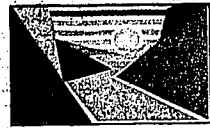


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STOPPING THE MATH SLIDE



Jesse Bronson, left, and Brett Troanor, both students in Tina Bonnett's seventh-grade math class at Vera C. O'Leary Junior High School, calculate the discount and tax on an electronic product in class Friday.

School districts win grants to boost scores in middle grades

By Karri Kowalski Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Test scores in the Twin Falls, Cassia County and Minidoka County school districts have a message: students in the middle grades are slipping in math. ... To combat the problem, all three districts have pursued and won grants to recharge their math instruction. ... The Twin Falls School District received a \$110,000 joint mathematics and science part-

The seven strands of Idaho's math standards
About the grants
The grants for the Twin Falls, Cassia County and Minidoka County school districts come from federal Title III funds that were started as part of the No Child Left Behind Act. ... The grants are really the only avenue left to us," Peterson said.

One for the little people 'The Return of the King' wins 11 Oscars

By David Germain Associated Press writer

LOS ANGELES — "The Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King" won a record-tying 11 Academy Awards on Sunday, including best picture and director and becoming the first fantasy to win the top Oscar. ... Tim Robbins won the supporting actor prize for his performance as an emotionally crippled murder suspect in "Mystic River," and Kenece

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Zellweger took supporting actress as a hardy Confederate survivor in "Cold Mountain." ... "I especially just lastly want to thank our wonderful cast who just got their tongues around this rather awkward text-and-made-it come to life." Please see OSCARS, Page A2



Director Peter Jackson arrives at the 76th annual Academy Awards in Los Angeles Sunday. Jackson won an Oscar for best director for his work on 'The Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King.'

Edwards challenges Kerry on leadership

By John F. Harris and Jim Vandell Washington Post writers

NEW YORK — With time running short to keep his presidential ambitions alive, Sen. John Edwards aggressively challenged the Democratic front-runner, Sen. John F. Kerry, in a televised debate Sunday as a big-spending politician who represents the "same old Washington talk" and whose long career in the capital leaves him ill-suited to force needed change. ... This seems to me to be Washington, D.C.



Sen. John Edwards



Sen. John Kerry

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Haiti leader flees into exile

By Paisley Dodds and Ian James Associated Press writers

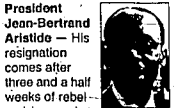
PORT-AU-PRINCE — Haiti President Jean-Bertrand Aristide resigned and flew into exile Sunday, pressured by a bloody rebellion and the United States. Gunfire crackled as the capital fell into chaos. ... Please see HAITI, Page A2

Taking charge of Haiti after Aristide

Haiti's Supreme Court Chief Justice Boniface Alexandre announced that he is stepping in as interim president after the resignation of President Jean-Bertrand Aristide.

Presidential transition

Boniface Alexandre — According to the Haitian constitution, parliament will have to approve Alexandre stepping in as president. ... Please see HAITI, Page A2



Bush sends Marines to keep peace in Haiti

By Deb Riechmann Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — The United States will lead an international peacekeeping force to help restore order in Haiti, President Bush said Sunday in recognizing a change of power in the turbulent Caribbean nation where President Jean-Bertrand Aristide resigned and fled into exile. ... Please see TROOPS, Page A2

give this break from the past a chance to work. The United States is prepared to help. ... Please see TROOPS, Page A2

TWIN FALLS FORECAST

Today: Mostly cloudy and cool. A few rain and snow showers possible. Highs near 40. Tonight: A few snow showers. Lows in the mid 20s.

Tomorrow: Mostly cloudy skies and cool. Highs in the upper 30s.

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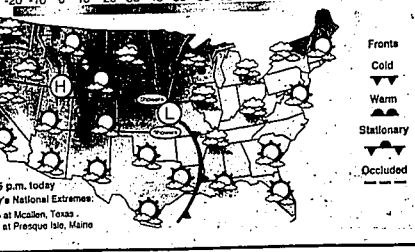
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TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP



CANADIAN FORECAST

Table with 3 columns: City, Today, Tomorrow. Lists various Canadian cities and their weather forecasts.

76TH ANNUAL ACADEMY AWARDS

"Lord of the Rings" sweeps Oscars

The Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King won a record-tying 11 Academy Awards on Sunday, becoming the first fantasy to win the top Oscar.

- Picture: "The Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King"
Director: Peter Jackson
Supporting Actress: Renee Zellweger
Supporting Actor: Tim Robbins

SOURCE: Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences

Oscars

Continued from A1. with such devotion and passion and heart," said "Lord of the Rings" director Peter Jackson, who shared the screenplay prize with co-writer Philippa Boyens and Fran Walsh.

Composer Howard Shore took his second Oscar for writing "Lord of the Rings" music, having won two years ago on Part 1 of the saga, "The Fellowship of the Ring." "Hate the West," the wistful tune of farewell from "Return of the King" won the best-song Oscar. The song was written by Fran Walsh, the film's co-screenwriter; Howard Shore, its music composer; and Annie Lennox, who sings the tune.

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Southern California grocery workers end strike

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Southern California grocery workers voted overwhelmingly to approve a new contract with supermarket operators, ending a strike that inconvenienced millions of customers and cost three major grocery chains hundreds-of-millions of dollars in lost sales. After a two-day vote, 86 percent of grocery workers who cast ballots approved the contract negotiated by the United Food and Commercial Workers union, the union said Sunday in a statement. The contract covers 70,000 employees, a majority of them worked by Albertsons Inc., Kroger Co. — which operates Ralphs stores — and Safeway Inc., which operates Vons and Pavilions. It requires employees to pay for health benefits for first time and includes two one-hour bonuses for hours already worked. The contract offers no raises. Union leaders said they wanted to protect affordable health care, pensions and job security. "These deals have been accomplished in the agreement, indicating the workers' struggle and sacrifice were worthwhile," the statement read.

Many employees who said they voted to ratify the contract said they were eager to return to their jobs. Some said the offer was not much different from one they received from their employers in October — one that was rejected by the union. Sunny Kim, 32, a service manager at Ralphs, said she was disappointed with the final results, even though she hadn't seen the contract. "Why did we go on strike? I lost a lot of money for nothing. I think the guys were misled," Kim said. Still, she said she felt "wonderful" about the opportunity to go back to work. Union organizers ordered a strike against Vons and Pavilions chains on Oct. 11. Albertsons and Ralphs then locked out their employees. In all, about 59,000 workers were idled. Others continued working at other markets by special agreement while the contract was negotiated. The 4.5-month dispute gained national attention because it was seen as a referendum on affordable employee health care. President candidate Sens. John Kerry and John Edwards were among those who rallied behind the grocery workers.

Haiti

Continued from A1. After-word spread of the president's departure, angry Aristide supporters roamed the streets armed with old rifles, pistols, machetes and sticks. Some fired wildly into crowds on the Champ de Mars, the main square in front of the National Palace. The head of Haiti's supreme court said he was taking charge of the government, and a key rebel leader said he welcomed the arrival of foreign troops. "I hope the worst is over, and we're waiting for the international forces. They will have our full cooperation," Guy Philippe told CNN. The crisis has been brewing since Aristide's party swept three legislative elections in 2000, prompting international donors to freeze millions of dollars in aid. Opponents also accused Aristide of breaking promises to help the poor, allowing corruption fueled by drug trafficking and masterminded attacks on opponents by armed gangs — charges the president denied.

Coast Guard suspends search for survivors

PORTSMOUTH, Va. (AP) — The Coast Guard on Sunday night suspended the search for 18 crew members missing from an Ariside's tanker tanker that exploded in the Atlantic Ocean, and were unsure whether search efforts would resume Monday morning. The Coast Guard will decide whether to continue the search after a crew flies out of the Ariside's morning. Chief Warrant Officer Gene Mastreas said. The Bow Mariner, a tanker carrying 3.5 million gallons of ethanol, exploded and sank Saturday night about 50 miles off Virginia's Eastern Shore.

Troops

Continued from A1. The U.S. forces are the first phase of an interim international force being set up to help stabilize Haiti where more than 100 people have died in a four-week uprising led by rebels. Other nations have told the United States that they are prepared to move in quickly to join the mission. The U.N. Security Council scheduled a meeting Sunday evening and the United States expressed hope that members will quickly approve an international security force for the troubled nation. The crisis in Haiti under Aristide has been growing since his party swept three legislative elections in 2000, and international donors froze millions of dollars in aid. Opponents said Aristide broke promises to help the poor, permitted corruption that was fueled by drug trafficking and was behind attacks that armed gangs made on his critics. Aristide had denied these charges. "I hope the worst is over, and we're waiting for the international forces. They will have our full cooperation," Guy Philippe told CNN. The crisis has been brewing since Aristide's party swept three legislative elections in 2000, prompting international donors to freeze millions of dollars in aid. Opponents also accused Aristide of breaking promises to help the poor, allowing corruption fueled by drug trafficking and masterminded attacks on opponents by armed gangs — charges the president denied.

Monday and they would work "in coordination with the United States." A French military spokesman in Guadeloupe said the contingent would consist of 200 soldiers from the French Caribbean territory of Martinique. "Though not aligned with rebels, the political opposition had also pushed for Aristide to leave for the good of Haiti's 8 million people anguished by poverty, corruption and crime. The uprising killed at least 100 people. Anarchy reigned for most of the day in Port-au-Prince. More than 3,000 inmates held in the National Penitentiary were released. Looters captured a police station and hit pharmacies, supermarkets and other businesses, mostly on the capital's outskirts. "Chop off their heads and burn their homes," rioters screamed, echoing the war cry of Jean-Jacques Dessalines, the general who ousted French troops and torched plantations to end slavery in Haiti. Some anti-Aristide militants organized armed posses that prowled the streets in pickup trucks, searching for Aristide supporters in the back of one man lay unconscious — or dead — with a head wound. But police moved in during the afternoon, scared away the crowd in the front of the palace, and the violence ebbed.

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At a debate in New York City, Democratic presidential candidate John Kerry said he would have never allowed the situation in Haiti to get out of control the way it has in the White House to urge the administration to step in and force him to leave his country. He said the international community must send in peacekeepers, so Haiti is not "further consumed by lawlessness, violence and death that would come with a rebel coup d'etat." Some members of Congress, however, accused the Bush administration of actually supporting Aristide's ouster — a claim a senior administration official dismissed as "nonsense." Rep. Charles Rangel, who was deeply involved in restoring Aristide's elected government to power in 1994, said Bush's actions were "lame as usual." Sen. John Edwards, D-N.C., who is challenging Kerry for the Democratic nomination, agreed, saying, "We should have been engaged over a long period of time, not a series of at-most-thrifty diplomacy." Aristide's ouster also angered some members of the Congressional Black Caucus, who hopped on a bus on Capitol Hill on Thursday and made an impromptu visit to the White House to urge the administration to step in and force him to leave his country. He said the international community must send in peacekeepers, so Haiti is not "further consumed by lawlessness, violence and death that would come with a rebel coup d'etat."

Math

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good at math at this stage, which affects how much math they will choose to study later.

"We want to get them to keep choosing math," Westfall said.

Increasing the rigor

The Twin Falls School District's math curriculum is ready for a makeover, Peterson said, and the federal grant will help the district accomplish the task.

As it is, sixth-grade students are still working with mostly concrete numbers. In seventh grade, they get more arithmetic and some pre-algebra. There's more pre-algebra in eighth grade, then most students take algebra in ninth.

The new plan is to provide students with a better foundation for mastering algebra by the end of ninth grade. Peterson said abstract concepts will be introduced starting in fifth grade.

"We're just increasing the rigor of it," Peterson said.

The problem was that the seventh-grade curriculum reviewed too much of the sixth-grade work, Peterson said. Review has its place, but there is too much overlap.

Math in practice

In Tina Bonnett's seventh-grade classroom at O'Leary Junior High School, her students took a practical approach to percentages Friday morning in groups of two. They calculated the sale price of an item, then the sales tax, then they made posters and presented them to the whole class.

Bonnett said she tries to make math fun and meaningful to students by using presentations and other methods.

"There's a difference between understanding and doing," Bonnett said.

"She said there isn't so much overlap in the curriculum as it is taught, because teachers can move more advanced students ahead."

Kesia Lewis and Brandy Elam, both 13, were finding the sale price of a digital camera. Kesia said her math classes have worked with variables in the last two years, in addition to regular arithmetic.

"I've already learned most of this stuff," Kesia said. The challenge came when she took the Idaho Standards Achievement Test. "I had a lot of algebra that I hadn't learned."

The Twin Falls grant

The district saw the results of the curriculum overlap in a lack of improvement on the spring ISAT in those years and afterward.

"We weren't advancing them," Peterson said.

The Twin Falls School District and CSI will receive about \$10,000 spread over three years for the mathematics and science partner-

ISAT math scores			
District and grade	Fall 2002 avg. score	Spring 2003 avg. score	Fall 2003 avg. score
Twin Falls 5	208.3	217.2	210.4
Cassia 5	206.2	213.1	206.6
Minidoka 5	205.0	212.1	206.1
6th grade ISAT proficient score - 213			
Twin Falls 6	216.2	225.0	216.9
Cassia 6	212.0	221.1	215.4
Minidoka 6	209.4	220.0	212.6
7th grade ISAT proficient score - 219			
Twin Falls 7	221.6	227.6	222.8
Cassia 7	218.1	224.1	221.2
Minidoka 7	217.6	225.6	219.6
8th grade ISAT proficient score - 225			
Twin Falls 8	227.8	231.8	229.5
Cassia 8	224.1	229.9	225.7
Minidoka 8	221.6	228.5	225.1
9th grade ISAT proficient score - 233			
Twin Falls 9	232.1	234.7	232.7
Cassia 9	229.7	233.2	229.8
Minidoka 9	226.1	228.7	226.5
10th grade ISAT proficient score - 240			

ship grant. About \$30,000 of it will go to CSI to pay professors involved in the project, which includes restructuring the curriculum and realigning it with state standards and several workshops for teachers.

The grant starts today with a four-day algebra workshop spread over eight days for fifth- through ninth-grade teachers. About 60 teachers from the CSI facility will attend. Bonnett is looking forward to this week's advanced algebra training because she can get new ideas and learn better techniques.

"I always need more," Bonnett said.

Teachers will also receive periodic training geared toward the seven subcategories, or "strands," of the state math standards, and they will have curriculum focus training. That training is spread throughout the year for math teachers in fifth through ninth grades. Before they start each new unit in math, teachers will meet for an hour to fine tune their teaching strategies and review common student misconceptions.

Char Sutton, CSI's coordinator for grants development and planning, said the new grant would enable the schools to work together to rework the district's math curriculum for grades five to nine. Six to 10 CSI faculty members will work on the new curriculum with Twin Falls teachers.

Sutton said minimal data show that students who fall behind in math in middle school don't catch up in high school.

"It is part of the community college's role to help out other parts of the community," Sutton said. The effort will also help CSI train teachers.

"We want to ensure that the curriculum we're teaching is producing the highest caliber of future teacher," Sutton said. By getting CSI education faculty involved, they can add that information to what they teach education majors. Idaho State University is also involved with evaluation of the project.

The Mini-Cassia grant

The Cassia and Minidoka school districts also received a \$30,000 grant to have a math summer institute with follow-up sessions. It focuses on teaching sixth- through eighth-grade students.

