out, but
That first game went to Denver,
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Quentin Griffin and Mike
Anderson combined for 192 yard
tushing as the Broncos controlled
the ball for nearly 45 minutes.
Conventional wisdom says it's
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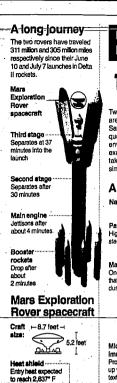
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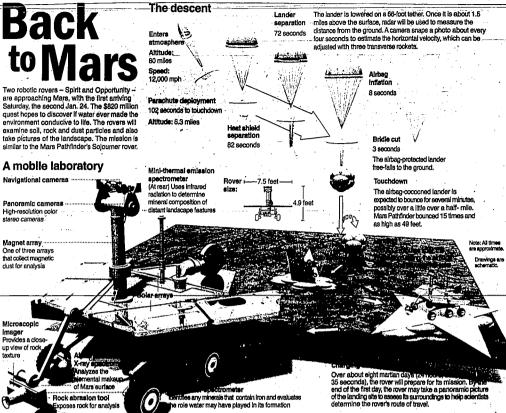
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## Spacecraft prepares to 'scoop' up matter from early universe

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spacecraft is expected to pass within 186 miles of the comet Wild 2 as it catches the shimmering gas and dust cloud that envelops the dirty ball of ice and rock.

The unmanned probe should make its closest approach at 1240 p.m. MST, when the comet and probe will be 242 million miles from Earth, mission members said Tuesday at NASA's Jet Propulsion. Laboratory.

During the flyby, Stardust should capture hundreds if not thousands of particles of dust ripped from Wild 2 (pronounced vilt-2) by streams of gases boiled from the comet's surface by the warming rays of the sun.

NASA also expects the spaceraft to take 72 black and white pictures of the comet's 3.3 mile diameter nucleus. The first of those images could be received on Earth as early as this after noon.

Scientists are eager to study

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Scientists are eager to study the particles since they represent pristine examples—preserved for.

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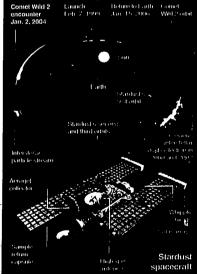
The scientists believe the dust contains many of the organic compounds necessary for life. Comets that pelted the Earth long ago could have delivered those molecules.

those molecules.

"They are museums that contain the building blocks of our solar system, our planet and from which even ourselves were a University of Washington astronomer and the \$200 million mission's main scientist. If successful, Stardust should become only the third spacecraft to capture a close-up view of the

#### Stardust to catch comet's tail

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obscured by a bright von-and gas.
Stardust has protective bumpers designed to sheld the unmanned spacecraft as it plows through the comet's well, or come, at 13,650 mph. A tennis racket-thaped mitt will snag particles shaped mitt will snag particles during the flyby. The mitt has already swept up bits of interstellar dust since the

N. Raop. C. New APspacecraft's 1999 launch.
In 2006, Stardust will jettison a caniser containing the mitt during a flyby of Earth. The canister and its extracerestrial cargo should plummet down on Utah, and scientists then hope to analyze the particles; Stardust will continue orbiting the sun.
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and then the ace of hearts against four spades. South saw that if he discarded on this trick, his chances of success would then depend on finding the jack of trumps, since he would have to lose at least one diamond trick sooner or later.

Instead, he ruffed the heart ace with the five of trumps. Can you see the best move now? South found the most accurate play when he next ran the 10 of trumps immediately. East won with his spade jack, but had no threatening return. A heart could have been ruffed with the ace, allowing declarer to pitch a diamond from dummy, then play a diamond from dummy, then play a diamond from dummy, then play a diamond to the ace, draw trumps, and take five club tricks for 11 in total. So East exited with a club, but declarer simply won in hand, cashed the spade ace, went to the diamond ace to draw trumps, and collected 10 tricks.

Was there a possible defense? Possibly, but one can hardly blame West for his play at the second trick. However, if West had shifted to a diamond ace to draw the second trick. However, if West had shifted to a diamond at trick two, rather than leading the second trick however diamond ace and would then have needed to take the spade finesse through East to succeed. In practice though, declarer would probably have played trumps from the top and gone down.

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NORTH

A K Q 9 6

V Q 6

A J 4

Q 8 6 5

WEST ↑ 3 2 ▼ A K 10 9 5 3 ↑ K 10 ↑ 10 9 3

EAST ♠ J 8 7 4 ♥ J 8 7 4 ♦ Q 9 6 5 ♣ 7 SOUTH A A 10 5 \$\frac{10}{2}\$ \$\frac{1}{2}\$ \$\frac{1}{4}\$ A K J 4 2

Vulnerable: Both Dealer: South

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West 1 ♥ Pass Pass South
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3 ♠ Opening lead: Heart king

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ANSWER: Pass, and do not seriously consider bidding any more. Your partner has shown 6-10 points with at least six hearts. In context your trump support is respectable, but in all other respects your hand is minimum with poor controls. Two hearts may well be in jeopardy; game is a very long way away.

