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# Court will hear shooting suit

## Jerome County asks a federal judge to throw out the case

By Rebecca Meany Times-News writer



Jerome County Sheriff Jim Weaver

JEROME - The blast of gunfire that erupted in a little house in Eden still is causing reverberations three years later. Members of the Jerome County Sheriff's Department and Eden resident George Timothy Williams were locked in a violent encounter on Jan. 3,

2001, at Williams' home while officers were attempting to serve a search warrant for illegal drugs. Williams, as he was known, and Jerome County deputies James Moulson, 30, and Phillip Anderson, 23, all died in the shootout. A hearing is scheduled for

### Who's who

- **Plaintiffs:** Tim Williams' estate, represented in the lawsuit through his personal representative, Chris Sterling, Williams' sister, and its primary beneficiary, Patricia Williams, his mother.
- **Defendants:** Jerome County, and Sheriff James Weaver and Under Sheriff Jocelyne Roberts in their official capacities.

Tuesday in federal court in Boise. Jerome County has asked for a summary judgment, which means the judge could dismiss the case based on his determina-

tion that there are no facts to support the lawsuit. "This should never have happened the way it happened," Chris Sterling, Williams' sister and personal representative in the lawsuit, said Thursday. "(Weaver) orchestrated some huge drug raid, and they found less than 5 grams of marijuana in (Tim's) pocket. I don't care about the money. I want a judge to say 'Jerome, you screwed up for doing that the way you did it.'"

Nance Strickland, a spokeswoman for Jerome County Sheriff Jim Weaver, declined to comment on the case Friday.

If U.S. District Judge Mikel H. Williams - who is not related to the Williams family - determines the case has enough merit, he will allow it to proceed to a jury trial. Or, parties could reach a settlement out of court.

Cases against Sheriff Weaver and Under Sheriff Jocelyne Roberts as individuals were dismissed in December 2002. The lawsuit against the county was allowed to proceed.

The judge ordered that both parties resubmit briefs, keeping them to 60 pages or fewer. Both sides had submitted motions that were at least double that. Please see SUIT, Page A5

# Nurse's handiwork helps horses' eyes

By Megan Hinds Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Teri Reid does n't usually have to put her customers under general anesthesia. But those customers don't tend to bite and kick - or weigh 1,000 pounds.

Reid is a registered nurse who specializes in "permanent cosmetics" - eyeliner, eyebrows and occasionally lipstick - for people allergic to regular makeup or who don't want to apply makeup every day.

Reid now lends her tattoo experience to another species - horses. The equine jobs aren't for cosmetic reasons, however. Unlike horses with monotone dark coats, the dappled dark and light coloring of American paint horses can result in little pigmentation in the skin surrounding the eyes.

When the horse is exposed to sunlight, the resulting glare can lead to squinting, sunburns, cataract and cancer, said Holly Akagi, Reid's former customer who now serves as Reid's assistant.

Akagi came to Reid in August with a request: Would Reid apply a permanent black eyeliner to her horse's eyes? "My horse had a terrible time

being out in the sun," Akagi said. "She'd squint all the time, and her eyes would drip."

The process of adding pigment to horses' eye areas began in the 1980s, Reid said. The American Paint Horse Association approves of the procedure, but horse owners must send documentation to the organization to record the change in the horse's appearance. Akagi said the permanent eyeliner can actually increase a horse's value.

Reid agreed to do the job, and the results were successful, Akagi said. "It really makes the horse more comfortable," she said. "I liken it to sunglasses for her, or when football players put black under their eyes to deflect the glare."

Demand for Reid's horse tattooing services has grown through word of mouth. Shanon Westrand of Melba learned of Reid's services and brought Bitsy, his wife Mary's paint horse, to Valley View Veterinary Clinic Friday to receive black eyeliner on one eye.

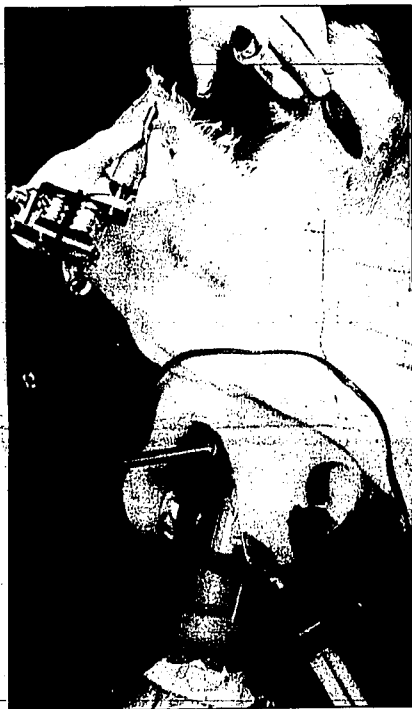
Westrand and his 4-year-old son, Dylan, watched as veterinarian Robert Monroe examined Bitsy and injected an anesthetic.

"You have to knock the horse completely out before you can

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Reid, right, and assistant Holly Akagi, center, prepare Bitsy for the tattoo while veterinary assistant Laura Lickley checks the animal's heartbeat.



Photos by CORE MITER/The Times-News

Tattooist Teri Reid applies permanent eyeliner to a 4-year-old paint horse, Bitsy, at the veterinary office of Robert Monroe Friday. Bitsy, receiving anesthetic through a tube in her mouth, has light-colored pigment around her eye and got the tattoo to help protect her from the harmful effects of the sunlight: sunburn, infection and cancer.

# Scientists fear bird flu pandemic

The Associated Press

With luck, the world will escape the latest outbreak of bird flu with no more than the six human deaths already blamed on it and the loss of millions of chickens. But public health experts worry of a much greater disaster.

Their foreboding: A catastrophe they say is among the worst imaginable, a global outbreak of an entirely new form of human flu. There is no clear sign that will happen. Nevertheless, avian influenza's sudden sweep through Asia, along with its tendency for wholesale mutation, leave many wondering about the bug's potential for rampant spread among humans. It is a possibility the medical journal The Lancet calls "massively frightening."

"The question everybody is asking is, 'Is this the progenitor to a

pandemic?'" says Dr. Gregory Poland, chief of vaccine research at the Mayo Clinic.

Influenza pandemics typically strike three or four times a century. The worst in the past 100 years, the 1918-19 Spanish flu, caused an estimated 40 million to 50 million deaths. Another is considered inevitable and perhaps overdue, but when it will happen and how bad it will be are almost totally unpredictable.

The nightmare this time would be a flu virus leaping from birds to people and spreading, introducing a disease for which humans have no natural defenses. The potential source is the strain of bird flu that has moved rapidly through parts of Asia since December, infecting chickens in at least six countries. Millions of birds have died of

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# T.F. economy sustains positive trends in '03

The Times-News

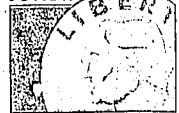
TWIN FALLS - Throughout 2003, western Magic Valley's nonagricultural job growth made it the envy of the state.

And many of the local economy's positive trends carried into the fourth quarter. Low unemployment rates. Higher values on new homes. Increased boardings at the Twin Falls airport. And extraordinary price gains in the cattle market, before the discovery of a U.S. case of mad cow disease.

Year-end snowfall brightened the outlook for both the agriculture and recreation industries.

But the fourth quarter also brought signs of slowing - in

## Quarterly review



home construction and sales, milk prices and bank deposit growth, for instance.

For the rest of the story, see the Money section in today's edition for Business Editor Virginia S. Hutchins' report on fourth-quarter economic indicators.

**7 days, 7 reasons to read**

The art of learning healthier eating habits.

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**Doing a body good**

The art of learning healthier eating habits.

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Sunday

TWIN FALLS FORECAST

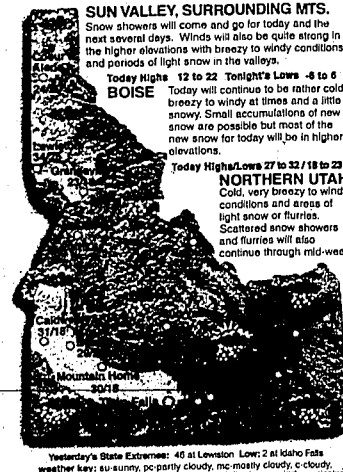
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Tonight: Scattered snow showers or flurries and breezy lows in the middle teens.
Tomorrow: A brisk wind, chilly temperatures and scattered snow showers and flurries. Highs in the upper 20s.

BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST

Today: Very breezy to windy conditions, cold and a low snow showers or flurries. Highs in the middle 20s.
Tonight: Scattered snow showers or flurries and brisk winds. Lows in the lower teens.
Tomorrow: A brisk wind, chilly temperatures and scattered snow showers and flurries—Highs in the upper 20s.

IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS. Snow showers will come and go for today and the next several days. Winds will also be quite strong in the higher elevations with breezy to windy conditions and periods of light snow in the valleys.
Today Highs 12 to 22. Tonight's Lows -8 to 6.
BOISE Today will continue to be rather cold, breezy to windy at times and a little snowy. Small accumulations of new snow are possible but most of the new snow for today will be in higher elevations.



TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Table with 5 columns: Today, Tonight, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday. Includes weather icons and temperature forecasts.

Yesterday's Weather

Table listing weather for various cities: Boise, Burley, Challis, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho Falls, Jerome, Lewiston, Lowell, Malad City, Mott, Pocatello, Rupert, Salmon, Starley.

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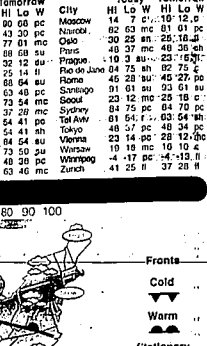
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Cheney

Continued from A1. Then he asked for more. He urged the European Union to admit Turkey, whose application to become the union's only majority Muslim member was rejected in 1987 but has been pending closer to acceptance in recent years.

'Hoosier Millionaire' winner dies hours after the show

ELWOOD, Ind. (AP) - A man who won \$57,000 in an Indiana lottery game taped for television died hours later when he was hit by a pickup truck.
The "Hoosier Millionaire" featuring Reid D. Atwood, 73, was broadcast Saturday night after his family said they wanted the show to go on, Hoosier Lottery director Jack Ross said.

Van crash injures five

The Times-News details were unavailable Saturday night. The state police also reported Saturday night that emergency crews were responding "to numerous vehicles that had slid off Interstate 84 in the Magic Valley. Other slides were reported south of Twin Falls on U.S. Highway 93.
Roads turned nasty Saturday night after a day of snow showers with down the roads and then a heavy evening snow blanketed the valley.

Horse

Continued from A1. Reid explained, "There would be no way I'd get anywhere near a horse with a tattoo gun otherwise."
As the anesthetic took hold, Bitsy slowly dropped to the floor inside the stall, Monroe and his assistant, Laura Lickley, held Bitsy's jaws open to insert a plastic breathing tube down the animal's throat to deliver an anesthetic gas.

Flu

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# Powell: Iraq may not have WMD

TBLISI, Georgia (AP) — Secretary of State Colin Powell held out the possibility Saturday that pressed Iraq may not have possessed weapons of mass destruction.

Powell was asked about comments last week by David Kay, the outgoing leader of a U.S. weapons search team in Iraq, that he did not believe Iraq had large quantities of chemical or biological weapons.

"The answer to that question is, we don't know yet," Powell told reporters as he traveled to this former Soviet republic to attend the inauguration Sunday of President-elect Mikhail Saakashvili.

Powell acknowledged that the United States thought deposed leader Saddam Hussein had banned weapons but added, "We had questions that needed to be answered."



Colin Powell

What was it? he asked. "One hundred tons, 500 tons or zero tons? Was it that many liters of anthrax, 10 times that amount or nothing?"

A senior Bush administration official said Saturday from D a v o s , Switzerland, where Vice President Dick Cheney was addressing political and business leaders, that only time will tell about the accuracy of U.S. intelligence on Iraq's weapons programs.

## Attacks kill five U.S. soldiers — A4

involved in those programs and an opportunity to inspect all the sites — until we've completed the efforts that Kay started and that somebody else now will have to finish," said the official, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

# Guantanamo spy cases suddenly evaporate

The Washington Post

Last September, top officials of the Navy prison at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, told a military judge in Florida that the prison's Muslim chaplain, Army Capt. James Yee, would soon be charged with spying, sedition, espionage, spying and aiding the enemy — crimes that could lead to his execution.

Based on those allegations, Yee was held in solitary confinement in a Navy brig in South Carolina for 76 days. But authorities never charged him with any of those offenses. Instead, Yee will face much less serious charges, such as mishandling classified materials and adultery, when the case against him resumes at a hearing at Fort Benning, Ga., scheduled for Feb. 4.

At the same time Yee was being detained, Air Force Senior Airman Ahmad I. Halabi, who worked as an Arabic translator at Guantanamo Bay, was also in solitary confinement 3,000 miles away, held in California on charges of espionage and aiding the enemy. In time, the most serious of those allegations have been withdrawn as well.

Some experts on military law and the men's lawyers say the prosecutions of Yee and Halabi have been riddled with inconsistencies and oddities that cast doubt on the government's original fears that a spy ring was operating in the high-security prison for alleged al-Qaida and Taliban fighters.

"I find it difficult to believe professional prosecutors are proceeding with these two cases in this manner," said Gary Solis, a former Marine Corps prosecutor who teaches the law of war at Georgetown University. "The ineptitude at each step of the proceeding is amazing. It seems there's been investigative overreaction in both cases."

Even now, prosecutors have not made final determinations that some of the documents Halabi was charged with possessing were, in fact, classified — and, if they were, what level of security applied to them. As a result, his lead civilian attorney, Donald G. Rehkopf Jr., said he has only a hazy picture of why his client was arrested.

A similar review of documents in the Yee case was finished only

in recent days.

In an unusual episode last month, military investigators raided offices used by Halabi's military lawyers at an Air Force base in California, temporarily seizing one computer and copying its hard drive in the search for evidence against the airman.

Rehkopf protested the search in a letter to Air Force officials, calling it "bizarre" and "a conscious disregard of the attorney-client relationship."

"We are imploring the senior leadership of the Air Force to get this case under control," the letter said.

The Air Force is refusing to comment on the case of the Syrian-born Halabi, 25, who is accused of illegally possessing letters from detainees and other documents about the prison at Guantanamo Bay.

Officials at the U.S. Southern Command, which oversees Guantanamo Bay, have commented on Yee. They say they are demonstrating caution and fairness in their treatment of him. "We've taken a methodical, well-thought-out approach in the case against chaplain Yee," said Col. Bill Costello, a Southern Command spokesman.

Yee, who graduated from West Point and converted to Islam, faces two counts of mishandling classified material related to "purges" found on him when he was arrested in Florida after a flight from Guantanamo Bay last Sept. 10. He also has been charged with failing to obey an order or regulation; making a false official statement; conduct unbecoming an officer; for downloading pornography; material onto his laptop computer; and adultery with a female officer at Guantanamo Bay.

Halabi was originally charged last summer with 30 offenses, including espionage, aiding the enemy and other allegations based on "scratches" of his in the fall. 13 computers were dropped, including the most serious ones, which could have led to the death penalty. He still faces charges of mishandling classified material and attempted espionage, apparently never alleged out, to pass information to someone in Syria.

# Professionals respond to Iranian earthquake

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Dr. Christopher Born got the telephone call at 2 a.m. the Saturday after Christmas: An earthquake had leveled the ancient Iranian city of Bam, and the United States was sending help.

Hours later, he joined about 60 other surgeons, nurses and paramedics from the International Medical Surgical Response Team on the first U.S. military flight to Iran in 24 years.

They would have little time to think about diplomacy. Early estimates numbered 20,000 dead, probably more.

"I was thinking ... if these numbers were true, how tired we would be," Born, an orthopedic surgeon at Temple University Hospital, said last week in Philadelphia.

In tents set up amid the rubble, without running water or X-rays, the team treated 727 patients in four days — stabilizing and evacuating patients with crushed limbs, delivering six babies, even operating on an Iranian soldier who had accidentally shot himself in the leg.

Once we started raising care of patients, and we were working day and night to take care of these people. I think most of those political questions were resolved," said Dr. Susan Briggs, a trauma surgeon from Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston who leads the team.

The United States and Iran broke diplomatic ties in 1979 after Iranian revolutionaries seized the U.S. embassy in Tehran and held U.S. diplomats hostage for 444 days.

U.S. officials stressed the team's humanitarian purpose. "We saw a need and we responded. We offered and our offer of aid was accepted," state department spokesman



Dr. Christopher Born, an orthopedic surgeon at Temple University Hospital, is shown at the hospital Jan. 14 in Philadelphia. Hours after an earthquake leveled the ancient city of Bam, Iran, last month, Born joined about 60 other surgeons, nurses and paramedics from the International Medical Surgical Response Team on the first U.S. military flight to Iran in 24 years.

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The emergency response team, based in Boston and assembled in 1999 after attacks on two U.S. embassies in Africa, was already on stand-by because of the national orange-level terrorism alert when the state department and the Federal Emergency Management Agency asked for their help in Iran.

The team operates under the National Disaster Medical System of the Department of Homeland Security and trains throughout the year to deploy with just a few hours notice. Their past missions include responding to the World Trade Center attacks and a 2002 typhoon in Guam.

In Iran, the magnitude-6.6 earthquake devastated Bam's health care system. Three hospi-

tals collapsed. Dialysis patients and children with pulmonary disease worsened but dived from the mud brick rubble lost to the American team for help because their own doctors had died.

In the end, the death toll rose to more than 41,000. Residents living in tents outside their wrecked homes suffered post-traumatic stress. One man who hadn't eaten or spoken in five days walked into the field hospital and collapsed, said Briggs. 60.

It's incomprehensible to lose 30 or 40 members of your extended family all at once," she said.

Respecting Iranian cultural beliefs, women on the medical staff made head coverings from triangular arm stives as the team improvised with whatever materi-

als were available. Jacqueline Nally, 40, a clinical nurse supervisor at Mass General, said IV bags and caribool boxes heated with outdoor lights doubled as bassinets and blankets for the newborns.

Iranian soldiers armed with AK-47s guarded the Americans, said Born, 55.

"Because of the diplomatic situation, we were kind of a high profile group," he said. "Many members of our team, myself included, had moments of fear that somebody would make a statement, using us in a way."

When the team left Bam on Jan. 6, they donated their generators, tents and more than \$1 million in medical equipment to a new international Red Cross and Red Crescent hospital.

# Airlines hustle on creating data-disclosure policies

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Major U.S. carriers are scrambling to create disclosure policies that inform customers they might share personal data with the federal government, in response to two highly publicized cases in which airlines secretly handed over private passenger information.

The airlines are working swiftly to alert passengers and protect themselves from liability as the U.S. government is poised to force the carriers as early as next month to turn over data as part of a computerized passenger screening program called CAPPS II.

"We have a lot of work to do here," one airline industry source said. "Everyone agrees there's a sense of urgency because the government wants to get going on CAPPS II as soon as possible."

because of the disclosure last week that Northwest Airlines failed to inform customers that it gave the government records on millions of passengers for a secret security project. In September, JetBlue also admitted it handed over records for a separate project.

Angry passengers have filed class-action lawsuits against both airlines, privacy groups have lodged complaints with government agencies and members of Congress are sending letters with sharp questions to airlines and government agencies involved in the projects.

More than 20 chief operating officers of the nation's largest airlines met here Thursday to discuss for the first time, the possibility of adopting similar privacy policies to cooperate with the CAPPS II program. Airline executives plan to schedule more meetings with officials from the Department of Homeland

Security. The industry hopes to hammer out procedures that will allow the carriers to turn over passenger records while protecting consumer privacy and limiting legal liability.

Legal experts said there are no laws against companies sharing information with the government or other companies. But companies that do not disclose under what conditions they share the information and who gets it could face suits from consumers for deception and breach of privacy. They could also face fines or investigations by government agencies, such as the Federal Trade Commission.

The CAPPS II program is designed to compare passenger reservation records with commercial databases that hold records such as home mortgage loans and credit reports to verify passengers' identity. The passengers' names then will be checked

against criminal and suspected terrorist databases and travelers will be given risk scores of red, yellow or green. The color determines the level of screening a passenger will receive. Passengers who rate a red score will be met by police at the airport.

Once CAPPS II begins this summer, airlines and reservation companies will turn over records to the Transportation Security Administration, where it will be screened and scored. The TSA said it intends to keep the data, which include passenger name, address, telephone number and date of birth, for a number of days.

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DOE to discuss risk-based end state vision for the INEEL

The U.S. Department of Energy is seeking public input on its vision for the future of the INEEL. DOE will be holding a series of public meetings to discuss this new vision. The document is a draft document called "Risk-Based End State Vision for the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory." These meetings will provide an opportunity for the public to learn about the current status of environmental cleanup at the INEEL, and what the final end state is expected to be when the cleanup mission is complete. Public input will be considered in preparing the final document scheduled for release on March 30, 2004.

Please attend one of the following meetings:

Twin Falls, Idaho Tuesday, January 27 6:30 p.m. College of Southern Idaho Taylor Building, Room 425e 315 Falls Avenue	Boise, Idaho Wednesday, January 28 6:30 p.m. Doubletree Hotel, Riverside Emerald Room 2900 Chinden Boulevard	Twin Falls, Idaho Thursday, January 29 6:30 p.m. College of Southern Idaho Taylor Building, Room #25e 315 Falls Avenue
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\* This meeting will be translated into Spanish

For more information, to request a document, or to schedule an advance briefing, please visit <http://cleanupandgenembate.org> or contact Alan Innes, Public Involvement Coordinator, U.S. Department of Energy, Idaho Operations Office, at (208) 326-7524.

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# Iraqi city of Kirkuk fractures along Kurdish, Arabic lines

The Washington Post

KIRKUK, Iraq — This ethnically mixed city sitting atop vast oil resources has become dangerously polarized, with Kurds and Arabs vying to dominate it in the new Iraq.

Talk of ethnic brotherhood has been replaced by heated, exclusionist rhetoric and violence. Kurdish gunfire killed at least two demonstrators at a New Year's Eve march by Arabs and Turkmen — Kirkuk's third major ethnic group — against a measure of autonomy for Kurds. Within a week, unknown gunmen killed three Kurds.

Over at the Turken Center and Billiards Hall in a Turkmen part of town, young men complained that Kurdish teachers had supplanted Arabs and Turkmen and were scheduling exams so that the students could not participate in political demonstrations. The students said they felt intimidated.

"We are getting afraid to speak out," said Anes Sabah Mohammed, a student at Kirkuk Technical Academy, a mixed vocational school. On Jan. 8, someone threw a bomb in front of the school. It shattered windows but injured no one. "Anyone could have put it there," he said. "Everyone could be a target of someone in Kirkuk."

The overthrow of former president Saddam Hussein, rather than ushering in an era of reconciliation, appears to have released long-repressed ethnic rivalries and aspirations here. As the June 30 deadline approaches for the U.S.-led coalition authorities to hand over power to an Iraqi government, all sides are jockeying for position.

Kirkuk has emerged as a key arena. It is a city of impossible riches. Kurds say they make up 40 percent of the population. Arabs say Arabs make up half, and Turkmen, Iraq's third-largest ethnic group, also say they are half of Kirkuk's population.

"Kirkuk is a flash point," said Ghazi Yahya Anglu, an official of the Iraqi Turkmen Front, one of the political parties in Kirkuk. "Kurdish political parties and their militias want to expel 270,000 Iraqi Arabs from Hamrin province, which includes Kirkuk, and want to annex the region to a future autonomous zone. Kurds argue that they are merely redressing an injustice perpetrated by a variety of Iraqi governments that expelled Kurds northward — and took their lands."

Saddam accelerated the program brought in Arab settlers to replace the Kurds.

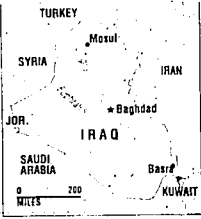
## Sunnis remain confused about road ahead

FALLUJAH, Iraq (AP) — With zeal and a pious Sheik Maki Hussein Hamdan recounted a 7th century tale exalting the virtues of jihad. The Prophet Muhammad, to told worshippers, handed a trusted follower a sword and told him to go out and chop off the heads of God's enemies until it bends.

In the same sermon, Hamdan warned the congregation in this hotbed of anti-American resistance that Sunni Arabs will lose out if they don't step forward and claim their place in Iraq's new political order.

His mixed message Friday reflected the predicament, and perhaps confusion, of the Sunni Arab minority now deprived of its privileged place under Saddam Hussein and facing domination by communities it once oppressed.

Favored by British and Ottoman colonial masters, Sunni Arabs dominated the political and military establishment in Iraq for nearly a century, pushing aside the Shiite majority as well as the large Kurdish community. Sunni prestige peaked under Saddam's 23-year rule, a time that saw the persecution of Shiites and Kurds escalating to include mass executions,



BY GENE THORP—THE WASHINGTON POST

The Kurds say that without irrevocable pledges of expanded autonomy and an explicit commitment to reverse population engineering, they will not go along with U.S. plans to hand over power in Iraq to a central government in Baghdad. The threat represents a major turnaround for the Kurds. During the war, they were the staunchest allies of the United States in Iraq.

Religious leaders of Iraq's majority Shiite Muslim population reject expanded autonomy for the Kurds. Sunni Muslim leaders also reject the Kurdish notion of a federal state, as do northern Iraq's Turkmen, an ethnic group with deep roots here, who say they fear becoming second-class citizens.

All players regard Kirkuk, with a population about 800,000, as the grand prize. It is an ancient city that grew in national importance with the discovery of oil in the 1920s. The wells begin at the city's western edge, where flames from a burned-off natural gas light up the night sky. Kurds, Arabs and Turkmen live in both segregated communities and mixed, but with spring Kurdish refugees from the north began to flood into the city, establishing a police force and dominating the U.S.-appointed city council.

"Of course, this is a sensitive situation, and we want to come back, so naturally there is a period of uncertainty. But people must accept

imprisonment and deportation. When the Iraq war broke out March 20, Kurdish militiamen fought along with the U.S.-led coalition forces against Saddam's army and now hope their American allies will let them keep the autonomy they have enjoyed in their northern strongholds since 1991.

The Shiites sat out the conflict on the advice of their clerics and may now finally see their majority turned into formal political power if elections are held.

The resurgence of the Sunnis to the fall of Saddam and the empowerment of the Shiites and Kurds has been a mixture of violence, denial, retreat and, of late, an attempt to unite to protect their interests.

U.S. forces have for months been coming under daily attacks in Baghdad, where roughly half the 5 million inhabitants are Sunnis, and in areas north and west of the capital where Sunnis are the overwhelming majority.

With Shiites refraining from attacking the Americans, the Sunnis have been seeking to project an image of a community fighting alone against a powerful, non-Muslim occupier — a notion that has won sympathy in Arab and

that there was an injustice. The ones who really fight it are backers of the old regime," said Jalal Jawhar, an official of the Patriotic Union of Kurdistan.

The PUK and the Kurdistan Democratic Party rule a zone in far northern Iraq that was independent of the central government for 12 years following the 1991 Persian Gulf War. Jawhar's office was damaged by a car bomb in November and by mortar fire this month.

Jawhar makes no apologies for the call to expel Arab settlers. He expressed dismay that Arabs were coming to live in Kirkuk in unknown numbers. "I have heard that Arabs are coming or will come," he said, listing a half-dozen city districts where Arabs have settled in.

"We are against the presence of everybody brought in by Saddam Hussein. We want them to leave. We want it in a legal way, but they must leave." International organizations should compensate the Arabs and take them back to their areas of origin, he added.

Qadriya Hussein, a mother of eight, is an Arab who recently settled in Kirkuk after being expelled from her home in the countryside. She has taken refuge in a half-built house on a rutted dirt street. "I don't have time for politics," she said from under a worn shawl, gesturing toward her children. "I need a house. I need food. I need our life to be like it was."

The government moved her and her neighbors from a village farther south in 1977. Returning to that ancestral home is impossible, she said, because a newly built reservoir inundated her village. "Maybe it was wrong that Saddam brought us here, but what were we to do?" she asked.

A political party called the Arab National Bloc, representing Arabs' interests, emerged recently in Kirkuk, but it seems to be devoted as much to the old system of government as to its potential constituency. Its members' rhetoric is as "unIraqi as the Kurds."

"Iraqi Kurdistan is imaginary. The Kurds were their suffering like a flag. Halabja, Halabja, Halabja is all they ever talk about," said Mahmud Ahmad, deputy director of the party, referring to the 1988 poison gassing of thousands of Kurds by Saddam Hussein's armed forces. "Frankly, I think the Kurds did it themselves."

Ubaidy expressed little regret for the Arabization policy, given that the Kurds had "Arabs came here for opportunity like everyone else. The Kurds had trouble with the government, but that is not our fault," he said.

Muslim worlds already filled with anti-U.S. sentiments.

Many Sunni Iraqis have taken to privately deriding Shiites and Kurds as collaborators or foreign agents. Militant Sunnis have been blamed for deadly attacks on Shiite mosques and offices of Kurdish political parties. Kurdish demands for federalism also have deepened the division with Sunnis who fear autonomy will lead to Iraq's dismemberment.

Muayed al-Azami, the imam of Baghdad's al-Imam al-Azami mosque — the Sunnis' traditional seat of spiritual guidance in Iraq — challenges the widespread belief that Shiites make up 60 percent of Iraq's 25 million people. He claims such figures are based on part of the Sunnis' "divide and rule" policy.

"Sunnis are the majority," said al-Azami, who, like many Sunni Iraqis, maintains that Sunnis also suffered under Saddam. "I don't know who came up with the 60 percent figure, but it doesn't reflect reality."

Other Sunnis try to discredit the reverence with which Shiites treat their senior clerics and their traditional emphasis on imagery, which some Sunnis view as heretical.



An Iraqi policeman guards the area where a truck bomb exploded in Samarra, Iraq, as a U.S. patrol passed by Saturday. Three Iraqi civilians were killed and 33 people were injured in the blast, a U.S. military spokesman said. Three American soldiers were slightly wounded.

# Five U.S. soldiers and four Iraqis die in separate attacks in Iraq

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — Bomb attacks in central Iraqi towns killed five American soldiers and four Iraqis on Saturday, a day after two U.N. security experts arrived in the capital to study the possible return of the world body's international staff.

The deadliest attack took place in Khaldiya, west of the capital, where a four-wheel-drive vehicle rigged with explosives drove up to a U.S. checkpoint at a bridge and detonated, a witness said.

The U.S. military said three American soldiers were killed in the attack. Six soldiers and several Iraqi civilians were wounded, the military said.

About 20 miles away, near the town of Fallujah, a roadside bomb went off as a U.S. convoy passed, killing two soldiers.

The latest deaths brought to 512 the number of American service members who have died since the United States and its allies launched the Iraq war March 20.

The two bombings took place in towns in the heart of the so-called Sunni Triangle, the region north and west of Baghdad where the anti-American insurgency has been strongest. Despite Saddam Hussein's capture on Dec. 13, insurgents loyal to him have continued to attack police stations and U.S. troops.

In a third attack Saturday in the area, a truck bomb exploded soon after a U.S. patrol passed by in Samarra, killing four Iraqis and wounding 33 people, military spokesman Brig. Gen. Mark Kimmitt told reporters. Three American soldiers were slightly wounded, he said.

The American military police patrol was turning into a police station to join Iraqi police when the explosion occurred behind it, Sgt. Maj. Nathan-Wilson of the 720th Military Police Battalion.

Also Saturday, at least one sniper in a building shot and wounded an American soldier who was in a foot patrol in a Baghdad neighborhood, Maj. Kevin West said.

A bridge across the Tigris River in Baghdad, leading to the coal-

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tion headquarters, was closed by U.S. troops for two hours Saturday. Witnesses said they were searching for a bomb, but this could not be independently confirmed.

Baghdad has been a frequent target of insurgents. In one of the deadliest attacks, the U.N. headquarters in the capital was bombed in August, killing 22 people including top U.N. envoy Sergio Vieira de Mello. U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan withdrew all foreign U.N. staff in October.

A U.N. military adviser and a security coordinator arrived Friday in Baghdad, the first foreign staff to return since then.

They planned to meet with officials from the U.S.-led coalition and inspect buildings the world body might use, U.N. spokesman Stephane Dujarric said.

"Their primary focus will be to open lines of communication ... and also to look after the interests of our national staff in Iraq," Dujarric said.

Annun also is considering sending a separate security team that would be needed if he decides to send experts to Iraq to determine whether direct elections for a transitional government were feasible.

That team would help resolve a dispute between the coalition and Iraq's leading Shiite Muslim cleric, Grand Ayatollah Ali al-Hussein al-Sistani, who is demanding direct elections as opposed to a U.S. plan that calls for letting

regional caucuses choose a legislature. The legislature would then name a new Iraqi government that will take over from the coalition July 1, under the U.S. plan adopted Nov. 15.

Al-Hakim, who was among members of a Governing Council delegation that met with President Bush on Tuesday at the White House, heads the Supreme Council for the Islamic Revolution in Iraq, the country's most powerful Shiite political group.

He said if the U.N. experts conclude an early vote is not feasible, then sovereignty could be handed over to the U.S.-installed Iraqi Governing Council. But he added it was "a last-resort option."

Al-Hakim's views carry considerable weight in Iraq, where the Shiite majority has risen to dominate the political scene after decades of suppression by the Sunni Arab minority.

The United States maintains it is impossible to hold elections in such a short time given the lack of a census and electoral rolls and the continuing violence.

The Bush administration said Friday it was holding to its July 1 deadline for ending the U.S. occupation but the method of selecting a new government wasn't decided.

Elsewhere Saturday, some 7,000 Kurdish university teachers and students demonstrated in support of federalism outside Sulaymaniyah University in the largest Kurdish city of northeastern Iraq. The demand worries many who fear it will lead to Iraq's breakup into smaller states.

Most Iraqi Kurds, who comprise an estimated 15-20 percent of the country's 25 million people, live in northern provinces, which had enjoyed virtual autonomy under the protection of U.S. and British forces since 1991 following the first Gulf War.

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# Second rover nears Mars landing; officials close in on first's malfunction

PASADENA, Calif. (AP) - The rover Opportunity zeroed in on Mars late Saturday night, making its final turn and positioning a heat shield designed to protect it from burning up during a fiery plunge through the planet's atmosphere.

The turn, which began about 90 minutes before Opportunity was to land on Mars, took about 20 minutes to complete.

The National Aeronautics and

Space Administration warned that communications with the six-wheeled robot would be spotty as it entered and descended through the martian atmosphere. Word of a safe landing could take as long as 22 hours, NASA said.

Opportunity's twin, Spirit, landed Jan. 3. Spirit began malfunctioning Wednesday, after days of sending pictures and other scientific data, but engineers said they were closing in on the problem

that had reduced the rover to spewing gibberish and beeps.

Opportunity was targeted to land 6,500 miles - or halfway around Mars - from Spirit. Together, the twin rovers make up a \$820 million mission to determine if Mars ever was a wetter world capable of sustaining life.

Opportunity, like Spirit, must execute a choreographed sequence of events to ensure its safe arrival on Mars. The only dif-

ference: Opportunity was to open its parachute 4,500 feet higher than Spirit did to compensate for the higher elevation of its landing site.

Spirit developed problems after working nearly flawlessly for days. Engineers brought stability to the rover by disabling its flash memory, which is similar to the memory digital cameras use at store pictures, said Orlando Figueroa, director of NASA's Mars

exploration program.

"We made good progress overnight," project manager Pete Theisinger said during a news conference at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory. "The rover has been upgraded from critical to serious."

Spirit resumed transmitting data Friday, but only in limited batches. The malfunction may prevent the rover from taking another drive on Mars for as long as

three weeks, Theisinger said.

Despite its woes, scientists said there is still a chance the rover can fully recover.

JPL Director Charles Elachi said other NASA spacecraft, including Voyager, Magellan and Galileo, have recovered from even graver problems.

"I am completely confident, without any hesitation, that I think we will get that rover back to full operation," Elachi said.

## Suit

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### The case against Jerome County

Tim Williams' family contends that his constitutional rights were violated in a number of ways, according to documents submitted by attorney Patrick Brown to the judge.

The lawsuit claims that the county created a dangerous situation that led to Williams' death. Officers went into Williams' house at night, unannounced, dressed as "perpetrators" and carrying assault weapons, says the brief, written by Brown.

The brief also claims that the evidence used to obtain a search warrant was coerced, involuntary and unreliable.

Jerome County used the services of informant Mary Ann Taylor, who was staying with Williams at the time. According to Taylor's affidavit, Weaver and Roberts compelled Taylor to cooperate, threatening to take her daughter away if she didn't implicate Williams in illegal drug activity, according to Brown's brief.

Based on Taylor's information, Weaver and his deputies carried out the raid.

The lawsuit asserts that "incompetent police supervisors" set the stage for unnecessary force, which created a dangerous situation.

The county's failure to adequately assess risks - that Williams was deaf in one ear and might not have heard them banging on the door, and that he might have had a gun at hand because he feared for his life. Taylor's ex-boyfriend - makes the county culpable, the brief says.

Roberts and other witnesses claim Williams probably shot first, but exactly who fired the first shot could not be clearly established, according to an investigation conducted by Idaho State Police.

Williams' family alleges that the way members of the sheriff's department entered his house was unlawful. Per Idaho law, officers must "knock and announce," the motion says, and allow an occupant reasonable time to come to the door. The lawsuit states that by failing to do that, the raid constituted an illegal entry.

In the gun battle, Roberts, Moulson and Anderson all shot at Williams.

The lawsuit asserts, however, that Roberts stood over Williams while he was incapacitated and shot him, constituting excessive force.

Also at issue is property seized

by Jerome County after the incident. The lawsuit states the county's holding of the property after the close of the criminal investigation violated the family's right to the property. The deprivation, it claims, is to deliberately limit the family's access to evidence should they want to sue.

### Jerome County's rebuttal

The county's defense states that Williams, not the sheriff's department, created a dangerous situation by pointing a gun at law enforcement after they announced themselves as such, according to a motion written by attorney Martin Hendrickson. Their plan did not call for the use of deadly force, but it was imposed upon them. Officers do not have a duty to protect a suspect from a suspect if they are acting in self-defense of that suspect, the brief says.

The motion asking for dismissal of the lawsuit also invokes the claim that the entry into Williams' house was not illegal. Weaver and Roberts have testified that Deputy Moulson pounded twice on the door, announcing their arrival and commanding Williams to open up. It also states that Taylor, who was inside the house at the time, testified that she heard the officers announce themselves.

The brief states that the application for the search warrant was fair and lawful. There was no coercion of Taylor; rather, she was informed of potential consequences of being in a house where illegal drugs were present.

The county claims that the deadly force they used was reasonable under the circumstances. When officers encounter a threat of serious physical harm, the motion says, they are entitled to defend themselves.

The claim that Roberts stood over the dying Williams is denied by the undersheriff. The brief describes the action of her and the sheriff: After the first round of gunfire, they retreated out of the garage while Moulson and Williams continued to shoot at each other.

Jerome County defends itself against the accusation of illegal seizure of property by asserting that it had justifiable cause to control the evidence from the shooting scene. It claims that Williams' family had means available to them to recover the property but they did not do so.

The county is being defended by attorneys hired by the Idaho Counties Risk Management Program, the county's insurance carrier.

## Arizona inmates release one hostage from guard tower

BUCKEYE, Ariz. (AP) - One of two correctional officers held hostage by two inmates for nearly a week climbed down from a prison guard tower to safety Saturday.

The guard, a man who was not immediately identified, was taken to a Phoenix hospital after his release. Department of Corrections spokeswoman Cam Hunter said she had no immediate details on his condition but said authorities were encouraged he was able to walk down the ladder on his own.

He was released after negotiators delivered an item demanded by the inmates, Hunter said. A second item was delivered as part of the exchange agreement after the hostage was let go.

She did not reveal what the inmates were given.

Negotiators were still working for the freedom of the other hostage, a woman who remained with the two inmates in the tower, which is believed to be stocked

with weapons. Department of Corrections spokesman Alan Ecker said the officer was believed to be OK.

"The safe return of one corrections officer is very encouraging and we are making sure that this brave person is receiving the best of care," Gov. Janet Napolitano said in a statement. "But this is not over. There is another officer being held, and this remains a delicate and dangerous situation."

Follow correctional officers were heartened by the release. "The negotiators are doing a fine job. This is a good sign that they were able to come to some kind of agreement," said Joe Masella, president of the Arizona Correctional Peace Officers' Association.

The release of the correctional officer occurred after an inmate, wearing a guard's uniform jacket, lowered a bucket over the side of the three-story tower and then pulled it back up.

