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Non-ag wells face shutdown

By Jennifer Sandmann Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — It won't just be Magic Valley irrigators who could see their wells shut off if the state issues curtailment orders April 1. Cities, churches, cemeteries, schools, industries, and subdivisions on community wells — along with wells used to irrigate more than half an acre each — are in danger of being shut down, the Idaho Department of Water Resources said Thursday.

Cities, schools, churches are at risk unless replacement water can be found for fish farm

Domestic wells on less than half an acre would not be curtailed. About 1,300 wells operated by 750 entities could be shut down, according to the latest tallies from the department. That includes at least 25 Northside dairies. Targeted wells are those that

were developed after July 13, 1962, in Water District 130 in Gooding, Jerome, Lincoln, Blaine, and Minidoka counties and areas of Cassia County. Cities with one or more affected wells include Gooding, Bliss, Burley, Dietrich, Hazelton, Heyburn, Jerome, Richfield, Rupert, Shoshone, Twin Falls and Wendell, the department said. Provisions of state law exist that allow municipalities to take measures to provide drinking water, but those could include condemnation of other wells.

Learn more Review the curtailment order online at www.idwr.state.id.us.

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Idaho Power pushes 'stray voltage' bill

Company negotiates with ag groups to set standard after suit

By Julie Pence Times-News writer

BOISE — Jolted by a \$17.5 million court ruling for a Magic Valley dairy, Idaho Power Co. is asking the Legislature to weigh in on the issue of 'stray voltage.'

A bill proposed by the company would establish 2 volts as the minimum level at which electrical currents in the ground might affect dairy cows. The attorneys who successfully represented local dairy owners Mike and Susan Vierstra in their lawsuit against Idaho Power said that standard is too high. Stray voltage, according to the measure that Idaho Power lobbyist Rich Hahn presented, is a natural phenomenon that can be found at low levels between two contact points in any cow confinement area where electricity is grounded.

Cows have been proven to be particularly sensitive to currents in the ground. The reasons are that they are often in wet circumstances and their systems do not offer much resistance to electrical currents, experts say. The Vierstras won the \$17.5 million award — described as one of the biggest-ever verdicts in a Twin Falls County civil trial, and perhaps the largest of any stray voltage case in the country — as a result of their claim that Idaho Power knowingly allowed significant amounts of stray currents onto their dairy. The Vierstras said the stray currents made their cows sick. Hahn said Thursday the company is planning to appeal the verdict.

The bill that Hahn presented would set a standard of 2 volts as the level at which the Idaho Public Utilities Commission would be required to investigate. Hahn acknowledged the bill has come about as a result of the Vierstra ruling, but he also said it is meant to be a "forward look, not a backward look."

"It won't affect the Vierstra case," Hahn said. Hahn also told the House State Affairs Committee the legislation is open to change at any time because of negotiations that Idaho Power is conducting with dairy groups and the Idaho Farm Bureau over the issue. Rep. Bert Stevenson, R-Rupert, asked the Public Utilities Commission to be included in the discussions. He also said he's concerned about the extra workload for the commission and the extra cost to utility customers should the legislation pass.

The State Affairs Committee agreed to send the bill to the House Resources and Conservation Committee, which Stevenson chairs. There will be a hearing next week. The Kansas attorney who tried the Vierstra case, Ken Peterson, said in a phone interview he was appalled that Idaho Power.

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Old Man Winter plays another card

By Rebecca Meany Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Neither rain nor snow nor the occasional brush with wildlife stops Linda Morse from delivering the mail.

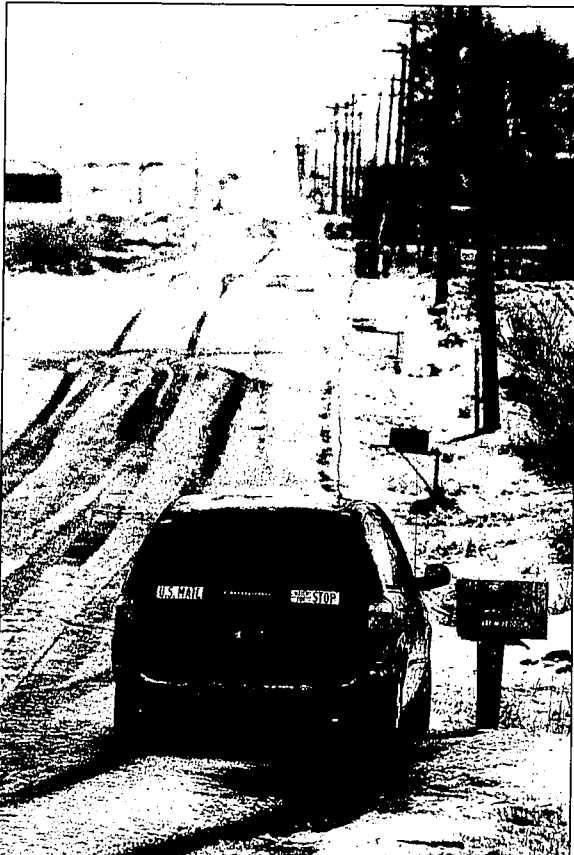
"It's not so bad," she says of Idaho's weather. "We've had a couple of bad days. We do get stuck, but people are usually good about helping us out."

Thursday's wintry weather created problems for a few motorists, including Morse, who got stuck and had to call on her mother-in-law to pull her out.

Still, Morse enjoys being out in the elements, driving her Dodge Caravan on a 97-mile route for the U.S. Postal Service in Hanson.

"I just love the snow," she said. "I like the freedom and the openness." For the first time in her nine-year career as a rural route carrier, Morse

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Linda Morse, a rural route carrier for the U.S. Postal Service in Hanson, delivers mail at one of her 225 stops Thursday morning. Morse says this is the most snow she has seen in a winter during her nine-years with the Postal Service.

Twin Falls precipitation

	Total inches	Departure from normal
October	07	71
November	77	-40
December	1.35	-23
January	29	-100
February	1.05	24
Since October 13.53		-1.64

Source: National Weather Service. Results are preliminary and unofficial.

Snowpack levels

Watershed	% of Avg.	% season pack*
Upper Snake Basin	92%	71%
Salmon Falls	109%	87%
Salmon	95%	74%
Oakley	111%	91%
Big Wood	97%	77%
Little Wood	105%	83%
Henry's Fork/Toton	108%	84%
Big Lost	104%	78%
Little Lost	88%	64%

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

Spacesuit malfunction cuts spacewalk short

By Marcia Dunn Associated Press writer

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. — A riskier-than-usual spacewalk outside the international space station was cut short Thursday night because of a malfunction that left one of the two crewmen with a warm, damp suit.

Russian cosmonaut Alexander

Kaleri made it safely back inside despite the problem with his spacesuit.

Kaleri and American astronaut Michael Foale had left the space station empty when they ventured out, the first time the 5-year-old outpost had ever been unattended during a spacewalk. It was necessitated by the grounding of NASA's shuttle fleet in the wake of

the Columbia accident. Everything went well until three hours into the spacewalk, when Kaleri reported that the inside of his helmet was wet. Flight controllers immediately suspected a breakdown of the device that is supposed to regulate temperature and remove condensation.

"It's strangely warm," Kaleri said. A few minutes later, he maddoed:

"It's amazing. I have rain inside the helmet. I have water on the visor."

Russian space officials decided to end the spacewalk early and advised Kaleri not to exert himself. Foale continued working as Kaleri rested. The cosmonaut said he could see well through the visor, even though it had a water film.

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House OKs bill making attacks on pregnant women a double crime

By Jim Abrams Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — The House voted Thursday to treat attacks on a pregnant woman as separate crimes against both her and the fetus she is carrying. Critics say it would undermine abortion rights by giving fetuses new federal legal status.

Passage of the Unborn Victims of Violence Act was actively backed by the White House and President Bush's conservative supporters. Following enactment of the law banning "partial birth" abortions last year, the bill is this year's prime measure dealing with the unborn.

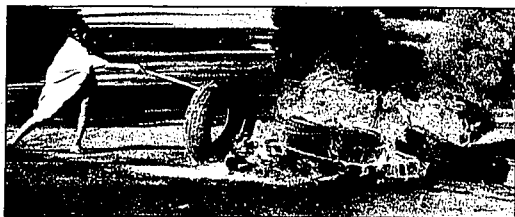
It passed 254-163 after the House rejected a Democratic-led alternative that would

have increased penalties for attacks on pregnant women in which the fetus is injured or killed without conferring new rights on fetuses.

Backers further highlighted the bill by naming it in honor of Laci and Conner Peterson, the pregnant woman who was murdered in December, 2002, and her unborn child.

"There are two victims in these kinds of attacks," said Rep. Melissa Hart, R-Pa., chief sponsor of the legislation. "That is so clear from the Laci and Conner Peterson case." Laci's husband Scott Peterson faces double murder charges under California's state unborn victims law. California is one of 29 states that have enacted such laws.

REBELS THREATEN HAITIAN CAPITAL



A Haitian boy adds tires to a burning barricade Thursday in an effort to prevent Haitian rebels from entering Port-Au-Prince. Rumors of Haitian President Jean Bertrand Aristide's resignation spread throughout the capital city, causing crowds of Aristide supporters to gather outside of the country's National Palace demanding 'five more years' of Aristide's presidency. Read more on page A4.

TWIN FALLS FORECAST

Today: A cool and dreary day. Rain and snow showers possible. Highs near 44.
Tonight: Light rain and snow showers possible.
Tomorrow: Clearing with little chance of precipitation. Highs near 44.

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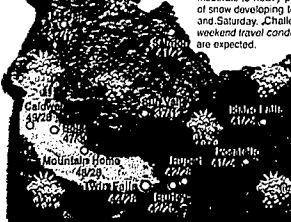
Today: Cloudy with rain and snow showers probable. Highs in the upper 30s to lower 40s.
Tonight: Cloudy with limited rain or snow shower activity surfacing. Highs in the 20s.
Tomorrow: Partly to mostly cloudy with little chance of precipitation. Highs in the upper 30s to lower 40s.

IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS. Cloudy with periods of light snow developing off and on today and tomorrow. Mountain travel will be challenging at times. A brief fall in snow shower activity likely to surface Sunday.
BOISE Dreary with rain showers developing today. Rain with light snow possible tonight. Precipitation chances decrease Saturday. A weekend thaw is in store for the area.

Today Highs 28 to 39 Tonight's Lows 7 to 17
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NORTHERN UTAH Turning colder with heavy periods of snow developing today and Saturday. Challenging weekend travel conditions are expected.



Yesterday's State Extremes: 60 at Loveland, Low: 25 at Poynter & Wadon weather keys: sun, partly cloudy, mostly cloudy, c, misty, th, thunderstorms, sh, showers, r, rain, s, snow, fl, flurries, w, wind, m, moon

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saw a porcupine scurry across her path Thursday. Foxes and other animals are intermittent amusements.
'Not all routes are like that,' she said, 'but you get to see wildlife.'

Power

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which has some 427,000 customers, would try to talk the Legislature into passing a law that sets such a high level as 2 volts.
Peterson, who claims to be an expert on electronics because of a book he helped write years ago about atomic power, said at the very least the benchmark should be set at one-fourth of that recommendation, or 5 volts.

Spacewalk

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'I'm not moving too fast so I should overhead,' Kaleri said as he made his way to the hatch. Foote and Jones joined him in the air lock, and they closed the hatch.
The crewmen managed to complete half their work primarily by using new scientific experiments outside - before Kaleri's suit began malfunctioning. The spacewalk was supposed to go 5.5 hours; it lasted three hours and 55 minutes.

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Feds seek Planned Parenthood records

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Justice Department has subpoenaed hundreds of medical records from six Planned Parenthood sites as part of the government's defense in lawsuits challenging the Partial-Birth Abortion Act.
According to court documents, Justice Department lawyers say the records - which would be edited to remove names and other personal information - are essential to defend the law against the lawsuits brought by Planned Parenthood and doctor groups around the country.
The suits challenge the law that prohibits a procedure referred to by critics as partial-birth abortion

but by medical organizations as 'intact dilation and extraction.' During the procedure, a fetus's legs and torso are pulled from the uterus before its skull is punctured.
Planned Parenthood has resisted producing the medical records, which critics of the subpoenas say threatens the privacy of patients and could intimidate doctors and clinics that provide abortions.
'It is an invasion of confidential medical records,' Planned Parenthood spokeswoman Elizabeth Toledo said Thursday. 'People ought to have a reasonable expectation of privacy'

Toledo said several hundred records were being sought from Planned Parenthood affiliates that serve western Pennsylvania; San Diego; Los Angeles; New York City; Kansas/Mid-Missouri; and the Washington metro area. The Justice Department is focusing on those to produce a geographic sample and because many of Planned Parenthood's expert witnesses work at the six sites.
The Justice Department is seeking similar records from six hospitals where doctors who are challenging the partial-birth abortion law did the procedure. The department is encountering resistance over privacy concerns.

Power

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Its authors say cows can take up to 4 volts without any behavioral changes.
Peterson was unimpressed. If the Redbook is so reliable, he asked, why didn't Idaho Power use information from it in its own publication the company published on the subject in 1992?
Brett Olmstead, director of Milk Producers of Idaho, said his group is working with Idaho Power because, 'Nobody is benefited by constant lawsuits.'
However, 'We want to make sure 2 volts is adequate protection, and we want to make sure when a

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Some lawmakers question set-up of intelligence duties

WASHINGTON — An office overseen by the central intelligence director now plays the key role of analyzing threats to the United States, even though the Department of Homeland Security was opened a year ago for that very reason.

Lawmakers are asking pointed questions about who's in charge, amid worries that the overlap and confusion that plagued intelligence efforts before Sept. 11, 2001, could recur.

Homeland's inspector general warned in December that a principal objective in creating Homeland's intelligence division — to centralize analysis and information about threats to the United States — may be duplicated or trumped by other organizations, including the increasingly prominent Terrorist Threat Integration Center, overseen by Central Intelligence Director George Tenet. The threat center's director John Brennan, who reports to Tenet, said, however, that his center is filling a need spotted by the Bush administration to protect U.S. interests at home and abroad, pulling expertise from the CIA, FBI, Homeland Security and elsewhere. Homeland's mission stopped at the U.S. shore, he noted in an interview this week at CIA headquarters.

Senate backs handgun locks; Craig disagrees

WASHINGTON — A Senate agreement regarding child safety locks on U.S. handguns gave Democrats encouragement Thursday that the measure might also become part of a package to protect gun makers and sellers from gun crime lawsuits.

The GOP-controlled Senate voted 70-27 to require all handguns sold in the United States to have child safety locks, adding the measure to the legislation providing the gun industry immunity from suits when a legally sold gun is subsequently used in a crime.

The Senate in 1999 passed similar legislation but the House refused to approve the measure. Sen. Larry Craig, R-Idaho, the sponsor of the gunmaker immunity legislation, argued against the measure, saying gun manufacturers already are working on the problem. Craig said the amendment would be an intrusion of the federal government into people's private homes.

Democrats focus on gay marriage during debate

LOS ANGELES — Democratic

Ohio couple's family grows by six infants

Knights Ridder News Service

AKRON, Ohio — Isabella Jean was the first.

But not by much. In less than a minute — at 9:42 Thursday morning, to be exact — five of her siblings had entered the world, too, as Jennifer Hanselman gave birth at Akron General Medical Center to Ohio's first set of sextuplets.

The three boys and three girls, ranging in weight from 1 pound, 9 ounces to 2 pounds, 10 ounces, were in relatively good health, doctors said, and showed no signs of major complications or handicaps. "When we started taking the babies out, they just kept coming one after another," said Dr. Justin Lavin, Akron General's chief of maternal fetal medicine. "... It was a pretty exciting experience."

The delivery process had been planned weeks in advance. Nearly three dozen health professionals — perinatologists, neonatologists, anesthesiologists, obstetricians and gynecologists, nurse practitioners, respiratory therapists, radiology technicians and 14 registered nurses — two for the mom and two for each baby — were on call, ready to staff the delivery room when the sextuplets decided to arrive.

"Ten and I are pretty ecstatic," Keith Hanselman said.

Nation in brief

presidential rivals John Kerry and John Edwards vowed opposition to gay marriage on Thursday, but said the issue should be left to the states rather than banned by a constitutional amendment as recommended by President Bush.

On the day that celebrity Rosie O'Donnell was married to her longtime girlfriend, Kerry and Edwards both sharply criticized Bush for his request to Congress to amend the Constitution.

"It's doing this because he's in (political) trouble... He's playing politics with the Constitution of the United States," said Kerry, the front-runner for the nomination, at a presidential debate.

"This president is talking ... about amending the constitution for a problem that does not exist," Edwards said.

Kerry and Edwards also sparred about which one of the two has the better chance to defeat Bush this fall as they debated five days before a 10-state state of contests known as Super Tuesday.

Asked whether he thought the Massachusetts senator could appeal to voters in Southern and border states, the South Carolina-born Edwards responded, "I think that his text ... I know I can," he added.

GOP support can't save extra unemployment aid

WASHINGTON — A Senate measure to extend federal unemployment benefits failed by two votes Thursday despite the election year support of 12 Republicans from states hit hard by layoffs.

Democrats tried to attach the amendment to a gun liability bill, but it failed 58-39 in the GOP-controlled Senate. The measure would have extended the emergency benefits program for six months, providing 13 weeks of extra unemployment benefits to people who exhaust their state benefits — usually after 26 weeks.

The unemployment rate dropped to 5.8 percent last month from a high of 6.4 percent last summer, but the economy still is not producing many new jobs. In fact, more than 2,400 U.S. employers reported laying off 50 or more workers in January, according to the Labor Department. It was the third-highest level since the government started tracking mass layoffs a decade ago.

— compiled from wire reports

U.S. will stop using some land mines, but won't join treaty

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Bush administration intends to end the U.S. military's use of land mines that are not fitted to self-destruct but will not sign a 150-nation anti-land mine treaty, a senior administration official said Thursday.

The new policy will also double to \$70 million, what the United States spends annually to locate and remove mines considered hazardous to people and serving no deterrent purpose, the official said, speaking on condition of anonymity.

Lincoln Bloomfield, an assistant secretary of state who is President Bush's special adviser on land mines, is expected to announce the new policy at the State Department on Friday.

From now on, all new U.S. land mines will be detectable to U.S. authorities and geared to become inert. But those that are considered part of deterring attacks, such as in Korea, will remain in use.

In Afghanistan and Cambodia, among other countries, the buried land mines serve no military purpose and are a menace to farmers, children and other people who accidentally trip over them, losing their legs if not their lives.

The International Campaign to Ban Landmines, which won the 1997 Nobel Peace Prize for its efforts in getting the treaty

approved in Ottawa, Canada, said 150 countries have signed on. They included Afghanistan, Canada, Germany, Italy and Britain. Among the 44 nations that had not done so,



President Bush

as of October, were the United States, China, Iran, North Korea, South Korea, Pakistan and Russia, according to the group. The 1997 pact is known as the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on their Destruction. It went into force on March 1, 1999, and bans the stockpile of mines and requires each nation to destroy its stock within four years.

In early 2001, a Pentagon-commissioned study said advances in technology could lead to alternatives to anti-personnel land mines that would pose fewer risks to civilians. But it said that not all of these emerging technologies were likely to be ready by 2006 — a target set by the Clinton administration for deciding whether the U.S. should approve the international treaty.

Former President Clinton said land mines were a necessary deter-

rent that protected South Korea from the North's thousands of mines in the demilitarized zone between the two countries. He indicated the United States would be willing to sign the treaty by 2006 if armed forces could find alternatives to the mines.

In May 1998, when Clinton for the first time indicated a willingness to commit the United States to joining the treaty, he linked the move to development of alternate weapons. He also agreed for the first time to order the Pentagon to search for alternatives to the practice of combining anti-personnel mines and anti-tank mines. The technique is used to deter enemy troops from trying to defuse the anti-tank weapons.

The shift was spelled out in a letter from then-National Security adviser Sandy Berger to Sen. Patrick Leahy, D-Vt., a leading opponent of land mines.

The letter committed the United States to destroying by 1999 all non-self destructing anti-personnel land mines, except for those needed for Korea; ending the use of all such land mines outside Korea by 2003, including those that self-destruct; aggressive pursuit of the objective of having anti-personnel land mines alternatives ready for Korea by 2006, including those that self-destruct.

Catholic study concludes 4 percent of priests abuse

WASHINGTON (AP) — A national, church-sanctioned study documenting sex abuse by U.S. Roman Catholic clergy found that about 4 percent of clerics have been accused of molesting minors since 1950, a diocese said Thursday.

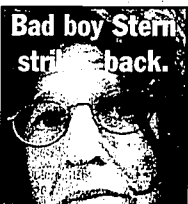
The Diocese of Yakima, Wash., said in a news release that the sur-

vey compiled by the John Jay College of Criminal Justice found 4,392 of the 109,694 clergy who served over that five-decade period faced allegations of abuse.

The survey was overseen by the National Review Board, a lay watchdog panel the bishops formed at the height of the abuse

crisis. The review board had a Friday morning news conference scheduled in Washington to discuss the report and a companion study on how the abuse crisis developed.

Dioceses nationwide received 10,657 abuse claims since 1950, according to the news release.



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Board: Weigh passengers periodically

WASHINGTON (AP) — Airlines should at least periodically make passengers step on a scale to make sure they have an accurate assessment of the weight a plane will be carrying, federal investigators said Thursday.

The recommendation arose from the National Transportation Safety Board's investigation of the crash of US Airways Express Flight 5401 last year at North Carolina's Charlotte-Douglas Airport. All 21 people aboard were killed in the crash, the deadliest in the United States in nearly 2 1/2 years.

The twin-engine plane, operated by Air Midwest, was virtually uncontrollable because of two fatal mistakes, the safety board concluded.

First, the airline's guidelines for estimating the weight of passengers and baggage were inaccurate. The pilots, therefore, didn't realize the plane's rear section was too heavy.

Second, mechanics had improperly rigged cables connected to the elevator, the tail flap that controls the up-and-down direction of the aircraft's nose. The errors meant the elevator's downward motion was restricted to half its normal range, according to the NTSB.

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New cancer drug holds promise

WASHINGTON (AP) - The first drug that promises to attack cancer by choking off its blood supply won't be ready until Thursday, a treatment for advanced colon cancer called Avastin.

It's not a cure, cautioned the Food and Drug Administration. Avastin can extend patients' lives by a median of five months, meaning half do better and half worse. But it's a significant development. Few other drugs for advanced stages of this cancer have provided even that much benefit.

Also important, Avastin becomes the first drug proved to work according to a novel theory that tumors must form a network of blood vessels to survive - a process called angiogenesis - and that shutting down that process could fight cancer in a completely new way.

Avastin's approval marks "a milestone in a new form of cancer therapy," said Dr. Judith Folkman of the Harvard-affiliated Children's Hospital of Boston, who pioneered the anti-angiogenesis therapy 30 years ago.

Manufacturer Genentech Inc. "is to be congratulated for elegant scientific work that has converted a theory into a hard drug," Folkman said.

It was a long, hard road. Folkman made front-page news in 1989 with reports that his anti-angiogenesis drugs had cured mice of cancer.

But early attempts to make such drugs work in people kept failing. That may be because doctors initially tested them in the most difficult of patients, those who had failed numerous chemotherapies, said Dr. Louis Fehrenbacher, head of Kaiser Permanente's cancer study program who helped test Avastin. Tumors that survive repeated treatment seem to be the hardest, and anti-angiogenesis will do its best work earlier in the disease, he said.

Indeed, Avastin is approved as a first-line treatment for metastatic colon cancer, where the cancer has just spread throughout the body.

In a study of 600 patients, half received intravenous Avastin in addition to routine chemotherapy every two weeks. Not only was tumor growth delayed in the Avastin patients, but they lived a median 240 more days longer than those getting standard treatment.

Scientists find new dino species

WASHINGTON - Scientists have discovered two new dinosaur species in Antarctica's frozen reaches, one a primitive carnivore that survived long after its closest relatives had gone extinct, the other a large plant eater found on a mountainside 400 miles from the South Pole, they reported Thursday.

The new finds, excavated in December by separate expeditions working 2,000 miles apart, are holdovers from a time when Antarctica had a relatively mild climate and formed the core of a Southern Hemisphere supercontinent known today as Gondwana.

The carnivore, estimated to be between 6 and 8 feet tall and weighing 300 pounds, probably died about 70 million years ago. It was found on James Ross Island, in the Weddell Sea close to the northern tip of the Antarctic Peninsula.

At virtually the same time, near Mount Kirkpatrick on the Beardmore Glacier, a different research team found part of a large dinosaur pelvis and tailbone embedded in a stone outcrop. Researchers said the plant eater, or sauropod, was probably about 30 feet long and lived about 190 million years ago.

Haitian rebels advance on capital; U.S. support for president slips

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti (AP) - Haiti's rebel leader said his fighters were advancing on the capital Thursday and awaited an order to attack unless President Jean-Bertrand Aristide resigns. The United States questioned whether Aristide could "effectively continue" in office.

With Haiti's ill-equipped police force not expected to put up much resistance against a rebel assault, government loyalists began building defenses in front of the National Palace in Port-au-Prince.

At a U.N. Security Council meeting in Haiti, Caribbean nations called for a multinational force to end the violence. But the United States and France said they want a political settlement first.

In Washington, Secretary of State Colin Powell openly questioned whether Aristide can continue to serve effectively as Haiti's leader - the closest Powell has come to suggesting that Aristide bow out as president before his elected term ends in February 2006.

"Whether or not he is able to effectively continue as president is something he will have to examine carefully in the interests of the Haitian people," Powell told reporters.

Powell's comments came a day after French Foreign Minister Dominique de Villepin called on Aristide to resign.

Earlier Thursday, Aristide told CNN he would not quit. He said a



Supporters of Haitian President Jean-Bertrand Aristide gather outside Haiti's National Palace Thursday after rumors of Aristide's resignation spread throughout Port-au-Prince.

small international force - "a couple of dozen" soldiers or police - could prompt the rebels to stand down. Referring to the rebels, he said: "At any time those terrorists may come to Port-au-Prince and kill thousands of people."

The insurgents have overrun half of the country since the rebellion began three weeks ago.

Hundreds of Aristide supporters, some armed with machetes and pistols, gathered Thursday in front of the National Palace and, with teenagers driving bulldozers and forklifts, started building a defen-

sive rampart.

"If Aristide goes, cut off their heads and burn down their houses," they shouted, echoing the war cry of Jean-Jacques Dessalines, the Haitian general who ousted French colonizers from Haiti to end slavery 200 years ago. The Aristide loyalists shouted epithets against France. It was not known if Aristide was in the palace. A helicopter took off from the palace Thursday afternoon and Haiti's leader usually sleeps at his private estate in Tibouron, a satellite town on one road leading to the airport.

Man lost family in crash, faces charge of murder

ZURICH, Switzerland - A man - apparently a Russian - who lost his wife and two children in an air-plane collision has been arrested on suspicion that he stabbed to death the air traffic controller on duty at the time of the accident, officials said Thursday.

Law enforcement officials declined to identify the man or give his nationality, but evidence they disclosed indicated the 48-year-old man - who spoke only broken German - was a Russian on a visit to Switzerland.

Prosecutor Pascal Gossmar said the man had denied killing the 36-year-old controller at the victim's home near Zurich airport Tuesday night.

Passenger ferry catches fire near Philippines capital

MANILA, Philippines - A passenger ferry carrying more than 650 people between Philippine islands caught fire early today near Manila, sending panicked passengers jumping into the sea. One passenger died and eight were injured.

Twice, the fire appeared to be out, only to rekindle. Shortly after dawn, more than five hours after the blaze broke out, two loud successive explosions inside the back section of the steel-hulled Superferry 14 were followed by billowing black smoke and walls of flames.

Coast guard Rear Adm. Danilo Abinola said at least 65 people had been rescued and one body

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recovered. Another eight people were injured.

Qatar says Russian agents killed ex-Chechen president

MOSCOW - Qatar has arrested two Russian intelligence officers and accused them of murdering a former president of Chechnya on its soil, and Moscow responded Thursday by charging that the Persian Gulf nation was "convinced with international terrorism" by sheltering the fugitive separatist leader.

Russian Foreign Minister Igor Ivanov acknowledged that the arrested men were Russian counterterrorism officers, but said they merely had been gathering intelligence. Moscow, he said, played no role in the death of Zelimkhan Yandarbiyev. Yandarbiyev was killed Feb. 13 when his Toyota Land Cruiser exploded in Qatar.

Macedonian search for president after crash

ROME - President Boris Trajkovski of Macedonia, who played a key role in defusing ethnic conflict in his country, is missing and presumed dead after a plane crash Thursday in southern Bosnia. Bosnian police and Macedonian government officials said.

- compiled from wire reports

Search might have uncovered Darwin's Beagle

LONDON (AP) - British maritime historians said Thursday they may have located the Beagle, the ship that took Charles Darwin on the voyages of discovery and where he began formulating his theory of natural selection.

Using radar technology, historians found what they believe is the 30-foot Beagle, 18 feet beneath the mud of marshes in Essex county, east of London.

"We can see the outline of a dock for the ship and can make out wood and metal, which is highly suggestive that there is indeed something substantial down there, most probably the bottom of the Beagle," said Robert Prescott, leader of a team from the University of St. Andrews in Scotland, which has spent four years investigating the site.

The findings are to be revealed in a British Broadcasting Corp. documentary over the weekend.

Researchers used a census listing crewmen's families living on the Beagle as well as old maps to help trace the vessel to an area of the marsh near Patton Island.

The Beagle, a 10-gun naval fighting ship, was launched at the Woolwich Royal Dockyard on the River Thames in 1820.

Israeli troops kill two protesters near barrier

Los Angeles Times

JERUSALEM - Israeli troops shot and killed two Palestinian demonstrators Thursday as violent protests flared at a construction site for the barrier Israel is building in and around the West Bank.

In a further sign of growing tensions, machine-gun fire rang out as Israeli troops temporarily sealed off Palestinian Authority President Yasser Arafat's compound in the West Bank city of Ramallah for the first time in more than a year. The Israeli soldiers pulled back after restricting access to the compound for about six hours.