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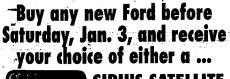














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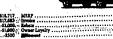
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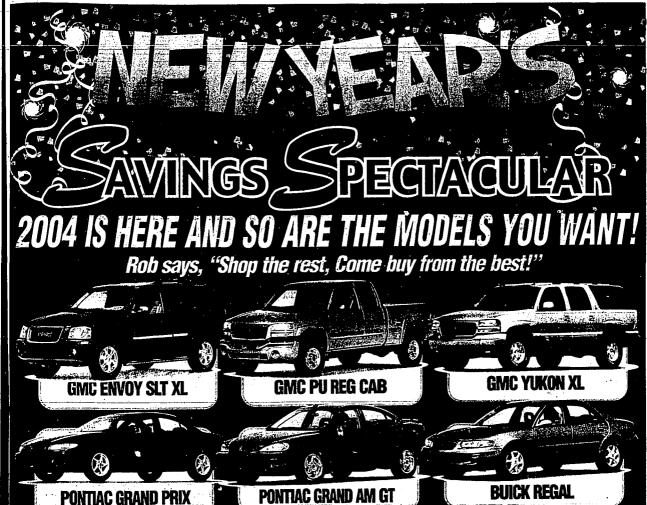


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2000 DODGE DURANGO Stock #0185.Was \$17854. SAVE \$2888 ....

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1998 DODGE DAKOTA Slock #0224, Was \$8552. SAVE \$2564	<b>\$5988</b>
1997 FORD F150. Slock #G189 Was \$11256. SAVE \$2268	<b>\$8988</b>
1997 FORD F150 Stock #G189, Was \$11236, SAVE \$2248	<u>.*8988</u>
2001 DODGE DAKOTA Stock #0215.Was \$12200. SAVE \$2212	*9988
1998 DODGE 2500 Stock #F888 Was \$13547. SAVE \$2559	<b>\$10988</b>
2000 DODGE 1500 Stock #E848.Was \$13542. SAVE \$2554	10988
1999 DODGE DAKOTA Stock #G107, Was \$16230, SAVE \$2242	12988
2000 DODGE 1500 2 TO CHOOSE, Was \$19657, SAVE \$2869	
2001 DODGE DAKOTA	<b>•16988</b>

1997 DODGE GR. CARAVAN 55088 1998 PLYMOUTH GR. VOYAGER \*6988

1999 FORD WINDSTAR 3 TO CHOOSE Was \$10257-SAVE \$2269	*7988
1999 FORD WINDSTAR Stock #E938, Was \$11224. SAVE \$2236	*8988
2000 PLYMOUTH VOYAGER Stock #F131.W85 \$11774. SAVE \$2786	*8988
2001 CHEVY ASTRO	*8988
1999 DODGE GR. CARAVAN	50088

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3 TO CHOOSE. Was \$14578. SAVE \$2590		74	
2000 OLDS SILHOUETTE ST Stock #E881.Was \$14566. SAVE \$2578	1	98	8
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1998 PLYMOUTH NEON Slock #192T. Was \$7543. SAVE \$2555	<u>*4988</u>
2001 CHEVY METRO Slock #289T.Was \$7665. SAVE \$2677	<b>*4988</b>
1998 NISSAN ALTIMA Slock #311T.Was \$8549. SAVE \$2561	<sup>*</sup> 5988
1999 CHEVY MALIBU	*5988
2000 BUICK CENTURY Stock #9115.Was \$8547. SAVE \$2559	*5988

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1999 FORD TAURUS Stock #5735, Was \$9114. SAVE \$2126	*6988
1999 DODGE STRATUS	*6988

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1999 DODGE INTREPID Stock #2365.Was \$9125. SAVE \$2137	6	9	8	8
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Stock #571S.W88 \$9300. SAVE \$2312	
2000 DODGE STRATUS 5 TO CHOOSE, Was \$9451, SAVE \$2	<sub>463</sub> . 6988
1999 OLDS 88 LSD	*7988

2000 PONTIAC GRAND AM 2 TO CHOOSE, Was \$10224, SAVE \$2236	. <b>*79</b>	8	8
2001 FORD TAURUS Slock #275T.Was \$10226. SAVE \$2238	79	8	8

2000 CHEVY LUMINA Stock #596P.Was \$11654. SAVE \$2666				
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