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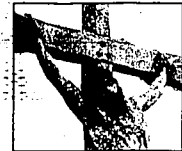
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## SIGNS, SEALED, DELIVERED



Loran Gillespie, a sign and striping specialist with the city of Twin Falls, makes new street signs for downtown.

## T.F. crews prepare for name changes

By Rebecca Meany  
Times-News writer

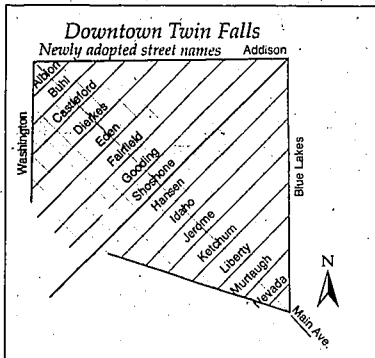
TWIN FALLS — Call it a sign of the times.

A metal "blank" lay on a table in the back shop of the Twin Falls streets department. Next to it was a roll of green, high-intensity stripping. Above it were letters spelling out DIERKES ST. N.

Within two months, the sign, and 359 others like it, will take their places atop poles in downtown Twin Falls, marking new names for downtown streets. Installation could begin this month.

The City Council approved street name changes in May after months of debate. Officials decided that the move would make it easier to navigate the downtown area while recognizing the region around Twin Falls in conjunction with the city's 2004 centennial celebration.

"It will probably take one or two months, weather permitting," said Val Smith, city engineering technician. "We're hoping to have them in place by April 1."



Crews started last week and expect to take 30 to 40 working days to make the 360 signs. "We take the blanks and put green backing on them," said Loran Gillespie, sign and striping specialist with the Twin

Falls Department of Streets, demonstrating the process. "We make the letters right here." Lettering for city street signs has been done cut on-site for nine years as a cost-cutting measure, he said.

Making signs is not a capricious affair.

A federal manual dictates the spacing between letters and the size of the signs. Gillespie said 177 signs will be 9 inches with 6-inch letters, while 183 will have 6-inch blanks with 4-inch letters. Collector and arterial streets, those that post speed limits of 25 mph or more, must have larger signs, according to the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices, issued by the Department of Transportation's Federal Highway Administration.

Experienced sign makers can eyeball where letters go and make them straight.

The material for the signs will run about \$4,000, Gillespie said. Another 700 to 1,000 hours in labor must be added into the total expense.

The signs being taken down may find a new purpose.

"We keep a lot of old signs," Gillespie said. Some signs are stored until they're needed and can be stripped and refashioned like new.

Although the issue of new  
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## Schools tackle English proficiency

No Child law pushes districts to hike minority students' performance

By Karin Kowalski  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Students who don't know English well are falling behind in test scores across the state, but a new State Board of Education committee is hoping to find ways to close that gap.

Committee members had their first meeting at the College of Southern Idaho Thursday to start what could become a long discussion.

### District by district — A2

Feds help by easing regulations — A3

"This is going to be a real collaborative effort," said Blake Hall, president of the State Board of Education.

The pressure to improve the performance of students with limited English is growing, Hall said. Colleges are spending more time remediating students, and the federal No Child Left Behind Act requires that all students improve and pass standardized tests.

Idaho has spent about \$30 million to help students learn English since 1995, but students with limited English still lag behind in test scores, said Sam Byrd, president of the Diversity Works consulting firm in Boise who sat in for committee member Rep. Elmer Martinez, D-Pocatello.

Throwing money at the problem is not enough; instead, there needs to be more training for teachers, and money should be spent on programs that work, Byrd said.

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## House speaker pushes for cow ID system

By Julie Pence  
Times-News writer

BOISE — Admitting he had no input from beef or dairy producers, House Speaker Bruce Newcomb, R-Burley, introduced a bill Thursday calling for the tracking of all cattle coming from Canada into Idaho with microchips and brands.

A rancher himself, Newcomb pointed out that Mexican cattle are already required to have an "M" branded on their hips. "This is a response to mad cow (disease)," Newcomb said.

In December, the U.S. Department of Agriculture reported that "downer" dairy cows from Washington state had tested

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## Study tests artificial blood without patients' consent

### Substitute blood

The exterior of a red blood cell has markers that indicate a person's blood type. Inside, the cell contains hemoglobin, which carries oxygen to the body.

Unlike human blood, it can be stored in an ambulance and used at the scene of an accident.

The Associated Press

CHICAGO — Paramedics are testing an experimental blood substitute on severely injured patients without their consent in an unusual study under way or proposed at 20 hospitals around the country.

The study was launched last month in Denver and follows similar research that was halted in 1998, when more than 20 patients died after getting a different experimental blood substitute.

Supporters say the current product, PolyHeme, made by Northfield Laboratories of Evanston, Ill., is safer and could

save many of the nearly 100,000 people who die of bleeding injuries each year nationwide.

"It could revolutionize how we take care of resuscitation in the United States and across the world," said lead investigator Dr. Ernest Moore, chief of trauma surgery at Denver Health Medical Center.

The research is part of a race to find what doctors call the holy grail of emergency medicine: a product that works like human blood to save victims of car crashes, shootings or other trauma but could be carried in ambulances and given to people of any blood type.

## U.S. abandons Iraq caucus plan

But sticks to June 30 date for transfer of political power to Iraqis

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — The Bush administration is abandoning the core idea of its plan to hold regional caucuses for an Iraqi provisional government, and will instead work with the United Nations and Iraqis to develop yet another plan for the transfer of political power by June 30, U.N. and U.S. officials said Thursday.

The U.S. decision, forced by rejection of the caucus system by a wide range of Iraqis, means that the Coalition Provisional Authority led

### Two more soldiers die; others head home — A4

by U.S. Ambassador L. Paul Bremer will instead hand over authority to some kind of caretaker government until direct elections can be held, officials said.

In a meeting at the United Nations Thursday, Secretary General Kofi Annan told a gathering of diplomats with interests in Iraq that the Iraqis themselves should determine the

participants and form of a caretaker government that will be credible to Iraq's disparate society, according to U.N. officials who attended.

Annan is prepared to dispatch his special envoy, former Algerian Foreign Minister Lakhdar Brahimi, back to Baghdad in the coming weeks to help mediate a new formula if the Iraqis and the U.S.-led coalition do not come up with a new plan, U.N. diplomats and U.S. officials said.

"We need to find a mechanism to

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U.S. chief administrator in Iraq L. Paul Bremer takes questions during a news conference Thursday in Baghdad.

TWIN FALLS FORECAST

Today: Partly cloudy, milder with breezy... Tonight: Partly cloudy and mostly dry... Tomorrow: Partly cloudy and showers chances.

TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Table with 5 columns: Today, Tonight, Saturday, Sunday, Monday, Tuesday. Includes weather icons and temperature forecasts (High/Low).

Yesterday's Weather

Table with 2 columns: City, High/Low. Lists weather for Boise, Burley, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho Falls, Lewiston, Pocatello, Malad City, Mullan, Peshawar, Rimbach, Salmon, Stanley.

BURLEY WINDFURST FORECAST

Today: Partly cloudy, milder with fair winds... Tonight: Partly cloudy and mostly dry... Tomorrow: Partly cloudy with a slight chance of rain.

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Table with 4 columns: Temperature, Precipitation, Humidity, Barometric Pressure. Includes sunrise and sunset times.

IDAHO'S FORECAST

Map of Idaho with weather forecasts for various regions: Sun Valley, Boise, Northern Utah, and Mountain Home.

REGIONAL FORECAST

Table with 3 columns: City, Today, Tomorrow. Lists forecasts for Boise, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho Falls, Pocatello, etc.

NATIONAL FORECAST

Table with 3 columns: City, Today, Tomorrow. Lists forecasts for major US cities like Chicago, New York, Los Angeles, etc.

WORLD FORECAST

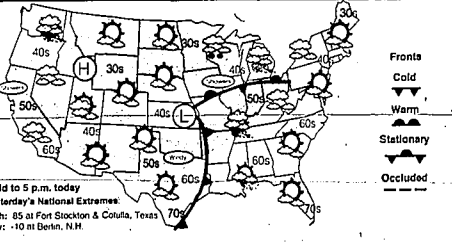
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TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP



Cows

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Rep. Bruce Newcomb... Bedke, however, isn't willing just yet to discount any kind of testing program... Newcomb said he wants to send a message to the 34 countries that have banned U.S. beef.

S.F. sues California

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) - After sanctioning more than 2,800 gay marriages in the past week, the city sued the state of California on Tuesday, challenging its ban on same-sex marriages on constitutional grounds.

Streets

Continued from A1. Street names drew a lot of debate about expense and opinions about the frivolity of the project, some downtown business owners' welcome the change.

English

Continued from A1. Irene Chavella, migrant coordinator for the state Department of Education, originally from Burley, said a major problem is that teachers of English are working without specific goals.

English troubles

Table with 5 columns: District, Limited English count, Enrollment, Percent, Funding for English. Lists data for various districts like Blaine County, Buhl, etc.

The category of students whose schools receive funding because they have a limited knowledge of English includes students who know no English, students who can speak conversationally but can't follow classroom instruction, and students who have learned enough English to not need much help.

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CORRECTIONS

Basque dinner takes place March 27... Reach after-school program coordinator at 731-6836... Hagerman Senior-Community Center.

On the issues

Was the United States justified in going to war with Iraq?

**Sen. John Edwards:** "I believe that Saddam Hussein being gone is good for America's national security, the security of the Middle East, and the Iraqi people. But I have consistently argued that we had to do this with allies by our side, and with a real plan to win the peace. We should immediately take the American face off this occupation by turning over civilian control to the United Nations; give the Iraqi people more control over their destinies; and seek out allies — specifically NATO — for a larger security force in Iraq."

**Sen. John Kerry:** "The Bush administration told the American people in 2002 that Saddam Hussein had weapons of mass destruction. It was on that basis that he sent America's sons and daughters marching off to war. Now Bush is changing his story and backing off the claim of imminent threat in Iraq. George Bush needs to set the record straight and tell America precisely what he knows when he launched the war and why he is saying something so different today. We should never go to war on the basis of misused intelligence."

**Rep. Dennis Kucinich:** "The war in Iraq was wrong. It is a diplomatic and foreign policy failure, and the administration led America into it based on false pretenses. There has never been credible evidence that Iraq possessed WMDs — weapons that, according to the administration, posed an immediate and imminent threat to our nation and our allies, and could not be eliminated through international weapons inspectors. I am the only presidential candidate with an official exit plan to this occupation which has turned into a quagmire. My plan to get the U.S. into Iraq and the U.S. out will bring our troops home quickly and increase American security."

NOTE: President Bush and Al Sharpton did not respond.

SOURCE: Associated Press

## Science panel backs ethics of testing pesticides on humans

The Washington Post

It is ethical to test pesticides and pollutants on human volunteers to determine whether environmental safety standards can be lowered, a top panel of scientists said Thursday in an opinion that is expected to strongly influence government policy.

Many scientists and ethicists have argued that such research is never justified, and Thursday's unprecedented verdict by the National Academy of Sciences took environmentalists by surprise.

The pesticide industry has vehemently supported such tests for

years, arguing that current regulatory limits on environmental exposure to toxic chemicals are overly cautious. Manufacturers of pesticides and companies that generate pollutants say human studies will demonstrate that higher levels of toxins in the air and water are not harmful.

While volunteers would derive no benefit and some might incur transient harm, the panel of experts said this would be outweighed by societal benefits.

Thursday's decision by a panel of the National Research Council will allow the Environmental Protection Agency to devise a final rule over the next several months.

# Administration modifies No Child law

## Education Department relaxes standards for students with limited English

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — The Bush administration moved Thursday to defuse mounting criticism of its No Child Left Behind law by announcing a significant relaxation of testing requirements for students with limited knowledge of English.

The new regulations will make it easier for schools to meet the annual targets set by the Department of Education and aimed at bringing the performance of all U.S. students up to grade-level in math and reading by 2014.

According to an independent study, about 28 percent of schools nationwide failed to meet the targets last year, triggering a mandatory set of costly remedial measures, such as supplemental tuition services and offers to move children to different schools if space is available.



Roderick Paige

Roderick Paige said he's planning more changes over the coming weeks, including a new, more flexible interpretation of the requirement that all students be assigned a "fully qualified teacher."

He previously agreed to changes in the way students with disabilities are treated under the

law, allowing the most seriously disabled to be tested separately from other students.

No Child Left Behind enjoyed wide bipartisan support when it was signed into law by President Bush in January 2002 in the broadest shakeup of American education since President Lyndon B. Johnson's Great Society reforms of the 1960s. Over the past few months, however, the law has come under sharp attack from Democratic presidential candidates and state and local officials who say it is underfunded and an unwarranted extension of federal authority.

Paige, who spent much of this week tending off criticism of No Child Left Behind during appearances in Ohio and Minnesota schools, said he remains opposed

to a congressional rewriting of controversial provisions in the law. He said there is already "sufficient flexibility built into the law" to permit his department to iron out any imperfections through revised regulations.

"We want the law to make common sense," he said, adding that he will listen carefully to further suggestions from states and local school districts.

The law requires the testing of students in grades three through eight and at least once in high school, and it requires schools to meet ever-higher thresholds to demonstrate that they are making progress each year. If the schools fail, the law calls for increasingly tough remedies, including the possibility of replacing a school's entire staff.

## Democrats gets boost from primaries

WASHINGTON (AP) — The presidential primary season has been good for Democrats and tough on President Bush, according to a national poll released Thursday.

The survey by the Pew Research Center for the People & the Press found that the public's impression of the Democratic field has been improving as the candidates have battled for their party's nomination

— with 45 percent now viewing the field positively, compared to 31 percent a month earlier. Bush's overall favorability rating, meanwhile, still is positive at 53 percent, but that compares with 72 percent last April, shortly after the fall of Baghdad, and is the lowest point of his presidency.

Bush's job-approval rating has dropped to 48 percent.

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## Close friend's testimony hurts Stewart's case

NEW YORK (AP) — Three days after dumping her ImClone Systems stock, Martha Stewart testified to a longtime friend that she knew ImClone CEO Sam Waskal had tried to sell his own shares, the friend testified Thursday.

The "testimony" by Mariana Pasternak was perhaps the most damaging yet against the home-making mogul, who told investigators three months later she had no memory of being tipped about Waskal.

Pasternak, a friend of Stewart for more than 20 years, said she had the conversation with Stewart on Dec. 30, 2001, on a terrace at a Mexican resort where they were vacationing. Pasternak said Stewart recalled Waskal "was selling or trying to sell his stock, that his daughter was selling or trying to sell his stock."

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NATION/WORLD

# Explosion claims two soldiers

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — An explosion killed two U.S. infantrymen in an insurgent center west of Baghdad on Thursday as troops from Task Force Al-American were investigating a possible attack on a U.S. convoy near Khadiyah, a Sunni Triangle town about 30 miles west of Baghdad, witnesses said.

One Iraqi was killed and another U.S. soldier was wounded, the U.S. command and witnesses said.

"About 20 U.S. soldiers and two Iraqi policemen were on foot inspecting the area after the first blast," witness Bilal Hardan said. "Then the second explosion came. I think they hit a land mine."

U.S. troops rounded up dozens of Iraqi suspects after the second attack, the witnesses said. The U.S. command confirmed the American casualties but offered no further details.

The latest deaths brought to 545 the number of American service members who have died since President Bush launched the Iraq war on March 20. Most of the deaths have occurred after Bush declared an end to active combat May 1.

## WHERE TO LIVE?



Iraqis demonstrate Thursday in central Baghdad, demanding that they be allowed to stay in former government houses and military camps where they have been squatting since their homes were destroyed during the war.

AP photo

# Troops happily head home as massive rotation begins

By Jim Krane  
Associated Press writer

**ON A C-130 OVER IRAQ** — The thrub of the engines of the C-130 Hercules is deafening, but the soldiers laugh and joke. A few nap. One soldier totes her unit's banner, a sure sign this is more than a temporary jaunt.

After almost a year in Iraq, these members of the Army's 32nd Signal Battalion are going home. More than 100,000 other weary Americans and their battered equipment are doing the same, being replaced by fresh forces in a massive rotation — the biggest since World War II — playing out until May.

"I'm floating on cloud nine," said 25-year-old Staff Sgt. Joe Luna of Visalia, Calif.

The moment a U.S. soldier pines for is saying goodbye to Iraq, where a brutal insurgency has confounded troops who thought they'd be hailed as liberators. On bases across Iraq, stores cater to that longing by selling coffee mugs emblazoned with the words "Happiness is seeing Iraq in my rearview mirror."

“  
I want to get drunk.”  
”

— Spc. Yvette Inocencio, Miami

The units trickling out of the country are many of those who joined the March invasion. Some have seen combat and lost members. All faced tough living conditions.

The Darmstadt, Germany-based 32nd Signal Battalion hit the ground in Kuwait on March 5, setting up communications networks as the invasion force rolled into Iraq, Luna said. The group was sent south when mortar fire killed a soldier.

"It was rough. It seemed like a race to get to Baghdad, then we ended up going backward," Luna said as his unit piled green duffel bags near a tent at the Army's Camp Anaconda near Balad, Iraq.

It's been a long wait.

Soldiers spoke of the frustration of counting the days to an expected departure only to be told they would have to stay on. All said they wanted to hug parents and children, sleep without being woken by explosions, or stroll without a rifle.

"I want to get drunk," blurted out 26-year-old Spc. Yvette Inocencio of Miami, waiting with friends from her unit, the 864th Engineer Battalion, for their flight.

The weeks before departure are rife with fears, especially about being killed. Camp Anaconda is regularly pounded by rebel mortars. Since June, dozens of U.S. soldiers on the base have been wounded and a few have been killed by the shrapnel-spewing blasts.

Overall in Iraq, 545 U.S. troops have been killed and 2,700 injured since combat began March 20.

Another soldier, Spc. Charles Guess, 21, of Springdale, Ark., said he was driving a bulldozer last month when a mortar blast saw him six feet into the air, dislocating his shoulder and tearing a rotator cuff.

# Iraq

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create a caretaker government and ... help prepare the elections later," Amman told reporters after briefing U.N. members who belong to the world body's 46-nation Friends of Iraq group.

As expected, Amman told the group that the United Nations does not believe elections can be held before June 30, the date the U.S.-led coalition has declared it will end the occupation. In a report to Amman, U.N. officials say, Bahrain cities broad agreement in Iraq that elections should be held in late 2004 or early 2005.

The United States repeated its determination Thursday not to extend the June 30 deadline for ending the occupation.

"There are 133 days before sovereignty returns to an Iraqi government," Bremer said at a Baghdad news conference. "Changes in the mechanism (for forming an interim government) are possible, but the date holds. And hold it should."

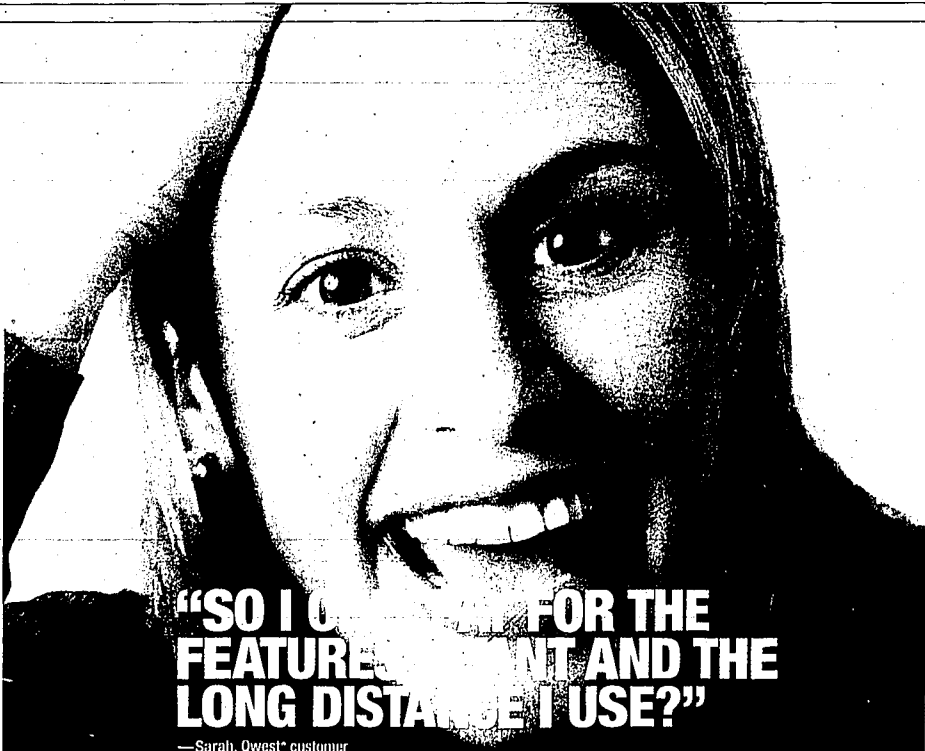
With just over four months remaining, the United States effectively finds itself back at square one on how to create a provisional government to assume sovereignty. Because Iraqis have rejected other ideas, the challenge for the United States, the U.N. and Iraqi leaders will be to come up with a formula, quickly, that will provide the needed political stability and be embraced by the majority of Iraqis as legitimate.

The Bush administration has now essentially given up on the idea of further refining its troubled Iraq transition plan, already twice redesigned. The Nov. 15 plan, which the 25-member Iraqi Government Council initially accepted, called for a complex process culminating in 18 regional caucuses to pick members of a new national assembly, which in turn would pick a government and leadership.

"At the time we did this (plan) in November, it looked like a cautious system for finding a transitional assembly and a transitional government might have worked, but it does not appear that that cautious system has the support needed for it to work," Secretary of State Colin Powell said in an interview with ABC radio.

Both U.S. and U.N. officials say they have no specific preference on how to select a caretaker government. "We have absolutely no preferred options," Amman told reporters. "We need to let the Iraqis discuss it. They must take ownership, discuss it amongst themselves, and we will try and work with them to find a consensus."

Amman told a private luncheon for the 15-nation Security Council that he's considering a range of ideas, according to senior diplomats who attended.



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## EDITORIAL

### Stegner's bill won't put home schoolers at risk

As long as there is a public school system, there will always be some parents who prefer to keep their kids out of it. For philosophical reasons or family circumstances, these parents take it upon themselves to teach their kids at home. With proper curriculum and an earnest effort, these parents have shown that home schooling works. And they don't want the state to infringe on their success.

**Our view: Home schooling parents aren't the target in a new education bill that aims to prosecute negligent parents. What do you think? We welcome viewpoints from our readers on this and other issues.**

That wording cracked open a hornets' nest for many home schoolers. They wondered: Would a strict definition of "comparable" require home schoolers to duplicate the public schools' approach to education?

The answer is no. Home schoolers don't have to teach sex education or evolution just because the local schools chose to. A "comparable" education would reasonably be those fundamental subjects — reading, writing, math, science — that go into most kids' learning experience.

Home schoolers and their attorneys say the law could be used as a tool to force their kids back into public schools. But that seems a bit of a stretch. Stegner has wisely noted that no prosecutor in the state would go after a legitimate home-schooling household.

Home schooling is a proven success in Idaho, thanks to dedicated parents who want their kids to have individual focus. The results can be rewarding. Many home-schooled kids eventually rejoin their classmates in public schools (or in college) with sharper learning skills and higher achievements.

Those kids aren't the subject of this law. Stegner's proposal should be passed for the sake of another group of kids — those educated neither in public schools nor at home.

## Bush, Kerry slug it out with attack ads

**CHARGE!** The Bush and Kerry camps are already exchanging attack ads, and it is only going to get worse — or better.

Kerry attack ad: While John Kerry was on active duty in Vietnam, George Bush was MIA (Missing in Action). Kerry has medals to prove what he did in the war, George Bush is using dental records. War medals vs. dental records? You decide.

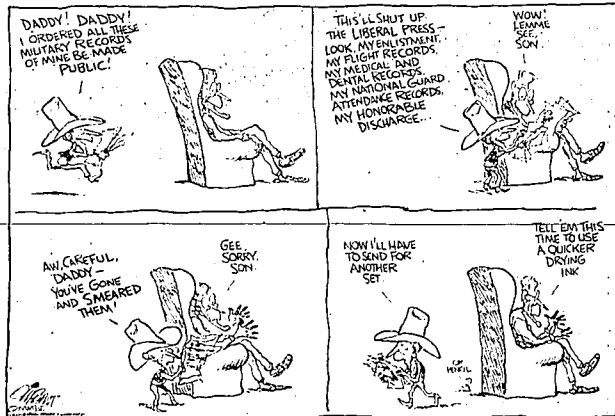
JIM SHEA

**Bush counterattack ad:** When the going got tough during the Vietnam War, John Kerry left the country. President Bush stayed here and protected his homeland as a fighter pilot with the legendary Texas Air National Guard.

**Bush attack ad:** John Kerry is trying to sell himself as a Washington outsider, but the truth is he has taken more money from special interests than any other United States senator. Ever wonder what the special interests are buying with all that cash? John Kerry: He's not for you, he's for sale.

**Kerry counterattack ad:** President Bush has produced dental records he says prove he was not AWOL for a year. But how do we know what we are seeing are his teeth? Remember this: He is the man who said Saddam Hussein had weapons of mass destruction. If a man won't tell the truth about going to war, why should anyone believe his teeth aren't false?

**Bush attack ad:** Women marrying women, men marrying men?



Someone has to draw the line, and that man is George W. Bush, who supports a constitutional amendment banning same-sex marriage. President Bush is not only deeply committed to amending the Constitution, but he is also willing to back up his stance. He bombed Afghanistan. He invaded Iraq. And he will not hesitate to attack San Francisco.

**Kerry counterattack ad:** George W. Bush's dental records, if they are his records, show that he had nine cavities. If a man can't even take care of his own teeth, how can he be expected to take care

of you? John Kerry: honor, integrity, brushes after every meal, always has.

**Kerry attack ad:** Hi, I'm John Kerry. Some people have been portraying President Bush as a deserter, a slacker, and even a yellow-bellied sap-sucker. I refuse to engage in the politics of personal destruction, so I am going to leave it to others to decide if President Bush was a deserter, a slacker, and even a yellow-bellied sap-sucker. It is irrelevant whether you fought in the jungles of Vietnam or in the nightclubs around Houston, or

whether you were a decorated war hero, or even a yellow-bellied sap-sucker.