The two confrontations - coming a day after Israeli troops raided banks in Ramallah to seize what they said were millions of dollars in funds destined for Palestinian militant groups - marked a pronounced shift after many months during which engagements in the West Bank were primarily between Israeli troops and the Palestinian militants they were seeking to arrest or kill.

The clashes also came a day after the U.S. State Department criticized Israel for what it said was

excessive use of military force in the West Bank and Gaza Strip. It also faulted Palestinian militant groups for mounting suicide attacks against Israeli civilians and Palestinian leaders for failing to act to contain the groups.

Arafat has been confined to his shell-damaged headquarters for nearly two years. The Israeli military said the afternoon exchange of gunfire came after a Palestinian used the adjacent Interior Ministry as a sniper's nest.

Israeli authorities said one arrest was made during the standoff in Ramallah, and Palestinian witnesses said a Palestinian policeman was shot in the face there by Israeli troops, under unclear circumstances. The Israeli army said the injured policeman was shot after throwing a firebomb at troops, but it was unclear whether the accounts referred to the same man.

The injured policeman was reported to be in serious but stable condition. No Israeli casualties were reported in the encounter. Among the Palestinian leadership - a wave of anxiety follows any Israeli move that could be interpreted as a prelude to direct action against Arafat.

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Sides report Korea talks at standoff

BEIJING (AP) — North Korea on Thursday proposed a comprehensive halt to its nuclear activities but described Washington's attitude as "hostile." Both sides said there was no progress in a second round of six-hour talks on the nuclear standoff.

The conflicting signs — progress and immediate public criticism — are a hallmark of North Korean diplomacy. Still, Pyongyang's offer to end a 16-month standoff by stopping its nuclear activities was unusual because it was delivered in formal multilateral talks.

The North's offer came after South Korea said it was ready to give energy aid to the power-starved country if Pyongyang froze its nuclear programs and took steps toward dismantlement.

The North made a similar proposal through diplomatic channels in December. But this version, offered in the middle of delicate talks about the North's nuclear ambitions, offered the most significant chance at a breakthrough since the Washington-Pyongyang stalemate began in October 2002.

"The various parties welcomed the proposition from the North Korean side for the comprehensive stopping of nuclear activities," Chinese spokesman Liu Jianchao said. "As for the details and specific arrangements for stopping the nuclear activities, it is still being discussed among the various parties."

A U.S. official familiar with the talks said that despite positive comments by China, North Korea has shown no interest in meeting the American insistence on a complete and verifiable dismantling of its atomic weapons programs.

Expect verdict today in Tokyo gas attack case

TOKYO (AP) — The trial of former cult guru Shoko Asahara, accused of fratriciding the 1995 nerve gas attack on Tokyo's subway and amassing arsenals of chemical and biological weapons, reaches a climax today with a verdict — and possible death sentence — on charges he peddled a string of crimes that killed 27 people, panicked Japan and sickened thousands.

Defense lawyers argued that Asahara, whose real name is Chizuo Matsumoto, had lost control over his Aum Shinrikyo cult by the time of the subway attack, in which sarin gas killed 12 people and sickened thousands.

But with abundant testimony of his responsibility from former cult members and Japan's 99 percent conviction rate, a guilty verdict is widely expected. Eleven of Asahara's followers have been sentenced to hang, although none has been executed.

Security was expected to be tight Friday to guard against attempts by Asahara's followers to disrupt the proceedings at the Tokyo court where the verdict will be read.

'Passion' prompts call from rabbi

JERUSALEM (AP) — One of Israel's two chief rabbis urged the pope Thursday to publicly reaffirm that Jews are not to blame for the death of Jesus, saying he fears Mel Gibson's film "The Passion of the Christ" could revive such beliefs. Ashkenazi Chief Rabbi Yona Metzger said he is sending a letter to Pope John Paul II asking him to reiterate a Roman Catholic Church decision in the 1950s that reversed the centuries-old doctrine that Jews were behind the Crucifixion.

DEADLY SCENE



Iraqi police and soldiers investigate the scene of an explosion in the Iraq town of Baquba Thursday. A bomb planted in a police vehicle that was parked outside a restaurant killed an Iraq police officer and wounded eight other people after the explosive was apparently slipped into the vehicle.

Rumsfeld plays down search for bin Laden

The Washington Post

KABUL, Afghanistan, Feb. 26 — Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld on Thursday played down reports that U.S. forces are chasing Osama bin Laden and other terrorists with new urgency and may be close to locating the Saudi fugitive and his aides, who are believed to be hiding in the rugged borderlands of Afghanistan and Pakistan.

Rumsfeld, on his sixth visit to the Afghan capital since the U.S.-backed government of President Hamid Karzai took power in late 2001, bantered cordially with Karzai at a news conference about whether Kabul or Washington, D.C., was a safer city and reiterated the Bush administration's commitment to help Afghanistan until the battered nation is "firmly on its feet."

He said the capture of bin Laden "will happen when it happens. ... I have no idea when." He refused to comment on reports that special commando units have been transferred here from Iraq to join the hunt for bin Laden and other leaders of the al-Qaida terrorist group in the border region.

Earlier this week, U.S. military officials here said there was a "renewed sense of urgency" in efforts to capture bin Laden and his cohorts.

Pakistani military authorities recently launched several major raids in the border areas, and there have been a flurry of reports about stepped-up military operations in Afghanistan and the unconfirmed sighting or capture of several bin Laden associates.

Rumsfeld heaped praise on the strides that Afghanistan has made in the two years since the military rout of Islamic Taliban forces here by U.S.-led forces.

He said the country is full of energy and making "steady progress on the path to self-government" after two decades of "tran-

ny, occupation and war. It's a remarkable transformation."

Both he and Karzai, speaking at twin podiums outside the presidential palace, dismissed concerns about the revived threat by Taliban forces, despite a recent spate of terrorist attacks on civilians and repeated threats by alleged Taliban spokesmen to step up violence against economic projects and preparations for national elections planned for June.

In the latest attack Wednesday, officials said a team of Afghan aid workers in Kabul Province was ambushed by armed men; five were shot dead on the spot and three escaped. On Sunday, gunmen fired on a helicopter that was ferrying visitors to a U.S.-aided health clinic in southern Kandahar Province, killing the Australian pilot and injuring two passengers. On Feb. 14, four Afghan landmine clearers were slain by gunmen in remote western Farah Province.

"I have not seen any indication that the Taliban pose a military threat to Afghanistan," said Rumsfeld, who arrived in Afghanistan on Thursday morning and visited a new U.S. military assistance base in Kandahar. After meeting with Karzai here he flew to Tashkent, Uzbekistan, where he wound up a week-long visit to Iraq and Central Asia.

Karzai was even more upbeat in his comments, claiming that "the Taliban movement doesn't exist any more" and that "we have won the war against terror." The country's security problems, he said, stem more from "banditry, theft and institutional weakness" than Islamic terrorism.

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Iraqi cleric, U.S. move closer together on country's elections

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — Iraq's most prominent Shiite cleric signaled Thursday that he would accept the installation of an unelected government after June 30 if elections are set — possibly at the end of the year — and the United Nations guarantees the date.

Although the timetable for the ballot is shorter than suggested by the United States, the statement by Grand Ayatollah Ali al-Husseini al-Sistani indicated an agreement was taking shape to end the U.S. occupation on schedule.

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groups to enhance the body's legitimacy among Iraq's 25 million people.

Al-Sistani had initially demanded elections to choose a transitional legislature, which in turn would appoint a government. The United Nations agreed with the Americans that elections were not feasible before June 30 because of the security situation, the absence of census data and the lack of an election commission and other infrastructure.

In a statement issued Thursday by his office in Najaf, al-Sistani noted the United Nations ruled out an early ballot but said the world organizations' opinion that elections may be possible by the end of the year "is of great significance."

"The period in which an unelected government should take control of this country must be short and for few months only," al-Sistani said. He insisted on "clear guarantees, such as a Security Council resolution" regarding the date for elections "so that Iraqis will be sure that there is no more postponement and prolonging."

Al-Sistani said "the unelected body" that will take power after June 30 "should be an interim

administration of limited and clear mandate."

U.S. officials have expressed doubt that elections can be held this year given the slow pace of decision-making by the Governing Council. Sunni Arabs on the council are anxious to move slowly, fearing an early ballot would cement control by the majority Shiites.

Sunnis held prominent posts under Saddam Hussein and have dominated Iraqi politics since the country was established from the wreckage of the Ottoman Empire after World War I.

Last week, U.S. administrator L. Paul Bremer said the United Nations believed organizing elections could take "somewhere between a year and 15 months," although he added that perhaps the process could be speeded up.

However, a senior coalition official, when asked about al-Sistani's statement, said simply that the ayatollah was responding to a U.N. report and "we are really turning to the U.N." The official spoke on condition of anonymity.

The remark indicated the U.S.-led coalition wants the United Nations to assume a greater role in the transition to Iraqi rule.

Former official says Britain spied on U.N.

LONDON (AP) — Britain spied on U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan in the build up to the Iraq war, a former Cabinet minister said Thursday, triggering yet another postwar crisis for Prime Minister Tony Blair.

Blair refused to confirm or deny the accusation and branded his former international development secretary, Claire Short, "deeply irresponsible" for commenting on sensitive security issues.

For Blair, the allegation is another potentially damaging aftershock of the Iraq invasion, following controversies over Britain's prewar intelligence dossier, the death of a weapons scientist, the coalition's failure to find weapons of mass destruction and the collapse of a court case on alleged U.S.-British bugging of the United Nations.

But in a bravado performance at



Britain's Prime Minister Tony Blair has refused to confirm or deny a claim by former Cabinet minister Claire Short that Britain spied on U.N. Secretary General Kofi Annan in the build up to the Iraq war.

his monthly news conference, the prime minister insisted British spies always acted within international law.

The United Nations said any spying on Annan's office would be illegal.

"Such activities would undermine the integrity and confidentiality of diplomatic exchanges. Those who speak to the secretary-general are entitled to assume that their exchanges are confidential," U.N. spokesman Fred Eckhard said.

The opposition was quick to criticize Blair's government.

"I'm afraid the situation now seems to be a complete mess. It's about time the prime minister got a grip on it and sorted it out," said Michael Howard, leader of the main opposition Conservative Party. Charles Kennedy, leader of the Liberal Democrats, said Blair "must come clean" and "reassure the British people that his government was not involved in spying on Kofi Annan."

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EDITORIAL

New St. Ben's facility will add to care options

Whether you're buying a loaf of bread, a garden hose or a car, most consumers know they benefit from competition.

So it's only natural that customers want alternatives in health care. Unfortunately, such alternatives are scarce in Twin Falls County.

Leaders of Magic Valley Regional Medical Center - the dominant medical facility for Magic Valley - continue to intercept all competition to their prosperity, even when the competitor is a fraction of their size.

The county-owned Magic Valley Regional extended its dominance of local health care when it purchased the Twin Falls Clinic and Hospital in 2001. That made St. Ben's Medical Center in Jerome the closest alternative for general hospital care.

But St. Ben's is an aging facility with only 19 beds. In 2002 its parent organization, St. Alphonsus Regional Medical Center in Boise, announced that the hospital would build a 25-bed facility at the Crossroads Ranch, near the I-84/Highway 93 interchange in Jerome.

That announcement was two years ago, and nothing has happened since. St. Ben's officials say their progress has been thwarted at every turn by Magic Valley Regional, which has tried to use St. Ben's status as a "critical access" rural hospital as a way to block construction.

A critical access hospital is a facility that receives higher Medicare cost reimbursements than an urban hospital. By issuing higher payments, the federal government helps keep rural hospitals in business.

But critical access is a broadly defined term. In some states, a critical access facility can be a few short miles from a larger hospital. It usually comes down to population and need.

Recently, Magic Valley Regional tried to push state legis-

lation requiring tighter geographic limits for critical-access hospitals when they expand or relocate. The legislation went nowhere. In addition, Magic Valley Regional has been active in opposing St. Ben's attempts to receive federal and state grants for the building project.

Magic Valley Regional leaders still say St. Ben's should lose its critical-access advantage if it moves closer to the larger Twin Falls market. But the dispute isn't really about critical access. It's about long-term control of the health-care industry.

Magic Valley Regional wants to be the only major hospital in the greater Twin Falls market.

Crossroads Point (its new name) has the potential to be one of the busiest commercial growth areas in the state. Magic Valley Regional seems to regard any construction - in that spot as an unacceptable threat.

One, in its zeal to limit competition, the hospital is underestimating the public's desire for health-care options.

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

Magic Valley resistance to the project, however, is shortsighted for two reasons.

First, in its zeal to limit competition, the hospital is underestimating the public's desire for health-care options. The harder the hospital tries to control the market, the more fervently some consumers will seek to go elsewhere.

Second, if the hospital stops St. Ben's from building at Crossroads, the resulting void might invite a bigger medical player to come looking for a piece of the action. It's likely that won't be a 25-bed hospital - but more like a 200-bed facility.

Competition is a good thing for health-care consumers, and Magic Valley Regional Medical Center knows it. Why else would it be a partner in a new sleep-disorder clinic, when a private clinic has been in town for years?

The health-care industry isn't immune to the two constant elements in free enterprise - supply and demand. In spite of Magic Valley Regional's demonstrated ability to squeeze out competition, the public demand for options has yet to go away.

President strikes at political opponents

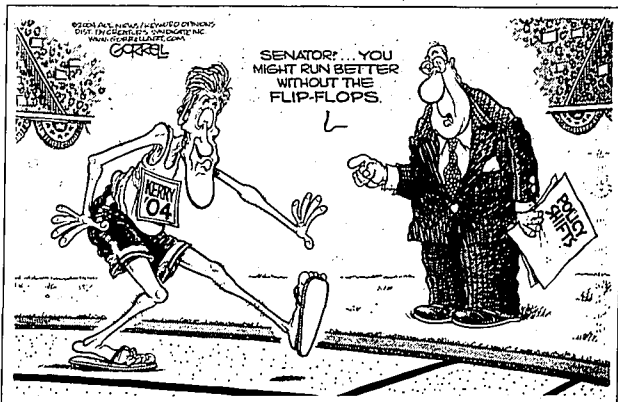
Tired of being a punching bag for Sen. John Kerry and the rest of the Democratic Party, President Bush hit back last Monday night (Feb. 23). In an address to Republican governors in Washington, Bush displayed quiet confidence in stark contrast to the anger and invective heaped on him. Instead of attacking leading Democratic presidential contender Kerry by name, the president referred with humorous jibes to "a Massachusetts senator."



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The initial strategy - which could change if it doesn't work in raising Bush's sagging poll numbers and lowering Kerry's - is to portray Kerry as a political opportunist, changing his mind when it suits his personal political agenda and standing for nothing as a matter of principle. In his speech, the president suggested the country could not afford to have a president who is double-minded about the military and the war on terror.

There is plenty of material from which to draw. The Republican National Committee and various pro-Bush Internet sites have posted multiple pages of information on Kerry votes in the Senate that either contradict his record or are inconsistent now with what he says he believes. He voted for the Iraq war but didn't think the president would go so far. He served in Vietnam but opposed the war when he returned, thus giving encouragement to the enemy at a time when his fellow soldiers were still being shot at, wounded and killed. He might have gotten away with that had he not slipped all in the military as mass murderers. During testimony before the



Senate Foreign Relations Committee on April 22, 1971, Kerry spoke of "war crimes" committed by his fellow soldiers (he didn't say if he had committed any) and alleged that such war crimes were "not isolated incidents." Rather, he claimed, they were "crimes committed on a day-to-day basis, with the full awareness of officers at all levels of command." Kerry claimed that American soldiers had "personally raped, cut off ears, cut off heads, taped wires from portable telephones to human genitals and turned up the power, cut off limbs, (blew) up babies, randomly shot at civilians, razed villages in fashion reminiscent of Genghis Khan, shot cattle and dogs for fun, poisoned food stocks and generally ravaged the countryside of South Vietnam."

It is one thing to criticize a war that many came to believe was poorly conceived and wrongly

fought by the political leadership. It is quite another to slander your fellow soldiers who remained in peril. If Kerry had names and evidence supporting his claims of atrocities - whether on a small or large scale, as he asserted - why didn't he turn them over to the proper authorities for investigation?

On Feb. 27, 1992, Kerry delivered a speech on the Senate floor defending Bill Clinton's non-service and avoidance of the draft as irrelevant and lamenting that Vietnam had been "inserted into the campaign." Another presidential candidate at that time, Sen. Bob Kerrey of Nebraska, was using his own Vietnam service as a political weapon against Bill Clinton (history does repeat). John Kerry told his fellow senators, "What saddens me most is that Democrats, above all those who shared the agonies of that generation, should now be re-fighting the

many conflicts of Vietnam in order to win the current political conflict of a presidential primary... We do not need to divide America over who served and how."

Kerry continued, "If support of opposition to the war were to become a litmus test for leadership, America would never have leaders or recover from the divisions created by that war."

The Bush reelection team will take such statements, along with scores of what appear to be pragmatic flips on a number of issues, and assert that Kerry doesn't know what he believes and cannot be trusted, especially at a time of grave peril to American interests and security. From his understated counter-punches at Kerry, it is clear that the president is confident he won't run out of material between now and November.

Cal Thomas is a nationally syndicated columnist.

'Working man' becomes harder to pin down

JAMES E. MCWILLIAMS

It's all the rage these days among savvy politicians in court the loyalty of the "working man." The seductive allure of this gritty, hard-nosed part of the electorate has never been more relevant than in this year's race for the Democratic nomination. The front-runners - John Kerry and John Edwards - have virtually whipped supporters into a populist froth by evoking the hardships of America's downtrodden "working people."

President Bush's particularly cynical brand of corporate capitalism must be crushed, they passionately insist, in order for the working man to finally rise up and quash the vast tyranny of privilege.

But who are these working people that Kerry and Edwards so eagerly evoke?

They're actually more elusive than one might think. As our candidate has noted, the definition is a structural change in the American economy has outsourced hundreds of thousands of manufacturing jobs overseas. Instead of creating sound posi-

Because political populism demands it. Today's working man might be more myth than reality, but he nobly reflects the stable economic security of a by-gone era. The original populists in the 19th century (men like William Jennings Bryan) lionized the agrarian myth of the virtuous, self-sufficient farmer at the very historical moment when commercial agriculture was making the yeoman obsolete.

In the same vein, as America today becomes a "service-oriented" economy, the Democratic nominees speak as if the electorate were largely comprised of men who still pack a metal lunch box, weld chassis at Ford, and stop off at the union hall before going home to wash up with Lava soap and watch the "Jockford Files." They've revived this image not because it reflects reality but precisely because it doesn't. Instead, it distorts reality into a nostalgic image.

Just as Kerry and Edwards are hip to the subtle rules of this rhetorical game, so should we be.

As we evaluate two exceptional candidates, we mustn't forget that, once in office, every populist becomes a pragmatist. It's not that he necessarily abandons populist principles.

Rather, political reality (thankfully) requires compromise because, well, there's that middle-class branch of the federal government known as Congress.

Which man inspires us on the stump, therefore, will prove to be less critical than which man we think will work best behind the scenes, making deals, pressing flesh, and pushing with quiet intensity for policies that make life more equitable for all of us - the poor, the unemployed, the underemployed, the rich, the middle-class, the retired, the elderly and yes, even the handful of working men that still remind us who we once were.

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Justice system mistreats man

Attention: Taxpayers and parents with young sons.

Currently, Twin Falls County jail is at maximum occupancy. Taxpayers think their money is used to keep dangerous criminals out of the community. Actually, there is a 22-year-old man currently in Twin Falls County jail who didn't even break a law. It all started in 1999. The man, then a boy, was dating a girl throughout high school. They were together for more than three years until she was 17 and he was 19.

Relationship problems occurred because she had gotten pregnant and, against his will, had an abortion. The long relationship ended and he was charged

with statutory rape. At the age of 18, he became a felon and received four years of probation. Probation made him attend "sex offender's treatment." Here, he felt like an outsider because he was placed with child molesters.

For this treatment, he paid \$235 a month and an additional \$275 to take polygraphs.

Finchally, he fell behind and received this exact threat from a licensed state worker: "You may die soon! I would like to be a pallbearer at your funeral since I have been carrying you financially in this counseling program! You currently owe Medical and Associates \$1,057 for past delinquent services. You have until Dec. 31 to have a zero balance or else. Take a guess at what "else" can mean! Use your

imagination! There are no financial plans - a service has been delivered like pizza hut to your door. You pay!"

Ultimately, the man could not afford to pay the whole bill so was terminated from treatment. His probation was violated and a warrant for his arrest was filed. He became extremely depressed and tried killing himself many times. The judge ordered a psychiatric evaluation.

The psychiatrist stated that he should have never been in that treatment. "It was like putting an alcoholic in a class for heroine addicts." However, the judge still sentenced him to one year in Twin Falls County Jail. The man was guilty of not having money.

I have no faith in the system. They took a happy boy and turned his life into a dis-

aster. Unfortunately, he is an example for other young boys to make morally correct decisions. He has made honest mistakes in his life and is paying dearly for them.

It is completely unnecessary for this young man to sit in jail wasting away a year of his life and your money.

MELLISA KOWITZ Rupert

Legislators should fund schools

Over the past years, the schools have been given many state and federal requirements that need to be met, whether they be improved test scores or meeting grant requirements.

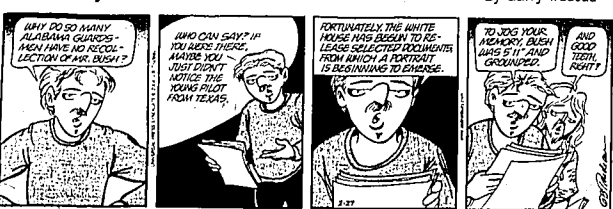
All schools have improved in many

ways. I have heard many comments from community members supporting the efforts being made in our school. They are excited to see the improvements to our school and in their child's academic performance. The only people who don't seem to see the progress are the elderly who get to there are our legislators.

I would encourage everyone to pass off words of encouragement to their legislators, so that there is funding to continue improving our schools so that children are given every opportunity to become successful citizens.

TINA DAINS Gooding (Editor's note: Tina Dains teaches third grade in the Gooding School District.)

Doonesbury



By Garry Trudeau

Mallard Fillmore



By Bruce Tinsley

OPINION

LETTERS

Be patient - Twin Falls will fix its potholes

Over the last week, there have been several letters to the editor regarding potholes in city streets. Unfortunately, we are only at the beginning of the pothole season. We have had a colder and wetter winter than usual. We are expecting a number freeze-thaw cycles this spring. These conditions can result in an unusually high number of potholes. The city is responsible for repair of potholes on city streets. We have crews out daily patching holes as they develop. One letter involved a pothole on Shoshone Street, Shoshone Street south of Second Avenue is State Highway 74. By agreement, the state is responsible for repairing potholes on state routes within the city in this particular case, after we were notified of the problem, our police department barricaded the hole and contacted the state. The hole was fixed within hours of the call. Other state routes within the city include parts of Washington Street South, the Second avenues, Blue Lakes Boulevard and Kimberly Road.

While city employees watch for and report potholes, we cannot reach all of them. If you observe a pothole that has not been fixed, please call 311. Our communications operators will note the location of the pothole and forward the information to either the city street department or the Idaho Department of Transportation. Your patience and help are important to us.

TOM COURTNEY

Editor's note: Tom Courtney is the city manager for Twin Falls, ID.

Educational ideals are the foundation of ISDB

We would like to state that after being teachers, support staff and principal-administrators at the Idaho School for the Deaf and Blind for 25-plus years each, we take offense at those calling the school "custodial" rather than "educational."

We are very proud of the work we did educating the students who were deaf, blind, deaf and blind or multi-handicapped. Many of the current employees in professional positions were our former students, and we are wondering if they or their parents feel that their education was "custodial"?

Yes, ISDB is custodial in the sense that the students stay there from Sunday evening through Friday afternoon in cottages for their housing. During the day, the students attend classes and extracurricular activities just the same as students in public or private schools. Many teachers have dual certification (public school and hearing impaired or visually impaired).

ISDB was an oral communication school until 1969. At that time a total communication policy was adopted by the school to accommodate all levels of hearing and

sight of individual students. Total communication includes speech, signing, reading and writing.

ISDB has state and Northwest accreditation, which is not given to custodial institutions. Thousands of dollars and many hours of staff input were put into curriculum selection and development. Curriculum coordinators were employed. Workshops were mandatory for staff to learn and implement curriculum goals. Individual Education Plans for each student were written from these goals. ISDB's inventory system was computerized, making each employee responsible for items assigned to their work area. Each item had to be accounted for at the end of the year.

We encourage people in the public sector to visit ISDB and learn more about the school. Again, we want to state that ISDB is not a custodial institution but has always been an educational facility with housing for students who are hearing impaired or visually impaired from throughout the state.

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Idaho delegation allows atomic testing to grow

The Department of Energy admitted that its plan reduces nuclear cleanup standards 100 times lower to industrial levels. The politicians in power hope you sleep through that, but it's time to wake up. Let me repeat that, they admit the plan is to lower the cleanup standards 100 times lower to leave more nuclear waste over your water. Wonder why you don't hear that from your representatives?

Could our faithful Republican legislators in Boise and Washington, D.C., take a stand against their own Republican Party plan? No! They love the plan, so shhh, don't wake the people up when the truth is so hard to admit.

President Bush also wants to renew bomb testing in Nevada. Millions of dollars are appropriated in the new "energy" bill to prepare for more atomic testing. They used to wait for the wind to blow to Idaho before detonation, and that is approved by your Republican representatives. They help cover up the atomic fallout in Idaho, so you don't mind a little more, do you?

The "energy" bill also just raised the number of commercial nuclear power plants to be built in Idaho from three to six. They can cram lots more than that onto DOE's 690 square miles over our water, once the Republican Party sells you on how lucky you are to get the first six nuclear power plants built here. Is it a smart defense strategy to cluster up a deadly multiple nuclear power target. Terrorists would never take advantage of that

once they have read the politicians' brochures on how safe nuclear power is, would they?

Ask not what the nuclear businesses can do for Idaho, ask what Idaho can do for the nuclear businesses. Well, maybe if you disagree with your representatives, you could call them toll free at (800) 626-0471 and ask them to pass a resolution (1) against lowering cleanup standards for nuclear waste, (2) against more atomic bomb testing and (3) against more nuclear reactor experiments. Bet they leave Boise and Washington without a whisper about their plans for your nuclear future, but at least you can say you tried to save our water.

**DR. PETER RICKARDS
Twin Falls**

Has hospital official embraced public status?


I found your headline on Feb. 22, "Hospitals spar over move," quite enlightening. Was it not the just few months that Magic Valley Regional Medical Center wanted to change from a county-owned hospital to a nonprofit entity? Its reasoning was to secure funding opportunities that could not be awarded otherwise.

However, Magic Valley Regional Medical Center Chief Executive Officer John Kee now states,

"Economically, it doesn't make sense to send county dollars to a nonprofit entity. Our hospital is owned by the community, and you should do your best to make sure it's an asset for community owners." So with this statement from their leader, there should be no more rhetoric from Magic Valley Regional Medical Center about changing its status from county-owned to a nonprofit entity.

By the way, should we as taxpayers expect another taxing district like the ambulance tax since Canyon View Psychiatric and Addiction Services lost money last year? Perhaps a taxing district for the emergency room and other departments within Magic Valley Regional Medical Centers realm that are not turning a profit? I believe it is part of doing business, since overall, Magic Valley Regional Medical Center continues to show a profit each year. I would think the departments making a profit balance the departments losing money. No need to single out a single department and ask for further taxpayer support.

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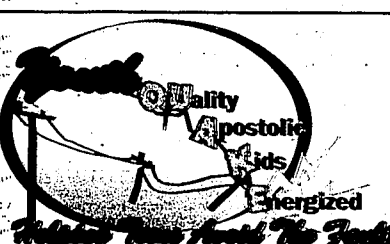
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
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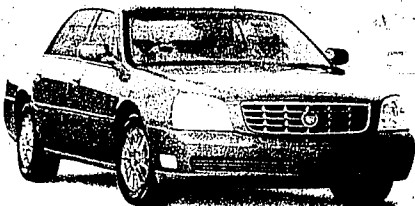
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AROUND THE VALLEY

Second suspect faces arson charge

TWIN FALLS — Another man arrested in connection with several fires in Twin Falls was arraigned in 5th District Magistrate Court Thursday.

Reyes Adam Duran, 24, of Twin Falls, faces one count of arson in the first degree for his confessed involvement in a fire at 181 Filer Ave. on Jan. 31.

On Feb. 10, police interviewed Duran about the fire. He told officials that he had been hired to renovate the property when the owners decided to have the building demolished instead, according to an affidavit written by Bill Hanchey, an officer with the Twin Falls Police Department.

The owners told Duran they would pay him \$1,000 to do the demolition. Instead, Duran enlisted the help of two men to set fire to the house, the affidavit says, and paid them with methamphetamine.

One of the men who admitted to helping set the fire, Jeffrey Don Duran, 19, was arraigned in 5th District Magistrate Court Wednesday. He also faces one count of arson in the first degree.

The house suffered damage in the living room, where investigators say the fire likely was set, with burns on the floors, walls, ceiling and on the roof. The outside was mostly unharmed.

Duran's preliminary hearing was scheduled for March 5. Bond was set at \$50,000.

Parties in felony HIV case reach agreement

JEROME — A man charged with four felony counts of transmitting bodily fluid containing the HIV virus has reached an agreement with prosecutors to plead guilty to one count.

In return, the state will dismiss the other three counts against Gregory E. VanHoozer, 39.

VanHoozer admitted to Jerome County Undersheriff Jocelyne Roberts that he had unprotected, intimate relations last summer with two men, even though he knew he was HIV-positive, according to a statement written by Roberts and filed in court records.

During VanHoozer's arraignment Tuesday, prosecutors told the court they are seeking 10 years' probation, with four years suspended.

The state also asked for withheld judgment, which means that if he doesn't violate probation, VanHoozer's record would be clean.