"Our math scores are low, and we

have to find a better way to reach all the students," said Bob Pavlock, Cassia County's assistant superintendent.

The two districts call the grant project the Mathematics and Science Summer Institute.

John Fennell, Cassia's curriculum director, said about 20 teachers from each district will attend the seminar June 7-11 at CSI's Mini-Cassia Center. There will also be four half-day and one full-day follow-up sessions during the school year to gather feedback and check on student progress.

It will be held at the CSI Mini-Cassia Center in the first week in June. Fennell said he hopes the institute results in better performance by middle school students.

About \$9,200 of the grant goes to CSI for professors, and the Cassia and Minidoka school districts both receive \$10,800 for teacher stipends during the institute.

Teachers and professors will collaborate on the institute curriculum before it starts in order to focus it on the areas where students had the lowest scores. There will also be an anonymous survey of sixth- to ninth-grade teachers to let them

identify their fears and weaknesses in math instruction.

The follow-up sessions will allow teachers to examine students' progress and talk about problems they have. The districts will monitor student progress using the ISAT.

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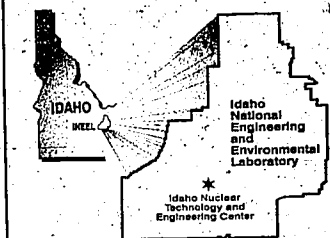
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Agencies announce changes to cleanup remedy at INEEL facility



Monitoring indicates the remediation goals won't be met by 2095.

With the additional information collected since the 1999 record of decision, the agencies determined that the oil spill, underground lines and excavation areas do not need further action to be protective of human health and the environment. The sites will no longer be deferred until the overall investigation is complete.

The U.S. Department of Energy, Idaho Department of Environmental Quality and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency have published an explanation of Significant Differences (ESD) document describing changes to the cleanup remedy for four different sites at the Idaho Nuclear Technology and Engineering Center. The sites include a transformer yard oil spill area, a capped off-gas line, the site of past pipeline excavation-related spills and a closed injection well.

at different depths in three monitoring wells. The ESD establishes a threshold (action level) for iodine-129 of 5 picocuries per liter for the three monitoring wells. A picocurie is one trillionth of a curie. A curie is a measure of the amount of radiation in a given amount of material, and is about the amount of radioactivity in one gram of radium.

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If monitoring shows concentrations of iodine-129 are less than the action level, then groundwater monitoring will continue as described in the long-term monitoring plan.

At the injection well site, additional groundwater monitoring will take place to track concentrations of iodine-129

If concentrations in the three wells exceed the action level, additional sampling of other monitoring wells will be performed, and new monitoring wells may be installed.

Detailed information is available in the Administrative Record file for Operable Unit 3-13. The Administrative Record is located at the DOE Reading Room of the INEEL Technical Library in Idaho Falls. Copies can be found at Albertsons Library at Boise State University. The Administrative Record can be accessed on the Internet at <http://arinet.gov>. More information on the Idaho Nuclear Technology and Engineering Center can be found in a fact sheet available online at <https://cleanup.unl.gov>.

The Idaho Completion Project is focused on reducing risk and completing the majority of remaining cleanup work from past INEEL missions by 2012. The project is managed by Bechtel BWXT Idaho for the U.S. Department of Energy.



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AROUND THE VALLEY

Commission will see memorial policy draft

TWIN FALLS — Members of the Twin Falls County Parks and Waterways Advisory Commission tonight will get a look at a revamped policy regarding memorials in local parks.

Parks and Waterways has a program that allows people to memorialize loved ones by buying new trees, park benches and picnic tables with engraved names, dates and affirmations. The commission asked Parks and Waterways Director James Gossett to tighten up the policy after a Kansas minister inquired about putting up a memorial with an anti-gay message. The revised policy would make it clear that such messages would not be allowed.

Also Monday, the commission will hear an update on county RV parks and pavilion fees and the naming of pavilions in Rock Creek RV Park. The meeting will begin at 7 tonight at 450 Sixth Ave. W. and is open to the public.

Democrats serve up 'Pizza and Politics'

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls County Democratic Central Committee will host its annual "Pizza and Politics" program during its regular meeting at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the City Hall conference room, 321 Second Ave. E.

Additionally, legislative minority leaders Sen. Clint Stennett, D-Ketchikan, and Rep. Wendy Isquet, D-Ketchikan, will conduct a second "Pizza and Politics" program at 6 p.m. Saturday at the Twin Falls Senior Center, 530 Shoshone St. W.

Committee Chairman Harry Phillips said it's become a tradition for state Democrats to meet at the end of the legislative session to explain to party members major legislation that has been acted upon.

Both Tuesdays regular meeting and Saturday's program are open to the public. For more information, contact Phillips at 735-8825 or by e-mail at harryphillips@email.com.

Hailey chamber seeks artists' talents, designs

HAILEY — The Hailey Chamber of Commerce announced an artists' design competition for the 2004 Springfest.

The chamber is seeking a winning design that captures the spring fever of the Wood River Valley and the annual celebration of spring in Hailey. Both professional and amateur artists are encouraged to enter the contest.

A reproducible piece of art on a CD ROM or as a "jpg" or "tiff" file along with a hard copy of the design. No more than four flat colors can be used and no half tones will be tolerated. Two designs will be used on the T-shirt — a 2 1/2 by 3 1/2-inch design on front and a 10 1/2 by 11-inch design on the back.

The winning design will be chosen by a committee of the chamber and the winning artist will receive a grand prize in addition to a one-year membership in the Hailey Chamber of Commerce.

All designs become property of the chamber and will be used to promote and advertise Springfest 2004.

Entries are due April 10. All entries should be delivered to the Hailey Chamber of Commerce, 15 W. Cartwright St., or sent to P.O. Box 100, Hailey, ID 83333.

For more information and an application, contact Tom Smith, executive director of the Hailey Chamber of Commerce, at (208) 388-2700 or tom@haileyidaho.com.

The 19th Annual Springfest will be celebrated May 29 and 30 — Memorial Day weekend — at McKercher Park.

Compiled from staff reports

TAKING THE BIG LEAP



Dustin and Tara Olson share a 'quite moment' together during their wedding reception in Richfield Sunday. The couple thought it would be fun and different to get married on a leap year.

Couples who wed Sunday say they'll celebrate anniversary more than every four years

By Sandy Miller
Times-News writer

RICHFIELD — The way one couple sees it, Sunday was the perfect day to take the big leap.

Leap into marriage, that is. Tara Kissinger, 20, and Dustin Olson, 19, vowed to love, honor and cherish each other before a group of family and friends on Leap Year Day.

"We wanted it to be something out of the ordinary that not many people have done before," Olsen said.

The couple had planned to marry March 1, but after finding out it fell on a Monday decided to push it back to Feb. 29 — a calendar

date that only comes around every four years.

Kissinger-daughter-of-Darlene Kissinger and Tony Kissing, both of Buhl, and Olsen, son of Jodi and Richard Olson of Carey, met through a mutual friend eight months ago. Their first date was to a movie.

"The mutual friend wanted to go do something, so we went and saw 'Too Fast, Too Furious,'" Kissinger said Friday.

"The couple knew right away that they had met their match. "It was kind of love at first sight," Olsen said.

The couple didn't seem to have any pre-wedding jitters when they talked to *The Times-News* Friday.

"I'm just excited," Kissinger said.

Sunday's wedding at the Richfield Senior Center was followed by a reception with a special leap year theme.

"As an added kick, we're scattering frogs around the different tables," said Kissinger's mother, Darlene.

Frog figurines, that is — not the real leaping ones.

The mother of the bride said Sunday's ceremony was everything they'd hoped it would be.

"It was absolutely wonderful," Darlene Kissinger said Sunday afternoon.

Olsen, who graduated from Carey High School in 2002, works

for Snake River Glass in Bellevue. Kissinger, a 2002 Jerome High School graduate, is on the job market. The couple plans to settle in Twin Falls, where Olsen will soon transfer to the Twin Falls store.

"Forget about waiting four years to celebrate that first wedding anniversary."

"Each year that comes along, we'll celebrate on the 28th and the 1st and then when it comes to leap year, we'll celebrate for three days," Kissinger said.

Family and friends say they'll help them celebrate.

"We'll give them a gift every year, but a special one every four years," Darlene said.

Red Cross sets \$10,000 goal for fund-raiser

By Loretta Burkhardt
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS — March is Red Cross Month. And the local chapter of the American Red Cross of Greater Idaho is turning back the pages of Magic Valley history to make this year's fund-raiser event a time to remember.

Simply put, they're having a ball. In the spirit of yesterday's One and Only Club — a social dance club that began in the early '20s and became popular again following the return of veterans after World War II — guests will be sharing an evening out, "dancing with that special someone at the re-created event," said event planner Linda Norris.

In Red Cross Ball is scheduled from 7:30 p.m. to midnight Saturday at The Ballroom at 205 Shoshone St. N. in Twin Falls.

Hosted by the local chapter's honorary chairman, U.S. Sen. Mike Crapo, a black-tie gala will feature a dinner, dessert and dancing to music provided by Brian Farnon and the Twin Falls Centennial Orchestra.

And the public is invited. With a fund-raising goal of \$10,000, proceeds from the event are earmarked for the Red Cross disaster services in the Magic Valley and the Armed Forces Emergency Services, said Patricia Lindholm, executive director of the Red Cross Sawtooth Branch at 1329 Falls Ave. E.

"It's a terrific opportunity to visit with friends and support the local efforts of the American Red Cross," she said.

The cost for a full evening of entertainment is \$50 per person or \$300 for a table of 10.

"And we're already halfway there," Lindholm said.

The program will also showcase a "Salute to Celebrities."

The salute is a national Red Cross traveling exhibit that acknowledges past volunteers. The picture display is made up of some big-name standing figures measuring 81 inches tall.

Surrounded by Magic Valley's past, and the pictured company of funds returned by stipulations specified by the late will and testament of the Wetzels, who wanted to do something that would benefit the young people of Hagerman, the scholarship awarding process.

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If you go ...

- **What:** Red Cross Ball.
 - **When:** 7:30 p.m. to midnight Saturday.
 - **Where:** The Ballroom, 205 Shoshone St. N.
 - **How much:** \$50 per person or \$300 for a table of 10.
 - **Tickets:** Available at the local Red Cross office at 1329 Falls Ave., Suite B, or call the Red Cross office at 733-6464.
- Committee members for the event include co-chairwoman Linda Norris, Pat Lindholm, Candy Reuter, Jeanne Sinclair, Julie Reeder, Doty Johnson, Deanna Ashby, Bonita Hagenrich, Cheryl Koetz and Barb Hurtub.
- ... to just enjoy," said Lindholm, who helped with the plans for the first-time event.
- While looking forward to sharing the evening "with those who also value the contributions of the Red Cross," Crapo said he is honored to be a part of the first Twin Falls Red Cross Ball, "a worthwhile event

which assists in achieving funding goals."

The American Red Cross annually mobilizes relief to victims of more than 67,000 disasters nationwide. The humanitarian organization has been the primary supplier of life-saving blood and blood products in the United States for more than 50 years.

Assisting with international disasters in more than 50 countries, the organization also transmits emergency messages between members of the U.S. armed forces and their families.

"In addition to the armed forces services which are still so necessary today given the situations in Iraq and Afghanistan, I also know how important the work they do with local disaster relief, blood services and teaching life-saving classes are to the people of our state," Crapo said.

For the evening event, Crapo has agreed to wear a tuxedo — "as long as he can still wear his cowboy boots," said Norris, who is the state director of constituent services for the senator.

More aid becomes available for students

Hagerman youth can apply for \$22,000 in scholarships

By Sandra Wisecaver
Times-News correspondent

HAGERMAN — More students can apply this year for the \$22,000 in scholarships up for grabs through the Loren and Sylvia Wetzels Endowment.

A recent clarification by the endowment's legal counsel opens the program to more students. Applicants must reside in the Hagerman School District, but are still eligible to apply if they attend school somewhere else. Last year's interpretation restricted the scholarship awards to students who resided in the district and graduated from Hagerman High School.

Students who reside outside the district, but graduate from Hagerman, will still be ineligible for the scholarships.

Students will have until April 1 to apply for this year's scholarships. The awards will be presented during the latter part of May.

Applications can be picked up at the high school counselor Ray Hoffman. They can be mailed, faxed or e-mailed back to the school before the deadline.

The Wetzels heirs, who wish to remain anonymous, presented the \$250,000 scholarship fund to the district through an attorney last year. The fund was governed by stipulations specified by the late will and testament of the Wetzels, who wanted to do something that would benefit the young people of Hagerman, the scholarship awarding process.

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100TH BIRTHDAY OF THE CAT AND THE HAT

Birthday bashes planned to honor beloved Dr. Seuss.

The Times-News

BURLEY — Public libraries in Burley and Rupert are planning special activities Tuesday to celebrate the 100th birthday of Theodor Seuss Geisel — Dr. Seuss.

And, Twin Falls elementary school children will hear Dr. Seuss books read by volunteers from Target.

Two activities are planned at the Burley Public Library. From 4 to 5 p.m. Tuesday visitors can eat cake, watch a video, hear tales from Joyce Evans and watch a performance of "The Cat in the Hat" by Burley High School Junior Tyler Pitruzzello. Pitruzzello previously performed the dramatic act at a state drama competition.

He'll also perform at 10:30 a.m. Friday at the library story hour, primarily for preschool children. At DeMary Memorial Library in Rupert, cake will be served and games played from 1 to 6:30 p.m. Tuesday. Library employees plan a guest appearance by the Cat in the Hat.

In Twin Falls, Lincoln Elementary School students are to hear guest readers from 9:30 to 10 a.m. From 10:30 to 11 a.m., readers are scheduled at Morningside Elementary School and readers will be at Oregon Trail Elementary School from 1:45 to 2:30 p.m.

Dr. Seuss was born March 2, 1904 in Springfield, Mass. Tyler Pitruzzello, Burley, was the author of "The Cat in the Hat," "One Fish Two Fish Red Fish Blue Fish," "How the Grinch Stole Christmas," and "Green Eggs and Ham." He died Sept. 24, 1991.

Mini-Cassia officials plan to seek re-election

By Shelley Ridenour
Times-News writer

BURLEY — Seven of the eight incumbent county officials in Cassia and Minidoka counties said last week they plan to run for office again in the May primary election.

The eighth man was out of town and unavailable for comment.

The filing period for the May 25 primary election runs from March 8 to 19 in all Idaho counties.

"The terms of four elected county officials in Cassia and Minidoka counties expire at the end of the year."

In Cassia County the terms of Sheriff Jim Hignens, Prosecuting Attorney Al Barrus and commissioners Dennis Crane and Clay Handy expire. Hignens, Barrus and Crane all said they plan to run for office again. Handy couldn't be reached for comment.

Crane represents District 3. The District 3 commissioner term is for two years. All three other positions are for four-year terms.

In Minidoka County the terms of Sheriff Paul Pires, Prosecuting Attorney Jason Walker and commissioners Dan Stapelman and Dave Teeter expire.

Pires, Stapelman and Teeter all said they will run for re-election. Walker, who was appointed county attorney last fall, said he intends to run for office, too.

The District 3 commissioner post, now held by Teeter, is a two-year term. The sheriff, attorney and District 2 commissioner seats are for four years.

