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Pivotal player



GOP Sens. Tom Gannon, Buhl, and Laird Noh, Kimberly, chat briefly before a Senate Education Committee convenes. Noh has more consecutive years in the Idaho Legislature than anyone who currently serves.

Elder statesman Laird Noh commands respect

By Julie Pence Times-News writer

Achievements - A12

BOISE - Visibly upset, the good senator was in no mood for delivering his usual dry witticisms. His customary convivial demeanor, understated though it is, had given way to a hard-nosed focus on the business at hand.

Kimberly Republican Laird Noh was about to hold one of the more important meetings in his career as chairman of the Senate Resources and Environment Committee. And he was going to conduct it away from the public eye.

But first he would have to ward off members of the media who were challenging his intention to discuss the business of the people in executive session.

According to the Idaho Constitution and state laws, reporters contended, members of the Legislature cannot hold meetings out of public view. It didn't matter, they said, that more than four years ago a judge had put a sweeping gag order upon legislators. They were not to discuss in public the litigation that was the topic of that closed meeting. Nor did it matter that the Legislature has written rules for executive sessions, which can include discussions of litigation, reporters maintained.

Ironically, early in his career Noh had led other legislators in developing more openness in

state government. Those laws forced lawmakers to post where and when meetings would take place. He also pushed for training of freshmen lawmakers on parliamentary procedure so they could participate effectively.

Now 24 years later on a frosty Wednesday afternoon in mid January, Noh found himself on the opposite side of the open meeting issue than where he had started.

The issue had to stay under cover until the courts say it can become public because it has to

do with litigation between the Nez Perce Tribe and other water users in the state as to who owns the water in the Snake River system, Noh said.

"We would be risking the mediation and the positions of the parties," Noh said. "Plus, if we held the meeting in public we would be taking a risk with the judge."

Even worse: "The issues of who owns Idaho's water would

His overall sense of fairness is probably his shining legacy.

Senate Minority Leader Clint Stennett

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Dems bicker down homestretch

Ex-President Carter comes to aid of Dean

The Associated Press

DES MOINES, Iowa - Bickering to the last, Democrats traded insults Sunday as they reached for the finish line in a close and caustic Iowa caucus race, the first step toward picking President Bush's rival.

"We are going to win," said Rep. Dick Gephardt, echoing the hopes of former Vermont Gov. Howard Dean and Sens. John Kerry and John Edwards in a contest impossible to predict.

While four rivals raced between Iowa's state lines, Dean sought to regain the political initiative with a trip to Georgia, where former President Carter



Rep. Dick Gephardt

answered campaign critics of Dean, and a surprise guest upon his return to Iowa.

After remaining in the political shadows for months, Dean's wife, Judy, made her first appearance on the campaign trail - after Dean was told it might help him win.

In the closest caucus race since 1988, when Gephardt won by 4 percentage points, polls showed the four candidates in a statistical tie, but that didn't stop strategists from handicapping.

Democrats agree that Dean and Gephardt have the strongest

organizations, traditionally a key in the complicated caucus system, but Kerry and Edwards had the momentum in the race's final week.

Confidence abounded in the Dean campaign. "We think we have the best organization," the candidate told ABC's "This Week" in a taped interview, while thousands of backers knocked on doors of potential voters.

Hopes were high in the Kerry and Edwards campaigns, though aides said they couldn't predict whether their outgunned organizers could deliver enough votes on a cold caucus night.

Doubts seeped into the Gephardt camp, where a defeat would end all hopes for the presidency. The 14-term Missouri con-

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Ex-Khmer Rouge leader denies genocide

The Associated Press

PAILIN, Cambodia - The top surviving leader of the Khmer Rouge admitted he made "mistakes" during the feared regime's rule, but denied being guilty of genocide and rejected the idea that millions of people died.

Nuon Chea, second in command under Khmer Rouge leader Pol Pot, told The Associated Press in an interview he would gladly appear before a U.N.-backed war crimes tribunal pursuing top Khmer Rouge leaders. His comments appeared to be the latest in regime leaders'

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In this image from television, a U.S. soldier yells near the location of a suicide bombing Sunday in Baghdad. The explosion killed about 20 people.

Blast kills 20 in Iraq

Bombing comes on eve of talks about U.N. role

The Associated Press

BAGHDAD, Iraq - A suicide driver set off a truck bomb at the gates of the U.S.-led coalition headquarters Sunday, killing about 20 people and wounding 63 in the deadliest attack here since Saddam Hussein's capture last month.

The bombing, which occurred during rush hour on a chilly, foggy morning, came on the eve of a meeting between U.S. administrator L. Paul Bremer and U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan to discuss Iraq's future, including whether Iraq should be allowed to enrich uranium.

Witnesses said that at about 8 a.m., the driver of what the U.S. military described as a Toyota Toyota pickup truck tried to bypass a line of Iraqi workers and a crowd of U.S. military vehicles, coming as close as possible to the entrance American troops call "Assassins' Gate."

The attack was the first vehicle bombing inside the U.S.-controlled "Green Zone" along the west bank of the Tigris River, which insurgents have targeted in the past with mortar and rocket fire. The force of the blast, from a bomb containing 1,000 pounds of explosive, rattled windows more than a mile away.

Most victims were Iraqis, waiting in cars or lined up for stringent security checks before going to work or attending other business inside the high-walled coalition compound, housed in what was once a Saddam Republican Palace. The blast occurred during rush hour on Sunday, which is a work day in Iraq.

Mohammed Jabbar, who works at the Ministry of Planning, said the blast "hit us into the air and people fell on top of one another."

Several cars caught fire. Charred metal remains of the truck were hurled hundreds of yards away. Thick black smoke merged with the milky morning fog as armed U.S. soldiers tried to keep back crowds and help Iraqis escape the flames.

Shells don't contain chemicals - A2

CAPPUCCINO IN COURT

Italian wins lawsuit over price hike

The Associated Press

ROME - Meddle with an Italian's cappuccino and expect a furious response. Since the 2002 introduction of the euro currency, Italians have grumbled about pricey pears and grouched over costly cucumbers. But when a cafe rounded up the price of the morning Java, it proved too much to bear.

In the first ruling of its kind, a justice of the peace found that a cafe in

a seaside town near Rome overcharged a retired man 23 euro cents for his liquid breakfast after the currency conversion. The coffee bar was ordered to refund the price increase - about 30 U.S. cents - plus the man's legal costs.

The decision raises the prospect of a flood of similar lawsuits.

"The cappuccino's vendetta" at the Codacoms public-advocacy group declared in a celebratory statement. Thousands more citizens want to file complaints, the group said.

To mark the legal victory, Codacoms president Carlo Rientzi headed to the town of Ladispoli, 25 miles northwest of Rome, on Saturday to demand that the coffee bar restore its earlier prices.

The case may seem minor, but it offers symbolic satisfaction to the many Italians who have been complaining ever since the lira was banished and the euro arrived on Jan. 1, 2002. Everything costs more, they've been lamenting, but have

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Carlo Rientzi, president of the Italian public-advocacy group Codacoms, holds a receipt for 0.77 euros after buying a cappuccino in the 'Quelli Della Notte' bar Saturday near Rome. In the first ruling of its kind, a justice of the peace found that the cafe had been overcharging the price of a cappuccino by 23 euro cents.

TWIN FALLS FORECAST

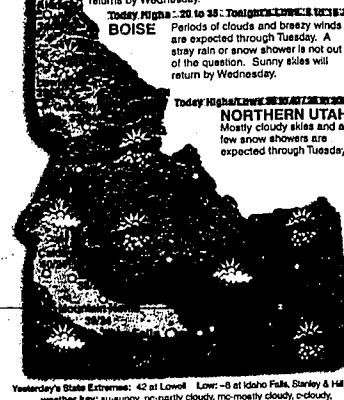
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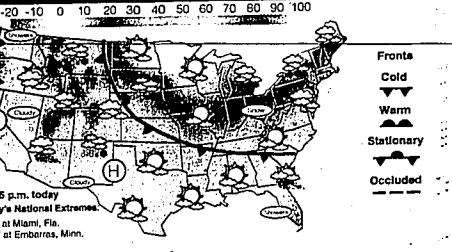
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TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP



Coffee

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found little success until now.
That help came in an espresso-based form made the ruling especially satisfying in a country that traditionally wakes up to cappuccino and conetto, as croissants are called in much of Italy.

"This whole story is just nonsense to me."
A local woman complained that price increases happened everywhere.
"They all do what they want, clothing shops, bread shops, grocers, gas stations - they've all raised their prices," health worker Fernanda Calvi said.

Cheating

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efforts to get their versions on the record before being called to trial.
"I admit that was a mistake. But I had my ideology. I wanted to free my country. I wanted people to have 'well-being'.

the population, according to the Documentation Center of the Cambodia Genocide Program, administered by Yale University.
They died from disease, overwork, starvation and execution.

Cheney calls O'Neill 'a big disappointment'

Los Angeles Times
In a new book about the Bush administration, former Treasury Secretary Paul H. O'Neill describes Vice President Dick Cheney as a leader of a "Praetorian Guard" around the president, cutting him off from dissenting opinions.

Cheney said in an interview with the Los Angeles Times and USA Today.
Dick Cheney
Cheney had long ties to O'Neill, having worked with him in the Nixon and Ford administrations.

O'Neill for the job of Treasury secretary, and it was Cheney who in 2002 told O'Neill he was fired.
"Like Paul, I've known him for 30 years. We were friends. The relationship is a little strained now, partly because I also had to give him the word that his services were no longer needed," Cheney said.

But Cheney said that in the end, O'Neill didn't mesh with the rest of the White House.
"His one of those things that happens periodically. You put a round peg in a square hole, and it didn't work," he said.

Air power may fill gap in troops

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Pentagon plans to shift long-range bombers and other warplanes to Guam and elsewhere in Asia and the Pacific to offset a loss of combat power as thousands of American soldiers and Marines in that region depart for duty in Iraq and Afghanistan, officials say.

the North - might be left with too little firepower to deter an attack, the officials said.
Gen. Richard Myers, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, alluded to the plan without disclosing details when he was asked during a visit to Japan last week about the Pentagon's plan to send to Iraq Marines who otherwise would be on the Japanese island of Okinawa.

INEEL determines Iraqi shells don't contain chemicals

COPENHAGEN, Denmark (AP) - The Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory has released conclusive results showing 35 mortar shells recently unearthed in southern Iraq contained no chemical warfare agent, the Danish Army said Sunday.
Initial examinations by Danish and British troops had indicated a blister agent was in the shells, which apparently date to the Iran-Iraq war of the 1980s. The shells were found north of Basra on Jan. 9.

But tests by the U.S. Department of Energy's INEEL came back negative, the Danish Army Operational Command said in a statement. The results confirmed earlier findings by a U.S.-led Iraq Survey Group that was dispatched to the site in southern Iraq after the shells were found.
The 120mm shells, with no markings of origin, were found by Danish engineers and two Icelandic de-miners who were tipped off by local residents.

Caucus

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gressman, in his last political race, showed no sign of quitting, rallying hundreds of union backers in the state capital.
"I don't need this job; I don't need this title," Gephardt said.
"But America needs a leader who comes from a life experience of the people. Forget about me, I'm unimportant in this, I'm an instrument."

"powerful monied interests," previewing for a crowd in Waterloo, Iowa, a theme he will use next week in New Hampshire to court independents.
Edwards campaigned across the eastern half of the state, with an eye to the South.
"It is my back yard," the North Carolina senator said in the heavy GOP region. "And I will beat George W. Bush in my back yard."

tages in New Hampshire and elsewhere. Stung by criticism of his record on race relations, Medicare and trade, Dean said Monday he was tired of being the party's "pin cushion," and suddenly looked weak to voters drawn to his take-no-prisoners image.
Gephardt gambled with a midweek bid that questioned Dean's integrity. It worked - Dean's approval rating dropped and voters fell from his camp - but the strategy had an unintended effect. Suddenly, Edwards looked optimistic, Kerry presidential.

addressed deeper political problems.
Her voice shaking, Dean's wife entered the spotlight with a five-sentence address. "I wanted to come today. I wanted to say thank you to Iowa and to support my husband for president," said the physician known professionally as Dr. Judith Steinberg.
She said she would have come sooner, but she has a son in high school, a daughter in college and patients who depend on her daily. Campaign manager Joe Trippi said Dean asked her to come to Iowa after Ruth Harkin, wife of Dean supporter and Iowa Sen. Tom Harkin, told him it might help.

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Address will depict president as above politics

Officials hope to foster image of wartime visionary

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — A day after the Iowa caucuses reset the Democratic field, President Bush will ignore the campaign as he goes before Congress on Tuesday night to deliver his final State of the Union address before he faces re-election.

White House officials said they hope to use the televised speech, and its audience of more than 60 million, to foster an image of Bush as a wartime visionary who stands above the fray of politics — the commander in chief, not a candidate.

Bush officials said they hope to extend that packaging to the early engagements of the campaign after the Democratic nominee is clear. They said Bush has no plans to hold an event declaring himself a candidate, even after his campaign begins running ads. President Clinton used the same strategy in 1995.

The officials said that with the address wedged between the Iowa caucuses and the New Hampshire primary, Bush will try to draw a contrast with the Democrats — sniping at him, and at each other — by sounding forward-looking and emphasizing



President Bush gives his State of the Union address on Capitol Hill in this Jan. 29, 2002, file photo. Officials say Bush plans to draw a contrast between himself and Democrats and emphasize his triumphs.

national triumphs. According to Bush advisers, this is the gist of his speech, which will have solemn passages with an overall tone of optimism. We are a nation at war. My bold

decisions have made America safer, but we are not yet safe. At home, my administration's policies have made us better and more prosperous. But I am not satisfied, and Congress must pass

Bush will unveil college program

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush will announce a new initiative in his State of the Union address to give community colleges more money to train American workers — a proposal that addresses joblessness, a key issue in November's presidential race.

In his national address on Tuesday, Bush plans to unveil at least \$120 million in grants, administered by the Labor Department, to enhance work force training programs at U.S. community colleges, education experts said Sunday.

The president is expected to flesh out his proposal during a speech Wednesday at Owens Community College in Toledo, Ohio — a key re-election state that Bush has already visited more than a dozen times.

"They are not putting the money into the Department of

Education, they're putting it in the Department of Labor — the signal there is to focus on work force training activities," said Terry Hartle, senior vice president of the American Council on Education, a trade association of 1,800 two- and four-year colleges and universities.

"I guess they think that training and retraining remains essential as we continue to see the erosion of American jobs, especially manufacturing jobs," he said. That is a particular problem in states like Ohio, Pennsylvania, Illinois, Wisconsin and Michigan.

Job growth is expected to be an important issue leading up to November's presidential election and Bush could be vulnerable. The economy has lost about 2.3 million jobs since he took office, giving him the worst job creation record of any president since Herbert Hoover.

more of what I have proposed. Bush strategists have long been concerned that Americans would become complacent about confronting terrorism and would question whether it is a war. But the war on terrorism is Bush's justification for deficits, for the attack on Iraq and, to some degree, for his re-election. So skepticism by voters could obviate what his advisers think is one of his paramount advantages.

Bush said in his May 1 speech on the USS Abraham Lincoln that the war on terrorism "is not over, yet it is not endless," and declared, "We do not know the day of final victory, but we have seen the turning of the tide." Now, Bush wants to prepare the public for what one official called "a generational commitment," with the official likening the challenge to the Cold War.

Powell looks back to King's contributions to the nation

WASHINGTON (AP) — Secretary of State Colin Powell remembers the first time that he, as a young black Army officer, was allowed to buy a hamburger at a drive-in joint in Phenix City, Ala. He credits Martin Luther King for the law that let him do it.

"It was July 1964, when the Civil Rights Act was passed, and I was able to go to the drive-in hamburger stand that had denied me service just a few weeks earlier (and) that now had to serve me," Powell said in an interview aired Sunday. "I'll never forget that particular day. And no one deserves greater credit for bringing about that day and that act than Dr. King."

Powell was interviewed for a syndicated television program on King titled "We Have a Dream," reminiscent of King's "I have a dream" speech at the March on Washington on Aug. 28, 1963. That speech, Powell said, "was essentially a mirror placed in the face of the nation, and that speech said: Look at yourselves; look at us; look at who we are and what we are, and let's all have this dream." And with that speech, he convinced me that America that what we had been doing was wrong and that things had to change."

Powell, whose last military job was chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the nation's highest-ranking soldier, attributed his career not only to King, but to the rights leader's lieutenants including Jesse Jackson and Ralph Abernathy. Also, he said,



Colin Powell Secretary of State

black soldiers who fought tirelessly for their country; the post-Civil War Buffalo Soldiers on the American frontier; and the Tuskegee Airmen, the Triple Nickel Parachute Battalion and the Montford Point Marines of World War II.

"All of them went and served their nation over a period of close to 300 years of military service in this country when they were ... asked to give blood for the nation but were not going to get the privileges of being citizens of this nation," Powell said. "But they did it anyway. They did it anyway in the certainty that sooner or later right would triumph and our Constitution would be made whole."

Bomb threat forces jet to land in Ireland

DUBLIN, Ireland (AP) — A Delta Air Lines jet traveling from Germany to the United States made an emergency landing in Ireland Sunday because of a bomb threat, but a search of the plane turned up nothing.

Flight 27 from Frankfurt to Atlanta landed at Shannon airport in western Ireland after the crew discovered a note in a toilet suggesting there could be a bomb aboard the plane, said Siobhan Moore, spokeswoman for airport operating company Aer Rianta.

Delta said the plane landed at about 7:45 a.m. EST, three hours after takeoff from Frankfurt. Hours later, investigators finished a search of the plane and determined that no bombs were aboard, said Martin Casey of the Irish police.

They had waited for the jet's scheduled landing time of around 12 p.m. MST to pass before beginning their search. Moore said the 147 passengers were questioned by police at the airport before being taken to hotels for the night.

The Boeing 767-300 was parked away from the airport terminal after it landed, Moore said. Passengers were allowed to claim their bags after the scheduled landing time passed. Moore said.

Delta said the passengers would be flown out of Shannon Monday on Flight 9606, arriving in Atlanta at 2:50 p.m. MST.

Episcopalians who oppose gay bishop will form alliance

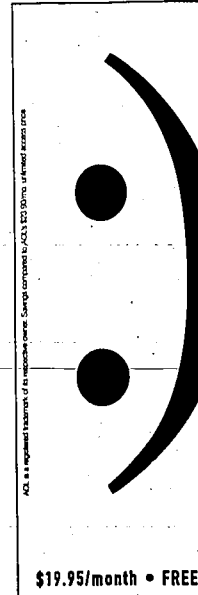
PLANO, Texas (AP) — Conservative Episcopalians are gathering Monday to establish an unprecedented nationwide organization to unite opponents of last year's consecration of their denomination's first openly gay bishop.

Activists say the new Network of Anglican Communion Dioceses and Parishes won't be a breakaway denomination or schism, but rather a "church within a church." Nonetheless, it's a potentially serious challenge to Episcopal Church leaders.

The two-day meeting to form the network involves bishops, clergy and lay delegates from 235,000 members, a tenth of the nation's Episcopalians.

The network's temporary leader, Bishop Robert Duncan of Pittsburgh, says the meeting will give the denomination's traditional wing "some sense there is a future."

The American Anglican Council, which helped organize the group, has denied that the network's goal is to be a replacement for the Episcopal Church. That claim started in a confidential network that was leaked to the media last week.



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Family opens Schubert House for events

By Loretta Burkhardt
Times-News correspondent

GOODING — Aply skirted in stone, the stylish home was a wedding gift from former Idaho Gov. Frank Gooding to his youngest daughter, Louise.

A century later, a wedding package is once again the primary focus at the downtown site. But this time around, the silent grandeur at 841 Main St. in Gooding is open to the public.

"It's exciting," said Joye Jones, who with her mother, Vikke Crume, has leased the historic home and is turning it into an events center for weddings, receptions and other special events.

Still in excellent condition, as a center for special events, the home can once again "grace the bride-to-be," Jones said.

The home's original construction, initiated by Frank Lloyd Wright's flat roof design and took two years to complete. By 1912, Adam and Louise Schubert began their life together in the home given to them by her prominent father.

Over the next 95 years, the Schubert family and descendants continued to live in what is locally referred to as the Schubert House. Though no one lives there any longer, the family is not ready to sell the house. Therefore, leasing the home seemed to be the perfect answer.

"The house is such a part of Gooding's history, and this is a way to share that history," said Cindy Schubert Jones, daughter of the late "Bud" and Liz Glenn Schubert.

"I'm in agreement (that) the house should be shared," said Joye Jones, a real estate agent at Canyonside Realty Inc. in Gooding.

To get the word out to the public, Jones and Crume held an open house last month, and their first event was attended by 174 people.

As an events center, the home's turn-of-the-century style offers the luxury of space. In the past, the living room area doubled for a ballroom. With its 16-foot ceiling that lends a Cinderella effect, its impeccable workmanship will be an ideal setting for the most intimate of weddings.

For upcoming events, the room can accommodate about 60 guests, and the elegance of the room's antique lighting will add to the atmosphere.



The dining room of the Schubert House in Gooding will be used to serve food and beverages for receptions. The house was built in 1912 as a wedding gift from former Gov. Frank Gooding to his youngest daughter, Joye Jones is leasing the building and will rent it to people to use for wedding receptions and other events.

AROUND THE VALLEY

Twin Falls council will meet Tuesday

TWIN FALLS — Due to the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday, the City Council will not meet tonight. Instead, the council's weekly meeting will be held Tuesday in the City Council chambers, 305 Third Ave. E. The meeting is open to the public.