The judge is not bound by the agreement the parties reached out. Sentencing was set for April 6.

Prosecution gives 1,100 pages to Johnson defense

HAILEY — The Blaine County prosecutor's office has turned more than 1,100 pages over to Sarah Johnson's defense attorneys, with more on the way.

Johnson, 17, faces two charges of first-degree murder in connection with the shooting deaths of her parents in their Bellevue home in September.

Johnson attorney Bob Pangburn had been concerned that the immense amount of material associated with the case was being handed over to his team too slowly.

Facing a deadline for pretrial motions, he filed a motion of discovery pertaining specifically to Bruno Santos and Malinda Gonzales. Santos is Johnson's former fiancé, and Gonzales was her one-time cellmate.

At a Monday hearing, prosecutors said all information pertaining to Santos had been turned over and Pangburn was given the name of an Immigration and Naturalization Service agent who could share information on Santos.

Santos, a Mexican national, was in the country illegally at the time of the killings. He was deported to Mexico and was then flown back into the United States in order to testify before a grand jury last October. He is living in Hailey.

Compiled from staff reports

Standards for cattle may change

By Julia Ponce
Times-News writer

BOISE — A bill passed by the House Agricultural Committee on Thursday would hold beef producers to a different standard than dairymen.

Dairymen are required by Idaho law to allow the public to know where they put their manure — that is, if they are spreading it on their own land. They also have to disclose how much manure they export.

But legislation introduced by the Idaho Cattle Association would shelter beef producers from having to make that information

public. Rep. Frances Field, R-Grand View, who sits on the Ag Committee, made the motion to send the bill to the floor for debate, and all but the two Democratic members of the committee approved it.

Rep. Wendy Jaquet, D-Ketchum, pointed out that many of her Gooding County constituents are worried about dairymen ruining the soil by spreading manure too thick.

"People come to me saying you cannot even grow corn on this land, there has been so much



Doug Jones

manure placed on it," Jaquet said.

According to the legislation presented by the beef producers, cattlemen would prepare the records, known as nutrient management plans, submit them to the Idaho Department of Agriculture for approval, and then

the plans would be returned to the cattlemen. The Ag Department would not even keep copies of the plans. However, Ag Department employees would have the right to demand to see the records at feedlots.

The reason for the legislation, John Chaburn of the Ag Department said, was to comply with Environmental Protection Agency regulations under the Clean Water Act. The Ag Department is the appointed administrator for the regulations in Idaho.

Because the EPCRA doesn't require records to be public, the legislation was worded so the cattlemen records wouldn't be. Chaburn said.

"The public won't have access," Chaburn said.

Cattlemen Rep. Dennis Lake, R-Blackfoot, backed the notion, saying, "Dairy cows is a



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THE GREENHOUSE EFFECT



NAOMI WISSEKOPF/The Times-News

Hagerman students Allison Mode, left, Melissa Leija (blue T-shirt) and Jenne Coates (standing) water geraniums in the school district's newly constructed greenhouse as teacher Daniel Knapp looks on. "Agriculture has to be hands-on," Knapp said. "You have to get these kids out here and get their hands dirty."

Hagerman's new greenhouse nurtures young minds

By Sandra Wissekov
Times-News correspondent

HAGERMAN — It's vision for the future.

And it'll be a dream come true for agriculture teacher Daniel Knapp and Hagerman High School students if they can turn a 44-by-96-foot greenhouse into a self-sustaining facility for growing plants, fish and nurturing young minds.

"This is a work in progress," Knapp said. "In five years, I guarantee it won't look anything like it looks now."

School officials spent most of the money budgeted for the project on simply building the new facility, so there's still a lot of empty

space inside. But it's rapidly filling with growing plants on tables constructed from old doors and used barn-roof tin, supported by empty cattle nutrient lick containers.

Staying ahead of the planting process has involved between 60 and 70 students taking greenhouse courses, introduction to agriculture classes as well as ag fabrication students. The fabrication students also were involved in the actual construction of the facility, which now houses a growing number of potted geraniums, hanging baskets, bedding and vegetable plants.

Growing plants is just a small part of what's going on in the greenhouse. Students are gearing up for the

facility's first big plant sale on May 8 — the Saturday before Mother's Day.

And it all started with a marketing survey. Students asked area residents how many and what kind of plants they purchased annually and whether or not these consumers would support plant sales at the Hagerman greenhouse. Then they looked at costs, pricing and profit margin.

"The biggest struggle in agriculture these days is marketing the product," Knapp said. "We're very good at producing a product, but as a whole, ag needs to learn how to market. You can't farm like your daddy or granddaddy. You can't market the same way your parents did. You need to find new niche

markets — new, creative ways of doing things."

And the greenhouse must become self-supporting with profits used to benefit ag programs and projects.

"I think the greenhouse is a great addition to our school because it's not just horticulture. It's also aquaculture," student Allison Mode said. "It's tons better actually working in the greenhouse environment. We used to just have a greenhouse box, the size of two file cabinets for marketing niches

involves research in efficient plant production and aquaculture studies. Partnerships also are being

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Heyburn seeks grant to extend water line

By Shelley Ridenour
Times-News writer

HEYBURN — City officials are trying to tap into state grant funds to help pay for a new water line.

In turn, that bigger water line will allow a Heyburn business to expand and to hire more people.

Expansion and job creation are key factors in this particular grant application, said Carleen Herring, economic development division manager for Region IV Development, a nonprofit corporation that facilitates economic development in south-central Idaho.

Plans call for installing a 12-inch water line along the west side of 400 West between 375 South and 350 South. Heyburn City Superintendent Scott Spevak said. The new line would serve Schow's Inc.'s Western Star Trucks business.

Schow's owners Don and Steve Schow are constructing a new

office and five-bay truck facility along Idaho Highway 24 near exit 211 on Interstate 84.

Plans call for opening the new facility in July, Don Schow said. The business will sell new and used Western Star trucks, service semi-trucks and trailers and sell semi-tractor parts. Some used trucks are also sold at the site.

The Schow brothers also own Schow's Currier auto parts stores in Burley and Rupert.

Because of the new truck bays additional water flow to meet fire standards is needed, Herring and Spevak said. The new water line is expected to be installed in the next two months, Spevak said.

City employees will do much of the work, but he expects to hire a contractor to bore under the canal that the water line must pass under.

The project is estimated to cost \$167,000, Spevak said. Please see WATER, Page B3

Wendell nets \$80,000 from City Hall sale

By Elisabeth A. Devens
Times-News correspondent

WENDELL — The city of Wendell should have some extra funds to work with this year thanks to the sale of the old City Hall building. Valley Co-op bought the property at 157 W. Main St. on Feb. 13 for \$80,000. The Wendell City Council had originally set the minimum bid at \$150,000, but when no buyers offered to pay that price, the city sold the lots at a verbal public auction.

"No one bid the \$150,000 minimum," Mayor Paul Isaacson said. "That gave us the opportunity to put it up for bid for whatever we could get for it."

Isaacson said that he was pleased with the sale amount even though it was less than the property's original appraisal.

Floyd Uria, retail division manager for Valley Co-op, said the cooperative has no specific plans for the property at this time.

"For us it was a good opportunity to purchase some property that was adjacent to what we already

New meeting dates

The Wendell City Council also passed an ordinance to change its regularly scheduled meeting dates. The meetings changed from the second and fourth Tuesdays of every month to the first and third Thursdays. The next regularly scheduled council meeting begins at 7 p.m., March 4.

own," Uria said. "It's not every day that property becomes available that's next to property you already have, especially in city limits."

Even though the sale price was somewhat less than expected, there will be an increase in funds available to the city due to the purchase price of the new City Hall building at 300 Main St.

"We bought the whole city block for basically \$1," Isaacson said. Isaacson said he hopes that part of the funds will be used for re-

building the new building. "We had to address (Americans with Disabilities Act) issues, handicap issues, and the roof needs to be replaced," he said.

Some doors had to be changed and the restrooms were updated to make the building handicap accessible. Although that process has already started using available funds, the \$80,000 from the recent sale could be put to further use.

"It should not take the entire amount to refurbish the building," Isaacson said. "We will probably wind up with an excess that will be translated into the next fiscal year."

However, in order to use the funds this year a new budget will need to be approved.

"We throw out the old budget and make a new budget with the new figures," Isaacson said. "It will reflect the inclusion of \$80,000."

Before the budget can be approved by the City Council, it must be discussed in a public hearing, Isaacson said that hearing likely will occur within the next 30 days.

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Proposal goes to public

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LEGISLATIVE LOG

By The Associated Press

Signed by Governor

SB222 (Local Government and Taxation) - Includes cities, counties, school districts and other local governments under the law allowing negotiation for cost-saving energy incentives.

SB221 (State Affairs) - Extends campaign finance reporting requirements to elections at a date of between 5,000 and 10,000 people.

SB220 (Health and Welfare) - Changes the name of the Health and Welfare Department to the Department of Health and Social Services.

Introduced in House

HB766 (Appropriations) - Allocates \$40.7 million to the Department of Lands for 2004-2005 operations.

HB767 (Appropriations) - Allocates \$4.4 million to the Soil Conservation Commission for 2004-2005 operations.

HB768 (Appropriations) - Allocates \$11.3 million for Idaho's higher education system for 2004-2005 operations.

HB769 (Education) - Allows school districts and charter schools to reduce retired teacher's salary if a declaration of financial emergency.

HB770 (Appropriations) - Clarifies that the Director of the Idaho Athletic Commission is responsible for the oversight of professional boxing, wrestling and similar events.

HB771 (Ways and Means) - Allows for the removal of child support order based upon a finalized paternity trial.

HB772 (Ways and Means) - Commutes agency administrative rules approved by the Legislature until Feb. 1, 2005, unless they expire.

HB773 (Ways and Means) - Increases the notice period required from 120 days to 180 days for public utility rate case preparation.

HB774 (Ways and Means) - Names a southern Idaho canyon area in the Madad Gorge area the "Earl M. Hardy Box Canyon Springs Nature Preserve."

HB775 (Ways and Means) - Enables sellers of livestock to obtain certain credit information from the back of the buyer's check or other card with the buyer's permission.

HB776 (Ways and Means) - Increases fees from \$5 to \$25 for re-issuance of Idaho driver's licenses.

HB777 (State Affairs) - Clarifies the procedure for removal of a political campaign and reimbursement of funds.

HB778 (State Affairs) - Establishes a required process for disposing of surplus inventory of Idaho property.

HB779 (State Affairs) - Creates a child abuse level for stay volume that may affect day care.

HB780 (State Affairs) - Prevents school districts that use fund level Equalization Support from subsidizing projects that are otherwise subsidized by state funds.

HB781 (State Affairs) - Limits the amount of property tax valuation increase to 3 percent.

HB782 (State Affairs) - Returns erroneously collected property tax money to the originating county and taxing districts.

HB783 (Ways and Means) - Establishes a new standing committee for health care.

HB784 (Ways and Means) - Welcomes House State University President Robert Koza and University of Idaho President Timothy White.

HB785 (State Affairs) - Expresses legislative support for continued receipt of military retirement pay and disability compensation for veterans injured in combat.

Introduced in Senate

SB130 (State Affairs) - Approves fee increases for heating ventilation and air conditioning installed by the Division of Building Safety.

SB104 (Finance) - Allocates \$552,400 for 2004-2005 operations of the Department of Lands.

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SB106 (Judiciary and Rules) - Imposes a two-mile minimum distance between charter public schools and state schools.

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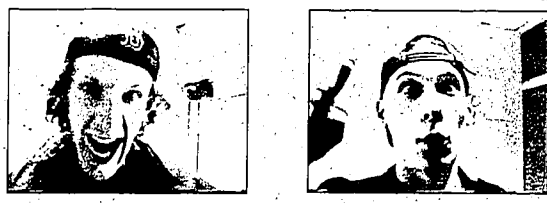
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Columbine High School students Dylan Klebold, left, and Eric Harris, who were involved in the killings of 12 students and a teacher at the school, yell into the camera in these images made from video released by the Jefferson County Sheriff's department Thursday. The video was made as part of a school project at Columbine High School, in Littleton, Colo., by Harris and Klebold.

Report: Authorities knew the Columbine killers well

LAKESWOOD, Colo. (AP) - Law officers were warned about the Columbine High killers at least 15 times in the two years before their murderous rampage, the state attorney general said Thursday in a report that outraged the families of the victims.

Attorney General Ken Salazar said he was still digging for details about whether authorities may have missed possible warning signs about the teens. Asked if he thought there was a cover-up, Salazar said: "I do not know that."

Salazar's report angered families of the 13 victims because it did not blame the Jefferson County sheriff's office for missing warning signs about Eric Harris and Dylan Klebold.

Some went as Salazar concluded he had found no sign of negligence, and families said his narrowly tailored report did nothing to ease their anguish.

"It's done. You know it. They're not going to do any more," Hardy Brown said as he hugged his sobbing wife. The Browns told the sheriff's office that Harris was making death threats against their son in August 1997.

While Salazar detailed his report, some 800 people lined up to view a new and online display of evidence collected in the case. Authorities also released a 90-minute compilation of videos made by Harris and Klebold.

Wearing trenchcoats and sunglasses, the two are seen stalking through the hallways of Columbine just five months before the attack, portraying hitmen offering their services to students victimized by bullies. In one point, the two run obscenities into the lens and promise a brutal death for their targets.

Harris, 18, and Klebold, 17, killed 12 students and a teacher before killing themselves at the school near Littleton on April 20, 1999.

Family members have long said the sheriff's office, the gunmen's parents and others missed signs that the teens were capable of murder.

Speaking in a room with somber families starting at him from the back wall, Salazar said his investigation is not complete.

He said his staff interviewed two former sheriff's officials just this week and that authorities are still trying to find a file detailing a search warrant affidavit for Harris' home after a pipe bomb was found along a bike path in 1998. The search never took place.

Salazar said his investigators looked at how sheriff's officials reacted to 1997 complaints about Harris, ranging from petty vandalism to a Web site run by Harris that said he and Klebold had built pipe bombs and concluded: "Now our only problem is to find the place that will be 'ground zero.'"

In all, Salazar said, the sheriff's office had at least 15 contacts with the two teens - from dispatch reports to official investigative reports - stemming from six separate incidents. But he made no conclusions about what investigators could have done differently.

The collection of evidence.

unveiled Thursday included 10,418 separate items - from the murder weapons and the black trenchcoats worn by the killers to bullet fragments and the chairs and tables where people died. A message board put up in a school window the day of the attack still says, in blue Magic Marker: "I bleeding to death." There were 13 body bags.

Authorities released two videos, one of the anxious scene in a park near the school the day of the shooting, the other the Harris and Klebold video.

Some relatives say such videos were seen by school officials and that nothing was done.

"This raises more questions than it answers," said Dawn Anna, whose daughter, Lauren Townsend, died at Columbine. "I would disagree that there was no negligence."

Brown said he wanted to know what sheriff's officials did with multiple warnings from his parents about Harris. He was stunned by the failure to execute the search warrant at the Harris home a year before the slaying.

"That's basically telling me my friends died because of a clerical error," he said.

SERVICES

Jesse Gerald Nicholson of Filer, funeral at 10 a.m. Saturday at Peace Lutheran Church in Filer. (Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls.)

Mary B. Kamp of Rupert, funeral at 2 p.m. today at Hansen Mortuary Chapel.

Delphia E. Ling of Rupert, funeral at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Rupert United Methodist Church, 605 H St. Friends may call from 6-8 p.m. today at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley, and from 10-10:45 a.m. Saturday at the church.

Norman Eugene Arrington of Twin Falls, funeral at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Twin Falls LDS Stake Center, 421 Maurice St., Twin Falls. Viewing from 6-8 p.m. today at White Mortuary and from 10-10:45 a.m. Saturday at the church.

William E. "Bill" Maas of Jerome, funeral at 2 p.m. today at Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls.

Jay Baker of Wendell, former Hazelton resident, graveside service at 1 p.m. today at Hazelton Cemetery.

Ignacio 'Nacho' Silva, 45, of Twin Falls, memorial service at 4 p.m. today at Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls, Idaho.

Fred Turner of Twin Falls, service at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Immaculate Conception Church, 1631 Poplar, Buhl. (Farmer Funeral Chapel of Buhl.)

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

Eugene Arthur Gary of

Kimberly, memorial service at 11 a.m. Monday at the Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls.

Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls.

DEATH NOTICES

Barbara Sabala - TWIN FALLS - Barbara Sabala, 61, of Twin Falls, died late Tuesday evening, Feb. 24, 2004, at her home in Twin Falls.

A Celebration of life will be held at 11 a.m. on Monday, March 1, 2004, at the Amazing Grace Fellowship Church, 1061 Eastlund Drive N., Twin Falls. Interment will be in the Rex Box Baker. Burial will follow at the Elmwood Cemetery in Gooding, Idaho, with a reception to follow at the Basque Center in Gooding, Idaho.

The family will greet friends from 2-4 p.m. before the funeral at Reynolds Funeral Chapel, Twin Falls.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Twin Falls Animal Shelter in Barbara's name. Contributions may be given to the funeral chapel gift or mailed to Reynolds Funeral Chapel, P.O. Box 1142, Twin Falls, Idaho 83303.

A full obituary will appear in a later edition of the Times-News.

Ann C. Maughan - DECEASED - Ann C. Maughan, 82, of Rupert, died Thursday, Feb. 26, 2004, at Cassia Regional Medical Center in Burley.

Funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, March 1, 2004, at the Rupert Stake Center of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 324 1/2th St., Bishop Brent D. Griffin officiating. Burial will be in the Rupert Cemetery.

Friends may call from 6-8 p.m. Sunday at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley, and from 10-10:45 a.m. Monday at the church.

A complete obituary will follow at a later date.

R.L. 'Tuff' Larsen - JEROME - R.L. 'Tuff' Larsen, 79, of Jerome died Thursday, Feb. 19, 2004, at St. Alphonsus Regional Medical Center in Boise.

Arrangements will be made by the Hove Robertson Funeral chapel in Jerome.

Virginia Ivory - TWIN FALLS - Virginia Ivory, 64, of Twin Falls died Wednesday evening, Feb. 25, 2004, at St. Benedict's Long Term Care Unit in Jerome, Idaho.

Arrangements will be made by Reynolds Funeral Chapel, Twin Falls.

Lillie Mae Klimes - JEROME - Lillie Mae Klimes, 77, of Jerome died Thursday, Feb. 26, 2004, at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls.

Service will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, March 1, 2004, at Jerome 1st Ward LDS Church, 825 East Ave. B. Friends may call from 6-8 p.m. Sunday at the Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel.

Dene Black - TWIN FALLS - Dene Black, 90, of Twin Falls died Wednesday evening, Feb. 25, 2004, at Reynolds Care Center in Twin Falls.

Arrangements will be made by Reynolds Funeral Chapel, Twin Falls.

Francis 'Fran' A. Rider - TWIN FALLS - Francis 'Fran' A. Rider, 80, of Twin Falls died early Thursday morning, Feb. 26, 2004, at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls.

Arrangements will be made by Reynolds Funeral Chapel, Twin Falls.

OBITUARIES

For obituary rates and information, call 735-3278 Monday through Saturday. Deadline is 4 p.m. for next-day publication. The e-mail address for obituaries is obitu@magvalley.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, go to www.magvalley.com and click on "Obituaries."

John Stevens Jr. - Twin Falls

John Stevens Jr., 92, of Twin Falls, died Monday, Feb. 23, 2004, at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center.

He was born March 26, 1911, in Scotch bluff, Neb., the son of John and Eva Mohr Stevens. He moved to the Magic Valley as a young man and on Nov. 7, 1934, he married Opal Erleen Croft in Twin Falls. John worked for the railroad as a section maintenance man for 35 years.

Mr. Stevens was a compassionate family man who raised his two grandchildren after the death of his daughter. He enjoyed fishing when he was able and traveled when he could.

He is survived by his son, John Stevens of Ashton, Idaho; six grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; two sisters, Mary Cunningham of Gooding, Idaho, and Sylvia Williams in California.

He was preceded in death by his wife in 1989; one daughter, Nancy Krefz; three brothers and one sister.

A graveside service will be conducted at 2:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 28, 2004, at Twin Falls Cemetery. Services are under the direction of White Mortuary, Chapel by the Park.

A funeral will be conducted 11 a.m. Monday, March 1, 2004, at the Shoshone Assembly of God Church with interment following in Shoshone Cemetery. Visitation for family and friends will be held from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Sunday at Demary Funeral Chapel in Shoshone.

Gordon Sanford Connell - Shoshone

Gordon Sanford Connell, 63, loving husband, brother, father, grandfather and friend went home to be with the Lord, Feb. 24, 2004. Gordon passed away at Oregon Health Science University in Portland, Ore., with his family by his side, after fighting an extremely courageous battle with complications following a heart transplant.

Gordon grew up in Shoshone where he attended school and went on to get his bachelor's degree at Boise State University. He worked his family farm north of Shoshone and worked for the Idaho State Tax Commission in

Connell; sister, Betty Connell; and two sons, Danny and Rusty Connell. A heartfelt thank you to the doctors, nurses and staff of CICU at OHSU for all the loving care and extraordinary effort and all those who kept him in their prayers.

The family of Lois M. Lennan wish to give thanks to all who shared their sympathy and sense of loss with us. Bless You All. Richard, Steven & Virginia, Sean & Susan

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McCLURE ESTATE ANTIQUE AUCTION Sunday, February 29, 2004 Located: Jerome, Idaho • Jerome County Fairgrounds Jerome County Fairgrounds is located off West Main.

PRIMITIVES - COLLECTIBLES Kerosene glass lamps - old tools - septic - cross cut - trolley steamer trunks - sad & flat irons - milk and cream cans - 5 gal milk can - puppy seat and coffee bean grinders - crock butter churns - metal butter churns - wooden churn paddles - 12 gal lead wing crock - 2 chicken chook - butter churn - butter churn on dump stand - Chase Sanborn's instant coffee box - old utensils - antique Omaha Ruffman Vacuum Washer Company hand operated washing machine with Leffel wringer - wooden which spoke shaver tools - old oil and kerosene cans - camel saddle yoke - carpet beater - small single galvanized wash tub on stand with wringer - boiler tins and lids - galvanized tubs - lard presses - well rope pulley wheel - old lanterns - buck saw - and lots of antique and primitive items.

GLASSWARE - COLLECTIBLES - HOUSEHOLD ITEMS Cool oil well glass lamps - hurricane type oil lamps - old electric hurricane type table lamps - copper coil oil lamp - pottery jugs and crocks - enamel ware - granite ware - cast iron cook ware - depression glass ware - salt and pepper shakers - sugar and creamers - glasses - candy dishes - novelty items - babying - assorted plates and platters - candle holders - old bottles - candy dish - and jar lids - pan lids - quilts and quilt tops - blankets - several boxes of old books - old wall pictures and paintings - marble clocks - old antique picture albums - records and record albums - lady's old hats - table cloths - old photo wringers - and more.

FURNITURE Cremona Victoria phonograph, crank type, in oak cabinet with record storage in bottom - hardwood chairs - antique light covers and globes - black wooden Bette rocker with unique, little coil springs - oval gold framed beveled mirror - cabinets and other furniture.

MISCELLANEOUS Dolls - toys - toy alphabet blocks (the big ones) - wooden skis - costume jewelry - old alarm clocks - old tidies - and miscellaneous items too numerous to mention NOTE: This is the 10th auction sale of this estate. The family always surprised at what they find as they dig thru this collection. We usually have much much more by sale time, so be sure to attend another McClure Estate auction. OWNER: HELEN McCLURE ESTATE Terms: Cash or Bankable Check Day of Sale Sale managed by Masters Auction Service "The Business that Service Built" AUCTIONEERS CLERK Lylo Mastors Gary Osborne Joe Bennett Lamar Loveland (Buhl) Idaho Gooding, Idaho Hagerman, Idaho Rupert, Idaho (208) 543-5227 (208) 934-5350 (208) 837-6523 (208) 436-9863 Jim Christiansen - Rupert, Idaho • 531-4122 or 431-4122 Mobile Phones 731-1616 • 539-5350 • 539-0111 • 431-7355 Ringside Phone 208-431-7355 • FAX: 543-5227 or 934-8977 • www.mastersauction.com

Misdemeanor arraignments Blount, Curtis; Blount, during under the influence; perjury; conference; March 11; Magistrate Judge Kevin J. Cassidy. Jeffrey Lange; Johns; driving without privileges; status; hearing; March 8; Magistrate Judge Kevin J. Cassidy. Murphy; driving without privileges; pretrial conference; March 11; Magistrate Judge Kevin J. Cassidy.

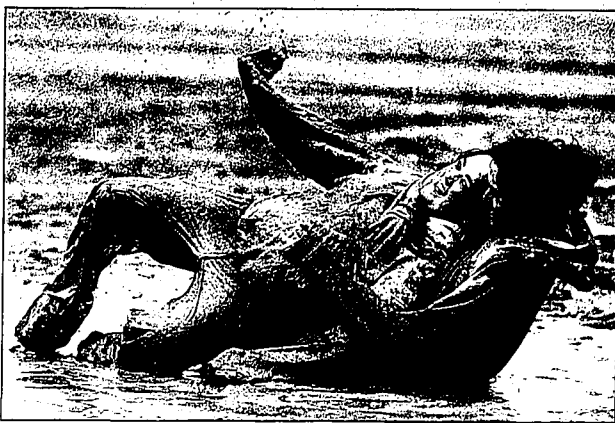
Civil Advanced Collection vs. Kurtis Scott Gaston and Stephanie Gaston, spouse. Seeking \$2,600.00; attorney fees of \$900. Plaintiff alleges that defendant owes \$2,600 for accounts assigned to the plaintiff for collection.

Child support cases State of Idaho Child Support Services vs. Byron Raymond Young and Denise Nicole Shuler. Seeking of Mr. Young determine if he is the father of Taylor Ann Elizabeth Shuler; \$248 monthly support, plus 51 percent of child's medical expenses; \$330 attorney fees.

State of Idaho Child Support Services vs. Willie Isaac Covaus and Mandie Leigh Covaus. Seeking of Mr. Covaus; \$336 monthly support for Isaac Lamar Covaus and Alexander Lee Covaus, plus 50 percent of children's medical expenses; \$193 attorney fees; \$1,288.26 for his pro rata share of birth costs.

Divorces Joann Madlene Lewis vs. Beat David Lewis. Barbara Ferguson vs. Tom Ferguson. Guillermo Ponce vs. Silda Ponce. Rebecca Sue Mulkey vs. Alan Dale Mulkey. Margarita Capps vs. Wesley Capps.

PINNED



Fresno State students Cindy Valenzuela, right, and Mandy Jennings play in a muddy field at Woodward Park in Fresno, Calif., during a break in a rain storm Wednesday afternoon.

Mexican consul, Mormon church denounce anti-immigration group

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — The Mexican consul in Utah denounced a bill in the Legislature that would prevent Mexican nationals from using a Mexican identification card to obtain a Utah driver's license, saying advocates were "promoting hatred against Mexican people."

The consul, Patricia Dueler, was joined Thursday at the Utah Capitol by a spokesman for the Mormon church, who said backers of the bill may have improperly claimed the church supported their cause. Dueler said she was particularly upset over claims by an anti-immigration group in Utah that the

Mexican government encourages its citizens to illegally enter the United States.

Matt Throckmorton, chairman of Utahns for Immigration Reform, said Thursday he stands by that remark which he made at a legislative hearing last week. Dueler said the assertion is "false and unfounded" and hurts diplomatic relations between Mexico and the United States.

"I am angry and upset," Dueler told The Associated Press. "I don't understand why these people hit low, why they bother the Mexican people."

"We are not terrorists. We are

people who come to the United States to work hard," she said.

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints said it was investigating complaints that Utahns for Immigration Reform was "citing church teachings as apparent justification for their political purposes."

"The church repeats its oft-stated caution to members that they should never infer that the church endorses their personal political positions," said George Monsivales, a counselor for a collection of Mormon ward houses in Provo, where the anti-immigration group is based.

Student fees at UI might change again

MOSCOW (AP) — University of Idaho students who thought they secured a concession from the State Board of Education for their increased fees may be in for an unwelcome surprise.

At the board's Jan. 27 meeting, university administrators proposed a 9.9 percent fee increase, just under the 10 percent cap allowed by state law. But after an impassioned speech by Student Body President Isaac Myhrum asking to decrease the hike to 7 percent, the board compromised and set it at 6.5 percent.

But since then, the Legislature has approved a bare-bones higher education budget. Now, university administrators are planning to ask special permission to draft a fee increase proposal of more than 10 percent at the board's next meeting in March.

Wayland Winstead, university budget director, said that when the fees were set at 6.5 percent, interim President Gary Knapp told the board that the university might have to revisit the issue.

Waste

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Bybee said the beauty of the modular filtering system is that an industrial plant can move into town and the needed capacity can be added to the system immediately.

"It would be like building the wastewater system to order," he said. "The old way of building wastewater treatment plants was to build for 20 years down the road and wait for the growth to catch up with the plant. Then build it bigger for another 20 years down the road."

"With this system we can add capacity as we need it." The city of Jerome is planning to upgrade the wastewater treatment plant to meet new Environmental Protection Agency and Department of Environmental Quality standards. It will cost somewhere between \$5.6 million and \$12.5 million.

City officials are not sure how large the plant will need to be in 20 years and, within the next few weeks, will be hiring an engineering firm to assist with the planned upgrade.

The new technology will cost 15 percent to 17 percent more up front than the older plant technology. But over a 20-year period it will save money in labor costs, chemicals and maintenance officials say. Further, the modular filtering system is better able to handle large loadings from industrial spills.

The city will be test a couple of other filtering systems by other manufacturers before making any final decisions on purchases.

Dog nearly dies from eating meat at Idaho campground

SALMON (AP) — Idaho Department of Fish and Game officials are urging care in the backcountry after a dog nearly died from eating poisoned meat at a popular recreation area in the Salmon-Challis National Forest.

State officials were alerted after a pet owner reported his dog nearly died after it ate a chunk of poisoned meat Friday while they were at Waggonhammer Springs, near the community of North Fork on the Montana border.