Anyone who wants to run in the primary election may pick up a declaration of candidacy form at

Snowpack levels

Watershed	% of Avg.	% season
Upper Snake Basin	93%	89%
Selmon Falls	114%	109%
Salmon	96%	99%
Oakley	117%	109%
Big Wood	97%	89%
Little Wood	105%	99%
Henry Fork/Teton	108%	98%
Big Lost	106%	96%
Little Lost	95%	92%

As of Feb. 29

Comparison of basin snowpack on this day, with a 30-year average.

An indicator of basin snowpack for the entire season, which peaks in spring.

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Coming Tuesday

The latest from spring training.



MORNING LINE

SPORTSQUOTE

The Yankees should just practice until October, then show up for the playoffs.

Seattle RF Ichiro Suzuki, speaking through a translator, on New York's recent acquisition of Alex Rodriguez.

IN-BRIEF

Pairings set for Region 18 tourneys

TWIN FALLS - After 24 games in a long Scenic West Athletic Conference regular season, the seedings and pairings have been announced for the Region 18 tournament this week.

The College of Southern Idaho women's basketball team earned the No. 1 seed, and a first-round bye, after finishing as regular-season champions with a 20-4 league record. The Golden Eagles will play Friday against the winner of Wednesday's 2 p.m. game between No. 4 Dixie State and No. 5 Snow College.

No. 3 College of Eastern Utah vs. No. 6 North Idaho College begin at 4 p.m. Wednesday before Salt Lake Community College, the No. 2 seed, squares off with No. 7 Colorado Northwestern Community College at 7 p.m.

The CSI men (21-9 SWAC) finished in a tie for third place in the league with Salt Lake but received the No. 4 seed. Salt Lake won the titlebreaker with a 3-1 record against Snow. CSI finished 1-3 against the Badgers.

CSI will face No. 5 NIC at 7 p.m. Thursday. The 2 p.m. game will pit No. 3 SLCC against No. 6 CEU. No. 2 Snow faces No. 7 Colorado Northwestern at 4 p.m.

Top-seeded Dixie State will receive a first-round bye and face the CSI/NIC winner Friday.

Jerome hosts baseball meeting tonight

JEROME - The Jerome Recreation District will hold the Youth Sports Advisory Committee meeting on Monday, March 1 at 6 p.m. in the Jerome Recreation Center conference room. Some of the agenda items to be discussed are youth baseball, swimming programs, and the other youth sports issues. The public is welcome.

Kimberly boosters convene this evening

KIMBERLY - The Kimberly Booster Club will meet at 7 p.m. Monday in the high school's media center. Voting for athletic awards will be held. For more information, call George Flew at 423-4907.

Track coaches, officials must meet tonight

TWIN FALLS - The area's track and field coaches and officials are asked to attend a rules interpretation meeting at 7 p.m. Monday in Twin Falls High School's faculty lounge.

Minico boosters meeting is tonight

RUBERT - The Minico-Booster Club will meet at 6:30 p.m. Monday, March 1 in the Minico High School Library. Parents with students in grades 9-12 are urged to attend. Please call 436-5670 for more information.

CSI booster luncheon set for today at noon

TWIN FALLS - The College of Southern Idaho booster club luncheon will be held at noon Monday in the Taylor Administration Building's Room 277 on campus.

Fans and boosters are welcome to attend. Coaches will be on hand to discuss their teams.

Fans and boosters can go through the food line in the cafeteria, buy their food and bring it to Room 277.

Tiger reigns supreme, again

The Associated Press

CARLSBAD, Calif. - Tiger Woods simply has no match. Spraying his tee shots all over the course, Woods went 25-holes before he finally took the lead Sunday, then reared past Davis Love III with key putts to win the Match Play Championship for the second straight year, 3 and 2.

"I was in quite a few places where I was in trouble," Woods said. "The good of flat stick is the great equalizer."

Woods won for the 40th time on the PGA Tour in just his 149th start, the quickest anyone has reached that milestone. Jack Nicklaus played 221 events before he won his 40th tournament.

Woods earned \$1.2 million, the biggest prize to date on the PGA Tour, and reminded everyone who's No. 1 in the world - and who's the best when the world gets together.

He won for the eighth time in the 14 official World Golf Championships he has played.

Even more impressive is his back-to-back victories in the Accenture Match Play Championship, the most unpredictable format in golf because of the five, 18-hole matches required to get to the finals.

Woods thrives on this format.

"Right from the first tee, it's eyeball-to-eyeball," he said. "That to me is a great rush."

His amateur record was among the best ever - three straight U.S. Junior Amateurs, followed by three straight U.S. Amateur titles. His professional record is starting to catch up, now 20-3 in this event.

His game wasn't sharp Sunday, but Love helped make sure that wasn't a factor by missing a half-dozen putts inside 10 feet and failing to answer once Woods finally took the lead.

"He was missing fairways the first 18 holes, and I let him get away with it," Love said. "I played pretty good. I just didn't have it on the greens."

Woods wasn't nearly dominant as last year, when he needed only 112 holes over par, when he needed only 121 holes over par.

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Tiger Woods pumps his fist after winning The Match Play Championship Sunday in Carlsbad, Calif.

CSI blasts Bucs



College of Southern Idaho player Charlie Strandlund, right, celebrates his home run with teammates during the first of two games with Dawson (Mont.) Community College Sunday. CSI swept the Buccaneers.

Golden Eagles rely on defense, pitching against Dawson

By Kevin Colbert
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - The College of Southern Idaho baseball team has been winning with pitching and defense all season long. Sunday was no exception.

The Golden Eagles opened up the home portion of their season at Walker Field with a pair of wins over Dawson (Mont.) Community College, 7-1 and 3-1. The victories give CSI (10-4-1 overall) eight wins in its last nine games, including the title conference season, which begins Friday with a home doubleheader against Colorado Northwestern Community College.

The Eagles needed all the pitching and defense they could get in the second half.

CSI led Dawson (0-3) just 2-1 in the sixth inning when centerfielder Tom Heninger and catcher Mitch Stachowsky teamed up for what

Up Next
Colorado Northwestern CC at CSI
Friday doubleheader, 1 p.m.
Saturday doubleheader, noon

may have been a game-saving play. With Dawson shortstop Dustin Smith on third base with no outs, teammate Cory Hencke fled to Heninger, allowing Smith to tag up

and take a shot at home. His chances of tying the game appeared even better when Heninger bobbled the ball twice. But a strong throw stopped Smith dead in his tracks and preserved CSI's slim lead.

"I couldn't get that out of my glove," Heninger said. "I dropped it a little but luckily got out in front enough to make a right-on throw. I didn't think it would happen, but

luckily it did."

Stachowsky was also key in the play, doing an exceptional job of blocking the plate on Smith's arrival.

"Stack took a pretty hard throw because it had good velocity on it," CSI head coach Jim "Skip" Walker said. "He hung in there and blocked the plate and the guy never got there. It was a big play, but Stack put himself in that position by throwing that triple."

Indeed, a Stachowsky error put DCC in the position to score. After Smith led off the sixth with a single to center, he advanced to third after Stachowsky's attempt to gun him down at second after a passed ball sailed high and wide right into the outfield. It was one of three CSI errors in the game.

But the Eagle pitching staff more than picked up the slack. Ryan Jussop allowed just one hit and a walk while fanning two in two

scoreless innings after receiving the starting nod. He was relieved by Andrew Shive, who earned the win despite giving up Dawson's lone run, albeit unearned. Josh Madsen threw scoreless fifth and sixth innings with Arin Pormanek picking up the save with a perfect seventh.

Dawson found trouble finding any rhythm at the plate, much due to the number of arms CSI put on the mound.

"We never got into a good rhythm because they brought a new guy in every two or three innings," DCC head coach Brent Diegel said. "That's difficult as a hitter."

CSI took a 1-0 lead in the second frame when Jeremy Thomas scored on Alexander Theodor's sacrifice fly to right field.

Dawson tied it at 1-1 in the third.

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Dragila wins 8th indoor title

The Associated Press

BOSTON - Stacy Dragila won her eighth indoor pole vault title Sunday but failed in three attempts to reset her American record.

Dragila jumped 15 feet, 5 inches for the victory at the U.S. Indoor Track and Field Championships. The former Idaho State standout and coach did not even come close in her three tries at 15-9, which would have broken her indoor mark of 15-0.25.

Meanwhile, Jen Hoyman won the 1,500 meters in 4 minutes, 3.82 seconds, to go with the 800 title she won Saturday becoming the first person to win a "middle-distance double" here. This is the second year of the 1,500 for women, who used to compete in the mile, nearly the equivalent distance.

Dragila is prepared to take on Russians Svetlana Feofanova and Yelena Isinbayeva at the world championships next week in Budapest, Hungary.

Feofanova holds the indoor record with a height of 15-11, while Isinbayeva holds the outdoor mark at 15-9.75.

"I'm ready for the Russians," Dragila said. "I've been winning all indoors. I stayed close to home to work on my technique. I feel that it's there, it's solid. It will be great to go against somebody that's going to push me, and someone that's actually ahead of me that I have to go after."

North Carolina junior Laura Geramighy won the shot put with a collegiate record toss.

Geramighy took the event with a throw of 62-9.5.



Stacy Dragila attempts the winning pole vault Sunday.

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UConn refuses to panic after 'Nova loss

The Associated Press

VILLANOVA - Pa. - Geno Auriemma hardly seemed concerned after Connecticut lost to Villanova for the second straight season.

Auriemma recalled how fans pushed the panic button after the Huskies were stunned by the Wildcats in the 2003 Big East title game, ending a 70-game winning streak. How did UConn respond then? By winning a second consecutive NCAA championship.

After Saturday's 59-56 loss at the Wildcats, top-ranked UConn can only hope for similar results.

"We're not going to cancel the season," Auriemma said. "There's always a time."

Defeat came on a bigger magnitude at UConn (23-3, 13-2 Big East) but they rarely deviate the Huskies. UConn lost twice in four games in early January before ripping off a 12-game winning streak and clinching its 11th conference title in a row.

College hoops

The Huskies play Tuesday against West Virginia before heading to the Big East tournament. UConn won nine straight Big East Villanova 52-48, a year ago in the championship game.

Villanova (21-5, 11-4) beat UConn this time on Lad Stoez's jumper with 56 seconds left. The Wildcats are the first team to beat the Huskies in back-to-back games since Tennessee did it in 1998 and 1999.

While UConn used last year's loss as motivation for the national tournament, the win propelled Villanova to the regional finals.

Wildcats coach Harry Perretta joked Saturday that he wished he could call off the season now.

"It's a great thing for our program," Perretta said. "I think it's legitimacy for our program and our team."

SPORTS

Lakers' defense stuffs Nets

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (AP) — With a lineup that includes Kobe Bryant and Gary Payton, sometimes the easiest thing to overlook is the Los Angeles Lakers defense.

The Lakers held New Jersey to 18 field goals and 51 points in the first three quarters of a 100-83 win Sunday. Payton scored 16 points after complaining about his minutes and Phil Jackson's triangle offense.

Bryant, who averaged 32.6 points in his last five starts, had 11 points, 10 assists and six rebounds in 31 minutes of which the Lakers got contributions from everyone.

Richard Jefferson had 19 points to lead New Jersey in what was the first embarrassing loss of Lawrence Frank's coaching career. It was the fourth defeat in three games after winning his first 13 games.

Kenyon Martin added 11 points and Jason Kidd had 10 points and just three assists while playing 29 minutes with a bruised knee. The Nets had three combined to go 13-of-28 from the field in seeing a nine-game home winning streak end.

The Lakers never trailed in the contest in which Payton came out with a point to prove.

The Lakers increased the margin to 14 on the half and then they blew away the Nets, outscoring New Jersey 22-8 in the closing minutes of the third quarter.

The play everyone will remember was Payton leading a break and passing to Bryant, who found O'Neal on the left side of the lane. O'Neal took the alley-oop pass with an extended left hand and slammed it home. He walked upcourt staring at his extended left hand, admiring it.



Los Angeles Lakers center Shaquille O'Neal blocks a shot by New Jersey's Richard Jefferson Sunday. O'Neal was called for a foul on the play.

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Milwaukee had a 21-point lead early in the fourth quarter, but Bucks Alton's 3-pointer cut the Lakers' lead to 107-104 with 4.8 seconds left. However, Keith Van Horn made one free throw to clinch the victory.

PHILADELPHIA — Rookie forward Kyle Korver made key plays down the stretch, and Eric Snow hit a jumper with 20 seconds left. Aaron McKie had 16 points to lead the Skiers, who snuffed a four-game skid despite playing without injured stars Allen Iverson and Glenn Robinson. Snow added 13 points and Kenny Thomas had 11 points and 12 rebounds.

Kevin Garnett scored 27 points and grabbed 13 rebounds for Minnesota, which leads the Midwest Division, but has lost two of three.

HOUSTON — Rashard Lewis scored 12 of his 22 points in the fourth quarter and the Seattle SuperSonics rallied after squandering an 11-point lead in the fourth quarter and snapped a three-game losing streak.

MINNAPOLIS — Steve Francis led Houston with 15 points, and Jim Jackson and Yao Ming each added 14.

Denver led with 28 points and adding eight rebounds and nine assists. Amare Stoudemire fouled out late in the game, but had 33 points and 17 rebounds for the Suns.

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DENVER — Carmelo Anthony had 25 points and Venon Lyster added 16 as the Denver Nuggets ended a five-game losing streak with a 107-96 victory over the New York Knicks on Sunday night.

ANTHONY, who shot 8-for-15, played only a minute into the fourth quarter. Francisco Elson had 12 points and Nene and Earl Boykins 11 points each for the Nuggets.

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — Peja Stojakovic scored 32 points and the Kings never trailed.

BRAD MILLER, sidelined the previous seven games with a sprained right foot, had 16 points and 10 rebounds. Doug Christie did not let a cut near his right eye bother his shooting. Known more for his defense, he scored a season-high 28 points and adding eight rebounds and nine assists.

MIAMI BEACH, Fla. (AP) — The Bowl Championship Series agreed to add a fifth game Sunday, increasing access for schools, not part of college football's most lucrative postseason system.

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FROHNMAYER said existing bowls probably will get the first shot at becoming the fifth BCS bowl. Cities expected to show immediate interest include Atlanta, Dallas, Houston, Jacksonville, Orlando and San Diego.

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Syracuse ends Pitt's win streak

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Gerry McNamara, held scoreless by No. 3 Pittsburgh for the equivalent of nearly a game and a half, hit a go-ahead 3-pointer and two key free throws in overtime and Syracuse ended the Panthers' 40-game home winning streak with a 93-48 upset Sunday.

Pitt's streak was the second-longest in Division I, behind only Duke's 41-game run. The Panthers (25-3, 11-3) had been 34-0 at home since opening the Petersen Events Center last season and had to't lose in Pittsburgh since being surprised by Notre Dame 56-53 on Jan. 12, 2002, at Fitzgerald Field House.

NO. 9 KENTUCKY 70, LSU 64 — BRAD ROUTHAGE, La. — Gerald Fitch scored 23 points, including 5-of-8 3-pointers, to help No. 9 Kentucky (21-4, 11-3) clinch the Southeastern Conference's Eastern Division title.

ERIK DANIELS scored 14 points for Kentucky and Cliff Hawkins had 13.