**Bush counterattack ad:** Did John Kerry have an affair with an intern? I'm not going to engage in gutter politics. This campaign isn't about the number of young women John Kerry may have defiled. Nor is it about the number of Kerry-Bill Clinton similarities, or the fact that Kerry may once have been engaged to marry Hanoi Jane. God Bless America.

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## Considering an apology? Try some sincerity

BRONWYN LANCE CHESTER

is out of the question when the reprobate refuses to come clean.

Note to apologists: If the words "I regret that" aren't followed by the word "I," it's not a real apology. Also, an "if" anywhere in the apology means it isn't one. Ditto for any expression of sorrow in the passive voice, such as "mistakes were made." Really? By whom?

The all-time weaseliest apology has to be "I'm sorry if my actions were 1) misinterpreted, 2) misunderstood or 3) offensive." That version stops the problem squarely back on the victim, as if he were too cretinous to properly understand the situation.

Take this doozy from Janet Jackson over l'affaire de la marmelle: "I am really sorry if I offended anyone." If? The switchboards at CBS were lighting up like the Baghdad sky during an attack, thanks to offended viewers' shock and awe. The only person excited to see Jackson's display was probably the plastic surgeon who created it.

And from Justin Timberlake,

who introduced the term "wardrobe malfunction" into the national lexicon, there's this erudite gem: "I know it's been a rough week on everybody, and, um, what occurred was unintentional, completely regrettable and I apologize if you guys were offended."

Then there's the non-apology apology and masterpiece of bureaucratic responsibility-shirking from Sen. John Kerry, who caught flak for saying Sikhs in India were terrorists: "It has been brought to my attention that remarks I made... have been misunderstood to imply that adherents of the Sikh faith condone terrorism. Nothing could be further from the truth, and I regret that the imprecision of my statement led to this misunderstanding."

How about this in-your-face apology from former South Dakota congressman and serial speeder Bill Janklow, who flattened and killed a motorcycleist: Janklow contacted Frank Sinatra when he wrote in a letter to his constituents, "I, there, are regrets, but they are either too few or too painful to mention." Guess Janklow did it his way, all right;

he's now serving time for manslaughter.

But the kicker, according to The Black Hills Pioneer, is that taxpayer boots the bill for Janklow's flubbed form letter.

At least Clinton finally, after multiple tries and with the help of speech writers, got it right. Speaking of his affair with Monica Lewinsky, Clinton said he'd had "a lapse of judgment for which I am solely and completely responsible."

In a case, this was after the Horndog-in-Chief declared, "I did not have sex with that woman," then passed, as if to remember which one, and continued, "Miss Lewinsky."

Because we've been fed so many of these lame apologies, we no longer can take them at face value. We're reduced to parsing them, picking apart every word, a nation trying to figure out the meaning of "is."

Whatever happened to "I was wrong"?

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To err is human, but to forgive

### Don't license illegals

I read a article in The Times-News that Rep. Elmer Martinez, D-Pocatello, says Idaho should give driver's licenses to illegal immigrants. The implication is that Idaho would receive a great financial windfall and that the roads would suddenly become a much safer place. It is also implied that if it were not for the illegals, our economy would fold up overnight.

Now let's rejoin the real world. The key word here is "illegal." If we have the 15,000 to 30,000 illegal workers that he claims, then we would have that many more jobs for tax-paying Idahoans, if we simply followed the law and sent them back.

Martinez argues that they "pay sales

tax and in some cases income tax." In a few cases, that's true. However, that they pay sales tax only because it is collected at the time of sale. And the only ones paying income tax are the ones for whom the employer holds it out of their wages. The vast majority of them pay no income tax and they send millions every year to Mexico, every cent of which is a drain on Idaho's economy. If we figure they make \$5.15 per hour for 40 hours a week, 52 weeks a year, that's \$10,000-plus a year. That's somewhere between \$150 and \$300 million a year of which probably 90 percent is untaxed. This totals somewhere between \$15 million to \$30 million in federal taxes and \$3 million to \$6 million in state taxes that are going uncollected at a minimum. The actual figures will be much higher.

As to the safer highways: Why think that they are suddenly going to learn the rules and get a license? They obviously have such a high regard for proper procedures, that's why they came here illegally. The only reason to get a driver's license is because it makes it much easier to collect welfare.

And in response to the liberals who are now screaming racial discrimination, I am of English and Danish extraction, married to a woman who is of three-quarters the same, the other one-quarter being Cherokee Indian. And all of my ancestors and the three-quarters of hers who immigrated here came legally through Ellis Island. And they have been paying taxes ever since.

That's all that I ask of anyone. If they want to come here, let them do it right.

Those who don't, toss them out.  
A WAYNE FRANSEN  
Twin Falls

### Ban currently non-smokers rights

I am currently a senior at Twin Falls High School, and I would like to express my opinion on the current bill in the state Senate outlawing smoking in public buildings.

I think that this is a very good idea. I know that by getting rid of smoke in public buildings, it will make going to restaurants and buildings more pleasant. It would be nice to not have to deal with the smell of smoke in those areas.

I know that many people believe that smoking is a right, but what about the rights of those who do not smoke? In the

state of Idaho, 79 percent of the people do not smoke. It is hard for me to understand why we should give more rights to the minority of the people. Scientific facts have proven that secondhand smoke kills. As an older brother, I know that I do not want any of my siblings to be around people that are smoking. By allowing people to smoke in public buildings, it is taking away the rights of those people who do not smoke and do not want to be around it.

Smoking is a choice, and if people want to smoke, it is their choice. All I would ask is that they choose to smoke someplace other than in public buildings so that those of us who make the choice not to smoke do not have to deal with it.

DANIEL M. KING  
Twin Falls

### Doonesbury



By Garry Trudeau

### Mallard Fillmore



By Bruce Tinsley

# Edwards and Kerry: Opponents on the trail; neighbors in D.C.

**O**n paper, a John Kerry-John Edwards ticket would be a standard exercise in geographic diversity, matching Kerry's dour Massachusetts lockjaw with Edwards' sugary North Carolina drawl. In Georgetown, however, there's a different map of presidential politics: The two senators now topping the Democratic race live but one block apart.

On the campaign stump, Kerry and Edwards make much of the plight of Americans who have been left out, who have lost jobs or Jack proper health care. In Georgetown, the two men live in breathtaking splendor, each in the most expensive and impressive abodes on their respective blocks.

**MARC FISHER**

Kerry does not actually own his house; it, like all but one of the properties he shares with his wife, Teresa Heinz Kerry, remains listed in property records under the name of her previous husband, the late Sen. John Heinz III, heir to the ketchup fortune.

Edwards and his wife, Elizabeth, have been busy in the Washington D.C. real estate market since they arrived in Washington in 1999. They bought their first house, a more formal mansion just across Massachusetts Avenue from the Bill and Hillary Clinton place, for \$2.2 million in 2000, then flipped it a couple of years later, selling it for \$3 million to the Hungarian government for use as an embassy. The Edwardses spent some months in rented quarters in Spring Valley while their Georgetown place was being renovated.

On the campaign, questions about privilege face both senators — Kerry is a millionaire in his own right and many times more so through his wife, whose fortune is estimated at \$550 million;

Edwards was born to working-class parents but made millions suing doctors in malpractice cases.

Kerry parries questions about his wealth by noting that the Roosevelt's and Kennedys' money hardly prevented them from connecting with the pains of average Americans.

And Edwards emphasizes his parents' struggles working in the textile mills, raising three children in a small town in rural North Carolina.

Both candidates can argue that even if they live in ultimate luxury, they remain frugal with other people's money.

A survey by FundRazr.org of presidential candidates' spending on hotels as they crisscrossed the nation found that while Al Sharpton spent an eye-opening \$3,598 per night on lodging and President Bush paid an average of \$607 per night, Kerry spent \$202 per night on lodging and Edwards \$238.

With politicians of modest means an increasingly rare commodity in the upper reaches of the profession, there doesn't seem to be much public resentment of wealthy pols.

Still, in Georgetown, some neighbors worry that their narrow streets could attract tourists

eager to see how the would-be presidents live. There isn't much to see, the neighbors warn.

Neighbors of the two senators say neither family has much contact with others on the block. (A third Democratic senator, Max Baucus of Montana, lives down the street from Edwards.) But then again, in that part of Georgetown, people don't tend to

hang out with one another. "They are very busy, were even before he became a candidate," said Mary Raiser, a Kerry neighbor. "We're all kind of private. The neighborhood doesn't have an association or anything like that. The only neighborhood activity is, if they're raising money for Volta Park, we'll make a contribution."

But neighbors reject the idea that Kerry or Edwards might be detached from the realities of ordinary American life. "We see John on Nantucket, and he's one of the guys, one of us," Raiser said of Kerry. "We've never felt him to be quarian."

Marc Fisher writes for the Washington Post.



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### Ban would stop destructive path of tobacco use

I am writing in support of the Senate Bill 1283. This bill, which bans smoking in most public places, would allow individuals to enjoy a healthy lifestyle without the worry and fear of second smoke or of stench permeating their clothing.

Why are we, as Americans and yes, even Idahoans, putting up with smoking in our public facilities? Isn't the No. 1 cause of death and disease in the United States smoking? And doesn't second-hand smoke rank as the third

cause-of-death-and-disease?

Looking at statistics, I am appalled by the fact that smokers are allowed to inflict their habits and addictions on us in our public lives. Did you know that only 21 percent of Idahoans smoke? Why does the other 79 percent of Idahoans have to endure the awful stench of smoke while in public places? We as non-smokers are the majority. And yet we are allowing the minority's habits and addictions to be continually thrown in our face!

Americans thought Sept. 11 was a catastrophic event. And yet, every six days tobacco afflicts

another Sept-11! Why are we allowing the tobacco industry to do such a horrific deed?

Passing Senate Bill 1283 is the only responsible thing Idaho could do to ensure the health of its citizens!


Not only would it relieve non-smokers from enduring second-hand smoke, but it would also reduce the number of smokers in Idaho. Thus, we can reduce the number tobacco kills in our state by outlawing smoking in all public places!

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## AROUND THE VALLEY

### Singer-songwriter King will appear in Jerome

**JEROME** — Magic Valley voters can show their support for Democratic presidential candidate John Kerry and meet a legendary singer-songwriter Sunday.  
Team Kerry Idaho will host "An Evening with Carole King" at 2:30 p.m. Sunday at El Sombbrero Restaurant in Jerome.  
King, whose career began in the 1960s, co-wrote such hits as "Up On The Roof," "Crying in the Rain" and "Will You Still Love Me Tomorrow" with partner Gerry Goffin.

A four-time Grammy winner, King is best known for her album, "Tapestry," which has sold more than 22 million copies worldwide since its release in 1971.

The event is open to the public. For more information, contact Patty Nance at 544-2480.

### Police will hold class on herbal remedy awareness

**TWIN FALLS** — The use of herbal remedies and over-the-counter medications will be the topic for this month's community drug awareness class offered by the Twin Falls Police Department.

The sessions are held monthly on the third Tuesday of each month. This month's meeting, however, will take place on the fourth Tuesday, Feb. 24.

The class will run from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. in the City Hall conference room, 321 Second Ave. E. The public is invited to attend.  
For more information, contact Detective Scott Smith at 725-7216 or Sgt. Dan McAtee at 725-7223.

### A.F. releases resources plan for bombing range

**TWIN FALLS** — An environmental management plan has been finalized for the small arms range and Saylor Creek and Juniper Butte bombing ranges used by the Mountain Home Air Force Base in Owyhee County.

The plan outlines wildlife and other natural resources monitoring and management strategies intended to mitigate for the air base's use of the desert training range.

Contact 1st Lt. Joe Campbell at the base's public affairs office to obtain a copy of the plan or for more information. He can be reached at 208-828-6800 or by mail at 366 FWAPA, 366 Gunfighter Ave., Suite 331, Mountain Home Air Force Base, 83648-5442. The plan also is available at the Mountain Home Public Library, 790 N. 10th E. in Mountain Home, and at the Bruneau Valley District Library in Bruneau.

### BLM finishes Jarbidge grazing assessments

**TWIN FALLS** — The Jarbidge Field Office of the Bureau of Land Management has finished assessments of 18 grazing allotments in western Twin Falls County and Owyhee County.

The assessments will be used to determine whether allotments meet rangeland health standards and may suggest changes to grazing management. Public comments will be incorporated into decisions regarding changes in grazing management, which also will require environmental assessments.

Copies of the allotment assessments are available online at [www.id.blm.gov/office/jarbidge](http://www.id.blm.gov/office/jarbidge) or call Arliss Pike or Jeff Steele by Wednesday at 736-2363 for a copy.

Compiled from staff reports

### Snowpack levels

Watershed	% of Avg.	1,000-foot peak **
Upper Snake Basin	96%	70%
Samon Falls	112%	85%
Salmon	98%	71%
Oakley	115%	89%
Big Wood	96%	71%
Little Wood	108%	80%
Honey Fork/Toton	111%	82%
Big Lost	102%	89%
Little Lost	94%	84%

As of Feb. 19

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

# CAFO hearing bill comes back

## Sponsor says ditching the restrictions is an issue of free speech

By Julie Pence  
Times-News writer

**BOISE** — A bill to open up the concentrated animal feeding operation hearing process came to life again Thursday when Rep. Wendy Jaquet, D-Ketchum, re-introduced it.

Last week it had died in the Senate Agricultural Affairs



Rep. Wendy Jaquet

committee. Jaquet's bill will be heard in the House Agricultural Affairs Committee next week. The chairman of that committee, Rep. Doug Jones, R-Filer, said he's willing to have the discussion because the subject began with his committee four years ago. Jaquet's bill, which has the

same components as one that Sen. Laird Noh, R-Kimberly, tried to introduce in the Senate, simply asks that anyone who wants to speak be allowed to during the one required public hearing for proposed CAFOs. Currently Idaho law requires that every county has to allow one public hearing for CAFOs. But only people living within one mile can testify — that is, unless county commissioners open it up to a longer distance.

"It's a free speech issue," Jaquet said.

But also, the one-mile limit is tough to define, Jaquet said.



"One mile from the edge of property? One mile from the fence, or the barn, or the house? It doesn't say," she said.

Last session the Legislature had passed a law setting the one-mile limit in an effort to keep activists

from coming to meetings and stirring up emotions. At the same time lawmakers also put the requirement on every county. Previously Jerome County had allowed public hearings for CAFOs through a different permitting process.

Jaquet pointed out that on virtually all other planning and zoning issues in the state there is no restriction on who may testify. It's only CAFO hearings that have the arbitrary distance requirement she said.

Bob Naezabout, director of the

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## GETTING IN TOUCH WITH HISTORY



Raft River Elementary School students look at fossilized bones from a woolly mammoth during a Thursday program. Minidoka County Historical Society Vice President Arlo Lloyd shared information about the bones and some history of the region with the students. These particular bones belong to the Minidoka County Historical Society Museum. People may view these and other historical artifacts at that museum in Rupert.

# Bliss City Council puts brakes on speed limit

By Elisabeth A. Devena  
Times-News correspondent

**BLISS** — Drivers heading through Bliss on Highway 30 might want to consider reducing their speed.

The City Council voted unanimously to pass an ordinance Wednesday that reduces the speed limit to 40 mph on an outer portion of the city as the highway heads toward Gooding.

Councilman Dennis Read, who lives right off of that stretch of Highway 30, said he had problems with the traffic on the road. "There's been two or three

times that my wife and I have been almost hit," Read said. "It's just been too many people almost getting hit, and people passing."

As a member of the City Council, Read has been eager to get the speed limit reduced as it comes into town.

"It's 60 miles per hour right now, but it's in the city limits," Read said.

The portion of the road that is in question was annexed by the city within the past two years, Mayor Jimmie J. Pruetz said. Bruce Christensen, a traffic engineer with the Idaho Transportation Department, said

that the state has been working with the city of Bliss to solve the problem.

"We want to address their concerns in a positive manner and do everything we can for them that makes good traffic sense," he said.

The ordinance extends the 40 mph zone 550 feet to the edge of city limits and preparations for the change already have been made.

"The wooden posts where we will hang the signs are already out there," Christensen said. "The speed break would move so

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### Other City Council business included:

- Water bills — The City Council also passed an ordinance Wednesday to charge interest on overdue water bills. The ordinance amends the city's municipal code and states that charges that are not paid by the first of the month will be assessed 1.5 percent interest per month or 18 percent interest per year from the date that the charges were made. The payment of the bill and the incurred interest will be required to restore water service.

The Associated Press

**BOISE** — Republicans strayed from their leadership's target budget for the first time on Thursday, boosting support for vocational education funding above the level recommended in the 2004-05 spending plan.

"As we move down the road with testing and in other directions, professional-technical programs are going to play a vital role in the education of our children," Senate Finance Chairman Dean Cameron of Rupert said.

Including Cameron, 11 of the 16 Republicans on the Joint Finance Appropriations Committee backed the proposal from the four Democrats to increase general tax support

for technical education nearly \$320,000 more than Gov. Dirk Kempthorne recommended in his hold-the-line budget. The GOP had planned to add only \$181,000 to the governor's proposal.

While it's only a modest amount in a budget of more than \$50 million, it marked one of only a handful of changes to the \$2 billion general tax budget submitted by Kempthorne, and those changes were made. The payment of the bill and the incurred interest will be required to restore water service.

In addition to increasing cash for public schools providing professional, vocational and technical training to 77,000 high school students throughout the state, the panel headed off further program reductions in the agricultural extension and research program. They also scraped together enough cash in the prison budget to finance six new parole officers and two more presence investigators.

A series of financing problems has left the extension program that serves rural Idaho with 30 fewer employees today than it had 13 years ago, GOP Rep. Darrell Boiz of Caldwell said, and "has been asked to do a lot more with a lot less."

The drive to hold the line on prison growth has dramatically

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Sen. Dean Cameron

# Judge denies murder suspect street clothes

The Wood River Journal

**HAILEY** — A judge has denied Sarah Johnson's request to appear at court hearings wearing civilian clothes.

Judge James May rejected the motion filed by Johnson's attorney, Bob Pangburn, during a recent pretrial hearing. Deputy Prosecutor Justin Whatcott opposed the motion, and May said he could find no support for allowing Johnson to wear street clothes in the judicial record.

Johnson, 16, is being held in the Blaine County Jail and faces two counts of first-degree murder in connection with the Sept. 2 shooting deaths of her parents in their Bellevue home.

She sat quietly through the recent hearing, sharing soft words with her attorney.

Pangburn filed three motions, including two that Judge May has scheduled a Feb. 23 hearing to revisit.

Pangburn defended his motion to allow Johnson to appear for



Sarah Johnson

pretrial hearings in civilian clothing, citing the biases possibly created by potential jurors when her photos appear in the newspapers with her donning a jail-issued orange jumpsuit.

attorney said it might be grounds for an eventual change of venue for the trial.

The second two motions were for discovery. Pangburn told the judge he was concerned that there was a lack of information on Bruno Santos and Malinda Gonzales coming out of the prosecutor's office.

The two are likely witnesses in the coming trial. Santos is Johnson's former fiancé and Gonzales was her one-time cell-mate in the Blaine County Jail. Gonzales is still in prison, and has a colorful history, including

charges of battery and trafficking cocaine and methamphetamine.

"We are within 45 days of the deadline to file pretrial motions," Pangburn said. "We're simply without information regarding Bruno Santos and Malinda Gonzales."

County Prosecutor Jim Thomas explained that his office and the Blaine County Sheriff's Department have worked to develop a system to process the expected 5,000 pages of material dealing with the case.

"They will have everything that we have," Thomas said. "I don't want to get out of a sequence we've work with for five months."

The Feb. 23 hearing has been scheduled to give Thomas a chance to determine more precise dates for turning over materials.

The Wood River Journal is a weekly newspaper based in Hailey that works in collaboration with The Times-News. For more Journal stories, visit the paper's Web site at [www.woodriverjournal.com](http://www.woodriverjournal.com).

# Filer delays drug testing decision

**School board: Several questions on random drug testing still have not been answered**

By John E. Swayze  
Times-News correspondent

**FILER** — Implementing a new drug-testing policy at the Filer School District may take a little longer than proponents expected.

The School Board voted Wednesday to postpone the first reading of a proposed random drug-testing policy until additional questions have been answered.

"If we do this, I would like to see some specifics on the cost, and who's going to administer the test," said board member Dave Ramseyer.

A committee began exploring the issue five months ago after Filer Athletic Director Loyd

Garay brought the results of a student drug survey to the board and suggested testing students who participate in extracurricular activities.

School Board member Andrea Hoffman "voiced" more concern about students' use of alcohol than drug testing.

"From the beginning, I was kind of against (the proposed policy) because it doesn't address the use of alcohol, which the survey showed was a bigger problem," she said.

Data showed that 73 percent of last year's 10th-grade students and 74 percent of 12th graders felt there was a drug and alcohol problem at the high school.

The district has had what's called a "reasonable suspicion" drug policy in place since 1990, but drug tests "will not reveal alcohol use unless the student is tested within 24 hours."

Copies of the proposed random drug-testing policy have been available at the school since Feb. 19. Please see TESTING, Page B3

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# Tribe: Increased Indian health funding fails to meet rising costs

LEWISTON (AP) — The \$45 million increase for the Indian Health Service proposed in President Bush's 2005 budget fails to meet rising health care costs, Nez Perce Tribe officials said.

The budget proposal is 1.5 percent higher than last year's allocation of \$3.67 billion. But \$36 million will pay federal and tribal-employee salary increases, leaving just a \$9 million increase for other costs.

"As the funding falls behind and the costs of medical care continue to increase, it's difficult to

provide all necessary care," said Anthony D. Johnson, chairman of the Nez Perce Tribal Executive Committee.

Johnson said health clinics in Lappaw and Kamiah serve more patients every year.

Nationwide, the Indian Health Service population has increased 11.5 percent over the past five years, according to the National Congress of American Indians. As a result, per-patient spending has fallen.

"Real spending per American Indian has fallen over time — and now stands at less than 50 per-

cent of what is spent for health care for federal prisoners," said Tex Hall, national congress president.

The tribe's Nimiipuu Health Board attempted to cut costs last fall with a proposal to limit some services to enrolled Nez Perce but the decision was rescinded.

Nimiipuu Health typically receives no money from the tribe and relies on funding from Indian Health Services in Portland, Ore. When the tribe's health clinics run short of money, patients needing services are relegated to a waiting list.

# Crapo announces run for second term

BOISE (AP) — Saying poor budgeting choices and the high price of fighting terrorism plunged the national budget into a deficit, U.S. Sen. Michael Crapo on Thursday asked Idaho voters to send him back to Washington to help put the country back on the black.

"We must now face how we deal with these problems," the 52-year-old Republican said Thursday when announcing his bid for a second term. "There's a struggle in this nation."

"Just three, four years ago, we got into such a good posture with our economic situation at the governing level that we were projecting \$4 to \$5 trillion of sur-



Michael Crapo

plus," he said.

"But then the stock market bubble popped, the economy went into a slump, 9-11 occurred," he said.

"Then, Congress started spending money very, very rapidly on our national defense and homeland security."

What was a huge surplus in the next 10 years could reach a \$1.2 trillion to \$2 trillion deficit — a \$7 trillion swing, he said.

If Idaho does not believe the nation is at war with terrorism, it only has to see the armed soldiers, missile batteries and jet patrols in Washington, D.C., he said.

"These who are attacking us are doing so on our own native soil," Crapo said.

Crapo has no announced challengers, but Idaho Democrats — outnumbered in a heavily Republican state — said Thursday they were "actively pursuing a couple of different alternatives."

"We recognize he's a strong incumbent, but we realize it's important that there's a healthy public debate about the issues that are facing our country and our state," said Idaho Democratic Party Director Maria Weeg.

## OBITUARIES

For obituary rates and information, call 735-3278 Monday through Saturday. Deadline is 4 p.m. for next-day publication. The e-mail address for obituaries is [obits@magicvalley.com](mailto:obits@magicvalley.com). Death notices are a free service and are placed until 4 p.m. every day. To view or submit obituaries online, or to place a message in an individual online guestbook, go to [www.magicvalley.com](http://www.magicvalley.com) and click on "Obituaries."

### Doris Hobdoy - Gooding

Doris Hobdoy, 90, a resident of Gooding, died Thursday, Feb. 19, 2004, at the Magic Valley Manor Assisted Living center in Wendell.

Doris was born on Nov. 10, 1913, in Pullman, Wash., to Edward and Elizabeth Robb. At the age of 5 the family moved to Manard. She attended grade school at Manard and graduated from Fairfield High School.

On Feb. 2, 1934, Doris married Willie Hobdoy. They operated

the original Corral Store before moving to the ranch on Corral Creek.

Years later they purchased the Depot Building, where they moved the store.

In 1955 they moved to Fairfield where they owned and operated the Club Cigar. In 1972 Doris retired from the rural mail route at Corral after 32 years of service. In 1974 they moved to Gooding.

Doris is survived by her

daughter, Sheila Carson; her son, Casey (Valeria) Hobdoy; four grandchildren; one step-grandson; three great-grandchildren; and two step-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband and one grandchild.

At Doris' request no public funeral service will be held. Arrangements and cremation services are under the direction of Demary's Gooding-Chapel.

# Idaho sets restriction on Wyoming cattle ranch bison

BOISE (AP) — Idaho has instituted some restrictions on Wyoming cattle entering the state after two herds there tested positive for brucellosis.

The restrictions include testing, vaccinations and securing permits from Idaho veterinarians. It also extends to ranch bison from Wyoming.

Idaho's actions follow voluntary sanctions that Wyoming ranchers already have established on their own operations, said Clarence Siroky, the Idaho Department of Agriculture's head of animal industries.

"The industry in the state of Wyoming thought they had to be more proactive to see that the disease doesn't spread. That precipitation of actions," he said.

Brucellosis causes cows to abort their calves and can cause chronic flu-like symptoms in people who

work with infected animals or consume some contaminated animal products.

Western states have battled over the years to maintain their brucellosis-free status, which allows local stockmen to freely market their cattle in other states.

Six cows tested positive recently at a feedlot in Worland in north-central Wyoming. Then, 31 head did so about 200 miles southwest of there.

