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The acclaimed gospel group

Blind Boys of Alabama comes to Twin Falls.

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#### Drive my car

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# lospitals spar over move

By Sandy Miller Times-News writer

JEROME – The way St.
Benedicts Family Medical Center's
leaders see it, the county-owned
hospital on the other side of the
river will do anything it can to
keep them from breaking ground
on their new \$17 million, 25-bet
facility at Crossroads Point.

"Magic Valley feels it's better to
be a kingdom," said Mike Cooper
St. Ben's chief executive officer.
Magic Valley Regional Medical
Center administrators don't deny
they tried to persuade the Idaho
Department of Health and Welfare
to change rules so that \$5. Ben's

Department of Health and Welfare to change rules so that St. Ben's

St. Ben's says T.F. hospital tried to block ground breaking; Magic Valley Regional says it just wants even playing field

would lose its "critical access hospital" designation by moving to the new location. And officials of the Iwin Falls hospital acknowledge they have spoken against requests for federal money that would help St. Ben's get its new building. But Magic Valley Regional CEO John Kee said he doesn't have any problem with St. Ben's warning to build a new hospital. What he does have a problem with how it intends to pay for it.
"If they feel it's such a great place to build, they should build it,

but they shouldn't be doing it with federal funding," Kee said.

As far as Cooper is concerned, Magic Valley Regional efforts have been driven with one eventual goal in mind – to be the only hospital in the area.

the area,
"It's all being done behind smoke and mirrors," Cooper said.

#### Trying to change the rules

The nonprofit St. Ben's is one of 20 critical access hospitals in Idaho, a group that includes Gooding County Memorial Hos-

pital in Gooding and Minidoka Memorial Hospital in Rupert. One of the benefits of critical access hospitals is that they receive cost-based reimbursement or services to Medicare patients, while hospitals such as Magical Walley Regional are reimbursed at lower rates. The government's intent is to ensure that Medicare patients in rural areas have access to leadth services.

Magic Valley Regionally proposad was to charge state rules so that so that critical access hospitals

would have to reapply for that designation before moving to new locations outside their immediate areas. But the effort didn't gain majority support, Hospital Association President Sieve Millard said.

"It's a real difficult issue for us, because we have two hospitals in your area on either side of the issue," Millard said. "There has never been enough movement on one side to change the status quo," Having no luck with the state Department of Health and Welfare and fellow members of the Hospital Association, Magic Valley Regional's administration turned to Idaho legislators and got the ear of Rep. Sharon Block,

got the ear of Rep. Sharon Block, Please see HOSPITAL, Page A6

# Idaho Dems gather to hear

#### The Associated Press

BOISE – Former Vice President Al Gore fired up a sold-out democratic banquet Saurday, night, attacking the Republican right wing and urg-ing his party to take advantage of what he sees as America's change of heart

Gore in Boise

mig in July 20 occurred a change of heart.

"Here in this state, where Republicans have flexed their muscles for so long, there is that dising up among men and women, who know the other side has gone too far," Gore told over 750 people at the annual Frank Church Banquet. In a speech peppered with self-deprecating humor, Gore attacked the control of the control of

tration's sup-port for the Patriot Act, it's environ-mental policy

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mental policy and an economic policy he said fawors the wealthy. "I'm concerned about the economy," Gore said to a cheer-ing crowd, "I was the first one laid off, You don't forget some-

laid off. You don't forget some-thing like that,"
Idaho party leaders saw the event as one of the most enthus-isstic in years.
"We always seem to be able to get excited for a while," former Democratic Governor Cetil Andrus said, but this time there seems to be more to it."
Andrus and others were also buoyed by the prospect that either Massachusetts Sen, John Pleosé see GORE, Page A2

## Taking part

# TWIN FALLS – Movingsin day for Dennis Crawford's family meant securing a peaceful retreat away from City noise. "It's rural, open fields to the west and north," said Crawford, who has lived in his home on Wirsching Avenue West for 27 years. But some county residents say nearby development is hitting them where it hurts – in the value of their homes and the comfort of their homes and the comfort of their homes and the comfort of their hearths. Red Cross visits Saddam in U.S. custody for the first time

The Associated Press

followers.

The announcement of the visit came after the U.S. administrator in Iraq, L. Paul Bremer, cited U.N. estimates that it may take 15 months to arrange elections – far

"I'm not an obstructionist,"
Crawford said. "I recognize that
huilding will go on. But it seems
like there's no plan. Whoever wants
to do something just sends it on
through without addressing what
the comprehensive plan is an
ignoring the property rights of people living there. The northwest side
of town is in hyperspeed for
rezone."

California backcountry - B5

rezone."

The disagreement has hit fever pitch. Residents are banding

Neighbors, city clash over development

together and considering taking their case to court.
"A final decision hasn't been made," said Robert Williams, the attorney retained by the residents. "I believe (a lawsait) will be filed." Their argument is based partially on a 2000 Idaho Supreme Court ruling that addressed a city's utimate jurisdiction over subdivisions built in its area of impact – land just outside city limits. While city officials say the current arrangement that gives the city considerable influence over area of impact development is legal, the residents

say the city has too much control.
"The objectives of my clients are
to make changes so that county
commissioners have final control
over areas of impact," Williams commissioners have final control over areas of impact." William said. "The existing impact area ordinances are unlawful as they are being applied. It amounts to an unconstitutional delegation of the legislative and quass-judicial authority of the county to the city." He added that city and county officials could make changes voluntarily, so a lawsuit may not be necessary. And that may be happlease see CLASH, Page A2

Find out how to participate in Tuesday night's Idaho Democratic caucuses in Monday's edition of The Times News.

# longer than demanded by leading Iraqi politicians.

BAGIDAD, Iraq - The interna-tional Red Cross visited Saddam Hussein in jail for the first time Saturday, and the ousted dictator wrote a letter to his family that will be delivered once the United States confirms it does not con-tain any hidden messages to his followers.



politicians.

The twomember international
Committee of
the Red Cross
delegation,
which included Saddam Husseln a doctor, spoke to Saddam privately at an undisclosed location in Iraq, spokeswoman Nada Doumani said. The announce-

Troops train for deployment - A5

ment dispelled rumors the Americans had spirited Saddam out of the country following his Dec. 13 capture in a hole near

Tikrit.
"The aim of this visit is to track and monitor the conditions of detention and treatment of the detainee," Dounani said from Amman, Jordan. "We want to see whether he is getting enough

food and water and also to check his health condition and to give him the possibility to write a nessage to his family – which he did."
The visit was arranged after the Pentagon formally declared Saddam a prisoner of war last month because of his status as commander in chief of fraq's military. As a POW. Saddam is entitled under the Geneva Conventions to certain rights, including visits by the international Red Cross and freedom from coercion of any kind during interrogations.

Saddam's letter, presumably to his daughters in Jordan, will be delivered after American authorities make sure it contains no instructions to his followers or other banned messages.

The international Red Cross made no statement about Saddam's health or conditions of confinement, routine practice for the organization. Doumant said the Red Cross would periodically visit Saddam as long as he remains in custody, but she gave no further details.

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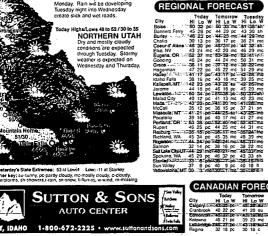
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# Saddam

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The visit to Saddam came as the Americans and their Iraqi partners struggle to find a formula for constituting a new government to take power June 30. A plan to pick members of a new legislature through regional caucuses has been all but scrapped after the country's leading Shifte cleric, Grand Ayatollah Ali al-Husseini al-Sistani, insisted that the lawmakers be chosen in a national election.

Shiftes, believed to comprise about 60 percent of Iraq's 25 million people, are anxious for a vote to affirm their power after decades of suppression by the Sunni Muslim minority.

On Thursday, U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan concurred with the Americans that an election by June 30 was impossible. The United Nations is hoping the Inail leadership will come up with a new formula for establishing a transitional government.

Washington favors expanding, the U.S. appointed, 25-member Iraqi Governing Council to rule the country until elections can be held.

Bremer, the U.S. administrator.

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Bremer, the U.S. administrator, told the Dubai-based Al-Arabiya television station that the United Nations believed it could take up to 15 months to hold elections. The United Nations has announced no such estimate publicly.

# Gore

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Kerry or North Carolina Sen.
John Edwards would help candidates below them on the
November ballot.
Party Chairman Carolyn Boyce
was confident Idaho Democrats
will build in the November election on the gains they we made in
the state Legislature and city
halls over the past two years.
The party has no illusions
about winning Idaho in
November. The last Democrat to
win the state's presidential vote
was Lyndon Johnson in 1964. But
Democrats were optimistic about

Democrats were optimistic about making additional gains in the Legislature, and a strong moder-ate at the top of the ticket can

help.
The sold-out dinner was sched-four days before The sold-out dinner was sched-uled for four days before Democrats gather at county cau-cuses around the state to pick 18 of Idaho's 23 delegates to July's national convention in Boston. Gore, who scored a two-to-one

win in Idaho's 2000 caucuses over Bill Bradley, stepped in for

win in Idaho's 2000 caucuses over Bill Bradley, stepped in for Edwards at the last minute on Wednesday. Edwards canceled his visit after a strong second-place finish to Kerry in Wisconsin, deciding to focus instead on campaigning in Super Tuesday states with significantly more delegates at stake. "Gore is certainly neutral as between Kerry and Edwards, and I have every expectation that he will remain neutral," said former state Chairman Bill Mauk, a sure will remain neutral, "said former state Chairman Bill Mauk, as used to the condition of the work of

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# Clash

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pening, as the city and county are considering changes that could

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Area of impact residents invoke to 2000 Supreme Court decision in Blaha us. Ada County to support their claim that the city doesn't have jurisdiction in making decisions in areas of impact. Twin Falls is in violation of that ruling, some residents say.
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sions in areas of impact. Twin Falls is in violation of that ruling, some residents say.

"The Supreme Court ruled, so follow the law," said Crawford, who serves as chairman of a neighborhood activist group called Citizens for Sound Development.

His northwestside group has been joined by a group of concerned citizens who live on the east side of the city.

"There's more power in numbers," Crawford said, "and we can share information we've been working on since last fall."

The legal issues are exactly the same ir, both areas, said Brent Nielson, treasurer for Citizens for "Sound Development.

"We're just bothind them a few steps," added Ruth Manwaring, an area of impact resident.

Nearly 30 people have donated money to pay a lawyer, and a lot of others have shown interest, Nielson said.

"There seems to be a blind spot

said.
"There seems to be a blind spot with our city officials as to what the driving force of the city is, what drives the economics of the valley." Crawford said.

## Binding, or not?

Binding, or not?

Part of the city's driving force comes frpm its comprehensive plan, developed as part of the local planning act of 1975.

Rather than a binding document, it serves as a guide of what its serves as a guide of what come the city quality to be going. City Atomey Fritz Wonderlich said.

"It's a planning document," Wonderlich said "It says, 'Here's a way we think things are going,' It requires—the—investigation—of—a whole number of factors. All those factors go into a plan, But it's just that."

"You can't make a reference (to

"You can't make a reference (to a subdivision) and say, This is in violation of the plan," he said.

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# Political representation

Political representation

Area of impact residents also argue that it's unfair they are affected by decisions made by the Twin Falls City Council without being able to vote in city elections. "We live in the area of impact, but we can't vote in the city." Nielson said. "They'll say they make the recommendation and the county approves it. We've argued this to them, and they know we're right and they're in trouble, but they continue to move forward. We have no other option than to such them.

Being left out of decisions reminds some of struggles that should have been resolved a long time ago.

ne ago. "It's like the Revolutionary War,"

"It's like the Kevolutionary war, Ruth Manwaring said. "It's taxa-tion without representation." Wonderlich argues that area of impact residents don't pay city taxes, and they do have representa-tion on the county commission.

tion on the county commission.

"I absolutely disagree" they
don't have representation,
Wonderlich said. "They're the ones

don't have representation, Wonderlich said. "Hey're the ones who elect county commissioners, who have authority to make decisions."

Commissioners appoint area of impact members to the city Planning and Zoning Commission. Those representatives are in proportion to the number of residents in the area of impact. At presents there are two regular members and one alternate, all of whom must live in the area of impact. For grievances, residents can take their complaints to the Area of Impact. Board of "Appeals," composed of City Council members and one alternate in the Area of Impact. There is an appeal of the Area of Impact. There is an appeal of the Area of Impact. There is an appeal of the Area of Impact. There is an appeal of the Area of Impact. There is an appeal of the Area of Impact. There is an appeal of the Area of Impact. The Area of Impact. There is an appeal of the Area of Impact. There is an appeal of the Area of Impact. The Impact of Impact. The Area of Impact. The Area of Impact. The Area of Impact. The Impact of Impact. The Area of Impact. The Impact. The Area of Impact. The Impact. The Area of Impact. The Impact. The

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another outlet to be heard. That's what our government is about."

That board, however, can be a fair board, and the fair board of the Casdewood Subdivision.

In January, the Twin Falls Area of Impact Board of Appeals voted unanimously to uphold a City Council decision approving castlewood Subdivision No. 1, a 19-acre family housing development to be built on Grandvew Drive between Filer and Falls avenues. Despite the appeal of residents of the area, the board uphold the City Council's decision, allowing Castlewood Development LLC countils decision, allowing Castlewood Development LLC countils decision, allowing Castlewood Development LLC hound to the country of the project of the area, the board uphold the City Council's decision, allowing Castlewood Development LLC hearing a case twice.

"They re required to see old and new information at the appeal?" he said. "They may have an advantage over county commissioners in that respect."

The devil is in the details

#### The devil is in the details

The devil is in the details

The county and the city have an agreement wherein the commissioners allow the city to assist and guide development in the area of impact. The agreement also allows the city Planning and Zoning Commission to serve as the Area of City Impact Commission to administer the area of impact. The agreement gree out of the problem that the county doesn't have the staff to handle all of the issues that arise.

Although the city serves in an advisory capacity Wonderfich said, decisions about areas of impact are telimately made by county commissioners.

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The city has fought – and won—this battle before, Wonderlich said. In the cases City of Thun Falls u. Reith Jones, et al., and City of Thun Falls, et al. u. Larny Erns., et al., a judge determined that the city was acting within its rights and with the consent of the county.

A proposed amendment in a city ordinance would slightly alter the agreement between the city and the county. Residents say the main change is that the county commission would have the final say in an exclusion, allowing for vetoes or subjecting proposals to conditions.

As it stands now, recoming does

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not require the approval of county commissioners. And citizens com-plain that the plat approval process is only rubber-stamped by commis-sioners after being reviewed by the

-is only rubber-stamped by commis-sioners after being reviewed by the city.

Another problem with the cur-rent ordinance, Williams said, is that it allows for the city to make some changes without notice, effec-tively shaping the future of the county without residents' input.

"If they're going to change the ordinance, the county should 'go through its own legislative process,' he said.

Mikesell said the proposed amendment – which has beet in the works for nine months-should address the residents' concerns.

"Its time for a change," Mikesell process. The said and considerable should be a considerable with the said of the con-traction of the con-t

"It's time for a change," Mikeseil said. "We have a change in the process."

Still, the state attorney general's office deemed constitutional the method of regulation and administration the city of Twin Falls uses in the area of impact, Wonderlich said.

Contrary to what many people believe, he said, the city's current area of impact ordinance was not invalidated by the Blaha us. Ada county decision. The Supremp Court determined a city can act, in a disciplination of the county of the city of the county and advisory role, which is the system in Twin Falls, Wonderlich said. "There is no dual approval process," he said. "Plats go through the Planning and Zoning Commission, which is for the airpa of impact. Then (the development) goes to the City Council for the inal plat approval."

The county commissioners have the final say, he said.
"They sign off on every single plat," he added.

#### Dealing with the impact

As crews descend upon the new home construction sites, neighbors lament the lifestyle they say is slip-

lament the lifestyle they say is dip-ping away.

Overcrowded schools, tons of traffic, smelly sewers and a hodge-podge of houses will be some of the more unhappy outcomes, they fear "We recognize building is going to go on, but that needs to blend with what's next to it." Crawford said.

to go on, but that needs to blend with whats next to it." Crawford said.
Gerald Martens of EHM Engineers Inc. – the company developing Morning Sun Subdivision, Castlewood Subdivision and others – told the City Council in Novelmber that the Castlewood Subdivision would not harm the quality of life for neighbors. He said public services in the subdivision would be taken care of and that development would take between five and eight years, allowing time for the school district and residents and expensive succession of the control of the contro

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# Aristide concedes to peace plan

# President of Haiti plans to share power with political opponents

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti (AP) -

PORTAU-PRINCE, Haiti (AP)-President Jean-Bertrand Aristide arged Saturday to a U.S-backed pace plan calling for stared power with political opponents, a new prime minister and fresh leg-islative elections. But Aristide, who gets to remain president, appeared to lay down a condition. He declared he would "not go ahead with any terrorists," referring to rebels who have led a bloody two-week-old uprising that has killed more than 60 people and chased police from dozens of towns.

towns.

The president's consent came figure after U.S.-led diplomats arrived in the Haitian capital to push the agreement. The envoys met later Saturday with opposition leaders, urging them to accept a deal that falls short of their demand that the embattled

their demand that the Callotte Aristide resign.

Although not allied, Haiti's rebels and political opponents both insist that Aristide leave

office. Throughout the recent bloodshed, the president has said he will.not step down before his term ends in 2006.

"The plan attempts to pull his (Aristide's) teeth but does in thave the means," opposition leader Evans Paul said before meeting with the diplomats. He also complained that the complained that the complained that the complained that the conforce it. A mid the negotiations, the State Department ordered the withdrawal of all nonessential U.S. personnel and family members from the U.S. Embassy, citing continuing violence in the Caribbean nation.

The U.S. backed plan requires the government and opposition to agree by Tuesday to a three-way commission of representatives from both sides and international delegates. It also calls for the appointment of a prime minister agreeable to both sides and for parliamentary elections.

- An icy breakthrough -

# U.S. orders partial withdrawal from embassy

WASHINGTON (AP) - The State Department, citing contin-ued violence in Haiti, ordered the withdrawal on Saturday of all nonessential U.S. personnel and family members from the U.S. Embassy in the Caribbean

U.S. Embassy in the Caribbean nation.

The department also repeated a warning that American citizens who are not on U.S. government business in Haiti should leave the country while commercial air service continues to operate on a regular basis.

The announcement came just before Haiti's president, Jean-Bertrand Aristide, agreed to a peace plan to appoint a new government and prime minister.

The travel warning was based on a determination that "the security situation in Haiti has deteriorated to unsafe levels."

It did not disclose the number

of Americans who would be affected by the order. Previously, the State Department had authorized the departure at gov-ernment expense of nonessential

ernment expense of nonessential embassy personnel and family members. Saturday's announcement makes such departures mandatory. Earlier, a U.S.-led diplomatic mission presented Haiti's government and opposition with a peace plan, hoping to end a two-week uprising that has killed at least 60 people and left more than a dozen towns in rebel hands.

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The proposal required the government and opposition to agree by Tuesday to a three-way commission of representatives from both sides and international delegates. It would also appoint a prime minister agreeable to both sides.

# Boat sinks after collision in Mississippi

VENICE, La. (AP) - An offshore sank near the mouth of the Mississippi River after colliding with a container ship early Saturday, the Coast Guard rescue boat was at the scene and searching for the crew. of. the Lee III, Coast Guard-Petty Officer Jonathan McCool said.

He said the rescue crew saw the Lee III sink, but had not found anyone several hours after the accident.

If the crew members were not wearing -their life, jackets, they-probably did not have time to get them, McCool said.

The 178-foot Lee III and the 534-foot Zim Mexico III collided in the river's Southwest Pass, he said.

The container ship's crew reported damage near the bow, but no injuries.

# Mom works for better organ donor system

YEAR AFTER BOTCHED TRANSPLANT

LOUISBURG, N.C. (AP) — In a low, steady voice Magdalena' Santillan pleads for more people to donate their organs.

As she speaks in Spanish, images of her daughter, Jesica, flash onto the screen. One shows a pretty, smiling girl with lively brown eyes. Others show her unconscious in a hospital bed with a breathing tube and IV lines trailing from her weak, inty body just before her death, a year ago Sunday.

"Help me to keep Jesica's legacy alive," she says in one of a series of public service announcements.

Jesica Santillan, a 17-year-old Mexican immigrant, died after receiving a heart-lung transplant from a donor of an incompatible blood type. Her death shook the nation's confidence in the organ donation system, battered the reputation of world-renowned Duke University Hospital.

Jesica's plight grabbed the attention of the nation and the family's native Mexico. At times, the debate turned ugly, with critics attacking Duke, the transplant system and the illegal immigratus of the Santillan family.

"There was a rage factor that

people harbored," said the family's spokesman, Mack Mahoney.
"People, they see that as their kid."
One year later, the rage has mostly cooled, with bitter talk turning to efforts to build a legacy for a girl let down by the well-meaning people who tried to save her.
"The event, although it was tragic for Jesica, it's probably going to make a his-ger impact on



probably going to make a big-ger impact on medicine than anything else." said Dr. Peter Smith, Chief of thorace surgery at Duke. "It alses an event like this to raise the level of attention to the point where cultural change is possible." Within the pastryear, the United Network for Organ Sharing, which coordinates roughly 25,000 transplants a year, painstakingh broke down its procedures for organ donation, identifying key places where errors could occur. Duke, which took responsibility for the error, adopted a similarly rigorous set of checks and balances.

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# Oil prices climb back to 2003 levels

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ice fishermen try their luck on Lake Josephine Friday in Billings, Mont.

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"WASHINGTON - A year ago, oil prices were climbing past \$35 a barnel in the run-up to the Iraq washington you have a part of the property of the property

information Administration said. "It is difficult to see how gasoline markets will not remain tight, at least through this upcoming summer driving season," the EIA's weekly report concluded.

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An underlying problem is a hepeating circle of, lean oil inventories and high-prices, experts-said.

Commercial inventories have dropped well below normal levels for this time of year. Low inventories maintain a sense of scarcity in all markets, helping to inflate prices and keeping traders and speculators in a buying mood. As long as oil prices remain, high, energy companies tend to hold back from buying supplies to replenish inventories.

"It's a perpetual loop," said Adam Sieminski, London-based analyst for Deutsche Bank It is a bit of a vicious circle, agreed Simon Wardell, senior analyst with the World Markets Research Center, also in London. "No doubt the supply-and-demand balance is slight," he said.

The cycle could be broken if there were a slowdown in the global conomy that eased demand for petroleum products. But the

International Energy Agency shifted its 2004 forecast the other way this month, predicting slightly more growth and less oil production than it had first expected. China's expanding economy has been cranking up oil demand and that trend doesn't seem about to stop, analysts agreed.

A big spurt of new oil output also could cause prices to turn downward. Russia has produced additional oil in the past year, but its impressive production gains are not expected to continue in 2004. So far it is unclear when security conditions might permit Iraq to resume its place as a major oil exporter. The Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries has played its part in keeping oil prices above historic levels. On Feb. 10, OPEC members said they planned a profit in the production cuback of 1 million barrels a day, or nearly 10 percent, beginning in April, to keep prices from slipping in midyear if global economic growth does decline.

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The decision signals OPEC's intent to target oil prices at around \$30 a barrel this year and next, said James Burkhayd, a director of Cambridge Search Associates. Why Recard Associates with the said of the said

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# Mayor continues marriages

Conservative groups try to stop same-sex unions in San Francisco court

SAN FRÂNCISCO (AP) — Conservative groups headed back to court Friday in hopes of got-ting a stop to San Francisco's gay-marriage spree, as a defiant Mayor Gavin Newson officiated at the wedding of one of California's most prominent les-bian politicians in his City Hall office.

office.

A crowd of politicians and lawyers gathered for that wedlawyers gathered for that wedbians lined up to join the 3,000 same-sex couples the city has allowed to get married so far.

Meanwhile, legal advocates for

both sides were trying to get two challenees consolidated under one judge in a courtroom across the street. Over the past week, the two judges refused, for now, to stop the weddings.

While most Americans remain opposed to same-sex marriages, a new poll out Friday showed that sympathy for allowing gast to marry has risen by 6 points over the past four years, to 44 percent. Fifty percent of Californians remain opposed.

In the San Francisco Bay area, the same proposed, and the san Francisco Bay area, coording to the Public Policy Institute of California poll, which was based on a statewide poll taken Feb. 8-16 and had a margin of error of plus or minus 2 percentage points.

Newson's actions have been

greeted skeptically even by some gay-rights supporters worried that the move will backfire and build support for a federal consti-tutional amendment to han gay

tutional amendment to han gay marriage. California's two senators, Dianne Feinstein and Barbara Boxer, both San Francisco Democrats, expressed opposition to the city's stand. Feinstein noted that California states four seas, son expendigments for

voters four years ago overwhelm-ing approved a measure that says only marriages between men and women are valid.
"If the mayor believes that law

"If the mayor believes that law is unconstitutional, the place to go is the court," Feinstein said, "I believe this makes the national situation much more complicated and gives ammunition to those who are pushing for a constitu-tional amendment."

# Officials say state law prohibits them from recognizing same-sex marriages

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) Many of the more than 3,000
same-sex couples who obtained
marriage licenses from the city
said getting married was among
the most joyous events in their
lives. But because of legal uncertainty and political controversy,
the certificates don't appear to
be worth much more than sentmental value at this point.
Stacey Zartler, a San Francisco
lawyer married last week at City
Hall, said her ceremony was all
about love, not financial or other
benefits, It was a mowing experience when she and Alicia
Sinclair were pronounced
'spouses for life,' she said.
If their vows end up being nullified, "There, will be, a psychological toll," Zartler said. "I don't
know if I can handle the disappointment."
The city began Issuing marriage licenses on Feb. 12, and is
now fighting legal challenges to
its policy.
Mayor. Gavin Newsom says he

its policy.

Mayor Gavin Newsom says he has to allow gays to marry to avoid violating the equal protection clause of the California

avoid violating the equal protection clause of the California Constitution.

Opponents say that's irrelevant and that municipal officials can't ignore state laws, and California officials say they can't efficially record the city's marriage licenses. State Attorney General Bill Luckyer said "state law prohibits the recognition of same-sex marriages." Valid marriages are key to a wide variety of benefits affecting issues that include taxes, inheritance, insurance and retirement.

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But until the legal fog lifts, businesses being contacted by gays and lesbians seeking new benefits probably word acknowledge their marriages. Corporate counsels, employment law consultants and human resource departments already are devoting time and energy trying to figure out where they stand.

One of the first to attempt to make such a claim was Joseph

INSTANTLY.



San Francisco City and County Sheriff Michael Hennessey, center, presides ding ceremony of Nan Humbel, left, and Under Sheriff Jan Dempsey on Friday at San Francisco's City Hall.

bempsy on rinaly at San Francisco's Wiedman, a law student from suburban Emeryville who married his partner of nine years, Eric Chamberlain.

"It's hard to explain the feeling of waking up on Saturday and looking over at the person lying next to you and realizing you are now married to that person." Wiedman said. "It's simply a wonderful feeling." Wiedman doesn't need to be married to get medical insurance

Wiedman doesn't need to be married to get medical insurance under Chamberlain's health insurance plan. Chamberlain is a computer technician at the University of California, Berkeley, and is among the 175,000 California employees

175,000 Catitornia employees whose domestic partners can get health benefits.
Other coverage, however, is another matter.
The couple asked State Farm for the marriage-discount rate on

their car insurance, and the com-pany mailed them an acknowl-edgment form showing both their

edgment form showing both their names.
But now State Farm says it won't give them the lower rate after all.
"At this point, as far as I know, State Farm has not recognized same-sex marrilages," State Farm spokeswoman Janer Ruiz said.
Other discounts are available to homosexual couples, she said.
To Chamberlain, that sounds like "we're on the cusp of being treated again as second-class citizens."
The additional cost of covering married gay couples could be negligible for the city, because Sam Francisco already offers domestic partner benefits so generous that even sex change operations are subsidized for the partners of city employees.

# Small utilities help fill tech gap, bring broadband to countryside

ADEL, Ga. (AP) – Paula Croshy's dial-up Internet connection was so slow she played computer solitaire while waiting for suggish pages to appear. And when her teenage daughter surfed the Web, it tied up the family's phone line for hours. Thanks' to their small town's leap into the latest technology, the Crosby family now connects seven times faster with wireless broadband, and the cost is about what they paid for dial-up. Adel, 250 miles south of Atlanta, has joined the growing ranks of rural communities offering some type of broadband Internet service – wireless, cable, DSL or signals over electrical lines – through municipal utility companies.

ompanies.

Some are comparing the community broadband movement to efforts that began in the late 1800s and continued through the 1930s to bring electricity to America's small towns and rural areas.

America's James 2, 2,000 public areas.
Of the nation's 2,000 public electric systems, 134 now provide Internet service, 128 provide broadband connections, 76 provide cable-modern DSL, and 39 offer wireless networking.
Georgia already has at least four wireless towns and there are

plans to make Houston County, south of Macon, the state's first wireless county this year. The U.S. Department of Agriculture and the Federal Communications Commission Agriculture and the Federal Communications Commission have formed a partnership to bring wireless technology to rural areas, and the FCC announced in November that it would expand wireless-device frequencies to clear the way for more rural high-speed connections.

"Adel is a good example of a community that saw its needs and took matters in its own hand," said Jim Baller, a Washington attorney who represents public power utilities and the 2,000-member American Public Power Association. Municipal utility companies began electrifying small towns in tel 1890s.

"Thousands of communities were left in the dark until they

"Thousands of communities were left in the dark until they formed their own electric utilities," Baller said. "Those that did were largely successful and many that didn't became ghost towns."

towns."
Proponents of municipal broadband say traditional providers, such as telephone and cable television companies, have been unwilling to upgrade their systems to serve rural customers.

They compare it to the relac-tance of power companies a cen-tury ago to expand beyond chies.
"The metropolitan areas were enjoying being at the forefront of technology. The rural areas were being left out." Adel City Manager Jerry Permenter said:
With municipal utilities step-ping in to fill the technology gap, some say it's creating a reverse digital divide, where a growing number of country folks have better connections than their urban cousins.

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Adel officials decided to go wireless after a communications company pulled out a few years ago, leaving the town with a fiber-optic system 'that was already connected to the state's Internet backbone. They optic of or wireless to avoid the high cast of running cable to each home.

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Southlink.us last October, offer-ing residential and business serv-ice for \$24.95 to \$99.95, depend-ing on connection speeds. Mrs. Crosby said her family needed no coaxing after testing the system at City Hall. "It blew me and my husband away," she said. "The instant I touched it, I was connected. It couldn't believe how fast it is."

# N.J. bans forced overtime for health care workers

TRENTON, N. J. (AP) – After a five-year battle, New Jersey now has a state law barring hospitals and nursing homes from forcing health care employees to work overtime except in emergencies. Nurses and union officials say the law, only the second in the nation, should improve patient safety and prevent mistakes that can be committed by people who have been on the job for up to 16 hours.

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"It's really hard when you're doing a 10-hour (Auy) shift to be told when you're one to the when you're one to the when you reome in you may have to stay until 7:30 the next morning," said Moreen Mallot, a registered nurse at Bayonne Medical Center for 33 years.

With the law that went into effect Tuesday, New Jersey joins only Washington starie in banning mandatory overtime at health facilities. West Virginia lawmakers passed a ban that awaits the governor's signature. At least six other states have debated such legislation, according to Mary MacDonald, director of the AFT Healthcare union.

The New Jersey Hospital Association concedes it will be tough for hospitals to obey the law, because patient loads and demands on hospitals change daily and they don't have enough staff.
"Our hospitals are gearing up

"Our hospitals are gearing up

to deal with it." said association spokesman Ron Czajkowski. "Everybody will try their best, but it will be e test." Even the state Department of Health and Senior Services is unsure all thespitals will be able to compare this point, it is too early for us to know what the impact of this

new law will be on hospitals," said department spokeswoman Dopna Leusner.

Leusner.

The law covers all hourly workers who provide patient care or clinical services, including nurses, nurses' aides, pharmacists, therapists, technicians who do tests and similar workers, but not doctors.







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> 99 – Brig. Gen. David Blackledge on civil affairs soldiers

# RULING BAGHDAD

# Army learns from Austin, Texas, how to run a city

AUSTIN, Texas - Maj. Gen. Pete him-AUSTIN, Texas-Maj. Gen. Pete. Chiarelli. commander of the Armys 1st Cavalry Division, has a little job on his hands. Starting next month, ihe and the 20,000 iroops under his command will take over U.S. Army operations in Baghdad.

Baghdad.

-So, last week, Chiarelli did what anight seem an odd thing. To prepare for the daily travails in one of the world's more lethal cities, he and his top commanders wisted one of the more placid.

Beginning with two days of back-to-back seminars, and concluding with a morning of field utips around town, Chiarelli and the 1st Cavaly leadership treated themselves to an intensive course in municipal governance, courtery of the city of Austin.

There was brainstorming on collecting trash and organizing elections; sewage backups and police training water main breaks and open government; systems and software for emergency response even the perils and potentials of a robust black market economy.

Running Baghdad is not precisely what Chiarelli and his top brass have trained for most of their professional lives. Anyway, he is far too plittic to liken himpelf to the mayor, or even the city with a command of his career, has no illusions about replicating Austin on the Tigris. He is careful to stress the obvious - that the 1st Cavalry and the strength of the strength of the strength of the major, or even the city with a past of the largic applial. (He prefers "facilitator.")

"And the general, who is about the take over the most important command of his career, has no illusions about replicating Austin on the Tigris. He is careful to stress the obvious - that the 1st Cavalry "still confronted with a nasty "Insurgency, and that security is "the Army's job No.1.

But the also estimates that had his aides will likely be spending at least half their time on what he east of a modern down the door, and looking for the larging with Chiarelli, who, in plutic, had less the air of a modern American Caesar than of a perspendic college professor (which head one) why the sewers are backed up and there's a cesspool down the road."

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Stung by criticism that it was ill-prepared to manage postwar Iraq, the Army has struggled to play catch-up. Chiarelli, 53, once a top aide to Gen. Wesley Clark, then-NATO supreme commander, during the U.S. milliary campaign in Kosovo, is especially mindful of file challenges he faces in Baghdad, a city whose energy,

ONE MAN'S JUNK ...



An Iraqi man carrles away a car door he took from the remains of a civilian car which was attacked noar Haswa, 25 miles south of Baghadd, Saturday, Insurgents-fired on a U.S.-military convey-killing an Iraqi translator and wounding four American soldiers, the U.S. command in Baghadd sald. No other details were available

One minute you're

breaking down the door and looking for the bad guy. The next minute you're trying to find out why the sewers are backed

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water and sew erage infra-structure is crumbling, and whose res-

and whose residents are get-ting a first taste of democracy at the neighborhood and district level.

To ready himself and his trongs to

himself and his troops to take over in Baghdad nextmonth from the Army's 1st A'r m o r e d Division, the general has devised an

– Maj. Gen. Pete Chlarelli

Division, the general has has has has devised an electic range of training methods and has drawn on unorthodox sources. He has sent dozens of his young officers to attend local government meetings in the small towns around the 1st Cavalny's home base at Fort Hood, Texas. The general and two-thirds of the division's leadership spent a week last fall in Jordan, Iraq's neighbor to the west, for what amounted to an in-depth seminar on cultural sensitivities in the Arab world. (One particular focus there: how to conduct house searches without ging offense to women and inno-

particular focus there: how to conduct house scarches without ging offense to women and innocent heads of households.)

The Army has also tapped the expertise of a 20-man British army training team with experience in Northern Ireland. The team has just completed three weeks of helping with small-unit actics and techniques at Fort Hood. And in a turn to academia, the division has asked the Institute for Advanced

Technology at the University of Texas at Austin to help

Austin to help devise a regional media strategy, so the Army can try to parry some of the critical reporting on Arab satellite television stations such as Qatar-based al-Jazeera.

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Chiarelli concedes that the U.S. military is not going to overh a u l

n. Pete Chiarelli going to overha u li Ba g h da d's
power grid, or install a new sewerage system, or perfect a system of
garbage collection and landfill
management where an adequate
one has never existed. Yet, even in
what he calls "Band-Aid mode,"
he believes the Army can chip
away at the resentment of some
Iraqis- and maybe even begin to
reduce infant mortality—by devising efficient ways of repairing
burst pipes and ensuring sanitary
vater and sewerage systems.
"You can say, you know, that's
really not the Army's job," he said.
"But we're the ones on a day-today basis that are on the street
and with the people." It was Chiarellis idea to ask
Austin whether it would host the
series of seminars on municipal
management, the request was
made by his headquarrers in early
December: Part of the appeal was
that Austin is just a 90-minute
drive down Interstate 35 from
Fort Hood, Another was the

notion that Austin might provide a sort of free consultancy for the Ist Cavilry after the division arrives in Baghdad, giving technical and managerial advice via email and an anagerial advice via email and an anagerial advice via email and an all wideo-conference hookup – a link the Army calls "teach-back technology."

At first blush, Texas's capital whose slogan is "Keep Austin Weird" – appears a strange choice as a model for Iraq's; the two cities are nine hours, and light-years apart. Blessed by green parks, jazy architecture, a light-teconomy, a huge university and what may be the country's most local government is regularly ranked among the best managed in the country. Its population, density and unemployment rates are about a tenth of Baghdad's; its lectory rate is almost doubles a first seemed a little daunted to be dispensing advice to a collection of generals, colonels and majors, from the country was a collection of generals, colonels and majors from the country was a summer of the property of the country was a summer of the park of the country was a summer of the park of the country was a summer of the park of the par

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Army would be applied wheels.

"If we stay totally focused on the security issues and don't try to improve life for the people of Baghdad, it's like a self-licking ice cream cone," said the general, employing a favorite expression.
"No progress."

on rebuilding of Iraq

BAGHDAD, Iraq – James Sosnicky, a floppy-haired U.S. Army captain, is the public face of the U.S.-led occupation for much of Iraq's business community. He has had tea, with everyone from the gay with a brother who wants

the guy with a brother who wants to start a construction company to the old-money oligarchs. He has hosted business delegations from India and South Korea. And he has negotiated with CEOs from multinational companies on initiatives to involve Iraqi workers in their projects.

"Tretty heady stuff," as he put it, for a guy who a year aga had never heard of many of the big U.S. contractors their little workers in their little workers in their little workers in their more comfortable, wearing fatigues. The little workers in their more comfortable, wearing fatigues. He was a worker workers to job was selling ads for the Village voice tabloid in New York.

Tostwar Iraq is full of foreigners advising citizens on how to build such civil institutions as hospitals and police forces and how to write laws governing the economy and human rights. But because of the experts initially recruited for those jobs didn't show up releft prematurely. As a result, a lot more than was expected has been thrown into the lap of the military, especially the 1,600 men and women who work under the 352nd Civil Affairs Command, based in Riverdale Park, Md.

Staff Sgt. Jay Bachar, 45, a former Subway sandwich chain franchise owner from Chespeake Beach, Md., was given the task of scriting up a registration system for humanitarian assistance forganizations. Sgt. Jacck Oriol, 28, a security guard and gas stem to did to cordinate mentgency payments to civil servants and assess the state of the banking system.

After spending months learning about the country's culure and bureaucracy and establishing personal relationships with its people, the assemblage of school advisers, museum archivists, stock market analysts, postal manager and infrastructure repairmen is scheduled to leave Iraq on March

1. And their departure promises to make an already challenging task even more difficult.

Every day since the end of the war. Sosnicks, 31, has dutifully sale behind a black counter in the Convention Center in Baghdad, explaining the intricacies of contracts for U.S. government funds. Vs. Iraqii funds and giving advice about how to appraach representatives of companies. With no staff and no funding, he has managed to set up a business center where thousands of confused entrepreneurs and would be entrepreneurs.

neurs and would-be entrepreneurs have gathered over the past few months. Last

months. Last week, he was awarded a Bronze week, he was awarded a Bronze Star for his work.

7 me captain it weren't for him we wouldn't know anything about what is going on with-business in Iraq, said Nabeel Abbas, 53, a civil lackledge on fairs soldlers at the work of a construction company, added, "The new guy, his replacement, is going to have a hard time matching what he did." Civil affairs soldiers tend to be older and more educated than their combat counterparts. Nearly all are reservists and have specialized skills that range from railroad engineering to museum archiving. More than a few are dogooders who volunteered to comit to Iraq.

"They want to save their little piece of their world with their skills," said the commander of the 352nd, Brig. Gen. David Blackledge, a former Procter & Gamble production manager who is now a defense contractor in Newport News, Va.

Soldiers doing reconstruction work have been granted more leeway than their divilian counterparts. They make up the rules as they go along. They improvise. And they are not afraid to use force. One soldier said that when he was helping with a bank asset pound a sledge hammen and anocked down the wall.

Some soldier say their take no-prisoners attitude allows them to work faster and more efficiently than civilians. Some civilian workers argue that the military workers are not qualified and don't follow proper procedure. Both sides grumble about mismatches between a soldier's skills and the assigned task.

# Iragi women gather to seek power

Knight Ridder News Service

BAGHDAD, Iraq – The demand came from Iraqi women in stylish puntsuits and from those in tradi-tional embroidered gowns. Velled and unveiled, they gathered by the hundreds Saturday seeking a significant share of their country's political power.

significant share of their country's political power.

More than 600 women filed into heavily guarded country club here on Saturday for the debut meeting of the National Council for Woman, an umbrella group for women's rights advocates from the country's disparate ethnic groups and religious sects. Despite comprising the majority of Iraq's population of 25 million, several women said, they are struggling for even a token role in bringing democracy after dictatorship.

With elections unlikely for at least a year and tentative plans to expand the U.S.-appointed Governing Council, however, and the U.S.-appointed political tumodi in Iraq suddenly looks more like opportunity onany of the country's most ardent women activists.

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women activists.

"We want a load, influential voice for women," Rajaa Khuzai, one of three women on the Governing Coungh, told the cheering audience." We need to build a strong society, away from those who would oppress us. We want women to have at least 40 percent representation in the next stage of government."



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R-Twin—Falls.—The—hospital's—administrators proposed Legislation that would make critical access hospitals obtain a "certificate of public necessity," in which hospitals would have to show they're meeting the purpose of the critical access hospital designation.

the critical access hospital designation.

That's not all Under the proposal, critical access hospitals would also have to be more than 20 miles from another emergency, trauma or actue care facility, provide health services not available from suriounding providers, and only construct facilities that would have a positive economic impact on services, staffing and, surrounding providers. The proposed legislation never went anywhere. Block said Magic Valley Regional administrators decided not to pursue it. Kent Taylor, Magic Valley Regional's attorney, said the hospital decided to find ways to benefit from the current rules rather than fight them.

ight them.
"There are some opportunities under that law that could be eco-nomically beneficial," Taylor said. He would not say what the hos-pital's plans were.

#### Other efforts

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Cooper said Magic Valley Regional has done more to stop Si. Ben's in its racks than just changing the rules regarding critical access to be pitals. It should be supported to the said Magic Construction blook St. Ben's flores to secure a \$17 million guaranteed construction loan from the federal Department of Housing and Urban Development and tried to "submarine" the city of Jerome's application for a \$2.7 million grant from the federal Economic Development Administration to extend sewer to the Crossroads Point area.

extend sewer to the Crossroaus Doint area. But Kee said that's not exactly how it happened. In fact, he said he had no problem with the city of Jerome trying to get an EDA grant however, when an EDA offi-cial. called, him, he. said, they, shouldn't award the grant "under the guise it's going to create more jobs at Crossroads." EDA grants were created to pro-

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## What-they're saying

ore's what people are saying about St. Benedicts Family Medical Center's plans to bul Medical Center's plans to build a new hospital closer to Twin Falls:

If St, Ben's can't build, it won't exist in five years, But if St, Ben's doesn't build, someone else will, A for profit will move in and build a 200 bed hospital. It would own Magic Valley in

"Go forth and build, but don't do it

ifth and build, lederal funding, ohn Kee, chief executive officer Magic Valley Regional Medical Contor in Twin Falls

There's a critical need for facilities

"There's a critical neco.... on both sides of the river." — Mike Cooper

Why don't they grab Trinity Health's checkbook and build a new hospital?

— John Kee 

nted, you create fewer jobs," he

mentea, you create rests para-said. When it came to the HUD con-struction loan, Kee said the state refused to sign off on St. Ben's as a critically needed project. And kee said the state was right. "They called us, and we just told them the truth," Kee said. Neither the HUD loan or the FDA erant has been approved as of

EDA grant has been approved as of yet, St. Ben's and city officials said.

#### It's all about location

Had the state rules changed to include Magic Valley Regional's proposed "certificate of public necessity." St. Ben's would not be able to retain its critical access sta-us if it moves to the Crossroads location. And that's really what this stop is all bent.

tus if it moves to the Crossroads location. And that's really what this story is all about. Location, location, location. Crossroads Point is a principle of the price of real estate, sitting on the northwest corner off Interstate 84 and U.S. Highway 93, one of the busiest interstate intersections in Idaho. Crossroads Point owner Arlen Crouch donated some 30 acres to \$K. Ben's on which to haild and expand. The new location is seven miles away from the hospital's current location in downtown Leforme. and just three-niles from the Twin Falls County line. Age value of the properties of the control of the county in the training of the county line. Age of the properties of the county in the county of the county o

If you look at building in Je County over the last severa both commercial and residential, it to the south and the east. I can't

there.

- Dennis Maughan, executive director of the St. Benedicts Foundation and the hospital's special projects manager

"If you take 10 percent of the profit of any entity, you're not going to sur-vice. Magic Valley Regional has to be viable and self-supporting, and I will do anything possible to ensure that."

— Twin Falls County

Commissioner Tom Mikesel

"I see it as competition, and it has I see it as competition, and it has the potential to affect Magic Valley Regional Medical Center's bottom line. But with the facility, services, doctors and staff we provide, I believe we'll still be able to retain our share of the market.

Twin Falls County Commissioner Bill Brockman

been asked to speak to a number of Twin Falls service groups about the new hospital. And St. Ben's has already received calls from some Twin Falls patients as well as Magic Valley Regional employees and physicians wanting to know more about the project, Cooper said.

Kee said if it's really St. Ben's mission to serve the Jerome area, the new location doesn't make

the new location doesn't make sense.
"What I find rather amazing is they can pick up and move away from the people they're supposed to serve and move it three miles from Twin Falls," Kee said.
But Jerome City Administrator Travis Rothweller agreed with St. Ben's officials that the new loca-tion makes perfect sense if you consider Jerome County's growth trends, both commercial and resi-dential.