NO. 13 PROVIDENCE 103, ST. JOHN'S 78 — RYAN GOMIS had 19 points and 11 rebounds, and No. 13 Providence set a Big East record for points in a first half.

DARYL HILL had 24 points and nine assists for St. John's, which will not qualify for the Big East tournament.

NO. 20 KANSAS 79, OKLAHOMA 58 — LAWRENCE — KANSAS — Wayne Simon scored 26 points and Keith Langford added 22 to help No. 20 Kansas (18-7, 10-4 Big 12) improve to 7-0 in conference home games.

MICHAEL LEE scored all 12 of his points in the second half for the Jayhawks.

LAWRENCE MCKENZIE led Oklahoma with 15 points; and Jason Detrick added 10 points.

NO. 22 WISCONSIN 82, PURDUE 46 — MADISON, Wis. — Mike Williams' 22 points and 12 rebounds helped No. 22 Wisconsin hand Purdue its worst loss in the series that began in 1906.

DEVIN HARRIS added 16 points for the Badgers (19-6, 10-4 Big Ten); David Teague led Purdue with 12 points.

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BCS adds 5th game

CSI

Continued from A7 but CSI then grabbed a 2-1 edge when Taylor Rowner doubled home Len Shumway from third.

CSI added insurance in the bottom of the sixth when Theodore scored Sean VanElderen with a single to center.

CSI 7, Dawson CC 1

CSI pitchers allowed an unearned run and just one hit over seven innings in the opener.

Brandon Christianson earned the win, allowing a walk while striking out two in his two innings pitched. He improves to 3-0 on the season while lowering his earned run average to 1.12.

Leading hitter Eric Catroni went 3 for 4, including scoring two runs. Charlie Strandlund went 2 for 4 with a home run that just cleared the left field fence in the first

Tiger

Continued from A7 eight days. He couldn't find a fairway in the morning session and was lucky to be only one down after the first 18 holes. Woods had to save par from behind the first green when the afternoon session began, squared the match when Love missed the second green and made bogey, and then it was a matter of who would take control.

THE odds were on Woods, although no one could have guessed it would happen on No. 7. Woods showed another drive into the deep rough, behind two trees with a small gap between the branches.

Woods took a mighty swing with a 9-iron from 126 yards and didn't see the ball until it dropped behind

Dragila

Continued from A7 breaking the collegiate indoor mark of 61.95 set by Teri Heaton of SMU in 1998. Kristin Trunko, the indoor champion last season, finished second with a throw of 59.525.

"It's pretty famous for not being believed. It talks and nobody really listens," Buser said. "If you look in the records book, the ball is in my court."

Celtics 91, Raptors 82

TORONTO — Paul Pierce scored 12 of his 22 points in the fourth quarter, helping the Boston Celtics beat Toronto 91-82 Sunday and hand the Raptors their season-worst ninth straight loss.

Jiri Veculik added 15 points for the Celtics, who ended a seven-game losing streak with a victory over Toronto on Friday.

MILWAUKEE — Michael Redd scored 27 points, and Desmond Mason added 21, helping the Milwaukee Bucks win their third straight.

Bucks 108, Heat 104

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MIAMI — MIAAMI — Miami rookie Dwyane Wade left the game with a sprained right foot after about four minutes left in the third quarter. He went to the locker room early in the fourth quarter and didn't return.

SuperSonics 97, Rockets 80

HOUSTON — Rashard Lewis scored 12 of his 22 points in the fourth quarter and the Seattle SuperSonics rallied after squandering an 11-point lead in the fourth quarter and snapped a three-game losing streak.

Four-time champ returns for Iditarod

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (AP) — Four-time Iditarod champion Doug Swingley must be one of the most practical people on the planet.

When asked why, at age 50, he is still willing to hang onto the back of a sled for more than 1,000 bumpy miles from Anchorage to Nome, his answer was quick and to the point. "I need a new pickup truck. I am tired of these old pickups falling apart," Swingley said, from his home in Lincoln, Mont., where he was busy making gourmet shrimp and garlic dishes to eat along the trail.

Eighty-seven mushers are signed up for the 2004 Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race to start from downtown Anchorage on March 6. They'll come from Alaska, Colorado, Michigan, Minnesota, Montana, Texas, Washington, Wisconsin and Wyoming, as well as nine other countries, including Germany, Italy and Norway.

The Iditarod is held each year to commemorate a 1925 dash to Nome in which 26 men and their dogs delivered lifesaving diphtheria serum to the historic Gold Rush town.

In addition to more than a half-million dollars in prize money earned since competing as a rookie in 1992—Swingley has won four brand-new pickup trucks—one for



Doug Swingley nuzzles with two of his dogs after his last Iditarod win.

each time he crossed the finish line first. He won in 1995, and then came back to dominate the race in 1999, 2000 and 2001. His prize money totals \$501,015.

Swingley said two of the top-of-the-line trucks donated by an Anchorage dealership to buy a Celesna 180, but still has the two older ones.

"I am hungry for that new truck. That always makes me dangerous, when I'm hungry," Swingley said. In 2002, he came in 40th after deciding to run a different kind of race. Swingley took his time, enjoyed the scenery, and got married at the end of the trail in Nome to Melanie Shirilla, with one of his

favorite dogs acting as ring bearer. The close-knit community of Alaska mushers has never accepted Swingley, perhaps because of resentment from his winning ways, or perhaps because he was the only non-Alaskan to win the race until last year when Norway's Robert Sorlie won. Sorlie is not competing this year.

"Maybe because a Norwegian won last time, maybe they will want an American to win," he said. In a 2002 interview with The Associated Press, Swingley said he was taking a break from the race, in part because he was fed up with the resentment, and the snide comments from other mushers and what he

considered to be bias media. He said he hoped they'd find someone new to kick around. Swingley's had an attitude change since then. "I don't give a rat's butt about the Alaska mushers," he said. "I have goals for myself. I never race against competition. I consider myself to be the ultimate competitor. I see I try to beat myself first."

Swingley admits it's not really about the truck. It's about proving that his dog team is the best. "They are unbelievably athletic and resilient, probably the most resilient dog team I've had," Swingley said. Swingley's 2004 Iditarod team of 16 dogs contains no rookies. All are at least 3 years old and have gone to Nome before, including a 10-year-old leader, Peppy, that carried him to victory in 2000 and 2001.

Swingley admits to wanting to get a "thing" back — the course record now held by Buser, who finished the 2002 race in eight days, 22 hours and 46 minutes. Swingley held the 2000 record of nine days and 58 minutes.

Buser said he isn't impressed by Swingley's big talk.

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OPINION

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OTHER VIEWS

Washington needs to act on Social Security

The Washington Post

For all the front-page headlines, there wasn't anything particularly surprising in Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan's warning last Wednesday that the government can't afford the Social Security benefits it has promised and that benefits will need to be curtailed. He's sounded this alarm before, correctly so.

Sadly, there also wasn't anything surprising in the reaction of the presidential candidates, both President Bush and his Democratic rivals, to Greenspan's statements: All of them scurried as far as possible from any hint of endorsing a change in benefits, however reasonable. It's a measure of the irresponsibility of both political parties regarding the entitlements debate that a proposal for rather minor adjustments in Social Security would be treated like such a well, like such a dangerous third rail.

Greenspan noted that the leading edge of the baby-boom generation will begin to be eligible for Social Security benefits in 2008 and that the demands on both Social Security and Medicare will grow inexorably in the following years, so "we will eventually have no choice but to make significant structural adjustments in the major retirement programs." He suggested two modest changes that would ease, but not solve, the problem without unfairly punishing those on the brink of retirement. The first is changing the way Social Security benefits are adjusted to keep pace with inflation, replacing the existing consumer price index, which overstates increases in the cost of living with a new, more accurate measure. The second is increasing the retirement age to reflect longer life expectancy; Greenspan suggested a form of indexing that would keep

steadily the ratio of years worked to years in retirement. Both suggestions are sensible, and both are rather standard fare in discussions of how to fix Social Security.

From the reaction, though, you would have thought Greenspan, who's about to turn 78 himself, had suggested taking old people out and shooting them. "No matter what was said in Washington just this morning, the wrong way to cut the deficit is to cut Social Security benefits," said Sen. John F. Kerry, D-Mass. "If I'm president, we're simply not going to do it." Sen. John Edwards, D-N.C., said it was "an outrage for him to suggest

Their view: This guest editorial from the Washington Post, says neither political party is showing leadership on the looming breakdown of Social Security.

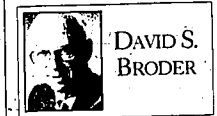
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that we should extend George Bush's tax cuts on unearned wealth while cutting Social Security benefits that working people earn." President Bush hastened to reiterate that he had no intention of changing benefits for those at or near retirement age - Greenspan also had said he didn't want to make changes for that group - and to restate his expensive proposal for private savings accounts.

Greenspan argues for making the Bush tax cuts permanent, and there we differ with him. Even without the tax cuts, Social Security was unsustainable; making all the cuts permanent deepens the hole. Indeed, Greenspan's modest but apparently incendiary suggestions underscore the magnitude of the challenge: The cost of the tax cuts would be about \$400 billion in 2014, while the adjustments he proposes, even under a generous interpretation, would save less than \$75 billion! But at least Greenspan - unlike the president and his allies - acknowledges the need for trade-offs. Bush won't admit that something's got to give; his Democratic rivals seem determined to compete in fiscal dishonesty. And they all pretend to offer leadership.

An election that hits the issues

COLUMBUS, Ohio - Ken Mehlman, the head of President Bush's re-election campaign, is clearly right about one thing. "This is a big-issue election," he said in an interview the other day. "We are not talking about trivial differences." The truth of that statement is amply proved by the speech that Bush gave on Monday night, kicking off his campaign, and the response heard Thursday night in the Los Angeles debate from the leading Democratic candidates, John Kerry and John Edwards.



DAVID S. BRODER

The public recognition that the stakes are larger than usual, explains why interest in Tuesday's primaries here and in nine other states is greater than anyone expected. Even though the candidates have barely had time to touch down in New York, California, Ohio, Georgia, Maryland, Massachusetts, Minnesota and the three smaller states also balloting, expectations are for big turnouts.

Americans understand how much rides on the choice we will make. As the president said, "Great events will turn on this election. The man who sits in the Oval Office will set the course of the war on terror and the direction of our economy. The security and prosperity of America are at stake."

That is more than rhetoric. Two factors have merged to make this election consequential - much more so than most second-term decisions usually entail: One is the emergence of genuinely new forces in the world and at home, demanding tough policy decisions. The other is the way Bush has responded - or failed to respond - to these changes.

The threat of terrorism, rooted in radical Islamic movements, challenges the entire structure of international relations and the stability of the worldwide balance of power. At the same time, the rapid spread of advanced technology into previously backward countries - notably China and India - has accelerated the pace of globalization and upset the economic stability of the industrial world.

Confronted with these unprecedented challenges, Bush has chosen a path of boldness and risk in one instance and of great caution - almost inaction - in the other, dealing with the security threat as he has been passive on the economic front. And in both areas, the Democrats are prepared to question his policy and leadership.



On the military-diplomatic front, Bush has declared a policy of pre-emptive action against any movement or government that he judges a threat to America. He has asserted - and in Iraq has demonstrated - a willingness to go it alone, arguing in his speech that "America must never outsource America's national security decisions to the leaders of other governments."

Although they initially voted to back his policy in Iraq, Kerry and Edwards have denounced its execution and have made it clear they do not accept it as a model for future actions. Instead, they want to return the United States to its traditional international status, as a leading figure in NATO and the United Nations, bound to and substantially influenced by other countries.

On the challenges presented by the new international economy, however, Bush's basic response has been to continue and accel-

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- President Bush

ate the liberal trade policies of the previous two decades. He has continued to reduce the main federal revenue resource, the income tax, while trusting that the resulting growth will produce the needed jobs and finance what he hopes will be the declining domestic responsibilities of government.

After some initial hesitation, the leading Democrats now are in full cry against this policy. They will roll back some of the tax cuts, stiffen trade policy against foreign competition and greatly expand the federal role in providing health care, education, benefits and retirement security.

Bush describes this domestic policy debate as one between "a government that encourages ownership and opportunity and responsibility or a government that taxes your money and makes your choices."

Edwards - echoed by Kerry - describes it as a choice of confining or rejecting a policy that produces deficits and unemployment, and divides the nation into "two Americas," one for the wealthy and another for everyone else.

In this, one can also add the sharp divergence between the parties on social policy, whether it concerns abortion, homosexuals, guns or the proper relationship between church and state. All of this - and more - is in play in the coming election. If we are lucky, the candidates will debate these issues with the seriousness they deserve. The country is ready for such an election.

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Stop signs serve an important purpose

As we all know, Jerome County has been the scene of some very tragic accidents in the last few years. The wrecked cars being displayed serve to remind us all of the senseless tragedies that have occurred when people run stop signs.

I appreciate the words of "Stop Means Stop" that were placed on the sign under the wrecked cars, but I think it should be taken one step further with another sign in Spanish, reading, "PARE O STOP". Several of these accidents have been caused by people of Spanish ancestry, and I think it would be appropriate if a sign were printed in their language also. "Stop Means

LETTERS

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Stop for every person driving regardless of their nationality. It is time to realize that each and every one of us and the lives of our family are at risk by drivers who disregard stop signs.
I know a lot of thought and work went into putting on the display of the wrecked cars, but in talking to other people, it is the consensus that it would hit home a little more if we could see more of the damage rather than looking at the bottom of the car that is facing the highway.
You actually have to take time to look at the other side of the car to get the full effect. Time is something that some people think is wasted stopping at a stop sign.
If you're one of the statistics resulting from this type of accident, you'll have lots of time - you just won't be able to make use of it.
CAROLYN MILLIVAN
Jerome

America must break its chains to foreign oil

We could use the \$87 billion-plus for the war in Iraq to build approximately 192,970 windmills to supply 25 percent of our electricity. We are defending Halliburton oil at our own expense, and they will sell it to us at inflated prices! The best defense in this country would be energy independence. Nobody knows exactly how much has been spent on the war so far. Check out Costofwar.com.
Personally, I resent rebuilding Iraq infrastructure. We need our own infrastructure rebuilt - railroads, airports, highways, schools, etc.
Capture of Saddam has not made any difference. Those people have been killing each other for thousands of years, and we

won't be able to stop them. Imported oil swells the U.S. balance of trade problems and puts large sums into the hands of foreign regimes and, in some cases, the money has been diverted to the terrorists themselves.
On the world as a whole, wind power generating electricity has been going up about 30 percent each year since 1995. It is becoming a serious business in some foreign countries (mostly in Europe). Power stations burning coal, oil and gas put carbon dioxide in the atmosphere and eventually contribute to global warming. Atomic power stations pose many problems (storage of atomic waste) and could be attractive to terrorists.
As we consider the opportunity for wind power compare it to the cost of attacking, occupying and rebuilding Iraq and consider how better spent the money could be used in this country. Also remember Iraq did not attack this country and there are no weapons of mass destruction in Iraq.
Please remember on Election Day.
XENIA WILLIAMS
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By Garry Trudeau



Mallard Fillmore



By Bruce Tinsley



Terror probe goes deeper in Idaho

To those who worry about the extremism that Saudi influence can foster in the United States, the joint Muslim community at Washington State University and the University of Idaho — just nine miles apart — might provide a classic case study.