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# Parole possibility reopens old wounds

'70s militants who killed police officer might see freedom

NEW YORK (AP) — More than three decades have passed, but Diane Piagentini can still see the red lights that flashed on her living room windows when the patrol car pulled up.

A chaplain appeared at her door and told her that militants had killed her police officer husband, Joseph Piagentini, 28, and his partner, Waverly Jones, in an ambush in Harlem.

"That night never goes away," she says.

Now, two men convicted in the 1971 killings, Herman Bell and Anthony Bottom, are up for parole hearings, and their case is reviving

passions from an era when radical groups declared war on the establishment.

The powerful Patrolman's Benevolent Association has started a petition drive to head off a repeat of the state Parole Board's surprise decision last year to free another former radical, Kathy Boudin. She had served 22 years for an armored car heist in which two police officers and a security guard were killed in upstate Rockland County.

Police Commissioner Raymond Kelly, an NYPD sergeant at the time of the slayings, also has lobbied against parole for Bell and Bottom.

"The murders of these two officers were different," he wrote in a letter to parole officials. "They



Diane Piagentini, widow of New York City police officer Joseph Piagentini, who was killed in 1971 by members of the Black Liberation Army, sits in her Dear Park, N.Y., home Jan. 8, with photos of her husband.



Joseph Piagentini

were drawn into a trap for the purpose of killing them and fomenting civil unrest."

Bell and Bottom, both former members of the Black Liberation Army, are serving 25-years-to-life terms. Bell will go before the state Parole Board for the first time next month, Bottom in July for the second time.

Bottom, 52, declined a request for an interview; Bell, 55, didn't respond. But supporters describe them as model inmates worthy of release.

Both earned college degrees in prison. A warden has credited Bottom with helping prevent riots. Bell, a former scholarship athlete, coaches inmate football teams.

The convicts count City Councilman Charles Barron, himself a self-described revolutionary, and various leftist groups among their supporters.

"To deny them parole would be a denial of their civil rights," said Monifa Bandeli, executive director of the Malcolm X Grassroots

## Foster dad faces prison time for duct-taping kids

DOYLESTOWN, Pa. (AP) — A man who took photos of two foster children wrapped in duct tape in their cribs was sentenced to 12 to 30 months in prison.

In imposing the sentence on Neil Broe, Judge Alan Rubenstein said the 30 pictures depicted "a horrifying image ... one that will stay with me for a long time."

Some of the photos showed the 2-year-old boy and 1-year-old girl

wrapped at least six times with duct tape around the chest and legs. One picture showed a child's bare legs dangling through crib rails, the ankles bound with packing tape and the diaper wrapped with duct tape.

Authorities alleged Broe, 42, and Colleen Broe, 34, bound the children to keep them under control. Colleen Broe was acquitted of child abuse charges in

November and accused her estranged husband of staging the photos because the couple was in the midst of a divorce.

Neil Broe pleaded guilty to child endangerment, but denied using duct tape.

"I'm guilty of holding on to these photos too long and not getting involved," he said Friday. "I should have thought about the children."

Movement in Brooklyn.

Still calling themselves the "New York 3" — an accomplice died in prison in 2000 — the men insist they were framed by the FBI. Information that a local drug dealer was behind the killings was purposely ignored, they say.

"We are political prisoners because ... the FBI initiated a secret war on the black liberation movement," Bell wrote on one Web site.

Bottom, at a parole hearing in 2002, admitted being a soldier in the Black Liberation Army, a violent offshoot of the Black Panthers. But he emphatically denied killing the officers.

The Black Liberation Army had sanctioned symbolic killings of police officers. Declassified documents show FBI director J. Edgar Hoover responded with a covert campaign to infiltrate and disrupt the B.L.A. and other violent radical movements.

Piagentini, 28, was a white cop with two young daughters. His wife worried about him patrolling tough neighborhoods during the turbulent period. But she convinced herself his partner, who was black, could protect him.

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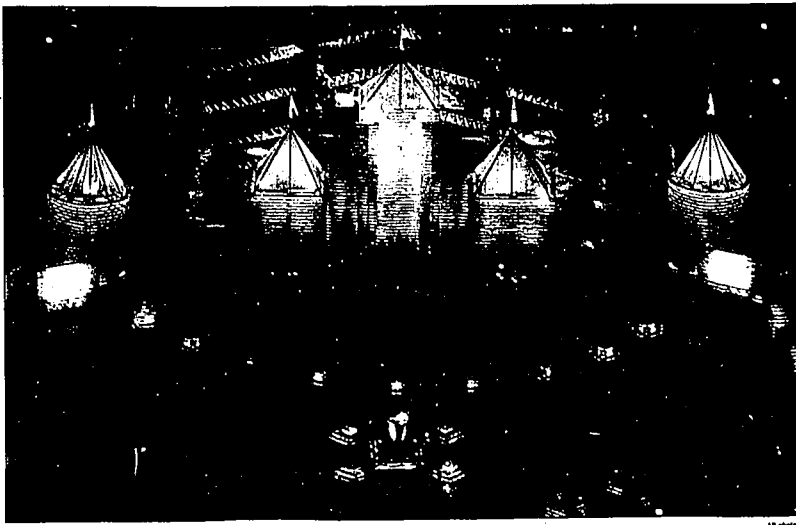
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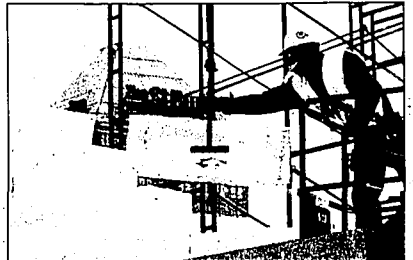
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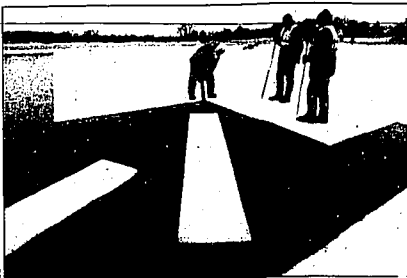


The St. Paul Winter Carnival Ice Palace opened to the public Thursday with an array of changing lights in St. Paul, Minn. The palace, located across from the Xcel Energy Center in St. Paul, is 240-feet long, 75-feet high and is constructed from 27,000 blocks of ice cut from Lake Phalen in St. Paul.

# Majestic ice palace returns to Minnesota



A volunteer construction worker guides a 500-pound block of ice Jan. 16 during construction of the Winter Carnival Ice Palace in St. Paul, Minn.



Volunteers from trade unions cut and float blocks of ice for the Ice Palace from Lake Phalen on Jan. 7. Each of the cuts represents two 500-pound blocks of ice. The last ice palace was built 12 years ago on Harriet Island in St. Paul.

## Towering structure invites thousands to winter carnival

ST. PAUL, Minn. (AP) — Bitter cold hasn't stopped thousands of people from enjoying a fleeting winter marvel along St. Paul's downtown riverfront: a towering ice palace stretching an entire city block.

Some 27,000 blocks of ice — each one 500 pounds and roughly the size of a bathtub — were cut from a nearby lake to build the palace, which stands nearly eight stories high at its tallest turret. It's the city's first ice palace in 12 years, reviving a local tradition cut short by a \$600,000 deficit run up by the 1992 version.

This year's palace, built largely by volunteers for the St. Paul Winter carnival, opened Thursday and will remain through Feb. 8.

It's the city's first ice palace in 12 years.

Ice palaces have a rich history here. Rumor has it, the first was built in 1886 to mock a New York reporter who compared Minnesota to Siberia.

The 1937 ice palace had an elevator in it and at least one included a maze. The last — built in 1992 to coincide with the Super Bowl played in Minneapolis — drew

more than 2.5 million visitors.

This year, visitors can also pay \$5 to stroll through the ice palace for the first time since 1941.

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# A pat on the back or privacy violation?

## School honor rolls come under fire

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — The school honor roll, a time-honored system for rewarding A-students, has become an apparent source of embarrassment for some under-achievers.

As a result, all Nashville schools have stopped posting honor rolls, and some are also considering a ban on hanging good work in the hallways — all at the advice of school lawyers.

After a few parents complained their children might not be included for not making the list, Nashville school system lawyers warned that state privacy laws forbid releasing any academic information, good or bad, without permission.

Some schools have since put a stop to academic pep rallies. Others think they may have to cancel spelling bees. And now schools across the state may follow Nashville's lead.

The change has upset many parents who want their children recognized for hard work. "This is as backward as it gets,"



Good work by students is displayed in a third grade classroom at Percy Priest Elementary School on Friday in Nashville, Tenn. On the advice of school lawyers, some Nashville schools have stopped posting honor rolls, displaying good work on the walls of classrooms, and giving out academic achievement awards. Other schools across the state may follow Nashville's lead.

said Miriam Mimms, who has a son at Meigs Magnet School and helps run the Parent Teacher Association. "There has to be a way to come back from the rigidity." The problem appears unique to Tennessee, since most states follow

federal student privacy guidelines, which allow the release of such things as honor rolls, U.S. Department of Education officials said.

"It's the first time I've heard of schools doing that," said department spokesman Jim Bradshaw.

But Nashville school lawyers based their decision last month on a state privacy law dating back to the 1970s — a law that's not always followed because no one challenged the honor roll status quo.

School officials are developing permission slips to give parents of the Nashville district's 69,000 students the option of having their children's work recognized.

They hope to get clearance before the next grading cycle. Until then, school principals are left trying to figure out what they can and can't do.

Sandy Johnson, chief instructional officer for the Nashville schools, says the restrictions go "far beyond the honor roll."

"It's for anything having to do with grades and attendance or anything normally reserved just for the student or parent," she said.

Getting parents to sign permission slips won't help protect students from being left out, but at least it will comply with the law, school officials said.

In Knoxville, school district spokesman Russ Oakes said they do not think posting good information about a student violates state law. He said they put such

information in the same category as sports statistics.

But some school systems already get parents to sign a release before student information is made public. Others think it might be a good idea to get rid of the honor roll altogether, as Principal Steven Baum did at Julia Green Elementary in Nashville.

"The rationale was, if there are some children that always make it and others that always don't make it, there is a very subtle message that was sent," he said.

Parents at most schools, though, have been close to outrage over the new rule.

"So far, what we've heard parents say is 'This is crazy, spend your time doing other things,'" said Teresa Dennis, principal at Percy Priest Elementary School. "It does seem really silly."

A similar issue over student privacy went to the U.S. Supreme Court two years ago, when some parents objected to students grading each other's work. The court sided with tradition in that case, ruling the long-standing practice of teachers asking students to swap papers and grade them in class does not violate federal privacy law.

## Bush utilizes speech to tout health plan

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush, who has made health care a top item in his election-year agenda, used his weekly radio address Saturday to promote his plan to address rising medical costs and the growing ranks of the uninsured.

The cost of health care is becoming a bigger concern for Americans, according to an Associated Press poll. And several surveys suggest the public is evenly divided on Bush's handling of domestic issues such as education and health care.

As a result, Democrats have pledged to stress the increase in the number of people without health insurance during his three years in office.

In his State of the Union address Tuesday, Bush touted his ideas for attacking the problem. He repeated that remedy, for what he termed "a great priority for our nation," in Saturday's speech.

## Investigators: Workers tape together explosives

WASHINGTON (AP) — Workers at the only U.S. factory for dismantling nuclear weapons risked an explosion and "violent reaction" this month by taping together broken pieces of high explosive being removed from the plutonium trigger of an old warhead, federal investigators said.

The unorthodox handling of the unstable explosive increased the risk that the technicians would drop it and set off a "violent reaction," the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board said Tuesday in a letter to Energy Secretary Spencer Abraham.

Such a reaction could have "potentially unacceptable consequences," board chairman John T. Conway said in the letter, which raised disquieting questions about safety at the Energy Department's Pantex nuclear weapons plant near Amarillo, Texas.

No one was hurt and nothing exploded.

However, the National Nuclear Security Administration, which oversees the Energy Department's nuclear weapons programs, is investigating, spokesman Bryan Wilkes said Friday.

Conway's letter did not make clear whether the explosive had been separated at the time from the softball-sized pit, or trigger, of a thermonuclear warhead. To prevent a thermonuclear blast, the pit would have to have been separated from the larger warhead.

But if the explosive were still

connected to the trigger, an explosion could have injured or killed workers, and could have spread plutonium or other radioactive materials around the facility.

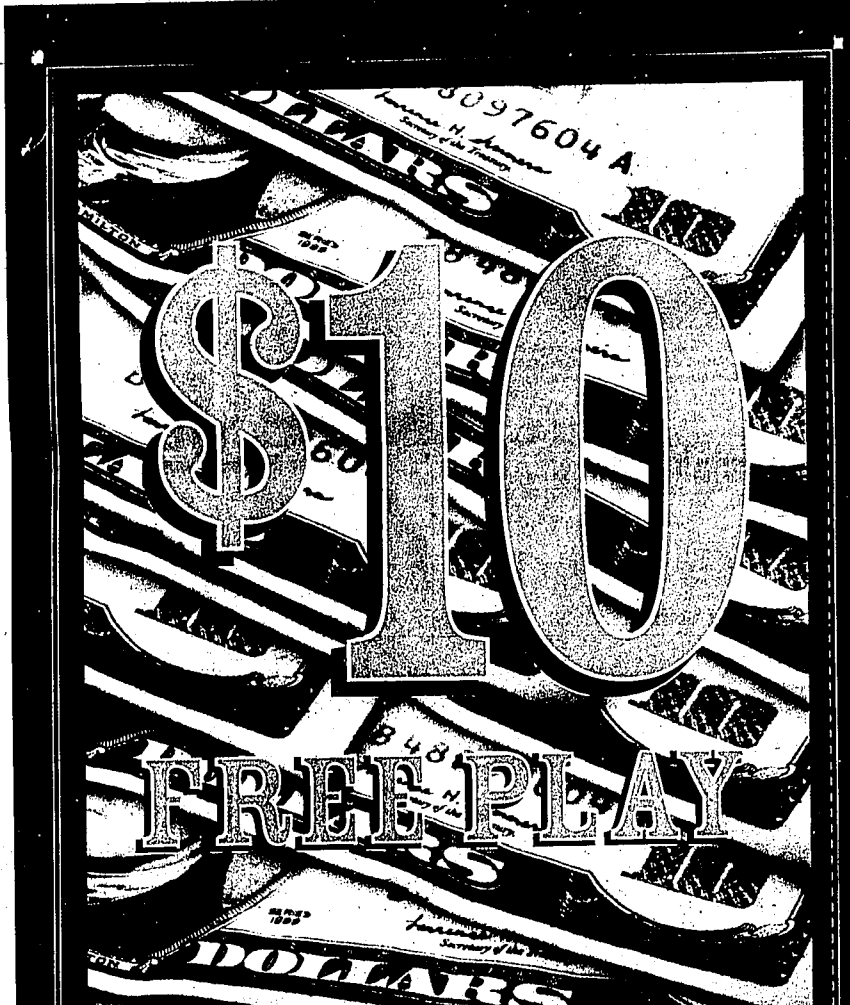
The taping and removal of the explosive did not go as planned, and only quick thinking by the technicians prevented them from dropping the explosive, Conway wrote.

Conway said that taping the explosives together was just one of several mistakes made by Pantex officials that risked an explosion. Pantex officials also downplayed the risk, Conway noted, calling the cracks in the explosive and the fact that workers taped it together a "trivial" change in procedures.

Jud Simmons, a spokesman for Pantex plant operator BWX Technologies Inc., did not return telephone messages on Friday.

The problem occurred when workers were dismantling the plutonium "pit" from a nuclear warhead. The pit is the sphere of plutonium metal surrounded by explosives. When those explosives detonate, the plutonium is compressed, causing a nuclear explosion in a thermonuclear weapon, that explosion sets off an even stronger nuclear blast.

Workers found the explosives around the pit were cracked, making them more unstable and easier to deformate, Conway wrote. Their solution was to tape together the cracked explosives and move them to another location.



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# Kerry scores new endorsement

MANCHESTER, N.H. (AP) — John Kerry collected the endorsement of a leading environmental group Saturday while Howard Dean voiced fresh confidence that he can surmount Iowa to win the New Hampshire presidential primary.

Dean scaled back his television advertising in states with Feb. 3 contests to concentrate his spending on New Hampshire. He is pouring in about \$500,000 through Tuesday's primary and his ads in New Mexico ended Wednesday.

Weekend in South Carolina and Arizona will stop running this weekend.

Kerry picked up the backing of the League of Conservation Voters. "John Kerry understands that the American people need a president who will never roll over to corporate contributors at the expense of the health and safety of the public," said its leader, Deb Callahan.

It's the first time the group has endorsed prior to the primary season, and officials said they would target some 36,000 registered environmental voters in New Hampshire on behalf of the Massachusetts Democrat.

At a rally Saturday morning, Kerry told the group he would put an end to the "false argument that America must choose between 'environmental' efforts and the economy."

Reflecting his improved standing in the polls, Kerry is tightly focusing his fire on Republicans, with only the most glancing of swipes at his Democratic rivals.

Those rivals, meanwhile, were scrambling to find ways to slow momentum that is reflected in the polling — showing the Massachusetts senator building a significant lead in advance of Tuesday's party primary.

Former Gov. Howard Dean told supporters Saturday, "Things are



After his hockey game, presidential hopeful Sen. John Kerry, D-Mass., skates around the rink and points to well-wishers and hockey fans during a campaign stop Saturday afternoon in Manchester, N.H. At the event, Kerry played hockey with former players of the NHL's Boston Bruins, members of the U.S. Women's National team, firefighters and New Hampshire high school players.

closing fast. We can win this. What we are seeing in the last few days is that people who went away from us after we lost Iowa are coming back."

"There are a lot of people who are going from other candidates into the undecided column," Dean told a rally of volunteers in Somersworth, N.H.

Jay Carson, a Dean spokesman, said the campaign has not yet decided how many days it will be in the dark in New Mexico, Arizona and South Carolina.

"We're stressing that right now. We still have strong organizations in all of those places," he said. "But we're focusing on New

Hampshire right now in terms of our advertising."

On a busy campaign morning, retired Gen. Wesley Clark-touted his executive experience as a military commander, saying it makes him better suited than Kerry to be president.

"My experience is the experience of leadership, of setting goals and organizing teams, of bringing people together, motivating and inspiring and making tough decisions," Clark said at one of his trademark pancake breakfasts.

A woman had asked Clark what she should tell her friends who are trying to decide between him

and Kerry.

And North Carolina Sen. John Edwards, splitting his time between New Hampshire and South Carolina in recent days, put out word in New Hampshire that he will compete in Missouri's Feb. 3 primary. "We are going to play in Missouri," said his spokesman, Jennifer Palmieri.

On Friday, Kerry accused President Bush and his administration of shortchanging health and pension programs for veterans. The tough, patriotic rhetoric from the White House isn't backed up by actions, he told a group of 400 activists, most of them veterans.



Jim Rassmann holds his head as he recalls stories from Kerry during a interview in Florence, Ore. Rassmann credits Vietnam for saving his life in Vietnam.

## Kerry's war heroism moves vet to campaign

FLORENCE, Ore. (AP) — Jim Rassmann was swimming in a muddy brown river in Vietnam's Mekong Delta, ducking Viet Cong bullets from both banks and expecting to be killed even if he made it to shore, when John Kerry turned his patrol boats around and came to the rescue.

"You know what a mad minute is?" asked Rassmann, who was a 21-year-old U.S. Army Special Forces lieutenant that day nearly 35 years ago. "A mad minute is when you fire everything you've got steadily for a minute. They do it in the military for demonstration purposes. That's what it was like."

The coxswain of Kerry's 60-foot patrol boat pulled up to Rassmann, who eased himself up but a net hanging over the bow, but couldn't make it onto the deck. Kerry, his arm wounded in the explosion that blew Rassmann off the boat, ran to the bow and pulled him aboard.

Rassmann was so impressed by Kerry in the March 13, 1969, rescue that he nominated Kerry for the Silver Star, and was disappointed when the Navy awarded the Bronze Star with a "V" for valor.

Now, Rassmann is changing his registration to Democrat so he can vote for Kerry in the May 18 Oregon primary.

He also is joining the senator from Massachusetts in his New Hampshire campaign for the Democratic presidential nomination.

"Newt Gingrich disappeared

called people like me the Volvo Republicans — we are fiscal conservatives and social liberals," said Rassmann, a retired Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department lieutenant with a passion for orchids. "This political thing is just for John, and the fact that I think he would be the best president."

"If he had done a lousy job in the Senate and I thought his ideas were ridiculous, I wouldn't have called him. I wouldn't have bought him dinner, but I wouldn't have called him."

Rassmann called Kerry's headquarters last week from his home on the Oregon Coast after reading an account of the rescue in "Blink of a Duty" by Douglas Brinkley. Rassmann had been visiting his mother in Glendale, Calif., when he went to a book store to buy a CD of operatic arias transcribed for violin.

At the cash register, he saw a stack of books with Kerry's picture.

"I opened it to the damned page," describing the rescue, said the 56-year-old Rassmann. "I nearly started crying in the store. I showed it to my wife. I couldn't believe it. We both shook our heads."

Rassmann put the book back on the counter and returned home to Oregon. A few days later he was reading newspapers online when, on a whim, he called Kerry's campaign. He told them Kerry had saved his life in Vietnam and he wanted to help.

## Edwards accents the positive in presidential primaries

Los Angeles Times

MANCHESTER, N.H. — In his presidential campaign for president, North Carolina Sen. John Edwards has taken the issue directly to New Hampshire voters: namely, he sounds different than he does.

As he crisscrosses the Granite State where the natives speak in a clipped New England inflection, Edwards has sought to turn a easy-rolling Southern drawl into a political asset. When asked if he can beat President Bush, Edwards tells audiences here that to win back the White House in November, the Democratic nominee will need to embrace a broad nationwide appeal.

And most critical, the party standard-bearer must win key votes south of the Mason-Dixon line. "I can win in the North, in the West, in the Midwest and, talking like this," he says, pointing to his mouth, "in the South."

While some Democratic candidates have historically done well in New Hampshire — including Jimmy Carter, who finished second and Bill Clinton, who finished first — in 1992 — the state is littered with the graveyards of would-be Southern presidential campaigns.

Edwards got a big boost in momentum in the Iowa caucuses this week, finishing second among four major candidates. But to win over voters in New Hampshire, he may have to exorcise the ghosts of some Southern past.

For liberal New England Democrats, Edwards' Carolina drawl may summon such disparate images as the Bible-belt South and conservative politics to NASCAR.

A Southern-bred sport, according to Harrison Hickman, an Edwards pollster from North Carolina.

"People hear it as the voice of

gentility or the voice of an imbecile," he said. New Hampshire focus groups, Hickman added, have mentioned Edwards' drawl but do not pass judgment.

Still, Edwards' New Hampshire campaign has avoided using poll callers with Southern accents. Hickman said, "I'm sure Northern candidates won't have New Englanders calling in the South either."

From Iowa to New Hampshire, Edwards has used his Southern charm to win voters. When he became aware that a woman had passed out during an event in Iowa, the candidate stopped his speech.

"Asking about her welfare, he walked to the edge of the Drake University stage. 'Let's just make sure she's OK,'" he repeated. "Is she OK?"

As the work was helped to her feet, Edwards leaned toward her: "Thank you, darlin'," he said. "Thank you for bein' here."

New Hampshire resident Jessica Eakin, who attended college in North Carolina, says regional attitudes could clash in Edwards' campaign here.

"When I went there, I had the attitude that everybody was a bit dimmer," she said. "Society is very closed in New England, and we don't take to people who are from somewhere else."

Waiting with 300 people for Edwards to speak at Dartmouth College on Wednesday, Eakin drew a cultural contrast between the natives: New Hampshire natives are known for blunt reticence, while Southerners tend to be more social, which can translate here as a less-than-serious attitude.

"Howard Dean, for example, is much more in your face," she said. "John Edwards comes across as more laid-back, and that can be seen as untrustworthy."

Yet the unemployed librarian likes the boyish North Carolina senator. "Edwards is charming. He's very presidential. He has a presence."

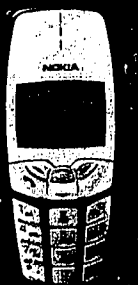
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# Palestinian student lives behind walls

## Concrete security barrier surrounds 19-year-old's world

By Ravi Nessiman  
Associated Press writer

**NAZZLAT ISSA, West Bank** — Mohammed Hussein is surrounded by walls.

His family's village in the northern West Bank is outlined in concrete. Workers are putting the last touches on a barricade overlooking his university campus, 45 miles to the south. And last week, he woke up to find 25 feet of towering concrete rising up next to his apartment outside Jerusalem.

"That's my new view — wall," the 19-year-old nursing student says. "The barrier has cut thousands of Palestinians off from their fields, schools and essential services. In Hussein's case, it is crushing his spirit."

"What can I do? This is my life," he says. "I feel claustrophobic. I don't have the opportunity to live free like a young man should."

Israel says it is building the barrier to keep out Palestinian militants who have killed more than 400 Israelis in suicide bombings over the past three years.

While the barrier Israel is building in the West Bank is mostly fences, razor wire and trenches, Hussein has the misfortune of living near the sections that are made of interlocking concrete and stand 18 to 25 feet tall.

The military says it only uses the massive, interlocking concrete slabs in urban areas, to prevent militants with guns or rocket-propelled grenades from shooting over or through them.

Until recently, the barrier had little effect on Hussein's life.

Then a month ago, a college friend who came back from a visit to their village of Nazlat Issa told him a long section of wall had gone up along the boundary with Israel.

Hussein thought he was joking.

About two weeks ago at midnight, he and his three roommates were studying in their crowded, messy apartment in the Jerusalem suburb of Abu Dis when they looked out the window and saw bulldozers ripping up the 6-foot-high wall that had divided their building from the city.

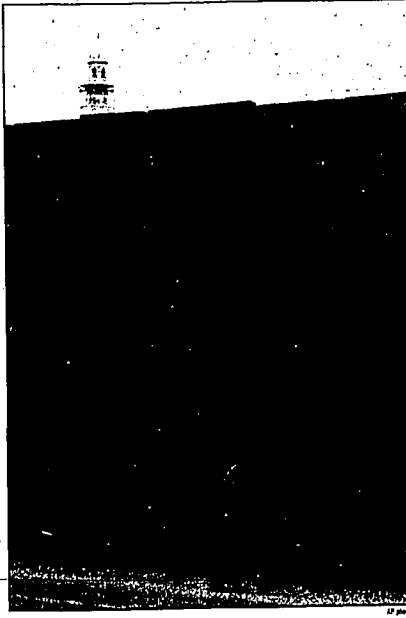
The students thought the Israelis might be widening the barrier. Hussein's friend shook him awake the next morning and the two stared at the huge barrier being trucked in to replace the old one, which children, businessmen and old women had scolded every day to reach Jerusalem.

The view from his third-floor apartment is now split like a bifocal: the top half offering a sweeping scene of the green flecked hills of Jerusalem, the bottom a shadow of brown, rutted concrete.

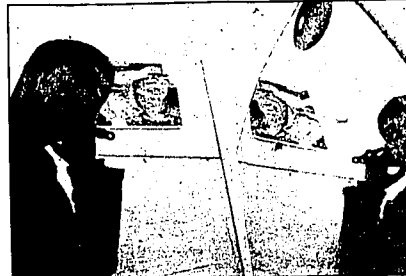
On a recent day, Hussein slipped on his tan leather jacket on the short trip from his apartment to Al Quds University to take final exams after his first semester of college.

The barrier was supposed to slice through the campus, cutting off a soccer field, the basketball court and part of a parking lot, but a compromise kept the school unified.

As Hussein ran through the campus searching for his exam room,



Mohammed Hussein, a 19-year-old nursing student walks next to 8-meter-tall cement barricades, part of the separation barrier built by Israel in the West Bank village of Nazlat Issa.



Hussein combs his hair in his apartment just outside Jerusalem. Last week, he woke up to find eight meters of towering concrete rising next to his apartment.

an Israeli bulldozer on a nearby hilltop graded the earth around a newly built section of wall.

The next day, he was back in his home village for school vacation. Drinking coffee on the flat roof of his home, he had a view of chickpea fields, tangerine orchards and — a few hundred yards away — the newly erected concrete wall.

The wall separates Nazlat Issa from the Israeli Arab town of Baqa al-Gharbiya, where Hussein used to go three times a week for karate lessons. His family used to sell vegetables at the market there and, when they had a little extra money, treat themselves to a meal at a cafe.

Many of his neighbors can no longer reach their jobs in factories and farms in Israel. A village market was destroyed to make way for

the wall. A family friend of Hussein's, also in the way, is now full of rubble.

Since Nazlat Issa is also cut off from the West Bank, by a fence and roadblocks, the cost of bringing in goods has increased and everything has become more expensive, he says.

Hussein says he is not really interested in politics, just karate, and, of course, girls. The walls of his university apartment are decorated with pictures of Arabic pop stars, though there is also one of Yasser Arafat. "I have nothing to lose if I put Arafat's picture up on my wall," he says.

However, he does support Palestinian suicide bombers, he stated reasons for the barrier he so dislikes, calling them fighters trying to win freedom.

# Georgia's new leader starts with symbolic ceremony

GELATI, Georgia (AP) — Georgia's president-elect chose a deeply symbolic exercise to launch his inaugural weekend — taking a spiritual oath beside the grave of a king who ruled at a time of power and prosperity nearly 1,000 years ago.

Mikhail Saakashvili, the young and energetic anti-corruption crusader who was elected this month after leading protests that brought down longtime President Eduard Shevardnadze in November, is to be sworn in Sunday in the capital, Tbilisi.

But for the day before he takes power, Saakashvili planned a spiritual ceremony at the tomb of David the Builder, a king who increased Georgia's wealth and prestige in the 12th century after being handed the reins of a country beset by attackers at age 16.

Saakashvili, 36, was to take an oath on the Bible and receive a blessing from the leader of the dominant Georgian Orthodox Church, Catholicos-Patriarch Ilia II, at the Gelati Monastery outside Kutaisi, a former capital and religious and educational center about 124 miles northwest of the capital, Tbilisi. Hundreds of clothes, dressed in the finest robes, climbed the rutted, winding road leading up a steep hill to the yellowish stone monastery on

Saturday to watch the ceremony.

David, who is revered for unifying and expanding Georgia, is clearly a strong symbol for Saakashvili, who is taking over a country fractured by separatism and desperate for change after years of post-Soviet decline and disappointment.

He faces a set of monumental tasks: fighting corruption, which has kept state coffers empty while a few rich people live in luxury, and putting the economy back on its feet despite the disappearance of a captive Soviet-era market for its products.

He also will have to deal with three provinces with varying degrees of self-rule and manage the minefield of relations with Moscow, which dominated Georgia for more than two centuries.

A U.S.-trained lawyer whose wife is Dutch, Saakashvili has won support from the West, receiving pledges of \$2 million for a newly created U.N. trust fund that will be used to help pay government salaries as a way to fight corruption.

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# Sharon refuses to give up

## Analysts say scandal may bring him down

JERUSALEM (AP) — Ariel Sharon's premiership appears to be in serious jeopardy for the first time in three years on the job.

Corruption allegations against Sharon had been percolating for years, but last week's indictment of real estate mogul David Appel for allegedly bribing the prime minister with \$600,000 has set off a political storm.

If Sharon is indicted on bribetaking, he would likely be forced to resign. Prosecutors say the decision on an indictment could take weeks or months and will depend on whether there is overwhelming evidence that Sharon took money with criminal intent. The Appel indictment doesn't accuse Sharon of wrongdoing.

On Friday, Channel Two TV reported that police would question Sharon about the bribery allegations in about two weeks. Quoting unidentified Sharon advisers, it also said the prime minister would resign if indicted.

All this may have little effect on Mideast peacemaking, since the U.S.-backed "road map" plan has been stalled for months with no signs of a breakthrough.

However, some say Sharon might speed up unilateral steps in the West Bank and Gaza Strip. In recent weeks, the prime minister has raised the possibility of imposing a boundary on the Palestinians and dismantling a few Israeli settlements if there is no end to the stalemate with the Palestinians in six months.

Analyst Yossi Alpher said a dramatic move could help Sharon deflect attention from the corruption cases. "This would give him a lot of popularity and strengthen his position," Alpher said.

Sharon's likely successor would be Benjamin Netanyahu, himself a former prime minister. Netanyahu is a staunch opponent of Palestinian statehood, whereas Sharon has said a Palestinian state is inevitable — though he wants to give up much less land for it than



Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon pauses as he speaks to Likud supporters in Tel Aviv. A defiant Sharon brushed off calls to resign Thursday and vowed to see out his term in office, but even ministers from his own party said his days as prime minister may be numbered.

the Palestinians demand.

Even if there is no indictment, Appel's trial, with American celebrity lawyer Alan Dershowitz assisting the defense team, is expected to keep the suspicions against Sharon on the front pages.

And a disgruntled former Sharon adviser, a private investigator who has accused the prime minister of lying about his finances, says he has audio and video tapes of his meetings with Sharon, and reportedly gave the material to the police.

Sharon told cheering activists of his Likud Party he was staying put at least until the next election, in 2007.

"I arrived here as prime minister and as chairman of the Likud, a position I plan to fill for many more years," he said.

"He will hang on for dear life," said political scientist Gadi Wolfsfeld.

Sharon was forced out of office once before, as defense minister in 1983, after being held indirectly responsible for the massacre of hundreds of Palestinian refugees militiamen.

From that low point, Sharon clawed his way back to the Cabinet and political respectability, though until just a few years ago, few Israelis could imagine the

divisive politician ever becoming prime minister.

That changed after the outbreak of Israeli-Palestinian fighting in 2000, when Israelis suddenly needed a tough leader. Sharon was elected in early 2001, and re-elected two years later, both times by a landslide.

Some of Sharon's troubles appear connected to the 1999 Likud leadership primary. Police investigated whether he obtained an illegal loan during the race, possibly in exchange for financial favors.

Sharon's resignation as prime minister and Likud leader wouldn't mean elections. A legislator, probably from Likud, the largest party in Parliament, would be given a week to form a new government and take over as prime minister.

Top contenders for Likud leader — and the premiership — would be Netanyahu, Foreign Minister Silvan Shalom and Vice Premier Ehud Olmert, with the decision left up to the party's 3,000-member central committee.

In the central committee, Netanyahu has a slight edge over Shalom, while Olmert — also named as a recipient of bribes in the Appel affair — is a distant third, said political commentator Hanna Crystal.

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## EDITORIAL

### A public hospital means accountability to locals

To hear Magic Valley Regional Medical Center leaders explain it, they have two motives for privatizing the county-owned hospital.

Those would be shutting out the competition, and shutting out the local newspaper.

This month, the board voted 9-2 to recommend a shift from county governance to a private, nonprofit entity known as a 501(c)3. The two dissenting votes came from Bill Block and Tom Mikesell.

Mikesell's vote carries weight, since he's a Twin Falls commissioner, one of the three men who will decide the issue.

He has indicated the commissioners think the hospital should stay in county residents' hands.

That's the right conclusion. And that's what this issue is really about: Who this issue is really about.

Under the current county governance, the hospital and its management can be observed by you - the owners. Under a 501(c)3 structure, control of all policies, practices and finances would go to a select group of physicians and community members.

The hospital's chief executive officer, John Kee, argues that public disclosure of hospital information gives an advantage to competitors - the small centers, surgery centers and local labs. But Magic Valley has a substantial edge of its own. Its resources and size have effectively squeezed out its main competition in Twin Falls.

The truth is, as much as hospital leaders portray county governance as archaic, it clearly has helped the hospital prosper over the years. This is why Mikesell and the commissioners should keep it in place.

The other argument by hospital leaders is that newspaper coverage, including editorials in this column, impedes effective hospital management.

Magic Valley Regional management wants to portray this issue as a disagreement between the hospital and the newspaper. That's not the issue at all.

This newspaper has focused energy on hospital management and salaries (Kee calls it an "obsession") because the hospital belongs to you.

Regional is worth tens of millions to the county, and it is the primary health-care entity for the whole valley.

As long as Twin Falls County owns this asset, county residents are entitled to know how it is being managed, particularly in financial terms. But if the hospital becomes a 501(c)3, that accountability will be diminished.

The fact that the hospital has not depended on county tax funds does not make the facility exempt from scrutiny or accountability. Hospital management decisions have an impact on county residents.

Consider the recent creation of an ambulance tax district. As a public hospital, Magic Valley Regional was required by law to divulge its salary information for ambulance workers. Through that information, county residents and hospital raters could see how overtime pay has contributed to the rising costs of ambulance service.

If the hospital becomes a private entity shielded from public oversight, that kind of information will never again be the light of day.

If hospital officials convince the county to make Magic Valley Regional a private entity, they'll do more than shut out the newspaper. They'll shut out the entire public - the legal owners of the facility.

County commissioners should stand firm in keeping Magic Valley Regional accountable to the public.

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

**Our view: The drive to privatize Magic Valley Regional Medical Center is about screening out the public, not just the local newspaper.**

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## Don't forget the 'wild' in wildlife

**KARL FRANCIS**  
Please bear with me. I am an Alaskan, and Alaskans, for better or worse, are given to looking down on the rest of the nation. We mean no offense; it is just in our nature, and because of our place on this Earth, which leads us to be confused from time to time when we visit the Lower 48.

I am puzzled now by the strange way people here are dealing with mountain lions - which is to say, letting them kill you.

Nature, killing people, is a big deal for Alaskans. That's the way things are in Alaska.

When you step out into it, you are at risk. If you are wise, you prepare for it. Alaska does not suffer fools, and I will not suffer, those who prepare well and try their best to stay alive. I have lost too many close friends to her, sensible folks who came up against something too tough to handle. Our stories of untimely death are endless, and I will not burden you with them.

I would just mention that I have been breathtakingly close to extinction a mistake, but often just for being out there.

About a year ago, in the Arctic coast village of Kakovik, my son, Nick, and I were walking

from our office to our residence when we came upon huge polar bear prints in our path, going the other way. It being cold and dark and very windy, those tracks would not have lasted more than a few minutes. And so that bear was close behind us. We had passed it without seeing it.

In case you think otherwise, polar bears hunt people down and eat them. And I have eaten polar bears. And grizzly bears. And other critters. Cooked right, bears taste really good.

Apparently the feeling is mutual. This particular night I did not intend to be eaten nor to see Nick eaten. So I drew my .41 magnum revolver, a modest bear gun but better than teeth and fingernails. As luck would have it for all three of us, we missed each other.

I love bears, and not just to eat. I used to study them. I have friends who have spent all their professional lives studying them. You can't spend time around bears and not admire them. But none of us go into bear country without the means to protect ourselves.

I don't know much about big cats. We don't have them in Alaska, and the few I have encountered southward were pretty spooky. They are elegant creatures, and I do respect them. I do not go where they are without the means to protect myself. And I keep my eyes peeled. It is in my genes not to be eaten by bears, large cats or anything else.

Why would anyone go into mountain lion country without the means to protect themselves from attack? I notice the police are armed. The wardens and rangers are armed. Indeed, anyone with any clue where they are would be armed. I have a buddy, an Albuquerque, N.M., cop. She likes to ride mountain bikes in remote places. This is a beautiful lady but tough. I asked her once what she does when she is out there and has an encounter with something nasty.

It has happened. In silent response, she unzipped her fanny pack, which she carries on her belly, exposing both her badge and her .357 magnum pistol. Evil backs away from that lady.

Now that makes sense to me. But then, I'm not from these parts.

Karl Francis, a former professor and congressional lobbyist, lives in Fairbanks, Alaska.

## Freedom vanish as we allow them to go

When America loses its freedom, it won't be because we are tyrants, terrorists or bad citizens. It will be voted away, legislated away, amended away by well-meaning politicians.

They will sacrifice freedom thinking to solve national problems. This will be done under a promise it will be only for five to 10 years! Remember how the Nazis gained power? Have we forgotten history's lesson? Have we lost sight in trouble, they trade off liberty for security. This is how a dictator comes to power. Too late, the citizens discover shackles instead of rainbows. Lost is individual freedom, freedom of religion, press and speech. Also lost is a fair judicial system. Trust by public opinion as we are seeing on TV today.

How fast we can lose our liberty!  
**EDNA BYERS**  
HEYBURN

## Get ready for more politics of destruction

Another election year is here, and I guarantee we're going to see a level of maliciousness and viciousness like never before. The rancor and nastiness of the last year is just a warm-up to the venom of the next nine months. Nixon's political hit-team - Hunt, Sturgis and Segretti - will look like chobretts in comparison.

