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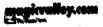
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Judge rules against Jerome Cheese

Gooding County was within rights to deny wastewater permit, Carlson says

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GOODING - Jerome Cheese Co.'s plan to pipe wastewater to Gooding County could be headed to the Idaho Supreme Court. Fifth District Judge Monte Carlson Wednesday upheld the Gooding County Commission's

decision to deny a special-use per-mit-for-the Jerome County-cheese

-mit-for-the Jerome-County-Cheese-processor to set up a wastewater project in Gooding County.

"Jerome Cheese had the burden' of proof. They falled in sustaining that burden, Carlson wrote. "The county commissioners reviewed the evidence"... and found, in their discretion, that the proposed use

was not in the best interests of Gooding County." Jerome Cheese has been work-

Jerome Cheese has been working for more than three years on the plan to send wastewater from its cheese, and whey processing plant in Jerome seven miles over the county line to a \$40-acre farmin Gooding County. Nutrients would be separated from the water and reused as fertilizer on the farm. The water would be recycled as irrigation water.

The company was "flabbergasted" by Carlson's ruling, Jerome

Cheese attorney Chris Meyer said, and will consider an appeal to the state Supreme Court. 'A decision like this really is a slap in the face to an industry that is doing its utmost to be on the cut-ding edge of environmental protection using the latest techniques to improve the environment of the Magic Valley,' Meyer said. 'To turn down an application such as this can only have the effect of putting a cloud over the business climate for everyone operating. In the Magic Valley.'

Gooding County Attorney Phil Brown welcomed the ruling as a validation of the county's planning: and zoning process.

Jerome Chéese, a major local employer and an important piece of the valley's dairy industry. pro-duces about a million gallons of-wastewater per day at the Jerome plant – primarily from washing of food-handling equipment. Some of that wastewater now goes to the city of Jerome's sewer plant, while Please see CHEESE, Page A2

Bills seek to prepare state a for cattle ID system

By Julie Pence Times-News writer

BOISE – Focused on separating Idaho from mad cow disease, House Speaker Bruce Newcomb substituted a bill he introduced weeks ago for tracking Canadian beef with a new one Thursday. The new bill would require that each Canadian cow entering the state be branded on the neck with a "C" and be implanted with radiotracking device in its ear." But perhaps more importantly. Newcomb is backing a bill to

But perhaps more im Newcomb is backing a bill to integrate the state at some point into a national track-ing program. It will likely in-volve implanti-tracing devices in all cattle. The legisla-tion, which passed the House Agricul-tural Affairs

House Agricultural Affairs
Committee, has the blessing of the Idaho Farm Bureau as well as the Idaho Cattle Association and State Veterinarian Clarence Siroky, Since the mad cow scare began on Dec. 23 when one dairy cow in Was hing ton was identified with the disease. Newcomb has been vocal about putting programs in place to control and track diseases in cattle Abeet producer himself, Newcomb was been vocal about putting programs in place to control and track diseases in cattle Abeet producer himself, Newcomb

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newcomb has been vocal asony putting programs in place to control and track diseases in cattle. A beef producer himself, Newcomb has said he's concerned about reviving world trade with the United States, in particular lapan, year from now, Newcomb will be looking to sell specialty beef to the lapanese market.

The legislation-that would have labanoes in the near future is based upon alignment with efforts from Congress to do the sanne. More than anything, the bill would authorize the Idaho Department of Agriculture to make rules for a tracking program. Then, future legislatures would decide whether or Please see CATHE, Page A2



Mary Hunt of Hunt Brothers Auctions sorts through Hems that will be sold at this Saturday's auction. Many of the Items in the sale are unclain

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property being held by the city of Twin Falls.

City of Twin Falls plans public auction for Saturday

Inter-New witter

TWIN FALLS - If they don't have it, you probably don't need it. Suff hig and small is up for auction Saturday, much of it seized or unclaimed property being held by the city of Twin Falls.

'Here's something,' said Marv Hunt, looking at one of many new watches to be put on display. Hunt and two other men worked all day Thursday retrieving items from the city and arranging them under the big top at Hunt Brothers Auction.

Between 100 and 200 people are expected to come out to eye the ware, and possibly snatch up every last bicycle, backpack and pair of pantyhose available.

"It comes through various sources,' said sgr. Dan McAtee of the Twin Falls Folice Department, We get a call or two a day about things like call bar two a day about them anymore.'

Among the Items up for auction are steel desixs and partitions used

at the department, as well as abandoned possessions people find and turn into police. The money raised goes into the city's general fund, McAtee said. Hunt, who's been auctioning city-held property for five years, unpacks every box first, inspecting the items for overlooked evidence or paperwork the police might want.

want.
"I haven't found anything real weird, other than some pictures,"

weird, other than some pictures, he said.
Items are given lot numbers to track who sells what. During the auction, a staffer keeps track of the numbers and how much an item sells for. The auction house will take a 20 percent cut from the city if the items net more than \$1,000.
Saturday's pickings could come in over \$50 in number, Hunt said, including everything from dodads and baubles, to a new DVD player and a motorcycle.
"It'il all-sell," he said.
The total dollar amount the items might raise varies depending on what's brought in and how many people come to bid.

Public auction

What: City-held property and public items on consignment are up for auction.

When: 11 a.m., Saturday. The suction may last between four and six hours.

Where: Hunt Brothers Auction, 155 Eastland Drive, Twin Falls.

Whenis: The auction house is open for preview from 9 a.m. to 5
a.m. Monday through Riday. Absentee bids are accepted from people unable to attend.

Some items up for bid Quasar Reptor blike wheelchair Werner 28-foot extension ladder man's wedding ring mailing scale Christmas wrapping paper small bundles of wire Source: city of Twin Falls

- Dell laptop with power cords
 Lawn Chief lawnmower
 Kawasaki police motorcycle
 Senco nail gun
 Doc Martin shoes
 Panasonic video camera
 two goblets
 small Yamaha keyboard

homes," Hunt said.

People who have had things stolen from them, yet failed to pick them up during their window of

Some trinkets come with a his-

tory.
Hunt reached into a black duffel bag and pulled out a crow bar, flat pry bar, screwdriver and tow rope.
"They use these to break into homes," Hunt said.

opportunity, might find their pos-sessions at the auction, he said. Bidding starts with vehicles at 11 a.m., with the other hundreds of pieces to follow.

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habis that are driving this health hazard. Several were reported Thursday at a meeting in San Francisco of the American Heart Association.

Lynn Moere, an epidemiologist at Boston University School of Medicine, found that just two servings of dairy food a doy are linked to a substantial reduction in ado-Childined dairy intake has been falling for the last 20 years, in part as youngstory preferences have switched from milk to soft drinks. During this time, soda consumption has risen by 300 percent. Another factor, though, has been fat phobla. Youngsters "consume less and less as they get older," Moore said. "Adolescent girls in particular are concerned about eating dairy because they think it will make them fat."

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Idaho Supreme Court says state can't make bad language illegal

Associated Press writer

BOISE - A divided Idaho
Supreme Court ruled on Thursday
that an individual's right to frestenden of speech outweighs to
states desire to keep children from
hearing had language.