Wyoming has asked the federal government to reconsider revoking the brucellosis-free status. Wyoming contends there is a link between the two herds, with the six cows originating in the other herd.

Under federal regulations, however, they are considered separate herds, and the federal rules call for confirmation of the disease in more than one herd for revocation

of a state's brucellosis-free status.

According to the Idaho order, permits must be obtained from an attending veterinarian before entry into Idaho on all cattle — except for those destined for immediate slaughter.

All test-eligible female cattle and bison, as well as all male cattle and bison over 18 months of age, must test negative for brucellosis within 30 days prior to entry into Idaho.

Any vaccinated female cattle and bison will not be allowed into the state. Any cattle or bison diverted from feeding or slaughtering purposes to breeding in Wyoming must test negative for the disease.

Any cattle or bison headed directly from Wyoming to an Idaho slaughtering house are exempt from the new order but must be individually identified.

### Alonzo 'Blackie' Maldonado - Hazelton/Murtaugh

Alonzo "Blackie" Maldonado, 74, of Hazelton and Murtaugh, died Wednesday, Feb. 18, 2004, at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center after a lengthy battle with lung cancer.

Blackie was born Jan. 3, 1930, at Wood Borner, Texas, to Vincente and Rumalda Maldonado. At an early age, he left home to make a life of his own, traveling and working in the cotton fields throughout the southwest.

He later came to Twin Falls with friends and met the love of his life, Georgia Galindo, at a Spanish dance. They began a 42-year marriage on Aug. 18, 1962.



Alonzo 'Blackie' Maldonado

Blackie worked for Simplot and for Lamb Weston. He also worked for several farmers including John Hohnhorst, George Mendenhall and Gene Stanley. Blackie was a member of St. Edwards Catholic Church, the Legion of St. Joseph, and was an avid fisherman.

He enjoyed pool, playing cards, going to Jackpot, gardening, dancing and spending time with his grandchildren whom he loved very much. He loved to stop in the morning after work at the Depot Grill for coffee and to reminisce with his friends. He

always seemed to have "no money" for the coffee.

Our dad will be greatly missed. He loved his family and his grandchildren were a very special gift to him.

Blackie is survived by his wife, Georgia (Golla) Maldonado of Murtaugh; his son, Alonzo Jr.; his daughter, Elsie (Bruno) Cano of Clearfield, Utah; and Letti (Victor) Hernandez of Twin Falls; his brother, Pedro (Rachel) Maldonado of Odessa, Texas; sisters, Josie Gonzalez of Odessa, Texas, and Loretta (Felix) Estrada of Las Vegas, Nev.; his

grandchildren, Tony Hernandez Jr. of McAllen, Texas, Nick Hernandez of Boise, Idaho, Becky (Jose) Martinez of Blackfoot, Idaho, and Erik Cano of Clearfield, Utah; three great-grandchildren, Alex, Adrianna and Avian; and numerous aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers, Sylvester and Aurelio; and a sister, Maria Pequezo.

Blackie was also survived by his pet "Lady" dog and numerous

A prayer vigil with rosary will take place at 7 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 22, 2004, at Reynolds Funeral Chapel. The funeral Mass will take place at 11 a.m. Monday, Feb. 23, 2004, at St. Edward the Confessor, St. Edwards Chapel, with Father Juan Garatea celebrant. Burial will follow at the Hazelton Cemetery. Friends may call from 3 p.m. until the time of the service at Sunday at Reynolds Chapel.

Donations in Blackie's memory can be made to the St. Edwards Catholic School. Contributions may be left with funeral chapel staff or mailed to Reynolds Funeral Chapel, P.O. Box 1142, Twin Falls, Idaho, 83301-1142.

### Louis Sliman - Twin Falls

Louis Sliman, 73, formerly of Gooding, Las Vegas and recently of Twin Falls, passed away on Feb. 19, 2004, due to complications of pneumonia while battling Alzheimer's disease.

Louis was surrounded by his loving wife Mary, adoring daughter, Phomia and wonderful son-in-law, Brooke.

Louis was preceded in death

by his parents, Dave and Phomia Sliman; two brothers, Lester and Joseph; two sisters, Sophia and Rose; and a sister-in-law, Adele all of Gooding.

His survivors include his wife, Mary of Twin Falls; and daughter, Phomia and son-in-law, Brooke of California; a brother, Mike; two sisters, Martha and Annie all of Gooding; two

nephews, David and Michael Sliman of Gooding; and six nieces, Rose of Hansen, Barbara of Spain, and Marie, June, Judy and Joan, all of the Boise area.

In keeping with the wishes of the deceased there will be no services.

Cremation is under the direction of Reynolds Funeral Chapel of Twin Falls.

### Foster Drew Rappleye - Orem, Utah

Our beloved husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather, brother and friend, Foster Drew Rappleye, departed from this life on Wednesday, Feb. 18, 2004, from causes incident to age.

He was born on Oct. 19, 1914, in Cowley, Wyo., to William Edwin and Carrie Drew Rappleye. His childhood was spent in Graybull, Wyo., and in Twin Falls, Idaho. He came to Provo, Utah, to attend Brigham Young University, where his education was interrupted to enlist in the Air Force during World War II.



Foster Drew Rappleye

He served for four and a half years as a radio operator, and was missing in action for three months when his B-17 bomber went down, for which he was awarded a medal of honor. He returned to BYU where he graduated with a bachelor of science degree and did additional graduate work.

While attending BYU he met his eternal companion, Avenell Sorenson, and they were married on April 11, 1947, in the Salt Lake Temple.

He spent his life raising a beautiful family and serving his church. The Church of Latter-day Saints, in many callings including scouting

positions and ward music chairman for 17 years. He also worked as a school teacher, director of education at the prison, and for the Postal Service.

He loved music and sang with the Utah Valley Skyline Chorus for 28 years. All who knew him loved him for his great sense of humor, his artistic and musical talents, his dedication and support, and his strong and unique character.

Foster is survived by his loving wife of 57 years, Avenell Rappleye; and by his seven children, Lloyd (Kathy) Rappleye of

Mesa, Ariz., John (Denice) Rappleye of Fort Neches, Texas, Charles (Cathy) Rappleye of South Jordan, Utah, Betty Ann (Steve) Curtis of Navarreville, Ill., Patricia (Mike) Terry of Orem, Utah, Kathy See (Alan) Barrett of Cedar Hills, Utah, and Jeanie (Rick) Davis of Gilbert, Ariz.; 53 grandchildren; and 19 great-grandchildren. He is also survived by two brothers, Bill (Maureen) Rappleye and John (Marjorie) Rappleye; and by two sisters, Brenna Sims and Donna (Lloyd) Graybill.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Carrie Christine.

A funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, Feb. 23, 2004, in the Cherry Hill 4th Ward Chapel, 1650 S. 200 E., Orem. Friends are invited to visit from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Sunday evening at the Sundberg-Olpin Mortuary, 495 S. State, Orem, and from 9:45 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. Monday at the Cherry Hill 4th Ward Chapel.

Interment will be at Veterans Memorial Park, Camp Williams, following the funeral service. Military Rites will be provided by VFW, District #4.

Condolences can be sent to the family at [www.sundbergolpin-mortuary.com](http://www.sundbergolpin-mortuary.com).

# Skier whose feet, ankles were amputated goes home

SEATTLE (AP) — An extreme skier who survived several days lost in the bitter cold of the Cascade Mountains left the hospital Thursday, anxious to begin his rehabilitation less than a week after doctors removed his feet and lower legs.

"I want to be able to walk again as soon as possible," Dan Witkowski said shortly after wheeling himself into the lobby of Harborview Medical Center's research and training building.

He already has his sights set on

getting back to the slopes. "Yeah," he said, "there's something pretty nice about it. I'll be able to ski again next season."

Both feet were amputated Feb. 13 during a five-hour surgery. Doctors removed his lower legs about 6 inches below each knee.

Witkowski, 25, of Ellensburg, said he initially struggled with the decision to have doctors remove his feet but later decided the surgery would improve his chances for a quicker recovery and a return to his normally active lifestyle.

"By keeping my feet I would have been a lot less mobile," Witkowski said, accompanied by his father, Richard Witkowski, and Dr. Matthew Klein, a Harborview burn specialist who first treated the young man when Witkowski arrived after his ordeal in the backcountry.

Witkowski got lost New Year's Eve, when he went skiing alone and tumbled down an out-of-bounds chute at Alpengal Ski area, about 40 miles east of Seattle.

# Idaho Power seeks approval for new irrigation program

BOISE (AP) — Idaho Power Co. is seeking regulatory approval for a pilot program that would allow irrigators to shut off water pumps during high-demand hours in exchange for credit.

The company hopes to get up to 200 irrigation customers from each of four geographic areas across southern Idaho to participate. The Idaho Public Utilities Commission must approve the one-year pilot program.

During the months of June, July and August, the company will be able to shut off the pumps for up to four hours between 4 p.m. and 8 p.m. Monday through Friday.

In exchange, customers would receive a payment that is based on the number of kilowatts of load reduced.

Idaho Power estimates the program will cost \$294,750. Money for the program will come from a surcharge on residential, irrigation and commercial bills, ranging from 30 cents to \$15 dollars per meter per month.

# DEATH NOTICES

**Ferne Ware**  
TWIN FALLS — Ferne Ware, 92, of Twin Falls died Thursday, Feb. 19, 2004, at Sunbridge Care and Rehab.

A graveside service at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 25, 2004, at Sunset Memorial Park. Arrangements are under the direction of White Mortuary "Chapel by the Park."

Monday, Feb. 23, 2004, at St. Charles Catholic Church followed by burial at the Bellevue Cemetery. A candle light vigil and viewing will be at 7 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 22, 2004, at St. Charles Catholic Church, Hailey. Arrangements are in the care of Wood River Chapel of Hailey, Idaho.

**Florence M. Nielson**  
BOISE — Florence M. Nielson, 82, of Boise, formerly of Wendell, died on Wednesday, Feb. 18, 2004, in a Boise care center.

Service will be held at 3 p.m. next Saturday, Feb. 28, 2004, at the Wendell United Methodist Church in Wendell, Idaho. Arrangements are under the direction of the Alden-Wagner Funeral Chapel, Boise.

**Patricia Pauls**  
KIMBERLY — Patricia Pauls, of Kimberly, Idaho, died Thursday, Feb. 19, 2004, at her home.

Arrangements will be made by Parker's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls, Idaho.

**Dorothy Helen Nelson**  
BURLEY — Dorothy Helen Nelson, 91, of Burley, died Wednesday, Feb. 18, 2004, at Parker View Care & Rehabilitation Center in Burley.

A graveside service will be held at 1 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 24, 2004, at Mountain View Cemetery in Pocatello. Officiating will be the Reverend Darcey Grizmacher of the Burley United Methodist Church.

**Victor K. Bloch**  
BURLEY — Victor Kurt Bloch, 83, of Burley, died Wednesday, Feb. 18, 2004, at his home.

A funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, Feb. 23, 2004, at the Burley United Methodist Church, 450 E. 7th St., with the Reverend Darcey Grizmacher officiating. Burial will be at Lakewood Memorial Park in Hughson, Calif.

The family will receive friends one hour before the service on Monday at the church. Arrangements are in the care of Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley. A complete obituary will appear in Sunday's edition.

**Nina Sorenson**  
SHOSHONE — Nina Sorenson, 79, of Shoshone, died Wednesday, Feb. 18, 2004, at Shoshone Rehab. & Living Center in Shoshone, Idaho.

A funeral will be held at 2 p.m. Monday, Feb. 23, 2004, at the Shoshone LDS Church. Viewing will be held from 5-7 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 22, 2004, at Demary's Shoshone Chapel. Interment will be at the Shoshone Cemetery. A full obituary will appear at a later date.

**Paul Leo Ehrmantraut**  
BELLEVUE — Paul Leo Ehrmantraut, 65, of Bellevue, Idaho, died Thursday, Feb. 19, 2004, at his home in Bellevue.

A funeral will be at 1 p.m.

**Nina Sorenson**  
SHOSHONE — Nina Sorenson, 79, of Shoshone, died Wednesday, Feb. 18, 2004, at Shoshone Rehab. & Living Center in Shoshone, Idaho.

A funeral will be held at 2 p.m. Monday, Feb. 23, 2004, at the Shoshone LDS Church. Viewing will be held from 5-7 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 22, 2004, at Demary's Shoshone Chapel. Interment will be at the Shoshone Cemetery. A full obituary will appear at a later date.

# SERVICES

Herman Alfred Frey of Castleford, service at 11 a.m. today at Farmer Funeral Chapel.

Arlene Louise Brown of Twin Falls, graveside service at 3 p.m. today at Sunset Memorial Park (White Mortuary).

Arden "Danny" Parrott of Kimberly, service at 1 p.m. today at the Bethel Temple Apostolic Church, 3200 Ninth Ave. E., Twin Falls. (White Mortuary).

Joe Jeffrey Frazier of Jerome, funeral at 11 a.m. today in the Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel.

"Andy" Rex Anderson Gallimore Jr. of Priest River, memorial gathering from 10 a.m. until noon on Saturday at the family home, 3390 Hwy 2, Priest River. (Sherman-Knapp Funeral Home).

Shirley Mae Robinson of Twin Falls, funeral at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls.

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# Utah Senate passes firing squad bill

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - The Utah Senate on Thursday passed a bill that would eliminate firing squad executions unless lethal injection executions are found unconstitutional.

The bill passed 16-9 and now returns to the House for approval of some minor Senate amendments.

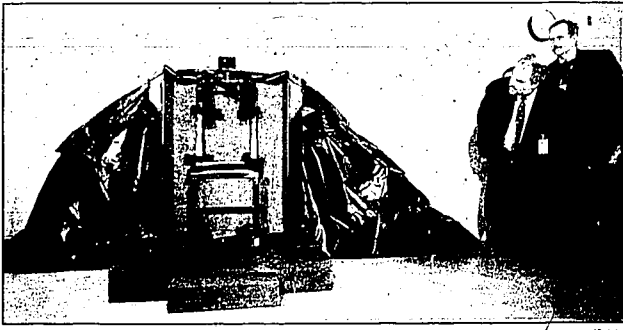
Sen. Ron Allen, D-Stansbury Park, carried the bill to the Senate for sponsor Rep. Sheryl Allen, R-Bountiful. He said allowing murderers to choose firing squads so they can "go out in a blaze of glory" pervasively made images of criminals and caused victims' families much pain.

Bill opponent Sen. Dave Thomas, R-South Weber, believes so-called media circuits that accompany firing squad executions are helpful because they send a message that Utah is a state that respects the rights of its citizens receive severe punishment. With Thursday's vote, he said, "we have weakened the death penalty in Utah."

Since the U.S. Supreme Court reinstated capital punishment in 1976, two people in the United States have died by firing squad, both in Utah: Gary Gilmore in 1977 and John Albert Taylor in 1996. Taylor's execution drew more than 150 television crews from around the world.

Some Oklahoma retain the firing squad on their books as an option if other methods are not viable, but haven't used it in modern history.

The squads employ five riflemen, one of whom shoots a blank



Reporters look at the chair where John Albert Taylor was later strapped into and executed in by a firing squad during a media tour of the execution chamber in Utah State Prison at Point of the Mountain, Utah, in January of 1996. The Utah Senate approved a bill Thursday that would eliminate firing squad executions, unless lethal injection executions are found unconstitutional.

so none will know who fired the fatal shots.

Preparations for back-to-back firing squads last June drew widespread media interest, but both executions were delayed. One of the men, Roberto Arguelles, has since died of poisoning from an intestinal perforation.

The bill would allow firing squads only if a court struck down lethal injections as unconstitutional. The House earlier amended it so the bill would not be retroactive. Three of the nine

men now on death row already have said they wanted to die by firing squad.

The Senate gave its first approval of the bill Wednesday amid debates about the death penalty and what form of civilization Utah aspired to be.

Arguing against the bill, Thomas said media circuits are "exactly what we want."

"We don't want these sentences to be carried out in the dead of night so no one knows," he said, adding that lethal injection was painless and "the easy way out."

"I just think we're making it too easy on the convicted killers," he said.

Allen responded that if painful executions were the point, "we might as well return to drawing and quartering."

There is no credible evidence, he said, that executions were deterred to murder. Rather, the death penalty is used to exact justice. Eliminating the firing squad means "we're going to enter the 21st century and conduct our business in a civilized manner," Allen said.

# Lease of protested BLM land brings in \$6.3M

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - Despite the opposition of environmental groups, all but two of 64 parcels of federal land offered by Bureau of Land Management for lease to oil and gas drillers were claimed Wednesday, the first day they became available.

The controversial leases brought in \$6.3 million for the agency. The BLM did not immediately release the list of those who claimed the leases, and an agency spokesman did not return a call seeking comment. The purchased parcels include

37 protested by the Southern Utah Wilderness Alliance. The group says 29 of the parcels were areas proposed for wilderness designation, and the rest were adjacent or close to Dinosauro National Monument in adjacent Colorado.

The BLM owns land on the southern and western fringes of the monument. More than 126,000 acres of federal land in Utah and Colorado were offered for leases this month.

The Utah sale is not final, said Steve Bloch, staff attorney for

the Southern Utah Wilderness Alliance.

Bloch's group, and others, filed protests against the leases earlier this month. The BLM has set to respond - a condition necessary before the sales are final, according to BLM rules.

"I don't know if I'm surprised, but I think we're disappointed that the BLM went ahead with the sale, and that it has not either responded to the protest or modified the parcels being offered," Bloch said. "Still, I expect we'll be successful in federal court."

Before, that happens, the Interior Board of Land Appeals would try to mediate a settlement between the groups.

Bloch's group and others filed a court challenge to last November's leasing of about 17,000 acres in Utah's Book Cliffs area, but the case has not yet been decided.

Bloch said proceedings are tied up over whether the case would be heard in Washington, D.C., or Salt Lake City.

# Slaughterhouse owners deny mad cow Holstein was lame

MOSES LAKE, Wash. (AP) - Standing in front of their family business, the owners of a small slaughterhouse that killed a Holstein with the nation's first case of mad cow challenged the government's assertion the animal couldn't walk.

The cow walked off a truck at Vern's Moses Lake Meat Co. and exhibited no signs of the central nervous disorder, said Tom Ellestad, who co-manages the plant.

The issue is important because Agriculture Department officials who monitor meat plants target "downer" cattle - animals that are injured or exhibit symptoms of disease - for testing of mad cow. Critics have argued that the agency also acts to test healthy animals as a safeguard against the brain-wasting illness, which can incubate for four or five years.

Ellestad said Wednesday there is a strong possibility the illness

never would have been detected had his company not tested it as part of a voluntary program to check healthy animals for the disease.

"No one would have ever known," he said while flanked by his wife, sons, brother and parents. "Their premise for testing is false. The whole industry has been injured, and not just the meat

industry - the livestock industry - because of shortcomings in USDA's policy."

Ed Loyd, a USDA spokesman, denied Ellestad's claims. The department has said a veterinarian at the plant tagged the cow as a downer.

"Our records clearly indicate that this animal was not able to walk," Loyd said.

Loyd said the department's inspector general is investigating how the case was handled.

The announcement came a day after a U.S. House committee challenged the Agriculture Department's claims that the cow was lame.

Ellestad earlier provided an affidavit of his claims to the watchdog group Government Accountability Project. That group provided the information to the House Government Reform Committee, which challenged the department's claims in a letter sent Tuesday to Agriculture Secretary Ann Veneman.

Eating meat from animals with mad cow has been linked to a rare but fatal condition in people, variant Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease, although no cases have been traced to U.S. beef. More than 35 countries have banned imports of U.S. beef products.

# Burley seeks another \$2M for sewer plant

By Shelley Ridenour Times-News writer

BURLEY - City officials might be able to tap into another \$2 million in federal money for the planned new sewer plant. City Administrator Mark Mitton told council members Tuesday.

The Army Corps of Engineers has \$2 million the city could secure. The city would have to match 25 percent of any grant funds it receives through this program.

If the grant application is successful, Mitton said the money would be used to buy equipment for the new plant, to extend an industrial sewer line farther west, actually get the new plant on-line and to build a new discharge line into the Snake River. That new discharge line wouldn't need to be put to immediate use, he said, but could be built and used when it's needed.

All of those projects would be finished in the next five years, he said.

It's important to apply for the grants soon, Mitton said, because the "funds have a limited life. The money will be available for a specific length of time, then it's gone." If the city was awarded a grant and couldn't come up with the matching money, the grant could be declined with no negative ramifications, he said.

This particular grant program has been used so far only in Nevada and Montana. Rudd Conover of Forsgren Associates said Nevada communities have already obtained \$50 million in grant funds from the Corps of

Engineers for various projects. Forsgren Associates is the city's engineering company for the sewer project.

Burley would be the first Idaho community to get a grant. Mitton said. Final word on whether the city's application was successful won't come for about four months.

Plans call for building a \$25 million sewer plant with the capacity to process 5 million gallons of waste per day next to the current sewer plant in Burley. The plant is being paid for through a \$7 million bond issue being repaid through higher property taxes and an \$18 million loan from the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality, being paid for through user fees. The city has 20 years to pay back the DEG loan.

Vote approval of the bond issue last May, which is providing money to build a larger sewer plant than currently exists in Burley. At that time, city officials and community leaders said without a bigger plant the city couldn't accommodate any future growth.

Advertising for bids for the project is supposed to begin in July, with bids opened in September. Work could begin in the fall of 2004 or spring of 2005, depending on the weather and the contractor, Mitton said. It should take somewhere between a year and a year and a half to build the plant.

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# Democratic legislators play host to 'Coffee and Conversation' in T. F.

## Magic Valley in brief

Routine business will be conducted. The public is encouraged to attend.

## Military support group will meet at Jerome library

Jerome - The Magic Valley Military Support Group will meet at 10 a.m. Feb. 28 at the Jerome Public Library.

Anyone who has family or friends in the military, serving in Iraq or other areas, and would like to meet and talk with others who understand what it's like to have loved ones in the military is welcome.

For more information, call Sharrla at 536-6159 or Sharon at 536-6111. - compiled from staff reports

## Gooding - A 'Coffee and Conversation' (also known as 'Politics and Politics') event will be held at 9 a.m. March 6 at Coyote Joe's on Main Street.

Sen. Clint Stennet, D-Ketchum, and Rep. Wendy Jaquet, D-Ketchum, will discuss this year's legislative session.

Everyone is welcome. For more information, call Renee Orth at 934-5375.

## Watershed group will meet Tuesday for routine business

Fairfield - The Wood River Watershed Advisory Group will hold Technical Advisory Committee, general and executive board meetings at 7 p.m. Tuesday at the Sawtooth National Forest Service Office, 102 First St. E.

## Grants will finance business park

EMMETT (AP) - A finance park that promises new jobs for a community that lost a major employer when the Boise Cascade mill closed down several years ago will be financed with state and federal grants, officials announced on Thursday.

Gov. Dirk Kempthorne and U.S. Sen. Michael Crapo said the \$500,000 grant through Idaho's rural initiative and \$2 million from the federal Economic

Development Administration will finance business park planned by the Shadow Butte Development Corp.

Acting state Commerce Director Roger Madsen said eight businesses have already expressed interest in locating in the new park.

If all eight follow through in the community of 4,600, they would create 35 jobs paying around \$12 an hour plus benefits, he said.

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increased the caseload for parole and probation officers, and the Legislature and governor continue pressure for rehabilitation and treatment programs that will check future inmate growth even as the overall population escalates.

To cover those extras, the committee cut \$200,000 from Kempthorne's proposed Commerce Department budget, leaving \$2.8 million for rural economic development grants. Budget writers also squeezed another \$100,000 out of the prison budget because the inmate count has been relatively stable, and they cut the State Board of Education budget by nearly \$400,000, reflecting changes the board said it could make.

While Thursday's decisions siphoned off money targeted for economic development in struggling rural Idaho, it diverted it to technical education that can provide the kind of qualified work force needed to keep the economy expanding in the future, advocates argued.

In the last decade, enrollment in professional-technical programs in high schools has jumped more than 50 percent, and the enrollment in the 11 special professional-technical high schools around the state has jumped nearly 3,300 last year to an estimate of nearly 5,600 next year.

"We have a class of students in our high schools who are not academically oriented and who need to go into a technical background," Republican Don Burtenschaw of Terreton said. "We can't wait until they get out of school to give them that."

## FBI looks into Utah Capitol bomb threat

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - Authorities won't say if they're making headway in their investigation of the bomb threat made against the Utah Capitol.

FBI agent George Dougherty refused comment Thursday on his agency's efforts to trace the anonymous phone call, saying it wouldn't help the investigation.

Neither the FBI nor the Utah Department of Public Safety would release the recording made of a man who called 911 early Wednesday to warn a bomb would go off at the Capitol.

The building was evacuated for two hours but was reopened after a room-by-room search using four bomb-sniffing dogs turned up nothing suspicious.

On Wednesday, Utah Highway

Patrol Lt. Bruce Riches told The Associated Press that the caller's identity or address didn't come up on dispatcher's computers, but that the FBI was working to trace the call.

Riches said it was only a matter of time before investigators zeroed in on a suspect, even if he used a cell phone.

"We're not going to discuss the specifics at this point. When we do have information we'll give it to everybody. Right now there's nothing to release," Riches said.

It's still unclear why Department of Public Safety authorities deemed the bomb hoax "credible," but legislative leaders, and Gov. Olene Walker said they were taking no chances after the 2001 terror attacks.

## Training

Continued from B1 Idaho Dairymen's Association, said his organization isn't necessarily against establishing a new benchmark for who can testify at such hearings. He acknowledged that a one-mile limit is arbitrary. The board would be willing to discuss some sort of definition whereby people could testify if they can prove they have a vested interest in whether or not a CAFO is approved, he said.

Rep. Bert Stevenson, R-Rupert, is on the House Ways and Means Committee that approved Jaquet's bill for a hearing. He said he voted for Jaquet's bill as a courtesy, but he also said he will oppose the legislation when it comes to the Agriculture Committee, on which he also sits.

"It's only been a year. I want to give it time to see how it's working," Stevenson said. "But also, county commissioners can open it up if they want."

## Bliss

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it would be 40 mph for both directions."

A wooden post, which is beyond city limits, will hold a new "Reduce Speed Ahead"

## Testing

Continued from B1 November, but the board is still waiting to hear public comments.