I expect better, but I also know better. The discordant ugliness that is today's politics is exactly what we've allowed it to become. We want entertaining spectacle more than truthfulness. We want leaders who flatter our vanity, give voice to our irrationalities, validate our prejudices and cater to our greed. We let them say and do whatever they want, trample the Constitution and demand positions of honor. Yippee for us.

The reality is that as humans we all have weaknesses and many of today's leaders know how to play to those weaknesses. We

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allow it because it's safer to cling to someone who justifies and excuses our weaknesses.

Our big problem is that self-esteem and self-worth are all important. People no longer think they're right, they only think they can't be wrong. Anyone invading this thought process with reason and truth becomes the enemy - dismissed with sarcasm, shouted down and labeled as crazy or threatened. Conversely, anyone supporting this special thought process is blindly followed as a great leader. You find this not only in politics, you find this in religion, you find this in business and I find this wholly distasteful.

Is it any wonder that we're held in such contempt by our so-called leaders? They can't respect people so easily manipulated and lied to and who won't hold them accountable. Republicans, now in power, know they only need say "smaller government, tax cuts, God and country," and they'll have their core supporters.

Democrats, now out of power, desperately scream "racists, evil rich and government programs for all" and will have their core supporters. Does being taken for granted not bother you? If not, does being lied to for granted while being spit upon bother anyone?

Apparently it doesn't bother anyone because we keep lining up for more. So, on with the show (such as it is). Lucky elections, America!

**WILLIAM HACKER**  
FLOR

## Studebaker ordered column crossed the line

Regarding the article written by Bill Studebaker, October sent, Jan. 22, "Cooling down the elk,"

the bull fell across the road for the wolves and ravens. Tied to the top of the car and left. Hung in a friend's garage and joked they could clean the blood off the car."

They, fellow hunters and outdoor doors people and law enforcement departments, did you read this article I paraphrased above? This is a total outrage! Also, violation of numerous Fish and Game laws and shouldn't be made light of now or in the future. Action should be taken by The Times-News and the Department of Fish and Game to see that Studebaker, his friend and any other violators damn sure make sure they don't brag about incidents like this and then have the newsprint print it along with the county bashing in the editorial section - irresponsible and not based on anything other than negative bias! Change is hard to accept in this area. The county does need a larger jail, newer offices, better pay, etc. The county evidently does not want to respond to these attacks, will do so in the near future.

People, you can't live in the '50s forever! You want and like all the goodies of the present, like computers, TV, fancy cars, new homes, big fancy stores, paved roads, glass windows, but you don't want the baggage that comes with progress.

Yes, taxes will increase modestly to catch up, so cut back on the dinner out, keep the truck a year longer and you'll never notice the increase.

Have a great day!  
**BILL JONES**  
Twin Falls

Editor's note: Bill Studebaker's "Dog-Baited Tale" column has been intended as a humorous presentation of tall tales about outdoor adventures. Studebaker said that Thursday's column was based loosely on an actual event, but that no fish and game violations actually took place. We regret that the column gave readers an incorrect impression, and that we did not label the content of the column more clearly.)

## Idaho must fight effort to leave waste

The Snake River Aquifer, southern Idaho's lifeline, is at risk from a half-century of nuclear activity at the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory. The Department of Energy wants to neglect that risk and abandon cleanup of INEL before the job is done.

INEEL was added to the Superfund list of the most contaminated places in the country in 1991, and some of its less serious environmental threats are being addressed. But from its inception, the INEL cleanup program has been a target for Washington, D.C., "reforms" aimed at "faster, cheaper" cleanup. The predictable result of spending less money and less time is - less cleanup.

## READER COMMENT

**Beatrice Braliford**

In 2000, the DOE announced plans to reduce the cost-and-time spent cleaning up its nuclear weapons and waste sites across the country. In addition to reducing the estimated 70-year cleanup schedule, the DOE proposed slashing the budget by \$100 billion, nearly one-third of its own early estimates for complex-wide cleanup. To make program changes this radical, the DOE would also have to change some of the laws, regulations and agreements it has already reached with states and affected communities.

The latest step in the DOE's "Accelerated Cleanup" program - called "Risk-Based End States" - widely misused, since the path it advocates is not based on risk to people and the environment; it is instead based on cost. Over the years, the DOE, the regulators in the Environmental Protection Agency and the state of Idaho, and people whose lives and livelihoods could be harmed by pollution at the site worked within a framework of risk assessment, legal agreements and community values (including the primacy of clean water and Idaho's economy) to agree that the vast majority of INEL will eventually be clean enough for people to live on but that the DOE will maintain control for about a hundred more years.

The DOE's new "vision" for the site's end state is that it will be under government control forever. The implication is that somehow the contamination will be, too, and that it will not jeopardize our health, water, or ecology. The DOE is already using this new scheme to advocate changing some current cleanup agreements. As ominous as it sounds, the new vision will be the basis for upcoming decisions on how to address the most significant environmental threats at INEL.

The most serious - though by no means only - threats at the INEL are the high-level waste tank farm and the burial grounds. To save money and time, the DOE has attempted in both federal court and Congress to "reclassify" high-level waste from representing as low-level in order to circumvent the law and abandon it in underground tanks forever. In July 2003, a federal district judge ruled that such attempts by the DOE were illegal. Yet the DOE continues to work to persuade members of Congress to do an end run around the courts and rewrite federal law. The DOE is also ignoring a federal district court ruling that the state of Idaho's 1995 Settlement Agreement includes the buried plutonium-contaminated waste, requiring its removal from shallow burial.

The chance that these efforts to roll over current laws and agreements will succeed will be much higher if the new scheme prevails. This new cleanup plan will only make it easier for the DOE to leave its Cold War legacy in the ground above Idaho's water. Although the Snake River Alliance shares the DOE's desire for "cheaper, faster" cleanup at INEL, every time the DOE tries to minimize cleanup, it breaks decades of promises to Idaho people and puts our water and ecology at greater risk.

Beatrice Braliford is the program director for the Snake River Alliance, Idaho's nuclear watchdog.

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# Dave Barry catches up with Clark's campaign

**M**ANCHESTER, N.H. — I finally caught up with the campaign of Gen. Wesley Clark.

Actually, Gen. Clark caught up with me. I was briefly captured by his clot. Every major candidate travels inside a surrounding clot of advisors, lackeys, media, etc. If you stand anywhere in Manchester for 15 minutes, one of these things will go past. Often the clot is so dense that you can't see the candidate. You just see this mass of people moving briskly along. Anybody could be inside. Osama bin Laden could be running around New Hampshire inside a candidate clot right now, undetected.



DAVE BARRY

**Politically humorous**  
Humorist Dave Barry is offering his take on the race for the Democratic presidential nomination in daily dispatches from New Hampshire Saturday through Tuesday.

So anyway, after the debate the other night, I was standing in the Spin Room. This is a large room — it actually has signs outside that say "SPIN ROOM" — where, after a debate, campaign staffers and candidates go to explain to the news media that, in their objective opinion, they won.

I was standing behind the Rev. Al Sharpton, who is hands down (whatever that means) the most interesting candidate in this race. Even the back of his head is interesting. From the front, the Rev. Sharpton looks as though he doesn't have much hair, but in the back, he has enough for several people. He combs it all straight back to an area behind his head, where it forms this highly disciplined hair structure the size of a small dog. It's very impressive, although they never show it on TV. (No wonder the voters are apathetic.)

For the record, the other candidates with strong hair are John Kerry and John Edwards. They both have what I would describe as Ken hair, as in Barbie and Ken, although Kerry is more Ljubojevic Ken, while Edwards is more Star Trek Ken. The other contenders all have average hair, except Dennis Kucinich, who appears to be using some kind of toupee-based mousse.

But getting back to the Spin Room: I was standing there innocently when a fellow journalist said, "Let's out!" I turned around, but it was too late. I was directly in the path of Gen. Wesley Clark's clot. Gen. Clark himself was coming right at me, radiating this very intense smile that he puts on to soften the look in his eyes, which have the hard gleam of an officer about to order you to do 500 pushups.

The last thing I saw, as the clot hit me, was the general's teeth — thousands of them, it seemed — and then I was inside the clot, being dragged across the Spin

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Room. Fortunately, I was able to fight my way out of there, but in the five or six seconds I spent with Gen. Clark, I formed an impression of him as a man who — bear in mind, I am a trained observer — walks really fast. His campaign theme is Leadership, and he's promising a health-care plan that, according to my notes, has three pillars AND three prongs. He has been endorsed by Ted Danson and Madonna.

FACT: No candidate with the endorsement of both Ted Danson and Madonna has ever lost the New Hampshire primary.

But Gen. Clark is in for a battle. The Kerry campaign has issued a press release stating that it is launching a "Celebrity RV Tour" featuring E Street Band drummer Max Weinberg, as well as, quote, "Scott Wolf from 'Party of Five' and Kelly Scott from MTV's 'Real World New Orleans'."

FACT: No candidate with a celebrity RV containing stars from both 'Party of Five' and 'Real World New Orleans' has ever lost the New Hampshire primary.

I will continue to report on these breaking developments as soon as I get my rental car warmed up. Sometime around August.

# Sense of unity emerges for Dems

**M**ANCHESTER, N.H. — The Democrats have sampled the sweet elixir of unity and have decided they like the taste.

And a consultant to one of the trailing candidates said after Thursday night's televised debate at St. Anselm College, "We've finally decided we're not going to do the Republicans' work for them."

The last encounter before Tuesday's New Hampshire primary turned out to be less an elbow-throwing, karate-chopping joust for position among rivals for the nomination than a rehearsal for the time one of them will face off against President Bush.

As one viewer e-mailed me, "I was happy to see they made it clear what Democrats would do differently than the Republicans." Voters came away thinking that the policy differences among the leading candidates are far smaller than those of agreement.

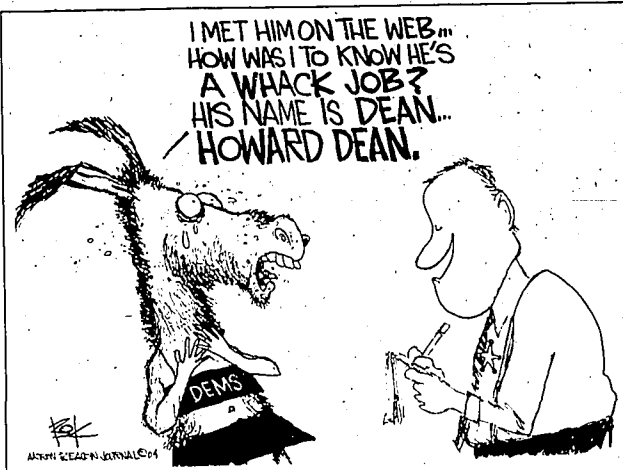
Howard Dean threw the toughest punch of the night, when he talked of the 500 American dead in Iraq and the 2,200 who have been wounded. "Those soldiers," the former Vermont governor said, "were sent there by the vote of Sen. (Joe) Lieberman and Sen. (John) Kerry and Sen. (John) Edwards. That is a fact. And I think that's very serious matter, and it is a matter upon which we differ."

But it was also Dean who endorsed Edwards' rebuke of the press panel's persistence on divisive social issues. "John Edwards is absolutely right," Dean said. "This isn't about gay marriage. This is about jobs. This isn't about race. This is about education, because everybody needs a good education, no matter what color you are."

"This is not about the things that divide us," Dean continued. "If we're ever going to win another election again in some of these states (carried by Bush in 2000), we have to have to talk about education, health care and jobs. We cannot fight the Republicans on their ground. We're going to fight them on our grounds."

Wesley Clark, who only last year formally declared himself a Democrat, gave the most poetic description of the unifying principles. "The Democratic Party," he said, "is a party of ideas. It is a party as broad as a Montana sky. We welcome everybody into this party and we care about people. That's why I'm a Democrat."

Behind that rhetoric is a com-



At this point four years ago, when the Republicans were contesting their nomination, a good deal more bad blood was showing.

mon determination — clearly shared by Democratic voters — to reverse the Bush administration policies on taxes, business regulation and the environment and to find the revenues to expand the social safety net.

By most measures, Dean and Clark are the least mainstream of the five serious contenders. (Gadflies Dennis Kucinich and Al Sharpton are running to air their views, with scant prospects of reaching the White House.) Clark has no history in the party he

hopes to lead and Dean has been outspoken in his criticism of its congressional leadership and the whole Washington insider culture. But both have happily accepted endorsements from establishment figures and both have gained support from the party's traditional interest group allies.

As for the three senators, they have similar stances on the issues Dean listed — and few fundamental differences on fiscal or budgetary policy. All three would roll back the Bush tax cuts on upper-income individuals and would move to repair relations with allies estranged by Bush's aggressive foreign policy.

At this point four years ago, when the Republicans were contesting for their nomination, a good deal more bad blood was showing. Gary Bauer was hectoring George W. Bush to promise he would appoint clearly anti-abortion judges to the Supreme Court. Steve Forbes was accusing Bush of being a tax-raiser in Texas. While Bush and John McCain professed their friend-

ship here in New Hampshire, the comity ended with Bush's defeat in the primary and the enmity that followed in South Carolina never was fully healed. And yet Republicans rallied quickly around the nominee and he went on to win the White House.

I see nothing on the horizon that would prevent Democrats from finding common cause behind any of these five men. Their desire to defeat Bush is clearly stronger than any doubts they hold about each other. None of this alters my view that it will be difficult for the Democrats to win the coming election, no matter what the makeup of their ticket.

But you can also see the strengths in this field — enough talent and enough unity to make the coming contest a fair test for the president, who was, let us note, less than dazzling in his solo act on State of the Union night.

David Broder is a columnist for the Washington Post.

## LETTER

Independent thought gets lassoed in Idaho

Here's some independent thought:

Joe Lieberman, John McCain, Bipartisan thought and cooperation to actually get something accomplished.

Several issues ago, *The Times-News*, within its editorial, declared Idaho as an arena of independent thought. "We're known for that." When did that occur?

As the arena of independent thought, it is amazing Idahoans are so prone to allergic reactions to words like liberal, left, and, dare I say, Democrat. Being left-handed is difficult in Idaho.

As the media arena, it creates the election year. Idaho is always spotlighted with several independent thought states that need no further spotlight. You can always count on these states.

All this independent thought, like a herd of sheep, can be counted on in Idaho, one way, every time, all the time.

Ask your local newspaper editor, he's already made his Republican presidential choice, along with his other well-thought-out Republican choices. Don't forget the usual tools to represent all that deep independent thinking.

CSBAN is a great source for independence. Being slightly left of center, I may register as a Democrat. I will, however, gather information on each candidate, bill and issue independently during the literal occurrence. No Democrat or Republican should expect my vote without a stance on an issue but a resolution to that issue is part of the criteria. Party platforms are irrelevant.

Time to step up to the honesty arena. Compared to most states, independent thought is not running wild and rampant in Idaho.

On second thought, maybe it is but restricted to the confines of a 3-square-foot conservative coral of collective thought.

DAVE LOEWNER  
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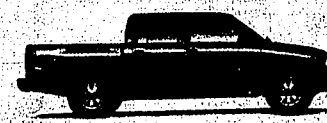
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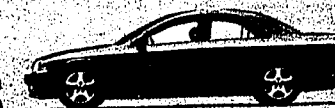
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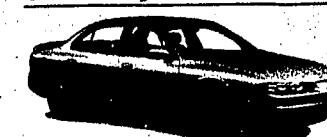
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City Editor: Chad Balkwin, 733-0931, Ext. 234

The Times-News

Sunday, January 25, 2004

Section B

## Don't tread on enterprise alfresco

Now just a danged minute. First the city of Jerome banned trailers manufactured before 1976 from within the city limits. Then it tried to impose a two-dog-per-household limit.

Six years ago, the City Council even flirted with requiring that cats be kept on leashes.

But now it's over the line with a proposed city ordinance that would limit yard sales to two per household per year — and no more than 96 hours per sale.

That's cultural imperialism. The city might just as well try to ration eBay, Velcro and chicken-fried steak.

Yard sales are small-town America's freest form of free enterprise, fueled by the notion that it's possible even

virtuous — to transform trash into treasure, while at the same time leaving the buyer feeling as if he or she has found a bargain.

It's arguably the single most popular leisure pastime in south-central Idaho, involving on any weekend that the snow isn't flying — thousands of people and virtually all of the Buicks in the Magic Valley.

Now Jerome wants to cap our pleasure at two a year? Unthinkable. What are we supposed to do with the 50 other weekends? The city's staff argues that serial yard-saling is commerce masquerading as kaffeeklatsch, and that if someone deals in household jetsam each and every weekend, then he or she should move into a commercial neighborhood and buy a business license.

They're completely missing the point: Yard sales are a cultural nexus, the place where haphazard parking intersects with spirited hagglng, where swells and common folks compare on equal terms to strike harder bargains over the true value of a pair of used argyle socks. "Now you can buy socks new at the store, but that's just a transaction. Nobody is challenged. Nothing is lost. There are no winners, no losers.

Y-scaling, by contrast, is blue-collar America's most competitive zero-sum game, because there's always somebody who makes out like a bandit and invariably somebody who gets hornsawged. That's life. That's fun. And that's why yard-saling flourishes.

Look at it this way: There are 8,000 Jeronites, each of whom receives — conservatively — three or four gifts at Christmas that he or she has no earthly use for and yet lacks the receipt to return to the store.

That works out each year to the neighborhood of 30,000 waffle irons, frankies and stacks of mermaids with a clock where stomach ought to be. Now you're telling me these folks ought only have two weekends a year to get rid of this stuff?

I don't think so. By each year, the city of Jerome would be inviting a black market in bric-a-brac, sold after dark out of the back of mini-vans in the parking lot at the fairgrounds. This is how antique stores get started.

When yard sales are banned, then only criminals will traffic in schoolies. Besides, wherever would you find argyle socks?

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Just great. Last October, we got the California Winter Governor's Mansion in Sun Valley when Arnold Schwarzenegger, a longtime, part-time resident of Blaine County, was elected to run the Golden State. Now we may be getting the Western White House.

Sen. John Kerry, surprise winner of the Iowa Democratic presidential caucuses last Monday, also has a home in Sun Valley — and even deeper roots here than the Schwarzeneggers.

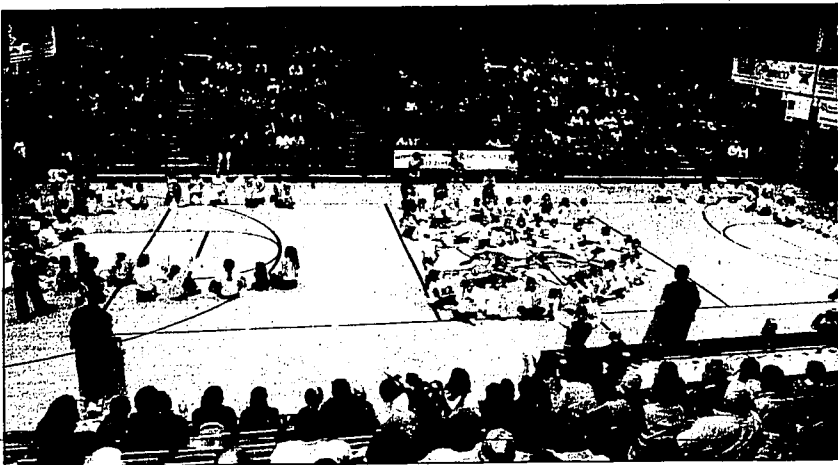
Kerry's wife, Teresa — heir to the Heinz fortune — has lived in the Wood River Valley off and on for 20 years and is a Local by any definition of the word. So it's a safe bet that if her husband becomes president, the Kerrys won't be spending their New Year's Eves at the White House.

We Idahoans have long since resigned ourselves to seeing Sun Valley transformed into the land of Patagonia and pearls. But what did we ever do to deserve the specter of Gerardo Rivera, reporting live from Seattle Ridge Lodge?



DON'T ASK ME Steve Crump

## GO TEAM!



Around 100 dancers spell out 'CSI' during the halftime show of the women's game Saturday night. Participants ranged from 5 years old to about 12 years old.

## Youngsters cheer at half-time show

By Jennifer Sandmann Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — In a sea of more than 100 cheering and hollering girls Saturday morning at the College of Southern Idaho was Beau Schenkel.

He got the megaphone. The 4-year-old stuck his legs in it, wore it over his head and hid a great time looking through it from one end to the other.

CSI dance and cheer teams have held the Mini Golden Eagle Cheer and Dance Clinic on a winter Saturday for about 10 years. The minis performed Saturday night at the Lady Eagle's home game against North Idaho College.

By the end of Saturday's three-hour rehearsal that bustled with more than 100 sets of gold and black pomps, the children had mastered their short dances, cheers and queues.

The best part, Schenkel said, was the running and screaming. Cathy Trotter, adviser of the

dance and cheer squads, said she was feeling energized by the end of the morning. What keeps her coming back year after year to manage more than 100 enthusiastic dancers and cheerleaders? "Mainly because the little kids in the community like to do it," she said.

A number of the children who come each year are like Madison Henson, 11, regulars at the CSI basketball games who know the cheers.

The clinic also is a fund-raiser for the squads, who help coach the children. Schenkel could tell you about how much it cost. Not willing to miss out in the fun his sister and cousins planned to have, he emptied his piggy bank to come up with \$16 to put toward the \$20 registration fee. By the end of the morning, it was evident that it was money well spent.

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Four-year-old Beau Schenkel flexes his muscle and lets out a roar during part of a dance routine as some of the other CSI Dance Camp campers look on. Campers spent three hours practicing with CSI cheerleaders and dance team members in preparation for their performance during halftime of the CSI women's game Saturday night.

## Idaho seeks tougher laws on gay marriage

The Times-News and The Associated Press

### The debate over gay marriage

In the nation's most far-reaching decision of its kind Massachusetts' highest court declared Tuesday that the state constitution guarantees gay couples the rights of marriage. The Supreme Judicial Court gave the Legislature six months to rewrite the state's marriage laws for the benefit of gay couples.

- Doesn't have laws specifically prohibiting same-sex marriage
- Laws prohibit recognition of marriage between same-sex couples
- Same-sex marriage legal with full rights of a heterosexual marriage
- Government employers offer some domestic partner benefits



motivated by fierce anti-gay opponents who want to slam us again and again," said Evan Wolfson, executive director of the national advocacy group Freedom to Marry. "They are not just looking to suppress gay marriage, but to deny gay people any measure of legal protection and human dignity."

In all, 37 states and the federal government have Defense of Marriage acts that say marriage can only be between a man and a woman.

Ohio may soon become the 38th state; its Senate approved one of the most far-reaching gay marriage bans in the nation Wednesday, making only minor changes in a House-passed version. Going further than the laws in most states, Ohio's bill also would prohibit state employees from getting benefits for domestic partners, whether gay or straight.

Proposed constitutional amendments that would ban gay marriage have been introduced in Arizona, Georgia, Virginia, Oklahoma, Kentucky and Michigan; one is expected soon in Alabama.

Massachusetts does not have a Defense of Marriage Act, but the high court ruling there has sparked vociferous public debate and an anti-gay marriage amendment has been proposed by its lawmakers as well.

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Clint Stennett

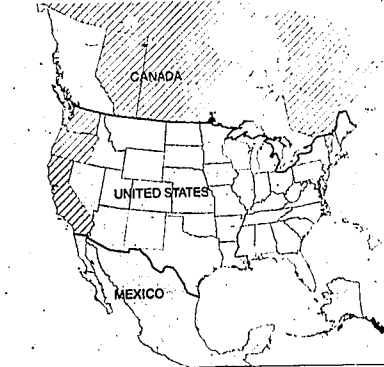
In Idaho, Rep. Henry Kulczyk, R-Eagle — formerly a lobbyist for the conservative Idaho Family Forum — wants to amend the state constitution to ban gay marriages. The state already has a law that states, "Marriage is a personal contract arising out of a civil contract between a man and a woman." Another law says Idaho is not required to recognize same-sex marriages from another state.

With those laws on the books, some say there's no need for more.

"We've got enough contention to deal with rather than going through a litmus test for the reactionary right," said Senate Minority Leader Clint Stennett, D-Ketchum.

But Kulczyk and other Republican lawmakers in states with existing Defense of Marriage acts seek to go a step further, amending their constitutions to specify that marriage must be heterosexual.

State Rep. Bill Graves, a bill



SOURCES: Canadians for Equal Marriage, Human Rights Campaign Foundation, Lambda Legal, Mexican Consulate

sponsor in Oklahoma, wants to stipulate that same-sex unions are "repugnant to the public policy" of the state.

Supporters say the constitutional amendments are necessary to ensure that legislation and court judgments in other states — such as the recent ruling

in favor of gay marriage by the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court — will not compel recognition of same-sex unions in their own states.

Gay-rights activists see the amendment campaign as vindictive and partisan.

"This is a political attack,

## Burley centennial ideas fly out

By Shelley Ridinger Times-News writer

BURLEY — A river parade. A regular parade — or two. Go-cart races. Street dances. A New Year's Eve celebration. A jazz festival. Tours of the famous, now closed, hours of ill repute. A time capsule. Those were just some of the ideas tossed about in a loose discussion Thursday night at the first planning meeting for Burley's 2005 centennial.

A centennial committee is being formed under the auspices of the Burley Action Team. Chairman Mayor Doug Manning is chairman of the centennial group.

"Logistically if it's possible we can do it," Manning told the 25 or so people who attended the inaugural meeting. "We're only limited by our imaginations."

He asked the people at the meeting to bring more volunteers with them to the Feb. 5 meeting, saying the planning committee needs as many as 100 members.

Manning is hopeful the centennial can serve multiple purposes — celebrate the city's birthday, provide some economic stimulus, give something back to the city and let people have fun.

Four general committees were formed Thursday:

• **Financial.** That group is responsible for fund-raising and keeping tabs on how and where the money is spent.

• **Public relations and communications.** Committee members will keep information about events and activities flowing to residents.

• **Historical.** Because it's the city's centennial, committee members will be charged with finding a historical angle for all the events and promotions.

• **Events.** This group will plan and coordinate special centennial events and coordinate with existing events on the town's calendar.

Other ideas ranged from ways to raise money from ways to spend that money on all sorts of events.

Randy Hawkins suggested the group identify a public project to work on during the centennial year. A walking or bicycle path or the development of a river trail were specifically mentioned.

A logo and possibly a song are needed to be used in promoting events, the group agreed. A logo could be printed on caps, shirts, bumper stickers and other promotional items and sold to make money.

The grandest display of the logo should be on the old city water tower in downtown Burley, several people said.

Perhaps a centennial patch could be added to Burley High School and Burley Junior High School uniforms for the year, Manning suggested.

Money could also be generated from the creation and sale of a centennial cookbook and a centennial

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## WANTED

In the Magic Valley

- Name: Vincent Anthony Brennan.
- Age: 20.
- Description: 6-foot-2, 195 pounds, brown hair, hazel eyes.

• **Wanted for:** Felony insufficient funds check charge and two misdemeanor warrants.

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John S. Maier - Burley



John "Johnny" S. Maier, 71, of Burley, went home to be with the Lord on Wednesday, Jan. 21, 2004. John was born June 10, 1932, in Rupert, Idaho, the only son of John Sr. and Caroline Oetzel. Rickert Maier. John attended school in Rupert and graduated from Rupert High School before enrolling at Idaho State University.

John served his country in the United States Army during the Korean Conflict, prior to returning home to help his father on the farm. On March 3, 1957, he married Joyce Knapp in Paul, Idaho, before making their home in Burley. He was an active member of the Congregational Bible Church in Burley.

John was a mechanic and supply room manager at J.R. Company for 27 years. He continued to work at Valco for 10 more years until his health failed. John enjoyed pheasant hunting, fishing, family camping trips, wood-

working, puzzles and visiting Price's Cafe or Connor's for his morning coffee and fellowship.

John was a selfless man with an incredibly giving spirit. His greatest joy in life was helping his children and family with projects, and spending time at Ronco's Building

Supply stocking freight. He was loved greatly and will be missed.

He is survived by his wife, Joyce of Burley; four children, Kim Maier of Burley, Colleen (Max) Madrigal of Paul, Curtis Maier of Jerome and Carey Maier (Lisa Jones and her son, Cody) of Hansen; and three grandchildren, Dalton Maier, Dakota Madrigal and Kabre Madrigal. He was preceded in death by his parents and two sisters, Ruth Roemer and June Maier.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 27, 2004, at the Paul Congregational Church, 121 N. 2nd W. Paul, with Pastor Vince Frank officiating. Burial will be in Pleasant View Cemetery with military rites under the direction of local veterans. Friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. Monday at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley, and from 10 to 10:45 a.m. Tuesday at the church.

Robert Lee Hollins, Sr. - Paul



Robert Lee Hollins Sr., known as Rapid Robert to many friends, 65, of Paul, returned to his Heavenly Father on Wednesday, Jan. 21, 2004.

He was born May 12, 1938, in Missoula, Mont., the son of Robert Lee Hollins and Opal Dodson Hollins. Bob grew up in northern Idaho and Montana and was the first student in the state of Idaho to earn his GED.

He went on to earn a degree in nuclear technology at the University of Denver. He served his country in the U.S. Air Force and other branches of the reserves. Bob was involved in the development of the prototype of the first nuclear submarine at the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory.

After moving to the Mini-Cassia area, he worked for A & B Irrigation, started his own business in trucking and dispatched through Truscott's Trucking Company, and he also worked for Tran Systems and Circle A Trucking.

On July 9, 1988, he married Ann King, a teacher and a mother of two. Together they enjoyed numerous activities, car racing, flying, astronomy, taking care of animals, camping and fishing with their families, and volunteering for church activities.

Bob was also a member of the Masonic Lodge in Paul and the

American Legion.

He loved reading, studying new technological advances and particularly loved traveling all over the world and meeting new friends.

Bob was preceded in death by brothers and sisters, parents and grandparents.

Surviving Bob are his loving wife, Ann King Hollins of Burley, Russell (Laurie) Hollins of Burley, Idaho, Kathy (Wayne) Narum of Walla Walla, Wash., Christine (Kevin) Neivert of Burley, Idaho, Blythe (Jack) Miller of Tampa, Fla., Kamille Zirkle of Cross Roads, W.Va., Lloyd (Lisa) Hollins of Mt. Vernon, S.D., Joseph (Jill) Martinez of Everett, Wash., Rhani (Saut) Mata of Boise, Idaho, and



Robert Hollins Jr. He was blessed with many grandchildren and great-grandchildren and is survived by one sister, Gail Clarke of Houston, Texas.

In lieu of flowers, the family has requested that gifts be sent to the memorial fund for the Boys and Girls Club of America.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 27, 2004, at the Burley United Methodist Church, 405 E. 27th St. in Burley, Idaho, with the service concluding at the church.

Friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. Monday, Jan. 26, 2004, at the Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel and one hour prior to the service on Tuesday at the church.

Karen Rae Sims Baxter - Bassano

Karen Rae Sims Baxter of Bassano, beloved wife of George Baxter, passed away peacefully with her family by her side in Calgary on Jan. 14, 2004, at the age of 55 years.

Born in Hatley, Idaho, on April 20, 1948, Karen received her early education there and continued on to Ricks College and BYU where she received an education degree.

Karen and George Baxter were married on Aug. 7, 1969, in Malheur Area, Alberta, on the family farm. Karen taught school in Hussar for three years

and then raised her family of six. She loved her family and church and is remembered for her love of family history.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Gwen, and father, Garth Sims of Bellevue, Idaho.

Karen is survived by her loving family, husband, George Baxter of Bassano; six children, Shawn Baxter and his wife Rebecca of West Jordan, Utah, Georganna Pitcher and her husband Brandy of Payson, Utah, Luetta Montgomery and her husband Doug of Layton, Utah, Jennel Vincent and her husband Kris of Charleston, Texas,

and Arlena Baxter of Layton, Utah, and Sheldon Baxter of Rexburg, Idaho, five grandchildren; two brothers, Ritchie (Arienne) Sims of Bellevue, Idaho, and Bruce (Audrey) Sims of Gooding, Idaho; two sisters, Linda (Wade) Huffaker of Lewiston, Idaho, and Lori Sims of Twin Falls, Idaho; and numerous nieces and nephews.

The funeral was held on Monday, Jan. 19, 2004, in Alberta, in memory of Karen, memorial tributes may be made to the Tom Baker Cancer Center, 1331-29th Street NW, Calgary, Alberta T2N 4N2.

Betty Mary Gibbs - Twin Falls

Betty Mary Gibbs, 92, joined our Heavenly Father on Jan. 24, 2004.

Betty attended school in Pasadena, Calif., eventually graduating from business college. She worked 25-plus years for the California school system. After retiring, she moved to Twin Falls, Idaho, via Prescott, Ariz., in 1999 with her husband of 73 years, John Gibbs.

John passed away in 2002. Betty enjoyed television, traveling, going to breakfast, shopping and the many friends and acquaintances she made along the way.

She is survived by a son, Carl of Twin Falls; a daughter, Nancy (Bill) Baldwin of Jerome; four grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; three great-great-grandchildren; and two nieces. She will be greatly missed by all who knew her.

At Betty's request, there will be no formal services. Arrangements are under the care of Farnsworth Mortuary and Crematory, 1343 S. Lincoln, Jerome, ID 83338.



Donna Joann Williams Osterhout - Wasilla, Alaska

Donna Joann Williams Osterhout passed away Jan. 21, 2004, in Wasilla, Alaska.

She was preceded in death by her father, Norman Lester "Bud" Williams; her son, But Osterhout; and stepfather, Richard Arbogast. Joann attended school in Burley and Heyburn and graduated in Springfield, Mo., after marrying Lyle B. Osterhout, who was in the Air Force.

Besides her husband, she leaves four living children, Lyla Dawn Schurmer of Anchorage, Alaska, Annette Blaine of Wasilla, Alaska, Lori Kay Epler of Spokane, Wash., and Vincent Osterhout of Wasilla, Alaska.

She has 12 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. She

leaves her mother, Donna Arbogast; and siblings, Marlene Berry of Salt Lake City, Utah, Norman "Buddy" Williams of Aiea, Hawaii, Lori Heywood Williams-Casson of Kansas City, Mo., Clinton Williams of Riverside, Calif., Mary Dawn McClinton of Boise, Idaho, and Esther Arbogast Morris of Burley, Idaho.

Joann was active in the LDS Church, made hand-stitched quilts, loved her family and was patient beyond comprehension. She suffered from a disorder of the autonomic nervous system. She will be buried in the National Cemetery at Fort Richardson in Anchorage, Alaska.



Two Provo soldiers receive Purple Heart

PROVO, Utah (AP) — Two Utah national guardsmen stationed in Baghdad have been awarded the Purple Heart after both were wounded in separate roadside attacks in Iraq.

Combat engineers Spc. Donald Ferguson, 29, and Spc. Donald Haring, 23, both of Provo, are part of the Utah National Guard's 1457th Engineer Battalion, which was activated January 2003.

Both men were awarded the medals in a ceremony in Baghdad last week after being treated at Army medical facilities. They have since returned to their companies.

Ferguson was traveling in a convoy of about 10 vehicles in Baghdad when the lead Humvee took the brunt of a roadside bomb, badly wounding three soldiers from the 3rd Armored Cavalry. Shrapnel from the explosion broke the windshield of Ferguson's Humvee and Ferguson sustained

“ He had tried to help the other soldier and the pregnant woman, and has no idea if either of them lived.”

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— Debra Haring, mother of honored soldier

numerous cuts on his face. Haring was wounded in the arm and elbow when a roadside bomb hit his convoy in October. The blast also injured several civilians, including a pregnant Iraqi woman, and another American soldier. “He had tried to help the other

soldier and the pregnant woman, and has no idea if either of them lived,” said Haring’s mother, Debra, of Columbus, Ohio. “He kept telling me how he tried to help.”

Haring, who joined the Guard while attending Brigham Young University, was married in December in Salt Lake City during a two-week holiday leave. He had been scheduled to return home last fall before his six-month deployment was extended up to 18 months.

Ferguson, the father of a 2-year-old son, will probably be in Baghdad for his fifth wedding anniversary, said his wife, Kyla. “I’m proud of my husband’s service to our country,” she said. “But having him get hurt was scary.”

Seven servicemen from Utah or with strong ties to the state have been killed in Kuwait and Iraq since the buildup of American forces in the Persian Gulf.

SERVICES

Alva Jay Stowell of Jerome, memorial service at 3 p.m. today at Farnsworth Mortuary Chapel, 1343 S. Lincoln, Jerome.

Glen D. Bywater of Brigham City, Utah, service at 10 a.m. Monday at the Brigham City 20th LDS Ward Chapel, 650 Anderson Drive, Brigham City; friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. today at the Gillies-Petersen Funeral Chapel, 634 E. 200 S., Brigham City, and from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. Monday at the church. Family will gather between 3 to 3:20 p.m. Monday at the Declo LDS Church; interment at 3:30 p.m. Monday at the Declo Cemetery.

Mildred Irene Olmsted Basom of Twin Falls, celebration of life at 11 a.m. Monday at Reynolds Funeral Chapel; friends may call from 3 to 8 p.m. today and before the service Monday at the funeral chapel.

Steven E. Fridle of Spokane, Wash., graveside service at 11 a.m. Monday at the Sunny Cedar Rest Cemetery in Almo; friends and family may gather shortly before the service at the cemetery (Rasmussen Funeral Home, Burley).

Katherine May Kerbs of Las Vegas, Nev., and formerly of Burley, service at 2 p.m. Monday at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley; friends may call from 1 to 1:45 p.m. Monday at the funeral home.

DEATH NOTICES

Dora Louise Faux BURL — Dora Louise Faux, 102, of Buhl, died Saturday, Jan. 24, 2004, at her home.

Arrangements will be announced by Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl.

Eric Tate Schaefer BURL — Eric Tate Schaefer, 2-year-old son of Eric Lynn and Shellie Halford Schaefer of Burley, died Friday, Jan. 23, 2004, at Cassia Regional Medical Center. Arrangements will be announced by Rasmussen

Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley.

'Bubbles' Charles Villines RUPERT — "Bubbles" Charles Villines, 79, of Rupert, died Friday, Jan. 23, 2004, at Minidoka Memorial Hospital.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 29, 2004, at the Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel. Friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral chapel. Burial will be at the Rupert Cemetery.

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# Disease looms for Idaho beets

NAMPA - The outbreak of a new strain of the rhizomania virus in Idaho sugar beets could follow a pattern set in California fields, Idaho growers learned at 2004 Snake River Sugarbeet Conference Jan. 15.

Difficult to control, rhizomania is one of the most destructive sugar beet diseases, causing a severe loss in root yield and sugar content. About 89,000 acres or 40 percent of the Amalgamated Sugar Co.'s growing area are now infested.

John Gallian, Ph.D., a sugar beet specialist and plant pathologist with the University of Idaho in Twin Falls, told conference attendees the longer they rotate their beet crops the better they can prevent a new strain from ruining their crops.

Using partially resistant cultivars based on single dominant genes has been an effective rotation in the past, but lengthy rotations are the best deterrent, Gallian said.

In Idaho, rhizomania was first found near Rupert in 1992 on 870 acres. Four years later, it was identified near Middleton. Since 1996, Idaho growers have been planting resistant beet varieties in known infested fields.



John Gallian, left, University of Idaho sugar beet specialist in Twin Falls, discusses a new strain of the rhizomania virus with a participant at the Jan. 15 Snake River Sugarbeet Conference in Nampa.

**Farmbeat**  
Highlights of this week's Ag Weekly, The Times-News' weekly report on agriculture.

## Ag director: Special interests threaten ag

POCAATELLO - Idaho's agriculture director says drought, election politics and free trade agreements could have significant impacts on Idaho's \$4 billion farm industry in 2004.

Pat Takasugi recently ended his term as president of the National Association of State Departments of Agriculture and assumed presidency of the Western United States Agricultural Trade Association.

"If there's another drought, that's going to really, really hurt," Takasugi said. Threatened lawsuits by environmentalists to force the flushing of 427,000 acre feet of Snake River water downstream to protect endangered fish also jeopardizes sufficient water for farm-

ing, Takasugi said, warning that the judiciary is assuming legislative and executive powers.

"We might as well send our Legislature and Congress home because it's going to be decided in the courts, and they've been telling us what to do. That's a bigger issue that needs to be addressed," he said. "I see a real imbalance in our form of government today when special interests, small minorities, can drive policies through courts."