The dog's symptoms included vomiting and trembling. It was rushed to a veterinary clinic where immediate treatment saved its life, Fish and Game said. A magpie that was seen eating some of the meat later died.

The poison has yet to be identified.

The incident comes just weeks

after U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service agents confirmed that a gray wolf found in south of Challis in May was killed by Compound 1080. That area is about 60 miles south of North Fork.

The symptoms for the deadly chemical used to kill coyotes include convulsions, vomiting and kidney failure.

"It's unbelievable — what kind of sick mind would think of something like that?" North Fork Store employee Nancy Bell asked.

Fish and Game conservation educator Wicky Runnoe said the department doesn't have any evidence that the Waggonhammer incident is tied to anti-wolf sentiments.

Distributing poisoned bait is a felony punishable by five years in prison and a maximum fine of \$50,000.

Senate opposes name change

BOISE — The Senate late Thursday opposed a name change of the Health and Welfare Department to the Department of Health and Social Services.

The bill changing the name to reflect the new emphasis on moving people back into the work force failed 16-15.

Critics cited the estimated cost of \$30,000 for changing about 40 signs on department buildings. They said the expense could not be justified when minor amounts like \$26,000 to provide the blind with newspapers being read on the radio or \$50,000 to check the hearing of newborns were not included in the state budget.

Republican Sen. Kent Bailey of Hayden told his colleagues to ignore the fact that Idaho is one of only two states with "welfare" in the department's name and focus on the fact that Idaho's social service benefits are among the lowest in the nation.

Water

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Herring will apply for \$100,000 from the state Commerce Department, but there are no assurances the city will receive the full grant amount, she said.

Because Schow's would hire more people to work at the Heyburn facility, this particular block grant is available to the city of Heyburn, Herring said.

Schow's officials have said they plan to hire 10 more people. That job creation is a real plus in the city's application, she said.

Commerce Department officials want to award grants to cities that

Legislature in brief

Senate votes to make video voyeurism a crime

BOISE — Legislation creating a new crime of video voyeurism was unanimously approved Thursday by the state Senate.

The measure, which now goes to the House, criminalizes the use of any imaging device to take pictures of the intimate parts of an individual's body in a place where the person could expect privacy.

"There's a lot of weird stuff that comes with this new technology," Senate Judiciary Chairman Denton Darrington, R-DeClu, said. "Our police agencies and prosecutors need a tool to deal with this. It's very degrading to the people it happens to."

— compiled from wire reports

are making infrastructure improvements that can help with business expansion.

The grant application is due to the state by March 15. A public hearing on the application is scheduled for 7 p.m. March 10 at Heyburn City Hall, as part of a City Council meeting.

Final word on the grant would come with this new technology," Senate Judiciary Chairman Denton Darrington, R-DeClu, said. "Our police agencies and prosecutors need a tool to deal with this. It's very degrading to the people it happens to."

Because words get turned back on in the irrigation canal before then, Spevak said the water line work will start before the city receives word about the grant application.

Federal lands proposal will go to public tonight

TWIN FALLS — A public meeting will be held from 7 to 9 tonight to discuss a proposal to consolidate management of U.S. Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management lands in Twin Falls and Cassia counties under BLM rules.

The meeting will be held at the Idaho Farm Bureau Building, 2732 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls.

Find a copy of the draft proposal online at <http://www2.state.id.us/lands> and click on "Federal Lands Task Force Update" or contact consultant Bob Maynard at 208-343-3434 for more information. The Web site includes information on the history of the task force's initiatives.

United Way panel will hear funding requests

TWIN FALLS — The 2004 United Way Allocation Committee held its grant application hearings this week at the Church of the Ascension.

Twenty partner agencies presented their funding requests for programs that support the United Way's strategy for helping the communities of south-central Idaho, the organization said in a press release. The United Way's board of directors will approve and report the results of the committee's work at noon March 12 at the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare building.

Magic Valley in brief

Volunteers on this year's committee include Jaime Kelly, Magic Valley Regional Medical Center; Eddy Packham, Fred Meyer; Lisa Collins, KMYV; Patty Johnson, Clear Springs Foods; Brent Culver, Department of Health and Welfare; Monica Kessel, College of Southern Idaho; Jerni Kalsig, Regence Blue Shield; Sue Ann Jones, Cosco; Elaine Steale, Twin Falls City Council; Linda DeBard, Zions Bank; Marty Hand, Dell Computer Corp.; Marty Buss, Safety Service; Paige Jensen, Tlepworth and West; and Cheryl Katz, Helen Arnold and Deb Mickak, community advocates.

Luncheon will raise money for Red Cross

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls Outlook Steakhouse will hold a luncheon Thursday to raise money for the American Red Cross of Greater Idaho.

The restaurant, located at 1965 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., will be open from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. to help kick off a series of events to be held during Red Cross Month. Cost for the luncheon is \$10, with all proceeds going to support local services of the American Red Cross.

Volunteer wait staff will serve the meal, which includes royal port fresh catch (tilapia) with a crisp, shrimp and cream sauce, Caesar salad and soft drink, and a bloomin' onion on each table.

Tickets are available at the American Red Cross of Greater Idaho, South Central Idaho District office, 1139 Falls Ave. E., Suite B, or at D.L. Evans banks in Twin Falls and Jerome. Tickets may also be purchased at the door.

For more information, call the Red Cross office at 735-6461.

Masonic lodges plan scholarship auction

FILER — Filer/Hollister Masonic Lodge 55 and Buhl Masonic Lodge 53 will hold a chili feed and auction to raise money for scholarships for Filer and Buhl high school graduates at 6 p.m. Saturday at the Filer Masonic Lodge Building at 214 Main Ave. (across from the Filer American Legion Hall) in Filer.

The public is invited to have chili and participate in the auction. A featured item is a 1991 Pontiac Grand Prix donated by Bob Green, Pontiac, Buick and GMC in Twin Falls. Anyone wishing to donate items for the auction should call Fred Decker, 326-9598, or Ted Netz, 543-6035.

— compiled from staff reports

Senate approves registering contractors

BOISE (AP) — Thousands of building contractors will have to register with the state under compromise legislation overwhelmingly approved Thursday in the Idaho Senate.

The 26-7 vote, sending the bill to the House, marked the first in decades of debate that the Senate has endorsed state regulation for contractors. That's even though many of the industry's sub-specialties, like electricians, plumbers and heating and cooling workers, are already licensed by the state.

Advocates said it was the first step toward providing real protection from dishonest builders for the largest investment consumers make — their home.

"An unscrupulous contractor is going to do whatever he's going to do to get around the law," Republican Sen. Dean Cameron of Rupert said. "But if we didn't have licensing, these unscrupulous individuals would be more prevalent."

The ranks of opponents were thinned considerably when the House Building Contractors Association spent the past year ironing out issues that had killed past attempts. Eliminating the

House will hear changes to campaign finance laws

BOISE (AP) — Secretary of State Ben Ysursa on Thursday introduced legislation in the House State Affairs Committee to eliminate the use of campaign funds raised after a candidate has been elected.

House Bill 777 was taken to the Legislature after the revelation earlier this year that Gov. Dirk Kempthorne had received campaign contributions after his election in November 2002, and was using the funds to cover travel and office expenses not connected with his re-election campaign.

Ysursa said he will not seek a third term, so he should have no reason to funnel that money to his campaign.

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requirement contractors carry an expensive bond to compensate customers claiming damages was the biggest factor.

To get the required registration, contractors will have to pay no more than \$150 and show proof that they have at least \$300,000 in liability insurance coverage. They also must have worker's compensation coverage if they have employees. The number of contractors affected has been estimated as high as 17,000.

Handymen who do projects for less than \$1,500 each would be exempt — as would — tradesmen already licensed by the state.

When contractor regulation was considered in the Senate in 2000, it was narrowly killed before it could come to a floor vote.

Opponents' arguments didn't

change in four years.

"This stifles market competition," Republican Jerry Sweet of Meridian said. "This is the wrong public policy."

GOP Sen. Money Pearce of New Plymouth and others argued that registration was backed by big contractors as a way of protecting them from the competition that small operators could pose.

"They continually cited the guy with a pickup truck and a dog and toolbox in the bed, drumming up business to make ends meet."

Republican Jack Noble of Kuna argued repeatedly that regulation will not stop contractors from taking in-state money, failing to pay the subcontractors and leaving the customers liable.

He said consumers need to protect themselves by finding out about people before they are hired, not looking to the government to help them afterward.

But advocates disputed claims that government regulation does no good, running through the long list of nations and things the state licenses — from florists and lawyers to florists and boxing matches.

Manure

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different issue. All manure is not created equal. We can apply more to the ground," Knapp said.

Rep. Doug Jones, R-Filer, who chairs the committee, voted to pass the bill to the full House for debate and said he would vote for it there, too. But he also admitted the legis-

lation could cause some internal conflict at the AG Department.

"Lack said the information in manure management plans is sensitive. But Jones disagreed. He said he can't see how it would allow anyone to figure out how much manure anyone has, how many cows they have, or how one farmer would

have better soil than another.

Justin Hayes of the Idaho Conservation League said he was stunned the committee would so nonchalantly differentiate between dairymen and cattlemen.

"The EPA does not say, 'Thou shalt keep the records from the public,'" Hayes said.

Greenhouse

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developed with the College of Southern Idaho, University of Idaho and government and private industries.

"We have people onboard who are willing to help out and get it done," Knapp said. "Tilapia and catfish will be raised in a 3,800-gallon tank donated by the University of Idaho, but the fish are hard to sell unless mass production is developed also, so focusing on a tropical fish niche in the marketplace."

"There's been a lot of support from the community," Hagerman School board member Mark Daily said. "The aquaculture community especially, has been very supportive and there is a lot of expertise in the area we can take advantage of. It's a good thing to get the community involved and give the students experience they probably couldn't get anywhere else."

A small aquaculture already has been set up to raise guppies.

Students are learning about caring for the fish and researching viable fish varieties and markets as well as bio-filter systems so water can be recycled.

"That's a big issue any more," Knapp said. "There are a lot more regulations and a need to learn how to recirculate and reuse water."

Eventually Knapp wants to reuse the water to raise hydroponic tomatoes on a seasonal basis, starting each September and ending in June.

"It may take us some time to figure out the science of how to do it right," Knapp said. "But I would like to eventually produce a crop of tomatoes to market to local stores, restaurants."

In addition to recycling water, students will eventually research how to dispose of fish waste by using it to fertilize the greenhouse plants.

"Agriculture has to be hands-on," Knapp said. "You have to get these

kids out here and get their hands dirty."

Elementary students will soon be encouraged to get their hands in a pumpkin growing contest.

The greenhouse students will become the teachers of basic plant science, telling the younger students about seed varieties and growing.

Next October, the elementary students will be asked to bring the fruit of their labor to school and the one with the largest pumpkin will win a prize.

Knapp hopes to stimulate interest in plant science by involving the younger students and their parents.

"It may take five to 10 years to do it all, but if you don't have a vision, you'll never accomplish anything," Knapp said. "I may be a dreamer but you have to start somewhere. In the beginning this greenhouse was a dream."

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Boise church offers new home for monument

BOISE (AP) — The Ten Commandments monument in Julia Parks Park might find a highly visible new home at a downtown church across the street from the Statehouse.

Officials from St. Michael's Episcopal Church and the Fraternal Order of Eagles are negotiating to use the church's land for the monument's final resting place, a spokesman for Mayor David Hater said.

The City Council voted to move it from the park in the hope of finding a lawsuit by a Kansas-based church.

The Rev. Fred Phelps wants to erect an anti-gay monument in the park. He cites a 10th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruling that when a city displays one religious marker on public property, it must display monuments promoting other beliefs.

The council voted to give back the monument to the Eagles, who donated the monument to the city nearly 40 years ago, but that has been opposed by a coalition of religious groups that want the monument to stay in the park. The coalition still is hoping that a judge will issue an order to stop the city from moving the monument.

SLCC professor faces charge of sexual assault

PROVO, Utah — A Salt Lake Community College professor has been accused of sexually assaulting one of his students.

Roger Alan Wilkins, 36, was arrested on charges of rape, forcible sodomy and two counts of forcible sex abuse, Lehi police Sgt. Jeff Swenson said. He was being held on \$75,000 bail.

Wilkins, who taught the hearing impaired, met the 18-year-old victim last fall, Swenson said. The two started communicating through a phone for the deaf and e-mail.

In December, the student moved into Wilkins' Lehi home, Swenson said. The charges stem from incidents on Jan. 5 and 9.

He was listed on the Utah Sex Offender Registry from a charge of lewdness involving a child in 1993.

Infant's death sparks probe by Utah county officials

EAGLE MOUNTAIN, Utah — Police and state officials are investigating the death of a 7-month-old girl.

The Utah County Sheriff's Office said the girl, Kinlie Norton, had been in the care of a 13-year-old girl babysitter at a relative's home. When the parents picked her up on Jan. 31, Kinlie was unconscious and had difficulty breathing.

The baby was flown to a Salt Lake City hospital, where she died the next day.

The child's injuries could have been caused by shaking, but they are awaiting autopsy results.

Circumstances surrounding the death "are just unusual enough to cause us some concern," said Utah County sheriff's Sgt. Spencer Cannon.

One dies in Warthog crash near Alaska Air Force base

ANCHORAGE, Alaska — An Air Force pilot died on a night training mission when his A-10 Warthog jet crashed after takeoff from Eielson Air Force Base outside Fairbanks, base officials said.

The pilot was identified as Capt. Jonathan Scheer, who was assigned to the 35th Operations Support Squadron, but was flying for the 35th Fighter Squadron. The Air Force said Scheer was originally from Michigan.

The jet, a twin-engine ground-attack aircraft that became famous as a tank-killer in the Persian Gulf War, crashed about 8:30 p.m., about three miles from the base. Master Sgt. John Morgan said witnesses said they saw a bright flash and heard the concussion.

A board of Air Force officers will investigate.

Smart family, Scouts urge focus on children's safety

SALT LAKE CITY — The Utah Girl Scouts are urging their 92nd birthday — along with the anniversary of Elizabeth Smart's return home — to encourage a statewide focus on child safety.

Ed Smart appeared with Girl Scouts officials at the group's state meeting last Friday to announce the Partners in Safety initiative, scheduled to start on March 12. On that day, open houses will be held at police stations and city halls throughout the state, leading to two hours of aimed at educating children about safety and self-defense.

"Every child is a gift, and we want to protect them," Smart said. "Every time there's a high-profile case that gets into the news, children, and it's taking away the innocence they have."

Other groups, which will con-

Group cancels convention after racial comment

YAKIMA, Wash. (AP) — A group representing black government employees has canceled a spring conference in Yakima, citing a racial comment made by state Sen. Alex Decio, R-Yakima.

Charlie Hampton, a city of Seattle

employee and president of the Northwest chapter of blacks in Government, said Wednesday the decision to cancel the mid-May conference was solely a reflection of the Yakima Republican's comment in a private Olympia meeting.

Decio, 81, used the phrase "nigger in the woodpile" last month during an argument with Rep. Tom Campbell, R-Roy, about health insurance reforms.

The phrase is used to convey a similar meaning to "snake in the grass."

West in brief

duet activities at various sites, include RAKIDDS, which teaches self-defense tips, and KinderVision, which produces videos designed to teach kids safety tips through repetition.

— compiled from wire reports

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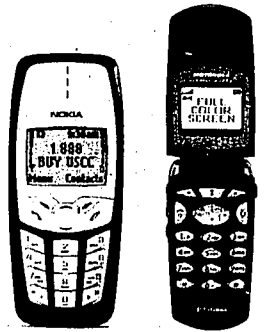
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Leapin' lizards!

The Oakley Valley Arts Council's production of "Annie" starts its two-week run Thursday at Howells Opera House in Oakley.

Strike up the band

The Magic Valley Symphony, with guest conductor Kevin Call at the podium, will perform its winter concert tonight in the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium.



Power of a woman

The College of Southern Idaho Theater Department will present Aristophanes' "Lysistrata" Wednesday and Thursday nights in Room 119 of the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center in Twin Falls. The production continues March 5-6 and 10-13.

Think spring

The 24th annual Southern Idaho Home and Garden Show happens today, Saturday and Sunday in the Expo Center on the campus of the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls.



A guy's story

Actor Chris Sullivan will star in Rob Becker's touring Broadway hit "Defending the Caveman" Sunday night in the Limelight Room at the Sun Valley Inn at the Sun Valley Resort.

For times, dates and details, see Events Spotlight on Pages C2-4, 5.

Sixty-five years - and counting

Venerable Blind Boys Of Alabama keep gospel tradition alive

Night Rider News Service

In the pantheon of gospel music greats, the Blind Boys of Alabama are the indisputable Methuselahs. The six-member group, which formed when Franklin Froesevelt was serving the second of his four consecutive terms, is also noteworthy because it's the last of its kind.

The Blind Boys, who will perform Saturday night at the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium in Twin Falls, are the only surviving high-profile performers of the "shout" style of gospel, the form that flourished in the '50s and '60s. The group still includes three original members.

One of the last fields of American music not yet fully absorbed into the mainstream, shout gospel has weathered numerous musical trends. Typified by a four- to six-member vocal group backed by musicians, shout features highly dramatized performances as singers encourage audience participation.

In the '50s, many shout performers, such as Sam Cooke of the Soul Stirrers, abandoned the form for secular soul and R&B. All the while, the Blind Boys stayed the course. "Nobody does this anymore," says Opal Nations, an Oakland, Calif.-based gospel historian and journalist. "It's just them."

In spite of their dedication to the form, the Blind Boys, who also perform the "jubilee" style of a cappella gospel with stunning proficiency, are hardly frozen in time. Today a trio of singers backed by four musicians, they have occasionally peevish gospel purists with their experimentation.

In 1983, the Blind Boys performed on Broadway in "The Gospel at Colonus," a gospel version of Sophocles' "Oedipus at Colonus," by Bob Telson and Lee Breuer. On the 2002 album "Higher Ground," the Blind Boys serve Funkadelic's "Me and My Folks" into a reading of the 23rd Psalm. On Sept. 16 the group released "Go Tell It on the Mountain," a Christmas record that features archly secular artists Tom Waits, Chrissie Hynde and George Clinton, as well as the more spiri-



George Scott, Clarence Fountain and Jimmy Carter, the original - and remaining - members of the Blind Boys of Alabama.

tually based Solomon Burke and Mavis Staples.

"You like to go where music has never been," says Clarence Fountain, the 71-year-old Blind Boys leader and co-founder. "If you sit down and arrange things the way you should, and you sing it in the spirit, you can only get inspiration from on high."

The Blind Boys have made a career of doing the unexpected. Original members Fountain, Jimmy Carter and George Scott, who are still with the group, were each about 7 years old when they formed a singing group at the Alabama Institute for the Negro Blind in 1939. They left the school

at 14, calling themselves the Happy Jubilee Singers. They later changed the name at the urging of a concert promoter, who pitted them against the Blind Boys of Mississippi in a performance showdown. Though the Alabama Blind Boys lost, they kept the new name and went on to become one of the most celebrated groups in gospel.

Only in the latter part of their 65-year career, however, have the Blind Boys achieved widespread recognition, and 2003 was especially eventful. The group won its second Grammy award, for best traditional soul gospel album; it was inducted into the Gospel Hall of Fame; and its concert tour has

- If you go . . .**
- **What:** Magic Valley Arts on Tour will present The Blind Boys of Alabama.
 - **Where:** College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium, 7:30 p.m.
 - **When:** Saturday, 7:30 p.m.
 - **How much:** Tickets, which are \$18 for adults and \$15 for students and children, are available at Everybody's Business, Kurt's Pharmacy and

- Hallmark, Crowley's Old-Time Soda Fountain, The Magic Valley Arts Council office and the CSI Community Education Center in Twin Falls; Sav-Mor Drug in Burley; Arlene's Flowers in Jerome; and the CSI Outreach Centers in Burley, Halley and Gooding. For season ticket information, call the Community Education Center at CSI at 732-2288.

taken the singers to such unlikely places as Lebanon. "We're always going to do the best that we can," Fountain says. "We know that when we've gone

off the scene, there ain't going to be no more Blind Boys. "I don't want to wait until I die down to go out," he says. "I want to go out when I'm hot."



Elijah Wood, left, and Sean Astin, right, appear with the computer-generated character, Gollum, voiced by Andy Serkis, in a scene from "The Lord of the Rings: Return of the King."

Oscar should reward good hobbits; T-N readers say

By Steve Crump
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Who needs a ring when you've got a gold statue? Bank on "Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King" and its director, Peter Jackson, being honored at Sunday's Academy Awards, say Times-News readers.

One hundred seventy-eight of them voted in the 11th annual Times-News Pick the Oscar Contest, and the vast majority said Jackson's retelling of J.R.R. Tolkien deserves both the Best Picture and Best Director honors.

The Best Actor Oscar belongs to Sean Penn, T-N readers said, for his performance as Jimmy Markum, the vengeful Boston shopkeeper in "Mystic River." The object of his fury in "Mystic River," Tim Robbins' shambling murder suspect Dave Boyle,

Watch the Oscars

The 76th annual Academy Awards will be broadcast Sunday at 6 p.m., by ABC.

merits the Best Supporting Actor award, they say.

Charlize Theron's transformation into the repugnant serial killer Aileen Wuornos in "Monster" should earn the Best Actress laurels, readers say. They chose Theron by a slight margin over Diane Keaton, whose Erica Barry falls in love with Jack Nicholson's character in "Something's Gotta Give," even though she's old enough to know better.

Revered Zellweger's mountain mama Ruby Thewissen in "Cold Mountain" was T-N readers' runaway choice for Best Supporting Actress.

Gibson has gory take on a gentle teacher's violent end

By Ann Homaday
The Washington Post

"After months of hype about Mel Gibson's "The Passion of the Christ," no doubt many Christians, Jews, movie fans and observers of the culture have already formed their opinions. If not about the film then certainly about Gibson himself. He's crazy, he's blessed, he has a martyr complex, he's cynical, he's annoyed, he must surely possess an ego of biblical proportions. Now that the actual film has arrived in theaters, it is not so easily summed up or dismissed.

"The Passion of the Christ," a harrowing condensation of Jesus' final 12 hours, engages in some troubling assumptions, for starters by treating the Bible's four Gospels as literal eyewitness accounts of Jesus' arrest, torture and crucifixion. It traffics in lurid, almost pornographic imagery of blood, brutality and mortified flesh, rivaling Martin Scorsese's "Gangs of New York" in its glasthy, stylized violence. Gibson has exhibited

a startling lack of concern for historical context, both of the Passion's ritualized reenactment and of its story itself, which over the past several centuries has been used repeatedly to foment violence against Jewish communities. And yet, even within what often looks like a self-indulgent exercise in humiliation, pain and gratuitous gore, there is no denying the moments of genuine and powerful feeling in "The Passion of the Christ" — some of which, by the way, evoke Jesus' most profound teachings of Jewish principles.

That Jesus and his followers were themselves Jewish is a fact either elided or ignored by "The Passion of the Christ," which begins in the garden of Gethsemane during the Passover celebration. Jesus is shown praying, his encounter with God being observed by an androgynous satanic figure nearby. Overcoming that force, which seems to represent the absence of faith, Jesus proceeds to

'The Passion'

- **Who's in it?** Jim Caviezel, Maia Morgenstern, Monica Bellucci
- **Where's it playing?** Twin Cinema, Century Cinema of Burley, Magic Lantern of Ketchum
- **What's it rated?** R.
- **Should you go?** If you're prepared for graphic violence the likes of which hasn't been seen in any other filmed rendition of the Crucifixion.

accept his fate. Judas soon appears with guards, who deliver Jesus to the Jewish authorities in Jerusalem; they in turn give him up to the Roman governor of Judea, Pontius Pilate, who has just visited Jesus as the rightful charge of Herod, ruler of Galilee. Ultimately, Jesus is returned to Pilate and, at the behest of the Jewish leaders and their mob, is sentenced first to scourging, then to death by crucifixion.

This is a story practicing Christians hear and recite every week, and like most other biblical epics, "The Passion of the Christ" is in large part a relatively conventional, if elaborate, illustrated version of familiar stories. In this case one considered the most compelling and viscerally charged of the New Testament. (Another recent example is last year's "The Gospel of John," a movie that recapitulated essentially the same story but with more context and none of Gibson's flair for biblical schlock.) But the gospel according to Gibson also involves some curious embellishments and historical table-turning.

In Gibson's Jerusalem, for example, the Roman authorities are seen as essentially doing the bidding of the Jewish leaders, who most biblical scholars for more centuries ago as intermediaries between the Jewish community and its powerful Roman occupiers.

Gibson's tweaking of the story's emphasis has made so many observers wary of "The Passion's" anti-Semitic implications. Please see FLUX, Page C5

WEEKEND

Magic Valley Symphony does Dvorak, Stravinsky

CLASSICAL

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

Tonight and Saturday - Utah

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

March 5-6 - Utah

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

March 11 - Utah

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

April 9-10 - Utah

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

April 23-24 - Utah

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

ROCK 'N' ROLL

Tonight and Saturday

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

Saturday - Utah

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

Sunday - Boise

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

Tuesday - Utah

Bidinger Escape Plan will perform at Salt Lake City's Albee Square at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are



\$10, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. Albee Square is located at 165 South West Temple.

Thursday - Boise

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

March 6 - Utah

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

March 7 - Boise

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

March 9 - Utah

The Early November, Hey Mercedes and Spitalfield will perform at In the Venue in Salt Lake City at 8:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$11, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. In the Venue is located at 600 West 219 South.

March 10 - Utah

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

March 11 - Boise

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

March 12 - Boise

Bob Weir and Ratdog will perform at the Big Easy Concert House at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$29.50, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum.

March 13 - Boise

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

March 13 - Utah

Allister, Hidden in Plain View and Over It will play Albee Square in Salt Lake City at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$13, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. Albee Square is located at 165 South West Temple.

March 13 - Utah

Great White will play the Phat Tire Saloon in the Salt Lake City suburb of Murray at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$15, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. The Phat Tire Saloon is located at 4000 South No. 7 East.

March 15 - Boise

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

March 18 - Utah

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

March 19 - Utah

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

March 20 - Boise

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

March 20 - Utah

The Church will play in the Venue in Salt Lake City at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$20, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. In the Venue is located at 600 West 219 South.

March 20 - Utah

Lynch Mob will perform at Club Expose in Salt Lake City at 9 p.m. Tickets, which are \$18, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. Club Expose is located at 204 West 2100 South.

March 20 - Utah

Baronaked Ladies will perform at the E Center in the Salt Lake City suburb of West Valley City at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$34, can be

reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. The E Center is located at 3200 South Decker Lake Drive.

March 21 - Boise

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

March 22 - Utah

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

March 24 - Utah

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

March 24 - Utah

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

March 26 - Boise

Big Head Todd and the Monsters

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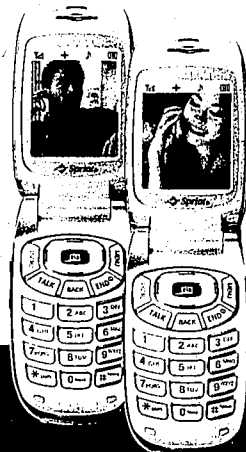
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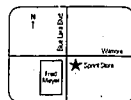
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IT'S COMING...

'The Cooler,' 'Twisted' hit Magic Valley theaters

New to the valley

'Broken Lizard's Club Dread'

The Broken Lizard comedy troupe sets the scene in a libidinous tropical resort owned by washed-up rocker Bill Paxton, beset by a machete-wielding "killer" Jay Chandrasekhar ("Super Troopers") directs. (R, for violence/gore, sexual content, language and drug use.)

'The Cooler'

This winning little movie about a precatural loser is set in an old-school Vegas casino, where William H. Macy plays a guy who radiates bad luck - and is on the payroll to make sure that it rubs off on high-rollers. Alec Baldwin and Mario Bello costar. R (profanity, violence, sex, nudity, adult themes)

'Dirty Dancing: Havana Nights'

The 1987 'Dirty Dancing' is reset in 1958 Cuba on the brink of revolution with Romola Garai and Diego Luna ('Y tu mama tambien') as the star-crossed lovers. Guy Ferland and Bill Lis ('In America') direct. (PG-13, for sensuality)

'The Passion'

Mel Gibson's epic details the last hours in the life of Jesus Christ (Jim Caviezel) leading up to the Crucifixion. With Monica Bellucci as Mary Magdalene, in Latin, dramatic and Hebrew with English subtitles. (R, for sequences of graphic violence.)

'Twisted'

Police detective Ashley Judd pursues a serial killer whose victims have one thing in common: They dated her. Her partner (Andy Garcia) and the police commissioner (Samuel L. Jackson) become suspects. Directed by Philip Kaufman ('The Unbearable Lightness of Being'), (R, for violence, language and sexuality.)

Continuing

'Against the Ropes'

The words "inspired by the life of" can cover a multitude of on-screen sins, and most of them are on display in this Meg Ryan-starring boxing drama. Though it has been on the shelf for almost a year, the movie is not as completely woebegone as that delay might indicate. As written by Cheryl Edwards and directed by Charles S. Dutton (who also gives the film its best performance), it's a workmanlike production that simply too predictable and too preposterous to hold our interest. Meg Ryan stars as Jackie Kallen, boxing's most successful female manager whose ringside life so appealed to Hollywood they appropriated it for use in a fisticuffs-fairy tale that apparently has only a passing resemblance to reality. With Omar Epps and Tony Shalhoub. (15). PG-13, for crude language, violence, brief sensuality and some drug material.)

'The Butterfly Effect'

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

'Cheaper by the Dozen'

A family slapstick that young kids



From left, Maria Bello, Alec Baldwin and William H. Macy play in 'The Cooler.'