It also happened to be the home of detained National Guardsman Ryan Anderson, a.k.a. Amir Talhah, when he converted to Islam five years ago.

Anderson, who was nabbed while allegedly trying to pass secret information to al-Qaeda through an Internet chat room, graduated from Washington State University in 2002. Though the strength of his ties to the local Muslim community is unclear, there is no denying that it could have provided the perfect breeding ground for a radical Islamist.

And perhaps not coincidentally, there is a strong Saudi influence.

Last year, the FBI made several arrests while investigating alleged terror activity in Pullman, Wash., (home to WSU) and Moscow, Idaho, (home to UI). Because of the proximity and the relative small number of Muslim residents (fewer than 200 total), the two towns have essentially a single Muslim community, according to many local Muslims.

Four people total were arrested. Two were affiliated with WSU and two with UI. Three were arrested as material witnesses and have since been released.

At the probe's center was Sami Omar al-Hussayen, a graduate student and computer whiz at UI who was also seen as a leader in the local Muslim community. The Saudi national, who goes to trial

JOEL MOWBRAY

this spring, is charged with visa fraud, making false statements and providing material support of terrorism.

The terrorism charge does not seem to have adversely affected al-Hussayen's popularity in the local Muslim community. Several Muslims in the Pullman-Moscow area reached by phone spoke favorably of the alleged abettor of terrorism. One who had attended the preliminary hearings said, "The evidence against him doesn't seem that strong."

In addition to designing Web sites for two allegedly radical sheikhs with direct contact with Osama bin Laden, al-Hussayen is charged with handling financial and administrative functions for state-supported charities that allegedly supported terrorism.

The most chilling part of the indictment, though, is a section describing an e-mail group managed and edited solely by al-Hussayen, in which an appeal was made for information from Muslims in the U.S. military that would aid terrorist attacks on American personnel, including the murder of a "specifically identified high-ranking American military official."

Although the charges do not tie the Saudi national to Sept. 11, some evidence surrounding al-Hussayen is troubling. Reportedly found on his computer hard drive were thousands of photos of the World Trade Center, both before and after Sept. 11.

Then there's the family connection.

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According to court documents, al-Hussayen's uncle traveled to the United States from Saudi Arabia and "stayed in the same hotel in the Herndon, Va., area as three of the Sept. 11 hijackers of Flight 77, that crashed into the Pentagon."

Though northern Idaho or eastern Washington might seem like a strange destination for students from the Middle East, roughly one-half of the Muslims in Moscow, Idaho, and one-fourth in Pullman, Wash., are Saudis, according to estimates of several local Muslims.

The Saudi ties appear to be longstanding. When the mosque at WSU was built in the late 1970s, most of the funding came from the Gulf — principally from Saudi Arabia — according to a longtime Muslim resident in the area.

What remains uncertain at this point is what role the local Muslim community had in impacting Anderson's Islamic development.

Several local sources claim he was a member of the Muslim Students Association, whose national organization was Saudi-created and funded. (Al-Hussayen was president of Idaho's MSA chapter.)

Several members of Washington State's MSA deny that Anderson was an active member, however, including past MSA President Ihsan Althaimir. Althaimir said that he accompanied Anderson to mosque services for a month during Ramadan in 2000, but that he never saw much of the now-detained National Guardsman after that.

Investigators are not ruling out a connection to the local Muslim community in eastern Washington and northern Idaho. A spokesman for the U.S. attorney's office in Boise, Idaho, said that no ties have been found, but quickly added, "Our investigation is still ongoing."

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Jerome vs. Haiti? It's no contest

Why, the man on the phone wanted to know, did Carole King deserve front-page coverage last week?

"It's a good question, and it gives me an excuse to write about news judgment."

I'll tell you a secret. Newspapers don't have a measuring stick like you see in museum parks: "You must be this tall to board the front page." Choosing Page 1 stories means balancing numerous factors — including personal taste.

More on that in a minute. First, Carole King.

A week ago Sunday, the singer-songwriter appeared at a Democratic Party function in a Jerome restaurant. She was making the political rounds for Sen. John Kerry — one of her part-time neighbors in Blaine County's Little Hollywood.

The plan who called me was obviously a Republican. He thought our Monday-morning story and photo amounted to a free advertisement for the Democrats.

He asked: Did the event really warrant such visible display? Was it more significant than the Haitian uprising on Page A3?

My reply hinged on the old real estate slogan, "Location, location, location."

The Times-News is a local paper, and we emphasize local news. You can learn about Haiti from CNN, the Internet or lots of other sources if you want to. A home-town paper has to offer news you can't get elsewhere.

A famous entertainer hustling votes in a Jerome cafe rings our bell.

When I was a journalism student, during the Jurassic Period, we learned four basic factors of newsworthiness. They were timeli-



BETWEEN THE LINES
Clark Walworth

ness, prominence, proximity and consequence.

The King story had three of the four. It happened on Sunday (timeliness). King is famous (prominence). And Jerome is smack in the middle of our circulation area (proximity).

On the other hand, the GOP versus Jerome and the rest of this valley Sen. King's Democratic sing-along had dubious political impact (consequence).

The Haitian uprising, by comparison, was timely and prominent, with big consequences for Haiti. But the story failed the proximity test. Haiti is far away.

If you're keeping score, that's three points for King and three for Haiti. A tie generally goes to the local story, in my book.

(Haiti's situation has escalated since then. And Haiti is on today's front page.)

I searched the Internet last week, to see if today's journalism students still learn the same four

factors. Turns out some clever professors have invented it twice as many as 12 items, including conflict, oddity, shock value and titillation.

That's progress, I guess.

Another factor, though it's on nobody's list, is balance. If today's news is mostly gloom, we try to add something cheerful. If we have three political stories, we look for something about everyday people, or health, or pop culture.

The final factor, also on no one's list, is the day of the week. Not much news happens on Sundays, and we run a skeleton staff. So Monday's front page may have a softer lineup than other days.

That's true at every daily paper.

Despite all the fancy theories, our decisions often boil down to what simply seems interesting. The choices are completely unscientific and infinitely debatable. But emphasizing local news is always a priority.

Carole King in Jerome? Violence in Haiti? I choose Jerome.

Managing Editor Clark Walworth discusses the news business on Mondays in "Between the Lines." To offer a comment or to suggest a topic, e-mail him at clarkw@magicvalley.com or call 735-3255.

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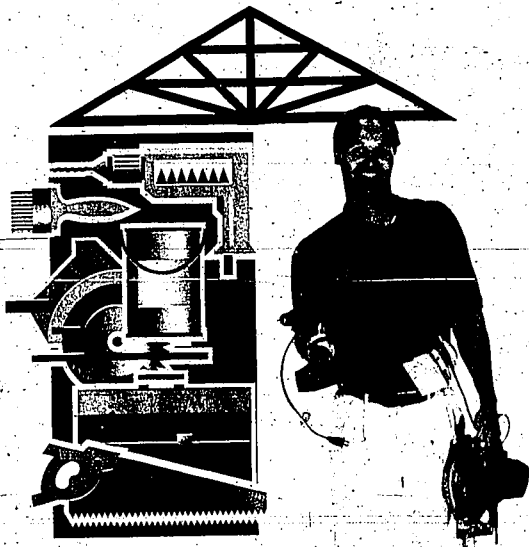
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Abuse scandal becomes subject of Sunday sermons

BOSTON (AP) — Roman Catholics confronted the problem of clergy sex abuse from pulpits at protests and in parishes on Sunday, two days after the release of reports outlining the scandal's scope and the church's failure to protect children.

Cathedral of the Holy Cross. "The more we address it, the more we can feel it's not going to be swept under a rug or covered up."

Police charge reporter with sexual contact with minors

CINCINNATI (AP) — A television reporter has been charged with having sexual contact with minors, some of whom were troubled youths he had mentored, police said.

Stephen Hill, 45, was hospitalized with self-inflicted slashes on his wrists after officers broke into his home and took him into custody Friday night, police said.

Harvard plans stem cell research

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. (AP) — Harvard University plans to launch a multimillion-dollar center to grow and study human embryonic stem cells, the school said Sunday.

The center, to be announced April 23 at a scientific conference, could be the largest privately funded American stem cell research project to date, the Boston Sunday Globe reported.

Relative of missing family faces charges

TAYLORSVILLE, Miss. (AP) — A relative of a family of three who disappeared on Valentine's Day was charged Sunday with a drug and firearms violation, and authorities said other charges were expected.

Authorities have not said whether they believe Michael and Rebecca Hargon and their 3-year-old son, James Patrick, are still alive. Blood and spent bullet casings were discovered at the family's home in Yazoo County.

U.S.: Iraqi constitution will not be announced

BAGHDAD (AP) — With U.S. officials mediating Iraqi politicians struggled on Sunday to find compromises on the shape of Kurdish autonomy and the role of Islamic law in an interim constitution.

One negotiator said there had been little movement, and officials said a final document would not be announced for several days.

Members of U.S.-picked Iraq's Governing Council have been holding marathon meetings for days trying to overcome serious divisions over an interim constitution, a key step in U.S. plans to hand over power to the Iraqis on June 30.

Polish soldiers open fire on busload of pilgrims

KARBALA, Iraq (AP) — Polish soldiers shot at a bus full of Shiite Muslim pilgrims when it failed to

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stop at a checkpoint Sunday, wounding several Iraqis and one Pole.

A witness said the troops opened fire after the bus apparently lost control of its brakes, hit a minivan and then swerved into a concrete barrier at the checkpoint.

Abbas Hassan, a member of the U.S.-trained Iraqi Civil Defense Corps, said the troops used heavy firepower for several minutes, targeting all cars coming in on the highway from Baghdad.

High court orders Israel to suspend construction

Coalition soldier dies while defusing roadside bomb

BAGHDAD, Iraq — A coalition soldier trying to defuse a roadside bomb was shot and killed by insurgents, the U.S. military

said Sunday.

The soldier, who wasn't a member of the U.S. Army, was shot late Saturday night in northwest Baghdad while on patrol with other coalition troops.

The name of the soldier and his nationality were withheld pending notification of his family.

Not of Sunday, 547 U.S. service members have died since the beginning of military operations in Iraq, according to the Department of Defense.

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Israeli security forces also arrested three Palestinian youths in the West Bank who planned to carry out an attack out of anger over the barrier, refugees said Sunday.

The youths, who were as young as 12, were among the youngest ever arrested for planning deadly attacks.

Bus plunges off mountain road in China, killing 12

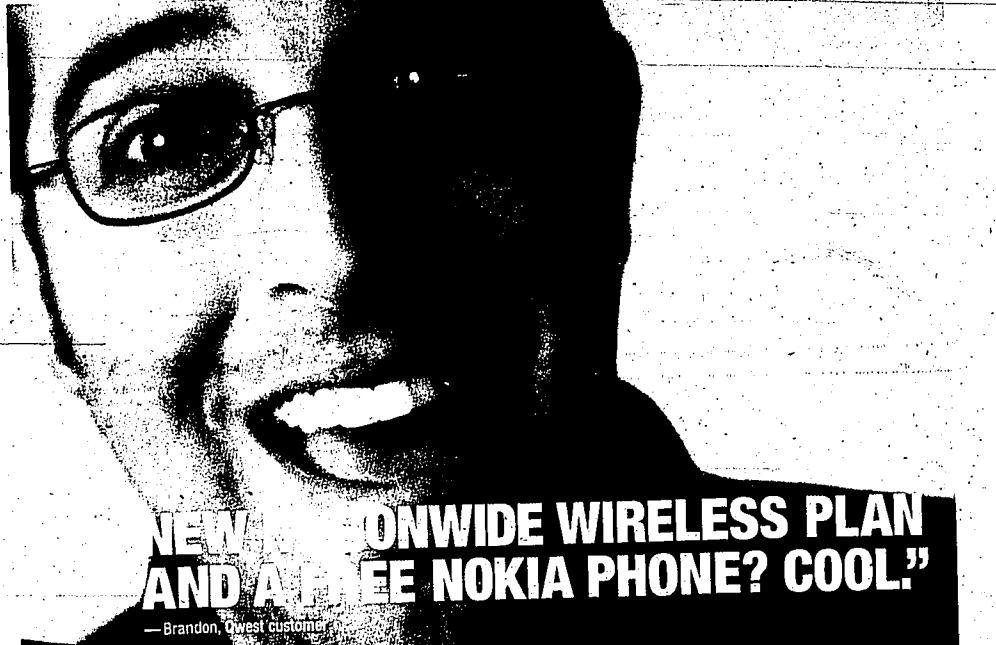
BEIJING — A bus carrying migrant workers to faraway factory jobs plunged off a mountain road in central China, killing 12 and injuring 35, a local government official said Sunday.

All the injured were sent to local hospitals, where nine were listed in serious condition, according to a duty officer at the Wanzhou county government in the Chengying region.

The bus swerved across the center line about 1 a.m. Sunday and crashed through the guardrail, falling 36 feet into a riverbed, said the officer, who declined to give his name.

China's roads are among the world's deadliest, with accidents caused by overcrowded and badly maintained vehicles, poor roads and unskilled, overworked drivers.

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Grasping the gravity of skiing

I haven't attempted to ski for years, but recently I decided to take another stab at it. I was hoping they'd done something about the gravity problem. Gravity is the biggest drawback to skiing. Without gravity, it would be a carefree activity: You'd put on your skis, head for the slopes and just... hover for a while.



HUMOR Dave Barry

Instead, you have gravity. Huge amounts of it. Ski areas are located smack dab on top of giant gravity piles called "mountains." Most areas also use machines to make more gravity at night. Thus powerful forces are always trying to suck you, the skier, down the mountain and into large fixed objects such as buildings. This is why the Number One Rule of Skiing Safety is: "Never go up the mountain without a good reason, such as that it is summer."

This lesson was driven home to me dramatically the first time I tried skiing, which was in 1964 at a ski area in southern New York State, where much of the time, instead of snow, you ski on frozen mud (or, as we say in ski-area terminology, "excellent conditions"). I went with my friend Lanny Watts, who knew how to ski, and who - after watching me fall down repeatedly while I was still in the parking lot - decided that the best way for me to learn would be to go straight to the top of the mountain and see what happened. What happened was, I slid off the chairlift and went back down the mountain very fast.

Q. What do you mean by "very fast?"
A. I mean that, because of the theory of relativity, after a few seconds I had traveled in time back to 1963, and was still picking up speed when I penetrated deep into the woods.

Eventually I learned that the best tactic for skiing is: Never go down the mountain. Always go sideways, which involves less gravity.

Also you want to make sure you have the right equipment. And when I say "the right equipment," I mean, "not skis." The ski industry is always claiming that, because of new technology, skis are better than ever, but on my recent trip I noticed that the so-called "modern" skis still have the fundamental safety defect that has plagued skis from the beginning: They are slippery on the bottom. This is why, when you go to a ski area, you see big signs, written by lawyers, advising you that by attaching these things to your feet and going up on a frozen mountain, you are admitting that you are and are voluntarily forfeiting all of your legal rights, including freedom of religion.

If I were designing a ski, it would be called "The Inertia" and the bottom would be a combination of golf spikes, Crazy Glue and Velcro. My advertisement would be a photo of a skier standing on an extremely steep slope, such as the side of the Chrysler Building, not moving at all. Just sticking straight out horizontally like a gargoyle.