"We've either created a perfect policy of they just haven't heard about it," said board Chairman Gerald Orthel.

Also Wednesday, the board listened to a number of suggestions from a Hollister parent committee regarding how to increase student enrollment and improve academic performance at Hollister Elementary School.

The committee's recommendations include:

- Don't move Hollister fifth graders to Filer Elementary.
- Committee spokesman Heber Loughmiller pointed out that continuing to move students to Filer would reduce the average daily attendance

sign. The new speed limit sign will be located on the same post as the Bliss city limits sign, Christensen said.

"What we need to make the speed limit enforceable is

an official city action," Christensen said.

The ordinance will become effective upon its publication and a violation of the speed limit will be an infraction.

funding Hollister receives for each of its 65 students.

Last September, the School Board planned to move the school's nine fifth graders and six teachers to Filer Elementary School. But parent opposition caused that decision to be overturned with the stipulation that enrollment would be re-examined in the spring. The school's sixth graders were moved to Filer Middle School in 1996.

- Increase enrollment by expanding kindergarten from a half day to a full day to save money on busing students in the afternoon.

- Spread out the time students spend in the Title I program from two days two four afternoons each week. Title I programs assist students who

are working below grade level.

"As it is now, with a day at the beginning and end of the week, students forget what they've learned and you have to start over," Loughmiller said.

- Change the enrollment requirements so that moving students between elementary schools would require parents to bring their request to the School Board. Currently, parents only need to fill out a form.

No action was taken on the Hollister parents committee suggestions. The School Board will wait until the financial numbers for average daily attendance funding and the savings on bus expenses are produced.

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**Committee backs pay-raise plan**

BOISE - The House Human Resources Committee on Thursday endorsed Gov. Dirk Kempthorne's proposal to provide \$19 million in merit pay increases for the state's 25,000 workers beginning in July.

The resolution, which must still pass the House and Senate, also calls for another \$9 million in bonuses or temporary pay hikes if the economy recovers faster than analysts now expect.

Half the money in question comes from general tax receipts, which have been depressed by the economic downturn. The rest is from the federal government or special funds like sportsmen's fees or the gas tax.

The increase, which will be disbursed by managers based on merit rather than across the board, would be the first general pay raise workers have received in two years.

**Advocates want licenses for undocumented workers**

BOISE - Several dozen protesters picketed the Statehouse on Thursday, demanding that undocumented workers be able to get driver's licenses.

The Idaho Community Action Network organized the rally and condemned the House Transportation Department for refusing to even consider legislation drafted by Democrat Elmer Martinez of Pocatello.

The group set up a mock hearing room in front of the Capitol. "Having a driver's license is a life or death issue for us," said proster Leticia Vargas. "I ask everyone who has ever had to a think twice about this - how would you feel if your children were sick and you didn't know how you would get them to a doctor?"

**Committee endorses new contractor regulations**

BOISE - The Senate Commerce Committee endorsed another attempt to regulate building contractors Thursday.

"The industry as a whole benefits and the consumer benefits," Jeremy Pisca, representing the Idaho Building Contractors Association, told the panel. The new bill requires contractors to register with the state, showing proof of worker's compensation insurance and at least \$300,000 in general liability insurance.

Without state registration, a contractor would lose his right to file a lien against the project being built if he is not being paid. Operating without registration would be a misdemeanor punishable by a \$1,000 fine and six months in jail.

Critics claim registration and licensing laws merely protect existing businesses from new competitors. Republican Sen. Jack Noble of Kuna, the lone opponent on the committee, argued that registration would not keep unscrupulous contractors from operating in Idaho but would give consumers a false sense of security that they are protected.

- compiled from wire reports

**Youth symphony winter concert will be Saturday**

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS - The Magic Valley Youth Orchestra, under the direction of Diane Davis, will present its winter concert on Saturday at 7 p.m. at the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium.

The orchestra, composed of young musicians from throughout the Magic Valley, will present music of Albinoni, Mozart and Beethoven featuring three orchestra members who are graduating high school seniors: oboist Ellsabeth Warren, soprano Sierra Seaman and violinist Jason Carpenter. "Cello Rondo" by Daniels and "1812 Overture" by Tchaikovsky will complete the program.

The public is invited to attend, and the admission is free.

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**Schools may not have to cut technology programs**

COEUR DALENE (AP) - Legislative budget writers have ignored Gov. Dirk Kempthorne's proposal to slash state technology support by \$5 million for the next school year.

It came as welcome news to Don Kotschevar, technology chief for the Mullan School District, whose potential solution to possible cuts in technology funding statewide was to eliminate his own job.

The district of 150 students is one that relies solely on state aid to finance technology needs. Funding cuts would have slashed Kotschevar's budget from \$23,000 to \$8,000.

"I didn't know where else we could cut the money," said Kotschevar, who also works as a teacher, bus driver and basketball coach.

But educators are guarded in their optimism. In a tight economy, some are concerned that sparing the technology budget may have ramifications in other equally vital areas.

"I'm a realist," said Steve Knox, the technology coordinator for Standards Achievement and around the system long enough to know you don't pull rabbits out of hats."

Kempthorne's proposed cut would have cost Kelllogg schools \$32,000. The district has been chosen to pilot the state-mandated Idaho Student Information

**Utah gov.: Bill banning gay marriage might be overkill, but popular sentiment**

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - Many Utah residents believe traditional marriage is threatened, and fear the issue of same-sex marriage will ultimately end up in the federal arena, Gov. Olene Walker said Thursday.

In her monthly KUED news conference, Walker suggested that the gay marriage ban approved by the Utah House Wednesday might be "overkill," but said that some people feel a strong legislative statement on traditional marriage is necessary. The Marriage Recognition Policy sanctions unions only "between a man and a woman."

"Some feel that we've got to do everything possible in the state of Utah to make a statement that we believe in the traditional marriage," Walker said. The Legislature has refused to recognize same-sex marriage twice before, in 1977 and 1995.

The governor did not say whether she planned to sign or veto the bill, only commenting, "I strongly believe in the traditional marriage."

Before the House vote Wednesday that sent the bill to Walker's desk, Rep. Jackie Biskupski, D-Salt Lake City, pleaded with Republicans to reconsider.

"I'm not the only lesbian you know. Gay people are in every com-



Management System.

But the district's computers are not equipped to handle the software needed for the statewide student information database. Knox said Kelllogg still needs to update its Internet service for the program even after securing an already tight budget to finance upgrades.

"Not losing funding just means we don't fall back as far," Knox said. "It's a much better picture, but it's still not rosy."

If Mullan had been forced to cut its Internet service, which had been a cost-cutting measure proposed by Kotschevar, the district would not have been able to administer the computer-based and state-required Idaho Standards Achievement Test for high school students, Kotschevar said.

Mullan Superintendent Robin Stanley said the schools are the primary source of Internet for students and free classes on how to use the Internet are also offered to Mullan's senior citizens.

munity in this state. We are your friends, family and co-workers," she said. "Same-sex couples live in every county in this state, some with children, some without. We work hard and pay our taxes. Defining marriage to exclude same-sex couples creates second-class citizens."

Reporters asked Walker on Thursday whether the symbolic value of the "message bills" that have filled the legislative session this year justify their costs and whether their ideological tone is scaring off businesses considering relocating to the state, as some Democratic leaders have suggested.

The bills include a ban on "partial-birth" abortion, a parental-rights bill and a resolution urging Congress to withdraw from the United Nations, which died in the Senate after passing the House.

Some legislators consider that "getting the message out was worth the cost," Walker said.

"Overall, I think the message bills may have effect on our image," she said. "There may be some that say, 'Hey, they have strong values. Let's consider Utah.' But businesses are ultimately more interested in Utah's business-friendly environment and the skills of its workers," she said.

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<b>Signed by governor:</b>	HB1732 (Appropriations) - Allocates \$9.9 million for the Public Employee Retirement System for 2004-2005.	HB1736 (Appropriations) - Allocates \$4.6 million for the Public Utilities Commission for 2004-2005.
HB1510 (State Affairs) - Gives the State Board of Land Commissioners authority to include minerals with the sale of state lands. Introduced in House.	HB1733 (Appropriations) - Allocates \$2.9 million to the Division of Human Resources for 2004-2005.	HB1737 (Appropriations) - Allocates \$1.3 million for the Idaho State Police for 2004-2005.
HB1729 (State Affairs) - Requires an autopsy under specified conditions of unexplained infant deaths.	HB1734 (Appropriations) - Allocates \$6.2 million for the Department of Insurance for 2004-2005.	HB1738 (Revenue and Taxation) - Increases the allowable acreage for shooting preserves from 1,600 acres to 4,000 acres.
HB1730 (State Affairs) - Allows broader access to county public hearings on siting of large animal feeding farms.	HB1735 (Appropriations) - Allocates \$3.6 million to the	HB1739 (Revenue and Taxation) - Outlines procedures for collecting property tax when a homeowner's exemption is improperly or erroneously claimed.
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**Arts council seeks artists for centennial show**

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS - The Magic Valley Arts Council will mark Twin Falls' 100th birthday with a year of centennial art.

The council is seeking artists who will explore the things that make Twin Falls unique and create art from their impressions.

Throughout the year there will be four themes of local interest and artists through the Magic Valley art encouraged to participate in each of the shows, hosted in the council's Galeria Pequena. The first show, entitled "The

Travel destinations in Magic Valley," will be held in April and May. Artists are encouraged to create artwork that illustrates their impression of why water is important to this high-desert community. To participate, artists must RSVP to the arts council office by March 5. The opening reception is scheduled for April 2.

A second centennial-themed show, in June and July, will be "Potatoes Are Our Life." Artists will be asked to create works based on a potato theme. Registration deadline is May 7. The third centennial show will

take place in August and September with the theme "Centennial in a Box." Artists are encouraged to create a mixed-media work that can be contained in a box and illustrates life in Twin Falls. Sign-up deadline is July 2.

The final centennial-themed show will happen in December and in January 2005. Titled "Twin Falls in Miniature," it will feature small artwork that expresses the community. Registration deadline is Dec. 3.

For more information, call the arts council office at 734-ARTS.

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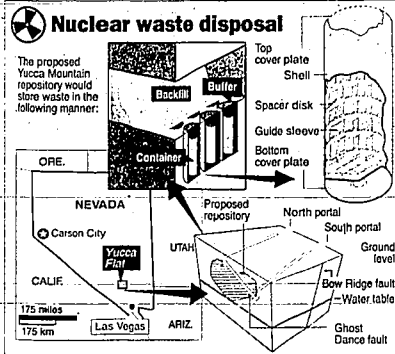
# Panel chief echoes concern over Yucca leaks

Review board backs comments from scientist who resigned

RENO, Nev. (AP) - New data the past year substantiates decade-old concerns an independent U.S. panel of scientists has raised about potential for leaks at a proposed nuclear waste repository at Yucca Mountain, the board's top administrator said Thursday.

The Nuclear Waste Technical Review Board documented the new evidence of potential dangers in a report to the Energy Department in November and is still waiting for DOE's formal response, said William Barnard, the board's executive director.

His comments come in support of criticisms leveled Wednesday by Paul Craig, a University of California-Davis scientist who said he quit the panel last month so he could speak more freely about problems with DOE's design for Yucca Mountain, espe-



cially the potential for high-temperature waste to corrode steel waste canisters. "The board always has had con-

cerns about the uncertainty at these high temperatures and now that the data is coming in, it looks like there is a problem," Barnard

said. "Those concerns date all the way back to the early 1990s," Barnard said.

"What is different now, what has come to light in the last year is there is now corrosion data that indicates there is a good possibility of localized corrosion on most of the canisters during the 'thermal pulse' - the first 2,000 or 3,000 years where temperatures are up in the 160 to 180 degree Centigrade range," he said.

Yucca Mountain, about 90 miles northwest of Las Vegas, is planned to begin receiving waste in 2010, including some from the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory. Some 77,000 tons of highly radioactive waste at commercial and military sites in 39 states would be stored in metal canisters underground in tunnels.

The DOE is required by a settlement agreement with Idaho to remove all spent nuclear fuel from the state by 2035. But the country doesn't have a permanent repository for spent nuclear

fuel, and Yucca Mountain is the only site on tap to take it.

Craig told the AP on Wednesday that the November report "says in ordinary English that under the conditions proposed by the Department of Energy, the canisters will leak."

Later, he told about 100 people at a Sierra Club forum in Reno Wednesday night that the 11-member board Congress created in 1987 to independently monitor the science used at Yucca Mountain "is an institution that turns out to know more about Yucca Mountain than the Department of Energy does."

The November report said "Hey guys, the metal canisters you guys are proposing to use to sequester the waste, they're going to rust, they're going to rot, they're going to leak," Craig said.

The Energy Department is still preparing a response to the board's report in November. DOE spokesman Allen Benson said from Las Vegas on Wednesday that the agency stands by its design but had no further comment.

# County drops case against firefighting firm

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) - Prosecutors dropped charges Wednesday against a Resuburg firefighting company for the deaths of eight firefighters in a van crash last summer as they returned from a wildfire in Idaho. Malheur County District Attorney Dan Norris said he filed charges by holding First Strike Environmental responsible for drunken driving, reckless driving and 18 counts of reckless endangerment.

The charges came after eight of the company's crew members were killed on Aug. 24 when their van slammed into a semi-truck near Vale in eastern Oregon as they were returning from a fire in west-central Idaho.

Blood tests showed that the van's driver, 23-year-old Mark Ransdell, had been drinking, but the level of alcohol in his blood has been disputed, with attorneys for First Strike arguing that his body was too soon burned to produce reliable evidence.

Prosecutors "have come to agree that, because this tragic motor vehicle accident left no survivors and because the toxicology and other evidence was so compromised, we just never know whether alcohol was a factor in the crash," said David Terry, an attorney for First Strike.

# Negotiators changed standoff tactics due to hostage condition

PHOENIX (AP) - The medical condition of the female prisoner guard held hostage by two inmates prompted negotiators to change their tactics, members of the negotiating team said Thursday.

Three doctors told negotiators on the 12th and 13th days of the standoff in Buckeye, Ariz., that the officer being held in the guard tower was dehydrated and could face other serious medical problems, said Lt. Col. Norm Beasley of the state Department of Public Safety.

Beasley and other members of the tactical team that negotiated the end of the 15-day standoff at the Arizona State Prison Complex-Lewis testified before the governor's panel investigating the crisis.

The female officer, who was held hostage with a male officer Jan. 18, was scheduled to testify Thursday afternoon.

The male officer, Jason Auch, was released Jan. 24. The female, who was allegedly raped by one of the inmates, was released on Feb. 1.

The tactical changes made by negotiators in the final days of the



Steven Coy



Ricky Wassenaar

standoff included illuminating the guard tower where inmates Ricky Wassenaar and Steven Coy were holding the female officer to put psychological pressure on the prisoners, Beasley said.

They also shut off power to the tower and opened the side gates. With the power off, the inmates couldn't get to the first floor, where the bathroom and running water were located.

Based on what negotiators had learned during the first 13 days of the standoff, they believed the more vocal pressure Wassenaar, who took the lead in negotiating with law enforcement.

"Wassenaar was very concerned about his personal

hygiene," Beasley said. As the pressure increased, Wassenaar became more hostile but eventually showed willingness to set surrender terms, Beasley said.

He demanded a steak meal, two beers, clean clothes, cigarettes and the restoration of electricity. Coy wanted to see his uncle, who was helping with negotiations, near a federal Bureau of Prisons vehicle.

One of the major surrender terms was an agreement to transfer the inmates out of the state prison system - something the Department of Corrections' Jeff Hood said would have been done anyway to protect the security of the prison.

Wassenaar and Coy surrendered when they released the female officer.

The inmates face multiple felony charges including kidnapping and assault. Coy is also charged with raping the female correctional officer and a female kitchen worker.

They have been moved to the Maricopa County Jail to await trial.

# Texaco star leaves Boise valley

BOISE (AP) - By the first part of April, 65 area Texaco stations will sport a new bright yellow Shell banner.

Shell Oil Products U.S. started converting Texaco stations in 2002 after ownership transfers from the 2001 merger of Chevron and Texaco. Texaco had to sell assets to gain federal approval for the merger, so shell purchased several refineries and 13,000 Texaco stations nationwide from the company.

Shell is investing \$530 million to convert the region to the Shell banner in more than 75 markets.

John Jackson, CEO of Jackson's Food Stores, said Texaco has been his company's brand since his father started the business in 1951.

"We're sorry to lose our Texaco heritage," Jackson said. "It's been kind of emotional, but we're optimistic and excited about moving on."

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# Girls who fled polygamous community disappear again

PHOENIX (AP) - Two girls who fled the polygamous community of Colorado City and were subsequently placed in state foster care have run away again.

Police have been notified, and law enforcement officials statewide have orders to hold the girls if they find them, said Child Protective Services spokeswoman Liz Barker.

Barker said CPS had no plans to return the teenagers to their parents.

Floa Jessop of Phoenix, a former Colorado City resident who left as a teenager in 1986, said the 16-year-olds left Sunday while on a weekend camping trip in west Phoenix.

She said the girls were scared they would be turned to their parents. In letters, they left behind, Jessop said, the girls

wrote that they feared being locked up or forced to marry much older men if they were sent home.

The father of one of the runaway teens said Wednesday that his daughter and her friend were not going to be sent back to their parents as antipolygamy activists have claimed.

Matthew Broadbent also called allegations that he abused his daughter or was forcing her to be married "totally nonsense."

He said the girl ran away because she did not want to abide by family rules.

This is the first time children fleeing polygamist families have been placed in state protective custody. Typically, the children have been treated like any other teenage runaways and returned home.

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Thursday's Puzzle Solved

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# Boyfriend must take a stand and cut mom's apron strings

**DEAR ABBY:** I've been dating this really great guy, "Josh," for about two months. I really like him, but I don't like his mother. Josh and I are both 20 and live with our parents.

Josh's mother is super-controlling. Whenever we go out, she has to know where we are going and what time he will be home. And she calls my cell phone during the date-to-check-up-on-him. She's always calling me to try to find out where he is.

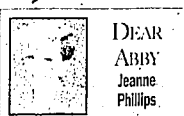
I really like Josh, but I'm tired of dating his mother. I'd. How should I handle this without hurting anyone?

**- TIRED OF DOUBLE-DATING**

**DEAR TIRED:** Turn off your cell phone, or leave it at home when you go out with Josh. His mother is having trouble accepting the fact that her son is no longer a child - but that should not be your problem. Josh is overdue for a talk with his mother about boundaries.

If her behavior bothers Josh as well, perhaps it's time that he become financially independent and moved into his own place.

As long as he lives under his parents' roof, he is still their "child" and will be treated accordingly.



**DEAR ABBY**  
Jeannie Phillips

**DEAR ABBY:** I have been living with "Neal" for three years. Neal works from home for only a few hours a day. He pays all the bills, so I don't have a problem with his choice of work.

What bothers me is I have no time to myself because he's always there.

Neal demands so much attention from me that I can't even read a recipe without him interrupting. I am not a vimp, but Neal has the more dominant personality and controls what we do with our time. At least it feels that way to me. But according to Neal, I don't give him enough time.

Since I moved in, I have not achieved any personal goals or even given as much love and attention to others as I used to. I rarely pursue interests of my own and almost never spend time doing things I want to do.

I feel like I'm losing my individuality.

I love Neal, and I'm not even sure he is the problem. I think I need to be more assertive about where my life is going.

Is there a book or support group for someone like me? Am I just depressed?

Obviously I don't have the drive to pursue my own interests. I will appreciate any advice you can give.

**- LOST IN HIS WORLD**

**DEAR LOST:** You ask if you are depressed because you don't have enough drive to pursue your own interests.

I think it may be the other way around - you don't pursue your own interests because you're depressed.

You say you "don't mind" Neal being home all the time because he pays the bills. Why is it that you aren't working? It would give you a degree of independence and self-determination that seems to be lacking.

Assertiveness classes could help you, and books on co-dependency could also give you some insight.

Since you are not married to Neal, you might also consider moving out until you can establish where he ends and you begin before he smothers you completely.



Jennifer Aniston  
Wednesday in London

## Aniston looks forward to life after 'Friends'

**LONDON (AP)** - Jennifer Aniston says she's looking forward to leaving "Friends" character Rachel Green behind after a decade on the hit NBC sitcom.

Aniston, in London Wednesday to promote her new romantic comedy, "Along Came Polly," said she'll always be grateful for the character that made her famous, but she wants to focus on big-screen roles.

"I loved 'Friends' so much, and I don't know how you would follow that act (on television)," she said. "No one can say, 'I would never go back to that, court. But for now, I feel like I've done it.'"

The final episode of "Friends" is due to be aired in May.

Aniston, 35, said she'd like to do more films such as 2002's "The Good Girl," in which she played against type as a frumpy and miscreant small-town store clerk.

"It's so easy to be boxed into one part and one part only," she said at a news conference. But, she added, "I think there are opportunities for women in comedy."

"This part I've done for 10 years is going to be hard to get out of people's minds," she said. "I'm just going to hope to do my job as good as I can and try to do it away."

## Prepare for breakthrough, Capricorn

**IF FEBRUARY 20 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY ...** you have a passion for the very old or the very new; you can be equally enthralled by the mechanics of the latest computer or a classic painting. If it is unique, your interest will be aroused.

**ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 19):** The new moon should light up your desire to make changes and seek new friends. If a new special someone has entered your life, the relationship itself might not last.

**TAURUS (Apr. 20-May 20):** You have been dreaming on some ideas for quite a while, and now's the time to move forward. You know that to implement innovation, one must pay homage to the established social mores.

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**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** The light heart that wags off in your mind may be the start of something bright and beautiful. You know that any project you start that wires you into the world at large has a good chance of success.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22):** The new moon this weekend marks a time when a crisp new point of view will help pull you out of ruts and head you off into exciting directions.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** This new point would make the beginning of experimentation behind closed doors with private matters. You may feel that you need to keep secrets.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** There is an important new cycle at hand that may challenge your ability to maintain the status quo in relationships but will enrich your life with brilliant ideas and appealing attitudes.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** The focus shifts to your work and money this weekend, and if you wish to succeed, you need to have an open mind and keep on top of the latest technical advances.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** The new moon brings a subtle change to the status quo, and you have the insight to balance old knowledge with the latest tools.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** You have the urge to make some changes and may abruptly do a turnaround with friends. This new cycle could affect home and family, or just your philosophy.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** Today marks the beginning of the end for an impasse within the relationship sector. You may attract friends who can help you climb out of the proverbial hole you find yourself in.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** New starts mean success where finances are concerned. You are at your peak in terms of being able to utilize original methods.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20):** The new moon and start of a new cycle in your sign can light up your life permanently if you remember that "change can be good."

## Coyote hunters look up before they look down

Coyote hunters watch the sky for wheeling vultures.

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**Q.** An Army veteran home from the Middle East talked about



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"quit." What is it?

**A.** A mildly narcotic leaf dressed by many in that part of the world. Boys start as early as

age 10, correspondents say. They say further that countless men on the Arabian Peninsula put themselves into "quit" trances every afternoon.

**Q.** Who invented lawn? **A.** English castle lords. They cut down trees so they could see attackers. Then planted grass, and let the sheep crop away. If your home is your castle, your lawn mower is a latherday sheep.

**Q.** A great homed owl can catch a house cat. And eat same. Up The Owl and the Pussycat left out that part.

By weight, it's said, about half of all animal life is earthworms.

**Q.** Don't call them liver spots, says a skin specialist. The liver has nothing to do with them. Don't call them age spots. Age has nothing to do with them. They're caused by the sun. Unfortunately, sun spots already means something else.

**Q.** Do millipedes ever trip? **A.** Frequently.

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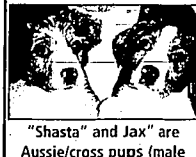
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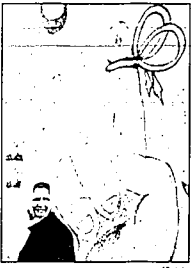
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WORLD



A woman walks past a billboard reminding citizens to vote in Tehran, Iran, Thursday, a day before national parliamentary elections. Mostly conservative Iranians are expected to go to the polls for today's elections.

### Hard-liners seek win in Iran elections

TEHRAN, Iran (AP) — Hard-liners appear almost certain to retake control of Iran's legislature in parliamentary elections today after hundreds of reformist candidates were disqualified. In the latest sign of the conservatives' boldness, they padlocked shut the capital's last major pro-reform newspapers.

The silencing of the two dailies — was not a surprise — on Thursday was part of relentless pressure on media critical of the Islamic establishment. But it carried an added blow just before the elections, which most reformist politicians and supporters plan to boycott.

Judiciary agents also searched and closed an election monitoring office of the main reformist party, the Islamic Participation Front, said a member of the group, speaking on condition of anonymity. The group's headquarters continued to operate.

Many liberals saw the closures as a show of force and confidence by conservatives despite widespread accusations they have hijacked the vote.

The ruling theocracy has barred more than 2,400 candidates who sought greater political and social openness — effectively sending the 290-seat parliament back under the wing of supreme leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei and the powerful clerical ranks he commands.

All the candidates who are up for election, but the only real drama is how many people will vote.

Liberals have called for a mass no-show to embarrass the Islamic leadership and weaken the credibility of the new parliament. They have also broken a major political taboo and directly criticized Khamenei, whose backers believe he is answerable only to God.

The powerful judiciary — controlled by Khamenei — closed the two newspapers after they published portions of a statement from pro-reform lawmakers that attacked the supreme leader and said freedom was being "trampled in the name of Islam."

### Iranian villagers bury their dead after explosion kills 320 people

DEHNOW, Iran (AP) — Bulldozers digging graves in this tiny Iranian village Thursday drowned out the wails of mourners waiting to bury loved ones killed when a runaway train derailed at more than 90 mph and exploded, killing 320 people and injuring hundreds more.

The provincial governor said negligence or brake failure probably caused 51 train cars to fall down the tracks before dawn Wednesday, picking up speed for 31 miles until all but three derailed, caught fire and exploded several hours later.

Many of the dead were firefighters who had nearly extinguished the blaze when gasoline, fertilizer and industrial chemicals in the freight cars detonated. Other victims were villagers whose clay homes collapsed from the force of the blast. About 460 people were injured.