The 3-2 majority opinion writen by Justice Daniel Eismann
declared that a portion of Idahos
low against disturbing the perce,
which prohibits 'any vulgar, profane or indecent language with
the presence or hearing of children, is unconstitutionally overbroad.

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But despite the majority's decision on the law itself, it still upheld the conviction of the appellant, a Kootenai County man accused of swearing in front of a 13-year-old boy and his mother.

From now on, prosecutors can't rely on this part of the statute as a vehicle to prosecute this type of conduct.

99 . – Lori Fleming, Idaho State Attorney's office

The charge stemmed from com-ments Joseph Poe allegedly made on Sept. 7, 1999, to a boy who had come with his mother to Poe's, home to pick up another child. Poe was convicted of disturbing

the peace. His attorney appealed, contending the stafe law was unconstitutionally overbroad. The majority, including Justices Wayne Kidwell and Roger Burdlick broke down the one-sentence law wayire flower into the processor and the last part of the sentence law into three parts. They found that the last part of the sentence, which relates to indecent language in front of a child, regulates speech

front of a child, regulates speech too dightly.

"The United States Supreme Court has repeatedly held that pure speech is protected by the First Amendment except, for certain well-defined and narrowly limited classes of speech." Elsmann wrote.

But the majority also decided that Poe's legal defense falled to argue that the Idaho law was unconstitutional as it applied to

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Dairy foods appear to reduce the risk of childhood obesity

By Daniel Q. Haney Associated Press writer

SAN FRANCISCO — Youngsters who skimp on milk and other dairy food to avoid ealories actually appear to substantially increase their risk of becoming overweight, a study found.

Several reports in recent years have shown health benefits of dairy products, despite their fat content. The latest research shows an unusually striking effect on weight as children go through their toom the weight is now the most common medical condition of childhood. The problem has doubled over heast two decades, and about 15 percent are now considered overweight or obese.

While the overall cause is too much food and too little exercise, many studies are attempting to sease apart the precise changes in

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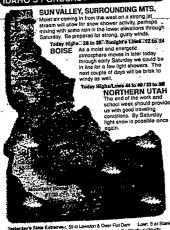
TWIN FALLS FORECAST

Today: Brisk winds at times with mostly cloudy skies, chance developing showers later. Highs in the mid 40s. Tonlight: Light rain and/or snow, showers switching to snow with light acclumulatings possible. Low's near 30. Tomorrow: Left over showers early, then windy and mostly cloudy. Highs in the mid to the upper 40s.

BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST

Today: Chance for developing showers later, otherwise mostly cloudy with brisk winds. Highs in the 40s. Tonlight: Mixed precipitation, switching over to wet snow, light accumulations possible. Lows in the lower 30s. Tomorrow: Windy at times, with left over showers early. Highs in the mid 40s.

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approve the rules.
The system would include more than just cattle. Hogs and sheep would be included, along with poultry and fish. Some animals would be kept track of in lots.
But there is one caveat to its bill that non-industry people might question, said frep. Darrell Bolz. R. Caldwell, who is carrying the light of Newcomb. The information and where they have been without where cattle are located, who owns them, how many there are and where they have been with the shielded from the public.

"Because of the potential for bio-terrorism, there should be some confidentiality." Bolz said. Slook and industry representatives said there is no way through the said the privacy aspect of the legislation should be held until people actually know what the national planentials.

"I'm always for "open records," she said.
Siroky, who came to Idaho recently from Wisconsin and has been involved in the initial stages of national identification programs for some thinks and some 700 organizations are working to put together a national planeting to the privacy emphasized he intends the Idaho plan to working on Legislation. and Siroky emphasized he intends the Idaho plan to work in concert withs national clorus. "There is now yay I'm getting out there alves of other states just to get chopped off." Siroky said.

On one hand, he wants to be lored the fold of the control of the rest is just to get chopped off. Siroky said.

programs. But on the other, he said had deed east want to make rules that are expensive to implement and then see that they don't line up with the national plan.

Giving an example of how easy it would be to bring foot-and-mouth disease in the United States from day one of 72 Third World countries known to have the disease. Siroly said it is imperative to get a program in place quickly. The idea is to be able to arack where a disease originated within 48 hours, he said. If U.S. business has ot sop for longer than that, it could be disastrous.

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trous.
"You think about the Depression. You think about 9/11. It'll seem like be a drop in the bucket compared to that if it spreads out of control." Siroky said.

said.

Ag Committee member Rep. Dennis Lake, R-Blackfoot, who runs a 10,000-head feedlot, called the proposal a "nightmare." He predicted he'll have to hire more people to keep records, but more troublesome is that technology hasn't caught up yet to read the implants.

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A cowboy has to hold a radar gun next to an implant for 12 seconds before it scans, Lake said.

"There are 95 million cattle in this country, and to try to track their movement over and over and over as they move across this country..." Lake said. "I think it's going to be a disaster, quite frankly."

country.... Lake said. Turnik congoing to be a disaster, quite frankly.

Everyone on the Ag Committee, with the exception of Jaquet and Lake, voted in favor of the bill. It is now headed to the House floor. Newcombs new tracking bill for Canadian cattle is headed to the Agricultural Affairs Committee to be discussed next week.

Cheese

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some goes into an irrigation canal
that ultimately empties into the
Snake River.
In Gooding County, the company
agues it would significantly reduce
discharges of phosphorus and
altrogen into the Snake River and
the regional aquifer, lerome Cheese
has a state Department of
Environmental Quality permit for
the plan, but it also needs Gooding
County's approval. The company
says treating the wastewater and
then applying it to farmland would
be environmentally friendly.
County commissioners, however, say the plan raises environmental concerns. Commissioners voted
3-0 in October to deny Jerbme
Cheese a special-use permit for the
project, finding that dotors and the
possibility of water contamination
were serious risks to the people of
Gooding County – and that putting
an industrial wastewater treatment
plant in an area zoned for agriculture wouldn't be in the county's
eatiler voted 2-1 to reject the permit, but Carlson ordered the com-

mission to review the decision in part because it had falled to record its deliberations for the record. The county commissions decision overturned a unanimous word of the Gooding County Planning and Zoning Commission to approve the permit. That vote was appealed to the county commission by county residents William and Gloria Archibald. Ferome Cheese then appealed the county commissions decision in 5th District Court.

Carlson's ruling this week centered on three issues:

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Whether Gooding County commissioners properly followed the county zoning ordinance and procedures.

the county zoning ordinance and procedures.
Jerome Cheese argued that the commissioners' decision was and was arbitrary and capticious. Carlson disagreed.
"This court finds the Gooding County Board of County Commissioners properly followed its own ordinance and procedures on overruling the Planning and Zoning Commission decision," and the substitute its judgment for that of

the agency as to the weight of the evidence on questions of fact.

Whether the Archibalds were eligible to appeal the Planning and Zoning Commission decision.

Jerome Cheese argued that the Archibalds, who live 3.4 miles from the proposed wastewater site, are too far away to be considered 'affected persons' and therefore had no standing to appeal But noting the Archibalds' argument that odor from the wastewater plant can cause irreparable economic damage to residential values. Curlson said it's up to the county commissioners to decide whether the couple's appeal was valid.

