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# PERFECT MATCHES

## For Valentine's Day, every great love had a great beginning

By Steve Crump Times-News writer

**KIMBERLY** - You might say the Harveys have carried a torch for each other for a long time. In 1942, Russell Harvey was a 21-year-old sheet-metal worker laboring in an aircraft factory in Omaha, Neb., that manufactured Martin B-26 bombers. He looked up from the small aircraft parts he was working on one day to see a young woman, a welder, ablaze a dozen yards away. "Her torch had backfired and set her blouse on fire, so I ran over and threw my sports jacket over her until the flames went out," said Harvey, now 82. "She thanked me and returned my sports jacket the next day. We got to know each other, and I asked her out."

A year later, Russell and Norma were married, just before Russell - drafted into the Army - was shipped off to North Africa, Italy, France and eventually Germany. Norma left Martin and spent part of the war working in a TNT factory near her home in rural Nebraska.

An explosive start to a 60-year love story. And, no, if you're wondering: Kimberly doesn't have that lucky sports jacket any more. "I gave all my clothes to my brother," he said. "They fit him."

Every great love has a great story about how the lovers met. For Valentine's Day, we asked some of our readers to share their:

### Steve and Lori Meter, Kimberly

In the spring of 1977, Lori met Tom, and they decided to get married.

"Tom was in the service and was scheduled to ship out to Korea in about a week," said Lori Meter, 41, of Kimberly. "We were planning our wedding when he got out of the service. Tom and I were out one night and we ran into a friend of Tom's, and Tom introduced us. This friend, who was named Steve, was very, very handsome, soft-spoken and polite. All three of us spent the next while visiting."

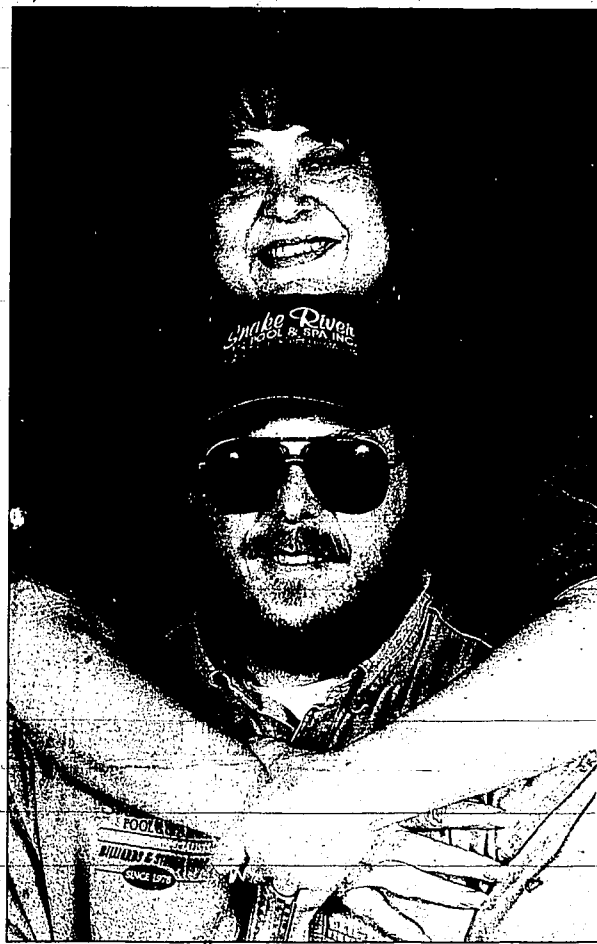
Before the evening was through, Tom had asked Steve to look after Lori while he was away.

"We saw Tom off the day he left for Korea," Lori said. "Funny, though - I couldn't bring myself to cry or even begin to miss Tom. Steve suggested that we get some lunch; I agreed. From that day on we were inseparable."

That was April 10. Steve and Lori were married on May 15.

"Steve figured if he married me he could keep an eye on me all of the time," he said. "We have been married for 26 wonderful years."

And there's a happy postscript:



Tom came back from Korea and found another woman who turned out to be the love of his life. They're married and live in Washington state, and visit the Meters often.

"It was a happy ending for all of us," Lori said.

### Shirley and Kelly Lee, Filer

Forty years ago, Shirley and Kelly Lee were kindergarten classmates.

"One of my earliest memories is my mom driving us home from kindergarten and we were in the back seat wrestling," said Shirley, now 45. "Kelly had his gun belt and toy guns on, trying to get a

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"We're having more fun now than when we were kids," Lori Meter says of herself and husband Steve. She was engaged to a friend of Steve's before the military sent him to Korea; Lori and Steve fell in love and have been married since 1977.

Left, the Meters on their wedding day.

## Senate backs ban on smoking in public places

The Associated Press

**BOISE** - The Senate voted Friday to ban smoking in most public places - from restaurants to arenas and concert halls - to curtail the health damage to non-smokers.

"Second-hand smoke causes disease and death," Republican



After nearly three hours of debate, the Republican-dominated Senate voted 22-13 for the bill that critics said defied the GOP

platform commitment to an unfettered free market.

"The market place and society are taking care of this," Republican Shawn Keough of Sandpoint said as she voted against the bill.

It now goes to the House, where similar legislation was killed last year in the State

Affairs Committee.

Hill, an accountant whose son is battling lung cancer, again relied on a long list statistics on the health impacts of second-hand smoke on individuals and the tens of millions of dollars it costs in medical care and lost eco-

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## U.S. trade deficit soars

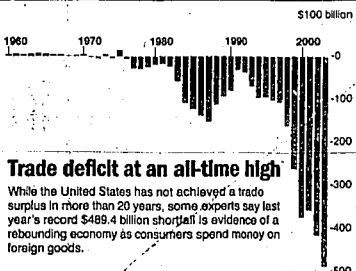
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**WASHINGTON** - America's trade deficit ballooned to an all-time high in 2003, reflecting the heavy U.S. appetite for foreign-made cars, clothing and TVs.

The total deficit was \$489.4 billion, 17.1 percent larger than the previous record, set in 2002, the Commerce Department reported Friday. The deficit with China alone was close to \$124 billion, also a record.

The value of foreign goods and serv-

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### Trade deficit at an all-time high

While the United States has not achieved a trade surplus in more than 20 years, some experts say last year's record \$489.4 billion shortfall is evidence of a rebounding economy as consumers spend money on foreign goods.

SOURCE: Department of Commerce

## President Bush orders release of Vietnam-era military records

The Associated Press

**WASHINGTON** - President Bush, trying to calm a political storm, released his Vietnam-era military records Friday to counter Democrats' suggestions that he shirked his duty in the Texas Air National Guard. But there was no new evidence that he was in Alabama during a period when Democrats have questioned whether he showed up for service.

Hundreds of pages of documents - many of them duplicates - detailed Bush's service in the

## Home schoolers prepare for defense

### Groups take sides on legislation calling for state management

By Julie Ponce Times-News writer

**BOISE** - To date, Idaho's 6,000 or so home schoolers have avoided any hint of state management, but that might be about to change.

It depends on whether the entire 2004 Idaho Legislature approves a bill passed unanimously by the Senate Education Committee Friday. It also depends on your interpretation of that legislation.

An attorney representing a coalition of Idaho home-schooling groups, Barry Peterson, says the bill that will now go to the entire Senate floor for debate could put the state's home-schooling parents at risk of being convicted of neglecting their children's education.



But organizations such as the Idaho Education Association, the Idaho Rural Schools Association, the Idaho School Boards Association and the Idaho Administrators Association say home-schooler parents are not at risk. Instead, people who claim to be home-schooling could finally be at risk of being prosecuted for a crime. Those who don't even make excuses for their children not being enrolled in a public, parochial or private school are also at risk.

Intent on knocking down on negligent parents, Sen. Joe Stegner, R-Leviston, introduced a bill that would allow law enforcement and the judiciary system to go after parents for not requiring their children to go to school. Officials from the state's public school, law enforcement and the judiciary systems claim Idaho law does not give them the tools necessary to prosecute parents who are not demonstrating responsibility toward their children's education.

Idaho home schoolers got off to a rough start in the early 1980s when a Payette County family became the target of a zealous attempt by school and law enforcement officials to enforce their interpretation - Idaho's mandatory school attendance laws. The brouhaha exploded when the mother, who had just given birth, died while her husband was in jail as a result of being arrested for not putting his children in a public school.

After that incident, legislators softened laws about compulsory school attendance.

But recently, parents intent on avoiding both educating their children and prosecution for not doing so have begun to lie to school officials and law enforcement. The unfortunate thing about Idaho law is that it doesn't have any "teeth" to prosecute those parents, said Heather Riley, president of the Idaho Prosecuting Attorneys Association.

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### Retired Guardsman says he remembers Bush - C8

Guard from 1968 until 1973. - Bush's medical records, dozens of pages in all, were opened for examination by reporters in the Roosevelt Room, but those documents were not allowed to leave the room.

The records showed that Bush, a pilot, was suspended from flying status beginning Aug. 1, 1972, because of his failure to have an

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TWIN FALLS FORECAST

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IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS.

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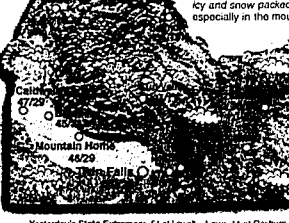
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NORTHERN UTAH

Clouds and snow showers will be common this weekend. Roads could turn icy and snow packed, especially in the mountains.

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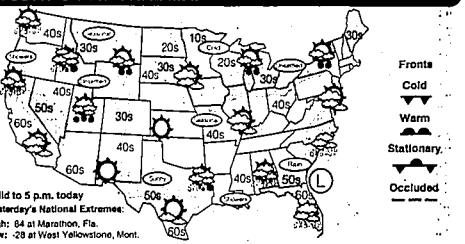
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TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP



CANADIAN FORECAST

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Smoking

While Hill argued that the ban would improve business, Republican Sen. Dick Compton of Coeur d'Alene argued that in many cases businesses will have to invest thousands of dollars in alterations to segregate their bars from their restaurants.

In addition to extending the ban to many public buildings, the bill also creates a 20-foot smoke-free zone around the entrances to the buildings and establishments that have significant public foot traffic in and out.

Deficit

"That appetite is a reflection that the U.S. economy is much stronger than the rest of the world," said Oscar Gonzalez, economist at John Hancock.

U.S. exporters, however, also saw gains last year. Exports totaled \$1 trillion - the best showing since 2000 - and a 4.6 percent increase from 2002.

Bush is among those nominated for Nobel Peace Prize

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Home schoolers are up in arms over the report, saying they aren't particularly interested in following the public school curriculum in terms of schedule or approach.

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Jacki and Donald Marzittelli, Twin Falls. Cupid has few charms like a heavy-handed box of groceries.

Times-News telephone directory. Lists circulation information and advertising rates.

NATION

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## Official casts doubt on election plan

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — A U.N. official sided with the United States in its dispute with Iraq's powerful Shiite Muslim clergy over creating the seat of a new government. Opposition to the plan put forward by the U.S.-led coalition has increased among members of Iraq's Governing Council, many of whom don't like the U.S. proposal for choosing a provisional legislature in regional caucuses.

The envoy, Lakhdar Brahimi, also warned Iraqis to be wary of the risks of civil war as they compete for power.

Brahimi met with council members Friday as he wrapped up a weeklong mission, requested by Washington after its plans were shaken by criticism from Iraq's most influential cleric, Grand Ayatollah Ali al-Husseini al-Sistani.

The envoy said he would report to U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan next week and that Annan would make recommendations on how to move forward.

Panel will review detainees' cases

MIAMI (AP) — Suspected terrorists held at Guantanamo Bay will be allowed to appeal their detentions to a new panel that would determine if they are an ongoing threat to the United States, Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld said Friday.

The panel would hear cases annually to decide whether the suspects remain a threat or could be released.

Rumsfeld said in remarks to the Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce.

Rumsfeld said the United States was planning to hold many of the detainees "as long as necessary."

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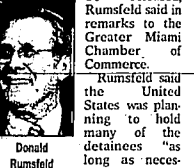
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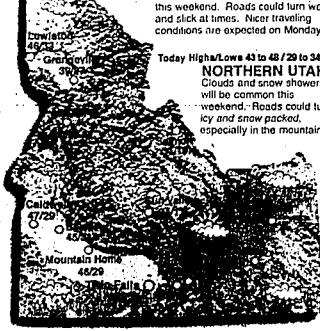
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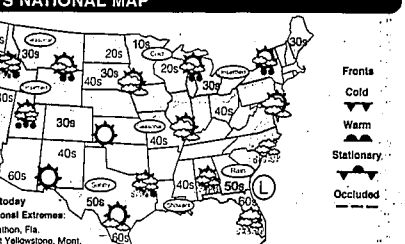
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Valentines

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Records

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## Official casts doubt on election plan

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — A U.N. official sided with the United States in its dispute with Iraq's powerful Shiite Muslim clergy over recent, saying Friday it would be hard to organize a vote before the June 30 deadline to hand power to the Iraqis.

But the United Nations' special envoy to Iraq said major changes will be needed in the U.S. formula for choosing the next Iraqi government. Opposition to the plan put forward by the U.S.-led coalition has increased among members of Iraq's Governing Council, many of whom don't like the U.S. proposal for choosing a provisional legislature in regional caucuses.

The envoy, Lakhdar Brahimi, also warned Iraqis to be wary of the risks of civil war as they compete for power.

Brahimi met with council members Friday as he wrapped up a weeklong mission requested by Washington after its plans were shaken by criticism from Iraq's most influential cleric, Grand Ayatollah Ali al-Husseini—al-Sistani.

The envoy said he would report to U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan next week and that Annan would make recommendations on how to move forward.

## Panel will review detainees' cases

MIAMI (AP) — Suspected terrorists held at Guantanamo Bay will be allowed to appeal their detention to a new panel that would determine if they are an ongoing threat to the United States, Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld said Friday.

The panel would hear cases annually to decide whether the suspects remain a threat or could be released, Rumsfeld said in remarks to the Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce.

Rumsfeld said the United States was planning to hold many of the detainees "as long as necessary."

"We need to keep in mind that the people in U.S. custody are not there because they stole a car or robbed a bank," Rumsfeld said. "They are enemy combatants and terrorists who are being detained for acts of war against our country and that is why different rules have to apply."

About 660 alleged al-Qaida and Taliban fighters captured in Afghanistan and elsewhere after the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks are being held at the maximum-security prison at the U.S. naval base at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, though none has been charged.



Donald Rumsfeld

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### CBS pulls Medicare ad pending review by Congress

WASHINGTON (AP) - CBS has stopped running the Bush administration's publicly funded ad for the new Medicare prescription drug law, pending a review of its content by congressional investigators.

The 30-second ad, titled "Same Medicare. More Benefits," has prompted strong criticism from Democratic lawmakers and a range of interest groups who say it is a barely disguised commercial for President Bush's re-election campaign.

Democrats asked the General Accounting Office, Congress' investigative arm, to examine whether the administration should be using taxpayer money to air the commercial. And several lawmakers have been lobbying network executives to get them to yank the ad, pending the GAO review.

"As soon as we became aware of the investigation, we pulled it," CBS spokesman Dana McCintock said Friday. He said the network stopped airing the ad several days ago.

Kevin Keane, a spokesman for the Health and Human Services Department, said CBS' decision was arbitrary, noting that the network accepted the ad and began airing it on Feb. 3.

### Doctors seek reduction of fatal blood infections

CHICAGO (AP) - An international group of doctors is pushing for aggressive treatment to prevent half a million deaths worldwide from a common bloodstream infection.

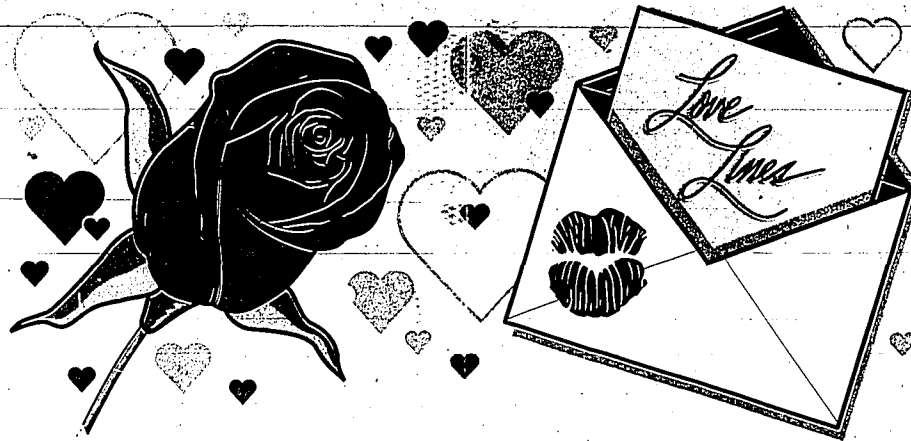
Sepsis kills more than 200,000 people annually in the United States alone - more deaths than from lung and breast cancer combined. Muppets creator Jim Henson died from it 14 years ago.

Later this month a coalition of leading critical care specialists will urge doctors, governments and health agencies worldwide to adopt the first-ever sepsis treatment guidelines. Their plan calls for fast use of powerful antibiotics and other aggressive action.

The number of sepsis cases has increased dramatically since the 1980s while death rates have remained stubbornly high, underscoring the need for rapid recognition and treatment, said Dr. Margaret Parker, a guidelines author.

"The goal of this whole project is to decrease the mortality of sepsis worldwide," said Parker, incoming president of the suburban Chicago-based Society of Critical Care Medicine, which represents more than 11,000 specialists.