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"The hospital's analysis is right on point," Rothweiler said. Were proving south and predominantly to the east," and the proving south and predominantly to the east," and the proving south and predominantly to the east, and the proving south and predominantly to the east, and the proving south the proving south the proving south the province of the provi

#### Competitors?

The way St. Ben's officials see it.

they're no competition for the much larger Magic Valley Regional

much-larger Magic Valley Regional, to the south, St. Ben's is licensed for 25 beds, the limit it can have as a critical access hospital. It now has 19 beds, and on an average day, only seven of those beds are occupied. Magic Valley Regional has more than 200 beds, iy out count Canyon View Psychiatric and Addiction Services. Its average daily census of acute care patients is between 65 and 90.

Services. Its average daily census of acute care patients is between 65 and 90. Magic Valley Regional also has considerably larger coffers, bring ing in about \$190 million in revenue a year \$4. Ben's brings in about \$18 million a year, and its capital budget is a paltry \$300,000. That, doesn't go far when you consider new technology with price tags in the millions.

St. Ben's only admits low-risk patients needing basis hospital

patients needing basic hospital care – women with low-risk deliv-eries, people with pneumonia, minor surgeries. Cooper said the hospital doesn't intend to change

ocation.
"We're not going to do anything other than primary care," Cooper

said.

In fact, St. Ben's is a major refer-ral source to Magic Valley Regional.

Regional. "Seventy-five percent of the peo-ple who leave my hospital go to Magic," Cooper said. "We're not stealing anything."
But even Cooper couldn't pre-dict the future. After all, 30 acres gives the hospital lots of room to

diet the future. After all, 30 acres give the hospital lots of room to me to the control of the

Cooper said St. Ben's approached Kee and other Magic Valley. Regional administrators with a suggestion that they collaborate with them on the new venture. Both entities would maintain their individual boards, but could contract a third board made up of

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But Magic Valley Regional

"Economically, it doesn't make sense to send county dollars to a nonprofit entity," Kee said. "Our

hospital is owned by the communi-ty, and you should do your best to ake sure it's an asset for commu-

make sure it's an asset for commity owners."
Meanwhile, St. Ben's is looking forward to moving out of its half century-old facility to a place that will allow it to offer improved services and technology to its patients. It's a place far enough from a residential area that people, as well as the Federal Aviation Administration, won't be bothered by the noise of Life Flight helicopters.

by the noise of Life Flight helicop-ters.

And Magic Valley Regional's efforts will not stop St. Ben's plans.

"We're going to build a hospi-tal," Cooper said. "If all goes we'll we'll be pushing dirt by July."

The project will take about 18 months to complete, meaning if all goes according to plan, the new St. Ben's could be open for business in January 2006.

Times-News writer Sandy Miller can be reached at 735-3264 or by e-mail at smiller@magicvalley.com.

# Dealer of the Year



Winn Jones (left) and Ron Victor (right

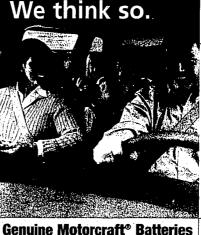
Win Jones, manufacturers rep. for Boss Audio and Planet Audio Brands of Mobil Audio, Video Systems presents a plaque from each manufacture to Ron Victor, owner of the Sound Company as dealer of the year. Never in the company's history has one dealer in won both awards the same year. Victor, for seven

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#### AP POLL

## Super Bowl halftime show in bad taste

More than half of adults polled said that the exposure of Janet Jackson's breast during the Super Bowl was in bad taste, but not illegal. Most said a federal investigation was a waste of tax money.

Which of the following best describes Janet Jackson's exposure of her breast during the Super Bowl halftime show?



Do you think the federal government is right to investigate the exposure o is it a waste of tax money?



NOTE: 1.000 adults interv

# Poll: Halftime act was in bad taste, but not illegal

WASHINGTON (AP) – Most Americans think the exposure of Janet Jackson's right hreast during the Super Bowl halftime show was crass, but few believe it's a federal case.

An Associated Press poll found they thought the act, in which singer Justin Timberlase they thought the act, in which singer Justin Timberlase they thought the search of the search of

money to investigate.
"I can see how parents wouldn't want their children to see it," said blane Foster, a 50-year-old resident of Nicholas County, Ky, in the central part of the state. "But an investigation is a waste of money. Sure it wasn't very nice, but they're using our tax money for this."

but they're using our tax money for this."

In the AP-Igoso poll, women were more likely than men to say the halftime show should be investigated, and whites more likely than blacks. Republicans were twice as likely as Democration for an investigation. Young adults were less likely than other age groups to think an investigation was called for.

Almost half of young adults between the ages of 18 and 29 said the Jackson incident was neither illegal or in bad taste.

# Waco group urges boycott of Girl Scout cookies

FORT WORTH, Texas - People in Waco, Texas, were more than a traken aback after turning on a hristian radio station and hearing community leader call for a boy-ret of Thin Mints and Caramel

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Delites.

"I encourage you to join me in
abstaining from Girl Scout cookies," John Piscotta, director of ProLife Waco and an associate professor of economics at Baylor
University, has been saying for two
weeks in public-service announcements running around the clock on
KRDE/89.9.

Pisciotta then says the Waco-based Bluebonnet Council of Girl Scouts supports Planned Parenthoods annual sex education

Parenthood's annual sex education seminars.

The vaguely worded radio announcements are the latest and most public attempt by the group to discourage the Girl Scouts from

even a casual affiliation with Planned Parenthood, an interna-tional organization that promotes reproductive freedom and pro-vides health care services related to reproduction. The campaign has caused con-troversy in the community and confusion among some Girl Scout troops.

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"This fosted an adult conversation on a bunch of little innocent girls," Pat Stone, education director of Planned Parenthood of Central Texas, said this week in a phone interview. "It's making them think of things they shouldn't have to worry about."

There have been only a few secondhand reports about adults turning down cookies because "the Girl Scouts support abortion," said Beth Vivio, executive director of the Bluebonnet Council of Girl Scouts. The comments reportedly were made to scouts, who are between 6 and 18 years old.



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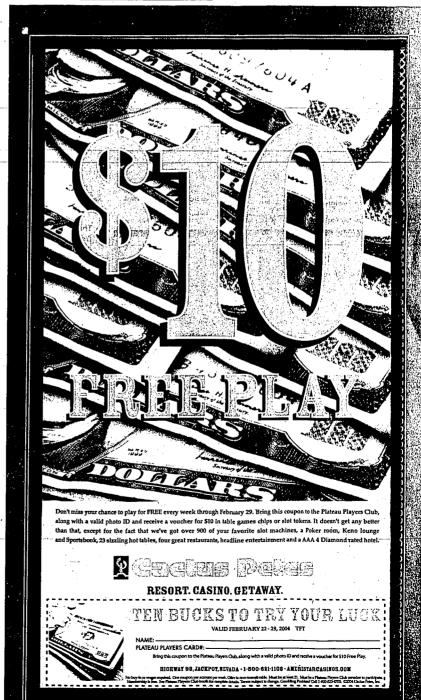
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# Stewart may not need to testify, experts say

MEW YORK - Martha Stewart may not need to take the stand, now that the government rested its case against the domesticity diva, who is charged with thwarting a government investigation. Robert Morvillo, Stewart's lead defense attorney, had said he would not decide whether to let her testify-until the government closed its case.

case.
"I don't think she needs to take
the stand," said attorney Michael
Proctor of Caldwell, Leslie,
Newcombe & Pettit. "It would do
more harm than good."

Prosecutors, led by Assistant U.S. Attorney Karen Seymour, presented a compelling case against Stewart, who allegedly received inside information when she sold ber shares of ImClone Systems on Dec. 27, 2001. The government claims that Douglas Fameuil, the former assistant of Mertill Lynch broker Peter Bacanovic, tipped Stewart that the head of ImClone was selling his shares. Stewart has claimed that she had an agreement with Bacanovic osell her ImClone shares if they fell below 560. Fancuil at first supported Stewart but then changed his mind in June 2002 when he

struck a deal with the government. As part of his plea agreement, Fancuil has pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor. He testified that Stewart did not have an agreement with Bacanovie and Bacanovie face allegations of obstruction and mathematic statements. Stewart is also charged with securities fraud while Bacanovie faces additional allegations of perjury and making and using false statements. Stewart will decide the stand. She may choose to testify and deny, the largely circumstantial claims against her.

"I think there is a high likelihood that Martha will take the stand; said Robert Heim, of Meyers & Heim. "Her testimony may be enough to counteract the governments circumstantial case and place reasonable doubt in minds of jurors."

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However, some do not think Stewart stiould put herself in the witness box. Her high profile persona, coupled with a hard-driving reputation, could cause the jury to ignore the government's need to win its case the jury to ignore the government's need to win its case to be a second of the profile of the pr

# Mars rover explores small trench

LOS ANGELES (AP) - NASA's

LOS ANGELES (AP) - NASAS spirit Rover began investigating a trench Saturday to see if the minerals inside it can provide clues about whether there was once enough water in the area to support life.

The robot spent about two hours digging the 3-inch trench Friday by running a front wheel back and forth over a stretch of ground in a depression. On Saturday, it studied the trench with a microscopic imager and its Mossbauer spectrometer, a German-built instrument that measures the composition and abundance of iron-bearing minerals.

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"Some minerals will be made out
of one type of iron or another, and
the type of iron or another, and
the type of iron or another, and
the type of mineral will change
based on whether or not there was
liquid water in the environment,"
mission manager Jim Erckson said
Saturday during a teleconference
from NASAS Jet Propulsion
Laboratory in Pasadena.
Sprit was to further investigate
the trench Sunday and Monday,
then continue toward a crater scientists have named "Bonneville,"
about 445 feet away.

On. the other\_side\_of\_Mars,
Sprit's twin rover, Opportunity,
drove the final 33 centimeters
Saturday to be in place to examine a rock called "El Capitan,"
yart a rocky outcropping.
Studies of El Capitan with
instruments including the rover's
rock abrasion tool will occur over
several days. NASA was expected
to conduct the first test of the
device Monday.

# Lotto drawing yields one \$230 million winner

million winner

STEPHENS CITY, Va. (AP) –
There was one winning ticket for
the jackpot of at least \$230 million in the Mega Millions lottery,
the biggest single prize in the
games history.

The lucky icket, purchased at
a Stephens City convenience
store, matched all five lotto numbers and the Mega Ball number
to win the 11-state jackpot,
Lottery officials waited Saturday
for the holder of that
single ticket or holders of that
were: 1-13-20-21-20, and the
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Lottery officials were still tallying the final jackpot, driven
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spokesman Ed Scarborough
The jackpot was the only topic
of conversation Saturday morning at the-convenience store
where the ticket was sold, the
Red Apple Country Store in
Stephens City, just south of
Winchester in the Shenandoah
Valley.

Valley. "On my gosh, you don't know how excited we are, and we didn't even win the ticket," said Vangy Robinson, a clerk at the store and gas station. Kyle said store owner Harry Kyle said store owner Harry Stimpson would receive \$25,000.



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# Information overload keeps expanding

WASHINGTON - Feel over-whelmed by the deluge of infor-mation flooding the world today. No wonder. Researchers say that the amount of new words, sounds, pictures and numbers produced and stored on paper, film or com-puter disks has almost doubled in three vears.

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The supply of new material saved in a single year, 2002, would fill half a million libraries the size of the Library of Congress – the world's largest collection of books and papers – if it were all converted to print, according to a study by Peter Lyman and Hal Varian, political scientists at the University of California, Berkeley.

"Our intent was to quantify people's feeling of being overwhelmed by information and to look at trends," Lyman said in a telephone interview. "People had no sense of why this was happening or where the growth was."

The recent explosion of recorded data, after centuries of steady but much slower growth, can be traced, in large part, to two factors:

The computer revolution, which has made it possible to capture and save vast quantities of an analysis of the computer of the part of the

age.

• The growth of "Big Science" in

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\*The growth of "Big Science" in strenomy, nuclear physics and biology, such as the Human strenomy, nuclear physics and biology, such as the Human Genome Troject. Experts figure that in recent decades the number of scientific papers published has been doubling every three years.
In just one field, global climate data, the volume of recorded information is expected to zoom from 2 billion gigabytes in the year 2000. Or 15 billion gigabytes in 2010. A gigabyte is a billion bytes, the equivalent of a billion English letters.

The information glut may be making it harder to find useful, dependable material in the tidal Nave of material bombarding people's senses, Lyman fears. In addition, more sensitive personal datamedical, financial, even day-to-day-activities—are being captured and stored by the government and private companies.

"The problem is not so much the masse of information as the possible missue of it," Lyman said. "There's no more privacy."

Fortunately for the world's trees, most of the new material generated in the last three years has been saved in electronic form on magnetic disks. Less than one-tend of 1 percent of it ended up on paper.

# **Information overload?**

Where Information stored 1999

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to: www.sims.berkeley.edu/resea rojects/how-muchinfo-2003/

The volume of printed information grew by 36 percent from 1999 to 2002, the last year of the study but electronic records ballooned by 80 percent.

Even so, the study found that the dream that computers would bring about a -paperless society remainjust dreams.

"Contrary to notions of paperless offices floated in the late 80s and early 90s, the consumption office paper has gone up substantially in recent years," the report said.

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Most of this mind numbing flood of information never reaches most ordinary citizens. Immense quantities come from secret electronic intercepts by the National Security Agency, the nation's cavesdropping intelligence agency from scientific laboratorics, orbiting said lites and the like. This material is reworked and distilled before any of it is made public, if every form major information technology companies – Microsoft, Intel, Hewlett-Packard and EMC Corp. financed the Lyman-Varian study, at Berkeley's School of Information Management and Systems.

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• About 5.4 billion gigabytes of new information was stored on paper, film, magnetic disks (such as computer hard dives) or optical disks (such as DVD) in 2002—That compared with 3.2 billion gigabytes in 1999.

• If all that information were divided equally, each person in the world would need a 30-foot shelf of books to store the output of the year 2002 on paper. Since Americans produce much more information than most people, each U.S. citizen would need eight pickup trucks filled with books to hold his or her share for that year.

• The United States produced about 40 percent of the worlds new stored information. That includes 33 percent of all primed material, 30 percent of all new film, and 50 percent of all he data recorded on computer disks.

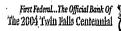
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# Iran voters dispute results

# Reformists say boycott limited voter turnout

TEHRAN, Iran (AP) - Islamic bed liners and reformists both honored victory in Iran's elec-tions. Saturday, with returns drawing conservatives ahead in the race for parliament but a reformist boycott limiting voter tornout. Supreme leader Ayatollah Ali Khantenet, said the winner of the election was the Iranian nation. He was upbeat about voter

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"The loser of this election is the United States, Zionism and enemies of the Irumian nation," he told state media.

A reformist who called for a boycott, Ali Shakourirad, pointed to a voter turnout of less than 30 percent in the capital, Tehran, calling the poll was "a big defeat for conservatives,"

Official partial returns also suggested the boycott had an impact, with voter turnout about 15 percent lower than in elections four years ago.

That trend, if it holds, would mark a significant moral victory for liberals who urged a boycott after hard-line eleries barred than 2,400 reformist candidates from running for the 290-seat parliament.

Reformists complained the vote was rigged, and the United States also criticized the disqual-rifications of candidates including the biggest hames in liberal polities. Among them was Mohammad Rea Khatami, the brother of Iran's reformist president and deputy speaker of the

Mohammad Reza Khatami, the brother of Iran's reformist presi-dent and deputy speaker of the outgoing parliament. Hard-liners fared poorly in the 2000 elections, losing control of the parliament for the first time since the 1979 Islamic Revolution. When the next legis-



An Iranian woman makes a call in front of a revolutionary mural in Tehran, Iran, on Saturday. Conservatives loyal to Iran's Islamic rulers appeared ready to take firm control of parliament over reformers following Friday's disputed elections, partial returns showed.

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Results for nearly 60 percent of the legislature gave hard-liners more than 110 seats - 36 short of the majority they were widely expected to get, the Interior Ministry said.

But with the ballot weighted with conservatives, coupled with the reformist boycott, Islamic hard-liners were likely to win from the start. Voter turnout was the real drama in Saturday's race. Despite the ministrys early figures, the hard-line Guardian Council, which banned the liberal. candidates, insisted turnout, was higher than in 2000. It gave no figures. Other top hard-line officials also declared the election - in seats and voters.

"Those who were overly influ-

enced by the political situation failed to predict the people's enthusiastic participation. Information Minister Ali Yunes's told state-run television. "The people's blessed and magnificent participation in yes-terday's elections foiled plats and guaranteed the country's great-ness."

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With half of Iran's 207 districts counted, voter turnout was 43.29 percent, with more than half of Iran's 207 districts counted, the Interior Ministry said. 'That would mark a noticeable drop from the 67.2 percent in the last parliament elections in 2009. . Top hard-liners also apparently received broad support in including in the reformist stronghold of Tohran province, an Interior Ministry official told The Associated Press, speaking on

condition of anonymity.

At stake was proof of public sentiment: Conservatives hoped people would ignore the boycott, showing the strength of the Islamic state 25 years after the revolution that ousted the secular, pro-Western shah.

Reformists hoped low voter turnout would strengthen their drive for more openness and accountability from the all-powerful theocracy. They also were relying on a high percentage of and aid weight to their complaint that conservatives rigged the vote.

vote.

Even before the vote, Rajab Ali
Mazrouli, a. leading. member. of
the pro-reform Islamic
Participation Front, had predicted the low turnout but conceded
that hard-liners would probably
take control of parliament.

# Serbian prime minister says extradition-not-focus

BELGRADE,
Mentenegro (AP) – Serbia's new prime minister said Saturday that extraditing top suspects to the U.N. war crimes tribunal will not be his top priority, defying U.S. threats to cut aid and crucial political support to the troubled Balkan republic.
Vojislav Kostunica, the former Yugoslav president and a long-time opponent of the U.N. tribunal in the Hague, Netherlands, told The Associated Press that Serbia has more important issues to deal with – like simmering social tensions and a ruined economy.

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"We should talk – plead if necessary ... to find a solution that is not black and white and white allows us to survive," said Kostunica, who like many Serbs condemns the U.N. court as anti-Serb. "This country is not a single deliverer of human goods to The Hagne tribunal."

Kostunica's comments will almost certainly anger the United States, which says Serbia must hand over war crimes suspects in order to receive \$100 million this year in aid and other support from international financial organizations.

This year, the U.S. Congress for the first time specifically mentioned the arrest of former Bonsian Serb military commander Gen. Ratko Mladic, who was indicted by the U.N. war crimes court for genocide over the killing of about 8,000 men and boys in the Bosnian Muslim enclave of Srebrenica in July 1995.

1995.

By March 31, U.S. Secretary of State Colin Powell is to decide if Serbia has cooperated with the tribunal to get the planned aid crucial for its stalled economy. Kostunica argued that arrests and extraditions would only strengthen the ultranationalist Radical Party, which has seen a resurgence in recent months and gained the most seats in



Sorbla's prime minister designate Vollslav Kostunica speaks during an interview Saturday with The Associated Press in Belgrade

December parliamentary

December parliamentary elections.

He said the government also won't extraditic four other Serbian generals indicted by the initial separation of the serbian generals indicted by the ribunal in September for atrocities during the Kosowo war. Even Serbia's previous government refused to hand them over because the charges against them were too vague, Kostnica said.

Kostunica became 'Hugoslav president after helping to oust Slobodan Milosevie in 2000, and was opposed when Prime Minister Zoran Djindije's pro-Western government organized

Minister Zoran Djindjies pro-western government organized Milosevic's extradition to the tri-bunal in 2001. Djindjie was assas-snated a year ago.

Kostunica become Serbia's prime minister designate Friday after turning for support Milosevic's political party, the Socialists. He is to form a minori-ty government next week.

The Socialists – linked to war crimes and other human rights violations – faded dramatically following Milosevic's fall from the Yugoslav presidency.

#### **Nations offer** \$22M for Afghan elections

Nations offer

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP) —
Three nations have agreed to pay more than \$22 million to help the differ to organism the content of the content of

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President Hamid Karzai, have hampered voter registration, currently restricted to eight major cities but due to expand to more insecure rural regions in May.

On Friday, a senior Taliban leader threatened to stop people from participating in the elections, declaring the vote will fail and that their jihad or "holy war" would continue.

A man who identified himself as fugitive commander Mullah Dadullah rejected a newly crafted constitution – Afghanistan's first since the outser of the hard-line Taliban regime from power in late 2001 by U.S.-led forces.

"The Taliban government does" that accept the dummy constitution because it wasn't made by the U.S.," Dadullah told an Associated Press reporter based in the southern city of Kandahar. "The coming elections won't be a success."

Dadullah telephoned the AP at

success."

Dadulah telephoned the AP at an appointed time after being contacted through intermediaries in southern Afghanistan, He did not disclose his location.

Authorities in Afghanistan blame the Taliban for a string of bomb blasts, kidnappings and attacks, including against aid

workers. They believe the one-legged Dadullah ordered the March 27 killing of Ricardo Munguia, a 39-year-old Red Cross engineer from El Salvador who was shot on a road near Kandahar.

engineer from El Satvator wino was shot on a road near Kandahar. In the phone call, Dadullah did not address the killings, but he charged that foreign nongovernmental organizations, or NGOs, were not actually doing hunanitarian work.

"We are killing those NGO people who are spice and supporting the U.S. policies," he said, "And also we won't let the Afghan people who are supporting the U.S. policies cooperate."

He denied reports that the Taliban were massing for attacks, but claimed that the movement was growing ever stronger. "The Jaha will continue," he said, "We won't stop our activities."

Karrai's government still has little control beyond the capital, Kabul, because of powerful warlords with private militias and the Taliban-He insurgents.

U.S. military spokesman L. Col. bryan Hifferny said Saturday that the Taliban had suffered heavy losses in bartles with U.S. led coalition forces has summer in southern Afghanistan.

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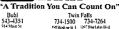
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# Police say nuclear marketeer committed no crime

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country's ponce chief said Saturday. Malaysian police were "more than willing" to assist internation-al investigations into-Bukhary -Syed-Abu-Tahir, but had-no-plans to detain him, Inspector General of Police Mohamed Bakri Omar told The Associaved Peres.

of Police Mohamed Bakri Omar told The Associated Press. Mohamed Bakri's comments came a day after he released a report summing up a three-month investigation, into Tahri's role in the sale of centrifuge parts from Malaysia to Libya. The report also revealed unprecedented details of the global trade in nuclear secrets to route state.

to rogue states. The report cleared a Malaysian company, Scomi Precision Engineering, of being knowingly involved in proliferation, but urged the International Atomic Energy Agency to investigate several Europeans Tahir named as middlemen in the trafficking network created by the father of Pakistan's nuclear program, Abdul Qadeer Kham.

## World in brief

Khan confessed this month to leaking the technology to Iran, Libya and North Korea.

#### IRA fails to abduct

dissident from Belfast bar

dissident from Belfast bar BELFAST, Northern Iroland—The Irish Republican Army tried to abduct a leading IRA dissident from a Belfast bar, Northern Iroland's top law enforcement official said Saurday, reviving arguments over whether the outlawed group will ever renounce violence and disband.

Leaders of the moderate Catholic and Protestant parties demanded clear, new peace commitments from the IRA' after Chief Constable Hugh Orderevealed Friday night's abduction attempt.

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A telophone call brought police to the central Belfast pub, where they rammed their car into a van near the pub to prevent its escape. Inside the van, they found four IRA suspects and the would-be abductee, alleged IRA dissident Bobby Tohill.

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Police arrested the four sus-

pects and were interrogating them Saturday. Witnesses said up to three others am away from the vehicle into Catholic west Befast, a primary IRA power base nearby.

#### Taiwan's candidates argue about China in final debate

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TAPEL Taiwan "Falwawa Opposition candidate ripped into
President Chen Shuisham in the
final presidential debate
Saturday, calling him an incompetent leader who has provoked
China and damaged valuable relations with the United States and
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tions with the Japan.
Chen fired back that his challenger, ex-Vice President Lien Chan, lacked vision, ideas and coprage. He also accused Lien, leader of the Nationalist Party of having a wishy-washy policy on

leader of the Nationalist Party, of having a wishy-washy policy on China - the island's biggest security threat.

"He doesn't believe in Taiwan," who most polls say is running neck and neck with Lien ahead of the March 20 vote.

The wide-ranging debate also touched on women's issues, the economy and defense.

- Compiled from staff reports

# World

# **Chechens** return to ruined capital



Grozny, Tuesday. Russlan officials say Chechnya is stabilizing and that it's safe to return, but misery and fear still afflict the ruined



Sald-Emin Galtayev, left, stands in his 100-square-foot room as his family prepares for a dinner in a temporary home in Grezny, Monday, Russian officials say Chechnya is becoming safer for refugees.

# Refugees fear masked men and broken promises

GROZNY, Russia (AP) – The muddy road to Chechen President Akhmad Kadyrov's office runs through a war-pulverized factory complex, where a conveyor belt to a long-gone building valuts overhead like an unintended ceremonial arch. "Welcome to Kadyrov's palace – good luck," says a Russian officer at a checkpoint. In the fifth year of Russia's war against separatist rebels – the second war in Chechnya in a decade – the republic's ruined capital mixes deep fears and high hopes emblemized by the presidential office building. Though not palatial, it is new and shiny, with staff tapping away at computers. But the surrounding rubble-strewn wasteland is tightly guarded as a necessary security buffer – the office is a couple of hundred yards from the government building destroyed in a suicide truck bombing.

Along the main streets, workers spruce up a few commercial establishments, painting the

Along the main streets, workers spruce up a few commercial establishments, painting the ground-floor exteriors of buildings whose upper stories are torn with huge holes from shelling. Old women with twigbrooms diligently sweep side valles while soldiers a block away sweep for land mines. The Kremlin does not give casualty figures, but an official in the Moscow-backed Chechen-administration, speaking on condition of anonymity, says about a half-dozen Russian soldiers die in rebel attacks daily – many in Grozny's suburbs.

photogra-phor Isa Khalldov

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Kadyrov and the Kremlin say the war, per se, is over and it is safe for some 60,000 refugees to return.
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Gavarova, a refugee in a muddy dismal tent camp in neighbor-ing Ingushetia,

ing ingusieria, disagrees. "We're staying here, because we're afraid," she said. The refugees

operations in on Sunday, which soldiers round up villagers to look for rebels and their supporters. They especially fear the night, when gun-toting men in masks grab young nen on the streets of Grozzay.

Oleg Dashayev, 16, was coming home from an after-school socret game and struggling with the lock on his house's gate when two men appeared. "They had Kalashnikows, and took my money. and 6 o'clock in the evening," he said, shaking his head in disbellet.

Human rights groups blame many of these incidents on a security force commanded by Kadyrov's son, Ramzan, and states he rights.

Ramzan, and allege he runs a private jail. The younger Kadyrov, younger Kadyrov, meeting foreign journalists this month, strongly denied the allegations and later complained to Russian television that the reporters did not give enough attention to the state-funded sports complex ed sports complex - named in his honor - that he

runs. Although the refugees may be afraid, their



options are narrowing. Russia has declared that the tent camps in Ingusheria, an embarrassing symbol of distrust in the government, will be closed within weeks. Gawarowa's camp, whince honce held some 700 families, has shrunk to just 64 tents.

Many of the refugees live in temporary settlements such as dereliet collective farms. Kris Janowski, spokesman for the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, says gas supplies to at least 10 of those settlements have been cut in the past week and that water and electricity may be next to go.

Nearly 18,000 refugees have returned to Chechnya since the beginning of 2003, Russian officials say. Many of them were enticed back by offers of compensation for their destroyed hoines of up to \$11,500 per family — an enormous sum in Chechnya, where the typical monthly pay is \$100-170.

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Said-Emin Gaitayev, a 38-year-old auto mechanic, left a refugee camp for Grozny with his wife and three children six months ago. Since then, they have been stuck in a one-time dormitory, crammed into one room with a single bed, hauling water up five floors in buckets. The only toilet is a reeking outhouse.

"They promise me money, but

I haven't seen' it, I don't know what the problem is," he said. Akhmad Kadyrov admits the payments have been slow, but says that is because he is working hard to make sure the money does not fall into unscrupulous hands. So far, some 1,600 families have been compensated, said Usman Erikhanov, director of Chechnya's only functioning bank, sitting in his office with strapnel-shattered windows. Despite the frustrations, Gaitayev does not entirely regret

his return.
"This is our land. You can't live in a tent your whole life," he said

proudly.

Isa Khalidov is delighted to be back. He pockets as much as \$20 a day snapping souvenir pictures in a newly built downtown park, where scores of people lingered on a freezing day, enjoying the uncharacteristic civic amenity.

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"Life's great," he said eagerly.
"I can eat, and that's all you need to be happy."

In her Ingushetia camp, Gavarova, who is in her 40s, does not buy the arguments for coming back.
"I want to go to any other country in the world," she said.

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# Palestinians stage protest of Israel's West Bank fence

NABI. . West Bank (AP) —
Thousands of Palestinians staged
protests of Israels West Bank
barrier Saturday and Israel prepared to remove a small structh
of its fencing, two days before the
start of world court hearings on
the legality of the structure.

In one of the largest public outpourings of anger over the barrie,
r. Palestinians across the West
Bank fired guns in the air and
shouted anti-barrier chants - the
first of several protests planned
to coincide with the opening of
hearings on Monday at the
first of several protests planned
the structure.

On Sunday, Israeli workers aire
to begin removing a part of the
barrier - about five miles of fencing, razor wire and trenches that has isolated the Palestinian
town of Baka al-Sharkia from the
rest of the West Bank for more
than a year, Defense Ministry
spokeswoman Rachel NiedakAshkenazi said.

That section of fence is to be
removed now that workers have
completed a series of concrete
walls and fences separating the
town's western side from Israel,
she said. A gate will allow passage to a "sister" town, Baka alGharbia, just inside the boundary with Israel.

"Since there is no intention to
annex land or annex Palestinians
to Israel, we are removing this
part of the fence." NiedakAshkenazi said.

The move appeared aimed at
softening international criticism
of Israel ahead of the world court
hearings. Israel has come under
increasing pressure — even
domestic legal challenges — to
revout the barrier, which digs
deep into the West Bank in

The complex of walls, fences, razor wire and watchtowers has become one of the most contentious issues in the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. Israel says

the harrier is needed to stop suicide bombers and other attackers from entering Israeli towns and cities.

Palestinians—are outraged because parts of the barrier that cut into the West Bank disrujit the lives of thousands. They also worry it will make it impossible to build make it impossible to make it independent a part of the partier and about a third of its eventual 450 makes it in a later stages of the project, the barrier complex is to et ut even deeper into the West Bank to wrap around jewish settlements. That would separate thousands more Palestinians Prime Minister Ahmed Qureia dismissed Israels some Palestinians Prime Minister Ahmed Qureia dismissed Israels soute adjustment and said all parts of the barrier built on West Bank to must be removed. "We do not approve of even 1 millimeter of this wall that falls on our land." he said.

The largest Palestinian demonstration Saturday was in the city of Nablus, where 2,000 people, including dozens of gunmen in black ski masks, marched through the streets.

The noisy display was punctuated by the rattle of gunshots fired into the air.

In the West Bank towns of Ramallah and Jenin, hundreds of people, including women and children, carried banners with slogans against the barrier.

Near Qalqiliya, a Palestinian town that sits on the boundary with Israel and is surrounded by walls and fences, about 1,000 people protested.

"Peace without the wall," some shouted.

Palestinians are planning several demonstrations and general strikes Monday as a backdrop to the opening of The Hague proceedings.



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# Editorial

# Kerry and Edwards both fit well with Idaho Dems

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and other issues

orget for a moment that Idaho Repub-licans control the state Legislature, the gover-nor's office, all but one statewide office, and of course, all four congressional seats.

statewide office, and of course, all four congressional seats.

None of that matters this week. Idaho Democrats will play a part (albeit a small one) in choosing their party's nominec to face President George W. Bush in the fall.

Idaho. Demos

Our view: Idaho ldaho Dems should relish the should relish the chance. The cau-ricus will let them tell their party it needs a centrist Democrats are better off voting for an electable presidential candidate in this Tuesday's statewide candidate, not a left-wing ideocaucus. What do you think?

logue. For all real purposes, the Democratic field has narrowed to Sen. John Kerry of Massachusetts

Sen. John Kerry and other is of Massachusetts and Sen. John Edwards of North Carolina. Former Vermont Gov. Howard Dean dropped out last week, and fringe candidates Rep. Dennis Kucinich and Rev. Al. Sharpton are ewactly that is speaking commitment for last night's Frank Church Banquet. In Boise, to focus on bigger states with more delegates. Kerry, who has a second home with his wife in the Wood River Valley, should roll to an easy win fluesday.

But any way you look at it, either Kerry or Edwards represents a well-reasoned path for Democrats. Picking a centrist candidate – as opposed to a far-left liberal such as Dean – is a better political move for Democrats if they want to compete in November.

Dean's rise and fall has undoubtedly been the story so far in the 2004 race. By escalat-

ing-verbal attacks on Bush and the war on Iraq, Dean soared to front-runner status in 2003. But those same issues soon unrav-eled his candidacy.

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Kerry and Dean, on the other
hand, demonstrated more
resolve in going after Saddam,
in their 2002 votes to authorize
military action. They both favor
keeping Bush's tax cuts for the
middle class.

middle class. They both recognize that demonizing Bush won't win them independent voters in November.

Whomever Idaho Dems pick between these statewide between these two leading candidates, they are making the sensible move for left of their party by staying closer to the middle. A political party's win elections. These two candidates represent the party's best chances in 2004.

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Of course, both candidates have their warts and weaknesses. In spite of his spirited campaign, Edwards' has limited experience. A one-term senator, he has spent most of his career, as a trial lawyer.
Kerry's war background is at rue strength. But his years as an anti-war activist won't play well on the national stage. Nor will his waffling on Iraq, military funding and the gay marriage debate.
All of that will come into play soon enough. But for now, Idaho can continue the trend in this race that says an electable Democrat is better than an arch-liberal one.

If they hold to that philosophy, Democrats will be competitive in a fall election that should be another dogfight.

# Dean made waves for future

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I almost defies common sense to suggest that Howard Dean will leave a lasting and positive legacy for the Democratic Party. Nonetheless, that is my strong hunch. Dean is easy to dismiss. After all, the former governor of Vermont is a man who led all the polls for months before the start of this campaign year, yet blew his advantage so quickly and so thoroughly that he did not win a single primary or caucus. His constituency consistently was tilted toward the young, the very liberad, the highly educated and the angriest of anti-Bush voters.



DAVID S. **BRODER** 

That does not describe a large or vital bloc even within the Democratic coalition. So it is doubtful that Dean supporters will play a crucial role in deciding whether John Kerry or John Edwards becomes the party's nominee. Now that Dean has ended his active campaign, his endorsement probably is of minimal value to the surviving contenders.

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Even acknowledging all of that, it will not surprise me a bit if the Dean campaign turns out to be a significant milestone in Democratic history. Losing efforts often produce long-term gains for the party of the failed candidate, if the campaign becomes a cause for those who supported it. And so it is likely to be with Dean. His run for the White House, which ended last week, may mean little in the politics of 2004 – but a great deal more in years to come.

That prediction is not as much of a gamble as it may seem, because we have seen this pattern before. Candidates who attract a passionate following because of the issues they raise, rather than their own White House crodentials—frequently launch their acolytes into political careers that become the next

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generation's richest source of generation's richest source of generations. Think of Barry Goldwater on the Republican side or George McGowern and Eugene McCarrby for the Democrats, and you can understand that, though they were seen as losers at the time, the energy they created in their campaigns fueled dozens of valuable legatess. Ronald Reagan cut his political teeth in the Goldwater campaign; Bill Clinton tested his skills for McGowern Others who found their inspiration at the same time filled the ranks of subsequent administrations and moved into Congress, state government and the party structure. It is true that Goldwater and McGowern were far more suc-

It is true that Goldwater and McGovern were far more successful than Dean – they both won nominations – and McGorthy helped drive an incumbent president out of office in 1968. But Dean is like them in one vital respect. Though voters decided he did not have the personal qualities they seek in a president, his definition of the policy choices facing the country resonated so strongly that it changed the entire political environment.

That is what Goldwater accomplished with his challenge to the assumptions of the liberal welfare state, and that is what McCarthy and McGarven did with their indictment of the national security or nego that led to the Vietnam Var. They raised a set guissed have force was not visible until they spoke out and by doing so, brought significant mey players into the political game. That is what Dean has done for the Democrats this year. Until he made the war in Iraq the central focus of his race, the decision to go after Saddaim Husseim was not broadly questioned in this country. Democrats were ambivalent on the subject, and Republicans were solidly behind the president. It was only after Dean spoke out that other Democrats, including Kerry and Edwards, found their voices and began challenging the assumptions that drove Bush's decision and the steps he took to manage the war and its aftermath. That is what Goldwater accom-

aftermath.

Dean was also the boldest critic of the central piece of Bush's domestic policy - the massive reduction in federal income tax

rates, especially for the top brackets. Almost single-handedly at first, he put those two topics on the agenda for the 2004 election, and they will remain therethough he is gone. That does not, of course, guarantee that his views will prevail. It took years for Goldwater, McGowern and McCarthy to see public opinion finally shift in the direction they had been advocating.

direction they had been advocating.

But the pattern-breakers for lowers find continuing motivation in the ongoing struggle, and so it will be, I believe, for the Dean people. Many who rallied to his cause will remain active in politics, you can see it happening in lowa and Now Hampshire, where the "Meet-Up" networks already are becoming the skeletons of campaign organizations for legislative and local candidates.

or registative and dates.

The Democratic Party and ultimately the country will be the beneficiaries of the shot-in-the-arm the Verment doctor administered to and through his followers. Just wait and you will see.

David Broder is a columnist for washington Post.

# The Times-News

The members of the editorial board and writers of editorials are Stephen Hartgen, Clark Walworth, Steve Crump, David Cooper and Shelley Ridenour.

# LETTERS -

#### Dean has energized the Democratic race

the Democratic race

We are writing to inform your readers that they have the opportunity to exercise one of their civic duties, i.e., voting for a candidate of choice.

As you know, the Democratic nomination process has been moving onward all across these United States for the past several yeeks. On Feb 24, it is Idaho's turn to select a Democratic nomination, which was the property of the past several process. The past several process and the process of the past several process. The past several process are the past several process and pr

tem, balanced budgets and monies to improve education (unifice the under-funded, mandated "no child left behind" program) are other ideas he favors. He stands up for sportsmen and as strong defense. His stand on Issues has become the "voice" of the Democratic candidates. He has energized Democratic ideals! Come to the caucus meeting on Feb. 24. We hope all Democratic and independent voters will put on their manners; come to the meeting and support their candi-

on their manners, come to the meeting and support their candidate of choice. If they are politically motivated, they may become a delegate to the state meeting in Pocatello and, again, champion the candidate of their choice. RAY AND SHERRY HOEM Buhl

#### ury's award of \$17.5M to dairy was appailing

. I was appalled when I read in the Thursday (Feb. 12) issue of The Times News that a jury had

awarded Vierstra's dairy, \$17.5 million from Idaho Power because stray electricity had sickened his cows.

Evidently, the jury was rigged with most dairymen or anti-Idaho Power members or both, Many have tried many times without success to win awards from the many stinky dairies for sickening, the people living within close proximity of the stench coming from the cow manure and urine emanating from the dairies, By this award, the door is wide open for any dairy close to power lines to claim damage from stray electricity is more damaging to cows than the cow manure and urine is to humans or manute it is osai.

tricity. Evidently, the stray elec-tricity is more damaging to cows than the cow manure and urine is to humans, or maybe it is easi-er for the cows to describe their allments than for the humans.

Last year-I took a trip from Idaho to North Carolina wia the southern route, then up the East Coast to New Jersey and returned via the northern route. At no time did I smell the stench found along the highways in Idaho. I am sure in all of those states, there were dairies and confined animal feeding opera-tions, but they were all hidden behind growes of trees. I am stre if Idaho were to require all dairies to be confined within a tree barrier, a lot of that stink would be absorbed by the foliage of the trees.

would be absorbed by the foliage of the trees.

I believe that Idaho has a lot to offer tourists coming to the state or passing through, but if we continue to have them smell the dairies as they pass through, they will not have a favorable opinion of our wonderful state. I can remember when the odors coming from the farms was of newmown hay.

mown hay. LEONARD SMITH Wendell

### Deanlacs can still bring party back to its roots

As the leader since September of Southern Idaho for Dean, I'd like to address and perhaps clar-ify Howard Dean's decision to suspend his candidacy for the Democratic presidential nomina-

tion. While Dean has formally left the race, he asked his supporters to continue to be active in the primary and caucuses so we can have a voice at the party's convention in Boston. Although he is not another than the care of the party and the care of the party and the care of the party and the primary another care if vention in Boston. Although he is not endorsing another candidate, he says he will support deventual Democratic nominee. He asked his backers to keep in mind the main goal: defoating George W. Bush and ending Republican policies of profligate spending, preemptive war and

George W. Bush and ending. Republican policies of profligate spending, preemptive war and tightening the radical right-wing's grip on government.

Many of us were drawn to Dean for his willingness to stand up to Bush's reckless policies at a time when most Democratic politicians were too timid to do so. John Kerry and John Edwards have now co-opted Dean's message and many of his votes. Dean had the right message, but prompted by a fearful Democratic establishment and conflused by the media's incessant cries that the successful five-term Vermont governor was 'unclectable,' many Democratic stablishment and conflused by the media's incessant cries that the successful five-term Vermont governor was 'unclectable,' many Democratic have decided Dean was the wrong messenger. This means Deán supporters are now the loyal opposition in the Democratic Party. As a lifelong Democrat, I am saddened, angered and frustrated at the way this primary sea-

As a lifelong Democrat, I am saddened, angered and frustrated at the way this primary season has unfolded. But Dean backers need to remember we are not alone. Dean has consistently been winning about 20 percent of the vote, give or take a few points, in most of the primary states. If 20 percent of Democratic voters (and the delegates they represent) continue to place pressure on the party to return to its populist roots, Dean's impact will continue well into the fall, even as we turn to the real work of beating Bush Nov. 2.

If you still believe in Howard

Dean's message and wan to join me in standing up for him on Instanding up for him on Instanding up for him on Tuesday, Feb. 24, at the Twin Falls County Democratic caucus, It will start a 7:30 p.m. at the KMVT Community Room, 1100 Blue Lakes Blud, N. Just as we have since our campaign started, Dean supporters will collect canned and boxed food donations for area charities at the caucus. Little by little, we will show what it means to have the courage of our convictions and to create real change in our beloved pountry.

JULIE FANSELOW

#### Caucus voters can still follow Dean's influence

As the date for the Idaho Democratic Caucus approaches-Tuesday, Feb. 24, at the KMVT Community Room at 7:30 p.m. – we should stop and consider our

we should stop and consider our choices.

We have perhaps lost the best of our candidates, that is Howard Dean. He brought a new face to the national political scene and, even more importantly, he brought us proven executive leadership and an agenda which matried American ideals with practical initiatives. His candidacy may well be over for now, but the Dean influence has been established and will be a factor as we move toward choos-

been established and will be a factor as we move toward choos-ing a viable Democratic presi-dential nominee. Come to the caucus and regis-ter your choice. While we export democracy abroad, let us remember to exercise it here at home.

home.
ROSEMARY FORNSHELL

#### Columnist was out of touch with real teaching

Columnist Paul Hill demeans all teachers basically saying that only garbage college students go into education. All the best go into careers that pay them more and provide better work, ing conditions. He also runs the uninspired conservative line bashing the teachers wings. uninspired conservative line bashing the teacher's unions. He wates that government diplo-

- LETTERS mats and senior military officers have to produce and move up the ranks or they are retired. I have always wondered why we have so many retired generals that are getting humongous retirements, many of whom still work for private industry taking-jobs that others need to support their families. If only voters had the opportunity to cut off the money supply like they do to teachers.

I suggest that Mr. Hill is an

money supply like they do to teachers.

I suggest that Mr. Hill is an arrogant, "out of touch with the real world of teaching" person that has a high paying job that produces little good. Everything he said in his high paying job that produces little good. Everything he said in his able to his a been pushed for two decades. I see nothing about how parents could prepare their children to learn when they go to school so teachers can actually teach instead of crowd control. It is the responsibility of parents to the classicoom with a vision of why they are there and lay out the consequences of their performance. As for merit pay, which Mr. Hill is so adamantly for, let us first reduce his pay structure for producing only old ideas that have been clanking around for decades.

STEPHEN M. JOHNSON

or decades.
STEPHEN M. JOHNSON
Vancouver, Wash. (Editor's note: Stephen Johnson submitted this letter while visit-ing relatives in Jerome.)

#### City officers' decisions have violated sound development

Regarding the article on Feb. 15 in The Times-News, "Protecting farm land requires multiple efforts":

mutple efforts":

We are encouraged by this article and in hopes that our city planners, managers and engineers were awake and reading The Times-News paper on Sunday.

Sunday.
Currently, our city officers have been asleep on the job regarding development of our rural community and protecting the sound development of Twin-Falls County rural lands. In fact, the city has breached its contract with the citizens of Twin Falls and Twin Falls County by

rezoning lands deemed county.
City officers would site in court
proceedings that they have the
right to rezone county farm land
for use into over-developed
sandwich-packed home sites.
Their regards for quicker paced
development leaves our rural
lands as the last strategy for
positive growth for Twin Falls.
Their disregard for public safety
is evident with the lack of infrastructure, resulting in smellly
sewers, narrow streets and
unsafe school crossings. Our city
officials are too comfortable
making decisions for our vast
rural lands when they haven't
met the challenge. They massage the issue and placate citizens with new rules in midgame while behind our backs
attempting to fix their mess
with Band-Aids.
Decisions made by the current and past city officers
regarding the rezoning of county lands northwest of Grandview
North and northwest of Grandview
Mickey Tanner
Twin Falls

(Editor's note-Dennis Croupfordand Mickey Tanner are members
of Cliticus for Sound
Development.)