If we had such a ski, skiers, freed from the threat of going down the mountain, would be able to focus their attention on the true essence of modern skiing, which is trying to contact other skiers via cell phone. I saw a of this during my trip. Every 30 seconds or so, there'd be beeping, and all around me, people would frantically start unzipping layers of designer ski attire to see if it was their phone ringing. If it was, they'd have a conversation like this: "Hello? Hello? Where are you? Have you seen Bob? He was with me, but then the gravity got him. Although one of his legs is still here."

My final tip is: If you're skiing down the mountain and you foolishly ride up the mountain on a chairlift with her, and for reasons that are never made clear she fails to get off at the top, so they have to stop the whole chairlift to help her remove her skis so she can climb down, and she is very embarrassed, this will turn out to be your fault. Don't argue! Just accept it, and apologize. Honey: I'm sorry.

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Atkins & eggs

They're low-carb, but is the cholesterol they contain a killer?



By Steve Crump Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - You can't tell an Atkins dieter by the steak on his plate. Look instead for the omelet.

Nowhere does the popular high-fat, low-carbohydrate regimen get crossways with mainstream dietitians' ideas about healthy eating than on the question of eggs.

"Eggs are quite high in cholesterol," said April Bruns, a registered dietitian at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center. "That may not be a problem for some people, but if you're one of those people for whom cholesterol is a problem, the recommendation is that you limit egg consumption."

Nonsense, counter Atkins advocates. "People who have steered clear of eggs for years, fearing their cholesterol count, can still have high blood cholesterol," Atkins Nutritional, the New York-based company founded by Dr. Robert Atkins, said in a statement. "When you are on a controlled carb lifestyle and beneath your threshold of carbohydrate tolerance, you are burning fat for energy. The fat in food poses no threat, so long as you are controlling carbohydrates. Moreover, the cholesterol found in an egg will have no impact on your total blood chole-

sterol on a controlled carbohydrate nutritional approach."

Those assertions are controversial, to say the least. Most dietitians and cardiologists don't buy the idea that cutting carbs will protect your heart from a diet rich in cholesterol and saturated fats.

One large, whole egg contains about 213 milligrams of cholesterol. That's 71 percent of what the American Heart Association recommends as a daily cholesterol limit for healthy people - and too much for those with heart disease.

If, of course, you accept the notion that eating foods high in dietary cholesterol raises blood cholesterol significantly, which many Atkinses dispute, citing a string of scientific studies that found no connection between egg consumption and risk factors for heart disease. And it's true that some scientists think saturated fat - from meat, milk, cheese - and trans-fat, which you'll find in stick margarine, fast food and many processed foods, are bigger threats to heart health than dietary cholesterol (eggs contain little saturated fat).

What's more, the AHA - which once suggested limiting egg consumption to three or four a week - has dropped that recommendation. (Many dietitians still recommend a three-egg limit.)

"Because dietary cholesterol, saturated

fats and trans-fats can all raise blood cholesterol, it's important to know how to balance your food choices to stay within recommended limits," the heart association says on its Web site. That's 300 mg of cholesterol a day.

It's probable that you'll exceed that limit substantially if you stick to Atkins. All four phases of the diet are rich in eggs, and omelets are a staple of breakfast in the last three stages.

Is that a health risk? No, says Atkins Nutritional.

"If you cut back on dietary cholesterol, your body simply makes more so it can perform its various essential duties: insulating nerve fibers, maintaining cell walls, producing vitamin D and manufacturing various hormones and digestive juices."

The heart association has its own body of evidence implicating dietary cholesterol in heart disease.

"In some individuals, dietary cholesterol raises the blood level of 'bad' cholesterol, low-density lipoprotein or LDL, which contributes to the development of atherosclerosis, the disease process that underlies heart disease and stroke," according to its Web site.

The key words there, according to Bruns, are "in some individuals."

"You can't tell by looking at someone whether they have high cholesterol or

not," she said. "The only way you'll know if eggs are potential risk is to have your cholesterol tested."

Blood cholesterol - a condition shared by an estimated 40 million Americans - is a serious health risk, most cardiologists and dietitians agree. And 100 million Americans have cholesterol levels over 200 mg.

Coincidentally or not, per capita egg consumption in America has increased 8 percent in 10 years.

"Eggs are very good nutrition," Bruns said. "But for some people the dietary cholesterol they contain is something to be concerned about."

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Eating more eggs

Annual per capita consumption of eggs in the United States

Table with 2 columns: Year, Eggs eaten. Data points from 1991 to 2002.

Source: U.S. Department of Agriculture

Handbags and totes are all the rage today

Want to be a bag lady? One of the hottest sewing trends is making handbags, backpacks and totes. Although they've always been popular, they seem to be the fashion accessories of the moment.

In the stores, price tags for creative fabric bags are high, but you can make your own for a fraction of the cost. It's fun, too.

Here's why you should try one, or two: Whether you sew quilt or just do quilting, women and girls of all ages love bags.

Bags inspire creativity, providing the perfect canvas for a variety of artistic techniques. You can showcase quilting, knitting, embroidery, fabric piecing, applique, or embellishment with beads, buttons, fringe or ribbons.

You needn't worry about fit. Just pick a size, style, shape and color to suit your needs. You don't have to be an expert seamstress. In fabric shops, you'll find a plethora of patterns from all the major companies for making bags, plus supplies for finishing. Choose from decorative "D" and "O" rings, magnetic snaps, buckles, strap slides, swivel rings and zippers in fashion colors. For handles, there's a good selection of bamboo, acrylic, wood, leather, rope and metal. For trims, choose from novelty leathers, fringe, braids or beads. Look for Frym

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Some private companies offer kits, too. For instance, Bag Works Inc. is a one-stop shop for making your own bags - 800-365-7423, or www.bag-works.com. Indigo Junction is another source for unique styles - 913-341-5553, or www.indigojunction.com.

A great place for patterns, closures, chains, and books is Chees in Louisiana 318-226-1701, or www.chees.com. Most totes and bags aren't time-consuming, but they are relatively simple to make and so easy to show off!

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Clockwise from upper left, Agnes B. long-lasting nail color in shades of lilac, \$7 each at ccb-paris.com; Deborah Lippman "Sarah Smiler" and "Femme Fatalis," \$15 at lippmancollection.com; Wet 'n' Wild Crystalline polish, \$2; Kolob polish in "Calligula" and "Tryst," \$12 at kolob.com; L'oreal Steel Colour, \$5.50; Body & Soul "Orchid" and "Password," \$12 at bodyandsoul.com; Paul & Joe Beaute "Mineraux," \$12 at sephora.com. Washington Post photo

NAILS: Color me bright & sassy

The Washington Post

Nails shouldn't be naked. They enjoy being doused in shades of pink, purple, cream and everything in between.

Pair red nails with turquoise jewelry. Amend a French manicure with a burgundy base and pink tip. Bring nail art back with your own abstract designs.

Avon's new line - Mark - is all about "bright shades," according to Tina Leeds. And slender bottles. "Prior to launch, we researched all nail

enamel packages on the market and found that they were unnecessarily large in size and lacked portability," says Leeds, vice president of Mark's product development. They found women rarely finished a full bottle of polish and love to travel with multiple bottles. Thus, the mini bottle was formed. And they fill them with shades such as Vinyllic, Glowstation, Bubblelily and Glamtastic.

Web resources: mcnmark.com, lippmancollection.com, ccb-paris.com, kolob.com, bodyandsoul.com, sephora.com, Note: Avon does not capitalize the Mark logo.

HEALTH & FASHION

Medical center offers CPR infant class

Infant safety and cardiopulmonary resuscitation classes will be offered from 6:30-9 p.m. Tuesday in the Sage Room of the Education Center at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls.

The program is offered as part of the prepared childbirth course. New parents, grandparents and others are encouraged to attend. The class to learn about infant CPR, choking, child safety and prevention of injury.

Childbirth class

A childbirth class will be offered from 5-7 p.m. Tuesday at the Cassia Regional Medical Center in Burley. The class will include information on handling the discomforts and problems of pregnancy. Safe exercise will be discussed, and a tour of the birth center will be given.

Labor pain management

A childbirth class will be offered from 7-9 p.m. Tuesday at the Cassia Regional Medical Center in Burley. The class will include information on coping with labor pain and a range of relaxation, breathing and coaching techniques.

For more information, call the hospital's birth center at 677-6500.

'Baby and Me'

St. Benedict's Family Medical Center will offer Baby and Me classes from 10:30-11:30 a.m. Tuesdays at the Health Education Center, 115 Fifth Ave. W. in Jerome.

The session is for parents of children from infancy through toddler years.

To do for you

The class is free. For more information, call 324-7262.

About childbirth

Prepared childbirth classes will be offered from 7-9:30 p.m. Tuesdays, beginning Tuesday through April 6, at the St. Benedict's Health Education Center, 115 Fifth Ave. W., Jerome.

The second class of the series will be a refresher course for mothers who have previously taken the childbirth classes.

The sessions, taught by a registered nurse, emphasize preparation for labor and birth, changes during pregnancy and newborn care. Participants are asked to bring two pillows and a blanket to each class.

The classes are free for those who will be delivering at St. Benedict's Family Medical Center. To register, call 324-1122, ext. 3361.

Labor rehearsal

A labor rehearsal class will be held from 7-9:30 p.m. Wednesday at the St. Benedict's Health Education Center, 115 Fifth Ave. W. in Jerome.

Topics will include a full labor rehearsal from first contraction to delivery using skills and comfort measures learned in childbirth classes. Participants are asked to bring two pillows and a blanket to the class.

The class is free for those who will be delivering at St. Benedict's Family Medical Center. For more information or to register, call 324-1122, ext. 3361.

Childbirth classes

Prepared childbirth classes will be offered from 6:30-9 p.m.

Wednesdays, beginning Wednesday through March 31, in the Sage Room of the Education Center at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls.

The class will include classroom instruction on wellness of the mother, labor and delivery process with relaxation and breathing techniques, care of the postpartum mother and newborn, including breast-feeding and bottle-feeding. Participants also will be given a tour of the Women's and Infant Center.

Cost is \$50. Preregistration is required. Call 737-2900.

Learn CPR

Cardiopulmonary resuscitation class will be offered from 4-8 p.m. Thursday in the Doctors' Meeting Room at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls.

The class will include emergency procedures for mouth-to-mouth resuscitation, chest compression and choking for adults and infants. The program includes classroom instruction and hands-on practice.

Cost is \$25. Preregistration is required. To register, call 737-2007.

Health fair

The annual community health fair, sponsored by Cassia Regional Medical Center, will be held from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday at the Burley High School gym, 2100 Park Ave.

Blood chemistry analysis will be drawn for \$25 and prostate-specific antigen (PSA) testing will be done for \$15. Participants should fast for at least 12 hours before the blood draw.

The fair includes free health information and testing with a variety of displays. X-rays will be served for breakfast for \$4.

For more information, call 677-6253.

Big Kids class

Big Kids Klub will meet from 10-11:30 a.m. Saturday in the Doctors' Meeting Room at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center.

The class is designed to help prepare siblings for the new baby. Cost is \$7.50 per family with one child or \$10 per family with two or more children. To register, call 737-2900.

First aid classes

The South Central District of the American Red Cross will offer standard first aid and infant/child cardiopulmonary resuscitation courses in March in Twin Falls, Burley, and Ketchikan.

Twin Falls classes will be held at the Red Cross office, 1139 Falls Ave., Suite B, and will include:

• Standard first aid with automated external defibrillators (AED), today and Tuesday.

• Standard first aid and infant/child CPR, March 11.

• Standard first aid with AED, March 15-16.

• Standard first aid and infant/child CPR, March 27.

The Burley class will include standard first aid and infant/child CPR, March 27. Civil Air Patrol building, 1057 Airport Road, Burley.

The Ketchikan class will include standard first aid and infant/child CPR on March 20.

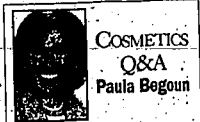
For more information on times and costs, call the American Red Cross office at 733-6464 or (800) 853-2570.

To do for you is a calendar listing of health-related activities, events and education. Information should be submitted by Thursday for publication in the following Monday's Health & Fashion. Mail notices to: The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303, or deliver to our office at 132 Third St. W.

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For your hair, LOREALS Garnier Fructis hair-care line has launched a complete line of styling products. Each of the products claims to contain fruit-based waxes from mango and apricot kernels, yet the amount of these waxes is so minuscule your hair won't even notice them.

but EverLites offers a collection of 21 softer, sheerer shades. Another Max Factor product to consider is their Colour Adapt Foundation (\$11.99). Dispensed through a sheer applicator, this one is of the reasons why the color can easily adapt to your skin color.

Relejos Super Lustrous Lipgloss (\$6.99) is an extremely emollient, rich lipgloss that has a dynamic effect on lips. This competes nicely with more costly options from luxury lines such as Chanel and Versace.

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Knees: Bush, other Boomers fight the decline of age

The Washington Post

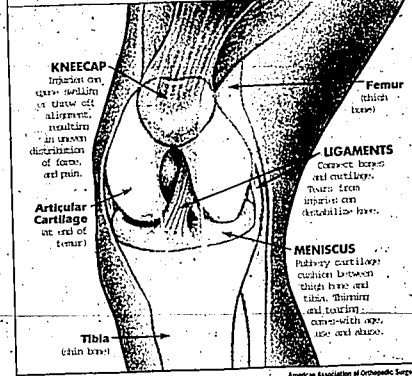
The Monday after New Year's, Dan Murphy got up at 6 a.m. and ran 10 miles from his home in Bethesda, Md., to Sibley Memorial Hospital in Northwest Washington. There he tried Saucony running shoes for hospital-issued flip-flops and had surgery on his right knee. Baby boomers, after all, can't let a little pain keep them down.

After 30 years of running, Murphy's knees needed realignment. Tendon tightness on one side, he explained, had nudged the kneecap into a position where it rubbed on another bone. Surgery was required to release the tightness and allow the kneecap to return to its rightful spot—and to allow Murphy to return to running pain-free.

A week after his surgery, Murphy had already ditched his crutches, and walked roughly two miles to a subway station.

Though on the younger end of the baby boom, Murphy, who turns 40 in May, typifies the uncompromising attitude that this age group seems to be taking toward its knees. Today's middle-aged people, say experts, are unwilling to give in to the wear and tear on vulnerable joints. Instead, they're turning to therapy, injections, supplements, surgery, transplants.

Some Boomer Knee Trouble Spots



House. But Bush already positioned his retreat to the elliptical trainer as temporary. It's all part of an attitude orthopedist Nicholas DiNubile calls "fix-me-itis."

Boomers want to find ways to keep on going, and they're constantly wanting to turn back the clock. "I discovered a multitude of Web sites with enough information to whittle down his injury, possibilities to a couple, including the actual culprit, the iliotibial band—a thick area of tissue that encases the muscle running up the side of the leg."

embark on ambitious fitness programs to rehab their aching bodies. But the most gung-ho knee-repair enthusiasts tend to be their filter peers.

"I have a whole practice of people in (DiNubile's) position who want to stay active," said DiNubile. "They're informed, they've researched (their problem), they don't take no for an answer, and they'll doctor-shop, too."

Murphy, who has won at least 60 road races and triathlons, said he had run since he was 10 years old without a real injury. But occasional stiffness became a nagging knot, he said, until one day one of those very ordinary runs around the Tidal Basin, one foot plant and boom!