Whether County, Commissioners Carolyn Elecpuru and Rob Sauer should have recused themselves from voting on the matter.

Jerome Cheese argued that Elexpuru and Sauer had improper ex parte communications regard-

ing the permit and that they shouldn't have voted. The company said Elexpuru 'clearly based her decision on unfounded fears, suspicion and prejudice.'

But Carlson said there was evidence to the contrary - that Elexpurus decision was based on proper considerations. As a result, the judge said, her vote shouldn't be disqualified.

The question of whether Sauds should have voted was most, and the said of the contrary of the sound of the contrary of the said was not a support of the contrary of the permit.

mit. Jerome Cheese has 42 days a peal suppeal Carlson's decision.

The ruling seems to indicate that whatever the county commissioners say is good enough," Meyer said. That is not consistent with our review of the legal requirements. We think there are appealable issues all over this decision." [

Language

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Poe's conduct during the incident.

"He challenged his conviction under the statute solely upon the ground that it was overbroad on its face and not on the ground that his conviction under the statute violated his right of free speech, Eismann wrote.

So, the high court would not reverse Poe's conviction based solely upon his challenge that the statute is facially overbroad, he wrote.

statute is facially overbroad, he wrote. In his dissent, Justice Gerald Schroeder, joined by Chief Justice Linda Copple Thout, said that the majority? abstract analysis of the case fails to adequately address the events that occurred in the case. Those events are not pleasant, but they are necessary to understand why Mr. Poc could properly be found guilty' under previous

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Case law.

Lori Fleming of the Idaho Attorney General's Office, who argued the state's case before the high court, said the decision was a victory because Poe's conviction will stand.

But she acknowledged that it also strikes down part of the law. "From now on, prosecutors can't rely on this part of the statute as a vehicle to prosecute this type of conduct," Fleming said. "The court indicated that the Legislature can draw a more narrowly tailored kind of istuite to get at that kind of conduct," she said.

Poe's attorney, Douglas Phelps, did not return a telephone message left byThe Associated Press seeking comment. Joseph Poe has since moved to Spokane, Wash, He was not available for comment late.

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Dairy ₋

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However, her research, based on the Framingham Children's Study, found just the opposite is true. The nanlysis was financed largely by the National Health, Lung and Blood Institute with additional funding from the National Dairy Council.
Several studies – including Moore's – have shown that children and adults who consume adequate amounts of dairy foods have lower blood pressure. Some researchers have put adults on diets with increased dairy and found, to their surprise, that they also seem to lose weight.

In the latest study, the

surprise, that they also seem to lose weight.

In the latest study, the researchers did frequent detary surveys on 106 families with children and followed them an average measuring the skin blickness on four parts of their bodies.

They found that those who consured less than two servings a day averaged about an cuta inch of fat in a first of the consumer of the c

while those who are intereary were 25 millimeters greater. Dr. Stephen Danleis, associate chairman of the heart center at Cincinnati Children's Hospital, noted that the benefit was seen with a relatively modest amount of daily food, and overdoing it could mean large amounts of extra fat calories. calories.
"You shouldn't take home from

this that you need to eat as much dairy as you can, but it should be part of an overall healthy diet," he

said. He also noted that no study has yet shown that adding milk to youngsters' diet actually helps them control weight. He said those who get regular dairy foods may weight less because they eat moti home-cooked meals or have breakt each morning.

Among other findings of Moores study:

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Youngsters who are moderate amounts of fat – between 30 percent and 35 percent of total calories – weighed less than those who ate

cent and 35 percent of total calories - weighed less than those who ate either more or less.

Increased consumption of fruits and vegetables was also associated with lower weight.

Contrary to one of contrary the glycemic index of children's dieter than an ount of fast-burning calbodydates - had no bearing other eventual weight gain.

Just how dairy lood might more rate weight gain is a mystery. Moore speculated that calcium of some other nutrient in milk might help influence the way the body stores energy infat cells or perhaps dairy foods simply make children feel less hungy.

Moore noted some parents with hold milk from their children, although lactose intolerance is usually not a problem among the young.

CORRECTION

Idaho Rivers United stays out of salmon lawsuit

An article in Thursday's newspa-per gave incorrect information about litigation involving Northwest salmon recovery. Idaho Rivers United has chosen not to become a party to a lawsuit

against the federal government by a number of conservation organizations. That group is working out side the court system to secure 427,000 acre feet of Upper Snall River water to augment flows for column this year. salmon this year.
The Times-News regrets the

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Bush advertisements anger some 9-11 relatives

WASHINGTON (AP) - President
Bush's campaign commercials - on
the air just one day - have angered
several relatives of victims of the
Sept. 11. 2001 attacks, and a firefighters union that has endorsed
bemocratic rival John Kerry
demanded the ads be pulled.
The White House defended the
commercials, which show images
of the skeletal remains of the World
Trade Center and firefighters bearing a stretcher through the rubble.
"It makes me sick," said Colleen
Kelly, who lost her brother Bill Kelly
Ir, in the attacks and leads a victims
families—group - called "Peaceful
Tomorrows." Would you ever go tosomeone's grave site and use that as
an instrument of politics? That truly
s what Ground Zero represents to
me."

Bell Harbour, Fla., the

is winat chount 20 cpressions.

In Bal Harbour, Fla., the International Association of Fire Fighters Union approved a resolution asking the Bush campaign to pull the ads, spokesman Jeff Zack add. The resolution also urges Bush to "apologize to the families of firefighters killed on 9/11 for demeaning the memory of their loved ones in an attempt to curry support for his re-election."

The union gave Kerry an early endorsement in the presidential race.

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The controversy erupted as Bush's re-election campaign began airing the commercials nationally on cable relevision and on broadcast stations in about 80 media markets in 18 states.

The ads refer both to the terrorist attacks and to the recent recession and are designed to project Bush as a candidate offering "steady leadership in times of change." The commercials do not memion Kerry.

One of the dads shows the charred wreckage of the twin towers with an American flag flying amid the debris. Another ad- and a Spanishlanguage version of it— use that language version of it— use that language state the through the rubble as sirens are heard. Firefighters are shown in all the ads. Bush had said he would not use that attacks for political gain. Its indes defended the use of the inages.

"Sept. 11 changed the equation

aides defended the use of the images.
"Sept. It changed the equation in our public policy. It forever changed the world," said Scott McClellan, the White House press secretary. "The president's steady leadership is vital to how we wage war on terrorism."

1) The administration arranged for

FBI probe into

merchant ships

finds terror ties

WASHINGTON (AP) - Nine peo-ple with ties to terrorist organiza-tions were identified during a 14-month Coast Guard and FB I inves-tigation into national security threats and document fraud among U.S. merchant ships, officials said

threats and document traud among U.S. merchant ships, officials said Thursday, The investigation also found thousands of cases of potential fraud and identified individuals working on ships who had arrest working on the ship of the sh

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Giuliani and three others to appear
on network and cable broadcasts to
defend the ads. One Bush aide saidthe controversy gave the presidents:
commercial priceless free publicity.
with millions seeing clips of the ad.
Several relatives of victims also
praised the ads.
These images honor those
whose lives were lost, "said Debra
Burlingame, whose brother Charles
pilored the plane that crashed linto
the Pentagon at the hands of hijackers.

ers. Deena Burnett, a Little Rock, Ark.