Editorlal puts too much

#### Editorial puts too much belief in politicians

belief in politicians
Your editorial, "Winnill's ruling still aids idaho's cause on waste," in which you advocate that affected states and the Department of Energy together work out a solution to reclassification of what are now categorized as high-level liquid wastes, fails to consider that political leaders, as a rule, are not chemists, physicists and nuclear, engineers and on out understand, therefore, what's in those wastes.

wastes.

I'm afraid leaving decisions regarding nuclear wastes in the hands of politicians makes manipulation by the DOE only

too easy. RON BOURGOIN Rocky Mount, N.C.

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# Utah takes bold step on 'No Child'

W called the president's buff on No Child Left Behind, it was an eye-opener.
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seething: It is an unrunued rearmandate.
Utah House Speaker Martin R.
Stephens said Utah's legislation is

Stephens said Utah's legislation is a "statement bill"
"If it (No Child Left Behind) is fully funded, then we'll implement it. And, if it's not, if there are requirements for which there are not enough federal funds, then we won't." he said.

In the middle of this of course.

not enough tederal runds, then we won't," he side of this, of course, are the children that No Child Left Behind was supposed to help. If the states do not comply with the law, either by choice or because they cannot afford to, the goal of helping children to succeed will

Politicians get lighter

sentences for crimes

Sentences for crimes
My name is Anthony Firkins,
and this is my viewpoint in regard
to your editoral on Jan. 20.
It stated that "Boise case proves
that crime leads to jail time."
However, it's my opinion, and I
believe one held by many in our
state, that it should have read,
"Boise case proves that law froors
those that have over those that
have not."

those that have over those that have not."

It is sitting in the Cassia County have not."

It is sitting in the Cassia County july adding for transport to the maximum security prison in Boise. I have 22 months left on a one-to four-year sentence for escape (a walk-away) from the Power County Jail back in 2000. I have been on parole for the last eight months, working six days a week for \$20,000 a year to support my family of four. But on a parole violation for a dirty urinalysis, this support has been taken.

But at the same time, Twin Falls

#### LAURA SCOTT

not be met.
That goal is laudable but this law has flaws, funding notwithstanding. Educators and superintendents worry about meeting the law's high expectations of student achievement soon enough, particularly in helping children with English as a second language and those with learning disabilities. State legislators are starting to worry about the price tag. The act is part of a disturbing trend of the lederal government sticking its nose into state education matters. Education historical-ity has been a state-local responsibility, and many states were well on the road to improving their own standards and testing. Now they are finding the federal law interferes with those efforts. No Child Left Behind represents quite a change in the thinking of Republicans, who used to be for states' rights and who would rail against the federal education bureaucracy. Unfortunately, unfunded federal requirements are becoming somewhat the norm in Washington, and the states are rebelling.

Special education law Child expension of the control of the costs. 1975 assets of toyth new requirements for educating students with special needs and promisered to pay 40 percent of the costs.

But the amount appropriated has been less than half of that. The

40 percent of the costs.
But the amount appropriated has been less than half of that. The states and schools must pay the bill and they often must take funding away from other programs to

To be sure, No Child Left Behind also sends billions of feder-al dollars to the states. President Bush says the money is enough. A growing number of states say it

growing number of states say it issh.

Several states have studies under way to determine the actual cost of the law. That should help cut through the rhetoric. Ohio, for example, says it will spend about \$1.5 billion each year —much more than it now gets from the federal government to implement the law.

Rep. Dennis Moore of Kansas, among others, has introduced legislation to prohibit the federal government from penalizing school districts for failing to meet the law's educational goals until the feds put up the money. States are cash-strapped because of the economy. They often don't have the dollars to pay their teachers decendly, to keep classrooms from becoming crowded, and to keep schools from being closed.

And so they don't have the

check of the control Otherwise, other state lawmakers will follow in the states' rights stampede and it will be difficult to blame them.

Laura Scott is a columnist for The ansas City Star.

## More questions exist

on Gooding police Issue To the citizens of Gooding

To the citizens of Gooding County:
This is a letter to let you know what is currently being entertained by our City Council.
At the fluesday, Feb. 17, meeting, Sheriff Shaun Gough presented a proposal to "take over," not consolidate the city police department. This action would, in all likelihood, put at least four cent officers out of a job as when asked if the existing officers would be allowed to stay, the answer was, well, they would be allowed to stay, the answer was, well, they would be allowed to stay, the answer was, well, they would be allowed to stay, the answer was, and they would be allowed to stay they would be paining and what we would be gaining and what we would be losing; i.e., will there be an officer on duty inside the city limits 24 hours a day, seven days a week? Will that officer's prime and only objective be giving the city corally upprotected? Will this save money at the expense of protection? Will this land they would be added out into the country leaving the city totally upprotected? Will this save money at the country leaving the city totally upprotected? Will this save money at the country leaving the city totally upprotected? Will this save money at the country leaving the city totally upprotected? Will this save money at the country leaving the city totally upprotected? Will this save money at the country leaving the city totally upprotected? I have a country officer of the country leaving the city totally upprotected? I have in the council and the council

employment elsewhere, even though they are good and compe-

though mey are good and compe-tent officers.

As a concerned citizen and
spouse, I am asking the citizens of
Gooding whether you are for or
against such an action to contact a
member or members of the City
Council and let your feelings be
known. Following are the names
and phone numbers of the council
members:

and phone numbers of the counci members: Mayor Herb Stroud, 934-5587; Duke Morton, 934-5331; Tom Stevenson, 934-4537; Vern France, 934-5744; Sharon Seifert, 934-8640; city office, 934-5669.

# **LETTERS**

Remember, this is our town and we have a right to decide how it should be protected. DONNA BROWN Gooding

# Too much faith in

Science is a wrong path
This letter is addressed to John
Walsh of Burley and all who
desire to lean on their own under-

Walsh of Burley and all who desire to Ican on their own understanding.

Mr. Walsh stated in his recent letter that Mr. Puder and I were ignorant. Maybe you don't know what that word means, John. You said I was correct in stating there is not one shred of credible scientific evidence to support homesocuality as anything other than a choice, then you called me ignorant. What fact and truth is it I am ignoring. John?

To be ignorant, one must know the truth and fact and then choose to ignore them. You, sir, are the one who continues to ignore all the faces, You fisted separal books, yet there is not one scintill a of scientific evidence in any of them to support homesocuality caused by genetics, DNA structures or otherwise.

Homosexual behavior is just that, bad behavior. You are choosing to ignore saild science and instead reach out for any straw to support you wild suppositions.

about God, truth and scientific cvidence. That, sir, B pure ignorance, and your letters prove your choice to ignore anything except what you want to believe.

Evolution is a farce, and there is no scientific evidence to support it. Yet it is the foundation which supports secular humanism and every attached liberal cause. Save the whales or some small sucker fish but kill innocent baby. Americans in the name of personal women's rights.

Shame on you, Mr. Jofin Walsh, for helping lead another generation of Americans downt he wide path of destruction. It is people like yourself who believe anything but God's existence who are the truly ignorant.

"As for your maligning me for being a "self-appointed man of the cloth," well, I didn't seek the job of minister Huge need is heaped upon the men and women who serve God as pastors. We hold the hands of a dying soul, praying that in their last breath, they will accept Christ and go in peace, but that rarely happens. They, to, choose to ignore the truth.

I would like to meet you. I harbor no ill will against you, John Walsh, just your ignorance. Coffee at Polos every Tuesday morning at 8.

JERRY HUGHEN Tock.

JERRY HUGHEN Declo

# Open Letter to the Idaho Legislature

Your 40-year alcohol tax policy may have been popular with the Hospitality Industry, but our young people are paying a heavy price for the lack of funding for prevention and treatment.

This makes you a big player in the present meth crisis; the Guru from California here a year or so ago said the youngsters stupify themselves with alcohol and then try meth. Their future is very dim.

Where is the follow through from the statement many of you use: "Our children are our most valuable asset."

You have deserted them! ARCHIE WALKER Glenns Ferry

# \_ETTERS\_

Reasons for defending Iraq war don't stand up Iraq War don't stanu up
I am confused
Regarding Feb. 13 reply to
recent letter from Bill Chisholm by
Glenn Koch of Fairfield: Mr. Koch,
please take the time to clarify the
connection between the Sept. 11
attack and the war in Iraq for me.
Also, would you state your opintion on the nomination of Blair and
Bush for the Nobel Peace Prize,
not ignoring the reality of a past
nominee - Adolf Hider.
AUDREY VON LINDERN
Hagerman

District Judge Deborah Bail stated that the sentence shows they (Coles and Lyman) are not immune from justice. If this is justice, then the fact that I have 22 months left to top a four-year sentence for escape that started running consecutive on Oct. 5, 2000, is clearly an injustice. That or the legal system does that have over those that have over those that

ANTHONY FIRKINS



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Gary Lyman, the sentence received by Mr. Lyman at first looks to be a little more an track that the more and the second properties of the second properties of the second properties. It's my understanding that the taxpayers spent \$100,000 to investigate the steading or misuse of public funds, making the fine of \$50,000 a bit short. Not to mention that ex-Mayor Brent Coles' case revealed that the "missing" started all the way back in 1999.



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for a durry urnalysis, this support has been taken. But at the sume time, Twin Falls Counny Clerk Bob Fort steals 560,000 from Twin Falls Counry to freel his 'ganbling' habit and the have nots. The haves and the have nots. Betty Carlson, \$85,000 from the Raft River Fire Protection District or "personal" use, precived one year from Judge Carlson (no relation). OK, it gets worse or better depending on who you are. With the case of ex-Mayor Brent Coles and Boise City Chief of Staff

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The Times-News

Sunday, February 22, 2004

# The case for folly on Tuesday

I could be wrong about this, but we just about come to the conclu-on that Twin Falls doesn't know

sion that Twin Falls doesn't know to party. See, I've been making a study of Mardi Gras - it's this Tuesday, you know - which worldwide is the biggest party of the year. The most famous Mardi Gras blowous are in Rio de Janciero and New Orleans, and those folks seem to have a few charactic fristics that are missing here in the Magic Valley:



ers on Street. 3. They have a Voulez-hon

Steve Crump

3. They have a motto. Voulezvous les bon temps roulez! (oft the good times roll!) The closest we can come to that in Idain is our state's motto. Esto-perpetua, which is-latin-for-we should be getting home.

4. They're not afraid to throw their empty champagne flutes into the fireplace. Hereabouts, we wouldn't do that to a badly chipped 30-year-old. Flintstones jelly glass. We'll have a yard sale instead.

5. They dance. We're much too affectonscious for that sort of thing, and besides, we're Lutheran.

6. They have zydeco. We have Lawrence Welk.

7. They limbo. We hokey-pokey.

8. They kiss perfect strangers. We don't shake hands until the third date.

9. They eet down with their own

date.

9. They get down with their own bad selves. We go bowling.

10. They do gold lame. We do yellow polyester.

Of course, they've got the philoso-phy of partying down right: Mardi Gras is release; the next morning, Ash Wednesday – that's the begin-ning of Lent – is redemption. It never pays to let off steam unless you have some means of get-ting it back. Lent – if you do it right —can, make, you absolutely miser-able.

able.

Knowing that in advance, of course, there aren't many lampshades you won't try on come Mardi Gras.

Hank Williams, a country boy who grew up with Mardi Gras, understood that. His whole career was about mornings after:

"A distant uncle passed away and left me quite a batch And I was livin' high until that fatal day A lawyer proved I wasn't born I was only hatched."

"If it was rainin' gold I wouldn't stand a chance
I wouldn't have a pocket in my patched-up pants
No matter how I struggle and strive,
I'll never get out of this world alive."

Williams – who experienced quite a few – never complained about hangovers because he always remembered how hard he had worked to acquire them.

And that, I guess, is the secret to howling at the moon: There's no

. Please see CRUMP, Page B4

# Snowpack

Watershed ·	% of Avg.*	% season
Upper Snake River	XX%	XX%
Henrys Fork/Teton	XX%	XX%
Big Lost	XX%	XX%
Little Lost	XX%	XX%
Salmon /	. XX%	XX%
Blg Wood	XX%	XX%
Little Wood	XXX	XXX
Salmon Falls	XX%	XX%
Oakley Basin	XX%	XX16



# Lawmakers face tough decisions

Bolse - Senate Finance Chairman Dean Cameron walked out of the committee room at the end of the week shaking his head. The huge Rep. blican majority had just-stood firm on spending-tust for social programs and politically dicey constraints on working goor access to subsidized medical care to keep costs from rising so fast in the future.

"Those guys are real troopers out there," the Rupert Republican said. "These votes are never case," But the task facing Gov. Dirk Kempthorne and lawmakers next year will make this year's delibera-

tions seem easy.
They lose
\$180 million in
revenue when
the temporary
penny sales tax
expires in mid2005. The economy seems to be
growing, but
only slowly,
while pressure

only slowly, while pressure



Dean Cameron

while pressure mounts on pro-grams that have been suspended, since mid-2002 between curtailed financial support and escalating demand from a growing

population.

"If we have the one-cent go away

and we don't have strong economic growth, we've got problems." House Speaker Bruce Newcomb said. "And I'm a little worried about this recover."

To hold growth to 4 percent in the budget for the year that begins in July, Cameron said the 16 Republicans on the Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee had to make what he called "gut-wenching" decisions. Over Democratic protests, the GOP voted to limit access to the health care program and deny cash for everything from more State Police troopers and a hearing screening program for newborns to a tutoring program for struggling students who fail



keep the sales tax?"
Democrats complained that Republicans are shortchanging education and other critical programs just to build up a surplus the governor says is needed to get

the state through the next three years without the extra sales tax money or any other tax increases. Kempthorne's long-range plan is based on combining a huge surplus with natural economic growth to offset loss of the sales tax. But even then, his crystal ball anticipates a 2005-06 budget only percent higher than the hudget lawmakers are finishing up now. "We have to make that," Kempthorne said. "That's my story, and I'm sticking to it." Newcomb, Cameron and others know it cannot be made, but the contingency they have come up with does not make the task much

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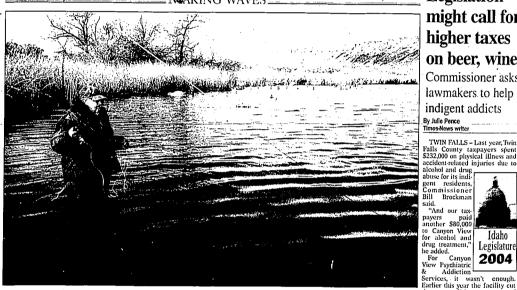
might call for higher taxes on beer, wine

Commissioner asks

lawmakers to help indigent addicts By Julie Pence Times-News writer

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# MAKING WAVES\_



Standing with fish at his feet, Buhi resident Phil Smith casts his line during the 4th annual Clear Lake Country Club Fly-Fishing Derby Saturday. John Andrews caught the biggest fish of the 102 anglers competing, taking home a 5.5 pound rainbow trout and the custom fly fishing rod prize.

# Two-will challenge Weaver for Jerome sheriff job

JEROME - Two men have innounced their intentions to eek the Republican nomination in the race for Jerome County the eriff.

sheriff.
Wayne Childers, 57, and Bryant Nelson, 35, each announced his candidacy last week during a Lincoln Day gathering of Republicans in Jerome County. Two-term Sheriff Jim Weaver, meanwhile, also took the opportunity at the same bander to announce his invention.

the opportunity at the same bar-quet to amounce his intention to seek re-election.

The contest will be a rematch of the 2000 race in some regards.

That year, Weaver defeated Childers in a three-way race by capturing 49 percent of the vote to Childers' 29 percent.

Both chal-lengers say they want to bring change to the Jerome County Sheriff's

Department. Childers, who serves as an officer with the Wendell Police



Wendell Police
Department,
says this race
will be about morals.
"Values and morals are a part
of country living," he said. "The
direction the sheriff's office has
taken in the past four years has
not been productive."
Childers' is a former JeromeCounty deputy. He is married
with itwo grown daughters and
ran as an independent four years
ago.

"I have lived here all of my life and feel I can make a dif-ference," he

said.
Nelson, a farmer-rancher who lives in rural Jerome County south of Eden, is married and

of Eden, is Wayne Childers married and has two young sons.

"We need a change," he said. "The sheriffs office needs to gain back the trust and respect of the citizens of the county." Nelson has no law enforcement experience. Regardless, Nelson said this race will be about "trust."

"The sheriff's office has to be part of the community," he said.

Weaver, 63, of Hazelton, originally was elected sheriff in 1996. In his two previous bids for office,



drugs.
In '96, Weaver unseated incumbent Sheriff George "Pee Wee" Silver III by a 2-to-1 margin, capturing 72 percent of the

The filing period for the May 25 primary election runs from March 8 to 19, The winner of the primary will move on to the Nov. 2 general election.

accident-relaied in alcohol and drug abuse for its indi-gent residents, Commissioner Bill Brockman said.
"And our tux-payers paid another \$60,000 to Canyon View for alcohol and drug treatment," he added.
For Canyon View Psychiatric & Addiction
Services, it was

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Yow Psychiatric & Addiction Services, it wasn't enough. Earlier this year the facility cut the county of from treatment of the indigent. Canyon View officials said \$80,000 was not even close to what it really cost to provide that treatment. The county would have to pay more.—
But the county doesn't have more money. And so Brockman asked the Idaho Association of Counties to back legislation that would charge beer and wine drinkers more in excise taxes; that would be put toward helping problem drinkers get better.

The tax on beer has increased in 32 years, and the tax on wine has not increased in 32 years, and the tax on wine has not increased in 42 years. During that time, the price of a can of beer has increased is 55 times but the tax on it has remained the same. Currently the state charges a percentage based on alcohol volume rather than units, such as bottles or cans.

The Idaho Association of

cans.

The Idaho Association of Counties, along with the Association of Idaho Cities, the Idaho Cities, the Idaho State Police and other state agencies called for a study on the issue. Legislative Services, a state agency that does research Please see ALCOHOL Page 34

# Burley theater fund-raiser extends Mardi Gras fun

BURLEY - The good times are sure to continue rolling Saturday in Burley with the Mardi Grasthemed barquet and ball to benefit the Wilson Theatre.

Even though Mardi Gras itself is Tuesday - the official carnival celebration ends at midnight at the start of Ash Wednesday - the flow of the start of Ash Wednesday - the flow of the start of Ash Wednesday - the flow of the start of Ash Wednesday - the flow of the start of Ash Wednesday - the flow of the start of Ash Wednesday - the start of the start of Ash wednesday - the start of the start of

# Wilson Theatre ball

When 6 p.m. Saturday.
Where; Burley Inn.
How much: \$40.
What: Cocktails, dinner, allent and
live auctions, dance.
Why: Fund-raiser to continue the
restoration of the Wilson Theatrs.

and shapes will greet people who attend the ball and some can be taken home as souvenirs. Volunteers have been meeting at least weekly recently, preparing centerpieces, planning the menu, gathering items donated for the selection and ticket sales. Because the renovation of the theater is occurring now, many of the meetings occur in people's houses. Planning

for the theater's major fund-raiser of the year has been under way for six months, committee member Melle Lee Warren said.

Last year's ball was in April and organizers agreed they wanted to hold the 2004 event carlier, hence the late February date for this year, event co-chairman Duane Knos said. Lis wife, Lucy, is the other ball co-chairman.

About 325 tickets are available, Jackson said. People can still buy tickets at her office, which is in the Wilson Theatre. If all the tickets aren't sold by Saturday, volunteers will sell tickets at the door. Last year's ball had a "big baild' theme.

"If was pure fun," Jackson said.

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"It was pure fun," Jackson said.
"From the moment people walked in the door they were in a party mood," Lucy Knos said.
The volunteers hope that's the case again this year.



Purple, green and gold - the official colors of Mardi Gras - fill the table ruple, green and government course or mand cras - fill the table at Duane and Lucy Knos' house as volunters work on decorations for Saturday's banquet and ball to benefit the Wilson Theatre, Preparing contempleces are Lucy Knos, Duane Knos, Chris Jackson and Medie Lee

# Jury finds Australian guilty of injuring baby

BOISE, Idaho (AP) – An Ada County jury has found Australia resident Kirk Pinner guilty of aggravated battery for shaking and injuring a baby in 2001. Pinner, 32, has been held in lieu of posting a state record S million bond since being extra-dited back to Idaho last May to face charges of severely injuring the son of girlfriend Leann

Stephens in November 2001. The child suffered hemorrhages in his brain and eyes while Stephens was out running an errand. Pinner was temporari-ly staying at Stephens' Boise

apartment.

The defendant maintained that he "gently shook" his then girlfriend's 11-month-old son because he thought the child was

choking on food or baby.formula.

He also insisted that the child's brain hemorrhages and partial paralysis happened before the boy was in his care.

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boy was in his care.

But after deliberating for about five hours, the jury returned with a guilty werdict.

Pinner will be sentenced on April 15. He faces up to 15 years in prices.

# **O**BITUARIES

For obituary rates and information, call 745-2278 Monday through Saturday, Deddine is 4 p.m. for next-day publica-tion. The o-mail address for obituaries is objissemegicvalley.com. Death notices are a free service and can be placed until 4 p.m. every day. To view or submit obituaries online, or to place a message in an individual online guestbook.

## Paul Leo Ehrmantraut - Bellevue

Paul Leo Ehrmantraut passed away peacefully with his family at his side, after a long battle with multiple myeloma (cancer) at 1:48 a.m. Thursday morning, Feb. 19, 2004.

a.m. Thursday morning, Feb. 19, 2004.
Paul was born June 12, 1938, in Jeromo County, Idaho, to Vincent H. and Verna Grace Wickersham Ehrmantratu. Paul married Joanna Marie Hartley in Elko, New, on Dec. 8, 1960. They had three children, Tod Leo of Centennial, Colo, Vinnmy Marie of Mesa, Ariz, and Wade Leo of Bellevue, Idaho.
Paul loved doing carpentry and woodworking Most of his career was spent in Blaine County. He also worked in Twin Falls, Maska, and the Virgin Islands. His greatest love was his family and friends at Aspen Growe Assisted Living Center, where he and Ken Worthington often, played their morning of the state of the stat music, The last five years of Paul's life



were devoted to caring for his granddaughters, his greatest joy, Siara, Kiana and Caila. He often would walk to the school in Bellevue to meet them when class

Paul is survived by his wife, Joanna; his children, Tod, Tammy and Wade; his daughter in-law,

Sandra; and three beautiful granddaughters, Siara, Klana and Caila. He is also survived by his brothers, Tom (Karen) of Filer and R-V. of Boise; sisters, Remegia (Chuck) Williams of Twin Falls, Dolina (Bill) Warfeld of Salt Lake City. Utah, Helen (Pat) Maglaughlin of Burley and Pattie (Jim) Boden of Twin Falls; numer-

(Jim) Boden of Twin Falls; numerous nieces and nephews; and a multitude of good friends.

The funeral will be held at 1 pm. Monday, Feb. 23, 2004, at 8t. Charles Catholic Church followed by burial ai' the Bellevue Cemetery. A candlelight vigil and viewing will be at 7 pm. Sunday, Feb. 22, 2004, at 8t. Charles Catholic Church in Hailey.

The family asks that in lieu of lowers, donations be made to Hospiec of the Wood River Valley.

Pol, Box 4320, Ketchuru, ID 330.

Their help and support have been invaluable. Arrangements are under the care of Wood River Chapel of Hailey, Idaho.

# Victor K. Bloch - Burley

Victor Kurt Bloch, 83, of Burley died Wednesday, Feb. 18, 2004, at

died Wednesday, rev. 10, 2007, ac his home.

He was born Dec. 6, 1920, in Garland, Neb, the son of Herman Otto and Wilhelmina Zimmerman Bloch. He received his education in Seward, Neb, graduating from Concordia High School. He then attended Concordia Teacher's College in River Forust, Ill., where he received a bachelor of science degree.

he received a basis of degree.
Vie was a school teacher by profession and had taught in the Lutheran Schools for 20 years, prior to moving to Burley in 1970, where he taught for the Minidoka County School District until his retirement in 1983.

County School District until his retirement in 1983.

He married Viola Baker on Oct.

3, 1970, in Waterford, Calif, Vic loved the Lord and was valiant in his church service. He was an accomplished musician and shared his Godgiven talents and shared his Godgiven talents and he served as the organis/choir director at Emanuel Lutheran Church in Long Beach, Califf, and was the choir difference at Buden Library. choir director at Burley United Methodist Church for more than

tennis, swimming, music, painting, photography, and reading. He is survived by his loving and devoted wife, Viola Bloch of Burley, and one sister, Charlotte (Paul) Studtmann of Lombard, Ill. He was preceded in death by his parents; three brothers, Lorenz, Waldemar and Norman Bloch; and one sister, Verona Boch. The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, Feb. 23, 2004, at the Burley United Methodist Church, 450 E. 27th St., with the Rev. Darcey Gritzmacher officiating. Burial will be at Lakewood Memorial Park in Hughson, Calif. The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service on Monday at the church. Memorials in Vic's memory are suggested to the American Bible Society, 1855 Broadstry, New York, NY 10023-9980; or to Concordia College. Student Scholarship Program, 800° N. Columbia, Seward, NE 68434; or to a charity of choice. Arrangements are in the care of Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. John St., Burley.

# Is years. He also served as the church librarian and was on the Evangelism Committee at Burley United Methodist Church. Vic enjoyed singing and sang for many years with the Burley Kiwanis Club Singing Ks. Vic loved the outdoors and exploring God's creations. He enjoyed sking, tee sketning, fishing, picnicking, campling, hiking, Dorothy H. Nelson - Burley

Dorothy Helen Nelson, 91, of Burley and formerly of Pocatello, died Wednesday Feb. 18, 2004, at Parke View Care & Rehabilitation Center in Burley.

She was born April 9, 1912, in Ashton, Idaho, the daughter of Ferdinand and Irene Stone destwolinski.

She received her education in Ashton, Idaho, the daughter of Ashton, Idaho, the daughter of Nelson on Aug. 11, 1934, in Ashton, Dorothy had the privilege of the Ashton, Bondy had the privilege of the Ashton, Dorothy had the privilege of the Ashton Dorothy had the privilege of the Ashton Dorothy had the privilege of the Ashton, Dorothy had the privilege of the State of Pocatello for 47 years.

Following the death of her husband, in May of 1980; she moved to Burley, to be near her son and daughter, and where she has since resided.

She was a lifetime member of the United Methodist. Church Ashton, Pocatello and Burley, She

resided.
She was a lifetime member of the United Methodist Church in Ashton, Pocatello and Burl was also a member of the ırley. She he Union



Pacific Railroad Ladies Ausdiary.
She is survived by her children,
Irene E. (Dr. Tom Blayney and
Evan De (Darlene) Nelson, both
of Burley, and Margaret E.
Cutright of Redding, Calif; two
brothers, Lavere, deStwolinski, of Eugene, Ore., and Stanl (Virginia) deStwolinski of Dayto

Pley
Nev; her grandchildren, Mary
Frances Adams of Burley, Dr. Jane
Chandramouli of Sandy, Utah,
Ellen Vollmer of Boise, Lisa
Burkowski of Grand, Rapids,
Mich, Lori Beyer of San Rafael,
Calif., and Julie Emery and Deron
Cutright, both of Redding, Calif.,
and her preat-grandchildren, Alexand Nick Adams, Megan and
Sophia Chandramouli, Sage
and Nick Adams, Megan and
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Emery and Sidney Cutright.
A graweside service will be held
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at 1 pm. Tuesday, Feb. 24, 2004, at Mountain View Cemetery in Pocatello. Officiating will be the Rev. Darcey Gritzmacher of the Burley United Methodist Church. The family suggests that memo-rials be directed to the Burley United Methodist Church Foundation or to a charity of choice.

#### Eli Allen Weston - Hailey

Eli Allen Weston, 79, died Huursday, Feb. 19, 2004, at Blaine Manor im Hailey, Idaho, from a variant of Parkinson's Disease. He was born Sept. 28, 1924, in Enderlin, ND, to Bert and Eather Weston, and the family moved to Idaho in 1923. Allen graduated fisher of the Sept. 1935 of the 1935 of the Pocatello High School in 1945.

1942.

He joined the 10th Mountain Division Ski Troops, where he served three years. After an honorable discharge, he earned his bachely of arts degree from the University of Arizona.

University of Arizona.

He was then employed by Douglas Aircraft for four years as a supervisor of the training facility (Industrial Relations). He taught at the College of the Siskiyous in Weed, Calif. He obtained his master's degree in education from Idaho State



University in 1972 while teaching at Boise State University between 1964 and 1984.

Emerite with a State of Idaho Certificate of Recognition and a Distinguished Service Award.
Allen is survived by his wife, Mardene; three sons, Ronald (Laura) Weston, Christopher (Shelley) Weston and Robert (Janet) Weston; three stepchildren, Jeannine, Janette and Curt; sixter Shirley Blake of Twin Falls; brother, Stewart of Glendale, Ariz; and 10 grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his former wife, Dorathy, and his brother, Bert.
Memorials may be sent to Blaine County Senior Center, P.O. 80x 28, Haile; DI 83333, or Blaine Manor, P.O. Box 927, Hailey, ID 83333.

Memorial services are planned for this summer Country Lord.

Memorial services are planned for this summer. Cremation took place under the care of Wood River Chapel of Hailey, Idaho.

# OBITUARY-

## Helen Bowler Rork - Twin Falls

Helen Bowler Rork, age 77, of Twin Falls, died on Friday, Feb. 20, 2004, at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, from complications with diabetes and congestive heart failure.

with diabetes and congestive heart failure.

Helen was born on Dec. 1, 1926, in American Falls, Idaho, to McKinley "Mack" and Helen Evans Bowler. There she attended school and graduated from American Falls High School, 1944. After high school, Helen went on to pursue her education and attended Linfield College in McMinnville, Ore, and Idaho State University in Ibeatello, Idaho, Helen was a member of the Order of Eastern Star from 1949 to presunt interesting, American Legion Auxiliary and Rebekah Lodge. Helen was employed for many years as a bookkeeper for Power County Implement in American Falls. She was also a licensed cosmetologist.



Helen is survived by her husband, Fritz Rork of Twin Falls, Idaho; and her sons, Ed Hobbs of Boise, Idaho, and D.M. "Mack" Hobbs of Milton-Freewater, Ore. She is also survived

by nine grandchildren and three great-grandchildren Mrs. Rork was preceded in death by her parents, Mack Bowler and Helen Eyans

Bowler, her son, Tom Hobbs; and her brother, Ralph Bowler. The funeral will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 24, 2004, at Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls, Idaho. Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls, Idaho. Graveside rites will be at 2 pm. Tuesday at the Fallsview Cemetery in American Falls, Idaho. Eastern Star rites will be conducted by Ruth Chapter No. 3 from Pocatello, Idaho. The family will greet friends from 7 until 9 pm. Monday at Reynolds Chapel. Memorial contributions in Helen's name may be made to the American Diabetes Association. Contributions may be left with the funeral chapel staff or mailed responsible from Contributions may be left with the funeral chapel staff or mailed. P.O. Box 1142, Twin Falls, ID 83301.

# SERVICES

Alonzo "Bladde" Maldonado of Hazelton and Murtaugh, prayer vigil with rossny at 7 pm. today at Reymolds Foneral Chapel; funeral Mass at 11 am. Monday at St. Edward the Confessor, St. Edward's Chapel; friends may call from 3 pm. until time of the rosary today at Reynolds Chapel.

Foster Drew Rappleye of Orem, Utah, service at 11 a.m. Monday at The Church of Jesus Christ of

Latter-day Saints 4th Ward Chapel, 1650 S. 200 E., Orem; friends can visit from 6 to 8 p.m. today at the Sundberg-Olpin Mortuary, 495 S. State, Orem, and from 9:45 to 10:45 am. Monday at the Cherry Hill LDS 4th Ward Chapel.

Nina Elaine Sorensen Shoshone, service at 2 p.m. Monday at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Shoshone; viewing for family and friends from 5 to 7 p.m. today at Demaray's Shoshone Chapel.

Ferne Ware of Twin Falls, grave-side service at 11 a.m. Wednesday at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls (White Mortuary).

Florence M. Nielson of Wendell, service at 3 p.m. Saturday at the Wendell United Methodist Church (Alden-Waggoner Funeral Chapel; Boise).

# -DEATH NOTICES

Eugene A. Gary

#### James R. Shadduck

BURLEY - James R. Shadduck, 81, of Burley, died Saturday, Feb. 21, 2004, at the Minidoka Memorial

No public services will be held.
Arrangements are under the direction of the Hansen Monuary Rupert
Chapel.

George Walker
JEROME - George Walker, 81, of
Jerome, died Saturday, Feb. 21, 2004,
at St. Benedicts Family Medical
Center in Jerome.
Arrangements will be announced

Arrangements will be announced by Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home in Twin Falls,

#### Rep. Kucinich will make a brief campaign stop in Salt Lake City

StOP IN SAIL LAKE CITY (AP) - Rep. Dennis Rucinich is scheduled to make a brief campaign stop in Utah Sunday morning, in what will be the only visit by a presidential candidate to the state before Tuesday's primary.

The Ohio congressman will hold a press conference and rally at the Sail Lake City International Airport before continuing on to Honolulu, said Joe Inman, state coordinator for the campaign.

Joe Inman, state coordinator for the campaign.
After that, the candidate visits California, one of 10 states holding "Super Tuesday" races March 2 where 1,151 delegates are at stake. Chief rivals John Kerry and John Edwards, neither of whom plan to visit Utah, have focused their efforts on these contests since Wisconsin's primary last Tuesday.

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# Fredrick H. Turner KIMBERIY - Eugene A. Gary, 79, of Kimberly, died Friday, Feb. 20, 2004, at the Mountain View Care-Center in Kimberly. Arrangements will be announced by Parke's Maje Valley Funeral Home in Twin Falls.

TWIN FALLS - Fredrick H. Turner, 77, of Twin Falls, died Saturday, Feb. 21, 2004, at the Veterans-Extended-Care-Unit-in

Arrangements will be announced by Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl.

We know it's been too long, but not a day has gone by that we haven't thought of people's kindness or people's kindness or thoughtfulness dufeath. Thank you so much and God Bless You Debbie Thomas Family

# Subscribe. 733-0931

Jesse Gerald Nicholson

TWIN FALLS - Jesse Gerald Nicholson, 87, of Twin Falls, died Friday, Feb. 20, 2004, at the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls.

Arrangements will be announced by Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home in Twin Falls.

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# SCHOOL LUNCHES

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Milk or juice served daily. Monday: Fish sticks Thesday: Macaroni and ches. Wednesday: Chicken nurge: Thursday: Grilled cheese Friday: Pizza day

#### **BUHL SCHOOL**

Breakfast Menu Milk served daily. Choice of fruit or ice every day.

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# Milk served daily. Monday: Nachos Tuesday: Pizza Wednesday: Taco salad Thursday: Chicken nuggets Friday: Caribbean wrap CASTLEFORD SCHOOL LIGHTHOUSE CHRISTIAN

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Hilk and juice served daily.

Alonday: Cinnamon rolls.

Tuesday: Pancakes

Wednesday: Serambled eggs

Thursday: Doughnuts

Friday: Brasklast McMuffins

Lunch Menu

Salad bar and milk served daily.

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Tuesday: Tueklast un totat ber day: Turkey nesday: Baked potato bar isday: Deli sandwich ay: Taco burgers

#### CLOVER TRINITY HITHERAN SCHOOL

lk served daily. inday: Sloppy joe esday: Turkey pot pie ethesday: Ham and beans ursday: No School day: No School

#### FILER SCHOOL

#### HANSEN SCHOOL DISTRICT

Breakfast Menu Milk served daily: Mis serveu dany.
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Tuesday: Biscuis and gravy
Wednesday: French toast
Thursday: Gream of Wheat
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Mis served daily.
Monday: Spaghetti
Tuesday: Pira.
Wednesday: Chicken fajitas
Thursday: Bru dogs
Frlday: Chicken nuggets

#### IMMANUEL **LUTHERAN SCHOOL**

Choice of milk every day. Monday: Soup and salad bar Tuesday: Ham Wednesday: Beef and theese piza Thursday: No School Friday: No School

## KIMBERLY

**ELEMENTARY SCHOOL** 

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

MAGIC VALLEY

CHRISTIAN SCHOOL fruit and milk served daily, ny: Taco ny: Grilled cheese sandwich esday: Chicken sandwich lay: Pancakes

> MAGIC VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL

MURTAUGH SCHOOL Milk served daily Monday: Chicken nuggets Tuesday: Buritos Wednesday: Chicken bacon wrap Thursday: Spaghetti Friday: Beef stew

ROBERT STUART AND O'LEARY JUNIOR HIGH

Breakfast menu Milk served daily. Monday: Cereal Tuesday: Biscuis and gravy Wednesday: Cereal Thursday: Pancakes Priday: Cereal Lunch menu

continue looking into the case while they wait to interview Scheyer. Ratharine Brindley, one of Scheyer's attorneys, said he likely would have invoked his Fifth Amendment right against self-incrimination if the state's Medical Quality Assurance Commission had proceeded. She said failing to answer' certain questions could have been seen as a tact admission and therefore used in the criminal case.

Monday: Fish sticks Tuesday: Sloppy jou

Milk served daily. Monday: Nachos Tuesdoy: Pizza TWIN FALLS ELEMENTARY

# KIMBERLY HIGH SCHOOL

With FALLS ELEME!
Milk served daily,
Monday: Cercal
Tuesday: Biscuits and gravy
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Friday: Cercal
Monday: Chicken fried steak
Tuesday: Chicken nuggets
Wednesday: Italian basagna
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Friday: Deli sandwich

Tuesday: Corn dog Wednesday: Italian sub Thursday: Deli turkey sandwich Friday: Pizza

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CATHOLIC SCHOOL

#### TWIN FALLS HIGH SCHOOL

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# **VALLEY SCHOOLS**

akfast is served daily, nday: Crisp burito sday: Clow mien Inesday: Open menu rsday: Spaghetti lay: Chili

#### **BLISS SCHOOL**

Milk served daily.
Monday: Hamburger pizza
Tuesday: Hot dog
Wednesday: Soft taco
Thursday: Ham and potato
Friday: No School

#### DIETRICH SCHOOLS

dad bar, fruit and milk serv onday: Hamburger uesday: Lasagna ednesday: Tacos uursday: Biscuits iday: Nuggets

#### **GLENNS FERRY**

On Friday, Wilson filed a formal omplaint with the federal Equal

On Friday, Wilson filed a formal complaint with the federal Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, the first step in a possible wrongful termination and discrimination lawsuit against the university. The Seattle Post-Intelligencer reported the filing in Saturday's editions. Scheyer, 76, of Kirkland, was the UW softball team's volunteer physician for much of the past four years. He previously served more than a decade as team doctor for the school's football, track and basketball team.

The state Health Department charged him with inappropriate conduct when it supended his medical license Oct. 16.

Investigators allege that during

Monday: Corn dogs Tuesday: Malibu chicken Wednesday: Taco salad Thursday: Egg roll Friday: Chicken noodle sour

#### GOODING SCHOOLS

Choice of milk served daily.
Monday: Chicken burger and
Tuesday: Ground beef straga.
Wednesday: Pigs in a blanket
Thursday: Burritos
Friday: Chili

#### HAGERMAN SCHOOLS

Choice of milk offered daily, Monday: Chicken nuggets Tuesday: Burrito Wednesday: Macaroni and cla Thursday: Pizza Friday: Chicken on a bun

#### IDAHO SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF AND THE RUND

Milk served daily.
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Monday; Serambled eggs
Tuesday; Flancakes
Wednesday; Biscuits and gravy or jelly
Thursday; Chanamon toast
Friday; Egg and cheese omelet
Lunch menu
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onday: Sloppy joes or turkey sand

ch Tuesday: Chicken nuggets Wednesday: French bread pizza Thursday: Hot dogs Friday: Tuna sandwich or chicken fajita

#### IEDOME SCHOOLS

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## RICHFIELD SCHOOLS

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# SHOSHONE SCHOOLS

ily. Monday: Pepperoni pizza Tuesday: Rib-b-que Wednesday: Chicken wrap Thursday: Chili Friday: Tortilla chips

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the past three years Scheyer wrote prescriptions for more than 5,000 doses of painkillers, sedatives, trac-quilizers and steroids in the names of a softball player, a UW athletic trainer and a trainer for USA Softball. He then issued the drugs to others.

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Following his suspension, the State Patrol, the U.S. Attorney's Office and the federal Drug Enforcement Administration began a criminal investigation, expected to continue through March.

March.

Scheyer initially admitted to health investigators that he gave athletes medications without prescriptions, but has since denied the state's allegations.

# Kimberly saves on janitorial services

By Margaret Jones Times News correspondent

KIMBERIY - The Kimberly Middle School has seen some changes in the way its janitorial work is done. When the district lost a janitor, Maintenance Supervisor Ted

work is done.

When the district lost a janitor,
Maintenance Supervisor Ted
Wasko Ir found hiring an outside
building service contractor to do
the work was more economical.

Kellermeyer Building Services
has been cleaning the building
the past few weeks and the results
have been very promising. Wasko
told the Kimberly School Board
fluursday. The board voted to hire
the company on a trial basis for
the remainder of the school year.
The cost has been \$1,800 a month.
Also Thursday. Curriculum
Director Kathleen Noh reported
that she has received confirmation of a Hansen/Kimberly contortium grant in the amount of
\$10,000. This grant will be used to
improve language skills of students with limited English abilites in the two school districts.

Cher School Board mem-

\*\*NATEC - School Board members voted to send a letter to the Regional Technical Education Consortium indicating the school district is interested in continuing the ARTEC program for the 2005 school year. As the J.A. & Kathleen Albertson Foundation has discontinued their support of the program, area schools have been asked to pick up the financing. Kimberly's cost for the year will be \$7,738.

Elections – The schedule for the upcoming School Board elec-

Superintendent John Garner.
Board member peditions must be completed and returned to the district office by Anni 16. The deadline for writes in candidate is. May 4 with the election data May 18. Seasts up for reelection include zone 4, which currently is held by Dave Fullmer and zone 5, which is held by Kent Allen.

• Easement – A request from Qwest for an easement to allow the installation of telephone cupipment on the eastern side of the old high school property line will be housed on a 15-by-15-foot concrete slab.

• 2004-05 calendar – Board members adopted the calendar for the 2004-05 school year with classes to begin Aug. 26 and conclude June 2.
Sept. I will be a half day for the Sept.

classes to begin Aug. 26 and con-clude June 2.

Sept. 1 will be a half day for the fair. There will be no school on Oct. 7 and 8 for state teacher in-service. Christmas vacation will be Dec. 23 through Jan. 4 Spring break will be March 21 through 25.

Congressional Awards

Congressional Awards –
Garner announced that six students had been honored with
Congressional Awards at a recent
return the requirements of an intense
program involving community
service and setting personal and
educational goals. The students
were Lindsay Hill, Emily Molsee,
Sarn Shawver, Jason
Mumm and Kara Lundy

Resignation – The resignation
of Angle Schroeder as volleyball
coach was accepted by the School
Board. Congressional Awards -

# State\_attorney\_general\_will probe cleanup allegations

SPOKANE, Wash. (AP) — The state attorney general is investigating worker complaints that the speedup of cleanup at the Hanford nuclear reservation is endangering their health.

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Attorney General Christine Gregoire launched the probe after a letter she sent to the U.S. Department of Energy last year was not answered, Gregoire's spokesman Gary Larson said Friday.
"The issues are serious enough that they need to be addressed by somebody." Larson said.
The Department of Energy, which owns the sprawling Handrow site, did not receive the letter until recently, and rejects the notion that worker safety is being compromised, spokesman Joe Davis said.

said.
"We will not put any worker at risk for the sake of accelerating cleanup," Davis said from

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Washington, D.C. "Worker safety comes first, and we take all reporting by workers of a safety issue very seriously."

Davis said the Energy Department is in the process of assuring the letter.

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Associated the safety of Cocapation of the Safety and Health has agreed to come in March and investigate worker concerns and provide ain independent review of site procedures, Erik Olds, with the Energy Department's Office of River Protection, said Friday.

Davis also noted that Gregoire, Gow. Gary Locke and members of the state's congrussional delegation have endorsed the federal government's efforts to speed the cleanup of decades of radioactive waste accumulated during the production of plutonium for nuclear weapons.

# SEATTLE (AP) – A judge has postsponed a probe by state health investigators into the practices of a former University of Washington dictor accused of handing out prescription drugs to athletes. Dr. William Scheyer on Priday was granted a 90-day delay in the investigation to determine if his medical license should be permanently revoked. Scheyer's attorneys had argued the state probe could unfairly bias an ongoing criminal investigation. The ruling prevents investigators from formally questioning Scheyer under oath for the next three months, The News Tribune of Tacoma reported Saturday. Health Department spokesman Tim Church said investigators will case. As part of the fallout from the case, former UW girls' softball coach Teresa Wilson was dismissed Dec. 19. Scheyer told state health investigators in September that Wilson knew he stockpiled medication for the team. Management plan for Roan Plateau might wait until after election

DENVER (AP) – As the release date for a plan on how to manage natural gas development on the Roan Plateau keeps getting delayed, soweral environmental groups say they suspect politics is behind it.

They said Republicans, already under attack on environmental issues, may want to keep it out of the limelight until after the November election.

After a series of delays at the plan for a variety of issues, the U.S. Bureau of Land Management says it does not know when the report will be complete.

"I'm expecting more than a couple of weeks (delay) because we are working on some stuff in the draft," said Jamie Connell, field manager for the BLMS Glenwood Springs office. "We're not soing to be getting it done as quickly as we

had hoped."

Judge delays state health agency probe of team doctor

had hoped."

"I can't speak exectly as to why it's being held up, but certainly part of the calculation is how much heat is the administration going to take for opening the top of the plateau up to oil and gas drilling," said Jacob Smith, executive director of Center for Native Ecosystems.

Kathy Hall, the Western Slope representative for the Colondo Oil and Gas Association, said making

such accusations is easy, but the pace of government is slow and deliberate. 'I think everybody's trying to make a political football out of it, and it doesn't need to be a political football,'' Hall said drill for natural gas on top of the 9,000-foot plateau, and it's 54,000 acres of hills and valleys that are home to wildlife such as ells, deer, mountain lions, peregrine falcons and bears.

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# Community House keeps doors open BOISE (AP) – The city of Boise assuming operations of the ommunity House homeless

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Shelter Dave Bieter for \$50,000, but the city council voted for lake over operations instead.