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

'Cold Mountain'

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

'Confessions of a Teenage Drama Queen'

A sharp, witty and exuberant yet also affectionate satire on the teenage angst movie. Lindsay Lohan's wondrously self-absorbed yet appealingly vulnerable 15-year-old Manhattanite copes with a move to New Jersey, competes for a role in a school play, a rock version of 'Pygmalion' and pursue her idol, a British rock star (Adam Garcia). Alison Pill co-stars as her shy but sensible best friend, and Carol Kane is the school's gloriously eccentric drama teacher. With Megan Fox as Lohan's sleek, ruthless nemesis. (1:30). PG, for mild thematic elements and brief language.)

'Eurotrip'

The writing team of Alec Berg, David Mandel and Jeff Schaffer concocted this lame tale of a U.S. high school student endeavoring to reach his sexy German e-mail pen pal with a little help from his friends and a lot of hindrance from a contrived plot. Striving to be a kind of 'If It's Tuesday, This Must Be Booty

Call.' The film winds up as a fairly lame treatment of the Americans abroad scenario. But judging by the post-credits outtakes, at least the cast had a good time, and why not? They got to go to Europe, while all we get is this lousy movie. With Scott Mechlowicz, Jacob Pitts, Travis Wester and Michelle Trachtenberg. (1:30. R, for sexuality, nudity, language and drug/alcohol content.)

'50 First Dates'

Alternately treacly and crass, this is a disastrous reimagining of the charming 'Wedding Singer's Adam Sandler, as a marine animal veterinarian at a Sea World-type park in Hawaii and relentless Lohan, and Drew Barrymore, as the victim of short-term memory loss. When the

abysmal film isn't being gooey over Sandler and Barrymore's impediment to romance, it's indulging in tinny humor of jaw-dropping awfulness. (1:31). PG-13, for crude sexual humor and drug references)

'The Haunted Mansion'

Eddie Murphy stars in a diverting but formulaic film about a family trapped overnight in a spooky Southern chateau. Based on one of Disney's theme park rides, it's kid-approved. PG (gentle scares)

'In America'

Lyrical, life-affirming, lovely Jim Sheridan's film about Irish illegals in the United States is proof that tortured people can go through hell

Starting today

Twin Falls

Twin Cinema

- "Cheaper by the Dozen"
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- "Confessions of a Teenage Drama Queen"
- "50 First Dates"
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- "Miracle"
- "Mystic River"
- "The Passion"
- "Twisted"
- "You Got Served"

Odyssey Theater

- "Broken Lizard's Club Dread"
- "The Butterfly Effect"
- "Dirty Dancing Havana Nights"
- "Eurotrip"
- "Something's Gotta Give"
- "Welcome to Mooseport"

Lamphouse Theater

- "The Cooler"
- "In America"

Hailey/Ketchum/Sun Valley

Magie Lantern

- "50 First Dates"

- "The Passion"
- "Twisted"
- "Welcome to Mooseport"

SkiTime Cinemas

- "Eurotrip"
- "Miracle"

Sun Valley Opera House

- "Confessions of a Teenage Drama Queen"

Jerome

Jerome Cinema

- "Confessions of a Teenage Drama Queen"
- "50 First Dates"
- "Twisted"
- "Welcome to Mooseport"

Burley

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- "Confessions of a Teenage Drama Queen"
- "50 First Dates"
- "Miracle"
- "The Passion"
- "Twisted"
- "Welcome to Mooseport"

The Orpheum

- "The Haunted Mansion"

and come out the other side to find heaven in Hell's Kitchen. With Samantha Morton and Djimon Hounsou. PG-13 (discreet sex, discreet violence, drugs, profanity)

'Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King'

The final installment in Peter Jackson's daunting adaptation of J.R.R. Tolkien's trilogy is long, episodic, Renaissance Faire-y and, at times, mind-bogglingly brilliant. The fellowship of hobbit and man, dwarf and elf, puts down the orcs - and far greater evils - in this visually

spectacular realization of Middle-earth. PG-13 (violence, mannastrous beasts)

'Miracle'

A spellbinding saga of how America's mighty puckers shot past the Soviet hockey team at the 1980 Winter Olympics - an event sports Illustrated called the 20th century's defining moment in sport - 'Miracle' is David and Goliath on ice. PG (coarse language and rough athletic action)

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February 1 - April 17

Win \$50,000 Cash on Saturday, April 17

TAX TIME BLUES

Stop singing the tax time blues and start whistling a happy tune. Win \$50,000 cash at Fort Hall Casino on Saturday, April 17. Get one free entry to win when you register for the Tax Time Blues Giveaway at the Buffalo Club booth. Earn additional entries when you play Fort Hall Casino's 700 gaming machines using your Buffalo Club card. The more you play, the more entries you earn, and the more chances you have to win! Ten entries will be picked daily and entered into a drawing barrel. Only those names in the barrel will be eligible to win. At midnight on Saturday, April 17, one entry will be drawn from the barrel to win \$50,000 cash! You must be present to win. Entry deadline is 11:59 p.m. on Friday, April 16. Visit the Buffalo Club booth to become a member of the Buffalo Club, and for complete promotion details. It's a sure cure for the Tax Time Blues!

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WEEKEND

Events

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

March 30 - Boise

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

March 31

Keller Williams will play the nextStage Theater in Ketchum at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$15.50, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketmaster.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum.

April 2 - Utah

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

April 3 - Boise

Danden Rice will perform at the Big Easy Concert House at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$12, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827 or online at <http://www.ticketmaster.com>. The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

April 4 - Utah

Yellowcard and Something Corporate will play in the Venue in Salt Lake City at 6 p.m. Tickets, which are \$17, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. In the Venue is located at 600 West 219 South.

April 5 - Boise

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

April 12 - Utah

Saves the Day, Granddaddy, The Fire Theft and Hey Mercedes will perform in the venue in Salt Lake City at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$20, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. In the Venue is located at 600 West 219 South.

April 19 - Utah

The Strokes will perform at in the Venue in Salt Lake City at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$22.50 and \$25, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>.

April 25 - Boise

The Poodles will play the Big Easy Concert House at 8 p.m. For ticket information, call (800) 965-4827. The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

COUNTRY

Tonight and Saturday

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

Tonight and Saturday

Country Classics will play from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. at Montana Steakhouse. No cover charge. Montana Steakhouse is located at 1826 Canyon Crest Drive in Twin Falls.

Saturday

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

Saturday

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

March 5-6

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

March 12-13

Eddie Money will perform two shows a night, at 8 and 10 p.m., at

Casito Petes Resort Casino in Jackpot, tickets, which are \$20, \$25 and \$30, can be reserved by phoning (800) 821-1103.

April 24

The Bar-J Wranglers will perform at the King Center in Burley at 7:30 p.m. The final Nimi Cassia Community Concert of the season. Subscriptions for the four-concert series are \$32 for adults, \$16 for students and \$96 for families, which includes children over the age of 5 living at home. For more information, call Julie at 878-4704 or Susan at 678-1798.

ELECTRONIC

Tonight - Boise

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

Saturday - Utah

Bad Boy Bill will perform at Club Axis in Salt Lake City at 9:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$10, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. Club Axis is located at 500 West 109 South.

HIP-HOP

April 2 - Boise

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

April 3 - Utah

N.E.R.D. and Black Eyed Peas will perform at in the Venue in Salt Lake City at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$20, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. In the Venue is located at 600 West 219 South.

FOLK MUSIC

March 10

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

REGGAE

Monday - Boise

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

CHRISTIAN ROCK

March 25 - Boise

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

JAZZ

March 13

Mark O'Connor's Hot Swing Trio, the last act of the season in the Sun Valley Center for the Arts' Chamber

Artist Series, will perform at the Presbyterian Church of the Bigwood in Ketchum at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$25, can be reserved by phoning the Sun Valley Center at 726-9494.

April 2 - Boise

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

April 3 - Boise

Dave Brubeck will headline the Gene Harris Jazz Festival, 7 p.m., Bank of America Center. Tickets, which are \$25, \$47 and \$65, can be reserved by phoning Select A Seat at (208) 426-1494, online at <http://www.idahotickets.com>, or at Albertson's in Twin Falls. The Bank of America Center is located at 233 S. Capitol Blvd.

OPERA

Sunday

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

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

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

GOSPEL

Saturday

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

March 16 - Utah

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

KARAOKE

Tonight

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

Tonight

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

Tonight

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

Tonight

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

Tonight and Saturday

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

Tonight, Saturday and Sunday

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

Tonight through Thursday

Karaoke will be featured from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Klover Klub Lounge in Twin Falls. The Klover Klub is located at 402 Main N.

Saturday

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

Saturday and Thursday

Karaoke will be featured from 8 p.m. to midnight at the 610 Club in Burley. The 610 Club is located at 1054 Overland Ave.

Saturday

Kroakers Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Riverside in Burley and from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Big Kahuna in Declo. No cover charge. The Riverside is located at 197 Highway 30 W. in Burley and the Big Kahuna is located at 600 W. Main in Declo.

Monday

Kroakers Karaoke will be fea-

tured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Rendezvous Lounge in Burley. No cover charge. The Rendezvous Lounge is located at 189 E. Main St.

Tuesday

P & D Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Honker's Place in Twin Falls. No cover charge. Honker's Place is located at 121 Fourth Ave. S.

Tuesday

Kroakers Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at George K's East Restaurant in Burley. George K's is located at 325 E. Third N.

Wednesday

Kroakers Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Office Lounge in Paul. The Office Lounge is located at 118 E. Idaho St.

Wednesday and Thursday

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

Thursday

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

MISCELLANEOUS

Tonight and Saturday

The Badges will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at The Oasis. No cover charge. The Oasis is located at 1007 Blue Lakes Blvd. N. in Twin Falls.

Tuesday

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

and Book Music in Burley and the Wool Store in Rupert, or at the door.

Wednesday

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

Wednesday

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

March 6

First Choice Home Care and Hospice Assistance will present its third annual Variety Show, 7 p.m.-midnight, in the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium, Twin Falls, featuring Johnny U. clown act Little Pat & Tooz, Burly Hulish, Sheri Mauldin Dance Studio, John and Lorraine Jessor, Laura Almond, Mike Seward and George Armstrong Mike and Sam Sites, pianist Mark Mehl, the Give & Take Barbershop Quartet and Heather Fultz. Tickets, which are \$8 for adults, \$6 for senior citizens and \$5 for children, are available at everybody's Business, Cos Office Supply, Crowley's Soda Foundation, the Christian Bookstore and Home Health Professionals and First Choice Hospital in Twin Falls, or at the door. Proceeds will go to providing financial help for those with terminal illnesses.

March 9 - Utah

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

March 9 - Boise

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

March 10

The Glenn Miller Orchestra will play Roper Auditorium in Twin Falls at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$12.

March 9 - Boise

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WEEKEND

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are available at Welch Music, the Music Center, Duncley Music, Everybody's Business, Kurt's Hardware and Debbie Latin Instruments and Twin Falls High School in Twin Falls, or from any THHS band member.

March 11
Guitarist David Stanlevan will perform at the Schubert Theater in Gooding at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$5, are available at the door.

March 24 - Utah
Ryan Adams will play in the Venue in Salt Lake City at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$16.50, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. The Venue is located at 600 West 119 South.

March 26 - Utah
Kelly Clarkson and Clay Aiken will sing in the Delta Center in Salt Lake City at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$35 and \$45, can be reserved by phoning (801) 325-5147 or online at <http://www.ticketmaster.com>. The Delta Center is located at 301 South West Temple.

March 26-27 - Utah
Utah Symphony will present A Celtic Celebration at 8 p.m. nightly in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. Tickets, which range from \$22 to \$45, can be reserved by phoning (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

April 16-17 - Utah
Utah Symphony will perform band music at 8 p.m. nightly in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. Tickets, which are \$22 to \$45, can be reserved by phoning (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

April 19
The Sonos Handbell Ensemble will perform in the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center Auditorium at 7:30 p.m. the fourth Magic Valley Arts on Tour concert of the season. Tickets, which are \$14 for adults and \$10 for students and children, are available at Everybody's Business, Kurt's Hardware and Hallmark Crowley's Old-Time Soda Fountain, The Magic Valley Arts Council office and the CSI Community Education Center in Twin Falls; Saw-Mor Drug in Dubai, Arkansas; Flowers in Jerome; and the CSI Outreach Centers in Burley, Hialeah and Gooding.

COMEDY

Tonight and Saturday
Danny Marona will be phoning Show Resort Casino in Jackpot, at 8 and 10 p.m. Tickets, which are \$15, \$20 and \$25, can be reserved by phoning (800) 821-1103.

March 12 - Boise
Jerry Seinfeld will perform at the Morrison Center on the campus of Boise State University at 8 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$61, \$50 and \$77, can be reserved by phoning Select-A-Seat at (208) 426-1494, online at <http://www.idahotickets.com>, or at Albertson's in Twin Falls.

March 14 - Utah
Louise Anderson will perform at the Wise Guys Comedy Club in the Sun Valley City suburb of West Valley City at 7 and 9 p.m. Tickets, which are \$20, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>.

smithstix.com. The Wise Guys Comedy Club is located at 3500 South 2200 West.

DANCE

Tonight
The Radio Rondeveo Event Center in Twin Falls will host Friday Night Dances, with music by Curley Surter, 8-10:30 p.m. Tickets are \$5. The Radio Rondeveo Event Center is located at 241 Main Ave. W.

Saturday
The Roseland Band will play for a dance from 8-11 p.m. at the Roseland Crystal Ballroom in Piler. Cost is \$5 per person or \$9 per couple. The Roseland Crystal Ballroom is located at 523 Main St.

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

March 6
The Red Cross Ball will be held at the Ballroom in Twin Falls, with music by Brian Farran and the Twin Falls Centennial Orchestra, 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$50, are available at the Twin Falls Red Cross office or by phoning 733-6167. Proceeds go to American Red Cross disaster relief services.

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

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

April 9-10, 14-17 - Utah
Ballet West will dance "40 Years of Jubilation," featuring George Balanchine and "Concerto in D major" and "Tchaikovsky Pas de Deux," Stravinsky's "Rite of Spring" and Vaughan Williams' "Lark Ascending," 7 p.m. in Salt Lake City's Capitol Theater. For ticket information, call Art Tix at (801) 355-2787. The Capitol Theater is located at 50 West 200 South.

THEATER

Tonight, Saturday and Sunday - Utah

The touring Broadway production of Fiddler on the Roof and Oscar Hammerstein's "Oklahoma" will play Salt Lake City's Capitol Theater at 7:30 p.m. tonight and Saturday, at 2 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, and at 7 p.m. on Sunday. Tickets, which range from \$30 to \$57.50, can be reserved by phoning Art Tix at (801) 355-2787. The Capitol Theater is located at 50 West 200 South.

Saturday
A benefit performance of Eve Ensley's "The Magna Monologues" will be staged at 7:30 p.m. in the nextStage Theater in Ketchum, to benefit The Advocates. For ticket information, call 788-4191.

Sunday
Actor Chris Sullivan will star in Rob Becker's "Defending the Caveman," 7 p.m., in the nextStage Theater in Ketchum, to benefit The Advocates. For ticket information, call 788-4191.

Sunday
The Sun Valley Company's production of Stuart Ross' "Forever Plaid," featuring Wally Huffman, Gordon Flade, Eric J. Larson and Paul Spoons will play the Boiler Room at the Sun Valley Resort at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$12, can be reserved by phoning 622-2135. The show continues every Sunday through the end of March.

Wednesday and Thursday
The College of Southern Idaho Theater Department will present Aristophanes' "Lysistrata," 8 p.m. nightly in Room 119 of the Fine Arts Center. Tickets, which are \$6 for general admission and \$4 for students and senior citizens, may be purchased between 1 and 4 p.m. Monday through Friday at the Fine Arts box office (use west entrance of building and between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.) at the CSI Bookstore or by calling 732-6768. The production continues March 5-6 and 10-13.

Thursday
The Oakley Valley Arts Council will present Martin Charnin and Charles Strouse's "Annie," 8 p.m. nightly in Oakley's Howells Opera House. Tickets, which are \$8, can be reserved by phoning 677-ARTS. The production continues March 5-6, 8-9, 11-13, 15-16, 18-20.

March 12
The R.A.T. Players, formerly the Friends of the College of Southern Idaho players, will perform Adam Long, Reed Martin and Austin Tichenor's "Complete History of America (Abridged)" at the Eighth Street Center in Burli, with an all-American dinner prepared by Chef LuAnn Sides, 6:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$15, are available at the door or by phoning 543-2880. The Eighth Street Center is located at 200 N. Eighth St.

March 17-21
Company of Fools will present Willy Russell's "Shirley Valentine," 8 p.m. March 17-20 and 3 p.m. March 21 in the Liberty Theater, Hialeah. Tickets, which are \$24 for reserved seats and \$18 for students and senior citizens, can be reserved by phoning 578-9122.

March 19-21 and 25-27
The Dilettantes of the Magic Valley will present Richard Adler and Jerry Ross' "Damn Yankees," at 7:30 p.m. on March 19-20 and 25-27 and at 2 p.m. on March 21. College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium, Twin Falls. Tickets are \$10 for general admission and \$14 for senior citizens, CSI students and children 12 and under for the March 19-20 and 26-27 performances and \$7 for the

March 21 and March 25 shows. An opening-night gala is planned for the Elks Lodge in Jerome, featuring dinner and tickets to the show, starting at 5:30 p.m. For reservations, call Michelle McFarlane at 536-2213 or Craig Nebeker at 736-8831. Tickets to "Damn Yankees" go on sale March 12 in a booth at the Magic Valley Mall; hours are noon to 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Tickets can also be reserved by phoning 735-8850.

GARDEN SHOW

Today, Saturday and Sunday
The 24th annual Southern Idaho Home and Garden Show, sponsored by Clear Channel, will be held in the College of Southern Idaho Expo Center in Twin Falls. Hours are 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. today and Saturday and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday. Tickets: \$2.

PLANETARIUM

Tonight, Saturday and Tuesday and Wednesday
The Faulkner Planetarium at the Herrert Center for Arts and Science on the campus of the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls will present a new show, "Rings World," at 7 p.m. today, Saturday and Tuesday along with a matinee at 2 p.m. Saturday. Other shows are "More Than Meets the Eye" on Saturdays at 4 p.m. and "Led Zeppelin: Maximum Volume 1" at 8:15 p.m. on Saturdays; Sundays, which are \$4 for adults, \$3 for senior citizens 60 and over, \$2 for students and \$9 for families, are available at the door. Children 4 and under are not admitted.

ART SHOW

Through today
Guy Odmark's "The Value of Inheritance" will be on display at the Eighth Street Center in Burli from noon to 5 p.m. Tuesdays through Fridays. Free admission. The Eighth Street Center is located at 200 N. Eighth St.

Through Sunday - Boise
The Boise Art Museum will present "Extra-Ordinary: The Work of Charles Gill," a collection of paintings and collages by the Boise Art, from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays, from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Thursdays and from noon-5 p.m. on Sundays. Tickets, which are \$5 for general admission, \$3 for senior citizens and full-time college students, and \$1 for children, are available at the door. BAM is located in Julia Davis Park in downtown Boise.

Through March 12
"Cowboys and Indians: The West as Muse in Contemporary Photography" will be on display at the Sun Valley Center for the Arts in Ketchum. Gallery hours are Mondays through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and admission is free. The Sun Valley Center is located at 191 Fifth St. E. The gallery is open Mondays through Fridays from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturdays from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission to the gallery is free.

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Flix

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Understandably so. The Jewish leaders and their rabble are depicted as grotesque and monstrous throughout the movie, whereas the Roman guards, at first gleefully sadistic, are allowed more nuance by the end. The caricatured portrayal of the Jewish high priests most likely is derived from Gibson's other source material for "The Passion of the Christ," the special-edition writings of Anne Catherine Emmerich: a 19th-century German nun and mystic. There's no doubt that accepting her point of view of the Gospels is Gibson's artistic prerogative. But it also should serve to remind viewers that he is one in a long line of biblical interpreters, none of whom can claim to have the last word.

An Augustinian nun, Emmerich is believed by some theologians to have received visions of Jesus' final hours far more detailed than the accounts written in the Gospels. Her writings go into excruciating detail regarding Jesus' scourging and crucifixion, as well as what she clearly saw as the Jews' cardinal role in his death. (Emmerich also sets out to clear Pilate's name, describing the famously ruthless governor as a weak and unavailing peevish Jewish lobbyist.)

Aside from the troubling patina of historical authority that Gibson gives Emmerich's visions, "The Passion of the Christ" presents the problem of taking narrative that has been translated over thousands of years and translating it yet again into the cinematic grammar of hoary tropes and clichés. Thus the director presents images of Jesus bathed in shafts of beatific light, or clouds parting of doves flying, or Judas tossing his 30 pieces of silver in slow motion. (Gibson underlines lots of important moments with slow-motion shots, and in case the audience still doesn't get it he cues up the heavenly music of John Debussy's "Cathedral" by awful musical score.)

To his credit, Jim Caviezel as Jesus resists the impulse to overplay the character's iconic gestures; he's surprisingly believable as someone who suffers, as both a human being and the son of God. (Gibson's use of Aramaic and Latin

is similarly helpful in grounding his story, although it's been suggested that first-century Romans would more probably have spoken Greek.)

Jesus' suffering, of course, is at the core of the Passion story, and it takes up most of Gibson's version. The director depicts Jesus' torture and death—the crosshatching of his flesh with bloody wounds during the scourging, his agonizing walk with the cross to Golgotha, the nailing of his body to the cross, his lonely wait for release—with almost masochistic fervor, seeming to revel in imagining every brutal detail. (Parents, wondering whether to take children to "The Passion of the Christ" should probably assume the answer is no, at least until they've seen it themselves.) Even more wrenching in his way, is the image of Mary, Jesus' mother, moving portrayed by Maia Morgenstern, as she bears silent witness to her son's anguish.

Throughout "The Passion of the Christ," Gibson injects moments of supernatural imagery, all of it depicting the presence of evil during Jesus' final moments. But his aim is to be as uncompromisingly realistic as possible, presumably so that viewers confront the horrific reality behind the rote recitation: Jesus "suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried."

But in purporting to represent so unambiguously that reality behind those words, and in focusing so obsessively on the most gruesome and savagely violent part of Jesus' story while offering only brief flashbacks of his life and ministry, has Gibson indeed produced the message of "tolerance, love and forgiveness" that he insists he wants to see on the screen, especially when audiences are so disinclined to approach any film, let alone this one, with critical distance.

As a multimillion-dollar spectacle of carnage and conflict, and one that has incidentally enjoyed months of media attention, "The Passion of the Christ" may have succeeded in exploiting Jesus' death for its most highly pitched emotion and drama. But in the process, for many believers, it may have done little to revitalize and further obscure the story's most central and sacred mysteries.

Movies

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

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

'Welcome to Mooseport'
This robust comedy pits an immensely popular newly ex-President (Gene Hackman) in a small-town mayoral contest against a somewhat less popular local hardware store proprietor-plumber (Ray Romano). What's most appealing about the film is that it allows the glib former leader of the free world and the diffident local yokel to emerge as very likable opponents. With Marcia Gay Harden, Maury Tierney, Christine Baranski, Fred Savage and Rip Torn. (150. PG-13, for some brief sexual comments and nudity)

'You Got Served'
Teen R&B idols Omarion and Maroon 5, focusing on issues of commitment, vulnerability and attraction to younger members of the opposite sex. With Amanda Peet and Keanu Reeves. PG-13 (sex, nudity, profanity, adult themes)

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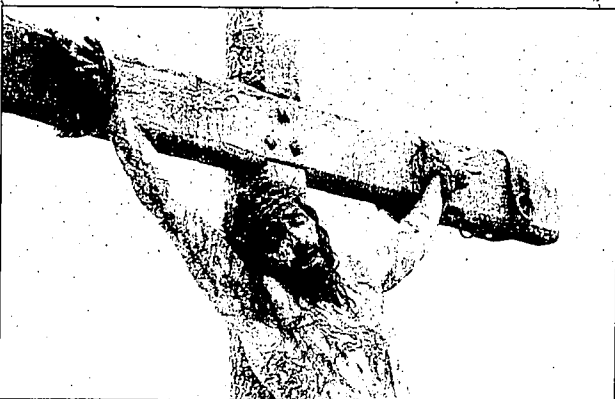
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Jim Caviezel, portraying Jesus Christ, is shown nailed to the cross in 'The Passion of the Christ.'

'The Passion' violence gives some pause

Knight Ridder News Service

Dick Rolfe, chairman of the Dove Foundation, which rates family films, strongly recommends "The Passion of the Christ."

But his organization couldn't give the Mel Gibson film that opens Wednesday its Dove seal of approval.

"There's some pretty extreme violence in the film," Rolfe said, "and parents should consider their children's maturity and ability to handle it before they invite them to come along."

Film critic Michael Medved says Gibson has made "a great film" — remarkable, imaginative, eloquent and moving. "But Medved's view not only wane anyone thinking of taking a person under 13 years old to see the R-rated movie, he also wouldn't take his wife."

"People who are highly sensitive to violent imagery, and that includes most children and some adults, should stay away," he said.

Churches across America have rented entire theaters on Wednesday when "Passion" premieres on 2,800 screens. While some religious leaders plan to take children under age 17, others, such as the Rev. David Feister of Narberth (Pa.) Presbyterian Church, have drawn a line at inviting middle-school students. The R rating requires that children under 17 be accompanied by an adult.

Psychologists warn that the film is not for those unprepared for a graphic depiction of Jesus' anguish in the 12 hours before his crucifixion. Some are bracing for what one religion writer has called "Lash Wednesday."

For more than two hours Gibson's camera never flinches, focusing on Jesus' suffering as he is kicked and beaten, lashed and flogged, and has spikes driven through his hands and feet.

"Passion's" intense realism distinguishes it from other recent

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— Stuart P. Eschoff, founder of the media psychology program at California State University at Los Angeles

lent films, such as the stylized "Kill Bill: Vol. 1." The movie devotes nearly 10 minutes — an eternity on screen — to a scene in which sadistic Roman soldiers flay Jesus with whips, then with flayed cat-o'-nine tails. Blood sprays and flesh flies as the camera alternates between Jesus' ripped body and the faces of his ecstatic tormentors. The scene is relayed by more torture, as Jesus carries the cross to his crucifixion.

At a recent Hollywood screening an audience member vomited during the flogging. Newsday reported.

Gibson said he would let his 13-year-old son see "Passion," but has warned that it is not for everyone. The gore was necessary, he told ABC's "Primetime," to push his audience "over the edge so they see the enormity, the enormity of (Jesus') sacrifice."

"It's very violent, and if you don't like it, don't go, you know? If you

want to leave halfway through, go ahead."

Rolfe's greatest discomfort came not from the intensity of the violence, but from its duration. "I was ready to move on after watching a considerable period of time," said the chairman of the nonsectarian organization that is based in Grand Rapids, Mich., and rates films based on their projection of Judeo-Christian values.

The Dove Foundation has given "Passion" a disqualifying four out of five points for its violent content. Rolfe and fans of the film said it would be easier for young adults reared in the church to process the brutality.

"That background," said Medved, who is an Orthodox Jew, "provides a perspective and a context for what you are about to see." And that, he says, is "two hours of almost uninterrupted and almost unmerciful pain."

Susan Adams, a Narberth mother of three, said she planned to watch "Passion" with her 10-year-old and decide whether to allow her 16- and 14-year-olds to see it. For the youngest, she may wait until the film comes out on video.

"I'm a bit worried that what you can cope with on a small screen, you can't cope with on a large screen when it's so real," Adams said.

Stuart P. Eschoff, who founded the media psychology program at California State University at Los Angeles, doesn't worry so much about the film's traumatic effects.

"Any parent who wants to take a child has to know their child, how they handle frightening material, brutal material, how prone they are to nightmares," he said. "Those parents would be best advised not to take their children."

"When it comes to issues of sex and violence, the biggest problem we psychologists see is when children view it among themselves and parents aren't there to talk about its meaning."

Once again, please, in Aramaic

Knight Ridder News Service

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Intriguing the possibilities: T-shirts with Aramaic slogans, funny Aramaic bumper stickers, pull-string plush toys with Aramaic greetings.

Jim Caviezel, who speaks this ancient language as the star of "The Passion of the Christ," entertained similar notions recently.

"Next year you may see comedies, thrillers, even musicals in Aramaic," he joked to a Hollywood reporter.

The English in Mel Gibson's film is in subtitles; the characters speak mostly in Aramaic, a Semitic language akin to Hebrew, prevalent centuries ago.

A comeback, though, is pretty unlikely. While Aramaic isn't quite a dead language, it might expire in a few short decades, some language experts predict.

Modern dialects are still spoken in small communities in Syria, Turkey, Lebanon and other parts of the Middle East, mostly by older Arab Christians. A few groups in Europe and the United States also have kept Aramaic dialects alive. One estimate put the number worldwide at 400,000.

"It's not gone yet," said language researcher Jerome Lund, "but because there are only small groups speaking it, it may be a question of time."

Aramaic can be traced back to at least 900 B.C. in what is now Syria and Turkey. The name comes from Aram, the biblical name for ancient Syria. During several centuries, the Assyrians, Babylonians and Persians spread the language from India to Ethiopia.

The language of Palestine shifted from Hebrew to Aramaic, and it's believed that Jesus and his disciples spoke Aramaic. The New Testament Gospels, written in Greek, occasionally quote Jesus in Aramaic, although some of the words quoted also were Hebrew words.

Most likely Jesus was multilingual, said Lund, who studies ancient Semitic languages at Hebrew Union College in Cincinnati. Jesus probably used Hebrew in the Temple, Aramaic in his teaching ministry and even

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— Jerome Lund, language researcher

some "street Greek." When Jesus was in the Temple discussing with the sages, he would have been discussing in a dialect of Hebrew, Lund said.

Lund is taking part in a scholarly project called "The Comprehensive Aramaic Lexicon," a dictionary that will cover 2,000 years of the Aramaic language. Aramaic remained prevalent for several centuries after Jesus. A shift to Arabic began in about A.D. 700, and Arabic superseded Aramaic by the 1300s. Some Aramaic dialects survived in small Christian villages.