## Readers dedicate their sweetest Valentine's Day wishes to the ones they love.



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**Chris,**  
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...forever ...IN LOVE!  
Muchos Besos para mi amor!  
Happy Valentine's Day!  
Love,  
Alzbeta

**Dear HiHi,**  
We hope you know how special you are. You always make us feel special and loved. We love you, Grandma!  
Hailey & Brad

**To Matt:**  
I will love you forever.  
Love,  
Shani

**D.J. & Connor:**  
Grandma loves you!  
Happy Valentine's Day!  
Grandma Diane

**Leonard,**  
The world's a better place because of you. You are loved.  
Betty

**Judy,**  
Thank you for the wonderful life we share, Honey. Your laugh, your smile and your kindness will keep me in love with you forever.  
Jim

**Jay Bird,**  
Happy Valentine's Day!  
Jag alskar dig  
Deby

**Chelsey H.**  
Roses are red,  
violets are blue.  
There's nothing quite as sweet as you.  
Love  
?

**To Bill,**  
the man of my dreams  
Redskins and all, from spring till fall, and winter, too, I will always love you.  
Your wife,  
Cheyenne

**Lind Anne,**  
Two-Fourteen '0' Four is merely one day but prompts the words I generally say. As the years have past by-one by one-a good friend of mine you've truly become. Sharing & caring & loving each day, what a wonderful wife God sent my way.  
Pennis

**Tyler**  
If I could save time in a bottle. The first thing I'd like to do is save everyday 'til eternity just to spend time with you.  
AML,  
Mandy

The MuckLuck Indians predict we'll have a long future together.  
Love, Ruby

**FISHERMAN,**  
Me 'n' you's like a Moon Pie with an RC Cola.  
Love ya, 'Lulu

**Freddy,**  
You're my best friend and the love of my life. You've still got it lover boy.  
Love, Smukims

**Tyler**  
If I could save time in a bottle. The first thing I'd like to do is save everyday 'til eternity just to spend time with you.  
AML,  
Mandy

**Diana,**  
You are the love of my life. Will you be my Valentine?  
Love Always,  
Bubba

**Dear 77,**  
Thank you for being a great husband, especially the last few months. I will always appreciate how wonderful you are.  
Love, Sniff

**Betty Jo,**  
Love has been defined in many ways. I only know if there was but one more sunset, I would want to watch it with you.  
Mikey

**Gayle,**  
God's greatest gift to me was you. Thank you for always being there during my deepest travails. I love you with all my heart for eternity.  
Jack B.

**Rodney**  
Happy Valentine's Day. I love you very much. Thank you for coming into my life at the right time.  
Love Joyce

**JJ,**  
We are livin' large and you're in charge.  
Love ya' bunches,  
JJ

Love and Happy Valentine's Day to our five children, 15 grandchildren, and two great grandchildren.  
Jim & Betty  
Yeggy

**To The Crew**  
I guess we're stuck together. I love all you guys and appreciate all you do for me.  
-Jenn

**KATHY**  
Thanks for being who you are.  
LOVE,  
DENNIS

**JJ,**  
We are livin' large and you're in charge.  
Love ya' bunches,  
JJ

Love and Happy Valentine's Day to our five children, 15 grandchildren, and two great grandchildren.  
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**Ana**  
We wish you a Happy Valentine's Day & 32<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary.  
From your family  
with love.

**Barbara,**  
All the best times of my life are times spent with you. You're always a part of my heart.  
Love, Mark

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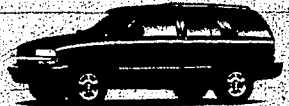
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Section B

**MORNING LINE**  
**SPORTSQUOTE**

You're just another pampered athlete who blew an opportunity, blames it on the media, blames it on the system and blames it on the NBA.

—John Thompson during an interview of Isaiah Rider to be broadcast at 5 tonight on TNT

**TODAY'S SCHEDULE**

**College baseball**  
 CSI vs. Prairie Baseball Academy in Henderson, Nev., 11 a.m.  
**College basketball**  
 Women, Eastern Utah at CSI, 6 p.m.  
 Men, Eastern Utah at CSI, 8 p.m.  
**Boys basketball**  
 1A Southside district playoffs, Murtaugh  
 See story  
 1A Northside district playoffs, Murtaugh  
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**Girls basketball**  
 5A Region Four-Five-Six play-in game  
 Borah vs. Highland, 1 p.m., Filer HS

**IN BRIEF**

**Championships will be broadcast live**  
 BOISE — The United Dairymen of Idaho are sponsoring live TV broadcasts for the girls basketball state Class 1A and 5A championship games starting at 6 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 21 from the Idaho Center in Nampa.  
 The games will be carried by Cable One on Channel 17 in Twin Falls, 22 in Pocatello, 19 in Idaho Falls and 18 in the Treasure Valley area.  
 During the broadcast, highlights from the Class 2A and 3A championships will show.

**CSI plans flower, get-in-free promotions**  
 TWIN FALLS — The College of Southern Idaho is planning some promotions for tonight's college basketball games, starting with the women against Eastern Utah at 6 p.m., followed by the men at 8 p.m.  
 The first 500 females through the door get a free carnation for Valentine's Day. In a separate promotion, anyone through the door by 6:15 p.m. gets in free for both games.

**Gooding H.S. plans potato/chili fund-raiser**  
 GOODING — The Gooding High School girls basketball team is holding a potato bar/chili feed fund-raiser from 5-7 p.m. Monday in the high school multi-use room to raise money for their first-ever trip to the state tournament.  
 The cost is \$5 a person or \$20 a family.

**Annual fly-fishing derby registration due today**  
 TWIN FALLS — The Fourth Annual Fly-fishing Derby will be from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 21 at the Clear Lakes County Club.  
 The entry fee is \$25 and include an all-you-can-eat breakfast at 8 a.m., a fishing pass and a ticket for door prizes.  
 The grand prize is a 9-foot Loomis GL3 fly rod custom made by Tim Crist. Other prizes include golf and fishing passes.  
 Register by calling 543-4849 before Sunday. The field is limited to the first 100 anglers.

## CSI men throttle CEU, 93-67

By Kevin Colbert  
 Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Earlier in the week, the College of Southern Idaho men's basketball team ended a practice by coming together at center court and shouting "Hut!" in unison.  
 If Friday night is any indication, the Golden Eagles appear to be a team focused on heading to Hutchinson, Kan., for the junior college national tournament in mid March after thrashing the College of Eastern Utah 93-67 at the CSI Gymnasium.  
 Schafer Jackson led CSI (18-7 overall, 12-7 Scenic West Athletic Conference) with 21 points on 8-of-12 shooting. The sophomore also hit on three of his five 3-point attempts.  
 Jackson was just one of six Eagles to score in double figures. Dani Hazut (17), Mohamed Kone

(12), Jason McGriff (11), and Aking-Eling—and Abdoulaye Ndaiye (each with 10) also accomplished the feat.  
 Chris Lang led CEU (15-12 overall, 10-11 SWAC) with 14 points. CSI shot 57 percent from the floor for the game, thanks to many easy buckets around the basket. The Eagles finished with seven dunks off lobs, six of which came in the second half. CSI made 35 field goals in the game, 23 directly off assists.  
 "I've played this game a long time and I don't know if I've ever seen a stat line like that," CSI head coach Gib Arnold said. "That means you're playing very unselfish basketball. We were passing up good shots for great shots."  
 CSI went on a 14-0 spurt to claim a 22-10 lead with 12:51 to go in the first half. The Eagles made four 3-pointers during the run, two by Hazut and one each by Eling and Jackson. In total, CSI shot 6 of 14 from behind the arc in the first half.

McGriff helped give the Eagles the inside-presence they needed in the absence of forward Yusuf Baker, who will return tonight after missing Friday's game due to a violation of team rules. McGriff made five of his six shots in the first half for 11 points. He also hit a line-drive 3-pointer from the left wing. He led the game, however, with 13:20 remaining after twisting his ankle while saving a ball in the corner and did not return. McGriff is getting his ankle X-rayed before today's game to check for a break. His return is questionable.  
**Women**  
 CSI turned a matchup that at first appeared as if it would be worthy of the top two teams in the conference into a rout, defeating Eastern Utah 69-48 to claim a commanding three-game advantage in the SWAC standings with just five games remaining in the season.  
 After a closely-played first half,

CSI turned up the defensive pressure after the break to wear down CEU, at one point taking a 67-37 advantage with 5:06 remaining.  
 "That's what pressure does and that's what being tired does," CSI head coach Randy Rogers said.  
 CEU had no answer inside for CSI's Lenka Zimova, who finished with 24 points and 12 rebounds. Teammate Dentsa Svarova added 11 points and nine rebounds. The Eagles outrebounded CEU 61-32. CEU (21-5 overall, 16-5) was led by Cassie Warburton with 14 points.  
 The Eagles (21-4, 17-2) overcame a sloppy first half by both teams to take a 28-23 lead into halftime. CSI, which finished with 29 turnovers, committed a whopping 15 first-half turnovers while CEU finished the first 20 minutes with 12 of its own.  
 Southern Idaho trailed just once in the first half, at 5-4, after Warburton's driving layup. Warburton, who finished the half with seven points, scored Eastern Utah's first five.

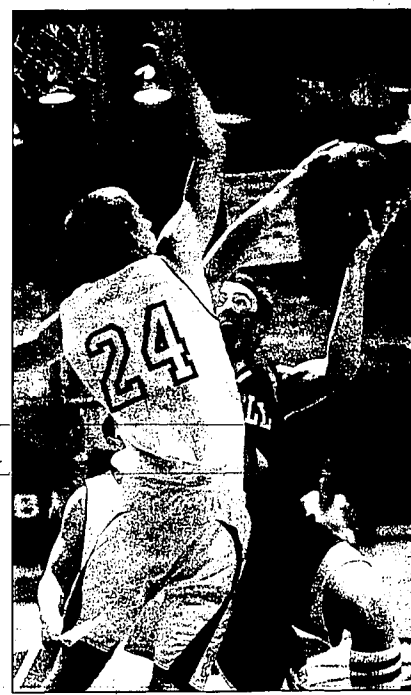
## Bruins fall to Indians, finish regular season third

Twin Falls loses 64-50 after one-point first quarter

By Eric Larsen  
 Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls Bruins showed the kind of heart and determination it takes to be the best boys basketball team in the Region Four-Five-Six regular season during the second half of Friday night's home game versus the Pocatello Indians.  
 Unfortunately, the Bruins dug themselves a hole too deep to climb out of with a one-point first quarter and trailed the rest of the game, falling 64-50 in their final regular season test.  
 "We're at a loss about the first half," Bruins coach Matt Harr said. "Most of all, we didn't attack in the first half."  
 While the Twin Falls (11-6, 5-4 conference) may not have gone to the basket early, a slew of close shots also rimmed out as the luck of the bounce didn't seem to be on the Bruins' side. Meanwhile, the Indians came out hot with 16 first-quarter points, 10 of them coming from senior forward Jordan Pollard.  
 "It was a phenomenal display of high school basketball," Pocatello coach Greg Evans said. "To come in and shoot like we did against them was huge."  
 Things didn't get any better for the Bruins in the second quarter,

as Pocatello's scoring leader, Greg Birch, got hot and hit for six early points. By the time the half was over, Twin Falls was down 29-11. The Indians came out of the break and hit the first shot of the new half, opening their comfortable lead to 20.  
 "You're not going to get down 20 points to Pocatello and get back anytime," Harr said.  
 But the Bruins tried. Senior wing-Graham Stanley scored 13 third-quarter points on the strength of four straight three-pointers and a free throw.  
 "He came out and hit some big threes," Harr said. "He worked really hard off the ball to get open."  
 Combined with his team's



Left, Bruin guard Cory Albertson, right, feels the tough Indians defense during the fourth quarter of the game.

Above, Pocatello forward Greg Birch, right, is fouled by Twin Falls forward Mike Smith during the second quarter of the Indians' 64-50 win over the Bruins in Twin Falls Friday. With the loss, the Bruins will enter their conference tournament as the No. 3 seed and host No. 6 seed Milnic Tuesday.

## LAKERS FOR Life?



Los Angeles Lakers' Kobe Bryant answers questions about the possibility he may leave the team next season at the NBA All-Star news conference in Los Angeles on Friday.

## Bryant will try his luck on free agency scene this summer

**The Associated Press**  
 LOS ANGELES — Kobe Bryant said repeatedly Friday that he wants to be a Laker "for life," though he still plans to opt out of his contract and become a free agent this summer.  
 Responding to a report that he has already made it clear to the Lakers organization that he has decided to leave, Bryant said the story was untrue.  
 "I want to be a Laker for the rest of my life. That hasn't changed," said Bryant, who has been with Los Angeles throughout his eight-year NBA career.  
 He said he wants to opt out of his contract to experience what it would be like to be courted as a free agent, though he said — as he has throughout the season — his first choice is to stay.  
 Speaking with reporters for about 30 minutes at an All-Star media availability session, Bryant tried to deflect questions about his future by saying he wasn't thinking about it. Bryant said he has kept in regu-

lar contact with general manager Mitch Kupchak, who faces the prospect of losing Bryant as a free agent with nothing in return if the 25-year-old superstar decides to leave.  
 When it was pointed out to Bryant that someone who wants to be a Laker for life should have no need to test free agency, Bryant stuck to his theme.  
 "It's just about exploring options," Bryant said. "That doesn't mean I want to go somewhere else."  
 A report in the Los Angeles Daily News quoted four anonymous NBA sources, including three within the Lakers organization, as saying Bryant has been declaring his intention to leave to people within the organization.  
 "I've spoken to him recently and he said he has not made his mind up and if he did he'd tell me — and he has not told me," Kupchak told the Associated Press.  
 The NBA trading deadline is Thursday.  
 "Kobe's not going anywhere," Kupchak said.

MAGIC VALLEY CONFERENCE TOURNAMENT

## Trojans aim for victory

By Eric Larsen  
 Times-News writer

MURTAUGH — Malta's Raft River Trojan boys basketball team have dominated Magic Valley Conference opponents all year long on the way to their perfect 18-0 season, 14-0 league. The Trojans are deep and experienced, and feature one of the area's premier players in 6-foot-1 senior guard Alex Nelson.  
 But for Nelson, the Trojans, and coach Jeff Greenwood, all the regular-season accolades will mean nothing without a couple victories in the Magic Valley Conference Tournament that starts today at Murtaugh High School.

"We have six seniors and they want to get to the tournament because they feel like they can compete with the best teams in the state," Greenwood said.  
 By working their way to a perfect conference record, the Trojans have

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## Their day in court

Four men plead innocent in alleged scheme to provide steroids to top athletes

**The Associated Press**  
 SAN FRANCISCO — Attorneys for four men who pleaded innocent Friday to distributing steroids to athletes said it was outrageous that none of those sports stars has been charged.  
 The government alleged that the four illegally supplied performance-enhancing drugs to dozens of athletes in the NFL, baseball and track and field. No athletes were named in the indictments, though dozens testified before a grand jury last year.  
 Those indicted Thursday were Victor Conte, founder of the Bay Area Laboratory Co-Operative at the center of the case; James Valente, BALCO's vice president; personal trainer Greg Anderson; and world-class track coach Remi Korchemny, whose sprinters won gold medals but then flunked drug tests.  
 Conte's attorney, Robert Holley, said the four indicted men were scapegoats.  
 "It's like going after a fly with a bazooka, and there's a lot of other flies around," Holley said. "Even if they take down Conte, it won't change the system."  
 Magistrate Judge Maria Elena James set bail at \$100,000 for Conte, Valente and Korchemny, and \$25,000 for Anderson, then released them on their own recognizance until at least Feb. 27 — when they will return to show they can post their bond.  
 All four defendants refused comment as they left the courthouse.  
 Though offered limited immunity in exchange for their testimony, athletes still could face perjury charges if prosecutors believe they lied about drug use to the grand jury. Baseball slugger Barry Bonds, track star Marion Jones and other major sports figures were among athletes who testified.  
 Anderson's attorney, Bill Rapoport, said President Bush's mention of steroids in his State of the Union address and Ashcroft's news conference show the case has become politicized.

SPORTS

Carey, Richfield advance

Teams will play in championship

The Times-News

SHOSHONE -- The Richfield boys upset No. 2 seed Carey...

In the other game, tournament host Shoshone knocked Camas County out of the tournament with a 55-43 win.

The Indians play The Community School today at 6 p.m. District faces Bliss today at 7:30. Both are loser-out games.

The Shoshone junior varsity also beat Dietrich 53-47 to advance.

Richfield 42, Community School 41

SHOSHONE -- The Richfield Tigers pulled out an upset victory over the Community School behind 19 points from Victor Vasquez.

Dylan McIlhenny led the Cutthroats with 13 points in the loss. The Community School falls into the consolation bracket.

Valentine's shows no love for CSI baseball

By Kevin Colbert Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS -- The College of Southern Idaho baseball team almost had its heart-broken-for-Valentine's Day.

After the Golden Eagles had to scrap plans for their scheduled home-opening series Tuesday and Wednesday against the Prairie Baseball Academy (PBA) due to the amount of snow on the ground in Twin Falls, CSI decided to head south to Henderson, Nev., just outside Las Vegas, for the second straight weekend.

But Valentine's Day weekend is not the best time to try to find hotel rooms in Vegas, especially on short notice. Fortunately, the CSI coaching staff finally rounded up a few rooms and the Eagles will play four games against teams competing in this weekend's Community College of Southern Nevada Coyote Classic. CSI,

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SHOSHONE 42, Community School 41

SHOSHONE 55, Camas County 43

SHOSHONE -- The Shoshone Indians kept their state tournament hopes alive with a 12-point win over Camas County.

Tony Perrin led all scorers with 23 points for Shoshone.

The loss ends the Mushers season.

Shoshone vs. Camas County 43

Regular season

Kimberly 80, Filer 72 OT

FILER -- Ricky Zudrow scored 31 points to lead Kimberly past Filer 80-72 in overtime to conclude the regular season for both teams.

"It was a great high school game to be at," Annala said. "We came back and put it into overtime but we basically had no answer for Zudrow. He kept pushing us back further in the paint."

The loss puts Filer (6-2, 4-6) in fourth with a road game at Wood River.

Five Wildcats scored in double figures, led by Paul Gerrish's 14 points.

Kimberly vs. Filer 80-72

Kimberly 52, Wendell 22

KIMBERLY -- Kimberly opened its regular season with a 52-22 dual meet win over Wendell Friday behind wins from 125-pound Nick Mulberry and 130-

pound Rick Rapar. Kimberly never competes in districts at Declo Wednesday at 11 a.m.