The Salvation Army will run the shelter for the next three to skillent for the next three to skillent for the next three to skillent for the next three board members and community House board members and community representatives develop a long-term shelter management plan, officials said.

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officials said.
Board President Deanna Watson said she supported the change, but has some concerns.
"If you find yourself in need of help, and you go to someonic asking for their help, you're not really in the postion to dictate what that help looks like," Watson said. This is a horrible injustice to [Community, House Executive pricetor Peggy Sedivy) and to the staff."
Watson and other Communications of the control of the staff."

staff."
Watson and other Community
House board members voted
Thursday to accept the city's
proposal.

proposal.

Bieter praised Sedivy for the improvements made at

keeps doors open
Community House since taking over nearly 10 months ago But, he said, the shelter has some compliance problems that could affect the. city's ability-to-continue-receiving federal grants for social services.

"In addition, there are serious concerns that Community House lacks the funderaising resources and support to close its own financial gap in the foreseeable future," Bletter said.

Past violations include failing to verify residents' income to ensure they qualify for the shelter, failing to submit financial audits, and allowing transitional housing rooms to be used as emergency shelter.

The management shift will not translate to changes for shelter residents, Salvation Army Executive Director Maj. Jack Phillips said.

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# Exhibit marks trek as start of exploration in West | Idaho offers a rare view

TACOMA Wash (AP). The Corps of Discovery led by Merwether Levis and William Clark was only the begianing of US? Army exploration in the uncharted West. Their 1803-06 journey – apply-ing Thomas Jefferson's standards for record-keeping, mapmaking and diplomatic contact – set the pattern for an 80-year series of Army treks that helped open the emerging nation's final frontier.

and diplomatic contact—set the pattern for an 80-year series of Army treks that helped open the emerging nation's final frontier.

Jefferson "writes the Declaration of Independence, our national birth certificate ... and in a sense invents the American West" with his exploration charter, said historian James Ronda during a recent tour of "Reyond Lewis and Clark: The Army Explores the West." The exhibit, named for Ronda's latest book, is making its only stop in the West at the Washington State History Museum here, where it will remain though Oct. 31. "We start with Lewis and Clark, but we don't stop there," Ronda said. The exhibit covers expeditional deby Exchain Pike, Stephen Long, John Charles Fremont, Isaac Stevens, who became the state's first territorial governor, and others. It also features George Armstrong Custer, to show "exploration has consequences." Ronda said. Custer's Bartle of the Little Big Horn in 1876, Ronda said.

"By opening the West for some, those explorers and their journeys closed the West for others," noted Redmond J. Barnett, the museum's director of exhibits.

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Changing Images of Ametican Indians are projected on an early map of the America Beyond Lewis & Clark' at the Washington State History Museum in Tacoma, Wash.

Boyond Lewis & Clark' at the Washin piece of equipment that Lewis and Clark had with them," said museum Director David Nicandri. It was intended as a piece of theater - the Lewis and Clark Road Show. They were showing off their technology - no smoke, no flash, no powder."

"Part of this is a lure - stop rading with the British, start trading with us." Ronda said.

Also on display is one of the silver Jefferson Peace Medals given to tribal leaders and others.

"For Lewis and Clark ... if you accepted it and put it around your neck, "You're ours," Ronda said. "But native people saw it in very different ways," as a sign of status or as a carrier of powerful

and dangerous forces

and dangerous forces.
"When Lewis and his men killed two Piegan Blackfeet, they hung Peace Medals around their necks... is Lewis said, So you will know who we are," Ronda said. "So the Peace Medal becomes a calling card of empire... We're playing for keeps here."
The exhibit includes bloodletting cups and other medical supplies, as well as brass compasses and other surveying tools. "They take cutting age scientific instruments with them the best of that generation's science." Ronda said.
While "they look like rustic frontiersman... they were able to

transact complicated mathemat-

transact complicated mathematics that few contemporary Americans would be able to replicate," Nicandri said.
Among beautiful sketches and lithographs by several artists is a drawing by the Lewis and Clark party of the Washington state coast north of the mouth of the Columbia.
"It's the first time this position."

Columbia.
"It's the first time this particular piece has been on the Pacific slope since the spring of 1800 when they drew it," Nicandri said.
Botanical samples – including Mahonia aquifolium, Oregon grape – look "almost as fresh as when Lowis plucked them," Ronda said.

# of Lewis and Clark trail

IDAHO FALLS, Idaho (AP) –
Some of Lewis and Clark's most
difficult days were spent in Idaho,
including passage over the Lolo
Trail in north-entral Idaho
Modern-day explorers are coming to spots such as this in Idaho
because so muth of the Corps of
Discovery's trail in the state is
intact and undisturbed.
Dick Smith has been fascinated
by the Lewis and Clark expedition
for 40 years.
"Railroads and Lewis and Clark
were about the only things in his-

were about the only things in his-tory class that appealed to me,"

It's the scale of the Corps of It's the scale of the Corps of Discovery's achievement that enthralls the Salmon resident. It's the grandness of the mission – the expedition organized by President Thomas Jefferson to explore and lay claim to the more than 800,000-square-foot parcel the United States acquired in the Louisiana Purchase.

Purchase.
"The expedition, done at the time it was done, with what they had to do it, was probably the equivalent of walking on the moon today," Smith said. "It's an incredible feat to walk almost 8,000 miles and only loss one person."
Smith has visited the explorer's campaigs Hybride Idea of the Part I they campaigs Hybride Idea of the Part I they campaign Hybride Idea of the Part I they campaign Hybride Idea of the Part I they

ble feat to walk almost 8,000 miles and only lose one person."

Smith has visited the explorers' campsites. He's hiked the trail they followed in eastern Idaho, compiling photographs and captions that he eventually made into a book. As the nation continues its celebration of the expedition led by Meriwether Lewis and William Clark, many Americans are following in the explorers' footsteps, using boats and canoes, cars and campers and hiking boots.

Those nodem-day adventurers from all across the country are drawn to Idaho, where they can see some of the best-preserved land-scape along the trail.

"There are so many of the sites that are so undisturbed, it's amazing," said Linwood Laughy, a retired school principal who leads tour's of the sites throughout Idaho. Other parts of the Corps of Discovery's route from St. Louis to the Pacific Ocean have been significantly altered. Dams block the Missouri and Snake rivers. Developments scar many valleys.

But from Lembi Pass to Lolo Pass along the Idaho-Montana border, people can still walk the same trail, camp in the same springs and see almost the same vistus that Lewis and Clark's group did.

These special places give people today a sense of the significance of the corps' journey, a 15-month trek by boat and on foot over 3,000 miles, Laughy said.

"When we take people to the

places where the events in the clairies took place, we read from the journals while they're standing on the same ground. There's aconnection that goes from the heady on the feet that goes through the heart—it's really magical! he said. Those who want to walk the frag-lie rail in the Clearwater National Forest during the bicentennial years must have permits, which will be assigned by lottery. But in the summer, anyone can trive the treatment of the two who will be assigned by lottery. But in the summer, anyone can trive in eastern Idaho that follow the expedition's progress into earned Idaho and western Montana, and thousands of people are doing just that 2002, about 5,500 Lewis and Clark travelers made the trip over Lemin Fass. Last year, 5,000 made for the trick during a time of heavy road construction,—said Mike Cresby of the Bureau of Land osby of the Bureau of Land anagement in Salmon.

Management in Salmon.
"We expect a pretty hefty
increase for this year," he said.

The 39-mile Lewis and Clark
Back Country Byway is about 20
miles south of Salmon off Route 28
and offers views of Lemh Pass and
the expedition's first Idaho campsite.

the expedition's first Idaho camp-site.

The Lolo Motorway is a 73-mile stretch of Forest Service road through the Bitterroots that fol-lows an historic Nez Perce trail. It offers ridges toy vistas of the same ridges Lewis and Clark struggled to cross.

"The rock formations and the scapery are still the same," alone

scenery are still the same," along the Lolo Trail, said Bob Nuss, who

the Lolo Trail, said Bob Nuss, who drove with his wife from their home in central Pennsylvania to Idaho last year. "That was as much of the experience as anything."

And, of course, there are the Range one of the explorers described in his journal as "the most terrible mountains I've ever beheld."

Instead of the low mountain instead of the low mountain range the corps was expecting, based on their knowledge of the Appalachians in the east, they soon saw a range of snow-covered peaks. "It wasn't anything like they thought it would be," Smith said, Easterners traveling by car who see the mountains for the first time are still awed today.

see the mountains for the first time are still awed today. "It's so different from what we have in the East; it was hard; ounderstand. They seemed big and high," said Sue Nuss of her track were Lole Pass last year. "We had all the comforts, being there in summer, while they were there in winter," she said. "We could see how they'd be relieved to en flat ground after coming out of the mountains."

#### NBC will pay \$2M a round for 'reality' TV heavyweight

Los Angeles Times

The bidding for unscripted television shows hit new heights friday when MEC agreed to pay a record \$2 million plus for each episode of a new boxing-themed show created by "reality" TV masters Mark Burnett.

The deal for "The Contender" is the most ever paid for a first-year unscripted series, raising questions about how the show can be profitable for the General Electric Co-owned network.

Mach of the appeal of earlier unscripted shows was that they cost the networks relatively little, offsetting the rising cost of scripted dramas and comedies. But the The bidding for unscripted tele-

fee for "The Contender" is close to what many hourlong network

to what many hourlong network dramas cost.

Because unscripted shows typically don't show in repeats or offnetwork syndication, the network as well as Burnett and his fellow executive producers - "Rocky" star Sylvester Stallone and DramWorks SKG partner Jeffrey Katzenberg - will be under pressure to maximize ad sales. "The Contender" is counting on Stallone's star power to attract an audience. Even with his on-screen participation, however, the show also will face the challenge of making the at-times corrupt business of boxing palatable to primetime audiences.

The venture represents another exin for Burnett, who created the groundbreaking reality series "Survivor." The deal also solidifies his relationship with NBC, where the producer credited for creating the reality genre will have four shows.

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Burnett's second installment of "The Restaurant" will air this spring, and casting for the second season of "The Apprendice" - with Donald Trump returning - has begun Burnett also is developing a 13-episode scripted series for NBO based on castaways on an implementation of the series of the serie

There are certain tent-pole oducers, in certain genres, that

demand premium license fees because they deliver ratings successes," said an NBC executive who asked not to be identified. "In the reality bistness, you have Mark Burnett. With his track record, you are willing to pay a premium because this could potentially be a very lucrative business to be in, even at the high licensing fee we're paying for an unscripted show."

Burnett's high-priced deal includes an advertising barter component, through which he will buy six spots per episode from MBC and sell them, the NBC executive said. Burnett was traveling Friday and could not be reached for comment.

# Utah House passes bill on radioactive waste

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) – House lawmakers have passed a bill that would required explicit approval by the Legislature and the gover-

by the Legislature and the gover-nor before certain types of radioactive waste are disposed of in the state.

HBH5, which passed 63.6 on Friday, now heads to the Senate, where the bill's sponsor, Rep. Stephen Urquhart, said he believed it would be supported.

The measure gives the state bet-ter control over low-level radioac-tive waste, particularly at Envirorace of Utah, the radioac-tive waste landfill in Tooele County.

tive waste landini in roccio County. The bill relies on the A-B-C clas-

sification scale, used by the states and the federal government to measure the hazard level of low-level radioactive waste: Under the measure, the Legislature and governor will need to give approval whenever Envirocare seeks to dispose of waste that is hotter than Class A, the lowest of the three levels.

Class A, the lowest of the three levels.

The measure also closes some loopholes that have allowed Envirocare to expand operations at its mile-square landfill from three radioactive materials in 1998 to more than 200 today with full regulatory approval.

Urquhart, R-St. George, put together the compromise between

Envirocare and environmentalists

Envirocare and environmentalists, who had criticized a previous version of the bill that had allowed oversight to previous persons to avoid the bill by the property of the bill last fall after the U.S. Energy Department made plans to send toxic sludge from Ohio and New York to a federally-controlled part of Envirocare, bypassing a statewide ban on the hot radioactive material. A public outer pensued, and Go. Olene Walker voiced opposition to the plan. Envirocare currently has two pending license requests, which will not be affected by the measure.

# **Theater**

Continued from B4
While the New Orleans Mardi
Gras celebration boasts-many
gant colorful parades, organizers
don't know if the Mini-Cassia version will include a parade. "We're
still trying to work out a parade,"
Duane Knos said. "We wanted the
band to lead it, but their instrumont's arm!" were centiculos to a wante to read it, but their instru-ments aren't very conducive to a parade." Skip-N-Skool provides dance music.

dance music.

The dance follows the live auction, which kicks off at 8 p.m.
Many auction items are art pieces, donated by local artists. People

who want to attend just the auction and dance may do so, Jackson said. There will be an admission-price to do so, but the amount hasn't been determined.

Bidding in the silent auction will close at 9:30 pm.

The Knoses and Warren all emphasize that theme aside, people don't have to worry that they can't attend because they don't have Mardi Gras-appropriate costumes.

costumes.

"People don't have to be in a costume," Duane Knos said. "They don't have to be in formal wear."

Essentially anything goes, Jackson said. Last year some pole chose to wear formal gowns or tuxedos and others were dressed more casually.

Volunteers hope to net about \$30,000 from the ball. Last year, \$25,000 was collected, and after expenses, the theater group still made \$19,000 in profit.

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# Crump

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room for buyer's remorse.
Of course, without Lent, Mardi
Gras is just annother Tuesday,
Letterman's wrice puts you to
sleep, just like Dick Clark's did on
New Yoar's Eve.
Here in the Magic Valley, we lack
didy moments because we don't
have many always and moments-like
has found equilibrium, more or
less.
Now equilibrium is undoubtedly
a blessing, but it's doil. Sometimes,
even on a Tuesday in the basement
of winter, its worthwhile to shake

your boory. It seems to me that Robert Burns got it right:

"We two have run the country

"And there's a hand my trusty rend And give me a hand of thine. We'll take a cup of kindness yet For auld lang syne."

Even if it's filled with prune

You know all the disclaimers in TV ads and on labels of prescrip-tion drugs these days? Here's the best yet, which I found on a pill

"Do not use if you have experi-enced heart failure."

Steve Crump is the Times News eattines editor. Write to him at crump@magicvalley.com.

# Alcohol

Continued from B1

Continued from B1 for the Legislature, finished its work Friday.

The study followed a recommendation by the governor's 2002 Blue Ribbon Task Force, that also concluded alcohol users should pay more of the cost of alcohol buse. The panel had recommended an intrease in the beer and wine tax.

and wine tax.

It found the cost of alcohol abuse on the budgets of government agencies and society ranges from \$120 million to \$500 million

from \$120 million to \$500 million per year in Idaho. The Task Forealso found those who consume beer and wine don't pay their fair share of such costs.

Legislative Services put together the following information:

• Idaho drinkers spent \$640 million last year on 33.8 million gallons of alcoholic beverages. Those sales generated \$78.1 million in taxes. Hard liquor represented 24 percent of total sales and 42 percent in public revenues derived from alcohol sales. Beer and wine sales represented 76 percent of total alcohol sales, over \$500 million, and produced \$8

alcohol sales.

• In adults 21 and older 84 percent either do not drink or drink less than five drinks per occasion.

The remaining 16 percent con-

sume five or more drinks per occasion and are categorized as binge drinkers. Binge drinkers consume 75 percent of the alco-hol consumed by adults in Idaho.

hol consumed by adults in Idaho.

• Among youth, 7 percent of
those between 12 and 14 drink
alcohol. By the time they reach to
20, 51 percent will drink, with
24. percent\_engaging\_in\_binge\_
drinking, Futher, youth who consume are more likely than adults
to drink heavily. Youthful binge
drinkers consume the majority of
alcohol consumed by underage
drinkers, the study found.

Beer is the overwhelming bey-

drinkers, the study found.
Beer is the overwhelming beverage of choice for the majority of those people who abuse alcohol and commit crime.
The study also found that many mentally ill people are alcoholics. And the diseases cannot be treated independently of one another. And the diseases cannot be treated independently of one another.
Such individuals require significant intervention from law
enforcement, the judicial system
and the health care system.
Counties now pay the first
\$10,000 for the indigent who suffer from these diseases.
Brockman is asking that that be
lowered to \$5,000.
Adding momentum to
Brockman's request is the 2003

Legislature's approval of adding a 2 percent surcharge to hard liquor to use for drug treatment

in the state's newly conceived drug court system. Lawmakers put together the concept of drug courts in 2002. It is a staterun venue with the purpose of getting treatment to drug and alcohol addicts who have been convicted

addicts who have been convicted of crimes.
On the down side of getting legislation, through, this session is legislative, leaders' desire to adjourn no later than March 19. Budget writers will finish their work this week. When the committee is finished with its work in previous years, the Legislature has been known to adjourn two

has been known to adjourn two weeks later.

A lobbyist for the Idaho Association of Counties, Maggie Association of Counties, Maggie Tax Committee to present in Information forum on Legislative Services study. The Legislative Services study to the temperature of the Legislative Services study to the Legislative Services study. The Legislative Services study to the Legislative Services to the

Times-News writer Julie Paran be reached at 208-343-5555 t jpence@magicvalleycom.

# Spending

easier.

Because of the escalation in health care costs and increases in school-age population, it takes a 4 percent increase in spending to cover basic education and -Medicaid demands while avoiding:

-Medicaid demands while woiding program cus.

They have come up with a plan to diver the \$50 million in tobacco settlement payments for this year and next to finance a 3 percent budget increase in 2005-06. State employee pay would be frozen again, and needed spending deferred this year in many critical

areas would be deferred for anoth er year. Some curtailment in pro-grams would be inevitable, ana-

grams would be inevitable, analysts say.

Even with the leeway of 4 percent spending growth in the 200405 budget, budget writers could

05 budget, budget writers could not resist every temptation.

When House Appropriations Vice Chairman Frances Field of Grandview wanted to increase cash for professional-technical education, she said it was "only a four-tenths of a pertent increase, and they do a lot of good."

Democrats took the cue and managed to nearly double the

amount before the moment passed. But the Republican digres-sion from the budget script was not

sion from the budget script was not lost on Cameron.

"I never said it would be easy," he said. "I'm just an optimist." Newcomb is also convinced there is no chance to extend all or-

there is no chance to extend all or part of the temporary sales tax for another year to help ease the state out of its economic funk. "There's really a strong convic-tion of everyone here to keep their promise on the sales tax," the Burley Republican said. "Trying to keep that extra penny in place will be a very tough battle."

percent of total alcohol sales, over \$500 million, and produced 58 percent of public revenues from alcohol sales.

# RURAL BATTLEGROUND

# California voters will decide whether to deny developers access to backcountry

'SAN DIEGO (AP) - In one of the nation's hottest housing mar-kets, voters will decide next month whether to protect open spaces from the crush of advanc-

month whether to protect open spaces from the crush of advancing housing developments.

"The Rural Lands Initiative aims to put a 20-year ban on the subdivision of more than 1,000 square miles of unincorporated land in 200stern and northern San Diego County, New developments would recquire voter approval in future elections.

"Opponents say the initiative elections," opponents say the initiative elections, which goes before voters on Marth 2, allows urban voters to didtate land-use decisions affecting rural communities and derails a county growth plan that's been in the works for years.

"Proponents of Proposition A argue it would guard against sprawl and its harm to the environment and the quality of life in San Diego, where civic boosters prided themselves on being spout of Southern California" and its endless suburbs.

"The issue is this: Are we going to create this junleyard of spraw!" said Duncan McFertridge, a woodworker and rural resident who is spearheading the initiative.

Als

Two.

The measure would redirect growth back into existing communities of San Diego County by setting minimum size allotments of 40 acres to 160 acres in the "backcountry" – an area of rolling hills, farm land and wooded mountins

Idnd and wooded tains.
County voters rejected a similar proposal in 1998, but McFetridge said residents have since soured on

Twit McFetridge said residents have since soured on sprawl.

Between 1990 and 2000, the region's total population grew 13 percent to 2.8 million people. The total is expected to grow to 3.5 million by 2020.

Hemmed in geographically on three sides by the work of the wor

"... As concern over sprawl has mounted across the West, voters and governments have taken action. Utah has a private-public inpartnership to manage growth and curb sprawl in the state's 10 dragest counties. Portland, Orc., became a national model for carehing execution.

and curb sprawl in the state's 10 Jargest counties. Portland, Orc., became a national model for curbing sprawl in 1979, when planners drew an imaginary line beyond which homes could not be built. Last year, voters in 23 states approved nearly 100 conservation-related ballot measures according to the Washington, D.C. based Land Trust Alliance. Since 1986, voters in four California counties have approved anti-sprawl measures similar to the one proposed for San Diego. Ventura County Supervisor Steve Bennett, who championed the county's successful 1998 initiative to thwart Sprawl approaching from nearby

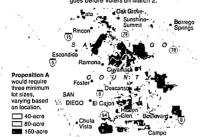
Sprawl approaching from nearby Los Angeles, maintains that vot ers make better planners than-elected officials in Southern California.

PROPOSITION A

#### A decision on open space

The Rurals Land Initiative aims to put a 20-year ban on the subdivision of more than 1,000 square of unincorporated land in San Diego County,

The initiative, Proposition Aon the ballot.



SOURCE: Rural Lands Initiative Com

#### **Rural Lands Initiative**

A look at the San Diego County's Rural Lands intitiative, also known as Proposition A:

Also known as Proposition A:

Would impose minimum parcel size of 40, 80 or 160 acres on an "overlay" totaling nearly 700,000 acres of unincorporated fand in San Diego County.

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Would expire on Dec. 31, 2023
Source: Save Our Forests

California countles that have adopted similar

Solano County, 1984 Napa County, 1990 Ventura County, 1998 Alameda County, 2000

Source: Shute, Mihaly and Weinberger.

"The development industry is just too good at buying the votes they need at the local government level," Bennert said. "It's too easy, There's too much money involved. There's too much political pressure involved."

Farmers and rural residents have united to oppose the San Diego initiative, with the real estate industry providing much of the bankroll. estate industry providing much of the bankroll. Opponents have begun running TV ads featuring a rural family who says the initiative deprives them-of-their-say over-what happens in the back-country and would create "sprawling mini-estates for the very rich." "This is ballot-box planning at its worst," said San Diego Building Industry Association spokesman Matthew Adams. "It's too much of a quick fix and an easy solution to highly complex problems." The county, Board of Supervisors also unanimously opposed the challenge to its zoning powers.

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Eric Larson, executive vice
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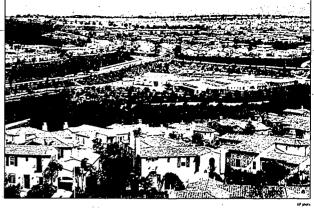
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against it."

The opposition from San Diego's Farm Bureau is a marked contrast to the experience of Napa County, where the local Farm Bureau launched Measure J. an initiative that placed a 30-year ban on subdevelopment of farmland. The value of farmland has risen since the measure was approved in 1990.

"There isn't a shred of evidence that any of these initiatives does in any way, shape, or form damage to the family farm," said Volker Eisele, a Napa vintmer and former president of the Farm Bureau. "Anything that makes development and land conversion difficult, helps the farmer."

Eisele conceded that the option of selling to developers was often too tempting for farmers, many of whom barely squeeze a living

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# A SECOND CHANCE

Supporters count on retiring congresswoman to push for new wilderness area

wASHENCTON — Is this the year for Wild Sky?

After a toys year but the, backers are pinning their hopes on retining Rep-lemifier Darin to create Wild Sky Wilderness, the first new wilderness area in Washington - are since 1984.

But despite Dunu's strong connections to the Back administration, the plan faces long odds.

The proposed wilderness area, a 106,000-are site northeast of Seattree of the the Cascade Range, would permanently pracer bears held eagles and other wildlife in the Mount Baker-Snoppadine National Forest, as well as promote clean water and activities such as fishing, hiking and rafting.

Republican loaders of the House Resources Committee, where the bill snow staffed, are skeptical a best.

The panel's covboy-hat wearing chairman, Rep. Richard Porubo of California, a cattle runcher and strong advacte of private property rights, calls wilderness designation a "cattene" measure that would halt virtually all logging or road building and severely limit ceroomic activity.

Critics in Washington state, mean-

building and severely limit communications, continued to the continued to

Supporters now any counting on Supporters now are counting on Dama, the state's senior Republican, to help chief sponsor Rep. Rick Larsen, D'Washi, get it through the GOP-controlled House, Dunn, who has annonineed her retirement after six terms, is close to House leaders and is a prolitigious fund-raiser for President Bush and other Berublicare.

and is a prodigious fundraiser for President Bush and other Republicans. Environmentalists say Dunn, of suburban Bellevue, Wash, has a chance to build an environmental legacy, through Wild Sky and an unrelated bill authorizing tax-exempt bands to promote forest conservation. Ske also is backing a plan to expand the boundaries of Mount Rainer National Park.

Dunn stys the environmental bills are among her top priorities, but dismisses any interest in a legacy. "I'm not that legacy-oriented," she said in an interview. "I like to get things done. That adoer. It like to bring compli i'on to some of these



Jim Zleiasko, left, and Fred Zleiasko, representing a snowboarding organization, held signs opposing the wildemess or ignation proposal for the Wild Sky Wildemess area, during the Wild Sky Wildemess Festival, June 28, in Index, Wash The Senate has twice approved a bill to create the 100,000-plus acro Wild Sky Wildemess northeast of Seattle in the Mount Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest, but the House has yet to approve it.



A group of elected officials, environmentalists and lournalists, that include Washington, while previewing nearby sites that could be impacted by a proposed wilderness bill.

things we've worked so hard on."

Opposition from her own leader-ship is her biggest obstade, Dunn said

"I am telling (GOP leaders) how important it is to a lot of us," she said. "I believe it is part of our values sys-

tem here in Washington state."
While wilderness status would block logging, road building and motorized vehicles, it would have no effect on recreational activities cur-rently allowed – including fishing and hunting, Dunn and other sup-

porters say.

Dunn admits her arguments would be stronger if her two fellow House Republicans from Washington, Reps. George Mastings, endorsed the bill. Both men have remained neutral.

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Election-year pointes compensate the picture.
While Dunn has been an enthusiastic backer, some Republicans grumble that passage of the bill would primarily boost Democrat Murray, who has championed the measure in the Senate.
Nethercut, Murray's likely GOP proponent in this fall's Senate race, is rightly reluctant to hand her a legislative victory, some Republicans

A Nethercutt spokeswoman denied that and said the Spokane congressman will take a position on Wild Sky, For now, he is still studying the issue

the issue.

Murray spokeswoman Alex Glass
said it would be unfortunate if partisan politics blocked Wild Sky – even
as she acknowledged its potential as

a campaign issue.

"I think Senator-Murray's record on the environment is unmatched. It's a place where people can defi-nitely look at the differences" between the two candidates, Glass

# Provost: U of I cannot continue\_business\_as\_usual

MOSCOW (AP) - University of Idaho Provost Brian Pitcher says faculty and middle management positions will be cut and programs in every college will face scrudio-because the school cannot afford to operate as it has in the past. The State Board of Education is

expected to approve elimination of 13 faculty and non-faculty posi-

of 13 faculty and non-faculty posi-tions next month.

Pitcher said most of the posi-tions to be cut have been vacant for more than a year. The universi-ty will save close to \$500,000 from the lost jobs.

"I was talking to someone the other day and that person asked me, When will the rest of the amputations take place?" Pitcher said. But that isn't it at all. We need to look at what we have to have and what we don't. This is a painful time for everyone and it's painful time for everyone and it's difficult, but these things have to be done in the interest of efficien-cy. This will continue over the next several years."

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# Groups want to close elk feedgrounds to stop continued spread of diseases

JACKSON, Wyo. (AP) – Environmentalists are calling for the closure of western Wyoming's elk feedgrounds, saying they help spread diseases like brucellosis and chronic wasting disease.

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About 13,000 elk feed each winter on 22 state maintained feed-grounds. Trucks also spread alfalfa pellets each morning for another 6,000 elk on the National Elk Refuge in Jackson Hole.

Because they help draw so many elk, everyone from tourists to businespeople have a stake in the feedgrounds,
But a report released by the

feedgrounds.

But a report released by the Jackson Hole Conservation Alliance last week recommends doing away with them.

"What really came into focus for me is that our wildlife are facing a very, very serious disease threat. The feedgrounds are the single biggest factor in that disease equation," said the group's executive director, Franz Camenzind.

Proponents of the feedgrounds say the criticisms have been overblown.

say the crucisms have been overblown. Steve Meadows, chairman of the Teton County chapter of Sportsmen for Fish and Wildlife, Wyoming, said artificial feeding is necessary to replace winter ranges which have been taken over by homes and other human intrusions.

which the homes and other human introduced homes and other human introduced "If you want to go back to a natural system, then we better get out some big bulldozers and take

everybody's houses out," he said.

Meadows said the feeding program has been "wildly successful" in maintaining healthy ungulate herds. Shutting down the program would be a mistake, he said, given the limited winter range now available and the pressure on elk and deer from predators – particularly welves.

"It sounds to me like a recipe for having very few ungulates future," he said. "That's some certainly, my organization accept."

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The report on the feed-grounds recommends grounds recommends closing two or three to start and studying the effects.



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# Group rejects dam spills for salmon

BOISE (AP) - A coalition of businesses and utility customers have formed a group to increase salmon in the Columbia River drainage, while saving money spent on the spill of water through the dams

orainage, white saving money spent oh the spill of water through the dams.
"Some of the things being done to help salmon are working and some are not," said fisheries biol-ogist Shane Scott, a member of the Coalition for Smart Salmon Recovery.

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Other members of the coalition include the Pacific Northwest Waterways Association, the Northwest Food Processors Association, the Public Power Council and Industrial Customers of Northwest Utilities. The coalition has written a letter to the governors of Idaho, Oregon, Washington and Montana, saying that Bonneville Power Administration spends more than Softo million a year on fish and wildlife programs, half of which is related to river and dam operations in the Columbia and Stake basins.

The group cites U.S. Army Corps of Engineers studies that any the government expects to lose \$77 million this year on lost power by spilling water through the dams, rather than running it through the turbines to generate electricity.

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"While the name 'summer spill' sounds henign, the experience is not," said the coalition in a written release. "Operators open an underwater gate in the dams, pulling fish 30 to 50 feet down through the opening, and

propelling them into the turbu-lent water another 20 to 50 feet below."
"Studies show the survival rates for 'spilled' salmon are only

"Studies show the survival rates for spilled salmon are only marginally better than those for fish passing through dam turbines," the release read.

The coalition claims the 57 million expense for spill only benefits the approximately 24 adult endangered fall chinook salmon who are in the system when the water passes by the generators, equaling out to \$3 million per fish, said Glenn Vanselow, executive director of Pacific Northwest Waterways, a coalition member that advocates for the ports and other river users.

users Spill also unnecessarily benefits 19,000 hatchery salmon which are not on the Endangered Species List. They represented 5 percent of the 384,000 returning hatchery adults last year. The non-listed fish, which are commercially harvested, are returning in record numbers, Vanselow said.

a. "Spending \$77 million to bene "Spending \$77 million to bene-fir 5-percent of those "supermar-ket' fish is like paying \$4,000 for a \$40 fish," he said. "Either way you look at it, we can do better than that."

than that."

The coalition supports two alternatives that it claims could boost adult salmon populations by more than 50,000 fish annually at a cost of \$1 million to \$2 million.

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It backs expanding the current program, which pays anglers to

catch the northern pikeminnow, a predatory trash fish that feeds on the small migrating salmon head-of downstream. The coaltion estimates that would-save up-to-8,000 adult chinook salmon in its first year at an estimated cost of \$500,000 to \$I million.

The group is also calling for expansion of a program in the Hanford Reach of the Columbia salmon from becoming stranded in low water. The expansion is estimated to save \$0,000 adults a year for less than \$I million.

The four governors met in Boise last June in support for recovering salmon without breaching four lower Snake River dams, which many conservation-ists say is the only way to fully recover the runs. Instead, they back incremental improvements in spawning habitat and hatcheries.

eries.
Idaho salmon recovery advo-cate groups Save Our Wild Salmon and Idaho Rivers United did not immediately return a call Saturday seeking comment.

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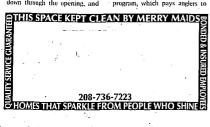
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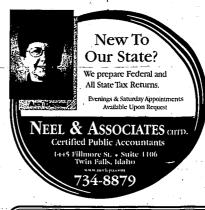
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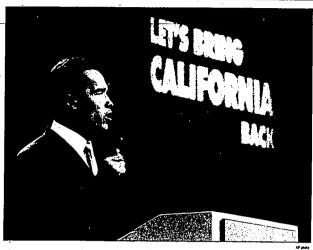
I would also like to say a special thanks to Kerry for all that he does for the feed. Thank you to all who have come and supported the event and have helped that I may have forgotten.

Thanks again,

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in gubernatorial candidate Arnold Schwarzenegger, presents a 10-point plan he said he would implement during his flist 100 days as governor while speaking in Sacramento, Calif., Wednesday. While during his first 100 days in office Schwarzenegger did repeal the tripling of the state car tax as well as legislation allowing undocumented immigrants to get a drivers license, much of the governor's legislative agenda remains mired in the Legislature.

# Schwarzenegger's first 100 days feature little action

SACRAMENTO, Calif (AP)—He repealed the car tax hike and revoked legislation allowing illegal immigrants to get driver's licenses, but most of Gov. Arrold Schwarzenegger's first 100 days in office have produced little of the section, action, actio

pent."

"People are generally satisfied that he has done what he said he ivould do, which is represent them lind be impervious to special interpasts, get the Legislature in line and more about with restoring the move ahead with restoring the ate's fiscal house," Stutzman

## Schwarzenegger's first 100 days

Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger set goals to complete during his first 100 days in office. Tuesday is Day 100 and only some of the agenda items have been completed.

Completed

Repeal last year's tripling of the state vehicle license fee

Call special legislative session Repeal a law that would

have let undocumented immigrants get driver's licenses alter Jan. 1

Not completed

Freeze spending and complete an audit of the state's \$99 billion budget

Make spending cuts to address the current imbalance

Submit a budget for fiscal year 2004, that closes a deficit estimated at \$14 billion; restructure debt built into this year's budget

Schwarzenegger pushed ahead with his ambitious promises during the campaign despite warnings that things wouldn't be as easy as he claimed.

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Schwarzenegger said he would roll back the car tax and repeal the law allowing undocumented immigrants to get driver's licenses. He said he would renegotiate state union contracts and tribal gambian states and tribal gambian states and tribal gambian states. He promised to pass a jobs package with "real workers' compensation reform."

He pledged to cut spending, propose a budget that closed the existing \$14 billion deficit, perform an audit, streamline the bureaucracy and pass campaign finance reform. So far, however, only some of those promises have been fulfilled. Schwarzenegger rolled back the tax increase immediately after taking office. Nov. 17, and the driver's license law was repealed in early December. The governor also-has, reauthorized -a, spending and laring freeze that former Gow Gray Davis approved more than a year before, before he was oussed in the recail.

But he hasn't generated new revenue from renegotiated union contracts or tribal agreements. His workers' compensation reforms

Submitted to the Legislature, not yet approved

Pass jobs package with "real workers' comp reform"

Streamline education bureaucracy and send

more money to classrooms

Pass an open-

Get the state a "fair share" of Indian gambling revenue Renegotiate state employee union contracts

> government constitutional amendment and ban fund-raising during the state budgeting process

are still being debated in the Legislature. His campaign finance proposal was just floated last week and no jobs package has yet been introduced.

The audit of state spending islat them to the state of 2004-2005, some have argued, does not close the shortfall because it relies on more than \$5.3 billion in borrowing and one-time savings—meaning the state will face a budge teg ap the following year of more than \$5 billion.

Mark Petracca, a political science professor at the University of California, Irvine, said most voters probably did not take Schwarzenegger at face value when he made all his promises.

"It's unreasonable to expect any-one could have come in and solved the state's budget problems very quickly," he said.

However, Petracca says Schwarzenegger is mostly relying on Proposition \$7 to solve the crisis.

"That's hardly-the-kind of-radical thinking that he promised the voters he would bring to Sacramento," Petracca said. "You look at his budget proposal for next year and there's not much that is different from what had been proposed last year by former Gow. Davis."

# Utah man gets prison time for fraud

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - A
Cedar Hills man has been sentenced to 12.25 years in federal
prison for defrauding investors of
more than \$25 million in what
prosecutors say was a traditional
Ponzi scheme.
Richard Barlow, 67, pleaded
guilty in August to two counts of
mail fraud and one count of tax
evasion.

evasion.

At his sentencing Friday in federal court, Barlow told U.S. District Judge Tena Campbell that he relied on his faith when making investment decisions for himself and other members of his church, but was misled.

"I did not intentionally try to defraud anyone at all," Barlow

defraud anyone at all," Barlow said.

Campbell ordered Barlow to pay S20,953,655 in restitution to victims, many of whom were members of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Between 1995 and 1999, Barlow represented himself to over 600 investors as a "funds manager" of Acquire Investment Group, and Acquire Investment Group, and Acquire Venture Fund Group, with offices in Utah, Newada, California and the Bahamas. Investors were promised a minimum return of 5 to 6 percent prof-

it on their investment, which Barlow said would be used for venture projects. Instead, Barlow used funds from later investors to pay off earlier ones, prosecutors said. Barlow, who has not filed a federal tax return since 1989, alleged yold certain investors that a portion of the profits from the investment program would go towards humanitarian projects. Instead, prosecutors said, funds were transferred to a construction company owned by Barlow's relatives and used to build several private homes for their use. Investor money was also used to fund a car lot in Texas for one of Barlow's sons.

# Police search for missing Washington man

IDAHO FALLS (AP) - Thirty people disappeared from this town last year, but Gary Church of Richland, Wash., is the only one unaccounted for and officials sus-per foul alor. ect foul play.
Church's wife and sons often

Church's wife and sons often stay up late searching for some sign they missed, praying he will return.

"What can you do when your husband suddenly disappears — when he's been gone for months and nobody knows what hap-pened?" Cheryl Church said. "I'm penear." Cheryl Church said. "I'm twying to figure it out, and I'm not sure there's an answer. The hardest part is not knowing." It has been three months since Gary Church, a 54-year-old cost analyst for BNFL, disappeared

are once again interviewing people in the case, but they have have no new leads.

Church was last seen Nov. 21,

in the case, but they have have no new leads.

Church was last seen Nov. 21, 2003 leaving Shooter's Gendemen's Club, a bikini bar in downtown Idaho Falls. The 150-pound, 5-foot-8-inch-tall man was wearing gray pants, a plaid shirt and a gray down parka.

Church's huggage was found in his hotel room. There was no hint he got on a plane, rented a car or took a taxi, police said. Nobody has charged anything to Church's credit cards, which police believe he had with him when he disappeared.

peared.
Initially, police did not suspect foul play, but that has changed

since Church has been missing for such a long time.
"People don't just disappears' said Delene Brandt, a family friend. "Somebody has to know what happened."
The only other unaccounted-for missing person in Idalio Falls in the past five years is Darwin Vest, a 48-year-old local spider researcher. Vest, whose family has had him declared dead, disappeared June 1999 after playing trivia with friends at the Frosty Gator, a down-town restaurant and bar. Church's 21-year-old son, Ryan, said he wants to help his father, but he doesn't know how. "I didn't show my appreciation of how much I love him," he said. "Now he's gone."

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# Back on top, Kerry lapses into bad habits

John Kerry was the Democratic front-runner early last year, a bad one, and the status didn't last

one, and the status doint last long.

Now that he's back on top, the dominant figure in a two-man race, the Massachusetts senator may be slipping into his old habits—cautious, cold and a creature of Congress. There are the familiar signs of overconfidence, starting with his curt dismissal of rival John Edwards.

"Look, I'm not running just against him," Kerry snapped at an interviewer last week. Conveniently ignoring the fact

against him," kerry snapped at an interviewer last week. Conveniently ignoring the fact that no other Democratic candidate stands a chance against him, kerry added, "You know there are others in the race. Obviously, he's one of the leading contenders."

"I take that seriously," kerry said.

But sortic advisers and supporters say Kerry may not be taking Edwards seriously enough. The recognize in the candidate meeting the advantage of the candidated nonchance towards that Kerry lanear terms of the candidated nonchance towards that Kerry lanear Vernout, saverner who can be to the foot-timer's manufer from Kerry in mid 2003.

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Kerry has refused to debate
Edwards, except for a longplanned forum in Los Angeles on
Thursday with two long-shot can-

Inursony with two long-sing cam-didates. Kerry's aides insist that Edwards has not earned the right to stand on the stage toe to toe with Kerry; the North Carolina senator has won a single state, they say with contempt, while their candidate has won 15. Kerry' is playing it safe. He would rather be accused of dodg-

weith a high-prefile showdown.
When a criticized Kerry in
Visconsin for
supporting the
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Seni John Kerry Tr a de
Agreement, Kerry all but ignored
the attack Stung by Edwards' surprisingly close second-place finish
in the Midwest hattleground
state, Kerry returned fire in Ohio
ast week while suggesting that
Edwards, a freshman senator, was
not ready for prime time.
"He wasn't in the Senate back
then," the 19yaer Senate veteran
said, alluding to Edwards' relative
lack of experience. "I don't know
where he registered his vote, but
it wasn't in the Senate."

Kerry's aides acknowledge that they waited too long to respond. "We should have set the facts straight. Yes," said spokeswoman Stephanie Cutter. "Edwards has talked more about NAFTA in the Stephanie Cutt

last three weeks than he did in his entire career."

Kerry has been tired and sick, two traits he wears visibly on his long, thin face. His health has affected his mood, making him a bit snappish and less likely to flash the smile that softened voters in love.

flash the smile that softened voters in Jowa.
Kerry has also taken several aduable days off from the campaign trail.
Longtime advisers say weariness leads to long-windedness with Kerry. When he is tired, Kerry lapses into the plodding, superfluous language the permeates congressional debates.
Workers do not just impress him, "they have touched my conscience and my heart." His mes-

sage does not just resonate, it's "ringing loud and clear."
And Cathy Schaefer is not just a diabetic whom he introduced at a union rally. She is "an eight-year breast cancer survivor struggling to be able to get health care walking a picket line that I've been privileged to walk in California simply to get the care that she needs and desperately wants and deserves."

But some Democrats believe that Kerry is taking the right

But some Democrats believe that Kerry is taking the right approach, given his formidable standing. With three small-state elections Tuesday, he could roll up his election-year record to 18-2 as the race moves to March 2, when 10 states award 1,151 delegates. "If I were advising Kerry, I'd say, 'Don't make any mistakes. Be careful," Democratic strategist Steve Jarding said. "However, I'd work harder to get the message back on your turf, electability and the military stuff."

Poll indicates jobs will be election issue By The Associated Press

American jobs and foreign competition will be important issues in the 2004 elections, say nine in 10 in a poll released Saturday that highlighted the increasing importance of jobs to the campaign.

Two-thirds of those polled for Newsweek said those, issues

Two-thirds of those poneu to Newsweek said those issues would be "very important." More than half in the poll, 55 percent, disapproved of how President Bush is handling the issues of jobs and foreign compe-tition, while 32 percent

tition, while 32 percent approved.

Bush had a slight lead over Democratic front-runner John Kerry on how well each would handle those issues.

When asked which presidential candidate would of the best in handling the issues of jobs and foreign competition, 35 percent said Bush and 31 percent Kerry.

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# GOP works behind scenes preparing for elections

MASHINGTON — President Bush says he's focused on his job, not his re-election, but that's not the way it looks at his campaign headquarters, in the Washington suburbs.

Working from a nondescript office building in Arlington, Va., Bush's political operatives are quietly building what they hope will be the best campaign organization in history. While Democrats focus on the high-profile task of selecting a presidential nominee, Republicans are preparing for the political equivalent of hand-to-hand combat.

Bush may be sagging in the polis, but his national network of supporters, his record-breaking campaign bankroll and his ability to leverage the power of his office for political gain make him a formidable opponent for any Democratic nominee. Nine months before the November election, Bush is well alhead of previous campaigns in money and organization.

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The president has raised-more than 5144 million or angelial make him a formidation for his president clinton for his proposed previous campaign organization is equally impressive. More than the dozen paid campaign workers have been dispatched to 13 kep battleground states, where they have lined up campaign leaders in every county and in at least 7,000 voting precincts.

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## MORNING LINE

## SPORTSQUOTE

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The drunk ones, the sober ones - I love them all. And they have kept me going. When things are bad, they still pull for

-John Daly, referring to fans at Torrey Pines, where he won his first tournament since the 1995 British Open.

# TODAY'S SCHEDULE

College Baseball

CSI vs College of Eastern Utah at Salt Lake City, 11 a.m.

IN BRIEF

#### H.S. golfers must attend rules clinic

TWIN FALLS - There will be a free rules clinic for area high school coaches and plyers from 4. to 6 p.m. Monday at the Twin Falls Municipal Golf Course. The semi-nar concerns about 30 rule changes for the 2004 season. Free 2004-05 rule books will be provid-ed to those who attend.

#### **Burley plans wrestling** clinic for Tuesday

clinic for Tuesday
BURLEY - Registration for a
wrestling clinic for children
grades 1-6 will be held from 4 to 5
m. Tuesday and 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.
Thursday at the Burley High
School wrestling room.
Practices 'are Tuesdays and
Thursdays from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.
starting Thursday.
The cost is 5:12 and includes a
camp Tshirt. Campers need to
wear arthetic shorts, tennis shoes
and and 4:36-7575 or coach Sandmann
at 6:78-3299 for more information.

#### Twin Falls Rapids need players for squads

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TWN FALLS – The Twin Falls
Rapids competitive soccer club
Rapids competitive soccer and Usi
gist teams and for the 13and
under and 11 and-under boys socer teams for the upcoming season.
For more information on the
boys, call coach Sasha Pavlovic at
1334411 or Mark Goodman at
733499. For the girls, call Vince
Gibson at 735-0176 or Leo
Sanchez at 736-4402.

#### Special Olympics needs volunteers at games

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 Shana Endow at (208) 323-0482 ext. 14.

# Baseball/softball rules

Baseball/softball rules

clinic will be Monday

TWIN FALLS - The District IV
high school baseball/softball rules

clinic will be held Monday at Twin
Falls High School. The softball clinic
tasts at 6 pm. followed by the
baseball clinic at 7. Anyone interested in umpriring either sport
must attend a clinic. For more
information, call Cruig Mills at 8786606 at work or 678-7144 at home.