Deena Burnett, a Little Rock, Alk, resident whose husband Tom wassome of the passengers on. United.
Flight 93, which crashed into a
Fennsylvania field, said the ads
were 'a perfect reminder of what
happened that day.
And Bernard kerik, the former
NewYork police commissioner who
lost 23 officers that day, said Bush
has every right to use the images to
show his leadership abilities just as
Kerry has usel floatige of his military service in Vietnam in his ads.
"It's comparable. It's about the
president's history. It's about the
president's history. It's about the
cadership ability, said Kerik, whois on a roughly \$140,000-a-year
contract with the Defense
Department to help establish security and stability in Iraq.
Bush is not the first politican
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Kristen Breitwelser, of Middletown Township, N.J., whose husband, Ronald Breitwelser, died in the World Thade Center, said Bush should not use the tragedy as "political propaganda."

Three thousand people wer murdered on President Bush's not cooperated with the investigation to find out why that happened," a reference to the effort the Bush administration has made in working with the Sept. 11 commission investigating the intelligence failures.

Harold Schaitberger, the fire-

failures.
Harold Schaitberger, the fire-fighter union's president, said:
"We're not going to stand for him to put his arm around one of our members on top of a pile of rubble at Ground Zero during a tragedy and then stand by and watch him cut money for first responders."

Bush, Kerry tie in AP poll; Nader takes 6 percent

WASHINGTON (AP) – In the first poll since John Kerry Jocked up the Democratle nomination. Kerry and President Bush are tied while independent Ralph Nader has captured enough support to affect the outcome, validating Democrats' fears.

The Republican Incumbent had the backing of 46 percent, Kerry 45 percent and Nader, the 2000 Green Tarry candidate who entered the race last month, was at 6 percent he survey conducted for The Associated Press by Ipsos-Public Affairs.

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Bush and the four-term Massachusetts senator, who emerged as the nominee Tuesday after a string of primary race wins over several rivals; have been running close or Kerry has been ahead in most recent polls that did not include Nader.

Since Nader entered the race Feb. 22, campaign strategists and political analysts have been trying to assess the impact of another

DAYTON, Ohlo (AP) – Former astronaut John Glenn on Thursday told a presidential commission of space exploration it would be a mistake to cut funding for international space station research.
Glenn, the first American to orbit Earth and a former Ohlo senator, said U.S. experiments in the low gravity of space have produced some of the most unique, cutting edge research in the history of the whole world.

The Bush administration has

whole world,

The Bush administration has said future U.S. research projects on the station would focus on helping achieve its proposed moon and Mars missions.

Space station research has pro-uced tangible results, including etter medicines and more pro-uctive rice harvests, Glenn said.

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Eliminating that kind of research would enable other nations to fill the void and benefit from new technologies, the Democrat said.

Glenn warns against funding cuts for space

presidential bid by the consumer activist whom Democrats blame for Al Gores loss in 2000. Four years ago, Nader appeared on the ballot in 43 states and Washington, D.C., garnering only 2.7 percent of the vote. But in Florida and New Hampshire, Bush won such narrow victories that had Gore received the bulk of Nader's votes in those states, he would have won, the general election.

would have won use generation.
Exit polls from 2000 show that about half of Nader's voters would have backed Gore in a two-way race. Nader dismisses the spoiler

label.
While Nader's support in the APIpsos poll was 6 percent, his backing in polls-in-2000 fluctuated in
the single digits—often at about 4 the single digits—often at about 4 percent, but sometimes higher. This year, Nader is unlikely to get the Green Party nod and faces a stiff challenge in getting his name on the ballot in 50 states.

Kenneth Freeman, an 86-year-

old retirce from New Smyrna
Beach, Fla., who leans Democratic,
was clearly unhappy with Nader's
presidential bid.
"Ralph Nader is fouling it all up."
Freeman said. "Ite's taking votes
away from the Democrats. I think
he's on an ego trip."
Bush's job approval in the APlysos poll was 4B percent, with 49
percent disapproving, which is
essentially the same as last month
when 47 percent approved of the
president's job performance.
His approval rating, which
soared close to 90 percent after the
Sopt. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks and
remained high for months, has
dipped to the lowest levels- of his
presidency in recent weeks.
Six in 10 gaid the country is on
the "wrong-track"- up-from than a
third of those surveyed – 35 per
cent -said the country is headed in
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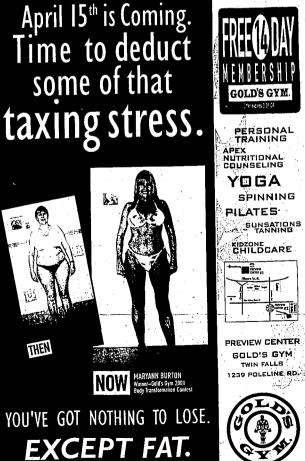
the right direction.
"We're 240-something days from
Election Day. We've got a long way

to go and expect it to be a close race throughout, no mafter what the factors are, said Terry Holt, a spokesman for the Bush cam-

the factors are," said Terry Holt, a spokesman for the Bush campaign. The poll was conducted Monday through Wednesday as Kerry captured nine of 10 Super Tuesday elections and claimed the nomination. Nightly results suggested that Kerry did not get a bounce from winning the nomination. "For all those who want to bring change to America, we need to remain united behind the Democratic nominee," said Kerry campaign spokeswoman Stephanie Cutter.
Kerry, who had solid backing from 28 percent of the voters, was running strong among minorities—people, with Inow. Incomes, Single—people, older voters and Catholics—Bush, who had solid backing from 37 percent, performed well among whites, men. Protestants, homeowners and suburban dwellers.

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Postal Service looked into **20,000** reports of powder

WASHINGTON (AP) – Since the anthrax attacks in 2001, work at the nations post offices has been disrupted by more than 20,000 incidents of suspicious powder leaking from envelopes and pack-

ages.

All but a few have turned out to be nothing more than soap, dust-tale or other non-lethal substances. Sand was the culprit in one incident – included in wedding invitations for a beach ceremony.

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Still, the scares have taken a toli in nerves, lost time and money. The anthrax attacks - which claimed the lives of two postile districts and the more recent rich cases are keeping postal workers alert and suspicious of unknown materials.

"A person will see Something on a machine, the floor, a case, leaking out of an envelope of box said Patrick R. Donaboe, the Ux. Sostal Service's chief operating officer. They have been instructed, if they see something the that to consider it dangetous.

The area then is sealed off and local hazardous materials teams and the Postal Inspection Service are called in, he said.

On Feb. 11, for example, three post offices in Petersburg. Va. were closed after while powder was seen leaking from a package addressed to Geneva in Switzerland. The sender, a woman had told a postal worker the package contained perfume. A for the pa

Testing ruled out dangerous

Testing ruled out dangerous materials.
While there isn't a pattern, more of the alarms tend to be in the East than in the West, Donahoe said, probably because the antimatacks occurred in Eastern citles and workers there may be most essensitive to the potential danger. Postal inspector Molly McMinsaid all have been false alarms other than the ricin and anthrax cases already known. Still, she said, responding to the false alarms drains resources. Postal Service officials said they couldn't estimate the cost of checking out suspicious packages, both for dollars and lost work for the still and the cost of checking out suspicious packages, both for dollars and lost work for the still and the cost of checking out suspicious packages, both for dollars and lost work for the still and the cost of checking out suspicious packages, both.

hours.