... In this village near the train tracks, women clutched their black, all-covering chadors and wailed near the bodies of eight victims. Men sat in the dirt, near by holding their heads in grief. An old man prayed, bending down and touching his forehead to the ground.

## Russia boasts future weapons will penetrate defenses

MOSCOW (AP) — Russia has successfully tested a hypersonic anti-Star Wars weapon capable of penetrating any prospective missile shield, a senior general said Thursday.

The prototype weapon proved it could maneuver so quickly as to make "any missile defense useless," Col. Gen. Yuri Baluyevsky, the first deputy chief of the General Staff of the Russian armed forces, told a news conference.

He said that the prototype of a new hypersonic vehicle had proved its ability to maneuver while in orbit, thereby making it able to dodge an enemy's missile shield.

"The flying vehicle changed both the altitude and direction of its flight," Baluyevsky said. "During the experiment conducted yesterday, we proved that it's possible to develop weapons that would make any missile defense useless." Baluyevsky's comment followed

a statement by President Vladimir Putin, who said Wednesday after attending rocket launches from the Plesetsk launch pad in northern Russia that experiments conducted during the military maneuvers had proven that Russia could build new strategic weapons that would be unrivaled in the world.

Putin said that the development of new weapons was not directed against the United States, and Baluyevsky reaffirmed the state-

ment, saying that the experiment shouldn't be seen as Russia's response to U.S. missile defense plans.

"The experiment conducted by us must not be interpreted as a warning to the Americans not to build their missile defense because we designed this thing," Baluyevsky told The Associated Press.

In Washington, Gen. Richard Myers, chairman of the Joint Chiefs

of Staff, was asked by reporters about the Putin statement.

"If you're in that business — inter-continental ballistic missiles and warheads — you want them to be survivable, and maneuverability is one way to increase their survivability against any potential defenses," he said.

Putin said that Russia had no intention of immediately deploying new weapons based on the experimental vehicle.

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## best bits in entertainment



**Almost like a song**  
Ronnie Milsap will do two shows both tonight and Saturday night at Cactus Petes Resort Casino in Jackpot.

**Jazz tonight**  
Pianist Chuck Smith will be featured as part of the College of Southern Idaho's Jazz Summit Seminar Series tonight at Java in Twin Falls.

**Good times**  
Chasers Sports Bar and Night Club in Twin Falls host a Mardi Gras Party Saturday night, with music by Split Second.

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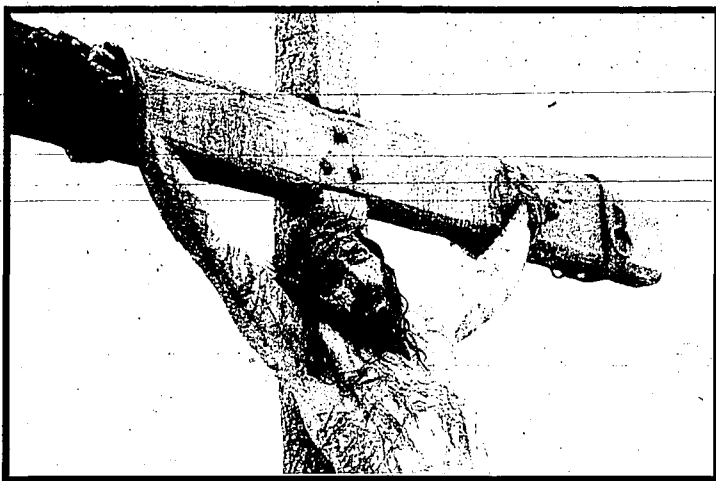
**Doggone**  
Ketchum's New Theater Company will present A.R. Gurney's dark comedy "Sylvia" tonight, Saturday and Sunday in the nextStage Theater.

**Winter concert**  
The Magic Valley Youth Symphony will perform the music of Mozart and Tchaikovsky Saturday afternoon in the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium in Twin Falls.

**Whole new world**  
Hailey's Company of Fools will wrap up its production of Jason Robert Brown's musical revue "Songs for a World" tonight, Saturday and Sunday in the Liberty Theater.

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# P a s s i o n



Jim Caviezel, portraying Jesus Christ, is nailed to the cross on the set of 'The Passion of the Christ' in this publicity photo.

## Mel Gibson's much-anticipated movie opens Wednesday

### The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — It's a clash of power, religion and history more fit for the apocalyptic Book of Revelation than the pages of showbiz journal Variety.

But this is a fight over a movie — a conflict that has allowed Mel Gibson to transform "The Passion of the Christ" from an obscure "career-killer" film into an international event that is already one of the most divisive movies of recent times.

"The Passion," which depicts in gruesome detail the final hours of Christ's life, premieres in the United States on Wednesday — Ash Wednesday on the Roman Catholic calendar. That's just one of the ways that Gibson, while preparing to

**If you go ...**  
Mel Gibson's 'The Passion' will open Wednesday at the Twin Falls Cinemas in Twin Falls and Magic Cinema in Ketchum.

release this intensely personal project, has built an audience on both faith and fury.

The Catholic movie star has restricted most early screenings to thousands of pastors, ministers and Christian leaders; urged use of "The Passion" for proselytizing; distributed movie discs in sermons; for Sunday morning services; encouraged grass-roots Internet promotional campaigns by Christian groups; written the foreword to a book of photos from the film, which was No. 33 Wednesday on the

Amazon best-seller list; and even sought the endorsement of the pope — although whether or not he received it remains in doubt.

The end result: A movie rejected by all the major studios, with subtitles to translate the Latin and Aramaic dialogue, is poised to be a hit.

"This is one of the biggest stories of the year, simply because of how unprecedented it is," said Brandon Gray, proprietor of the box office tracker BoxOfficeMojo.com. "It's hard to fathom that a movie in two ancient languages, that is so religious and so focused on suf-

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Jim Caviezel, right, portraying Jesus Christ, is comforted by an unidentified actress on the set of 'The Passion of the Christ' in this publicity photo. Director Mel Gibson has insisted that the controversial film does not malign Jews.

## Speaking frankly

## R.A.T. Players present controversial 'Monologues'

By Steve Crump  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — It's not the type of drama that usually plays small-town Idaho.

"Its purpose is not to shock," said Aubree Woods, who's directing the R.A.T. Players' production of "The Vagina Monologues" tonight and Saturday at the Lamphouse Theater. "It's four women talking about their bodies."

And talking very candidly. Playwright Eve Ensler's six-year-old play is both light-hearted and sobering, Woods says. Its language and content are controversial, but it's been performed on hundreds of college campuses nationwide, including both Boise State and Idaho State universities, and used to ignite the #YesInitiative, a national feminist movement aimed at ending violence

**To learn more ...**

- **What:** The R.A.T. Players will present Eve Ensler's "The Vagina Monologues."
- **Where:** Lamphouse Theater, Twin Falls.
- **When:** Tonight and Saturday, 8 p.m.
- **How much:** Tickets, which are \$10, are available at the door.

toward women.

"It's not meant to offend anyone," Woods said. "It's a frank play about the ways that women perceive themselves."

"The Monologues" is the first effort of the newly renamed R.A.T. (for "random acts of theater") Players, formerly the Friends of the College of Southern Idaho Players.

"We informally called ourselves the R.A.T. Players from the beginning," Woods said. "So

we decided to do it officially."

Like their predecessor company, the R.A.T. Players have no direct link to CSI. The Friends of CSI Players was started, with some financial support from the CSI Foundation, two years ago as a touring troupe to expose audiences in southern Idaho and northern Nevada to CSI theater.

The R.A.T. Players make their artistic decisions independently, Woods said.

"This is a play I've wanted to do for a long time," she said. "And when I mentioned it to some other women, they were enthusiastic about it."

Woods, like cast members Jennifer Miller and Chelsea Reichel, has been involved in CSI theater productions in the past. The other cast member, Twin Falls High School alumnus Molly Brock, studied at Lewis-Clark State College.

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Molly Brock, left, Aubree Woods, center, Jennifer Miller, background, and Chelsea Reichel are in the R.A.T. Players' production of Eve Ensler's "The Vagina Monologues" tonight and Saturday at the Lamphouse Theater in Twin Falls' Old Towns.

## Video watch

### Runaway Jury

Gene Hackman, and John Cusack crackle with energy as a corrupt jury consultant, and a rogue juror who appears to be willing to throw the verdict in a David-vs.-Goliath lawsuit brought against a gun manufacturer by the grieving widow of a murdered man. Aside from Dustin Hoffman, who plays the widow's rumpiled lawyer, it's hard

**PG-13**

to know whom to root for — or against. Even Hoffman's idealistic attorney considers buying the verdict at one point.

Still, it is the film's delicious moral ambiguity, and the scarily real-seeming ability of consultants to manipulate late justice, that make this a gripping, escapist thriller. Contains violence and some rough language.

### Masked and Anonymous

In a contemporary take on the medieval morality play, the characters in "Masked and Anonymous" do not so much behave like real human beings as act as symbols, shuffling around the set — a drenched cross between a banana republic and an America gone horribly to seed — uttering gnomish pronouncements about the futility of life.

Co-written by and starring Bob Dylan as a washed-up singer who has been sprung from prison to perform in some kind of unspecified benefit concert, "M&A" is meant to be

**PG-13**

terribly, terribly profound or a terrible, terrible indictment of U.S. imperialism and cultural sterility, but it just ends up being terribly, terribly annoying. The spectacle of A-list actors involved (John Goodman, Jessica Lange, Jeff Goldblum, Angela Bassett, Penelope Cruz, et al.) and the music (a top-form Dylan as well as some bizarre Dylan covers) are the only reasons to sit through this. Contains vulgar language and some violence.

— Source: Washington Post

WEEKEND

# Ryan stars in role based on boxing manager's career

## New to the valley

**'Against the Ropes'**  
Meg Ryan stars in this fictionalized take on the career of boxing manager Jackie Kallen. With Omar Epps, Charles S. Dutton Jr. and co-stars. PG-13.

**'Confessions of a Teenage Drama Queen'**  
—Lindsay Lohan... 'Freaky Friday' faces a major transition from her Manhattan life to a sentence in New Jersey. Directed by Sara Sugarman. 'Very Annie Mary.'

**'Eurotrip'**  
—A teenager and his buddies raise Cain on the Continent as they travel to Berlin in search of his e-mail pal. With Scott Mechlowicz, Jacob Pitts, Michelle Trachtenberg and Travis Wester. Directed by Jeff Schaffer.

**'The Passion'**  
Mel Gibson's graphic, controversial retelling of a last hours of Jesus: Christ, filmed in Aramaic and Latin (with subtitles). With Jim Caviezel. Rated R.

**'Welcome to Mooseport'**  
Ray Romano runs for mayor against former U.S. president Gene Hackman, while they compete for the affections of Mauri Tierney. Directed by Donald Petrie ('Miss Congeniality'). With Marcia Gay Harden, Christine Baranski, and Rip Torn. PG-13.

## Continuing

**'Barbershop 2: Back in Business'**

A worthy sequel to the uproarious original. By the end of last year's runaway hit, Ice Cube had decided that it was his destiny to carry on his father's business. This time his shop and neighborhood are threatened by a developer. Cedric the Entertainer and crew are back, and Queen Latifah has opened a beauty shop next door. A warm mixture of sentiment, humor and serious social commentary. (128. PG-13, for language, sexual material and brief drug references.)

**'Big Fish'**  
Tim Burton's fabulist story about the colorfully fantastical father (Albert Finney) of a grimly realist son (Billy Crudup) is a lush fantasy that will appeal to the fantasists among us. With Ewan McGregor and Jessica Lange. PG-13 (brief nudity, mild violence)

**'The Butterfly Effect'**  
Ashton Kutcher, the Chaos Theory, time-traveling supernatural gothic horror - it's all here, in this overwrought and underwritten scarefest, intertwined with a love story, and a dark and seamy one it is. R (violence, sex, drugs, profanity)

**'Calendar Girls'**  
Inspired by the true-life British matrons who bared (almost) all for charity calendar, this convivial movie starring Helen Mirren and Julie Walters is more involving than its glib premise suggests. PG-13



Left, a game of Rock/Paper/Scissors decides who goes first in a crucial debate between Cole (Gene Hackman, left) and Handy (Ray Romano), as town elder Morris Guttman (Wayne Robson) officiates in 'Welcome to Mooseport.' Below, when New Yorker (Lindsay Lohan, right) is removed from the Big Apple to the Jersey burbs, she goes back into the city with new friend Ella (Allison Pill, left) in hilarious comedy 'Confessions of a Teenage Drama Queen.'

(discreet nudity, brief profanity)

**'Catch That Kid'**  
An exercise in rank exploitation, this remake of a recent Danish hit tracks how three eighth graders rob a bank, professionally for worthy reasons and all in the name of good, clean, felonious family fun. It looks and moves like a low-end action movie, complete with thumping soundtrack, nanosecond-fast edits, stunts that probably look scary to anyone who doesn't know better and even a third-act police chase through downtown L.A. All of which suggests that it's never too early to spoon-feed the audience a diet of depravity, mindless violence and full-throttle schlock. Directed by Bart Freundlich and written by Michael Brandt and Derek Haas. With Kristen Stewart, Max Thieriot, Corbin Bleu, Jennifer Beals and Sam Roberts. (131. PG, for some language, thematic elements and rude humor)

**'Cheaper by the Dozen'**  
A family slapstick that young kids will love for the food fights, older kids will like for TV stars Hilary Duff and Ashton Kutcher, and adults will endure for Steve Martin and Bonnie Hunt, "Cheaper by the Dozen" purports to be based on the memoir by the children of Frank and Lillian Gilbreth. The new movie and the wry funny memoir are alike in name only. PG (flatulence and poop humor)

**'Cold Mountain'**  
Airing with mountain music and actors stretching their vowels in long, loopy cadences, this romantic odyssey set during the Civil War is the equivalent of comfort food: old-fashioned, earthy (lots of root vegetables), satisfying. Jude Law and Nicole Kidman star as lovers separated by conflict, carnage and hundreds and hundreds of miles. R (violence, profanity, nudity, adult themes). Steven Rea

**'The Cooler'**  
This winning little movie about a preternatural loser is set in an old-school Vegas casino, where William H. Macy plays a guy who radiates bad luck - and is on the payroll to make sure that it rubs



off on high-rollers. Alec Baldwin and Mario Bello costar. R (profanity, violence, sex, nudity, adult themes)

**'50 First Dates'**  
Alternately treacly and crass, this is a disastrous reteaming of the charming "Wedding Singer" Adam Sandler, as a marine animal veterinarian at a Sea World-type park in Hawaii and relentless Lothario, and Drew Barrymore, as the victim of short-term memory loss. When the abysmal film isn't being goofy over Sandler and Barrymore's impediment to romance, it's indulging in unfunny humor of jaw-dropping awfulness. (131. PG-13, for crude sexual humor and drug references)

**'In America'**  
Lyrical, life-affirming, lovely. Jim Sheridan's film about Irish illegals in the United States is proof that tortured people can go through hell and come out the other side to find heaven in Hell's Kitchen. With Samantha Morton and Djimon Hounsou. PG-13 (discreet sex, discreet violence, drugs, profanity)

**'Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King'**  
The final installment in Peter

Jackson's daunting adaptation of J. R. R. Tolkien's trilogy is long, episodic, Renaissance Faire-y and, at times, mind-bogglingly brilliant. The fellowship of hobbit and man, dwarf and elf, puts down the orcs - and far greater evils - in this visually spectacular realization of Middle-earth. PG-13 (violence, monstrous beings)

**'Lost in Translation'**  
Tart and sweet, unmistakably funny and exceptionally well observed, this film marks the arrival of 32-year-old writer-director Sofia Coppola as a mature talent with a distinctive sensibility and the means to express it. Perhaps only Bill Murray has the persona and the skills to capture the exquisite balance between funny and forlorn called for by the part of Bob Harris, an American movie star chagrined to find himself in Tokyo getting paid \$2 million to film a whiskey ad and killing time in "the hotel bar" or watching TV in his room. Until he meets Charlotte (Scarlett Johansson). (145. R, for some sexual content.)

**'Miracle'**  
A spellbinding saga of how America's mighty pucks shot

## What's playing where

Twin Falls	Hailey/Ketchum/Sun Valley
Twin Cinema 'Calendar Girls' 'Catch That Kid' 'Cheaper by the Dozen' 'Cold Mountain' 'Confessions of a Teenage Drama Queen' '50 First Dates' 'Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King' 'Miracle' 'Mistral River' 'The Passion' (starts Wednesday) 'Something's Gotta Give' 'You Got Served'	Magic Lantom '50 First Dates' 'In America' 'The Passion' (starts Wednesday) '21 Grams' 'Welcome to Mooseport'
Odyssey Theater 'Barbershop 2' 'Big Fish' 'Butterfly Effect' 'Eurotrip' 'Pride and Prejudice' 'Welcome to Mooseport'	SKTime Cinemas 'Lost in Translation' 'Miracle' 'Monster'
Lamphouse Theater 'In America'	Burley Century Cinema 'Confessions of a Teenage Drama Queen' '50 First Dates' 'Miracle' 'Pride and Prejudice' 'Welcome to Mooseport'
The Orpheum 'Against the Ropes'	Burley Theater 'Mona Lisa Smile'
	Jerome Jerome Cinema 'Confessions of a Teenage Drama Queen' '50 First Dates' 'Miracle' 'Welcome to Mooseport'

past the Soviet hockey team at the 1980 Winter Olympics - an event Sports Illustrated called the 20th century's defining moment in sport - "Miracle" is David and Goliath on ice. PG (coarse language and rough athletic action)

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

**'Monster'**  
Charize Theron is scary as Aileen Wuornos, the Death Row inmate who worked as a prostitute, and then killed several of her johns. Christina Ricci plays the young lesbian who hooks up with Wuornos in this sad, impossible love story. R (violence, sexual violence, nudity, profanity, adult themes)

**'Mystic River'**  
Clint Eastwood's exceptional murder mystery swells with the twin themes of violence and vengeance that have long haunted the filmmaker. Sean Penn, Tim Robbins and Kevin Bacon costar as the South Boston ex-gangster, ne'er-do-well and cop, childhood friends who are still reeling from an act of violence 25 years earlier, when the cop is sent to investigate the murder of Penn's daughter. With Laurence Fishburne, Laura Linney and Marcia Gay Harden. R (mature themes, violence, profanity)

**'Pride and Prejudice'**  
Director Andrew Black's updating of Jane Austen, with Elizabeth (Keira Knightley) as a college student who is determined to ignore the dating scene. But when she meets Wickham (Henry Cavill), a charming rascal, and Darcy (Matthew Macfadyen), a sensible businessman, her carefully constructed world flies to pieces. Rated G.

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

**'21 Grams'**  
Sean Penn, Naomi Watts and Benicio Del Toro star in Alejandro Gonzalez Inarritu's powerful tale of strangers whose lives intersect in tragedy. Structured in fractured, time-jagged arcs, the narrative flashes forward, lurches back. It's moviemaking cubism, and it challenges and provokes, but the characters at the heart of the tale are people we recognize. And know. R (nudity, sex, profanity, violence, adult themes)

**'You Got Served'**  
Teen R&B idols Omarion and Marques Houston star in this tribute to about street dance crews. It's a music video stretched beyond the yawning point. PG-13 (drug and sexual references, mild violence)

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# Skid Row will rock concert house in Boise tonight

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### Tonight - Boise

Skid Row will play the Big Easy Concert House at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$15, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

### Tonight and Saturday

Cobalt Blue will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Honker's Place. Cover charge is \$4. Honker's Place is located at 121 Fourth Ave. S. in Twin Falls.

### Monday - Utah

Carnival Corps and Hippocry will play in the Venue in Salt Lake City at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$15, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. In the Venue is located at 600 West 219 South.

### Tuesday - Boise

The Young Dubliners will perform at the Big Easy Concert House at 10 p.m. Tickets, which are \$13.50, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, or at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

### Feb. 28 - Utah

Caroline Spine will perform at Liquid Joe's in Salt Lake City at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$10, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. Liquid Joe's is located at 3300 South 1249 East.

### Feb. 27-28

Banyan will perform at Whiskey Jacques in Ketchum at 10 p.m. nightly. No cover charge. Whiskey's is located at 251 N. Main St.

## Players

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Enslar has said she wrote to play because she heard women talking about their bodies and that what they said surprised her.

"They had no context or place where they could do that," she told the Metro Times of Detroit in a recent interview. "And that by talking about them, they made themselves more real, more present and more legitimate."

The 50-year-old writer says he was sexually abused as a child and was an alcoholic by the time she graduated from Middlebury College in Vermont. After a couple of dissolute years, she met and married a bartender named Richard McDermott, who per-



### Feb. 29 - Boise

Banyan will play the NeuroLux Lounge at 9 p.m. Tickets, which are \$12, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The NeuroLux Lounge is located at 111 N. 11th St.

### March 2 - Utah

Dillinger Escape Plan will perform at Salt Lake City's Albee Square at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$10, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. Albee Square is located at 165 South West Temple.

### March 4 - Boise

Mary Lou Lord and Gingerol will perform at the NeuroLux Lounge at 9 p.m. tickets, which are \$5, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The NeuroLux Lounge is located at 111 N. 11th St.

### March 6 - Utah

The Sounds, Kill Hannah and Ina Robot will play in the Venue in Salt Lake City at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$12, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. In the Venue is located at 600 West 219 South.

### March 7 - Boise

Liz Phair will play the Big Easy Concert House at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$19.50, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

### March 9 - Utah

The Early November, Hey Mercedes and Spitalfield will perform at the Venue in Salt Lake City at 6:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$11, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. In the Venue is located at 600 West 219 South.

### March 10 - Utah

The Casualties will play Albee Square in Salt Lake City at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$10, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. Albee Square is located at 165 South West Temple.

### March 11 - Boise

The Temptations will perform at the Big Easy Concert House at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$35, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

### March 13 - Boise

Henry Rollins will play the Big Easy Concert House at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$20, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

### March 13 - Utah

Allister, Hidden in Plain View and Over It will perform at the Big Easy Concert House at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$13, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. Albee Square is located at 165 South West Temple.

### March 15 - Boise

Allister, Hidden in Plain View and Over It will perform at the Big Easy Concert House at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$12.50, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

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March 18 - Utah

A Perfect Circle will perform at the E. Center in the Salt Lake City suburb of West Valley City at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$28.50, can be reserved by phoning (800) 888-TIXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. The E. Center is located at 3200 South Decker Lake Drive.

March 19 - Utah

Total Chaos will play Albee Square in Salt Lake City at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$8, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. Albee Square is located at 165 South West Temple.

March 20 - Utah

Barenaked Ladies will perform at the E. Center in the Salt Lake City suburb of West Valley City at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$34, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. The E. Center is located at 3200 South Decker Lake Drive.

March 21 - Boise

Death Cab for Cutie will perform at the Big Easy Concert House at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$13.50, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>.

March 22 - Utah

Death Cab for Cutie will play in the Venue in Salt Lake City at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$13, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. In the Venue is located at 600 West 219 South.

March 24 - Utah

Tesla will perform at the E. Center in the Salt Lake City suburb of West Valley City at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$25, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. The E. Center is located at 3200 South Decker Lake Drive.

March 24 - Utah

Liars and Young People will play Albee Square in Salt Lake City at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$10, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. Albee Square is located at 165 South West Temple.

April 2 - Utah

The Get Up Kids will play Albee Square in Salt Lake City at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$15.50, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. Albee Square is located at 165 South West Temple.

April 5 - Boise

A Perfect Circle will play the Bank of America Center at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$29.50, can be reserved by phoning Select A Seat at (208) 426-1494, online at <http://www.idahotickets.com>, or at Albertson's in Twin Falls. The Bank of America Center is located at 233 S. Capitol Blvd.

March 20 - Boise

Metallica will perform at the Pavilion on the campus of Boise State University at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$57 and \$77, can be reserved by phoning Select A Seat at (208) 426-1494, online at <http://www.idahotickets.com>, or at Albertson's in Twin Falls.

March 26 - Boise

Big Head Todd and the Monsters will play the Big Easy Concert House at 8:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$25, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

March 30 - Boise

Keller Williams will play the Big Easy Concert House at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$15, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

March 31

Keller Williams will play the Newcomb Theater in Ketchum at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$18.50, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum.

April 12 - Utah

Saves the Day, Grandaddy, The Fire Theft and Hey Mercedes will perform at in the Venue in Salt

Lake City at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$20, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. In the Venue is located at 600 West 219 South.

April 19 - Utah

The Strokers will perform at in the Venue in Salt Lake City at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$25, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX and online at <http://www.smithstix.com>.

C O U N T R Y

Tonight and Saturday

Ronnie Milspaw will do two shows a night, at 8 and 10 p.m., at Cactus Petes Resort Casino in Jackpot. Tickets prices are \$25, \$30 and \$35. For reservations, call (800) 821-1103.

Tonight and Saturday

Sweet Country Air will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at TJ's Lounge. No cover charge. TJ's Lounge is located at 112 Broadway Ave. S. in Boil.

Tonight and Saturday

Country Classics will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Montana Steakhouse. No cover charge. Montana Steakhouse is located at 1826 Canyon Crest Drive in Twin Falls.

Saturday

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

Saturday

The Fugitives will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Shakers. No cover charge. Shakers is located at 826 Highway 81 in Declo.

Tuesday - Utah

Lucinda Williams will sing at Kingsbury Hall on the campus of the University of Utah in Salt Lake City at 7:30 p.m. For ticket information, call ArtTix at (801) 355-2787.

Wednesday - Utah

The Eastard Sons of Johnny Cash will perform at Club Sound in Salt Lake City at 10 p.m. Tickets, which are \$5, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. Club Sound is located at 600 West 219 South.

March 5-6

Sammy Kershaw will do two shows a night at Cactus Petes Resort Casino in Jackpot, at 8 and 10 p.m. Tickets, which are \$20, \$25 and \$30, can be reserved by phoning (800) 821-1103.

E L E C T R O N I C

Feb. 27 - Boise

Crystal Method will play the Big Easy Concert House at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$20, are available by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

Feb. 28 - Utah

Bad Boy Bill will perform at Club Axis in Salt Lake City at 9:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$10, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. Club Axis is located at 500 West 100 South.