#### TFHS team plans boys and girls hoops camp

and girls hoops camp
TWIN FALLS - "Mini March
Madness" baskethall camp will be
held Monday nights in March at
held Monday nights in March at
Boys play from 548 to 645 p.m.
while girls go from 748 p.m. on
March 1, 8 and 15. The camp's cost
is 520 with all proceeds going to
the Twin Falls High girls basketball
program. The event will be run by
Bruns head coach Joe D. Shepard,
his coaching saff and players.
Registration forms are available
at Donnelley Sports in Twin Falls.
Parusis can also register kids at
the door from 55:30 p.m. March 1.

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CHAMPIONSHIP SATURDAY

# **HAMPIONS**



Jumping and hugging at midcourt, clockwise from right, Jerome pisyers Elisa Hope, Mallory Meservy, Lindsay Kulm and Vanessa West celebrate their 4A state basketball championable win over Vallivus Saturday at the Idaho Center in Namps.

# Jerome completes perfect season with state title

Imes-News writer

NAMPA – Simply perfect.
Since losing the state title game
in a heartbreaker last year
Jerome has been on a mission.
Mission accomplished, perfectly.
The Tigers capped off their
undefeated-season-with-a-54-30domination of Valliwue to claim
the first girl's basketball title in
school history. Jerome (250) valso
fell to Caldwell in the title game
in 2001, but the Tigers weren, t
going to let anyone take it away
this time.
"We were in the moment and it
was about tonight, but we knew
we had some unfinished business
to take care of," said Vanesa West,

4A Giris

4A Giris Real Dairy Sho Consolation champion Bishop Kelly 46, Bonneville Third-place game Moscow 59, Hillcrest 56 Championship Jerome 54, Vallivue 30

The teams met twice in the regular season with the Tigers eurning the season sweep. They best the Falcons by 27 at home early in the season, then rallied with a 14 of fourth quarter for a 44-33 victory on the road.

On Saturday, the game was close during the first quarter, but the Tigers took over from there, getting into an offensive flow and

building a 28-point lead. Vallivue (20-5) got the first points of the game, but Elisa Hope, who chipped in eight points, quickly tied it with a jumper off an inbounds play.

Tara Davis, who hasn't done much shooting this year, took advantage of the Falcons leaving her alone to "darina" a plat "outpurpers. She added two free threws as the Tigers led 11-8 after one perform were focused on Stepping Whitney Clark, who had 25 points in the semifinal, and 25 points in the semifinal, and 25 points in the semifinal, and 25 points in the semifinal with the coaches and made them get out of the zone, "said Davis, who finished with a season-high

10 points and chipped in a pair of steals. "This means everything to us. We weren't going to let this one get away." Jerome coach Michelle Skyles said Davis' contribution was

important.
"She stepped up huge for us," said Skyles.

said Skyles.

West opened the second quarter with an old-fashioned three-point play after a nice move in the paint. The lead grew to six, 14-8.

14-8.
Davis took a fast-break pass from West and Whitney Clark got her first basket as the Tigers built a double-digit lead, 23-11. With two free throws Clark, who already broke the classification

Please see JEROME, Page C2

#### 2004 IHSAA HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

# Hagerman women reflect on 66 years of success

By Eric Larsen Times-News writer

NAMPA - The cheers of hundreds of people can do something to you. The outpouring of support from heart and mind to mouth and

dreds of people can do something to you. The outpouring of support from heart and mind to mouth and hand rises in your chest, rumbles in your ribs, and holds your heart. So there was no shame when previously dry eyes misted over while the great Hagerman Pirate Lassies teams of 1938 through 1940 were honored as IHSAA Hall of Fame "Lesends of the Game" inductees at haltime of the 2004 Idaho SA girls championship game at the Idaho Center in Nampa Saturday night.

The Lassies went 452 during their two-year stretch and took Hagermant only girls state basketball championship. Impressive for a two-year stretch, but the stretch of the Lassies' lives has included more important successes than an Idaho state championship.

Think of Rachel (Woody) Nichols practicing law in front of the Supreme Court in 1950 after teaching business law at the University of Idaha, serving in the University of Bem in Switzerland, just to name a few things.

"It's been a wonderful life," Nichols said, "And I owe it all to Hagerman High School."

It just goes to show that big things can develop from the smallest of starts.

"It's very true," Nichols said. "We all grew up together from first grade and what we learned together has carried on through life."

Lillias (Pugmire) Martin, who currently resides in Boise also

Lillias (Pugmire) Martin, who currently resides in Boise also reflected on the success of her

reflected on the success of her teammates.

"It must have been a successful run for this many of us to still be around," Martin said. "It's all because we stuck together, not just in basketball, but throughout 125..."

During the ceremonies, each lady in attendance was awarded a Please see FAME, Page C2

# Lady Indians fall to Rimrock 47-36

By Eric Larsen Times-Nows writer

Ilmes-Hows writer

NAMPA – They played like champions, but the Shoshone Lady Indians couldn't upset Rimrock in the 2004 Idaho 1A Girls Real Dairy Shootout championship game. In front of friends and family in The Idaho Center, the Lady Indians fell 47-35 and into second place for the tournament.

Rimrock cemented its spot as the 800-pound gorilla of Idaho 1A girls basketball with the win

# 1A Girls

1A Girls Real Dairy Sho Consolation champions Kootenal 59, Kendrick 48 Fourth-place game Hansen 47, Oakley 37 Third-place game itoy 60, Dietrich 45 : Championship Rimrock 47, Shoshone 36

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Players on the Shoshone bench can't watch during the final seconds of their 47-36 loss in the 1A Girls Real Dalry Shootout char onship game to defending champion Rimrock Saturday at the Idaho Center In

# CSI women still seek home court advantage

SAIT LAKE CITY—The College of Southern Idaho women's haskerball team was outshot badly from the free throw line for the second night in a row in losing to Scenic West Athletic Conference rival Salt Lake Community College, 83–69, Saturday night.

CSI (22-6 overall, 184 SWAC) failed to clinch the No. 1 seed for the Region 18 tournament for the second straight night. The Golden Eagles can still claim homecourt-advantage with a win this coming weekend in one of their two home games against Snow College or a loss by the second straight sight the community of the com

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We have to find a way to get to the line.

- Randy Rogers, CSI coach

- Kandy Rogers, CSI Coach
For the weekend, Salt Lake shot 71
free throws. The Eagles attempted
21.

"We have to find a way to get to
the line," Rogers said. "It's not
right. It's not fair. The same contact
has to be called on both sides."

Brynne Louder paced the Bruinswith 22 points while Jenn Cook
added 16.

CSI was led by Andrea Sivakova
with 17 points. Delical Jernigan
finished with 14.

The Eagles trailed 46-37 at halftime but pulled to within 54-52
midway through the second half.
SLCC then went on a 17-4 run to
take a 71-56 lead with six minutes

remaining. CSI closed the gap to 75-66 with 2:57 remaining on a 3-pointer and layup after a steal by Jernigan, but came no closer.

The Eagles led just once in the first half, at 37-36 after a pair of Denisa Svarova free throws, but SLCC closed with an 80 run to lead 46-37 at the break.

The 83 points CSI allowed were the most it has given up in a game all season.

The 83 points CSI allowed were the most it has given up in a game all season.

"When the clock's stopped and 'you shoot 43 free throws, you're going to score a lot," Roger said.

CSI 80, Salt Lake CC 75

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CSI's Mohamet Kone stole the ball from SLCC's Rekalin Sims and picked up the loose ball downcourt for a dunk to seal the Golden Eagles' 80:75 win over the Bruins.

CSI (20-8, 14-8) led 78:75 when Sims, who paced all scorers with 30 points, tried to free highself behind the 3-point line for a short to tie the Please see\*CSI, Page C2

# Burley boys drop Jerome. head to district title game

By Dustin Lapray Times News writer

BURLEY - Anthony Curiel of Burley hit a 3-pointer with three minutes left to quell a Tiger rally and spur a 124- run for the Bobcats to finish their 51-40 win over Jerome Saturday in Burley. "Our kids stepped up in big moments and really played weit." Burley coach Jack Bagley said. The win puts Burley into the District IV and V title game ragainst Century Tuesday at 7 pm. at Century the Sature of the District IV and Sature of the District IV and Sature of the District IV and Sature of the Sature of th

districts.
"Burley showed up to play,"
Jerome coach Houston Finn said.
"They deserved to go on."
The loss ends the Tigers' season.
Four Bobcats scored in double
figures. Graydon Funk had a

District IV and V playoffs

Burley at Century Tuesday, 7 p.m.

game-high 12. Curiel, Steve Elsensohn and Scott Pandlel

39-36 with four minutes remaining on a 9-2 run that took under a

ing on a 9-2 run man town minute.

In that run, Drew Vance nailed two 3-pointners and a foul shot after the second trey from the baseline for a four-point play.

After Curiel's trifecta,

Elsensohn took a charge to kill what was left of Jeron momentum. Curiel totaled Inte steals.

Elsensohn led the Bobeat offense

Please see BURLEY, Page C4

# Hansen takes home hardware; Dietrich falls

NAMPA - Hanson made it three straight against Magic Valley Conference rival Oakley to garner the school's first, garles to basket-ball trophy while Dietrich stum-bled in the third-place game against perennial power Troy Saturday at Skyview High School in Nampa.

#### Trov 60. Dietrich 45

NAMPA - Dietrich got behind early and could never make up the difference as they fell to the Troy Trojans 60-45 in the third

proce game. ... or uniful was a construction of the coach of the coach Gene Shaw. "Troy is a disciplined team and they run a good offense. They out should be and pounded it inside."

inside."
Inside is where the Trojans looked all game long and found post 1ym Fredenburg, who finished with a game-high 21 points. Dietrich Senior post Michelle Anderson, who suffered an aukle injury in the semifinals that limited her mobility, still managed to finish with team highs with nine points and eight rebounds.

State trophy is program's first ever

imes-News correspondent

NAMPA - Apparently someone forgot to inform the Bruins that the game they were playing in was only the consolation trophy. Twin Falls played like champions as they defeated the Borah Lady Lions 41:35 Saturday morning at Nampa High School in Nampa.

5A Girls

5A Girls Real Dairy Shootou Consolation championship Twin Falls 41, Borah 35 Third-place game Lake City 41, Boise 38 Championship Centennial 36, Timberline 26

By Phil Stevens

Troy and Dietrich are no strangers having met in the state tournament several times. The Blue Devils got their champi-onship trophy in 1999 beating the Trojans.

Trojans.
It was outside shooting that got
the Blue Devils in the early hole.
Lindsey Parkins hit two from
beyond the arc to give Troy the 2011 lead after one. The Trojans
built the lead to double digits in
the second quarter and led 33-21
at the break. at the break

the second quarter and led 33-21 at the break.

Dietrich rallied in the third, cutting the deficit to eight points on a three-pointer by Lindsey Shaw, but Troy went on a 7-0 run to finish out the quarter and led 49-34 heading into the final period.

Down the streeth, Dietrich was forced to foul. The Trojans hit their free throws, finishing the game going 9 of 13 from the line, while Dietrich could not cut intothe lead.

Blue Devil senior Ayleen Sorensen a four-year varsity play-

Sorensen a four-year varsity play-er finished with six points. Juteik Weber also finished with a teamhigh nine points including one from beyond the arc. Caitlin Dill grabbed six rebounds and Nicki Miller dished out three assists.

Shaw will look to the future as only two players graduate, "We are a young squad and will be tough again next year," Shaw added.

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#### Hansen 47, Oakley 37

NAMPA – Early in the season the Hornets topped Hansen. Since then – and with the return of sen-ior Bonnie Freestone – the Huskies

then - and with the return of senior Bonnie Freestone - the Husker have topped bave to the laboration of the

Bratvold's 15 points lead Bruins to consolation title

home the hardware.

The Hornets took the early 1411 lead after the first period as Mindy Burch, who led Oakley with 15 points and All Cranney, who finished with 12 paced the Oakley attack.

The Huskies surged back to take the lead in the third period despite having Bonnie and Charlotte Freestone on the bench with foul trouble. Bonnie Freestone, in her final game for Hansen, tallied 11 points, grabbed five boards, and chipped in three steads.

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Oakleys Cranney added four assists and three steals while Burch had a game-high 10 rebounds before fouling out. Hausen shot 43 percent from the field while the Hornets could manage to hit just 28 percent from the field - including 2 of 13 from beyond the arc.

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# Valley holds off Marsing for third place in 2A field

MIDDLETON – Valley hit big free throws down the stretch to hold on for a 46-42 win over. Marsing for the third-place trophy at the 2A state girls basketball tournament Saturday. Marsing rallied after Valley point guard Mindy Malone fouled out with 2:30 left. That run was led by sophomore 6-3 post Amanda Stewart, who scored 10 of her game-high 22 points in the fourth quarter.

quarter.
"It was a wild ride in the fourth," said Vikings coach Brian Hardy. "We had some shaky possessions."

Marsing trimmed a 38-29 lead with Malone out, but Valley did

with Malone out, but variey one enough to win.

But Candace Callen and Paige
Wyatt hit some free throws that righted the ship. Lindsy Wood made a big steal and scored on the other end for key points down

the other end for key points down the stretch.
"This was a crew that may not have had all the talent but played good defense and rebounded," Hardy said. "That can win you a tor of ball games."
Valley, led by the defense of Malone, Jessica Kowitz ahd junior reserve. Kelsey Dehoney, contained Stewart during the first half as the Vikings used a I-3-1

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me. Third place is the Vikines' best Third place is the Vikings' best finish since three-straight runner-up performances during the 1994-96 seasons. Valley (20-5) return six players next season, including Wood and Callen. A partial boxs-core follows.

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# Gooding falls in third-place battle

By John Derr Times-News writer

BOISE – The first trip to state for the Gooding Senators started well, but ended without a trophy. Gooding dug themselves a hole during a seven-minute scoreless span in the second quarter and could never recover as they lost to the Lakeland Hawks 70-40 in the third place game of the 3A Girls State Basketball tournament Saturday morning at Bishop Kelly High School.

"I think we did wear down a bir," said Gooding coach Chris Comstock.

After losing against the top-ranked Priest River Spartans 58-43 in the semifinals, the Senators were looking to bring home the third-place trophy.

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Brittanic Toone found the range late in the period, hitting a pair of jumpers, but Gooding trailed 18-8 after one.

Gooding went over seven minutes without a point spanning the end of the first and much of the second while a 10-0 Lakeland run pushed the advantage to 20. A brief burst with three-pointers by Toone and Italy Eames and a pair of free throws by Katie Rice cut the deficit to 12, but Liana, altif of the throw how the 5-5 from the field for 12 first half points, connected from downtown for the Hawks and the Senators trailed. 31-16 at the break.

Gooding cut the deficit to eight late in the third period, Kaylin Periera grabbed an offensive rebound, scored and drew the foul. She completed the 3-point

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play as the Senators clawed back to within 40-32 heading into the final period.

The Senators would get no

closer. Lakeland went on a 9-0 run in

closer.

Lakeland went on a 9-0 run in the first two minutes of the final period to put the game out of reach.

The Senators finished the game shooting 24 percent from the filed. The Hawks usde a full-court press until the final ton-minutes to score 30 points in the final period.

Toone must have set a record for playing time. She played the entire 32 minutes Thursday, sat out for a total of 53 seconds only left the floor in the final two minutes on Saturday when the game was decided.

Comstock hopes a tradition

decided.
Comstock hopes a tradition was started this year.
"We want to start a tradition of coming back every year. That is how you win a trophy," Comstock said.

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Jean (Parsons) Emerson, left, receives a medal from United Dairymen of Idaho co-chairman Pete Lizaso as part of a halftime ceremony honoring the 1938-39 and 1939-40 Hagerman girls 1938-39 and 1939-40 Hagerman girls basketball teams. The squads word inducted into the 'Legends of the Game' section of the Idaho High School Activities Association Hall of Fame Saturday night in Nampa's Idaho

and Amanda Hovey embrace after their 41-35 win over the Borah Lions for the conon trophy of the SA Girls Real Dairy Shoetout Saturday in Nampa.

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- Joe D. Shepard

and went into the locker room with a 24-20 lead. "It told the girls that Borah would attack us in the second half and they did," said Shepard. Borah cume out and jumped on the Bruins by scoring six straight points and going up by two at 26-

24. However, it would be the last lead the Lions would have. Bratvold, who led all scorers with 15 points, went on a surge by hitting two field goals in the quarter and putting the Bruins up 33-29 at the end of the quarter. "Amy did a great job scoring

home the tournament's sportsman-ship award. Senfate 41, Boxen 35 5 15 9 6 - 35 11 13 9 8 - 41 

today," Shepard said.

The fourth quarter saw the Bruins make history by holding on for a 41-35 victory in front of a pro-Twin falls crowd.

"It feels good to know that we made history this week," Shepard said with a smile. In addition to the consolation title, the Bruins took

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THE CONTROL OF THE CONTROL

# "It feels good to have won this game and to get these girls a trophy finally," said Twin Falls, head. coach Joe D. Shepard. The state trophy is the program's first since the state tournament started in the late 1970s. "No one can remember ever getting one before," Shepard said. The game marked a triumphant end to three high school careers. Seniors Cara Crist, Amanda Howey and Belinda Turley all scored for the Bruins in their consolation championship victory "Amanda really stepped us for this game and controlled the tempo," Shepard said. Twin Falls led 11-5 at the end of the first quarter. "I just wanted us to come out and push as hard as we could and attack the basket, "Shepard said. In the second quarter, the game, score got closer as Borah came storming back to eventually take the lead at 18-16. However the Bruins would quickly regain the lead on an Amy Bratvold jumper Fame .

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medal, a plaque, and the school
was awarded a special
"Legends of the Game" state
championship banner.
For the six current Hagerman
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Along with Kara Rawenscroft, Megan Mavencamp, Sara Jackson,—Shannell—Knight, Megan Vallez, and Sarah Butler reflected on their Hagerman girls basketball predecessors "It's hard to imagine what

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- Sara Jackson, Hagerman girls basketball team

they had to go through just to play basketball.

they had to go through just to play basketball," Jackson said. "They've inspired us to add

our own banner to the gym, we always look at theirs," Knight

added.

Vallez summed up their experience Saturday night.
"It was incredible," Vallez

"It was incredible," Vallez said.
For Nichols, the ceremony is a ribute not just to a team, but to the value of the high school sports experience.
The ceremony was such a tribute-to-what-athletics-brings-to families and individuals," Nichols said. "It teaches team, work and trust, and that's what it takes to succeed in life."

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The outcome was still in question and Skyles challenged her team at half.

"I asked them how much they wanted it. I told them to do what we ask, settle down, be patient and run the offense and they would win," Skyles said.

The Tigers got the message.

The Tigers got the message had constant attention from the Falcon defense, found hersel open in the corner thanks to a screen by West on a fast break.

She hit a three-pointer and the Tigers led 30-15 with just under four minutes left in the third quarter. "We just needed to play togeth-er and not let down," added West,

we just needed to play together and not let down, added West, who chipped in 12 points, grabbed a game-high nine boards, and added three steals. One minute later, Clark hit her second straight from beyond the arc, then 12 seconds later her third, as Jerome pulled away. With that shot, Clark added another classification record most points in a tournament (53)—to her resume.

She fell just one 3-pointer of tying another record.

"There was someone on me in

the first half so there wasn't rea-son to force it," said Clark, who finished with a game-high 15 points. "We had lost two and we weren't going to lose this one. It is a dream, no words can describe

it."

The Tigers kept cruising offen-sively Megan Marshall and Krista Kulm came off the bench to hit buckets.

buckets. With three minutes left the starters began leaving the floor and the celebrations started. They didn't finish after the game as the team sang along with Queen's We Are The Champions" in the locker room.

to win. They deserve this so much. They had a bull's eye on them all season, "Skyles added. Vallivue's Jenny Gross was the only Falcon in double figures with 12 points and five rebounds. Moscow was presented with the Sportsmanship trophy while Great Busin foe Century won the academic trophy.

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game. But Kome's steal and score
came with 10.5 seconds remaining,
not enough time for SLCC (20-8,
14-8) to come back.
—That-whom-us-the-game,"—CSIhead coach Gib Arnold told KLDX
AM.
The Eagles assured themselves
of being in at least a three-way tie
for second place in the SWAC
headed into this weekend's series
with Snow College. CSI, SLCC and
Dide State all have 14-8 conference records. Snow was 14-7 entering Saturday's game with lastplace Colorado Northwestern
Community College.
CSI led 75-74 late in the contest
before Schafer Jackson put the

Eagles up 78-74 on his seventh 3pointer of the game. Jackson finished with a team-high 21 points,
all of which came on 3-pointers.
"They just could not guard him,"-Arnold-said."-He-kept-us-in-the-game, and then he put us ahead when we needed it."

Jackson was especially hot out of the gate, scoring 12 of the Eagles' first 18 points. Jason McGriff, who finished with 17 points and eight rebounds, was also strong in the first half. McGriff had his midrange jumper working to finish with 12 first-half points on 6-of-8 shooting.

Aking Elting, who played the

shooting.
Aking Elting, who played the full 40 minutes for CSI, scored 13 points and had nine assists.

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record for most free throws in a game (13), set a new tournament mark when she knocked down two from the charity stripe (20).

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# Flyers beat Thrashers on penalty shot

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Open Championship, final round,

Steakhouse Pro Am, final round, TGC, noon
PGA Tour, Nissan Open, final

round, ABC, 1:30 p.m.

**Nockey** 

Mighty Ducks at Stars, ESPN, Avalanche at Wild ESPN2. 5 p.m.

an Jose at Los Angeles.

Arena. San Jo NBC, 1 p.m.

TGC. 9 a.m. TGC, 9 a.m. Champions Tour, Outback

PHILADELPHIA (AP) – Simon Gagne scored on a penalty shot with 1:01 left, leading the Philadelphia Fiyers to a 5-4 victory over the Atlanta Thrashers on Saturday, that snapped a three-game losing streak.

Sege Aubin, Andy Sutton, Dany Heatley and Ilya Kovalchuk scored for Atlanta, which had won three of four after a 10-game winless streak.

## Devils 7, Rangers 3

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NEW YORK - Scott Gomez scored two goals and added three assists for the second time in three games, and Patrick Elias had four points to lead New Jersey past the New York Rangers.

#### Senators 2, Flames 1

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OTTAWA - Martin Havlat
scored 2:26 into the third period,
lifting Ottawa over Calgary.
Bryan Smolinski scored a
powerplay goal in the first and
patrick Lalime made 18 saves for
Ottawa, undefeated in regulation in its last eight games
(5-0-1-2).

#### Maple Leafs 5, Canadiens 4

TORONTO - Backup goalie Mikael Tellqvist remained TORONTO – Backup goalle Mikael Tellqvist remained unde-feated, and Matt Stajan and Tom Fitzgerald scored and had an assist in Toronto's victory over Montreal. Tellqvist made 27 saves to

#### improve to 5-0-2 this season

#### Bruins 3 Hurricanes 3

RALEIGH, N.C. - Brian Rolston scored with 7:19 left in the third period to give Boston a tie with Carolina.

ina.

Glen Murray scored twice off assists from Joe Thornton to help the Bruins complete a seven-game road trip-at 4-0-1-2 and earn at least a point in their 12th straight game.

## Islanders 4, Sabres 1

UNIONDALE, N.Y. - Shawn Bates and Adrian Aucoin each had a goal and assist to help the

#### nders bear Buffalo

The Islanders moved two points ahead of Montreal for seventh place in the Eastern Conference, and increased their cushion over Buffalo to five points. Arron Asham and Cliff Ronning also scored for the Islanders, 60-20 in their last eight home games.

#### Capitals 2. Panthers 2

Capitals 2, Parthers 2
WASHINGTON - Robert Lang
scored his 28th goal and assisted
on Sergei Gonchar's goal to help
Washington rally to the Florida.
Gondhar tied it at 7:10 of the third,
just seconds after a Washington
power-play expired, one-timing a shor
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# SPORTS IN BRIEF-

#### CSI baseball splits games in Salt Lake City

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games in Salt Lake City
SALT LAKE CITY - The
College of Southern Idaho
baseball team started out its
road trip in Utah with mixed
results, defeating the College
of Eastern Utah 8-2 before losing to Salt Lake Community
College 8-5 Saturday.
Against CEU, Hector
Marrinez hit a three-run double for CSI (7-41) in the second inning to give the Golden
Lagles a 4-blead, Martinez hit
hree RBIs. Teammate Jeremy
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added three hits and sord
two runs.
Sophomore
Brandon
Christiansen earned the
mound win for CSI, pitching
five innings while giving up
we carned runs on four hits
and no walks.
"Brandon did a really good

two earned runs on four his and no walks.

"Brandon did a really good job," CS1 assistant coach boomer Walker said. "He was throwing strikes, He had good control and his slider was working real well."

Ryan Jessop relieved Christiansen, giving up no runs, hits or walks in four innings while fanning four.

In the other game, SLCC trailed 5-4 after the fifth inning but scored the game, SLCC trailed four runs in an 8-5 victo-

final four runs in an 8-5 victory.

Eli Christensen and Trent Henderson each had three hits for Salt Lake, CSI was led by Sean VanElderen, who went 2 for 3 with a double.

CSI's Josh Madsen struggled in his start on the mound, giving up four runs, three earned, in three innings.

"Josh Madsen didn't come out very sharp," Walker said.
"He didn't pitch ahead much, which he really has to do. We had to go to our pen a lot earlier than we wanted to do."
Chris Toto suffered the pitching loss, giving up two runs in 2.1 innings pitched.

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# Armstrong takes yellow

Armstrong takes yellow Jersey at Algarve

TAVIRA, Portugal – Lance Armstrong took the yellow jersey at the Tour of the Algarve on Saturday after winning an individual time trial on a new bike he used for the first time. Armstrong, who will go for his record sixth Tour de

Armstrong, who will, go for his record sixth Tour de France victory in July, timed 31 minutes, 53 seconds over the flat 15-mile course, most of it against a strong wind.

He led a sweep for the U.S. Postal Service team at the season-opening event in southern Portugal. Floyd Landis came in the season-opening event in southern Portugal. Floyd Landis came in the season of the lead Armstrong, and Colombian Victor Hugo Pena was 12 seconds off the lead. The three riders also moved into the top three places in the overall standings with one stage remaining. Armstrong came into the time trial in 74th place, trailing leader Candido. Barbosa by 25 seconds.

#### A day after being pulled, Wallace cleared to play

Wallace cleared to play
AUBURN HILLS, Mich.—
Rasheed Wallace was cleared
to play for the Detroit Pistons
by the NBA of Saturday, one
day after being pulled from a
game because paperwork
from a three-team trade had
not been certified.
Wallace and Mike James,
acquired in a three-way trade
Thursday, were pulled at half
time of Friday's 88.87 loss to
Minnesota and were not per
mitted to practice Saturday.
The holdup was the result of
issues with the paperwork or
two of the players involved in
the dealt Lindsey Hunter und
Chris Mills.
NBA spokesman Brian Flim
said Saturday the trade was
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tions from the teams, players and agents involved in the

trade were not completed and received by the NBA on Friday.

#### Mondesi says he's close to deal with Pirates

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SANTO DDMINGO,
Dominican Republic - Raul
Mondesi said he's close to completting a deal with the
Pittsburgh Pirates, and he's
thankful for an opportunity
to play in the majors this season.
Mondesi, who will turn 33
next month, was the NI.
Rookie of the Year in 1984.
The free-agent outfielder
would probably be
Pittsburgh's starting right
fielder this season.
Mondesi made S13 million
hast year while splitting the
season between the Yankee
and Diamondbacks, batting
272 with 24 homers and 71
RBIs in 143 games.

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San Jose State, 72-51
BOISE - Reserve guard
Franco Harris scored a careerhigh 14 points, including four
of seven from three-point
range, to lead Boise State (174
8) to a 72-51 victory Saturday
over last place San Jose State
in the Western Athletic
Conference.
Boise State, who are 10-6 in
the conference, shot 63 percent in the first half and 55
percent for the game.
Spartans' forward Marquin
Chandler hit a game-high 19
points with 11 rebounds.
Reserve forward Brett Lilly
added 12 points.
The Broncos' Bryan Defares
and Aaron Haynes both had 11
points. Harris, a junior-college
transfer, had a previous care
high of 10 scored at Hawaii
-earlier this year.

Rams name Page a

# franchise player again

down the Rams' earlier other of a seven-year contract worth more than \$42 million, includ-ing a \$13 million signing bonus – the largest in Rams history, eclipsing Torry Holt's \$12.5 million signing bonus last July.

# shortstop for Rangers

Second to start 2004

OLDSMAR, Fla. - Kaufy Mate held off a late charge from Kentucky Derby hopeful The Cliff's Edge to win the S100,000 Sam F. Davis Stakes at Tampa Bay Downs by 1.75 lengths Saturday.

Making his first start since winning the Kentucky Jockey Club on Nov. 29 at Churchill Downs, The Cliff's Edge was the 1.2 favorite despite starting from the outside post. He broke last in the 11-horse field and was forced to go six-wide at one point. He managed to pass most of the field but didn't have enough to get by Kaufy Mate, "a "3-yearold colt ridden by Ramsey Zimmerman.

Kaufy Mate covered the 11/16-mile race in 1:44.60. He paid \$71.40, \$13 and \$5.20.

The Cliff's Edge, with Shane Sellers aboard, paid \$3 and \$3.20.

Compiled from staff and wire reports

# WHAT'S ON T.V.

# Auto Racing

NASCAR, Nextel Cup, Subway 400. Fox, 11 a.m.

NHRA. Winternationals, final

round, ESPN2, 8 p.m.



Basketball

Women, Duke at Maryland, ESPN2, 10 a.m. Cavaliers at Knicks, ABC, 11 a.m. Women, Texas at Texas Tech.

ESPN2, noon Wisconsin at Michigan, CBS, noon Maryland at Duke, CBS, 2 p.m. Washington at N.C. State, FSNW,

3:30 p.m. Lakers at Suns, ESPN, 5 p.m.
 Wake Forest at Georgia Tech,
 FSNW, 6 p.m.



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NBA spokesman Brian Films said Saturday the trade was "final and complete," and all players were eligible to prac-tice and play with their respective teams.

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# Boise State men rout

# Rams name Pace a

franchise player again
ST. LOUIS - The St. Louis
Rams have designated fivetime Pro Bowl offensive tackle
Orlando Pace as their franchise player.
Pace's agent, Carl Poston,
told the St. Louis PostDispatch that Pace turned
down the Rams' earlier offer
of a seven-vegar contract worth

# Soriano could move to

Soliano Goldu involve to shortstop for Rangers
SURPRISE, Ariz. - All-Stars
second baseman AlfonsoSoriano will consider playing shortstop for the Texas
Rangers - but he won't try to replace Alex Rodriguez.
Soriano was introduced Saturday as the newest member of the Rangers after being raded by the New York Yankees for the reigning AL
MYP in a blockbuster deal. Soriano, who came up to the majors as a shortstop, will wear No. 12 on Sunday for his first workout with Texas.
The past two years with the Yankees, Soriano became only the third player in major third player in major shorts of the player in major shorts of the stars of the star

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# New Jersey ties NBA season win streak

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WAPT-Kenyor Martin had 23points. 13 rebounds, four steads and four blacks, and New Jersey. Nets tied the longest winning streak in the NRA this season - 13 - with a 97-83 vacroy Saturday over the New Orleans Hornes. The victory was the Nest 24th straight under coach Lawrence, Frank, extending his leasure to the coach and the

## Heat 97, Nuggets 81

MIAMI - Dwyane Wade out-blayed fellow rookie Carmelo Anthony, scoring 28 points, and famar Odon had 12 of his 21 points in the third quarter as thann matched a season-best

four-game winning streak.
Authory finished with 16
points, ending a streak of
nine straight games with at
least 20 points, and shor just
5-for-20 – his worst effort
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Andre Miller scored 15, former Heat guard Voshon Lemard had 14 and Nene scored 10 for the Nuggets, who have lost six of their last eight road games.

#### Mavericks 97, Rockets 88

Mavericks 97, Rockets 88
DALLAS - Dirk Nowitzki had
25 points and 12 rebounds as the
Dallas Mavericks recovered from
a 16-point first-quarter deficit.
Michael Finley contributed 19
points and Antoine Walker added
17 points and 10 rebounds for the
Mavericks, who began a stretch of
five consecutive home games
against Western Conference
teams.

teams.
Jim Jackson's 18 points and Cuttino Mobley's 16 paced the Rockets, who've lost all six meet-

ings against the Mavericks with Yao Ming in the lineup, Yao has won against every other NBA team.

# Grizzlies 105, Bulls 98

Grizzlies 105, Bulls 98
CIIICAGO - Pau Gasol scorod
23 points and had nine rebounds
and James Posey added 27 points
to lead the Memphis Grizzlies
past the Chicago Bulls 105-98
Saturday night.
Memphis has won foir straight.
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and eight of nine to move 11
games above 500 (33-22) for the
first time in franchise history,
Lorenzen Wright had 14 points
and nine rebounds for Memphis,
and Bouzi Wells added 16 points.
Kirk Hinrich scored a careerhigh 25 points and had nine
assiss for Chicago.
Memphis went on a 144 run in
the third quarter to extend its
lead to 74-51, but the Bulls closed
the period with a 20-3 run.
Hinrich had 14 in the spurt,
including a 3, to cut the Grizzlies
lead to 76-72 at the end of the
third quarter.

Poscy, scored 14, and, Gasol had 10. Williams, who had seven assists in the half, finished with seven points and eight assists, Marcus Fizer finished 21 points and nine rebounds for Chicago and Eddie Robinson added 14 points.

#### Clippers 105, Bucks 103

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MILWAUKEE – Elton Brand
scored 31 points and blocked four
shots to help the Los Angoles
Clippers spoil Keith Van Horris
Milwaukee debut with a 105-103
victory over the Bucks on
Saturday night.

Michael Redd, an 89 percent
free throw shooter, was fouled by
Corey Maggette while attempting,
a desperation 3-pointer with onetenth of a second left and the
Bucks trailing 105-102.

But Redd missed his first free
throw attempt. He made the second, then committed a lane violation while deliberately missing his
third shot.

Van Horn led the Bucks with 23
points.

school's best conference start.
Robert Hire had 15 points for
Miami (13-14, 3-10), which lost its
ninth straight.

No. 21 Kansas 90,

lowa St. 89, OT

# No. 1 Stanford and No. 2 St. Joe's stay unbeaten in second place in the Big East and matched the 2000-01 team for the

LOS ANGELES (AP) - Rob Little scored 18 points to lead No. Stanford to a 73-60 victory over UCLA on Saturday, the Cardinal's chool-record 23rd consecutive

orn.
Stanford improved to 14-0 in the ac-10, having already clinched a

Stanford improved to 140 in the fac-10, having already clinched a share of its fourth conference title for six years with a victory at Southern California on Thursday.

Southern California on Thursday.

Stanford and No. 2 Saint Joseph's (24-0) are the nation's only undefeated Division I teams. Nick Robinson added 15 points for Stanford and Lottich had 14 joints, bitting all four of his 3-jointers, Josh Childress, who had career-high 36 points against USC two days earlier, also had 14 ooints.

coints.
Dijon Thompson had 17 points for the Bruins (11-12, 7-8), who have lost nine of their last 11.

# No. 2 Saint Joseph's 76,

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Temple 53

PHILADELPHIA — Delonte
West secord 20 points and Jameer
Nelson had 18 for the Hawks (240,130 Altania (10).

Saint Joe's got two 3-pointers
From Nelson during a 15-2 run late
To the first half, helping the
Backs to a 41-23 halftime lead.
The Hawks went 11-0f-20 from 3point range after making a conbernete-record 20 in their 83-71

Win against the Owls last month.
David Hawkins, who ranked
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STARKVII.I.E. Miss. – Kennedy
Winston scored a careerhigh 31
Proints as Alabama snapped the
Bulldogs eight-game winning
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and Bulldogs' eight game 'winning streak.

The Crimson Tide (13-0, 5-1).

Southeastern Conference came to having lost six of seven, and were 15 on the road overall.

Lawrence Roberts scored 23 points and Timmy Bowers had 14 for the Bulldogs (21-2, 10-2), who reached their highest ranking in the AP poll in four decades this week.

Winston went 8-of-10 from the free throw line over the final 3:27 to keep Mississippi State at bay.

Shoshone \_ Continued from C1

A clampionship.
"They're just a great team,"
Shoshone coach Tim Chapman
aid, "We couldn't get any shots in
the second half,"
Rimrock senior Adrea Thomas
And ther resant with air 18-point,
Event-robound, six-steal effort. For
Coach Bob Delle and the Lady
Raiders, the win is the fourth victory over a Magic Valley team in
Jour days.

typical fashion for the tour-

Raiders and their A championship.

## No. 6 Gonzaga 76, Tulsa 56

No. 6 Gonzaga 76, Tulsa 56
TULSA, Okla. – Tony Nkinner
was 4-for 5 from 4-point range and
scored 12 points to lead No. 6
Gonzaga to its 16th straight victory.
76-56 over Tulsa on Sanrday,
Ronny Turiaf and Adam
Morrison cach had 13 points for
the Bulldogs (23-2), who finished
with a 48-25 rebound advantage.
Anthony Price and Jarius Glenn
cach had 13 points for the Golden
flurricane (7-17), who lost their
seventh in row.

cach had to points on their seventh in row. Thus had five steads early and led by as many as seven points in the first half, but the Golden Hurricane missed six of 11 free throws in the opening 20 minutes and the Bulldogs took advantage. Skinner hit three 3-pointers over the final 5 minutes as Gonzaga took a 413.2 halftime lead. Copy Violette hit a 3-pointer and Erroll Knight added six points in a 100 run over the first 4 minutes of the second half that gave Gonzaga a 19-point lead and Tulsa never challenged after that.

Jason Parker added 10 points for Tulsa.

#### No. 8 Connecticut 61, Notre Dame 50

Notre Dame 50

HARTFORD, Conn. – Emeka Okafor dominated inside for Connecticut with 14 points, a careerhigh 22 rebounds and seven blocked shots.

The Huskies (21-5, 93 Big East) avenged an 80-74 road loss to the list on Feb. 9 by holding Chris Thomas to 13 points. The junior guard, who scored 31 in the last necting, had just two points at halfitme. He was averaging 19-2 points coming into the game.

Notre Daune (13-10, 7-6) shot 19 percent in the first half and never got closer than four points all game.

Frestlman forward Josh Boone

Freshman forward Josh Boone had 12 points and 11 rebounds for the Huskies, who outrebounded the Irish 59-30.

#### No. 9 Kentucky 68, Auburn 59

AUBURN, Ala. – Gerald Fitch scored 18 points and Erik Damiels added 15 to lead the Wildeats (19-4, 93 Southeastern Conference, who have won 19 of the past 20 meetings with the Tigers.

Cliff Hawkins spent much of the second half on the bench with foul

hird quarter, outscoring shoshone 13-5 to take a 33-22

Shoshone 13.5 to take a 33.22 lead.
"We did a great job on Thomas in the second half," Chapman said. "But their other girls stepped up and we just couldn't find our shots."

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The momentary stall in Shoshone's offense was the difference in the game, as both teams would finish with 14 fourth-quarters with the short of the state of the short of the short

would finish with 12 remain parties ter points.

Lone Shoshone senior Sarah Hubsmith led the Lady Indians with nine points, while sophomore Katie Strunk added six points and 10 rebounds. Shoshone guards Meghan Sorensen and Kallie Axelson both hit two three-point-

trouble, but ignited Kentucky with cipht of his 10 points over the final 514 during a 19-10 run after Aubum had tied the game. Fitch regained his shooting ouch after missing three games with a sprained ligament in his right hand. He played 22 minutes against Arkansas, but had only eight points. Against the Tigors, he was 3-of-5 from 3-point range and 7-of-8 from the free throw time. Ian Young led Auburn (13-10, 4-8) with 13 points.

#### No. 17 Cincinnati 66. No. 10 Louisville 61, OT

CINCINNATI - Field Williams scored 18 points, including a fadeaway jumper that set up overtime, for Cincinnati.

scoreta to posses, accusing a way jumper that set up overtime, for Chichman.

Tony Bobbit made a 3-pointer and two clinching free throws in overtime as the Bearcast (18.5, 9.3 Conference USA) made amends for one of their worst losses in coach Bob Huggins 15 seasons.

Louisville (17-6, 7.5) beat the Bearcast by 27 points on Jan. 21, maching hear worst loss under Huggins. Both teams have strug-fluggins. Both teams have strug-fluggins. Both teams have strugille losing five of list have reall.

Francisco García scored a careerhigh 27 points for Louisville.

# No. 16 North Carolina 78,

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Florida St. 71.
CHAPEL HILL, N.C. - Rashud
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Anymond Felton had 17 points, 10
rebounds and seven assists for the
Iar Heels (167, 66 Atlantic Coast
Conference), who wan consecutive
games for the first time in nearly a
month.

Tim Pickett had 25 points and
Andrew Wilson added a careerhigh 24 for the Seminoles (18-9, 67), who have lost 22 consecutive
conference road games.

The victory helped the Tar Heels
take the sting out of a disappointing loss at Florida State on Jan. 22.
He Tar Heels led the Seminoles by
24 points before Florida State
stormed back to win 90-81 in overtime.

ers for six points apiece. While Shoshone will return 11 players next year, the loss marks the end of Hubsmith's high school basket-ball career. "She gave a great effort and played her heart out," Chapman said. "We're really going to miss. her."

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While Shoshone won't take home the 2004 IA state championship banner, they - along with the four other Magic Valley teams in the tournament - will take home well-deserved respect for their strong team play.

"They were the best team we've played all year," Delle said. "The Magic Valley is by far the toughest district in the state."

#### No. 19 Providence 70, Mlami 57

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PROVIDENCE, R.I. - Rob
Sanders scored 14 points to lead
five players in double figures in the
Friars' fourth straight victory.
Providence (18-5, 9-3) remained

lowa St. 89, 0T

LAWRENCE, Kan. – J. R. Giddens had 24 points, including a crucial free throw with 3 seconds left in overtime, and Kansas held on after blowing a 17-point lead.

Will Blalock hit a 3-pointer at the final buzzer for the Cydones, who lost their 23rd straight hig 12 road game despite outplaying the favored Jayhawks much of the game.

Keith Langford of Kansas (17-6, 9-3) made a great play to tie the game at 72 and put it in overtime, blocking Curtis Stinson's shot and then hitting a 3-pointer with 28 seconds left.

Stinson had 26 points for Iowa Stinson had 26 points for Iowa State (14-9, 5-7).

#### No. 22 Texas Tech 76, Texas A&M 60

Texas A&M 60

LUBBOCK, Texas — Andre Emmett of Texas Tech had 18 points and became the Big 12's all-time leading score: Emmett needed four points coming into the ame to overtake Nick Collison of Kansas (2,097 points).

Texas Tech (19'7, 7-5) went up by double digits early in the first half and built the margin to 502'9 on a layup and free throw by Jarrius Jackson with 15:09 remaining in the game.

Antoine White had 17 points for the Aggress (7-16,0-12).

#### Arkansas 82, No. 25 South Carolina 66

NO. 22 South Carolina 66
FAYETEVILLE, Ark.
Reserve Kendrick Davis scored 19
points and Ronnie Brewer added
17 to lead the Razorbacks (12-12, 49 Southeastern Conference), who
ended a fourgame losing streak.
The Kelly had 18 points for South
Carolina (20-6, 7-5), which entered
the game with the best defense in
the SEC, and it forced 18
turnovers, but Arkanssa also
forced 18 turnovers that led to 19
points.

points.
Arkansas was 22-of-24 from the free throw line, including 7-of-8 from reserve Jonathon Modica, who added 17 points.

# While the loss will sting in Shoshone, the young team will be hungry for a return trip to The Idaho Center next year. "I think they will," Chapman said. "Any time you get to play in said. "Any time you get to play in this stadium it's a great thing for your-team. They'll-want-to-get-back here."

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St Joseph's guard Delonte West drives past Xavier defender Romain Sato, left. In Cincinnati, in this Jan. 17 photo.

# West finally gets recognized for role in undefeated season

PHILADELPHIA (AP)
Jameer Nelson and Delonte West
work together perfectly in Saint
Joseph's backcourt. They carry
the scoring load and smother
teams with a tight manto-man
defense.
And their no-look passes always
end up on target.
What they haven't shared is the
spotlight for keeping the Hawks
undefeated.

spotlight for keeping the Hawks undefeated.
West has pretty much been in the shadows of his preseason All-American teammate, who has been featured in countless major sports publications.
That's starting to change though – at least on Hawk Hill. Just glance in the stands at any game and you'll see fans donning cowboy hats and "Wild, Wild West" shirts.
"We've had the best point guard in college baskethall for years and no one wanted to listen," Saint Joe's coach Phil Martelli, said, "Now we have an All-American two-guard and no ne wantes to really believe you can have two All-Americans on a team at Saint Joe's. I say why not?"
With his numbers, West might

not?" With his numbers, West might get the honor Martelli says he

With his numbers, West might get the honer Martelli says he deserves.

West is shooting 52 percent from the floor, 43 percent from the floor, 43 percent from the fool line, and is second on the team in scoring (18.9 points) and rebounds (5.4). He also set a school record, hitting 30 straightfree throws.

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Against Xavier in January, he went 12-for-12 from the floor, including three 3-pointers, and 6-for-6 from the line for a career-high 33 points.

"He does everything so effort-lessly," UMans coach Steve Lappas said. "He kind of reminds me of George Gervin, He just makes it look so easy."

For West, the only numbers that matter are the wins—and they're coming at a record pace. The

For West, the only numbers that matter are the wins – and they're coming at a record pace. The Hawks were 23-0 entering Saturday's game against Temple. "The more interested in the success that my team is having," West said. "We're winning and we have a chance to make history. It's good that people are starting to recognize my abilities on the court. With the pub or without it, I'm still going to go out there and give 110 percent."

Success didn't come easy for the 6-foot-4 junior. West, his mother and siblings bounced around Washington, Uest, sin mother and siblings bounced around washington, and middle schools. Money was tight, so his family lived with whomever would take them. If West was lucky, he could sometimes shoot baskets at rims with chain nets instead of busted crates affixed to telephone poles. "I grew up not in the best area.