Bonneville 61, Burley 40

BURLEY -- No. 1 Bonneville lived up to its ranking in the second half, reversing a 25-23 Burley halftime lead into a 61-40 victory Friday night to conclude the regular season for both teams.

"They showed it," said Bobcats coach Jack Bagley. "It came out on fire. Their coach must have given them a speech at halftime."

Scott Randklev scored 13 points to lead Burley while Andy Hill led a balanced Bees attack with 11. All but two Bonneville players scored.

Burley (5-13) hosts Jerome Tuesday in the first round of Great Basin Conference tournament.

Bonneville vs. Burley 61-40

Minico 67, Rely 57

MINICO -- The shooting ability of Travis Noble helped catapult Minico to a comfortable victory from the start.

Noble was the top scorer with 28 points, including six 3-pointers. Kirby Bingham put up 20 points.

Ricky's Travis Schaaf put 16 points on the board, while Skyler Shippen added 12.

Minico leads to districts Tuesday at Twin Falls with a 3-7 record in conference play and 8-12 overall.

Minico vs. Rely 67-57

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Wooing and wooing



The rookie team's LeBron James, of the Cleveland Cavaliers, dunks during the first half of the NBA Rookie Challenge, Friday in Los Angeles.

LeBron, Carmelo stun crowd at Rookie Challenge

LOS ANGELES (AP) -- LeBron James and Carmelo Anthony were more than ready for prime time and their new buddy show was a smash hit.

James scored 33 points and hooked up with Anthony for four breathtaking alley-oop dunks that were the best moments in the sophomores' highlighted 142-118 victory in the Rookie Challenge on Friday night.

Though neither player was selected for Sunday's All-Star game, James and Anthony are arguably the NBA's most anticipated rookie duo since Magic Johnson and Larry Bird -- and in a game mercifully free of defense, they put on a show worthy of the hype.

In their only competition of the weekend, the 19-year-old prodigies were the main attractions on a rookie team going against a squad of second-year pros led by Yao Ming and MVP Steve Nash.

James paired with Anthony was so enticed that the NBA moved the game from its usual spot in All-Star Saturday festivities, giving it a prime-time slot Friday night before a sellout crowd at Staples Center. While James provided most of the

gasp-inducing highlights, Anthony scored 17 points, including a slam. Stoudemire, last season's Rookie of the Year, made an incredible number of untested dunks. Carlos Boozer and Ronald Murray added 25 points apiece for the second year pros, who made nearly 71 percent of their shots in the first half to turn it into a blowout.

But nobody cared. James, wearing gold-colored shoes that wouldn't be legal during the regular season, gave a performance that steadily got better after losing the opening tip to Yao, who barely jumped to swat the ball away from the 6-foot-8 James.

Rookies coach Doug Collins used James and Anthony in tandem during the first half substituting them together and taking advantage of their teamwork.

The sophomores led 72-59 at halftime, though Yao got jittery by his own shooting, after completely missing the basket -- sprung on a one-handed shot from halfcourt at the buzzer.

James scored 20 points on 9-14 shooting in the first half. Moments after halftime, James tossed a pass off the backboard to himself and rattled home a jam.

Trojans

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earned a first-round bye and will begin play in the second round Monday against the winner of today's Magic Valley Christian-Murrough-Juniata-Barrett and C.J. Tuckett will play big roles on a talented Trojan team that can play nice-deep without sacrificing performance. That will be an important fact as Nelson, their senior center, will square off in today's game while still rehabilitating an injured ankle.

"This is the deepest team we've ever had," Greenwood said. "The talent is there, but we still need to play hard. We're going to see everybody's A game."

While no team has overcome Rafti Riera's talent so far, second seeded Hagerman has given the Trojans a fight. The Pirates finished 14-6 overall, with an 11-3 conference mark. While senior Quinn Smith has led Hagerman in scoring, seniors Nick Billiard, Brian Brown, and Tim Silver have all stepped up for Pirates coach Kevin Cato.

"We're pretty deep, but those four guys have carried us at different times," Cato said. "We're going to see everybody's A game."

The Pirates will go 11-players deep, something that should help them through the grueling final stretch of the season.

"You get into the dog days of the tournament and getting quality minutes from your bench can help keep your starters and keep them fresh," Cato said.

The Pirates are hoping to ride a diet of consistent intense play during the tournament.

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Minnesota Wild whip Oilers in shutout, 3-0

ST. PAUL, Minn. (AP) -- Marc Chouinard scored for the first time in more than three months, and Davone Roston earned his fourth shutout of the season to lead the Minnesota Wild to a 3-0 victory over the Edmonton Oilers on Friday night.

Sergei Zholtok and Pascal Dupuis also had goals for the Wild, who won for the third time in four games and ended the Oilers' -- and goalie Ilya Konkin's -- three-game winning streak.

Roston, making his season-high seventh straight start, made 28 saves.

Zholtok and Chouinard scored less than a minute apart in the first period -- Chouinard's third goal of the season and his first since Nov. 7. Chouinard broke his

law against Edmonton on Nov. 13 and missed the next 32 games, while recovering from that and a viral infection that caused him to lose significant weight. This was the eighth game since his return.

Conklin, who stopped 12 of 14 shots, jammed his wrist and was replaced after the first period by Tommy Salm.

Sabres 8, Kings 3

BUFFALO, N.Y. -- Maxim Afinogenov scored twice, and Buffalo scored seven times in the final 24 minutes in a win over Los Angeles.

Alex Kotlik and Daniel Briere had a goal and two assists apiece in Buffalo's best offensive outing since an 8-0 win over

Atlanta on Nov. 8, 2001.

Chris Drury, Jochen Hecht, Rory Fitzpatrick and Henrik Tallinder also scored, helping the Sabres to their sixth win in seven games and improve to 9-2-2 in their last 13 home games.

Jozef Stumpel and Scott Barney had a goal and assist apiece, and Ian Lapierre scored for the Kings, who entered the game 4-0-4-2 in their last 10 road games.

The eight goals against were the most Los Angeles has allowed since an 8-4 loss to Chicago on Dec. 18, 1999.

Predators 5, Capitals 2

NASHVILLE, Tenn. -- Scott Hartnell had two goals and an

assist, and the Nashville snapped a three-game losing streak.

Vladimir Orszagh, Wyatt Smith and Marek Zidlicky added goals for the Predators, who scored twice on the power play for the first time in four games.

Washington went 0-for-6 with the man advantage. The Capitals' Mike Grier scored midway through the first period, and Peter Bondra finished the scoring with his 20th goal late in the second period.

Ryan Miller, who also had an assist, giving him 40 to go along with his 26 goals this season.

Nashville backup goalie Chris Mason stepped 17 shots in his ninth appearance in the last 18 games.

"I'm excited about the future of team of destiny, and I hope it comes true."

Bruins

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incentive effort, Stanley and the Bruins cut Poetello's lead to nine midway through the fourth quarter. But trailing by 11 points with time winding down, the Bruins were forced to foul Poetello's guards, Senator Trevor Bayne, to win the first six free throws to keep the Bruins at bay. While the loss drops Twin Falls to the third seed in the upcoming regional tournament, Harr isn't going to

cry over spilled milk.

"We've got to learn from tonight, forget about it, and understand that we're a good basketball team," Harr said.

Poetello's senior guard Nick Harman led all scorers with 20 points, while Birch added 15 and Pollard posted 14. Stanley was the only Bruin in double figures, leading with 17 points.

The Bruins will now host the Minico Spartans in the opening

round of the conference tournament Tuesday night.

Meanwhile, Poetello (10-9, 6-3 conference) claims the regular season conference crown and receives a bye in the first round of the tournament.

"We're getting a new gym next year and our seniors want to close out our gym with a district championship," Evans said.

"Winning tonight is the only way we could do that. I believe we're a

team of destiny, and I hope it comes true."

Poetello vs. Twin Falls 20-11

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## YOUR WEEKEND



### A dog's tale

- What: Ketchum's New Theater Company will present A.R. Gurney's "Sylvia." Theatergoers will be given free champagne and chocolate dessert tonight.
- Where: nextStage Theater.
- When: Tonight and Sunday, 8 p.m. (the production continues Feb. 17-22).
- How much: Tickets, which are \$22, are available by phoning 726-4TKS or at the nextStage Theater box office between 4 and 6 p.m.



### World premiere

- What: Wes Malvini and Jaffe Zinn's new film "The Fear in the Freezer" will debut tonight at the Lamphouse Theatre in Twin Falls.
- Where: 223 Fifth Ave. S.
- When: 7:20 p.m., with other showings at 9:30 p.m. and midnight tonight and at 4:45 p.m., 7:20 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. on Sunday (the movie continues through Thursday).
- How much: \$3.

### Valentine bash

- What: A Valentine's Broken-Heart Bash Party and Dance will be held at Chasers Sports Bar and Nightclub in Twin Falls.
- Where: 1539 Fillmore St. N.
- When: Tonight, 8 p.m. to 1 a.m.
- How much: There's a \$5 cover charge.

### Sweetheart dinner

- What: A Valentine dance and prime-rib dinner will be held at the Marsh Creek Event Center in Albion.
- Where: 899 S. Highway 77.
- When: Tonight, with dinner at 6 p.m. and the dance at 7:30 p.m.
- How much: Tickets, which are \$16.95 for dinner, \$5 for the dance or \$19.95 for both, are available by phoning 431-6105 or (435) 827-5519.

### A musical revue

- What: Halley's Company of Fools will present Jason Robert Brown's "Songs for a New World."
- Where: Liberty Theater.
- When: Tonight at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 3 p.m. (the production continues Feb. 19-21).
- How much: Tickets, which are \$24, can be reserved by phoning 788-6520.

### Southern booze

- What: 38 Special will do two shows tonight in Jackpot.
- Where: Cactus Petes Resort Casino.
- When: 8 and 10 p.m.
- How much: Tickets, which are \$25, \$30 and \$35, can be reserved by phoning (800) 821-1103.

## Snowpack levels

Watershed	% of Avg.	% season peak**
Upper Snake Basin	90%	68%
Baltimof Falls	116%	82%
Salmon	69%	64%
Oakley	117%	85%
Big Wood	85%	61%
Little Wood	93%	64%
Henry's Fork/Teton	107%	78%
Big Lost	91%	61%
Little Lost	84%	58%

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

# Man gets 30 years for child sex abuse

By Rebecca Meany  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - A man who pleaded guilty to multiple counts of child molestation received a sentence Friday of 30 years in prison, with the possibility for parole in 15 years.

James Alan Gordon, 34, pleaded guilty in November to nine of the 17 charges originally filed against him. In exchange for admission of guilt to those counts, the prosecution dropped other, lesser charges.

Gordon pleaded guilty to four counts of sexual abuse of a minor, three counts of lewd conduct with a minor and two counts attempted lewd conduct with a minor.

The prosecution recommended a life sentence with 25 years fixed - meaning Gordon would serve 25 years in prison before he had a

chance for parole.

The sentence, handed down by 5th District Judge John Hohnhorst, stems from events that occurred in May with neighborhood children at Gordon's Twin Falls home.

A grand jury indicted Gordon in July.

According to Wells Ashby, Twin Falls County deputy prosecutor, Gordon coaxed the children into his home on the pretense of a video game tournament and pizza. Using coercion and intimidation, he persuaded the boys to engage in sexual acts with him.

"Whatever these kids signed on for that night is not what happened," Ashby said. "They were lured in. It ended in the forcible molestation of children."

More than 6,000 images were retrieved from Gordon's home

computer, half of which involved child pornography.

The court saw a video Gordon made of himself deleting files from that computer. He looked at the camera and said he was destroying "files from hell."

The files were later retrieved as evidence.

The sentencing hearing included a closed session during which the judge reviewed sexually explicit photographs and videos related to the case.

One of the victims was present and made a statement to the court. The other victims submitted their statements via a video recording.

"The actions speak louder than anything else," Judge Hohnhorst said. Gordon's "lack of self-control" and "placing his own gratification" over the welfare of children were factors in persuading

the judge that Gordon posed a great risk of reoffending.

Hohnhorst said it was his goal to prevent similar acts from occurring.

"To accomplish that goal, (Gordon) should be incarcerated for a substantial period of fixed incarceration," he said.

For the four counts of sexual abuse of a minor, Gordon received 15 years' incarceration, with 15 years fixed. For two counts of attempted lewd and lascivious conduct with a minor, he received the same. The two counts of lewd and lascivious conduct with a minor got him 30 years' incarceration, with 15 years fixed.

The terms will be served concurrently.

Upon release, Gordon must register for life as a convicted sex offender.

His attorney, Tony Valdez, declined to comment on the sentence. He had asked for a sentence of two and a half to seven years' imprisonment.

Prosecuting Attorney Grant Loebs had a different view.

"He's a menace," Loebs said after the sentencing. "We're very glad that he's going to go away for a long time. We felt our sentencing recommendation was appropriate."

Sexual abuse of a minor carries a maximum sentence of 15 years in prison and a \$50,000 fine per count. Lewd conduct with a minor carries a maximum sentence of life imprisonment without possibility of parole and a fine of \$50,000. Attempted lewd conduct with a minor has a maximum sentence of 15 years' imprisonment and a \$50,000 fine.

## PLANNING THE PURCHASE



During a public meeting hosted by the Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce Friday, county commissioners discuss with members of the public their intent to purchase the former Anderson Lumber building.

## Commissioners defend Anderson purchase

By Rebecca Meany  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - The sign outside still reads "For sale or lease," but if commissioners have their way, the Anderson Lumber building will be in the hands of the county soon.

Nearly 40 people attended a public meeting Friday at the building to listen to a presentation by county officials that highlighted the benefits of consolidating nine remote offices under the building's roof.

The public was invited to share ideas and concerns about the purchase.

"This is one of the issues that has risen to the top because of the emotion, the cost and the benefits," said Dan Olmstead, chairman of the Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce's local issues committee. The chamber hosted the event.

Those wishing to consolidate offices touted how much money could be saved in the long run by reduced utility costs.

In addition, cracked and broken sidewalks, old electrical wiring and lack of handicapped accessibility at the older properties present potential liabilities for the county.

The Anderson building, county representatives said, has good parking, easy access and is large enough to accommodate many segments of county government.

The time to act is soon, they said, because interest rates for government entities are at 5 percent.

Some opponents voiced concerns about the impact such a move would have on the downtown area.

"The government is encouraging downtown development," said Jeff Hepworth, a local attorney and member of the Historic

Old Towne Business Improvement District board. "If the city's comprehensive plan is something that everyone should follow, how is this a good location?"

Hepworth said he has invested \$500,000 in the downtown area, and several of his partners have done the same.

"The people who convinced me to invest in downtown are the ones leading the charge out of there," he said.

On the heels of the county's exodus, he said, would be numerous other businesses, such as title companies that would follow the county recorder.

"I'm totally in favor of consolidation," Hepworth said. "But look at other locations."

doesn't necessarily apply to the county. Also, the county represents more than just the city of Twin Falls.

"Should we abandon downtown huh?" He asked rhetorically. "This is the best option now."

He added that they could not find comparable property for the price they could get the Anderson building.

Hepworth told The Times-News that city and county government "absolutely" need to cooperate with each other.

"Lack of cooperation is what causes poor development and poor city planning," he said.

Others spoke in favor of the move.

"Several members of the chamber and local businessmen have made significant investments in this part of town," said J. Frances Floreste, a principal of Westerra Real Estate, the county's realtor.

## Court sets preliminary hearing for man charged in shooting

RUPERT - A preliminary hearing for a man charged with attempted murder has been scheduled in Magistrate Court.

A preliminary hearing for Adrian Tinoco Cisneros is scheduled for Wednesday in Minidoka County before Magistrate Judge Ricco Bollar.

Tinoco Cisneros, 21, is charged in connection with the Feb. 8 shooting of Adam Velazquez Gil at a Rupert apartment. He's charged with one count of attempted murder.

Minidoka County Prosecuting Attorney Jason Walker is seeking an enhanced penalty, too, because of the use of a gun in the incident.

Tinoco Cisneros, of Rupert, was identified as the shooter by witnesses who were at the apartment, the court affidavit states. After Tinoco Cisneros was arrested early the morning of Feb. 9, he

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told Rupert police officers he had shot Velazquez Gil, the affidavit states.

Tinoco Cisneros remains in the Mini-Cassia Criminal Justice Center in lieu of posting a \$100,000 bond.

**Court sets hearing for Washington Street project**

TWIN FALLS - A hearing for the third phase of the Washington Street North Widening Project will be held Feb. 26 at the Twin Falls City Council Chambers, 305 Third Ave. E.

The hearing is open-house style and the public can drop by anytime between 6 and 8 p.m. City staff and consulting engineers will be available to answer ques-

tions about the project and a hearing officer will record public comments. Specific design aspects being considered include additional right-of-way requirements, property access, access locations, and relocation and removal of items such as trees or fences.

Phase III of the Washington Street North project is located between Filer Avenue and Falls Avenue and is one of several phases that will widen this north-south arterial from Shoup Avenue to Pole Line Road. Federal funds will cover more than 50 percent of the project's construction costs; the city will cover the remaining costs.

Public involvement and participation on this project is encouraged. Information is available in Braille, audio tape or by interpreter upon request, in accor-

dance with the Americans with Disabilities Act. To request one of these services, please contact Aaron Wert or Andrew Swensen at 733-2466 at least two days before the hearing.

**CSI board plans to meet for executive session**

TWIN FALLS - The College of Southern Idaho's Board will meet today at 7:30 a.m. for an executive session in the president's office board room in the Taylor Building.

The board might discuss personnel issues or real property, said Vice President of Finance Mike Mason, but he could not elaborate further.

The college will have a regular public board meeting Feb. 23 at 5:30 p.m. in the Taylor Building.

- compiled from staff reports

## Man gets 15-year sentence

### Jury refuses to allow Paul man to withdraw guilty plea in sex case

RUPERT - A Paul man was sentenced to prison Jan. 26 on a conviction of lewd conduct with a child younger than 16.