H I P H O P

Tonight and Saturday - Utah

Baby Bash will perform at Club Axis in Salt Lake City at 10:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$10, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. Club Axis is located at 500 West 100 South.

April 2 - Boise

N.E.R.D. and Black-Eyed Peas will play the Big Easy Concert House at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$25.50, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

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April 3 - Utah

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F O L K M U S I C

March 10

Joan Baez will sing in Kingsbury Hall on the campus of the University of Utah in Salt Lake City at 8 p.m. For ticket information, call ArtTix at (801) 355-2787.

C L A S S I C A L

Tonight and Saturday - Utah

Utah Symphony will perform Rachmaninoff's Piano Concert No. 2 at 8 p.m. tonight and 2 p.m. on Saturday in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. Tickets, which range from \$16 to \$47, can be reserved by phoning ArtTix at (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

Saturday

The Magic Valley Youth Symphony will perform its annual winter concert at 3 p.m. in the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium. Twin Falls. Free.

Feb. 27

The Magic Valley Symphony, under the direction of guest conductor Kevin Call, will perform Dvorak's "New World" symphony and Stravinsky's "Firebird" at 8 p.m. in the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium in Twin Falls. Tickets, which are \$7 for general admission, \$6 for seniors and \$4 for students, are available at ASI Bookstore, Everybody's Business and Magic Valley Arts Council in Twin Falls, and at the door.

Feb. 27-28 - Utah

Utah Symphony will perform music by Bernstein and Brahms at 8 p.m. nightly in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. Tickets, which range from \$16 to \$40, can be reserved by phoning ArtTix at (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

March 5-6 - Utah

Utah Symphony will perform music by Berlioz, Ravel and Milhaud at 8 p.m. nightly in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. Tickets, range from \$16 to \$47, can be reserved by phoning ArtTix at (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

March 11 - Utah

Utah Symphony will play violin music by Grieg, Sinding and Schubert at 7:30 p.m. in Lliby Gardner Hall on the campus of the University of Utah in Salt Lake City. Tickets, which are \$27, can be reserved by phoning ArtTix at (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

April 9-10 - Utah

Utah Symphony will perform the music of Moran, Poulenc, Mozart and Barber at 8 p.m. on April 9 and at 2 p.m. on April 10 in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. Tickets, which range from \$16 to \$47, can be reserved by phoning Art Tix at (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

R E G G A E

March 1 - Boise  
The Waiters will perform at the Big Easy Concert House at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$20, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

C H R I S T I A N

March 25 - Boise  
Switchoff will play the Big Easy Concert House at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$13, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum.

J A Z Z M U S I C

Tonight  
Jazz pianist Chuck Smith will be featured as part of the College of Southern Idaho's Jazz Summit Seminar Series at Java at 7 p.m. Java is located at 228 Blue Lakes Blvd. N.

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# Events

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Mark O'Connor's Hot Swing Trio, the last act of the season in the Sun Valley Center for the Arts' Chamber Artist Series, will perform at the Presbyterian Church of the Bigwood in Ketchum at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$25, can be reserved by phoning the Sun Valley Center at 726-9491.

## April 2 - Boise

Ernie Martin will headline the Gene Harris Jazz Festival, 7 p.m., Bank of America Center. Tickets, which are \$22, \$44 and \$75, can be reserved by phoning Select A Seat at (208) 426-1494, online at <http://www.idahotickets.com>, or at Albertson's in Twin Falls. The Bank of America Center is located at 233 S. Capitol Blvd.

## April 3 - Boise

Dave Brubeck will headline the Gene Harris Jazz Festival, 7 p.m., Bank of America Center. Tickets, which are \$25, \$44 and \$85, can be reserved by phoning Select A Seat at (208) 426-1494, online at <http://www.idahotickets.com>, or at Albertson's in Twin Falls. The Bank of America Center is located at 233 S. Capitol Blvd.

## OPERA

### Feb. 29

Sun Valley Opera will open its third season with "Merry Widow and More," 8 p.m., Presbyterian Church of the Big Wood, Ketchum. Tickets, which are \$25 and \$35 for adults and \$12 and \$15 for students under 18, are available at Chapter One Bookstore or can be reserved by calling 726-2220.

### March 13, 15, 17, 19, 21 and 24 - Utah

Utah Opera will perform Giacomo Puccini's "The Girl of the Golden West" at 7:30 p.m. on March 13, 15, 17, 19 and 24 and at 2 p.m. on March 21 in Salt Lake City's Capitol Theater. Tickets, which range from \$25 to \$65, can be reserved by phoning Artix at (801) 355-2787. Capitol Theater is located at 50 West 200 South.

## GOSPEL

### Feb. 28

The Blind Boys of Alabama will perform in the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium in Twin Falls, on Arts on four concert. Tickets, which are \$18 for adults and \$15 for students and children, are available at Everybody's Business, Kurt's Pharmacy and Hallmark, Carolyn's Cream Soda Fountain, The Magic Valley Arts Council office and the CSI Community Education Center in Twin Falls; Sav-Mor Drug in Buhl; Arlene's Flowers in Jerome; and the CSI Outreach Centers in Burley, Hailley and Gooding. For season ticket information, call the Community Education Center at CSI at 732-6288.

### March 16 - Utah

Bill Gaither will sing at the Delta Center in Salt Lake City at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$19.75 and \$34.75, can be reserved by phoning (801) 325-5241 or online at <http://www.ticketmaster.com>. The Delta Center is located at 301 West South Temple.

## KARAOKE

### Tonight

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

### Tonight

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

### Tonight

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

### Tonight

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

### Tonight and Saturday

Midnight Madness Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Blue Room in Rupert. No cover charge. The Blue Room is located at 613 Fremont Ave.

### Tonight, Saturday and Sunday

Karaoke with Rabid Dog Entertainment will be featured from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. at the Pioneer Club in Twin Falls. No cover charge. The Pioneer Club is located at 1519 Kimberly Road.

### Tonight through Thursday

Karaoke will be featured from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Clover Klub Lounge in Twin Falls. The Clover

Klub is located at 402 Main N.

### Saturday

Karaoke will be featured from 8 p.m. to midnight at the Sagebrush Lounge in Hazelton. Singers can bring their own CDs for karaoke. No cover charge. The Sagebrush Lounge is located at 325 Main St.

### Saturday and Thursday

Karaoke will be featured from 8

p.m. to midnight at the 610 Club in Burley. The 610 Club is located at 1054 Overland Ave.

### Saturday

Kroakers Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Riverside in Burley and from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Big Kahuna in Declo. No cover charge. The Riverside is located at 197 Highway 30 W. in Burley and the Big Kahuna is located at 9 E. Main

in Declo.

### Monday

Kroakers Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Rendezvous Lounge in Burley. No cover charge. The Rendezvous Lounge is located at 109 E. Main St.

### Tuesday

P & D Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Honker's Place in Twin Falls. No cover

charge. Honker's Place is located at 121 Fourth Ave. S.

### Tuesday

Kroakers Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at George K's East Restaurant in Burley. George K's is located at 425 E. Third N.

### Wednesday

Kroakers Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Honker's Place in Twin Falls. No cover

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tion from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Office Lounge in Paul. The Office Lounge is located at 118 E. Idaho St.

Wednesday and Thursday

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

Thursday

Krakers Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Riverside in Burley. The Riverside is located at 197 W. Highway 30.

MISCELLANEOUS

Tonight

The Swingtones will play from 7-10 p.m. at George K's East Restaurant and Lounge. No cover charge. George K's is located at 125 E. Third N. in Burley.

Tonight and Saturday

Split Second will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Chasers Sports Bar and Night Club. A Mardi Gras Party also will be held Saturday night at Chasers with music by Split Second. Cover charge is \$5. Chasers is located at 1539 Fillmore St. in Twin Falls.

Tonight and Saturday

DJ night with Kurt Kruger will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at The Oasis. No cover charge. The Oasis is located at 1007 Blue Lakes Blvd. N. in Twin Falls.

Monday

Oktoberfest will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Woody's Sports Bar. Cover charge is \$2. Woody's is located at 213 Fifth Ave. S. in Twin Falls.

Wednesday

The Vuarnettes - Linda Badell.

Callie Galpin, Cheri Kessler and Heidi Bates - will perform at 8 p.m. in the Boiler Room at the Sun Valley Resort. There's an \$15 cover charge. The show will continue every Wednesday night through the end of March.

Wednesday

DJ night with Forest and Chad will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Honker's Place. No cover charge. Honker's Place is located at 121 Fourth Ave. S. in Twin Falls.

Wednesday

Bob Nora Band will play from 8 p.m. to midnight at The Oasis. No cover charge. The Oasis is located at 1007 Blue Lakes Blvd. N. in Twin Falls.

March 2

The Mount Harrison Heritage Foundation will present its sixth annual King Center Anniversary Gala at 7:30 p.m. in the King Center in Burley, features the Burley High School Jazz Band, the Miniro High School Reflections, Mac Miller, One Accord, Emily Gomez, collist, Jacob Harper, Jolene Hobson, Colcen McCall, Marilyn Whiting, pianist Mark Neiwirth, the Magic Philharmonic Orchestra and selections from the Oakley Valley Arts Council production of "Annie" and the Mount Harrison production of "South Pacific." Tickets, which are \$5, are available at The Book Plaza and Welch Music in Burley and at the Book Store in Rupert, or at the door.

March 3

The Rebirth Brass Band will perform at Whiskey Jacques in Ketchum at 10 p.m. Free.

March 6

First Choice Home Care and Hospice Assistance will present its third annual Valley Show. 7 p.m. nightly, in the College of Southern

Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium, Twin Falls, featuring Johnny U. down act Little Pat & Todd, Burr Huihui, Sheri Maudin Dance Studio, John and Tommie Jesser, Laura Almand, Mike Seward and Tracy Armstrong, Mike and Sam Siles, pianist Mark Mecht, the Give & Take Barbershop Quartet and Heather Fultz. Tickets, which are \$8 for adults, \$6 for senior citizens and \$6 for children, are available at Everybody's Business, Chas Office Supply, Crowley's Soda Foundation, the Christian Bookstore and Home Health Professionals and First Choice Hospital in Twin Falls, or at the door. Proceeds will go to providing financial help for those with terminal illnesses.

March 9 - Utah

Sarah Brightman will sing at the Delta Center in Salt Lake City at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$35, \$50 and \$75, can be reserved by phoning (801) 325-SEAT or online at <http://www.ticketmaster.com>. The Delta Center is located at 301 West South Temple.

March 9 - Boise

The Glenn Miller Orchestra will perform at 7:30 p.m. in the Morrison Center on the campus of Boise State University. Tickets, which are \$16, can be reserved by phoning (208) 426-1494, online at <http://www.idahohotels.com>, or at Albertson's in Twin Falls.

March 10

The Glenn Miller Orchestra will play Roper Auditorium in Twin Falls at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$12, are available at Welch Music, the Music Center, Dunkley Music, Everybody's Business, Kurt's Hallmark and Debbie Lattin Insurance and Twin Falls High School in Twin Falls, or from any TFHS band member.

March 11

Guitarist David Santistevan will

perform at the Schubert Theater in Gooding at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$5, are available at the door.

March 24 - Utah

Ryan Adams will play in the Venue in Salt Lake City at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$16.50, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. In the Venue is located at 600 West 219 South.

March 26 - Utah

Kelly Clarkson and Clay Aiken will sing in the Delta Center in Salt Lake City at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$35 and \$45, can be reserved by phoning (801) 325-SEAT or online at <http://www.ticketmaster.com>. The Delta Center is located at 301 South West Temple.

March 26-27

Utah Symphony will present A Celtic Celebration at 8 p.m. nightly in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. Tickets, which range from \$22 to \$45, can be reserved by phoning ArtTix at (801) 355-TDXX. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

COMEDY

Feb. 27-28

Danny Marona will do two shows a night at Cactus Pines Resort Casino in Jackpot, at 8 and 10 p.m. Tickets, which are \$15, \$20 and \$25, can be reserved by phoning (800) 821-1103.

March 12 - Boise

Jerry Seinfeld will perform at the Morrison Center on the campus of Boise State University at 7 and 9:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$61.50 and \$77, can be reserved by phoning Select-A-Seat at (208) 426-1494, online at <http://www.idahohotels.com>, or at Albertson's in Twin Falls.

March 14 - Utah

Louie Anderson will perform at the Wise Guys Comedy Club in the Salt Lake City suburb of West Valley City at 7 and 9 p.m. Tickets, which are \$20, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. The Wise Guys Comedy Club is located at 3500 South 2300 West.

DANCE

Tonight

The Echos will play for a dance at 8 p.m. at the Snake River Elks Lodge. A \$5 donation is suggested. Dinner also will be available in the restaurant. For more information, call 324-0200. The Snake River Elks Lodge is located at 412 E. 200 S. in Jerome.

Tonight and Saturday - Utah

Ballet West will dance Tchaikovsky's "Sleeping Beauty" at 7:30 p.m. nightly in Salt Lake City's Capitol Theater. For ticket information, call ArtTix at (801) 355-TDXX. The Capitol Theater is located at 50 West 200 South.

Feb. 28

Rupert's Renaissance Arts Center will host its second annual Banquet and Ball, at the Burley Inn. No-host cocktails begin at 6 p.m., with dinner to follow at 7 and the auction at 8. Music will be provided by Skip-N-Skool. Tickets, which are \$40, can be reserved by phoning 436-2787. Proceeds will go toward the restoration of Rupert's Wilson Theater.

March 3

The Red Cross Ball will be held at the Ballroom in Twin Falls, with music by Brian Farnon and the Twin Falls Centennial Orchestra, 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$50, are available at the Twin Falls Red Cross office or by phoning 733-

6467. Proceeds go to American Red Cross disaster relief services.

March 19-21 - Boise

Riverdance will play the Morrison Center on the campus of Boise State University at 8 p.m. on March 19, 20, at 2 p.m. on March 20 and at 7 p.m. on March 21. Tickets, which are \$32.50, \$45 and \$55, can be reserved by phoning Select-A-Seat at (208) 426-1494, online at <http://www.idahohotels.com>, or at Albertson's in Twin Falls.

March 23-28 - Utah

Riverdance will perform at Salt Lake City's Capitol Theater at 7:30 p.m. on March 23-25, at 8 p.m. on March 26-27, and at 2 and 7 p.m. on March 28. Tickets, which range from \$24 to \$57.50, can be reserved by phoning ArtTix at (801) 355-2787. The Capitol Theater is located at 50 West 200 South.

April 9-10, 14-17 - Utah

Ballet West will dance "40 Years of Jubilation," featuring George Balanchine's "Concerto Barocco" and "Tchaikovsky Pas de Deux," Stravinsky's "Rite of Spring" and Vaughan Williams' "Lark Ascending," 7 p.m. in Salt Lake City's Capitol Theater. For ticket information, call ArtTix at (801) 355-2787. The Capitol Theater is located at 50 West 200 South.

THEATER

Tonight and Saturday

The R.A.T. Players, formerly the Friends of CSI Players, will present Eve Ensler's "The Vagina Monologues," 8 p.m. night, Lamphouse Theater, Twin Falls. Tickets, which are \$10, are available at the door. The Lamphouse Theater is located at 223 Fifth Ave. S.

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Announcing the 11th annual Times-News Pick the Oscar Contest. The reader who correctly forecasts the winners in the six major categories — best picture, best actress, best actor, best supporting actress, best supporting actor, best director. In the event of

a tie, there's a tie-breaker: best original screenplay. The winner gets two tickets to the movie of his or her choice and popcorn to go with them. Entry deadline is Tuesday. You can mail your ballot to Pick the Oscar Contest at *The Times-*

*News*, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls 83303, fax it to us at 734-5538 or e-mail it to [scrump@magicalvalley.com](mailto:scrump@magicalvalley.com). The Oscars will be handed out on Feb. 29. We'll announce the winners in the WeekEnd section on Friday, March 5.

## Oscar Ballot

<b>Best picture</b> (Choose one)	— <i>The Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King</i>
— <i>Lost in Translation</i>	— <i>Master and Commander</i>
— <i>Mystic River</i>	— <i>Seabiscuit</i>
<b>Best actor</b> (Choose one)	— <i>Djimon Hounsou, "In America"</i>
— <i>Johnny Depp, "Pirates of the Caribbean"</i>	— <i>Tim Robbins, "Mystic River"</i>
— <i>Ben Kingsley, "House of Sand and Fog"</i>	— <i>Ken Watanabe, "The Last Samurai"</i>
— <i>Jude Law, "Cold Mountain"</i>	
— <i>Bill Murray, "Lost in Translation"</i>	
— <i>Sean Penn, "Mystic River"</i>	
<b>Best actress</b> (Choose one)	<b>Best supporting actress</b> (Choose one)
— <i>Keisha Castle-Hughes, "Whale Rider"</i>	— <i>Shohreh Aghdashloo, "House of Sand and Fog"</i>
— <i>Diane Keaton, "Something's Got to Give"</i>	— <i>Patricia Clarkson, "Pieces of April"</i>
— <i>Samantha Morton, "In America"</i>	— <i>Marcia Gay Harden, "Mystic River"</i>
— <i>Naomi Watts, "21 Grams"</i>	— <i>Holly Hunter, "Thirteen"</i>
	— <i>Renée Zellweger, "Cold Mountain"</i>
<b>Best supporting actor</b> (Choose one)	<b>Best director</b> (Choose one)
— <i>Alec Baldwin, "The Cooler"</i>	— <i>Fernando Mirelles, "City of God"</i>
— <i>Benedicte de Toro, "21 Grams"</i>	— <i>Peter Jackson, "Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King"</i>
	— <i>Sofia Coppola, "Lost in Translation"</i>
	— <i>Peter Weir, "Master and Commander"</i>
	— <i>Clint Eastwood, "Mystic River"</i>
	— <i>Best original screenplay (tiebreaker)</i>
	— <i>Best actor</i>
	— <i>Denzel Washington, "The Barbarian Invasions"</i>
	— <i>Steven Knight, "Dirty Pretty Things"</i>
	— <i>Andrew Stanton, Bob Peterson, David Reynolds, "Finding Nemo"</i>
	— <i>Jim Sheridan, Naomi Sheridan, Kristen Sheridan, "In America"</i>
	— <i>Sofia Coppola, "Lost in Translation"</i>

# Events

**Tonight, Saturday and Sunday**  
Hailey's Company of Fools will present Jason Robert Brown's "Songs for a New World," at 8 p.m. tonight and Saturday and 3 p.m. Sunday, Liberty Theater. Tickets, which are \$24, can be reserved by phoning 788-6520.

**Tonight, Saturday and Sunday**  
Ketchum's New Theater Company will present A.R. Gurney's "Sylvia," 8 p.m. tonight, NeStage Theater. Tickets, which are \$22, are available by phoning 726-4TKS or the nextstage box office between 4 and 6 p.m.

**Sunday**  
The Sun Valley Company's production of Stuart Reid's "Forener Place," featuring Wally Huffman, Gordon Flade, Eric J. Larson and Paul Stoops, will play the Boiler Room at the Sun Valley Resort at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$12, can be reserved by phoning 622-2211. The show continues every Sunday through the end of March.

**Tuesday through Feb. 29 - Utah**  
The touring Broadway production of Richard Rodgers and Oscar Hammerstein's "Oklahoma" will play Salt Lake City's Capitol Theater at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Feb. 27-28 and at 2 p.m. on Feb. 28-29 and at 7 p.m. on Feb. 29. Tickets, which range from \$30 to \$57.50, can be reserved by phoning Artix at (801) 355-2787. The Capitol Theater is located at 50 West 200 South.

**Feb. 29**  
Actor Chris Sullivan will star in Rpb Becker's "Defending the Governor," 7 p.m., Lighthouse Room, Sun Valley Inn at the Sun Valley Resort. Tickets, which are \$60 and \$150, are available at Chapter One Bookstores, Johnny G's Substack and River Ranch Clothing in Ketchum and at Folio's in Hailey.

**March 3-6, 10-13**  
The College of Southern Idaho Theater Department will present *Agrophones*' "Lysistrata," 8 p.m. nightly in Room 111 of the Fine Arts Center. Tickets, which are \$6 for general admission and \$4 for students and senior citizens, may be purchased between 1 and 4 p.m. Monday through Friday at the Fine Arts box office (use west entrance of building) and between 8 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. at the CSI Bookstore or by calling 732-6788.

**March 4-6, 8-9, 11-13, 15-16, 18-20**  
The Oakley Valley Arts Council will present Martin Charnin and Charles Strouse's "Annie," 8 p.m. nightly in Oakley's Howells Opera House. Tickets, which are \$8, can be reserved by phoning 677-ARTS.

**PLANETARIUM**  
**Tonight, Saturday and Tuesday and Wednesday**  
The Faulkner Planetarium at the Herrett Center for Arts and Science on the campus of the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls will present a new show, "King World," at 7 p.m. today, Saturday and Tuesday along with a matinee at 2 p.m. Saturday. Other shows are "More Than Meets the Eye" on Saturdays at 4 p.m. and "Led Zeppelin Maximum Volume I" at 8:15 p.m. on Saturdays. Tickets, which are \$4 for adults, \$3 for senior citizens 60 and over, \$2 for students and \$9 for families, are available at the door. Children 4 and under are not admitted.

**ART**  
**Through Saturday**  
"Idaho Paints Idaho," the work of Idaho artists' paintings of the state's parks, will be on display at the Magic Valley Arts Council office in Twin Falls. The arts council office is located at 132 Main Ave. S. Admission is free.

**Through Sunday - Boise**  
The Boise Art Museum will present "A Certain Likeness: The Paintings of Bill Freiwald," a collection of work by the Belgian artist, from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays, from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Thursdays and from noon-5 p.m. on Sundays. Tickets, which are \$5 for general admission, \$3 for senior citizens and full-time college students, and \$1 for children, are available at the door. BAM is located in Julia Davis Park in downtown Boise.

**Through Sunday - Boise**  
The Boise Art Museum will present "Pat Steir: Waterfall Paintings," a collection of work by the New York artist, from 10 a.m.-7 p.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays, from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Thursdays and from noon-5 p.m. on Sundays. Tickets, which are \$5 for general admission, \$3 for senior citizens and full-time college students, and \$1 for children, are available at the door. BAM is located in Julia Davis Park in downtown Boise.

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**Through Feb. 27**  
Gay Odmark's "The Value of Inheritance" will be on display at the Eighth Street Center in Buhl from noon to 5 p.m. Tuesdays through Fridays. Free admission. The Eighth Street Center is located at 200 N. Eighth St.

**Through Feb. 29 - Boise**  
The Boise Art Museum will present "Extra-Ordinary: The Work of Charles Gill," a collection of paintings and collages by the Boise Art, from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays, from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Thursdays and from noon-5 p.m. on Sundays. Tickets, which are \$5 for general admission, \$3 for senior citizens and full-time college students, and \$1 for children, are available at the door. BAM is located in Julia Davis Park in downtown Boise.

**Through March 27**  
Magic Valley Art Teachers Open, an exhibition of the artwork of the area's art teachers, will be on display at the Jean B. King Gallery in the Herrett Center for Arts and Science on the campus of the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls. It's free.

**March 5**  
The South-Central Idaho Foldlife Exhibit, the first in a series of exhibits designed to reflect the life of the Buhl community, will open at the Eighth Street Center at Buhl. Skills such as saddle-making, quilting, needlework and woodworking will be featured. Free. An opening reception is scheduled from 5-7 p.m. The Eighth Street Center is located at 200 N. Eighth St.

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# 'Damn Yankees' tickets go on sale

**The Times-News**  
TWIN FALLS - Tickets will go on sale March 12 for the Dilettantes of the Magic Valley's upcoming production of "Damn Yankees."  
Performances are scheduled March 19-21 and 25-27 in the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium, with an opening-night gala at the Elks Lodge in Jerome. The evening will feature dinner and tickets to the show. For reservations, call Michele McFarlane at 536-6213 or Craig Nebeker at 736-8831.  
The Dilettantes' box office in the Magic Valley Mall will be open starting March 12 from noon to 5 p.m. every day until Friday, March 12. The phone number is 735-8850.  
Tickets will also be on sale at the door.  
Tickets are \$10 for general admission, \$8 for senior citizens, CSI students and children 12 and under. All seats for the March 21 performance - a matinee - and the March 25 show are \$7.  
Curtain time is 7:30 p.m. nightly.

# Jazz pianist plays Java tonight

**The Times-News**  
TWIN FALLS - Chuck Smith, a well known regional jazz pianist, will be featured as part of the College of Southern Idaho's "Jazz Summit Seminar" today.  
Smith will work individually with pianists from the Chamber Jazz classes at CSI during the afternoon of today and then perform tonight starting at 7 p.m. with CSI instructors Brent Jensen and Steve Cox and CSI music major Aaron Miller at Java, 228 Blue Lakes Blvd. N.  
Smith is active throughout the Pacific Northwest as both a jazz pianist and a music educator. A member of the International Association of Jazz Educators, he performed at the 1999 Jazz Educators Conference in Anaheim, Calif. And was the recipient of an Idaho Commission on the Arts grant for the 2000-01 academic year.  
At the 2001 Gene Harris Jazz Festival, he was a featured performer with Gene Harris' former rhythm section, the L.A. Connection.  
Tonight's performance is free and open to the public.