My financial situation was bad.
Basketball was one of my outs,"
West said. "It was a place where I
could have peace."
Basketball, though, was not a
sport West believed he had a
future in. He stayed away from
organized teams because of fear
of failure and academic eligibility
concerns.

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"I was good but didn't play nowhere. No one could understand," West said.

Then some players at Eleanor Roosevelt High School in Greenbelt, Md., saw West shooting baskets outside the school and pointed him out to their coach. West was told to show up at practice the next day He did, and played well enough to become a starter.

played well enough to exceed staters.

Still, he was ignored by virtually every major Division I school. Finally, Saint Joe's showed an interest. So West, inspired by former Hawk Marvin O'Connor's 37 points against Stanford in an NCAA tournament game three years ago, committed to the tiny Jesuit university.

He was a key reserve his freshman year and entrenched himself as a starter last season before a stress fracture in his right leg disrupted his season. He played sparingly over the final eight games of the season and the Hawks were climinated in the first round of the ScaAo dournament.

"I'm not tooting my own horn, but I was a big part of our team's success," West said. "Without me playing, it hurt the flow that we had going on."

This year, West has been injury free, teaming with Nelson to help the high-flying Hawks try to become the first team since UNLV in 1931 to finish the regular season undefeated.

"We just click," Nelson said, "We have a good understanding for each other, especially our personalities. He's crazy and I'm crazy."

Perhaps their bond is strengthened because they share more than a passion for winning. They are both undersized for their position (Nelson is 5-11) and were understanding the stayed, which was to missimmer. It's not likely help and the Hawks West wants to improve his current.

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His goals now are more immediate - keeping the Hawks undefeated on their run toward a national title.

"We can go undefeated. I don't see why not," West said. "This see why not," west said. "This team has some pretty high goals. I'm just happy to help."

# In typical fashion for the tou-lament, Shoshone stuck with limrock through two quarters, keeping the score at 20-17 at the laft. However, Thomas and imrock had an answer in the Burley

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from his point guard position with

assists. He's great at crossing over and

"He's great at crossing over and tribble penetrating and passing the ball," Bagley said, "He had ome fantastic assists tonight." Funk received praise from ugley for doing the "little langs" that help the team win. "The people watching the

game just follow the ball and warch the shots, but if you watch Graydon Funk off the ball he does a fantastic job of getting deflections, rebounds and seals, Bagley said. "Scoring is only one little part of the game. And it's those other things that Graydon does such a great job off.

hit with his third and fourth fouls within 45 seconds of one another early in the second half. Miller went out and didn't return until the 6-minute mark in the fourth quarter.

"Anytime our big leader is on the bench it hurts us," Finn said. Miller, Jerome's only senior, totaled six points, 12 rebounds and two blocked shots before fouling

out with two minutes remaining.

"We feel for him," Finn said. "He stepped in to be a major leader for us and he led by example."

With Miller on the pine, the Tigers lost their inside threat. Jerome dressed eight players in the game while Burley ahd 13 available.

"We put a lot of pressure on "We put a lot of pressure on the same when the same when the same when the same while Burley and 13 available.

"We put a lot of pressure on defensively to get them tired and

offensively we try to be a little more patient and make them work on defense." Bagley said. "We knew if it was close in the fourth quarter we knew we had a shot because of our depth."

"They (Jerome) make up freshe it with quickness," Hagley said. "Every time there was a loose ball it seemed like they dhways, ended up getting it. That's the way

they are.'

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# Bonk!



# A-Rod does damage in first Yankees workout

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) – Several swings into his first Yankees work-out, Alex Rodriguez afready had done damage – to a car parked too close behind the center-field fence, that is.

Early into Saturday's session, New York's newest star launched a long drive that was followed by a loud bonk. The home run ball left a 2-inch dent and blue smear on a 2-inch dent and blue smear on the hood of a silver Mazda, a rental driven by a reporter from Japan.

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"I didn't think Alex would be hitting today," Masanori Hirose said. "My mistake."
The shot was one of 10 balls Rodriguez hit over the fence in 65 swings. He took batting practice with two minor league prospects – A-Rod was the one not wearing a helmet – while a few groundskeepers shagged flies.

flies.

At one point, the reigning AL
MVP borrowed young Eric
Duncan's bat and promptly broke
it, sending the shattered barrel
flying down the third-base line.
"Eric, there's your wood,"
Rodriguez called out, smiling.
"That's that minor league wood."
Duncan, the Yankees' No. 1
draft pick last June, didn't mind
one bit. As he left the field, he was
carrying both pieces of the broken
bat.

carrying both pieces of the broken bat.

"I'll be holding on to that one for a while," he said.
Rodriguez fielded about 50 grounders at third base, his new position, bobbling one and letting another skip under his glove. He did most of that work on his knees, drawn in close on the infield grass.
He looked smooth on some slow rollers, charging the balls and making, strong, accurate, of/balance throws to first base.
"I'm fine, but you can't really tell where you are until you get

into a game," he said.

The one-hour session took place on two fields at the Yankees' minor league complex, about a mile from where the big league pitchers set up camp at Legends Field. About 50 fans fanned out to watch Rodriguez from beyond the fence, and a flock of seaguells landed nearby on the lush outfield erass.

grass.

A couple of Yankees officials looked on, though owner George Steinbrenner was not among

"I feel like I have an injection of energy. I'm floating," Rodriguez said, "I'm still not aware of where

and. "Im still not aware or mark and in right now.
"You look in the mirror and see the Yankee uniform, it's awer, some," he said.
Rodriguez wore dark blue shorts with a matching T-shirt. He might put on the full pinstripes next week when the rest of the position players report for their first official spring training workout.

it. Traded from Texas last week

Traded from Texas last week, Rodriguez was an early arrival. On this day, his teammates were bunean, also a third baseman, and outfielder Estee Harris. "It was one of the best experiences of my life, taking in all that does;" Duncan said.
Harris enjoyed it, too. The send-ond-ound draft pick lingered near a chain-link fence to watch Rodriguez handle grounders.
Before the workout, manager Joe Ture and Rodriguez talked. A Gold Glove shortstop who hit 47 homers with 118 RBls for Texas last. season, Rodriguez is switching positions while Derek Jeter stays in his usual spot.
"His pride will make him want to be known, as a complete\_playe\_other than a hitter who also plays third," Torre said. "I don't think he's going to have a bit of a problem."



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# Weir turns race into runaway

LOS ANGELES (AP) – Mike Weir would seem to be the last guy at Riviera with something to prove. He already has his portrait hanging in the clubhouse from winning the Nissan Open last year. He has a green jacket in his closet as the Masters champion. His S-under 66, a masterful performance in cold, rainy conditions Saturday, gave him a five-shot lead and broke the 54-hole tournament record.

#### Golf roundum

"I'm looking at it as a big chal-lenge," Weir said. "I want to prove to myself that I can handle a five-shot lead."

He has built a reputation as the comeback Canadian, winning all six of his PGA Tour titles from off the lead. The challenge Sunday is to win for the first time out front.

There was that 80 he shot in the final round of the '99 PGA Championship when paired with Tiger Woods. Most recently, Weir shot a 75 in the final round at the 2002 Honda Classic, falling into a tie for 11th.

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His final-round scoring average with at least a share of the lead is 73.6.

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At least ne has some toom too error.
Weir separated himself from John Daly and the rest of the pack with one swing – a 4-iron into 15 feet on the devilish pars 3 with hole – then turned it into a runaway Saturday. He finished at 17-under 196, breaking by one shot the 54-hole record set by Fred Couples in 1992. Shigeki Maruyama, who started



the third round tied with Weir, stayed in range until boges on both par 36 on the back nine. A birdie on the final hole gave him an even-par 71, five shots behind.

Jeff Maggert had a 69 – his third straight round in the 60s – and was at 11-under 202.

"I didn't expect to shoot 5 under," Weir said, "But my putter has just been on fire."

Weir said. "But my putter has just been on fine."

The gallery took their hands off umbrellas long enough to clap and cheer Daly, but it couldn't sustain him. Daly missed several short britle opportunities and shot a 72, leaving him eight shots off the lead.

#### McNulty leads at Outback Steakhouse Pro-Am

LUTZ, Fla. (AP) - Mark McNulty ut himself in position to win in his

first Champions Tour start, shooting a 6-under 65 to take a one-stroke lead in the Outback Steakhouse Pro-Am.

McNulty had a a 10-under 132 total on the TPC of Tampa Bay, Larry Nelson (69) and D.A. Weibring (65)

Network and a a 10 under 132 total on the TPC of Tampa Bay, Larry Nelson (69) and D.A Weibring (65) were a stroke back, and Vicente Fernandez (67), Mike McCullough (70), Tom Purtzer (67) and Tom Jenkins (67) were 8 under Tom Kite, the first round leader after a 63, shot a 73 to drop five shots back.

#### It's all Aussies at Jacob's Creek Open Down Under

ADELAIDE, Australia (AP) –
Australia's Euan Walters shot a 1under 70 to take a one-shot lead in
the Jacob's Creek Open.
Walters had a 6under 207 total on
the Kooyonga course in the tourna-

Mike Wair watch shot fly on the fifth hole during the third round of the Nissan Open at Riviera Country Club in Los Angeles' Pacific Palisades area Saturday. Walr shot a 5-under-par 66 to lead the field by 5 strokes at 17-under-par.

ment co-sanctioned by the Nationwide and Australasian tours. Australians Mathew Cogien (66), Matthew Ecob (69) and Anthony Painter (72) were tied for second, and 1990 U.S. PGA champion Wayne Grady of Australia shot a 71 to top a group at 4 under.

#### Finland's lionen climbs atop Malaysian Open

atop Malaysian Open
KUALA LUNPUR, Malaysia
(AP) – Finland's Misko Bonen finished off a 4-under 68 to take a onestroke lead in the rain-delayed
Malaysian Open.
Bonen, who played only four holes
Saturday, had an 8-under 136 total.
South Korea's Lee Sung-man and
Thailand's Thaworn Wiratchant
were field for second, with both completing their rounds Friday.

# AN UNFINISHED STRIDE

# Race walker's Olympic quest ends in apparent suicide

SAN DIEGO - A loss in a grueling qualifying event left him physically exhausted and filled with what a friend described as a numbing sadness, but Albert Heppner still had a chance to win a spot on the US. Olympic race walking team

ness, but Albert nepputer sun more walking team.

Heppner had finished a disappointing fifth in the 50-kilometer team trials last Sunday morning in suburban Chula Vista, pulling away from the pack way too early and then fading, leaving him sprawled on a cot afterward, spent and despondent.

In two months, though, there would be another opportunity for one of America's top roce walkers to qualify for the Athens Games, Everyone in the small, tight-hair race walling community flower the 28y-acrold Army specialist was competitive enough to do it.

Instead, Heppner's Olympic quest ended sometime in the middle of a rainy, foggy night, when he apparently drove to one of the talker, when he apparently drove to one of the talker, when he apparently drove to one of the talker bridges in San Diego County and jumped 450 feet to his death. His body was found in a thicket of sugebrush and manantia at the bottom of a rocky gorge early Thursday morning. The California Highway Paturls said it was a suspect ed saicide.

California hignway tarun saua n meneded suicide.
Heppner, a college graduate from Columbia, Md., who was described as fundoving and outgoing, didn't leave a note or a hint of why he did it. Friends marvled that Heppner scenned to know everyone at the Olympic Training Conter in Chula Vista, even the athletes in other sports. Now they're struggling with the sad end of a promising life.

"I bown Al and we're all crushed," said Tracy

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ments."

Heppner's funeral will be Monday in San Diego, followed by a private burial.

Sgt. John Nunn was a longtime friend of Heppner and the two were in the U.S. Army's World Class Athlete Program. They were soldiers, yet as to pathletes, were granted time away from the grind of the military to try to qualify for the Olumnize.

Olympics.
Nunn, who competes in the 20-kilometer race walk, worked a water station Sunday and was surprised Heppner broke from the pack so early, after just 10 kilometers. safprised reppier broke from the pack so early, after just 10 kilometers.

Heppner's time of 4:23:52 Sunday was 25 minutes slower than his personal best.



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Race walker Al Heppner is seen during the U.S. Race walker Al Heppare Is seen during the U.S. Olymple Tailas 50-kiloneter walk Fab. 15, 2004 in Chuia Vista, Calif. He finished fifth, and failed to-earn a spot on the Olympic team. Hoppner was found dead at the foot of a freway bridge Thursday morning. The California Highway Patrol said the death of Heppner was a suspected sui-cide. He was 29.



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# Fourth straight: McMurray wins Busch race again at Rockingham

ROCKINGHAM, N.C. (AP) – Jamie McMurray used the latest scrape between Kevin Harvick and Robby Gordon to drive into the North Carolina Speedway record

books.

McMurray won his fourth consecutive Busch series race at The Rock on Saturday, passing Harvick for the lead with 20 laps to go when Harvick got tied up with Cordon.

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The victory in the Goody's Headache Powder 200 tied McMurray with Mark Martin, who swept the Busch races here in 1996 and 1997.

"It emember watching Mark win."

and 1997.
"It remember watching Mark win here before I was even racing stock cars," McMurray said. "I am not before I was even racing stock cars," McMurray said. "I am here in 2002, then swept both events last year. He's now within one win of the Busch record of five consecutive victories at any track held by Dale Earnhardt at Daytona and Jack Ingram at South Boston.

Boston.

After taking the lead, McMurray still had to hold off a hard-charg-ing Martin Trues Jr. over the final five laps to preserve the win. McMurray's Dodge beat Truex's Chevrolet to the finish line by about two car lengths to duplicate the finishing order from here last fall.

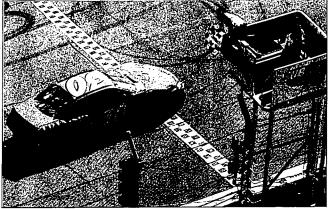
the finishing order trom nere sas-fall.

"Just like last year, we needed about five more laps and just ran out of time," said Truex, who led a race-high 68 laps in a car partially owned by Dale Earnhardt Jr.

The fourth and final caution of the race set up the ending, and legan when Aaron Fike crashed into the turn 3 wall. As his car sat idling on the track, Hermic Saller came around and drove straight into Fike's driver side door.

Fike was transported to a nearby Fike was transported to a nearby hospital for precautionary reasons. When the field resumed racing, Harvick was the leader, McMurray was second and Gordon, Harvick's Nextel Cup teammate at Richard Childress

Gordon, Harvick's Nextel Cup teammate at Richard Childress Racing, was a lap down. Harvick tried to pass him, Gordon tried to hold him off, and McMurray pounced as the two



Above, Jamle McMurray (30) crosses the finish line to win the Goody's Headache Power 200 Busch Series race at North Carolina Speedway near Rockingham, N.C., Saturday, Right, Jamle McMurray celebrates with his team in victory lane.

weren't paying attention. He went low on the track and passed Harvick for the lead. "It looked like Robby was trying to get his lap back and he shoved

to get ms iap back and he shoved Kevin up out of the way," McMurray said. "It was just per-fect for me, an easy pass." Harvick, who drives the Busch series car for RCR, ended up third. Gordon, who owns his own Busch team, finished 14th.

Despite being teammates in NASCAR's top series, the two have a long history of notorious feuds that doesn't appear to be cooling off

NASCARS top series, uncome a long history of notorious feuds that doesn't appear to be cooling off.

"That was a lapped-down existing into a leader," Harvick said when asked about it. "You'll have to ask the guy holding the steering wheel. I haven't talked to him, it's a waste of air."

Gordon said there was no postrace discussion between the two,

just a non-friendly gesture from Harvick.
"He told me I was No. 1," Gordon said. "But he does that every week."
Michael Waltrip finished fourth and David Green was fifth. Polesitter Johnny Benson was sent to the back of the field before the start because his Dodge was found to have an illegal spring on it after qualifying, but he rallied to nate an inth-place finish.

The engine troubles at Roush Racing continued when Greg Biffle blew his motor while leading midway through the race. Biffle had to give up his top starting spot in the Daytona 500 last week when his team changed his engine because of a problem discovered in the final practice, and teammates Martin and Jeff Burton had their motors blow up during the race.



NASCAR SUBWAY 400 PREVIEW.

# Slow-competition invades speedway

ROCKINGHAM, N.C. (AP)—
It was an opportunity too good to pass up, even for Joe Rutman, a grandfather of six who hadn't raced in NASCAR's top series in almost 10 years.

10 years. A short entry list for the Subway 400 at North Carolina Speedway opened the gates for a bevy of "field-fillers" to load up a race car and try to get into Sunday's event.

ger into Sundays even.
It was almost that easy:
Ruttman, Kirk Shelmerdine,
Carl Long
and Andy
Hillenburg
all made the,
race despite
being much
slower than

Ryan Newman earned the top starting spot by running a lap of 156.475 mph around the 1.017-mile oval. Hillenburg claimed the 43rd and final starting spot with a lap at 146.859.

146.859.

The massive speed discrepancies have the top drivers concerned about running side by side with clearly underqualified competition who could be lapped early in the

race.
"You want the highest quality of teams and drivers that you can possibly have to make it competitive, and so that you can run a nice, smooth race," said four-time series champion Jeff Gordon.
"The wast important thing

Jeff Gordon.

"The most important thing is, if there are teams out there that aren't up to speed, that they're smart about it and they're smart about it and use their heads. As long as they're not doing anything crazy or dumb, then they have every right to be out there."

As sponsor dollars are dwin-dling, leaving just 37 full-time

teains and 43 spots in the weekly field, the appeal of a competing for a portion of a \$4.7 million purse was just too inviting for the field fillers. So Ruttman, a 60-year-old grandfather who made his debut in NAS-CAR's top series in 1963, will be starting his



Andy Hillenburg perhaps to avoid having

Andy Hillenburg Saturday perhaps to avoid having to purchase expensive tires. Shelmerdine, who won four titles as crew chief for the late Dale Earnhardt, made the race with a crew of just four mechanics and starts 41st. He has made just two Nextel Curstarts since 1994.

Long, who made two starts two years ago, starts 42nd.
Hillenburg, who falled to make the Daytona 500 lass week, brings up the rear and ran a total of six laps in the starts of the

# Family ties give NFL prospects a leg up

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Quincy Wilson established himself as one of the nation's top college running backs last fall. But he still couldn't avoid the tag of "Lil Otis." Even as Wilson embarks on his own NFL career, some find it hard to separate him from his father, former Chicago Bears linebacker Otis Wilson. "Sometimes, I've thought, it would have been better if my dad had been a bench-warmer," Wilson said with a smile. "Being that he won the Super Bowl and the Super Bowl Shuffle and all that, it's never been that way."
Wilson, who polaved at West

Bowl Shuffle and all that, it's never been that way."
Wilson, who played at West Virginia, has learned to live with the surname his father established during the Bears Super Bowl run in 1986.

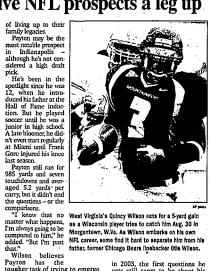
during the Bears' Super Bowl run in 1986.
He's also in good company at this year's NTL combine, which has turned into a family affair.
Favorite sons include Miami tight end Kellen Winslow Jr., whose father is a Hall of Famer, Miami running back Jarrett Payton, who was teammate of Wilson's with the Bears; and Florida running-back Aan Carthon, son of Maurice, one of Bill Parcells' favorite players with the New York Giants.
Of the roughly 335 invitees to Indianapolis this year, 10 had fathers play pro forball and six had brothers on NFL rosters last season. In all, 23 prospects have relatives with NFL experience.
Mississippi quarterback Eli Manning is the only one who has both a father, Archie, and a brother, Peyton, with NFL experience.
For these players, football is in their blood – and it's made a difference.
Growing up around the same, as

their blood - and its insue a sur-ence.
Growing up around the game, as Manning and Wisson did, taught the players the importance of prepara-tion and how to study film. Inherited traits, such as size and speed, also have helped some become legitimate NFI, prospects. What scouls like most, though, is that the family ties have kept them around the game longer, creating olayers who are more passionate

around the game longer, creating players who are more passionate and devoted to training, playing and winning.

"In many cases, they know what to expect and sometimes they better prepared," said Bobby Beathard, a senior adviser for the Atlanta Palcons. "In most cases, they do have a little better feel for the game."

The sons and brothers of stars still face a sometimes daunting task



that."
Wilson believes Wilson believes
Payton has the
tougher task of trying to emerge
from his father's shadow.
But Wilson is in much the same
situation. Even after rushing for
1,380 yards and 12 touchdowns

in 2003, the first questions he gets still seem to be about his father.
Wilson knows that may never change. So he's content in living up



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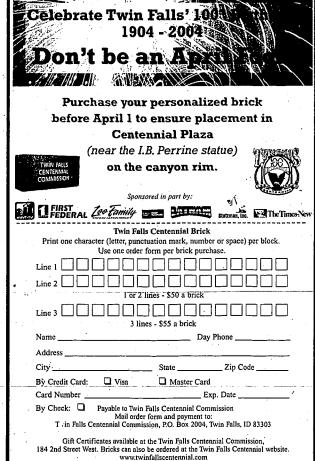
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Section D



# BRIEFLY IN MONEY

## **Author discusses** overcoming negativity

TWIN FALLS - Best-selling author Harry Chambers will present a one-day conference on how to maintain a positive focus in the workplace.

"Overcoming Negativity in Today's Workplace" is a full-day session designed to help participants discover causes of bad attitudes and remedies for neutralizing their influence. Participants will learn strategies for dealing with negativity and successfully implementing change, organizers said.

The session is designed for call

intuly implementing change, organizers said.

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#### Insurance advisers set meeting agenda

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TWIN FALLS - The March meeting of the Life Underwriters,
Southern Idaho Association of
Insurance and Financial Advisors will
feature a program on health savings
accounts by Steve Dodder, regional
sales director for Forts Health (now
Assurent Health).
The program's one continuing education credit is free for association
members and will cost 58 for Health
Underwriters members and 512 for
nonmembers. All insurance agents
are invited. The meeting will be held
at 11:30 a.m. March 2 at the Long
Hing restaurant on Kimberly Road in
Twin Falls.
For information, call Bill Hall at
324-0044.
Upcoming on April 6 is an associa-

324-0044.
Upcoming on April 6 is an association program offering four continuing-education credits to meet license requirements in law and ethics. The program will be presented by Idaho Department of Insurance personnel.

#### T.F. workshop aims to boost workers' careers

boost workers' careers

TWIN FALLS - Those who need help to start a career rolling may attend a free "Career Planning Workshop" offered by the Center for New Directions at the College of State of the College of College Colleg

# Corporations take caution after business scandals

anter JUSHIESS SCAIRGAIS

Some CEOS. say the legislative
response to business scandals is making companies more averse to engaging in risky behavior.

In a survey of 182 US, chief executives, 68 percent said they see corponations behaving more cautiously
because of risk and nearly half, 44
percent, said this is true at their own
companies.

Forty percent said the businese

companies.

Forty percent said the business environment is riskler than it was even a year ago, and about half complained about too much regulation. Still, the CEOS are very confident about revenue growth: 85 percent said-they'll meet or beat income targets this year.

Compiled from staff and wire reports

# bite out business?



# Proposed move of county offices may hurt some businesses

By Megan Hinds Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - The proposed move of some Twin Falls County government offices to the former Anderson Lumber building on the city's cast side has left a sour taste in the mouths of some business owners working to revitalize downtown Twin Falls.

But at Least one Twin Falls business.

owners working to revitalize down-town Twin Falls.

But at least one Twin Falls bus-ness intends to welcome the move.

The county's plan to consolidate intended the falls County offices in the 35,000-square-foot building on financing – it's not a done deal just but the plan goes through, about 90 county employees could be housed in the former Anderson Lumber building.

Many of those employees now eat, shop and do business in down-nown restaurants and stores, said Richard Crowley, co-owner of Crowley's Soda Fountain on Main Avenue.

Avenue.

Crowley's employees fear county workers with a lunchtime penchant for burgers, fries and malts would go to the franchised Sonie restaurant—just around the corner from the proposed county building—instead of driving across town to the 86-year-old downtown main-stay.

stay.
"Certainly, we're a destination restaurant," Richard Crowley added. "But people are busy. Two to three\_blocks! distance.can\_make\_a

three\_blocks'\_distance.can.make\_a difference when people are decid-ing where to go for lunch."

The restaurant has a group of regular lunch customers who work at the courthouse, said Crowley's co-owner Louise Crowley.

"I hate to see them move,"

Two to three blocks' distance can make a difference when people are deciding where to go for lunch.

- Richard Crowley, Crowley's Soda Fountain

Louise Crowley said. "I think we're worth making the rip for, but I'm just afraid it won't be convenient for our regular county customers to eat lunch here like they do now."

Niche restaurants in downtown can offer a more unique dining experience than many of the franchise restaurants elsewhere in town, said Tammy Dey, co-owner of The Gyros Shop on Main Avenue.

Dey and her husband, Brad, recently opened The Gyros Shop after an 11-year absence from downtown. The Deys also own and operate Gyros Banditto on Blue Lakes Boulevard. Tammy Dey said downtown businesses "will definitely be impacted" if the county moves workers to the cast side.

"If those workers are off on the-other-side-of-town, L-don't-think-hey'll come back down here unless there's something here they specifically want," Dey said. "But you never know — if those buildings they re leaving are bought up by other businesses quickly enough, we'll have even more business

down here, and more workers, too."
While downtown restaurants may stand to lose customers, at least one nearby store may not see any change in business at all. Betty Purves, coowner of Clos Office Supply on Main Avenue, said a move wort mean any difference in sales, as the store provides deliver to offices throughout the city. "We deliver to the county," Purves said. "We'll go to wherever they are."
Purves said it's too early to tell what effect the proposed county-offices move will have on downtown as a whole.
"It's just that unknown," Purves said. "You would hope people would be supportive of their downtown."
Downtown businesses could

said. "You wound nope peopur
would be supportive of their downtown."

Downtown businesses could
stand to see a reduction in business
by county workers as well as by
people who no longer need to go
downtown for county services, said
Jeff Hepworth, attomey and member of the Historic Old Towne business improvement district's board.
"When you have the county
buildings downtown - the motor
vehicle office and those offices that
are going to move - that creates a
-rremendous amount of traffic
flow," Hepworth said. "You go to
get your license renewed and you
go to lunch downtown If you take
the county out of there, it's going to
-cause a-ripple effect of fewer downtown businesses; we've already
seen it."

Twin Falls isn't unique in seeing
county and city governments moving out of downtown areas, and
that's exactly why the county
Please see MOVE, Page D4

# Agency proposes county offices remain downtown

By Megan Hinds Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - The city's Urban Renewal Agency will hold a special meeting Monday to draw up a proposal recommending that Twin Falls County commissioners keep county offices to downtown Twin Falls, rather than relocate to the former Anderson Lumber

relocate to the former Amouston, semi-building.

The agency will discuss options for the county to build on new property or consoli-date and relocate county offices in downtown or Old Towne, said Dave McAlindin, execu-tive director of Urban Renewal.

McAlindin declined to give specifics on locations the agency might suggest, or to address any role the agency might play to change the county government's inten-tions.

change the county government's intentions.

But Urban Renewal board member Jeff
Hepworth said there are several options the
agency could propose to the county, including remodeling the old Swift's Cheese building which is currently occupied by a publishing company, using the clinic owned by
Magic Valley Regional Medical Center on
Shoshone Street; and building on other unoccupied property in downforwn.

The county is open to suggestions from the
Urban Renewal Agency, Twin Falls County
Commissioner Tom Mikesel Said Friday.

"I don't know what's going to happen at
this point," Mikesel Said. "We're going to do
what's best for Twin Falls County."

The meeting will be held at 8 a.m. Monday
in the Twin Falls Cycouncil chambers, 321
Second Ave. E. The meeting is open to the
public.

Former Enron CEO Joff Skilling arrives In handcuffs at the Thursday in

Houston, Skilling. who resigned less than four months before the compa-ny shattered in scandal, surren-dered to the FBI and was taken to face criminal — charges.



# Skilling finally takes his walk

By Rachel Beck Associated Press write:

NEW YORK - Adelphia's John Rigas did it, so did Tyco's L. Dennis Korlowski, as well as countless other corporate executives. But this was the perp walk that so many have been waiting for - a former Euron CEO being led in hand-

former Enron CEO being led in hand cuffs. Sure, it took some time to get here it has been more than two years since it has been more than two years since the collapse of the energy giant once considered one of the most innovative companies in the world.

But to many people whose lives were badly damaged by the Enron fraud, that matters little now that Jeffrey Skilling has taken the first steps in what could be a long walk of shame. He might finally have to face his day in court.

rourt.

The 50-year-old Skilling became the highest-profile former Enron executive to face criminal charges when he was indicted Thursday for participating in widespread schemes to mislead government regulators and investors.

He resigned from Enron in August 2001, a surprise move that came four

months before the company filed for bankruptcy amid disclosures that offi-cials had hidden billions of dollars in debt and inflated profits to boost the

debt and inflated profits to boost the stock price.

Skilling has long maintained that the timing was pure coincidence, that he didn't know the company was in financial peril and was unaware of any wrongdoing taking place in the ranks.

"I am not one of the perpetrators," he declared to the Senate Commerce Committee two years ago, bucking the

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# BUSIN

# CAREER MOVES

#### Tonya Backus



ership and encourage them to participate in leadership roles. Backus, co-owner of Magic Valley Reatry, has been involved in real estate since 1997.

#### Kim Critchfield



of Idaho, pre-sented during the group's annual conven-tion in Coeur

d'Alene. Critchfield is a past president of the Professional Photographers of Idaho and has been an active member since 1976.

#### James T. Gose-Eelis

James T. Gose-Eells
TWIN FALLS - James T. Gose-Ells of Twin Falls completed the certified arborist examination administered through the International Society of Arboriculture and its local chapter.
The ISA Certification Program aims to improve the knowledge and standard of practice within the tree care profession. It honors professionals in arboriculture who demonstrate, through are maximized and education program, a thorough knowledge of tree care practices. Certification is valid for three years.
The society is a scientific and educational organization for dissemination of information in the care and preservation of shade and ornamental trees.

## Dennis Hope

TWIN FALLS - Dennis Hope received the 2003 award for "Going the Extra Mile" dur-ing the Twin ing the Twin Falls District Frito-Lay annu-al awards ban-quet.



quet.
The award recognizes distinguished service and attitude within the company and excel-lence in sales Hope and his wife, Vicki, and their family live in Burley. He has been a member of the Frito-Lay team for eight years. Bill Long



TWIN FALLS
- The 2003 Frito-Lay Perform-ance Award was presented to Bill Long for achiev-ing the highest district ranking and providing outstanding sales and serv-ice.

sales and service.

Bill Long Long has been a member of the Frito-Lay team for 11 years.

#### Nicki Leatham

TWIN FALLS - Idaho Nursery & Landscape Association members elected their 2004 board of directors at the organization's annual meeting during the Idaho Horticulture Expo in January in Boise.

Nicki Leatham of Pipeco in Twin Falls was elected as a direc-

#### Parts store employees

TWIN FALLS - Ray Alberdi, owner of Valley Brake & Truck Parts, announced three personnel John RosenKrance was hired





He completed nine months working in the relining facility working in the relining facility and two years as the lead country of the college of Southern Idaho.

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Beth Cofer

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RUPERT - Project Mutual
Telephone hired Beth Cofer as its
new marketing coordinator.
She has marketing and related
experience from work as an
account executive at Clear
Channel Communications Inc. in
Twin Falls, marketing editor at
the Radio Advertising Bureau in

Irving, and Texas; rrving, Texas; and prepress manager at Marketing Support Management Inc. in Dallas. At Raise State Sta

Beth Cofer Cofer carned a ba c he lo o's Gegree in communication and English with an emphasis in journalism and a master's degree in communication and a master's degree in technical writing.

Her new responsibilities include coordinating marketing research and campaigns, writing, proofreading and promoting new and existing products.

Cofer lives with, her husband, Matt, who is a custom farmer, and her two sons in the Paul area. She grew up in Rupert and graduated from Minico High School in 1987.

#### Irrigation directors



RUPERT RUPERT — Harold Heins of Rupert and Larry Moore of H e y b u r n received career service awards for 18 years of service on the service on the board of direc-tors for the A&B Irrigation District. Both were

Both were elected to the board in 1986. The two attend-ed meetings, set up policies and handled admin-

handled admin-istrative affairs for the irriga-tion district. Heins' position was over divi-sion 2 in the dis-trict, and Moore 15.

Larry Moore was over division 5.

Seth D. Pemsler



Ralston Purina), as well as smaller companies. He most recently was general manger, packaged foods for Hunhtamaki Oyj, a \$2.5 billion Finland-based global packaging company

Finland-based global packaging company.

Pemsler replaces Jack Hanson Pemsler replaces Jack Hanson that I daho Potato Commission. Hansen was with the commission for 12 years prior to list death in October. The Pemsler will be to set up facetofact and chief executive, said one of the first items of business for Pemsler will be to set up facetoface visits with the commissions retail field promotion directors and with key customers.

## MILESTONES

#### New T.F. husiness offers

eBay consignment services TWIN FALLS - Consider It Sold, a new business owned by Natalie Kite, opened for business in

Kite. Outsiness in Edwards of State State

# Glanbia parent company

Glanbla parent company breaks ground for plant
TWIN FALLS—Twin Falls-based Glanbia Foods Inc, announced the Feb. 6 groundbreaking of its parent company's joint venture in New Mexico – the new 5190 million Southwest Cheese Company LLC cheese and whey facility in Clovis. The venture is 50 percent owned by Glanbia ple with the balance primarily owned by Dairy Farmers of America Inc. and Select Milk Producers Inc. Southwest recently awarded contracts to

of America Inc. and Select Milk Producers Inc. Southwest recently awarded contracts Dahlgern/Skanska and Carlisle Process Systems to begin construction of the Clowis facility. Commissioning of the new plant is expected in the fourth quarter of 2005. Once fully operational, it is expected the new facility will generate annual sales in the region of 5350 million and employ about 220 people. Glanbia Foods of Winter and the selection of the Commission of the facility in the selection of the Commission of the facility in the falls will provide operational management for the facility in addition to handling all cheese sales, while Glanbia Nutritionals, out of its Monroe, Wis, office, will market nutritional ingredients derived from the whey stream.

Glanbia says the new factory will be one of the largest and most efficient plants in the world, annually processing over 2.4 billion pounds of milk and producing in excess of 250 million pounds of cheese and 16.5 million pounds of high value-added whey proteins.

# Audio companies name



#### Nursery association lauds Jerome's Moss Greenhouses

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JEROME - Moss Greenhouses
of Jerome received two awards
from the Idaho Nursery &
Landscape Association during the
recent Idaho Horticulture Expo in
Boise.
The awards, for business
entrances, were in the landscape
maintenance and the retail garden
center beaufitication divisions.
The awards program encourages
awareness of how professional
landscaping can beautify the envirompanies who enhance their surroundings and encourages the

TWIN FALLS – Business trainer Teri Stiffler of Salmon will preent two workshops for small-business managers and team supervisors. The workshops are sponsored by the Idaho Small Business Development Center at the College of Southern Idaho.

"Reducing Stress in the Workplace with Humor" teaches how to use humor without disrupting the flow or production of the workplace.

Sherry Rust, training coordinator at the ISBDC, said the session is a fun, interactive class that uses music and laughter as stress relievers.

The class is designed to teach

music and laughter as stress relievers.

The class is designed to teach supervisors and employees as teams how to incorporate stress relievers into the workplace in

appropriate ways that will increase productivity. The pro-gram is particularly suited to peo-ple in the medical community and

TWIN FALLS - Business trainer

green industry to maintain a high level of workmanship and materi-

#### CableOne offers pair of lower-cost packages



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TWIN FALLS - Cable ONE said its customers can lock in the price of two special cable television packages for two years. The two-year rate guarantee applies to Cable ONE's Lifeline (\$27.95) services, designed \$157.95 per month) and Digital Lifeline (\$27.95) services, designed as lower-cost, tailored network prices, tailored network prices, tailored network prices, tailored networks as lower-cost, tailored networks as lower-cost, tailored networks cable that cost is an important issue for our customers so we've decided to take this unprecedented action to guarantee these rates to 2006; "Russ Young, Cable One general manager in Magic Valley, said in a statement. Lifeline features local broadcast networks, Chypan and local independent networks, including PES. Digital Lifeline's features include local broadcast channels, 40 music channels, pay-perviews and the Hallmark Channel. Customers can select from 35 payper-view channels and-have the additional option access to 43 premium channels.

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Sonic Corp. plans to participate in conference
TWIN FALLS - Oklahoma City-based Drive-in chain Sonic Corp.—which includes franchised locations in Twin Falls and Jerome—will participate in Bear Stearns 10th Annual Retail, Restaurants & Apparel Conference in New York City this week.

The investor presentation by Sonic Conference in New York and the Conference in New York and the Conference in New York City this week.

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The investor presentation by Sonic Sonic Presentation of the Company's Web site, wow.sonicdrivein.com. The event will be available for replay also.

Also, Sonic said it remains comfortable with the current mean analyst earnings estimate of 23 cents per diluted share for its second quarter, which ends Feb. 29.

Wells Extro annunces

#### Wells Fargo enhances Spanish online services

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TWIN FALLS - Wells Fargo &
Co. announced enhancements to
its online services in Spanish,
including the ability to apply for
deposit accounts (checking; savings and time accounts), credit
cards and InterCuenta Express - a
service that allows Medicans in the
United States to send funds to
their families through a Wells
Fargo account.
New online services in Spanish
at Wells Fargo also include educational centers for Latino homebuyers, small businesses and consumers. The centers are part of a
bilingual online financial literacy
program called "El futuro en tus
manos," or Hands on Banking.

#### Lithia Motors managers will attend conference

TWIN FALLS - Managers of Oregon-based Lithia Motors Inc., which has a Twin Falls auto dealer-ship, will present at the Raymond James 25th Annual Institutional Investors Conference in Orlando, Fla.

Fla.

Investors can listen in online at 7.15 a.m. March 3. The presentation will cover Lithia's financial results and an overview of the com-

results and an overview of the com-pany's strategy. To listen, register online at www.wallstreetwebcasting.com/we bcast/rjii04, using login "event"

Workshops address stress, communication

and password "viewer." Go to the site at least 15 minutes early to resister and to download and install any necessary software. Preregistration is available. A replay will be available for up to 30 days. There is no charge to access the event.

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A copy of the presentation will be available on Lithia Motors' Web site at www.Lithia.com.

# Champion Enterprises touts

CHAIRBON EINETHENESS TOURS debt reduction despite (bosses FILER — Michigan-based Champion Enterprises Inc. — a housing manufacturer which owns retailer Westward Homes in Filer — touted its "debt reduction, stronger cash balances and improved operating results despite continued difficult market conditions" while reporting losses. For the fourth quarter, Champion reported revenues of \$291 million and a loss from continuing operations of \$3.5 million, or 6 cents per diluted share. Results included \$1 million of present continued the strength of \$3.5 million or 6 per share the strength of \$3.5 million or 6 per share the strength of \$3.5 million or 6 per share the strength of \$3.5 million income tax benefit.

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In the fourth quarter of 2002, the company had revenue of \$3.50 million and a loss from continuing operations of 7 cents per diluted afare, or \$2.9 million, with included pretax restructuring charges of \$7.5 million, a \$1.5 million gain on debt retirement and tax benefits totaling \$13.8 million.

For the full year, Champion had revenues of \$1.5 pillion and a loss from continuing operations of \$83.9 million, or \$1.5 per diluted share. In 2002, the company reported revenues of \$1.5 per diluted share. In 2002, the company reported revenues of \$1.5 per diluted share. The company exited its consumer finance business in the third quarter of 2003, and related amounts are reported as discontinued operations for all periods.

#### Longview Fibre announces results for first quarter

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TWIN FALLS – Longview Fibre
Co., the Washington-based operator of a Twin Falls container plant,
will announce first-quarter financial results after the close of regular trading on Tuesday and host a pm. conference call that day to discuss the results.
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Access the call by dialing 800901-5247 and using pass code
68919751. A telephone replay will
be available at 882-286-8010; use
pass code 59555826.

This call will also be webcast at
Longview Fibre's Web site,
www.longviewfibre.com.

#### Sun Healthcare Group completes \$56.2M financing

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TWIN FALLS - California-based
Sun Healthcare Group Inc. - owner
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# CONTRIBUTION

■ South Central Community

South Central Community Action Partnership's weatherization program helped the Pregnancy Crisis Center through funding provided by Idaho Power Co. to weatherize nonprofit organizations that primarily seems of the properties attict, insulated the floor, heat ducts and water pipes; and provided air-sealing measures.

Since 2000 one project per year has been completed by SCCAP and Idaho Power to help ofter nonprofit organizations that served now-income residents of Magic Valley. The purpose is to reduce organizations' heating costs so they can use the savings to provide more services to the people they help.

The Pregnancy Crisis Center says it is an emergency pregnancy service dedicated to helping women continue their pregnancies in a normal, healthy manner.



Jim Mason, left, Idaho Power Co. service delivery representative, presents Marilyn Scott, executive director of the Pregnancy Crisis Center, with com-pact fluorescent light bulbs as the finishing touch to the weatherization work done on the facility by the South Central Community Action Partnership. Ken Robinette, executive director of SCCAP, is at right.

The center offers a 24-hour hot-line and free pregnancy tests with confidentiality and is staffed by trained volunteers concerned

# Please see page D-3 for more Contributions

#### Money in brief

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can also be customized as a full-day event for any organization, she said.
Class will be held from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. March 16 in Room 277 of the Taylor Building at CSI. Cost is 539 per person.

• "Communication Managers and Team Supervisors" is designed for all types of management.

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Rust said this event helps man-agers understand flow to encour-age productivity and loyalty from employees while making their value to the business know.
She describes it as a pointed, interactive session with candid discussion and practical applica-tions.

discussion and p.--tions. This class will be held from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m, March 17 in Room 277 of Taylor Building at CSI. Cost is

\$39 per person.

Those who want to attend both classes can register for \$65 total.

Preregistration and prepayment are required. For information, contact Rust at 732-6455 or srust@csi.edu.

#### Medical assistants will hear about communication

TWIN FALLS - The Magic Valley Medical Assistants will meet at 6 p.m. Wednesday at the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center education building (ald Norco building on Addison Avenue).

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Curtis Peterson of Pocatello, a graduate of training in industrial organizational psychology through the Gateway Human Performance Co. in Pocatello, will-speak—on—"Organizational-Communication for the Medical Office."

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# YOURBUSINESS

## FIRED UP FOR BANOUET



For the 14th year D.L. Evans Bank donated a rifle to the Mini-Cassia chapter of the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation for its annual banquet. The event fea tures door prizes including the Remington 30-06 rifle. The handuat will be tures over prizes, including the Hemington 3-945 fills. The Danquet will be held at 6:30 p.m. March 5 at the Burley Inn Convention Center, 800 N. Overland Ave. Pictured from left are Roger Racer, D.L. Evans Bank branch manager; former Gov. John Evans Sr. and John Evans Jr. of the bank; and Jim Pelton and Ken Schmidt of the foundation

# CONTRIBUTION

Wells Fargo is donating more than \$55,000 to 51 Idaho school districts through its Team Up for Our Schools program, created to help support public schools during a time of budget challenges. The Twin Falls School District will receive \$1,940. Last summer, Wells Fargo announced it would donate up to \$30 to local school districts for qualified new accounts opened during the two-month Team Up for our Schools program. In Idaho, the program ruised \$41,550. In addition, \$5 Idaho Wells Fargo stores were honored for their lead-gripp in the program, and they were given checks of \$250 – for a vital of \$14,000 – to donate to a school or school district of their



choice.

Besides the Twin Falls district, recipients in Magic Valley medically former School District, 5410;

Gooding School District, 5410;

Gooding School District, 5130;

Good of in g Elementary, 5250;

School District, 5400; Mindely School, 5250; Shoshone Joint School District, 5400; Mindely School District, 5250; Paul School District, 5250; Dworshak Elementary, 5250; and White Fine Elementary, 5250.

# Supermarket strike may have nationwide impact

Knight Ridder News Service

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LOS ANGELES - The biggest labor conflict in years plays out daily in Southern California, as thousands of supermarket employees walk picket lines from congested city streets to sunglazed occanfront towns.

Almost 60,000 workers, toting placards as weathered as their spirits, remain locked with three national grocery chains in a nearly five-month-old standoff over health care and wages. The dispute has the attention of labor and management in the Philadelphia region and around the country because of its potential to influence negotiations well beyond California.

"If the employers succeed, not only will it affect supermarkets across the country, but other employers in other industries may attempt similar changes," sall Ruth Milkman, director of the University of California's Institute for Labor and Employment.

The supermarket chains Albortsons, Kroger and Safeway-have been standing firm. They say they must significantly cut their labor costs to compete with Walhart, the, nonunjun retail giant that is expanding into the grocery industry in California.

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their way in trimming coverage, leaders of the United Food and Commercial Workers say, all employers will take it as a cue to do the same.

empluyers ma. worker would be adversely impacted by this strike if we lose the strike over medical care," said fixle faza, president of UFCW Local 770 in Los Angeles. The grocery chains say it is time for workers to share the cost of health care. Currently, employees now no premiums.

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"The platinum standard is no longer affordable when health-care costs are rising 12 to 15 percent a year," said Terry O'Neil, a spokesman for Kroger. "When we are competing against retailers that provide little or no health coverage, that puts us at a competitive disadvantage." The two sides resumed negotiations on Feb. 12 for the first time in weeks and have talked every day since.

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Also at stake, labor advocates say, is one of the last union careers in Southern California, that can push low-skilled workers into the

middle class. Employees can receive up to \$18 an hour, family health insurance and a pension.

In a broader sense, the relevance of the labor movement is being tested. Union membership habbeen in a steady decline—129 habbeen in a steady decline—129 habbeen in a steady decline—120 habbeen in 1983, a cording of 20.1 percent in 1983, a cording to the U.S. Department of 20.1 percent in 1983, a cording to the U.S. Department of the country to the country to the proposed the state of the country to the country

area unions.

But what Young sees in
California worries him: The lingering strike has wounded the
stores and the union.

The grocers have lost more than
\$2 billion in combined sales
because of the strike, analysts
estimate

the strike, analysts the union has been criticized for misjudging the supermarkets resolve. As companies with national resources, the grocery stores could weather a regional conflict. It wasn't until weeks into the strike that the unions adopted a national strategy to pressure the companies.