Rabbi Morris B. Margolis, rabbi emeritus of Congregation Beth Shalom, said Aramaic is an important language in Jewish history because the Talmud, the compendium of Jewish law and lore, was written largely in Aramaic by rabbis in Babylonia, present-day Iraq. And, Margolis said, traditional printings of the Hebrew Bible include Aramaic translations alongside the Hebrew.

In the Jewish prayer book, the siddur, 95 percent of the prayers are in Hebrew and 5 percent in Aramaic, Margolis said. The

most well known of the Aramaic prayers is the Kaddish, a prayer for the dead. Its words are Aramaic because the original prayer is found in the Talmud, Margolis said.

Those interested in Aramaic can browse the Comprehensive Aramaic Lexicon Web site at call.cn.huic.edu.

But what you shouldn't do is take lessons from Gibson's film. In an online chat on [washingtonpost.com](http://www.washingtonpost.com), Los Angeles Times film critic Michael Medved complained that some of the actors garbled the language. Medved regularly studies the Talmud in Aramaic.

"The pronunciation of Aramaic in the film," he said, "is wildly uneven."

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Members of CSI choirs will present a fund-raising concert in March

The Times-News
TWIN FALLS — Members of three College of Southern Idaho choirs will present a program at 3 p.m. March 7 to help raise money for a trip to an invitational choir event in Salt Lake City this spring. CSI music professor Carson Wong says the Women's Chorus, Chamber Choir and Madrigal Ensemble will present a program called "Feel the Spirit," featuring well-known spirituals by John Rutter. The selections include "Joshua Fit the Battle of Jericho," "Steal Away," "I Got a Robe," "Sometimes, I Feel Like a Motherless Child," "Every Time I Feel the Spirit," "Deep River" and "When the Saints Go Marching In."

The concert will be held in the Fine Arts Auditorium. Patrons are reminded that the CSI Fine Arts building continues to be accessible only through the back, west doorways. The suggested donation for the event is \$5 per person at the door.

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Magic Valley Symphony gives winter concert

By Steve Crump
 Times-News writer

If you go ...

- **What:** The Magic Valley Symphony, under the direction of guest conductor Kevin Call, will present its winter concert.
- **Where:** College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium, Twin Falls.
- **When:** Tonight, 8 p.m.
- **How much:** Tickets, which are \$7 for general admission, \$6 for seniors and \$4 for students, are available at CSI Bookstore, Everybody's Business and Magic Valley Arts Council in Twin Falls, and at the door.

Meet the orchestra

- Members of the Magic Valley Symphony are:
- **First violin** - Lori Caspersen (conductor), Klara Rose Gibbs, Diana Dewey, Angie Fillmore, Melanie Kerbs and Rachel Vanderpool
 - **Second violin** - Ken Patterson, Joani McFarlane, Roger Maschek, Katie May, Hendra Patterson and Galie Soderquist
 - **Viola** - Kevin Howard, Jan R. Olsen, Deb Touchette and Lindsay Coverdale
 - **Cello** - Rick Strickland, Lorna Pringle, Susan Glaze, Barry Hamilton, Jenette Miller, Kaylie Steel, Brianna Boesiger, Ian Birch and Jessie Jensen
 - **Bass** - Aaron Miller, Don Ringer Jr. and Zachary Haralson
 - **Flute** - JoAnn Gerlach and Ann Pool
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 - **Clarinet** - Patty Hadley, Bob Bybee and Susan Bench
 - **Bass clarinet** - Susan Bench
 - **Bassoon** - Clark Anderson and Lori Miller
 - **Horn** - Paula Brown Sinclair, H. Richard Cook and David Marsh
 - **Trumpet** - Rick Speicher and Kathryn M. Cooper
 - **Trombone** - George K. Halseil and Bruce Whitehead
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 - **Piano** - Margaret Vincent

region. He is a founding member of both the BYU-Idaho Faculty Serenata String Quartet and the Sun Valley Summer Symphony,

conducts the BYU-Idaho Symphony and former conductor and founder of the university's Chamber Orchestra. He has

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— Dr. Kevin Call, guest conductor

appeared frequently as guest conductor with both the Idaho Falls Symphony and Opera Theater orchestras.

A regular clinician throughout the West at regional and state festivals, Call says his two great joys in music are performing and teaching. He approaches his own music, and that of his students with the belief that "if music can't be fun, it's not worth all the hard work."

"I've never had the pleasure of conducting this orchestra before, but there will be some familiar faces," Call said in a telephone interview from his Rexburg office. "I run into musicians from Twin Falls all the time, and a couple of the members of the orchestra are

former students of mine." He's chosen something familiar for tonight's concert: Dvorak's "New World" symphony.

"It's a wonderfully melodic piece of music, and one which audiences have heard before and love," he said.

He'll also conduct the symphony's first performance of Czech composer Leos Janacek's "Suite for Strings." The orchestra will open the concert with the overture from Mozart's opera, "The Magic Flute"

"People will be really impressed by our string section, led by concertmaster Lori Caspersen, in Janacek's 'Suite for Strings,'" Hadley said.

A reception for Call will follow the concert, at which artwork by graduating senior artists from area high schools will be displayed. This is a community-involvement project of the Magic Valley Symphony League, led by its president, Jennifer Mindock.

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A guy thing

- **What:** The Pioneer Montessori School will present Rob Becker's "Defending the Caveman," with actor Chris Sullivan.
- **Where:** Limestone Room, Sun Valley Inn, Sun Valley Resort
- **When:** Sunday, 7 p.m.
- **How much:** Tickets, which are \$150 for premier seating and \$60 for general admission, are available at Chapter One Bookstore, Johnny's G's Subshack, River Ranch Clothing Company and Chateau Drug in Ketchum and Photo's Photo in Hailey.

'Defending The Caveman' comes to Sun Valley Sunday

By Susan Bailey
 Wood River Journal

KETCHUM — Pity the poor caveman.

He was only doing his job as a hunter when he evolved into the modern man, a species often criticized by females of the human race.

To further explore the species, the Pioneer Montessori School offers "Defending the Caveman," the Broadway hit about men and women. Playing like 90 minutes of stand-up comedy, the play holds the title of the longest-running solo play in the history of Broadway.

Chris Sullivan brings the caveman to life in the work of playwright Rob Becker, who opened the show in San Francisco in 1991 before taking it to Washington, D.C., Philadelphia, Dallas and Chicago. After more than 700 performances on Broadway, the show went on tour.

Sullivan performs one night only at 7 p.m. Sunday in the Limestone Room of the Sun Valley Inn, a venue seating more than 500 people.

The insightful commentary on the ways men and women relate has typically prompted both sexes to roar with laughter and recognition. All proceeds from the performance will benefit the Montessori School of Ketchum.

Nothing is sacred in "Caveman," including contemporary feminism, masculine sensitivity and the erogenous zone. Like the book "Men Are from Mars, Women Are from Venus," "Defending the Caveman" has been seen by thousands of psychologists and counselors, including a stint at the annual convention of the American Association of Marriage and Family Therapy.

At a time when men and women are often not connected by perplexing difficulties in connecting, the play presents truisms of sociology, anthropology and psychology with painless candor.

Sullivan graduated from Loyola Marymount University and studied acting at the Oxford School of Drama. He was recently featured in the Los Angeles premiere of Elvira Barker's "History of the Devil" and just completed a tour for the Mark Taper Forum of the musical, "The Legend of Alex."

He has been touring with "Caveman" for six months. Heather Black, president of the board of the Pioneer Montessori School, says the play has a cult following and a popularity suited to local residents.

"We're thrilled to be able to bring to the Wood River Valley such as prominent performance," she said.

Money raised by the performance will go to fund the school's ongoing development. Established in 1981, Pioneer Montessori is a non-profit school educating children from the ages of 10 months to 12 years.

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WEEKEND

Sex and power: CSI drama students revisit 'Lysistrata'

"Then I will out with it at last, my mighty scene! Old sister women, if we would compel our husbands to make peace, we must refrain."
 — From "Lysistrata," by Aristophanes

By Steve Crump
 Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Twenty-four hundred years ago, a smart-aleck Greek playwright named Aristophanes wanted to stop a war.

His native Athens had been fighting rival city-state Sparta for a staggering 21 years, and in that time one Athenian in four had died — mostly from disease after the Spartans besieged their city.

Pericles, Athens' legendary leader, had died in the plague and was succeeded by a series of rabble-rousing demagogues, who kept the fighting going for their own political purposes. The latest, a bloated alcoholic named Cleon, was just too much for Aristophanes, who was not only the most famous dramatist in Greece at the time, but possibly the inventor of the form of theater that we know as comedy.

So Aristophanes imagined that the women of Athens organized a sex strike. That fantasy, "Lysistrata," was a raucous hit.

It didn't halt the Peloponnesian War, but it made a powerful point.

"It's an anti-war play," said Tony Mannen, theater professor at the College of Southern Idaho and director of its production of "Lysistrata," which starts its two-week run on Wednesday in Room 119 of the CSI Fine Arts Center. "And, I think, very relevant to our times."

The notion that Athenian women would forego sex with their husbands and lovers to achieve a larger goal seemed absurd in Athens at the time, where women had little sway. But



Corrie Winterholler, left, Kayla Stephenson and Mandie Miller rehearse for the play "Lysistrata" Wednesday at the College of Southern Idaho. Opening night is Wednesday at 8 p.m. and it runs through Mar. 6, then resumes March 10-13.

"Lysistrata" was so cleverly written that the play had a subversive power all its own.

"It's not a play about sex; it's a satire on sex and power," Mannen said.

"There's innuendo, certainly, but nothing that a 12-year-old shouldn't see."

Mandie Miller, a CSI freshman who grew up in Dietrich and Twin

Falls, plays the title role.

"She's small in stature, but I kind of think that makes her more convincing in the part," Mannen said. "She stands out by the force of her words and her personality."

Mannen chose to interpret Aristophanes with 20th Century costumes — the soldiers' uniforms range from the Vietnam era to the present — and lots of music from

the '60s and '70s.

"That kind of music is perfect for this play," he said. "Gordon Lightfoot, Sam Cooke, Edwin Starr."

This production isn't Aristophanes, chapter and verse, Mannen says: Some liberties have been taken with the dialogue. "This play was translated from ancient Greek into modern Greek

and then into English," he said.

"We have no idea how close the words on the page are to what Aristophanes actually wrote."

"I'd never change a word of a modern play because that wouldn't be fair to the author," he said.

"But with the classics, sometimes it's a different story." Other cast members include Andrew Chojnacky, Naomi Mae

If you go ...

- What: The College of Southern Idaho Theater Department will present Aristophanes' "Lysistrata."
- Where: Room 119, CSI Fine Arts Center, Twin Falls.
- When: Wednesday and Thursday and March 5-6 and March 10-13, 8 p.m.
- How much: Tickets, which are \$6 for general admission and \$4 for students and senior citizens, are available at the CSI Bookstore from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on weekdays, at the CSI Fine Arts Box Office from 1-4 p.m., or by phoning 732-6788.

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— Tony Mannen, CSI theater professor.

Hitchcock, Chelsey Watkins, Aubree Woods, Bethany Branton, Kayla Stephenson, Corrie Winterholler and Wes Malvin.

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-LA radio broadcaster
Bret Lewis.

TRIVIA

QUESTION:
Ty Cobb finished his career with a record .366 batting average. Who are the two other major leaguers who played in at least 1,000 games and had career averages above .350?

...answer below

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

High school wrestling
State tournaments, Holt Arena, Pocatello

IN BRIEF

Goodbody heads to national track meet

WENDELL - Wendell High School Junior Jaynie Goodbody will compete in the National Scholastic Indoor Track and Field Championships March 12-14 at the New Balance Armory track facility in New York City.

Goodbody will compete in the pentathlon Saturday, March 13 along with the 60-meter hurdles, high jump, shot put, long jump and 800-meter run.

Goodbody was invited to the meet after taking sixth in the heptathlon at the Junior Olympics this past summer.

Youth spring soccer registration begins

RUPERT - All Mini-Cassia youth ages 5-16 are welcome to register for the Tri-City co-ed youth spring soccer program sponsored by the Rupert Recreation Department. Registration runs from Feb. 16 to March 12. Drop by the Rupert city office between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. weekdays with a \$15 registration fee payment to sign up. For further information, please call 434-2400.

T.F. plans boys and girls mini basketball camps

TWIN FALLS - "Mini March Madness" basketball camps will be held Monday nights in March at the Twin Falls High School gym for boys and girls grades 1-3.
Boys play from 5:45 to 6:45 p.m. while girls go from 7-8 p.m. on March 1, 8 and 15.
The camp's cost is \$20 with all proceeds going to the Twin Falls High girls basketball program.
Registration forms are available at Donnelly Sports in Twin Falls. Parents can also register kids at the door from 5-5:30 p.m. March 1.

Declo players selected for Down Under Bowl

DECLO - Declo High School students Brian Brackenbury and Justin Pickup were selected to participate on the Idaho All-Star football team at the sixteenth annual Down Under Bowl in Australia, held this summer. Both players were selected by Sawtooth Central Idaho Conference coaches to participate in the two-week stay and two football games.
Both students are currently trying to collect the funding necessary to participate. Contributions may be made at The Country Store in Declo, or sent to:
The Country Store
c/o Jay Fox
5 North Clark
Declo, ID 83323
Further questions can be addressed by calling Pickup at 678-1421 or Brackenbury at 769-6627.

Compiled from staff reports

TRIVIA ANSWER:

Rogers Hornsby, .358, and Shoeless Joe Jackson, .356. Note: Hornsby, who played for the St. Louis Cardinals for 13 seasons, became the first National League with 40 or more home runs when he hit 42 in 1922. Babe Ruth hit 54 in 1920 and 59 in 1921.



Richfield's Harlie Amy reaches for a rebound against Castleford during their state play-in game in Murtaugh Thursday. Richfield won 68-60 in double overtime to advance to the state tournament.

Richfield knocks off Castleford

Captures final state berth

By Joe Paisley
Times-News writer

MURTAUGH - Richfield coach Garr Ward asked his Tigers to step up at halftime and they certainly did.



Victor Vasquez

Victor Vasquez scored 26 of his 34 points after the break and Tate Exon hit three 3-pointers in the final 2:42 of regulation to force the first overtime, as the Tigers rallied to upend Castleford 68-60 in double overtime.

The loss ends the Wolves bid to repeat as Class 1A boys basketball state champions and sends the Tigers on to state next Wednesday. Richfield returns for the first time since taking second in 1999 and 2001.

Vasquez did it all for Richfield, dribble penetrating to create shots for himself and for his teammates.

"Everyone knows he's our go-to guy," Vasquez said. "They looked for him."
And missed Exon standing in the far corner, open for the 3-pointer. The Wolves defense was now a half-step slower than the first half, possibly owing to a shallow bench. It cost them when reacting to Vasquez' passes to the open man.

"They slinked on defense a bit," Exon said.

Exon's second 3-pointer with 35.1 seconds left in regulation made it 50-49 Castleford. It was the closest Richfield had been since 6-3 with 3:54 left in the first quarter. The Tigers never led in regulation, but tied it for the first time on Exon's final 3-pointer with 10.1 ticks remaining.

In the first overtime, sophomore forward Drew Tvedy put Castleford ahead 58-56 with 1:05 left before Charlie Army scored inside on an assist from Vasquez to tie it with 51 seconds left. Neither team managed a good shot, forcing a second overtime.

"We got away from the stuff we used to beat the box-and-one earlier," said Castleford coach Tyler Gaston.

Castleford's offense, led by talented senior Robert Comer, then came up empty. Corner and Kobi Bower each scored 16 points.

Vasquez gave Richfield its first lead of the game with 2:52 left on a 3-pointer from the top of the key off a screen to make it 61-58. Castleford managed a lone basket by Evan Nolevanko to make it 61-60, Tigers, before he fouled out. A free throw later, Vasquez clinched the win with his fifth 3-pointer of the game to make it 65-60 with 33.2 seconds remaining.

"We knew we had to hustle and execute," Vasquez said. "My teammates made it that much easier."

All that was left to do was join his teammates in a school fight song send-off for their fans.

Richfield used a box-and-one. Please see RICHFIELD, Page D2

BUHL'S SISSON BATTLES BACK

Early injuries haven't stopped Indians senior

By Eric Larsen
Times-News writer

POCATELLO - Why is Buhl's R.C. Sisson even in Pocatello for the 3A Idaho state wrestling tournament? Only three months ago he couldn't run - let alone wrestle - and he had ulcers on his esophagus. To compound the problem, he re-injured his ankle midway through his comeback to wrestling, setting him further behind.

"For five weeks there I couldn't do anything," Sisson said. "I couldn't run, I couldn't train, it was tough."

But Sisson suited up and pinned Fayette's Tyler Bullington in 31 seconds because tough is nothing to a stand-up wrestler. The 155-pounder battled back and earned every bit of his No. 2 ranking in 3A wrestling.

The road was hard for a wrestler who has been used to winning since he was five years old, though.

"It was never a problem," Sisson said. "You know you can wrestle better," Sisson said. "Your timing is off. You're tired, and kids know it, so they push you for six minutes."

The senior took some bumps along the way, losing a few matches he normally wouldn't, but putting it together in time to win his district championship match.

"Losing was tough," Sisson said. "The first couple times were really rough."

While he hasn't been able to get back to 100 percent of where he could be, Sisson isn't looking for excuses.

"Now it doesn't matter how you feel, you have to suck it up," Sisson said. "It's time to show up because there's nothing after this tournament."

And while just getting back to this point is a major accomplishment, Sisson is no different.

"When you put it all in perspective, it's a big accomplishment to be here," Sisson said. "But no, no, anything less than a championship win is not good enough."

Sisson has put tremendous pressure upon himself, but he says he is more relaxed than he was last year, when he entered the tournament healthy.

"I get really nervous," Sisson said. "But it's not as bad this year."

Please see BUHL'S, Page D2

Baggs, Silva edge towards title match

By Jared Eborn
Times-News correspondent

POCATELLO - The collision course is still set, but not without a lot of drama.

Will Baggs and Joey Silva are among the best 171-pound wrestlers in Class 3A. The familiar foes, however, both had to work harder than they expected - and much harder than they wanted - before advancing to the second round of the state tournament.

"This weight class is really strong," Silva - the class' defending state champ, said. "It's going to be a really tough tournament."

Thursday afternoon's first round was a perfect example of the tough competition as Silva was pushed to the limit by Preston's Justin Torfin.

Silva got a 6-3 decision over his opponent and struggled as he tried to put Torfin away.

"I would have liked to end it

sooner," Silva said. "But I'll take it." Baggs, a senior from Buhl, entered the tournament as the top seed with a 37-1 record but had difficulty getting past Weiser's Bryce Svedin.

"I didn't warm up as much as I needed to," Baggs said. "I guess I wasn't as prepared as I should have been and it showed."

Baggs led just 4-2 late in the third period as Svedin had the upper hand. "It's never good to stay on the bottom," he said. "So I felt I had to make a move just to be safe."

That move paid handsome dividends as Baggs slipped out from underneath his foe and scored two very important points and eventually came away with a 6-2 decision.

With Silva alive on the other side of the bracket, the Magic Valley duo are eyeing a potential state championship match. Should they meet, it will be their fourth bout of the year.

Please see BAGGS, Page D2



Buhl's Will Baggs held off - and onto - Weiser's Bryce Svedin to earn a 6-2 decision in his first match at the Idaho 3A state wrestling tournament. The top-ranked Indian senior will face Sugar-Salem's Brett Wilding in quarterfinal action Friday.

CSI MENS & WOMENS BASKETBALL PREVIEWS

A MAN AMONG BOYS

Former Israeli Army 1st Sgt. leads by example

By Kevin Colbert
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Saying that the sport arena is like a battlefield may be just a cliché, but it's one that hits home a little more with College of Southern Idaho basketball player Danl Hazut.

Hazut, a native of Israel who served in the Israeli Army for a mandatory three years, has never been in an actual war-time battle, but he knows people who have, and who paid the ultimate price.

"I was lucky enough not to ever be in war," Hazut said. "I know a lot of my friends were, and I had a couple of friends die in battle."

But Hazut is not offended by the sometimes-ridiculous comparisons between war and the action that takes place on a basketball floor.

"I take the game seriously and, in a way, we do go out to war," he said. "You have to play together."

Hazut entered the army when he was 19 years old, eventually achieving the rank of 1st Sgt. In his position in the medical corps, Hazut was responsible for security and discipline of younger soldiers, a role he had to earn.

"The first three months, you go through special training," he recalled. "You shoot some guns and throw some grenades. You wake up at 5 in the morning and have to clean up camp. They treat you like... dirt."

But the training Hazut, now 23, received in the military has made him a more mature man, a trait that has paid dividends on the basketball floor and rubbed off on his younger teammates, most of whom are between the ages of 18 and 20.

"Anyone that spends time in the military definitely has to learn some form of leadership and discipline," CSI head coach Gib Arnold said. "That's one thing Danl Hazut definitely brings to the table here. He is a leader but he's disciplined in his thinking and his mind-set



College of Southern Idaho guard/forward Danl Hazut dribbles around a defender during a recent home game.

toward academics and athletics."

Hazut and his family moved from Israel to Los Angeles when Hazut was 5 years old because his dad "is a businessman." Hazut returned to Israel for high school.

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Bouncing back

CSI women look to put last weekend's losses behind them

By Kevin Colbert
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - The College of Southern Idaho women's basketball team is not used to getting manhandled the way it was last weekend.

Whether officiating played a role or not in the outcome of the games, Salt Lake Community College swept the Golden Eagles in Utah thanks to physical play in the low post, both defensively and in the rebounding battle.

The physical play was felt most by 6-foot-6 center Lenka Zimova and 6-5 center Denisa Svarova. The duo combined for an average of 13 points in the two games while both entered the weekend averaging about 10 each.

"It's frustrating because you go out and recruit these big kids, and if it's negated by the calls on the floor it's no use going and getting them," CSI head coach Randy Rogers said.

Salt Lake did what Salt Lake had to do to beat us," he added. "That was being physical with our posts, getting them off the block, frustrate them to where they didn't want to take a shot. If they were able to get away with it, that was exactly what

they needed to do to beat us. Give them all the credit for coming up with that scheme."

CSI was also outbounded for the first time during the conference season. The Bruins beat the Eagles on the boards 44-35 in the first game and 38-29 the second night, a fact Rogers said can't be blamed on officiating.

"That was our fault," he said. "It was a very good job of Salt Lake boxing out and being physical going to the glass on the offensive end. I give them credit for that because we've been able to win some of these games by having more opportunities to score. I've watched the tape. It's us not doing some of those little things that we need to do to win games."

CSI (22-5 overall, 10-4 Scenic West Athletic Conference) will have a chance for some measure of redemption today and Saturday with a pair of 6 p.m. games against Snow College (12-13, 9-13). With a single win, the Eagles will clinch homecourt advantage for the District 18 regional tournament, which will be held March 3-6. CSI is also guaranteed to bring the tournament home if SLC loses either.

Please see WOMEN, Page D4

Games tonight
Snow College at CSI
Women: 6 p.m.
Men: 8 p.m.

SPORTS

Jerome's Carpenter starts strong

By Eric Larsen
Times-News writer

POCAHELLO - It's easy to see why Jerome's Cody Carpenter is such a commanding wrestler. The 189-pounder is one of the most physically imposing grapplers in Idaho, part of the reason he is the second-ranked 4A grappler in the state.

Carpenter's 24-2 record is a testament to how difficult it is to down the senior. His two blunders came to top-ranked 5A grappler, Dusty Scott of Twin Falls. While many would argue that Carpenter should be the top-ranked 4A wrestler in his weight class, the senior grappler isn't about to make a big deal about it.

"I'm pretty happy with my rank, it could be better, but I'm coming in with an open mind," Carpenter said. "Everyone's 4-0 now. Rank doesn't really matter."

Carpenter's best competition could come against top-ranked Steven Marsala of Kuna in the championship match.

"Marsala is a good wrestler," Carpenter said. "He beat Dusty Scott and it'll be a good match if we meet." Or, if Carpenter and Marsala meet their expectations, when they meet.

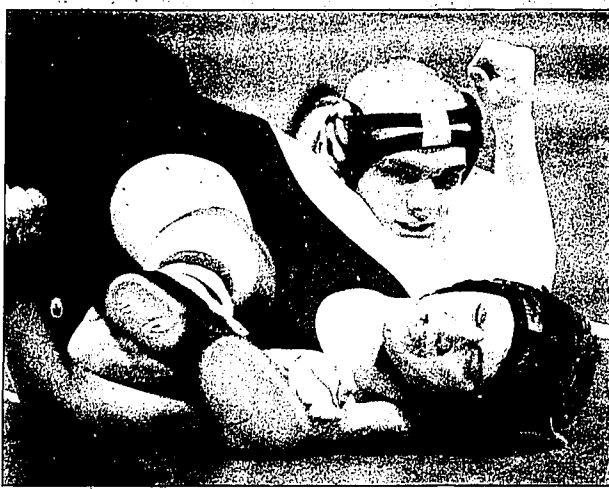
"I'm here to take the gold," Carpenter said. "That's the reason I'm here."

But a lot of the reason Carpenter is here is because of his coach, Des Case.

"Coach pushes us a lot, so I'm usually in the best physical condition," Carpenter said.

Case not only has been a big part of Carpenter's success, but the main cog in the resurgence of local wrestling.

"We've gone from a program that nobody knew about - it was a miracle if we won a dual," Carpenter said. "To qualifying 22 guys this year. He's helped everyone's confidence."



Jerome's Cody Carpenter controls Kuna's Tim Williams during their opening match at the 4A Idaho State Wrestling Tournament. Carpenter went on to pin Williams in 5:00 to advance to Friday's quarterfinals round.

And with the body on the moves, and the coaching he gets, it should be easy for Carpenter to be confident. He pulled away before pinning Kuna's Tim Williams in his first-round match, putting on a take-down clinic along the way.

"That's one of my best abilities, being able to take people down," Carpenter said. "That's probably what I've worked the hardest for."

The 189-pound senior is also taking a share of the leadership burden as one of the Tiger wrestlers

who has been here before. Idaho State University's Holt Arena is a far cry from Tiger Gymnasium in Jerome.

"Everyone has the jitters," Carpenter said. "I was nervous this year, but not like before. Last year I could hardly stand still."

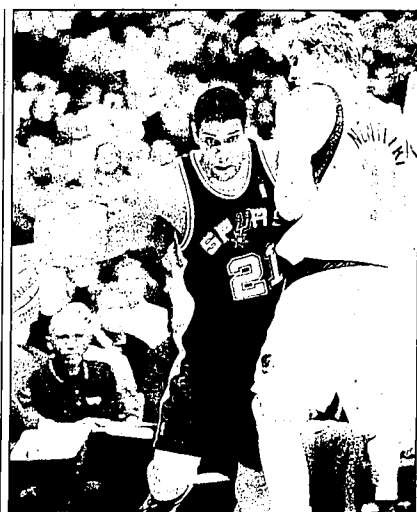
While Carpenter started his state-championship run on the right foot, he knows he still has his work cut out for him. He will face Vallures senior Mike Siddham in the second round and a possible semi-

final match against Bishop Kelley's Andy Silsby.

"The next round should be good. (Siddham) is like today's match, but this kid was a little younger," Carpenter said. "Silsby is a tough wrestler. That one might come down to a couple points."

It's easy to look ahead based on Carpenter's ranking and season record, but the senior is taking it all in stride, one match at a time.

"We'll see how the cards fall," Carpenter said.



San Antonio Spurs forward Tim Duncan (21) drives through Dallas Mavericks forward Dirk Nowitzki (41) in the first quarter of their game in Dallas, Thursday.

Mavs whip Spurs

DALLAS (AP) - Michael Finley opened the third quarter with a dunk and closed it with a swish from behind the halfcourt stripe, perfect bookends for a 46-point period that the Dallas Mavericks rode to a 115-91 victory over the San Antonio Spurs on Thursday night.

Finley shot 10-of-14, including 5-of-7 on 3-pointers, for 30 points. Dirk Nowitzki added 23, helping the Mavs win their fourth straight and improve their league-best home record to 26-4.

The Spurs endured their biggest blowout loss of the season and lost two-time MVP Tim Duncan for most of the second half because of a bruised thigh.

Duncan had 22 points and 17 rebounds in 25 minutes when he went to the bench with 7:15 left in the third quarter.

Arenas improved to 3-0 against San Antonio this season, clinching the season series - which could matter if the teams end the season with identical records.

Wizards 95, Bulls 87

WASHINGTON - One night after staging a mini-mutiny on offense, Gilbert Arenas had his second career triple-double.

Arenas set aside five days of drama to score 21 points, grab 12 rebounds and hand out 13 assists as the Wizards completed rare back-to-back victories.

On Wednesday, Arenas didn't attempt a shot until 5:30 remained in a two-point victory at Toronto - and that was only after coach Eddie Jordan threatened to bench him. Arenas has been smarting from comments made Sunday by teammate Kwame Brown, who accused an unnamed teammate of being too selfish with the ball. Arenas responded by criticizing Brown's play.

Arenas' 12 rebounds matched a career-high, while the 13 assists were a season-high.

Kirk Hinrich scored 23 for the Bulls, who lost their fourth straight.

Wendell cruises past Valley for title

The Times-News

WENDLELL - Wendell left little doubt in anyone's mind by the fourth quarter. The 22-0 Trojans steadily pulled away from a game Valley squad to win the 2A District IV title 73-42 Thursday night to book a trip to the state tournament next week.

Senior Kael Pope scored 22 points and pulled down 20 rebounds while Tyrel Davis pumped in a game-high 24 points. Valley packed the defense in on Pope, but was unable to contain Davis.

Wendell (22-0) plays the winner of the play-in game between Butte County and Westside on Saturday in the first round of the state tournament Thursday.

Local sports

Michael Grant scored 19 to lead the Vikings in the loss, which ended Valley's season.

Wendell 73, Valley 42
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1A District IV seeding games
Carey 72, Hansen 71

MURTAUGH - Carey took the

No. 1 seed out of the district by edging Southside champ Hansen 72-71 Tuesday night in Murtaugh.