Bliss rest area closes for reconstruction

SHOSHONE — The Bliss Rest area along the eastbound and westbound lanes of Interstate 84, approximately seven miles west of Bliss, will close for reconstruction beginning Jan. 26, the Idaho Transportation Department has announced.

The closure, including overnight stays for truck drivers and other travelers, will be available during the construction.

Work will include reconstruction of the facilities and grounds, including the building, parking areas, ramps, landscaping, lighting, water and waste systems, paving, curbs and gutters, arbors and picnic areas.

The rest area will be closed for the duration of the project, expected to be complete by November 2004. Western Construction of Boise is the contractor for this \$6.2 million project.

Hagerman water meeting set for Tuesday

HAGERMAN — State water managers will hold a public meeting Tuesday in Hagerman to update water users on progress in development of a new model that will be used to manage water in the Thousand Springs area.

The meeting will begin at 7 p.m. at the Hagerman American Legion Hall, 281 N. State St.

The MikeBasin Model is being developed by the Idaho Department of Water Resources to serve as a water management tool for surface water flows in areas below the canyon rim. The new model also is designed to provide an added tool in dealing with the joint management of springs and groundwater.

The meeting will be held in a facility that meets federal accessibility requirements. Persons needing special assistance to attend or participate at the meeting can call Sudhir Goyal at (208) 327-7980 in advance to make arrangements.

Program offers free heart screenings

RUPERT — To help increase awareness and identify risk in both men and women in south-central Idaho, Magic Valley Regional Medical Center is hosting a series of free heart disease screenings as part of its Women's Heart Advantage initiative.

A special free screening will be held from 7 to 11 a.m. Jan. 24 at Minidoka Memorial Hospital in Rupert. Registration is required. To sign up or to learn more about Women's Heart Advantage, call (866) MVR-BEAT (687-2328).

Both men and women are encouraged to attend. The screening process consists of registration, a fingerstick cholesterol blood test, measurement of height, weight, blood pressure and body fat analysis; and a review of the results with health-care professionals including nurses and dietitians.

Participants must fast for 12 hours before their screening, meaning no food or drinks except water. This will ensure accurate results on the cholesterol test.

Women's Heart Advantage is a multi-year solution aimed at reducing the incidence of heart attacks. The long-term goal is to create a community health focus on heart disease by strengthening patient and community partnerships through education, risk identification and early intervention.

Compiled from staff reports

Snowpack levels

Watershed	% of Avg.	% season peak**
Upper Snake Basin	103	65
Salmon Falls	115	59
Salmon	94	49
Oakley	110	58
Oakley Wood	102	55
Little Wood	116	60
Henry's Fork/Teton	119	62
Big Lost	100	65
Little Lost	84	47
As of Jan. 16		

*A comparison of basin snowpack on this day, with a 30-year average.
**An indicator of snowpack for the entire snow season, which peaks in March.

Burley centennial planning begins

By Shelley Ridenour
Times-News writer

BURLEY — Ready to turn 100? The city of Burley is.

The city's centennial year is 2005 and planning for what could be the biggest Burley bash ever begins this week. A meeting for anyone interested in any aspect of the city's centennial is scheduled for 7 p.m. Thursday in the council chambers at Burley City Hall. The meeting is under the auspices of the city's recently revitalized Gem Community team, lead by former Burley Mayor Doug Manning.

Manning wants a crowd at Thursday's meeting. Whether your interest is in the historic angles, the event angles, the fund-raising angles, the fun angles or the parade angles — he invites you to the meeting.

Gem team members "have some ideas, but we want to hear from the citizens," Manning said.

They want to kick the centennial year off with a New Year's Eve bash this Dec. 31, but beyond that nothing's set in stone. There has been some discussion of re-energizing the official signing of the city's

charter, which occurred in the spring.

Volunteers are needed to serve on multiple subcommittees, each of which will focus on specific venues and projects as those are identified, Manning said.

Especially important right now, he said, is getting the fund-raising committee up and running.

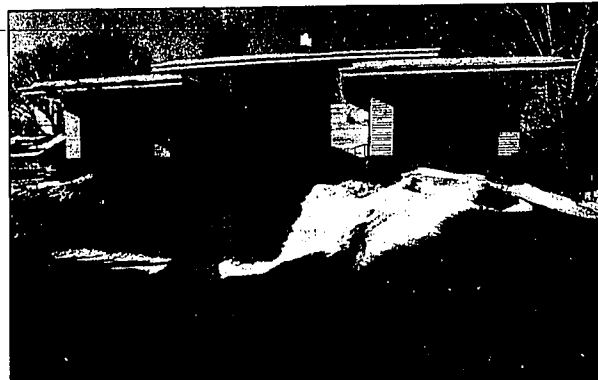
There's no money in anyone's budget to pay for any centennial events.

People who are interested in helping with centennial activities but can't attend Thursday's meeting should contact City Community Development Director Brian Tibbets at 878-2224 or see Tibbets at City Hall.

Meanwhile, Rupert city officials are starting early to form a centennial committee for that city's 2006 celebration.

Anyone interested in volunteering for the main committee or any of the subcommittees should contact City Administrator Roger Bagley or Mayor Audrey Neierwerth at City Hall, 436-9600.

Shelley Ridenour is editor of The Times-News Mini-Cassia Bureau. She can be reached at 208-677-4042, Ext. 542 or by e-mail at sridenour@magicvalley.com.



Above left, the Schubert House imitates Frank Lloyd Wright's flat roof design. Above right, one of the bathrooms in the home. Far left, a photo of Adam Schubert, right, rests in a room with other historical photos and memorabilia. Left, original glass door-knobs are found throughout the house.

Photos by ASHLEY SMITH/The Times-News

Burley centennial planning begins

Cassia County assessor's office will close on Thursday

The Times-News

BURLEY — Thursday is moving day for employees of the Cassia County assessor's office.

That office is scheduled to be closed for the day, as employees move out of their first-floor space in the county courthouse into the newly remodeled county annex, across the street. The annex is located at the southeast corner of 15th and Albion streets, in a former dental office.

Cassia County Administrator Kerry McMurray said the office must close for a day in order to allow the computer connections to be properly made. The assessor's office is directly linked to computers at the Idaho Transportation Department offices in Boise, which issues automobile license plates and renewal stickers.

County employees have been moving non-essential items into the annex for the last couple of weeks, so that after computers and telephones and other essential materials are moved Thursday, they'll have time to set up

Cassia County Administrator Kerry McMurray suggests that anyone who needs to do business with the assessor's office try to get to the courthouse Tuesday or Wednesday.

their work spaces and open the doors for public business on Friday morning. McMurray suggests that anyone who needs to do business with the assessor's office try to get to the courthouse Tuesday or Wednesday, or wait until Friday. No transactions can be handled at the assessor's office on Thursday. The courthouse is closed today in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

Woman faces prison term in attack on Washington resident

BOISE (AP) - The woman convicted of six felony charges in a brutal attack on a Washington resident more than three years ago was sentenced Friday to at least 15 years in prison.

Sara Pearce, 21, was found guilty in July of robbery, conspiracy to commit robbery, kidnapping, conspiracy to commit kidnapping, aggravated battery, and aiding and abetting attempted first-degree murder.

She was found innocent of arson.

Third District Judge Juneal

Kerrick sentenced Pearce to 15 years fixed to life on four counts and the maximum sentence of 15 years fixed to two others. The sentences will run concurrently, Canyon County Prosecutor Dave Young said.

Early June 15, 2000, Linda Lebrance of Port Townsend, Wash., was stopped by another vehicle on Interstate 84 west of Caldwell.

Three men and a woman commandeered her car and took her to an isolated area, where she was robbed, beaten and stabbed,

according to police reports. She was left for dead and her car set afire.

Four suspects were arrested, and Lebrance testified at each trial.

Two others convicted in the beating, John Wurdemann and Jeremy Sanchez, received multiple life sentences.

Kenneth Wurdemann, John's brother, was sentenced to 10 years with the possibility of three additional years after pleading guilty to robbery and aggravated assault.

THIS WEEK AT CSI

Today
 Campus closed in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.
 Business - Professionals - of America Region IV Leadership Conference for high school students, all day, all campus.
 Latham Motors annual car show, all day, Eldon Evans Expo Center (through Jan. 25).

Tuesday
 CSI business/advising offices open 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. for spring registration.
 "Retro Steel" art show on display (through January), Jean B. King gallery, Herrett Center for Arts and Science.
 Alcohol and traffic safety school, 5 p.m., Shields 116.
 "Mingle in the Jungle" free reptile revue, 6 p.m., Herrett rainforest.
 "Ring World," 7 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.

Wednesday
 Regional school superintendents meeting, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Taylor 277.
 Regional Tech Prep planning meeting, 9 a.m., Taylor 255.

Armed Services vocational aptitude testing, 6 p.m., Shields 113.
 Sixty Narcotics Anonymous meeting, 7 p.m., Taylor 276.
 CSI Golden Eagle men's basketball against Treasure Valley Community College, 7:30 p.m., Ontario, Ore.
 Magic Valley Federal Credit Union annual meeting, 7:30 p.m., Taylor 276/277.
 CSI Boxing Club, 9 p.m., physical education aerobics room.

Thursday
 St. Ignatius of Antioch Church public lecture, "What ever happened to the New Testament Church?" 7 p.m., Shields 116.

Friday
 CSI Golden Eagle women's basketball against North Idaho College, 6 p.m., gym.
 "Ring World," 7 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.
 Haggis - Bears Narcotics Anonymous weekly meeting, 7 p.m., Desert 13.
 CSI Golden Eagle men's basketball against North Idaho College, 8 p.m., gym.
 CSI Boxing Club, 9 p.m., physical education aerobics room.

Saturday
 Scholastic Aptitude Test college exam, 7:30 a.m. to noon, Meyerthofer, 230 and 201.
 Volunteer income tax preparers' workshop (sponsored by Internal Revenue Service, AARP, Small Business Development Center), all day, Evergreen A06.
 CSI Golden Eagle Mini Cheer and Dance Clinic, 9 a.m. to noon, gym.
 United Church of God International weekly meeting, 10 a.m., Aspen 145.
 "King World," 2 and 7 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.
 "More Than Meets the Eye" with live sky tour, 4 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.
 CSI Golden Eagle women's basketball against North Idaho College, 6 p.m., gym.
 CSI Golden Eagle men's basketball against North Idaho College, 8 p.m., gym.
 "Led Zeppelin: Maximum Volume 1" 8:15 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.

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

SERVICES

Aden Theodore "Ted" Sturgill of Kimberly, service at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls; burial will follow at 2 p.m. at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls; family will greet friends from 10 to 10:45 a.m. today at the funeral home.

Evn Louise Winnett of Burley, service at 11 a.m. Tuesday at the Burley First Christian Church, 1401 Oakley Ave.
 Friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. today at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley, and from 10 to 10:45 a.m. Tuesday at the church.

Agnes Keaus of Paul, memorial service at 2 p.m. Tuesday at the First Baptist Church in Paul (Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel).

Twila Bingham of Jerome, serv-

ice at 11 a.m. Friday at the Jerome LDS Stake Center (Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel, Jerome).

Alice K. Harkness of Burley, service at 11 a.m. Wednesday at the Burley First Christian Church, 1401 Oakley Avenue,

with Pastor Herb C. Whitaker officiating. Burial will be in the Pleasant View Cemetery in Burley. Friends may call at the church from 10 to 10:45 a.m. prior to the funeral on Wednesday. Arrangements are under the direction of Payne Mortuary in Burley.

Raymond H. Anderson
 BURLEY - Raymond H. Anderson, 85, of Burley, died Jan. 18, 2004 at the Cassia Medical Center in Burley. Funeral Services are pending and will be announced by Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home.

DEATH NOTICES

Dorothy Windsor
 JEROME - Dorothy Windsor, 71, of Jerome, died Jan. 16, 2004. Funeral arrangements are pending and will be announced by Farnsworth Mortuary, 1343 South Lincoln, Jerome.

Humberto Guardado
 BURLEY - Humberto Guardado, 92, of Burley, died Sunday, Jan. 18, 2004, at the Magic Valley Regional Medical

Center in Twin Falls. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by the Payne Mortuary in Burley.

ON THE AGENDA

Today
 Bliss School Board, 7:30 p.m. school library, 601 E. Highway 30.
 Hansen School Board, 7 p.m., district office, 550 Main.
 Minidoka County School Board, 7 p.m. district office, 633 Fremont, Rupert.

Tuesday
 Blaine County commissioners, 8:45 a.m. courthouse, 206 First Ave. S., Hilday.
 Buhl School Board, 7 p.m., district office, 920 Main.
 Burley City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 1401 Overland Ave.
 Castledorf School Board, 7 p.m., school library, 500 W. Main.
 College of Southern Idaho board, 5:30 p.m., Room 256, Taylor Administration building, 315 Falls Ave., Twin Falls.
 Filer City Council, 7:30 p.m. council chambers, 300 Main.
 Gooding City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 308 Fifth Ave. W.

Hagerman City Council, 7:30 p.m., City Hall, 110 W. Main.
 Hailey Planning and Zoning Commission, 6:30 p.m., court house, 206 First Ave. S. Hailey.
 Jerome City Council, 7 p.m., council chambers, 100 E. Ave. A.
 Jerome County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 300 N. Lincoln.
 Jerome School Board, 7 p.m., high school telecommunications room, 104 Tiger Drive.
 Ketchum City Council, 5:30 p.m., City Hall, 480 E. Ave. N.
 Magic Valley Regional Airport Advisory Board, 11 a.m., Joslin Room, airport terminal.
 Rupert City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 624 F St.
 Shoshone City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 207 S. Rail St. W.
 Twin Falls City Council, 5 p.m., council chambers, 305 Third Ave. E.
 Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse, 425 Shoshone St. N.

Wednesday
 Bliss City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 140 Kentucky St.
 Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse, 425 Shoshone St. N.

Thursday
 Bellevue City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 115 E. Poplar.
 Sun Valley City Council, 4 p.m., City Hall, 81 Elkhorn Road.
 Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse, 425 Shoshone St. N.

Friday
 Jerome County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 300 N. Lincoln.
 Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse, 425 Shoshone St. N.

OBITUARIES

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Mary L. Elliott - Eagle

Mary Leota Price Elliott, 87, passed away Friday, Jan. 16 in Eagle, Idaho. A service will be held on Tuesday, Jan. 20th at 2 p.m. at Summers Funeral Homes, Ustick Chapel, 3629 E. Ustick Road, Meridian.

Mary was born to Charles and Laura Leota Price of Boise on June 9, 1916. She graduated from Boise High School in 1934, and then went to art school in Los Angeles, where she worked at the Ada County Courthouse. She married Edward Elliott, also of Boise, on April 25, 1942 in San Luis Obispo, California, where Ed was stationed in the army.

After World War II, Ed and Mary returned first to Boise,

then to Twin Falls. In 1953, they moved to Burley and Declo, where they lived for forty years as Ed owned and operated Elliott's, Inc. In 1995, they returned to the Boise Valley.

Mary was a remarkable woman. At 83, she twice floated the Middle Fork of the Salmon River with her family. She was devoted to her children, loved the family cabin in Stanley, avidly gardened and unabashedly enjoyed the beauty of nature. She had a love of life and energy level which she shared with all.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her brother Charles, and sister Rebecca. She leaves behind her husband, Ed,

of sixty two years and five children: Linda Groom (Peter), Pocatello; Ed Elliott, Jr (Sally), McCall; Marilyn Jane Meyer, (Bob), Victor and Loreto, Mexico; Laura Elliott (Jay), Lacey, Washington; and Charles Elliott (Kathleen), Eagle; nine grandchildren: Samantha and Cory Groom, Seattle, Washington; Christopher Meyer, Phoenix, Arizona; Elliott Meyer, Eugene, Oregon; Mary Odum (Cole), Boise; Matt Brown (Krisssa), Boise, and "her triplets" Megan, Abigail and Ryan Elliott, Eagle; one great grandchild, Nicholas Brown, Boise.

She will be missed by all.

Dean L Hendrickson - Jerome

Dean L Hendrickson, 75, of Jerome, passed away Jan. 16, 2004. He was born Oct. 20, 1928 in Pocatello, Idaho, the son of Lee H. Hendrickson and Alice A. Norton. Dean was raised in the Magic Valley and graduated from Jerome High School in 1946. He worked hard all of his life, spending most of his working years as a private insurance claims adjuster. He was an active member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and served in various callings including two full-time missions to Texas/Louisiana and Detroit, Michigan. Dean loved to fish and enjoyed hand-building saddles.

He is survived by his wife, Almeda Hendrickson of Jerome; his children, Rhonda (Dick) Thompson, Brenda (Kimball)

three sisters, Kathryn (Jim) Grant of Javelton, Marilyn (Charlie) Shure of St. George, Utah and Myrna (Ferg) Camp of Jerome. Dean is also survived by many extended family members and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, Jan. 22, 2004 at 11 a.m. in the Jerome LDS 5th Ward Chapel, 50 East 100 South, Jerome, Idaho, with Bishop Robert Kinghorn officiating. A visitation will be held Wednesday, Jan. 21, 2004 at Farnsworth Mortuary Chapel, 1343 South Lincoln, Jerome, where family and friends may call from 6-8 p.m., and again on Thursday one hour prior to the services at the church. Interment to follow in the Jerome Cemetery.



Ruth Ada Norton Young - Deep Creek, UT

Ruth Ada Norton Young, 73, formerly of Jerome, now of Deep Creek, Utah, passed away peacefully Jan. 17, 2004, at her home.

She was born Jan. 12, 1931, in Frankfort, Kentucky, to Louis Parker and Lula Mae Hibbard Norton. When she was six years old, her family moved to Grand Junction, CO, and at age fourteen her father died. She attended high school in Grand Junction and met and married LaVern Lowell Young. In their 54 years of marriage they have lived in Colorado, Utah, California, and Idaho.

Ruth was loved by all who knew her and was a very accomplished naturopath and herbalist. She loved horses and spent much of her time with them while raising her children. LaVern was, and is, a rancher, and Ruth was a dedicated wife

to the work of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. She and LaVern recently finished the temple work for her father, mother, deceased sister, and grandparents.

She is survived by her husband, LaVern, Deep Creek, Utah; children, Larry Young, Wellington, Utah; Mickey (Lori) Young, Buhl, Idaho; Donna Young, Clarksville, Tenn.; Charles Young, Idaho; 13 grandchildren, 2 great grandchildren, one sister Opal (Dale) Henderson, Palisade, Colorado. She was also the foster parent of Juanita Ferwerda who is the mother of seven. She was preceded in death by a sister, Mary Mae.

Funeral services will be held 11 a.m., Tuesday, Jan. 20, 2004, at the LaPoint LDS Chapel. Interment in the LaPoint Cemetery under the direction of the Hullinger Mortuary, Roosevelt, Utah.



ISU, districts collaborate on science instruction

POCATELLO (AP) - Idaho State University received a \$1.9 million grant to augment science and mathematics education for southeast Idaho students in grades kindergarten through 12.

The grant, payable by National Science Foundation over three years, supports fellowships and associated training. ISU graduate students and advanced undergraduates in science, mathematics, engineering, and technology will serve as resources in area school districts.

University faculty members will supervise teams of students and the teachers they assist.

In the program, teachers will select projects to implement in their classrooms. ISU students selected to assist the teachers work with students and teachers in the classroom at least 10 hours per week for the entire school year.

In addition to classroom assistance, participating teachers will receive stipends, continuing education credit, and a small budget for project supplies.

Dr. Rosemary Smith of the department of Biological sciences is the grant's principal investigator.

She said the project provides classrooms with content resource specialists, real scientists and engineers bringing knowledge of their fields directly to students.

Statewide assessment of science will begin by 2007-2008. Dr. Carolyn Kennedy, District 25 superintendent said she expects the grant will boost student's achievement.

Judge will likely decide on inmate's appeal in two months

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - A 3rd District judge is expected to decide within two months whether to reopen the state appeals of death-row inmate Ralph LeRoy Menzies, possibly delaying his execution for years.

"I'm under a sentence of death," Menzies testified Friday in an evidentiary hearing focusing on communication with his former attorney, Ed Brass. "I'm an ex-convict. I needed my attorneys to investigate."

Brass testified that he did not investigate Menzies' case or respond to several motions from prosecutors, including one that sought a judge's ruling rejecting Menzies' challenge to his conviction. That was delivered in January 2002.

Now, Menzies' new attorney, Elizabeth Hunt, is asking 3rd District Judge Pat Brian to overturn the ruling. She argued that Menzies should not be held responsible for Brass' mistakes.

Brian said he would rule on the issue Feb. 26.

Menzies, 45, was convicted of the 1984 kidnapping and murder of Maurine Hunsaker, 26. The mother of three was kidnapped where she worked. Her body was later found near the Storm Mountain picnic area of Big Cottonwood Canyon. She had been strangled and her throat was slashed.

Menzies was set to be executed by firing squad Nov. 10, but a federal court stayed the execution pending the filing of a federal appeal. Hunt filed the appeal but has asked that proceedings there be stayed until the matter before Brian is complete.

Menzies was polite and respectful as his testimony began Friday. But under repeated questioning from Assistant Utah Attorney General Erin Riley, his patience slipped.

Asked why, in a deposition, Menzies said he had no specific information about who Hunsaker's killer could be, despite once mentioning a possible suspect to a private investigator, Menzies said. "At the time, I didn't want to give 125 information. 375 to you bastards that are trying to kill me. I expected my attorneys to investigate before handing it over to you people so you could screw it up."