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Most workers return to the picket lines day after day, even as their crumbling finances and relationships make them think twice about keeping up the fight. There are stories about repossessed cars and houses, divorces and attempted suicide.

are stories about repossessed cars and houses, divorces and attempted suicide.

On a chilly Monday night in downtown Los Angeles, Noel Enriquer, a 20-year employee, stood over a fire fueled by wood pallets swiped from the Vons supermarket's trash and stared at the full parking lot.

"The regular customers are now coming back," Enriquez said. "Now they just go in. They say, Get out of the way."

The labor dispute began Oct. It, when workers walked out at Safeway's stores. Two other large chains, Albertsons Inc. and Kroger Co.'s, Ralpi's Supermarkets, then locked out their unionized employees. More than 850 stores were affected.

#### The Times-News

BOISE – Following is the list of businesses filed during January with the Idaho secretary of state's office – including both new ones and existing ones that had been filled with counties and had to be refilled with counties and had to be refilled with the state.

Businesses are listed by name, agent, address and nature of business.

ness. 20/20 Electric LLC, Peter A. Wood, 1878 S. 2400 E., Gooding,

Wood, 1878 S. 2400 E., Gooding. D83330.
20/20 Properties LLC, Peter A. Wood, 1878 S. 2400 E., Gooding. D83330.
3E Dentistry, Bret Davis DMD, PC, 1537 Addison Ave E., Twin Falls, ID 83301, services.
5C Investors LLC, James H. Coulter; 231 Robin Hood Drive, Hailey, ID 83333.
891 Building LLC, Mark J. Fisher, 891 Warm Springs Road, Kerchum, ID 83340.
A. Scott Pickup, 1995 Hiland Ave, Burley, ID 83318, services.
ABC Marketing LLC, A. Blair Crouch, 362 E. 500 N., Jerome, ID 83388.
Advantage Signs & Banners.

83338. Advantage Signs & Banners LLC, David G. Anderson, 483 Washington St. N., Twin Falls, ID 83301.

Allgood Construction

Allgood Construction & Maintenance Inc., J.R. Fischenich, 208 Spruce Ave. N., Ketchum, ID 83340.

Alpine Heating & Sheetmetal LLC, Darren D. Turner, 110 Quarterhorse Road, Bellevue, ID 83313.

83313.
American Lenders Service Co. of Twin Falls, Canyonside Towing & Recovery Inc., 517 Silver Beach Drive, Jerome, ID 83338, services.
The Angel Landscaping, Sergio Bedolla, PO. Box 4482, Ketchum, ID 83340, services.

necoula, F.O. 80x 4482, Ketchum, D83340, services.
ASB Properties LLC, Andy Barry, 2514 E. 3707 N., Twin Falls, D83301.
Audiology Associates Inc., Jay C. Lloyd, 4044 Canyon Ridge Drive, Twm Falls, D83301.
Avda Vrrvitan Serva Property Owners Association, Pauline Noe-Holland, 114 Cochise Drive, Halley, D83333, services.
Aw Island LLC, George R. Kirk, 220 Second Ave. S., Suite 201, Halley, D183333.
B Line Farms Inc., Brian Beau, 44 W, 532 S., Burley, D83338.

Hailey, ID 83333.
B Line Farms Inc., Brian Bean,
44 W. 532 S., Burley, ID 83318.
Babcock, & Associates, Reno
Babcock, P.O. Box 2375, Hailey, ID
83333, services.
Bean Agribusiness Inc., Wayne
R. Bean, 650 S. 200 W., Burley, ID
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Bean Agriousiness Inc., Wayne R. Bean, 650 S. 200 W., Burley, ID 83313. Bellini LLC, Brian Barsotti, 215 Picabo St., Suite 304, Ketchum, ID

St. Suite 50-, Refellum, D

Benjamin Audio Electronics
and PC Repair, Nancy P.
McArthur, 1130 Fremont Drive,
Win Falls, D 83301, services.
Bonner, Rossociates, Torene E
Bonner, P.O. Box 5021, Sun Valley,
D 83354, services.
Burnham-Waterhouse LLC,
Stephen Frinske, 621 Deerfield
Drive, Halley, ID 83333.
Calvary Tabernade Church
Inc., James Shannon Lastinger,
2532 E. 3707 N, Ivin Falls, ID
83301, religious corporation.

2532 É. 3/07 N, Twin Falls, TD 3301, religious corporation. Canvasback MFG LLC, Mary Am Cullen, 550 Woodriver Drive, Ketchum, ID 83340. Canyon Springs Bar & Grill, McCollum Enterprises Ltd., P.O. Box 112, Twin Falls, ID 83301, retail trade. Cars-guys, Glenn H. Lane, P.O. Box 1530, Hailey, ID 83333, retail, wholesale and services. CD Ranches, Milt Ward, P.O. Box 245, Rupert, ID 83350, agri-culture.

Chester Real Estate LLC, Corporation Service Co., 2404 Addison Ave. E., Twin Falls, ID

83301. Cojo Creations, Connie J. Jones, 902 H St., Rupert, ID 83350, man-

902 H St., Ropert, D 83350, manufacturing.
Collette Construction LLC.
Briun-J-Collette, 129 Stonegate-Circle, Ketchum, D 83340.
Circle, Ketchum, D 83340.
Circle, Tall Robin Hood Drive, Halley, D 83333.
Croscodile Flats LLC, Michael Shum, 371 River St., Ketchum, D 83340.
Crossrada Par

83340.
Crossroads Resource Center,
William G. Campbell, 3503 E.
3000 N., Kimberly, ID 83341, serv-

3000 N. Kimberly, D. 83341, services.

Commins and Sone Inc., Daniel Cummins, 4418 E. 3300 N. Murraugh, D. 83344, E. 1300 N. Murraugh, D. 83346, E. 1300 N. Murraugh, D. 83346, Custom Marble & Tile, Donna Kay Ewaniuk, 888 Rim View W., Twin Falls, D. 83301, construction. Custom Works, Shannon Eggleston, 927 Caven Ave., Buhl. D. 83316, retail trade.

CW. Acquisitions LLC, Rob Cronin, 521 Deertrail Drive, Halley, D. 83335.

D&P Vander Stelt LLC, Donald Vander Stelt, 256 S. 500 E., Jerome, D. 83338.

Daizel Racing, Dawne L. Daizell, 1937 Julie Lane, Twin Falls, D. 83301, retail trade.

# BUSINESS-FILINGS

Richard Marion, 511 Marble St., Kimberly, ID 83341, construction. Jugged Edge, Kamala Brewerton, 2026 Elizabeth Blvd., No. 122, Twin Falls, ID 83301, serv-ices.

ics. M. Edelstein LLC, Jan M. Edelstein, 720 Fourth Ave. S., No. A4, Hailey, ID 83333.

JCM Enterprises LLC, Jon C. McGregor, 110 Bitterroot Lane, Ketchum, ID 83340.

Jerome Title & Escrow Co., Dexter T Ball Jr., 905 Shoshone St. N., Twin Falls, ID 83301.

N., Iwin Falls, ID 83301.
John Goin Trucking Inc., Sarah
Goin, 393 N. Conant, Burley, ID
83318.
John Martens Trucking, John E.
Martens, P.O. Box 99, Declo, ID
83323, transportation and public
utilities.

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Lucky's, Armando Silva, 156 Main Ave. N., Twin Falls, ID 83301,

services.
The Lynn Rasmussen Team
Inc., Lynn C. Rasmussen, 1445
Addison Ave. E., Twin Falls, ID

Inc., Lynn. C. Rasmussen, 1445 Addison Ave. E., Twin Falls, ID 83301. Magic Computer Services, Joan Goble, 617 Fourth Ave. E., Gooding, ID 83330, services. Magic Drywall Inc., Dale A. Rogers, 4141 Black Oak, Hailey, ID 833333. Magic Valley Eggles, Amanda Shaw, Radio Rondevoo, 241 Main Ave. W., Twin Falls, ID 83301, services.

Ave. W., Twin Falls, ID 83301, services.
Malad Bend Properties LLC,
Greg Wokerstein, 1470 E. 1850 S.,
Gooding, ID 83330.
Martens Agri-Spray, John E.
Martens, P.O. Box 99, Declo, ID
83232, services and agriculture.
MID Fire Prevention, Mike Udy,
IS29 E. Idaho Highway 77, Malta,
ID 83342, services.
Meyer Livestock, Randy Meyer,
1058 E. 900 S., Albion, ID 83311,
services.

1058 E. 900 S., Aldron, ID 000 A. services.
Michael Morgan Associates PC.
Michael D. Morgan, 101 Kast
Drive East Fork, Hailey, ID 83333.
Mink Masonry Inc., Jeffrey
Wayne Mink, 575 E. Ave. E,
Wendell, ID 83355.
Miramar, William Manley, 214
Main, Gooding, ID 83330, retail

Miramar Mexican Restaurant, Jose Varela, 401 Main St., Hailey, ID 833333, retail trade and servic-

es. Mitch Gutches Plumbing & Heating Inc., Mitch Gutches, 206 Bayborse Road, Bellevue, ID 83313.

83313. MJ Pets, Kent S. Johnson, 2481 E. 3700 N., Twin Falls, ID 83301, retail trade.

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Monterey Equity Fund LP,
Geneva Equities LLC, 120 Second
Ave., Suite 206, Ketchum, ID

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Mountain Meadow Motors Inc., Wynn Mosman Esq., IEC 72 Box 2588, Malta, ID 83342. N' Style Clothes, Magdalena Perez, 944 N. Eisenhower St., Jerome, ID 83338, retail trade and services.

Jerome, ID 83338, retail trade and services.
Niffer Necklaces, Jennifer Entress Upson, P.O. Box 7145, Ketchum, ID 83340, retail trade.
Olsen Chiropractic Center PLLC, Joshua Olsen, 2612, Overland Ave, Burley, ID 83218.
One Rock Farms Inc., Robert B. Harris, 22800 U.S. Highway 30, Hansen, ID 8334.

David W. Thompson, Attorney at Law, David W. Thompson, 201 E. Falls Ave., No. 22, Twin Falls, ID 83301, services.
Davis Recoveries, Sabrina G. Davis P.O. Box 153, Richfield, ID 83304, services.
DB Tuning, Troy Debie, 1341
Ashley Drive, Twin Falls, ID 83301, retail and wholesale trade.
Dead on Construction, Jeremy Hazen, 1945 Bitterroot, Twin Falls, ID 83301, construction, Debx Cleaning Service, Debbie Gutknecht, 228 Dubois, Twin Falls, ID 83301, construction.
Debx Cleaning Service, Debbie Gutknecht, 228 Dubois, Twin Falls, ID 83301, construction.
Debx Cleaning Service, Debbie Gutknecht, 238 Debx 18, No. 1, Ketchum, ID 83340, Twin Falls, ID 83336, finance, insurance and real estate.
Blamond B. Bairy, Deb

83338, Inance, insurance and real estate.

Diamond B Dairy, Deb Brandsma, 3227 S. 2200 E., Wendell, ID 83355, agriculture.

Diamond W Farms Inc., Judy Lynn Woody, 2286 E. 4350 N., Filer, ID 83328.

Dirty Bird's LLC, Erik Heiden, 315 E. Carbonate, Hailey, ID 83333.

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83333.

Discount Dave's Gift Center,
David Andrews, 235 Fifth W.
Wendell, ID 83355, retail trade.
Doggett Livestock, Cory
Doggett, 440 Jade Circle,
Kimberly, ID 83341, agriculture.
Don's Irrigation Repair, Don
Ford, 294 S. 300 E., Jerome, ID
83338, services.
Double Dyentures LLC, Dennis
H. Dimond, 1424 Idaho Highway
25, Jerome, ID 63338.
Double Jack's, Hugh Hurd, 3565
N. 4500 E., Murtaugh, ID 83344,
retail trade.

tail trade. Durf Ed-Lift, Edwin Durfee, 673 400 S., Burley, ID 83318, manu-

Elk Horn Express LLC, Jay Thacker, 183 Crestview Road, Paul, ID 83347. Emery Goin Trucking Inc., Sarah Goin, 393 N. Conant, Burley, ID 83318.

Sarah Gom, 393 N. Conant, Burley, D 83318. Engberg & Son's Furniture, Skip Gingberg, P.O. Box 522, Twin Falls, ID 83303, nanufacturing. Farley Construction, Greg Farley, 4466 E. 3600 W. Murtaugh, D 83344, construction. Fast Cash, Frank Adams, 118 E. Main, Wendell, ID 83355, finance, insurance and real estate. Flaman Rentals of Twin Falls LLC, Randy T. Musser, 3272, Falls Wee, E. Twin Falls, ID 83301. Frank's Lock & Key, James M. Uhl, 812 Rim Yiow Lane W., Twin Falls, ID 83301, retail trade and services.

George Ward LLC, Earl Jay asper, 3692 Sherman St., Twin

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Casper, 3692 Sherman St., Twin
Falls, ID 83301.

The Gilman Group Inc.,
Nicholas Pfeil Gilman, 218 E.
Walnut, Hailey, ID 83333.
Go Premier LLC, Val G. Dillie,
3302 N. 4000 E., Hansen, ID 83344.
Gonzales Enterprises, Pat
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Gonzales, 182 Falls Ave. W., Twin
Falls, ID 83301, retail trade.
Gordo Management LLC, G.
Kent Taylor, 401 Second St. N.,
Suite 201, Twin Falls, ID 83301.

H&R Block Tax Services, Jann
West, 210 N. 840 E., Declo, ID
83221, services.
Half & Nalls Etc., Julie Durbin,
123 Brooklane N., Twin Falls, ID
83301, services.
Half Moon Murketing

Hair & Nalis Etc., Julie Durbin, 123 Brooklane N., Twin Falls, ID 83301, services. Haif Moon Marketing Solutions, Jinger Burton, 225 E. 3775 N., Filer, ID 83328, services. Haif Pint Productions, Donald Heiken, 24 E. Second St., Dietrich, ID 83324, retail trade. High Flains Development Inc., David R. Price, 1200 Overland Ave., Burley, ID 8338. Holiday Motel, Terra Trading, 615 Addison Ave. W., Twin Falls, ID 83301, services.

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Homestead Acres Homeowners Association Inc., Lyna Rasmussen, 1445 Addison Ave, E., Twin Falls, ID 83301.

Idaho Financial Consulfants, Verlene M. Clairborn, 488 Bluckes Blvd, N., No. 104, I'win Falls, Lakes Blvd, Tinance, insurance and real estate. Idaho Recovery Services, Magic Valley Collections & Recovery Inc., 704 Second Ave, N., Twin Falls, ID 83301, services.

The Fine LLC, Shaum Mahoney, 101 S. Main, Bellevue, ID 83311. Integrity Advisors, Paul R. Graff, 3728 N. 2300 E., I'win Falls, ID 83301, finance, insurance and real estate.

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real estate.
Intermountain Orthopedic
Clinic, RMJ Safari PLLC, 496-F
Shoup Ave. W., Twin Falls, 198301, services.
J & J Dairy, Jesus Hurtado, 3249
S. 1950 E., Wendell, ID 83355, agriculture.

J G Tool Co., John L. Gillette, 1434 Malta Ave., Burley, ID 83318,

nd real estate.

I.R.M. Construction Co., James

Harris, 22820 U.S. Highway 30.
Harsen, D. 83334.
Orthopro Inc., David A.
Blackman, 348 Fourth Ave. S., Twin
Falls, D. 83301.
OTS LLC, Kathy Pruett, 710
Buckhorn, Hailey, ID 83333.
P. & M. Enterprises, Norn E.
Paoli, 944 Wirsching Ave. W., Twin
Falls, D. 83301, wholesale trade.
Parr Co., Mary J. Parr, P.O. Box
9222, Hailey, ID 83333, services,
manufacturing and construction.
Phantom Glass Creations, Barry
Stronczek, 309 E. Pruce, Hailey, ID
83333, wholesale trade.
Ploneer Outflitters LLC, Devan
G. Jackson, 221 Golf Course Road,
Jerome, ID 83338.
Precision Computer Technology,
Eric Larson, P.O. Box 287, Wendell,
ID 83358, Pretail trade.
Product Improvement Group
LLC, Reed Gibby, 576 S. 650 E.,
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# Amalgamated studies feasibility of extending pressed pulp's use

#### Ground-water pumpers await IDWR decisions

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RUPERT - With the 2004 irrigation season just around the corner, ground-water pumpers on the north side of the Snake River still are waiting for several decisions to be made that will impact their operations.

One of those decisions pumpers are waiting on is the fate of the pre-liminary mitigation plan pumpers in the Magic Valley and North Snake ground water districts submitted to the Idaho Department of Water Resources last October. Approximately 60 protests were filed against that preliminary plan. A decision is expected on that plan by early April.

Lynn Tominaga, executive direct of the Idaho Ground Water.

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Lynn Tominaga, executive director of the Idaho Ground Water
Association, Inc., told members of
the Magic Valley Ground Water
District at their annual meeting on

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trend of former Enron executives
who had invoked their Fifth
Amendment rights. "The entire
management and board of Enron
has been labeled everything from
hucksters to criminals, with a complete disregard of the facts and
evidence assembled."

It is showed such confidence during that congressional testimony
and media appearances around
that time that some-legal experts
said that investigators might never
pin anything on him. But bir
proclamations thave done little to
convince many of his innocense,
especially those most hurt by this
mess – the thousands of Euron
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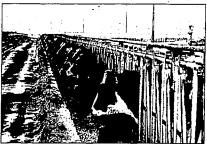
plunged.

Their reasoning has merit:
Skilling was the CEO of Enron,
presumably in charge of running
the company. How could he really
be so detached?

The answer may come before

Skilling

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Dairy cattle at Martin Livestock, near Paul, are fed pressed pulp, a by-product of Amalgamated Sugar Co. The company recently received a grant to explore the feasibility of expanding its pressed pulp operations.

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

Feb. 17 that talks are continuing with spring users in the Hagerman Valley. The hope is to reach an agreement that would keep the matter out of the cours, he said. Tominaga also told pumpers that the Endangered Species Act is much more important to their future than they might assume. Environmental groups have reflied a 60-day notice of intent to sue the federal government to force more water from the Upper Snate Reservoir System to be used for salmon recovery efforts.

#### Nation's milk cows churn out less milk from last year

out less milk from last year WASHINGTON - Milk production in the 20 major states during January totaled 12.5 billion pounds, down 0.9 percent from January 2003, according National Agriculture Statistics Servicetion, at 12.3 billion pounds, was down 0.2 percent from December 2002. The December revision represented an increase of 0.5 percent or 62 million pounds from last month's preliminary production estimate.

estimate.
Production per cow in the 20

major states averaged 1,620 pounds for January, 5 pounds above January 2003. The number of cows on farms in the 20 major states was 7.72 million head, 92.000 head less than January 2003, but 5,000 head more than December 2003. The annual production of milk for the U.S. during 2003 was 1703 billion pounds, 0.1 percent above 2002. Revisions to 2002 production increased the annual total by 0.2 percent. Revised 2003 production was up 0.4 percent from last month's publication.

#### Idaho cattle producers look to beef up herds

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TWIN FALLS - For the eighth
year in a row, beef numbers
nationwide slipped during 2003,
dlaho's cattle and calves - up in
2001 and 2002 - slid in 2003 as
well, but a University of Idaho
Extension livestock economic
expects Gem State beef herds to
start rebuilding again this year.
In his February "Cattle
Inventory Report," C. Wilson
Gray notes that Idaho beef producers are hanging onto 5.5 percent more heifers than they did
last year. That compares with 1.9
percent fever nationally. With
processing plants losing interest
in cull cows in the wake of madcaw concerns, Gray said Idaho
producers may also, decide to
squeeze another calf or two out of
older animals rather than accepting a steep discount at the
slaughterhouse.

pleaded guilty last month to two counts of conspiracy, and has agreed to cooperate with the gov-ernment. He has admitted that he and others manipulated publicly

and others manipulated publicly reported financial results to mis-lead investors, pump up the com-pany's stock and maintain credit-

worthiness.

And there could be more to come. Richard Causey, Enrops, former chief accounting officer who also reported to Skilling, was named in the indicement unscaled Thursday. His lawyers have declared he has done nothing wrong, and will fight accusations that he was the principal architect of the fraudulent schemes.

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Still, with dozens of individuals charged in this case, Enron's other top executive has yet to do his perp walk. Former chairman Kenneth Lay hasn't faced a single charge.
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Now with Skilling in the hot seat, who knows how long that will last.

# **Nomination form**

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# **Publication calls for nominations** of exceptional business people

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS - Do you know a young business owner or manag-er with exceptiona. motivation? Ingenuity? Entrepreneurial spirit? Give them credit where credit is

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Business.
Fill out the following applica-tion form and tell us why your

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Any questions? Contact Hinds at 735-3238 or mhinds@magicvalley.com.

# Inflation could be on its way back, analysts say

Knight Ridder News Service

MIAMI – Inflation took a sur-prisingly large leap upward in January, and an increasing num-ber of analysts say conditions are ripe for a limited return of the cone-time scourge of the American economy. January's increase in the con-sumer price index was larged attributed to higher gasoline and heating oil prices – which could part of the control of the con-trol of the control of the colla-tic growing federal deficit and the solid growth of the overall economy.

The outlook is a sharp contrast to the last several years, when the country basked in so-called disinflation, or progressively lower rates of inflation. Although it's difficult to estimate how high inflation might go, a rate approaching 3 percent seems increasingly plausible, or nearly three times the rate of the last year.

year,
"I don't want to sound the
alarm bells," said Mark Vitner, an
economist with the Wachovia
banking organization.
"But I think the process of
disinflation is now\_behind.

us."
To be sure, there are many experts who remain convinced inflation isn't an imminent threat. Most notable in this camp is Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan.
And Viner doesn't predict a return to the debilitating double-digit inflation that at times crippled the U.S. economy in the 1970s.

Furthermore, slightly higher

Furthermore, slightly higher inflation may in fact bring some positive changes, such as allowing companies to boost prices and their bottom lines.

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# Move

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should reconsider the move to the
former Anderson Lumber building. Hepworth said. The move
would go against "everything the
city has tried to work for" in terms
of urban renewal. He cited efforts
by the city of Meridian to build a
new downtown City Hall in order
to revitalize the area.

Tammy de Weerd, the newly
elected mayor of Meridian, campaigned on a platform of downtown revitalization and has called
for the building of a new City Hall
to boost potential to draw customers downtown, a Boisse newspaper reported.

Downtown Twin Falls business
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powntown Twin Falls business owners agree. It's too early to predict what will happen to downtown until the county deal is 100 percent certain. But one business plans to welcome the country offices into its neighborhood.

The owners of the Garden Cafe about one business.

neighborhood.

The owners of the Garden Cafe, about one block north of the former Anderson Lumber building on Addison Avenue, have already Addison Avenue, have already made plans for increased lunch-time traffic, said co-owner Jane

the court, where each and every one of his moves during his 11-year tenure at the company vill surely be dissected to determine what he knew and when.

Skilling was named in more than three dozen criminal counts, 10 of them specifically accusing him of insider trading that generated \$62.6 million from stocks 502.6 million from stocks 502 million from stocks 502 million in fores to convicted of all the counts.

He has pleaded not guilty and will return to court March 11. But this case against \$610 million the stock of all the counts. He has pleaded not guilty and will return to court March 11. But this case against \$610 million the stock of all the counts. He has pleaded not guilty and this far, largely because it has been tough to build a trail of paper, or at least of testimony, leading up to him. The key to a conviction may hinge on what information comes from other Enron executives.

Former CFO Andrew Fastow, who reported directly to \$kitling,

-McCarron. The restaurant has expanded its seating and may hire an extra employee to make deliveries to the county building. McCarron said that while proposed county move is a boon to the Garden Cafe, downtown businesses that provide valuable services to their customers shouldn't be overly concerned. "Not if you have quality produced by the conference of the county of the county of the conference of the county of the

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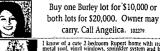


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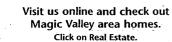




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Dear Mr. Wolff: i know that a 2-2 split is in essence more likely than a 3-1-split. But are there other factors that will influence when to play for the finesse — such as opponents' bldding, or their showing up with length in another suit? Dropping In, Fredericksburg, Va.

ANSWER: The theory of vacant spaces basically says that if one defender is known to have two more cards than his partner in the suit or suits that you can count out, you should play him for a singleton, not a doubleton, in your critical suit. I would recommend the article on Restricted Choice in the "Encyclopedia of Bridge." which covers the subject in depth.

Dear Mr. Wolff:

I picked up ▲ A-Q-6-5. ▼ K-5-2, ◆ K-7-6. ♣ A-Q-5 and heard multi-0 ponce spade, raised to two spades by my RHO. Was I wrong to pass? I could not think of what to do, though my partner suggested that a natural bid of two no-trump would have gotten us to four hearts — which would have made.

L## at the Gate, Oak Bldge, Tean.

ANSWER: On this auction, partner figures to have no points — and not necessarily a long suit. and not necessarily a long sur, a so bidding may turn a plus score on defense into a minus score. Also, a two-not-trump call might have been treated as Unusual, for the minors. Having said that, since partner is likely to be short in spades, double is unlikely to get you into too much trouble!

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show four or more diamonds and show four or more diamonds and no major. A pass suggests four clubs but no real strength in the suit. Over that call, and also over the redouble, partner can bid two diamonds as natural and nonforcing, and two hearts to get out in a major at the two-level.

Dear Mr. Wolff:
How should one bid when the opponents overcall in your suit, but you are playing negative doubles?
I was dealt \* Q.10-7.5-4. \* J.2.
\* K-7-6. \* A-9-3. My partner opened one club, and the next hand overcalled one spade. Juguessed to bid one no-trump, but my partner criticized my choice afterwards.

ANSWER: If you decide to go headhunting, you should pass and await a reopening (takeout) double from your partner. Then you could pass, and collect whatever penalty you can manage. This is a small drawback to the negative double. Once in a while when you pass, partner fails to reopen with a double. Then again, sometimes he is right not to do so.

Dear Mr. Wolff: Should a raise of one of a major to four always be pre-emptive? What would you do with a flat 9-11 points but five-card support? Can you also bid game with that hand too?

ANSWER: Raises to game are pre-emptive — though quite wide-ranging in competition, up to an opening bid. In uncontested auctions, some people have experimented with playing a three-no-trump response to a major as exactly the hand you describe. That is, you have less than opening values, but some defense, and a desire to play partner's major at the four-level.

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The Times-News

Sunday, February 22, 2004

Section 1:

# at last

The big headline is splashed across the country — all the way from Malibu, I guess: "BARBIE IS NOT STANDING BY HER MAN."

Mattel had promised big changes in Barbie doll's life, with storylines to be unweiled at last week's international Toy Fair in New York City, Now we know the truth, Barbie and Ken are splitsville, with Mattel employing the same publicist who announced the news about I.L o and Ben to tell the world that Barbie is dumping her boyfriend of 33 years.

All of this comes amid speculation about Early's busy schedule consumed by her 90 different careers, Mattel isn't commenting, "out of respect for Ken's feelings."

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respect for Ken's feelings."
But according to one Knight Ridder Newspapers article, "Barbie has thrown over Ken for Blaine, the brother of her new best friend Summer (yep, Midge has been dumped, too). Blaine is described as an Australian surfer, with spikier hair and a body that is a bit more buff than Ken."
There are also reports that Barbie more relevant for 7-year-old girls. Then there are those Bratz—with which MGA Entertainment has cut into Barbie's market share. The Bratz are a hip-hop dolls who, to put it nicely, show more flesh than Barbie.
Some people believe the true story is that Ken ran off with one of the Bratz.
Spokespeople have said this is not a divorce, since Barbie and Ken never officially married, but I seem to remember Barbie bridal fashions somewhere along the way. And I know my daughter's Barbie married Ken. I remember seeing her marching the duo around.—d saying, "Ken, do you take Barbie to be your awful weedded wife?"
I guess the split was only a matter of time. There have been signs of troble for years. 1959 debut, in that backid ponytail, Barbie has worked hard then took on a California girl suntan. During the 1990s, she dabbled with a NASCAR look and sometimes deliptone and laptop computer (in a black faux leather bag) by day and was transformed into a "Matte Barbie and ken." ensemble by night. In between these two lives, she scrambled into a Tshirt and capri pants and hung out with SpongeBob Squarepants in a "Barbie Loves SpongeBob" gifset.

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The Barbie dolls of my daughter's childhood - with their briefeases and credit cards - wouldn't have been caught dead at the same party with the Barbie dolls of my own youth. And yet, whatever Barbie decides about her future, she will continue to fiture into every family's memory.

about her future, she will continue to figure into every family's memory-book. Everybody seems to have a Barbie story to tell. "It cut my Barbie's hair so many times that she started to look like Ken." Or, "That big pink townhouse contained better stuff than we ever owned ourselves." Or, "Torced my little brother to play Barbies with me and he made his GI be shoot their heads off and I cired." I suppose, in reality, Barbie has always fit into the world of her owner, becoming whatever we needed her to be.

My grandmother made my Barbie doll clothes – glamorous red dresses with can-can slips for evenings on the dance floor, and pedal pushers with thy plaid picnic bags for Saturdays at the lake. Never once did it dawn on me that my Barbie's wardrobe might reflect the fact that we couldn't afford all those store-bought Barbie fashions.

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—Denise-Turner-is-assistant feature editor at The Times-News.

Barbie flies solo, Spring break (for grownups)

This year, try leaving the kids home

Ready for a really subversive idea? Go someplace warm for spring break - and don't take the

idea? Go somepiace warm toy spring break-and don't take the kids.
"There are such places, but you have to look a little," said Diana Rolig, who runs 4 Ways Travel Service in Twin Falls. "College kids tend to go places that are cheap and easy to get to if you're willing to spend a little more, or go a little out of your way, you can find places that aren't crowded." Kauai, for example, the most

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islands. Most tourists go to Oahu,
Maui and to the big island,
Hawaii.
Or the Mayan coast of Mexico.
Or Cabo San Lucas and the outof-the-way coastal resorts to the
north.

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"Phoenix isn' a big destination for kids during spring break," Rolig said. "And all the college kids in the Phoenix area have gone someplace else."

The thing its, you'd better make your reservations yesterday.
"March 15 to April 15 is a heavy travel period," said Roxie Simcoe, who owns Desert Sun Travel in Twin Falls. "And if you're looking for a cruise or a package, at this point you're going to have to take what's left."

That said, Simcoe and Rolig send hundreds of couples south during late winter – often impulse trips inspired by bad weather.

"Two had people come in this

weather.
"I've had people come in this winter and say, 'I want to go someplace warm; I don't care where."

Here are seven off-the-beaten-path options for adult spring-breakers:

Mojave National Preserve,
located an hour and half
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National Preserve is 696 highway
miles from Twin Falls; that's a 10

miles from Twin Falls; that's a 10 1/2-hour drive)

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3 Las Vegas. Attractions: You name it. Facilities: There are nearly a dozen resorts in Las Vegas with better than 3,000 rooms, but there are also three Motel 6's, several dozen bed-and-breakfasts and more than 100 campgrounds. Weather Highs in 70s; lows in the 50s.

Cost: The cheapest round-trip airlare listed on expedia.com from Boise to Las Vegas is 5192 for departure on March 11 and return on March 12. There's no limit on how much you can pay for a suite at a resort, but Vegas famously cheap horel rates start at about 545 a night. Campground RV rates range from 518555. And as always, you can save real money with one of a many packages available from travel agents.



Mojave National Preservation is an ideal, off-the-beaten-path destination for grownups during spring break, featur-ing some of the tallest sand dunes. thickest forests and multiple recre ation opportu-nities in the

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How dan gerous is our world? The risk analysts

# How risky is life? Let us count the ways

The Washington Post

Ricin in the mail, airline flights canceled due to possible terror plots, something hideous called a prion lurking out there among the mad cows. A kid in Washington goes to school and leaves with a fatal gunshot wound. An 11-year-old grid in Florida is led away by a strange man and winds up murdered.

These are just a few of the grim stories from the past few days, some of them deeply disturbing and traige, others more in the category of unnerving, or simply bewiddering. They all drive home the feeling that life is a risky business. Just when you absorb one type of danger, someone invents a new one-SARS or avian flu or something only grant called nainotechnology.

And yet even if the news offers constant affirmation to the paradioid, the hot political story involves weapons of mass destruction that increasingly appear to be nonexistent. A new government investigation will try to discover how "we were almost all wrong" about Iraq's arsenal, in the words of former CIA weapons hunter David Kay.

Thus a fair question to ask around the water cooler is, how discover to be a second of the water cooler is, how discover to be a second of the water cooler is, how discover to be a second of the water cooler is, how discover to be a because the water cooler is not word?

The only certainty is that risk analysis is a booming industry, even though daily life for most people is measurably safer than it used to be.

"Life expectancy in the United States is nearing double what it was just a hundred years ago," And yet even if the news offers astant affirmation to the para-

says David Ropeik, coauthor of "RISK!: A Practical Guide for Deciding What's Really Safe and What's Really Safe and What's Really Safe and What's Really Dangerous in the World Around You."
"Just since 1960, infant mortality has gone down roughly a third, Polio's gone. Measles largely gone. Smallpox gone," Ropeik says. "The major scutrges, major threats, are gone. But we don't care, because our job is not to think about what used to threaten us, our job as primates is to get to tomorrow."

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This is the evolutionary biology viewpoint: We may be genetically predisposed to find things to worry about. The idea is, we're all in a competition for survival, and-the vigilant are more likely to pass along their genes. The really

Please see RISKS, Page E2

# Here's five ways to find the Fountain of Youth

Health experts say focus on these five basic nutrition mes-sages if you're looking for longevi-ty:

1. Lifestyle can improve on bad genes. Experts predict diet, exercise and a healthy lifestyle can make up for less than optimum genes and add up to 10 years to a life span.

2. Increase the amount of fruits and vegetables you eat. Five servings is not enough. (And omost of us do not even get that many.) The National Cancer Institute recently changed their slogan from "Eat 5 a Day" to "Eat 5 to 9 a Day," the number of servings recommended for active teen boys and men.

Turns out not only are fresh fruits and vegetables packed with vitamins, they are also loaded with phytochemicals that scientists think may ward off heart disease and cancer and other age-related diseases including Alzheimer's and macular degeneration, a retina disorder that car cause blindness.

3. Excess weight can kill. Americans are dangerously

cause blindness.

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Americans are dangerously
obese: in the past two decades, 65
percent of adults and 13 percent
of children have become over-

weight or obese.

It is well-known that excess weight causes chronic conditions such as diabetes and heart disease, but more recently researchers have begun to draw a connection between obesity and certain types of cancer.

4. Downsize your diet.
Americans are eating more and more when we should be eating less. From the politics of farm commodity groups to the savey marketing tactics of fast-lood purveyors. Americans are induced to play the role of super-consumer.

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To make their point, many nutrition experts say it is time to 
scrap the USDA's decade-old food 
Guide Pyramid. They blame the 
federal government's bureaucratic 
process for creating an icon that 
is easily recognizable but ultimately lacking in enough detail to 
help Americans make smarter 
food choices.

5. Get off the couch. The 
Institute of Medicine recently 
said that adults who wanted to 
maintain their weight should 
exercise at least an hour a day 
most days of the week. The 
govmment and other fitness groups 
say 30 minutes of moderate activity most days a week is enough to 
reap substantial health benefits.

Source: Kansas City Star

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Friday: Lasagna, tossed salad, french bread, green beans, dessert

Activities: Monday: Quilting, 9 a.m. to 2:30

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### West End Senior Citizens Inc. 1010 Main St., Buhl

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Activities: Today: Buffet, 1 p.m. Monday: Cards, 6-9 p.m. Exercive, 10 a.m. Thesday: Quilting, 8-3 p.m. Tax Assistance, 9-3 p.m. Thrift Store Bay Sale Wednesday: Exercise, 10 a. Thrift Store Bag Sale Wednesday: Exercise, 10 a.m. Thrift Store Bag Sale Thursday: Quilling, 8-3 p.m. Thrift Store Bag Sale Friday: Exercise, 10 a.m.

### Filer Senior Haven

Dinners served at noon on Thesdays and Thursdays. Suggested donation: 33 for seniors. Home-delivered meals are available each meal-time.

Menus: Tuesday: Hot beef sandwich Thursday: Fried chicken and gravy

### Jerome Senior Center

212 First Ave. E.
All dinners served at noon.
Suggested donation is \$3.

Monday: Chicken enchiladas, refried beans, cottage cheese, fruit, conting

cookies
Tuesday: Chili and beans, tossed salad, fruit, cinnamon rolls
Wednesday: Beef stew, corn bread, 'fruit salad, peach cobbler
Thursday: 'Turkey potatoes and gravy, carrots, jello fruit, tapioca puddine.'

ding Friday: Chicken patties, potatoes and gravy, coleslaw, juice, birthday cake, ice cream

Activities:
Monday: Aerobics, 11 a.m.
Gem State Fiddlers, noon
Learl begins
Tuesday: Pinochle, 1 p.m.
Snack bar, 6 p.m.
Early bird bingo, 6:45 p.m.
Bingo, 7 p.m.
Wednesday: Aerobics, 11 a.m.
Pinochle, 7 p.m.
Birthday Dinner

Ageless Senior Citizens, Inc.

310 Main St. N., Kimberly Coffee and milk served daily.

Menus:
Monday: Sandwich, chicken noodie soup, green beans, tossed salad,
peas, coffee
Wednesday: Hot turkey sandwich,
jello, potato salad, cookie, vanilla
pudding
Friday: Pork chops, potatoes, gravy,
peas, tossed salad, rolls, apple crisp

Activities: Monday: Foot clinic Board meeting, 1:30 p.m. Tuesday: Bingo, 7 p.m. Thursday: Crafts, 1 p.m. Friday: Bingo, 11:55 a.m. Pinochle, 1 p.m.

### Gooding County Senior Citizens

308 Senior Ave.
All dinners are at noon. Suggested denation 53 for seniors.

Menus:
Moday: Lasagna pepper cod,
potatoes au gratin, stewed tomatoes,
broccoli salad, bread, coolde
Tuesday: Spaphetti wi meat sauce,
Italian veggies, green salad, garlic
bread, custard
Wednesday: Hot turkey sandwich,
potatoes wi gravy, pickled beets,
pears, cottage cheese, devil's food
cake:

promise critical criticals, called Thursday: Pit ham, potatoes w/gravy, green beans, bacon bits, Sumi salad, roll, pumpkin squares

Monday: Pool, 9:30 a.m. Pinochie, 12:30 p.m. Wild one, 6 p.m. Tuesday: Pool, 9:30 a.m. SCCA, 9:15 a.m. Pool, 1 p.m. Bridge, 6:30 p.m. Wednesday: Pool, 9:30 p.m.

# Risks

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esten by align.
Robin Cantor, former president
of the Society for Risk Analysis,
puts American voorries interpers
spective. At annual meetings of
her society, scholars from developing countries often deliver papers
about malnutrition, sturvation,
loods and diseases. Scholars in
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threats. Rather than starvation,
We're acrually faced by the risk of
obesity. She says.
Accurding to the Harvard
Center for Risk Analysis, the annual odds of deing of heart disease
are 1 in 397. (a crude figure,
reached by dividing the population
by the munber of heart disease
deaths, obviously the risk is far
lower for snagg people). The odds
of dying of cancer are 1 in \$11.

From a car accident: 1 in 6,745.
From homicide: 1 in 15,440.
From bioterrorism: 1
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From bioterrorism: 1 in 56,424,800.

"We obsess incredibly about things that are relatively minor, especially things that involve long polysyllabic names," says Greg Easterhrook, author of "The Progress Paradox How Life Gets. Better While People Feed Worse." The average person is much more likely to be killed by Twinkies than by weapons of mass destruction." There are discernible patterns to the way we analyze risk. We are particularly worried about risks involving things beyond our immediate control. The reason people don't fear Twinkies is that they feel fully in control of the fattening pastry. A person makes a risk-benefit make way tat and

try. A person makes a risk-benefit analysis: might make you fat and eventually kill you, but in the meantime, tastes good.

# Break

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Coos Bay.North Bend.
Charleston, Ore., located four hours south of Portland (Coos Bay is 776 highway miles from Twin Ealls; that's a 12-hour drive). Facilities: Moderately priced hotels and motels, camprounds. Attractions: College students in large numbers typically don't venture south of the Reedsport. Florence area of the Oregon Coast during spring break; antiquing, beachcombing, camping, hiding Weather. Highs in the 50s; lows in the 40s (and it will rain). Cost: Minimal, ranging from \$24 a night at the Coos Bay Motel 6 to \$68 at the Red Lion. Campground RV rates range from \$29.545 a night.

Learn more: Call (\$41) 259.0215 or-log on to http://www.oregonba-yareachamber.com

Massages, 10.40 a.m.
Computer Lessons, 12.45 p.m.
Shuffleband, 6 p.m.
Thursday, Pool, 9.30 a.m.
Birthday dinner, noon
Sing-A-Long, 12.30 p.m.
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Pinochie, 7 p.m.
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Bowling, 13.0 p.m.
Bowling, 13.0 p.m.
Blogo, 6 p.m.
Saturday, Talent show, 5:30-6:30 m.

### Hagerman Senior Center

Magerman Sentor Center
140 E. Lake
Open 8 am. to 2 pm. Mondays,
Wednesdays and Fridays. Lunch is
served at noon and Mondays,
Wednesdays and Fridays. Suggested
donated is 53, non-seniors 54 and children under 12, 52.

Menus: Monday: Turkey roast, potatoes id gravy Wednesday: Fried chicken Friday: Chicken and dumplings

### Silver and Gold Senior Center Eden

Eden Suggested donations for seniors is \$3. All meals include salad, dessert, fruit, milk and coffee. Mondays are cookie and bread bake days and Wednesdays are cinnamon roll and maple bar bake days. Closed Monday for Martin Luther King Day.

Menus: Tuesday: Ham, mashed potatoes, reen beans, salad, cake, ice cream, green beans, salad, cake, ice cream, rolls
Thursday: Hamburger, scalloped potatoes, mixed veggies, fruit salad

Activities: Wednesday: Bake Day Bingo, 7 p.m., Hamburgers

### Golden Years Senior Citizen, Inc.

218 N. Raii St. W., Shoshone Milk, coffee and orange juice cryed daily.

Enchiladas, refried h rice, corn bread, zuctuesday: Enchiladas, refried beans, Spanish rice, corn bread, zuc-chini nut bread Thursday: Submarine sandwich, potato soup, carrot sticks, millionaire

Activities: Monday: Exercise, 9 a.m. Coffee, 9:30 a.m. Quilting, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Tuesday: Pinochle, 1 p.m. Wednesday: Scrapbooking, 10 a.m. Scrapbooking, 10 a.m. Snack bar, 6 p.m. Early-bird bingo, 6:30 p.m. Bingo, 7 n.m. Bingo, 7 p.m. Thursday: Exercise, 9 a.m. Coffee, 9:30 a.m. Friday: Pinochle, 1 p.m.

# Richfield Senior Center

Milk, coffee and orange juice served daily. Menus: Monday: Fried chicken, scalloped potatoes, buttered peas, cole slaw, birthday cake, ice crean Thursday Turkey salad sandwich, vegetable soup, lemon pie

# **Blaine County Senior** Center 721 Third Ave. S., Hailey

721 Third Ave. S., Hailey Menus: Tuseday: Spoghetti wi meat sauce, green salad, garlic cheese bread, pincapple, cottage cheese, lettuce, banana split cake: Wednesday: Tuna noodle cassed. Celegia of the color of th

Activities: Monday: "Over 60 and Fit," 9 a.m. / Tuesday: Massage, 10 a.m. Exercise, 1:30 p.m. Wednesday: "Over 60 and Fit," 9

Tax assistance, 10 a.m.
Tax assistance, 10 a.m.
Thursday: Exercise, 1:30 p.m.
Friday: "Over 60 and Fit." 9 a.m.
Saturday: Trip to Fort Hall Casino,

# Three Island Senior Center

492 E. Cleveland Ave,
Glenns Ferry
Meals served at noon Monday,
Tuesday and Thursday, beverages
with meals. Rides are available by
phoning the center at 366-2051.
Suggested donation is \$3 for seniors,

\$5 for non-seniors under 60, and \$2.50 for children under 12.

Menue:
Monday: Polish sausage, sauer-kraut, scalloped potatoes, peas and carrots, tapioca
Tuesday: Baked chicken, potatoes and gravy, Ratian blend vegries, roll,

Activities: Tuesday: Hearing clinic, 10 a.m. -

noon
Tax aide, 1-5 p.m.
Friday: Tops, 9 a.m.
Cardio, 1 p.m.
Saturday: Pancake breakfast, 7:3010 a.m.
Cop meeting

# **Camas County Senior** Center

Center
127 E. Willow, Fairfield
Noon meals are served Tuesday.
Wednesdays and Pridays. The center
is open from 9 - 2 on meal days. The
cost of the meal for non-seniors is
\$3.50; children under 10 are \$2.00.
The suggested donation for those 60
years of age and older is \$2.50.

Menus: Tuesday: Sausage goulash, garlic bread, salad, bananas, jello Wednesday: Hamburger, potatoes, fruit, cookies Friday: Pork roast, mashed pota-toes, gravy, peas and carrots, roll, fruit, cake

Activities
Monday, Art class, 9 a.m.
Weight loss group, 7 pm.
Weight loss group, 7 pm.
Doublet, 50, 10:30-2 pm.
Wednesday, Pool, 10:30-2 pm.
Thursday, Quiling, 9-2 pm.
Priday, Pool, 10:30-2 pm.
Quilting, 9-2 pm.