Gilbert R. Vega, 27, had pleaded guilty to the charge July 31, 2000. His sentencing was repeatedly delayed because of his failure to appear in court on several occasions and a change of attorneys representing Vega.

Fifth District Judge Barry Wood ordered Vega to serve a minimum of 15 years in prison, with the maximum possible penalty of a life sentence.

Vega was also ordered to pay a \$1,000 fine, \$288.50 in court costs and to register as a sex offender if he is released from prison.

Vega was originally charged with two counts of rape in June 2000. He waived his preliminary hearing on those charges and was bound over to District Court on a charge of lewd conduct with a minor younger than 16.

On July 31, 2000, he signed a plea agreement indicating he would plead guilty to that charge and the state recommended a 3- to 5-year prison sentence. Vega failed to appear in court for his Sept. 25, 2000, sentencing. He also didn't appear for his Nov. 6, 2000, sentencing. At that time District Judge William Hart issued a bench warrant for his arrest, which was eventually served in April 2003.

At that time Vega's attorney filed a motion to withdraw his guilty plea. That motion was based on affidavits filed by the two alleged victims of Vega who then stated they had made up the accusations against Vega.

The crimes had allegedly occurred in 1996 when the victims were six and seven years old. District Judge John Melanson's memorandum decision states their affidavits were filed in

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## WANTED

In the Magic Valley

Name: Theresa Rane  
Albertson.  
Age: 35  
Description: 5-foot-7, 125 pounds, blonde hair, blue eyes.  
Wanted for violation of  
Original charge: Possession of a controlled substance.  
The Twin Falls County Sheriff's Department asks anyone with information about Albertson's whereabouts to call 736-4100 or Crime Stoppers at 732-5387, or call an anonymous tip line at 736-4100 eligible for a cash reward.

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DRESSING THE PART



Idaho Civil War Volunteers' Skip Crittell, dressed as President Abraham Lincoln, claps in the gallery of the House chambers at the statehouse Thursday in downtown Boise. Members of the Idaho Historical Society and Idaho Civil War Volunteers were on hand to help the state legislature commemorate the birthdays of George Washington and Lincoln.

Governors meet with Bush after trip to Iraq

WASHINGTON (AP) — Governors just back from a trip to Iraq stressed the need to "stay the course" after meeting with President Bush at the White House on Friday.

Idaho Gov. Dirk Kempthorne, a Republican who led the delegation, deflected questions about whether the failure to find weapons of mass destruction undermined the justification for the war.

"One of the Iraqis that I spoke to made this point: In person, Saddam Hussein is a weapon of mass destruction," Kempthorne said.

"As we have looked for the weapons of mass destruction, what we have particularly found are mass graves," he said, referring to the discovery of remains of Saddam's political enemies.

Minnesota Gov. Tim Pawlenty, also a Republican, said American policy came up in conversations with Iraqis as the six governors traveled the country.

"We had a number of people ask us, 'Will you continue to stand with us as we go to this transition to freedom and democracy?'" Pawlenty told reporters. "It's very important that the United States signal that we're going to stay the course and finish the job."

New York Gov. George Pataki, also a Republican, agreed. "If we win in Iraq, then we will have broken the back of terrorism," Pataki said.

The trip was organized by the White House, and the governors said they were selected to get a

bipartisan group and for regional balance.

Terrorism is "alive and well" in Iraq, said Louisiana Gov. Kathleen Blanco, one of two Democrats on the trip. "They (terrorists) are operating in what is essentially a free country, so they have the freedom to move."

At one point, tracer fire was spotted near the governors' plane during a takeoff, causing the plane to change direction, but there was no indication that it was targeted.

Pawlenty said Bush asked the governors to describe the daily life of Baghdad.

"He wanted to know, what's the feel? Are people shopping? Are they in the streets? What's the attitude of the Iraqis? How are they feeling about our efforts

here?" Pawlenty said.

"It's remarkable to see the activity in the streets of Baghdad, the commerce, the increase in traffic, people who are returning to engage in employment or economic activities," he said.

The visit to Iraq, which also included Republican Linda Lingle of Hawaii and Democrat Ted Kulongoski of Oregon, marked the first time governors had visited the country since the United States toppled Saddam Hussein. Members of Congress visit Baghdad regularly.

Bush was joined by Vice President Dick Cheney, National Security Adviser Condoleezza Rice, Deputy Defense Secretary Paul Wolfowitz, and White House chief of staff Andy Card.

Wyoming car crash seriously injures LDS official

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — An emeritus general authority for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints was seriously injured in a car crash in Wyoming, police said.

Vaughn Featherstone, 72, president of the Logan temple, was listed in serious condition Friday at LDS Hospital in Salt Lake City, an official there said.

Featherstone was returning to Logan on Wednesday night with his wife, Merlene, after speaking to Boy Scouts near Grover, Wyo.

He was driving on U.S. Highway 89 when his car struck two horses in the road, Wyoming Highway Patrol trooper Brad Anderson told the Deseret Morning News.

It happened about five miles south of Grover, and the horses were believed to have escaped from a nearby ranch.

The first horse was decapitated. The second horse smashed through the car's windshield on the driver's side and peeled the roof off the Featherstones' car down to the

trunk, Anderson said.

The impact knocked Featherstone out, but his car kept traveling.

His foot floored the gas pedal, and his car continued down the road at a high rate of speed, according to one witness.

Merlene Featherstone leaned over and turned off the car, which coasted for nearly a mile before it hit a snow bank and stopped, Anderson said.

Rescue crews took him first to a

local hospital, and then he was flown to Salt Lake City.

Anderson said Featherstone apparently suffered a skull fracture, a possible fractured cheek and other injuries.

Church spokesman Dale Bills said Featherstone's injuries were not life-threatening and that he was expected to make a full recovery.

Merlene Featherstone suffered a cut to her hand, possibly from flying glass, Anderson said. She was treated and released.

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Zane Grey Harrison — Bliss



Zane Grey Harrison was born June 5, 1920, at the Harrison ranch northwest of Hill City, Idaho, to Elisha and Mabel (Wolf) Harrison. He was delivered at home by grandma, Lauritzen, a mid-wife, joining one older brother, Boyd.

He attended nearby Warm Springs School and then continued his education in Fairfield and later in Phoenix, Ariz. Zane worked for the Forest Service building trails and also did a stint with the CCC.

During WW II he went to Portland where he was a welder in the shipyards. He returned to the Harrison ranch at Hill City to help on the family ranch raising cattle, hay and grain. During this period he and Ernie Watts produced rodeos sponsored by Herr Coors, of the beer fame, in Pine and Atlanta, trailing the bucking stock horses from the ranch to those distant locals.

Zane married Ruth Louise Sanford, of Fairfield, in Winemucca, Nev., on Sept. 28, 1943, and to that union was born one daughter, Peg. They made their home on the Harrison ranch where they continued to farm and ranch with Zane's family. Their lifestyle continued for many decades. Then came the day when all three men were on crutches. That was the day they decided

to get out of the cattle business. Zane was active in the community. He served on the REA board filling several offices including president. He served on the Camas County school board and was also president of the Idaho School Trustees Association for two years.

He was a member for 49 years of the Rebekah Lodge. For more than 50 years he was a member of the Independent order of Oddfellows where he held many offices. Ill health forced his retirement from the office of deputy grand master of the Grand Lodge of Idaho.

In 1977 they purchased a winter home in Hagerman but continued to summer at the ranch

where they farmed until 2001. Much of the last 10 years of Zane's life was spent in semi-retirement in the "bring me" chair where he continued to remain actively involved in life, supporting his family, telling great stories, handing out advice, encouragement and love.

Zane was preceded in death by his mother and father, and his sister-in-law, Edna Harrison.

He is survived by his wife of 60 years, Ruth; his daughter, Peggy Harrison Green, her husband, Gary, and their children, Kristen and Garrett of Cooper City, Fla. His older brother, Boyd, continues to reside in Emmett, Idaho, and scattered throughout the country are many nieces, nephews and grand-nieces and nephews.

Viewing will be from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 15, 2004, at Demary Funeral Chapel in Gooding. The funeral will be conducted at noon Monday, Feb. 16, 2004, at the Hagerman Christian Center. Interment will follow at 3:30 p.m. at Elmwood Cemetery in Gooding.

Memories may be made to the Camas County Senior Center building fund, P.O. Box 217, Fairfield, Idaho, 83327, the Idaho Elk's Rehab, 600 N. Robbins Road, Boise, Idaho, 82702, or the charity of your choice.

Frank E. Ephrem — Caldwell

Frank E. Ephrem, 65, of Caldwell, died Thursday, Feb. 12, 2004, of an apparent heart attack.

Visitation will be from noon until 8:30 p.m. Sunday and Monday at Alden-Waggoner Funeral Chapel in Boise and from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday at Demary Funeral Chapel in Shoshone.

Funeral prayer service will be at 9 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 18, 2004, at Demary's Shoshone Chapel with graveside services following at 11 a.m. at the Shoshone Cemetery.

Frank was born July 17, 1938, in Chicago, Ill., to Frank and Helen Ephrem Zeko. He had

lived most of his life in the Boise area and was an automobile wholesaler.

Survivors include his wife, Kellie; daughters, Alicia, Kayla and Shirley; sons, Matthew, Michael, Ricky and Anthony; sisters, Bella George; and brothers, Jimmy and Larry Zeko.

Janice Dixon — Gooding/Idaho Falls



Janice Dixon, daughter, sister, aunt and friend, passed away suddenly Feb. 12, 2004.

She was born to Clifton Robinson Dixon and Thelda Thompson Dixon on Jan. 20, 1951, in Gooding, Idaho. She graduated from Gooding High School in 1969.

She attended college, graduating from Brigham Young University. She taught elementary school in Idaho Falls since her graduation. She touched the lives of hundreds of children.

She was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. She served in many callings, including primary president, relief society president and young women's advisor. She was a volunteer at the Idaho Falls temple since 1998.

There was never a child too young or old to be loved by Janice.

She is survived by her parents; brothers and sisters, Dee and Connie Dixon of Hillsdale, Ore., John and Wilma Goley of Heber City, Utah, Reese and Connie Dixon of Gooding, Idaho,

Marvalee and Steve Edwards of Heber City, Utah, and Joel and Amy Dixon of Meridian, Idaho.

She was a favorite aunt to Becky and Rob Thomas; Preston and Tiffany Dixon; Liz and Brandon Erickson; Spencer Dixon; Sarah Dixon; John R. and Kathy Cowley; Mark and Tracy Cowley; Susan Cowley; Stephanie and John Wright; Jeannette and Len Whiting; Emily and Shad

Bollar; Ryan Dixon; Stewart and Karen Edwards; Paul and Kristina Edwards; Michael and Allyson Edwards; Merilee and Jason Antonino; Christopher Edwards; James Dixon; Melany Dixon; Jaimes Dixon; Adam Dixon; Colin Dixon and 28 grand-nieces and nephews.

Janice was a kind, caring and giving person, always helping others. She continues to help others through organ donation.

A funeral will be at 1 p.m. Monday at Idaho West Stake Center, 2040 Brentwood Drive in Idaho Falls, with Bishop Dale Madsen officiating. Family will meet with friends from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Sunday and from 11:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. Monday before service, both at the Stake Center.

Burial will be in the Gooding Memorial Cemetery at 2 p.m. Tuesday under the direction of Valley Mortuary of Briggs, Idaho. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Janice's name to the Primary Children's Medical Center in Salt Lake City, Utah.

SERVICES

R. Douglas "Doug" Neville, funeral Mass celebrated at noon today at St. Edward's Catholic Church.

William "Bill" Newcomb of Rupert, service at 11 a.m. today at the Rupert United Methodist Church. The family will greet friends one hour before the service at the church. (Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel)

Vernon Larkin Shaffer, funeral at 1 p.m. today at the Fielding United Methodist Church, 1030-1230 before funeral (Rogers and Taylor Funeral Home, Tremonton, Utah.)

Phyllis M. Burkhalter of Jerome, memorial service at 2 p.m. today at the Jerome Presbyterian Church (Hove Robertson Funeral Chapel, Jerome.)

Anna (Nana) Lee Toledo (Kilgus) of Santa Cruz, Calif., service at 2 p.m. today at White Mortuary, Celebration of Life Feb. 22 at the Burdick Residence, 306 Linden St., Santa Cruz, Calif.

C. H. Boss (Bud) of Wendell, memorial service at 2 p.m. Monday at Demary's-Wendell Chapel.

Edna McGown of Twin Falls, service at 1 p.m. Monday at the American Legion Hall in Challis. (Reynolds Funeral Chapel.)

Virginia Susan "Gina" Weiss Bossard of Twin Falls, funeral at 10:30 a.m. Monday at Immanuel Lutheran Church. Friends may call from 9:30 a.m. until time of service at the church. (White Mortuary.)

Bobby G. Whitlock of Twin Falls, funeral at 11 a.m. Monday at White Mortuary. Friends may call from 4-8 p.m. Sunday at White Mortuary.

Gilbert "Gill" Humberger of Twin Falls, funeral and Celebration of Life at 2 p.m. Monday at the Twin Falls Reformed Church. Viewing from 1-2 p.m. before the service at the church.

Elisa Cordelia Nye Shaw of Burley, funeral at 11 a.m. Monday at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Burley West Stake Center, 2420 Parke Ave. in Burley. Burial will be at 2:30 p.m. Monday in the Valley View Cemetery in Malta. Friends may call from 6-8 p.m. on Sunday at the Payne Mortuary, 221 W. Main St. in Burley, and from 10-10:45 a.m. before the funeral at the church.

Lois M. Lennan of Jerome, memorial service at 11 a.m. Monday at Our Savior Lutheran Church, 1708 Heyburn Ave. E., in Twin Falls. (Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel, Jerome.)

Rescued skier loses feet, ankles



Dan Witkowski

SEATTLE (AP) — Dan Witkowski, a 25-year-old extreme skier who amazed doctors, relatives and rescuers by surviving five days lost in the frigid Cascade Mountains last month, underwent surgery Friday to amputate his feet and ankles.

Doctors had previously told him he would probably keep his feet and be back on the slopes next winter. But there was more dead tissue near his heels than initially known, and amputating looked to be the best route, a spokeswoman at Harborview Medical Center said. Prosthetics would be more stable than what was left of his feet, and would offer him the best chance of skiing or running again.

"Dan's a very determined guy who wants to move on with his life," hospital spokeswoman Susan Gregg-Hanson said Friday. "He wanted that function and mobility, and in order to do that, he had to go with the amputation. Once he thought about the options and what he wanted to do with his life, that became clear to him."

Witkowski's toes already had been amputated last week. Friday's surgery began at about noon and was expected to last up to four hours.

His ordeal began New Year's Eve when, skiing solo, he plunged down an out-of-bounds chute at Alpengist Ski Area, about 40 miles east of Seattle off Interstate 90. He soon

realized he was lost, and kept skiing and walking, trying to find his way back to the highway.

In reality, he was heading deeper into the backcountry, without food, water or survival gear.

Scores of rescuers spent days looking for him after his friends reported him missing. But 20 inches of new snow fell during the search, and his tracks were all but impossible to find. Logs during the nights reached single-digits, and his family began to give up hope.

On the fifth day, Jan. 4, Witkowski had lost 20 pounds and his temperature had dropped to 89 degrees. Then rescuers in a helicopter spotted gear in the snow; his jetted skis, a snowfield glove, even the linings of his ski boots, which he dropped because they were frozen solid.

Rescuers were stunned to find him alive. They flew him to Harborview, and five days later he felt strong enough to discuss his ordeal with reporters. He walked into the interview room under his own power, his hands splinted with dark purple, his blackened toes visible through the casts on his feet.

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DEATH NOTICE

Linda L. Bronson  
BURLEY — Linda L. Bronson, 58, of Burley, died Friday, Feb. 13, 2004, at Burley Care Center.  
Arrangements will be made by Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley.

DROPPING BAIT

Fairfield hires new city attorney



Fisherman Mark Buchkock prepares crab pot lines on the F/V Fortune Thursday at Harris Harbor in Juneau, Alaska. Buchkock and other crab fishermen are getting ready for the tanner crab season which opens this Sunday for five days.

By Amy Ballard Times-News correspondent

FAIRFIELD - The City Council has hired Stephanie Bonney to be its new city attorney.

The decision was made Thursday following a special meeting Monday to interview candidates. Bonney, of the Idaho Falls-based firm Pike and Smith, has an extensive track record in municipal law and also currently serves as the city attorney for Island Park.

Construction firm gets extension on fire substation

By Dixie Thomas Reale Times-News correspondent

JEROME - The Urban Renewal Agency has voted to extend the completion date on its fire substation construction contract with Stanley Construction for one month without penalty.

Recent bad weather hindered progress on the construction project and put the job behind schedule. Stanley Construction has asked for a 30-day extension, City Engineer Scott Bybee told the agency.

Many of the chores to be completed are weather-related. Giving the construction company the requested extra time will assure a quality product. "They won't be able to take their time and won't be rushing to beat the deadline," Bybee said.

Other Urban Renewal Agency business Thursday included: The Urban Renewal Agency will finance everything else, Rothweiler said.

No bids - A recent request for bids for a booster station to be built at the Marshall well on South Lincoln received no bids. Legal Counsel Ryan Armbruster told the Urban Renewal Agency that, by law, they could re-bid the project or negotiate with a local contractor of their choice.

The agency voted to have Bybee negotiate with a local contractor and get the work done as soon as possible. City administrator Travis Rothweiler told the agency that the city had applied to the Idaho Transportation Department for a grant to make improvements to South Lincoln

Stanley, Moore, Challis, and Victor.

The new city attorney will receive a \$200 retainer for the first four to five hours served each month. For additional time she will receive \$90 per hour.

Because her duties in other cities require so much time away from the area, Bonney has made herself available by cell phone.

City Clerk Brent Peters said Friday morning that Bonney had already proved to be a valuable advisor to the council after her swearing in the previous night.

Also sworn in at Thursday night's City Council meeting were Fire Chief Wayne Maroll, who was re-elected to the seat by the fire station board, and Joe Dickerson, who was nominated and approved for a Planning and Zoning Commission seat.