## Bean acreage, production drops 21 percent in Idaho

BOISE - Idaho producers planted even fewer acres of dry edible beans in 2003 than first estimated, according to a Jan. 12 report from the Idaho Agricultural Statistics Service. The service originally estimated

16 percent fewer acres, but has updated that figure now to 21 percent fewer acres than in 2002, said statistician Brad Early.

"In the bean industry, you'll see pretty big swings from one year to the next," Early said.

Total state acreage is pegged at 75,000 acres planted in 2003, compared to 95,000 acres planted in 2002. Harvested acres totaled 73,000 in 2002, compared to 93,000 in 2002.

The state's average yield was unchanged at 2,050 pounds per acre. So Idaho's total production also declined 21 percent, from 1.91 million hundredweight in 2002 to 1.50 million cwt. in 2003, according to the report.

"The past two years, a large portion of the decrease is due to a decrease in garbanzo up north," Early said.

He added that reduced prices and some disease problems probably account for the decline in garbanzo acreage.

The production of pint beans also dropped from last year. But pintos still accounted for the biggest portion of the state's bean crop - 43.4 percent, according to the report.

# Lawmaker seeks to revisit volatile bill

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - Utah Sen. David Gladwell wants to refine a bill he thought he already clarified when he accepted a crucial amendment in the last minutes of the 2003 Legislature.

The issue: water rights, and how counties got the specific power to condemn them.

Since his amendments to the county powers bill passed nearly a year ago, varying interpretations of the law have fueled a simmering Summit County water war with landowners, legislators, water districts and county officials sniping at each other. It is an outcome Gladwell neither wanted nor anticipated when he agreed to sponsor the bill that Sen. Dave Thomas helped write.

"There's only so much clarity you can bring to a statute, then you're relying on local officials to interpret the statute," said Gladwell, a Davis County Republican.

"What's tragic is that nobody knew what the consequences of the bill would be," he said. "Now we are Monday-morning quarterbacking. But that's why we convene every year."

The bill grew out of a ruling, 3rd District Judge Robert Hilder made in 2001 against Mountain Regional Water District, a Summit County governmental agency which tried to take by eminent domain water

rights and personal property from the private, mutual nonprofit Summit Water Distribution Co.

Mountain Regional wanted the water users' infrastructure - its hookups and pipelines - and company personal property; intending to continue to deliver water services to Summit Water's shareholders.

In court, Mountain Regional argued that counties have always had the implicit, traditional power of condemnation.

Hilder ruled against Mountain Regional because he saw nothing specific in Utah code that gave counties the power to condemn water rights, even though he agreed the power had traditionally been recognized.

Thomas, who has been Summit County's deputy chief attorney for civil cases since 1996, worked with the Utah Association of Counties to draft legislative language for a bill to amend county powers. Last year was Thomas' first in the Senate, but he represents parts of Davis and Weber counties.

The UAC contacted Gladwell, who since statewide redistricting in 2002 has represented part of Summit County, to sponsor the bill. Gladwell said he wanted his bill only to clarify existing law. "There was no intention to enhance any county powers they didn't already have," he said.

But it did. On page 24 of the 30-

page bill, counties for the first time acquired the specific power to acquire real property by condemnation.

Water rights are real property under Utah law.

The bill sailed through House and Senate committees and a vote of the full Senate, then sat for a week and a half. "Nobody was following this until the last minute," Gladwell said.

That's when Utah Farm Bureau representatives got worried that the bill might affect agricultural water.

Gladwell scrambled to craft a substitute bill to include the guarantee that agricultural water rights couldn't be condemned unless the land attached to those rights also was condemned. Rep. Ben Ferry, a Republican from Corinne, took the new version of the bill to the House floor. Twenty minutes before the session's mid-night deadline on Nov. 5, the bill passed.

Since then, Gladwell said, "there has been a misinterpretation" of the bill. During the past year, he has learned of Summit Water's history with Mountain Regional, and that their court fights have yet to end. He was shocked to learn that until his bill passed, counties didn't have specific condemnation power.

# Experts: Salmon's benefits outweigh cancer risks

Knight Ridder News Service

PHILADELPHIA - If you have eaten salmon recently, chances are it was raised in a "farm" - a giant cage floating in the ocean.

Chances are, the fish was tainted with chemicals believed to cause cancer.

Yet chances are, you will be perfectly fine. And because fish is good for the heart and brain, you might be better off eating more salmon rather than less - unless you end up as one of a very small fraction of the population to get cancer from it.

That's the statistical reality that got lost in the headlines and sound bites this month when the journal Science published a study on contaminated salmon.

The authors recommended that people eat no more than one ounce serving a month of farmed salmon, which accounts for more than 90 percent of salmon sold in the United States. For some European varieties, the recommendation was just one serving every four months, based on U.S. Environmental Protection Agency guidelines.

Eating those amounts of tainted fish would cause an estimated one additional case of liver cancer for every 100,000 people - a theoretical number derived from studies on lab animals. So, if a person ate twice the maximum recommendation - two servings a month for most farmed salmon - their added lifetime risk of liver cancer would theoretically be 2 in 100,000.

Statistically speaking, that risk from the tainted fish is a relative drop in the bucket. Liver cancer is a common disease, afflicting 1 in 116 U.S. men and 1 in 238 women during their lifetimes. So the typical woman ate twice as much salmon as recommended, her risk of liver cancer would be 0.0042 (1 in 238) plus 0.00002 (2 in 100,000), which equals 0.00422 - a total risk of about 1 in 237.

"The benefits (of salmon) in my opinion are way over the risks of having cancer," said Martha Daviglus, an associate professor of preventive medicine at Northwestern University, who has studied the effects of eating fish on cardiovascular health and was not involved with the study.

Toxicologist Jeffrey Foran, one of the study's authors, conceded that the cancer risks in question are small. "But he urged against paying too much attention to specific numbers, and said the relative risks are large enough that, given the choice, people should eat fish with less contamination. That includes wild salmon or other kinds of fish.

to minimize or eliminate, in a statistical sense, cancer risk," Foran said. "We're not saying if you eat a lot of fish, that you're going to get cancer tomorrow. What we are saying is you can reduce your risk and get all the health benefits of eating fish by changing some of your consumption behaviors."

Moreover, the 14 contaminants measured, known as organochlorines, can cause other types of cancer, though none of these were included in the analysis.

And the chemicals can cause health problems other than cancer, noted Foran, who is president of Citizens for a Better Environment, a Milwaukee-based nonprofit group.

Some of the substances are thought to interfere with fetal brain development, while others have been linked to problems with the immune and endocrine systems. But little work has been done to quantify what level of these substances is risky.

On the flip side, the omega-3 fatty acids in fish are thought to be very beneficial, if not critical, for fetal brain development. Pregnant women are told to eat 12 ounces of fish per week.

Salmon has more of these beneficial fatty acids than most fish, plus it has relatively low amounts of mercury, another harmful contaminant, said Carol Lammi-Keefe, a nutrition professor at the University of Connecticut who has studied the impact of fish during pregnancy.

"There's no one amongst us who would say we shouldn't be concerned about pollution, but there has to be medium ground there someplace," said Lammi-Keefe, who was not involved with the study. "You have to weigh the benefits against the risks. It's not an easy thing to do."

Most of the chemicals studied are pesticides. All 14 have been banned in the United States for years, but all are "persistent," meaning they do not break down readily in the environment. They also accumulate in the fatty tissues of fish and people, where they remain for years.

Many also are present in other foods, including beef. The chemicals are generally less concentrated in beef than in salmon, but Americans also tend to eat more beef than they do fish.

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FILER SCHOOL

Monday: Rib-que. Tuesday: Spaghetti. Wednesday: Chif salad. Thursday: Turkey gravy. Friday: Burritos.

HANSEN SCHOOL DISTRICT

Breakfast Menu: Milk served daily. Monday: Cereal, toast. Tuesday: Biscuits and gravy, sausage. Wednesday: Scrambled eggs, bacon. Thursday: French toast, sausage. Friday: Long johns, cereal. Lunch Menu: Milk served daily. Monday: Spaghetti, bread sticks, salad, fruit. Tuesday: Pizza, fruit salad, salad, dressung. Wednesday: Beef stir fry, rice, green beans, fruit. Thursday: Chicken fajitas, salad, fruit, crackers. Friday: Sub sandwich, macaroni salad, fruit, carrot sticks.

BUHL SCHOOL

Breakfast Menu: Milk served daily. Monday: Cereal, toast. Tuesday: Breakfast combo bars. Wednesday: Biscuits and gravy. Thursday: Breakfast sandwich. Friday: Scrambled eggs, toast. Lunch Menu: Salad bar and milk served every day. Monday: Beans and ham, cornbread w/ honeybutter, Jell-O cake. Tuesday: Taco salad, breadsticks, cowboy cookie. Wednesday: Pepperoni pizza, French fries. Thursday: Corn dog, French fries. Friday: Chilibread, cinnamon twists.

BURLEY JUNIOR SCHOOL

Monday: Hamburger, cheeseburger, or bacon cheeseburger, later tots, peas, salad, chicken sandwich. Tuesday: Chicken-fajitas-or-tuna-potato wedges, pecan pie, no bake cookie, salad, mini-corn dogs. Wednesday: Taco or corn dog, corn, apple, baked, salad, hot pockets. Thursday: Baked potato special, turkey gravy and ham and cheese, roll, fruit cup, salad, crispitos. Friday: Chicken nuggets, french fries, applesauce, roll, chocolate chip cookie, salad, chicken fried steak, roll.

CASTLEFORD SCHOOL

Breakfast menu: Milk and juice served daily. Monday: Cinnamon rolls. Tuesday: Pancakes w/ syrup. Wednesday: Scrambled eggs. Thursday: Doughnuts. Friday: Waffle Stix. Lunch Menu: Salad bar and milk served daily. Monday: Corn dogs. Tuesday: Ham and cheese roll-ups. Wednesday: Slippy Joes. Thursday: Rib-que sandwich. Friday: Deli sandwich.

CLOVER TRINITY LUTHERAN SCHOOL

Milk served daily. Monday: Hot dog, carrots, apricots. Tuesday: Spaghetti, corn, mixed fruit. Wednesday: Ham and beans, corn-bread, pineapple. Thursday: Hamburger gravy, biscuit.

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN SCHOOL

Choice of milk served daily. Monday: Chicken noodle soup, carrot sticks, cinnamon bread sticks, fruit cocktail, no bake cookie. Tuesday: Nachos, green salad, focaccia bread, peach cake. Wednesday: SKI DAY: Turkey-fettuccine sandwich, carrot-fries, trickles-potatoes. Thursday: Rice krispie treats, citrus george fruit snack. Friday: Sweet and sour chicken, rice, mixed vegetables, rolls, jelly, pineapple, fortune cookie. Friday: Cheese pizza, veggie and dip, ice cream sundae bar.

KIMBERLY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Milk served daily. Monday: Burrito, mashed potatoes, creamed peas, chocolate cake. Tuesday: Tomato soup, deli sandwich, crackers, fruit Jell-O. Wednesday: Pizza, green beans, tossed salad, pineapple. Thursday: Nachos, salsa, bread stick, peas. Friday: Chili, crackers, apricots, cinnamon rolls.

KIMBERLY HIGH SCHOOL

Milk, fruit and veggie bar served daily. Monday: Burrito, cheese sticks, Tuesday: Deli sandwich, french fries. Wednesday: Pizza, salsa, bread sticks. Thursday: Potato bar, rolls.

LIGHTHOUSE CHRISTIAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Monday: Slippy joes, chips, fruit.

MAGIC VALLEY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

Fresh fruit, dessert and milk served daily. Monday: Taco, corn. Tuesday: Lavagna, garlic bread. Wednesday: Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes. Thursday: Chili, cinnamon rolls. Friday: Pizza, salad.

MAGIC VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL

Choice of milk served daily. Monday: Corn dog, later tots, diced peas, peanut cluster. Tuesday: Chicken pretzels, fried rice, strawberries and bananas, baking powder biscuit. Wednesday: Turkey or tuna fish sandwich, potato chips, fruit cup, trail mix. Thursday: Rib-que sandwich, french fries, kiwi fruit, danon yogurt. Friday: Lasagna, tossed green salad, applesauce, garlic french bread.

MURTAUGH SCHOOL

Vegetable, fruit bar, and milk served daily. Monday: Chicken bacon wrap. Tuesday: Spaghetti. Wednesday: Cheese burgers. Thursday: Nachos. Friday: Chicken nuggets.

ROBERT STUART AND O'LEARY JUNIOR HIGH

Breakfast menu: Milk served daily. Monday: Cereal, apple juice, graham crackers. Tuesday: Biscuits and gravy, orange quarters. Wednesday: Cereal, fruit cocktail, cinnamon toast. Thursday: French toast, scrambled eggs, syrup, peas. Friday: Cereal, peaches, toast/jelly. Lunch menu: Milk served daily. Monday: Deli sandwich, potato chips, orange wedges, Rice-Krispie bar, foot-long hot dog, salad bar. Tuesday: Open face ham and cheese sandwich, Campbell's soup, celery/peanut butter, strawberries and bananas, pasta bar, soup and sandwich bar. Wednesday: Italian sub sandwich, Tuesday: Deli sandwich, pineapple tidbits, sun-maid raisin salad, hot pockets, potato bar. Thursday: Chicken nuggets, BBQ sauce, fried rice, mandarin orange Jell-O, baking powder biscuits, chicken sandwich, salad bar. Friday: Pizza, tossed green salad, applesauce, oatmeal cookie, taco bar.

ST. EDWARDS CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Monday: Tacos. Tuesday: Corn dogs. Wednesday: Soup and sandwich. Thursday: Taco salad. Friday: Italian dinners.

TWIN FALLS ELEMENTARY

Milk served daily. Breakfast Menu: Monday: Beef and bean burrito, lettuce and tomatoes, vegetable and fruit-bar, orange roll. Tuesday: Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, country gravy, fruit salad, baking powder biscuit. Wednesday: Pig-ins-blanket, vegetable and fruit bar, pudding cup. Thursday: Turkey or tuna fish sandwich, Campbell's soup, vegetable and fruit bar. Friday: Beef stew, vegetable and fruit bar, dinner roll.

TWIN FALLS HIGH SCHOOL

Breakfast is served daily. Lunch: The high school has a choice of main line, hamburger bar, and salad bar each day, two bar on Wednesdays and potato bar on Fridays. Main line menu varies every day. Monday: Rib-que sandwich, later tots, apple, peanut butter cookie, salad bar, deli sandwich. Tuesday: Pasta bar, green beans, orange slices, french bread, coyote grill bar, deli sandwich. Wednesday: Cheeseburger, french fries, chili, nachos, fruit yogurt, taco bar, deli sandwich. Thursday: Chicken sandwich, potato wedges, pineapple chunks, fruit roll up, cookie grill bar, deli sandwich. Friday: Pizza, green salad, fresh pear, bread sticks/pudding sauce, potato bar, deli sandwich.

VALLEY SCHOOLS

Breakfast is served daily. Monday: Lasagna, green beans, yeast milk, peas. Tuesday: Cheeseburger, french fries, fresh fruit, pickles, cookie. Wednesday: Baked ham, scalloped potatoes, California-blend vegetables, biscuits. Thursday: Cheese pizza, green salad, ranch dressing, breadsticks, pizza sauce, pineapple chunks. Friday: Cream of potato soup, deli sandwich, applesauce, crackers, carrot sticks.

BLISS SCHOOL

Milk served daily. Monday: Rib-que on a bun, colelaw, peas, roll brownies. Tuesday: Wiener wrap, carrots and celery sticks, raisins, orange. Wednesday: Chili, celery sticks, peas, cinnamon roll.

DIETRICH SCHOOLS

Monday: Hamburger straganoff. Tuesday: Fajitas. Thursday: Chili, cinnamon rolls. Friday: Corn dog.

GLENN'S FERRY

Monday: Burrito, Mini tots, corn, cooodle. Tuesday: Idaho nachos, corn, chips and salsa, fruit. Wednesday: Hot turkey sandwich, nuggets and gravy, green beans. Thursday: Submarine sandwich, later tots, apple. Friday: Taco soup, corn bread w/ honey butter, orange, trail mix.

GOODING SCHOOLS

Choice of milk served daily. The third choice is for junior high and high school students only. Monday: Quisadilla/taco, salad bar, galaxy pizza. Tuesday: Crispy chicken salad, potato bar, pudding cup. Wednesday: Hot dog, salad bar, oriental boat. Thursday: Taco, potato bar, Teriyaki rice boat. Friday: Pizza.

HAGERMAN SCHOOLS

Choice of milk offered daily. Monday: Chicken nuggets, veggie choice, fruit, roll. Tuesday: Burrito, salad, fry, breadstick. Wednesday: Turkey-gravy, potatoes, fruit, milk-sherbet. Thursday: Nachos grande, salad, fruit, pudding. Friday: Ham and cheese, fries, fruit, cookie.

IDAHO SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF AND THE BLIND

Milk served daily. Breakfast menu: Monday: Fruit, scrambled eggs, cinnamon toast, cereal, syrup. Tuesday: Fruit, ham and toast, cereal, jelly. Wednesday: Pancakes and syrup, cereal, cinnamon apples. Thursday: Fruit, sausage patty and English muffin, cereal, jelly. Friday: Fruit, biscuits and gravy or jelly, cereal. Lunch menu: Salad bar and choice of milk served daily. Monday: Turkey bagel sandwich, macaroni and cheese, green beans, apricots, peanut butter bar. Tuesday: Italian spaghetti, broccoli, pear halves, breadsticks. Wednesday: Cheese or sausage pizza, celery and carrot sticks, banana, rainbow Jell-O. Thursday: French pidi or peanut butter and jelly, seasoned potatoes, strawberry shortcake. Friday: Hamburger, later tots, power bar.

JEROME SCHOOLS

Milk served daily. Monday: Mexican fiestada pizza, green garden salad, kiwi or chery cobbler. Tuesday: Chicken burger, french fries, carrot/celery sticks, banana or shape. Wednesday: Ham, scalloped potatoes, mixed veggie, orange halves or cinnamon applesauce, blueberry muffin, jam. Thursday: Chef salad, breadsticks, apples or orange juice. Friday: Chicken breast strip, mashed potato/chicken, raisins, fruit cup, wheat roll, jam.

RICHFIELD SCHOOLS

Breakfast menu: Milk and juice served daily. Monday: Scrambled eggs, hashbrowns, toast. Tuesday: French toast, sausage. Wednesday: Cereal, cherry pie. Thursday: Biscuits and gravy, scrambled eggs. Friday: Cereal, muffins. Lunch Monday: Clam soup, tuna sandwich, chocolate-ship cookie, peaches. Tuesday: Chili on corn chips, corn, brownie, pineapple. Wednesday: Strawberry hamster, baked fries, cake, orange smilex. Thursday: Nacho supreme, cheese/beans toppings, green beans, pudding, apricots. Friday: Hot dog, baked fries, maple bar, apple wedges.

SHOSHONE SCHOOLS

Breakfast and choice of milk served daily. Monday: Spaghetti, cheese, green beans, Italian bread, fruit cocktail. Tuesday: Cheese, kiwi, tomato soup, crackers, peas, animal crackers. Wednesday: Chicken nuggets, potato wedges, banana, strawberry, peas. Thursday: Roast turkey and gravy, mashed potatoes, fruit salad, pumpkin cake. Friday: Beef stew, chocolate pudding, cornbread, honeybutter, oatmeal cookies.

WENDELL SCHOOLS

Breakfast and choice of milk served daily. Monday: Hamburger, fries, baby carrots, banana, milk. Tuesday: Soft taco, salsa, corn, cinnamon roll, peas. Wednesday: Corn dog, french fries, orange, pecan pie, tossed salad, pineapple, power gelatin. Friday: Sub sandwich, tortilla chips, apple.

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Marriage

Continued from B1. In Virginia, the House of Delegates overwhelmingly approved a resolution Friday urging Congress to support a federal constitutional amendment defining marriage as heterosexual. The resolution now goes to the Senate. "We don't want to be left in the lurch where the measure we passed overwhelmingly several years ago is stricken down by the high court of this country," said the resolution's sponsor, Robert McConnell, referring to Virginia's existing Defense of Marriage Act. Georgia's proposed amendment - which could go on the November general election ballot - was presented Wednesday in the state Senate. Any change to traditional marriage "begins

to tear at the foundations of our institutions," said Senate Republican Leader Bill Stephens. Gay-rights advocates and some Democratic lawmakers denounced the measure as politically motivated. "The purpose of amendments is to create protections for the citizens of Georgia, not to write discrimination into the constitution," said Allen Thornell, executive director of the gay-rights group Georgia Equality. The American Friends Service Committee - a Quaker social justice group - this week joined the campaign against the proposed amendment in Michigan. In Kentucky, about 30 gay-rights supporters protested Wednesday at the state Capitol, many carrying signs saying, "Anti-marriage

amendments hurt my family." Two Kentucky legislators who oppose the amendment are sponsoring a counterproposal that would outlaw discrimination against gays. "There's no excuse why fairness cannot be passed," said Democratic Rep. Kathy Stein. "Other than the fact that, unfortunately, a number of my colleagues ... are afraid to think about it." Pending final resolution of the Massachusetts court ruling, no state allows full-fledged same-sex marriages. Vermont recognizes marriage-like civil unions, while California, Hawaii and New Jersey grant various rights to same-sex couples registered as domestic partners. Legislators in Maryland and Colorado hope to get civil union legislation considered by their colleagues this session. In his State of the Union speech Tuesday, President Bush indicated he would support an amendment to the U.S. Constitution that would limit marriage to a man and a woman. He suggested this option would be needed only if "activist judges" overruled existing federal and state Defense of Marriage laws. If Ohio enacts its pending Defense of Marriage act as expected, only 12 states, including Massachusetts, would be without one. The others are Connecticut, Maryland, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, Oregon, Rhode Island, Vermont, Wisconsin and Wyoming.

Officials release child's identity

The Times-News BURLY - Eric T. Schaefer, 2 1/2 years old, died Friday at Cassia Regional Medical Center after an accident outside of his home, the Cassia County Sheriff's Department reported Saturday. His father, Eric L. Schaefer, and uncle had started to pull their pickup and snowmobile trailer out of the driveway on Hillcrest Lane and had thought the child was in the house, the sheriff's department said.

As they were pulling out, they noticed the toddler lying in the driveway and realized he had been hit by the truck. The boy's parents and his uncle rushed him to the hospital. Medical staff attempted to save the child, but he had suffered serious head injuries and died at about 1:30 p.m., the sheriff's department reported. Cassia County Sheriff's Department and Idaho State Police are continuing to investigate the accident.

Heyburn makes amphitheater plans

By Brandon Flata Times-News writer BURLY - Mini-Cassia residents could enjoy a new outdoor public amphitheater by summer. The city of Heyburn and the Heyburn Economic Development Committee already have chipped in about \$14,000 for the project, which is estimated to cost \$44,000, Heyburn Grant Coordinator Earl Andrew said. Construction of the amphitheater - which is to be located about 150 feet south of the large picnic pavilion on the south end of Riverside Park next to the Mini-Cassia Chamber of Commerce -

could start as early as May and be finished by August, Andrew said. The amphitheater would feature a 45-foot-wide covered stage and two dressing rooms, Andrew said. No seating will be built, but grass and shade trees would be planted to sit in the center lawn chairs. Some suggested a birthday party for the city's centenarians. There was talk of adding a race to the Idaho Regatta lineup - the centennial cup. Other sports ventures were mentioned, including softball tournaments and a golf scramble. Manning suggested a re-enactment of the April 10, 1905, signing of Burley's articles of incorporation, which created a townsite. That could take place at City Hall and participants and spectators could all dress in period clothing, he said. Historical photos need to be displayed at various venues in the city, the group agreed. Several speakers said the river

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Centennial

Continued from B1. Those projects are sure ways to involve senior citizens in the centennial project, Manning said. The involvement of senior citizens is key, several speakers said. Some suggested a birthday party for the city's centenarians. There was talk of adding a race to the Idaho Regatta lineup - the centennial cup. Other sports ventures were mentioned, including softball tournaments and a golf scramble. Manning suggested a re-enactment of the April 10, 1905, signing of Burley's articles of incorporation, which created a townsite. That could take place at City Hall and participants and spectators could all dress in period clothing, he said. Historical photos need to be displayed at various venues in the city, the group agreed. Several speakers said the river



# Idaho filmmaker achieves dream

## Movie charms audiences at the Sundance Film Festival

PARK CITY, Utah (AP) — From the age of 14 Jared Hess knew he wanted to be a filmmaker. Turning a keen — if hyperbolic — eye on his hometown of Preston, Idaho, and writing a cast of characters that are just that, Hess has reached his goal.

Hess' "Napoleon Dynamite" follows a charming geek through some of his high school exploits. The film has charmed audiences at the 2004 Sundance Film Festival and won a distribution deal with Fox Searchlight.

"It's a dream come true," Hess said.

The movie features a character Hess, 24, developed for the short film "Peluca" that was well received at last year's Slamdance Film Festival — the offshoot event that has run along side Sundance for the last 10 years.

The film's success helped Hess get funding and interest to make a feature film. He was a student in film school at Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah, when he dropped out to pursue "Napoleon Dynamite."

The movie follows the geeky title character as he helps a fellow outsider, Pedro, run for class president against a popular girl, Summer, played by Haylie Duff, older sister of Hillary Duff.

But attention centers on Napoleon, who wears moon boots in warm weather to go along with his large-frame glasses and T-shirts of wispy, screen-printed horses.

He spends his time telling exaggerated stories about things like his "girlfriend" a model in Oklahoma, drawing imaginary creatures and getting ridiculed at school.

Adding to the goofiness is Napoleon's dysfunctional family and fellow geeks.

But the inspiration for the movie, Hess says, was growing up in Preston, Idaho, the 5,000-population town located just north of



Actors, from left, Jon Gries, Jon Heder and Aaron Ruell, pose for a publicity photo for the film "Napoleon Dynamite" in May 2003 in Preston, Idaho. Heder plays the lead role of Napoleon; Gries is Uncle Rico; and Ruell is Kip. The movie premiered at the Sundance Film Festival in Park City, Utah.

the Utah border in southeastern Idaho.

"We had written the script specifically for the locations-in the town (Preston High School) is such an American high school. Just small town American life. I just love it," Hess said.

Hess and his wife, Jerusha, now live in Salt Lake City with their son. Jerusha shares a writing credit on the movie and was the film's costume designer — a job that must have effectively cleared out

every Preston thrift store of their, most kitschy 80s items. It's the charming characters and Preston that helped the film catch the eye of Trevor Groth, Sundance's senior programmer. The movie was filmed there over 22 days last July.

"I actually have some family from Preston, Idaho, so I recognized the scenery," Groth said.

"I've been in all parts of Idaho and I definitely think the location is one of the characters in the film," he said. "I think in the way "Slacker" was set in Austin (Texas) and how that had captured such a specific sense of space. I see a similar promise in Jared."

Jon Heder, the film's star and a friend of Hess' from BYU, was overwhelmed by the town's hospitality. "So many people in the town actually housed the cast and crew. They were just really accommodating," he said. "It was such a small town a lot of the local restaurants and stuff had all these great discounts."

Groth has been selecting films for the festival for 10 years. Watching tape after tape can become monotonous, he said, but Hess' film stood out.

"A lot of the stuff isn't quite what we're looking for. When one comes along that has the original and distinctive voice and comedy that "Napoleon Dynamite" has, it really grabbed me," he said. "The beauty in this film is in the details. I've watched it so many

times over and over and picked something out each time." In fact, in announcing the film to a weekend audience, Groth said he's watched the film "literally 20 times." Belly laughs routinely fill the theater during screenings.

"It's been just beyond anything we can imagine. Our first screening we had a standing ovation, the screenings that followed that were just wall to wall laughs," Hess said. "For a comedy, you couldn't ask for anything more."

Hess has won the laughs of moviegoers, but the movie's place in the Sundance competition could bring it some official acclaim. But more awaits. The film's pick-up by Fox Searchlight means a likely wider release later this year. Hess is already planning another comedy film and possibly a "Wonder Years"-like television series based on "Napoleon Dynamite."

"I hope that people can look at this film and kind of see it as its own world and own style and the unique characters that have been created."

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# Other dissidents from FLDS church prepare to speak out

COLORADO CITY, Ariz. (AP) — A man who openly challenged an order from the fundamentalist church leader to leave this border town has paved the way for other dissidents to come forward, an anti-polygamy advocate says.

There are "five or six" people who have been ousted by the Fundamentalist Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints who now want to follow Ross Chatwin in telling their stories, Jay Beswick said Saturday.

"They want to bring it down," said Beswick, of the group Help the Child Brides.

Discord within the church has grown since 2001, when church president and self-proclaimed prophet Warren Jeffs excommunicated about 20 men, many considered to be his rivals.

The untold number of excommunicated members have continued with other men like Chatwin being ordered to leave town in an apparent effort by Jeffs to further consolidate power.

Jeffs, 47, assumed leadership of the church 16 months ago at the death of his father, former prophet Rulon Jeffs. Many at the time thought one of two church elders, Louis Barlow or Fred Jessop, would have been named president.

Both have now been excommunicated, and Jessop's family has not seen him in a month.

The church, through its communal United Effort Plan, owns most of the homes in town. People are allowed to live in the homes, but can be evicted at any time. Chatwin said he believes that Jeffs is now the sole owner of the UEP, which Chatwin estimated to be worth about \$100 million.

Despite that alleged wealth, Chatwin claimed Jeffs recently told the men of the church to increase their donations to \$1,000 a month above the normal 10 percent tithing.

R. Scott Berry, Jeffs' Salt Lake City-based lawyer, did not return phone messages left at his office Friday and Saturday by The Associated Press.

But Rod Parker, an attorney who represents the FLDS church, said

Chatwin was excommunicated for soliciting two underage girls to be his plural wives. Parker, who said Jeffs asked him a few weeks ago to prepare documents to evict Chatwin from his residence, said Chatwin had been writing the girls anonymous letters before their father got a restraining order against him.

Attempts to contact Chatwin for comment were unsuccessful.

But Chatwin denied the allegation to the Deseret Morning News, saying the teenagers came to him and his wife, scared of being married to older men.

"They (the girls) came to us and wanted to marry us," Chatwin told the newspaper. "They wanted it to happen and I said they would have to wait until they were 18. It's all a misunderstanding."

In a rare show of defiance in the typically secretive community, Chatwin held a news conference Friday, just days after being ordered to leave town without his wife and six children.

"My family and I do not plan on leaving our home anytime soon," Chatwin, 35, told about three dozen reporters gathered on the front lawn of his home, under the watchful eyes of both Mojave County Sheriff's deputies and church leaders.

He also encouraged others who have been evicted to ignore the directives.

"They don't have to leave if they don't want to," he said. "If a few stand up, it could make it better for all."

Chatwin said he knew that drawing attention to himself could put his life in danger in a community notorious for retaliating against malcontents.

If something were to happen, however, Beswick's group already has safe houses ready for Chatwin and his family, who is standing by his side.

"I'm not going to leave him," said his 32-year-old wife, Lori. Chatwin's family could have been reassigned to another man in town, as women and children are considered church property.



Jared Hess

# Yellowstone chief doesn't expect summer restrictions

YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK, Wyo. (AP) — Park Superintendent Suzanne Lewis does not expect summertime travel restrictions even though it seems likely that snowmobiles will be banned starting next winter.

"We have no plans underway that have anything to do with closing the park to wheeled vehicles," Lewis said.

A ruling by U.S. District Judge Emmet Sullivan last month resulted in new rules for snowmobile access to Yellowstone and Grand Teton national parks the day before the start of the winter season.

Sullivan suspended plans to allow a limited number of cleaner-burning snowmobiles in favor of plans from the end of the Clinton administration to phase out snowmobiles altogether.

That cut in half the number of snowmobiles that are allowed this winter.

John Sacklin, chief of planning for Yellowstone, said more than 22,000 people visited the park

between Dec. 17 and Jan. 11. Of those, about 8,800 arrived on snowmobiles, 4,500 in snowcoaches and 9,000 by automobile.

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# State looks to give pay increase

By Bob Fick  
The Associated Press

BOISE — Fear that revenue estimates are too bright and the governor's budget too fat will likely torpedo many state spending initiatives this winter — but not a long-deferred pay increase for state workers.

Typically one of the last pieces put into the state's spending puzzle and often left out when financial pressures intensify — a salary increase for many of the state's 24,000 workers has moved to the top of priorities.

And none too soon.

"These employees have gone without an increase in pay for several years now, and there has been some erosion in their psychodes," Senate Republican Floor Leader Barb Davis of Idaho Falls said. "Anybody who says state employees are not getting a pay raise is smoking something."

GOP Gov Dirk Kempthorne included \$10 million in general tax money, matched by \$9.2 million in federal and other funds, in his \$2.3 billion budget for the year that begins in July. The cash equals 2 percent of payroll but would be disbursed based on merit, not given to all workers in an across-the-board hike.

The question is whether it is enough to end an estrangement, begun in 1998, between the state and its employees and eliminate the embarrassing poor circumstances some state workers have been relegated to.

More than 250 employees in the state prison system are working a second job to make ends meet, Director Tom Beauclair said. Fifty of them have a third job as well.

Thirty of the department's employees are eligible for welfare benefits.

Turnover has been held in check the past several years because of the sluggish economy. But it is rising as the economy improves, state managers say, and some predict the state will be facing the same kind of pressure in any number of specialty areas in the

coming year as it did at the end of the 1990s in information technology. State Police troopers and other personnel are finding better-paying jobs in other states or in city or county departments in Idaho. After two scientists bailed out of the state forensic laboratory for better pay elsewhere, Director Dan Charbonneau had to give the remaining scientists money from these salaries to keep them from leaving.

Environmental Quality Director Steve Alfred says employees who have recently quit left for pay increases averaging 33 percent.

"We're not going to keep good people with what's going on here," he said.

State pay scales in general are 15 percent behind private industry and other governments and losing ground daily, according to the state's annual salary evaluation. Turnover was limited during the recession — down to 12 percent from 18 percent in 2000 when the economy was still booming. But it has been picking up in the past 18 months.

The House and Senate committees on Human Resources plan a joint meeting the first week of February to decide on a course of action. Many believe support is

there now to adopt Kempthorne's plan and then provide additional cash — another \$5 million or so — for one-time bonuses if tax receipts come in stronger than expected over the next six months.

Distribution of the cash is the single stumbling block. Lawmakers like Shirley McKague, the Meridian Republican who is vice chairman of the House Human Resources Committee, are fed up with pay raises going to the higher-paid workers.

"I'm interested in the people on the front-line, the people who put a face on government," McKague said. "They're the ones who need the raises and they're not getting them."

Even if the raises are passed, state salaries would continue to lose ground.

But Jerome Republican Maxine Bell, chairman of the House Appropriations Committee, is considered a solid majority in both the House and Senate believes the investment has to be made, even if it seems inadequate.

"I just don't see how we can turn our backs on the state employees," Bell said. "We can just hope they can hang on and don't leave the ship until we can do more."

# Boise financial investigation records show even more

BOISE (AP) — Former mayor Brent Coles, his once-chief of staff and the city's ex-human resources manager are serving various sentences behind bars for misusing taxpayer dollars.

But a partial review of about 2,500 pages of investigatory records shows even more bad behavior.

Although the Idaho Attorney General's Office investigation is ongoing, there will be no further charges against Coles, top aide Gary Lyman or former Human Resources Director Tammy Rice, a spokesman said.

All three are currently in the Ada County Jail. The records include a promise of immunity for Suzanne Burton, the Coles aide who joined Lyman in illegally listening to a closed City Council executive session.

Last year, Coles admitted to filing a false reimbursement expense for tickets to a Broadway show in New York City in fall of 2002. He took in the town with Lyman and two city employees.

Interviews show Coles' then-

spokesman Tod McKay was the first whistleblower to bring the trip to the City Council's attention.

Dozens of pages of interviews were blacked out by the state because the information would "deprive a person of a right to a fair trial or an impartial adjudication" or would "constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy," said Deputy Attorney General Michael Henderson, chief of the office's criminal law division.

"They did release several handwritten love notes Lyman sent to Rice during their 18-month extramarital affair and copies of checks Rice wrote.

Many of the people cited in the records no longer work for the city. For that reason, current city officials do not appear to be too interested in the records released Friday. Mayor Dave Bietter's spokesman, Michael Zuzel, said the mayor's office has no plans to review the documents.

"It is not an immediate priority for the mayor's office," he said. "We are very much intent on moving the city forward."

# Former aide defends appointment

BOISE (AP) — Republican Gov. Dirk Kempthorne's former chief of staff on Friday defended his appointment to the court that nominates and disciplines judges, rejecting suggestions that the governor packs the panel with Republicans, undermining its independence.

Phil Reberger, who retired a year ago after 10 years as Kempthorne's top aide and close adviser, called his association with the governor immaterial.

"My relationship over a long period of time with the governor is well known," Reberger told the Senate Judiciary Committee. "I know that the governor will not attempt to influence me."

And if that attempt was made, he said, he would be rebuffed.

"Perceptions are not necessarily facts," Reberger said. "Only in campaigns do perceptions become facts. This is reality. The other members of the council would agree that we all operate with a great deal of independence of judgment and action."

Reberger rejected the contention that his appointment put four Republicans on the seven-member council when only three are allowed by law, citing the position of the Idaho Bar that judges are all nonpartisan once they assume the bench no matter what their previous political affiliation.

The committee was expected to recommend approval of the appointment on Monday. The full Senate must still confirm the governor's selection.

With Reberger on the Council are longtime Republican activist Helen McKinney of Caldwell, Republican attorney Bill Parsons of Rupert and former state GOP Chairman Randy Smith, now a district judge in Pocatello.

# Idaho's Micron will delve into imaging chip manufacturing

SUN VALLEY (AP) — Four years from now, Micron Technology will be a computer memory company — and more.

Chancellor Steve Appleton said. The Boise computer chip firm that has specialized in personal computer memory since its inception 25 years ago announced Friday it will begin a transition in 2004 that its executives hope will make it stronger — but different — company.

Appleton said the firm will boost production of its imaging chips: tiny electronic cameras that are used in camera cell phones, digital cameras and some medical supplies.

"It will change the flavor of the company as we move forward," Appleton said at Micron's annual analysts' meeting in Sun Valley. The shift will not result in a restructuring or layoffs, he said. Instead, it will provide stability for the company, which has its roots in billion-dollar profits to billion-dollar losses.

Micron, the world's second-largest producer of dynamic random access memory "DRAM" chips, is also Idaho's largest private employer. Its three years of losses, which ended with a break-even quarter late last year, created a ripple effect in Idaho's economy, reducing collected taxes and

contributing to the state's budget shortfall.

Although just 5 percent of Micron's production is now in imaging chips, that figure could rise to 15 percent by the end of this year, said Appleton, and more resources will be poured into that area over the next four years.

That does not mean the demise of the company's standing in the industry for DRAM, used predominantly in personal computers.

Instead, Micron will broaden its reach into products that are potentially more stable than DRAM, which sees volatile price swings.

"Today we have critical mass in the DRAM space, but whether that means we have 15 percent or 20 percent of the world market is not going to change our stature," said Appleton.

The move toward making tiny electronic camera chips from silicon wafers will not result in another restructuring, said Appleton, who said engineers and workers will be able to make the shift.

Last February, the company laid off 1,800 workers, including 1,100 in Boise, as part of a large restructuring.

According to market research companies, camera phone sales

worldwide are expected to double in 2004 and then double again by 2007.

"It's a good thing for Micron to diversify its base and do more than DRAM chips," local economist John Church said. "Imaging is a hot area. Everything has a camera on it these days."

But do not expect Micron to transform into an imaging company.

"There are longer-term prospects for DRAM chips although competition is keen," said Church.

Appleton acknowledged that the firm might lose some DRAM market share as it drives production of imaging chips forward.

# Official shoots pack of seven wolves that were killing cattle

POLARIS, Mont. (AP) — A federal wildlife official has shot and killed a pack of seven wolves responsible for killing cattle in southwestern Montana.

Graeme McDougal of the U.S. Wildlife Services first spotted the pack just east of Polaris on Jan. 15 from the air.

The wolves were believed responsible for killing cattle in the Big Hole Valley northeast of Salmon, Idaho, in December but McDougal did not have a chance to shoot.

This week, while searching for coyotes in the same area from a helicopter, McDougal spotted a dead calf and a rancher nearby waving at them. After landing and talking to the rancher, McDougal was able to shoot one wolf on Tuesday.