Riley got Menzies to admit that even though he apparently was unhappy with Brass' representation; he did not ask to have him removed from the case or complain to the Utah State Bar.

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TWIN FALLS CITY COURTS

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

Driving under the influence sentencings

Kristopher Michael Ramirez, 24, 748 Blue Lakes N., Twin Falls, driving under the influence; pleaded guilty; \$500 fine with \$200 suspended; \$78.50 court costs; \$75 public defender fee; 90 days in jail with 88 suspended; driving privileges suspended for 90 days; 24 months probation; \$35 per month probation fee, shall not possess or consume any alcoholic beverages; submit to alcohol/drug testing; Magistrate Judge Randy J. Stoker.

Misdemeanor sentencings

James Edward Miller, 39, 867 Walnut St. N., Twin Falls, one count battery; pleaded guilty; withheld judgment; \$300 fine with \$300 suspended; \$63.50 court costs; \$75 public defender fee; 15 for 30 days in jail with 12 suspended, credit for 24 days served; 12 months probation; one count unlawful entry; pleaded guilty; withheld judgment; 15 days in jail with 12 suspended, credit for 12 days served; 12 months probation; one count interference with 911 call and one count destruction of private property; Magistrate Judge Randy J. Stoker.

ed for 180 days; 12 months probation; 335 per month probation fee; 90 days work detail in lieu of jail time; Magistrate Judge Randy J. Stoker.

Michael Jansson, 16, 739 Star Ave. E.; Jerome, racing on public highway; \$300 fine with \$300 suspended; \$63.50 court costs; five days in jail with five suspended; six months probation; Magistrate Judge Randy J. Stoker.

Naomi Angel Wilson, 22; 535-1/2 Second Ave. W., Twin Falls; violation of drug paraphernalia with intent to use; Magistrate Judge Randy J. Stoker.

Glenn Leroy Earl, 45, 177 Orchard Drive, Twin Falls; one count driving under the influence, second offense, amended to driving under the influence, first offense; pleaded guilty; \$500 fine with \$200 suspended; \$63.50 court costs; 30 days in jail with 116 suspended; driving privileges suspended for 180 days; 24 months probation; \$35 per month probation fee, shall not possess or consume any alcoholic beverages; submit to alcohol/drug testing; attend court alcohol school; four days sheriff's work detail in lieu of jail time; one count second offense driving under the influence; dismissed by prosecutor; Magistrate Judge Randy J. Stoker.

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Maria Idelia Peterson, 24, 148 Astor, Twin Falls; driving under the influence; pleaded guilty; \$500 fine with \$500 suspended; \$78.50 court costs; \$75 public defender fee; 90 days in jail with 88 suspended; driving privileges suspended for 90 days; 24 months probation; \$35 per month probation fee, shall not possess or consume any alcoholic beverages; submit to alcohol/drug testing; attend court alcohol school; four days sheriff's work detail in lieu of jail time; one count second offense driving under the influence; dismissed by prosecutor; Magistrate Judge Randy J. Stoker.

Naomi Angel Wilson, 22; 535-1/2 Second Ave. W., Twin Falls; one count fail to present identification for liquor/beer; pleaded guilty; \$100 fine with \$100 suspended; \$63.50 court costs; waived; 12 months probation; one count possession of drug paraphernalia with intent to use; pleaded guilty; \$300 fine with \$200 suspended; \$63.50 court costs; 30 days in jail with 30 suspended; 24 months probation; Magistrate Judge Randy J. Stoker.

Stephanie R. Chastain, 21, 2150 Main St. W., Twin Falls; petty theft; amended to willful concealment; pleaded guilty; withheld judgment; \$150 fine with \$150 suspended; \$63.50 court costs; 30 days in jail with 30 suspended; 12 months probation; restitution to Shopko; Magistrate Judge Randy J. Stoker.

Michael D. Miller, 47, 3613 N. 2700 E.,

No. 16, Twin Falls; driving without privileges; pleaded guilty; \$500 fine with \$500 suspended; \$78.50 court costs; 90 days in jail with 88 suspended; driving privileges suspended for 180 days; 12 months probation; Magistrate Judge Randy J. Stoker.

Thomas Daniel Gamble, 54, 2672 S. 1050 Thomas, Hamlet, open container; pleaded guilty; \$100 fine; \$63.50 court costs; five days in jail with five suspended; 24 months probation; Magistrate Judge Randy J. Stoker.

Lindsay A. Tait, 21, 3477 N. 2900 E., Twin Falls; petty theft; pleaded guilty; \$300 fine with \$200 suspended; \$63.50 court costs; 30 days in jail with 30 suspended; 12 months probation; restitution to Winco; Magistrate Judge Randy J. Stoker.

Hugo Reyes Flores, 28, 4085 N. 1000 E., Buhl; possession of suspended driver's license; pleaded guilty; \$500 fine with \$300 suspended; \$63.50 court costs; 30 days in jail with 30 suspended; 12 months probation; \$35 per month probation fee; Magistrate Judge Randy J. Stoker.

Stephanie Owen Bennett, 20, 1791 Heyburn E. unit, B; Twin Falls; driving without privileges; amended to fail to purchase/valid driver's license; \$500 fine with \$300 suspended; \$63.50 court costs; \$75 public defender fee; 12 months probation; Magistrate Judge Randy J. Stoker.

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pleaded guilty; \$500 fine with \$500 suspended; \$78.50 court costs; 90 days in jail with 88 suspended; driving privileges suspended for 180 days; 24 months probation; \$35 per month probation fee; shall not possess or consume any alcoholic beverages; submit to alcohol/drug testing; attend court alcohol school; four days sheriff's work detail in lieu of four days in jail; complete any alcohol programs recommended by probation officer; Magistrate Judge Randy J. Stoker.

Christopher Lee Sanders, 19, 1429 Ninth Ave. E., Twin Falls; theft by receiving/possession of stolen property; pleaded guilty; \$150 fine with \$150 suspended; \$63.50 court costs; \$75 public defender fee; 30 days in jail with 30 suspended; 12 months probation; Magistrate Judge Randy J. Stoker.

Steven Eugene Hendricks, 33, 359 Borah Ave., Twin Falls; possession of drug paraphernalia with intent to use; pleaded guilty; \$300 fine with \$300 suspended; \$63.50 court costs; 60 days in jail with 60 suspended; 24 months probation; Magistrate Judge Randy J. Stoker.

Glenn Leroy Earl, 45, 177 Orchard Drive, Twin Falls; one count possession of controlled substance; amended to driving under the influence; \$500 fine with \$300 suspended; \$63.50 court costs; waived; 12 months probation; one count possession of drug paraphernalia with intent to use; dismissed by prosecutor; Magistrate Judge Randy J. Stoker.

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Hospital foundation board gets new officers

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS - The Magic Valley Regional Medical Center Foundation Board of Directors elected 2004 officers at its December quarterly meeting.

The new officers include Bill Koch, Jr., owner and general manager of K&F Steel, president; Patricia Neale, radiology technologist at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, vice president; Jerry Dodds, certified public accountant, owner and treasurer of Dodds & Associates, treasurer; Dr. Ben Katz, retired pediatrician, secretary; Peter T. Joff, J.D., vice president and manager of US Bank Private Client Group, past president; and Debbie Hetherington,

partner at Premier Insurance, and Robert Valentine, certified public accountant, both executive officers-at-large.

New directors elected to the foundation's board of trustees were Martin Johnson, co-owner of Cain's Inc., and Dean Seibel, stockbroker at Edward Jones & Co. Directors who received renewed three-year terms were Frank Hegy, Dodds and Koch.

R.L. "Bud" Williams and Helen Kolouch retired from the board at the end of 2003.

The Magic Valley Regional Medical Center Foundation Inc. is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit charitable organization, separate from the medical center, and is registered corporation with the state of Idaho.

Experts disagree on polygamy ban challenge

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - From his seat at the bench of the nation's highest court, Justice Antonin Scalia last June launched a fiery opinion against the majority ruling that struck down a Texas law banning gay sex.

His colleagues, Scalia said, were unleashing a wave of challenges to state laws against "bigamy, same-sex marriage, adult incest, prostitution, masturbation, adultery, fornication, bestiality, and obscenity."

The case was Lawrence v. Texas. Six months later, a Utah lawyer is fulfilling Scalia's warning as he attempts to use that Supreme Court ruling to challenge the state's ban on polygamy, a felony crime believed to be practiced by thousands in the state.

The federal lawsuit filed by civil rights attorney Brian Bernard this past week involves an outcast married couple, identified as G. Lee Cook and D. Cook, and an adult woman, J. Bronson,

who wanted to enter into a plural marriage but was denied a marital license by Salt Lake County clerks.

Polygamy was part of the early beliefs of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, but was abandoned in 1890 as the territory sought statehood. It's now banned by the Utah Constitution and the Mormon church excommunicates members who practice, violate, invite, matter" citing Lawrence v. Texas. Bernard has worked feverishly to distance itself from the estimated 30,000 polygamists across the West who say they're following fundamental doctrine.

Barnard alleges the county violated the plaintiffs' First Amendment right to practice their religion and violated their right to privacy with regard to private intimate matters," citing Lawrence v. Texas. Barnard has not revealed his clients' faith, except to say that polygamy is "the sincere and deeply held religious major tenet."

CASSIA COUNTY COURTS

BURLEY - Recent activity in 5th District Court in Cassia County included:

Misdemeanor dismissals

Joan E. Koonz, 64; failure to stop at checking station, amended to littering roadway from vehicle, dismissed, \$182 bond forfeiture; Magistrate Judge Rick L. Bollar.

Christy A. Stokes, 32; insufficient funds check fraud, amended to public defender fee, dismissed; Magistrate Judge Michael R. Crabtree.

Denny J. Orton, 29; hunting from motorized vehicle, dismissed, \$250 fine; Magistrate Judge Rick L. Bollar.

Scott Daniel Waller, 42; exceeding maximum speed limit, amended to littering roadway from vehicle, dismissed, \$125 bond forfeiture; Magistrate Judge Kevin Cassidy.

George Bill Kelley, 46; holding wildlife without a license, dismissed; Magistrate Judge Rick L. Bollar.

Pam Barrett, 44; failure to attach game tags to carcass, amended to littering roadway from vehicle, dismissed, \$125 bond forfeiture; Magistrate Judge Rick L. Bollar.

Christina M. Jackson, 32; insufficient funds check fraud, dismissed, \$134.41 restitution; Magistrate Judge Michael R. Crabtree.

Ronda Lyn Robnett, 48; failure to obtain driver's license, dismissed; Magistrate Judge Michael R. Crabtree.

Larry Wayne Hinchey, 48; failure to obtain a driver's license, dismissed; Magistrate Judge Michael R. Crabtree.

Misdemeanor sentencings

Laurie Lynn Mata, 24; failure to purchase a driver's license; pleaded guilty; \$68.50 fine, \$63.50 court costs.

Brenda Kay Harper, 52; failure to purchase a driver's license; pleaded guilty; \$68.50 fine, \$63.50 court costs; Magistrate Judge Kevin Cassidy.

Arruedo Vega Leon, 18; inattentive driving; pleaded guilty; \$100 fine, \$63.50 court costs, six months probation, 10 days in jail, 10 days suspended; Magistrate Judge Michael R. Crabtree.

Gary Paul Belliston, 25; driving without privileges, pleaded dismissed, \$134.41 restitution; Magistrate Judge Michael R. Crabtree.

78.50 court costs, 180 days driver's license suspension, one year probation; Magistrate Judge Michael R. Crabtree.

Wanda J. Kohn, 46; failure to obtain permit, pleaded guilty; \$68.50 fine, \$63.50 court costs; Magistrate Judge Michael R. Crabtree.

St. Fleur, 23; failure to stop at checking station, pleaded guilty; \$118.50 fine, \$63.50 court costs; Magistrate Judge Rick L. Bollar.

Scott Alan Hellman, 41; failure to stop at checking station, pleaded guilty; \$118.50 fine, \$63.50 court costs; Magistrate Judge Michael R. Crabtree.

Connie-White, 25; two counts weight exceeding allowable gross loads, pleaded guilty; one count \$134 fine, \$63.50 court costs, one count \$134 fine, \$63.50 court costs; Magistrate Judge Rick L. Bollar.

Wayne P. Lockwood, 35; weight exceeding allowable gross loads, pleaded guilty; \$118.50 fine, \$63.50 court costs; Magistrate Judge Rick L. Bollar.

Ricky Montoya Andrade, 44; weight exceeding allowable gross loads, pleaded guilty; \$81 fine, \$63.50 court costs; Magistrate Judge Michael R. Crabtree.

Brian N. Morlock, 30; registration, pleaded guilty; \$36.50 fine, \$63.50 court costs; Magistrate Judge Michael R. Crabtree.

Deferred prosecutions

Janine Nadine Kidd, 26; five counts including funds check fraud; Magistrate Judge Michael R. Crabtree.

TWIN FALLS ARRANGMENTS

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

Mathias Rull, 60, 428 14th Ave. N., Buhl; probation violation-driving under the influence; public defender appointed; 12 months probation; Magistrate Judge Randy J. Stoker.

Justin R. Beeson, 18, 361 Third Ave. W., Twin Falls; minor violation minor consumption; public defender appointed; 12 months probation; Magistrate Judge Randy J. Stoker.

Thomas Richard Gamble, 54, 2672 S. 1050 E., Hamlet; driving without privileges; failed to purchase, open container; public defender appointed; 12 months probation; Magistrate Judge Randy J. Stoker.

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public defender appointed; no plea entered; preliminary hearing set for Jan. 23; \$25,000 bond.

Daniel Maddox, 28, 870 Fourth Ave. W., Twin Falls; possession of drug paraphernalia; public defender appointed; 12 months probation; Magistrate Judge Randy J. Stoker.

Kevin D. Ray, 25, 211 Alexander St., Twin Falls; possession of drug paraphernalia; public defender appointed; 12 months probation; Magistrate Judge Randy J. Stoker.

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Coming Tuesday

The Oakley and Castleford boys basketball teams battle in the Magic Valley Conference.

MORNING LINE

SPORTSQUOTE

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If you ask me, this is like fishing outside a hatchery.

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—msnbc.com's Michael Ventre, on boxing promoter Bob Arum, who is being investigated by the FBI for possibly for fixing fights

TRIVIA

QUESTION:
Robert L. Shoop's new book, "Down to the Wire: The Lives of the Triple Crown Champions," profiles the 11 horses that have won the Triple Crown. How many can you name?

...answer below

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

High school girls basketball
Valley at Glenns Ferry, 6 p.m.
High school boys basketball
M.V. Christian at Hansen, 6 p.m.
Buhl at Valley, 6 p.m.
Murtaugh at Hagerman, 6 p.m.
Lighthouse Christian at Raft River, 6 p.m.
Oakley at Castleford, 6 p.m.

IN BRIEF

CSI volleyball offers monthly clinics

TWIN FALLS - College of Southern Idaho assistant volleyball coach Jim Hughley will offer a volleyball clinic February through May for players ages 14-18.
Hughley, a former Chinese junior national team setter and player and the University of Louisville, will hold a practice once a week to train setters, middle blockers and outside hitters. Players will still have time to practice with their club teams. No matches will be scheduled but the clinic participants will scrimmage against the CSI volleyball team once a month.
The cost is \$50 a month (payments due first week of each month) or \$190 for all four months. The February payment is due Jan. 25.
Enrollment is limited to first 20 applicants. Registration forms are available at the CSI Gymnasium office. For more information, call Hughley at 732-6492 or 308-0202.

Legion baseball meeting set for tonight

TWIN FALLS - A Twin Falls American Legion Baseball informational meeting will take place at 7 p.m. tonight in Room G-6 at Twin Falls High School.
Any interested parents and players are invited. For more information, call Laird Stone at 732-2721.

Boxing workshop set for Jan. 31 in Twin Falls

TWIN FALLS - The College of Southern Idaho's community education center will hold a five-hour boxing workshop from 5-10 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31 in the Expo Building on campus. The cost is \$25.
Students will receive boxing instruction in offensive and defensive techniques, rules, ring procedures, medical requirements and conditioning. Boxing equipment for the class is provided.
Instructor Shawn Davis is the CSI rodeo head coach and has spearheaded the annual smoker since its inception.
For more information or to register, call 732-6290 or 732-6288.
Compiled from staff reports

TRIVIA ANSWER:

6: Barton, 1919; Gallant Fox, 1930; Omaha, 1935; War Admiral, 1937; Whirlaway, 1941; Count Fleet, 1943; Assault, 1946; Citation, 1948; Secretariat, 1973; Seattle Slew, 1977; Affirmed, 1978.

Els wins in another playoff at Sony Open



Ernie Els follows his shot from the fourth tee of Walelao Country Club during the final round of the Sony Open Sunday in Honolulu. Els made a 30-foot birdie putt on the third playoff hole to win the event. It is the second consecutive year that Els has won the tournament after being pushed to a playoff.

By Doug Ferguson
Associated Press writer

HONOLULU — Ernie Els is getting used to this kind of excitement.

Pushed into a playoff for the second straight year, Els held off an impressive bid by Harrison Frazier with a 30-foot birdie putt on the third extra hole Sunday to win the Sony Open, the first player to successfully defend his title in 17 years.

"A playoff at the Sony — it's working out for me," Els said.

When the putt disappeared, Els lifted his arms and leaned his head back in relief. The Big Easy made it tough on himself, losing a two-shot lead with five holes to play. Frazier, winless in 161 starts on the PGA Tour, twice had putts to win — an eagle putt on the 18th in regulation, and a 25-foot birdie putt at No. 18 on the first playoff hole. The 32-year-old Texan came through with a 15-foot par putt on No. 19 to send the playoff to the third extra hole.

Els made sure it didn't last any longer.

The last time he was in a playoff was November in the Presidents Cup, head-to-head with Tiger Woods over three dramatic holes until darkness led to a tie.

Els got to finish this one off — plus, he got paid.

Els, who has shot in the 60s every round he has played at Walelao Country Club, closed with a 5-under 65. He earned \$854,000 for his 13th career PGA Tour victory.

Els is the first repeat winner in the Sony Open since Corey Pavin in 1987. A year ago, Els holed a 55-foot putt from the fringe on the second extra hole to beat Aaron Baddeley.

Frazier shot a 66, closing with two birdies to finish at 18-under 262 and force the playoff.

He twice rallied from two-shot deficits, a strong performance considering his experience — Els a three-time major champion with 46 victories worldwide, Frazier in his seventh season on the PGA Tour without a single victory.

The Big Easy appeared to have

this wrapped up when he had a two-stroke lead and a 30-foot birdie putt on the 15th, while Frazier overshoot the green into thick rough.

That's where it all turned around.

Frazier hit a beautiful chip to save par and Els' three-putted for bogey. Two holes later, Frazier caught him with a 20-foot birdie on the par-3 17th, and Els had to make a 10-foot birdie on the last to force a playoff.

Davis Love III was briefly tied for the lead at 13 under when he made the putt, but went six holes before his next birdie and fell out of the race. He closed with a 67 to finish third at 15-under 265.

There was one other small piece of drama on the 18th.

Paul Azinger had a 4-foot birdie putt that would put him at 11 under and knock Vijay Singh, one of his best friends, out of the top 10 for the first time since the PGA Championship in August.

Azinger missed, and Singh (66) wound up with his 10th consecutive top-10 finish.

NFL PLAYOFFS

New England tames Colts

Manning intercepted four times in Patriots' 24-14 win to claim AFC Championship

By Dave Goldberg
Associated Press writer

FOXBORO, Mass. — The New England Patriots didn't need snow to ruin Peyton Manning's perfect possession. Their defense did it all. Ty Law had three interceptions, Rodney Harrison added another and forced a fumble, and the Patriots beat the Colts 24-14 to advance to their second Super Bowl in three seasons. Jarvis Green had three of the team's four sacks as the constant pressure made the NFL's co-MVP look very average.

Manning had thrown eight touchdowns and no interceptions, and the Colts had scored 79 points in wins over Denver and Kansas City.

But Indianapolis could never get going on Sunday. Things were so bad that when the Colts finally had to punt for the first time in the playoffs, the snap went over the punter's head and resulted in a safety.

"They did a good job defending us but we did things we haven't done. We turned the ball over, we snapped a poor snap on the punt," Colts coach Tony Dungy said. "We made some miscues and New England is a good enough team to take advantage of that."

Tom Brady, meanwhile, was almost gone in the cold weather as Manning had been in his first two games. He finished 22-of-36 for 227 yards and a 7-yard TD pass to David Givens on the first drive of the game. He did, however, throw his first interception in 10 home games last Sunday.

The Patriots took the opening kick-off right down the field for a touchdown on the pass from Brady to



Indianapolis Colts quarterback Peyton Manning (18) is sacked by the New England Patriots' Willie McGinest (55) in the third quarter during their AFC Championship Game Sunday in Foxboro, Mass. The Patriots won, 24-14.

Givens. It was 15-0 at the half on two of Adam Vinatieri's five field goals plus the safety on the botched punt.

The Colts (14-5) cut it 15-7 on Edgerrin James' 2-yard TD run at the start of the third quarter. But Brady led New England to two

more short field goals and the defense took it from there. Indianapolis scored with 2:27 left on a 7-yard TD pass to Marcus Pollard, making it 21-14.

But Christian Fauria recovered the ensuing onside kick for the Patriots. The Colts got the ball

back on downs, but the Patriots defense held them.