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Boise police chief resigns

BOISE (AP) - Police Chief Don Pierce, a player in the recent scandal that led to the imprisonment of the former mayor, resigned Friday at the request of new Mayor Dave Bieter.

"Change is needed in our law enforcement leadership," Bieter said.

In a letter to Bieter, Pierce said he was hopeful that the imbroglio had ended.

"I recognize that my actions during that time have resulted in some serious questions on your part as to my ability to continue to serve the citizens of this city," Pierce wrote.

Lt. Jim Tibbs, a 30-year veteran of law enforcement has been named acting police chief. Bieter also said a search committee will be assembled to find candidates to fill the position.

Pierce, the former Bellingham, Wash. chief of police, came to Boise in 2000 and earned a strong reputation for his work in community policing in Boise. He made progress in changing a negative public image of the department after six police-involved shootings in 17 months resulted in the deaths of eight people.

Colas and Lyman are serving sentences for misusing public money. Pierce's initial investigation found that no crimes were committed, and Pierce was captured on videotape returning merchandise to City Hall that was suspected of having been stolen by Lyman.

"I believe the Boise Police Department has continued to progress as an effective policing organization during my tenure. I am proud of many of the accomplishments of the management team during the past four years," Pierce said in a prepared statement released Friday.

"I am most proud of the successes in the area of diversification and public trust," he continued.

In related events on Friday, Coles finished a behavioral modification class he was ordered to take by 4th District Judge Thomas Neville and is seeking early release from the Ada County Jail.

Coles is serving a 180-day sentence after pleading guilty to one count of misuse of public money and one count of presentation of a fraudulent voucher.

Neville said Coles could start work release after finishing the behavior class.

Thursday, while the third was located Friday morning after a dozen park wardens using dogs and probes combed the avalanche debris at the bottom of an ice waterfall where the trio had been climbing.

The victims were not wearing avalanche beacons, Canadian authorities said.

Mount Wilson, a popular spot for ice climbers, rises 10,635 feet overlooking Bow Pass. It has high cliffs that stretch for nearly 7 miles.

Parks Canada has reported a considerable risk for avalanches in the area in the last two days given the prolonged sun exposure on the south slopes of the mountain.

Last year was the worst year for avalanche deaths in Canada. The Canadian Avalanche Association says 29 people died, including 19 skiers, nine snowmobilers and two others.

Three ice climbers die in avalanche

BANFF, Alberta (AP) - Two of three ice climbers killed in an avalanche at Banff National Park were highly experienced mountaineers, police officers and members of the Tacoma, Wash., Mountain Rescue Unit, the unit's operations chairman said Friday.

"These were experienced climbers," Gus Bush said. "I knew they had planned to go. This was the third year they've gone up there. They were climbing waterfalls."

The Royal Canadian Mounted Police identified the victims as George County Sheriff's Deputy James Andrus, 66; Redmond, Wash., police officer John Miner, 53; and Russ Howard, 42, a civilian employee with the Redmond police.

"You can prepare against it and take all kinds of safety measures, but there's always that chance, especially when you're climbing ice," Bush said.

Andrus and Miner were active in Tacoma Mountain Rescue searches, though Howard was not, Bush said.

Andrus helped search for Dan Witkowski - a 25-year-old Ellensburg skier who was lost for five days last month near Alpentai Ski Area east of Seattle, Bush said.

Witkowski survived, but was undergoing surgery Friday to amputate his feet and ankles.

The three, part of two climbing parties, were on Mount Wilson north of Lake Louise when the avalanche apparently knocked them off their climbing route, Parks Canada spokeswoman Shelley Humphries said.

The search began around 9:30 p.m. when climbers in the second party reported their friends were overdue at a prearranged meeting point.

Two bodies were found officials, obtained this week through a records request, church attorney Von Keetch suggested the city revise its free-speech ordinance. The Salt Lake Tribune reported Friday.

He suggested separating the anti-church preachers from the counter-protesters, and keeping all demonstrators about 20 yards from Conference Center entrances.

Church suggests a buffer zone at conference

Police hope to separate conference-goers from protesters at gathering

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - Mormon church officials have suggested the city establish a buffer zone separating church conference-goers from the street preachers who harangue them.

The next conference of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints is in April and the church leaders say they will advise members attending the two-day gathering to ignore the protesters.

The church officials do not want confrontations such as those at October's conference, in which street preachers waved Mormon temple garments. Two Mormons were arrested after trying to take the clothing from the protesters.

In a December letter to city

sexual intercourse with one of the girls.

He also admitted that sex act in his presentence questionnaire, the memorandum states.

Melanson's memo states that the Idaho Supreme Court has held that a judge must consider

not only a defendant's assertion of innocence, but also the reasons why the claim of innocence wasn't made earlier.

Those factors were among the reasons Melanson cited for not allowing Vega to withdraw his guilty plea.

By The Associated Press

Competes for Friday

Senate to Governor

H1510 (Agriculture) - Allows the state to mineral rights along with land in certain cases.

Introduced in House

H1676 (Environmental Affairs) - Increases the fee for transportation of hazardous waste for both single-trip and annual permits.

H1677 (Agriculture) - Grants a 90-day grace period upon the agricultural exemption from being classified as a local processing facility.

H1678 (Agriculture) - Allows the department to approve crop management areas where the fee for transportation of hazardous waste is increased for sale by the drink.

H1679 (Agriculture) - Grants a 90-day grace period upon the agricultural exemption from being classified as a local processing facility.

H1680 (Agriculture) - Prohibits regulation of land plant amendments at the local level.

H1681 (Agriculture) - Prohibits regulation of commercial fertilizers at the local level.

H1682 (Agriculture) - Makes technical corrections to the Beef Cattle Environmental Control Act.

H1683 (Agriculture) - Restates the legislative intent regarding the potato industry and the Beef Cattle Environmental Control Act.

H1684 (Transportation) - Prohibits claims for a lack of tax refund when the fuel is used to idle a vehicle.

H1685 (Local Government) - Requires cities to hold an election when it intends to annex land into the city limits.

H1686 (Local Government) - Increases penalty for failure to comply with orders from

the state fire marshal to remove or remedy dangerous situations.

H1687 (Transportation) - Requires licensees and attendants of mobile home parks to give 300 days notice of termination to the state.

H1688 (Transportation) - Clarifies the establishment and deestablishment rules for a Local Business Improvement District.

H1689 (Local Government) - Prohibits use of auditorium district funds to advertise or promote a candidate for public office.

H1690 (Local Government) - Creates a graduated fee schedule based on the establishment and deestablishment of a local business improvement district.

H1691 (State Affairs) - Sets requirement for the state to provide training for firefighters licensed for sale by the drink.

H1692 (Education) - Adds new sections in the Emergency Communications Act to implement tax free room accommodations.

H1693 (Agriculture) - Requires anatomical gift statements to include information about whether the organ may be retrieved by a family.

H1694 (Health and Welfare) - Requires that applicants for nursing licenses submit to criminal background checks.

H1695 (Health and Welfare) - Establishes the rules for medical professionals Licensing Act.

H1696 (Health and Welfare) - Directs the Health and Welfare Department to apply waivers from the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services to conduct a pilot weight control program.

H1697 (Health and Welfare) - Allows the Health and Welfare board to adopt rules concerning medical services.

Citizens file court challenge to Kempthorne appointment

BOISE (AP) - Two citizens filed a lawsuit on Friday, challenging the legality of Gov. Dirk Kempthorne's appointment of his former chief of staff to the council that nominates and disciplines judges.

Longtime Boise Democrats Kathy Troutner and her husband, Ernie Johnson, claimed in Idaho District Court that Phil Reberger's appointment to the Idaho Judicial Council violated the limit of three Republicans on the panel.

The lawsuit also claims it violated the ban on appointing people who are already being paid for holding another state office.

"This is about protecting the panel from political domination," said attorney Dan Williams, who represents Troutner and Johnson.

The council includes Republicans Helen McKinney of Burley and Bill Parsons of Randy Smith, former state Republican chairman.

The other two members are Democrats.

The seventh member and council chairman is always the chief justice of the Idaho Supreme Court.

Reberger is a member of the State Building Authority and is paid \$75 a day for the time he spends on that board.

Democrats in the state Senate raised the question when Reberger's appointment came up for confirmation last month, but failed to sway the Republican majority.

Purchase

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idea, it would be out \$5,000, "plus our time," Mikesell said.

Renovation estimates are between \$645,000 and \$788,000 for the building. Officials said they are looking into securing relocation grants to help offset some of the costs.

Yearly utility bills for the nine properties the county wants to consolidate total \$1.51 per square foot, said Mark Brunelle, county director of research and development. If they were under the Anderson building roof, that total would drop to \$0.64 per square foot.

The building could house 90 county employees, he said. Those involved in the judicial process, such as the public defender and prosecuting attorney, would stay downtown near the judicial building.

The building could accommodate

date an evidence processing facility for the sheriff's department, impound space, storage, the county's weed bureau, status offender services office and the Department of Motor Vehicles.

"We'll have a facility that's large enough to grow so we're not looking at growth issues every few years," Brunelle said.

Another two stories could be added if growth required it, he added.

LEGISLATIVE LOG

H1698 (Health and Welfare) - Delays effective date for Children's Health Insurance Plan and Access Card programs for two years.

H1699 (Transportation) - Creates a Transportation Expressives support for National Guard and Reserve personnel and their employees.

H1700 (Transportation) - Clarifies that the Idaho Legislature wants all personnel agreements to consider economic impacts to all of the state's industries.

Introduced in Senate

H1701 (Transportation) - Directs Congress to purchase and use of backcountry air strips.

H1702 (Education) - Authorizes full-time kindergarten attendance for up to 20 percent of districts kindergarten enrollment.

H1703 (Education) - Clarifies violations for legislators and public employees under the Government Ethics Act.

H1704 (Education) - Imposes the same financial reporting requirements on public schools as on state and local government.

H1705 (Transportation) - Creates a new license plate to finance school transportation safety and awareness.

H1706 (Agricultural Affairs) - Improves term limits on members of the Idaho Beef Council.

H1707 (Agricultural Affairs) - Requires the local business improvement district to have a board of everyone with an interest in commodities he stores.

H1708 (Agricultural Affairs) - Authorizes veterans from the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services to conduct a pilot weight control program.

H1709 (Agricultural Affairs) - Prohibits animal products to feed for ruminants or horses in Idaho.

They also maintain that state law specifically says that service on the Building Authority does not count as holding state office.

"Anyone who has been alive for more than six minutes knows that judges are human beings who are not stripped bare of their political views because they are appointed to the bench," Williams said.

Guilty

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April 2003.

Howver the judge points out that the 1996 interviews with the girls offered credible reports of lewd and lascivious conduct by Vega and when Vega entered his guilty plea he admitted an act of



IDAHO/WEST

# Web site helps with dirty work of relationship dump

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Instead of "You've got mail," some people accessing their computer e-mail this Valentine's Day are likely to be greeted with "You've been officially dumped."

An Internet site not only helps hook up happy hopefuls, but assists with the dirty work of the dump.

When one half of the couple decides it's time to move on, creative forces at <http://www.GottaBreakUp.com> send the unlucky lover a customized poem announcing the breakup.

"We thought it would drop off for Valentine's Day, it is increasing," said the Web site's creator, Joe Cammarata said of the Web site's traffic.

Cammarata and his wife, Sharon, came up with the idea almost a year ago, just after launching their site <http://www.ForYourDate.com>.

That site assists in all aspects of dating, from lining up a date to creatively constructing plans for the big evening out.

But the couple also decided to lend a hand to the final phase of some relationships, adding "GottaBreakUp.com" to the site.

"We thought, how many people have problems relating how they truly feel? They can't communicate how they feel, but they can to a third party," said Cammarata, whose screen name is "KreestLaw."

Now, the site receives between 500 and 1,500 requests for e-breakups every week.

Since the launch of the site, the relationship excises have been rolling in, from those who've deat-

ed to those who aren't in love any more.

There are even those who've complained about how much their other half complains, and some self-proclaimed fashion police who can't stand their lover's high-water pants.

"One Utah resident recently blamed her boyfriend's weight on the break up. "He has just gotten incredibly too fat for me," she wrote.

The Cammaratas said at times, their work to end the relationship actually winds up keeping the seemingly doomed couple together.

"Sometimes the break up happens, sometimes it's enough laughter that they stay together and they work through the problem," said Cammarata.

Judging from the site, breaking up is a national affair. The site gets hits from all over the country, but 10,000 hits came in from the West alone this year. Westerners are on track for roughly 60,000 e-breakups by year's end, Cammarata said.

The service is free, but it hasn't always been. When the site launched, the couple charged \$9.95 to send a framed paper version of the poem, and \$3.95 for the e-version. They later decided it wasn't fair to charge those who had a problem and needed help solving it, said Cammarata.

# Budget writers squeeze governor's spending plan

BOISE — Legislative budget writers began squeezing what little they can out of Gov. Dirk Kempthorne's bare-bones state spending plan on Friday but conceded there are few opportunities to stray from the governor's proposal.

The Joint Finance Appropriations Committee voted unanimously to delete \$560,000 in general tax money that Kempthorne wanted to spend on new cars for state troopers.



But the House Senate panel took the action only because the State Police still have 17 cars authorized two years ago but yet to be put into service and received 30 new ones just last month.

The \$1.3 million in cash from the gasoline tax, which also helps finance State Police operations, is sufficient to buy 18 more in early

2005 to maintain an adequate fleet. But analysts said a much bigger investment will be needed a year from now to deal with aging vehicles.

The State Police was the only agency in Kempthorne's spending blueprint to get general tax money for new equipment — and only because of his concern that troopers have the most reliable vehicles on the road.

The governor eliminated all the other requests in his drive to con-

serve as much general tax money as possible for a cash cushion he hopes will replace the loss of revenue from the penny increase in the sales tax that expires in mid-2005.

While few lawmakers believe Kempthorne's strategy will work, they have found no other viable alternative to following it, and that includes adopting his hold-the-line \$2 billion general tax budget for the fiscal year that begins in July.

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## Books, paintings, movies, oh my!

TWO BOOKS: Two books to stir your imagination and test your spiritual barometer: Number one is the New York Times' best seller "The Da Vinci Code." This fast-paced novel by Dan Brown has people buzzing about the secret messages contained within the art and new information about the life — and alleged wife — of Jesus. Fast-paced and full of surprises, the book is guaranteed to spark discussion.

Number two has received less notice. And good luck trying to find it. It's titled "Leonardo's Incessant Last Supper" by Leo Steinberg (Zone, \$43). If you strike out trying to find it, call the Seminary Co-op Bookstore at (600) 777-1456. Gregory Wolfe reviewed the book in 1996 in the journal *First Things* and called it "a covering, not a deciphering." Not only does it delve into the rich symbolism and multiple meanings of Da Vinci's painting, Wolfe says, but it "crackles with energy" as it sheds new light on the painting.

Steinberg's work evokes the feeling that "a tenacious detective is about to get to the bottom of an unsolved case." But what a different solution to "the case" is Steinberg's book compared to Brown's. While Da Vinci's painting remains a paradox rich in symbolism, Steinberg acknowledges its spiritual depth, describing the figure of Jesus in the Last Supper painting this way: "Here is the God-man who turns betrayal into redemption, whose slight nod of resignation before the Father's will forms the apex of an equilateral triangle that literally gives shape to the world."

Two books: One a hot seller, the other a lively, reflective presentation of one of the world's most famous paintings of Christ.

**THE PASSION:** Finally, we'll be able to see Mel Gibson's movie "The Passion of Christ." The pre-releasing hype and hysteria certainly has had its box office receipts. But what effect will the movie have on those who see it?

If you've missed what the hoopla is all about, here's an abbreviated version: Critics say that either Gibson has made the most dramatic movie ever of Jesus' last days on Earth — complete with the most intense suffering and pain ever portrayed on the screen — or he has shown Jesus in such a bad light that a new round of anti-Semitism will be unleashed around the world.

I'd like to highlight another reaction from someone who hasn't seen it but who is respected by Christians and Jews alike. Martin Marty, theologian and retired professor of church history at the University of Chicago, said he's not into film criticism and gives plenty of reasons why he's reluctant to join the fray over the film.

But he does make an interesting point about the sufferings of Jesus as presented on the silver screen. His comments were in *Sightings*, a newsletter published by the University of Chicago Divinity School. "Today, all over the world, people are suffering physically as much as the crucified Jesus. The point now is not to accept grace because we saw gore. The issue is not: Were his the worst wounds and pains ever? But, as the Gospels show, the issue was, and is: Who was suffering and to what end? Christians believe that Jesus and is the Christ, the Anointed, and they are to find meaning in his sacrificial love and death, not to crawl in close to be sure they get the best sight of the worst physical suffering."

If you feel guilty because you don't want to see the movie and its intense violence, let Marty's words be your dispensation.

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## LOCAL TIES



Penny Nelbaur Ralphs demonstrates a painting technique to her class at West Minico Middle School in Paul. Ralphs recently helped design an exhibit of Mormon history, which is on display in Ohio.

## Burley woman helps with LDS display

History exhibit shows importance of Ohio site

By Lorraine Cavener  
Times-News correspondent

PAUL — Fairport Harbor, Ohio, has been described as the Plymouth Rock of the Mormons.

A Burley woman, who is an art teacher at West Minico Middle School, helped create the display, celebrating its historical significance.

Penny Nelbaur Ralphs assisted in designing and laying out a photo and text display which depicts the harbor's importance in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints migration to Ohio. The display, funded by the Mormon Historic Sites Foundation, was shown last summer at the Fairport Harbor Marine Museum. It is now at the Lake County Center in Kirtland, Ohio, and will be shown again this summer at Fairport Harbor.