Later, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service officials approved killing the rest of the pack. On Thursday,

McDougal spotted the remaining six wolves east of Polaris in the Grasshopper Valley and shot all of them.

Joe Fontaine, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife wolf project leader for Montana, said the wolves that were killed included an adult pair and five yearlings.

The Big Hole and Grasshopper Valley areas are not a good location for a pack of wolves, Fontaine said. Most of the elk move out of that area and there are lots of cattle, he said.

"It's a tough place for them to make a living without getting in trouble," he said.

Fontaine said he's not sure where the wolves came from and it wasn't until last March that his agency was able to confirm they were even in the area.

"We're starting to see sightings in places where we haven't seen wolves before," he said.

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**"Brides" 2004**

Brides 2004, an expanded section of Family Life will publish Sunday, February 1st. Brides will feature local and national information about weddings. Included will be information about bridal showers, local weddings of interest, where to locate your wedding, new dresses for 2004, hair and beauty tips, what's new for wedding gifts, what to plan for food or refreshments, and much more. This edition is also handed out to all couples who bring in their engagement announcement throughout the year!

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# Lewiston nurses answer a calling to serve abroad

## Women experience primitive conditions in African nation

LEWISTON (AP) — When a girl was being born at a makeshift clinic in Koralla, a village in East Guinea, the American medical team had to wait until the afternoon to perform a C-section.

That was the only time of day enough sunlight flowed into the hut for them to see what they were doing.

Among those who helped were Lorraine Cline of Clarkston, and Debby Wells and Janice Bloom, both of Lewiston — three friends who have worked together as operating room nurses at St. Joseph Regional Medical Center in Lewiston.

"My first reaction was great joy," Cline said of the birth. "The baby was very pink and looked wonderful, so we were very thrilled."

For the three it was a highlight of an eight-day stay at the village providing medical care with doctors under conditions more primitive than any they've seen.

"We went back in time 40 years compared to ours," said Bloom, who is now retired. Between the three, they've been on 19 trips in nine countries.

Cline has done the most — a dozen since she started in 1998. Bev Matthews, another friend from the operating room at St. Joseph, also has traveled overseas to assist on medical teams in underdeveloped countries.

Three of Cline's trips have been with Christian groups. Cline and the others say what motivates them is their faith that this is "work God has called them to do."

"People learn more by actions than they do by words," Cline said. "America doesn't always have the best reputation."

The difference they make in people's lives can be dramatic. The C-section would have been complicated even in an American hospital. The mother was pregnant with twins, one of whom had been dead for about a week before the mother came to the clinic.

The babies were lying sideways in her womb, instead of with their heads down facing the birth canal as they needed to be for conventional labor. That wasn't discovered until the doctors did an ultrasound with the portable machine they brought, the only one for hundreds of miles.

The clinic, which didn't have electricity or running water, was not equipped for surgery. Lacking tables and shelves, supplies had to be stowed on the floor. But the clinic had an abundance of antibiotics, two family medicine doctors who had delivered hundreds of babies and a pediatrician.

The birth took about 20 minutes, with the surgeon wearing a headband to prevent sweat from dripping into the incision in the 100-degree heat. They immediately placed the child into the arms of the mother.

"She was smiling," said Wells, 52. "She was very, very happy."

The child's name is an Africanized version of LeAnn, after one of the women on the team who cared for her. The infant is one of the lasting legacies the team left in the village.

The clinic charged the family the equivalent of 50 cents, the same amount as for other clinic visits. Later in the week, the family brought a live goat for the medical team. Villagers slaughtered the animal and brought the fresh meat to the team members, who ate it in a stew.

The fees from patients were used to purchase a bicycle so a village medical worker could serve a wider territory. Those who couldn't pay still got care. The medical team saw more than 900 patients. They gave vitamins to supplement diets lacking in crucial nutrients. They prescribed antibiotics and over-the-counter pain killers.

In some instances, the medicine likely offered little more than temporary relief. Sexually transmitted diseases are rampant in the region, as are malaria and gonorrhea that respond to antibiotics, and HIV, which is incurable.

The women complained of extreme fatigue and aches in their necks and backs. The pain came from carrying their babies on their backs and shoulders on their heads filled with water or food.

Most were anemic and needed iron. The women typically bear eight to nine children, one right after another. About half survive.

Each child nurses until another brother or sister comes along.

That means the women are nursing a pregnant or both for 15 to 20 years, said Wells.

That takes a tremendous toll on their bodies, she said. The custom

is for husbands to eat first, followed by the wives and then the children.

"These people do not have an opportunity to have a weight problem," Wells said.

The village well was so polluted the group was advised not to drink from it unless the water was filtered.

Many families took drinking water from the Niger River, which the workers were told was contaminated with a number of bacteria, including one that causes blindness. The villagers were left with the choice of drinking the water and getting diarrhea or avoid it and suffering from constipation and dehydration.

"We wondered how they lived," Cline said. "Their main source of protein was peanuts."

The days Bloom, Cline and Wells spent there were among the most challenging in their lives.

"I have never prayed so much as I did in Africa," Wells said.

One of the toughest parts, Cline said, was the understanding they were treating symptoms, not providing cures. If nothing else, they left residents with a sense that strangers from hundreds of miles away were willing to travel the distance and do their best to help, Cline said.

They slept two in a tent and bathed in cold water with buckets.

The only privacy at the out-house was provided by tarps. The heat and humidity were relentless, not lifting even at night. So were the bugs, mosquitoes being the most common.

Team members worked every day while they battled food poisoning and the flu. They cooked their own meals, but without refrigeration, ice or coolers, it was difficult to keep things fresh. Cline craved lemonade. A glass of

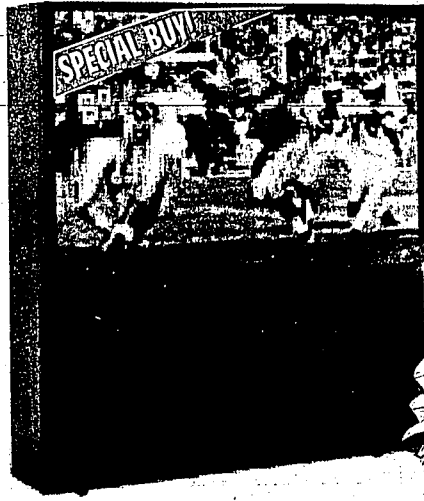
ice water at a missionary's home was the closest she got.

The journey lasted two weeks, including the flights and a lengthy drive from a main city to the village. They also had to be careful about their personal safety. They worked in a Muslim village and were advised not to go anywhere outside the camp by themselves.

Yet the women say they got more than they gave. The gratitude of the patients was humbling.



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# Investigation of Libya finds extensive nuke black market

The Washington Post

Libya's quest for atomic weapons was aided by a sophisticated black market that offered nuclear designs, real-time technical advice and thousands of sensitive parts — some of them apparently manufactured in secret factories, according to diplomats and experts familiar with the probe of Libya's weapons program.

The scale of the black-market operation — described by one expert as an "international super-market" for nuclear parts — exceeds anything seen before, and it was undetected by Western intelligence agencies until recent months, the officials said. The same operation also is believed to have aided Iran, they said.

"The smuggling enterprise supplied Libya with thousands of parts for gas centrifuges — machines that enrich uranium for nuclear weapons — as well as machine tools for making additional centrifuges," the sources said. It also provided Libya with designs for making a nuclear bomb, officials with the International Atomic Energy Agency revealed Friday.

Investigators believe some of the centrifuge parts came from factories built expressly to manufacture nuclear components for the black market — a development that would represent a new and

problematic milestone in nuclear proliferation. U.S. and IAEA officials are investigating one possible manufacturing site in Malaysia, with the help of that country's government, well-placed officials said. The site has been visited by U.S. officials in the past two weeks, the sources said.

The identities of the people behind the smuggling operation have not been revealed, but investigators say the centrifuges provided to Libya are of the same design as machines used in Pakistan's nuclear weapons program. In recent weeks, Pakistan's government has begun investigating whether its nuclear scientists sold sensitive information to Iran and possibly others.

Most of the technical assistance was aimed at helping Libya produce enriched uranium, which can be used in weapons or in nuclear power plants. But the discovery of actual bomb designs strongly indicates an intention to build weapons, the officials said. The IAEA, the U.N. nuclear watchdog, disclosed that the designs had been turned over by Libyan scientists and would soon be removed from the country.

"The bomb designs have been placed under seal in Libya," said IAEA spokesman Mark Gwozdecky.

Details about suppliers to Libya's clandestine nuclear program have emerged from a

monthlong investigation by U.S. British and United Nations inspectors who have been given access to formerly secret nuclear facilities in and around Tripoli. The visits were granted in December after Libyan leader Col. Moammar Gadhafi's dramatic announcement that he would renounce weapons of mass destruction.

While Libya's overall nuclear progress was described as modest — most of the parts it obtained were still packed in boxes — the revelations about Libya's procurement network surprised nonproliferation officials on both sides of the Atlantic. The U.S. and British governments have not commented on the results of the investigation, and officials who agreed to interviews did so only on the condition that they not be quoted by name.

"A moral barrier has been breached," said one Europe-based diplomat familiar with the Libya investigation. "Always, in the past, what we saw were single states, acting in their interests, looking to make nuclear weapons. Now we have atomic bomb factories."

David Albright, a former IAEA inspector in Iraq who has closely tracked the Libyan investigation, said Libya's centrifuge supply network was similar to the one developed by Saddam Hussein in the late 1980s — only much bigger.

# Wal-Mart tries to control damage

The Washington Post

The TV commercial opens with a young couple on a sofa smiling at their toddler son. As the boy nuzzles a stuffed animal and hugs his mother, his father explains that the youngster was born with liver disease and underwent two major surgeries by the time he was 7 months old.

"It's nice to know that I work for a company that would take care of everything we went through," the man says. The ad cuts to the man at work, wearing a familiar blue vest with white logo, as he says: "I don't think people know how great the benefits are at Wal-Mart. Without Wal-Mart, he wouldn't. I don't know that he'd have made it. I don't know that we would have made it."

It's a dramatic tribute that says nothing about Wal-Mart Stores Inc.'s low prices or vast selection of products. Instead, the ad — part of a series called "Good Jobs" launched last year — is aimed at healing Wal-Mart's reputation.

Wal-Mart's surveys showed consumers mistrusted the company's labor practices and its impact on the community. Shortly after the ad began airing in late September, Wal-Mart suffered another blow when federal agents raided its stores around the country and arrested about 200 undocumented-immigrants-working-on-cleaning crews.

Now Wal-Mart is fighting back. In a multi-pronged counterattack, the world's biggest company — the most feared and powerful com-

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petitor in global retail — is seeking to hang onto its image as America's friendly hometown merchant. It is stepping up its slate of feel-good television ads in 2004, with more spots featuring happy employees as well as examples of Wal-Mart's community involvement. Wal-Mart has also sharply increased its political donations, becoming the second-biggest giver to candidates in the 2004 election cycle, according to the Center for Responsive Politics.

At the same time, Wal-Mart is accusing the federal government of a double cross in the immigration raids, saying the chain had been cooperating with immigration officials and had been assured it wasn't a target.

Also, Wal-Mart officials, who initially pledged to the raids only with pledges of cooperation,

now say President Bush's recent proposal to grant legal status to undocumented immigrants shows the issue should be one of policy debate, not criminal prosecution.

So far, the spirited defense is having little impact. Federal investigators are not backing down from their case, which is being heard in secret by a special grand jury in Pennsylvania. The company's consumer surveys show public attitudes toward Wal-Mart have held flat for six months. That's "not as good as we would like to do, but given the current environment, we're holding strong," said Alicia Smith, Krissie of GSD&M, the Texas firm that created some of the TV ads.

Nonetheless, Wal-Mart's retaliation strikes some retail experts as crucial, because the company has reached a critical stage in its evolution. Growth far beyond its roots in the rural South — with 4,300 stores, more than 1.3 million employees worldwide and \$245 billion in sales in 2002 — Wal-Mart's very success may be working against it. Big empires are hard to manage, and the public tends to mistrust institutions that get too mighty, said Kelly O'Keefe, head of Richmond, Va.-based Emergence, a brand consulting firm.

"They have to be extremely conscious that the kind of growth they have been delivering doesn't come without a cost," said O'Keefe, who put Wal-Mart on his annual top-10 list of corporate branding blunders for last year's run of bad publicity.

## FEBRUARY COMMUNITY CALENDAR

- 3RD - Metal Fabrication/Blacksmithing 3:10-6:00 p.m. Eighth Street Center
- 7th - Fred Choate Painting classes 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Eighth Street Center \$30 per person
- 9th - City Council 7pm City Hall
- 10th - Metal Fabrication/Blacksmithing 3:10-6:00 p.m. Eighth Street Center
- 11th - Web Page Design Class 3:30-5:30 p.m. Buhl High School Computer Lab
- 14th - Valentine's Day Day
- 14th - Paul Tilkeson Jazz 7:00 & Valentine Dinner - 6:30 p.m. Eighth Street Center - \$40 per person
- 16th - No School
- 17th - Metal Fabrication/Blacksmithing 3:10-6:00 p.m. Eighth Street Center
- 18th - Web Page Design Class 3:30-5:30 p.m. Buhl High School Computer Lab
- 21st - Rhythming Derby at Clear Lake Country Club - 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.
- 21st - Community Breakfast at Senior Center - \$3 all-you-can-eat 8-10 a.m.
- 24th - Rotary Spagetti Dinner at Popplewell Elementary School 5-8 p.m.
- 25th - Web Page Design Class 3:30-5:30 p.m. Buhl High School Computer Lab
- Mondays - 2nd and 4th Mondays - Castleford Men's Club 2nd & 16th - 12 noon at the Red Harro
- Mondays - Cards at the Senior Center 6-9pm
- Tuesdays - First and 3rd Tues. - Chamber Lunch 12 noon at Grandstands
- 3rd - Trash Pickups at Web Design
- 17th - Lawrence Wadett - 7:00PM
- Tuesdays - every other Tues - Blango 7-9PM
- 3rd & 17th - West End Senior Center
- Wednesdays - Blango 12 noon at Grandstands
- Wednesdays - Blango at the Moose Hall 7PM
- Thursdays - Second & 4th Thurs. - Rotary
- 5th & 19th, 12 noon at Grandstands
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## MORNING LINE

### SPORTSQUOTE

**66**  
I suggest Ratner  
name the team after  
himself: the  
Brooklyn Rats.

**99**  
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and Exposition  
Authority president  
George Zoffinger told  
the New York Times  
about Brooklyn  
developer Bruce Ratner,  
new owner of the  
New Jersey Nets

### TRIVIA

**QUESTION:**  
What NFL team drafted John  
Elway in 1983?

...answer below

### IN-BRIEF

#### Me-C county police plan hoops benefit

**RUPERT** - Cassia and  
Minidoka County police officers  
will play a benefit basketball  
game Friday, Feb. 27 at 7:30 p.m.  
at the Minico High School main  
gym.

The three-team round-robin  
tournament between Cassia  
County, Minidoka County  
police, and a team comprised of  
area merchants will gather pro-  
ceeds to go toward Rupert Police  
patrol officer Travis Wages' medi-  
cal bills.

Wages sustained injuries to his  
hand and face when a black  
powder rifle he was shooting  
jammed and blew up in his hand.  
Admission costs are \$5 per  
adult, \$2.50 for children ages 10  
and under. Along with the tour-  
nament, raffles and a hoop shoot  
for prizes are planned. Raffle  
tickets will sell three for \$1, or  
\$50 each. Prizes will be provided  
by the police force and area mer-  
chants.

#### O'Leary plans sports banquet for Feb. 23

**TWIN FALLS** - O'Leary Spring  
Sports Dessert Banquet will be  
held on Monday, Feb. 23 at 7 pm  
in the cafeteria at O'Leary Junior  
High School.

The boys and girls basketball  
teams, wrestling, cheerleaders  
and the dance team will be hon-  
ored as well as the academic al-  
l-stars from these sports. Each  
family is requested to bring a  
homemade dessert with 12 serv-  
ings.

#### Hockey group plans roller hockey league

**JEROME** - The North Valley  
Hockey Association is now regis-  
tering for the spring season roller  
hockey league for boys and girls  
ages 6-16.

Games and practices held  
every Monday, Feb. 2 through  
April 5, at the Jerome Fairgrounds.  
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tion.

#### Gooding coed volleyball tournament will be Feb. 7

**GOODING** - Gooding High  
School will host a coed volleyball  
tournament starting at 8:30 a.m.  
Saturday, Feb. 7. Players must  
sign up by Thursday, Jan. 29.

The entry fee is \$75. There will  
be A, B, C divisions. For more infor-  
mation, call Joleen Thone at 934-  
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Compiled from staff reports

### TRIVIA ANSWER:

The Baltimore Colts, who a few  
days after the draft traded Elway  
to the Denver Broncos for quar-  
terback Mark Herrmann, offens-  
ive tackle Chris Elington and the  
Broncos' first pick in 1984. Elway  
had said he didn't want to play in  
Baltimore.

## Bruins wear down Tigers, 56-37

By Dustin Lappay  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** - The Twin Falls  
Bruins pressured and wore down  
cross-canyon rival Jerome to  
cruciate to a 56-37 win Saturday at  
Bann Gymnasium.

"We learned some things about  
ourselves tonight," Twin Falls boys  
basketball coach Matt Harr said.  
"In some tight situations you've  
got to relax."

The game opened with an  
intensity common in this rivalry.  
Twin Falls worked the full-court  
press and undersized Tiger guards  
Chance Craig and Conrad Lee

tried to break it.

Luc Martin nailed a three to  
open the game. Teammate  
Graham Stanley followed with  
one of his four triples for the 6-0  
lead. Jerome's Craig answered  
with a three of his own and Jared  
Miller scored five of his 10 in that  
opening quarter.

"We out-hustled Twin in that  
first quarter, that's what kept it  
close," Jerome head coach  
Houston Finn said. "Then we got a  
little tired and Twin started beat-  
ing us during the second. As the  
Bruins substituted players, the

Tigers had to play through it.

"We've got eight guys sitting  
here and they all play a lot of min-  
utes," Finn said. "That's going to  
make them a lot better down the  
road."

The Bruins 9-5, 3-3 broke open  
the 14-12 game with an 18-7 sec-  
ond quarter. Despite scoring a  
mere seven points in that second  
quarter the Tigers did pull off a  
memorable play, a two-handed  
slam by Jared Miller from a steal  
and dish from Jared Harrison.  
Taner Hazakbaker hit a long  
jumper at the buzzer to give the  
Bruins a 32-19 halftime lead.  
The Bruins defense remained

tough through the second half as  
they continued to throw fresh  
bodies at Jerome.

"We just kept the defensive  
pressure on," Harr said. "We  
knew that if we held them in the  
thirties then we had a good  
chance to win."

Both Mike Smith and Graham  
Stanley scored 14 points to lead  
the Bruins. Luc Martin added 10  
for Twin Falls.

"I just see a lot of good things  
from our kids," Harr said. "Both in  
the locker room and on the court."  
The Bruins travel to Burley  
Friday.

"The big thing is that we con-

tinued to get better and better,"  
Finn said. "We want to be peak-  
ing a couple of weeks from now,  
come tournament time. That's  
what our focus is."

Jerome (3-12, 0-2 Great Basin  
Conference) hosts Centinay  
Wednesday.

Twin Falls, Mo., January 27

Jerome  
Twin Falls  
Jerome (7)

Conrad Lee 3-5-15. Sean Wood 2-6-10. Chance  
Craig 1-0-1. James Harmon 1-0-1. Jared Miller 3-1-4. Drew  
Vance 1-1-2. Total 7-34-27

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4-0-3. Matt Smith 3-3-14. July Kosska 0-1-2. Luc Martin 4-11-  
11. Total 22-52-112

3-pointed shot - Twin Falls, Stanley = Mike Smith. Matt Smith  
made 4-9 shots. Luc Martin = Mike Smith. Jerome 15. Fouled  
out - Mike Smith = 4.

## Eagles comeback falls short

By Kevin Colbert  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** - There are some holes that  
are just too deep. They seem even deeper  
when you've dug them yourselves.

The College of Southern Idaho men's bas-  
ketball team rallied after halftime, but just  
couldn't find a rope long enough to help it  
climb all the way back in an 80-71 Scenic  
West Athletic Conference loss to North  
Idaho College Saturday night.

The Eagles (15-7 overall, 9-7 SWAC)  
trailed by 15 points at halftime and by as  
many as 21 in the second half before a fur-  
ious comeback. But even an increased ener-  
gy level with about 10 minutes remaining  
couldn't save CSI. The Eagles never cut the  
deficit to less than 11 points.

"I thought (NIC) came and played a lot  
harder than us to start out. They got all the  
loose balls," CSI head coach Gil Arnold  
said. "...They had a great night shooting and  
shot the lights out. We'd hit (a) '2' and they'd  
hit a '3'. We couldn't match them shot for  
shot."

"I thought a good portion of the second  
half we played really hard, played CSI bas-  
ketball. It was just a little too little too late."

University of Hawaii signee Matt Gipson  
led NIC (15-7, 9-7) with 21 points while all  
scoring done in seven rebounds. Curtis  
Lineoat and Tyler Hayes each added 18  
points.

Hayes finished 5-of-9 from 3-point range.  
But despite shooting 0-of-6 from behind the  
arc Friday and scoring only two points, the  
3-pointer has been Hayes' main weapon all  
season. The sophomore averaged 10.8 points  
coming into the weekend while hitting on  
45 percent of his 3-point attempts.

Yusuf Baker led CSI with 19 points and  
seven rebounds. Dante Sawyer added 17  
points and Jason McGriff 10.

CSI trailed 38-23 at halftime after North  
Idaho went on a 9-0 run to close the half.

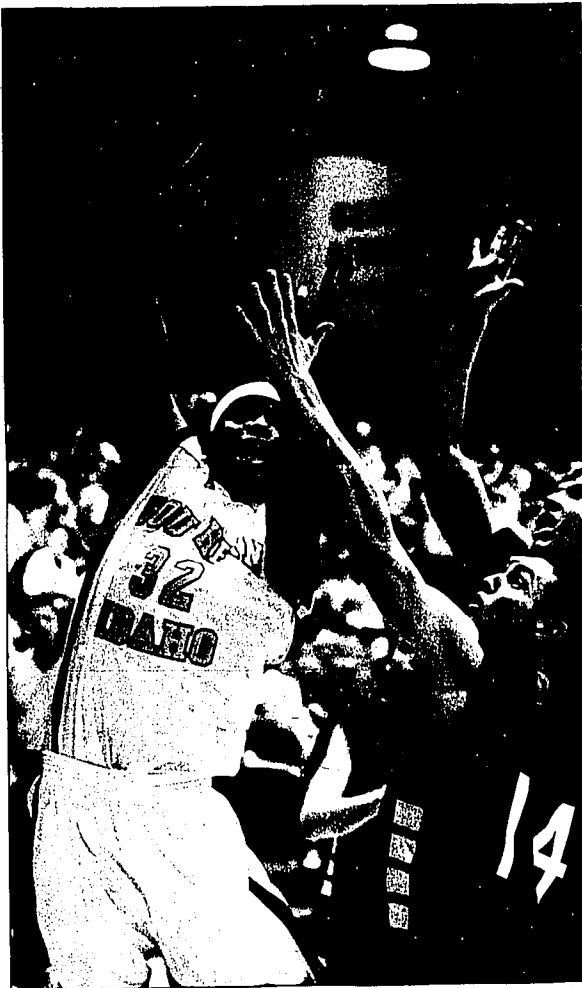
"After trailing by 10, Sawyer pulled CSI to  
within 29-23 on a pair of consecutive buck-  
ets off the glass. But Don Deshazer's tip-in  
sparked NIC's spurt. Gipson had five points  
during the run, including a dunk in transi-  
tion and a long fall-away jumper off the top  
of the glass that rattled in just before the  
buzzer sounded.

The men's boxscore will appear in  
Monday's Times-News.

### Women

CSI held North Idaho to just 27 percent  
shooting from the field on the way to a 66-38  
victory.

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College of Southern Idaho forward Yusuf Baker files past North Idaho College defender Paul Harford, foreground, and Matt Gipson during the second half of their men's basketball game in Twin Falls Saturday.

## Mauresmo, Davenport advance

The Associated Press

**MELBOURNE, Australia** -  
Fourth-seeded Amelie Mauresmo  
became the first player to reach  
the Australian Open quarterfinals  
Sunday, beating Alicia Molik 7-5,  
7-5.

The Frenchwoman struggled to  
beat Molik, an Australian ranked  
40th in the world, after losing only  
six games and spending less than  
three hours on the court in the  
first three rounds.

"It was a very tough match,  
obviously she gave me a lot of  
trouble," Mauresmo said. "I just  
really wanted to go through this  
one and go to the quarters."

Fifth-seeded Lindsay  
Davenport also advanced, win-  
ning the last eight points in a 6-1,  
6-3 victory over 11th-seeded Vera  
Zvonareva of Russia.

Mauresmo, a finalist in 1999,  
missed the tournament last year  
because of injuries.  
"I'm happy to be back here. I

Please see TENNIS, Page C2



France's Amelie Mauresmo reacts after winning her fourth round match against Australia's Alicia Molik at the Australian Open in Melbourne, Australia, Saturday. Mauresmo won in straight sets 7-5, 7-5.

## Bogey-free Triplett pulls into tie at top of Bob Hope

The Associated Press

**LA QUINTA, Calif.** - Kirk  
Triplett shot a 9-under 63  
Saturday, remaining bogey-free in  
the Bob Hope Chrysler Classic  
and tying Phil Mickelson for the  
lead at 26 under.

Triplett has 24 birdies, an eagle  
and 47 par through 72 holes in  
the 90-hole tournament.  
Mickelson, making his 2004  
debut, shot a 67 at Bermuda  
Dunes but still saw his two-shot  
lead evaporate. He won the Hope  
in 2002.

Kenny Perry, the 1995 champi-  
on, had consecutive eagles in his  
second 64 of the tournament and  
was one shot behind the co-lea-  
ders at 25-under 263.

Triplett who won the Reno-  
Tahoe Open last year for his sec-  
ond tour victory, held a bunker  
shot for an eagle on No. 5 at  
Indian Wells Country Club, and

made a twisting 20-foot birdie  
putt on No. 11 to highlight his  
fourth round.

John Daly had a rare double  
eagle on No. 2 at PGA West. Daly  
holed his second shot from 220  
yards on the 514-yard par 5. He  
finished the round with a 72 and  
was 15 under.

Jay Haas, the 1988 champion  
and runner-up to Mike Weir a year  
ago, was two shots off the pace  
after a 67.

Perry gained four strokes to par  
with his consecutive eagles on the  
par 5 fifth and sixth holes at La  
Quinta Country Club.

### Tewell takes first-round lead in MasterCard

**KAUPULEHU-KONA, Hawaii** -  
Doug Tewell birdied two of five  
holes Saturday for a 9-under-par  
64 and a one-stroke lead after the  
first round.

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## Steve Wilstein

He stopped after a while and  
paused not far from me to talk to  
his friend, a fellow similarly  
around 25 or 30 and of a fine  
physique.

"Hey, man, you looking cut!"  
the friend said.  
"Feeling good, man," the  
runner said. "I'm cycling right now.  
This stuff is going."

They went on talking about  
cycling and stacking steroids a  
few moments then slapped hands  
and went their ways. I kept going  
nowhere on the stationary bike.  
I watched the moon and back and  
pumped iron for an eternity.

At Kentucky, where he worked  
from 1979 to 1997, he knew that  
about 10 percent of the athletes  
were taking steroids. He figured  
at least another 10 percent he did-  
n't know about were also using them.

"The reason I knew about those  
10 percent is that when their  
records were over, they would dis-  
cuss it," Green said. "We did  
random drug testing but we never  
caught them."

Green said colleges are doing  
"an adequate job" drug testing

Please see STEROIDS, Page C4





SPORTS

SCORES AND STATS

BASKETBALL

NBA

Table with 2 columns: Team, Points, Rebounds, Assists. Rows include New Jersey, New York, Philadelphia, Boston, Washington, Miami, Orlando, Charlotte, Cleveland, Detroit, Chicago, Indiana, Memphis, Portland, Sacramento, Dallas, Houston, San Antonio, Phoenix, Utah, Milwaukee, Minnesota, Cleveland, Detroit, Chicago, Indiana, Memphis, Portland, Sacramento, Dallas, Houston, San Antonio, Phoenix, Utah, Milwaukee, Minnesota.

WHAT'S ON T.V.

Auto Racing

RFA World Rally Automobile Monte Carlo, SPEED, 7 p.m.

Baseball

Kings at Mavericks, ABC, 11 a.m. Michigan St. at Purdue, CBS, noon. Women, New Mexico at Utah, ESPN2, 1 p.m.

Baseball

Oregon at Arizona, CBS, 2 p.m. Women, LSU at Georgia, ESPN2, 3 p.m. Maryland at Clemson, FSX, 4:30 p.m.

Baseball

Louisville at Tennessee, ESPN, 5 p.m.

Bowling

PBA, ABC Masters, ESPN, 11 a.m.

Extreme Sports

Winter X Games VII, day 2, ESPN, 1 p.m.

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Area ski report

Boyer Pass - Sat 5:30 a.m. to 11 p.m. 28 degrees, wind 10 mph. Snow on ground 4-6. Visibility 1/2-1 mile. Sun 10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Golf

European PGA Tour, Dunhill Championship, final round, TGC, 7 a.m. PGA Tour, Bob Hope Classic, final round, ABC, 1:30 p.m.

Hockey

Ryans at Capitals, ESPN2, 5 p.m.

Tennis

Australian Open, early round, ESPN2, 8 p.m. Australian Open, early round, ESPN2, 8 p.m.

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Canada's Jeff Hume crashed and sustained a bruised chest and concussion. He was to be flown to a hospital in nearby St. John.

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SPORTS

# Knocking off the No. 1

Tennessee women upset Duke, 72-69

DURHAM, N.C. (AP) — Tennessee finally found a way to beat a top-ranked team and return to the top of women's college basketball.

Couch Pat Summitt won in her first trip to Cameron Indoor Stadium, leading the second-ranked Lady Vols past No. 1 Duke 72-69 Saturday.

half and 56 percent for the game to win their 13th straight.

Brandon Bowman scored 19 points for the Hoyas (11-4), who have lost four of five. Georgetown lost to the No. 1 team for the second time in 10 days, having lost 94-70 at then-top ranked Connecticut on Jan. 14.

**Providence 66, No. 4 Connecticut 56**

HARTFORD, Conn. — Ryan Gomes had 26 points and 12 rebounds to lead Providence to its fifth straight victory.

The Friars (13-3, +1 Big East) are 2-1 against ranked teams this season and handed the Huskies (15-3, 3+) their first conference loss of the season.

Emeka Okafor had 19 points and 13 rebounds for the Huskies.

**No. 6 Cincinnati 83, Southern Miss. 47**

HATTIESBURG, Miss. — Former College of Southern Idaho standout Tony Bobbitt scored 19 points and Cincinnati made a robust recovery from its first loss of the season.

The Bearcats (14-1, 5-1) had more turnovers forced (16) than field goals allowed (14) in their most lopsided Conference USA victory of the season.

Jasper Johnson had 13 points to lead the Golden Eagles (9-7, 2-3).

**No. 7 North Carolina 96, Virginia 77**

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. — Rashad McCants scored 26 points to lead six North Carolina players in double figures.

Sean May scored 17 points for the Tar Heels (12-4, 2-3 Atlantic Coast Conference), who improved to 17-2 against the Cavaliers in the Smith Center.

Devin Smith scored 16 points to lead Virginia (12-5, 2-4), while J.R. Reynolds added 15.

**N.C. State 76, No. 11 Georgia Tech 72**

RALEIGH, N.C. — Scooter Sherrill scored 18 points and Blair Ekvimov had 11 points and 14 rebounds to lead North Carolina State.

Will Bynum scored 17 points for Georgia Tech (15-3, 3-2).

**No. 24 Oklahoma State 72, No. 16 Texas 67**

AUSTIN, Texas — Joey Graham had 21 points and 10 rebounds for the Cowboys, who ended the Longhorns' 25-game home winning streak.

Royal Ivy scored 14 points for Texas (12-3, 3-1), which missed half of its 20 free throws.



Tennessee's Brittany Jackson (25) celebrates as time expires in her team's 72-69 win over No. 1 Duke Saturday at Cameron Indoor Stadium in Durham, N.C.

**No. 17 Florida 68, Auburn 52**

GAINESVILLE, Fla. — David Lee scored 10 of his 12 points in the second half to lead Florida.

Lee, held to 1-for-6 shooting in the first half, triggered the victory for the Gators (12-4, 3-2 Southeastern Conference), who had lost two straight games by double digits.

Marco Killingsworth had 17 points and 11 rebounds for Auburn (11-6, 2-4).

**No. 19 Mississippi St. 71, Georgia 58**

STARKVILLE, Miss. — Lawrence Roberts scored 17 points and Timmy Bowers added 15 points and nine assists for Mississippi State, which opened the game with a 19-0 run.

Georgia (9-7, 1-4) didn't get its first field goal until Rashad Wright's 3-pointer with about 10:40 left in the first half.

**No. 20 Oklahoma 61, Kansas St. 49**

NORMAN, Okla. — Jason Detrick scored 24 points for Oklahoma, which ended its longest losing streak in five years.

The Sooners (11-4, 1-3 Big 12) hadn't won in three weeks, a four-game skid with an average margin of 18 points.

Jarrett Hart had 16 points for Kansas State (9-6, 1-3), which has lost 18 consecutive conference road games.

**No. 21 Wisconsin 76, Illinois 56**

MADISON, Wis. — Devin Harris scored a career-high 30 points and

Mike Wilkinson added a career-high 24 for Wisconsin.

Roger Powell scored a career-high 24 points to lead Illinois (12-5, 3-3), which has lost 11 of its last 12 games — including five straight — in Madison.

**Arkansas 70, No. 22 Vanderbilt 62**

FAYETTEVILLE, Ark. — Freshman guard Ronnie Brewer scored a season-high 21 points and Jonathan Moten matched that for Arkansas as Vanderbilt lost its third straight Southeastern Conference road game.

Matt Freije had 19 points and seven rebounds for Vanderbilt (13-3, 2-3), which slipped to 1-3 since opening the season with 12 straight wins.

**Air Force 74, BYU 52**

AIR FORCE ACADEMY, Colo. — Nick Welch scored 20 points on 9-of-10 shooting to lead Air Force to a 74-52 romp over BYU on Saturday.

A.J. Kühle added 14 points, Tim Keller 12 and Antoine Hood 11 as Air Force (13-2, 3-0 Mountain West) extended its winning streak to 11 games, a school record.

BYU (12-5, 2-2) was led by Mark Bigelow's 19 points. Rafael Araujo, the conference's leading scorer and rebounder, was held to 12 points and six rebounds.

The Falcons shot 73 percent compared to BYU's 43 percent.

Air Force — which entered the game with the nation's best scoring defense, limiting opponents to 46.6 points per game — held the Cougars 24 points below their season average.

HORSE RACING  
SUNSHINE MILLIONS CLASSIC

## Florida-breds lead race for second year

ARCADIA, Calif. (AP) — Turns out the weather wasn't Bobby Frankel's biggest worry in the Sunshine Millions Classic.

The Hall of Fame trainer scratched Midas Eyes, who along with stablemate Peace Rules, was the morning line favorite for Saturday's \$1 million race at Santa Anita. Frankel had said Midas Eyes wouldn't run if it rained.

Southern Image, not the weather, spoiled Frankel's day.

The Florida-bred colt closed strongly to win the Classic by three lengths over Cal-bred Excess Summer. Peace Rules, third in last year's Kentucky Derby, finished fourth in the field of 12.

Midas Eyes stayed in the barn, even though it didn't rain during the races. But sunshine was absent at Santa Anita during the second annual Sunshine Millions, an eight-race event pitting California- and Florida-bred horses against each other.

Four races each were run at Santa Anita and sister track Gulfstream Park. Florida-breds won six of the eight races and out-placed California 45-27. Winners received five points each, second-place three points and third was worth one point.

Last year, Florida horses won seven of the eight races and out-

pointed California 56-16.

Ridden by Victor Espinoza, Southern Image covered 1.8 miles in 1:47.67 and paid \$8.20, \$4.60 and \$4.20.

"I'm tickled to death," winning trainer Mike Machovsky said.

Excess Summer returned \$6.60 and \$5.20, while Florida-bred The Judge Sez, who paid \$12.80 to show.

So many people crowded into the winner's circle, there was hardly room for Southern Image in the photo. They stood six-deep, cheering and whooping while Southern Image appeared unfazed by all the noise.

At Santa Anita, Florida-bred Mooji Moo scored an upset victory in the \$300,000 Filly & Mare Sprint. She defeated Cal-bred Bold Roberta by three-quarters of a length and paid \$37.40 to win. Mooji Moo covered six furlongs in 1:09.34 over Okla Nakatani.

The day's biggest upset came in the \$500,000 Distaff at Gulfstream. Special Request, a 70-1 shot ridden by Eibar Coa, defeated Smo'N Frolic by three-quarters of a length to lead a Florida-bred sweep of the top three spots.

Special Request covered 1 1-16 miles in 1:45.16 and paid \$150.40 to win. Scapade was another three-quarters of a length back in third.

## Golf

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first round of the Champions Tour's season-opening MasterCard Championship. The second round began at 9:30 p.m. MST.

Tewell was at 6 under when the first round was suspended due to darkness, following a 1.5-hour delay because of rain and lightning on Friday. He closed Saturday with birdies on Nos. 15 and 18 for a one-roke lead over James Mason.

Jim Thorpe, Stewart Ginn, Honolulu resident Dave Eichelberger and Jay Sigel were two strokes back after opening 66.

Tewell had an eagle and six birdies in his round. The eagle came on a 52-yard fourth, when he guided his 4-iron approach shot within 15 feet of the pin.

His birdie putts at Nos. 7, 9, 11 and 15 were all under 6 feet.

Mason, 53, had seven birdies in his opening round, including four on the back nine.

Quigley, the defending champion,

opened with a 67 with five others including Dave Barr, Tom Jenkins, Tom Purtzer, Gil Morgan and Fuzzy Zoeller.

The 56-year-old Quigley is making his record 233rd consecutive start for which he has been eligible and his 219th straight start overall. He was the only player to appear in all 31 events last year.

Jack Nicklaus, who celebrated his 64th birthday Wednesday, opened with 68.

Arnold Palmer, 74, who is playing in his 50th professional season, was in last place with a 77.

**Dunhill Championship**

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa — Denmark's Soren Hansen shot a 7-under 65 to take the third-round lead in the Dunhill Championship.

Hansen was at 18-under 198, with Frenchmen Gregory Havret (64) and Raphael Jacquelin (68) a shot behind.

## Steroids

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randomly and at NCAA events, "given their resources." But they will never catch up even using steroids "even if they spent billions of dollars" on tests.

Every day Americans wage struggles with fitness and fatness. We are obsessed with diets and dietary supplements. Some of us gulp daily vitamin and mineral packs and get little benign boosts over-the-counter with coenzyme Q10, glutosamine chondroitin MSM, N-acetyl L-Cysteine, and sundry other popular concoctions. Others of us get all our nutrients at Krispy Kreme or Starbucks.

Steroids and steroid precursors appeal to a significant center store in Sammamish, Wash., for a few years. It's an upscale area, near a country club and a gated community with high-priced homes.

"Three events about steroid use and parents' participation stay in my memory," he said. "First, a young man of high school age entered the store, pulled out of his pocket a small bottle of synthetic testosterone with an Oregon lab label and asked me how to use it. To which I replied, 'I don't know, but don't.'"

When moms came in and sheepishly asked about steroid use and potential benefits and hazards. One was asking about it for her own son, and the second because

her nephew in junior high was already given it by his parents for sports performance."

The old term "roid rage" has given way to a rage over "roids."

"Do steroids work? Do they make you bigger, stronger, faster? Without question, they do," Green says. "You don't have to be an athlete to want to be bigger, stronger, faster. If you're in the construction industry, where you're doing a lot of physical work, you're going to want that edge. It goes down to kids in middle school."

At the elite level of sports in schools and in the pros, certified athletic trainers engage in a balancing act of treating injuries, keeping athletes in the game, and counseling them on the risks they're taking with their bodies.