Tylinn scored 28 points in the win. Tyrel King scored 17 and Kyle King and Mark Pearson 11 apiece to lead the Huskies. It is Hansen's first-ever trip to the state tournament, which starts Wednesday.

Wendell 73, Valley 42
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Raft River 79, Community School 67

MURTAUGH - Raft River secured the No. 3 seed out of District IV with a 79-67 win over the Community School, led by Braden Barrett's 26 points and 19 from Alex Nelson. The Catthroats were paced by Jim Fairchild with 23 points and 19 from John Hayes.

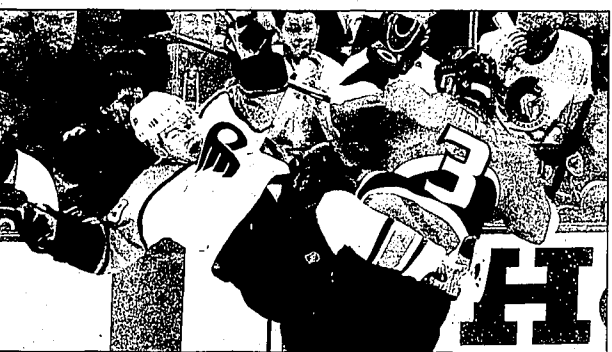
Raft River 79, Community School 67
Community School 14-19-29-27-67
Raft River 19-23-13-02-79
Community School 14-19-29-27-67
Raft River 19-23-13-02-79

Flyers and Senators skate to 1-1 tie in Ottawa

OTTAWA (AP) - Sean Burke made 39 saves as Philadelphia remained one point in front of Ottawa in the overall Eastern Conference standings.

Marian Hossa scored his 27th goal on the Senators' second of three power plays before the midway mark of the opening period. Simon Gagne had a power-play goal for Philadelphia, which was outshot 40-18.

Senators forward Martin Havlat was given a match penalty in the third period for attempting to injure Philadelphia's Mark Recchi. The Flyers failed to score on the ensuing five-minute power play.



Ottawa Senators' Zdeno Chara checks Philadelphia Flyers' Branko Radivojevic in first-period NHL action in Ottawa on Thursday.

skated past the Boston defense and put a shot from the slot past goalie Andrew Raycroft.

Lightning 4, Maple Leafs 3

TAMPA, Fla. - Brad Richards had two goals and an assist, Pavel Kubina and Vincent Lecavalier had the other goals for the Lightning, who have an 10-point lead over second-place Florida in the Southeast. Tampa Bay is 13-1-1 over the past 19 games.

Lightning goalie - Nikolai Khabibulin made 19 saves for his 20th career win (200-103-57).

Lightning goalie - Alex Mogilyan, Mats Sundin and Joe Nieuwendyk scored for Toronto, which has lost three straight.

Predators 4, Wild 0
NASHVILLE, Tenn. - Dan

Hamhuis and Steve Sullivan each scored early power-play goals, and Tomas Vokoun stopped 27 shots.

Vladimir Orszagh added a goal and an assist, Andreas Johansson had a short-handed goal and Martin Erat had two assists for Nashville, which has won four of five.

Vokoun got the 12th shutout of his career, his second this season against a Minnesota team that has not scored against the Predators in Nashville since March 6, 2003. The Wild outshot Nashville 27-23 but went 0-for-7 on the power play.

Blues 2, Avalanche 2

DENVER - St. Louis' Dallas Drake and Keith Tkachuk scored second-period goals to offset two goals by Colorado's Milan Hejduk, and the Blues and Avalanche skated to a 2-2 tie Thursday night.

Blues goaltender Chris Osgood had 25 saves in the head coaching debut of St. Louis' Mike Keenan, who replaced the fired Joel Quenneville on Tuesday. Colorado's David Aebischer had 19 saves.

In a scorching third period, Osgood had back-to-back saves off Joe Sakic, the second one a glove save that swiped the puck away from the net.

Each team had only one shot in overtime. A minute into overtime, St. Louis had a goal disallowed when it was ruled that Pavel Demitra had slipped the puck past Aebischer with his hand.

Colorado is winless in its last six games (0-3-2-1), scoring just six goals.

Avalanche forward Alex Tanguay, the NHL's fifth-leading scorer, sustained an upper-lip injury in the first period and did not return.

Buhl's

Continued from D1. This time I've been more anxious to get on the mat. I sat out so long that I'm just ready to go."

And go he will, possibly all the way to a gold medal. It may not have been the dream senior season the Sison has hoped for, but he is still in position to win a medal

along with his longtime friend and teammate, Will Baggs.

"Will and I have been doing this for 13 years," Sison said. "We've toured around and it would be nice for both of us to win it, to come out on top."

And after all Sison has been through, it certainly would.

Richfield

Continued from D1. defense to contain Comer, who missed most of the season to an injury suffered during the football season. He torched the Tigers during a pivotal stretch of the third quarter when he answered a 6-0 Richfield run that made it 32-27 with six points in 60 seconds, including a 4-point play, for a 30-29 advantage.

Castleford led 43-32 heading into the fourth quarter but Vasquez scored nine points in two minutes

to make it 45-41. Wolves with 501 left. That set the stage for the deadly shooting by Exon that forced overtime.

Richfield 45, Castleford 41
Richfield 14-19-29-27-73
Castleford 10-23-13-02-41
Richfield 14-19-29-27-73
Castleford 10-23-13-02-41

Baggs

Continued from D1. "We both want to win," Baggs said. "It's nothing hostile and it's not like we hate each other, but we want to beat each other."

Silva would like to earn another state title, but Baggs has wins in all three previous meetings between the two this year.

"I'd like another shot at Baggs," Silva said. "If I do, I'll try to capitalize on that chance and use my experience."

Silva has had a good year, but not good enough - yet. "I'd like to do a lot better," he said. "But that really doesn't matter because I'm here now. These three days are all that matters."

Baggs, though he has a trio of titles to hang his hat on, isn't going to take Silva lightly should they meet Saturday afternoon.

"It's a good wrestler," Baggs said. "You don't win state without being very good."

In the 2A team race, Wasler leads with 37.5 points followed by Bonners Ferry with 35.5 and

Preston and Snake River with 27. Wood River is tied for 10th place with Enlhard and Sugar-Sidwell with 10 points, followed by Declo in 13th place with 12 points. Buhl and Kimberly each have 10 points, good for a tie for 10th while Gooding has eight.

In the 2A competition, Malad leads with 46 points followed by Aberdeen with 36. Wendell is in 10th place with 17.5 points while Raft River is 13th with 11 points. Oakley has eight points, good for a tie for 16th. Valley has four points while Glenns Ferry did not score.

Jerome is in ninth place with 21 points in the 4A team competition. Mountain Home leads with 43 points. Burley is tied for 10th with 18 points.

Engle leads the 5A with 50 points. Minico is in 14th with 12 points while Twin Falls has 7.5 points, good for a tie for 16th place out of 18 teams.

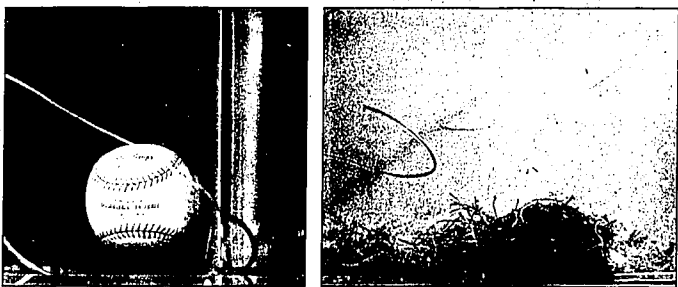
Due to computer problems, individual results were not available by press time Thursday.

SPORTS

Tick ... tick... BOOM!

Left: The baseball sits inside a case moments before being blown up Thursday, in Chicago.

The baseball was deflected by a fan during the Chicago Cubs' loss in Game 6 of the 2003 National League championship series against the Florida Marlins and blown up to help Cubs fans forget about the loss.



Chicago gives infamous foul ball explosive send-off

By Anna Johnson Associated Press writer

CHICAGO - In a flash, the ball that came to symbolize the Chicago Cubs' cursed history was blown up Thursday night, reduced to a pile of thread by a lollywood special effects expert.

that ball so it will not resemble a ball at all when we're finished," Lantieri said earlier.

Because the explosive send-off came outside in a tent, some fans missed it.

"I'm somewhat disappointed. It was a little anticlimactic for us," Adam Fluck said.

Whether the ball was possessed by the curse that legend says afflicts the Cubs or not, fans were happy to see it go. To some, the destruction is a sign of the good things to come this season.

"I think it's very appropriate, it's symbolic of a new beginning," Rachel Cannon said.

Claudette Dockery agreed.

"The can cremate the ball for all I care or send it over Lake Michigan, the best I believe is yet to come," she said.

Cubs fans are ready to move on from the infamous moment.

With the Cubs leading the Florida Marlins 3-0 in Game 6 of the NL championship series and just five outs from their first World Series appearance since 1918, Bartman reached for the ball hit by Luis Castillo.

From his front-row seat at Wrigley Field, Bartman deflected the ball away from left fielder

Moises Alou. The Cubs then gave up eight runs to the Marlins, and squandered another lead in Game 7 the next night.

In its final hours, the ball was put on display, given a massage and treated to a "last meal" of steak and lobster, or at least the aroma.

Grant DePorter, who helped buy the ball at an auction for \$113,824 on behalf of Harry Caray's Restaurant Group, lined up hours of music, comedy and celebrity appearances.

"It's like the ring from The Lord of the Rings and we're kind of like Frodo, trying to get it over with," DePorter said.

Bartman, who has made no public statements since issuing an apology in October. He did not plan to attend a family friend said.

So much has been made of the ball's fate that even German Chancellor Gerhard Schroeder, speaking to the Chicago Council on Foreign Relations, was aware that something was happening involving the Cubs, if perhaps a bit confused about what.

"I very much hope that about the National League championship is going to play out the way you want it to," he said

Ravens' Lewis pleads innocent to charges

ATLANTA (AP) - Star NFL running back Jamal Lewis pleaded innocent Thursday to federal drug charges that he tried to help a childhood friend buy cocaine in the summer of 2000.

"I just want to say it's extremely important to me that my family, my friends, my fans and the Ravens organization know that I am innocent and I thank everyone for their continued support," Lewis said after his hearing at the U.S. District Courthouse.



Jamal Lewis

The Baltimore football player, an Atlanta native, was released on \$500,000 bond on charges that he conspired to possess with the intent to distribute five kilograms of cocaine, during which he used a cell phone in violation of federal law.

Lewis didn't speak during the 15-minute hearing, other than answering "yes" when asked by the judge and the U.S. attorney if he understood his rights and his plea.

U.S. Magistrate E. Clayton Scofield III said Lewis can travel nationwide while he awaits trial, but he ordered him to have no contact with co-defendant Angelo Jackson or government witnesses.

Convicted of conspiracy, Lewis could face 10 years to life in prison.

Lewis, wearing a gray business suit, was escorted from the courtroom by U.S. marshals and flanked by four attorneys. Lewis was not

handcuffed.

After the hearing, Lewis stood in the rain and thanked supporters while one of his lawyers, Ed Garland, said that the same recorded telephone conversation being used by federal prosecutors to charge Lewis may prove his innocence.

"They may have omitted things that should have been in there," Garland said. "We believe it will show he is innocent."

Lewis had turned himself in to the FBI Thursday morning, when he was arrested and booked.

Lewis was indicted Wednesday on charges of conspiring to possess with the intent to distribute five kilograms of cocaine and using a cell phone in the commission of the first count. If convicted on the conspiracy count, Lewis could face 10 years to life in prison.

Garland said Lewis did not try to help a childhood friend buy cocaine in the summer of 2000. Garland said a cocaine buy wasn't discussed during a restaurant conversation more than three years ago among Lewis, a boyfriend friend, and a woman who turned out to be a police informant.

No drugs were ever purchased, according to the indictment.

"This informant is attempting to start up Jamal Lewis to get out of jail," Garland said. "It is not that this is coming right after he had a very successful season. Sometimes celebrities get targeted because they are in the news."

A statement from the Ravens said Lewis should have a chance to tell his side of the story.

Yankees' Williams will miss start of season

TAMPA (AP) - Bernie Williams said the New York Yankees' center fielder problem, at least for the start of the season.

Williams' appendix was removed Thursday, and manager Joe Torre said the center fielder most likely will miss opening day.

"I'm very sorry for Bernie because he came in such great shape and worked so hard," Yankees owner George Steinbrenner said in Tampa.

Williams is a very integral part of this team. I know Bernie. He'll fight through it and be back quicker than ever before, I think. He'll be back full burner," Williams said.



Bernie Williams

Williams' regular center fielder since 1992, began experiencing discomfort Wednesday night.

"It would be a long shot for him to start the season," Torre said. "It will probably put him back three weeks, but in two weeks he can probably get in the flow of things. It wouldn't be fair to rush him at-bats and all that stuff."

Kenny Lofton, signed as a free agent and expected to challenge Williams for the starting job, takes over in center field.

In Vero Beach, Fla., Los Angeles Dodgers second baseman Alex Cora remained uncertain he will be able to participate in any exhibition games before breaking his right forearm playing winter ball.

"We're hoping to get the range of motion back first," said Cora, who had surgery Jan. 30. "That's the first step, and then we set other goals."

Cora, 28, said he would love to play in at least some exhibition games in order to be ready for a July 5 opener.

"If I'm not able to play here, there's no way I could start the season with the Yankees," he said.

In Tucson, Ariz., Roberto Alomar reported to spring training along with the other position players on the Arizona Diamondbacks.

"I've put on seven or eight pounds. I feel in much better shape," the 12-time All-Star second

baseball man said. "The last few years I didn't do what I needed to do to stay in shape. I think my age now, 36, you have to work more than you can stay in shape. This game is not as easy as people think it is."

In Scottsdale, Ariz., the Giants said ace Jason Schmidt appears to be healed following off-season elbow surgery, putting him in line to be San Francisco's opening day starter.

"If everything is OK, he'll be the guy," manager Felipe Alou said. "I anticipate Schmidt being ready from the start. He seems to be healthy."

Schmidt, an All-Star right-hander, was 17-5 with an NL-leading 2.34 ERA.

In Tucson, Ariz., Carlos Lee reported to spring training a day after most of Chicago's position players, arriving Thursday after travel problems from Panama delayed his trip.

He led the White Sox with a career-high 113 RBIs last year, more than two-time MVP Frank Thomas, four-time All-Star Magglio Ordonez or Paul Konerko, who's also been to the All-Star game. Lee led the AL with 59 RBIs after the All-Star break and set his season bests with 31 homers and 18 steals.

In Peoria, Ariz., 41-year-old Edgar Martinez went through the first full-speed workout with the Seattle Mariners.

"It's never gets old," he said. "It's an exciting time. It's fun to come to camp. There's something about spring training that is always fun to me. Each spring training you enjoy just being here."

Jinxes are like opinions; everybody has one

CHICAGO - Sports jinxes are like opinions.

Just about everybody has one. We're not talking about run-of-the-mill superstitions, like ballplayers turning their caps inside out to conjure up late-inning rallies, or even wearing the same underwear day after day to extend a hot streak at the plate.

No, to qualify as a real jinx, somebody has to invest serious time and money to get out from under it, and invite serious clucking from the rest of a skeptical world, the way Thursday night's ballyhooed obliteration of the "Bartman ball" has.

Such curses aren't limited to Chicago or baseball, of course. The so-called "Sports Illustrated cover jinx" - which the magazine claimed two years ago had resulted in "a demonstrable misfortune or decline in performance following a cover appearance roughly 37.2 percent of the time" - has felled more golfers and tennis players by far than any other group of athletes.

And though the consequences are decidedly less serious, appearing on the front of a Campbell's Chunky Soup in recent years has become the NFL equivalent of turning up on the side of a milk carton.

Still, nobody does curses better than the baseball.

When he was running the Philadelphia Athletics at the turn of the last century, Hall of Fame baseball manager Connie Mack hoped



JOHN LITKE

to ward off a spell of bad luck by employing a hunchback named Louis Van Zest as a mascot. For three years running.

And sometime this spring, in a bid to reverse the Curse of the Bambino, world-renowned salvage expert John Fish will tuck the million-dollar Willis Pond in Sudbury, Mass., in hopes of dredging up a piano that legend has been put there by Babe Ruth in a fit of pique the year before he was traded to the Yankees.

And this time," said Eloise Newell, whose group has been behind two previous attempts, "we'll either find the piano or run out of lake trying."

Newell is the director of the Restoration Project, a rehabilitation program for adults with mental illness based in Sudbury, that hopes to use the publicity to shed some of the stigma attached to her cause. She may be a firm believer in science. But she is also a Red Sox fan.

"They're had some spectacular 11th-hour losses," Newell said. "We believe a major component of success is to be able to visualize yourself

crossing the finish line. And getting that part out of the lake would remove one very big obstacle."

Whether the destruction of the baseball that marked the beginning of the Cubs' end in last season's NL playoffs has the desired effect remains to be seen. But there's no denying that the people behind it invested some serious time and expense.

Grant DePorter, who paid \$113,824 for the ball at a December auction on behalf of Harry Caray's Restaurant Group, has lined up three hours of music, comedy and celebrity appearances leading up to the climactic event. Its end will be choreographed by Michael Lantieri, a five-time Oscar fan and Oscar winner who checks things for a living and has worked on such movies as "Jurassic Park."

Last anybody felt too sorry for the baseball, know that it spent Wednesday touring the city and Wrigley Field one last time, then retired to a hotel suite where a last supper of steak, lobster and an ice-cream buffet was set out. But there was no chance of a last-second reprieve.

"What would happen if we didn't destroy it and some Marlins fan got a hold of it?" DePorter said. "What if someone used it to psych out the Cubs next year? No, it's got to go."

A national man might pose the same question, consider the time and expense already invested, and arrive at a completely different

answer.

Cubs and Red Sox fans - and everybody else who ever believed in a curse - already know there are perfectly reasonable explanations for why things turn out the way they do. Statisticians explain away the century-long championship droughts experienced by both ballclubs in terms of probability, and psychologists view repeated failures to deliver in the clutch as nothing more mystical than a very human failure to deal with pressure and the burden of heightened expectations.

What's easy to forget the longer such droughts continue is a very basic fact. Success in any endeavor, no matter how often or how little it occurs, is a particular attribute or team, is the exception rather than the norm. Winning is, and always will be, a happy confluence of talent, timing and luck.

An entire metropolis will ignore those virtues for at least one more night, but it's a sign of progress that nothing more important than a baseball will be sacrificed to provide peace of mind. Besides, sooner or later, the fans will have to face up to the reality laid out by one local columnist who pleaded for the ball to be spared:

"If the glove doesn't fit, you have to acquit."

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Men

Continued from D1 school, when his star in basketball quickly began to rise. He was part of a national championship at the junior level, both his sophomore and senior years for the powerhouse Macabebe Jai Avich squad. Those titles were sandwiched between a cup championship his junior year.

But Hazut had a desire to attend college, not only to play basketball but to enjoy the lifestyle of a college student.

Even before Hazut entered the army, his father visited the Pepperdine University campus in Malibu, Calif., not far from where Dan grew up in Encino and spoke with Arnold, then an assistant at the school.

"My dad visited campus there and talked with Coach Arnold and said, 'That's where I want you to go.' Hazut said, 'I respect my dad's wishes.'"

Hazut walked on with the Waves and redshirted his freshman year in 2002-03, never playing in an actual game. But he learned valuable lessons on the floor just from competing in practices run former coach Paul Westphal, a former coach of the NBA's Phoenix Suns and Sacramento Kings.

Hazut's effort paid off, as he was given an award reserved for those deemed valuable to the team.

Still, something was missing. After receiving an invitation from Arnold to make the trip to CSI with

CSI men vs. Snow College at a glance

■ Teams: College of Southern Idaho Golden Eagles (20-8 overall, 14-8 scenic West Athletic Conference) vs. Snow College Badgers (20-8, 15-7).

■ When: 8 p.m. today and Saturday night.

■ Where: CSI's Gymnasium

■ Broadcast: KLIKXAM radio (1310)

■ Coaches: CSI's Gib Arnold (first season, 20-8, 714) and Snow's Jon Judkins (eighth season, 175-75, 700).

About the Badgers: Snow can clinch an outright SWAC title with a sweep of CSI but would need some help to do

so should it split with the Eagles. The Badgers took two games (59-91, 89-72) from CSI in the teams' league

openers. Sophomore guard Jake Schroeder scored for 36 points in a 9-0 of 2 shooting from 3-point land the second night.

"We're going to try to keep him from going from 38," Arnold said, chuckling.

"Snow is very good and that's why they're one game up on everyone else in the league. They can all shoot it."

Golden Eagle Update: CSI can still win the SWAC title outright with a sweep of

Snow and at least one loss by both Salt Lake Community College (14-8 SWAC) and Dixie State College (14-8).

That scenario seems unlikely, however, as Dixie plays Colorado Northwestern Community College (0-22 SWAC) this weekend. The Eagles' chance for a No. 1 seed in the regional tournament also appears slim. If CSI and Dixie both sweep this weekend, DSC would hold the tiebreaking edge (34 record vs. Snow) with the Eagles. Should Salt Lake defeat Eastern Utah both nights, SLCC also holds the tiebreaker (3-1 vs. Snow) on CSI.

price job. Although he's understeered, he's strong enough where he doesn't get overpowered."

But it took some time for Hazut to get into game shape once he arrived at CSI.

"Since I didn't play for a whole year, it kind of got me out of the game shape, which is different from practice shape," he explained.

"Once the season went on, I got more playing time and Coach gave me more confidence.

"I like my dad always says. It's like a pilot having air time. The more he flies, the better he gets."

And now Hazut is hoping this season's flight for CSI ends with a conference title and a trip to the national tournament.

Women

Continued from D1 one of its games at the College of Eastern Utah.

But with the season coming down to the final weekend, collars are fitting a little tighter on the CSI sideline, with the players also feeling the heat of pressure.

"I hope they feel it a little bit," Rogers said. "I'm feeling pressure, big time. We want to take care of this on Friday."

"We know we have a good team. But, boy, to wrap things up in this league is not easy."

The Eagles swept Snow in mid-November, winning 70-50 the first night before using a strong second half the second time around to

escape with a 69-63 win.

But Rogers says a lot of a Snow team that has knocked off CEU and Salt Lake, both tied for second in the conference, and is willing to have his team rediscover the basics to make sure it's ready.

"Snow is definitely a team that can come in here and beat us both times if we're not ready and prepared," he said of the Badgers, who are tied in scoring by guard Candace Brown-James at 12.4 points per game. "Are they a better team than us? No. But it's amazing how we've gone back to the fundamentals from Day 1, doing the same stuff we did six months ago."

BRIEFLY IN MONEY

Tickets remain for Success Breakfast

TWIN FALLS—A few hundred tickets are still available for the Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce's Success Breakfast on March 4. The annual breakfast, hosted by the chamber and the College of Southern Idaho, honors winners of the Chamber Person of the Year award and the annual Lifetime Achievement Award. Honorees' identities are kept secret until the breakfast.



The event's featured speaker is Olympic gold medal-winning gymnast and motivational speaker Peter Vidmar, who holds the title of highest-scoring male gymnast in Olympic history. The 2003 Success Breakfast will be at 7 a.m. March 4 in the CSI gym, with Vidmar's presentation in the Fine Arts auditorium immediately following.

Tickets are \$35 for chamber members and \$50 for nonmembers, and are available from the chamber office at 733-3974.

Jerome offers seminar on investing for women

JEIOME—The Jerome Recreation District is offering a free "Investing Basics For Women" seminar. Information will be presented on time-tested rules for investing and how to get started, organizers said.

The class will be offered from 9 to 11 a.m. Saturday at the Jerome Recreation District conference room.

Though it's free, seating is limited and registration is required before attending. Call the Jerome Recreation District at 324-3309.

Communication workshop will be at Jerome hotel

JEIOME—A one-day seminar, "Effective Communication & Conflict Resolution," will be held March 10 at the Best Western Sawtooth Inn & Suites, 2653 S. Lincoln.

The event is sponsored by the Jerome Chamber of Commerce and St. Benedict's Family Medical Center. Auburn Fletcher, director of the 2003 Idaho Hospital Foundation Conference, will lead the seminar. Lunch begins at 11:45 a.m., and the seminar will be from 12:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Cost, which includes seminar materials and a soup and sandwich bar, is \$12 for chamber members, payable to the Jerome chamber. Seating is limited, and reservations must be made by noon March 5 to the chamber office, 324-2711.

Livestock feedmaker files suit against Land O'Lakes

FOIT COLLINS, Colo.—A tiny Fort Collins livestock feedmaker has filed a \$13 million suit in federal court, claiming industry giant Land O'Lakes Inc. — which has operations in Gooding and Twin Falls — stole the name of its line of animal feeds.

Cache La Poudre Feeds LLC says Land O'Lakes illegally marketed a feed line using the name "Poudre" beginning in 2002. Cache La Poudre began using the name 10 years earlier.

The suit was filed this week in U.S. District Court in Denver.

Cache La Poudre Feeds said sales of its once-successful Poudre animal feeds have dropped sharply since Land O'Lakes Farmland Feed began selling its version.

The Fort Collins company claims customer became confused at the Arden Hills, Minn.-based Land O'Lakes launched a big marketing campaign to promote its "Land O'Lakes Profile" feed lines.

"This is about our livelihood and the brand we've worked hard to develop for more than a decade, and it is about what is right and wrong ethically," Cache La Poudre Feeds owner Ron Treiber said.

Cache La Poudre has five employees and annual sales of less than \$1 million.

Land O'Lakes, a farmer-owned cooperative best known for its butter, cheese and milk products, had sales of about \$6 billion in 2001. The company claims that its livestock feed subsidiary is the nation's largest animal feed producer.

A Land O'Lakes spokeswoman said the company does not comment on pending litigation.

Compiled from staff and wire reports

Westpark area will see new bank

By Megan Hinds
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS—The River Vista at Westpark professional office development in Twin Falls Westpark area will see a new addition soon — a bank.

Walla Walla, Wash.-based Banner Bank has applied to the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. to establish a lending facility at 139 River Vista Place, Suite 200.

The facility would be the bank's first entry into the Magic Valley market, said Banner Bank President D. Michael Jones.

Banner Bank, which holds \$2.6 billion in assets and \$1.7 billion in deposits, maintains 44 branches and nine loan centers in Washington, Oregon and Idaho.

Entering the Twin Falls market is part of the bank's expansion into central and southern Idaho, Jones said.

Banner Bank currently operates a branch in Lewiston and recently acquired property in the Boise area. Further expansion into Idaho has been a goal of the bank since Jones became president in 2002, he said.

"A major portion of our assets are west of the Cascades — in the Portland and Puget Sound area," Jones said. "We're looking for geographical diversification."

Banner Bank has a fairly large commitment to offering banking and lending services to the agricultural community, which Jones said fits naturally with Magic Valley's ag-based economy.

"There's a niche (in Magic Valley) that we can fill," Jones said. "Agriculture drives the Magic Valley economy, and we can bring our expertise."

The River Vista branch will not

be a full-service commercial bank, but a lending center with eight employees, Jones said.

But he said Banner Bank will expand further into Twin Falls with a downtown full-service branch to be established in the future, Jones declined to elaborate on those plans.

The arrival of Banner Bank is a welcome addition to the Westpark area, said Steve Di Luca of Westera Real Estate, who brokered the Banner Bank deal.

He said he showed a number of pieces of commercial property in Twin Falls to a representative of

Banner Bank before the company decided on the River Vista location.

"(Banner Bank) really wanted an upper-end, unique piece of property," said Di Luca, a part-owner of the River Vista development.

Di Luca said details will be released soon on several Westpark development deals that are in the works.

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Deal to end grocery strike might be near

Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES—Grocery store and union negotiators neared a deal Wednesday to end the California supermarket strike and lockout, according to people familiar with the talks.

A settlement could be reached as early as this week, they said, although they cautioned that negotiators continued to struggle with certain aspects of the talks.

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The UFCW and the companies — Idaho-based Albertsons Inc., Kroger Co., which owns Ralphs, and Safeway, the parent of Vons and Pavilions — met into the night Wednesday.

It was their 15th straight day of talks aimed at ending a strike that has cost the companies combined sales of about \$1.5 billion, inconvenienced millions of consumers and left tens of thousands of people without steady work for nearly five months.

Union and company executives said they couldn't comment on any progress made, citing a news blackout imposed by Peter J. Hurgon, head of the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service. And the UFCW leadership urged the rank and file not to leave their strike posts.

"If I have to be misled by rumors or false information that a settlement has already been reached," UFCW Local 770 in Los Angeles said on its Web site.

But word about a possible breakthrough faded up and down picket lines.

"I'm feeling cautious optimism," said Ed Tillerson, a strike captain in Riverside County. "I've gotten my hopes up before and they have been crushed. I'm waiting for some good news."

Stories fast made the rounds: One picket captain told his troops that the UFCW was arranging to rent meeting space that could serve as a polling place for union voters Saturday and Sunday.

"There have been rumors since Day One. Until I see something in writing, I'm not going to get my hopes up."

Kim Mosher, a union representative for Local 770, said, "Until I see something in writing, I'm not going to get my hopes up."

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The UFCW has accepted the two-tier system under which newly hired employees would receive lower wages and lesser benefits than the 59,000 union members in Central and Southern California who were laid off when the strike and lockout began, people close to the talks said.

Sources also said the two sides were considering a wage hike for employees hired before the dispute began, or at least providing them with two lump-sum payments during the contract.

In the last formal offer from the companies, made Dec. 2, there was no pay increase. Under the new contract that expired last year, a top-scale cashier earned \$17.90 an hour, and more on Sundays and holidays.

Under that contract, according to the union, the average grocery worker earned \$13 an hour and didn't put in a 40-hour week.



Kirk Spencer, a Vons cashier, said he'll be glad to return to work but predicted a rough transition for all workers due to the stress and tension built between managers and strikers, as he stands outside a Vons supermarket Wednesday in Los Angeles. Labor talks between supermarket chains and their employees' union entered their 24th consecutive session Tuesday, driving speculation among workers that the nearly five-month-long Southern California strike-lockout might be settled soon.