Vinatieri ended up kicking his fifth field goal from 34 yards with 50 seconds left.

Manning finished 23-of-47 for 237 yards, with one touchdown and four interceptions.

NFL diversity policy is working

Detroit Lions fans howled in protest when team president Matt Millen was criticized, then fined, for hiring coach Steve Mariucci last year without interviewing minority candidates.

But that case and a no-nonsense memo a month ago from the NFL's diversity committee helped lead to a record five black head coaches in the league.

The latest. Lovie Smith with the Chicago Bears, came one week after

Dennis Green joined the Arizona Cardinals.

"There had never been more than three black head coaches in a season. Now there are Smith and Green, Tony Dungy in Indianapolis, Marvin Lewis in Cincinnati, and Herman Edwards with the New York Jets. On Thursday, Edwards received a two-year contract extension through 2007.

The policy is about opportunities, not quotas, and on that score teams have made progress. They have been complying with the recruiting requirements, giving more candidates a chance at jobs.

"Clubs should make certain that they identify a deep and diverse pool of head coaching candidates," read a memo last month from the diversity committee, headed by Pittsburgh owner Dan Rooney. "As part of this effort, clubs should be sure that they are knowledgeable about potential minority candidates for the head coaching vacancy both within and outside their own organization."

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STEVE WILSTEIN

United States, Denmark tie

By Ken Peters
Associated Press writer

CARSON, Calif. — Landon Donovan's penalty kick with 14 minutes left Sunday gave the United States a 1-1 tie against Denmark in an exhibition, the Americans' first game in six months.

Donovan, who missed on several good scoring opportunities earlier, rolled the ball into the right net. Goalkeeper Peter Skov-Jensen guessed wrong and dove the other way.

The penalty kick was awarded when Per Nielsen was called for a handball in the box. Denmark's goal also came on a penalty kick, by Thomas Roll-Larsen in the 28th minute.

The Americans pressed the attack much of the game and out-shot Denmark 16-4, including six shots by Donovan. The hosts held a 63 edge in shots on goal.

The United States used only players from Major League Soccer, including Donovan (who plays for league champion-San



The United States' Richard Mulrooney, center, and Denmark's Martin Retov (12) battle for control as Chris Armas, right, watches in the first half of an international men's soccer friendly game Sunday in Carson, Calif.

Jose), DaMarcus Beasley (Chicago) and Eddie Pope (MetroStars). Many of the regular U.S. national team players were with European clubs.

ACC takes toll on Connecticut

By Jim O'Connell
Associated Press writer

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. — Connecticut's two losses this season have much in common.

Both came with the Huskies ranked No. 1, both came against Atlantic Coast Conference teams — and each time Connecticut had to get right back on court 48 hours later.

In the semifinals of the Preseason NIT in late November, UConn lost 77-61 to Georgia Tech. After a day off, Connecticut beat Utah 76-44 in the third-place game at Madison Square Garden.

On Saturday, the Huskies — who sat atop The Associated Press' Top 25 the last five weeks — lost 86-83 at No. 9 North Carolina. This time the short turnaround ends with a game against No. 13 Pittsburgh, one of the last four unbeaten

teams in Division I, in the Hartford Civic Center on Monday night.

"We had the one day to get ready for a pretty good Utah team in a game nobody wanted to play or watch and gave them their worst loss ever under Rick Majerus," Connecticut coach Jim Calhoun said. "We came back with the right attitude and things turned out OK."

"That would be the 11-game winning streak that included an 86-59 dismantling of then-No. 6 Oklahoma last weekend. Then came the loss to North Carolina in which the Huskies (14-2) became a 16-point second-half deficit to take a lead only to lose on Rashad McCants' 3-pointer with 6:22 seconds left.

"We displayed the heart of a champion in the second half and

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SPORTS

Panthers claw way to Houston

By Barry Winer
Associated Press writer

PHILADELPHIA - Sorry, Eagles. Not this time, either. The surprising Carolina Panthers are Super Bowl-bound instead.

The Panthers once again showed no fear on the road, shocking Philadelphia 14-3 Sunday night and handing the Eagles their third straight NFC championship game defeat.

Rookie Ricky Manning Jr., a hero last week with an interception to set up the winning touchdown at St. Louis, picked off three passes against an ailing Donovan McNabb.

Eight days after ending the Rams' 14-game home winning streak in double overtime, the Panthers doubled into The Linc and grabbed their first conference crown. They'd gotten this far in 1996, their second season, but lost to Green Bay. This time, they extended the angst-filled wait for a championship in Philadelphia and will head to Houston to meet the New England Patriots on Feb. 1.

"I'm going to try not to think about the Patriots tonight so I can at least get some sleep," quarterback Jake Delhomme said. "I don't want to think about that defense just yet."

For Philadelphia, it is now 20 full seasons without any kind of pro sports championship. The Eagles' last NFL title was in 1960.

Carolina head coach John Fox's opportunistic defense made the difference Sunday, led by a fierce pass rush and third-round draft pick Manning, who tied an NFC championship game record with his three pickoffs. The Panthers hurt McNabb's ribs in the second quarter, then destroyed Philadelphia's chance for a first Super Bowl trip since 1981 with a powerful display in the third period.

By the final quarter, McNabb was out of the game and the Eagles were out of options.

With McNabb sidelined, Koy Detmer led the Eagles to a first down on 11, but then forced a throw over the middle that Dan Morgan intercepted for the Panthers' fourth interception.

Overall, McNabb was just 10-for-22 for 100 yards.

The Panthers' key offensive player, Steve Davis, played regularly despite injuring his quadri-



The Carolina Panthers' Kris Magnum, left, congratulates Muhsin Muhammad (87) after he scores a second-quarter touch-down against the Philadelphia Eagles during the NFC championship game Sunday in Philadelphia.

ceps last week. He had 76 yards on 19 carries, while Foster added 60 on 14.

Carolina barely needed Delhomme's passing and he was a mere 9-for-14 for 101 yards.

"The defense played lights out," Delhomme said.

Manning's third interception — off a deflection when receiver James Thrush was hit hard by Mike Minter — and his 17-yard return was critical. So was the inability of the Eagles' secondary

to make the same kind of plays.

Lito Sheppard's 14-yard interference penalty against Steve Smith put Carolina at the 1. DeShaun Foster then powered through four tacklers for a 14-3 lead with 4:11 left in the third quarter.

In the first half, despite double coverage, Muhsin Muhammad made a 24-yard touchdown catch for a 7-0 lead.

Davis showed he was healthy enough on the opening series,

running for 26 yards. But the drive died at the Philadelphia 32 and John Kasay, rather than attempt a long field goal in the swirling winds, pooched a punt to the 11.

Philadelphia also had an impressive first drive, including consecutive completions of 12 yards to L.J. Lewis and 23 to Correll Buckhalter. The threat ended when McNabb was sacked by Will Weatherston at the Panthers 36, forcing a punt.

Nesterovic, Spurs hammer Celtics

BOSTON (AP) — The NBA champion San Antonio Spurs rediscovered a familiar formula and ended their three-game losing streak.

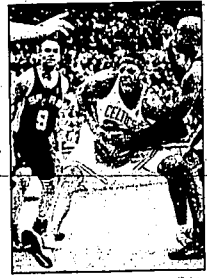
With a strong defensive effort backed by Rasho Nesterovic's season-high 23 points and 23 rebounds, the Spurs beat the Boston Celtics 109-92 Sunday.

Paul Pierce combined 48 minutes of good defense with some making, says Spurs coach Gregg Popovich said. "That certainly makes things easy for us."

Tommy Parker scored 20 points — all by halftime — and Tim Duncan added 15 points and seven rebounds for the Spurs.

"Call in the search party, because we've found him tonight," Popovich said, referring to Parker. "Without him, we've got problems. He's very important to us. It was nice to see him be aggressive and make some shots."

Celtics coach Jim O'Brien wasn't nearly as pleased, of course, after his team's fourth loss in a row.



The Boston Celtics' Paul Pierce, center, and San Antonio Spurs' Bruce Bowen, right, battle for a loose ball during the third quarter Sunday in Boston as the Spurs' Tommy Parker looks on. San Antonio won, 109-92.

Boston was outrebounded 50-34 and outscored in the paint 54-34.

"Over the last two games, we too easily allowed the ball to get to the rim, and I guess I would say that I will play only the people from here on that will make it a point not to let the basketball get to the rim," O'Brien said. "If I have to overplay people minutes to get the toughness that we need in that phase of the game, then that's what I'll do."

Paul Pierce scored 19, Mark Blount added 15, and Reserve Ricky Davis had 14 for Boston.

"It's really tough when you go out on the court and all five guys aren't on the same page all the time," Pierce said. "We're trying to find our way together as a team that just can't together this year."

San Antonio has beaten Boston 12 times in a row and is 18-1 against the Celtics since the 1993-94 season.

Nuggets 88, Heat 80

DENVER — Carmelo Anthony scored 31 points on 12-for-17 shooting to lead the Denver Nuggets past the Miami Heat.

Rodney White scored all 10 of his points in the fourth quarter, helping the Nuggets thwart a Miami comeback that reduced a 14-point deficit to six.

Joshon Leonard added 18 points and Nene 17 for the Nuggets, who avoided their first three-game losing streak of the season.

Lamar Odom had 26 points for Miami, and Eddie Jones and Caron Butler each had 12.

Suns 96, Trail Blazers 92

PHOENIX — Joe Johnson scored 25 points, including the go-ahead 25th rebound, with 18.1 seconds to play, and the Phoenix Suns handed the Portland Trail Blazers their fifth loss in a row.

The Blazers have lost nine of 10, including two to Phoenix in a five-day span.

Shawn Marion had 22 points and 16 rebounds, and Leandro Barbosa scored 20 for the Suns.

No. 9 Purdue women handle No. 6 Gophers

WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind. (AP) — Shereka Wright's 24 points and 10 rebounds lifted No. 9 Purdue past previously unbeaten and sixth-ranked Minnesota, 65-56 Sunday afternoon.

The Gophers (15-1, 4-1 Big Ten) entered the game as the only undefeated team in Division I, but they couldn't come up with the big shots when they had to against Purdue (14-2, 4-1).



Purdue's Lindsay Hicks, front, and Minnesota's Shannon Schonrock go to the floor for a loose ball in the first half Sunday in West Lafayette, Ind. No. 9 Purdue beat the No. 6-ranked Golden Gophers, 65-56.

No. 1. Duke 63, Virginia 52

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va. — Alana Beard overcame a miserable shooting night by scoring eight straight points in a late 12-4 run as No. 1 Duke won its 48th consecutive ACC game.

No. 5 Tennessee 72, Alabama 51

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. — Shyra Ely scored 18 points and Ashley Robinson added 12, helping the No. 5 Lady Vols (14-1, 4-0 SEC) beat the Crimson Tide for the 27th straight time.

No. 8 Penn St., 79, Illinois 64

STATE COLLEGE, Pa. — Katie Mazzante broke the Big Ten women's career scoring record and finished with 24 points for No. 8 Penn State.

Florida 83, No. 11 Georgia 73

ATHENS, Ga. — Tashia Morehead had career highs of 22 points and 12 rebounds, helping Florida upset No. 11 Georgia.

No. 14 LSU 70, Kentucky 69

LEXINGTON, Ky. — Doneka Hodges hit a jumper with 23 sec-

onds left and finished with 16 points.

No. 15 Colorado 71, Missouri 54

BOULDER, Colo. — Tera Bjorklund scored 21 points as the No. 15 Colorado Buffaloes beat Missouri at home for the 14th straight time.

NCAA women's basketball

No. 17 DePaul 84, South Florida 74

TAMPA, Fla. — Khari Dant scored 19 points and Khara Smith added 18 as No. 17 DePaul won its eighth straight game.

Houston 61, No. 18 TCU 59

FORT WORTH, Texas — Chandii Jones banked in a jump shot with 29 seconds left, leading Houston to the upset of No. 18 Texas Christian.

Vanderbilt 67, No. 20 Auburn 63

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Abi Ramsey scored 20 points and Hillary Huger had 18 to lead Vanderbilt past No. 20 Auburn.

No. 25 Michigan St. 67, Michigan 33

EAST LANSING, Mich. — Liz Shimek scored 14 points and No. 25 Michigan State held Michigan without a basket for the first 13:25 of the second half in the win.

The Wolverines had just four baskets in the second half and shot 15.8 percent from the field.

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — Rick Nash scored his NHL-leading 28th goal and added an assist to help the Columbus Blue Jackets tie the Edmonton Oilers, 4-4 Sunday night.

The Oilers' Eric Brewer scored his second goal of the season 5:45 into the third to tie it.

There were plenty of prime scoring chances the rest of the way — the best coming when Nash fed fellow 19-year-old Nikolai Zherdev and his shot was just wide with 41 seconds left in overtime.

Mike York, Ethan Moreau and Brad Isbister also had goals for Edmonton.

David Vyborny also tied a career high with three points on a goal and two assists. Zherdev added his sixth goal and Tyler Wright had his third of the season for the Blue Jackets.

Kings 2, Blackhawks 1

CHICAGO — Alexander Frolov scored with 8:26 left, and the Los Angeles Kings snapped a 14-game winless streak.

Derek Armstrong also scored for the Kings, who won for the first time since beating Edmonton 4-2 on Dec. 16. Los Angeles is 0-3-2 since that win.

Los Angeles goalie Roman Cechmanek blocked 34 shots, allowing only a goal by Chicago's Alex Zhamov during the third period of play.

Thrashers 5, Hurricanes 2

RALEIGH, N.C. — Randy Robitaille scored two power-play goals off assists from Ilya Kovalchuk to lift the Atlanta Thrashers past the Carolina Hurricanes 5-2 on Sunday.

Daniel Tjernqvist had a big third period for the Thrashers, scoring a short-handed goal with Carolina on a five-on-three power play and making a key defensive play that preserved Atlanta's lead.

Zdenek Batny added a second-period goal and Kovalchuk had an empty-net score for the Thrashers, who won for the first time in 2004. Atlanta came in 0-5-1 in January.

Rookie Eric Staal had a short-handed goal, and Aaron Ward scored on a power play for Carolina.

Capitals 4, Penguins 3

WASHINGTON — Peter Bondra had a power-play goal and an assist to lead Washington over Pittsburgh.

Robert Lang scored his 23rd goal and had three assists for Washington. Jason Doig and Jeff Halpern also scored for the Capitals.

Milan Kraft and Konstantin Koltsov scored power-play goals, and Drake Berchovsky added a goal for the Penguins, who have lost three straight.

Wilstein

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That's pretty much what seven clubs have done so far this month in filling six of the openings.

The teams that chose white coaches — Washington with Joe Gibbs, Atlanta with Jim Mora Jr., Buffalo with Mike Mulgrew, and the Giants with Tom Coughlin — did it after giving minority candidates a fair shot. Oakland hasn't settled on anyone yet but it, too, has interviewed a variety of candidates, including Green.

"It's a great response to what we have been pushing for," Gene Upshaw, president of the NFL Players Association, said in an interview with The Associated Press. "We always thought there was a pool of talent out there for

(minority) head coaches. Unless they're given the opportunity to get in the room and compare them against everyone else, it just doesn't happen."

Maybe Dennis Green would have landed somewhere without the NFL prodding teams about diversity. He was, after all, one of the winningest coaches in the 1990s with the Minnesota Vikings. Still, he sat out two years, waiting for calls.

Smith's ascension to head coach from defensive coordinator on the St. Louis Rams may also have happened someday. Maybe it happened a little quicker as a result of the diversity policy.

Meanwhile, look who's out right

now: Jim Fassel. When he figured out that he wasn't going to be the competition for jobs — head coaches, offensive and defensive coordinators, assistants — is heating up. That's good for the minority coaches and it's good for the clubs looking for someone, anyone, regardless of color.

"When you get this number of minority candidates being interviewed, the chances are we're going to get a lot of them hired," Upshaw said. "I don't think it's a fluke. I think it's great. We are at a high watermark, and it's all because the owners were aggressive with this and serious."

UConn

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did a terrific job, but what we didn't do was finish it off," Calhoun said. "Now it's over and we have to turn to Pitt."

Calhoun credited North Carolina coach Roy Williams for slowing the Huskies' second-half surge by abandoning the transition game for a few minutes and milking the clock.

"Pittsburgh is going to play like that most of the game, and if the kids think they were being physical today, they haven't seen anything yet," Calhoun said.

Emeka Okafor had 29 points, 15 rebounds and six blocks for his fifth straight double-double, a run during which he blocked 27 shots.

"We can't let this linger," the

junior center said. "It is over and done with."

This was Hill's seventh victory at Chapel Hill since leaving Kansas for his alma mater during the offseason. It was North Carolina's 10th victory over the most ever.

The game also may have also put to rest some notions about the Tar Heels' fans. Sam Cassell, an understudied crowd of 21,750 was involved the entire game. When the buzzer sounded, it seemed as if most headed for the court to celebrate with the Tar Heels (11-3).

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OTHER VIEWS

The good and bad of No Child Left Behind

The Seattle Times

Two years after Congress passed landmark legislation to improve public schools, fingerprinting and election-year politics threaten to destroy one of the country's most ambitious attempts to fix failing public schools. What a shame.

The No Child Left Behind Act clearly needs improvement and should be funded at its promised level. But the growing backlash against the law - including Howard Dean's call to dismantle it - is polarizing the country at a time when reforming schools is more critical than ever.

Public education is not a Republican or Democratic issue. Neither party should allow the other to hold better schools hostage to politics.

Teachers unions, school administrators and many Democrats around the country are bashing the law. One school district in Connecticut rejected federal funding to escape the mandates. Gen. Wesley Clark has called it a failure. At the same time, the Bush administration and other Republicans are holding it up as historic education reform that is making a difference around the country.

The truth is, it's too early to tell whether the law is a failure or a triumph. But one thing is clear: The law's premise - that all schools should be held to high, measurable standards and required to raise student achievement - is correct. This

country can no longer allow race and income level to determine the quality of a student's education.

The sweeping reform is undoubtedly flawed. Clearly, there should be greater flexibility in assessing students with limited English proficiency and more realistic goals for annual progress.

In some states and districts, the law puts an absurd number of schools on the "needs improvement" list. And more work needs to be done around measuring and improving teacher quality.

This was bipartisan legislation. Educators and legislators from all sides should be figuring out how to make it better. Calls for accountability and improved teacher quality, after all, started long before this administration.

Many Democrats, including President Clinton, were pushing for such changes a decade ago. Sen. Edward Kennedy was one of this law's primary supporters.

The act has spotlighted a disturbing reality: Too many schools are failing to provide low-income and minority students a solid education.

But telling the story was the easy part. Testing alone won't make those schools better. It's going to take strong principals, high-quality teachers, engaged parents and schools with a clear mission of high expectations for all students.

And it's going to take broad agreement across the aisle that current funding levels simply do not reflect the true cost of educating all children to these new, higher standards.

Their view: This

guest editorial from the Seattle Times says the No Child Left Behind Act needs fixing, but it still can be a positive force in education.

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

O'Neill's comments merit a closer look

Every change of administrations brings a new cast of characters to Washington. I have been through nine such changes, dating back to 1960, and in all that time I have never known a Cabinet official who was more of a straight shooter than Paul O'Neill, the first treasury secretary in the Bush administration.



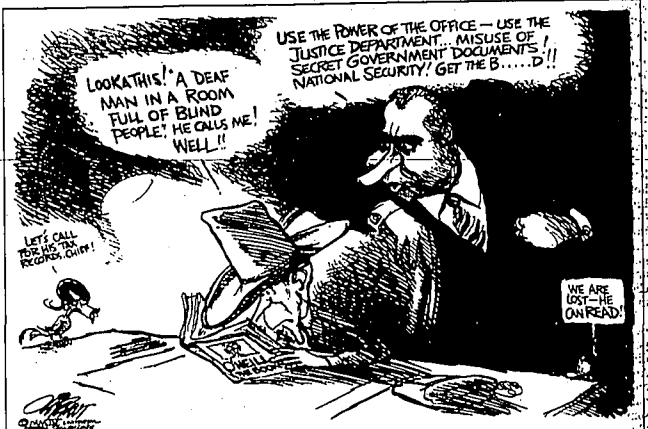
DAVID S. BRODER

I take seriously the point made by an alumnus of a previous Republican White House - a man who admires O'Neill but says that George Bush put him in the wrong job. O'Neill would have made a great secretary of health and human services, this man says, had Bush granted Tommy Thompson, the man he put into that job, his wish to be secretary of transportation.

At HHS, O'Neill could have exercised his managerial talents in a giant bureaucracy and given full expression to his intellectual range as a policy innovator. Treasury secretaries are, by nature, meant to be pillars of reliability and reassurance, and part of that means sticking to the script, as O'Neill's successor, John Snow, does to the point of being boringly predictable.

O'Neill was totally unscripted - and immune to "spin." In this view, George Bush was simply correcting his own error - or, really, Vice President Cheney's, since it was Cheney who had worked with O'Neill and recommended him for the job - when he fired O'Neill less than two years after he began.

But the very outspokenness and independence which marked O'Neill's tenure as Treasury (and earlier as CEO of Alcoa) is what makes the newly published volume on his experiences in Washington an important document. Written by former Wall Street Journal reporter Ron Suskind, "The Price of Loyalty: George W. Bush, the



White House and the Education of Paul O'Neill" draws heavily on the papers and the reminiscences of the former treasury chief.