Donahoe said the amount of time lost depends on the facility. In a large facility, he said, only an area may have to be evacuated, while a smaller office may have to be shut down.

smaller office may have to be said-down. It also depends on the commu-nity. Some have, high-tech equip-ment that can conduct a field test quickly while others may have to send the material to a lab, he said. "I think that by responding quickly, the employees feel were taking their best safety and health into consideration." Donahoe said.

into consideration. Donaines said. Leaking suspicious powders said. Leaking suspicious powders that turned out to be harmless include powdered alfredo sauce, ground lentils, pudding mix and coffee creamer, McMinn said. Other cases have included leaking samples of detengent, sugar or baking soda. The Postal Service liself had used tale to maintain dryness in shipments of stamps sent to collectors.

lectors.

One anonymous reader told the trade publication Linu's Stamp News that he had six firefighters, two police officers and the local hazmat crew in his living room after noticing powder when he opened a package of stamps. The post office now uses a non-powder dry board in its_stamp packages.



People supporting gay marriage line up outside the Municipal Building in New York, Thursday, Dozens of same-sex couples waited outside the city clerk's office to obtain marriage licenses Thursday morning but were turned away with a lotter explaining that gay marriages are illegal in the state.

New York turns gay couples away; Oregon still issues marriage permits

NEW YORK (AP) - The light over gay marriages reached the nation's largest city Thursday as about three dozen same-sex couples asked for licenses and were turned down. One applicant warned, This isn't going away.

Couples in a New York suburb were also rejected, but across the country in Portland, Ore, a line of at least 100 hopefuls snaked around a building as Multinomah County handed out licenses to gay.

Cuples for a second day.

This isn't a matter of sacred and religious issues. It's a civil issue, said Nelson Iones, 74, who came out to support the Oregon couples and hopeful to seek his own license there next week.

It is not car how long the licenses will be variable. Democratic Gov. Ted Kulongoski has warned the marriages may not be legal and requissted a legal opinion from Oregon's attorney general. How York-Sattomey general. Eliot Spitzer, said in an opinion Wednesday that his states laws prohibit same-sex marriages, and New York City's top lawyer said the same about city law. Mayer said the same about city law. Mayer said the Still, gay couples began lining up outside the city clerk's office two

hours before it opened. First in line were Mara Gottlieb, 33, and Camille Gonzalez, 38, accompanied by Gottliebs mother and their rabbi.

They, like those who followed, were handed a 50-page rejection letter that included the state and city's legal opinions and offerd information about domestic partnership options.

We're disappointed, but we think it's important for people to come here, said Gottlieb: who wore a tara-like white bottlieb: who wore a tara-like white hour her. We want the politicians to know that this sing pand lesbian domostrators and the politicians to know that this sing pand lesbian domostrators before the politicians to know that this sing pand lesbian domostrators before the politicians to know that this sing pand lesbian domostrators before the pand of the politicians to have a companied them of the politicians to the north, byack Mayer John Shields met on Thursday with same-sex couples and his partner. Bob Streams, went first, and the town clerk office to apply or and his partner. Bob Streams, went first, and the town clerk handed them a statement saying she is not authorized to issue licenses to ples were also denied.

Shields, 60, was not surprised, "I chink it's wonderful that a group came together to fight for the rights we deserve," he said.

Shields had originally planned to hold a wedding ceremony for same-sex couples like one held ast week in the college town of New Palz, but changed his mind after the Spitzer opinion.

1 want to be a plaintiff, not a defendant, "Shields said.

New Palze Mayor lason West face jail time after performing 25 same-sex ceremonies last Friday III has plaintiff, not a defendant of the same sex ceremonies that Friday III has plaintiff, and a cour international to conduct more marriages the weekend.

A religious rights law firm asked a court Intervaly to bar gay marriages in New York and will seek to remove West from office.

Mathew Stawer, president of the III have the same show the same s

Some Mexicans entering U.S. may skip fingerprinting

WASHINGTON (AF) —The Bush administration may back off plans to require that visa-carrying Mecicans who make short visits to the United States and stay close to the border be fingerprinted and photographed, a senior U.S official said Thursday.

The move would be a concession to Mecican President Vicente Fox, who begins a two-day visit to President Bush's ranch in Canwford, Texas, on Friday.

Asa «Hutchinson, Homeland Security's undersecretary for border and transportation," told the House Government Reform Committee that the administration may roll back plans, for the extra security procedures for Mecicans with so-called laser visas.

Afterward he went a bit further, telling reporters, "I think that is what probably will be necessary".

A government official and a congressional source who spoke on condition of anonymity said Hutchinson had planned to use the appearance on Capitol Hill to announce that the administration would change the policy. His prepared remarks reflected that.

But just before he testified, someone in the administration raised concerns about announcing the plan before all security issues had been resolved, and been resolved, and been resolved, and been resolved, and hetchinson would only say the idea was under consideration, according to the government officials.

Mexicans make millions of quick trips across the border each year. In

cial. Mexicans make millions of quick trips across the border each year. In San Diego alone, more than 165,000 people enter from Mexico each day, many for work and school.

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Those who have laser visas are

allowed to stay in the country three days provided they remain within 25 miles of the border zone. 75 miles in Arizona. Such visas are issued to people who have undergone background checks and consultate interviews where they are fingerprinted and photographed. The visas generally are held by workers and people who need to the border.

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ine visas generally are held by workers and people who need to make frequent short trips across the border.

As part of the new US-VISIT program, those people are to be finger-printed and photographed before crossing the border starting sometime before the end of the year.

Metican border communities feared that could lead to long delays or prompt fewer people to enter the country. Either scenarios would hurt boal economies that rely on a steady flow of visitors.

US-VISIT was developed in response to the Sept. 11, 201. attacks to ensure that people no terrorist watch lists and other criminals don't get into the country. The first part of it took effect in James and requires that visitors from certain countries traveling on visas and entering at 115 major airports and 14 scaports be fingerprinted and photographed.

The program was that without should be one entering the United States. The government will need to install machines that can read the electronic information in the laser tries was a upset that under the visas at the 50 busiest land ports into the countries will need to install machines that can read the electronic information in the laser the machines are at only a handful of border points as of now.

Nanny finds aspirin-filled Easter eggs

IRVINE, Calif. – Police warned parents to use caution Thursday after 10 brightly colored Easter eggs containing leily beans and a handful of extra-strength aspirin werd discovered at a park in Irvine. The first egg was scooped up in 1/2-year-0d girl who was playing in the sand early Wednesday at Irvines Central Park, a private recreation area tucked inside the Northpark Square neighborhood at Pacific Crest and Amar-

gosa Street.