The trainers can warn athletes about taking over-the-counter steroids and stimulants, but can't control them. They work under the guidance of doctors, but are paid by the schools and pro franchises and tours. They are involved in drug testing and are part of a team with the head coach, strength coach and nutritionist.

"As an athletic trainer, you are caught in the middle," Green said. "You can talk to an athlete till you're blue in the face about not taking this or that. And the answer is, 'It makes me feel better. It makes me perform better.' It's legal. It's an herbal, a food, not a drug.' It's hard to argue against that, and new supplements keep popping up in the market."

"They're in the stores and on the Internet. They show up in gym bags at the 'Y' and in locker rooms all over sports. Trainers like Green watch and wonder where it's all headed."

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# Under PRESSURE

Jagr becomes latest star to bear burden of N.Y. Rangers' lofty expectations

OTTAWA (AP) — Jaromir Jagr pulled a white New York Rangers jersey with his signature No. 68 over his head, and captain Mark Messier beamed.

"Oh, yeah, looks good," Messier said as he flashed a big smile. "Very good."

"I hope it's the last sweater," Jagr said as photographers and cameramen maneuvered to capture the photo opportunity that punctuated Saturday's news conference at the Core Center, where the Rangers' latest star acquisition was introduced.

Flanked by alternate captains Eric Lindros and Brian Leetch, Messier and Jagr appeared excited that the five-time NHL scoring leader was finally with New York.

Jagr's long-rumored trade from Washington was completed Friday in a deal that sent Anson Carter to the Capitals.

"I'm the kind of guy who doesn't like changes," Jagr said. "I'm happy where I stay. But, the way I see it, in Washington they decided to trade me. I'm glad I'm somewhere to have a chance to prove to the

world that I'm still a good player."

The league MVP with Pittsburgh in 1999, Jagr failed to live up to expectations with the Capitals. Washington acquired Jagr after he won his fourth consecutive scoring title with the Penguins in 2001.

Jagr had 201 points in 190 games with Washington, including 16 goals and 29 assists in 46 games this season.

"There have been expectations on him for 11 years," said forward Matthew Barnaby, one of several Rangers who previously played with Jagr. "He's always been expected to do a lot of good things."

"Even though everyone thinks he's been having a bad season by his standards, it's a very good season by everyone else's standards. He averages a point a game, and in a time when scoring's down, he's doing very well."

With Pavel Bure sidelined due to a career-threatening knee injury, Rangers fans hope the addition of Jagr to an already star-studded six-year playoff drought.

"We're excited," said Glen Sather, the Rangers president, general manager and coach. "We



just hope he excites everyone else and gets us in the playoffs."

Aware of the heightened expectations, Messier tried to lighten Jagr's burden before the Czech star made his debut with the Rangers against Ottawa on Saturday night.

"Coming to play on the biggest stage in the world doesn't come without pressure," Messier said. "Obviously, he's picked up a lot of the pressure that the team's endured over the last five or six years, but speaking from experience, no one player can do it alone."

Jagr will be teamed with fellow Czechs Petr Nedved and Jan Hlavac against the Senators, Sather said.

New York Rangers newly-acquired forward Jaromir Jagr, of the Czech Republic, takes part in the morning skate with his new team in Ottawa Saturday.

Jagr who was traded to the Rangers from Washington Capitals yesterday, and played the Ottawa Senators Saturday night. See page C-2.

In two seasons with Pittsburgh from 1995-97, Nedved was paired with Jagr frequently.

The Rangers, losers of three straight and winless in five, enter Saturday's game in 10th place in the Eastern Conference, four points behind the New York Islanders in the race for the eighth and final playoff spot.

"The expectations are always high in New York, and for good reason, because we have a lot of great players here," Nedved said. "There are probably going to be even more expectations and more pressure now that Jaromir's here, so we've just got to get down to business and start winning some hockey games."

# South tramples North in Senior Bowl, 28-10 Southern act of aggression

NC State's Rivers shines with 213 yards

MOBILE, Ala. (AP) — North Carolina State's Philip Rivers passed for 213 yards and directed all the South's scoring drives in a 28-10 victory over the North in the Senior Bowl on Saturday.

The nation's top-rated passer was the only quarterback who looked as comfortable with relatively unfamiliar players as his own college teammates in the game, an NFL audition for college seniors.

Rivers completed 12 of 19 passes, two for first-quarter touchdowns, to earn Most Valuable Player honors. He played one series in the final three quarters, re-entering the game late in the fourth.

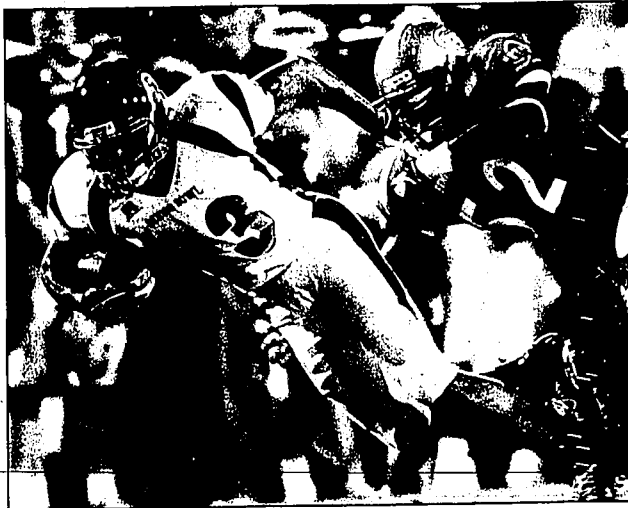
Florida State's Greg Jones added his second touchdown, a 4-yarder, to end the drive. The 250-pounder showed off his bruising style by breaking several tackles on a 22-yarder and some agility on the next play, cutting back toward the middle for the touchdown.

He also had a tackle-breaking, 16-yard touchdown in the first quarter and was the South's offensive MVP. Florida State's Darnell Dockett, who set up a touchdown with a fumble recovery, was the team's defensive MVP.

Ohio State receiver Michael Jenkins was picked as the North's offensive MVP after catching seven passes for 69 yards. Ricardo Colclough of Tusculum College claimed defensive honors.

Neither offense looked particularly fluid when Rivers was on the sideline, though Michigan's John Navarre had a 35-yard touchdown pass to Keary Colbert of Southern Cal in the second quarter on fourth-and-10.

The North's offense had three quarterbacks who combined for nearly 10,000 yards passing their senior seasons, but never consistently.



The North squad's Keary Colbert (83) of Southern Cal falls forward for a first down as South defender Keyaron Fox (52) of Georgia Tech makes the stop in the first half of the Senior Bowl at Ladd-Peebles Stadium in Mobile, Ala., on Saturday.

tently kicked. The squad lost two fumbles and gained just 3 yards on 16 rushes.

Navarre was the team's most effective quarterback, completing 12 of 22 passes for 126 yards.

Rivers led the South to a 21-0 first quarter lead, throwing touchdown passes of 9 yards to Cedric Cobbs of Arkansas and 21 yards to Virginia Tech's Ernest Willford.

The second came on the first play after a fumbled snap by the North's Cody

Pickett, recovered by Dockett.

Rivers, who trails only Brigham Young's Ty Detmer on the NCAA's all-time passing charts, set up Jones' 16-yard TD with a 67-yard pass to Devrey Henderson of LSU.

Rivers hit Henderson in stride down the right sideline.

Henderson had five catches for 120 yards. Navarre converted two fourth-down plays to start the second quarter, the second the 35-yarder

to Colbert for the North's lone touchdown.

Pickett couldn't quite push the North into the end zone late in the third, directing a 15-play drive covering 72 yards and more than eight minutes. The North had to settle for a 25-yard field goal by Iowa's Nate Kaeding and didn't get that close to the end zone again.

Pickett finished 9 of 13 for 74 yards.



Stadium worker Frank Caballero puts up Super Bowl XXXVIII bunting at Reliant Stadium in Houston, Tx., Thursday.

## Panthers and Patriots

Super Bowl boasts no-name winners

By Dave Goldberg  
Associated Press writer

Who are these Carolina Panthers and how did they get here after going 1-15 just two seasons ago?

And how did a relatively feeble team such as New England get back to the title game for the second time in three years with no true superstars?

Simple.

Both teams present the ultimate product of free agency and the salary cap. They are flawed and lack depth but have managed to make the most of their strengths and minimize their weaknesses to get to the Super Bowl.

And, of course, there's another reason.

There are no more dynasties or near dynasties. Since 1999, including this season, eight franchises have reached the title game: the Patriots and St. Louis Rams are the only ones to go twice.

Sorry, but this game instead will feature two staunch defenses and quarterbacks Tom Brady and Jake Delhomme.

Brady is a highly efficient, high- IQ decorated quarterback in his third season as a starter. He was the MVP in New England's 20-17 Super Bowl victory over St. Louis two seasons ago.

But he's just a star — not a STAR like Montana, Bradshaw, Alkanem, Favre, Manning, Steve Young or Eli Manning. He doesn't electrify fans with perfect 40-yard spirals or Houdini-like scrambles.

"I think I may be the slowest quarterback in the NFL," Brady chuckles.

And Delhomme?

And he signed in the offseason with the Panthers, he had thrown just 86 passes with New Orleans. In fact, Delhomme didn't even get on the field in 1997 and '98, spending time on the practice squad or as the third quarterback. Nor did he take any snaps in the 2000 and '01 seasons.

He did establish a reputation as a solid clutch quarterback in his first year as a starter after signing with Carolina as a free agent. The Panthers have won four of their five overtime games, including a double-overtime playoff victory at St. Louis that Delhomme won with a 65-yard pass play to Steve Smith.

With two weeks to hype the game, television will ensure that viewers are aware of the players in what looks like one of the most

star-starved Super Bowls ever. Still, with a week to go, few people can identify more than a handful of the players, especially on the Panthers.

Carolina's star in the playoffs has been cornerback Ricky Manning Jr. (no relation to Peyton), a third-round draft pick who had three interceptions against the Eagles in the 14-3 victory for the NFC championship. The previous week, his interception led to the Delhomme-Smith touchdown in St. Louis.

The other Panthers sure to be put in the spotlight include defensive linemen Julius Peppers, Kris Jenkins, Mike Rucker and Brents Buckner, one of the NFL's best tacklers, linebacker Dan Mahesh Mahanmad and running backs DeShaun Foster and Stephen Davis. Davis, a star in Washington, and Peppers, the second overall pick in the 2002 draft, are two of the few Panthers with any name recognition.

But even the best players are in the second tier of recognizable stars — on both sides: Brady, Ty Law, Richard Seymour, Rodney Harrison, Willie McGinest and Adam Vinatieri for New England; Davis, Peppers, Jenkins and Rucker for Carolina.

One major reason for that is the salary cap. It doesn't allow too many stars on one roster because teams have to remain under the \$74.8 million ceiling — it goes up to about \$79 million next year.

Peyton Manning, the NFL's MVP this season, could get \$15 million next season from salary and signing bonus. That represents nearly 20 percent of the team's salary cap space, leaving the Colts without a lot of room to sign much-needed defensive help.

New England's quest is winning with a lot of good players and a few stars, allowing it to stay under the cap.

Brady, on the verge of his second championship in three seasons, isn't even close to being the NFL's highest paid quarterback. He's in the second year of a four-year deal worth \$28 million.

Still, "names" become "NAMES" as long as they are promoted for two weeks, as Ricky Manning Jr. found out after two straight outstanding playoff performances left fans wondering: Who in the world is Ricky Manning Sr.?

Answer: A 39-year-old mechanic who could pass for the cornerback's brother.

It's the kind of question that always comes up at Super Bowls and turns the Ricky Manning Jr. into instant celebrities.

## Super Bowl trip caps stardom for Brady

FOXBORO, Mass. (AP) — The State of the Union was neat. Disney World's a hoot. One can only guess what Tom Brady thought about the "Playboy Mansion."

For the New England Patriots quarterback, though, none of the squalor or hobnobbing that he has done in the last two years ranks with the Super Bowl victory that first made him a crossover star worthy of the gossip columns and the *Time* page.

"I've had some great experiences," Brady said Thursday, two days after watching the President's speech as a guest of first lady Laura Bush. "A lot of that is because of the success we've had on the field, and a lot of that is because of the guys I'm playing with."

The dimpled chin and boyish grin looks may make women swoon, but what's more important to Brady is that his coaches and teammates swear by him. In a job

that requires him to constantly read and react to defenses, Brady always seems to make the right decision.

The 199th pick in the 2000 NFL Draft, Brady was Drew Bledsoe's backup until a chest-cracking hit knocked the franchise quarterback out of the Patriots' starting lineup two games into the 2001 season, never to return. Brady did not throw an interception in his first 162 pass attempts — an NFL record — and won 11 of his first 14 regular season starts.

His poised and efficient leadership took New England to the Super Bowl, though with their untested quarterback they were two-touchdown underdog to the St. Louis Rams. Brady took a snap on the floor of the locker room before the game and then engineered one of the biggest upsets in football history, leading the Patriots 53 yards in the final minutes to set up Adam Vinatieri's 48-yard, game-winning

field goal as time expired. New England won 20-17, and Brady was the game's MVP — the first of a wide variety of honors to follow.

There were trips to the White House and He's House. He judged a beauty contest and was spotted with his share of them. Donald Trump reportedly wanted to fix him up with his daughter.

"A lot of things have changed," Brady said. "Obviously, the important thing for me is to continue to do things that I find most fulfilling."

Brady finished third in the league MVP voting this season, behind Carolina's Steve McNair and Peyton Manning — two quarterbacks with gaudier passing numbers and flashier skills. Then, Brady went out and led the Patriots to playoff victories over McNair's Tennessee Titans and Manning's Indianapolis Colts.

Brady does have the numbers. The most important ones of all.

by his wife — once in the chest and once in the head. He never even had time to take his keys out of the front door.

Deirda Lane, who said the shooting was in self-defense, pleaded guilty to voluntary manslaughter.

"People talked about Fred Lane and Rae and Collins and that was all Charlotte was known for," defensive end Mike Rucker said. "Whenever you said Charlotte, that's what they referred to."

Safety Deon Grant, drafted about two months before Lane's death in July 2000, wasn't sure what he was walking into.

"I saw what they had going on in Charlotte and it was like a curse," Grant said. "You had one guy killing someone, another guy was killed. It was all negative."

The team owner, born and raised in the Carolinas and so proud of bringing an NFL team to his home community, couldn't take another moment of humiliation.

"Mr. Richardson got to the point where he said, 'Enough is enough,'" Rucker said. "That meant placing a focus on character, community responsibility and respect that the Panthers had never seen before."

Richardson now makes it a point to visit with every draft pick, giving them a personalized tour around the stadium accompanied by a stern lecture on the core values he finds important.

The cleaning up in Carolina wasn't easy, and 15 seasons in 2001.

Mortified by angry letters he received from fans who were humiliated and disgusted by the Panthers, Richardson fired coach George Seifert a day after the 2001 season finale and quickly hired John Fox.

In Fox he had a no-nonsense coach who held the same principles as Richardson and wouldn't tolerate bad behavior. Richardson has made a practice of calling

## Panthers move past sordid side of franchise

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — Rae Carruth was found hiding in the trunk of a Toyota sedan in the parking lot of a Tennessee motel, 500 miles away from the Panthers and the murder charge he faced for his girlfriend's death.

Fred Lane's body was discovered just inside the doorway of his Charlotte home, where he was shot to death by his wife.

That's just part of the sordid past of these Panthers, who have desperately tried to distance themselves from a laundry list of off-field crimes ranging from drunk driving arrests, domestic abuse and two slayings.

They can only hope that a win over the New England Patriots in the Super Bowl will be enough to move them past what owner Jerry Richardson refers to as "the two terrible tragic things that were the darkest" moments in the franchise's brief history.

"We're trying to do the best we can," Richardson, in a rare interview with reporters, said Friday about trying to maintain a trouble-free program.

He added: "Life's a struggle. If you live a life and think you're not going to have struggles, you're naive."

Even before Carruth was arrested for planning the shooting death of his pregnant girlfriend, Richardson, in a rare interview with reporters, said Friday about trying to maintain a trouble-free program.

Kerry Collins, the first draft pick in franchise history, got caught up in being a big star in a small city. He loved the nightlife — such as it is in a sleepy Southern town — and was a regular at various watering holes.

The quarterback developed a drinking problem, got into fights with teammates after using racial slurs and eventually quit the Panthers, saying his "heart was no longer into it."

Then the Carruth scandal hit. And as Carruth sat in jail awaiting trial, Lane walked into his Charlotte home one day and was shot



Former Carolina Panther's wide receiver Rae Carruth is escorted to a waiting car in Jackson, Tennessee, after being following his arrest by FBI agents in his Dec. 15, 1999 photo. Carruth was found hiding in the trunk of a car in a Tennessee parking lot, 500 miles away from the murder charges he faced for the death of his girlfriend.

players to his home for a "trip they do not look forward to making." He lets them sit alone in his living room, the steady tick-tock of his clock heightening the drama of the moment.

When he finally enters the room, he waits in silence to see what the player has to say. When the player is through, Richardson delivers his message.

"I got into some trouble my first year and he pulled me to the side and told me I am either going to get my stuff together or he was going to have to let me go because he was trying to clean up Charlotte," Grant said.

The result is a close-knit team that the community is no longer ashamed of: Thousands turned out Friday for a downtown pep rally in honor of the Super Bowl trip.



Super Bowl-bound New England Patriots quarterback Tom Brady, center, flanked by Jojo Rumsfeld, wife of Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld, left, and Alma Powell, wife of Secretary of State Colin Powell, right, as President Bush arrives to deliver his State of the Union speech to a joint session of Congress on Capitol Hill Tuesday. Brady was a guest of first lady Laura Bush for his and his teammates' hosting sports camps for local youths.



SPORTS

# Europeans use soccer to fight anti-semitism

By Tom Rochman  
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ROME — Soccer hooligans committed an especially despicable act at a Rome stadium a few years back, holding a large banner aimed at opposing Jewish fans: "Auschwitz Is Your Country; the Ovens Are Your Homes."

“Why do this in the world of soccer? Because the world of soccer is what draws the most attention.”

“—Raffaella Spizzichino, Roman Jewish community official

er with those who lived them.” Soccer may seem a strange choice for such a solemn event. Soccer violence has killed dozens of fans; fans have pelted black players with debris and taunted them; teams considered to have Jewish supporters suffer grotesque chants and insults.

Roman Jewish community official Raffaella Spizzichino remembered the moment in November 1998 when she came to Rome's Olympic stadium to support her team AS Roma, and read the Auschwitz banner hung by extremist supporters of cross-town rival Lazio. Rather than turning away from the sport, she helped organize the upcoming soccer events.

“We chose to do this to break the taboo in the soccer world, which often forgets the Holocaust,” she said. “Why do this in the world of soccer? Because the world of soccer is what draws most attention.”

However, journalist Simon Kuper, who studied the links between politics and soccer in his book, “Football Against the Enemy,” doubts there is a link between anti-Semitism among soccer hooligans and recent attacks on European Jews. “The hooligans or hard-core fans know that shouting anti-Semitic stuff is shocking to people, which is why they do it. These are not people who have elaborate neo-Nazi ideologies,” he said.

Kuper says anti-Semitism is terrible, but the recent phenomenon has been greatly mischaracterized.

“You get the sense that Europe's on the brink of another Holocaust. Every famous figure who says something anti-Semitic — it's all proof that Europe's old demons are reappearing, we're sliding back,” he said.

But most of the recent anti-Semitic violence was committed in France by Muslim youths who have no political power, he said.

Wiesel, however, disagreed, saying current European anti-Semitism is not the work of a small, disaffected group.

“My generation has good antennas,” he said. “We have antennas and we feel it's anti-Semitism and it's dangerous. We have a right to say so and a duty to say so.”

Although those who hang signs mocking the memory of Auschwitz may never be converted, officials hope millions of other fans who witness such acts will at least begin to say, “Enough.”

# Soccer helps Rwanda heal after genocide

By Raf Casert  
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BIZERTE, Tunisia — As a child, Jean-Remy Bitana lived through the horrors of the 1994 genocide in Rwanda that left more than half a million people dead.

“I could see it, I could feel it,” he said in a voice barely stronger than a whisper. “I saw so many murders, bodies.”

Ten years later, he is playing on Rwanda's national soccer team, a symbol of reconciliation in this ravaged nation. The squad has defied the odds to reach the 16-team field of the African Cup of Nations.

The Wasps will play the biggest game in the country's history Saturday when they open the tournament against heavily favored Tunisia, the host nation.

“If our dreams come true and we beat Tunisia, a child born that day will bear the name 'Rwanda,’” Bitana predicted, a strong statement in a nation where children used to be named after the royalty of their colonizers and ID cards specifically mentioned if one was Hutu or Tutsi.

Now, regardless of ethnicity, fans from all over the lush, central African country back the Amavubi, as the team is known in Kinyarwanda, Rwanda's national language. It is a far cry from a decade ago when a 100-day killing spree spurred by an extremist Hutu government pillaged the nation.

It took two years to form a semblance of a national team. Early on, the team was riven with suspicion.

“It was terrible. Players were thinking of that. You could meet



Rwandan player Hamed Nadiukumena, left, fights for the ball with Tunisian player Zied Jaziri during the opening match of the 24th African Cup of Nations at the Rades stadium in Tunisia, Tunisia, Saturday.

someone who killed your wife, your family. That's the way it went,” said Bitana, a 20-year-old defender who was fortunate enough not to lose close family.

Assistant coach Jean-Marie Ntagwabira was a lieutenant in the army of Paul Kagame that swept to power in the wake of the slaughter and played during those early postwar years.

“Some of the players were really fearful to show up,” he said.

Rwandans' love of soccer is so strong that even during Kagame's military campaign to take power every battalion found time to set

up a team and play games. “We had to start out from scratch again,” said Ntagwabira, adding this explains why the average player's age is in the low 20s.

Bitana still remembers how reconciliation was taught in schools as of 1996.

“Brothers, sisters, fathers and grandfathers are dead. But when we start playing, we forget that and look at what has been achieved already,” Bitana said. “It is as if we are shown the way ahead. The more obstacles we face, the more we scale.”

# More skin in women's soccer? Why stop there?

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Y ou can call Sepp Blatter a troglodyte for saying women soccer players could attract more fans if they wore tighter shorts.

Or you can acknowledge that the man running the most popular sport on earth did not rise to such a powerful position by being stupid.

Sepp knows: Sex sells. Will spectators watch an athlete sheely on the basis of how attractive she is? Silly question. Anna Kournikova has never won a tournament, yet she remains one of the most celebrated and lusted-after players in tennis.

Brandi Chastain is known more for stripping off her soccer jersey than for scoring the winning goal in the 1999 World Cup on a penalty kick.

With that in mind, let's forget about why the objectification of women's bodies makes how they look more important than what they do. Let's forget about how reducing women to titillating terms encourages sexist attitudes in the workplace and in relationships. Let's forget about the gender politics that suppress the status of more than half the world's population. Let's forget that

feminine. Come on, gals. If you really want fans to flock to your tournaments, put on high-heeled spikes.

Men's golf — dull as a divot — could use a hunk now that Tiger Woods is engaged. Shed those conservative duds and sign Abercrombie & Fitch as fashion consultant.

Water polo players wear two swimming suits because all the grabbing and yanking results in torn lycra and dangling anatomy. Water polo deserves a boost. Wear tear-away suits instead.

**Boost some ratings**

Women's wrestling will be the only new sport at the Athens Olympics. Incredibly fit women entangled in a physical game of chess? Well, men's wrestling hasn't hit prime time despite those creeping singles. So if they really want to pack the arena for the women's matches, they ought to fill the ring with mud or jelly. Forget NBC. Put it on the Playboy Channel.

Bowling needs help: Lots of help. One word for those backside TV angles: Thongs.

LPGA commissioner have often encouraged female golfers to show more leg, wear more makeup and in general look more

league news viewers.

Figure skating has hit a lull. Ditch the classical music. Play Lili Kim tunes. And get her costume designer working with Michelle Kwan, Sasha Cohen and Michael Weiss.

Men's basketball: Go retro. Go back to the hot pants Magic and Pete Maravich used to wear.

NASCAR sure has an earthy appeal, but boy, could it use some sex appeal. That's problematic due to the need for fireproof jumpsuits. Perhaps amid the champagne spraying in victory lane the drivers could take it off. Take it all off, including the frumpy sponsor caps.

In fact, the ancient Greeks had it right. Sports in the nude. Why not? We're living in puritanical times, and sports can take us back to our sensual roots.

That's unrealistic in this country. Maybe the answer lies in the Lingerie Bowl concept: Women in underwear, lace bras and helmets will play tackle football during halftime of the Feb. 1 Super Bowl on pay-per-view TV.

Next thing you know, the NFL. Talk about a fantasy league.

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## Falling snow, falling beef prices



Livestock inspector Jason Mecham checks the brands on cattle before the first livestock sale of 2004 at Twin Falls Livestock Commission recently. The beef industry had its ups and downs last quarter, with high prices until the mad cow disease scare in late December.

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### End of 2003 brings both relief, worries to Magic Valley economy

By Virginia S. Hutchins  
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**TWIN FALLS** — They enjoyed the best and endured the worst of the fourth quarter. Local beef producers in the final months of 2003 raked in prices fit to bring a grin to any cattleman's face. But that they ended the year with perhaps the most uncertainty of any Magic Valley industry.

After the Dec. 23 discovery of mad cow disease in a dairy cow in Washington state, more than 30 countries banned U.S. beef products, slaughter cattle prices dropped, and meat-packing plants in Nampa and Kuna — citing loss of export markets — laid off workers.

The issue came closer to home last week, as state officials announced that three Hoistens identified as former herd mates of the Washington cow that tested positive for the disease was bought by a Cassia County dairy. Idaho agricultural officials are assuring



the public that studies show dairy products don't transmit the disease.

For now, despite lower beef prices, the mad cow headlines don't appear to pose real danger for Magic Valley's dairy and the other economic sectors that depend on them.

The final days of 2003 also brought good news falling from the sky, as year-end snowfall improved the outlook of both the agriculture and recreation industries.

At the end of the fourth quarter, some of Magic Valley's business people said they're counting on Idaho's economic recovery, snowfall and the resolution of local water-disputes to keep them vigorous in 2004.

"I am expecting 2004 to be a really, really good year. The economy rebounding, you

know, and all this rain. The farmers aren't going to be as worried, because it's nice and wet now," said Susie Boone, a partner in Primrose Lane Florist & Gift Shops.

But some business people fear they could be hit by rapidly escalating insurance costs, by new megaretailer competition or by delayed effects of a Heyburn plant closure.

To replace jobs lost this year at J.R. Simplot Co. and elsewhere, Magic Valley must draw new employers. Particularly in Mini-Cassia, said Jeff Jensen of Burley Physical Therapy & Rehabilitation.

Despite this year's overall job growth on the western side of Magic Valley, he called the local economy "not very good."

"It does not seem to have affected our business yet, but I foresee that it could," Jensen said.

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#### Look inside

The Times-News' survey of fourth-quarter economic indicators revealed positive trends — most notably, rapid job creation and low unemployment. But the quarter also had weaknesses, such as a slowdown in home construction.

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### End of hot streak? Home building, sales show sign of cooling

By Virginia S. Hutchins  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** — Keep watching. This could be the year that reveals how much of Twin Falls' housing boom is explained by the same mortgage rates that have heated the market nationwide, and how much of that local home building to attribute to western Magic Valley's rapid job creation.

For three years, economists have predicted a decline in the nation's home-building market. But new-home sales and starts have continued to soar.

However, 2004 may be the year the economists get it right.

Most housing economists are again anticipating that nationwide new-home sales and construction will fall in 2004 by between 3 percent and 4.5 percent. Higher mortgage rates and a shrinking pool of potential buyers could temper the country's hot home-building market.

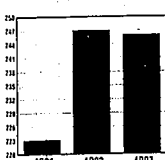
Or maybe not.

"There certainly is a chance we could do as well as in 2003 or conceivably even better," said David Seiders, chief economist with the National Association of Home Builders, which held its annual convention last week in Las Vegas.

"If the mortgage rate structure is better than anticipated, the housing numbers will be better," Seiders said.

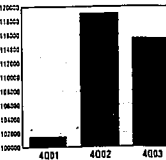
Economists and mortgage company

#### Home sales



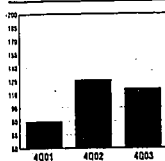
Number of homes in Twin Falls County sold by members of the Greater Twin Falls Association of Realtors. Source: South Central Idaho Regional Multiple Listing Service.

#### Home sales, average value



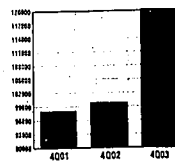
Average value in dollars of homes sold by members of the Greater Twin Falls Association of Realtors. Source: South Central Idaho Regional Multiple Listing Service.

#### Building permits



Building permits for new homes issued by Twin Falls city and county officials. Source: City and county records.

#### Building permits, average value



The average value in dollars of houses for which building permits were issued. Source: City and county records.

brought suggestion of a slowdown.

In all of 2003, Twin Falls County and its major city together issued building permits for 569 new single-family homes, up 14.0 percent from the 499 issued during 2002.

A hike heartening to economy watchers, surely.

But that's nothing like the shopping 49.8 percent leap in 2002.

And the final three months of 2003 ate up some of the year's gains.

After a string of eight quarters of significant growth, the city of Twin Falls and the unincorporated portion of Twin Falls County together issued fewer new-home permits during the October-to-December period than they did a year earlier.

By the end of December, department records showed a 7.9 percent drop — from 126 — in the quarterly combined number of permits the two departments issued. The fourth-quarter total was just 79 in 2001.

Builders and owners here in the

October-to-December quarter lifted new single-family home values by 20.5 percent compared with a year earlier.

The average value on new-home permits issued by Twin Falls city and Twin Falls County building departments combined rose to an estimated \$120,301 from the \$98,852 average of fourth quarter 2002 and the \$98,028 of a year before that.

Those results exclude duplexes and apartment units but do include many factory homes, and the few mobiles valued in department reports at less than \$20,000 were rounded up to \$20,000.

New homes permitted in the rural areas of the county are rising more quickly in value, on average, than their more numerous Twin Falls city counterparts.

**Fewer sold signs**

In local home sales, signs of cooling showed up in the second half of 2003, after benchmark mortgage rates left the four-decade low they had reached in mid-June.

Local real estate agents' sales of houses during the fourth quarter — including both new and previously occupied homes — dropped from the year-earlier level. Slightly. One more sale would have evened the score.

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executives at the conference agreed that continued strong housing activity in 2004 depends on mortgage rates staying low. The latest forecast from the National Association of Home Builders foresees

slight declines in home starts in both 2004 and 2005. Though the Twin Falls area posted another year of home-construction growth, the fourth quarter of 2003

new single-family homes a year ago to 116 — in the quarterly combined number of permits the two departments issued. The fourth-quarter total was just 79 in 2001.

# YOUR BUSINESS

## MILBSTONES

### Jerome dairy receives award for innovation

**BOCA RATON, Fla.** — At the 2003 Dairy Forum last week, C Bar M Dairy of Jerome was honored with the Innovative Dairy Farmer of the Year award, co-sponsored by the International Dairy Foods Association and Dairy Today magazine.

The farm's owners and managers are Jane and Greg Ledbetter. The award recognizes U.S. dairy producers that apply creativity, excellence and forward thinking to achieve greater farm productivity and improved milk marketing.

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At a ribbon-cutting ceremony at the 3 in 1 Plaza in Burley are, from left in front, Pat Campbell; owners Mindy Wallis, Vanessa Johnson and Katie Bunn; June Potter; and Lea Kunau. In back from left are Paul Lyons, Carleen Clayville and Diane Newman.

### Ribbon cutting marks opening of Burley plaza

**BURLEY** — The 3 in 1 Plaza held a ribbon cutting to recently to commemorate its grand opening.

The plaza is at 1510 Overland Ave. in Burley. The phone number is 878-8942.

The businesses in the plaza are Keescape Cottage, which carries a variety of scrapbook supplies and classes; First Responders, which offers cardiopulmonary resuscitation and first aid certification and recertification; and

Hot Shot Photography and Design, which offers portraits, group photos, digital retouching, reproduction, photo repair, business cards and flyers. The businesses are family-owned and operated by Mindy Wallis, Vanessa Johnson and Katie Bunn.

Winter hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday. Regular hours will resume in April: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday and 10:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday.

selection features cowboy and Western collectibles such as saddles, tack and chaps. Owners David "Hutch" and Gori Hutchins operate All American Auction, which also conducts on-site estate auctions. Auctioneers are Stephen Hutchins and Joe Hutchins. Consignments can be made by appointment at 734-1635 or 731-4567.

**Parent of the Times-News declares quarterly dividend**

**TWIN FALLS** — Iowa-based Lee Enterprises Inc., parent of The Times-News, declared a quarterly cash dividend of 18 cents per share.

The dividend is payable April 1 to stockholders of record of both the common stock and Class B common stock as of March 1.

Lee has an agreement to acquire the South Idaho Press in Burley, the Elko Daily Free Press in Nevada, the Minidoka County News in Rupert, the Wood River Journal in Hailey, the Gooding County Leader in Gooding, Northside News in Jerome and Lincoln County Journal in Shoshone.

**Project Mutual upgrades Internet infrastructure**

**RUPERT** — Project Mutual Telephone announced completion of a major system upgrade to its Internet infrastructure for its customers throughout Magic Valley.

The improvements included installation of new high-speed redundant servers that increased the speed and function of the Internet access systems, and which include new features. PMT said the technology upgrades include spam filtering to keep out unsolicited junk e-mail, virus filtering, improved security and authentication features.

According to Bobby Cox, PMT's system administrator, "The new servers are more robust and have four to five times the capacity of the previous equipment."

As a result of the new security features, some PMT customers

### Medical Discoveries closes placement of common stock

**TWIN FALLS** — Medical Discoveries Inc. said it has closed a private placement of restricted common stock with gross proceeds to the company of \$1.1 million.

The money will be used primarily to complete the development of animal models of infectious diseases and chemistry, manufacturing and control work to support the filing of the company's investigational new drug application for its proprietary therapeutic product, MDI-F, in late 2004.

That filing and approval will be necessary to initiate Phase I clinical trials in HIV at Harvard Medical School, a Medical Discoveries statement said.

The company said it has several preclinical studies under way at the University of Washington Medical School, to contribute needed data to the application. Similarly, a separate study for the manufacture of MDI-F will commence shortly at both the Goodwin Biotechnology Laboratories and Charles River Laboratories.

Medical Discoveries' president and chief executive, Judy Robinett of Twin Falls, said: "This financing is instrumental in our efforts to deliver on our promise of developing MDI-F's patented technology for therapeutic applications. With this funding, we should have the resources necessary to complete preclinical trials. By completing these trials, we hope to successfully move the product further toward commercial approval."

Formed in 1991, Medical Discoveries is a publicly traded development-stage biopharmaceutical research company engaged in research, development and validation of its patented anti-infective technology.

### Newspaper employees

**TWIN FALLS** — Three Times-News writers and editors won national recognition last week from the Suburban Newspapers of America.

Staff of the American Press Institute judged the 2003 SNA Editorial Awards Contest. Winners will be recognized in the March edition of Editor & Publisher magazine and at a March 4 awards banquet in Phoenix during the SNA Spring Publishers' Conference.

The Times-News' awards:

- First place in the "Best In-Depth Reporting" category for "Money and Medicine," health reporter Sandy Miller's two-day package of stories in January 2003 on Magic Valley Regional Medical Center salaries.



Sandy Miller



Virginia S. Hutchins



Denise Turner



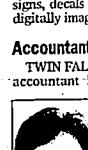
Luke Hansen

degree in sales and marketing and speaks Spanish to better serve customers.

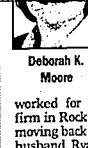
### Jim Davis

**TWIN FALLS** — Magic Signs added Jim Davis to its sales staff. He grew up in the American Falls area and most recently worked in the sign industry in Bend, Ore.

Davis has four years of sign sales experience and knowledge of all kinds of commercial signage such as banners, real estate signs, decals and various types of digitally imaged signs.



Deborah K. Moore



Valerie Moore



Valerie Moore



Tawni Wooten

### Tawni Wooten

**TWIN FALLS** — Tawni Wooten recently received her real estate license. Wooten is working with Prudential Idaho Homes & Properties in Twin Falls. She can be reached at 733-5336 or 731-0532.

### Cooper Norman

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To: Our Many Magic Valley Friends  
From: Dave and Pat Cooper  
Date: January 25, 2004

Cooper Norman has recently opened an office in Boise, located in the University Plaza Building, 960 Broadway Avenue, Suite 525. Pat and I are very excited to be leading this effort and everyone at Cooper Norman is committed to our success. This additional location will give our Firm three offices in the great State of Idaho, making it possible to provide our clients with even better service.

It is with some personal sadness that Pat and I write this letter. We have been part of the Magic Valley community for over 30 years and are sorry to leave our many friends. However, we are excited to move because we will be living closer to our two children and three incredibly lovely granddaughters. Pat and I feel truly blessed to have lived in a community where making friends is easy and doing business with friends is normal. Twin Falls, Idaho is "absolutely" a great place to live and raise a family. We adopted this community as our hometown and we will be back to see you from time to time. Rest assured that our Cooper Norman family remains committed to serving our friends and the many community activities we have participated in and supported throughout the years.

Cooper Norman is planning a party to celebrate the opening of our new Boise office, recent promotions in the Firm, and the many years Pat and I have lived in and loved the Magic Valley. The celebration will be on Thursday, January 29, 2004, from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., at our Twin Falls office. Please mark your calendars and come celebrate with all of us at Cooper Norman.

Thanks for your many blessings and friendship. Please visit us when you are in Boise.

With affection,

Dave and Pat Cooper

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# Milk, beef prices rise from year ago

By Virginia S. Hutchins  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** - Milk prices firmed up in the second half of 2003, helping the many Magic Valley businesses that depend on dairy dollars.

But Magic Valley's other signature ag product, the potato, suffered last year from the fall closure of J.R. Simplot Co.'s Heyburn processing plant, limited water supplies and the popularity of low-carbohydrate diets, bank economist Kelly Mathews said.

Thanks in part to Americans' high-protein diets and a case of mad cow disease in Alberta, a beef-production competitor, local cattle producers saw prices soar in the fourth quarter. Discovery of the disease in one Washington state cow just before Christmas put an end to that.

But not before cash receipts for Idaho's farm products in 2003 exceeded \$4 billion for the first time. Strong prices for livestock and more than offset the slide in crop markets.

**The Index**

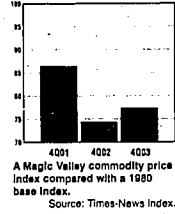
Here's how selected ag sectors performed in the fourth quarter: October-December prices for the beans, wheat, sugar and potato categories used for *The Times-News'* farm-price index were all below 2002's fourth-quarter prices. Just cattle and butter showed improvement.

But some of the highest cattle prices ever (before mad cow news reined them in at the end of the year) pushed the fourth quarter's overall index up 4 percent from a year ago.

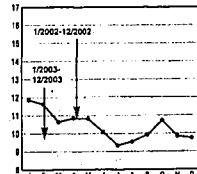
Here's how fourth-quarter index prices compared with year-earlier ones:

- Cattle, up 21 percent (in Magic Valley prices).
- Butter, up 13 percent.
- Beans, down 1 percent (in local prices).
- Sugar, down 3 percent.
- Potatoes, down 4 percent (in local prices).

## Farm price index



## Milk prices



• Wheat, down 14 percent (in local prices).

## The milk market

The base price for Class III milk - manufacturing-grade milk destined mostly for cheese - edged up throughout the spring and summer from an agonizingly low \$9.11 per hundredweight in March.

The price finally broke back into double digits in the third quarter of 2003. But it edged back down in the fourth.

Federal milk orders showed Class III base prices of \$14.59 for October, \$13.47 for November and \$11.87 for December. Those prices were up 22.37 percent from year-earlier prices.

The Class III milk price is an important economic indicator for the valley because most Magic Valley milk gets turned into cheese and related products.

# Magic Valley tourism turns up as year ends

By Virginia S. Hutchins  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** - Idaho's tourist industry basically held its own in 2003, bank economist Kelly Mathews said.

But in Magic Valley, snowfall ended the year on a nice, bright note.

When the state in December forecast Blaine County's November jobless rate at almost a full point lower than a year earlier, regional labor economist Greg Rogers credited an early start to winter tourism hiring; optimism about the Sun Valley ski season; the expected startup of a new daily, non-stop Horizon Air flight between Holey and Oakland; and the lessening effects on tourism of drought and terrorism.