Negotiators also apparently have agreed that employees should pay for some of their healthcare coverage, which always had been fully funded by the companies.

And in what would be a major victory for the supermarkets, sources said the negotiators were nearing agreement that the companies' contributions toward the workers' healthcare would be capped at a certain level.

The UFCW has long insisted that the supermarkets' efforts to lower their health benefits contributions would make coverage virtually unaffordable for union members.

The UFCW has been on strike against Safeway-owned Vons and Pavilions since Oct. 11.

Ralphs and Albertsons, which are bargaining jointly with Safeway, locked out their union workers the next day. As the strike and lockout have dragged on, the pressure on both sides to settle has mounted.

This week, UFCW Local 1442 became the last of the seven locals in the dispute to cut strike pay for picketing workers.

The Santa Monica, Calif.-based local's 3,800 members had been averaging \$240 a week; now they average \$125, said Local 1442 President Michael Stricker.

Qwest becomes first major U.S. phone company to offer 'naked' DSL

Knight Ridder News Service

DENVER—Qwest Communications International is about to find out if going "naked" is a viable strategy for a telephone company.

Denver-based Qwest, Magic Valley's dominant local-phone service provider, on Saturday will begin selling broadband Internet through its DSL or digital subscriber lines to customers without requiring they also buy voice telephone service from Qwest.

Qwest dubs the service "naked DSL," meaning digital broadband that has been stripped away from old-fashioned telephone service. It's considered a bold move, making Qwest the first "Baby Bell" telephone company to try to sell DSL without also offering customers the familiar comfort of a dial tone.

The company has been losing thousands of customers a year and last week reported a fourth-quarter loss of \$307 million of less-than-expected revenue of \$3.5 billion. Qwest acknowledged that more and more customers, particularly young adults, are depending on their cell phones for all their phone needs and dropping their home phone service.

So the company is initially pitching "naked" DSL to them, knowing that they don't want a landline phone but they do still want broadband for the Internet.

"These are customers who are dying for broadband and they live their lives on their wireless phones," said Ted Jones, director of Qwest DSL products.

Qwest also is looking toward a not-too-distant future where more voice calls will be carried in digital form on the Internet, sharing space with e-mail, Web downloads, instant messaging chat and the like.

Nearly every major telephone and cable provider has promised to provide such "voice-over-Internet Protocol" (VoIP) service within a year, and Qwest already is offering the Internet telephone service as a pilot program in Minnesota to a couple hundred customers. Qwest expects to roll out VoIP service later this year in all of its 14-state territory.

Jones said the new DSL-only service will be an "enabler" of that VoIP service, allowing people to use their broadband connection not only to connect to the Internet but also to make phone calls over it.

One of the prescriptions of Internet voice service is that people who have it will drop their regular telephone service. However, Internet phone calls are vulnerable to power outages and data traffic disruption, just like computers. And they so far don't have the same 911 emergency access as regular phone service, so consumer advocates recommend Internet telephone customers hang onto their old phones for now.

Beginning Saturday, Qwest will be offering naked DSL with Internet service provider MSN for \$49.99 a month, and if customers bring their own ISP, Qwest will sell them DSL for \$33 a month.

Jones said 45 percent of homes served in Qwest territory can get DSL, and the company expects to increase that to 60 percent of homes by the end of this year.

Qwest official says no rate hike in '04, restraint through '07

The Associated Press

BOISE—The Idaho president for Qwest Communications International guaranteed to key lawmakers this week that deregulating basic telephone service will not mean higher rates this year or excessive rate increases in the near future.

Jim Schmitz offered the Senate State Affairs Committee the same guarantee the company made to state regulators last year — that if deregulated the current basic phone rate of \$17.50 a month will not change this year and will not exceed \$24.10 a month through 2007.

"If I have to give you my personal assurance, you've got it," Schmitz told Senate Republican Floor Leader Bart Davis of Idaho Falls. He offered the guarantee to counter claims that the deregulation bill opens the door for higher rates.

The committee made up of Senate leaders only heard initial comments on the legislation, delaying any decision until March 3.

The deregulation bill, pushed by Gov. Dirk Kempthorne, cleared the house earlier this month on a 36-34 vote. The Denver-based company, a significant contributor to legislative and state political campaigns, turned to the Legislature after the Public Utilities Commission refused to deregulate basic

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Telemarketers top complaints; identity theft grows

The Associated Press

BOISE—Don't feel alone if you are annoyed by telemarketers calling during dinner or your favorite television show.

Unwanted telemarketing calls are still the top consumer concern of Idaho residents, Attorney General Lawrence Wasden said Thursday when releasing his annual list of the top 10 complaints filed with his office.

"We think the telemarketing industry has done a good job of complying with Idaho statutes, but we still intend to enforce the law," said Bob Cooper, spokesman for the agency.

Residents logged 627 complaints over telephone solicitation last year, the fourth straight year telemarketers topped the list.

Rounding out the top 10 were consumer gripes about telecommunications, 351; the Internet, 229; motor vehicles, 174; mail order sales, 98; construction, 95; collection agencies, 85; credit cards, 81; retail store sales, 68; and electronic equipment and service, 57.

There were 399 other miscellaneous complaints for a total of 2,259. In 2002 there were 3,076 complaints, with 1,600 of those complaining about telemarketers.

Even though telemarketers continue to rankle Idaho residents, the number of complaints that telemarketers are violating Idaho's Do Not Call Law has plunged since its inception in 2001.

About half of Idaho's 520,000 residential telephone numbers are now registered on the No Call List.

Wasden's consumer protection unit received 404 complaints alleging violations in 2003, 50 percent fewer complaints than 2002 and 73 percent below the program's first year.

"These numbers again indicate that the majority of telemarketers are working hard to comply with Idaho law," Wasden said. "Their efforts, in turn, have provided thousands of Idaho families with welcome relief from unwanted telephone solicitors."

The Attorney General's Office recovered and returned to consumers more than \$1.5 million restitution last year. Wasden said.

The recoveries came in settlements with companies like H&R Block and Wal-Mart.

The consumer unit recovered \$3.27 in restitution for every dollar it spent on consumer protection, he said.

AG's office will help educate Idaho on identity theft

The Associated Press

BOISE—Idaho Attorney General Lawrence Wasden said Thursday that his office will focus education efforts on the growing problem of identity theft.

The Federal Trade Commission logged 493 theft cases from Idaho in 2003.

Identity theft occurs when a person assumes the identity of another, usually for the purpose of obtaining credit in the victim's name.

"The victims may not even realize the theft is going on until they are denied credit, turned down for a job or receive a bill for merchandise they did not buy."

"Although my office does not have authority to prosecute or investigate identity theft crimes," Wasden said, "we want to educate Idahoans to prevent identity theft and help victims recover from its after effects."

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Colorado resorts look for employees closer to home

For years, locals bailed at ski resort jobs ranging generally from \$6.40 an hour to \$9 or \$10 an hour. But after two years of a soft economy, resort companies are seeing increasing interest from U.S. citizens.

There are more Americans out there looking for jobs, so we have adjusted the number of people we need to recruit. I'm probably the ideal ski area employee because I'm more concerned with the Maxine benefits than the money, he said.

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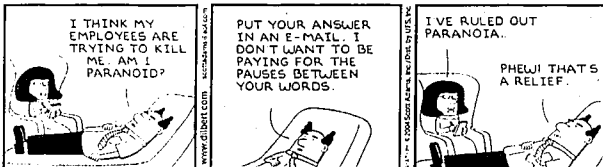
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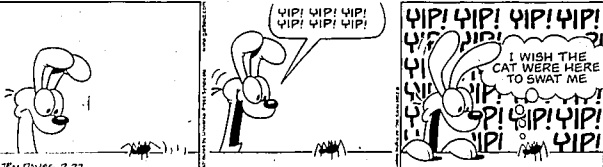
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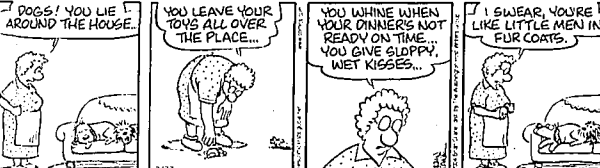
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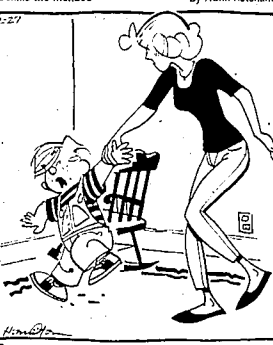
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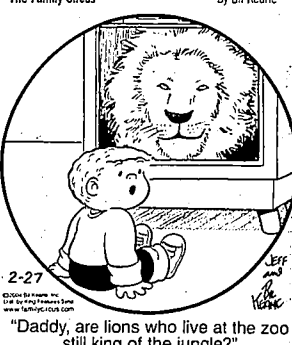
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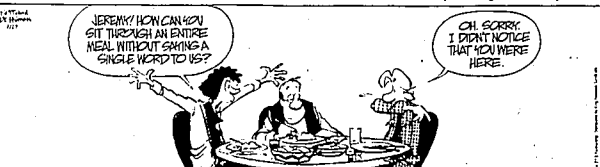
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Son's friends need lesson in courtesy

DEAR ABBY: I have absolutely had it with some of my son's friends, and his girlfriend is no better.

I take my son and his friends places. The friends get into the car and never address me at all. It is like I'm invisible.

When the girlfriend calls, she asks for my son, but never asks me how I am doing or even says, "Hello, Mrs. Jones."



DEAR ABBY
Jeanne Phillips

That is this world coming to you, isn't it? My children are not like that. People tell me how personally they are, and that they great other adults courteously and with respect.

Oh, by the way, the son I am talking about is a sophomore in high school. Any suggestions?

-SICK OF DISRESPECTFUL TEENS

DEAR SICK: Yes. Take the bull by the horns. The next time you're at the wheel and one of your son's friends gets into the car, say, "Hello, Johnny. How are you?" Ask questions about school, sports, his parents. Break the silence and lighten the atmosphere. You're the adult -- make the first move.

As to the girlfriend -- it's possible that she hasn't been taught telephone manners. So be pleasant, and keep it light -- but let her know that the way to a young man's heart is not only through his stomach, but can also be through his mother, and that one way to impress his mother is to slow down for a moment and say, "Hello, Mrs. Jones. How are you? May I please speak to your son?"

DEAR ABBY: I have a most embarrassing problem. My job requires me to make public appearances, and often I'm "dressed to the nines." I admit, for dramatic purposes, I sometimes apply too much makeup. I have always been told I am beautiful, and I have even done some modeling.

Here's the dilemma: People think I am a man. Once I was cornered at a festival by an angry group of people who had been fired up by one drunkard's insistence that I was a drag queen. (Abby, I have children and I am definitely female.)

The first few times it happened, I tried to brush it off and regain my composure -- once I stopped crying. But lately, it is getting ridiculous. I am mistaken for a cross-dresser even when I wear very little makeup. At 5-foot-7 and 120 pounds, I'm hardly many. A week doesn't go by without this happening.

My boyfriend says I should blow it off -- that people are jealous. My self-confidence is in a constant state of flux. I have struggled with severe depression my whole life, and this isn't helping. A lot of the time I'd like to cover somewhere, but my job won't let me. Help!

-CRYING IN PHOENIX

DEAR CRYING: It's difficult to give you an answer right unsee, but let's analyze this. Drag queens are often known for their flawless makeup and their flamboyant manner of dress. Could this be a description of you? If the answer is "maybe" -- then it's time for a fashion and image makeover.

described as "passionate" does not always mean thrilling.

Annette Kellerman, 22, showed up on Boston's Revere Beach in a skintone one-piece bathing suit and was promptly arrested for "indecent exposure." She was an Australian long-distance swimmer who knew too little of U.S. laws. Even infants had to be dressed up in complete bathing suits. In 1907, this. Same year the United States got its first metered taxis.

What the country gets the most earthquakes?

A. China.

Many a household fire broke out in Massachusetts shortly after the Revolutionary War. Revenge burning, some say. But the pamphlet writers of the day generally blamed "the smoking of cigars by women in bed."

Swimming makes muscles longer and not badder, says the physical fitness experts. Tone without mass.

Bad boy Stern strikes back after Clear Channel pulls plug

Bad boy Stern under fire yet again after Clear Channel pulls the plug on his program.

NEW YORK (AP) -- Suspended by the nation's No. 1 radio conglomerate, Howard Stern grabbed a microphone Thursday morning and ranted. He asked his boss to fire him and complained about censorship.

Then he filled a call from his girlfriend -- to discuss their sexual encounter the night before.

Typical Stern on an atypical day for the shock jock. The self-proclaimed "King of All Media" saw his kingdom shrink as Clear Channel Communications yanked Stern off a half-dozen stations Wednesday over the content of his off-schedule show.

"They are so afraid of me and what this show represents," Stern told his legion of devoted listeners -- those who could still hear him, anyway.



Howard Stern
Changing climate

Clear Channel's decision comes at a time of heightened public and political pressure on broadcasters to clean up their act. The uproar started after singer Justin Timberlake exposed Janet Jackson's breast to 50 million viewers during the Super Bowl halftime show, prompting Congress to convene hearings into indecent programming.

Stern's nationally syndicated show appears on more than 40 stations across North America and draws millions of listeners.

Clear Channel yanked Stern from stations in San Diego, Pittsburgh, Rochester, N.Y., Louisville, Ky. and Fort Lauderdale and Orlando, Fla. There was no word on whether the suspension was temporary or permanent.

Dedicated Stern fans called his shows went about turning in for their morning fix only to find the shock jock abruptly off the airwaves. The fans were much angrier than Stern, who managed to control his temper while discussing the

Clear Channel decision.

"I could blow my stack," Stern said. "I'm trying to be cryptic." But he was more direct in recent shows, blasting Federal Communications Commission Chairman Michael Powell and Rep. Heather Wilson, R-N.M., of the House Telecommunications Committee.

Infinity Broadcasting, which syndicates Stern's show, declined to comment on the latest flap, said spokesman Dana McClintock.

In 1995, the company paid a record \$1.7 million fine to the FCC over violations by the Stern show.

Clear Channel's decision on Stern came one day before the head of its radio division, John Hogan, testified before the congressional hearings. Coincidence or not, it seems things are now different around the radio dial.

"The climate has changed at a lot of these stations," said Tom Taylor, editor of the trade publication Inside Radio. "The weather has gotten considerably colder."

It was Tuesday's Stern show that prompted the Clear Channel deci-

sion. The program featured typical fare: Paris Hilton's ex-boyfriend hawking his sex tape of the hotel heaves. Two women getting naked after losing a contest.

But it was apparently a call from a listener who used the "n-word" that spurred Hogan's reaction.

It is far from the first firestorm for Stern. He was fired from his college radio station for an offensive bit. And it was his first on-air incident at a radio station in 1995 that led to the current slot on WKXJ-FM, a gig that changed the voice of radio.

Scores of Stern impersonators have since sprung up, ailing (but rarely equaling) his mix of raunch and high ratings. Stern became a one-man conglomerate, with a television show, two best-selling books, a hit movie and his own production company.

Through it all, Stern has survived attacks by an array of critics, changing that he was racist, sexist, and every other -ist. Now, with Congress taking a long look at broadcast content, Stern has again shifted from his media throne to the hot seat.

Tim Jackson is now forgotten, and "I'm on the front page of every newspaper," Stern complained Thursday morning.

Stern is not the only DJ under fire from the FCC or under broadcasting industry scrutiny.

Hogan told members of Congress on Thursday that he was "ashamed" of the "Bubba the Love Sponge" show, which recently brought a \$35,000 proposed fine from the FCC for obscenity and other alleged indecency violations. It is believed to be the largest indecency fine in history.

"We were wrong to air that material," Hogan said. "I accept responsibility for the content of our company will live with the consequences of its actions."

Clear Channel fired the disc jockey Tuesday.

Libra and Scorpio could be a hot combo these days

IF FEBRUARY 27 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY... you had been heavily focused on your ambitions but are now taking a needed breather. Currently, you are motivated by kindness and a desire for harmony. In your career matters come to the forefront again in the spring, you will be torn between pursuing your goals with single-minded intensity and an important new opportunity that may send you in a very different direction.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 19): Today is an OK day to begin anything that is focused on making money. Passions may be running high in the romance department, but the new attraction is not necessarily love -- it could be simply lust. If you are already in love, it may be a spicy night.

TAURUS (Apr. 20-May 20): You may be obsessed by enticing thoughts dancing in your head. Channel some of this energy into making headway with finances before you are free to leave the office. It is a good day to start projects that need to thrive financially.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): While it is a good day for some things financial, intimate relationships may take precedence over your thoughts. Existing relationships will be passionately demonstrative, but new attractions could be troublesome.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): It is a good time to channel money into beneficial directions for short-term gains. Kick-start businesses or make strategic alliances that will help you in work.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Your powerful love nature is in fine fettle today and it is a great time to demonstrate your affections for those dearest to you. You can make new friendships that will benefit your pocketbook, but don't let passions override your common sense.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Your sex appeal is running high, and your current love interest will be

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Jeraldine Saunders

especially passionate. If you have money to invest or an account to open with an eye to making a quick gain, today is a good time.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Libians are thriving, and bonding with their friends. Someone could be especially sweet. If you've been on the prowl, however, you may wish to avoid new entanglements as mere physical attraction may fade quickly.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Whisper sweet nothings and you will receive a great response. Invest wisely and you will be rewarded. Don't let obsessions, jealousies or challenges to your ego tempt you into awkward situations with anyone you do not value dearly.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You can take a risk with your money today, but there is the most safety in solid institutions, such as banks. The same thing goes for love. Look for someone stable and trustworthy, and then give that relationship your full attention.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): It is best to pay attention to those who have an intense interest in you and who desire demonstrations of affection on the home front. Being led astray by chance attractions could create trouble later on. Invest your money, as well as your love, wisely.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Your mind is vibrating with ideas. Invest your hard-earned cash either in business areas or in safe, profitable places. Tonight is a good time to speak romantically to the person you love most.

PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20): If you are enslaved by an obsession with someone, act on your desires only if you are sure the person is worthy of your affection. Remember that spiritual attractions last forever, but physical attractions are finished by morning.

Married king kept his head until the end

It is said King Louis XVI was the only monarch of France who remained faithful to his wife. He was beheaded on Jan. 21, 1792. Not for fidelity. I didn't mean that.

A good marriage is the one thing that need most to be happy. Such is the conclusion of a University of Toronto psychology professor who analyzed surveys of more than 100,000 people. "A long-term reciprocal love relationship" was the professor's exact words. Our Love and War man, who recognizes common-law happiness, finds no quarrel with the jargon.

That sort of animal life with the best recorded history is the shellfish.

Q. Name the oldest civilization in North America?

A. Some give that credit to the Aleuts of Alaska.

People who live in Denmark have the highest quality of life on earth.

Q. While a claim, what? Not mine.



WHAT'S WHAT
L.M. Boyd

It's the conclusion of researchers at the University of Pennsylvania who studied the matter for two decades.

A snapping turtle never snaps in the water.

Q. What's a "hot walker"?

A. An exerciser who cools down a sweating race horse.

"He who wants to grow rich in a year will be hanged in a month." That's a proverb the Spaniards use a lot.

The big book at hand defines passion as "suffering" before it defines it as "ardent affection." So reports our Love and War man, pointing out that an affair

O'Donnell, girlfriend plan wedding

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) -- Rosie O'Donnell flew across the country Thursday to marry her longtime partner in a ceremony that drew more than 3,300 other guests who have tied the knot since Feb. 12.

The couple traveled to San Francisco from New York on Thursday morning, said Cindy Berger, O'Donnell's publicist. They have a 21-month-old son and are upping a marriage license, according to the mayor's office.

"We, too, have a dream of equality for all families," she said in a statement. "The only way changes are made in society is when people like Mayor Gavin Newsom have the courage to stand up against injustice."

City officials didn't officiate when O'Donnell wants to know when she marries her girlfriend, Kelli Carpenter, said Francisco Castillo, a spokesman for the mayor. "The women plan to get the vows on the steps of City Hall, according to Berger.

Earlier Thursday, O'Donnell announced her wedding plans on ABC's "Good Morning America," just two days after President Bush called for a constitutional amendment banning gay marriage.

She said the president's call is what inspired her to come to San Francisco, where city officials continue to perform same-sex weddings even as state courts are considering the legality of those marriages.

"I think the actions of the president are, in my opinion, the most vile and hateful words ever spoken by a sitting president," O'Donnell said on the program. "I'm stunned and I'm horrified."

She said this proposed amendment was "very shocking and immoral. And you know, if civil disobedience is the way to go about change, then I think a lot of people will be going to San Francisco. And I hope they put more people on the steps to carry as many people as show up. And I hope everyone shows up."

O'Donnell said she decided to marry Carpenter, a former dancer and model, during her recent trip in New York over the now-defunct Rosie magazine. During the case, she referred to Carpenter as her wife.



Rosie O'Donnell

Rose Parade's theme could ignite gay debate

LOS ANGELES (AP) -- The newly elected president of the Rose Parade says he was not trying to put himself in the middle of the furor over gay rights. But that is exactly what happened when he picked as the parade theme for next year "Celebrate Family."

Soon after last month's announcement, the Pasadena Tournament of Roses Association announced a flurry of e-mails, calls and letters. From conservative groups and others worried that gay organizations might try to enter floats in the New Year's Day parade.

"Homosexual activist groups are now trying to hijack the Rose Parade and are pushing themselves into this as a public relations stunt to try to switch topics away from family and toward the homosexual agenda," warned Randy Thomas, the president of the Campaign for California Families.

The president of the Rose Parade organization, David Davis, said he picked the theme for the 116th annual New Year's Day parade to honor the volunteer families who make the event so successful. "I guess you can call me blissfully naive," he said. "It's a simple idea that should be wholesome and all-American."

So far, no gay organizations have stepped forward to say they will enter floats. In fact, gay rights activists said they have been caught up in a controversy that was not of their making.

Among those sounding the alarm is state Sen. William "Pete" Knight, a Southern California Republican who voted Proposition 22, the 2000 voter-approved ballot measure that banned gay marriage. Knight said he fears gay and lesbian groups seeking to broaden the definition of family will use the parade, broadcast to millions of TV viewers, as a platform.

"I would suspect that the homosexual community will take advantage of this," he said.

Focus on the Family founder James Dobson also urged listeners of his daily radio broadcast to express their outrage. "Davis' name, telephone number and e-mail address were included in the broadcast and have been posted on the Colorado-based group's Web site."

Bill Blinn, chief operating officer of the Rose Parade organization, said no organization will be excluded from participating.

"This is a big family of people who come together to do the Rose Parade. The definition of family really sits with the individual," he said. "We are not defining family."

The debate comes in the midst of a gay-rights controversy fueled by San Francisco Mayor Gavin Newsom's decision to allow this month to grant marriage licenses to gays. More than 3,000 gay and lesbian couples have gotten married in the city so far.

Judge: Defendant in Peterson murder case may sell his story

MODESTO, Calif. (AP) -- Scott Peterson is free to sell his story to the movies or make book deals, a judge ruled over the objections of Peterson's slain wife's mother.

Separately another judge ruled Thursday that the jury at Peterson's murder trial will not be sequestered, despite warnings from the defense about the public's fascination with the case.

Peterson, 31, is accused of killing his wife, Laci, and unborn child in December 2002 and could get the death penalty if convicted. Jury selection is expected to begin next week.

Sharon Rocha, Laci Peterson's mother, asked the court to keep any payments from commercial use of Peterson's story in a trust account until a verdict is reached.

Superior Court Judge Roger Beaudesme said the ruling was tentative and could be changed. He gave Rocha's attorney 20 days to return to court with new arguments.

"It's a minor setback to victims' rights, but it's certainly not the final word on the issue," said Adam Stewart, Rocha's lawyer.

Peterson lawyer Matt Geragos would not say whether his client is negotiating the sale of his story, but he argued that Peterson should be permitted to make such deals even if he is convicted.

Meanwhile, the judge overseeing the murder case, Alfred A. Delucchi, ruled Thursday: "The jury will be permitted to go home every night with an admonishment, and we'll see what happens."

Peterson's lawyer in the criminal case, Mark Geragos, called it "almost a childlike belief" that jurors would not seek out news coverage or conversations about the high-profile trial.

The judge also denied Geragos' request for two juries -- one to decide whether Peterson is guilty, and one that would sentence him if convicted.

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4. Proof of mailing or delivery of a copy of your response to plaintiff's attorney, as designated above.
To determine whether

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you must pay a filing with your response, contact the Clerk of the above-named court.
DATED this 28th day of January, 2004.
CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT
/s/ Gerry Daw, Deputy Clerk
PUBLISH: February 13, 20, 27 and March 5, 2004.
IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF CASSIA
MAGISTRATE DIVISION
Case No. CV-2004-000233
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
In Re: The Estate of MAY ISABELLE GALLANT, Deceased.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed

60 LEGALS
Personal Representative of the above omitted estate. All persons having claims against said deceased are required to present their claims within 4 months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned personal representative at the office of James Amest, Attorney at Law, 1742 Overland Ave., PO Box 886, Burley, ID 83316 or filed with the court in this cause.
DATED THIS 12th day of February, 2004.
/s/ Deanna Davis
Personal Representative
376 South 150 East
Burley, Idaho 83318
PUBLISH: February 20, 27 and March 5, 2004

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LEGAL NOTICE
The March 2004 meeting of the Board of Directors of the Idaho Crop Improvement Association, Inc. will be held Wednesday, March 3rd from 1:00 PM until 5:00 PM and will reconvene on Thursday, March 4th at 8:00 AM and continue until 12 Noon. The meeting will be held at the Idaho Crop Improvement Association Office, 55 SW Fifth Avenue, Suite 150, in Meridian, Idaho.
Gregory H. Lowry
Executive Vice President
PUBLISH: February 26, 27 and March 1, 2004
LEGAL NOTICE
Clear Lake Storage will sell stored items of TINA TUCSIN, last known address: 16 Mandr Dr., Buhl, Idaho on March 15, 2004.
PUBLISH: February 20 and 27, 2004

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NOTICE
TO: Weely Capps. You have been sued by Marjanna Capps, the Plaintiff, in the District Court in and for Gooding County, Idaho, Case No. CV-2004-0000274.
The nature of the claim against you is for divorce. Any time after 20 days following the last publication of this Summons, the court may enter a judgment against you without further notice, unless prior to that time you have filed a written response in the proper form, including the case number, and paid any required filing fee to the Clerk of the Court at Gooding County Magistrate Court, P.O. Box 477, Gooding, ID 83309 and served a copy of your response on the plaintiff, whose mailing address is: 421 Nebraska St., Burley, ID 83309.
PUBLISH: February 20 and 27, 2004

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Gooding ID 63330 or 208-234-8068.
A copy of the Summons and Complaint can be obtained by contacting either the Clerk of the Court or the plaintiff. If you wish legal assistance, you should immediately retain an attorney to advise you in this matter.
Dated 2/26/04.
Helen P. Edwards
County District Court
Rebecca Tanner
Deputy Clerk
PUBLISH: February 13, 20, 27 and March 5, 2004
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 Black and white, 1-year-old. Has been living in back yard on Highway Drive. Call 733-6545 for more info.

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 Boyer, 4.5 yr. old. In Richfield, near Marley Rd. She has a distinct circle on the back of her head. Is brown and white in color. Please call if you have seen her. Cell phone 208-420-9405 or home 733-6545 for more info. \$500 Reward for return.

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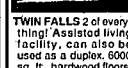
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NORTH 02-27-A
 ♠ 9 7 6 2
 ♥ K 6
 ♦ A Q 3
 ♣ J 10 5

WEST EAST
 ♥ Q 5 10 8 4 3
 ♦ 10 7 10 7
 ♣ A Q 7 4

SOUTH
 ♠ A K J
 ♥ A 5 3
 ♦ K Q J
 ♣ 9 6 3 2

Vulnerable: North-South
 Dealer: South

The bidding:
 South West North East
 1 NT Pass 1 NT Pass
 2 NT Pass 3 NT All pass

Opening lead: Heart queen

BID WITH THE ACES

South holds:
 ♠ Q 5
 ♥ Q 10 8 4 3
 ♦ 10 7
 ♣ A Q 7 4

South West North East
 1 NT Pass 1 NT Pass
 2 NT Pass 3 NT Pass

ANSWER: Bid three clubs. Yes, this is a very good hand for an invitational single raise. However, you can hardly drive a queen-filled 11-count to game, and committing the hand to hearts looks premature and misguided. So the simple club raise is all that is left — and you are allowed to have a maximum from time to time.

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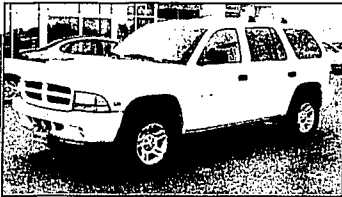
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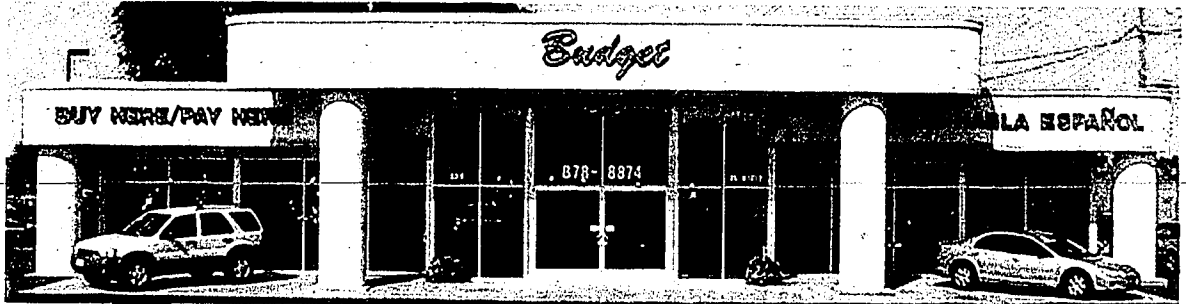
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