Fred Woods, executive director of the Mormon Historic Sites Foundation, said the mayor of Fairport anticipates about 15,000 people coming to visit the site. Since 1996, the foundation has funded numerous projects to preserve significant sites in church history. Independent of the church, it offers assistance to the church. During the planning of the Kirtland exhibit, Steve Olsen,



Fred Woods, executive director of the Mormon Historic Sites Foundation, stands near the Fairport Harbor Marine Museum exhibit that Penny Nelbaur Ralphs helped design.

acting director of the Church Museum of History and Art at Temple Square, knew that Woods needed assistance. Olsen said he had seen other projects that Ralphs had worked on at the church museum and at the Springville (Utah) Museum of Art and knew she would be the ticket to help Woods put the dis-

play together in time for its originally scheduled opening, at the church museum.

"She was great," Woods said. "She came at a timely moment. She is a very creative person."

Olsen explained why Fairport Harbor is significant to the Mormons: Joseph Smith received a revelation for the

Mormons to go to Kirtland, so Mormons began pouring into Kirtland in 1831. Many immigrants came by boat through Lake Erie to Fairport Harbor and then traveled the 12 miles to Kirtland. Earlier, four Mormon missionaries had stopped in Kirtland and went about giving their testimony. Eventually, a temple was built in Kirtland and the first official headquarters of the church was established.

"Two thousand nine hundred and eighty-six vessels went in and out of Fairport Harbor in the same year the Mormons erected their temple in Kirtland," said Woods.

Products such as lye, soap and glass used in industry were being produced at a Kirtland ashery which was built by Newel K. Whitney. Whitney, the first Mormon bishop in Kirtland, funded the first temple with profits from the ashery, where ashes from burning trees were taken and processed. The ashery, one of the larger ones in the United States, was recently restored by the church, along with six other buildings in Kirtland, including the church house, the store, the Newel K. Whitney home and a sawmill.

"It's a very important place for us," Olsen said.

For Ralphs, being able to apply what she has learned about art in a new venue was a wonderful experience, she said. "It was great for me to be able to combine my religious beliefs

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## Report looks at politics, religion

By Leo Sandon  
Tallahassee Democrat

Commitment may be more significant than affiliation in how religion influences elective politics in America. That's the main argument of the lead piece in "Religion in the 2004 Election," a special section in the fall edition of the quarterly *Religion in the News*.

Published by the Center for the Study of Religion in Public Life at Trinity College in Hartford, Conn., this analytical report is, to date, the most authoritative and comprehensive treatment of U.S. religion and election-year politics.

In an article co-written by professors John Green and Mark Silk, they allow that religion's impact on politics traditionally has been measured in terms of affiliation, or "membership in specific denominations and other religious bodies." In recent years, they argue, another measure has become politically significant: commitment, or "the extent to which citizens are actively engaged in their faith."

They write: "Americans who say they attend worship at least once a week are more likely to vote for Republicans, while less regular attenders — including those who claim to be nonreligious — gravitate toward the Democrats."

They dub this discrepancy the "religion gap" between the two parties and demonstrate that it has grown dramatically in the last decade. It also is more significant than some other gaps. For instance, the gender gap — the tendency for women to vote Democratic — is more significant. Republicanism was measured at 10 percent in the 2000 congressional vote, whereas the religion gap was 19 percent.

This religion gap is more dramatically obvious in some instances than others.

For Catholics, who constitute a quarter of the U.S. population, the gap is not pronounced. One survey finds that about 19 percent of Catholics consider themselves strong Democrats and 15 percent strong Republicans; the rest are in the middle, uneasy in either party. Hispanic Catholics tend to reflect this uneasy identification with one party or the other; they tend to be conservative on family and sexual issues, liberal on social justice and social programs. Non-Hispanic Catholics, traditionally Democratic, are now not strongly aligned with either party.

Evangelicals, who make up the vast majority of the Christian right, are the most persistent in both their religious commitment and their Republican commitment. Reports of, alternately, their demise and their complete takeover of government are equally exaggerated. They have staying power, independent of partisanship of Pat Robertson and Jerry Falwell. Their current priorities are to keep Bush in the White House and to get a "definition of

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## Methodists prepare for 100th birthday celebration in T.F.

By Joan Bean  
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS — A hundred years ago, Rock Creek Canyon served as the setting for Sunday School for early settlers. Methodist pioneers gathered there, until they began using a school house.

Although a Methodist church was not chartered until Feb. 16, 1905, a Methodist presence had been in place for a year. Circuit riders had been making the trip from Shoshone to Twin Falls to conduct services.

"In fact, there is a letter on file that points out that they probably should send somebody over here from Shoshone,

### Interested?

WHAT: Kick-off celebration  
WHERE: 360 Shoshone St. E.  
WHEN: Sunday, with services at 8:30 and 11 a.m. and a potluck following the second service

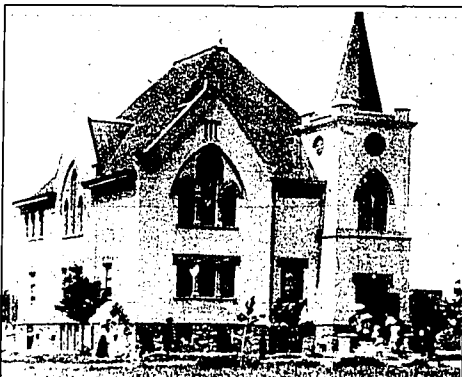
even though Shoshone was obviously going to be the big town," said Ora Lee Wiseman, a fifth-generation member of the church and its centennial chairman.

The Rev. Henry W. Parker was appointed to serve this area in 1903, before Twin Falls came to be, according to Dale Stewart, who is compiling a church history book. "And then the town began to devel-

op, he and some other ministers from Shoshone periodically came down to Twin — and eventually, once there was a group of Methodists meeting regularly, he became the full-time pastor here.

Now, a century later, the First United Methodist Church is kicking off a year-long celebration which will culminate in February 2005, on the 100th anniversary of the organization and chartering of the church. Eleanor Burkhard, chairman of Sunday's kick-off event, is encouraging people attending that day's worship services to wear period garb.

The Strings Attached Band is going to play, the choir will Please see METHODISTS Page C7



The First United Methodist Church building was new to the community in 1909.

RELIGION

MISSIONARIES

Several Magic Valley-area residents have been called to serve or returned from serving missions for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Called to serve:



Jacob Swenson

• Elder Jacob Swenson will serve in the Uruguay Montevideo Mission. Swenson is the son of Mark and Melonie Swenson of Jerome. He graduated in 2002 from Jerome High School and attended Idaho State University. He worked for Triple C Farms and Dad's Telephone. He was in JEF for 11 years and is in the Jerome 5th Ward.



Brady Garrard

• Elder Brady Garrard will serve in the Florida Tallahassee Mission. Garrard graduated in 1999 from Jerome High School, where he was in athletics. He earned an associate of applied science degree in drafting technologies at the College of Southern Idaho. His parents are Tim and Carmen Garrard of Jerome.



Jordan Bagwell

• Elder Jordan Matthew Bagwell will serve in the England London South Mission. Bagwell is the son of Leannan and Wayne Bagwell of Declo and a 2003 graduate of Declo High School.

Returned from serving:



Blake Matthews

• Elder Blake Matthews served in the Colorado Denver South Mission. Matthews is the son of Eugene and Heidi Matthews of Oakley and is in the Oakley 3rd Ward.



Michael Higbee

• Michael V. Higbee served in the Germany Hamburg Mission. Higbee is a 2001 graduate of Twin Falls High School and an Eagle Scout. His parents are Dale and Sharon Higbee of Twin Falls.



Dustin Sears

• Elder Dustin Sears served in the Russia St. Petersburg Mission. Sears is the son of Jeff and Margie Sears of Wendell and is in the Wendell 1st Ward. He will work and continue his education.



Justin Bigler

• Elder Justin Bigler served in the England London South Mission. Bigler is the son of Albert and Shuri Bigler of Wendell and an Eagle Scout. He is a 2001 graduate of Gooding High School and is in the Wendell 1st Ward. He enjoys art, camping, hiking and singing. He will pursue a career in physical occupation for the physically and mentally challenged.

The Times-News welcomes news of church missionaries, published free. Send to Ellen Thomason, The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID

83303, or Trina Tegan, The Times-News Burley Bureau, 1263 Overland Ave., Burley, ID 83318. Deadline is noon Thursday for publication on Saturday.



A visitor walks past "Phoenix II," right, by Penny Warden and Sjslo Hamilton's "Ecce Homo II," inside St. Paul's Cathedral in London. The artwork is part of an exhibition called "Presence: Images of Christ for the Third Millennium."

Exhibit in Britain offers views of Christ

By Jane Wardell  
The Associated Press

LONDON — Under the richly decorated ceiling of St. Paul's Cathedral, as parishioners and tourists mingle, a naked blue man surfaces from water and drowns over and over again.

The man is the subject of a video installation called "The Messenger." It was created by artist Bill Viola and is part of a major exhibition of contemporary religious art to be shown at cathedrals around Britain that the Anglican Church hopes will challenge traditional views of Christ and spirituality.

"We sometimes forget that for 1,800 years the Christian story has

been the most important single influence in the shaping of art forms in the Western world, whether it is literature or painting or sculpture or music," the Very Rev. John Moses, the dean of St. Paul's Cathedral, says. "It happens to believe that if the Church is serious in working with people where they are today then it needs to rediscover a working relationship with artists of all traditions."

Works in the "Presence: Images of Christ for the Third Millennium" show include Jill Sim's "Blue Christ," a bronze statue with a crown of thorns gathered from the Serbian-Kosovan border; a monograph of Christ coming down from the cross by

artist Tracy Emin, who previously outraged critics by presenting her soiled, unmade bed as a masterpiece; and a video work by Mark Wallinger that shows a man riding the escalators in London's Angel subway station.

Archbishop of Canterbury Rowan Williams said the exhibition explored ways of representing Jesus, "this ordinary human identity which did not walk the roads of Galilee with a soft radiance and a spotless robe."

At Canterbury Cathedral, artist Willie Williams is to shine a column of light down the nave, while in Lincoln Cathedral, Nicola Hicks will display her sculpture, "Sorry, Sorry, Sarajevo." In a fringe event this month, artist

Michael Gough and actor Barry Richardson are staging "Iconography," a two-day performance in which Richardson dresses in the robes of Christ and Gough photographs his interactions with people in London's financial district.

Curator Meryl Doney did not ask artists about their faith when they were invited to participate in the exhibition. BibleLands, the British-based charity sponsoring the show to celebrate its 150th anniversary, said the artwork reflected its modern challenges of its own Christian work to relieve poverty in the Middle East.

The show includes 43 artists and 72 works from several mediums.

Eastside Baptist women plan monthly luncheon

TWIN FALLS — The Eastside Baptist Church Women on Missions will hold its quarterly luncheon meeting at 11:30 a.m. today at the Golden Corral. Marianne Christlieb will present a program. Helen Requa is ministry project chairman.

Church news

10 a.m. Sunday at White Mortuary Chapel, 712 Center St.

She will discuss how IVC has provided assistance to the frail elderly, disabled and chronically ill to allow them to remain in their homes. Part of the collection will be donated to IVC. All are welcome.



Tashina Brown

She spent the summer helping her grandparents on their 300-acre ranch in New Hazelton, British Columbia. She will graduate from Minico High School in May and will attend Idaho State University (elementary education). Her parents are Shannon and Wendy Brown of Paul.

will speak Friday at the Burley West Stake Center, 2420 Park Ave., on "Taking the Holy Spirit for Our Guide."

Lund Johnson, Idaho East Area director for the Church Educational System, will speak Friday at the Twin Falls West Stake Center, 667 Harrison St., and again Feb. 21 at the "Palley Chapel" on Bradford Road and Cedar Street, on "Gadienton Robbers: Forbearing for Our Day."

Matthew Richardson, associate dean of religious education at BYU, will speak Feb. 21 at the Wendell Stake Center, 605 N. Idaho, on "Loss of the Sacred."

O. Curtis Peterson, instructor at the LDS Institute in Pocatello, will speak Feb. 21 at the Rupert West Stake Center, 26 S. 100 W., on "School of the Prophets: The Lord's School for the Spirit."

Bring your scriptures. No tape recorders, please. Admission is \$5 at the door.

RELIGION LETTER

Rewards await those who choose the proper path

I've been impressed to share my "heart" with you. The choices we make in daily life indicate the path we follow. Have we looked to the end, seriously considering our destiny? Let's choose the goal and accept the path, with ups and downs (adversity), knowing the reward is worth more than any effort it takes to arrive at our desired end. Perhaps some words of Paul to Titus, found in Chapter

2 (King James Bible), would be helpful. Read Titus 2:2-6, 9. May we be encouraged to seek good and reject the bad.

DELANO KOEHN  
Buhl

The Times-News welcomes letters on religious topics of 200 words or less. Include signature, address and phone number. Letters considered libelous, obscene or in bad taste will be rejected, and The Times-News reserves the right to edit all letters.

Rodeo personality performs at Magic Valley Gospel Opry

TWIN FALLS — Local artist Johnny U. will perform at a free show at Magic Valley Gospel Opry at 7 p.m. today at the First Assembly of God, 189 Locust St. N.

Johnny U. is a rodeo personality with songs and jingles on radio and programs on TV. His performance will showcase his new compact disc, "He Rode Away," which is at the top of the charts in Europe.

The public is invited.

Filer church schedules World Mission service

FILER — The Filer Church of the Nazarene will hold a World Mission service at 10:45 a.m. Sunday at the church, 315 Yakima.

The Rev. John Forster will encourage support and involvement in the mission field. A memorial plaque listing those who have been involved in missionary work since the church began in 1937 will be on display. Gregory and Amy Crofford will speak about their work in Benin, a French-speaking West African country, at 6 p.m.

Guest will speak about caregiving when UUs meet

KIMBERLY — Hillary Lytle, a Peace Corps worker assigned to the Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers of the Magic Valley, will speak when the Magic Valley Unitarian Universalist Fellowship meets at

Church will recognize Paul woman for her service

PAUL — Tashina Ann Brown will receive her Young Womanhood Recognition Award at 7 p.m. Sunday at the Paul LDS Stake Center, 424 W. Ellis.

Eat pie and watch talent next week in Twin Falls

TWIN FALLS — The second annual Talent Show and Pie Social is set for 6:30 p.m. Feb. 21 at First Presbyterian Church, 209 Fifth Ave. N. All are invited.

Momons plan religion lecture series next week

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Know Your Religion lectures for ages 14 and up will be held at 7 p.m. at several chapels.

Byron Merrill, instructor of ancient scripture at Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah,

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with art."

This year, she is teaching a unit to seventh- and eighth-grade classes called "Traveling around the World in Art" which combines art with the history of several cultures.

One of the most significant things about the exhibit in Kirtland was camaraderie shared with other churches, said Woods, who added that when the exhibit and a monument were unveiled last summer, a joyful celebration was held.

Lutherans, Mormons and other Christians joined together in celebrating this chapter of American history in the spirit of what Woods' favorite quotes, an old Puritan saying: "In the essentials there should be unity, the non-essentials liberty and in all things charity."

Woods added, "These wonderful people allowed us to come in and celebrate our history, which is a part of their history. That is the greatest part of this exhibit and monument."

For more information, visit [mormonhistoricsitesfoundation.org](http://mormonhistoricsitesfoundation.org).

James Varley  
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# Books explore Jesus' image in America

Both authors credit Jefferson with adding human touch to Jesus

By Justin Pope  
The Associated Press

BOSTON—There's Jesus the distant symbol, and Jesus the gentle friend. There's Jesus the pacifist and caregiver, and Jesus the gruff, muscular warrior. There's black Jesus, and white Jesus. Homely and handsome, capitalist and socialist, stern and hippie. Hardworking social reformer, mystical comforter.

Readers looking for the one true Jesus won't find him in two new books about Jesus in America. Instead, they will discover the extraordinary range of identities Jesus has assumed in American history and culture—in art, music, literature and more—over the past four centuries.

The first, "Jesus in America: A History," by University of Southern California historian Richard Wightman Fox, explores the ways Americans have experienced Jesus, what they believed about him and what he inspired them to do. He tracks Jesus' influence on key events in American history: the Revolution, the Enlightenment, the social activism of the 1960s.

The second, Boston University Professor Stephen Prothero's "American Jesus: How the Son of God Became a National Icon," reflects the even broader interests of its author, a scholar of Asian religions who was intrigued by the extent to which he found non-Christian Americans fascinated by Jesus. Even the Dalai Lama has written books about Jesus.



Stephen Prothero, a religion professor at Boston University, is the author of the new book "American Jesus." Below, Richard Fox, a University of Southern California historian, is author of the new book "Jesus in America."



The new books survey the transformation of Jesus in America from the detached figure of the Puritans—more "principle than person"—in Prothero's words—to the rationalist Jesus who survived the Enlightenment to the humane presence dominating the current evangelical movement. While the colonists were "God-fearing rather than Jesus-loving," Prothero said, they revered Jesus as the sacrifice of an awesome God. But Calvinist theology emphasized the distance between a perfect God and sinful man—and a part-divine, part-human bridge did not fit neatly.

Both authors credit Thomas Jefferson for helping to make America the kind of place where

Jesus could evolve and flourish. It was Jefferson who used a razor blade to cut out the portions of the New Testament he couldn't accept, such as the virgin birth. He was left with just one in 10 verses, but he found in them a true Jesus who could be reconciled with the rationalist thought of the Enlightenment.

Similarly, Benjamin Franklin retranslated the Lord's Prayer into a version more compatible with his version of Jesus, as moral exemplar.

Both Jefferson and Franklin, of course, influenced the formation of a republic where there was no established religion in government, which made possible the competitive milieu in which con-

ceptions of Jesus rapidly evolved in popular culture.

Prothero tracks the softer Jesus who came to the fore in art and literature in the 19th century, a Currier and Ives figure often seen with children on his lap. Then there was a backlash: Jesus became more masculine to coincide with the era of Theodore Roosevelt and the Rough Riders, the rise of football and the fame of military men.

Both traditions have merged in modern evangelicalism, Prothero said, which has also borrowed from other Jesus traditions such as the Andrew Lloyd Webber-Tim Rice rock musical, "Jesus Christ Superstar," which opened on Broadway in 1971.