While the headlines flowed to O'Neill's account of an early determination by Bush to remove Saddam Hussein, what I found more persuasive was O'Neill's account of the futile effort - in which he says he was joined by Federal Reserve chief Alan Greenspan - to restrain Bush's penchant for tax cutting before it produced the massive deficits the government now faces.

Greenspan disputes one specific quotation Suskind puts in his mouth, saying he never termed Bush's first big tax cut "irresponsible."

But the public record shows that Greenspan shared O'Neill's strong belief that the later years of that 10-year tax reduction should be contingent on the achievement of the healthy budget surpluses that were projected when Bush lobbied Congress in 2001 to reduce revenues by \$1.6 trillion. And Greenspan does not dis-

pute that he and O'Neill were meeting privately during the winter and spring of 2001 to counter the arguments Bush heeded from his political staff and from then-economic counselor Larry Lindsey to go for the biggest possible tax cut. O'Neill mourned - and so, he says, did Greenspan - when the Senate voted 50-49 against an amendment, sponsored by Republican Sen. Olympia Snowe of Maine and Democratic Sen. Evan Bayh of Indiana, that would have halted the tax cuts if the budget surplus failed to materialize.

Instead, Bush chose to add more tax cuts in 2002 and 2003, even as the promised surpluses disappeared and the current massive deficits replaced them.

The country will pay a high price for that failure. And if O'Neill is to be believed, the failure resulted largely from the intellectual passivity of the president himself, combined with a policy process that discouraged the airing of competitive views and lacked the kind of rigorous analysis of probable consequences that such vital decisions demanded.

Bush did not have the "hard factual analysis that allows you to make informed judgments about the worth of various proposals, about what you can reasonably expect, about what is known," O'Neill told the author. "You just can't balance the competing ideas of how to govern a country this size without that."

Speaking of a meeting of economic and political advisers, where Bush made the fateful decision to go for yet more tax cuts, O'Neill reminisced: "I think of a meeting like that, with so much at stake. It's like June bugs hopping around on a lake."

Considering the source, those are words to weigh carefully in this election year.

Philip Geyelin, the former editorial page editor of The Washington Post who died last week, was a man of courage, grace, wit and wisdom - a graceful writer, whether of a trenchant commentary or brilliantly satirical Gridiron song lyrics. He was, literally, an ornament to the profession.

Local papers will be in good hands with Lee



BETWEEN THE LINES Clark Walworth

The end of the world arrived two years ago next month. That's when I found out I had worked for 13 years, the paper with my name in the masthead, the paper I thought of as mine - was being sold.

To strangers.

For the next several days, I went around town answering the same questions, over and over. No, I wasn't leaving. No, the paper probably wouldn't change much. Yes, Lee Enterprises, the new owner, was a good company. I hoped I was right.

Twenty-three months later, I know the world didn't end after all. I still work here. The paper has changed some - for the better. And, the longer I work for Lee, the more I like it.

Why tell you this? Because last week Lee announced its acquisition of seven newspapers, including Twin Falls - the South Idaho County News in Rupert, Jerome's Northside News, the Lincoln County Journal in Shoshone, the

that goal in view, Lee has provided advice, training and affirmation, all aimed at improving how we serve our readers. For example:

- Ideas - In 2002, using ideas and help from Lee headquarters, we joined other Lee papers to produce in-depth special reports based on U.S. Census data. Our popular "Make Me A Millionaire" promotion was a Lee idea, too.
- More ideas - Last year's improvements to our obituary report resulted from a Lee-sponsored study of reader preferences.
- Training - Various Times-News personnel, me included, have traveled to Lee-sponsored seminars.
- More training - A Lee "visiting storyteller" spent two days in our office last week, offering tips and critiques to Times-News reporters.
- Buddies - Being part of Lee gives us a built-in network of colleagues around the country. We use phone calls and e-mails to learn from the experiences of others.
- Recognition - A couple of us

flawed in Chicago in November to accept a President's Award for excellence in news coverage. (I bought a new suit with my picture taken suit and the CEO, Golly.)

Whenever someone asks, truthfully say we're a better paper now than two years ago. Though I can't predict exactly what may change at our new sister newspapers, I know a few things.

All the local papers will have independent editorial voices. On-site managers will make local decisions. Local editors will answer to local publishers, not to Twin Falls.

Let me add a couple of personal predictions. All the Lee papers in the region will cover local news enthusiastically. And, a year or two from now, we'll all be better than we are now.

Managing Editor Clark Walworth discusses the news business on Mondays in "Between the Lines." To offer a comment or to suggest a topic, e-mail him at clarkw@magicalvalley.com, or call 735-3255.

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LETTER

Church ceremony uplifted a large congregation

I watched the new sanctuary being built west of the Twin Falls Reformed Church. I would catch myself wondering why so spacious.

I soon found out. It took a building of that size to hold all the love and respect given to Jesse Hernandez and family during the celebration of life ceremony.

To quote Pastor Ron Heath as the available chairs filled up, "They just keep coming and coming," with a big smile on his face.

While I was getting in my car to leave, I noticed that the sunset was showing off its silver lining.

What an appropriate end to a job well done by all.

That day will be remembered by many of us. All good.
BURTON FERRINE
Twin Falls

Consumers should demand hormone-free foods

With the mad cow scare, people are being alerted to our consumption of beef and dairy products. If we could get Gov. Kempthorne, Rep. Butch Otter and Cevin Jones interested in prohibiting the injection or feeding hormones to beef and dairy

cows, we could eat the meat and drink the milk without the fear of blood clots and thrombosis. It does happen.

Last fall, I went to a very nice restaurant. I ate a very good beef sandwich. The next day, I had three large blood clots on my left leg. It is very painful.

Now I eat meat from local organic farmers. I buy eggs from local

farmers. I buy milk and ice cream that has no added hormones.

The only place I find organic cheese is at the Fred Meyer store. Maybe the same day, we will have fast-food hamburgers and pizzas with no added hormones in the beef and cheese.

It is so wonderful not having

the pain from phlebitis. I feel well enough to continue work I did in the '60s and '70s when I was director-chaparrist at the Easter Seal Center.

I wrote a book on child development from birth to 6 years. I used it as a text when Dr. Taylor hired me to teach a class at the College of Southern Idaho Child Development Center, and sever-

al universities bought my book.

Now I want to alert the general public. My goal is for every parent to know that it is normal for the newborn baby to grip with his toes. As the baby starts bouncing in the jumper and pulling up his feet, the toes should be straight. No one should walk with curled toes. It is easy to get the baby and

young children to straighten their toes.

I have a tip dancing packet explaining it. When an adult has curled his toes, hyper-extended his knees all his life, it is difficult to correct. These grippers can get help. It takes time and dedication.

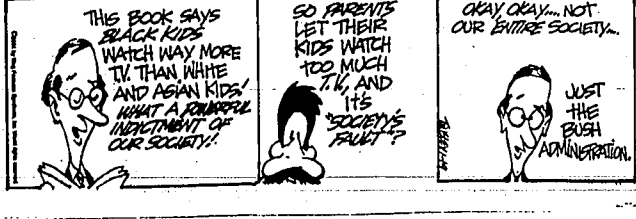
MERLE STODDARD
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Doonesbury

By Garry Trudeau

Mallard Fillmore

By Bruce Tinsley



Vote-pandering goes on

As we slog closer to the presidential election, one cannot help but be impressed by the grand announcements and pronouncements emanating from the White House, all of which are suspiciously timed to appeal to various segments of the voting population.

First there was the revelation by President Bush that Saddam Hussein had been hiding in a hole, burrowing beneath his home town of Tikrit, no doubt feeding like a gopher on the roots and bulbs he was able to pull from above ground.

Democrats grumbled that he had probably been kept in the hole for months and was finally brought out only when the Committee to Re-Elect the President felt that the moment was right. But war buffs across the nation hailed Saddam's capture, and old Dulby's popularity clicked a couple of notches higher in the polls.

This was followed more recently by Bush's proposed immigration policy, which many perceived as a direct appeal to the Latino vote. And appeal it did. When it was announced, all of us Latinos danced in the streets, tossing our sombreros into the air and singing "La Cucaracha" in Bush's honor. Here again, there was protest, but the oles from immigrants drowned them out.

Finally, appealing both to America's visionaries and its Space Age profifiers, news that the president wants the National Aeronautics and Space Administration to gear up for a manned flight to the moon and then to Mars took everyone by surprise. It hurried Bush into the Thinking Big category, minimizing the charge by former Treasury Secretary Paul O'Neill that he, Bush, didn't think at all.

The favorable presidential announcements have been unsettling to the Democrats, who wonder what "the Shrub," as they call him, will do next to appeal to all segments of our voting population.

"If 13-year-olds voted," one of my angry friends grouched, "he'd budget a billion dollars to find a cure for acne."

The marvel of Bush's announcements is that (1) the capture of Saddam diverts attention from the fact that Osama bin Laden is still at large, (2) his immigration policy has minimum-wage employers hat-dancing right along with the minimum-wage employees, and (3) any actual trip to Mars won't be undertaken until Bush is out of office, thereby assuring him a historical connection if it succeeds, while simultaneously relieving him of responsibility should it fail.

I almost forgot the periodic ter-

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rorist alerts, the colorful warnings that cause us to cluster like clands in lion country. There is nothing so soothing as fear, regardless of whether there's actually something to fear at the time. While clands can't monitor lion chatter on cell phones and computers, we humans are all eyes and ears when the orange light blinks on. Just as Pavlov's dog was conditioned to salivate when a bell rang, Bush is training us to tremble when an orange light flashes. And it works.

Other presidents have considered the political aspects of good timing, although not always with overwhelming success. Jimmy Carter, while he may have failed to free our embassy prisoners in Iran, did make a bid for the horny vote when he said in a Playboy magazine interview that on certain occasions he had lust in his heart. Over women, of course.

Unfortunately, while his admission may have swayed the nation's swinger population, it wasn't enough to convince everyone else, and he lost his re-election bid.

Bill Clinton similarly lusted, and was caught at it, but by cleverly redefining the term "sex," he managed to ride out the impeachment by convincing America that what he was doing with Monica Lewinsky was something other than what we thought it was. Scholars are still trying to categorize it.

I'm waiting to see if the current president's election committee can find a way to cash in on mad cow disease. One way might be to imply that terrorists are responsible. Tampering with our T-bones and burgers could create an emotional crisis not dissimilar from an attack on the Statue of Liberty.

I've covered some presidential campaigns, so nothing any candidates say or do in the quest for high office particularly upsets me, because nothing will go unchallenged by opposing interests. Should Bush announce a war on acne, as my friend suggested, I am certain that, while it might please the pharmaceutical companies, it would probably cause an uproar among dermatologists.

My stepfather, a hard-drinking ex-sailor, used to say that pimples wouldn't be a problem if kids would just quit, you know, teaching themselves. I guess the president of the United States probably can't very well make that kind of public pronouncement, but, given the nature of the if he did.

Al Martinez is a columnist for the Los Angeles Times.

Nice guy John Edwards surges ahead in Iowa

DES MOINES, Iowa — Sen. John Edwards, whose campaign has been officially declared by the media to be in Surge Mode, surged into town and held a real nice event.

That's Edwards' campaign theme: He's the nice one. He's NOT negative! He's NOT mean-spirited! He points this out constantly. "I'm not going to go around calling names," he says, "unlike the lying, scum-sucking toads running against me." (He doesn't say that last part out loud, but the message is clear.)

Edwards is surging in Iowa because (a) we in the media are severely bored with the other candidates, and (b) Iowans are big on nice. This is a very polite state. Fewer acts of rudeness are committed in Iowa in an entire year than during a single morning in any given New York City subway car.

Iowans are also extremely friendly. You stop to ask for directions at a convenience store, and you wind up getting invited to a wedding. As the groom! That's how nice Iowans are. So they've responded to John Edwards and his positive message of how much better he is



DAVE BARRY

Politics, politics

Humorist Dave Barry is offering his take on the race for the Democratic presidential nomination in daily dispatches from the campaign trail. Barry will report from Iowa through Jan. 19, and from New Hampshire Jan. 23 through Jan. 26.

than all the other slimeballs. The Edwards rally was held in a hotel ballroom. When Edwards came out, the PA system blared the song I Was Born in a Small Town, to convey the message that Edwards was born in a small town, which he apparently views as an achievement.

Then Edwards, who is boyishly handsome and looks kind of like a doctor on a TV soap opera (a nice doctor) gave a nice speech about all the positive things he would do as president, including

health care for everybody, college for everybody, the elimination of the budget deficit, and of course the utterly merciless rooting out and stomping upon of all special interests. Actually, ALL the Democratic candidates are going to do these things, but Edwards will do them in a nice way.

After the Edwards event, I drove about an hour northeast to a motel in the town of Marshalltown to witness an entirely different type of event. This was a union rally for Dick Gephardt, and it was by far the manliest campaign event I have ever seen. It was attended predominantly by many union men — big men, any given one of whom was the size of three Howard Dean supporters combined.

These men warmed up for the rally in the motel bar, drinking, smoking, laughing and shouting in a manly fashion. Then everybody went outside, where a PA system, cranked up to 11, blasted out Mandy by Barry Manilow.

No, really, it blasted Takin' Care of Business while a parade of huge and sturdy Teamster tractor-trailers rumbled up, horns

blaring, each one stopping to discharge a union official until the last one discharged: Dick. He gave a violent grin and a manly thumbs-up, then everybody went inside to listen to speeches that were not nearly as conciliatory as the ones at the Edwards rally.

For example, Teamsters President James P. Hoffa said (really), "Dick Gephardt's gonna kick their ass!" And he was talking about the other Democrats. The speakers' statements regarding the president were even less positive. At one point the crowd chanted "SEND BUSH TO MARS!"

Dick gave a first-up speech about how he was going to fight for the working man, provide jobs and health care for everybody, obliterate the special interests, etc. The men cheered like crazy and promised to go to the caucuses and urge people to support Dick.

To any Iowans reading this, my advice is: Do whatever these men say.

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LETTER

Skier took a wrong turn long before getting lost

I read two very interesting features in the Jan. 10 paper.

The first was an excellent letter by Holly Beckstrom-Dokter of Twin Falls. Her letter was very well written — so really true and not the least bit offensive to the gay community. Simply put, marriage is not for same-sex couples.

The second was a story about the miraculous rescue of a lost

skier in Washington State. I'm happy he was found and will survive. I just wonder who will pay the thousands of dollars it cost for the people and equipment it took to search five days for Mr. Witkowski. He talks about how weak and unable to think he became. In the story, he said he chose to ski out of bounds, alone, as he often did. It sounds to me like he was brain dead before he was even lost.

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Noh

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wind up going clear to the Idaho Supreme Court," Noh said.

The issue of who owns Idaho's water is the big fight up there with the issue of parceling out some 180,000 Idaho water rights — a behemoth controversy that boiled over during the early 1980s. The latter issue came to a head when Noh and other legislators realized that Idaho's water had been over-appropriated, said former state Sen. John Peavey of Carey. Peavey and Noh led opposite sides of what some call the most important issue to ever hit the Idaho Legislature. It is referred to as the Swan Falls case. This issue was too complicated to explain in just a few sentences, Peavey said, but the result after Noh's side lost by one vote was a compromise that began the largest adjudication of water rights in Western United States history. It still isn't completed, though it was begun 20 years ago.

"The fight started off with Laird and John arguing opposite sides," said Sen. Denton Darrington, R-Deer, a 22-year veteran himself. "It wasn't one of the most eloquent debates I have ever heard of on the Senate floor."

So, who is this man who has been a pivotal player in Idaho water politics? Who is the Idaho Legislature's most senior lawmaker — and is tied with only one other senator in the state's history for longevity in the Senate?

Background

Laird Noh, 65, spent his childhood in an area formerly known as Artesian between Murtaugh and the Snake Hills. He spent his teenage years near Kimberly. His family was among the beginning settlers of southern Idaho, having started a sheep business in 1908. To this day, the Noh Sheep Company survives. Noh often rushes home on winter and early spring weekends from the Legislature to work with his sheep.

Noh is known as one of the state's authorities on water issues. Interestingly, his grandfather William Noh brought the first lawsuit in the state against another party for usurping a water right. A neighbor had drilled a well upstream of the Noh's, which caused a noticeable drop in the Noh's artesian underground stream.

"He won, but it didn't make much difference," Laird Noh said. "It was like today. So many more wells had been drilled by the time the case had worked — it was through, there were too many parties involved to get a settlement."

After graduating from Kimberly High School, Noh went to the University of Idaho. Like several prominent Idaho politicians, Noh served as the student body president of UI. Then he headed to the University of Chicago for his master's degree in business administration with an emphasis on finance.

There, working as a bartender and general laborer in the university president's home, Noh rubbed shoulders with some of the nation's greatest. The crowd included former Secretary of State George Schultz as well as several Nobel Peace Prize winners.

"There was an advertisement for a job as a bartender in the president's home. I thought that sounded like fun, but I didn't know how to mix drinks. So I bought a book on how to do it, applied for the job and got it," Noh said. "If you were a kid off a sheep-hurding ranch in Kimberly, it was a pretty motivating experience."

Next, Noh spent a couple of years teaching economics at then Boise Junior College, where he was attracted to a particularly bright student by the name of Kathleen Farnsworth. They married, and to this day Noh still chivalrously refers to his wife in public as his "bride." They headed back to the sheep ranch, where they raised two children. The couple had a mutual goal of maintaining the family livestock business, Noh said.

"We believe our family heritage

Sen. Laird Noh's achievements

- Chairman for Senate Resources and Environment Committee.
- Member of Senate Education Committee and Senate Agriculture Affairs Committee.
- Member of countless Interim committees, many of which are year-round.

Locally:

- Helped establish Idaho Department of Commerce.
- Provided leadership in passing the Protected River Planning Act.
- Helped establish the University of Idaho Fish Culture Experiment Station in Hagerman Valley.
- Instrumental in establishing the Idaho Quality Assurance Laboratory at

the College of Southern Idaho.

- Responsible for legislation to establish the Idaho State Oversight Office of the Idaho Nuclear Engineering and Environmental Lab.

Awards and elected positions:

- Southern Idaho Livestock Hall of Fame — 1993.
- Silver Ram Award for outstanding service to the American Sheep Industry.
- Idaho Water Users Association Statesman Award.
- President, Rocky Mountain Sheep Marketing Association.
- Past president, National Lamb Feeders Association.
- Past president of the '71 Livestock Association.
- Past member, University of Idaho Agriculture Consulting Council.

is a very important part of Western life and economics, plus like a lot of westerners, we like the open spaces," Noh said.

In addition, they both believed strongly in public service. "I have always believed that in some way or another you have to pay for the space you take up," Noh said.

Noh worked in local politics and eventually became a highly visible figure involved in a national issue. It was the 1970s, and Idaho ranchers were in the habit of using a canine-killing substance known as 1080 to eliminate coyotes that were predators of livestock. Noh said the program was scientifically proven not to harm other "critters" of the range.

But then some Wyoming ranchers used another poison to kill coyotes and a hundred or so eagles wound up dead. Not long after, the

dead birds landed on the desks of congressmen in Washington D.C., and President Richard Nixon immediately banned all chemical-based predator-control programs throughout the nation, Noh recalled.

This began Noh's several-year odyssey of bouncing from one end of the country to the other trying to convince the nation's greatest political figures they should be more selective in what they ban for predator control.

"All of the Western states were against the ban," Noh said.

Noh appeared on the Today Show, spoke with the editorial board of the New York Times, spoke with President Gerald Ford and his cabinet, as well as numerous congressmen. But in the end what happened? "Nothing," Noh said, chuckling in his usual charming, self-deprecating style.

However, "Those are all unusual experiences that give a person a leg up in the state legislative matters," he said.

The Legislature

Noh was ripe for the Idaho Legislature. After serving as chairman of the Twin Falls County Republican Party, Noh was elected to the Legislature for the first time in 1980. When re-districting took place in 1992, he defeated incumbent Sen. Russ Newcomb, the brother of now-Speaker Bruce Newcomb, R-Barley.

Check out the state Web site, and you'll see Noh doesn't have much of a campaign war chest. He said if he has an opponent, then he takes donations. But he also said he has a personal ethic to never accept donations from political action committees.

Since being elected, he has not missed one day serving in legislative sessions. He has chaired the Senate Resource Committee since his second term, and he also serves on the Senate Agricultural Affairs and Senate Education Committee.

More often than not labeled as a moderate, Noh isn't afraid to buck the right wing of the GOP, which now makes up about 75 percent of the Idaho Legislature. During the 2003 session, when more conservative Republicans drafted education funding bills behind the scenes and went against the usual legislative process to get them passed, Noh spoke out vehemently against it.

It was because of a Depression-era incident in which bankers chose to bail out his father's sheep company, Noh said, that he consistently supports education. The bankers of the day had chosen to go with his father because he had a college education, and that made them trust he would be able to manage the money they loaned

him. But Mike Nugent, who has headed up the legislation-drafting office for lawmakers for the past 25 years, sees it another way. On education as well as pretty much any issue, "He's his own man," Nugent said.

Nugent said Noh is about as smart a legislator as there is in the Statehouse.

"He has a great intellect, but he's also methodical and thinks things through in order to avoid consequences," Nugent said. And at nearly all times, Noh is able to tap into a uniquely dry sense of humor.

"I've never seen anyone look as bad as Laird. He was ashen. I wondered if this guy was going to have a stroke on site," Nugent said. "But even then, he still had his sense of humor. He said, 'Nice day, huh,' and laughed."

Senate Minority Leader Clint Stennett said, "Everyone listens when he speaks. His overall sense of fairness is probably his shining legacy."