The childs nanny said she took the egg from the girl, combed the park and found nine more plastic eggs in plain view atop wood chips and white sand. Each egg contained 10 aspirin, police said. The child did not ingest any of the pills.

On Thursday, authorities warned hundreds of homeowners who live near the park by using a Teleminder, an automated device that calls residents to notify them that a crime has occurred in their community.

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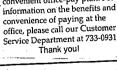




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Just one set of simple rules benefits land use

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service faint succeed together like a crazy quilt. With the two agencies' lands so intermingled, couldn't they share the same

win.
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That's the gist of
Twin
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manageme Our view: A proposal the Iwin Falls/Cassia Area Federal Lads Pilot Project, which management rules for the BLM and Forest is been pro-osed by a Boise Service in two local posed by a Boise law firm repre-senting Idaho Department of Lands. The basic idea is for the two foderal agencies counties has considerable merit. What do you think? We welcome viewpoints federal agencies to use a single set of land and resource manage-ment rules for from our readers on this and other issues ment rules for both BLM and Forest Service lands in a pilot project area.

project area.

Neither agency has made an official comment on the proposal, but it has considerable nent. If it cuts through the red tape that exists with public land use, it could result in fewer headaches for both agency personnel and public-land users.

The federal pillot project

sonnel and public-land users.

The federal pilot project would be the first of its kind in the country. The project area would include 630,000 national forest acres and about 670,000 BLM acres in Twin Falls and Cassia counties. BLM and Forest Service lands north of the Snake River would not be involved.

involved.

Public response to the proposal appears to be positive, judging by the comments at local meetings. Many of those who attended last week's meeting with Perkins and Coie, the Boise consultants presenting the plan, came from the ranching industry. Cattlemen seem

likely to benefit from working with one set of federal guidelines instead of two.

Under the plan-either Forest Service or "BLM-rules-couldmake up the single set of management procedures. Since most permittees appear to favor BLM rules, that agency will probably take the lead.

A proposal A proposal make good sense from an efficiency standpoint, both for 'permittees and for the agenties.

cies.
Federal agents
wouldn't lose

Federal agents wouldn't lose their authority, and forest supervisors would stay in place. In many ways, this plan is already taking stape, since the agencies share some staff and operations in the region. Earlier this year, the two agencies announced plans to locate their offices in the same thing. From the permittees stand office rules and guidelines is simply common sense. But, if a forest permittee still prefers Forest Service rules, the proposal allows him to opt out of BLM guidelines. guidelines.

allows him to opt out of BLM guidelines.
The proposal would also provide funding to the University of Idaho or College of Southern Idaho. That way the state can monitor the project midway through its 10-year term and reaching management goals. Idaho's congressional delegation should take up the banner for this proposal as it heads to Washington for necessary federal legislation. The plan appears to be a win-win for those who work within, and alongside, the two agencies.

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Fix marriage? Try sharing the remote

S o President Bush wants to strengthen American marriage with an amendment? I right to the strength of the strength of the strength of the strength of the wedding industry as Vern Wang. No, the nat threat to your average, rock-solid, kid/dog/picket fence/credit card debt/Internet pom/2 a.m. Ben & Jerry's marriage s, according to an informal poll lust took the remote. Most men would hannily marry Most men would hannily marry

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Most men would happily marry
Carson Kressley if he renounced
all rights to the clicker.

LENORE SKENAZY

And many women would "I do'
the "Queer Eye" star, too, if only he
would turn down the TV and
establish eye contact when they
said. You know, I ran into Sheila
today."
So in the interest of helping Bush
solidify the very institution he is so
worried about. I propose the following

worried about. I propose the fol-lowing:
Amendment XXVIII: Resolved:
Amendment XIVIII: Resolved:
Congress shall make a law requir-ing both spouses to spend at least one weekend per year doing some-thing one spouse considers screamingly shall but the other spouse considers completely engrossing - e.g. antiquing. Issh-ing, visiting a sister, visiting a sister win Just had twins, attendings sporting event, even one that involves giant trucks (which really sist a sport at all, if you ask most closets.

closets.
Furthermore, attendance at this creat shall be effected without grumbling, drinking or audible sighing, Nor shall loud rock music be blasted throughout. Amendment XXIX No in-law shall, in time of peace, be quartered in any house without the consent of the nonblood-related



relative.

Amendment XXX: The right of the wife to chat during TV shows shall be limited to commercial breaks, prouded the right of the susband to watch TV shall end after two half-hour commedies or one full-hour drama. This law shall be suiced during any episode of "CSi," which requires total concentration on the part of both spouses, because it is so confusing the contentration of the half of the one in Mannie. The medium to use the battroom sing it free of gleaming globs on any potentian surface.

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right of the wife to the hathroom also shall be curtailed if the fog of scented products becomes so thick that subsequent hathroom-users leave for the construction site smelling like Shallmar.

Amendment XOCIII: In all prosecutions dealing with whether a husband fongot a "special dady" or even remembered the special day" or even remembered the special day" or even remembered the special day or even remembered the special day or even the special day of the shall get over it.

Amendment XXXV of the other hand, husbands shall also spend at least one day a month in a Hallmark shop, and not leave without a stuffed animal, card, candy

box or combination thereof, no matter how astronomical the

matter how astronomical the
markup.
Amendment XXXV. Questions of,
"Where is the butter?" cannot be
submitted without the querying
spouse first walking over to the
fridge, opening it and actually looking inside,

ing inside,

Amendment XXXVI: Spouses shall not go to bed angry - unless; they are angry at President Bush for trying to divert the nations attention from its real problems by proposing a stupid and discriminatory amendment.

Lenore Skenazy is a columnist or the New York Daily News.

LETTERS

Departed friend will be

Thank You, Justin frederickson). To my friend, who was a friend to many. Thank you for sharing your time with us all. We love you and our ame with us all.
We love you and miss you.
DALE KUNKEL
Twi Falls

Japanese-American internment had a reason

Internment had a reason
I feel that I must respond to the
letter from Grog Rogers.
First, to explain why the
lapanese-Americans were intered
while the Germans and Italians
were ignored. There was concern
that the lapanese were preparing
to invade the west coast whereas
ille Germans and Italians were
tied up in Europe and could not
possibly invade the USA. We were
completely surprised and did not
know what the probability was for
a Japanese invasion.
The war in Europe brought to

know what the probability was for a Japanese invasion.

The war in Europe brought to light the dangers of what was called a fifth column - civilian spies and saboteurs who Jumped into action when the invading army arrived. We thought that the threat was real and prepared ourselves accordingly. Even in Oadley we had air raid warders and a sentry who guarded the Oakley dam from a little shack that was his permanent abode for the duration. This fiasco was the result of the lack of military intelligence but the threat was real that a Japanese sympathizer, would report the movement of troop ships along the coast to Japanese subs. Thus, it is possible that thousands of lives were saved by removing Japanese. Americans from the area.