He limped home and went right to the Internet. Typing "knee injuries" into a search engine, he was struck by the number of Web sites he found. Instead of a doctor, he got a couple, including the actual culprit, the iliotibial band—a thick area of tissue that encases the muscle running up the side of the leg. "There's even a chat line for this on Yahoo!—it's amazing," Murphy said.

Over the next four months he tried "ice, various topical treatments guaranteed to have results, rest—my own therapy according to what I'd read," he said. But the pain remained, so Murphy said he found a doctor, got a full list of treatment options and decided on arthroscopic surgery—performed with slender instruments through small incisions.

"One factor working against baby boomers may be their longevity," Average life expectancy in the United States has gone from 47 Please see KNEES, Page B3

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Acting out against weight-loss surgery

Many overweight people oppose the variety of medical options available to reduce pounds

Los Angeles Times

The newspaper ad inviting fat people to learn about El Camino Hospital's new weight-loss surgery program held out the opportunity to be not just a thinner person, but a better one.

"It's not what you have to lose," the Mountain View, Calif., hospital said. "It's what you have to gain. Pride. Dignity. And Better Health."

Marilyn Wann, 5-foot-5, 270 pounds and darn proud of it, scanned the ad and fumed: How dare they imply that fat people are not proud or that dignity is reserved for the thin? Wann threw down the newspaper. Then she scribbled and began to e-mail her friends.

"At the hospital's weight-loss surgery workshop in October, Wann and a handful of other blended into the crowd, most of them at least 100 pounds heavier than doctors say they should be. They listened to the surgeons — then Wann blew a whistle.

The infiltrators jumped up, whipped off their clothes and clad only in bathing suits (Wann in a pink two-piece), danced through the stunned audience with the words "Fat (plus) Pride" and "Fat (plus) Dignity" marked on their stomachs.

The pro-fat parade drew a crowd of about 100 people, many of them activists in the fat acceptance movement, as it is sometimes known, were galvanizing against a medical procedure they consider dangerous and unnecessary.

"Doctors agree that weight-loss — or bariatric — surgeries involve risks, but also argue that for now they are the most effective way for extremely obese people to shed pounds over the long term. The most common type of bariatric surgery is a gastric bypass, in which the stomach is sectioned off, leaving a small pouch at the top that severely limits food intake.

The American Society of Bariatric Surgeons estimates that 103,200 weight-loss surgeries were performed in 2003 and that the number will swell to 144,000 this year.

The surgery is recommended only for people who are at least 100 pounds overweight. Afterward, patients are warned to limit their food intake and to exercise regularly for the rest of their lives.



Bill Woltze, left, and Jeri Carmichael participate in a hula dance class at the annual National Association to Advance Fat Acceptance conference last August in Los Angeles. The group opposes the gastric bypass.

Many patients are lured to the surgical solution by celebrity success stories, dramatic before-and-after pictures, and promises of small scars — instead of the Frankenstein veils of the 1970s and '80s. Demand is so great that the wait at some hospitals is a year or more.

General surgeons are diving into the business of weight loss: The bariatric surgeons' association grew 39 percent from 2001 to 2002 and 43 percent from 2002 to 2003.

Against this trend stand a handful of organizations such as the National Association to Advance Fat Acceptance, the Council on Size and Weight Discrimination, and the International Society for Size Acceptance. More obscure fat pride groups include Seattle's in Seattle, Portland and the Bod Squad in San Francisco — a radical cheerleading group.

The stalwarts — those who dive into discrimination lawsuits, attend obscure medical conferences on obesity or make talk show appearances — know one another. Thousands of others have found each other through Internet chat rooms, e-mail lists and conventions. Many take solace in solidarity after years of dieting debacles, humiliation and loneliness.

The activists point to some successes. Three cities — San Francisco, Santa Cruz, Calif., and Washington, D.C. — and one state — Michigan — have outlawed discrimination based on size.

But their central belief — that the only problem with being fat is existing in a "fat-hating society" — puts them at odds with virtually the

entire medical establishment.

The National Institutes of Health, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the U.S. Surgeon General, the American Diabetes Association — and, of course, the American Society of Bariatric Surgeons — all maintain that obesity is dangerous.

Numerous studies show that obese people are at high risk for diabetes, hypertension, sleep apnea, some cancers and a range of other life-threatening conditions. "Someone who is 40 years old and 100 pounds overweight will get diabetes," said Roland Sturm, a health economist at the Rand Corp. in Santa Monica, Calif. "I know there are people who don't like it when I say that. I've had threats from some of those activists. But it's the truth."

Fighting the obesity epidemic, health officials argue, is not just a matter of health, but economics.

A joint study by the CDC and the North Carolina research group RTI published in January's Obesity Research found that Medicaid and Medicare spent \$75 billion last year on obesity-related illnesses. In a report issued last year, U.S. Surgeon Gen. Richard Carmona announced that the nation spent \$177 billion on obesity-related health costs in 2000.

The death rate for weight-loss surgery, quoted by the bariatric surgeons society and some fat activists, is one in 200. Serious complications include blood clots, hemorrhages and infections from leaks; follow-up surgeries are common.

Even measuring mortality, however, is a point of contention between the medical establish-

ment and activists. Many surgeons only count deaths that occur within 30 days of surgery. Activists, however, say that adverse consequences are progressive, and that degenerative conditions can occur as long as 15 years after surgery. Many cite long lists of friends they believe died from surgery or its complications.

One of the most recent studies of patient mortality, reported in a paper presented to the American College of Surgeons in October, found the surgery or its complications led to death in 2 percent of patients who had undergone the operation in the past 15 years.

But the study also found that the likelihood of survival depended on the experience of the surgeon, said Dr. David Flum of the University of Washington. Patients of surgeons who had performed fewer than 20 operations were 4.7 times more likely to die than others — a finding that underscores activists' concerns about the number of doctors entering the field. The National Institutes of Health only began to look at the long-term risks of the surgery last year.

Clinical trials should have been done 30 years ago, said Flum. He said more needed to be known about "the price we pay for getting that significant weight loss."

Nevertheless, the benefits to bariatric surgeries are clear, he said. "We've found a couple of amazing things," he said. "The hunger drive is almost completely lost. Also, hypertension and problems related to joints improve dramatically, and 85 percent of people who had diabetes before surgery see their blood sugar levels return to normal."

Number of youth sports injuries rises

South Florida Sun-Sentinel

The trophies get bigger, the players start younger and the seasons run year-round. And children pay a price much higher than just sweat: Youth sports injuries are increasing in epidemic numbers.

"Some days, our waiting room looks like a pediatrician's office," says Dr. Robert Sheinberg of the South Florida Institute of Sports Medicine.

Most of the time it's a sprain or a ligament injury, and Sheinberg says some Mondays he'll have up to 10 new adolescent patients, banged-up from weekend games.

"It's like beam-boom-boom, one after another," he says. He usually prescribes a four-letter word to the athletes — rest — in hopes that some down time will prevent a need for surgery.

Dr. Len Remia at the Cleveland Clinic Hospital examines arms of baseball players worn out from overexertion, as well as afflictions from other sports. Teenage pitchers are undergoing elbow reconstruction "Tommy John" surgery four times as often now as they were five years ago, he notes.

"At that age, it's almost always because of overuse," says Remia, who last year performed reconstructive surgery on a 17-year-old pitcher from Key Largo, Fla. Remia hears countless versions of the same story. At 10, a boy starts pitching and dominates the competition. Because he loves baseball, he goes on to play in his local all-star or "travel" organization. Maybe he travels in another league, too. He shakes off what he thinks are minor aches and pains, but then it hurts so much there is no way to shake it off. His arm is shot.

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"It's an epidemic," Remia says. "If a kid has pain, and it's not going away, it's not normal."

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years a century ago to 77 years today, according to the National Center for Health Statistics. The problem with that, according to DiNubile, "We have outlived the warranty on our frame."

"But ways to repair it have proliferated."

Some of these newer options, he says, include arthroscopic, minimally-invasive operations which he described as "like realigning a car's tire wires in a different way — partial joint replacement and ligament reconstructions.

For many conservative techniques, age is not the rigid limiting factor it once was.

DiNubile, at 51 a boomer himself, said that when he started in practice 21 years ago, "we had an unwritten rule that, if someone was

over the age of 35, you didn't operate on them" for torn anterior cruciate ligaments, one of four key ligaments that hold the knee in place.

"That rule is gone now," he said. "You can actually go in and fix it ... even if they're 50."

Just because they can fix a knee in some way though, doesn't mean they always should do it, the doctors agree.

"People read about these (techniques and procedures) in the paper and they come in with the articles, and they want this surgery," DiNubile said. "Sometimes you have to talk them down from that."

"Take, for instance, damage to the meniscus, one of the more common problems orthopedists see among middle-age patients. Bennett describes the meniscus as

"the mattress pad or cushion in the knee," adding that "when you're active and doing things over and over for years and years, you can wear out the meniscus."

"But people over 40 in general tear their meniscus because of (a combination of) gradual wear and tear and decreased blood supply to that part of the meniscus — a factor of age."

"Over the age of 40, we almost never repair it," he said. "It won't heal, because it no longer has a good blood supply. Other surgical options, however, range from a trim of the rough edges to meniscus transplants."

Active adults' desire to "get what the pros get" goes well beyond the meniscus.

As Shaffer said, "They see what we're capable of doing for an elite,

professional population — they see athletes who can come back (from serious injury) in the same season — and they ask, 'Why am I not eligible for that?'" Even if they had the same surgery, however, experts agree that boomers most likely would experience a slower recovery, in part because of age and partly because of other factors.

"A lot of patients want the surgery, but they don't want to do the (rehab) time afterwards," said DiNubile, who's also the orthopedic consultant for the Philadelphia 76ers. "Look at Michael Jordan. For every minute on the court (with the Washington Wizards), I'll bet he was an hour behind the scenes working out." To rehab properly, you really have to work hard, day and night."

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F&G hopes to expand fishing run

BOISE (AP) - The Idaho Department of Fish and Game is hoping to open about 40 new miles of river to chinook fishing, in what might prove a boost to the local rural economy.

Studies have found a correlation between recovering salmon populations and recovering rural economies. Don Hendry, a former Idaho State University economics professor, found that Idaho's 2001 chinook season on the Clearwater and Lower Salmon Rivers brought about \$10 million into Riggins alone. The state received an economic boost of nearly \$90 million, Hendry wrote in a report prepared for the Idaho Fish and Wildlife Foundation.

By contrast, the upper Salmon River basin from Stanley to North Fork remained closed to salmon fishing, and less than 1 percent of 2001's recreational windfall trickled to the eastern side of the state.

Fisheries biologist Tom Curet said the Idaho Department of Fish and Game is working to allow sport fishing of surplus hatchery chinook in the Upper Salmon, but warned the process could be lengthy as hatchery-raised salmon are listed as an endangered species in the river's upper reaches.

Study: SLC sees surge in immigration

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - With almost 9 percent of its population foreign-born, the area around Utah's capital has been identified as a "pre-emerging" immigrant gateway city, according to a new study.

The Washington, D.C.-based Brookings Institution lists the greater Salt Lake City area as one that has seen a surge in immigrants in the past decade.

Other cities cited as "pre-emerging" are Austin, Texas and the North Carolina cities of Charlotte, Greensboro and Winston-Salem, and Raleigh-Durham.

Police will charge suspect in shooting

BOISE (AP) - Authorities on Monday expect to formally charge a man suspected of shooting a police officer during a routine traffic stop and then barricading himself in a home during a four-hour standoff with police.

Juventino Torres-Vargas, 28, is in custody at Ada County Jail, where he was taken Saturday after surrendering peacefully to police.

Torres-Vargas is currently being held on an outstanding warrant resulting from an incident last week in which he allegedly shot his girlfriend in the buttocks, said Lynn Hightower, a spokeswoman for the

Boise Police Department. Officer Derek Whippis, 32, was alert but in critical condition in the intensive care unit at Saint Alphonsus' Regional Medical Center Sunday following overnight surgery, Hightower said.

The incident began as a routine traffic stop late Saturday morning on a suburban street. Witnesses told police that as Whippis returned to his police car with the driver's registration and driver's license, the driver got out of his car and fired at the officer.

A bullet hit Whippis in the shoulder and two others hit his bullet-

proof vest, Hightower said.

The suspect fled and was later spotted entering the back door of a home less than a mile from the shooting site. Residents of the home quickly exited and alerted authorities.

Police and sheriff's tactical response teams surrounded the house and negotiated in Spanish with Torres-Vargas for about four hours by phone.

Officers found a 32-caliber handgun in the utility room of the house after Torres-Vargas told them where to find it, Hightower said.

Foundation will build DNA family trees

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - In what could be the modest beginnings of a worldwide genetic family tree, a Utah genealogy foundation has created an interactive database of genetic and genealogical samples which the public can access and contribute to in hopes of finding lost ancestors.

The Sorenson Molecular Genealogy Foundation, established by Utah billionaire James Sorenson, has created a free Web site that allows interested members of the public to input their own DNA information into an existing database.

That data will eventually create extensive family trees that will allow curious amateur genealogists to find links with others whose genetic information matches their own.

Scott Woodward, chief scientific officer for the foundation, says the database is just the beginning of a

project that will be expanded in scope over time. To date, DNA data from more than 5,500 participants has been catalogued, and the foundation plans to update the database every three months with new information.

Any potential "match" means people are related "with a high degree of probability," Woodward said, adding the probability is in the "high 90 percentile." DNA tests are especially accurate up to eight generations back, he said.

Technology allows genealogists to go back as far as 50 generations, but the matches provided become less reliable because DNA can alter with time.

To participate in the project, a mouth swab test at a genetic testing company is needed. Saliva from the test will reveal coding sequences that define specific genetic markers found in Y-chromosome DNA. The markers are

then entered into the database, which searches for other matches.

Participants are also asked to provide available family genealogy, such as names, marriage records and birth dates.

The genetic portion of the database ensures matches despite spotty or inaccurate information about family lines, such as surnames that have changed or incorrect birth dates, but the database is designed to protect the identity of living people, Woodward said, with only people who lived prior to 1900 appearing on paternal pedigree charts.

Sorenson told the Deseret Morning News the project will highlight the similarities of people around the world, rather than their differences.

"We want to prove the science and let that carry us to the next level of kindness and dignity," he said.

Idaho native makes TV debut

IDAHO FALLS (AP) - A local actor will make his television debut this Tuesday on the Discovery Channel as the lead in "Billy the Kid Unmasked," a documentary about the Western icon.

Brandon Halpin, a 23-year-old Idaho Falls native, decided to pursue an acting career his sophomore year at Boise State University, followed by a summer at Film Actors Boot Camp near Jackson Hole, Wyo. The film's director, Dawn Wells, who played Mary Ann in "Gilligan's Island," later invited him to house sit for her in Hollywood.

The pool of 500 actors was narrowed to six.

Two hours after the audition, Halpin was told he'd gotten the part. But he had little time to rest on his laurels - filming started the next morning at 4:30 a.m.

"I barely knew who Billy the Kid was, so I rushed out and got as many books as I could," Halpin said.

Halpin had little experience riding horses or shooting guns, but most of the film, which was shot in four 16-hour days, was improvised.