Last session, however, Stennett said he and other Democrats had to swallow hard when they saw Noh go against something they viewed as giving the common citizen a fair chance to speak up against larger economic interests trying to acquire water rights.

Noh found himself going along with more conservative Republicans when they were determined to change a 25-year-old tenet of Idaho water law, known as "local public interest." Local public interest was based upon the idea that if someone were to be adversely affected by someone else putting a water right to work, there could be a protest. Dairymen trying to get water rights had been pestering for years by environmentalists using the concept to protest. Noh had consistently put proposals in his

drawer that he viewed as untenable. But in 2003 he could see there was an obvious majority that would pass something he simply couldn't live with if he didn't compromise.

"I was certainly uncomfortable with it and would have preferred not to change it," Noh said. "But one doesn't always have that choice in politics. Sometimes one has to go with the lesser of two evils. There were some very dangerous proposals out there."

Noh said he has also used his finance degree to help protect Idaho's economy. During his first term, he helped push through legalizing revenue bonding. In addition, he worked with Newcomb in making sure Idaho did not de-regulate its electricity and in modernizing Idaho's antitrust laws, which help to prevent monopolies.

By some he is most noted for his zealous fight against gambling.

Sen. Matt Calabretta, D-Oburn, represents the northern part of the state where gambling has been an accepted part of the culture since the early 1900s. She said she thinks as far as gambling is concerned, Noh ought to mind his own business.

"It's not a moral issue. It's no different than playing cards or board games around the kitchen table," she said.

But Noh said, "It's bad for the state's economy and culture."

Most lawmakers on both sides of the aisle have plenty of positive things to say about Noh, so why has the elder statesman never ascended to the Senate leadership?

"I guess I prefer to be in the fray," Noh said. "Water was the most important issue you could ever be involved in — in my district and in the state. So I decided to become an expert."

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Not for faint of art

Whenever I write about art, I get mail from the Serious Art Community informing me that I am a clueless idiot. So let me begin by stipulating that I am a clueless idiot. This is probably why I was unable to appreciate a work of art I viewed recently, titled, "Chair."
I saw "Chair" at Art Basel, a big art show held recently on Miami Beach. It attracted thousands of Serious Art People, who wear mostly black outfits and can maintain serious expressions no matter what work of art they are viewing.
This is hard, because a lot of Serious Art consists of bizarre or startlingly unattractive objects, or "performances" wherein artists do something Conceptual, such as squirt Cheez Whiz into an orifice that has not been approved by the Food and Drug Administration for snack toppings.



HUMOR
Dave Barry

But no matter what the art is, a Serious Art Person will view it with the somber expression of a radiologist examining X-rays of a tumor. Whereas an amateur will eventually give himself away by laughing, or saying "Huh?" (this is the most embarrassing) asking an art gallery person: "Is this wastebasket a piece of art? Or can I put my gum wrapper in it?"

But back to Art Basel: I didn't go to the main show. I went to an officially sanctioned satellite show called "Art Positions," which was a group of large, walk-in, shipping containers set up on the beach, serving as mini art galleries. Serious Art People drifted blackly from container to container, solemnly examining the tumors.

I managed not to say anything stupid until I encountered a slide projector sitting on the floor, projecting a rectangle of white light and watching lens dust onto the wall. I asked the gallery person if there was supposed to be a slide in the projector; he patiently explained that, no, this was a work of art titled "Autofocus Slide Projector Dust." I didn't ask why it was on the floor, because I didn't want to make a total fool of myself.

In another container there was a work of art consisting of a video, repeated over and over, showing a man - not in peak physical condition, I might add - rollerblading around a vast empty space, steady as a rock. I'm prone to say I betrayed no emotion while viewing this work, although my daughter, who is 3, said, quite loudly: "You can see his tushy! Yuck!"

She is young, and has no art training.

Anyway, in the corner of one container there was a ratty old collapsed armchair - worn, dirty, leaking stuffing, possibly housing active vermin colonies. I asked the gallery person if the chair was art, and she said yes; it was a work titled "Chair." I asked her what role the artist played in creating "Chair." She said: "He found it." She noted that "Chair" had been professionally crated and shipped to the art show.

"Chair" is for sale. The price is \$2,800. Really. I looked up "Chair" on a Serious Art Internet site, artcritical.com, which said: "The chair offers not a weedy patina of desuetude but an apotheosis of its former occupant."

See, I missed that altogether, about the desuetude and the apotheosis. I thought it was just a crummy old junk chair some guy took off a trash pile and was now trying to sell for 2,800 clams.

I want to state, for the record, that there was also some very nice-looking art on display. And I want to repeat that I am a clueless idiot. So you Serious Art People don't need to write letters reminding me. I agree that you know *much* more about art than I do. OK?

So you buy the chair.

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Above, Ray Clark helped to co-found a Parkinson's support group in the Twin Falls area. Clark, who has had Parkinson's for 20 years, spends most of his day in front of his computer sending e-mails and faxes to friends and members of the support group. Right, Bette Clark worked as a nurse for 43 years in the Magic Valley, she has been taking care of her husband Ray, who suffers from Parkinson's disease, for the past 20 years.

Living with Parkinson's

Some doctors rethink early medication for patients

By Joan Bean
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS - Parkinson's Disease is a problem you learn to live with. You have to.

Don Arrington has had Parkinson's for 15 years now. For Ray Clark, of Jerome, it's been two decades. Ten years ago, they formed a local Parkinson's support group, which now holds bi-monthly meetings and an annual potluck dinner every August.

"What we make out of it is a family, and we enjoy each other's conversation every time we meet," Arrington said. "They love to visit and they have a good time at it." Parkinson's is a chronic progressive nerve disease characterized by muscle tremors, weakness, rigid movements, halting gait, drooping posture and expressionless facial appearance. It's no respecter of age: Parkinson's victims range from actor Michael J. Fox, who was diagnosed at the age of 30, to former heavyweight boxing champion Muhammad Ali, now 62. Bill Clinton's attorney general, Janet Reno, was diagnosed with Parkinson's in 1995 at the age of 57, which is average age for Parkinson's diagnosis in the United States.

After his own diagnosis, Arrington had arrived at the point where he couldn't barely speak, had tremors and trouble walking. But he's up and running now.

He was prescribed various med-

ications until he found one he says transformed Parkinson's into something he could stand.

Clark cautioned that no two people react the same to medications they take for the disease.

A drug called Levodopa - among others - is used to replace dopamine, a chemical lacking in the brains of Parkinson's patients. However, patients given the medication for a long time become resistant to it, according to Dr. Pierre Dryfus, a Sun Valley neurologist.

"There is a controversy about whether treating patients early causes a rapid progression of the disease and harms the patient, and some doctors feel one should not start with the medication right away," he said. "I'm one of them. I think the less medication people take, the better off they are anyway."

"The doctors are the first to tell you that you have to treat yourself," Clark said. "By talking to one another, we are able to share our ability to cope with a problem."

It's a debilitating, frustrating and embarrassing disease, he says. "Things you used to be able to do in 15 minutes now take three hours, 21 minutes, 26 seconds," Clark said. "And when you get it done, the chances are extremely good it is wrong and it is back to Square 1."

Dryfus says Parkinson's may start with any of the three main symptoms. One of these is bradykinesia -

To learn more

The Twin Falls Parkinson's Disease Support Group meets bi-monthly. On Feb. 17, it will hear from Twin Falls neurologist Dr. Richard Hammond, who will speak at 7 p.m. in the KMYT-TV Community Room, 1100 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., Twin Falls. For more information, call Don Arrington at 733-8868 or Ray Clark at 824-5013.

slowness of activities of daily living. "That's one of the early common manifestations of Parkinson's," he said. "The patient will take a long time to get dressed, to shave, brush teeth, eat breakfast, etc. That's a real significant problem many patients who develop this and not even realize that they are at the beginning of Parkinson's."

Another symptom is rigidity. Those who suffer from Parkinson's can't walk as well or as fast as they used to.

Tremor is the third classic symptom. "It may start with any one of these three symptoms," Dryfus said. "A thorough, well-developed neurologic examination by a physician who has seen a lot of the disease is probably the best way to diagnose it."

Dryfus often makes the diagnosis when the tremor of the patient's

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Sometimes, 'organic' just means contains water

DEAR PAULA: I've noticed several lines are stating on their label that they contain organically grown plants, or organically grown extracts, or are 100 percent organic. Is this some thing I should be paying attention to when I buy skin care products now?

- KARIN, PALM BEACH, CALIF.

DEAR KARIN: Since October 2002, according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), there are now national regulations that set exact standards determining what exactly is meant when food is labeled "organic," whether it is grown in the United States or imported from other countries.

What does any of this have to do with cosmetics? Not much, though cosmetics companies are trying to convince you otherwise. Because consumers are already attracted to any cosmetic claiming to be natural, to make their products stand out as being above the rest, cosmetic companies are starting to side the term "organic" on their products' labels.

Consumer Reports, August 2003, explained that "with no hearings or public discussion, the USDA extended its rules on organic labeling to cosmetics. There are now shampoos and body lotions labeled 70 percent organic based on the fact that their main ingredient is water in which something organic, such as an organic aloe-ender leaf, has been soaked."

Aside from the misleading use of the word organic, it only takes a quick look at the ingredient label on a cosmetic, to notice that there



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Paula Begoun

are a lot of words that are completely unrelated to anything resembling a plant more or less an organic one. There are plenty of synthetic ingredients that can be found in cosmetic lines boasting their all "natural" content and now "organic" content. Yet, the hope for a healthier product will be an emotional pull for lots of women.

All this will be even more confusing when you consider that most "natural" cosmetic lines are sold at supermarkets showcasing organic produce and food products. When grocery stores sell products that have strictly regulated organic labeling, it will go unnoted by consumers when the other half of the store where the cosmetics are sold, has no such regulation, despite the similar labeling.

For more detailed information on the USDA organic standards, visit the Web site at <http://www.ams.usda.gov/top> or call the National Organic Program at 202-720-3252.

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Hats off to Von Dutch

Los Angeles Times

When Paris Hilton and Nicole Richie tried working as Arkansas mailmaids in an episode of their reality show "The Simple Life," things ended badly, with the pair soaked in spilled milk. But their orange camouflage Von Dutch truckers' caps made an impression. Within hours, the hats were selling on eBay for three times their retail value.

The Von Dutch brand, named for a seminal L.A. car customizer, has hit critical mass.

The craze started 10 months ago, after Justin Timberlake wore a Von Dutch hat to Grammy night parties. Fred Durst, Ashton Kutcher, Britney Spears and other Hollywood types followed suit, and pretty soon the truckers' hat had become a kind of anti-status status symbol. Or, at prices that go from \$42 to \$125, maybe a "faux" anti-status symbol.

Von Dutch Originals, founded in 1999, is a purveyor of greater-chic jeans, fashirts and motorcycle jackets. But it's the wide-billed, foam-front truckers' hat - borrowed not from the urban street but from the auto and tractor parts dealerships of rural America - that has made Von Dutch a just-worship name.

While coastal-dwelling trendsetters have been wearing the loopy script logo for months, it seems to be infiltrating states where truckers' hats are actually worn by truckers.



L.A. Times photo

The Von Dutch line includes bags, belts, buckles, jeans and jackets.

"We're watching the brand hit mainstream," said Marshal Cohen, a fashion and retail analyst for the market research firm NPD Group. Celebrity paparazzi shots are published so many times that "until the next trend," he said, "Von Dutch will stay in consumers' minds."

The hats are made in a variety of fabrics, including terryvelvet, velvet, leather, denim and faux Dalmatian fur. Each design is limited to a run of 1,000, which helps fuel demand (the Beanie Baby factor). On eBay last year, more than 20 Von Dutch hats sold for \$900-plus.

But just because people are wearing the stuff doesn't mean they know a Von Dutch from a Von Trapp. "I bought a sweatshirt for my niece in Boston, so when she watches 'The Simple Life' and sees Paris Hilton wearing Von Dutch, she can feel cool," said Thomas Kostigen, 37, a writer-producer who was shopping recently at the new Von Dutch store on the Third Street Promenade in Santa Monica, Calif. He confessed he had no inkling of who or what Von Dutch was.

He's not alone. Von Dutch, whose real name was Kenny Howard, was a father of the 1970s "ruston craze." Howard, who was raised in Maywood, Calif., and died at 63 in 1992, virtually invented the freestyle pin-striping and painted flames that became the

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HEALTH & FASHION

Medical center hosts sessions about carbs

Magic Valley Regional Medical Center will host a special community education session about low-carbohydrate, high-protein diets. Dr. Daniel Brown, a cardiologist affiliated with Magic Valley Regional, will present the latest medical information about these diets and discuss the advantages, disadvantages, and differences in diets such as South Beach, Atkins, and The Zone.

The free session will be held on Jan. 27 at 7 p.m. at Magic Valley Regional's Downtown Campus, 660 Shoshone St. E., in Twin Falls, in the lower-level conference room. The event is free, but pre-registration is requested. To sign up to attend, call 737-2166.

Free heart screenings

To help increase awareness of the risks of heart disease in women, Magic Valley Regional Medical Center is hosting a series of free screenings as part of its Women's HeartAdvantage initiative.

Women's HeartAdvantage is a multi-year approach aimed at reducing the incidence of heart attacks.

A special free screening will be held on Jan. 24 from 7:11 a.m. at Minidoka Memorial Hospital in Rupert. Registration is required. To sign up or to learn more about Women's HeartAdvantage, call toll free (866) 687-2328.

Both men and women are encouraged to attend. The screening process consists of registration; a finger-stick cholesterol blood test; measurement of height, weight, blood pressure, and body fat analysis; and a review of the results with healthcare professionals including nurses and dietitians. Participants must fast for 12 hours before their screening, meaning no food or drink except water; this will ensure accurate results on the cholesterol test.

Diabetes support

The Diabetes Support Group will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday at the South Central District Health, 1020 Washington St. N., located on the College of Southern Idaho campus in Twin Falls. Those attending the meeting should use the north entrance of the district health building.

Susan Sandion will lead a discussion entitled, "From

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The meeting is open to the public, and there is no charge to attend.

For more information, call Carol Gandiaga at 733-5300 or Susie Beem at 734-5900, Ext. 246.

About C-sections

Cesarean childbirth class will be held from 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at the St. Benedict's Health Education Center, 115 Fifth Ave. W. in Jerome.

Topics will include information on cesarean deliveries, hospital procedures, postpartum care and preventative techniques. The course will be taught by a doctor from St. Benedict's. Participants are asked to bring two pillows and a blanket to the class.

The class is free for those who will be delivering at St. Benedict's Family Medical Center. For more information or to register, call 324-1122, Ext. 3361.

'Baby & Me'

St. Benedict's Family Medical Center will offer Baby and Me classes from 10:30-11:30 a.m. Tuesdays at the Health Education Center, 115 Fifth Ave. W. in Jerome. This week's topic will be "Baby Cues."

The session is for parents of children from infancy through toddler years. The class is free. For more information, call 324-7262.

Parenting program

NuParents, a parenting program, will be held from 5:30-7 p.m. every Tuesday, beginning Tuesday, in the Fireside Room at the Episcopal Church of the Ascension, 371 Eastland Drive N. in Twin Falls.

The program provides time in each session for a parent and child, a knowledge building exercise and a parent support group. Topics will include safety, nurturing, infant development and coping with crying.

Cost is \$25, and scholarships are available. Pre-registration is required, call 737-2166.

Alzheimer's support

SunBridge Care Center and

Rehabilitation will hold an Alzheimer's Support Group meeting at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at SunBridge, 640 Filer Ave. W. in Twin Falls.

The support group is open to Twin Falls area residents who have family members with Alzheimer's Disease.

For more information, call Steve Jones or Dawn McCoy at 734-8645.

Cancer support

Living Through Cancer Support Group will meet from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Wednesday in the reception area of the St. Luke's Mountain States Tumor Institute Twin Falls Cancer Center, 656 Addison Ave. W. in Twin Falls.

The support group is open to cancer patients or cancer survivors and their families, friends and caregivers.

For more information, call Andy Hall at 737-2800.

Refresher course

Childbirth refresher course will be offered from 6:30-9 p.m. Wednesday in the Sage Room of the Education Center at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls.

The class is for those who have previously taken childbirth classes. Childbirth preparation and procedures will be reviewed, and will include a tour of the Women's and Infant Center.

Cost is \$20. Pre-registration is required, call 737-2166.

Breast cancer support

Breast Cancer Support Group will meet at 7 p.m. Jan. 26 in the reception area of the St. Luke's Mountain States Tumor Institute Twin Falls Cancer Center, 656 Addison Ave. W. in Twin Falls.

The support group is open to breast cancer survivors or patients (male or female) and their families and friends.

For more information, call Lydia Gilman at 737-2979 or Mary Howard at 734-1766.

Diabetes education

Magic Valley Diabetes Coalition is offering a free foot exam clinic for those who have diabetes. Dr. Randy Wrualstad and Dr. Craig Holman will conduct the exams from 1-3 p.m. Jan.

27 at the Twin Falls Senior Center, 530 Shoshone St. S. in Twin Falls.

People who have diabetes are vulnerable to nerve and vascular damage that can result in loss of protective sensation in the feet, poor circulation and poor healing of foot ulcers. All of these conditions contribute to the high amputation rate of people with diabetes, but early identification of foot problems and early intervention to prevent problems from worsening can avert many amputations, according to a press release from South Central District Health. It is recommended that people who have diabetes have their feet examined at least once a year by a trained health care professional.

To make an appointment for a free foot exam, call Susie Beem at 734-5900, Ext. 246.

CPR class

Cardiopulmonary resuscitation class will be offered from 6:30 p.m. Jan. 27 in the doctors' meeting room at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls.

The class will include emergency procedures for mouth-to-mouth resuscitation, chest compression and choking for adults and infants. The program includes classroom instruction and hands-on practice.

Cost is \$25. Pre-registration is required, call 737-2007.

Diet education

"The Low-Carb Craze: What You Need To Know" program will be offered at 7 p.m. Jan. 27 in the lower level conference room at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center's downtown campus, 660 Shoshone St. E. in Twin Falls.

Dr. Daniel Brown will present medical information on low-carbohydrate and low-fat diets. He will discuss the advantages, disadvantages and differences of diets.

The class is free. To register, call 737-2166.

To do for you is a calendar listing of health-related activities, events and education. Information should be submitted by Thursday for publication in the following Monday's Health & Fashion. Mail notices to: The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303, or deliver to our office at 132 Third St. W.

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Online training emerges as growing trend

St. Louis Post-Dispatch

Are you interested in working with a personal trainer but don't feel you have the time, money, or nerve to wear Spandex in public? An Internet trend that's growing rapidly lets you exercise at home at your own pace, but still have some professional guidance.

Online personal training has been gaining momentum during the past few years, with Web sites sprouting up all over the Internet, touting personal-training services.

The services vary, but most sites offer exercise programs and some have additional motivators such as e-mail consultations with a personal trainer, buddy workouts via e-mail and online fitness forums. Some sites revise the exercise programs week to week (for members) and offer different workouts to do at home, in the gym or during pregnancy. The sites do not replace one-on-one training, but may be an option for those who think they need some direction, but not necessarily personal contact with a trainer.

Steve McKinney, of Madison, Ill., is a personal trainer with his own business that started offering an online personal-training service last year. From his Web site, www.fitnessandmore.net, clients can download his e-manual, "Fitness and More," for \$29.99. The manual shows workouts that can be done at home with dumbbells. Illustrations show how to advance from one routine to the next. The Web site also advertises a one-half-hour personal-training phone consultation for \$50.

McKinney says customers can e-mail, call or visit for personal advice. Clients get in touch when they need motivation or have a question, he said, and can also sign up for e-mails with fitness tips that McKinney prepares.

McKinney said he has had about 200 online clients. He is certified by the National Federation of Professional Trainers and also is a certified post-rehabilitation specialist with the American Academy of Health and Fitness Professionals. He's been a personal trainer since the early 1990s and in

1990 won the Mr. Southern Illinois bodybuilding competition. He preaches high-intensity, low-force training, with workouts that take about 10 to 15 minutes. The goal is to get "the most effect for the least dose (of exercise). Too much exercise can cause joint pain," and other problems, McKinney said.

Where to start

Just as you might find a doctor, start with friends. Whom do they work out with and why? Which gym do they go to and why? Or is the trainer even at a gym? Maybe your friend uses a personal trainer service or work out at home with a specially designed program.

Another way to begin is to look at various Web sites that have a personal-trainer locator feature. Because many organizations claim to certify personal trainers, be wary of which sites you use. The American Council of Exercise - an independent, nonprofit organization that certifies personal trainers and offers research and tips on fitness - is one of the well-

respected organizations in the industry.

ACE's Web site, www.acefitness.org, which lists trainers who are ACE-certified by city or state (click on "Find an ACE Pro").

How much?

Fees vary widely. "The fee depends upon the background and the skills of the personal trainer," Allert-Hillgen said. "I would say \$25 an hour is on the low side. A trainer with a lot more skills and experience may charge \$75."

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In addition to a heart-to-heart talk with family members about your intentions and expectations, it's a good idea to insert a provision in your will reserving the right to list heirlooms and the persons to receive these items. This list has a more convenient way to accomplish the job, items separately listed in your will. The list is a more convenient way to accomplish the job.

There are many reasons why children fight over parents' possessions. Often it's because it's the last battle they're available to make a futile effort to resolve sibling rivalries. The problem is so common and so divisive to families that the state of Minnesota, through its cooperative extension program, has developed an educational video and written materials entitled Grandma's Yellow Pie Plate to help families find a fair and equitable way to divide items of tangible personal property.