# Analysts eye growing incidences of adultery

It's the silent sin among churchgoers

By Ken Garfield  
The Charlotte Observer

With all the fuss over gay marriage, we tend to ignore another marital issue everyone can agree is a sin: Adultery. Or as pastoral counselor Ralph Milligan says of the sad and complicated act of ending up in the wrong bed, "People are doing it."

The broader problem, Milligan and others fear is that the rest of us aren't doing enough to help people establish boundaries of behavior—and then stay within those limits. Says Rabbi Murray Ezzing of Temple Israel in Charlotte, N.C. "We have lost the desire to be moral."

Go to a Sunday school class, and experts estimate that one in five spouses there has cheated on their mate at some point. Researchers believe the number is going up. The Internet doesn't help: 26 of the 86 people interviewed in one study said they had had affairs with someone they met online. Two men said they each had 13 affairs that began with a chat or an e-mail.

Ezzing believes too many people today are justifying for entertainment, and something to take their minds off economic hard times. He also decries a culture in which sex and money are put on a pedestal. It's the creed of the modern man (and woman): "If they feel good," says Ezzing, "that's what's important."

Milligan, who heads—the Presbyterian Samaritan Counseling Center in Charlotte, N.C., says adultery often has little

to do with sex; he mentioned one man who can't give up his mistress even though they haven't made love in a year. It's often about people seeking a spiritual intimacy lacking at home, he says. For others, it's the thrill of the affair that provides an adrenaline rush often missing in a 9-to-5 world.

Milligan sees the growing incidence of adultery as one more sign that we're afraid to talk about right and wrong. When an unmarried couple visits a church, signs the attendance register and lists the same address, does anyone have the courage today to raise a red flag?

"When I was a kid, Protestant morality ruled the country," says Milligan, 63. Today, "We still believe in sexual morality. We just don't know how to talk about it."

The idea is not to avoid the issue of gay marriage. It's not going to go away. The idea is that we ought to save some energy and prayer to talk about another dimension of marriage that doesn't often find its way into speeches by politicians and sermons by preachers—the side of love and marriage that should trouble everyone who cares about society, our neighbors, perhaps even a loved one keeping a dark and painful secret.

Milligan says we've become really good at fighting over abortion and homosexuality. It's time now, he believes, to start dealing with "the much more pervasive things."

## Politics

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family" by constitutional amendment.

Mainline Protestants who once dominated American culture are older, fewer, well-educated and predominantly white and have higher-paying and higher-status jobs than other religious groups. And they vote. Perhaps one out of every five voters who actually turn out on Election Day may be a mainline Protestant. The most committed among them are pro-military and Republican, though indications are that an increasing number are swing voters.

Black Protestants traditionally have had no problem mixing elec-

tive politics with religious life. The black church clearly has been a support of Israel.

Democrats and Republicans are mobilizing political forces, mostly for Democratic politicians. President's Bush's faith-based initiative, however, is attractive to many black ministers. It is, therefore, not unusual these days to find black pastors supporting Republican officials.

Jews traditionally have voted Democratic. Milton Himmelfarb's oft-quoted observation: "Jews earn like Episcopalians but vote like Puerto Ricans." But indications are that Jews increasingly may be voting Republican in national elections. Natural suspicion of the alliance between conservative evangelicals and

Republicans is somewhat neutralized by fundamentalist Christian support of Israel.

A majority of Muslims apparently supported Bush in 2000. But

since then the Patriot Act, homeland security measures, deportations, the Iraq war and Bush's Middle Eastern policy have vitiated that support.



A cornerstone-laying ceremony was staged in 1916, the year the church sanctuary was added.

## Methodists

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sing "Shall We Gather at the River?" and renovated old collection plates will be used. A 12:15 p.m. potluck will be followed by an old-fashioned hymn sing. Then a reader's theater program will be presented by Clark Walworth, Pastor Greg Lindsay, Gilbert DeKloz and Dorothy Custer.

"This has to do with the early years of the church in Twin Falls, the organization and highlighting the movement in 1908-09 to construct the first church building, which is the original part of the existing church," Stewart said. "The dark gray section which houses the sanctuary was added in 1916; and the newest plan along the alley, the educational wing, was installed in 1921."

Stewart said he thinks the church pipe organ, when it was installed in 1921, was the largest in this part of the state, if not most of Idaho.

Burkhart said a two-year calendar depicting important events of the church will be ready for sale Sunday. Advance orders for Stewart's book also will be taken. Homer Laughlin china used during early times will be sold as a fund-raiser to support the centennial activities.

In addition, there will be a display of old pictures, books, bul-

etins and other church artifacts. Plus a slogan contest. Weather permitting, an antique buggy will be parked by the church, on Fourth Avenue, and a banner celebrating the centennial will be displayed on the church building.

The structure is one of three remaining buildings constructed on lots around the City Park in an area that the city designated for churches. The First United Methodist Church, the oldest church building in Twin Falls still in use by the original denomination, is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

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NATION/WORLD

Former Guardsman states Bush served with him in 1972

The Associated Press

A retired Alabama Air National Guard officer said Friday that he remembers George W. Bush serving up for duty in Alabama in 1972, reading safety magazines and flying manuals in an office as he performed his weekend obligations.



President Bush

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"I saw him each drill period," retired Lt. Col. John "Bill" Calhoun said in a telephone interview with The Associated Press from Daytona Beach, Fla., where he is preparing to watch this weekend's big NASCAR race.

"He was very aggressive about doing his duty there. He never complained about it. ... He was very dedicated to what he was doing in the Guard. He showed up on time and he left at the end of the day."

Calhoun, whose name was supplied to the AP by a Republican source to Bush, is the first member of the 187th Tactical Reconnaissance Group to recall Bush distinctly at the Alabama base in the period of 1972-1973. He was the unit's flight safety officer.

Kerry says he is ready for GOP onslaught

John Kerry, attacked by President Bush's campaign as a pretend foe of the special interests, said Friday he is "ready to fight back" in the battle for the White House.

The 69-year-old president of an Atlanta insulation company said Bush showed up for work at Dannelly Air National Guard Base for drills on at least six occasions. Bush and Calhoun have both been trained as fighter pilots, and Calhoun said the two would swap "war stories" and even eat lunch

together on base. Calhoun is named in 187h unit rosters obtained by the AP as serving under the deputy commander of operations plane. Bush was in Alabama on non-flying status.

"He sat in my office most of the time - he would read," Calhoun said. "He had your training manuals from your aircraft he was flying. He'd study those some. He'd read safety magazines, which is a common thing for pilots."

Democrats have asked for proof that Bush, then a 1st lieutenant with the Texas Air National Guard, turned up for duty in Alabama, where Bush had asked to be assigned while he worked on the U.S. Senate campaign of family friend Winton "Red" Blount.

Pay and medical records released by the White House this week failed to quash allegations that Bush shirked his Guard responsibilities. On Friday, Bush ordered the release of all his Vietnam-era military records.

on base, and more than a dozen members of the 800-person unit, including its commander, told The Associated Press this week they have no recollection of Bush. Critics have made much of the fact that the White House has failed to produce anyone who could remember seeing Bush there.

Calhoun said he contacted Texas GOP leaders with his story in 2000 when the issue was raised just before the November general election. Last week as the issue raged again, Calhoun sent an e-mail to the White House offering to tell his story. "I got a response back, one of those automatic responses," he said. It wasn't until his wife contacted Georgia GOP officials that Calhoun's name surfaced.

White House press secretary Scott McClellan said Friday that the White House was not making any effort to try to locate people who might have served with Bush. He also accused reporters of trying to raise new lines of questioning, beyond whether Bush served in Alabama. Critics have suggested that Bush used his family connections to get the safe Guard assignment ahead of thousands of others. But Calhoun said Bush never mentioned his congressman father while they sat together at Dannelly.

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Nation in brief

Soldier had expressed strong opinions about U.S.

EVERETT, Wash. - A National Guardsman suspected of trying to share military information with al-Qaida is a Muslim convert who complained bitterly in a letter to a newspaper about "bigotry, hatred and mindless rage" in the United States. Spc. Ryan G. Anderson, 26, was arrested Thursday and was being held at Fort Lewis. The tank crew member from the Guard's 81st

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Former Chechen president dies in bombing

World in brief

DOHA, Qatar - Former Chechen President Zelimkhan Yandarbiyev, wanted in Russia for terrorist ties and linked to al-Qaida, was assassinated Friday in an explosion that ripped apart his car in the Persian Gulf nation of Qatar, the Qatari government said. Yandarbiyev's teenage son was critically wounded in the blast, which occurred as he and his father were driving away from Friday prayers at a mosque, according to an Interior Ministry statement and a local hospital spokesman.

"We are collecting evidence in order to reach the perpetrators," Qatar's chief of security, Mubarak al-Nasir, said on the pan-Arab satellite channel Al-Jazeera, which is based in the country. Yandarbiyev, who was acting president of Chechnya in 1996-97, had been linked to the al-Qaida terror group. Russia had been seeking his extradition from Qatar - where he lived for at least three years - accusing him of ties to kidnappers and international terrorists.

Last year, Russian President Vladimir Putin accused the United States of holding clandestine talks with Yandarbiyev. He offered no evidence to support the allegation.

Russia will send nuclear fuel to reactor in Iran

MOSCOW - Twice in the past month Russia has dealt a blow to the Bush administration's efforts to limit the spread of nuclear fuels and curtail trafficking in weapons of mass destruction. Russia's nuclear energy minister confirmed Friday that Moscow will override U.S. objections and ship nuclear fuel to a Russian-built reactor in Iran.

An agreement with Tehran should be complete "in about two weeks," said the minister, Alexander Rumyantsev. He expects to sign the accord when he visits the Bushehr reactor next month. The Bush administration believes Tehran is seeking nuclear weapons and fears the new reactor will be used in that effort.

Earlier this month, despite some very public arm-twisting by American diplomats, Moscow refused to sign on to the U.S.-backed Proliferation Security Initiative. That program, with 11 signatories so far, would allow participating countries to board ships at sea, force down aircraft or stop trains or vehicles suspected of

carrying weapons of mass destruction or related materials.

South Korea will send 3,000 troops to Iraq

SEOUL, South Korea - South Korea's parliament on Friday approved the government's plan to send 3,000 troops to Iraq, responding to a call from the United States, its key ally, for military help in restoring stability to the nation.

The troop deployment will make South Korea the third-largest contributor to coalition forces after the United States and Britain.

South Korea already has 465 medical and engineers operating in the southern Iraqi city of Nasiriyah.

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Judge hampers prosecution against Martha Stewart

NEW YORK - A federal judge dealt a blow Friday to the government's effort to prove that Martha Stewart committed securities fraud when she publicly proclaimed her innocence.

U.S. District Judge Miriam Goldman Cedarbaum blocked any expert testimony on whether investors in Stewart's home-making empire would have considered Stewart's public statements important.

The securities fraud count - the most serious against Stewart - accuses her of propping up the stock price of her own company, Martha Stewart Living Omnimedia, by claiming in 2002 that her sale of InLine Systems stock was proper and that she was cooperating with authorities. Securities fraud carries a potential 10-year prison term. Each of the four other charges against Stewart carries five years. If convicted on any count, she would probably get much less than the maximum.

Lack of Jackson subdues court hearing in California

SANTA MARIA, Calif. - The judge in Michael Jackson's child-molestation case said Friday he wants the trial to take place this year, and lawyers predicted they would be ready to go in December. As expected, Jackson was not in court for the proceedings, and the atmosphere was much more subdued than his arraignment last month, when thousands of fans came to the courthouse and the 45-year-old pop star danced on top of his SUV.

Superior Court Judge Rodney Melville agreed to delay setting a date for a preliminary hearing until April 2.

Prosecutors prepare charges against former Enron CEO

HOUSTON - Federal prosecutors are drawing up criminal charges against former Enron CEO chief Jeffrey Skilling for an indictment that could come as early as next week, sources close to the case said Friday.

Two sources, who spoke to The Associated Press on condition of anonymity, confirmed the pending charges, but said the process was delicate and public revelation of the case could be delayed. It was not clear what specific charges Skilling may face.

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**Real estate agents renew licenses online**

**TWIN FALLS** — For the first time, more Idaho real estate agents renewed their licenses electronically than those who renewed using paper forms, the Idaho Real Estate Commission said.

Of the 217 agents statewide who renewed their licenses in January, 62 percent processed their renewals online, a nearly 17 percent jump from December.

As an incentive to use the service, this year the commission is entering every agent who renews online at [www.IdahoRealEstateCommission.com](http://www.IdahoRealEstateCommission.com) into one of two drawings for a chance to win a license fee rebate, a \$220 value.

Idaho's 7,500 licensed real estate agents are eligible to use the commission's renewal service, which accepts Visa, MasterCard and Discover payments at no additional charge through the state's secure payment server. Licenses are renewable every two years on the licensee's birth month.

The real estate commission's portal also allows real estate companies and professionals to view education records, perform public license searches, register for commission-approved courses, edit personal and company records, print licenses and purchase duplicate licenses.

**Raymond James Financial announces stock split**

**ST. PETERSBURG, Fla.** — Raymond James Financial announced a 3-for-2 stock split and an increase in its dividend at the company's annual shareholders meeting this week.

Shareholders will receive one additional share for every two they own. The split will be executed March 24, payable to shareholders of record March 4. It's the first stock split since 1998 for the St. Petersburg-based financial services company, which has offices in Magic Valley.

The after-split cash dividend will increase by 17 percent to 7 cents a share from 6 cents. The dividend will be payable April 14, to shareholders of record on March 29.

Chief Executive Officer Thomas A. James also reviewed Raymond James' fiscal year, which improved as the stock market recovered. Shares for the company, which begins about two-thirds of its revenue from retail sales of investments, are up 57 percent in the past year.

For the fiscal year ended Sept. 26, Raymond James earned \$86.3 million, or \$1.76 a share, on revenue of \$1.493 billion in 2003. That was up from net income of \$79.3 million, or \$1.60 a share, on revenue of \$1.517 billion in 2002.

The company also faced regulatory reproach during the year for overcharging mutual fund customers, and James noted it already has accounted for \$12.3 million to be paid in penalties and refunds to customers.

**Home Depot to pare staff in finance department**

**ATLANTA** — Home Depot plans to reorganize part of its finance department in April, a move that will eliminate as many as 100 jobs in Atlanta.

The home improvement retailer will restructure its Financial Operations group "to better align this group with the company's strategic direction."

The changes are part of Home Depot's self-described "massive transformation," led by Chairman and Chief Executive Bob Nardelli. Since taking charge in December 2003, Nardelli has implemented several changes in the way the company does business.

They include replacing the company's free-wheeling approach with a top-down management style and centralizing the merchandising process.

Home Depot also has consolidated several of its regional divisions, most recently folding its Northwest unit into its Western division. When that occurred in November, Home Depot eliminated 100 jobs.

Compiled from staff and wire reports

# Tourism conference showcases M. V.

**By Virginia S. Hutchins**  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** — Even when low river flows dry up the mighty Shoshone Falls, Magic Valley is a fun, fun place to play with plenty to see and lots to do.

Got that?

For Idaho's tourism and recreation promoters, it's a message to be strenuously stressed this spring.

For its first time, Twin Falls will host the 2 1/2-day Idaho Governor's Conference on Recreation and Tourism on May 5-7, bringing hundreds of professionals from the tourism industry.

"The main thing we're going to do is show ourselves off," said Twin Falls chamber executive Kent Just, one of the locals helping the Idaho Department of Commerce organize the conference.

Participants, for instance, will walk the canyon rim, play golf, fish at Diekles Lake, sightsee at Lake Walcott, hike the City of Rocks, see a Faulkner Planetarium show, ride the river and enjoy a Basque dinner and performance in Gooding.

The Commerce Department's preliminary conference agenda also includes more traditional classroom time — workshops on such stuff as Internet marketing and attracting coverage by travel writers.

The Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce invited BASE jumpers to demonstrate their sport at the Perrine Bridge that week, and some jumpers agreed, just said. So though BASE jumping isn't among conference activities, attendees will get to see why the bridge is a magnet for the extreme sport.

They'll also hear about events scheduled during Twin Falls' centennial year, which city leaders hope will draw visitors this summer.

Dennis Bowyer, Twin Falls city's director of parks and recreation, chairs the governor's 2004 conference. He estimates about 250 people will attend in May, including exhibitors.

"Over 200 will be from outside this area," he said.

Among them will be lots of folks involved in hospitality and tourism organization, plus employees of federal, state and local recreation agencies.

A Commerce Department official pegged a higher attendance estimate.

Carl Wilgus, the department's administrator of tourism development, told Twin Falls leaders last year to expect about 300 industry professionals for the conference — and a \$75,000 boost to the area's economy.

Conference attendees on average spend \$125 per day on rooms, meals and shopping, Wilgus said.

Multiply by 400 people and two days for an estimated \$75,000 headed for Magic Valley in May.

"We want to get them into the shops and the restaurants," Just said. Ideally, some will come early for the conference, or stay late.

Conference activities themselves will drop some cash in Magic Valley; for catering services, boat rides and the like, Bowyer said.

Of even greater value, Wilgus said, will be attendees' increased knowledge of the valley's attractions. They'll learn by doing: touring the Oregon Trail and the Snake River Canyon rim trail, bird watching.

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# Locally based jewelry chain expands

**By Lorraine Cavanaugh**  
Times-News correspondent

**TWIN FALLS** — Since 1956, when Don and Mary Jensen opened their first Jensen Jewelers store in Twin Falls, the business has grown to 11 stores in three states, an annual payroll of about \$2.5 million and 120 employees, with about 48 of those people working in Magic Valley stores and offices.

About 28 of the 48 do the marketing, buying, bookkeeping and other office tasks from the Twin Falls corporate headquarters.

Keeping the company's headquarters local — with a retail presence downtown and at Magic Valley Mall — is good for Twin Falls, said Tom Ashenbrenner, owner of Rudy's — A Cook's Paradise in downtown.

When community leaders are trying to recruit new business they can point out that Jensen is a company with a local corporate headquarters, he said.

"It speaks well for the infrastructure of the community," Ashenbrenner said.

He commented on the jewelry chain's expansion.