Americans from the area.
The claim that the relocation was the result of racial prejudice is absurd. True, racism did exist and at one time, a law existed in California that prevented Japaness from owning property but it was cultural differences that caused

most of the misunderstanding and lack of communication between the two races. From the fact that there was only one doctor among the 10,000 internees at Hunt signess that the lapanese-Americans of that era did not have the tremendous drive to become well educated that is exhibited by present-day Jananese.

educated that is exhibited by present-day Japanese.
The bottom line is: Self-preservation takes priority over causing a recial indignity – even if the evidence is small.
KENT HALE
Oakley

Rangen water right is

Rangen water right is hardly in jeopardy
Rangens' 1962 water right is a wastewater right. In the early 1905, all of Idaho's water was claimed after the north side started surface linguistic. The water started to flow at 14 agerman Springs. This wat 14 agerman Springs. This water was the appropriated in 1962. During the 70s and 80s, everybody became efficient irrigators and the springulation of wells for the expanding flow of wells for the expanding flow in the springulation and ural development. So all these wells have established a right of usage unchallenge and, therefore, a right of way. This right is called adverse possession. A law states that once right is established by all the well users or consumers it can't be taken away without just compensation.

Rangendo other water users lind on the estimater now. The farmer flow to supply a destream user with wastewater. The farmer have to become effects after the startest water water water. The farmer have to become effects after the search of the water then be should pump it back to the head of the runs. They really are swimming in excess water.

water, then he should pump it back to the head of the runs. They really are swimming in excess water.

And who are these bureaucrats threatening us? The water belongs to Idahoans, not a greedy caller.

Good riddance to Laird Noh-cowing the people but not repre-senting them and siding with Rangen. Mr. Newcomb, you haven't helped anybody either; please ruting. ease retire. JEROME FITZGERALD

Leaders' greed leaves nothing for workers

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nothing for workers
The Magic Valley Regional
Medical Center leaders are like our
government leaders. They are not
there to lead but to see how muchthey can get for themselves.
They destroy competition or
send it to foreign countries. They
prey on working people with the
belief that every working person in
America has a money tree in their
back yard and it continually is able
to produce money.
Because of this one-sided mess,
we are going deeper in debt and
closer to a dictatorship every day.
Taxes and medical costs are
going higher, and Greenspan says
Social Security may have to pay for
it. Why do we have to police and
control the world, go to the moon
or Marsi Why not take care of
America and working people limits
Remember, self-government
will not work without self-control.
You've going to be voting in
November. Are you going to vet
for a new direction?
DON DEPEW
Jerome

Retiring senator's service

Inspired Idaho citizens
I respect Sen. Laird Nohs decision to retire from the legislative body, but I was saddened and deeply regret that the Magic Valley has lost a gentleman with a kenitellect and who represented us with integrity. It will be a big loss, not only for Ywin Falls County but for Idaho.

for Idaho.

I have learned a few things after getting involved with the Idaho legislative process over the last

four years. In my opinion, there are three different kinds of legislators. First are those with the intelligence and insight to be able to debate the issues and base their decisions on what is right and best

debate the Issues and base their decisions on what is right and best for Idaho. They have the foresight, to see that short-term benefits agnot always the best for our future. Second are legislators who are 4 there only to seek power and profit for themselves and their buddles. They have no come for the adverse effect their decisions have on citizens. Finally, there are legislators who are effect their decisions have on citizens. Finally, there are legislators who have neither the ability to understand nor have the intellect to debate the issues during the hearings but just sit there like a murmy and then vote like puppet. I marved at how these last two categories have managed to be elected by the most sophisticated. My family and my melghbors. My family and my melghbors have unanaged to the leact of a citizens in the wold. And the suffered over the last four years from the stends of the mega dairies south of Filer because of this lean of a citizens take their responsibility seriously and elect those who have the intellect and integrity to represent us, then we will have a caring and effective government. We have a democratic form of government, but if we are apathetic in exercising our rights, one party's platform will dictate the destiny of our nation, our state and our life. Whout balanced challenge or constructive debate of the issues, we will no longer have democracy!

Sen. Noh. It want to thank you for your dedication in serving adarance not only for your dedication in serving adarance to only for your dedication in serving and carin not only for your dedication in serving and carin not only for your dedication in serving and carin not only for your dedication in serving and carin not only for your dedication in serving and carin not only for your dedication.

Sen. Non. 1 Serving and caring not only for your dedication in serving and caring not only for your constituents but also for all Idahoans. My family and I wish you the best and hope that you will enjoy your retirement days to the fullest. God ess: PHUONG SMПH

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WITH AN INTERN,
JOHN KERRYS
LIBERAL BASE AS COME TO HIS DEFENSE.





By Bruce Tinsley



Kerry gets the nod, but Edwards shines

And now the envelope, please. One thing to be said for the accelerated timetable of Democratic presidential primaries is that the nomination was settled just hours after the Academy Awards went of the air. With that inspiration (and no pretense of matching Billy Crystals Wid), let's hand out the political Occars of this season. More will be announced after November.



It's obvious that the John Kerry campaign was the political equivalent of "The Lord of the Rings: The Return of the Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King, Just as that epic dominated the Oscars, the Massachusetts senator won battle after battle, starting in Jowa and going right through Super Tuesday. That he did so even after his chances had been dismissed by his chances had been dismissed he had shown similar qualities in turning hack the challenge to his continued Senate enure in 1996 from Massachusetts Gov. Bill Weld, the most appealing Republican office holder in a generation in the Commonwealth.

— Looking ahead to his mee with President Bush, Kerry can draw some comion from the fact that he his faced a Republican as personale as Sush and beaten him on the issues.

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the issues.

But this will be a tougher contest by far, and there will be plenty to

the issues.

**Jet this will be a tougher contest by far, and there will be plenty to write as it unfolds.

**For now, those envelopes, with a few freehand variations: Best Pirector: It has to be Mary Best Cahill, who took over as manager of a badly divided and staggering. Kerry campaign on Now. 10 and led itslawlessly and unobtrusively to wictory. Cahill had a talented group of consultants and advisers on her staff, but it was her calm and competence that seemed to liberate Kerry from worries about what was going on in headquarters and allowed him to focus on his job as candidate.

Best Actor. John Edwards finished second in delegates, but no one delivered his lines better than the young senator from North Carolina. When Sam Brown, a Kerry volunteer who traipsed across the country helping his

protest days, finally got to hear Edwards give his stump speech at the party dinner in Milwaukee tw days before the Wisconsin primau he was blown away.

days before the Wisconsin primary. He was blown away.

He was far from alone. Starting in lowa, people in increasing numbers came to see Edwards out of curiosity and left as converts. And the former trial lawyer had the scrift discipline to go through the scrift discipline the scrift discipline to go the scrift discipline to go the scrift discipline to go the scrift discipline to discipline the scrift discipline the scrift discipline to discipline the scrift discipline th

David Broder is a columnist for the Washington Post.

LETTER

Facts show the success of wolf recovery program

racts snow the success of wolf recovery program. There has been a recent spate of concern over the decimated elk since the wolf recovery program. Here are some facts:
In 2002, Idaho adult bull elk numbers declined but hunters insisted that tags would not be limited. While the adult bull elk declined, yearling bulls increased. By the end of 2002, there were more elk in the Middle Fork area than 15 years ago, before wolf reintroduction. Elk in the Clearwater went into a steep decline in the early 1990s, before wolf reintroduction. Elk in the Clearwater went into a steep decline in the early 1990s, before was an increase of elk along the Lochsa and the numbers were ranged as good. In August of 2003, in Bear Valley, the area was closed to livestock grazing. As a result, elk have increased there in large numbers. In the Kooskia area, only seven bagged elk were taken through the check station in 2002. Twenty-one were taken through in 2003.