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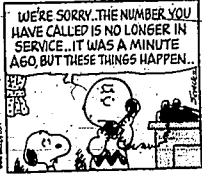
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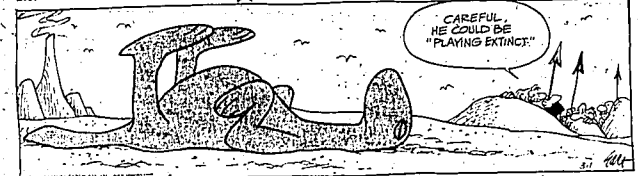
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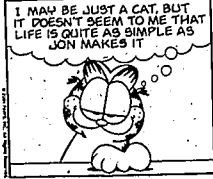
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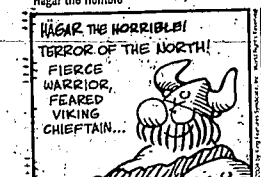
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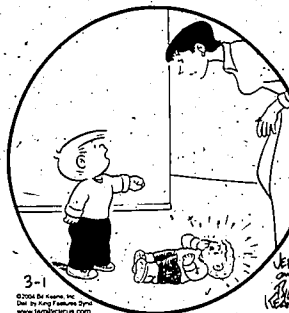
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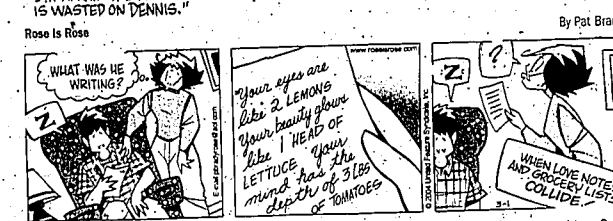
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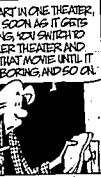
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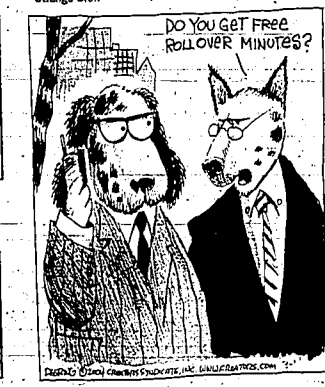
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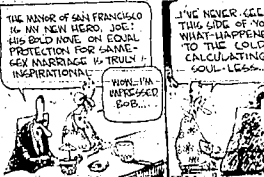
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School looks at student safety

Data points to head injuries in Morningside area

TWIN FALLS - This year, the Twin Falls School District's Special Needs Transportation and Safety Committee and Brain Injury Team coordinated efforts to address safety-related concerns in the district.

Data from Magic Valley Regional Medical Center and shared by the Safe Kids Coalition, a youth-injury prevention group, showed that a majority of head injuries sustained by young people in the community have occurred in the Morningside Elementary School area, the district reported.

This information prompted Deb May, physical therapist, Pamela Houston-Powell with Support Services, and Dennis Sontus, Morningside principal, to take action.

As a result of their work, islands were installed in front of Morningside to improve visibility and safety for pedestrians and students, in particular, crossing the street, the district reported.

Although the efforts were concentrated at Morningside, safety awareness was promoted district-wide.

A coloring contest was sponsored at all elementary schools in an effort to raise awareness about pedestrian safety. A winner was chosen from each school and presented with a certificate.

The Brain Injury Team includes a physical therapist, occupational

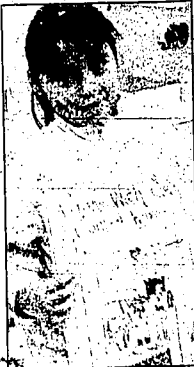


Baylee Howe, Morningside Elementary Cross Walk Safety coloring contest winner, receives congratulations from Deb May.

therapist, speech/language pathologist, psychologist and special education teacher, among others. When brain-injured students return to school from a rehabilitation facility, the team is a liaison between the parents, students

and health-care professionals.

The Special Needs Transportation and Safety Committee addresses the needs of students with disabilities and student concerns regarding safe



Caribel Parilla of Oregon Trail Elementary School was the Cross Walk Safety coloring contest winner.

transportation; outside agencies providing transportation to and from school; wheelchair safety concerns during transport, bus lists and routes, among other issues. It includes the directors of operations, transportation and support services, a physical therapist, special needs coordinator and special education teachers, among others.

For more information on the project, call Houston-Powell at 733-8456.



Members of the award-winning FFA team.

Murtaugh wins big at FFA competition in Jerome

Murtaugh brought home honors from a recent FFA competition in Jerome.

With just four people competing from the chapter, they received a highly placed award in every event they entered.

Drue Tolman, Eli Anderson, Kristen Egbert and Kelsey Cone won first in team sales.

Individual awards were: Kelsey Cone, first, telephone skills; Drue Tolman, second, sales, and third, interview; Kristen Egbert, third, sales; and Eli Anderson, second, product display.

After that performance, the Murtaugh Chapter will represent the South Magic Valley District in Moscow in June.

Congratulations go to Drue Tolman for his appointment as the Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership Seminar delegate. HOBY teaches students how to be better leaders at school and in the community.

Congratulations to senior Shawn Dutt, who was selected to have three of his drawings displayed at the College of Southern Idaho Fine Art Auditorium Feb. 27. This event was an opportunity for Magic Valley seniors to show-off their artistic talent to the public.

Under new leadership, the Devil track team getting ready for the 2004 season. And rodeo season at Murtaugh will compete in rodeo, Kaitelen Perkins and Bridger Ward.



Penny Pattee and her Drama Club showed their acting skills during the first production of the year with "The Devil You Say." The play, a humorous story about a student who sells his soul to the devil for success and money, was presented at Murtaugh High School Feb. 28. Participants included Chris Higley, Greg Gader, Bruce Tolman, Kristen Egbert, Janelle Bishoff, Jessica Foster, Chandre Damian, Eli Anderson, Dakota Hollon, Trevor Simmons, Tanya Randolph, Brent Cummins, Conley Dyer, Bridger Ward and Kaitelen Perkins.

With warm weather on its way, the Canyon Side Greenhouse will spring into action. The greenhouse is a School To Work business, which gives the students the experience and education to run a small business. They will sell flowers, garden vegetables, decorative planters and hanging floral baskets. For more information, call Murtaugh School at 432-5151.

Debbie Arteaga is senior class secretary at Murtaugh High School.

TEACHERS KEEP THEIR PROMISES



TEACHERS/ THE TIMES NEWS

Teachers Jim Watkins and Karyn Amen fulfilled pledges to East Minico students if they met their goal for Gift of Green. Watkins came to school in full Scottish garb, and Amen, who had not worn slacks to school for 10 years, came to school in pants.



TEACHERS/ THE TIMES NEWS

Terry Morrill, a science teacher at East Minico Middle School in Rupert, puckers up to keep a promise. He pledged to kiss a pig if students raised \$700 for the Gift of Green, a project where Minidoka County schools raise money for needy families during the holidays. The students exceeded their goal, raising more than \$800 in the two-week period before Christmas.

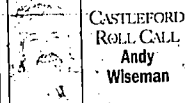
Castleford boys basketball team wins JV championship

The Castleford junior varsity boys basketball team captured the conference championship last Tuesday with a 43-42 win over Oakley.

Team members include Jake Hart, Lance Blich, Nathan Pryor, Danny Hill, David Wiseman, Spencer Vulgamore, Jason Bergsma, Chaebo Rodriguez, D.J. Estrada, Dustin Nolevanko and Sebastian Muenzer. The coach is Art Watkins.

Our fourth-grade students will travel to Boise on Tuesday with music teacher, Carolyn Kolthrop to perform in the Capitol Rotunda. Jaimie Koepnick, our fourth-grade teacher, will accompany the class and has arranged for a tour of the Capitol following our performance.

Also on Tuesday, Kent Dahl, our third-grade teacher, will travel to Buhl with his class to take part in a exciting program being provided by the Buhl Arts Council. Superintendent Kelly Murphey



CASTLEFORD ROLL CALL Andy Wiseman

announced that the state school improvement team completed their on-site evaluation on Feb. 25. He said the review team, consisting of Mike Genaur, Tom Standley, Mary Alice Tolford and Barbara Eisenbarth, was very complimentary of our school district and did provide a great exchange of ideas about methods to enhance education for our students.

We would like our parents to be aware that students in grades sixth through 12th will be given their six-week grade reports on Monday.

Andy Wiseman is principal of Castleford School.

Lady Tigers provide great final game in a perfect season

It was the perfect ending to the perfect game of the perfect season. As the final buzzer sounded, the crowd roared. It's enthusiastic approval and the Jerome Lady Tigers were announced the 4A girls basketball champions with a 54-30 victory over Vallivue High School.

"I thought our team performed well all year; they withstood a lot of pressure and expectations to come out on top. I can't be more proud of all the things we've accomplished this season," Coach Michelle Skyles said.

"We've been playing together since seventh grade, and we couldn't ask for anything more than to end our season 25-0," senior Vanessa West said.

Next year, only three Lady Tigers will return to the varsity team: Sylvia Miramontes, Lindsay Kulin and Allison German. This year's seniors were Mallory Meservy, Ashley Martens, Whitney Clark, Tara Davis, Megan Marshall, Krista Kulin, Elisa Hope and Vanessa West.

"It's not just all about basketball,



TIGER PRINT'S Kayla Earle

it's about life and we've learned a lot of things that we will take with us," Whitney Clark said.

The girls are more than just basketball players. The Jerome Lady Tigers are scholars, leaders, friends, family and so much more to all of us here at JHS.

Senior Megan Marshall said it best.

"Although we ended with a perfect record and a State Championship in hand, the greatest part of winning is devoted to the people of the community and those incapable of achieving such goals."

Congratulations Lady Tigers.

Kayla Earle is a Jerome High School senior.

Students show thanks to janitors

They wax floors and paint lines on football fields. They make our schools clean from wall to wall. These conquerors of the mops, brooms and lawn mowers, also known as janitors, are an essential part of Buhl High School and all schools throughout the district.

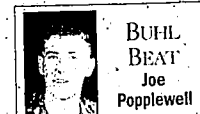
Led by maintenance manager, Grant Atkinson, our janitors make sure that schools are not only clean, but that all students have an unsurpassed environment in which to work and learn. However, their jobs do not get recognized very often.

Now is the time to thank the maintenance crew for all the work they put in to the Buhl School District.

Students who made the honor roll were treated to breakfast last night. More than 250 students enjoyed muffins, rolls and tangy orange juice. Students enjoy these tasty

breakfasts at the end of every quarter grading period. All students

GNPs over 3.00 get a free meal, as well as a hardy handshake and letter of recognition from the counseling department, which consists of Angela Hoops and Karan Hendrix.



BUHL BEAT Joe Poppewell

Buhl's Business Professionals of America Chapter will participate in state competitions the week of March 13 in Boise. There they will compete in a number of contests in a variety of business-related fields.

Good Luck BPA!

Recently Buhl's jazz choir led by Jennifer Schaff, choired at the Lionel Hampton Jazz Festival at the University of Idaho campus in Moscow. As well as bringing home some hardware, the students said they enjoyed the competition immensely and had the time of their life. The festival, which spanned four action-packed days, attracted numerous schools from across the Northwest. The choir will also participate in the annual Fourth District Musical Festival held in Buhl later this spring.

Joe Poppewell is the student body president at Buhl High School.

Gooding High School is selling tickets for dinner

GOODING - The Gooding High School Music Dinner will be held from 6-8 p.m. March 15 at the Gooding High Multi-purpose room.

Tickets will be on sale starting today from music students or at the school.

The cost is \$20 per family for five members or \$5 per person. Children age 5 years and under free.

The menu will include shrimp cocktail, salad, bread, cake, and beverage.

Entertainment will be provided by the high school concert band, jazz band, concert choir and Madrigal singers.

This fund-raiser provides money for student equipment, travel, program, music and event fees.

For more information, call Gooding High School at 934-4831.

School holds food drive to benefit homeless shelter

RUPERT - Big Valley Elementary School in Rupert is holding a food drive to benefit the Community Oasis Outreach Mission from March 1-17.

All canned food donations from the community and students can be dropped off at the school office, 202 18th St., Rupert.

For more information, call 436-9707.

Buhl jazz, choir students celebrate St. Patrick's day

BUHL - The Buhl High School jazz and select choir students will present an Irish Entertainment Dinner in celebration of St. Patrick's Day at 6 p.m. Saturday in the Poppewell Elementary Gym.

The menu will include fish soda bread, beef stew, salad, drinks and ice cream.

Tickets are \$7 and can be

purchased from any jazz or select choir member. A limited number will be available at the door.

A silent auction of hand-sewn goods, homemade baked goods, services and items will be held.

Students can qualify for agriculture scholarships

RUPERT - Students pursuing careers in agriculture can apply for scholarships sponsored by Agrilience and Cronan Genetics. Twenty \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded.

To qualify, students must be a high school senior planning to enroll in a two- or four-year agronomy related curriculum in the fall of 2004, demonstrate both leadership abilities and academic performance and write an essay.

Applications are available from participating local cooperatives or on the Agrilience Web site (www.agrilience.com) in the careers section or at the Minidoka

County Extension Office, 85 E. Baseline Road, Rupert. Applications must be postmarked by Friday.

For more information, call 436-7184.

Murtaugh School District releases honor roll

MURTAUGH - The Murtaugh School District has released its first semester honor roll.

High honor 3.5-4.0 grade point average Seniors: Kaitelen Perkins, Jillian Cutler, Joe Silvers and Janelle Bishoff.

Juniors: Trent Cummins, Bridger Ward, Emily Perkins, Chris Higley, Kelsey Cone and Hallie Roseborough.

Sophomores: Kristen Egbert, Drue Tolman and Eli Anderson. Freshman: Michael Adams, Kendle Stallings, Danielle Cummins and Emira Johnson. Eighth grade: Delantia

Hepworth, Izaak Williamson, Selene Delgado, Clara Vanhook, Iverson Gailey, Jared Gasolina, Randi Loveless, Joel Martinez, Jo Anna Randolph and Jesus Cabral.

Seventh grade: Corbin Vanhook, Taylor Titcomb, Ashley Bridges and Daniel Haysom.

Sixth grade: Zach Cummins and Hugo Martinez.

Senior, 3.0-3.5 GPA Honors: Conley Dyer and Jason Bishoff.

Juniors: Amanda Gailey and Cassi Fox.

Sophomores: Chandre Damian, and Tanya Randolph. Freshman: Bryant Bishoff, Vincent Kessler, Charlee Randolph and Brece Vanhook.

Eighth grade: Arlen Bishoff. Seventh grade: Abby Bowman and Iera Adams. Sixth grade: Cassie Bishoff, Anthony Castello, Breka Reyes,

Miguel Cabral, Rudy Cabral, Chelsea Cook and Ellen Johnson.

CSI offers class on ACT preparation

TWIN FALLS - The College of Southern Idaho will offer a workshop for college bound students, "ACT Test Preparation," from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. March 20 and March 27 in Aspen room 144. The cost is \$65.

Students will use software as an interactive learning tool to prepare. An instructor will use software to determine individual needs along with test-taking strategies, followed by separate class sessions in English and reading and math and science reasoning, followed by a final testing. The instructors are a panel of college and high school instructors from throughout the valley.

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LOS Siamese/Bicolor cat, by Washington St. N.

104 PERSONALS

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