"The history of Jensen Jewelers is very impressive," he said. "To have an independent retail chain is very unusual. They have done an excellent job of building up from a local store."

And Jensen is still expanding. Locally, Jensen is busy remodeling its downtown store, and Jensen management is exploring the idea of opening a couple more stores in spring or summer.

But Tony Prater, Jensen's vice president and financial officer, said he does not know yet what markets the company will pursue.

A store costs between \$200,000 and \$300,000 to build, he said.

"We have to know we can finance that much internally — through profits — before moving into a market," Prater said. "We like to be able to do it from within our own company."

Growth has been relatively flat in the past year with some moderate increases, but the company is looking toward a 6-8 percent increase in sales during this year, Prater said.

"So far this spring we did have an increase of this type," he said. "We're up on our compared to the prior year."

Sales are up about 10 percent in February and up about 13 percent for January year-over-year.

"It's been a very good start," he said.

The family-owned chain is what Prater called a "closely held" corporation; stockholders own it, but it is not publicly traded. He would not reveal sales numbers.

Part of the increase in sales has to do with the new store that opened in October in Kalispell, Mont., he said.

The Kalispell store opened in what is known as a lifestyle center — a buzzword for a retail center that Chain Store Magazine says differs from malls by trying to provide a smaller-scale, pedestrian-friendly shopping close to where shoppers live.

"This type of retail experience gives a village-type feeling, Prater said.

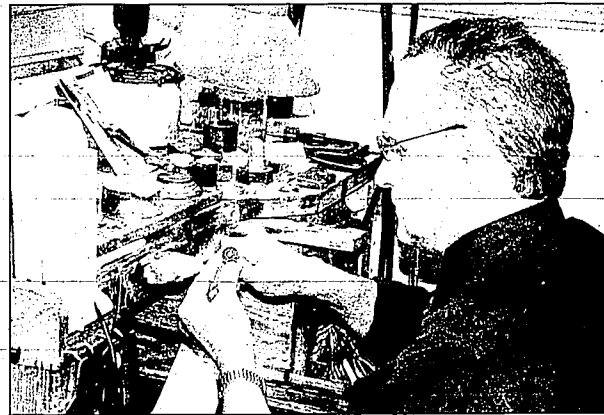
"You can shop and grab your laundry on the way home," he said.

Assistant store manager Bryan Jensen (not related to owners of Jensen Jewelers) gave some reasons the Kalispell store has been successful.

"Kalispell is a booming area," he said. "There's a lot of money up here with the resorts."

Bryan Jensen has worked in the Burley, Twin Falls and Elk, Nev., Jensen stores.

"I'm liking the set-up of this lifestyle center a lot better than mall," he said. "When they (customers) come in, it's for a reason."



**Rod Dolg, a gold smith for Jensen Jewelers, works on a piece of jewelry at the Ringmakers store in downtown Twin Falls. Jensen Jewelers is expanding. The downtown store is being remodeled.**

## Jensen expansion

- The Twin Falls Jensen Jewelers Ringmakers store, in downtown, is remodeling and will be an art gallery when finished. The grand opening will be held March 7, with several local artists on hand who will display works at the new gallery.
- The chain's latest addition, a store in Kalispell, Mont., was opened in 2003. Twin Falls stores opened in 1956, 1978 and 1987; one has since closed. Stores opened in Burley in 1964, Pocatello in 1983, and Idaho Falls in 1986. Montana stores opened in Bozeman in 1978, Billings in 1988, Great Falls in 1991 and Helena in 1994. The Elk, Nev., store opened in 1994.

Customers are not just wandering around a mall.

"We close a lot more people that walk through the door," he said.

Before the Kalispell store opened, customers looking for jewelry traveled to Helena, Great Falls or Billings, Mont., Bryan Jensen said. But now people are coming from those places to shop at the Kalispell store.

"Just yesterday a guy came here from Billings," he said recently. "He was glad to see we were here. He brought a \$1,400 ring and threw it on his account."

With big-name stores nearby such as T.J. Maxx, Ross Dress for Less, Target and Borders Books, attention is drawn to Jensen Jewelers, he said.

Elk ivory jewelry is another reason the Kalispell store has prospered. Many hard-core Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation members shop at the store, Jensen said.

"I'm amazed at how much of that we have sold," he said.

The Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation is an international, nonprofit wildlife habitat conservation

organization, the foundation's Web site says. With more than 132,000 members, the foundation has conserved and enhanced more than 3 million acres of wildlife habitat throughout North America. Founded in 1984, the elk foundation is based in Missoula, Mont.

Jensen Jewelers is the third largest donor to Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation, Prater said. The company has given \$115,000 per year to the foundation.

Jensen Jewelers gets most of its elk ivory used for custom jewelry pieces from the foundation. The pieces are made at the Twin Falls Ringmakers location, which keeps five goldsmiths busy.

Downtown Twin Falls' Ringmakers store, which also sells the elk pieces, is also gaining more of a lifestyle center atmosphere, Prater said. Upscale fashion pieces made of elk ivory go along with the sophistication of a lifestyle center.

To fit in with that atmosphere Jensen is remodeling its downtown Ringmakers store. When it reopens the store will be a gallery with paintings, sculpture and hand-blown glass, in addition to wearable pieces of jewelry art, Prater said.

Many of those custom-made pieces will be made of elk ivory. Custom gallery pieces, which the Ringmakers store will feature, can run anywhere from \$500 to \$20,000, he said.

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# Buhl's new Valley Country Store opens Monday

**BULLH** — A new Valley Country Store will open Monday in Bullh. Inventory from the Valley Coop store, located at 130 S. 11th since 1947, plus lots of new merchandise will be in the new 110,000-square-foot facility at 708 W. Highway 30, east of Bullh. A 10,000-square-foot attached warehouse facility will house the store's feed inventory.

In addition to the feed, animal health products and supplies, lawn and garden products and hardware inventory, more power, plumbing and electrical tools and supplies will be available. Also added are wildlife feeders, pet food and supplies, a new line of Weaver table Montana silver jewelry, two new

men's clothing lines; women's western wear; Georgia, LaCrusse, Roper and Justin leather shoes and boots; western straw hats; and Breyer and Erd Toys. The store will also stock convenience store items and an ATM machine inside.

"We have a new name in a new store and new extended hours," store manager Dennis Barnes said. Valley Country Store will be open 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Friday and 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday.

Phillips 66 unleaded, midgrade

and premium gasoline, as well as on-road diesel, can be pumped at the two new fuel bays.

"Three semi trucks can fuel up at the same time," Barnes said. "All major credit cards will be accepted."

One local Valley Coop card, affiliated with the Certified Fueling Network, can be used at about 3,800 CFN locations across the United States.

A grand opening is scheduled March 26-27.

**SkyWest Inc. increases shareholders' dividends**

**ST. GEORGE, Utah** — SkyWest Inc., which operates flights from Twin Falls and Hailey airports, announced that its board of directors approved an increase of the regular quarterly cash dividend from 2 cents to 3 cents per common share.

The dividend is payable April 9 to shareholders of record on March 31.

on Friday announced a regular quarterly dividend of 15 cents per common share, payable April 15 to shareholders of record on April 1.

It also declared a regular semi-annual dividend of \$1,639,775 on the company's convertible preferred stock, Series D. That dividend is payable June 28 to shareholders of record on June 14.

Boise Cascade's annual meeting of shareholders will be held at noon April 15 in Boise. The record date to determine shareholders eligible to vote at the meeting is Feb. 23.

— compiled from staff and wire reports

**Boise paper company announces dividend**

**BURLEY** — Boise-based paper and forest products company Boise Cascade Corp., which has a corrugated container plant in Burley

MONEY

Don't get angry, get results

Knight Ridder News Service

Complaining about a product or service is more than huffing and puffing and threatening to blow a customer's nose. It's a waste of time. The last thing you should do if you want your best resolved to your satisfaction. Just ask Maria Smith, a Dallas editor and proofer. She and her husband bought matching dishwashers, but one had some defective parts. "Ten days came and went, and I called," said Smith, president of the WorthSmith Group. "They said, 'It's going to be another week or so.' Then it got to be about Labor Day. That's when I found out that it was going to be Christmas until they got the parts."

She called the salesman who sold her the dishwashers. He tried to help her find the parts but was unsuccessful. He also said he couldn't find an exact replacement dishwasher because it was a closed unit. "I was frustrated that unacceptable and said she contracted with the store to buy two matching, working dishwashers. When she tried to pursue the matter, the salesman gave her a cold reception. "I made the mistake of acting like it wasn't a problem any more," Smith said.

That was the last straw for Smith, who said she had been more than cooperative. "I've been nice. I've been nice," she said. "After talking with her credit manager, she called the store back and told them they had until 5 p.m. that day to find the machine parts and install them or get her another matching, working dishwashers. If they didn't come through, she would pursue the matter through her credit-card company and get her machine back.

That same day, store officials told her they had found a matching, working dishwasher. "It was miraculous," Smith said. Complaining about a product or service is more than huffing and puffing and threatening to blow a customer's nose. It's a waste of time. The last thing you should do if you want your best resolved to your satisfaction. Just ask Maria Smith, a Dallas editor and proofer. She and her husband bought matching dishwashers, but one had some defective parts. "Ten days came and went, and I called," said Smith, president of the WorthSmith Group. "They said, 'It's going to be another week or so.' Then it got to be about Labor Day. That's when I found out that it was going to be Christmas until they got the parts."

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Wasserman, who was traveling in the coach section, said that when she asked for some nuts, a flight attendant told her they were reserved for first-class passengers. "They wouldn't offer any food or beverages, other than water," said Wasserman, a corporate communications specialist who recently flew to a full-time room. "It was a big disaster," she said. She wrote Amazon, calling its treatment of the passengers "regretful and unacceptable. "I explained that not only was it

poor foresight to not know that your crew would not be able to fly, but the attitude of the flight attendants was bad," Wasserman said. "I wanted some of my voucher or tickets as compensation for the seven hours that I spent on a top plane." The airline sent her a ticket voucher and a letter saying it regretted that she was inconvenienced. "I was satisfied with what I got but not overly satisfied," Wasserman said. "I would have appreciated more of an apology about what happened."

For U.S. - Texas-based American Airlines considers complaints on an individual basis when it comes to deciding whether to award vouchers or upgrades, said spokeswoman Andrea Ruder. "We don't have a standard set of one-size-fits-all resolutions about every complaint," said Ruder, who gives this advice: "Calmly state what your problem was, when it occurred and what you can do to help you make it right."

Be respectful when complaining. "It's OK to have the emotion, but it certainly isn't the person's fault whom you're speaking with," said Lisa Anderson, director of customer advocacy at Dallas-based Southwest Airlines Co., which is known for its customer service. "They're there to try and fix it for you." Think of it another way: "If you start acting irate, people won't take your complaint," said Ron Rosenberg, founder of Drive-You-Nuts.com, which helps consumers get better service. "The person you're dealing with either can be your worst adversary, or they can be your best ally." Have all your facts in order, such as dates when the problem occurred and any product numbers. Also, keep important supporting documents such as receipts.

Consumer confidence weighs down stocks

NEW YORK (AP) - A record U.S. trade deficit and a surprising drop in consumer confidence sparked profit-taking on Wall Street Friday, sending stocks lower despite the week's bullish economic news from the Federal Reserve.

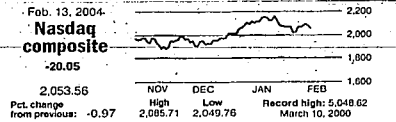
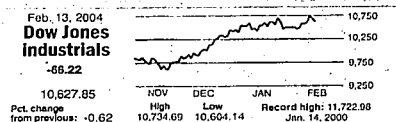
The selloff was prompted by an unexpected 10-point dive in the University of Michigan's mid-February consumer sentiment index. Economists had forecast a slight rise. And before the session began, the Commerce Department reported a 17.1 percent increase in the trade deficit to \$18.4 billion for 2003, far outstripping the previous record of \$18 billion set in 2002.

Some investors found the latest data confusing given Fed chairman Alan Greenspan's optimistic assessment of the economy, the falling prices were also due to the normal staple of investors cashing in profits before the long holiday weekend.

"The consumer confidence and the trade figure was not good news," said Peter Cardillo, senior vice president and chief market analyst for S.W. Bond & Co. "But this doesn't necessarily reverse the bullish sentiment in the market." The Dow Jones industrial average dropped 62.2, or 0.6 percent, to 10,627.85, but finished the week 0.3 percent higher thanks to Wednesday's 123-point gain. It was the Dow's second straight weekly gain.

Bronxer stock indicators also fell for the day. The Standard & Poor's 500 index was down 6.30, or 0.6 percent, at 1,145.81, but managed a second straight weekly advance, rising 0.3 percent. The Nasdaq composite index fell 0.5 percent to 2,052.56, falling 0.5 percent on its fourth straight down week.

Despite the trade deficit figure, which was far worse than Wall Street expected, there was good news in the Commerce



Department report. U.S. exports totaled \$1 trillion, the best showing since 2000 and a 4.6 percent increase from 2002. That, combined with a generally good week of economic news, shored up prices. However, neither economic figure helped investor confidence, despite Greenspan's better-than-expected forecasts. A weakening dollar and higher oil prices also contributed to the decline, as economists believe the strong earnings reported for the fourth quarter won't be sustained through 2004. "You've got a number of indicators that corporate profits are going to be weaker than expected," said Tracy Herrick, chief economist at the Private Bank of the Peninsula in Palo Alto, Calif. "The strength of the market will have to focus more on interest rates than corporate profits, especially as we get into the second half of the year."

Comcast Corp. proposed \$54 billion takeover of the Walt Disney Co. continued to intrigue investors as Disney promised to give the bid full due diligence. Comcast slipped 16 cents to \$29.00, while Disney fell \$1.08 to \$26.92 after two days of strong gains. Microsoft Corp. added 36 cents to \$26.59, and Time Warner Inc., down 19 cents at \$17.24, have been mentioned as possible white knights for Disney. Safeway Inc. dropped 60 cents to \$22.43. The grocer, already struggling with a major labor strike in California, posted a loss of \$1.57 per share, but beat analysts' estimates for operating profits.

Pharmaceutical company Cephalon Inc. earnings fell sharply from the year-ago quarter, when it benefited from a large tax gain. Earnings were in line with analysts' expectations, and Cephalon shot up \$1.84 to \$57.20. Technology stocks were mixed on a pair of bellwether earnings reports. Dell Inc. jumped 98 cents to \$34.54 after posting earnings that beat estimates by a penny per share and gave a stronger outlook on corporate technology spending. Video microchip maker nVidia Corp. fell 22 cents to \$22.40 after it said Wall Street expectations by 3 cents per share. Declining issues outnumbered advances by a 2-to-1 ratio on the New York Stock Exchange, where consolidated volume came to 1.69 billion shares, compared with 1.91 billion on Thursday.

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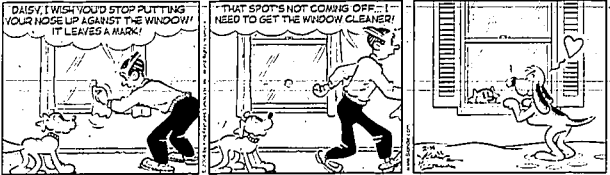
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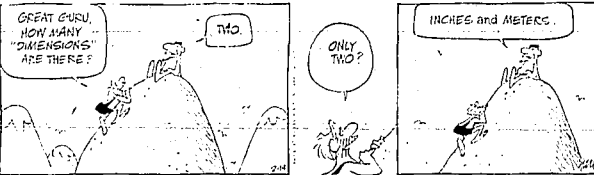
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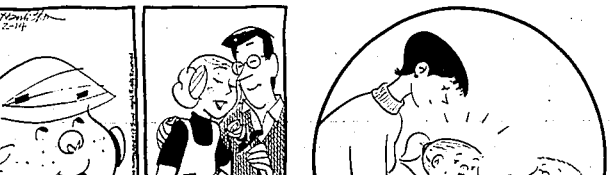


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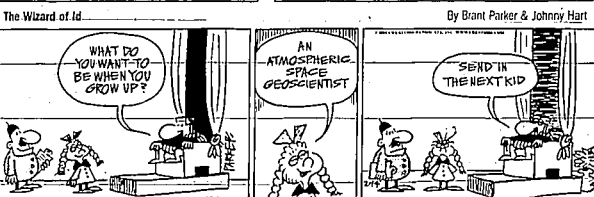
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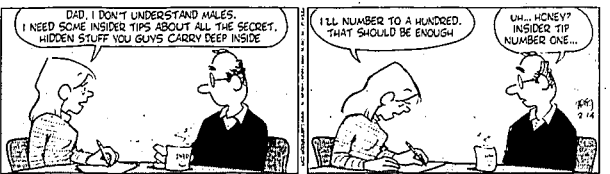
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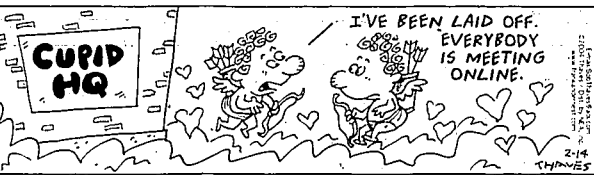
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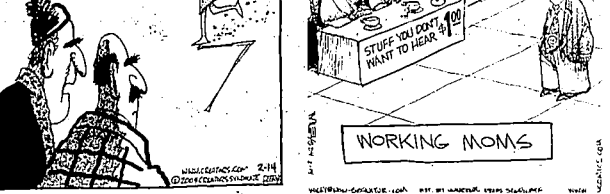
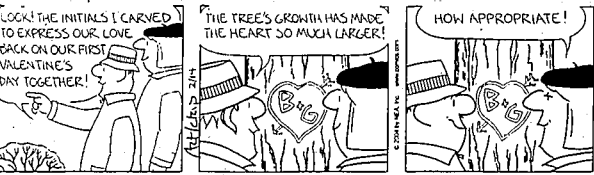
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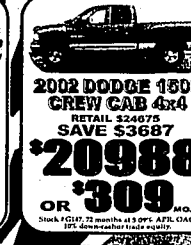
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