# Passion

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fering and torture of somebody, Jewish or blacklasher."  
Gibson produced, directed and co-wrote "The Passion," and spent \$25 million of his own money making it. Throughout the process, the Oscar-winning "Braveheart" director also has defended himself, his family and his film against ugly anti-Semitism accusations, insisting that the film is designed to "inspire, not offend."  
These same accusations should ultimately boost the film's prospects.  
No ad campaign could have received such attention. Besides the many evangelicals and believers who support the movie, now many skeptical and secular moviegoers are likely to buy tickets - no matter what the reviews.  
Abraham Foxman, head of the Jewish civil rights group the Anti-Defamation League, is one of the movie's most vociferous critics, is one of them.  
"I will probably see it again, to see if the changes anything. I'll buy a ticket and go see it," said Foxman, who previously sneaked into a Florida theater during a screening for Christian college.  
"Maybe we helped promote it," he acknowledged. "Even if we did, I don't think the Jewish community has the luxury to ignore anti-Semitism."  
Foxman has asked Gibson to put a postscript on the movie to clarify that the story of Christ's death does

not excuse anti-Semitism. Without that, the public debate serves as a kind of pre-script, Foxman said, even if the side effect is drawing audiences to the film.  
"The Passion" didn't always have such promise.  
During filming in early 2003, Gibson joked publicly that it might be his "career-killer." He had wanted to make the film since a spiritual crisis about 13 years ago, Gibson wrote in a December e-mail message to The Associated Press.  
"I came to a difficult point in my life and meditating on Christ's sufferings, on how Jesus got me through it," wrote Gibson, who declined to be interviewed for this story. "Once I started meditating on the passion, really going deep into it in my own mind and heart, then I began to understand it, to believe: That's the version I put on film."  
The filmmaker has denied the anti-Semitism claims, but - in what is either irony or shrewdness - he was the first to raise them.  
Despite such colorful responses to critics, Gibson has manipulated their concerns with his press conference - on one hand complaining that they shouldn't attack a movie without seeing it, and on the other banning them from screenings - while sympathetic viewers see the picture by the thousands.  
"I wish they'd just ignore it," Gibson said at a Sept. 20 press conference to announce the film. "Maybe I am, or maybe I'm a genius."

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#### SPORTSQUOTE

I think I'm going to keep my mouth shut at this level.

*Maurice Clavett, who skipped a scouting combine after winning a lawsuit to become eligible for the NFL draft*

#### TODAY'S SCHEDULE

##### Girls basketball

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4A District IV tournament  
Jerome, Burley at Century HS, Pocatello, 1 p.m.

#### IN BRIEF

##### M.V. club offers boxing training

**TWIN FALLS** - The Boys and Girls Clubs of Magic Valley and the Southern Idaho Boxing Club have teamed up to provide boxing training and competition. We are now accepting new athletes to be trained to box Olympic style boxing ages 8-35, experienced or non-experienced. Applicants must be able to train at least three days a week and willing to box at a competition level.  
For more information, please call Jason Samargos of Southern Idaho Boxing Club at (208) 734-0629 or (208) 308-1812. You may also call Ron Carwell of Brit-Cam Boxing club at (208) 321-9196 or Jason Kutz at the Boys and Girls Club at (208) 736-7011.

##### Special Olympics needs local volunteers

**MCCALL** - Volunteers are needed to work at the 2004 State Special Olympics Winter Games to be held in McCall March 12-14. For more information, call Shaana Endow at (208) 323-0482 ext. 14.

##### Utah State AD on leave following DUI arrest

**LOGAN, Utah** - Utah State athletic director Rance Pugmire has been placed on administrative leave following his arrest for suspicion of driving under the influence of alcohol, the university said Thursday.

The leave, which could last up to 60 days pending the outcome of the DUI charge, was a mutual decision between Pugmire and Utah State President Kermit Hall, spokesman John DeVilbiss said. Hall learned of the weekend arrest Monday, and the two met Wednesday.

Pugmire, of Smithfield, was arrested sometime Sunday on Interstate 15 near Willard. DeVilbiss did not know circumstances of the arrest, including the time of day or Pugmire's blood alcohol content.

Under his tenure, the men's basketball team has flourished, making its first appearance this year in The Associated Press Top 25 poll since 1971.  
The Hagerman native graduated from the University of Idaho in 1987. He worked at Idaho from 1990 to 1995.

##### CSI offers spring youth tennis classes

**TWIN FALLS** - The Community Education Center at the College of Southern Idaho will be offering youth tennis clinics on Mondays and Wednesdays, March 8 - April 7, at the CSI tennis courts. Cost is \$55.  
Students of all ages will work through United States Professional Tennis Association (USPTA) exercises and games designed to hone their tennis skills. Instructor Doug Kant is the Head Tennis Professional at Cardinal Hill Swim & Tennis Club in Vienna, Va., clinics.  
Students who have had either instruction or a small amount will meet between 4 and 5 p.m. Older students who have had more previous instruction will meet between 5 and 6 p.m. Each class is limited to eight students, so early registration is encouraged.  
For more information or to register, call 732-6290 or 732-6288.

Compiled from staff and wire reports

## OPENING ROUND: STATE SLASS 4A GIRLS BASKETBALL

### JEROME 44 SANDPOINT 29



Vanessa West, center, struggles with three Sandpoint defenders for a loose ball during the second quarter of the Tigers' win over the Bulldogs in the first round of the 4A Girls Real Dairy Shootout state basketball tournament at Mountain View High School in Meridian Thursday.

# Tigers topple Sandpoint

By John Derr  
Times-News writer

**MERIDIAN** - Defense was the key to victory.

With an offense that struggled much of the first half, Jerome used constant defensive pressure to advance to the semifinals of the 4A Girls State Basketball tournament for the second straight year.

The Tigers topped Sandpoint 44-29 in the first round Thursday afternoon at Mountain View High School in Meridian.

Jerome will now battle Hillcrest, who escaped with a 49-46 victory over Bishop Kelly, at 6:15 tonight. Sandpoint will take on Bishop Kelly at 1:15 in an elimination contest.

"You have to get rid of some of those jitters and get back to the way we play basketball," said Jerome coach Michelle Skyles. "Our

defense in the first half was great."

The Tigers topped the Bulldogs 61-57 in overtime last year on their way to a second-place finish while Sandpoint took home the consolation trophy. In 2002, the Bulldogs sent Jerome home on in an elimination game, 45-31.

The Bulldogs came in confident and scored the first points of the game on a long 3-pointer by sophomore Ashleigh Mire, the only returning starter for Sandpoint.

The usually patient Tiger offense took most of the first quarter off. They made up for it on the defensive end, forcing 16 first-half turnovers and limiting Sandpoint to just 12 shot attempts before the break.

Four of those turnovers were steals by 5-foot-4 guard Mallory Meservy.

"We worked on staying down and

playing good defense in practice. The key was we got back quickly and stopped their fast breaks," said Meservy, who finished with five steals and chipped in four points.

Jerome got its first points at the 3:51 mark with a pair of free throws by Whitney Clark. Nearly two minutes later the Tiger took the lead with a bucket inside by Elisa Hope for the 4-3 advantage with two minutes left in the quarter. Krista Kalm chipped in a put back and Jerome led by two after the opening period.

Hope was the offense for Jerome in the first half, scoring eight before the break and finishing with a game-high 14 points.

"I felt like I had to step up and take over when things weren't going the way we wanted them to," said Hope, who added six rebounds.

Hope scored the first two baskets

### 4A Girls Real Dairy Shootout

**Thursday's results**  
Hillcrest 49, Bishop Kelly 46  
Jerome 44, Sandpoint 29  
Moscow 59, Blackfoot 52  
Valivue 47, Bonneville 43

**Friday's games**  
Bishop Kelly vs. Sandpoint, 1:15 p.m., loser out  
Blackfoot vs. Bonneville, 3 p.m., to Jerome vs. Hillcrest, 6:15 p.m.  
Moscow vs. Valivue, 8 p.m.

of a slow second period then chipped in an assist to Vanessa West and the Tigers led 17-7 at the half.  
The Tigers kept the pressure up after the break, going on an 8-3 run for the double-digit advantage.

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## Coming up short

### Lady Bruins fall 43-35 to Centennial

By Eric Larsen  
Times-News writer

**NAMPA** - A few more free throws, a couple more good bounces, and the Twin Falls Lady Bruins would have passed the Centennial Lady Patriots in their opening-round game of the Idaho 5A Girls Real Dairy Shootout at the Idaho Center in Nampa.

But it wasn't to be as Twin Falls fell 43-35 in a game where the Bruins were always close, but just a breath away from victory.

"We had plenty good chances," Bruins coach Joe D. Shepard said. "But we missed some shots that we usually make."

Bad bounces and a 6-of-15 effort from the free throw line proved to be the Lady Bruins' undoing. Faced with the challenge of defending the tall Centennial front-line of junior Jennifer Williams and senior Emily

### Idaho 5A Real Dairy Shootout

**Thursday's games**  
Timberline 51, Skyline 36  
Lake City 52, Borah 48  
Boise 53, Mountain View 37  
Centennial 43, Twin Falls 35

**Friday's games**  
Consolation bracket  
Skyline vs. Borah, 1:15 p.m.  
Mountain View vs. Twin Falls, 3 p.m.  
Timberline vs. Lake City, 6:15 p.m.  
Boise vs. Centennial, 8 p.m.

Williams, Hannah Heidenreich and the Lady Bruins posts delivered a commendable effort.

"On defense I thought we did what we wanted to," Shepard said. "But (Emily) Williams is a very good player."

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## Another rape case surfaces in Colorado scandal

The Associated Press

**DENVER** - Police said Thursday they are investigating whether a woman was raped by a University of Colorado football player after leaving a bar in 2002 - the seventh allegation of its kind since 1997.

"This was a particularly brutal case," Boulder Police Chief Mark Becker said. The alleged victim said she was sodomized.



Gary Barnett

2001 and the university did nothing after a high school student accused a player of rape in 1997. In the past four weeks, three more cases have been disclosed.

Former Colorado player Katie Hinda, a placekicker, says she was raped by a teammate in 2000 and a one-time athletic department worker says she was assaulted by a player in 2001.

In the latest case, the woman told police she met two men at a bar the night of Aug. 23, 2002, but had trouble remembering what happened afterward. She told police "she may have been drugged."

The woman reported a bump on her forehead and bleeding from what she told police was a sexual assault.

police, a bartender, refused to disclose the names of two men in the bar that night.

"He said he would not risk getting them into trouble because, 'They're on scholarships, I can't do that to them,'" police said.

Becker said the victim had difficulty identifying a suspect, but authorities eventually focused on two football players. DNA tests ruled out one as a suspect, while tests on the second player's sample, haven't been completed, he said.

One witness interviewed by

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# Valley pops Soda Springs

By Eric Larsen  
Times-News writer

**MIDDLETON** - Hazelton's Valley Lady Vikings won in typical fashion Thursday, sporting an early lead over the Soda Springs Cardinals and holding it with great rebounding and solid defense.

Valley out-rebounded Soda Springs 42-23 in their 39-32 Idaho 2A Girls Real Dairy Shootout win game at Middleton High School, 39-32.

### Idaho 2A Girls Real Dairy Shootout

**Thursday's scores**  
Valley 39, Soda Springs 32  
Lapwai 62, Aberdeen 58  
Grangeville 52, Melba 44  
Marsing 47, West Jefferson 42

**Friday's games**  
Soda Springs vs. Aberdeen, 1:15 p.m., loser out  
Melba vs. West Jefferson, 3 p.m., loser out  
Valley vs. Lapwai, 6:15 p.m.  
Grangeville vs. Marsing, 8 p.m.

Valley stretched an early lead to 19-9 by holding the Cardinals scoreless in the second quarter until senior guard Amanda Martinson sunk a three-pointer at the buzzer, closing the score to 19-11 at the half. Both teams came on fight for their opening-round game and struggled from the field early.

"You expect that in the first-round game," Valley coach Brian Hardy said. "I wanted teamwork and not a lot was going in for either team."

Playing in her fourth state tournament, Valley senior Mindy Malone was the difference maker in the game. The 5-foot-10 guard held off the Cardinals by hitting 11 of 13 second-half free throws on her way to a team-high 13 points. The senior was also a difference maker on the defensive end, grabbing 19 total rebounds to complete her double-double.

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### CSI BASKETBALL PREVIEW

## Women gear up for postseason

By Kevin Colbert  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** - Most coaches across the country save two-a-day practices for the preseason.

Not College of Southern Idaho women's basketball head coach

Randy Rogers, who went back to practicing his team twice a day this past week. It's a little unusual to build two-a-day this late in the season, but Rogers' reason of running them now is the same as why coaches do it before games even begin.

"Conditioning has been a problem for us," Rogers said. "A lot of kids have been out for various reasons, and with Christmas break, I just thought that we never got back to that conditioning level we were at before break."

The 22nd-ranked Eagles (22-4 overall, 18-2 Centennial West Athletic Conference) square off with Salt Lake Community College (18-8, 14-6), the last team to defeat them, today and Saturday at 7:30 p.m. CSI has already clinched at least a share of the SWAC title, and a win this weekend against SLCC would bring the regional tournament to the CSI gymnasium March 23. The Eagles need

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# A BRAVE NEW WORLD

## Atlanta faces all sorts of questions this spring

KISSIMEE, Fla. (AP) — Mark DeRosa remembers going to spring training with the Atlanta Braves and knowing he had little chance to make the team.

"The roster was basically set. There might have been room for an extra outfielder or another reliever, but that was about it."

"When I was coming up from the minors, there was like one spot available," DeRosa said. "This year, there's plenty of spots to be won."

Indeed, spring should be interesting for the Braves, who went through a major transformation while cutting salaries.

Gone are Gary Sheffield, Greg Maddux, Jay Lopez and Vinny Castilla. Not to mention several lesser-known but valuable members of a team that won Atlanta's 12th straight division title.

There are all sorts of questions to fill all sorts of questions to answer.

Can rookie Adam LaRoche take over at first base?

Can Johnny Estrada come anywhere close to putting up numbers like Lopez's?

Can J.D. Drew stay healthy?

Can John Smoltz bounce back from elbow surgery?

And, most important, can the Braves possibly win another title in the much-improved NL East?

General manager John Schuerholz and manager Bobby Cox look forward to seeing how it all turns out.

"There's always some wonderment about what the roster's going to be," Schuerholz said. "But clearly, it's more so this year."

DeRosa is set to replace Castilla at third. Last year's starter had 22 homers and 76 RBIs, while his successor has only 14 homers and 68

RBIs — in his career. DeRosa has been a utility infielder the last three years, never playing more than 103 games in a season and must prove he can handle this job. To prepare, DeRosa bulked up nearly 10 pounds. His biceps, especially, are much bigger than the end of last season.

"I haven't played a whole season in a while," DeRosa said. "The big thing is maintaining my strength. The body breaks down when you play all those games."

"The Braves appear to be taking a major gamble at the corners, giving two players who don't have a big power potential. LaRoche, the son of former major league pitcher Dave LaRoche, averaged nine homers a year in the minors.

In any case, Chipper Jones knows it will be impossible to match the Braves' 2003 offensive output. They set franchise records for runs, home runs, hits, doubles, total bases and slugging percentage.

"That's a lot of offense we've got to replace. Did we replace it? No," Jones said. "But John's hands are tied. He's got to operate under certain guidelines. He did as good as he could."

Take catcher, where the Braves couldn't afford to keep Lopez. So a guy who batted .328 with 43 homers and 109 RBIs was replaced by Estrada, who spent most of last season at Triple A.

LaRoche has never played above Double A, but the Braves are pushing him into the lineup after a 45-game stint at Greenville in 2003.

In the ultimate odd couple, the rookie LaRoche probably will share the job with 45-year-old



Atlanta Braves' Mark DeRosa hits a solo home run against the New York Mets during the fifth inning at Shea Stadium in New York, June 1, 2003. "When I was coming up from the minors, there was like one spot available," DeRosa said. "This year, there's plenty of spots to be won." Indeed, spring should be interesting for the Braves, who went through a major transformation while cutting salaries.

Juliq Franco. "Last year, I was still kind of iffy. I was like, 'Maybe I don't belong here.'" LaRoche said. "Now I'm like, 'Yeah, I can do it. I do belong here.'"

Smoltz, who has 100 saves the last two years, is throwing again without pain after surgery to remove scar tissue in his troubled right elbow. He floated the idea of moving back into the starting rotation, but that was quickly shot down.

"Did it cross my mind? Sure, he was a great starter," Schuerholz said. "But now he's a great closer."

Besides, the Braves signed Jon Thomson, who pitched well in the second half of last season with Texas. He takes Maddux's place in a rotation that also includes Russ Ortiz, Mike Hampton and Horacio Ramirez.

One cause for concern: Who'll bridge the gap from the starters to Smoltz? Atlanta signed former

Marlins closer Antonio Alfonseca, coming off a poor season with the Cubs (3-1, 5.83 ERA).

Then there's right, where Sheffield (.330, 39 HRs, 132 RBIs) will be replaced by Drew, an off-injured outfielder acquired in a trade with the Cardinals.

The Braves hope the Georgia native will have a breakout season in the final year of his contract.

"I'd like to see what he can do with 150 games and 600 at-bats. He's never done that," Jones said. "He's got to prove that he's going to be ready to play all season. The team's counting on him to show up and produce."

In the face of all the changes, Schuerholz remains defiant. He is convinced the Braves have enough talent to contend for another championship.

"We've got some quality guys to fill the bill," the GM said. "We just don't know who they're going to be yet."

# Clarett's decision to skip workouts raises questions

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Maurice Clarett was more prepared to handle questions Thursday than he was to perform for NFL scouts.

The running back who won a challenge to the NFL's draft system announced he would skip today's workouts — at the scouting combine because he wanted more time to train.

Clarett, who was drafted 10th overall last season, said he was taking a day of suspension.

Scouts must meet until April to see Clarett's audition, a decision that angered some of the NFL's top evaluators.

"That's a fair," Buffalo general manager Tom Donahoe said. "That was expected, but that's ridiculous."

Clarett, 20, will become the first true sophomore in the NFL draft but said his mother advised him not to work out at the combine.

There was another reason, too. Clarett weighed in at a porky 237 pounds, seven pounds higher than

his playing weight at Ohio State, and he acknowledged he wasn't in top condition despite training the past couple weeks.

Scouts wondered why Clarett didn't arrive for the weeklong combine in better shape after finishing an entire college season and then challenging the NFL's rule requiring underclassmen to complete three years of school before declaring for the draft.

Clarett said simply that he needed to train at a higher level and promised to be ready when he holds his personal workout in Columbus, Ohio, the first week of April.

"If it was just normal training, lifting weights and conditioning," he said, "I would have been getting ready to jump right into the league. That level is a whole different level. The intensity of the training has to increase. I'm going to take these next four weeks and get my body in the best shape it can be in before I go to camp."

The explanation was not well received by those who wanted to see Clarett run. It also raised questions about his attitude.

"I just want to see what he looks

like," Detroit Lions president Matt Millen said. "We've got to do our homework and he's got to do his."

Clarett was grilled by reporters for about 15 minutes in a preview of what he likely faced later Thursday night when teams begin interviewing players one-on-one.

The NFL limits teams to 60 interviews and Clarett said he expected to talk to all 32 teams.

He was asked repeatedly about his character, medical history, durability and whether he was prepared physically and mentally to jump to the NFL. Clarett even dodged a question about his agent, saying he hadn't yet made a decision even though he is believed to have chosen Jimmy Seawell.

And Clarett promised to show a different side in the NFL.

"I think I'm going to keep my mouth shut at this level," he said.

While teams hope to start getting more answers Thursday night, the bigger issues may require more examination.

Doctors checked Clarett's left shoulder, which he hurt during his record-setting freshman season with the Buckeyes.

He also had knee surgery that

year and wound up missing three games and parts of two others because of the injuries, although he still set an era for a school freshman record with 1,237 yards and 16 touchdowns.

Clarett explained the injuries by saying he played hard and was working on his feet to avoid taking big hits.

As Clarett spoke, he smiled frequently as he tried to deflect the criticisms.

"I think you can trust me," he said. "When I sit down with the coaches and GMs, I think they'll have a good idea of where I'm coming from."

Now Clarett must find a place to fit in.

Donahoe thinks that could be difficult. He didn't mince words when asked to compare Clarett's uncertain future to that of Willis McGahee, who the Bills drafted in the first round last year despite a knee injury that kept him out of all 16 games last year.

"Let's not put Clarett in the same category as McGahee," Donahoe said. "That's not fair to Willis. Willis attitude-wise and character-wise, that's a big difference."

# A PAIR BEHIND HOME PLATE



Henry Russtran, left, sells Houston Astros tickets to New York Yankees and Astro fan Jim Zucco, right, at the Astros ticket office Feb. 6, in Houston. The Astros addition of former New York Yankees pitchers Andy Pettitte and Roger Clemens have helped to increase ticket sales.

# CENTER OF ATTENTION

## Fans, critics eye star-studded Houston Astros spring training

HOUSTON (AP) — The Houston Astros' biggest problem might be figuring out who gets to start on opening day.

Does six-time Cy Young Award winner Roger Clemens get the honor? Or will it be fellow newcomer Andy Pettitte? And what about holdovers Wade Miller and Roy Oswalt?

Only one can throw the season's first pitch against Barry Bonds of San Francisco Giants on April 5.

Manager Jimmy Williams didn't want to think about it before the team starts spring training Sunday.

"I'd like to get all of our starters in the same ZIP code in Kissimmee, then I'll get them all together and we'll talk about it," he said. "I think that's the best way to do it, rather than having to make five phone calls."

Clemens would be the obvious choice, especially because he came out of retirement to play for his hometown team after leaving the New York Yankees.

Pettitte, who won four World Series with the Yankees, is Clemens' buddy, and his decision to sign with the Astros is the main reason the Rocket agreed to play for them.

Oswalt, a budding young star, is coming off a season shortened by chronic groin problems. Miller has been the Astros' stalwart, pitching at least 160 innings in each of the past three seasons.

Williams wants to set his rotation before he starts on April 5. The pitching stretch has given Astros fans hope that the team, which started play in 1962, can get to the World Series for the first time.

When you've got a guy that has 20 years in the big leagues, I believe he deserves the spot," said

Oswalt, who was 6 when Clemens debuted with the Boston Red Sox in 1984. "He's been here a lot longer than I have, and he sure has done a lot more."

One thing is for sure: Tim Lincecum will be the fifth starter. He was 10-14 with a 3.86 ERA last season.

"I'm starting to get excited because it's getting close," Pettitte said. "It seems like I signed a year ago. The fans, the town, everybody is so excited, and I'm extremely excited myself."

Jerome Robertson, who led the team with 15 wins last year despite a 5.10 ERA, is headed to the bullpen. Carlos Hernandez, Rodrigo Rosario and Brandon Duckworth will be either middle relievers or wind up at Triple-A.

Setup man Octavio Dastel becomes the closer after the trade of Billy Wagner to the Philadelphia Phillies, and Brad Lidge takes over as the setup man.

The other bullpen slots are uncertain, with Robertson, Hernandez, Rosario, Duckworth, Ricky Stone, Dave Veres, Dan Miceli, Brandon Backe, Mark Sarloos and Mike Gallo in the mix.

"There's going to be some competition for the bullpen spots, whose team is coming off two second-place finishes that failed to earn it a playoff berth.

Outfielder Richard Hidalgo is eager for the chance to hit and support the Astros' rotation. Hidalgo, who makes \$12 million, has been the subject of trade rumors.

"I'm just happy to still be here," he said. "I really want to be here, so I just thank God I've gotten to stay here. I'm still waiting for whatever they're going to do, and there's nothing I can do about it."

# CSI

Continued from D1. just one win in their final four games or any Bruin loss to clinch home-court advantage.

"It means a lot," Rogers said of his team's opportunity to win the conference title outright. "Nobody knew what this league was going to be like when we have to play back-to-back games against teams on their home floor. If you would of told me at 0-0 that we'd be 18-2 in conference play, I would've took it."

Salt Lake will provide a stiff test, especially on its home court. The Bruins beat 5-foot-8 sophomore guard Jenn Cook, who's averaging 11.8 points in SLCC's 73-64 win in Twin Falls Jan. 9. The Eagles then employed a diamond-and-defense on her the next night in limiting her to eight points in a 60-55 CSI victory.

Still, Rogers is wary of Cook and knows the Bruins' most potent weapon.

"Jenn Cook is still one of the

top two players in this league, I believe," Rogers said. "You have to stop Jenn before you stop Salt Lake. They're probably expecting that we'll play the diamond-and-defense on her, but we'll probably change things up again."

SLCC may be as close to a one-trick pony as there is in the league, but CSI has been anything but, especially since multiple players have returned from injury. The Eagles are especially deep in the frontcourt, where five players are averaging 11.8 minutes or more.

"We're almost too deep," Rogers said with a laugh. "I've got kids on the bench that could be starters at most of the programs in this league. Jon Bond, we're trying to find her more minutes. (Melanie Halaufin), we're trying to find her more minutes. I've got Brandi (Moore), who didn't get in the games much (against CEU), but I'd love to get her more minutes. Kevin Patterson plays very well (last) weekend in the limited

time she had. It's a tough situation for us, but it's better than the alternative."

**Men**

While the CSI women have all but locked up a No. 1 seed in the regional tournament, the men still have plenty of work to do.

But the Eagles (19-7 overall, 13-7 SWAC) still hold their destiny in their own hands, finishing the season with two games each against fellow conference co-leaders SLCC (19-7, 13-7) tonight and Saturday and Snow College (18-8, 13-7) in Twin Falls next weekend.

CSI has the toughest remaining schedule of the three teams. Snow hosts Colorado Northwestern Community College, winless in the SWAC, this weekend. Salt Lake finishes the regular season at CEU (10-12 SWAC).

"Obviously, we're playing the two teams that are in first place

with us." CSI-head-coach-Gib Arnold said. "We understand that we're still got a ways to go. Although it's two weeks, it's a whole season upon us."

CSI needs to take care of business against SLCC this weekend, a team it split with earlier this season. The Eagles blasted Salt Lake 82-60 one night after the Bruins scored 15 unanswered points at the end of regulation before winning in overtime, 92-85.

One obvious key to limiting the SLCC offensive attack is to keep 6-8 forward Rekan Sims in check. Sims is averaging 18.5 ppg, best in the SWAC. In charge of putting the wrap on Sims is CSI's Jason McGriff. McGriff drew the assignment in the Eagles' win over SLCC, holding Sims to nine points and two rebounds. McGriff scored six points and grabbed 10 rebounds in that same game. The night before, Sims went for 17 points and 14 boards while McGriff served a one-game suspension.

# Valley

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"They were — putting smaller girls on her and playing a boy-and-one, but they couldn't stop her one-on-one," Hardy said. "She's so important to our team regardless of how many points she scores."

The win sends Valley into the semifinals at 6:15 p.m. against Lappala (20-5). The Wildcats downed Aberdeen 62-58 behind 21 points from junior guard Althea Walker and 12 from Jade Spencer.

Sophomore forward Lindsay Woodford hurt her usual second fiddle to Malone, scoring seven points and grabbing eight rebounds, making life tough for Cardinal coach Wade Schvaneveldt's posts.