This winter, he said, "people seem to be more optimistic about air travel."

This month, the Idaho Department of Labor reported that good skiing weather in Blaine

County pushed down December jobless rates in both Blaine and Camas County, where, businesses cater to Sun Valley-bound drivers.

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WINTER moisture also bodes well for Blaine County's summer tourism by lessening fire danger for campers, Rogers said.

**Hotels**

Hotels, motels, campgrounds, recreational-vehicle parks and other lodging facilities in Twin Falls County saw lodging sales - taxable and non-taxable combined - drop 15 percent in October reports, but they enjoyed a 24 percent hike in November reports, compared with the same months in 2002. December reports weren't available yet.

Because of the normal reporting lag, the October sales totals, for example, reflect activity that happened for the most part in

September, the Idaho State Tax Commission says.

Tourist-dependent neighbors to the north also showed improving numbers during the fourth quarter.

Jerome County's total lodging sales were down 25 percent in October reports, but they shot up 88 percent in November reports, compared with a year earlier.

The valleywide picture was a nice one.

The eight counties of Magic Valley combined saw lodging sales grow by 14 percent from a year earlier in October reports, powered by big gains in Blaine County. Valleywide lodging sales rose by 11 percent in November reports, with more counties sharing the gains that month.

Travelers, apparently, found arrival by air an increasingly attractive option, and passenger boardings at the Twin Falls airport gained altitude.

SkyWest Airlines, a Delta Connection carrier, reported Twin

Falls boardings up by 30 percent, 14 percent and 9 percent in October through December, respectively, compared with those months in 2002.

At the Twin Falls airport, year-over-year declines had been the norm for months before June's improvement. Since then, the trend's nose has kept pointing up, and full-year 2003's tally of 30,352 Twin Falls boardings showed a 3.3 percent increase, from the 2002 total.

Annual totals before 2002 aren't comparable with those numbers.

Bill Carberry, airport manager, said earlier reports of Twin Falls boardings were inflated by the inclusion of passengers on some flights diverted from the Wood River Valley because of bad weather.

Diversion boardings were being stripped from the calculations reported here, yielding a truer measure of Twin Falls-area economic activity. Also, charter flights are excluded.

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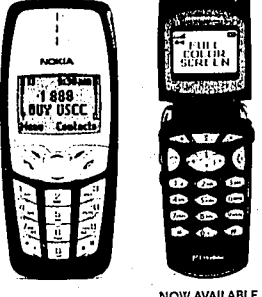
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## BANK DONATION



First Federal Savings Bank presents a \$25,000 check to the Mini-Cassia Economic Development Commission, fulfilling a five-year commitment. Pictured, from left to right, are Kevin Welch, First Federal branch manager in Burley; Brent Skaggs of the development commission; Steve Westfall, First Federal board of directors; and Ron Clawson, First Federal branch manager in Rupert. First Federal committed early in 2003 to donate \$5,000 per year for five years to the development commission but made the whole contribution in one lump on Jan. 16, 2004. The money will be used to help pay the salary of a new economic director for the area.

## CAREER MOVES

### Eddie Lopez



Eddie Lopez

**BURLEY** - Eddie Lopez joined Cassia Regional Medical Center in Burley as the industrial medicine coordinator with the Work Med program.

Lopez has 13 years of experience working for the Idaho Industrial Commission, and detailed knowledge of the workers' compensation system.

"It's my intention to place a lot of effort minimizing the conflicts that arise from work-related injuries," he said.

Work Med is a program that helps coordinate the events that occur when someone is injured at work. As the hospital's new industrial medicine coordinator, Lopez will help coordinate communication, referrals and the claim process.

"He will be working with the employers, physicians as well as the workers," said Marie Hoggan, emergency room manager at Cassia Regional.

MONEY

# Grocery price increases slow

By Virginia S. Hutchins  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - After the squeeze local grocery shoppers felt in the fall, the screws didn't tighten much more this winter.

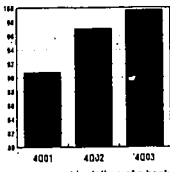
Still, weekly grocery bills are putting on more pressure than a year ago, according to a Times-News survey.

A three-store survey showed Twin Falls shoppers paid more for a selection of groceries, toiletries and laundry items at the end of the fourth quarter (the three stores averaged \$99.70 for items on the survey list) than in December 2002 (\$97.06 on average).

That 2.7 percent jump hurt shoppers less than the 6.9 percent rise between December 2001 (\$90.76) and December 2002.

And shoppers were prepared for the higher prices by September's huge year-over-year price hike. In fact, the third quarter's 9.2 percent rise from a year earlier had been the largest for any quarter since at least the beginning of 2000. (The Times-News compiled grocery prices differently before 1999.)

## Market basket



An average cost in dollars of a basket of goods at three area grocery markets. Source: Times-News survey.

What's the big picture for the year?

The newspaper's four grocery price surveys of 2003 (at the ends of March, June, September and December) yielded an average price that was 4.4 percent higher than the four surveys of 2002.

That's a steeper rise than nationally, suggests the U.S. government's most closely watched barometer of inflation.

The Consumer Price Index for all of 2003 rose by 1.9 percent, down from a 2.4 percent rise in 2002. The index's food prices rose 3.6 percent last year, led by a whopping 23.5 percent rise in beef and veal prices, The Associated Press reported.

# Local bank deposit growth slows

By Virginia S. Hutchins  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - New customers and robust activity by the existing customer base combined to give the smallest of Magic Valley's locally based banks a 21 percent rise in deposits

from year-end 2002 to year-end 2003.

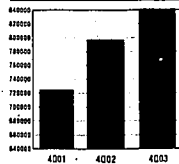
"It's just been an excellent growth quarter for us," said Phillip Bratton, Magic Valley Bank president.

Magic Valley Bank at the end of December held \$68 million in deposits. The other three locally based banks each held more than \$245 million in deposits in local branches.

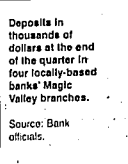
Locals' bank deposits were on the rise last year, but more slowly than in 2001 and 2002.

Deposits in the Magic Valley branches of the four locally based banks at the end of December (\$841.450 million) topped the year-ago total (\$797.277 million) by just 5.5 percent. That growth was noticeably slower than the 10.0 percent rise in deposits at the four banks between the end of the 2001 and

## Bank deposits



## Interest rates



The prevailing national interest rate during the past 12 months. Source: Wells Fargo & Co.

2002 fourth quarters. The Times-News gathers deposit data from Bull-based Farmers National Bank, Burley-based D.L. Evans Bank, Twin Falls-based First Federal Savings Bank and Twin Falls-based Magic Valley Bank.

That isn't the entire local banking market, of course. But those four provide a measure of changes in economic activity. Quarterly rates of growth from year-earlier deposits ranged between 10.0 and 13.5 percent in 2001-02, but growth dropped to 9.0 percent in early 2003 and has inched down in single-digit territory since then.

Meanwhile, consumers and small businesses in the buying

and borrowing mood continued to benefit from a prime interest rate which remained at its lowest point in decades throughout the fourth quarter.

Major banks keep their prime interest rates set at three percentage points above the federal funds rate. The funds rates, the interest banks charge each other on overnight loans, is the Federal Reserve's primary tool for influencing the economy.

With the lowering of the funds rate June 25, commercial banks cut their prime lending rates - the benchmark for many short-term consumer and small-business loans - from 4.25 percent to 4 percent, the lowest level since May 15, 1999.

And there they remained. A climate of super-low short-term borrowing costs gives consumers and businesses an incentive to spend and invest more.

With signs that the economy is gaining ground, analysts expect Fed policy-makers to hold short-term interest rates at the 45-year low when they meet this week, The Associated Press reported.

Some economists believe rates will stay where they are for the rest of this year and into 2005 because inflation is low and the labor markets still need time to heal, the AP said. Others, however, believe the Fed could start nudging rates up later this year if the economy goes gang-busters.

# In need of some fuel: M.V. auto sales drop

By Virginia S. Hutchins  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - In one big-ticket market, an upward trend that began in the early months of 2003 put its foot on the brake in the second half of the year.

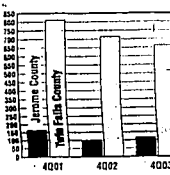
Still, automobile sales covered a tiny bit more track throughout the year than in 2002. So if you're scratching for good news, you could consider this one a positive economic sign overall.

Twin Falls County and Jerome County dealers sold 25 fewer new cars and trucks in October through December than they did a year earlier, but a 3.1 percent decline - following the first quarter's 13.3 percent year-over-year rise, the second quarter's 3.4 percent growth and the third quarter's 7.9 percent shortfall.

But it's been worse. The two counties' combined new-auto sales saw double-digit percentage drops in five of the 12 quarters of 2001 through 2003.

The total of 779 new cars and trucks sold in the most recent October through December compares with 804 in the corresponding months of 2002. Then, the two-county Twin Falls and Jerome total had been down 17.5 percent from the 973 new cars and trucks sold in 2001's fourth quarter, according to reports from the Idaho Automobile Dealers

## Auto sales



Twin Falls and Jerome county sales of new vehicles. Source: Idaho Automobile Dealers Association.

Association.

But economy watchers can take slight comfort in the bigger picture. The 2003 annual sales total in Twin Falls and Jerome counties, at 3,418 new cars and trucks, was actually up - albeit just 0.7 percent - from 2002's tally of 3,393. But it still fell short of the 3,704 sales in 2001 and the 4,110 total of 2000.

The auto association's full-year statistics for the eight counties of Magic Valley suggested that buyers are not simply opting for used models over new ones.

Used car and truck sales by dealers in the entire Magic Valley dropped 2.0 percent from 2002 to 2003, while sales of new automobiles valleywide slipped 1.8 percent.

# Western M.V. leads state in job creation

By Virginia S. Hutchins  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Regional labor economist Greg Rogers calls western Magic Valley's economic performance in recent years a paradox.

"For the most part, it has been a remarkably strong economy in the face of intense, recessionary pressure," said Rogers, who works for the Idaho Department of Labor. "Job growth has been outstanding, and entirely new employment sectors have been created in stable technology and light manufacturing."

Here are some numbers to back up his assessment.

**Standout statistics**  
In Jerome, Gooding and Twin Falls counties combined, seasonally adjusted unemployment ended the fourth quarter at 3.7 percent. That was more than a full point below the statewide 4.8 percent joblessness forecast for December.

The Labor Department frequently revises local joblessness data. Its most recent computations pegged the three-county labor market's seasonally adjusted rate at 4.3 percent in October and 3.9 percent in November.

Western Magic Valley had a particularly good year compared with the rest of the state and nation.

The Idaho Department of Labor estimates annual average unemployment for the three-county market at a seasonally adjusted 4.0 percent - two-tenths of a percentage point lower than 2002's 4.2 percent. And nicely below the state and national averages.

For comparison: Idaho's annual average unemployment rate in 2003 is forecast at 5.3 percent - down half a percentage point from 2002's annual average of 5.8 percent statewide, department economists said. The nation's preliminary 2003 average unemployment rate is 6.0 percent, compared with 5.8 percent nationwide in 2002.

Back in western Magic Valley, the labor statistics offer more evidence of relative eco-

## Help wanted

Magic Valley businesses turned up the heat in their search for workers.

Local employers in the fourth quarter placed 4 percent more newspaper ads looking for workers than they did a year earlier, suggesting an improved market for job seekers.

Employment ads in The Times-News classified advertising section totaled 4,162 in the fourth quarter, compared with 4,001 a year earlier. The newspaper's classified and online manager, Deb Johnson, cited demand for truck drivers, nurses, plumbers, welders, mechanics, concrete workers and experienced farm workers, ranch hands and livestock help during the quarter.

"Things are looking up for 2004," she said in early January. Overall, however, the past year showed a decline.

Full-year 2003's employment ads totaled 3 percent fewer than the ads placed in 2002, when the expanded just 1.0 percent in 2003 after a flat 2002.

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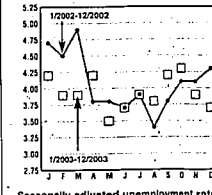
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**Local outlook**  
This summer's closure of a Moore Wallace Inc. business farms plant in Jerome put roughly 100 people out of work.

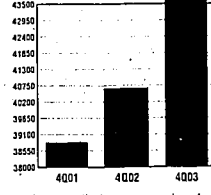
"But the inherent benefits of a diversified economy have mitigat-

## Jobless rate



Seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for Twin Falls, Jerome and Gooding counties during the past 24 months. Source: Idaho Department of Labor.

## Non-ag employment



The three counties' average number of nonagricultural jobs per quarter, not adjusted for seasonal fluctuations. Source: Idaho Department of Labor.

"The trend in job creation and in unemployment is excellent this year over last year," Rogers said. Idaho's 2003 performance, through positive, was much more modest.

This month, the state's Division of Financial Management said Idaho nonfarm employment expanded just 1.0 percent in 2003 after a flat 2002.

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ed most negative trends," Rogers said, saying western Magic Valley remains "one of the hottest economies in the state."

And Jerome County's jobless rate in December was actually two-tenths of a point lower than a year earlier, despite the Moore Wallace closure, Rogers credited the dairy industry's stability and retailers' plentiful holiday hiring.

The closure's effect might be more evident after retailers end their seasonal positions, however.

This year, a California manufacturer of high-precision hydraulic valves and fittings plans to relocate to Twin Falls. Owners of Hydro Fitting Manufacturing Corp. said they'll build a new manufacturing facility and start operations by July with about 37 local hires.

And a Virginia-based chain of discount variety stores will bring 25 to 30 new jobs to Twin Falls next year, but most of those positions will be part time. Dollar Tree Stores Inc. said it will open its first Magic Valley store in early March, in the Lynwood Shopping Center.

"Western Magic Valley should continue its strength," Rogers said. "Job growth will probably stabilize rather than show huge growth. Retail and service sectors jobs will again be the leaders."

So don't expect big wage gains with the new jobs.

# Homes

Continued from D1.  
But that shortfall, small as it was, made the third time in 2003 that quarterly sales fell short of 2002 levels.

In October through December, home sales in all areas of Twin Falls County (including standard single-family dwellings, residential acreages, condominiums and townhouses, but excluding mobile homes) edged down from 247 a year earlier to 246, according to data from the South Central Idaho Regional Multiple Listing Service. That's a 0.4 percent decline.

In contrast, sales shot up 10.8 percent between the fourth quarters of 2001 and 2002.

Overall, 2003 brought an essentially flat sales trend, an abrupt change from the previous two years.

The full-year, countywide sales total rang in at 977 houses - down by 0.9 percent from 2002's 1,006 sales. That follows 12.9 percent

growth in 2002, compared with the year before, and a 13.2 percent increase in homes sold in 2001.

The average transaction price dropped, too, in the final months of last year.

The average paid in the most recent quarter, \$115,493, was 3.0 percent below fourth quarter 2002's average of \$119,049. That year-ago figure would have been hard to beat, though, because it was up 17.3 percent from fourth quarter 2001.

Standard single-family homes in all of Twin Falls County which were sold in the four quarter spent an average of 118 days on the market before the sold signs appeared in their yards. Their residential-acreage counterparts spent 148 days on market, on average, according to data from the multiple listing service.

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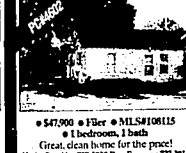
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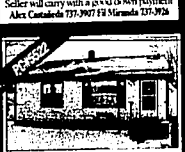
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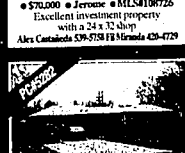
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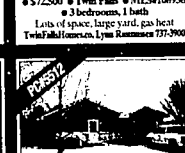
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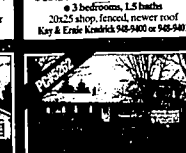
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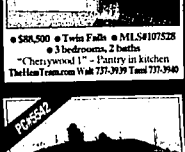
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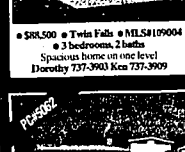
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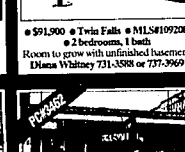
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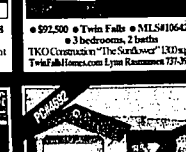
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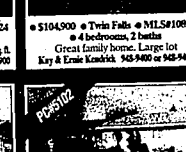
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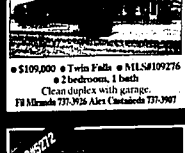
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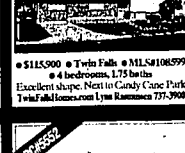
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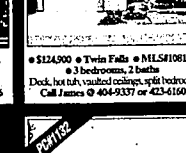
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Beautiful newly remodeled in Twin Falls  
Diana Dossan 737-3916 or 420-1810



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Lots of square footage! Great yard!  
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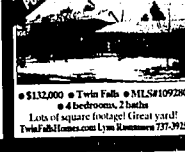
• \$139,800 • Shoshone • MLS#104594  
• 3 bedrooms, 2 baths  
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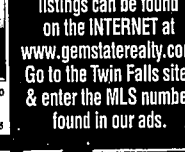
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• 3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths  
Office! Huge master suite, 1900 sq. ft.  
Ken Ray 731-6663 or Dorothy 737-3903



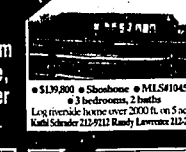
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New floor plan, 2x2 split, tiled master bath  
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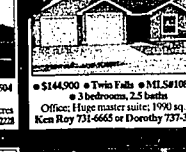
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Family room, formal entry, large kitchen  
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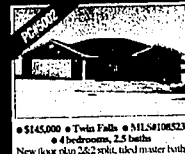
• \$157,900 • Twin Falls • MLS#108847  
• 5 bedrooms, 3 baths  
3254 sq. ft. great area, 3 family rooms  
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• \$157,900 • Twin Falls • MLS#108152  
• 4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths  
1900+ square feet, den, Quiet cul-de-sac  
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• 3 bedrooms, 2 baths  
1776 sq. ft. Split bedroom plan  
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• \$174,900 • Hammett • MLS#108660  
• 4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths  
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Huge! Great location, 3 car garage  
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RV parking, great landscaping and dock  
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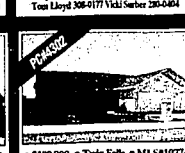
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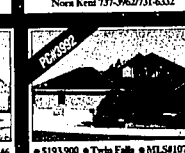
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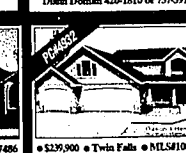
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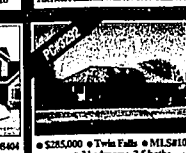
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## THE ACES ON BRIDGE

Dear Mr. Wolff: Can you help me out on the subject of responsive doubles? I held ♠ Q-9-6-4, ♥ J-9-2, ♦ 10-6, ♣ K-J-7-3 and heard my LHO open one diamond. My partner doubled and my RHO bid one heart. Was I wrong to double to get my partner to bid a club? Unresponsive. Blintra, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Wolff: I overcalled one heart over two hearts. Holding ♠ 9-4, ♥ A-J-9-5-2, ♦ A-Q-8-4, ♣ 10-3 and heard my partner cue-bid two diamonds-to-show-a-sound raise in hearts. When the next hand doubled, was it right for me to bid two hearts, to pass, or to do something else? Unwise Assumption, Staten Island, N.Y.

ANSWER: A double by you of one heart would NOT be responsive — akin to takeout. When the opponents bid and raise the same suit, your double is indeed responsive, but here, if you have a major suit, you should just up and bid it. So here try one spade — you have more than enough shape and values to consider competing to the two-level on your own.

Dear Mr. Wolff: What are the guidelines as to when if ever to open a four-card major in third or fourth seat? I never know whether it is a question of values or suit-quality that should drive me to take this action. Four-by-Four, Tezakarna, Texas

ANSWER: My view is that when partner has forced the bidding to a certain point (here two hearts), your weakest action is to retreat to that contract as quickly as you can. So here, since you are not ashamed of your overall, I would pass, suggesting more interest than a two-heart call would show.

Dear Mr. Wolff: I've heard the phrase "unusual versus unusual" several times. Is this a recognized defense to the Unusual Two No-Trump? From Major to Minor, Mitchell, S.I.

ANSWER: In third seat especially, the time to open a four-card major is when your hand is worth only one call (you will pass any minimum response from partner), and you want your major-suit lead rather than some other suit. But if partner is not aware of your preconditions, odd things are likely to happen — so be warned!

ANSWER: There are many variations of this method, the idea being that when the opponents make an unusual two-no-trump overcall over a major, your cue-bids of three clubs and three diamonds show a high-card raise for partner's suit, and a good hand with the fourth suit — allowing the fourth suit to be natural and nonforcing. You can use the cue-bids either way around, but keeping the higher cuebid as a limit raise or better is soundest.

Dear Mr. Wolff: Do you believe in using pre-emptive raises of your partner in competition, even when vulnerable? Bounced Around, Spartanburg, S.C.

ANSWER: Yes and no. My idea of a pre-emptive raise when vulnerable at Teams might be closer to some people's concept of a limit

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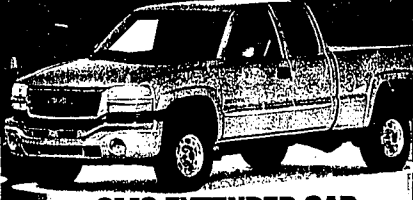
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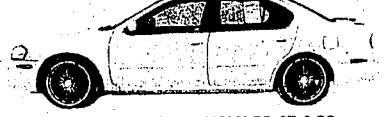
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## Still cool? I'm down with that

The 1950s were peachy. The 1960s were groovy. In the 1970s, everyone had disco fever and didn't talk much. But the 1980s were totally rad. (Gag me with a spoon.) The 1990s? Been there, done that.

Now we're into the "language" of the 2000s: Yo Mamma Osama. Patriot pride. And "cool."

Cool? That's right. It's one little slice of Jargon that's withstood the fleeting nature of slang.

I came to this realization gradually. I would slip and say, "That's really cool," then cringe and wait for everyone to brand me as old, outdated, not "with it." But no one ever seemed to do that, and the teenagers around me were calling everything "cool," too.

I started to feel like I was living in a time tunnel.

Then last week, the wires moved a Baltimore Sun story on the subject. "Cool" dates all the way back to Shakespeare, who used a form of it as a verb, the story explained. Later, it morphed into an adjective. In the 1700s, "cool" described large sums of money. In the 1800s, it meant fashionable. Eventually, it was popularized into modern times via its connection to jazz.

Once "cool" meant "wow!" Today, it also means "OK, I'm fine with that."

But cool is unique in its transcendence. Most slang words hang out about five minutes.

The idea is that, by about age 12, most kids watch their loyalties passing from parents to peers—and start speaking a private language that adults don't understand. It's a teen thing. Seldom do senior citizens coin slang terms.

The first time my children talked in slang, I felt sort of left out. I thought about fighting back by talking in the parent language, making all the grown-up stuff that says no sense to anybody either. "Because I hurts you," "I'm doing this for your own good."

But, down deep, I knew it wouldn't make me feel better. I just had to get to used to the idea that slang was one more piece of evidence that my kids had begun the process of growing up, and away.

A while back, on a TV show, I heard a mother say, "When my child turned 12, for the first time in her life, I looked into her eyes and I didn't know what she was thinking."

By that time, the child was no doubt speaking in slang.

And so, in order to stay somewhat aware of current trends, I found a dictionary of slang on the Internet. "Trip" is a chameleon, the Web site said. It started out meaning "a very good or bad experience," but now it's more commonly used to refer to something "unusual/strange or extreme." As in, "That dude's a trip."

"Dog" has also had several meanings. Once, it described an unattractive female. Today, the dog is more likely to be a friend. (He's my dog.) Although it sometimes means "a bad thing," (That exam was a dog.)

And the most popular slang term among college students is now—da, dum—"Da bomb." Meaning "great, awesome ... or extremely cool."

There's that word again. Cool is still red hot. According to the Baltimore Sun, "cool" can be eclipsed by other terms. For instance, some contemporary high school students now signal their approval of plans to do something fun by saying, "That's what's up." Or, "That's the business."

As usual, we've begun another new year not knowing exactly what slang words are coming soon to a vocabulary near you. But language experts don't see an end to "cool" any time soon. Just as they don't see an end to the widespread use of slang among teens.

It's an age group filled with people who have a strong desire to be in style.

In other words, they want to be "cool."

Denise Turner is assistant features editor at The Times-News.

## It's a brave new world for college entrance tests

By Steve Crump  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The Scholastic Aptitude Test and the American College Test were made for students like Whitney Tupper and Amy Ash.

"I think I test pretty well," said Whitney, a Twin Falls High School junior. "And if the test is a reflection of what I've learned, I feel pretty good about it."

Amy, a TFHS sophomore, is confident in the power of preparation.

"I'll take the (preliminary) tests and hopefully be ready," she said. "I think a test is a fair way of measuring what you know."

But big changes are coming in the SAT and the ACT, the standardized assessment tests which for three generations have helped determine who gets into college—and which students get into better schools. Writing, in a word, will soon be at a premium. "Writing—the ability to communicate clearly—is an important predictor of success in college," said Barbara Fortin, director of admissions at Boise State University. "But at least for now, writing on assessment tests will be an option."

When ACT offers its optional writing test for the first time in February 2005, Idaho's state-owned four-year schools won't consider the results—they still place students on the basis of their English subscores on the ACT.

The impact of writing on the SAT, which isn't required by Idaho's public colleges but is widely used by out-of-state

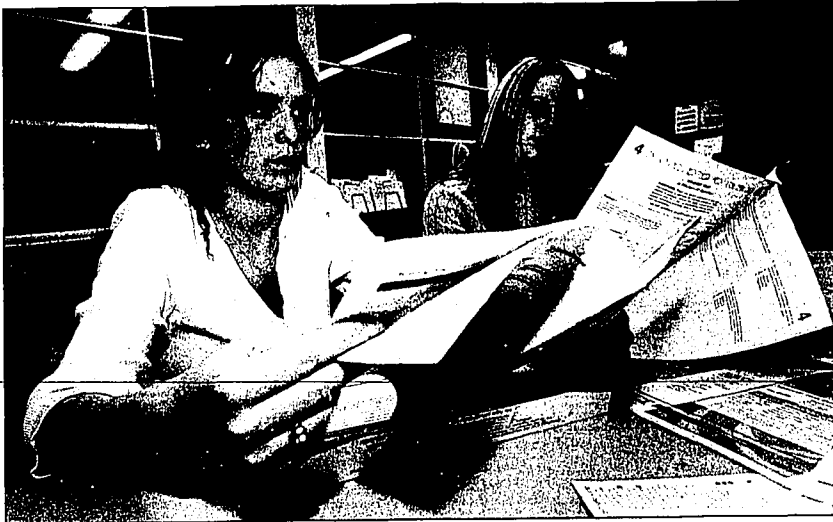
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### Prep classes offered

The College of Southern Idaho Community Education Center will offer preparation classes for both the ACT and SAT this winter.

The ACT prep class will be held on successive Saturdays, March 20 and 27, from 9 a.m. to 6 a.m. in Room 144 of the Aspen Building on the CSI campus in Twin Falls. Cost is \$65.

The SAT prep class is scheduled for four Saturdays, Feb. 21 through March 13, from 9 a.m. until noon in Room 102 of the Shiels Building on the CSI campus in Twin Falls. Cost is \$65. To register, call the Community Education Center at 732-6288.



Twin Falls High School junior Whitney Tupper, left, and sophomore Amy Ash look over the study packets for the ACT test in the school's counseling center on Wednesday. The emphasis of the two major college placement tests, the SAT and the ACT, is shifting toward measuring writing.

## Preparing for changes in the SAT, ACT

By Howard and Matthew Greene  
Knight Ridder News Service

Very little remains constant in college admissions.

Facing a great deal of criticism about the role of standardized testing, and finally a threat to drop the test as a requirement for admission to the University of California, the College Board announced changes last year to the SAT I Reasoning Test, the primary and most common college admission test. This will be the tenth time that the SAT has been changed in seventy-seven years.

The new SAT will be first administered in March, 2005, for the class of 2006. It will be three hours and thirty-five minutes long, and include a new writing section. Student scores will comprise 200-800 point scores on three sections. That elusive perfect 1600 will become an even tougher perfect 2400.

A new PSAT/NMSQT is also being developed to parallel the changes in the SAT. This new PSAT will be administered in October, 2004, to high school juniors and interested sophomores. There will

not be a writing section, but schools will be offered options to have students complete a writing sample.

We should note that the ACT, the main alternative to the SAT, also will add an optional writing section to the test, a section that will likely be required by most colleges of students submitting the ACT in place of the SAT.

How will the SAT change? The verbal section will become the critical reading section, and those signature analogies will be dropped altogether. The new test will include a writing section, similar to the current SAT II Writing Test, which will require students to identify sentence errors, improve sentences and paragraphs, and write a short essay responding to a prompt.

In the math section, quantitative comparisons will be dropped, and content from Algebra II, which is more advanced than content on the current SAT, will be added. The College Board has given advanced notice of these changes, and for good reason. Students, teachers, parents, and counselors need to prepare themselves for the

demands of the new format and content.

Without going into the broader debate over the merits of standardized testing, or issues with the SAT in particular, we would like to applaud the direction of these modifications to the SAT I, and urge students to start focusing early on the key elements underlying the test: reading and writing skills, and advanced mathematical knowledge.

We know that these are essential skills for success in high school and college, and that by increasing their amount and level of reading and writing, and pushing to take math at least through Algebra II, students will improve not just their chances on the SAT, but, more importantly, their overall performance and learning potential throughout their education.

In the words of the College Board: "Most students will be prepared for the new test and ready for college work if their schools are providing rich and varied writing and reading experiences in all content areas and offering at least three years of high school math,

including concepts from Algebra I, Geometry, and Algebra II."

Schools can help students by providing them with additional reading, writing and mathematical coursework. Counselors, teachers, and parents can help students by pointing out the demands of college-level academics, the importance of a strong curriculum in preparing for college, and the requirements of the new SAT, and by steering them toward demanding courses and additional enrichment opportunities.

Reading has always been a key predictor of SAT and college success. Now writing is being more clearly promoted as reading's crucial companion. And, while change is seemingly the only constant in education and college admissions, isn't it interesting that we have circled back to the "Three R's?"

Howard and Matthew Greene are the authors of the *Greens' Guides to Educational Planning*. Readers can send questions to them at 600 88 Road West, Westport, Conn. 06880 or via e-mail: letters@greens-guides.com.

## Institute launches study on stillbirth

Los Angeles Times

More women with fertility problems are becoming pregnant than ever before and more premature babies are living longer.

But those advances in the field of obstetrics are in stark contrast to a less publicized problem: The number of stillbirths remains stubbornly high. Each year, more than 26,000 American women experience a stillbirth amounting to about 1 in 200 pregnancies. That number is equal to the cause of all infant deaths combined, federal health officials say.

Stillbirth occurs when the fetus dies after 20 weeks of pregnancy, before it is delivered. In more than half the cases, the cause is unknown. Before doctors, and women, can take steps to prevent stillbirths, however, they must first understand the phenomenon.

To that end, the National Institutes of Health has launched a five-year, nationwide study to gather knowledge on stillbirths.

"Stillbirth is not something people talk about," says Dr. Catherine Spong, chief of the pregnancy and perinatology branch of the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development. "While the numbers are surprising, they may not truly represent the actual numbers of stillbirths."

The numbers may be even higher than experts believe.



ALEX QUENZEL/Los Angeles Times

Stillbirths may be higher than reported. Criteria for reporting the deaths vary from state to state, and hospitals may not be required to issue fetal death certificates, Spong says. Fetal autopsy rates also are low. Moreover, studying the incidence of stillbirth is costly, and many families who experience a stillbirth find it emotionally difficult to discuss it.

To better document what happens in such cases, the \$3-million study will enlist the services of a variety of health professionals, from scientists to grief counselors. Five research centers,

says Dr. Catherine Spong, called the Stillbirth Research Collaborative Network, will participate; women who experience stillbirths and who are patients at the centers will be asked to take part in the study.

The women and their stillborn babies will undergo medical tests, with doctors looking for signs of infections, placenta problems, umbilical cord accidents or genetic factors that may have caused the death, Spong says. Doctors hope that a thorough review of at least 500

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## How to co-exist with your parents

From Susan's Newman's "Nobody's Baby Now." Tools for addressing trouble spots:

- Avoid topics and conversations you know are problematic.
- Decide what's worth arguing about and what you should ignore.
- Acknowledge what your mother says, but don't overreact.
- Weigh how much of the annoyance comes from your mother and how much is actually pressure you are putting on yourself.
- Bear in mind, it's not important that you always be "right."
- Don't be afraid to ruffle your mother's feathers.
- Be aware of what you want from your mother, and what she is capable of or prepared to give.
- Ways to bridge relationship gaps:
  - Tell your mother you would like her to be more involved in your life, and give specific areas.
  - Give her permission to ask questions.
  - Understand her limitations.
  - Change your expectations of your mother.
  - Attend counseling together.
  - Focus on the aspects of your relationship that work well.
  - Clear the air by discussing

old or new issues that bother you.

• Ask others to help you keep perspective.

• Use partners and close relatives to fulfill needs your mother can't.

Checklist for drawing boundaries:

- Let your mother know when she exceeds your boundaries.
- Educate your mother with explanations of your feelings.
- State that you don't feel comfortable doing or talking about what she asks.
- Answer questions with responses that offer limited information.
- Demonstrate by example, using stories of incidents with friends.
- Introduce the concept of privacy in small increments.
- Clarify that visits must be planned.
- Handle a situation yourself rather than asking your mother.
- Look for a compromise that will reduce your stress.
- Add the word "no" to your vocabulary.

—Source: The State of Columbia, S.C.

FAMILY LIFE

SENIOR CALENDAR

**Twin Falls Senior Center**

530 Shoshone St. W.  
Dinner served from noon to 12:30 p.m. Suggested donation is \$3.50 for seniors. The cost is \$5 for non-seniors under 60 and \$2.50 for children under 12.  
Pool room open Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
Lounge room available for television, puzzles and reading. Bargain Center will be open Mondays through Fridays, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**Menus:**  
Today: Closed  
Monday: Goulash, mixed veggies, tossed salad, bread, fruit cobbler  
Tuesday: Chicken Ala King, potato and gravy, mixed veggies, corn salad, bread, fruit, cookie  
Wednesday: Birthday Dinner-Roast beef, potato and gravy, corn, roll, tossed green salad, cake with ice cream  
Thursday: Cubic steak with onion, potato and gravy, carrots, red cabbage salad, bread, desert  
Friday: Cook's choice

**Activities:**  
Monday: Quilting, 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.  
Tuesday: Blood-pressure checks, 10 a.m. and 11:45 a.m., Line dancing, 7 p.m., Quilting  
Wednesday: Quilting, Foot clinic, Elk's card club, Birthday Dinner  
Thursday: Pinochle, 1 p.m.  
Friday: Blood-pressure checks, 10:30 a.m. and 11:45 a.m., Lunch bingo, Quilting, 9 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.

**West End Senior Citizens Inc.**

1010 Main St., Buhl  
**Menus:**  
Today: Baked Ham dinner, 1 p.m.  
Monday: Beef stew, salad, biscuits, dessert  
Tuesday: Stewed potatoes with ham, salads, veggies, roll, dessert  
Wednesday: Cook's Choice  
Thursday: Chicken Alfredo, green beans, salad, roll, dessert

**Activities:**  
Today: BJ & Friends  
Monday: Exercise, 10 a.m., Cards, 6-9 p.m.  
Tuesday: Quilting, 8 a.m.-3 p.m., Crafts, 1-4 p.m., Bingo, 7-9 p.m.  
Wednesday: Exercise, 10 a.m., Thursday: Quilting, 8 a.m.-3 p.m., Friday: Exercise, 10 a.m.

**Filer Senior Haven**

222 Main St.  
Dinners served at noon on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Suggested donation: \$3 for seniors. Home-delivered meals are available each mealtime.  
**Menus:**  
Tuesday: Macaroni and cheese, beef patty  
Thursday: Happy Birthday - Fried chicken

**Jerome Senior Center**

212 First Ave. E.  
All dinners served at noon. Suggested donation is \$3.  
**Menus:**  
Monday: Spaghetti with meat sauce, garlic toast, green beans, pickled beets, fruit, cookies  
Tuesday: Turkey ala King, mashed potatoes, winter mix fruit, peanut butter bars  
Wednesday: Finger steaks, au gratin potatoes, peas & carrots, fruit salad, chocolate pudding  
Thursday: Hot beef sandwich, potatoes and gravy, tossed salad, apple crisp  
Friday: Fish or chicken, parsley

**Stillbirth**

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cases will produce clues about what leads to stillbirth.  
Some causes, such as diabetes or high blood pressure, are known. But doctors often cannot pinpoint why the pregnancy is lost well into the second trimester. In more than half of stillbirths, the pregnancy has proceeded to 28 weeks or longer, and about 5,000 stillbirths each year involve full-term fetuses.  
"The purpose of this study is to understand the scope of the problem, and then to understand what causes stillbirth," Spang says. "We feel we don't have a handle on at least half of all cases of stillbirth. We need to have a standard protocol - where the same things are done on everyone - so we can figure out the real causes."  
Study investigators also hope to produce guidelines for report-

potatoes, California blend veggies, jello/fruit custard

**Activities:**  
Monday: Aerobics, 11 a.m. Gem State fiddlers, noon  
Tuesday: Pinochle, 1 p.m. Snack bar, 6 p.m. Early-bird, 6:45 p.m. Bingo, 7 p.m.  
Wednesday: Aerobics, 11 a.m. Pinochle, 7 p.m.  
Friday: Aerobics, 11 a.m. Pinochle, 1 p.m.

**Ageless Senior Citizens, Inc.**

310 Main St. N., Kimberly  
**Menus:**  
Monday: Chicken patties, parley potatoes, peas, tossed green salad, biscuit, apple cobbler, coffee, milk  
Tuesday: Taco salad, chips, salsa, fruit salad, cookies, pudding, coffee, milk  
Friday: Oven-fried chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, mashed potatoes, tossed green salad, rolls, cake, ice cream, coffee, milk

**Activities:**  
Tuesday: Bingo, 7 p.m.  
Thursday: Crafts, 1 p.m.  
Friday: BJ & Friends, noon  
Foot clinic (50)  
Pinochle, 1 p.m.

**Gooding County Senior Citizens**

308 Senior Ave.  
All dinners are at noon. Suggested donation \$3 for seniors.  
**Menus:**  
Monday: Beefy noodles, veggies, green salad, bread, cake  
Tuesday: Chicken strips, potatoes and gravy, winter mix veggies, peaches/cottage cheese, bread, choc chip muffins  
Wednesday: BBQ ribs, potato wedges, cauliflower and cheese sauce, 3-bean salad, bread, cookie  
Thursday: Roast turkey, potatoes and gravy, green bean casserole, carrot salad, roll, pumpkin squares

**Activities:**  
Monday: Pool, 9:30 a.m. Pinochle, 12:30 p.m. Wild One, 6 p.m.  
Tuesday: Pool, 9:30 a.m. Pool, 1 p.m. Bingo, 6:30 p.m.  
Wednesday: Pool, 9:30 a.m. Messages, 10:40 a.m. Shuffleboard, 6 p.m.  
Thursday: Quilting and sewing, 9 a.m. Pool, 9:30 a.m.  
Birthday dinner, noon  
Sing-a-long, 12:30 p.m. TOPS, 4 p.m. Pinochle, 7 p.m.  
Friday: Bridge, 1 p.m. Hand/foot clinic, 1 p.m. Bowling, 1:30 p.m. Bingo, 6 p.m.

**Hagerman Senior Center**

140 E. Lake  
Open 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Lunch is served at noon and Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Suggested donation is \$3, non-seniors \$4 and children under 12, \$2.  
**Menus:**  
Monday: Salmon patties and rice  
Wednesday: meatloaf, potatoes  
Friday: Spaghetti and meatballs

**Silver and Gold Senior Center**

Eden  
Suggested donations for seniors is \$3. All meals include salad, dessert, fruit, milk and coffee. Mondays are cookie and bread bake days and Wednesdays are cinnamon roll and maple bar bake days. Closed Monday for Martin Luther King Day.