### Minidoka County Senior Citizens Center

702 11th St. Rupert
Meals are served at noon and home delivered upon request. Juice and assorted beverages are served every day with meals. Gift shop hours are Monday through Friday, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Menus: Monday: Salad, finger steaks, oven browns, peas, pudding

Tuesday: Salad, lasagna, carrots, garlic bread, sherbet Wednesday: Salad, chicken rice, green beans, rolls, sherbet Thursday: Chef salad, Texas toast,

cake Friday: Smorgasbord

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Activities:
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### Golden Heritage Senior Center

Menus: Monday: Whatever's in the freezer, cream peas, fruit salad, pumpkin cus-tard Tuesday: Baked ham and cheese, sandwiches, veggie soup, apples, tapi-

sandwiches, veggies osup, apples, tapi-cea pudding Wednesday: Salisbury steak, nod-dies wi gravy, veggies, bread sticks, Charà salad, marionberry cake Thursday: Theo salad, refried beans, green salad, rice, peaches, power bar Friday: Fried chicken, potato and gravy, green beans, herb roll, fruit salad, black forest cake

Activities:
Monday: All play pool, 10 a.m.
Exercise, 11:15 a.m.
Pinochle, 1 p.m.
Tuesday: All-play pool, 10 a.m.
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Computer class, 1 p.m.
Bingo, 7 p.m.
Wednesday: All-play pool, 10 a.m.
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Exercise, 11:15 a.m.
Prinochle, 1 p.m.
Bingo, 1 p.m.
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# Simply For Seniors

# What the fleckis SOSEP?

by Ronda Addy

Americans love their acronyms. So just what does SCSEP stand for? It stands for Senior Community Service Employment Program. The next question is what is

SCSEP is for people with low incomes who are 55 years or older and have poor employment prospects. The

- services include: · An assessment of skills
- A formal program orientation
   Creation of an Individual Employment Plan, which identifies barriers to employment and recommends assignments, training and services to overcome the
- Assistance in setting employment goals,
- Help in preparing a resume
- Referral to employment opportunities
   Follow-up meetings, evaluations and reviews to determine-your-progress and-the-next-step-in-your-

Eligible applicants are placed in nonprofit or public/ community services agencies. Participants work at least 20 hours a week for no less than the current minimum

Due to a lost pension, job displacement, divorce or death of a spouse, many older adults have to return tó the workforce, By providing training, encouragement and job search assistance, SCSEP allows low-income job seekers to do just that.



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# Sunday Crossword Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

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# Best pet intentions go awry

One of the great joys of pet ownership is that they give us the ability to laugh – both at their silly antics and sometimes at the really dumb 'things we ourselves do sometimes our best intentions go awry and everything we do just goes from dumb to dumber.

Author Stephanie Marston, is collecting stories for a humor anthology, "Living Stupid: Dumb Things Smart People Do". In case you're wondering just what qualifies as a Living Stupid story, Id like to share a couple of stories of funny things that pee lovers have done.

funny things that per lovers have done.

Amanda, from Dayton, Ohio, had adopted a tomcat, Smokey, that used to roam in the woods near her house. Smokey, a fluffy gray and white Maine Coon, seemed to think he had to act extra macho to counteract his frilly appearance. He came and went as he pleasant, antil Amanda and her husband moved to a new apartment. The new home was on a busy street, so Smokey became a strictly indoor, and the new home was on a busy street, so Smokey became a strictly indoor and the strictly and hids to aggravate, he grew bored. As a result, Smokey began to "stalk," Amanda and her husband and playfully tear up the place. Amanda had read somewhere that two cats are better than one because they could play with each other rather than make mischief. She forgot to ask Smokey's opinion of this plan.

Amanda brought home a second tat from the local animal shelter,

puber rather than muse museums.
She forgot to ask Smokey's opinion of this plan.
Amanda brought home a second cat from the local antimal shelter, large black and brown tubby that they named Nipper. The two felines disliked each other immediately (which stands to reason you wouldn't kiles someone you didn't know moving into your control of the same process with you either). Amanda remembered hearing abbour, That you wouldn't know moving into your control of the same process. The same process will be same process. The bashroom, dhibbed tuna juice on he cats and left them alone. When she returned the cats had licked file tuna water off each other and were good friends.
Feeling confident, Amanda stuck both of the cats in the bathroom, dripped tuna water on them, and left them for half an hour When she returned neither cat had budged. Not only had they not cleaned each other, they hadn't cleaned themselves.
The tuna water had partially dried, causing their fur to mat and stuck of dead fish, Admitting fail-

THE BOND Marty Becker

# The question about declawing

To declaw or not to declaw, that is the question on many cat owners'

the question on many cat owners' minds these days...

If we pretend that I'm your veterinarian and you're asking me.that question about your cat, 98 percent of the time I'm going to stand strongly on the side of not declaw-

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ure, Amanda washed both cats with the only shampoo she had available, strawberry scented. When she was done instead of two grumpy, were care care strawberres who still didn't like each of two grumpy, were care meeting of tuna, she had two grumpy, were care someting of tuna, she had two grumpy, were care someting of the same she will be care to the strawberres who still didn't like each of the grape was didn't like each of the strawberres who still care to some of the fumpy things we do with our beloved pets.

During the summer, Stan frequently picks up his kids and their friends at one of the many beach clust had case, his black Labrador retriever, loves car rides and usually accompanies him on these trips. Casey is a typical Lab. Labs are the some of the sweetest, most lovable animals God ever created. Also, Casey, like most Labs, is ship-cracking smart. In fact, she's smart enough to have figured out how to work the power windows in Stan's van, a talent that occasionally pirted them against each other, nose to muzzle, in a battle of wills. When Stan insisted on keeping the windows up, either because of excessive heat or cold, Casey would often ignore his desire and paw the button to lower hers. If

Stan put it back up, she simply pressed the button again, and then stared at him as though to inform Stan that she would outlast him. And, inevitably, she did.

On a recent trip to the shore to get the kids, Casey rode in her usual shotgun position. It was stiflingly hot and Stan had the air conditioning on, so she mercifully allowed him to keep the windows up. He stopped at the guardhouse at the entrance to the beach club to inform the teenage girl on duty that he was there to pick up passengers and waited for her to wave him through, Casey stared impassively straight ahead.

Spotting his stoic companion, the young lady informed Stan that the beach club had strict rules prohibiting dogs, even if they were confined to a vehicle. He was faced with the unpleasant prospect organized and walking about 300 yards in the hot afternoon sun. Thinking quickly – and, sensing an opportunity for some fun—Stan anapped his dark sunglasses and said, "The afraid you're going to have to make an exception for me. You see, I'm legally blind aircan pub her paw on the button, lower than the sensing and the law to discriminate against a legally blind driver with a New Casey here is a New York State Certified Guide Dog. "Casey picked this exact moment up the pray wo on the button, lower than the sensing and the sensing the search of the sensing the same and the search moment to put her paw on the button, lower than the sensing the same and the search of the

Former Twin Falls veterinarian Marty Boker is the coauthor of the new book "Chicker Sout for the Horse Inner's Soul" and a popular veterinary contributor for ABCs "Good Marning America" Write to him in care of Knight Ridder/Thbune News Service, 790 National Peres Building, Washington, D.C. 2004S.

# Mom struggles with questions from young son she gave up



DEAR ABBY Jeanne Phillips

### Write to Abby

Send letters to Dear Abby, PO. box 69440, Los Angeles, Calif., or via her Web site at http://www.DearAbby.com

How do we explain that I loved him so much that I gave him to his mommy and daddy but I'll be keeping this baby?

- BIRTH MOTHER IN PHILLY DEAR BIRTH MOTHER: I knowyou are well-intentioned, but I urge you to rethink having Billy be a part of your wedding. Please consider the effect it would have on him to be introduced to your extended family for the first time at your wedding. Also, the question of why you would "give him away" and keep the other child is one that should be dealt with over time—and by his adoptive parents with support from you if necessary.

As he crows older he will have

with support from you it neces-sary.

As he grows older, he will have more questions, and they should be answered honestly and at an age-appropriate level.

For now, however, I think creat-ing some distance would be

DEAR ABBY: I am a 17-year-old rl in my last year of high school.

BEAR ABBY: I am a 17-year-old girl in my last year of high school. Throughout school I have made good grades and participated in the band as well as my sport outside of school.

My problem is this year I coach my sport twice a week in addition to playing on the team, playing in the band, and trying to keep my grades up for university and school arriving applications. On top of that, I habby I find the tall! When I get them at night, I'm so thred I can barely finish my homework or study for tests. My marks have begun to suffer. I'm having trouble sleeping, and I cry a lot. I have begged my parents to let me drop something, but they won't let me. I really want to do everything, but I can't.

How can I get my parents to understand?

—TOO TIRED TOSTUD DEAR TOO TIRED Since your parents don't seem to be getting the message, find an ally to whom they will listen. Confide in a trust-d teacher or school conuselor, and ask that person to intervene for you before your stress level gets any higher. No one can do everything, and perhaps your parents need to hear it from an educator.

Dear Abby is written by Jeanne Phillips.

# Try something different, Scorpio

IF FEBRUARY 22 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY ... you hear the call and are ready to have some excitement in your life. You may not always walk to the beat of the same drummer that everyone close does. You may be tempted to jump on a new bandwagon in the near future and head off in a fresh direction to follow intriguing and fascinating rhythms. Change is good, don't resist. You will soon have the freedom to go wherever your heart leads.

dom to go wherever your heart leads.

ARIES (Mar 21-Apr. 19): Take stock and reflect upon what is most important to you. Starting something new in your career will surely succeed, but put off initiating major changes in your love life until later in the week.

TAURUS (Apr. 20-May 20): Anything undertaken with the spirit of true friendship will go well. Today is a good time to set goals for the future as they will magically take wing all by themselves.

GEMINI (May 21-lune 20): You

selves.
GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You may have a chance to shine in the spodlight, or you might have a flash of career inspiration from a magazine or other reading material. The mood is fast-paced and impulsive, so you should be in your element.
CANCER (June 21-July 22): Although concerns center on making it in the outside world, you are slowly but surely reworking your

HOROSCOPE Jeraidine Saunders

personal philosophy and ideals. Take the lead from the brilliant and exemplary people you stum-ble across. Don't take criticism too

Take the lead from the brilliam and exemplary people you stumble across. Don't take criticism too personally.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): There may be an urge to experiment with something off the beaten track, but the mood of other people might not be as furthoring. Don't confuse those closest to you by clamming up. Keep lines of communication open; much of importance can be said.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Trying something different might be just the thing to break you of a humdrum day, It is a good day to start new projects, especially with a partner. It's an even better day to write down your thoughts or talk things over with someone close.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You may wish to use today to start a diet or initiate a new work project. Your mind's still on creativity and entertainment, however, so discussions of the latest movie or book with your partner might lead to a better understanding of your individual perspectives.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You

better understanding vidual perspectives.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You can use supercharged ideas to

improve and change existing con improve and change existing con-ditions. Attempt something unusu-al or innovative today, be creative, but don't start serious relation-ships until later in the week. Fight against a sluggish and overly criti-cal mood.

cal mood.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec.
21): Remember the Serenity
Prayer that says one should accept
the things you cannot change, but
change the things you can. Also,
take the line of least resistance

today.

\*\*CAPRICORN\*\* (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):

\*\*You may be infused with enthusiasm to tackle your aspirations, but you may not find the mood conducive to making new beginnings in relationships. It's a good time to discuss serious matters without emotion entering the picture,

\*\*AQUARTUS\*\* (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):

\*\*You have a sood onportunity to

AQUARIOS (Jan. 20-ren. 18); You have a good opportunity to begin changes that will improve finances. Pur your mind to work on making an objective appraisal of situations that need to be trans-formed. Get a head start on work at home as energy may lag later in the week.

at home as energy may laglater in the week.
PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20):
Balancing tradition with break-through rechniques might be the answer to making a success out of your latest brainstorms. Wait until a later date to pursue that fascinating new face in your life if you want permanence.

# 'Toy library' helps with kids' cleanup

Q: When it's time for my two children, ages 42 and 24 months, to clean up their play messes, they frequently don't do as I've asked, and I can't figure out what the consequence should be. I've tried punishing both, but nothing I have tried has any effect on the 2-year-old. Meanwhile, the 3-year-old complains that his younger sister never picks up anything, which is correct. Under the circumstances, I feel bad punishing him. Amp suggestions?

is correct. Under the circumstances, I fee bas punishing him.

As The problem with getting young children to pick up their roys. has to do. with quantity.

Specifically, the sheer number of toys involved is usually daunting. In 1950, when I was 3, I had no problem picking up my toys because I didn't have more than three, which was fairly typical for that day and time. Today's typical 3-year-old has in excess of 100 toys! Naturally, this embarrassment of riches leads to play that is disorganized and which results, almost invariably, in a big mess. Cleaning up should be easy for a child this age. If it isn't, the child is going to make every attempt to avoid doing so. The obvious, solution is to buy young children very few toys. I happen to feel that less than 10 toys, selected for their creative value, is optimum. More than 10 toys and the problems begin. I've been preaching this "less is more" toy philosophy for most of my professional life, and those parents who have adopted it have never failed to praise the results.

Regardless of how many toys.

results.

Regardless of how many toys your children have, give them access to no more than five. Keep



M the rest in a "toy library" over which you have complete control. In order to check a toy out of the toy library, one of the children must turn a toy in. This means that they will never have access to more than five toys at a time, a number that should present no problems when it comes time to pick up and put away.

John Rosemond is a family psy-chologist. Questions of general inve-est may be sent to him at Affirmative Purenting, 1020 East 86th Street, Sujte 26B, Indianapolis, Ind. 46240 and at his Web site: http://www.rosemond. com/



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New leaders of a Lutheran voluntees chapter are, from lett. front row: Arline Egbert, Karen Phillips, Ruth McKay and Cheryl larrell: back row: Mervin Mueller, Doug Larsen, Joseph Young and Greg Hula



# Lutherans volunteer chapter elects new leadership board

FMLS FALLS - The Intreent Financial for Lutherans Twin Falls County Chapter has announced the election of its new leadership board for 2004. They are president, Joseph Young of Twin Falls, vice president, Ruth McKay of Twin Falls, records director, Arfine Eghert of Filer, financial director, Cheryl Jarcell of Buthl; and congregation—and the county of the County of the County of Twin Falls and an assiront The chapter elected a communications director. Merry in Mueller of Twin Falls, It appointed Greg Hulla of Twin Falls as youth director.

Almost 1-400 Thrivent chapters.

Almost 1,400 Thrivent chapters throughout the country carry out

# M.V. Christian releases honor roll

TWIN FALLIS - The Magic Valley Christian School has released its honor roll.

The superintendent's honor roll are students who have achieved a 4.0 grade point average. Academic students have achieved a 5.0 FM and merit students have a 3.0 GPA a

The students are:
Superintendent: Heidi
Aardema, Tim Ahn, Elizabeth Allen,
Cydne Barrette, James Boer,
Seong-Hi Cho, Ashley FerrierVanderbielt, Fawnya Gibbert, Angho Hegman, Michele Rinard, Jonathon Jarvis, Jodi Lund, Rachele Paulson,
Tara Paulson, Kayleigh Reitsma,
Naomi Sullivan and Emma Weissan.

Naumi Sullivam and Emma Weistah.
Academic: Emma Aardema, Meistah.
Academic: Emma Aardema, Krista Boer, Aach Doknyi, Kamrud Jordbon, Helen Kootstra, Todd Mellon, Cory Paulson, Julianna Rodotis, Robbin Tyrell, Jessia Owi, Jesse Hoerine, James Jaris, Owine Landin, Teets Olson-Brace, Coultad Lancolin, Teets Olson-Brace, Coultad Lancolin, Teets Olson-Brace, Coultad Lancolin, Teets Olson-Brace, Coultad Lancolin, Teets Olson-Brace, Scaland Lancolin, Jest Olson-Brace, Kander Lancolin, Jesting Mellon, Lancolin, Jordan Jarvis, Annie Mellon, Jordan Jarvis, Annie Mellon, Jordan Jarvis, Annie Mellon, Jesting Nauma, Jesting Nauma, Jardine Mellon, Herch Kander, Joshua Rinard, Jetticy Sweet and Kyle Vanderstel, Merit: Eric Aardema, Halile Dawis, Sara Garcia, Adam Madried, Mellon, Peter Vanden Brachen, Branden Mellon, Feder Kutsma, Branden Mellon, Feder Reitsma, Branden Mellon, Feder Gandowk, Hifany Kalltelevch, Ashlee Melni, Dawis Tyrrell and Jeifrey Vedder.

volunteer efforts and fund-raising activities to help their communities and people in need.

The chapter system of Thrivent Financial, which is a nonprofit inancial, services organization, distributes money to volunteer members who create and execute community outreach programs which help Lutheran congregations, individuals and community organizations through fund-raisers and hands-on service activities.

ers and ties. "Thrivent ties. Financial for Lutherans and its predecessor organizations have a long history of reaching out to others," Young said. "The leadership for 2004 will continue this great tradition and continue to help those in need."

The board will decide how to allocate resources, ensure legal requirements are met and handle administrative work with the Thrivent Financial operations center in Appleton, Wis. "People can help their Lutheran church or their community. They can take a leadership role, volunteer for an hour or volunteer for 50 hours. Whatever level of commitment they are willing to make, the system can accommodate them," said Terry Reinke of Twin Falls, a financial who serves as an adviser to the group.

group.
To find a local chapter, call 800Thrivent, ext. 8-5909. Membership
is not required to participate.

# \_COMMUNITY HELP\_



# STORK REPORT

# Magic Valley Regional Medical Center

neton McKald Martin, son of Amber Warrington of Twin, was born Wednesday, Jan. Falls, was 28, 2004.

Lisa Amber warmiguou of avan-Falls, was born Wednesday, Jan. 28, 2004.

Alize Karain Pool, daughter of Jachyn Rochelle Garcia of Twin Falls, was born Thursday, Jan. 29, 2004.

Edgar Jose Cisneros, son of Maria Chavez of Jerome, was born Tuesday, Feb. 3, 2004.

Telgan Bud Cox, son of Alissa Anderson and Jareny Bud Cox of Twin Falls, was born Thursday, Feb. 12, 2004.

Aleia Ann Blakeslee, daughter of Stacey Jo and Shane David Blakeslee of Filer, was born Thursday, Feb. 12, 2004.

Alle Breanna Fowler, daughter of Mariah Lee and Eric Lee Fowler of Hazelton, was born Thursday, Feb. 12, 2004.

Emma Leigh Lyda, daughter of Danielle Marie and Aaron William Lyda of Twin Falls, was born Thursday, Feb. 12, 2004.

Isabella Jismine Rosales, daughter of Hilda and Guadalupe Cardenas Rosales of

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The Times-News
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Or fax te: 734-5538.
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Sunday's paper; and noon Friday
for Tuesday's paper.
More Information?
Call 735-3278

Hagerman, was born Friday, Feb. 13, 2004.
Myah Leann Shoup, daughter of Cassandra Ray and Ryan Micheal Shoup of Twin Falls, was born Thursday, Feb. 12, 2004.
Taylor Margarita Toral, daughter of Rosalba and Heber Salvador Toral of Jerome, was born Wednesday, Feb. 11, 2004.
Braydon Alexander Thomas Duquette, son of Jessica Diane Duquette of Twin Falls, was born Friday, Feb. 13, 2004.
Jill Franklyn Elise Graham, daughter of Jenali and Roger Jacob Graham of Hazelton, was born Friday, Feb. 13, 2004.

Zachary Otto Swainston and Zade Alan Swainston, twin boys, born to Tracie Casandra and Chad Harold Swainston of Wendell, were born Friday, Feb. 13, 2004 Jackson Edward Blunt, son of Dawn Michelle Blunt and Edward Leonard Blunt Jr. of Jerone, was born Sunday, Feb. 15, 2004.

### St. Benedicts Family **Medical Center**

Medical Center
Darius Dakota Clay Strickland,
son of Darrall Strickland and
Evia Cromiller of Buhl, was born
Tuesday, Feb. 10, 2004.
Jay Michael Watson, son of
Chris Watson and Bessie Kelley
of Gooding, was born Tuesday,
Feb. 10, 2004.
Austin Tyler Cress, son of Rick
Cress and Maria Bortz of
Gooding, was born Thursday, Feb.
12, 2004.
A daughter, was born C. Tirol.

12, 2004.
A daughter was born to Tirel and Samira Hudson of Gooding on Tuesday, Feb. 10, 2004.
Anthony Owen Karel, son of Cody and LuRee Michelle Karel of Jerome, was born Friday, Feb. 13, 2004.





Left, recently installed officers in the Snake River Chapter DeMolay and the installing team are, from left, top row:
Dylan Beorchia, Kal Jensen, Sean Stadelman and Chris Greene; middle row: Jessica Black, Alex Khachaturov and
Daniel Reines; bottom row: Sarah Nutsch, Chris MacFee, State Master Councilor Brent Duviell and Zach Black, Right,
at the recent Snake River Chapter DeMoley Installation, Idaho State Master Councilor Brent Duviel and Idaho State
Junior Councilor Daniel Reines open wainut boxes, which they received for their state office collars, which they are

# DeMolay installs new officers

TWIN FALLS – The Snake River Chapter Order of DeMolay held installation of officers. During the Jan 18 December 19 December 19

Jerome resident Layne Hall from

Jerome resident Layne Hall from a walnut tree that his grandfather had planted in 1940. When the tree died Layne had the wood sal-vaged for future projects. The original Idaho state collars were made by John Boyer from Boyer Jewelry in Twin Falls in the early 1960s. They are made of sterling silver and require a pro-

tective box, but the boxes in which they were stored were in great need of repair.
Hall was commissioned to make new boxes by Andrew Christensen of Hailey.
The Snake River Chapter DeMolay meets every second and fourth Thursday in the Jerome Masonic Lodge.

# SERVICE NEWS

### Cruz reports for duty aboard assault ship

Navy Petry Officer 1st Class Noel A. Cruz, son of Pastora A. Andrew of Burley, recently report-ed for duty aboard the amphibi-ious assault ship, USS Bonhomme Richard, home-ported in San Diego, Calif. Cruz is a 1988 graduate of

Declo High School of Declo and joined the Navy in May 1988.

### Mitma completes U.S. Navy basic training

Navy Reserve Seaman Recruit Dina R. Mitma, a 2003 graduate of Wood River High School in Hailey and daughter of Rebecca Perkins of Castleford and Julio

Mitma of Believue, recently com-pleted U.S. Navy basic training at Recruit Training Command in Great Lakes, Ill. During the eightweek training, Mitma completed classroom study, practical instruction on naval customs, first aid, fire fight-ing water safety and survival, shipboard and aircraft safety, and completed-the capstone of boot

The cost is \$10, and scholarships may be available to those in need. The workshop will review the dynamics of domestic violence and its effects on children of all ages, as well as introduce suggestions; methods and techniques for helping children heal from exposure to domestic violence.

camp, called "Battle Stations."

# Goold graduates from

naval training in Illinois

Navy Seaman Apprentice
Casey L Goold son of Shirley R.
and Calvin R. Goold of Twin Falls,
recently completed U.S. Navy
basic training at Recruit Training
Command in Great Lakes, Ill.

During the eight-week program, Goold completed a variety of training, which included classroom study and practical instruction on naval customs, first aid, fire fighting, water safety and survival, and shipboard and aircraft safety. Emphasis was also placed on physical fitness. He also completed the capstone of boot camp, called "Battle Stations."

Williams and Khali Berlin. Special Guest speaker will be Nancy Hausner, executive director of the Idaho Children's Frust Fund. The event will conclude with a guest panel and question and answer session at 3 pm. There will be a lunch break from 12-1 pm.
For more information, call Dan Bristol at 678-3911.

# Council offers domestic violence seminar

BURLEY - The Idaho Council on Domestic Violence and Victim Assistance, along with the Minidoka and Cassia Community Task Force Against Domestic Violence, present a seminar entitled, "Helping Children Exposed to Domestic Violence" from 8:30° a.m. to 4° p.m. Saturday at the Best Western Burley Inn, 800 N. Overland Ave., Burley.

# oience. Speaking will be Cynthia Taylor, Julie COMMUNITY EVENTS

### Jerome County Extension Office offers marriage class

JEROME - The University of Idaho Cooperative Extension System is offering a marriage

Idaho Cooperative Extension System is offering a marriage class.
"Married and Loving It!" will be offered from 7-9 pm. Thursdays, March 11 to April 8 in the Jerome Country Courthouse meeting room.

The class is free Pre-registration is required by March 3.

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The class discusses couples differences and how they each contribute positively and negatively to the marriage, identify areas of potential conflict, strategies to resolve conflicts, explore communication skills, decision making in-law relationships and more.

For more information, call Marsha Hawkins at 324-7578.

# Rebekah Lodge celebrates

Rebekah Longe Colonial leap year with a card party The Union

Rebekah Lodge 96 will celebrate leap year with a card party and salad lunch.

Saturday at the lodge hall, 120 W. Ave. A.

Door prizes will be given.

The cost for lunch is \$5.

Proceeds go to the Wendell Police
Department to help buy supplies.

### T.F. resident celebrates his 90th birthday

TWIN FALLS - Ralph
Baughman will celebrate his 90th
birthday from 1-5 p.m. Saturday at
775 Mountain View Drive.
He was born Feb. 24, 1914, in
Buhl, and married Marjorie
Parberry on June 3, 1937. He has
lived in the Magic Valley all his
life.

lived in the angle valley as im-life. His children are Sally (Carl) Gidlund of Hayden Lake, Ernest (Marlene). Baughman.of-Rancho-Cucamonca, Calif., and Bud Baughman of Ogden; Utah.

Baughman also has five grandchil-dren and three great-grandchil-dren.

The family requests no gifts, but any written special memories shared will be put in a scrapbook.

### Caregiving seminar is offered on Feb/28

is offered on Febr-28
TWIN FALLS - The College of
Southern Idaho Office on Aging
and Adult Services is offering a
workshop to give family members
and caregivers insight and tools to
function as members of the
health-care team of physicians,
nurses, social workers and others.
"Communicating Effectively
with Health Care Professionals,"
presented by Page Geske, a communication specialist, will be held
from 9 a.m. to-2 p.m. Feb. 28 at the
CSI Office on Aging Annex, 998
Washington St. N.
Pre-registration is required. The-

Pre-registration is required. The ost is \$25, which includes a manal and workbook.

For more information or to register, call 736-2122, ext. 308 or 420-6244.

# Rupert Scout receives



Soft St. in Acequia.

Jonathan has completed 21 merit badges. For his Eagle project, he assembled benches for the Rupert LDS Stake Center: He was assisted by seven members of his troop. He is a member of Troop

153 sponsored by the Acequia LDS 2nd Ward. His leader is Scott

LDS 2nd Ward. His leader is Scott Anderson.
Jonathan is a senior at Minico High School in Rupert where he is active in the Vocational Industrial Club of America and Student Relations Club.

# Sheriff's department offers

citizens academy training
BURLEY - The 13th annual
Cassia County Citizens Academy
will be held from 7-9 p.m.
Wednesdays, March 10 through
Mou 26

Wednesdays, March 10 through May 26.

Topics included are a jail tour, canine procedures, marine deputy, drug recognition and more. The academy, which is offered through the Cassia County Sheriff's office, offers a chance for the public to learn about the duties of law enforcement officers.

Applications are available at the Cassia County Sheriff's office,

1415 Albion Ave., Burley, The application deadline is March 5. For more information, call Sgt. Peggy Marizza or Capt. Cary Bristol at 878-2251.

### Students present readers theater in Twin Falls

theater in Twin Falls
TWIN FALLS - Samuel Taylor
Coleridges "The Rime of the
Ancient Mariner," a reader's theater, will be held at 7 pm. Friday
in room 115 of the Shields
Building at the College of
Southern Idaho, 315 Falls Ave.,
Twin Falls.
The free event will be presented by professor Ken Bingham's
British literature students.
For more information, call
Eileen Ramsey at 678-4048.

Read Comunidad on Thursdays. News for and about Latinos

# Elvis or pirates? Las Vegas

# weddings provide adventure

The Orange County Register

SANTA ANA, Calif. — A
machine pumps thick mist into
the room just in front of the steps
where King Tut stands, barechested except for a gold lametest, lis hairy legs peeping from
beneath haremstyle pants that
flow from his sequined Speedos.
Before him, Mark Antony (aka
Patrick Doyle of Franklin, Tenn.)
waits for his Cleopatra (aka
Paula Fedash, also of Franklin.)
He wears a short toga and Teva
sandals. She arrives, costumed
and scated on an upholstered
dining-room armehair borne by
two "slaves," hunka-hunka guys
who probably work the local
Chippendale's show along with
Tut.
Egyptian mystery tecks as the

Tut.
Egyptian mystery reeks as the
two exchange wedding vows, the
moment captured by a video
camera hidden near fake

camera hidden near fake papyrus artwork.

"We've already been married twice," Fedash had said before the ceremon, "We wanted something totally trashy, tacky. This is delightfully tacky."

The ceremony at Viva Las Vegas wedding chaple lives up to their expectations.

I am spending an afternoon at Viva Las Vegas, the best-known themed wedding chapel on the Strip.

themed wedding chaper on strip.

One after another, the couples come in. Some want Elvis. Some want Tut. Some just want a big room with palm trees.

But everyone wants to get married

ried.

Along with the slots, the shows and the glitter, brides and grooms are becoming big business here. The city has turned into the wedding capital of the world, catering to about 5 percent of the nations 2.4 million couples who marry here in splendor, in automobiles, even in hotaits halloons.

dor, in automobiles, even in hotain balloons.
They also marry in haste, as pop princess Britney Spears and childhood friend Jason Allen Alexander did last month.
What brings ordinary couples people like Debbie Schechter and Todd Moysydyn of Irvine, Calif. - to the gilded glamour of the desert? "We know our friends who

Calif. to the gilded glamour of the desert?

"We knew our friends who came to the wedding would have something to do," Schechter explains. "Coming to Vegas means having a vacation. Besides, his family is from Canada and coming to Vegas added to the event for them."

The bride began scouting Vegas for a wedding location almost a year before her, vows.

She thought Elvis. She thought not. She didn't want tacky. She wanted memories. Then she thought "pirates!"

And so, on Now.14, 2003, in front of family, friends and complete strangers walking down the Strip, Schechter and Mosyschym exchange vows on the deck of the 1800s-era British pirate ship in front of Treasure Island hotel and casino.

They wear pirate outfits. She is a buson wench and he turns into a grinning villain. A retired rabbi officiates, also wearing pirate attire. Her two children from a previous marriage, Hallie, 9, and Mason, 10, dress for their parts.

When the ceremony ends, people eyeballing the vows from the street applaud and the couple walk off the deck to the strains of "Yo ho, yo ho, a pirate's life for me."

"We had everything from soup

me."
"We had everything from soup
" case the new Mrs.

"Yo ho, yo no, a pantes inc ione."

"We had everything from soup to nuts," says the new Mrs. Moysychyn of her hotel-planned unptials. "Our package included a suite and we upgraded and stayed longer. We had three salon treatments. If lowers, photos, fruit baskets. The hotel arranged everything."

The bakery even made the cake to look like a treasure chest spilling out coins and jewelry.
"I sent them a photo of the cake I wanted and they did it," she says. "Amazing."

Why pirated and they did it," she says. "Amazing."

Why pirate been married in a gondola at the Venetian. Or on top of the fake Eiffel Tower at Paris Las Vegas. In front of the Sphinx at Luxor. In a garden at Bellagio. Even at a drive-through where Vegas entrepreneurs let couples order up a wedding like a lig Mac with fries.

The parties, the rooms, the food, the performance set the Mosyschyns back \$10,000 but, says Mrs. Mosyschyn, "We're both 40 and we're getting married."

There are about 80 guests and

both 40 and we're getting mar-ried."

There are about 80 guests and everyone had started partygone Friday night. They have brunches and dinners. They go as a group to see the show "fony and Tina's Wedding." They have an "incred-ible experience."

Hotel weddings – like the Moysychyn vows – are a fast-growing market for the Las Vegas Visitor – and Convention Authority, which tracks why peo-ple come to Vegas. According to the authority's records, at least 4 percent of the visitors are there for a wedding, not necessarily their own. That translates into 1.5

million visits a year just for weddings.

Vegas is the top spot nationally for out-of-town weddings, says a report in the Las Vegas Review-Journal. Trailing are Hawaii (20,000), -U.S. Virgin Islands (5,000), Jamaica (5,000) and the Bahamas (4,000).

The Moysychyns get away cheap, if bridal association date are accurate. The data say average wedding budgets are about \$20,000 and the average honey-moon budget is just over \$3,500.

Not that it costs much to get married in Las Vegas.

The license is \$55. The ceremony itself can range from less than \$150 as Jest tha limit.

The license is \$55. The ceremony itself can range from less than \$150 to sky's the limit.

At Viva Las Vegas Wedding Chapel, for example, themed weddings start at \$180 for a candlelight ceremony and climb to \$1,595 for the "fairy tale" ceremony, complete with a coach and footmen, flowers, music, soloists, photographer, unity candle, champagne glasses, costumes and a two-tiered wedding cake.

The latest trend in Vegas is vow renewal.

The latest trend in Vegas is vow renewal.

Susan and James Olsen decided Vegas was the place to renew their vows after 10 years of marriage. The Woodbridge, N.J., couple also knew they "simply had to have" an Elvis wedding.

Their first wedding was in a church, she says, surrounded by friends and family.

Today, they're alone in Vegas, enjoying a vacation along with the vow renewal. They picked their wedding chapel the way most visitors do – by going to the Internet.

most visitors do – by going to the Internet.

The chapel is decorated with palm trees. The bridegroom wears a Hawaiian shir. The bride is wearing a tasteful cream-colored suit. The celebrant is wearing an iridescent blue sports coat and sunglasses; his hair is combed into a pompadour.

The couple promise not to step neach other's blue suede shoes.

They sway in each other's arms while "Elvis" sings "Love Me Tenden.

with "Elvis" sings "Love Me
Tender."
From time to time, they wiggle
their fingers at the video camera
in a salute to family who will
watch the tape.
Fifteen minutes after walk in, they march out.
As the door closes behind
them, stagehands come into the
chapel to pack up the Elvis gear
and turn on the Egyptian mist.
In the lobby, Patrick Doyle
adjusts the sash on his rented
toga while his Cleopatra fusses
with her asp of a headders.
Memories are made of this.

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in your

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# WEDDING

### ROLDAN-WEIR

ROEDAN-YVEIK
FILER - Lorly Roazul Roldan
and IM3 Robert Aaron Weir,
USN, were married Oct. 17, 2003,
at the Filer LDS Stake Center.
The bride is the daughter of
Leoboldo and Luz Roldan of
Peagsanjan, Laguna,
Philippines.
The bridegroom is the son of
Gary and Terri Weir of Filer.
Dale Coon, bishop of the Filer
2nd Ward, officiated the ceremony.

2nd Ward, officiated the economy.

Hillary Stubbs of Provo, Utah, riend of the groom, served as the bride's maid of honor. Denise Wells of Twin Falls, friend of the groom, was the bridesmald, Lexy Navarrete of Twin Falls, cousin of the groom, was the flower girl.

Heath Blackwood of Provo, Utah, friend of the groom, served as best man. Andy Weir of Nampa, brother of the groom,

Lorly and Robert Weir

Lotly and Robert Weir was the groomsman. Ken Roldan of Peagsanjan, Laguna, Philippines, son of the bride, was the ringbearer. Music during the ceremony and afterwards was provided by Jason Weir of Filer, brother of the groom. Special guest was Ruby Weir, of Gooding, grandmother of the groom.

A potlick reception followed

A pottack reception followed the ceremony and the young women of the Filer LDS 2nd Ward helped Serve.

The bride and groom enjoyed a honesmoon in Jackpot, Nev The groom graduated from Filer High School in 2000. He si'm the U.S. Navy and is based in Hawaii. He is currently on maneuvers in Okmawa and jest ting ready to spend a few months at sea on the USS Excex. He will be returning to Hawaii in July.

The bride graduated from Mealtewin High School in the Philippines in 1993. The bride and her son are currently living with her in-laws in Filer, awaiting for July when the nextly-weed will be returned in Hawaii?

The bride's family was unable to attend due to the distance. She has family in the Philippines, Hong Kong and Texas.



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Feb.29: Patricia Hyde - Scott Richard March 20: Jennifer Cowger - Aaron Hudson

March 21: Jasmine Austin - Bryan Ham

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# -ENGAGEMENTS

# O'Keefe-Lawley

O'KEEFE-LAWLEY
FILER - Penny O'Keefe of
Filer and Timothy O'Keefe of
Punta Gorda, Fla, announce the
engagement of their daughter,
Leslie Amelia O'Keefe, to Sean
David Lawley, son of David and
Terrie Lawley of Filer.
O'Keefe graduated from Filer
High School and attended the
College of Southern Idaho,
where she was a member of the
Golden Girls. She is employed at
First Independent Bank in
Woodland, Wash.
Lawley is a graduate of Filer
High School. He is employed at
Thermal Supply in Vancouver,
Wash.
The wedding is planned for

Wash.

The wedding is planned for Saturday, May 22, at Billingsley Creek Lodge in Hagerman. A

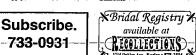


Leslie O'Keefe and Sean Lawley reception will be held at 7 p.m. May 22 at Clear Lake Country

# McMullen-Crawford

MCMULLEN-CRAWFORD

TWIN - FALLS - Jumes - and
Dorothy McMullen of Twin Falls
announce the engagement of
their daughter, Erin Elizabeth
McMullen, to Justin Matthew
Crawford, son of Mike and Debbie
Crawford of Filer.
McMullen graduated in 1994
fron, Filer High School and
attended the College of Southern
Idaho and Boise State University.
She is employed at Chilli's Grill
and Bar in Twin Falls.
Crawford graduated in 1998
from Filer High School and
served three years in the Army,
He is currently in the National
Guard in Gooding and is
employed at Gem State Paper
and Supply Co. in Twin Falls.





Justin Crawford and Erin McMullen

The wedding is planned for Friday, March 19, at The Ballroom in Twin Falls. A reception will be held at 7:30 p.m. March 19 at The Ballroom

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# Pages of history

Local authors take on Magic Valley topics



Bonnie Dodge's book, 'Miracles in the Desert: Essays Celeb

# Essays celebrate desert landscape

By Virginia S. Hutchins Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - The house that builders began in 1905 for real estate agent Guy B. Sicrer has been called Twin Falls' best example of a transitional "Queen Anne going Western colonial" architectural style. Writer Bonnie Dodge knows intimatele its asymmetrical

intimately its asymmetrical porches, its playful oval and dia-mond-shaped stainvell windows, its hipped roof and dormers. Because she lives in it.

Because she lives in it.
So it's not surprising that
Dodge's new first-person essay
book starts and ends with the old
Sierer home at 203 Eighth Ave.

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"It's one of the few Victorians here in Twin Falls," she said.
In the spring of Twin Falls' centennial year, Dodge intends to begin sales of her book, "Miracles in the Desert: Essays Celebrating Twin Falls, Idaho, and 100 Years on a High Desert Plain."

Plain."

The book, she said, explores why people came to the southern Idaho desert, and why they stayed. Dodge's essay about a pioneer wife who settled in Rock Creek, "What Lucy Stricker Saw," celebrates the beauties of cambach Scaut Hills and supsan, cerenrates the beauties of sagebrush, South Hills and sun-sets, and the peacefulness of southern Idaho life.

southern Idaho life.

"I would say that's one of the showcase essays," Dodge said.

Twin Falls journalist and author Pat Marcantonio offered this endorsement of "Miracles in the Desert": "Bonnie Dodge has written essays that not only provide the colorful history of the area, but convey the province.

area, but convey the emotions dreams and hopes of the people

Through her eyes and in her words we get an unique view of the past 100 years of Twin Falls."



Dodge hopes her book will help turn Magic Valley visitors into residents, raise awareness of local history and encourage preservation of a particular essay subject, the St. Edward's church building. Magic Valley's small-community life has enough detractors, and Dodge wanted to focus attention on some of the positives: the colors of a desert landscape, and the Snake River Canyon.

Canyon.

But she's finishing the project
the fruit of a couple of years'
labor – as she says goodbye to the
Sierer house. Dodge is moving
out "because it's too big."

The basic facts: Dodge's self-published book will have about 90 pages and a soft cover. Its black-and-white

images and several new ones that Dodge shot of the Evel Knievel jump site and the College of Southern Idaho tower, for instance.

Idaho tower, for instance.

\*\*Content: Inside are 12 essays on landmarks in Twin Falls: City Park, CSI, the Snake River's Shoshone Falls and Twin Falls, daredevir Knievel's ramp. St. Ed's, the former Fwin Falls Bank & Trust building, the Stricker Ranch, the railroad, the now demolished Parine Hotel and the Sierer house. Her title essay honers a number of buildings the page. a number of buildings long gone – such as the high school that once stood by Twin Falls' courthouse – and those that remain.

Sources: The essays are built, primarily, of Dodge's own reflections.
"They're my own interpretations of the sites," she said. But old newspapers and historians

writings played a part.

\*Availability:-Dodge-lopes-to-start sales of "Miracles in the Desert" by April 1. Buyers can get the book from her directly, "and wh ever I can place them," she said,

Prico: \$11.95

Targeted audience: The book is meant for a general audie "It's not really targeted toward chil-dren, and it's not academic." Dodge said.

· Size of printing: She plans 500

· Funding: Dodge's book

Fünding: Dodge's book project reiles on her own resources. Author Info: Dodge, a writer interested in Idaho history and historical prescruation. has lived in Magic Valley for over 40 years. Miracles in the Desert 1 in her first book, but some local readers are familiar with her work through a weekly column published in Ag Weekly titled "Life in this Magic Valley."



her husband, Cecil Wright, stand in of the old that was moved to Its current location south of Twin Falls and expanded. A Grange and several church congregations have used the former school buildcalled 'The Knowledge Box: Schoolhouses to

Current Schools of Twin Falls County' with her husband's

# Author tracks fates of country schools

By Virginia S. Hutchins Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - On several of their habitual Sunday drives, Mareda Wright and her husband passed a building they thought had the look of an old school. Both Wrights work at the public library and figured they should be able to learn something about the structure that had caught their fancy. That interest launched a research and writing project that's been almost nine years in the making. The result? Wright is preparing to release

manning. The result? Wright is preparing to release her book titled "The Knowledge Boor country Schoolhouses to Boor country Schoolhouses to Twin Falls County."

Her writing about the architecture and history of local school buildings wasn't intended as a celebration of Twin Falls' centennial. Still, the late-spring or summer timing of the book's release will capitalize on residents' interest in local history. With map-reading and global position system help from her husband, Wright researched scores of the country's country schools and their original locations, building contractors—and—architectural—contractors—architectural—contractors—architectural—contractors—architectural—ar contractors—and—architectural designs; their length of use as schools; and their subsequent uses, relocations, remodelings or demolition.

demolition.
"Three of the buildings moved three times, and we were able to document each move," Wright said. "That was kind of like a scavener lunt."

said. "That was kind of like a scavenger hunt."

The oldest school she researched dated to about 1880. Many have survived to become, for instance, a bar, a church, homes or the county historical museum. In their schools research, Wright said, the couple came across 10 villages in Twin Falls County that each had schools, businesses, churches and populations up to 1,000 but disappeared entirely. "There is absolutely nothing that would reflect that a village or a town really existed. It either has been farmed or the sagebrush has reclaimed it." Wright said.

She also found herself fascinated by the stories behind schools' names.

### Hear local author Wednesday

Author Mareda Wright, talking about her book, will be the featured speaker when the Twin Falls County Historical Society meets this week. When: 7 p.m. Wednesday.

Where: Twin Falls County
Historical Museum, about three
miles west of Twin Falls on the
south side of U.S. Highway 30,
near Curry Crossing.

Cost: Free to the public. For Information: Call Robin Kirby at 733-0978 or Sharon Keliey at 733-2309.

Consider the Seed Row school southeast of Hansen. Its name was settled in a community pownow in which men's and women's suggestions were at odds. So folks put the school's name to a vote.

"There was one more man than there was woman," Wright said.
The men's nomination, honoring a recent good crop, won the day.

The basic facts: With help from the The basic facts: With help from the win Falls Country Historical Museum, Wright hooked up with Donning Co. Publishers in Missouri, a company that collaborates with nonprint organizations to get local historical books into print. Wright's "Knowledge Bor" manuroit is close to 400 pages, but the publishing company wants her to exit. "And I'm not sure that I can," she said. The current plan calls for color photographs with growth programs had been provided by the property of the programs with the current plan calls for color photographs. In the current plan calls for color photographs had care might be scription.

ine current plan cells for color photo-graphs, but color night be sacrificed to keep the price down. Wright acquired 30-40 black-and-white photos of country schools taken in the 1930s or early 1940s. And whenever they could focate a school building still standing, her husband took a new color photograph.

Sources: "I talked to literally hun dreds of people," Wright said, and "researched everything I could get a

Sources include newspapers; materials at libraries and county and state museums; the county courthouse's land ownership records; school board meeting minutes; maps from govern-

ment agencies such as highway departments; school districts; tichits in history books (Wright says she felt lucky to find a relevant sentence here and there); early pioneers' oral histories stored on cassettes at the public library; city directories; U.S. Geological Support and conference per second

ilitary; city directories; U.S. Geological Survey mass; geological maps posted-on the Internet; the historical Bisbee photo collection; and the National Register of Historic Pilaces (fire of the schools Wright work about are recog-nized on the register). "Availability: The Knowledge Box" will be availabile at the Twin Falls County Historical Museum near Cury Crossing, it's too soon to say where deeb buyers will find it. Wright hopes she and the museum can promote the book during other Twin Falls County towns' certennials in the next few years.

years.

• Price: It's too soon to say.

• Targeted audience: Wright expects her book – suitable for both adult and child readers – to appeat to afficiancies of local history, longtime Magic Valley residents, schoolchildren and Valley residents, schoolchildren and their families, and fans of GPS-based hunting. I think it's going to appeal to a large audience, she said.

Size of printing: Probably 2,000 copies in the first run.

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Funding Wright turned over to the
Twin Falls County Historical Museum
and its associated society the tasks of
funding, publishing and selling her bool
A regional Donning representative and
a museum leader are trying to round

a museum leader are trying to round up local sources to fund publication. Once the soft-cover book starts seling, Wright said, the money will be returned to whoever contributed. All proceeds from the book's sales, after publishing costs are paid back, will go to the county historical museum. This month, New Falls Centennial Commission members voted unanhously not to he amone those over the process of the pro

Commission members voted unan-mussly not to be among those provid-ing temporary funding for "The Knowledge Box".

\* Author Infe: Wrijsh, a cataloger and chorhold showless supervisor at him Falls Public Library, has worked at the Falls Public Library, has worked at the Ibrary for 36 years. She and her hus-band, Cecil Wrijsht, were both born and raised in Nagle Valley.

Mareda Wrijsht has written no books other than "The Knowledge Box" - and lant fillely to.

\*Ny fornilly would probably kill me if I tried to do this again," she said.

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