"Valley crashed the boards well, but we just didn't get the job done today," Schvaneveldt said.

The Cardinals also had trouble with Valley's 2-3 zone, often setting for long jumpers under pressure. Without an aggressive post game, Soda Springs was held to

just seven free-throw attempts, while Valley hit 23 of 33 tries from the line.

"We just weren't aggressive enough on offense," Schvaneveldt said. "They got to the line and we didn't. That made a real difference."

Martinsen was the only Cardinal in double figures, but hit for 18, partially on the strength of four three-pointers.

Lappala's run-and-gun offense, led by his talented guards, will be a challenge for Valley.

"We'll have to score more tomorrow," Hardy said. "I hope we saved some."

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# Now Junior will show how good he really is

ROCKINGHAM, N.C. (AP) — Daytona 500 champion Dale Earnhardt Jr. is close to unbeatable in restrictor-plate races.

He'll get a chance to show whether he's truly a contender to win the Nextel Cup title as NASCAR shifts to North Carolina's Rockingham Speedway, a difficult track where Junior has struggled often.

In eight career top-series starts at the 1.017-mile oval, Earnhardt's best finish was 13th, in November.



Dale Earnhardt Jr.

His Dale Earnhardt Inc. team has spent a considerable amount of time testing in preparation for the Subway 400, hoping the extra work will propel him to another victory.

"In the past, it was a track we struggled at," he said. "It may be the only place we haven't really conquered yet."

Junior has proven to be a master at Daytona and Talladega superspeedway — the two tracks that require horsepower-sapping restrictor plates — partly because of the time and energy DEI devotes to those facilities.

He won all three races he entered at Daytona last week and his nine career victories there.

But if Junior wants to be taken seriously as a championship contender, he needs to improve at the tracks he has never musked his disdain for.

"That includes Rockingham, where the rough surface eats away at tires and puts driver ability and handling at a premium."

"Even though we devote a lot of effort and time to restrictor-plate tracks, Rockingham is a track we've emphasized as a place where we need to improve if we're going to win a championship," he said. "I used to come here with a bad attitude, and it seemed to set the tone for the whole team."

"I think it's different now. If anything, winning the Daytona 500 gave us more confidence than we already had as a team, and that's probably the one thing —

lacked heading into Rockingham in the past." The entire complexion of Sunday's race should be different from past years because of new, NASCAR-implemented aerodynamic rules that revolve around smaller rear spoilers and less downforce.

Goodyear has also produced a softer tire, and combined with the new rules, the cars should be more difficult to drive beginning with Friday's qualifying session.

The new tweaks are expected to favor the veteran drivers, who have years of experience with different setups.

Either way, an emphasis on driving and less importance on pit strategy is what Nextel Cup series director John Darby was hoping for with the changes.

"It is quite obvious that the drivers are going to have to fitness and take care of their tires a little bit this year," Darby said.

# Micheel, Maruyama share Nissan lead

LOS ANGELES (AP) — PGA champion Shaun Micheel doesn't feel like a star, not with Tiger Woods and Vijay Singh in the Nissan Open, and certainly not in star-cruzed Los Angeles.

As long as he plays like one, that's fine with him.

Micheel put some putting practice to good use Thursday, holing a 30-foot eagle putt and a couple of other long birdies for a 7-under 64 at Riviera and a share of the first-round lead with Shigeaki Maruyama.

"I don't know what it takes to be a star," Micheel said. "I don't know if I have that quality. I would like to become top 10 in the world at some point, but a more consistent player."

Woods and Maruyama, who played in the same group, had a one-shot lead over Hank Kuehne, while the group at 66 included defending champion Mike Weir and former Nissan Open winners Fred Couples and Robert Allenby.

Woods, meantime, continued to struggle at Riviera.

This is the only course on the PGA Tour he has played at least five times without winning, and Woods put himself in a hole with a 1-over 72, the first time he has been over par in the first round of a regular PGA Tour event since last year at Riviera.

Woods will start the second round below the cut line, needing a good score to extend his record streak of 116 consecutive cuts on the PGA Tour.

"My iron play was the most disappointing," Woods said. "I hit some really nice drives, but I couldn't hit my irons close enough to make any birdies."

Singh, whose streak of 12 top 10s ended last week at Torrey Pines when he missed the cut, didn't fare much better. Despite hitting 15 greens, he took 33 putts in a round of even-par 71.

It wasn't just Woods and Singh grabbing all the attention.

The loudest roar of a cool, overcast day belonged to John Daly, a winner last week for the first time on U.S. soil in 10 years. Daly was 2 over at the turn, but birdied the next three holes and the last two of the 18th green for a 66.

His only complaint came at the end, when players have to walk up a 50-foot hill to the clubhouse to sign their cards.

"I just wish they'd put an escalator from the 18th green to the clubhouse," Daly said. "I'm too fat to walk up this damn hill."

Micheel breezed his way around Riviera, and wound up in the lead for the first time since his



Shaun Micheel of Memphis, Tenn., and playing partner Shigeaki Maruyama of Japan, watch Micheel's drive on the fourth hole in the first round of the Nissan Open at Riviera Country Club in Los Angeles' Pacific Palisades area Thursday, Feb. 19, 2004. Both golfers posted a 7-under par 64 for the round.

7-iron into 2 inches on the final hole at Oak Hill gave him a two-shot victory in the PGA Championship.

Painter sinks eagle for Jacob's Creek Open lead

ADELAIDE, Australia — Australia's Anthony Painter made a 50-foot eagle putt on No. 9 — his final hole — to take the lead at 6-under 65 after the first round of

the Jacob's Creek Open. Americans Jeff Klauk and Vance Veazey and Australians Euan Walters, Nick O'Hern and Adam Groom opened with 66s in the tournament co-sanctioned by the second-tier Nationwide and Australasian tours.

Three share top position at Malaysian Open tourney

SHAH ALAM, Malaysia — South

Africa's Martin Maritz, England's Jamie Elson and Australia's Terry Price shot 6-under 66s to share the first-round lead in the Malaysian Open.

Malaysia's Rizman Zahari, who had a hole-in-one on the 172-yard second hole, was a stroke back. Ireland's Paul McGinley opened with a 68, caddyman Pdraig Harrington shot a 69, and Scotland's Colin Montgomerie had five bogeys in a 73.



Colorado Avalanche goalie David Aebischer, of Switzerland, skates out of the arena during the team's skate in this file photograph taken on Nov. 22, 2003, in Denver. Aebischer, who spent three years as the understudy to hockey legend Patrick Roy, has stepped up to the challenge of filling Roy's skates this season in the wake of Roy's retirement from the game.

# Aebischer fills Roy's huge skates with Avs

By David Ramsey

The Gazette (Colorado Springs, Colo.)

DENVER — The task was not impossible, just improbable. David Aebischer only had to replace Patrick Roy as the Colorado Avalanche goaltender.

He only had to follow hockey's all-time best goal stopper.

That's all.

We know how these stories go. We know the ex-cruciating saga of Brian Griesse, who tried — and failed — to succeed John Elway as the leader of the Broncos.

Yet Aebischer is creating an entirely different story.

Aebischer, who turned 26 last week, has soared beyond what seemed possible. Roy is not forgotten. No one will forget his flair, his anger, his sprawling saves.

Here's the surprise: Roy is not missed much. Aebischer and the Avalanche play Edmonton Wednesday night at Pepsi Center.

"David has been phenomenal," says Avalanche right wing Teemu Selanne, glancing across the locker room at Aebischer. "He's a new face that has been unbelievable."

"He's having a better year than some of Patrick's years."

Selanne pauses. He knows he's helping into the realm of hockey heroism.

But numbers support Selanne. Aebischer is allowing 2.02 goals per game and gains confidence and strength as the season goes.

In the past 33 games, he has allowed an average of 1.82 goals.

Roy delivered only one Avalanche season, 2001-2002, in which he allowed less than two goals per game.

Aebischer grabbed the attention of his teammates — and several million hockey fans — on Saturday when he twice robbed

the Red Wings' Brett Hull of sure goals in the Avalanche's 5-2 victory at Detroit.

Selanne admires the way Aebischer refuses to give up on a save. All might look lost, as it did against Hull, but Aebischer still dives after the puck.

The saves against Hull impressed left wing Alex Tanguay. "Those were pretty amazing," says Tanguay. "I couldn't believe it. He was robbing one of the deadliest snipers in hockey."

Of course, the season remains young and the playoffs, with mind-cracking pressure, await Aebischer.

He could falter. He could toss away his remarkable season.

Expect the opposite. Aebischer was spectacular against the Red Wings in the worst of conditions. He defeated howling fans in a hostile arena. He defeated some of hockey's best shooters.

He played, as usual, with a sense of calm and confidence. His teammates believe. They've seen enough unlikely saves, seen how Aebischer is not bothered by pressure.

"What's great is David's never nervous," Selanne says. "He's always calm, just out there doing his job."

His job once seemed one of the worst in hockey. Following a legend is never easy.

Before the season, Aebischer talked about Griesse's struggles. In the past, he watched the sad show, watched how Griesse wilted under the glare.

He promised his saga would be different. He used the word three times, perhaps trying to convince himself.

Against the odds, he has created a different story. Completely different.

# Kolzig stops 43, helps lift Capitals past Devils

WASHINGTON — (AP) — Washington goalie Olaf Kolzig continued his recent strong play with 43 saves, and Mike Grier, Matt Pettinger and Robert Lang each scored a goal.

The Capitals defeated the New Jersey Devils 3-1 Thursday night.

Kolzig is 4-2-2 in his last eight starts despite the fact Washington has allowed at least 30 shots in each of his last 10 games — and 40 shots in five of the last eight. New Jersey held a 44-26 advantage in shots in this game, keeping Kolzig busy after he made 47 saves in Tuesday's 1-1 tie with Ottawa.

It was Washington's first game after Wednesday's trade of long-time Capital Peter Bondra to Ottawa. Several fans began chanting, "We want Peter" when the

Capitals started slowly, but the announced crowd of 14,595 changed sentiments and gave Kolzig a huge ovation at game's end.

Maple Leafs 2, Hurricanes 1, OT

RALEIGH, N.C. — Darcy Tucker scored 2:18 into overtime to lift Toronto.

Bryan McCabe scored a power-play goal in the first period for Toronto, and Mikael Tellqvist made 34 saves. Sean Hill scored midway through the third period for the Hurricanes.

Rangers 6, Islanders 2

NEW YORK — Jaromir Jagr had a goal and an assist in his return

from a groin injury, and Mike Dunham made 30 saves in a fight-filled game. The Rangers won their fifth straight over the Islanders.

The Rangers are 5-0 against the Islanders this season, but trail their local rival by 21 points in the race for the playoffs. The Rangers (22-27-7-4) are 7-0-2 in their nine games against the Islanders, games all started by Dunham.

Eric Cairns and Dale Purinton fought with 3:54 left as a major scrum involving Islanders goalie Garth Snow broke out. Only Dunham stayed out of the fray.

Purinton and Snow were ejected.

Canadiens 4, Flames 1

MONTREAL — Pierre Dagenais scored twice and backup goalie Mathieu Garon made 19 saves. The Canadiens ended a season-high four-game losing streak.

Patrice Brisebois and Niklas Sundstrom also scored for Montreal, which ended Calgary's third four-game winning streak this season.

Jarome Iginla scored his 30th goal for the Flames, who fell short of their first five-game winning streak in seven years.

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## BRIEFLY IN MONEY

### CSI offers computer accounting classes

**TWIN FALLS** - The Idaho Small Business Development Center at the College of Southern Idaho plans several QuickBooks Pro 2003 classes.

QuickBooks is an accounting and inventory tracking software program that helps small-business owners set up a company, handle accounts receivable and payable, track and age merchandise, and do payroll, reconciling and reporting. Students need to be computer literate and familiar with accounting principles.

The first session will be held from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. March 13 and 20. The second session is from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. April 17 and 24.

Dennis Tilley and Doug Lincoln, certified public accountants, will teach the classes. Cost is \$100 per person; lunch is not included. Participants can choose either session. Preregistration and prepayment are required.

For information or to register, contact Sherry Rust, ISBDC training coordinator, at 732-6455 or srust@csi.edu.

### Computer classes will cater to new, intermediate users

**RUPERT** - Two new hands-on Internet classes will be held at Project Mutual Telephone in Rupert with three computers connected to DSL for students to use during class.

The two-hour intermediate class will be held at 6 p.m. on the first Monday of each month at the Rupert office, 507 G St. The class is for users with a basic understanding of Internet and Windows operations.

The intermediate class is an interactive question-and-answer session.

The basic Internet skills class, a beginner's class which lasts one hour, will be held at 3:30 p.m. the third Wednesday of each month at the company's Rupert office. A basic knowledge of Windows is preferred. Topics include how to surf the Internet, find specific Web sites and send or receive e-mail.

Class participants do not have to be FMT customers, but the free classes are FMT-oriented. Ed Smith, Internet technician, teaches the classes.

For information, call the office at 436-7151 or send e-mail to internet\_ed@pmt.org.

### Farmers meet about efficiency in Idaho Power workshop

**ABERDEEN** - As the costs of power and other expenses in running a farm have risen, so has the need for efficiency, Idaho Power irrigation expert Dennis Elison said.

Elison was among speakers at an irrigation efficiency workshop organized by Idaho Power and University of Idaho in Aberdeen.

Idaho Power recently asked for power-rate hikes that could mean a possible 25 percent increase for irrigation customers. Company officials say they did not hit the workshop because of their proposal.

"The company is interested in making sure all our customers are using power efficiently," said another Idaho Power irrigation expert, Quinton Nesbit.

Elison said farmers can reduce demand charges by running smaller systems for longer hours, rather than running systems with heavy horsepower. The demand charges are a fixed cost paid to cover costs of maintaining equipment for peak power use during the times when power need is lower, Elison said.

Irrigators also learned about computer software that can graph water availability for their crops, and it provides a way for farmers to study how growing different crop mixtures will affect water needs.

University-of-Idaho-irrigation expert Howard Neibling said the software is a good way for farmers to look at basic needs.

### U.S. economy and job market continue to strengthen

**NEW YORK** - Evidence continues to build that the U.S. economy is strengthening - including on the job front.

The Conference Board said Thursday that its Composite Index of Leading Economic Indicators rose 0.5 percent in December to 115.0 following gains of 0.2 percent in December and 0.3 percent in November.

In Washington, meanwhile, the Labor Department reported that the number of people filing new claims for unemployment benefits fell sharply last week.

Compiled from staff and wire reports

# M.C. business group brings in trainer

By Lorraine Cavener  
Times-News correspondent

**BURLEY** - When J.R. Simplot Co. announced its Heyburn plant closure and Wal-Mart's Burley store expansion, community leaders wondered what would happen to other businesses in Mini-Cassia.

Joan Asson, executive director of the Mini-Cassia Chamber of Commerce, wondered how the chamber could help.

She was scanning the Internet, looking for a motivational speaker, when she ran across the name Dan Surface and made note of it. But before she could contact him,

he contacted her. Asson talked to Surface about the Mini-Cassia situation, and Surface said he thought a customer service seminar could help. Service is the key to businesses retaining customers, he told her.

"Small businesses rely on customer service," she said. "The arrival of big businesses like Wal-Mart creates a competitive spirit, Asson said, adding that service at Wal-Mart is excellent.

"That competitive spirit is key to keeping smaller businesses vibrant," she said.

"Wal-Mart paints a target on the back of every customer," Surface said. "We need to ask,



Dan Surface

"How are we going to keep that customer and keep them coming back time after time?" Surface is a speaker and consultant to some of the nation's leading associations and corporations. He works to get bottom-line results within organizations, his Web site says.

"Achieve The Best!" is a customized talk that he will present during a March 17 seminar

in Burley. Surface was recently named Indiana Speaker of the Year by the National Speakers Association and is its current president, his Web site says.

"With a lifetime of experience in business he has formed several successful corporations including a 24-year-old printing company and has met over 1,600 continuous weekly payrolls," the site says.

He has served as president of the Entrepreneur Alliance, and he is author of "The One Business Book You Absolutely Must Own!" and "22 Powerful Strategies to Build Your Self Confidence." His

latest soon-to-be released book is "The Customer Is Not My Enemy!"

"You can overcome any obstacle if you ask the right questions, the right people at the right time, and then act on that advice with passion," Surface said.

That passion was one thing that impressed Asson when she saw the video presentation Surface sent her.

She also noted that he addresses not only how employees should treat customers, but internal customer service - the way employees treat each other.

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## TAKING ACTION

### Green Team helps both environment, bottom line

The Associated Press

**BOISE** - Trophies mean little to this team of employees.

They don't wear uniforms emblazoned with a company logo, and they may or may not have any athletic ability.

Helping the environment while saving the company money - and scoring points - is the ultimate goal of the Green Team.

The concept of green teams is growing across the country. They're now a part of big companies like Starbucks, but the roots of green teams started at smaller companies like Boise's CH2M Hill.

CH2M Hill started its Green Team in 1999. It was the fifth CH2M Hill office to form a team, and now the company has green teams in more than 30 offices across the United States.

The Boise team is completely voluntary and encompasses employees from different departments and job titles, but with a common goal to help the environment by suggesting and often implementing changes at their company.

Some of the Boise Green team's accomplishments include eliminating the use of paper and Styrofoam cups and changing the company's copying policy so that employees now do double-sided copying to save paper.

Just eliminating the cups, and giving everyone a mug or glass, is saving the company \$900 a year.

The team also organizes events for other employees to talk about things like water and energy conservation, organic gardening, carpentering and local open space.

Brandy Wilson, a technical writer and one of the founding members of the team, said the best way to have a successful team is to implement things first that save the company money.

"We find we have to continuously connect things to the bottom line and be real analytical about it



Members of the 'Green Team' at CH2M Hill, from bottom left clockwise, Brandy Wilson, Sherrill Loran, Lena Hall, Josh Butler, Betty Buford, Jennifer Knight and Betsy Roberts, don't wear uniforms or strive for trophies. Helping the environment while saving the company money is their ultimate goal.

to get management support and to have things happen," Wilson said. Starting with things that can save a company money helps make it easier to gain approval for things that might cost a little extra like switching to recycled paper or paying to have cardboard recycled.

Wilson and other team members say changing attitudes and cultures at a company isn't always easy.

"We're upsetting their lives a little bit, and some of them get upset with you," said Betsy Roberts, a civil engineer and co-founder of the team.

The team has often felt the wrath of disgruntled co-workers, whether it's been because they took away paper cups or encouraged double-sided copying.

"We got a bad rap at the beginning when we were getting this

together," said Jennifer Knight, a proposal manager with the company. "They would walk on the other side of the hall from us."

Wilson said the team doesn't force employees to do something. Instead they opt for education to help demonstrate why it's important to make changes. The team also tries to sponsor fun events for employees outside the office like volunteering to plant litterbrush in the foothills or clean up the Boise River.

Still, not every employee will do it just because it's right, and Wilson and the other team members have learned to accept that.

"You're not going to change everybody," said Josh Butler, a team member and engineer with CH2M Hill. "You try and show people what's logical and good and they'll make their own choices."

## Qwest posts loss of \$307 million in fourth quarter

**DENVER** - Qwest Communications International Inc. reported a fourth-quarter loss of \$307 million Thursday, blaming competition from wireless and local phone service providers.

The loss, which amounts to 17 cents per share, compares with a \$2.7 billion in profit, or \$1.61 per share, recorded in the fourth quarter 2002, when the sale of Qwest's phone directory unit boosted results.

Revenue was \$3.5 billion in the 2003 fourth quarter, down 5.6 percent from \$3.7 billion in the same quarter the year before.

Analysts surveyed by Thomson First Call had expected losses of 8 cents per share. Qwest - the major local-phone service provider in Magic Valley - did not indicate whether its fourth-quarter results included special charges.

Sell-off of high-speed DSL Internet access and long-distance within Qwest's 14-state region are growing, and Qwest has momentum, CEO Richard Notebaert said. The company plans to spend \$200 million in 2004 to make DSL available to more than 60 percent of its total access lines, or roughly 6 million homes, Notebaert said. It is available on 45 percent of lines now.

On Feb. 28, Qwest will begin offering DSL to customers even if they don't have a land line for phone service from Qwest.

### Wal-Mart posts 8.4 percent profit in fourth quarter

**LITTLE ROCK, Ark.** - Wal-Mart Stores Inc. overcame a tough year's Christmas retailing environment to post an 8.4 percent gain in its fourth quarter profit, while rival Target Corp. reported a 21 percent jump in earnings on robust business at its flagship discount chain.

Wal-Mart, the world's biggest retailer, said Thursday its earnings rose to \$2.72 billion, or 63 cents a share, for the three months ended Jan. 31, up from \$2.51 billion, or 57 cents a share, a year ago. Its revenue rose more than 12 percent to \$75.2 billion from \$66.9 billion a year ago.

Wal-Mart's Magic Valley stores are in Burley and Jerome, Minnneapolis-based Target, with a store in Twin Falls, said



Thursday it earned \$832 million, or 91 cents per share, for the three months ended Jan. 31, up from \$698 million, or 75 cents per share, in the same quarter a year earlier. The latest results beat the consensus estimate of 87 cents a share by analysts surveyed by Thomson First Call.

### NexTel Communications earnings fall 56 percent

**RESTON, Va.** - Fourth-quarter earnings at wireless phone provider NexTel Communications fell 56 percent, suffering from the comparison to the year-ago quarter when a \$1.2 billion one-time gain sharply inflated profits.

Quarterly profits of \$637 million, or 56 cents a share, compared with earnings of \$1.46 billion, or \$1.38 a share, in 2002.

Excluding one-time items, the company reported operating earnings of \$530 million, or 48 cents per share, more than double the \$209 million, or 21 cents per share, in the previous year. The results beat the estimate of Wall Street analysts surveyed by Thomson First Call, who predicted earnings of 41 cents a share.

NexTel, currently the No. 16 sixth-largest cellular phone service provider, increased quarterly revenue 29 percent, from \$2.33 billion to \$3.01 billion. The company also continued to add subscribers as it healthy pace, tallying a subscriber base of 12.9 million at year's end.

For the year, NexTel earned \$1.47 billion, or \$1.36 a share, compared with \$1.66 billion, or \$1.78 a share, in 2002. Annual revenue increased 24 percent to \$10.6 billion, compared to \$8.72 billion in 2002.

### Debt refinancing hits Jack in the Box chain

**SAN DIEGO** - San Diego-based restaurant chain Jack in the Box said net income for the quarter through Jan. 18 fell 26 percent to \$15.6 million, or 43 cents a diluted share, including costs related to debt refinancing.

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## Kmart stays at bottom of list rating satisfaction

Knight-Ridder News Service

**DETROIT** - When it comes to customer satisfaction, Kmart Holding Corp. still sits at the bottom of the barrel among department and discount stores, according to a University of Michigan study released this week.

However, Kmart officials say they are improving customer service and they expect the company to move up in the rankings this year.

For the second year in a row, Kmart - which has a Twin Falls store - scored 70 out of 100 on the American Customer Satisfaction Index. The index is compiled by University of Michigan, the American Society for Quality of Michigan, and CFI Group of Ann Arbor, Mich.

The score - calculated from more than 70,000 consumer surveys nationwide - was the lowest in the category for department

and discount stores. Kohl's Corp. led with a score of 79; J.C. Penney Corp. was the most improved, scoring 78, up 6.8 percent from the year before, and Target Corp.'s Target and Mervyn's stores and Wal-Mart Stores Inc. scored 77.

The discount and department store sector's average score was 76. The average for all industries was 74, the highest since 1995.

While only 9 points separate Kmart's score from Kohl's, Claus Fornell, a professor and director of the National Quality Research Center at University of Michigan, called the performance a disappointment.

"If you want to put a positive spin on it, Kmart didn't drop any further this year, but that's not good enough," he said.

Customer satisfaction has been a top priority for Kmart, since the Troy, Mich.-based

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## Specialty shoe stores lose footing

Knight-Ridder News Service

**CHICAGO** - Amanda Curry is a big reason shoe stores are getting socked these days.

Last week, the Palos Hills, Ill., resident bought a pair of navy blue winter boots for her 6-year-old son at a Wal-Mart in Bridgeview, Ill.

"The mall has them for an arm and a leg," said Curry. "It doesn't bother me to buy them at Wal-Mart, especially with the way the economy is."

The shoes were \$15 at Wal-Mart, marked down from \$17. At the mall where she once bought shoes, they were \$30. Shifting preferences on where to shop for shoes is one factor why sales at publicly traded footwear chains fell an average of 3.5 percent over the past 12 months, making it the weakest retail sector in 2003.

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sales at stores open at least a year. Payless and Famous Footwear both have Magic Valley stores.

Toes are pointing in several directions. In general, new shoe styles have generated little buzz, with the exception of products like the Uggs boot.

Also, consumers are waiting longer before replacing shoes. And, as casual dress habits have become accepted at work, people are getting by with one all-purpose pair of shoes or three used to be necessary. With those savings, shoppers are spending more on every-

thing from DVD players to laptops.

Furthermore, in a less than robust economy, shoe retailers are stocking less expensive footwear, making it tougher for retailers to show revenue gains.

But most significantly, discount chains like Wal-Mart and Target are taking market share from specialty retailers.

Since 1997, discounters have been gaining favor over specialty chains for women's casual shoes and children's products, according to Retail Forward Inc., a consumer preferences tracking firm.

Specialty shoe retailers have made inroads against discounters in only one category during that period - men's casual. "The trend doesn't appear to be slowing, either." Shoe stores' "longer-term growth will remain weak as discounters steal additional market share and put downward pressure on retailing," according to Retail Forward's U.S. Retail Outlook to 2007.



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The company outlined in December.
But excluding a \$9.2 million pretax charge, earnings for the quarter would have been 58 cents per diluted share or 5 percent higher than analysts' consensus estimate.

Kmart

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retailer emerged from bankruptcy protection in May.
Recent changes at the company's 1,500 stores have included more self-checkout stations, a more streamlined inventory, and better lighting and wider aisles.

Seminar

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The seminar is not about techniques, but about attitude and respect. The trainer talks about ways to let employees know they are special.
"Any product we have you can get anytime with access to the Internet."

If you go

- What: Excellence in Customer Service Seminar
Speaker: Dan Surface, Century Cinema's service trainer from Illinois.
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