This program will be offered through the CSI Community Education Center entitled Who gets Grandma's Yellow Pie Plate. The first session will be held on Tuesday, January 27th, 2004 from 6 pm-8pm, and the second session will be held on Tuesday, February 3, 2004 from 6pm-8pm. The topic will be shared in a relaxed, non-technical environment. Place: CSI campus - Shekita Bldg. - room 108; Cost - Single \$25 with a guest, \$35. Register by phone: 732-6288 or 732-6290.

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Hypnotism and health:

Harnessing the mind's power poses a challenge

Los Angeles Times

Hypnosis transports some people beyond serenity and absorption to a state of pure silliness. A solemn voice whispering to relax, breathe deeply and imagine a waterfall can bring to mind high school seances, Ouija boards, Woody Allen routines.

Yet the very same technique, the same voice, can move others to climb mountains. After a fall on a climbing expedition that mangled her ankles, Priscilla Morton, a 48-year-old New Orleans social worker and mountaineer, discovered that she was afraid to step off the curb and onto the street, much less climb again.

Using a program of hypnosis, she was able to ascend to the 19,347-foot summit of Mount Cotopaxi in Ecuador. Self-hypnosis "was the only way I could deal with the fear, the cold, the steepness, the exhaustion," Morton said.

Once mainly the province of entertainers, mystics and New Age healers, hypnosis is now gaining a foothold in mainstream medicine. At teaching hospitals such as those at Mount Sinai School of Medicine in New York and Harvard Medical School, hypnotists work with some surgical patients to help speed recovery. Many of the United States 1,000 or so certified hypnotherapists now get referrals

from physicians on cases ranging from irritable bowel syndrome and heart disease to managing the pain of childbirth and cancer. In some studies, 50 percent to 70 percent of people who have tried it say hypnosis has helped them to feel better or heal faster. Such reports have encouraged its use for everything from weight loss to smoking cessation, with varying results.

But is the evidence strong enough to justify sessions that can cost \$100? Most doctors are skeptical. For every person who learns to manage chronic pain, they say, several others manage only a yawn or a shrug. To earn widespread respect, hypnotherapists are going to have to reach more people, more consistently. "At this point the therapy is certainly not well accepted by most physicians and surgeons," said Guy Montgomery, an assistant professor of biobehavioral medicine at the Mount Sinai School of Medicine.

The answer may be to teach hypnotizability, or suggestibility, as it's sometimes called. In more than a dozen studies over the last decade, men and women of various ages demonstrated they could learn to fall into a hypnotic trance more easily and deeply.

"Now the idea is to find what is most effective in getting them there, from a low level of sug-

gestibility to a higher one," said Steven Lynn, a psychologist at the State University of New York at Binghamton who's conducting a large federally funded study on the subject. "You do that and you not only increase the number of people who would benefit but also widen the range of its applications."

Researchers long thought that suggestibility was a stable trait, like a person's IQ or learning ability, that couldn't be improved on much. Yet there's little evidence that it's related to innate gullibility or a person's imaginative powers. Personality isn't a deciding factor either; researchers have found no strong relationships between hypnotic suggestibility and traits such as neuroticism, extroversion or intellectual curiosity.

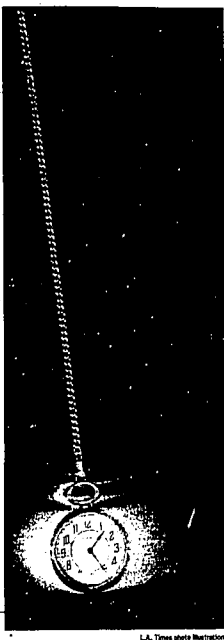
Attitude does seem to matter — in particular, skepticism — and for good reason. Since an Austrian physician named Franz Mesmer first popularized the use of trances, like states as a method of treating anxiety and hysteria in the 18th century, the technique has appealed to all variety of charlatans and healers, as well as to Hollywood scriptwriters, who've had fun using it to brainwash, possess and otherwise manipulate characters and plot.

Using imaging technology, neuroscientists have taken pictures

of people's brains during hypnosis. The snapshots show a decrease of arousal in the cortex, the brain's manager and planner, and an increase of activity in areas involved in focusing attention. This makes some sense to psychologists who practice and study hypnosis.

While in the trance, a person is usually concentrating on bringing to mind some vivid image, which could account for heightened attention. The drop in cortical arousal accompanies a decline in moment-to-moment alertness. In effect, psychologists say, the person is conscious enough to hear and understand suggestions such as "You will feel strong and healthy after surgery" or "You will feel calm and relaxed when taking the test," without applying his or her usual skepticism. If the suggestions are helpful, the theory goes, they may become a part of the person's subconscious memory.

"This is all happening beneath the level of consciousness, so the suggestions are not something the person has to think about or remember," said Marc Schoen, a Los Angeles psychologist and assistant clinical professor at the UCLA School of Medicine who has used hypnosis for more than 20 years.



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Hats

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signature of the uniquely Southern California car subculture. His family nickname was "Dutch" — given to him early on by relatives who found him "as stubborn as a Dutchman," according to a book published by the Laguna Art Museum in Laguna Beach, Calif., in connection with its 1993 exhibit "Kustom Kulture."

As a teenager, he developed the idea that he used all his life — a blood-shot winged eyeball, which now adorns most Von Dutch merchandise. In the 1950s, he became well known for his custom paint jobs. People came from all over the country to have their cars and motorcycles "Dutched," according to Bob Burns, a longtime friend and collaborator who now owns a sign-painting shop in Prescott, Ariz.

According to the Laguna Art Museum book, Von Dutch earned rebel mystique by traveling in a 1954 bus equipped with a com-

plete machine shop, supporting himself by restoring motorcycles and building strange vehicles from scratch.

Burns said that Von Dutch disappeared for part of the 1960s because his fame was so unsettling. "He never liked being the object of attention. He was into his work..." He hid away from people and money."

Still, he did some memorable work: For the 1969 Steve McQueen movie "The Reivers," he built the memorable yellow Winton 1970 to 1979. Burns said, Von Dutch parked his bus behind a Buena Park, Calif., museum called Movie World, Cars of the Stars and Planes of Fame. The museum featured customized cars and hot rods, many of them used in movies or TV, embellished by such car customizers as George Barris.

After the museum closed, Von

Dutch moved his bus to a Santa Paula, Calif., warehouse, where he stayed until he died from liver disease.

In 1996, his daughters Lisa and Lorna Howard of Phoenix sold the rights to his name to Michael Cassel, an entrepreneur who wanted to open a business that would appeal to hot rod enthusiasts. A few years later, Cassel entered a partnership with Tony Sorenson, the company's current CEO, who was initially hoping to produce a film about Von Dutch. (The partners are wrangling over control of the company.)

In 2000, the company opened its first store on Melrose Avenue in Los Angeles. It has since opened four more — in Beverly Hills, Chicago, Miami and Santa Monica. In May 2002, Sorenson hired designer Christian Audigier, who has worked for the youth-minded apparel companies

Diesel, Bisou Bisou and American Eagle Outfitters. Audigier focused more on fashion, adding hoodies and jeans. Although the truckers' hats are the most visible of Von Dutch's products, Sorenson said the company does more sales volume in jeans, which cost \$145 to \$320. The company's sales have risen from \$1 million in 2001 to roughly \$33 million in 2003.

Von Dutch also has licensed its name for \$149 bowling bag totes, \$1,000 silver belt buckles and

\$595 leather jackets.

Next year, the company will launch eyewear and watches. Audigier is also working on a high-end line for a new boutique on the west side of Los Angeles called the Sample Shop, which will be open by appointment only and will cater to celebrities.

"If Von Dutch — were alive," said Burns, who runs a Web site about his friend at www.von-dutch.freeusers.com, "he would hate all this."

Parkinson's

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voice becomes lower, speech less distinct and his or her handwriting grows extremely small.

The latter symptom is what clinched the diagnosis for Irene Porter 10 years ago. She had been having trouble fastening buttons and tying shoes and was shaking somewhat, but when she told her doctor that her penmanship was shrinking, he said that was a good indication of Parkinson's.

Symptoms come on gradually and worsen as time goes by. Full-blown Parkinson's patients walk with a stooped, shuffling gait and don't swing their arms, but tuck them to their sides. And they blink their eyes less frequently than other folks.

After a while, many patients have what is called dyskinesia — involuntary movement of the extremities. There are some people who prefer the dyskinesia to being stiff and immobile. Dryfus says. For others it's the other way around.

Potter is taking medication and

using a treadmill every day. The exercise helps, she says.

Dryfus says the most important thing for Parkinson's patients is keeping active.

"I usually tell patients 'Walk as much as you can, as fast as you can, swinging your arms, stepping along

with raising your feet,'" he said. "If they're really doing it on a daily basis at least a half hour a day, they feel so much better, and they do much better."

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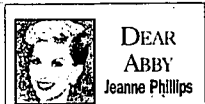
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While it is true that a grieving mother is justified in doing what ever makes her comfortable, I feel my feelings were not considered at all. I am deeply hurt that my gesture of sympathy was unappreciated.

- SLIGHTED IN NEW JERSEY

DEAR SLIGHTED: Get over it. Your co-worker lost her child. You seem to feel that because you weren't invited to the funeral you somehow lost face. A funeral is not a party. It's also not a social gathering. Your grieving co-worker wanted those people to whom she felt closest around her when she buried her son. She does not deserve to be criticized for it.

- TRYING TO BE NICE IN PENNSYLVANIA

DEAR TRYING: You are an intelligent, compassionate girl. The time to be a friend is when somebody needs one, and your classmate certainly needs one. One effective way to defuse this kind of harassment is to speak up and say that you don't think what the bully is saying is funny.

Another way is to tell your parents, your teacher and the principal what is happening. That girl is being harassed because of her race - and it is against the law for it to be ignored. So don't wait. Speak up now. I commend you for writing.

DEAR ABBY: I am a 38-year-old divorced mother of two boys, ages 12 and 14. My boyfriend, "Nat," is divorced and has no children. We've been dating for three years. He is my best friend, and we get along great.

I am very much in love with Nat, but he says he will never marry again. I try dating other men, but they don't measure up to Nat. It seems Nat could get along fine without me in his life. I don't feel the same. Tell me, Abby, what's his problem?

- WAITING IN THE SOUTHWEST

DEAR WAITING: Nat doesn't have a problem. You do. You have

fallen in love with a man who has made it clear that he is unwilling to make a commitment to you and the boys. I give him credit for being honest with you.

Libra: Keep your head down

IF JANUARY 19 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY - you are fresh, independent and original, yet you also have the grit to see things through. You are a person with your talent, then push forward your agendas - it's a "one-two punch." It's hard for anyone to stand in your way. You are a fabulous idea person. Vibrant, exciting and yet surprisingly substantial, you are an asset to any organization or relationship - as long as they do it your way!

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 19): There may be a slow start today. Focus on your career by midday. A difficult balancing act is required to keep everyone happy - including yourself. Everyone's a grump for a few days.

TAURUS (Apr. 20-May 20): Building your future through some sort of education continues to be a major factor. It's a hard time, though, for teacher-student relationships, or for mentors of any kind. Avoid battles of ideas today.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): This is certainly a day to be in touch with yourself. Passions continue to run high, though romantic feelings may be another story. Any financial issues begin to come to a head, and friends are of no help. In general, there's a lot more frustration than cooperation.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Hard work is probably the best way to cope with career disputes - even if it's the hard work that's bothering you the most. Almost everyone will have a shorter fuse for a couple of days, so keep a low profile.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Hopefully you had some fun yesterday because today you're all business. Anger-producing stars make everyone easily irritated. For you, Leo, issues of freedom may be the trigger. Let things go for now; they will be resolved as the stars move on.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Disagreements over allocation of financial resources may negatively color an otherwise enjoyable day. Tangible expression of your creative talents is a great way to use your energies. Make sure to dream your dream.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Especially as the day progresses, you focus on getting things done at home. Expect the pull between home and career to continue for a few days more. A testy day for all, just keep your head down and don't try to make

Movies

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- Mona Lisa Smile on 7:30 - 9:20
- Joanna's Calendar
- Chasing Liberty on 7:30 - 9:30
- Alone in the Desert on 7:30 - 9:30
- Lord of the Rings on 7:30 - 9:30
- Big Bird on 7:30 - 9:30

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- My Baby's Daddy on 7:30 - 9:30
- Rocky on 7:30 - 9:30
- Let's Scuba on 7:30 - 9:30
- Language on 7:30 - 9:30
- Apprentice on 7:30 - 9:30
- Alone in the Desert on 7:30 - 9:30

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- Snack on You on 7:30 - 9:30
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- Cold Mountain on 7:30 - 9:30
- The Graduate on 7:30 - 9:30
- Big Fish on 7:30 - 9:30
- 21 Grams on 7:30 - 9:30

HOROSCOPE

Jeraldine Saunders

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Whatever angers you or what others may feel about finances or duties and obligations is likely to come to the fore in the next couple of days. Blowing off steam will be useful - as long as there's no lasting damage done. Be cautious.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Issues of attention, selfishness or self-expression are likely to be sources of contention now. Today and tomorrow, almost everyone is difficult to get along with and is easily offended. Avoid making matches woe.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You have greater confidence now as the moon enters your sign during the day. Watch your step - irritable planets are having their effect on everyone. Any unresolved issues are likely to blow up, especially at home.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Disputes with siblings, neighbors or friends could flare up quickly today. Few people can weather these angry stars without ending up with a "ruffled feather" or two. They will pass in a day or so; in the meantime, keep a low profile (which you're probably inclined to do anyway).

PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20): Any unhappiness you have with money or career issues is best left unvoiced for now. Everyone has a short fuse for a few days. Though your desire to affiliate is strong, it's hard to feel connected with friends now. Things will improve later in the week.

Ancient Greeks ate bananas

Ancient Greeks ate bananas. Shipped up from India. Weren't any bananas in the Western Hemisphere then. Not until brave seamen - yo ho ho - hauled plants from the Canary Islands.

Men have more friends early in life, women more friends later in life. Psychology surveytakers found that out. They say women tend to make friends both on and off the job. But a remarkably high proportion of aging fellows only know a few other surviving men they'd long ago met at work.

Most of the energy in world history has been used to move things around.

Q. Where was the first brothel?
 A. Earliest of record probably was Ka-Kum in a place now known worldwide, southeastern Iraq. Then - in 3300 B.C. - it was Sumer. Athens supported brothels in 600 B.C. As I mentioned, those were the public-sporting establishments set up by the lawgiver Solon with a standard fee of one cent per visit for all.

Q. How come most ice anglers only fish for trout?
 A. Best bass lakes are below heavy freezing elevation. But exceptions abound.

Jules Feiffer said, "I grew up to have my father's looks, my father's speech patterns, my father's posture, my father's walk, my father's opinions, and my mother's contempt for my father."



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BLOATING
 For unknown reasons, bloating - that feeling of swelling in the abdomen - occurs most often in females. However, for some it can feel downright painful. It is not necessarily caused by too much gas. Usually bloating is a result of poor motility contractions that move food through the digestive tract. Eating fatty foods can also delay stomach emptying, leading to bloating.

Bloating is often a part of irritable bowel syndrome, a condition in which there is deregulated motility and spasms-of-the-bowel. Sometimes bloating is caused by a disease of a disorder in the stomach or upper part of the digestive system. For this reason, the physician may perform tests, including x-rays and endoscopy.

When bloating happens frequently, medications are sometimes prescribed to stimulate contractions in the stomach and upper intestine. Usually however, bloating is not serious; it may be caused by certain foods or simply by eating too fast. So a change in eating habits is often all that is needed to control this condition.

WHAT SHOULD I AVOID?
 Pan-fried or deep-fried foods, fatty meats, rich cream sauces and gravies, pastries, and any high-fat food. Check all food labels for fat contents. Avoiding the following items may also help reduce bloating: dried beans, milk, ice cream, cheese, cabbage, radishes, onions, broccoli, cereals, breads, pastries, and all foods containing wheat and wheat products, carbonated beverages and fizzy medication.

SUMMARY
 Gas means different things to different people. It may refer to belching, abdominal bloating, or rectal gas. For some it may be simply an embarrassment, while for others it can be quite uncomfortable. However, it is rarely a serious medical problem. Working with a physician, a person suffering from gas can usually find simple solutions to significantly reduce the problem.

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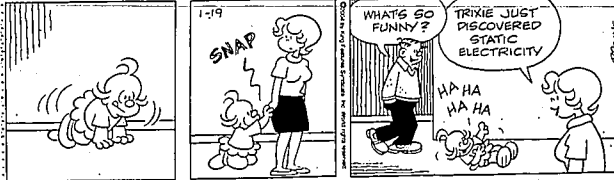
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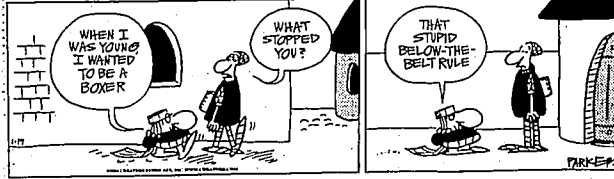
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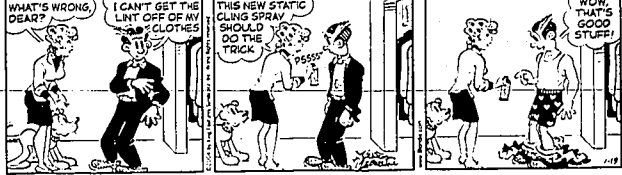
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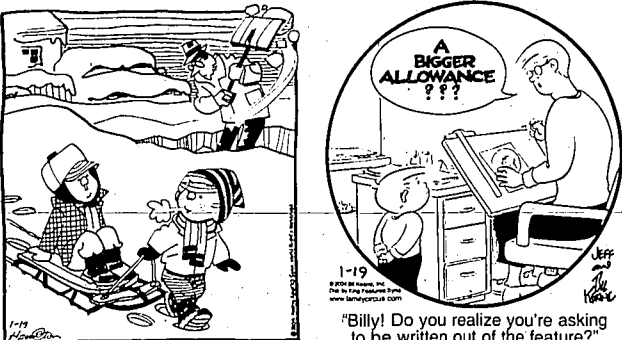


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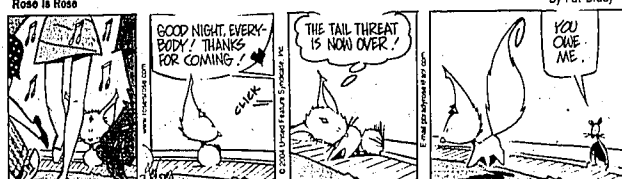
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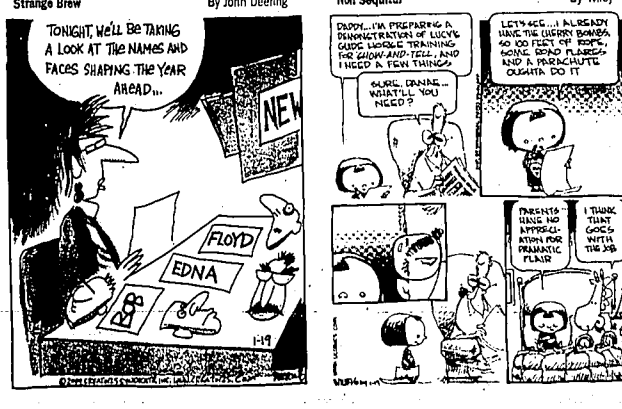


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SCHOOL DAYS

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Gooding High School drama students did well at recent competition.

Area students do well at state competition

GOODING - Gooding High School reported its winners from the state drama competition in Coeur d'Alene Dec. 4-5. The Gooding team finished third place for the "B" school category. Qualifiers for state and the category in which they earned honors are: Anneke Sanders and Nicola Eardley, costume; Dustin Hobday, solo audition; Chance McLeod and Melissa Bento, properties.

Nick Tiller, Jillian Legaard and Chance McLeod, humorous ensemble; Dustin Hobday, solo serious and third place, solo audition; Chance McLeod and Melissa Bento were finalists in properties; Shane Brown, who is the advisor, is the Idaho Speech Arts drama teacher of the year. Burley High School won third place in the "A" school category. "A" schools are those with more than 800 students.

Cheerleaders pass on skills to youngsters

The Hansen Husky cheerleaders have been conducting a junior cheer camp. The camp consists of 33 girls who learn three cheers and a dance called "You've Never Had a Friend Like Me" from Walt Disney's "Aloha." Renea Remaley, cheerleading advisor, and the eight cheerleaders have worked hard and are anticipating a wonderful success with these little cheerleaders, both now and in the future.

"I love working with the little girls. They are so cute that even if they forget some of the dance, it doesn't matter. I know their parents will be so proud of them," said Allison Loveless, squad captain, who has been involved in many junior cheer camps.

The girls participating vary in grades ranging from kindergarten to sixth grade. Thanks to Jessica Lewis, who has been teaching the kindergartens and first-graders with exceptional ability, it has

HUSKIES UNLEASHED Jessica Johnson

been possible to undertake such a large span. During the week, the girls practiced jumps and kicks. For their involvement with the program they received top hats, pompoms and a camp T-shirt. These young ladies have been a joy to work with and very considerate of their teachers and peers. This is beneficial to their future as cheerleaders and as good citizens. When asked what was learned during the camp, the standard reply, "HUSKY POWER!" The Hansen High School cheerleaders say, "Way to go girls!" Hansen High School student Jessica Johnson initiated and publishes the school newspaper.