**Menus:**  
Tuesday: Pork roast, mashed potatoes and gravy, corn, cake and ice cream, rolls  
Thursday: Bar-b-que chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, spinach, coleslaw, fruit, rolls

**Activities:**  
Wednesday: Bake Day Bingo, 7 p.m.

**Golden Years Senior Citizen, Inc.**

218 N. Rail St. W., Shoshone  
**Menus:**  
Tuesday: Orange juice, meat loaf, macaroni and cheese, buttered carrots, homemade rolls, apple brown Betty, milk, coffee  
Thursday: Orange juice, chili hot dogs, tossed salad, french fries, custard pie, milk, coffee  
Friday: Orange juice, roast pork, banana squash, green salad, mashed potatoes and gravy, birthday cake and ice cream, milk, coffee

**Activities:**  
Tuesday: Exercise, 9 a.m. Coffee, 9 a.m.  
Quilting, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.  
Tuesday: Pinochle, 1 p.m.  
Wednesday: Snack bar, 6 p.m. Early-bird bingo, 6:30 p.m. Bingo, 7 p.m.  
Thursday: Exercise, 9 a.m. Coffee, 9:30 a.m.  
Friday: Pinochle, 1 p.m.

**Richfield Senior Center**

**Menus:**  
Monday: Orange juice, Roast pork, mashed potatoes and gravy, lettuce salad, buttered squash, rolls, birthday cake and ice cream, milk, coffee  
Thursday: Orange juice, Egg salad sandwich, vegetable soup, sweet potato pie, milk, coffee

**Blaine County Senior Center**

721 Third Ave. S., Halley  
**Menus:**  
Tuesday: Cream of vegetable soup, turkey sandwich, grapes,

green salad, Mississippi mud cake  
Wednesday: Veggie/bacon quiche, hash browns, morning glory muffins, celery and carrot sticks, cherry crisp with ice cream  
Friday: Barbequed pork ribs, potato salad, baked beans, tomato, cucumber, red onion salad, hot rolls, gingerbread with lemon sauce

**Activities:**  
Monday: "Over 60 and Fit," 9 a.m.  
Tuesday: Massage, 10 a.m. Exercise, 1:30 p.m.  
Wednesday: "Over 60 and Fit," 9 a.m.

Better Business Bureau speaks "How to Utilize the BBB," 12:30 p.m.  
Thursday: Exercise, 1:30 p.m.  
Friday: Trip to McCall Winter Carnival, 7 a.m.  
"Over 60 and Fit," 9 a.m.

**Three Island Senior Center**

492 E. Cleveland Ave., Glenns Ferry  
Meals served at noon Monday, Tuesday and Thursday, beverages with meals. Rides are available by phoning the center at 366-2051. Suggested donation is \$3 for seniors, \$5 for non-seniors under 60, and \$2.50 for children under 12.

**Menus:**  
Monday: Porcupine Meatballs, rice and gravy, green beans, applesauce  
Tuesday: Macaroni and cheese with ham, Scandinavian mix, green salad, cookie  
Thursday: Beef tips and noodles, peas and carrots, fruit cup, roll

**Activities:**  
Tuesday: Quilting, 1 p.m. Crafts, 5-8 p.m.  
Friday: TOPS, 9 a.m.

**Camas County Senior Center**

127 E. Willow, Fairfield  
Noon meals are served Tuesdays, Wednesdays and

Fridays. The center is open from 9 - 2 on meal days. The cost of the meal for non-seniors is \$3.50; children under 10 are \$2.00. The suggested donation for those 60 years of age and older is \$2.50.

**Menus:**  
Tuesday: Ginger chicken, steamed rice, vegetable, fresh fruit  
Wednesday: Liver and onions, AuGratin potatoes, vegetable, rolls, peaches and cookies  
Friday: Beef roast, garlic potatoes, mushroom gravy, green beans, banana ice cream pie

**Activities:**  
Monday: Art class, 9 a.m. Weight-loss group, 7 p.m.  
Tuesday: Pool 10:30 a.m.-2 p.m.  
Quilting, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.  
Wednesday: Pool, 10:30 a.m.-2 p.m.  
Quilting, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.  
Thursday: Quilting, 1-3 p.m.  
Friday: Pool, 10:30 a.m.-2 p.m.  
Quilting, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.

**Minidoka County Senior Citizens Center**

702 11th St., Rupert  
Meals are served at noon and home delivered upon request. Juice and assorted beverages are served every day with meals. Gift shop hours are Monday through Friday, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

**Menus:**  
Monday: Assorted salad, finger steaks, tots, veggies, Texas toast, fruit bowl  
Tuesday: Oriental slaw, S & S chicken, rice, muffin, rocky road pudding  
Wednesday: Apple salad, pork chops, potato casserole, apple sauce, veggies, cake  
Thursday: Colelaw, hamburger goulash, green beans, rolls, cheese cake  
Friday: Smorgasbord

**Activities:**  
Monday: Quilting, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Pool, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Pinochle, 1 p.m.

Tuesday: Quilting, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Pool, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.


Wednesday: Quilting, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Pool, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Pinochle, 1 p.m.  
Thursday: Quilting, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Pool, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. SHIBA assistance, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.  
Friday: Quilting, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Pool, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Pinochle, 1 p.m. Bingo, 7 p.m.

**Golden Heritage Senior Center**

2421 Overland Ave., Burley  
**Menus:**  
Monday: Pigs in a blanket, macaroni and cheese, zesty beans and corn, apple sauce, cookies  
Tuesday: Poor boy sandwich, chicken noodle soup, fruit cup, assorted desserts  
Wednesday: Swiss steak, parried potatoes, honey glazed carrots, roll, strawberry short-cake  
Thursday: Beef fajitas, cottage cheese and tomatoes, refried beans, applesauce cake  
Friday: Oven fried chicken, scalloped potatoes, Clara's salad, peas and corn, berry cobbler


**Activities:**  
Monday: All-play pool, 10 a.m. Exercise, 11:15 a.m. Pinochle, 1 p.m.  
Tuesday: All-play pool, 10 a.m. Exercise, 11:15 a.m. Dominoes, 10 a.m. Computer class  
Bingo, 7 p.m.  
Wednesday: All-play pool, 10 a.m. Exercise, 11:15 a.m. Pinochle, 1 p.m.  
Thursday: All-play pool, 10 a.m. Exercise, 11:15 a.m. Organ lessons  
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## Simply For Seniors



### Safety on the Slopes!

by Tresa Erickson



*Every year, more than 14 million Americans, many of them seniors, take to the slopes. Aware of their senior clientele, several resorts now offer seasoned skiers discounts on lodging, transportation, lift tickets, ski equipment rentals and more.*

As with any sport, accidents occur and some skiers, even seasoned veterans, experience injuries. This year, as you take to the slopes, make certain your experience is a safe one. Follow these tips:

- Get in shape. Start exercising four to six weeks before your ski trip.
- Take ski lessons. No matter if you are a beginner or a seasoned veteran, learning from a professional is crucial.
- Warm up. Spend at least 15 minutes warming up before you go up on the ski lift.
- Check your ski equipment. You can be in tip-top shape, but if your equipment is worn or broken, you risk injury.
- Listen to your body. If you get cold, go inside and warm up. If you get tired, take a break and rest. If you get hungry, eat—but make sure your meals are nutritional and drink plenty of fluids.
- Pay attention to your surroundings. Follow all trail signs and watch out for other skiers. If possible, ski with a partner and stay within sight of each other. Take note of the weather and be prepared for any adverse conditions.
- Dress appropriately. Wear layers, so you can easily remove items should you become too warm. Put on gloves to prevent frostbite and a hat to decrease the rapid loss of heat through the head. Lather on some sunscreen to prevent sunburn and wear ski goggles to protect your eyes from the glare of the snow.

These tips apply not only to seniors but to anyone planning to take to the slopes. As long as you play it safe, you can indulge your passion for skiing and enjoy all of its benefits injury-free.

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# Mom reorders priorities after accident

DEAR ABBY: I have always believed my home and family are a reflection of me. My spousal home and my children defined me as a success. When an auto accident left me in traction and unable to leave my bed, I learned a new definition of success.

A special neighbor who had recently graduated from college was job-hunting without much luck. Every morning she would come over, get my kids ready for school and clean my house, while I lay in bed feeling sorry for myself.

The one thing I was able to do from my bed was talk to my children. I read to them every night at bedtime. For the first time, I listened to them without distraction. I heard them laugh. I held them when they cried. I didn't think about dirty dishes or laundry. I just thought about them. In other words, I was a real mom for the first time in their lives.

When I was finally able to get out of bed and do things for myself, I wrote a long letter of gratitude to my neighbor and



DEAR ABBY  
Jeanne Phillips

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tucked it into her pocket as she left. Imagine my surprise when she showed up at my door bright and early the next morning. Over coffee, she tearfully told me how much helping me had meant to her. She had been considering suicide because she didn't feel she had a purpose in life. Helping me gave her a purpose and snapped her out of her depression.

Abby, I have learned many things from this experience. I have learned that smiles on my

children's faces are far more important than shiny floors and sparkling windows. I have also learned that giving help is as important as receiving it. My house may not be as clean as it was before, but my children will never have to compete with housework again.

**- THANKFUL IN TEXAS**  
DEAR THANKFUL: Thank you for sharing the insight you have gained. It seems the auto accident was a life-changing experience, not only for you, but also for those around you. I agree, your house may not be as tidy as it was before your accident, but your priorities are now in order, and that's far more important.

DEAR ABBY: My dad died two years ago, leaving my mother alone after 49 years of a wonderful marriage. My sister and I helped Mom move into an assisted-living facility where she has adjusted as well as can be expected. My dad worked hard, saved well, and left Mom with no finan-

cial concerns. Our dilemma is that Mom, a very trusting person, has now befriended a man who is a known con artist. This man has been in severe financial trouble for more than 20 years and has asked Mom for a large sum of money, which she agreed to give him. He also informed her that this sum of money may not be enough to resolve his problems. Abby, this man has been caught in several lies, but Mom insists she's doing the right thing. We are certain he intends to drain Mom of 50 years of hard work and savings. How can we help her? We need to help her understand this man's true motives. We both love her dearly.

**- WORRIED SICK IN ALABAMA**  
DEAR WORRIED SICK: Warn your mother's attorney about what's going on, and if necessary, call the police. A con man who smells money has as much conscience as a shark who smells blood in the water, and it appears your mother is in over her head. Please don't wait.

# Libra: It's a great day to do chores

IF JANUARY 25 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY, you are independent and possibly a bit of a loner. You want to be the best at what you do and don't appreciate interference. You are especially susceptible to the effects of alcohol and medication, so avoid overuse. You follow your own course and have little desire to conform. You can find much comfort in spiritual pursuits.

**ARIES (Mar 21-Apr 19):** You're probably glad today is Sunday, as you'd rather enjoy some privacy. Time with friends will be more interesting by evening. Communications of love can be exceptionally powerful.

**TAURUS (Apr 20-May 20):** The urge to connect with a mentor or other powerful teacher is strong. Remember: When the student is ready, the teacher will appear. Meetings with faraway people can be rewarding.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** It may be hard to enjoy a day off today; you're quite wrapped up in your career for some reason. Don't give up on your dreams, but do make sure they are practical and attainable. Your sexual magnetism reaches a new peak.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22):** As Saturn continues retrograde in your sign, you could feel depressed or seem overly controlling to others. On the good side, this is a maturing transit that will leave you with greater mastery of yourself and your world.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** Self-pity peters out by late in the day, and you return to your normal positive and upbeat outlook. Then, you start to feel good and look vibrant and sexy. Stretch your wings before the day is over.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** You are relationship-oriented now, whether you are seriously involved or single. Your charisma and sexy persona will be spotlighted for some time to come, though the next few days are not the best to

## HOROSCOPE

Jeraldine Saunders

utilize this. Wait until next weekend for awesome results!

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** Home is still your focus in many ways. It's a great day to do chores that you usually don't enjoy. You may even decide to make some major changes in how you operate in your daily routines.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** It's a day for fun, but avoid overdoing it as you're more susceptible to the ill effects of excess now. You're in a phase of building your home base, and you have high ideals. Scorpio's natural magnetism increases in the area of communication - don't be afraid to be heard.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** It's a nice day around the home, and enjoying friends and neighbors is likely. It's a good day to make changes at home if you have the inspiration. Single Sags may find romantic fireworks! **CARCORON (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** With so many charm-related planets in your solar first house, your normal reserve is nowhere to be seen. Your sex appeal is also strong. An enjoyable day with neighbors and friends, followed by an evening at home, is just what you want.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** You are always an original but especially when the sun transits your sign. With Neptune there also, you may seem more glib or lost in space. Now that Uranus has moved on, you're less interested in being shocking.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20):** The moon in your sign for the early part of the day makes you even more sensitive and skittish than usual. With Venus traveling in Pisces now, too, your gentleness and vulnerability are enchanting and unlikely to bring heartache.

# 20-month-old daughter puts on the dog for meals

Q. I can't keep my 20-month-old daughter out of the dog's food. I've tried scolding, distraction, and locking the door. She has "knicked." This has been going on since she was 12 months old. My husband installed a "doggie door" on the laundry room door and we began feeding the dog in there. Next thing we knew, our daughter had crawled through the doggie door and was in there eating with the dog. What should we do?

A. I wouldn't worry about this, but certain precautions are called for. (See below.) Obviously, dog food is not causing harm to your daughter's health. She's been sharing your dog's food for eight months now and she's none



PARENTING  
John Rosemond

the worse for it.

I asked a nutritionist to check the ingredients on bags of soft dog food and cans of soft dog food. She subsequently told me that while she might have concerns about the conditions under which some dog food is manufactured, the sanitary standards are probably lower - there are no ingredients in dog food that

might be harmful to humans. In fact, she said, from a strictly nutritional standpoint, most dog food is superior to the diets of many Americans, including American children (and socioeconomic, she added, has nothing to do with this).

I also checked with a pediatrician who told me mothers of toddlers have occasionally expressed this concern to him. But he said he has yet to see a child who suffered ill effects from eating dog food, even though dog and child were also sharing bacteria. He tells parents to make sure their children have no access to chunk dog food because of the choking potential and to make sure that the dog's

bowel is thoroughly cleaned at the end of every day.

If the family dog eats chunk food, then mix it with some canned broth and blend it in a food processor before presenting it to the dog.

My doctor friend also told me that he's never heard of a child above age 2 who was still dining at Cafe Dog Canine. In other words, this too will pass.

John Rosemond is a family psychologist. Questions of general interest may be sent to him at *Affirmative Parenting*, 1020 East 86th Street, Suite 203, Indianapolis, Ind. 46240 and at his Web site: <http://www.rosemond.com/>

# It's tricky knowing where it's at

DEAR EDITOR: One can say or write "I know what it is" but not "I know what it is." Since the contraction "it's" equals "it is" (doesn't it?), why the difference? I.E. MOUNTAINSIDE, N.J.  
DEAR S.E.: To answer your parenthetical question first - yes, the contraction "it's" is equivalent to "it is." The form without an apostrophe, "its," is the possessive of the pronoun "it," as in "The cat licked its paw." Many people confuse the apostrophe normally precedes the possessive suffix "s" ("George's car," "the cat's tail"). Possessive pronouns, however, have no apostrophe ("yours," "ours," "hers," "theirs," "it's").

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But that's not what you asked. Your question is a good one, and it has no easy answer. This is ultimately a matter of idiom, which is a fancy way of saying that a sentence like "I know what it's" is not possible in English because, simply, it doesn't sound right. Looking at the question a bit more analytically, we can note that the usual effect of placing a verb at the end of a sentence, as in "I know what it is," is to give it special emphasis. Reducing "it is" to "it's" in this case entirely eliminates that emphasis, making the verb so inconspicuous as to be practically invisible. It's likely that "I know what it's" sounds so peculiar because of the way it de-emphasizes the verb "is." In any case, it does sound peculiar, and for that reason it is something that a native speaker of English would never say.

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# Tests

Continued from E1  
schools - will be more immediate. Starting in March 2005, a revamped test will include a writing section similar to the current SAT II Writing Test, requiring students to identify errors of grammar, identify sentence structure and compose a short essay.

The current verbal section of the SAT will become a critical reasoning section, and the emphasis in the math section will shift from quantitative changes to advanced algebra.

What prompted the changes? Almost everybody agrees that the catalyst was a threat by University of California president Richard Atkinson two years ago to stop requiring the SAT for admission to Berkeley.

"The College Board (the non-profit association that runs the SAT) is an East Coast institution dominated by Ivy League schools," said Dan Davenport, director of admissions and financial aid at the University of Idaho. "Historically, they haven't paid much attention to anybody in West except maybe Stanford. But the University of California is big enough to get their attention."

**How Idaho stacks up**  
Average composite scores by state, 2003 ACT test graduates:

State	% of graduates tested	Average composite score
Idaho	60%	21.2
Nevada	34%	21.3
Utah	67%	21.3
Oregon	12%	22.6
Montana	2%	21.7
Washington	16%	22.5
Wyoming	62%	21.4
National	40%	20.8

Atkinson echoed long-standing complaints that the SAT is biased toward minority students and ignores intelligence that isn't verbal. "If somebody in Idaho had made those complaints, they would have been ignored," Davenport said. "The ACT is much more of a West Coast, Midwest test."

The SAT is still required at Berkeley, but it's just one factor that the admissions office there looks at to determine who gets in and who doesn't - and there's some evidence that at the University of California and elsewhere, the influence of assessment test scores is waning.

"As admissions criteria at Boise State, test scores get one-third of the weight," Fortin said. "The high school transcript is two-thirds."

Carlyn Waits, a counselor at TFHS, strikes a sense of perspective: it's badly overdue on college assessment tests. "Your test scores aren't make or break," she said. "Obviously, it's important to do well on the SAT or the ACT, but that isn't the whole picture and colleges understand that."

An assessment test is a snapshot of knowledge and capability, and will still be so even when writing skills play a bigger role in the tests.

"Kids today have a lot of stress," she added. "They shouldn't put unreasonable pressure on themselves over these tests."

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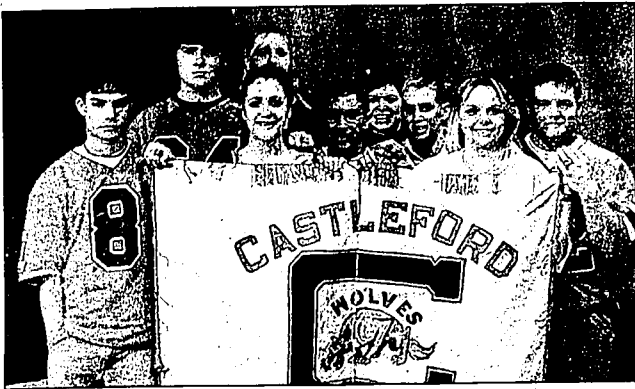
# COMMUNITY

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Above, Castleford High School students whose script promoted the asset, 'Bonding to School,' are, from left, front row: Jordan Kunkel, Janet Hurley, Ceria Gudonau and Chris Lamson; middle row: Blake Turner, Carl Kennison and Seth Blake, back row: Linda Kissinger and school counselor, Gelanne Choate. Below, Camas County High School students whose script featured the asset, 'Cultural Competence,' are, from left, front row: Richie Dukes, Aubrae Carlson, Allizabeth Stewart, Brandi Gill and Brandon Freeman; back row: Joramiah Renfrow, Christ Bennett, teacher Becky Skinner, Cloris Chui, Nate Dalin, Travis Kramer and Jesse Lemons.



## Students promote assets on TV

**TWIN FALLS** - Teens from across south central Idaho had the opportunity to write and star in a commercial to promote youth assets.

HealthNet, in partnership with KMYT-TV in Twin Falls, invited youth groups to submit ideas. Scripts were selected for filming based on originality, creativity,

simplicity and clarity of message. The two best entries were submitted by the Castleford High School speech class students and the Camas County High School senior class for their scripts on Asset 24, Bonding to School, and Asset 34, Cultural Competence, respectively.

Response to the contest was

overwhelming, with entries received from throughout the eight-county region, HealthNet reported.

HealthNet is a coalition of agencies promoting health in south central Idaho. Assets are defined as developmental building blocks young people need to avoid risky behaviors.

## STORK REPORT

### Magic Valley Regional Medical Center

Connor Matthew Frick, son of Mary Ellen and David Andrew Frick of Twin Falls, was born Monday, Jan. 12, 2004.

Tyler Larry Gillette, son of Crystal and Larry Facer Gillette of Gooding, was born Wednesday, Jan. 14, 2004.

Andrew Paul Williams, son of Jill Lynn and Monte Paul Williams of Twin Falls, was born Wednesday, Jan. 14, 2004.

Rueben Andrew Arrington, son of Jamie Rae and Howard Rusty Arrington of Twin Falls, was born Wednesday, Jan. 14, 2004.

Edward Jose Aguilar, son of Esmeralda and Alejandro Aguilar of Twin Falls, was born Thursday, Jan. 15, 2004.

Austyn Marie Prestwich,

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daughter of Junonia Joyce and Kelsey Cole Frestich of Wendell, was born Thursday, Jan. 15, 2004.  
Tyson Lee Smith, son of Amy Katherine Smith of Buhl, was born Thursday, Jan. 15, 2004.  
Hannah Grace Snarr, daughter of Stephanie Denise and

Benjamin Alan Snarr of Twin Falls, was born Thursday, Jan. 15, 2004.

Miranda Mae Montgomery, daughter of Doreen Mae Montgomery and Clayton Jesse Coglianes of Jerome, was born Thursday, Jan. 15, 2004.

Devlin Wray Levings, son of Amanda Jean and Damien Wayne Levings of Twin Falls, was born Saturday, Jan. 17, 2004.

Jesus Antonio Ortiz, son of Maria Concepcion and Jesus Ortiz of Twin Falls, was born Sunday, Jan. 18, 2004.

### Cassia Regional Medical Center

Eric Joseph Lamb, son of Brandy and Wyatt Lamb of Burley, was born Monday, Jan. 19, 2004.

## NEW KIWANIS MEMBERS



New members who have been inducted into the Rupert Kiwanis Club include from left, Jason Merrill, Diane Newman and Kathy Arritt. Right is Rupert Kiwanis President Melanie Trigenon.

Photo courtesy of ALICE SCHOK

## Scholarships are available to 4-H members

**BURLEY** - High school students active in 4-H or FFA programs may qualify for college scholarships available in Idaho.

The Attorney General scholarship is available for college freshmen who have been involved in 4-H or FFA for three years. Two \$750 scholarships are awarded annually at each of the following: University of Idaho, College of Southern Idaho, Boise State University, Lewis-Clark State College, North Idaho College, Idaho State University and the Eastern Idaho Technical College. Scholarships will be based on financial need. Interested students should contact the financial aid office of the school they plan to attend for application guidelines and deadlines.

The Idaho 4-H Endowment Fund offers two \$500 scholarships. Applicants must have been a 4-H member for at least four years, with two years during high school. The O.M. Plummer scholarship is available to 4-H members who have participated in livestock showing or judging beyond the county level. Applications for both scholarships are due April 15 and available at the University of Idaho Cooperative Extension Office for Cassia County at 1013 W. 16th St. in Burley or on the Idaho 4-H Web page, [www.ags.uidaho.edu/4-h](http://www.ags.uidaho.edu/4-h). Click on "youth" and then, "scholarships."

The Francis M. Carter scholarship of \$500 is available to high school seniors enrolled in a Cassia

County 4-H livestock project and have completed at least four years of 4-H livestock club work. The application can be picked up at the county Extension Office. The deadline is May 1.

For more information, call the Cassia County Extension office at 878-9461.

Six \$1,000 scholarships also will be awarded by the Idaho Association of Counties Scholarship Fund to a child or grandchild of a county-elected official or county employee. Applications must be received by March 12 at the IAC office, P.O. Box 1623, Boise, ID 83702 and are available at Extension Offices or on the IAC Web site, [www.idcounties.org](http://www.idcounties.org). For more information, call 345-9126.

## FOCUS ON PEOPLE

### Mini-Cassia residents spend weeks in Ecuador

Three women from the Burley-Rupert area will spend several weeks in Ecuador, as Orphanage Support Services Organization volunteers.

They traveled there Jan. 1. Jamie Hansen, daughter of Gary and Colleen Hansen of Rupert; Andrea Clark, daughter of Linda Mathews of Rupert and John Clark of Boise; and Stephanie King, daughter of Cory and Vicky King of Burley, will spend time assisting in orphanages in Cuenca and Quito Ecuador, two of the country's

largest cities. Their duties will include changing diapers and feeding infants to giving physical therapy or teaching English.

Hansen has worked and volunteered with children, teaching swimming, working with an elementary school reading program and coaching little league. She also served on student council in high school and in positions in her church. Hansen is a 2002 graduate of Minico High School and attended Brigham Young University-Idaho in Rexburg.

Clark is a 2003 Minico graduate and attended Brigham Young University-Idaho in Rexburg. She has worked with people with dis-

abilities, held numerous service and leadership positions in her church and participated in community programs, such as Sub for Santa and a cancer walk.

King is 2002 graduate of Burley High School and has attended Boise State University. She worked with children in church and community settings, is a certified nursing assistant, is active in her church, and during high school was an active member of the rodeo team, FFA and 4-H.

Orphanage Support Services Organization is a nonprofit humanitarian organization based in Rexburg.

## FFA NATIONAL WINNERS



Photo courtesy of Shoshone School

for the paper, War Whoops! Individually, silver awards were won by Carl and Karie; and bronze awards by Anna and Dan.

The Shoshone High School FFA agricultural communications team, from left, Karie Davis, Anna Gedaborg, Carl Dayton and Dan Billington, earned a bronze award at the national FFA competition in Louisville, Ky. They competed against 28 other teams from across the country. At Louisville, they gave a presentation in front of judges. They also took tests on basic journalism knowledge and editing. All four members take a journalism class at Shoshone High School and write

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

### CSI offers computer workshops for seniors

**TWIN FALLS** - The College of Southern Idaho will offer zero-credit seniors' computer classes during February for those interested in learning various computer skills in a hassle-free setting and without the pressure of a grade.

"Computers for Seniors I" will show computer basics at a slow and easy pace. The course, which has been especially designed for seniors who want to get started with computers but feel a need to build extra confidence to go ahead. The class will be held from 9 a.m. to noon on Saturdays, Feb. 7 to March 6 in Shields Room 101 on the CSI campus. The cost is \$60.

"Seniors on the Internet," for seniors with prior computer experience, will help seniors spend time informally surfing the Internet with the help of a tour guide/instructor. This class will

also enhance general Internet skills, such as how to browse more effectively, use more advanced e-mail features, experience groups and chat rooms, download software and more. The class will be held from 6-9 p.m. on Wednesdays, Feb. 4 to March 3 in Shields Room 101 at CSI. The cost is \$60.

For more information, or to register, call 732-6288 or 732-6290.

### Association holds speech, debate judge training

**JEROME** - The Idaho High School Activities Association is conducting training clinics for high school speech and debate judges.

The debate clinic, instructed by Tim Neville, will begin at 6 p.m. on Feb. 4 at the Jerome High School. For more information, call 578-5020.

The speech clinic, instructed by Scott Burton, will follow at 7 p.m.

on Feb. 4 at the Jerome High School. For more information call 324-8137.

Participants are encouraged to attend the state debate on March 12-13 at the Skyview High School in Nampa and the state speech competition April 16-17 at the Jerome High School.

For more information, call Diane Wolf at 375-7027.

### Western States College teaches screenwriting

**GOODING** - Several screenwriting classes are being offered at Western States College of Performing Arts, a nonprofit organization.

The instructor is Sherry Cann, leader of the Idaho chapter of the American Screenwriters Association and award-winning screenwriter.

Offered are "Screenwriting 10 (learn the basics)," "Screenwriting 202 (write a con-

test-ready screenplay)" and "Genre Screenwriting (Romantic Comedy/Comedy)." The cost is \$160 if the eight-week class is taken on campus, the Schubert Theater, 402 Main St. in Gooding, and \$120 if taken online. Each class will start Feb. 2.

For more information, check out the school's Web site at [www.westernstatescollege.com](http://www.westernstatescollege.com) or call 733-7695.

### Store holds candy making class next month

**TWIN FALLS** - Kitchen Magic in the Lynwood Shopping Center in Twin Falls will teach how to make Valentine candy, including roses filled with caramel and Valentine chocolate.

The class will be held from 5-7 p.m. Feb. 6. The cost is \$5. Those interested are encouraged to pre-register by Feb. 5.

For more information, call 733-4285.

## SERVICE NEWS

### Tryon completes basic Marine training

**Marine Corps Pvt. Tyler J. Tryon**, son of Regina Tryon of Mount Vernon, Wash. and Larry Hooper of Burley, has completed 12 weeks of basic training at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego, Calif., which is designed to challenge new Marine recruits both physically and mentally.

Tryon is a 2003 graduate of Mount Vernon High School. In addition to the physical conditioning program, Tryon spent

numerous hours in classroom and field assignments, which included learning first aid, uniform regulations, combat water survival, marksmanship, hand-to-hand combat and assorted weapons training. They performed close order drill and operated as a small infantry unit during field training. Tryon and other recruits also received instruction on the Marine Corps' core values of honor, courage and commitment, and what the words mean in guiding personal and professional conduct.

### Puppet show help children learn to deal with bullies.

**Monday in School Days.**



# Sunday Crossword

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**ACROSS**

- Public office
- Slumbered
- "Fernando" singers
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- Popular poticoat
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- Heart of Franco
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# Bring all your pets in from the cold weather

If you live in a colder climate, winter brings the threat of frozen pipes, cars that don't start, and pets pets at great risk. Especially outdoor pets.



**THE BOND Marty Becker**

## What good are cats, anyway?

Once had a Chicago cab driver pick me up from a veterinary convention and ask me, "Doc, what good are cats?" With a smirk on his face, he started a diatribe about how cats don't come when they're called, don't retrieve things, and won't rescue you. Being both an admirer of cats and dogs my opposition was futile. I'm proud to report that it's not only dogs that save creatures in distress. Recently, a cat rallied the rescuers and saved a fellow creature from drowning.

**Gardeners Adrian Burton and Karen Lewis** of Gloucestershire, England, brought their little black and white cat Puss Puss along to work with them. While they worked in the gardens, Puss Puss became very agitated. She started meowing and crying and dashing back and forth between the gardeners and the swimming pool. Finally, Puss Puss decided to see what was causing her distress. Recently, a cat rallied the rescuers and saved a fellow creature from drowning.

No one knows how the lamb escaped its pasture and came to fall in the swimming pool. The lamb was under the pool cover and entangled in the pool cover straps, which were actually keeping him from drowning. But he wouldn't have lasted long if Burton and Lewis, lead by their little Puss Puss, hadn't come to his rescue.

Move over Lassie and Rin Tin Tin, you've got feline company!

that others aren't always as knowledgeable or conscientious.

## Housing

Cats and dogs need protection from wet and cold, whether they get it inside your house or inside their own. Although dogs do maintain a normal body temperature that's a couple degrees higher than humans', we still have to give them some help to stay warm in cold weather.

Start with a small, cozy, insulated dog house. Bigger is not better! The house needs to be small to trap and hold your dog's body heat to help keep him warm through the night. It should be sturdy, stand up, turn around and lie down in comfortably. The house can be homemade, but new insulated plastic models available today are inexpensive and designed especially for comfort in cold weather.

Put the house in a location out of the wind. If possible, take advantage of the sun's warmth by putting it on the east or south side of your home. The house should have a door or heavy flap over the entrance to keep out drafts.

If it gets really cold, bring all pets into the house or take them someplace to be boarded!

Ladies and gentlemen, "Don't start your engines!" Cats crave warmth. Cats will sometimes creep into a warm place that could cost them their lives: car engines. To prevent a, pardon the pun, cat-astrophe, thump on your hood several times to frighten away a hiding cat.

efficient solution is a specially made electric bucket heater or birdbath deicer. Make sure it's a wrapped cord that prevents chewing.

## Winter walks

Keeping pets inside during cold weather prevents wind chill and frostbite to ears and tails when temperatures drop. Cats are best kept inside when it gets really cold, as are most small and short-haired dogs. But even in cold weather, bigger, harder indoor dogs need outdoor walks for entertainment and exercise. When dog-walking in a winter wonderland, dress short-haired furry family members in warm sweaters (as much as necessary as a luxury). A leash should be compulsory equipment for your dog in any weather, but is especially important in winter when roads are slick and drivers unable to make fast stops.

Frostbite can easily occur, especially in older animals. After a walk in the snow, make sure you get all the clumps of ice and snow out of their feet, especially fuzzy footed dogs. Consider buying booties. Afterward, wipe down dogs' feet because salt and chemicals used to melt snow and ice can irritate footpads and can be toxic. Don't use salt or chemicals in dog pens or play areas!

## Grooming

Keep the hair between your dog's toes and pads clipped short, even with the bottom of the foot. When hair is left too long, snow sticks to it, forming ice balls and also reduces traction, making it easier for your dog to slip and hurt himself on the ice. Nails that are too long also reduce traction and splays the toes. This allows snow to pack up between them.

## Antifreeze

Everybody has heard about the dangers of anti-freeze and windshield deicer, but until pets quiting from lapping up spills in their owners' driveways, the message small sweet, taste good to pets (and children), and even as little as a teaspoon can kill (depending on the size of the pet - or child). Symptoms include an appearance of "being drunk": lack of coordination, vomiting, depression, and increased water intake and urination. Call your vet immediately if you suspect anti-freeze poisoning; these chemicals kill in a matter of 4 to 8 hours! Even if the pet seems to be getting better, irreparable kidney damage may have already occurred. Of course you're careful yourself or use an animal-friendly anti-freeze, but be aware

## Food and water

Outdoor dogs need more calories in the winter to produce body heat, so increase the amount you feed your pet. Indoor pets, on the other hand, may get less exercise in the cold months, and will need fewer calories to avoid weight gain. Notice that your skin is drier and flaking during the winter? Your pet's skin may dry out, too, causing his coat to lose insulating ability. If you notice flaking skin ("doggie dandruff") or a lusterless coat, ask your veterinarian about putting them on a special diet or using a coat supplement.

Pets, like people, lose moisture through breathing, and the effects of cold temperatures are magnified by dehydration. A bowl of frozen water cannot help a thirsty pet. Check outdoor water bowls frequently; a twice daily watering isn't enough. Metal objects conduct and lose heat quickly so switching to a heavy plastic dish will help. So will your choice of color, container size and location - dark colors absorb heat from the sun and a deeper dish will freeze less quickly than a wide, shallow one. In areas where sub-freezing temperatures are common, a more

# ENGAGEMENTS

## GEIST-DAISHER

**BUHL** - Harry and Dorothy Geist of Buhl announce the engagement of their daughter, Nikki Sue Geist, to Miles E. Daisher, son of Philip and Mary Ellen Daisher of Penn Valley, Calif.

Geist graduated from Willamette University in Salem, Ore., and obtained her master's degree in occupational therapy from Washington University School of Medicine in St. Louis, Mo. She is a pediatric therapist and works for the state of California in Truckee and the state of Nevada in Reno.

Daisher graduated from Chico State University in Chico, Calif.



Miles Daisher and Nikki Geist. He is an athlete with the Red Bull organization.

The wedding is planned for Saturday, Feb. 14, in Truckee, Calif. A reception will be held following the ceremony.



Timothy Dunlop and Jennifer Cox

## COX-DUNLOP

**FILER** - John and Patricia Cox of Lancaster, Pa., announce the engagement of their daughter, Jennifer Cox, to Timothy Dunlop, son of Clayton Dunlop of Filer and the late Blanche Dunlop.

Cox graduated from McCaskey High School in Lancaster, Pa. She earned a bachelor's degree in elementary education from Wartburg College in Waverly, Iowa, and a master's degree from Winona State University in Winona, Minn.

She is currently employed at Oxbow Creek Elementary School in Champlin, Minn., as a fifth-grade teacher.

Dunlop graduated from Filer High School in Filer. He earned his bachelor's degree in finance from Boise State University and a master's degree in business administration from University of Illinois in Urbana-Champaign, Ill.

He is currently employed by GMAC-RFC in Bloomington, Minn., as a portfolio analyst. The wedding is planned for Saturday, June 19, in Lancaster, Pa.



Joe Hill and Wendy Urlo

## URIE-HILL

**FILER** - John and Beryl Urie of Filer announce the engagement of their daughter, Wendy Urlo, to Joe Hill, son of Joe Hill of Battle Mountain, Nev., and Colleen Urigen of Wintunum, Nev.

Urie is a graduate of Filer High School and Idaho State University. She is employed at the Kimberly School District in Kimberly.

Hill is a graduate of Lowery High School in Winnemucca. He is employed at REK Drywall in Twin Falls.

The wedding is planned for Friday, Jan. 30, at the Filer First Baptist Church. A reception will be held at 7 p.m. Jan. 30 at the Roseland Crystal Ballroom in Filer.

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## Bridal dress, concert wear, Halloween costume

### Lace-covered gown survives its first century

By Virginia S. Hutchins  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - In junior high school, Virginia O'Dell wore the lace-covered skirt of her grandmother's wedding dress one Halloween.

O'Dell still marvels. She asks: How many women would allow a wedding dress to be part of a granddaughter's costume?

But the dress, it seems, was meant to be worn and loved.

O'Dell's paternal grandmother, Adda Taylor, married F.F. Bracken in 1885 wearing a purchased dress draped in unusually lovely lace. The 20-year-old Adda chose long gloves to meet the three-quarter-length sleeves.

The dress was later remade - with the addition of a wide, tucked waistband and the shortening of sleeves and lace overskirt - for one of Adda's vocal concerts.

O'Dell, a retired Twin Falls teacher, doesn't remember wearing the bodice in junior high. Even then, she said, her grandmother's wedding-day size was smaller than her own.

The Brackens moved from Kansas to Twin Falls in 1913 - he first, to set up a branch of Idaho State Bank, and she later in the year, with several of their children. They lived in a new house on 10th Avenue North.

In Twin Falls, Adda Bracken distinguished herself by leading the group of local women who knit socks, gloves, hats and the like for servicemen in both world wars.

"One she hated to do was stump socks," O'Dell said.

O'Dell keeps a newspaper clipping about her grandmother's 1945 community award, recognizing more than 3,000 hours of knitting for the Red Cross.

After her father's death, O'Dell - with her mother and brothers - lived with her widowed grandmother. The wedding dress is a memento of a woman O'Dell remembers with obvious fondness.

"I just enjoy having it and knowing about her," O'Dell said. O'Dell has two daughters and a son, so the 1885 dress will stay in the family.

Clothing is a tangible heirloom that preserves a connection to ancestors, said Ken Swanson, museum administrator for the Idaho State Historical Museum.

"It's very common to have clothes from a past generation," Swanson said. They survive because "nobody wants to throw them away."

And historical dresses, suits and other clothing in private ownership are seldom displayed as photographs and other heirloom objects are, he said. Instead, they're kept in closets or trunks, away from damaging direct sunlight and dust. (Abrasive dust that settles on old textiles can work itself between the fibers and break them down.)

Most common among clothing items passed on as heirlooms are special-event wear such as wedding suits, wedding dresses, baptismal outfits and other religious clothing, and military uniforms.

"Those are the big ones that are kept," Swanson said.

Everyday clothing, on the other



Virginia O'Dell of Twin Falls holds the wedding dress her grandmother, Adda Taylor Bracken, wore in 1885. The antique pitcher collection at right was started by O'Dell's grandmother, who built the collection to more than 430 pitchers from around the world before her death. About half were then given to other family members, but in O'Dell's care the main collection has regrown to 395 pitchers.



The wedding dress was later remade for one of Adda Taylor Bracken's vocal concerts. A tucked waistband was added and the sleeves were shortened, as well as the lace overskirt.

hand, was more likely to be worn out and turned into rags, or put to use by someone else.

But once in a while, Swanson said, someone in the family decides he has too much stuff. So

the heirloom clothing goes. Unless the person finds someone else in the family to be caretaker, the chain of inheritance is broken. The old clothing might be sold, given to a museum or other non-



Adda Taylor, at age 20, married F.F. Bracken on June 7, 1885, in the Midwest. The couple moved to Twin Falls in 1913.

profit - or thrown away.

"That's No. 1. That's usually what happens," he said. If you happen to be a stuff-laden descendant looking to donate historical clothing to a museum, don't take grandma's wedding dress to a dry cleaner. "That will probably destroy it,"

Swanson said. Museums would rather have the dirty old dress than one destroyed by a well-meaning attempt to clean ancient fabric, he said. O'Dell's heirloom is kept in a trunk where it shouldn't get wet. But it has had no special attempt at preservation.

"I'm sure if you tried to clean it," O'Dell said, "it would fall apart."

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