Jerome senior projects cover variety of jobs

JEROME - Jerome High School seniors are assigned to complete senior projects.

Following are profiles of some of the projects as profiled by the staff writers of the Tiger Newspaper at the high school.

John Capps - sound technician

By KC Hunt John Capps will be recording the music for a new CD for his senior project. "For my project I am doing the recording process on an album for a band," John said. "I just wondered what all happens in the process." Student Body President John Capps has been in his family band, Relativity, ever since he can remember. John plays bass guitar, drums and the keyboard. He has enjoyed music in general. When his dad recorded the music for their last CD, John became interested in the recording process. He became so interested that he is considering this area for a career.

"I thought it would make a good job profession," he said. John is being mentored by Sal Coranza, who works at Welch Music and recently opened a recording studio in Twin Falls. Coranza will be helping John along and teaching him the basics of what he needs to know. "I am looking forward to working with John. I think he has

what it takes to put together a good record," Coranza said. John chose this project because of his experience of being in the recording studio. "I have played the music that has been recorded to an album, and I thought it would be cool to learn how to do the recording process," John said.

Good as new

By Bethany Lott Robert Frost said, "Good fences make good neighbors." But what's the use of a good neighboring fence if it's old and deteriorating? For his senior project, Jay Newman restored an old fence in the Stanley Basin area. "It was nice to be able to help the community," he said. Jay's mentor, Carol Cole, works at the Sawtooth National Forest and was a big help to him. The logs were already cut, but Jay had to first place the base logs and then added the rest of them. The logs were then tied down by some other helpers. As for the old logs, Jay chopped them up and donated them to the community.

"They were really deteriorated," he said. Jay launched off his project at 10 in the morning and completed the new fence five hours later. Not only did Jay work on this as a senior project, but also counted his efforts in achieving his Eagle Project. "It was a real benefit to the area," Jay said.

Parent action committee meets

Randy Maves, the seventh-grade language arts teacher, reminds parents of seventh- and eighth-grade students that the parent action committee is meeting at 7 p.m. Jan. 26 in his classroom.

The planned agenda includes: producing a bi-weekly publication, learning how to use Adobe PageMaker, a program called "overTime8 to deal with late or missing assignments and an open forum for parents to share



CASTLEFORD ROLL CALL Andy Wiseman

what they need from the school. Art Watkins, our elementary physical education coordinator, announces that our fifth/sixth grade basketball

program is beginning. Our students play every Saturday through the month of February. Mr. Watkins encourages parents and fans to come out and support the students. The admission is free.

I would like to make sure parents know we have honor day on Friday. We will be recognizing students who excelled during the second nine weeks. We are also beginning to plan for the second semester student-led

conferences and would like parents to give us ideas on how we can better involve them in their child's education.

And remember, this weekly article, along with school calendars, athletic schedules and teacher scope and sequences could be viewed on our school Web page castlefordschools.com.

Andy Wiseman is principal of Castleford School.

MONEY TREE



The English as a second language kindergarten from Paul Elementary School made 348 ornaments to decorate a Christmas tree in Zions Bank, which donated 35 cents for each ornament to the school. Teacher Mary Garcia and old JoAnn Featherston helped the children from the morning class decorate the tree. Declo Elementary School students decorated a tree, also.

Study Group eases pain of students' test-taking

Every 18 weeks students face the dreaded semester tests. Students were greeted last week with something to make it much more bearable, as the student council conducted its first ever Study Group aimed at helping students with their semester exams.

Students were able to go to the high school library before and after school on both Monday and Tuesday, and get help either through tutoring or studying with student council members on their upcoming tests.

Students not only found this a relief because they could get help on the numerous tests they were taking, but also got to interact with the elected officers of student council and discuss upcoming events scheduled for BHS.

Students were greeted on Monday with a plethora of posters, naming students who had improved either academically or had just been a pleasure to have in class. Many members of the BHS student body also received prize because all students who received a 90 percent or higher on one of their semester tests received a gift from the student council.

These few small acts by the council helped both students and morale.

As we continue to discuss clubs, one club that has laid many cornerstones at Buhl High School is National Honor



BUHL BEAT Joe Popplewell

Society. Headed by President, Keaton Wilson, this club continuously conducts service projects for the community, as well as Buhl High School. Some of their activities this year include painting pumpkins for the elderly, a school grounds clean-up, and reading to Head Start students.

NHS has an active membership of more than 40 students, all of which contribute their own, particular part to make this club truly unique. Other officers include: Liz Woods, vice president; Brooke Lindenman, secretary/treasurer; and Nelson Woods, advisor.

NHS exemplifies what a club should be, and they continue to make a large difference within the Buhl community.

Winter sports are at their prime, and if you haven't been out to support athletics, you're missing out. So get out and dust off those seat cushions. Cheer for all your Indian athletes in basketball and wrestling.

Joe Popplewell is the student body president at Buhl High School.

Gooding kicks off second half of school year

Finals are over, the second semester has officially begun and the Gooding High School Senators are ready to begin the second part of the high school year.

GHS annual spirit week is next week and this year's event will be full of activities. Here's a run-down of the week's events:

Monday - Dress up day is "Fake an Injury Day." That evening will be parent night and alumni night, where the wrestling moms will arm wrestle each other for the title of "Buff Mama." The basketball parents of both the boys and girls teams will face each other in a five-minute basketball game where the winners will be presented



SENATOR SCENE Paul Sebastian

with plaques.

Tuesday - Dress up day is "Extreme Weather Day." Students will nominate a student who they feel has shown the most spirit. Two people with the most spirit will be crowned Mr. and Mrs. GHS at the basketball game.

Wednesday - Dress up day is "Floatation Device Day." GHS will be hold its second annual

talent show at 7 p.m. Please come support the drama department.

Thursday - Dress up day is "Multiplicity Day." The Miss Viking fund-raiser will be held. Selected senior boys dress up as girls and collect money from local businesses. Senior night will be Gooding versus Valley, girls basketball.

Friday - It is "Red and Black Day." Students can pay \$2 to ride the spirit bus to Wood River to watch the boys basketball team square off with Wood River.

Saturday - The Glanbia wrestling tournament will be held, and the Academic Decathlon regionals meet will be held in Shoshone.

Last Saturday, GHS cheerlead-

ers held their annual cheer clinic. About 60 children from the community participated and experienced the sport of cheerleading first-hand. The children were instructed for five hours, learning the basics of cheerleading and memorizing a dance that they performed that same evening.

Basketball and wrestling are also going well. Wrestlers will face off with Declo this Saturday in Declo.

We would like to thank all GHS supporters and encourage them, to continue their support of our athletes and scholars.

Paul Sebastian is Gooding High School student body president.

SCHOOL NEWS

Buhl cheerleaders sponsor day camp for youngsters

BUHL - The Buhl High School cheerleaders annual day camp will be held from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Saturday at the Buhl Middle School gymnasium.

The day camp is for children in preschool through the eighth grade. The cost is \$20, and the youngsters receive a T-shirt and lunch.

The day-camp participants will perform at the basketball game that night at the middle school.

"Participation is encouraged if participants want a specific T-shirt size by calling cheerleader adviser Renee Bowman at 543-2032.

Cheerleaders receive superior plaque at camp

JEROME - While attending a USA camp this year, the Jerome High School cheerleaders received a superior plaque for their performance and were eligible to go to the Varsity Pro Bowl Tour in Honolulu, Hawaii, Feb. 5-10. The girls attending are Ashley McKean, Ashley Luna, Chelsea Craig, Sara Thompson, Brandie McFall, Toni Bailey and Christine

Roberts, along with coach Tracia Craig.

The performance will take place at a pre-game and/or half-time of the NFL Pro Bowl football game at Aloha Stadium. The Varsity Pro Bowl Tour is organized by cheerleader associations and includes a Pearl Harbor tour.

Open house honors retiring Magic Valley educator

KIMBERLY - Judy Watson, a Magic Valley educator, is retiring after 35 years. Everyone is welcome to an open house honoring her work, from 2 to 5 p.m. Jan. 28 at the Kimberly Middle School library, 525 Center St. W.

IHSSA awards go to Gooding students

GOODING - Idaho High School Activity Association Citizenship Awards were awarded to Gooding High School students Melissa Bento, Italy Eames, Brendan Arkoosh, Eric Gushes, Katie Rice, Jessica Pickett, Lance Gillette, Kep Seifert, Loren Harley, Crystal Daubner, Paul Sebastian and Chris Estep.

To receive an award, students must demonstrate generosity and concern for others and be willing to abide by school rules and maintain self control.

Booster club slates chilli feed at Jerome High

JEROME - The Jerome High School Booster Club will have a chilli feed from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. on Thursday at the high school cafeteria.

The high school girls basketball game will be held after the chilli feed. Everyone is invited to attend both events. For more information, call 324-5706.

Oakley Valley Arts Council accepts for scholarships

OAKLEY - Oakley Valley Arts Council is accepting applications from high school seniors for the Aaron and Gloria Johnson Memorial Scholarship. Two \$250 scholarships will be awarded to those who have been active in the community and or Oakley Valley Arts Council arts, such as music, drama, set design and other related areas, and have a grade point average of 2.5

or better. Applications may be obtained from area high school counselors and must be postmarked no later than March 25.

West Minico holds parent teacher conference

PAUL - West Minico Middle School will hold parent-teacher conferences from 2:30 p.m. Wednesday at the school, 155 S. 600 W. Paul.

Students will have early dismissal at 1:30 p.m. that day. For more information, call the school at 438-5018.

Slidin'



Winter snow in the hills means sledding season. Thursday in Outdoors

Power lines lead to where

Unused utility lines in rural areas prove expensive to maintain

ROBINSON, N.D. (AP) — John Randall will never forget the day more than 50 years ago when electric power came to the countryside.

"It was really something to see when all these farms got lit up," Randall recalled.

Randall, 76, has been farming all his life in Robinson, a central North Dakota town of about 70 people — just like his father and grandfather did. He was the first in the family to farm with electricity in 1949. And he may be one of the few left in the area.

"There aren't too many farms around here to light up anymore," Randall said. "It's gone from dark to light, to dark."

Thousands of miles of power lines that once brought the promise of better lives to farmers now sit abandoned farmsteads that have fallen victim to a harsh rural economy.

About 20 percent of the state's 60,000 miles of rural power lines are eligible to be "retired" because they are not being used, said Dennis Hill, general manager of the North Dakota Association of Rural Electric Cooperatives.

"There are lines out here that go to nowhere," said Robert Spencer, general manager of the

Northern Plains Electric Cooperative.

North Dakota has 17 electric cooperatives that serve about 200,000 people. Electric co-ops are set up as nonprofits that attempt to keep energy costs as low as possible.

Unused power lines are expensive to maintain, and they pose fire dangers. When no one is around to alert companies about a power outage due to a downed line, the possibility of a prairie fire increases.

It costs about \$25,000 to install a mile of power lines and poles, Spencer said, and about \$2,500 a mile to tear them down. A study nearly 10 years ago found it would cost about \$130 million to remove all unused power lines, money the co-ops generally don't have.

Farmsteads that have been taken off the grid usually have been those linked by power lines that created safety problems, Hill said.

Spencer's co-op, which serves an area south of Jamestown to the Canadian border, has the largest number of miles of power lines in the state, with about 6,900. Ten percent of the co-op's 12,000 services are idle.

"Nobody is paying a bill on them," he said.

Randall calls it the reverse of rural electrification.

The Rural Electrification Administration, founded in 1935, financed the extension of trans-

mission lines to rural areas in the United States. At the time, less than 10 percent of rural residents had electricity, compared to 90 percent for urban dwellers.

The REA required two customers per mile before it would loan co-ops money to build power lines in a region. "That was the density needed to make it economically feasible," Spencer said.

Today, many rural areas in North Dakota average less than a customer a mile. The nationwide average is about six customers a mile.

Richard Rathge, director of the state data center at North Dakota State University, said the number of farms in the state peaked at 84,000 in the early 1940s during the drive for rural electrification and has been going down ever since.

Today, the state has about 30,000 farms.

Randall is one of the Northern Plains Co-op's better customers. He still owns two farms and two homes, and has power running to all four sites. He said the best way to get power in late 1930s, though most of it came in the mid-1940s.

Electricity allowed farmers to operate welders to fix equipment instead of hauling it to a blacksmith shop for repairs. Farmers also could run water to the pastures, thanks to electric pumps.

And, there were the much-wel-

comed comforts of lights, radios and water heaters.

Randall said rural electrification probably benefited big cities as much as it did rural areas, because farmers would travel to the city to buy electric farm equipment and appliances.

In southwestern North Dakota, Don Frankland, manager of Morgan-So Co-op Electric Cooperative, said his co-op has some 700 services — including farmsteads, pumps and other accounts — that are idle. Power was cut to some, he said, because for years, no one paid to keep them on.

Mike Schaefer said restoring the power to an old farmstead he owns near Raleigh would cost about \$30,000, and the lack of power made it nearly impossible to sell his farm. He had offers in December, but they were too low to accept, he said.

Most of the state's co-ops have a minimum service charge of about \$12 a month to keep the power flowing. Spencer said one customer pays for six miles of line that leads to a duck-hunting camp.

"If someone is paying the bill, we keep the line hot," Frankland said.

Most farmers, however, would like to see unused power lines come down.

"I don't want to farm around them," Spencer said. "Typically, the land is worth more if there are no poles on it."

Tracking system shortfalls hamper mad cow probe

WASHINGTON (AP) — Nearly 'four weeks into their investigation, agriculture officials have tracked down just 19 of the 80 cows that entered the United States along with the Holstein infected with mad cow disease.

These are the cows believed most at risk of carrying the brain-wasting disease because they could have shared the same contaminated feed that officials consider the likeliest source of infection.

Investigators are hampered by the lack of a modern tracking and identification system that could have eased greatly the search for the origins of the infected cow and others in its herd. Cattle frequently are identified by numbered ear tags, but records often are kept only on paper.

Officials are using an animal ID and tracking system that was uniform and nationwide and enforceable, we'd have all these animals by now," said Carol Tucker Foreman of the Consumer Federation of America.

The system is so lax that a cow's identification number can change, said Linda Detweiler, a former Agriculture Department veterinarian. "They're like earrings on women. Sometimes they fall out and are replaced," she said. "There is no requirement to use the same number."

The diagnosis last month of the first U.S. case of the disease — from a cow born and probably infected in Canada — has given new impetus to tighter regulation of the cattle industry. That includes speeding development of a national electronic identification system.

Mad cow disease, or bovine spongiform encephalopathy, eats holes in the brains of cattle. It is incurable. Scientists believe humans can develop a brain disease called Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease, from eating beef from diseased cattle.

Even before the U.S. made cow scare, government and industry representatives were developing the Animal Identification Plan, a nationwide tracking system that would be expected to be put in place over the next three years.

But the effort has been slowed



Veterinarian Don Evans with the USDA answers questions about mad cow disease from cattle producers Thursday in Spokane, Wash. Evans said the biggest problem faced by the USDA is the identification of all the animals that are suspected in the mad cow scare.

by disputes over who would maintain the database and who would pay for it. Also to be resolved is whether participation would be mandatory.

The Agriculture Department "has worked with partners at the federal and state levels and in the industry for the past year and in the adoption of standards for a verifiable nationwide animal identification system," Agriculture Secretary Ann Veneman said last month.

The goal of the program is to be able to trace, within 48 hours, an animal from practically to the dinner table.

Resistance to the plan has come from meat producers who do not trust the idea of establishing a central database that would allow the government or rivals to know detailed information about their operations.

But the mad cow case and the resulting halt of U.S. beef exports have lessened that opposition. The National Cattlemen's Beef Association supports the database because its members are hurt when there is a disease outbreak.

Judge: School officials violated protesters' rights

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — A federal judge has ruled a school principal and resource officer violated the constitutional rights of animal-rights protesters when they shut down a demonstration and forced the group off a sidewalk near a school five years ago.

The case arose from a Jan. 20, 1999, demonstration at Eisenhower Junior High School in Taylorsville. A handful of members of People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals gathered outside the school just before

classes let out for the day to protest the flying of a McDonald's corporate sponsorship flag. It was the third such gathering at the school in three weeks.

This time, however, the school's principal, Lori Gardner, and Granite Police Lt. Todd Rasmussen threatened the demonstrators with arrest under a state statute that prohibits interference with school activities. The protesters disbanded, but later filed a civil-rights lawsuit.

U.S. District Judge Dee Benson

ruled Friday that the school officials' actions were a clear violation of the protesters' constitutional rights.

He had previously dismissed the lawsuit, but that ruling was overturned by the 10th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in late 2003, though most of it came in the mid-1940s.

However, Benson said, school officials may be immune from the lawsuit if it is determined they acted reasonably in asking the protesters to leave.

Rasmussen stopped the demonstration based on advice from a prosecuting attorney that a state statute allows officials to stop acts that "interfere with the peaceful conduct of the activities of any school."

Benson scheduled a June trial in which jurors will decide whether Rasmussen and principal Lori Gardner had sufficient reason to believe the demonstration would disrupt school activities. If so, Benson will then determine if they are entitled to qualified immunity.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT FOR THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO AND IN FOR THE COUNTY OF

TWIN FALLS

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

February 12, 2004

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Public Hearing will be held before the Twin Falls County Planning and Zoning Commission upon said requests:

A CONDITIONAL USE by Richard J. Brock on property consisting of approximately 4271 North Highway 30, Buhl, Idaho in the Agricultural Zone. The intended use is to expand an existing conditional use by adding a larger store eighteen hundred (1,800) square feet.

A CONDITIONAL USE by Kevin Woody on property consisting of twenty point three (20.3) acres located in Section 29, Township 9 South, Range 14 East B.M. Also known as being addressed approximately 19875 Highway 30, Buhl, Idaho in the Agricultural Zone. The intended use is to expand an existing conditional use by adding a larger store eighteen hundred (1,800) square feet.

A CONDITIONAL USE by John Requa for the Eastside South Baptist Church on property consisting of eight (8) acres located in Section 16, Township 10 South, Range 18 East B.M. Also known as being addressed approximately 3335 East 3900 North, Kimberly, Idaho in the Rural Residential Zone. The intended use is to construct and install a church.

A PRELIMINARY PLAT for a Subdivision by B. P. Pratt on property consisting of approximately eighty (80.0) acres located in Section 9, Township 10 South, Range 18 East B.M. and addressed approximately 3580 East 3900 North, Kimberly, Idaho. The proposed site is located within the Rural Residential Zone. The intended use is to divide nine point five (9.5) acres into four (4) residential lots.

Other item(s): Remington Ranch Subdivision Final Plat

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that a Public Hearing will be held before the Twin Falls County Planning and Zoning Commission at the hour of 7:00 p.m. on the 24th day of February 2004 at the Marvin Building Meeting Room, 246 Third Avenue East, Twin Falls, Idaho.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a work session will be held on February 10, 2004 at the hour of 12:30 Noon at the Marvin Building Meeting Room, 246 Third Avenue East, Twin Falls, Idaho. The Planning and Zoning Commission will be reviewing applications that are to be heard at the February 12, 2004 Public Hearing.

A complete description of each request is on file with the Office of the Planning and Zoning Commission. Any application upon which any and all persons may register their comments, protests or agreements on the subject being considered. Written materials or comments should be submitted 5 days in advance of the public hearing to the Office of the Planning and Zoning Administrator at 246 Third Avenue East, Twin Falls, Idaho (208) 734-9490 in writing prior to the Public Hearing. Any person in the above entitled hearing should contact Twin Falls County Planning and Zoning Office seven (7) days prior to the meeting.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

October 17, 1999

A Petition by Christina Williamson born on October 17, 1969 in Twin Falls, Idaho, now residing at 268 Alexander, Twin Falls, proposing a change by name Christina May Allred has been filed in the above entitled court, the reason therefor being that the name being it is her father's last name.

The petitioner's father is William Williamson.

Such petition will be heard at 9:00 o'clock A.M. on 02/02/2004 in courtroom number 4 at the Twin Falls County Courthouse.

Objections may be filed by any person who can, in writing, state objections, show to the court a good reason against such a change of name.

WITNESS my hand and seal of said District Court, this 5th day of February, 2003. Robin Kirk, Clerk

PUBLISH: January 5, 12, 19 and 2004

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE KIMBERLY CITY PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION will hold a public hearing at 7:15 p.m. Tuesday, February 3, 2004, in the City Council Chambers located at 120 Madison West, Kimberly, Idaho, to consider the request of Phillip and/or Judy Peppering for a special use permit to operate a catering business on the real property located at 548 Peppering Road, Kimberly, Idaho. The property is described as follows:

PARCEL NO. 11; Township 10 South, Range 18 East, Boise Meridian, Twin Falls County, Idaho 1/2 Section 20; That part of the SE1/4SE1/4SW1/4SE1/4 of the SE1/4SE1/4SW1/4SE1/4 of the SE1/4SE1/4SW1/4SE1/4 of said section 20; That part of the SE1/4SE1/4SW1/4SE1/4 of the SE1/4SE1/4SW1/4SE1/4 of said section 20; That part of the SE1/4SE1/4SW1/4SE1/4 of the SE1/4SE1/4SW1/4SE1/4 of said section 20.

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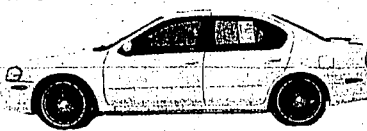
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