All of these areas are documented wolf sites, yet elk herds are increasing where habitat is supportive and elvilization has not encreased. Before the

wolves were reintroduced, there were approximately 45 public meetings and public hearings held in Montana, Idaho and Wyoming. The majority of attendees voted for reintroduction. This is in contrast to rumors that wolves were "dumped" on Idaho without anyone having a voice. Idaho County commissioners passed Resolution 2004-12 to remove wolves from within the borders of the county "by any means necessary." At a meeting, Ron Gillette of the Idaho Andi Wolf Coalition suggested poison with out hesistation. Under federal protection, twolves short, trapped, or poisoned, or bounties or other incentives placed to remove wolves comes with a \$1000,000 fine and federal prison.
Words used to incite by the anti-wolf coalition are "catastrophic, claurcher disaster, alert, crisis.

Words used to incite by the anti wolf coalition are "catastrophic, slaughter, disaster, alert, crisis, ruining," said repeatedly to play on emotions. Facts need to be presented without exaggeration and innuendoes, and these facts need to be substantiated by unbi-ased (not paid or rehearsed) wit-nesses.

nesses. JEAN DREWREY Twin Falls

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AROUND THE VALLEY

Bolse bank robber resembles T.F. suspect

TWIN FALLS — A man who robbed a Wells Fargo Bank in Boise

robbed a Wells Fargo Bank in Boise
Thesday bears resemblance to the
sispect in several Twin Falls heists.
Officials are not saying he is one
and the same however.

"It looks like the same guy," said
Sg. Dan McAree of the Twin Falls
Police Department. It may or may
not be him."

The suspect is described as a
Caucasian man between the ages of
35 and 45, 6 feet tall and weighing at
least 250 pounds.

35 and 45, 5 feet tail and weighing at least 250 pounds.

The Twin Falls Police Department is continuing its investigation of the robberles, the last of which occurred at the Lynwood branch of Wells Fargo Bank on Filer Avenue East on

Fargo Bank on Filer Avenue East on Eppt. 10.

That bank was also was robbed on July 30, 2002. A Key Bank branch at 1865 Blue Lakes Blvd. N. was robbed March 31 of Bast year, too.

Anyone with information about the robberies is asked to call the Twin Falls Police Department at 735-7200, or the Southern Idaho Regional Communications Center at 735-1911.

Baby wins college tuition In drawing at hospital

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TWIN FAILS — Vivica Moreno is one lucky baby.
She was awarded four years of college tuition through the Native judahoan Tultion Fund at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, and the Judahose born at Magic Valley Regional during 2003 were eligible to enter the drawing.
Daughter of Guillermo and Monica Moreno of Twin Falls, Vivica, born Oct. 5, 2003, will receive up to \$31,000 to help pay for her tuition at any Idaho public college or university, according to a news release from Magic Valley Regional. Her name was drawn at random from more than 1,000 entries.
"One way to give something special back to the community is 40 ensure that a life starting out at our hospital holds great promise for the future," said John Kee, the hospital's chief executive officer. "It is another way that Magic Valley Regional and the hospital's foundation invest in the health of the community."

To receive the funds, the winning hidd must enroll in an Idaho college or university within 18 months college and then paid directly to the school at which the child enrolls, the revers release said.

**United Way hears grant*

United Way hears grant requests at meeting

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TWIN FALIS — During its meeting last week at the Ascension
Episcopal Church, the 2004 United
Way Allocation Committee heard
presenations from pariner agencies
of the United Way of South Central
Idaho who were interested in obtaining "targeted focus" grants from the
United Way.
The committee of 17 volunteers
from across south-central Idaho
provided recommendations to the
United Way Board of Directors for
allocating funds raised during the
fall campaign.
Announcement of the approved
allocations will be made at a press
conference set for .12:15 p.m.
Monday in the conference room at
the Health and Welfare building on
Pole Line Road.
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All-terrain vehicle meeting ook for this and more Magic Valley stories on page B3.

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Salmon Falls	113%	98%		
Salmon	95%	77%		
Oakley	116%	100%		
Blg Wood	95%	79%		
Little Wood	. 103%	86%		
Henrys Fork/Teton	108%	89%		
Big Lost	107%	82%		
Little Lost	93%	71%		
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State wants to join salmon litigation

Officials: Lawsuit aims to protect state's control of its water

The Associated Press

BOISE — Attorney General awrence Wasden asked a federal Lawrence Wasden asked a tederal judge on Thursday for permission' to Join a lawsuit filed last January over the effect of Upper Snake River reservoirs on migrating salmon and steelhead. In his petition to U.S. District Judge James Redden in Portland, Wasden said the state wanted to

protect Idaho's sovereignty and control of its water.
Five environmental and fisheries groups have asked Redden to require federal fish managers to consider the impact of about a dozen federal dams above Helis Canyon as well as all the dams helow on the anadromous fish runs and base their processory span on that. The groups contend an earlier plan from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric earlier plan from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration-Fisheries that dis-counted the impact of the Upper Snake River dams is inadequate. They argued that the dams have inhibited the river's natural flow to both flush fish to sea and

to help them return to spawn. In attempt to offset that Impact, here state had been flushing 427,000 acre feet of wafer down the river until drought conditions the past three years have made it impossible to meet that flow target. Idaho water users have maintained for years that flow augmentation does not have any sig. inficant effect on the fish runs while reducing water available for irrigation and other uses. Wasden said he wants to make that case in court.

"We will continue to support scientifically sound solutions, but

scientifically sound solutions, but we will fight any efforts to over-ride state water law and impose

HALFTIME HIJINKS.

College of Southern Idaho women's basketball Coach Randy Rogers, right, sits in a chair at mid-court as Keesha Olander and the CSI Dance Team perform during halfilms of the CSI men's basketball championships. The CSI we play Dizie State College at 5 p.m. tonight.

Commerce director praises Magic Valley

unwise and ultimately futile flow augmentation on Idaho water users," he said. Environmental groups have

users," he said,
Environmental groups have
guaranteed state officials they will
not press for any more in 2004
than the 427,000 acre feet the
state has provided in past years
from water users willing to rent
their annual allocations for thar
purpose.

But state officials and the Idaho Water Users Association for the Water Users Association fear that the environmental and fisheries groups will go after much more than that in future years. Norm Sernanko has estimated any extensive increase in flow augmentation will dry up hun-

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dreds of thousands of acres of irri-gated farmland in southern Idaho.
"We must never yield in the fight over the sovereignty of Idaho

"We must never your fight over the sovereignty of Idaho water," Gov. Dirk Kempthorne mlease. "This suit water, 'Gov. Dirk Kempthorne sald in a press release. 'This suit challenges the adequacy of our state water law to afford voluntary contributions by willing -buyers and willing sellers for salmon flow-augmentation. Our interests in this regard must be vigorously defended.'

Environmental leaders main.

defended."

Environmental leaders maintain that federal law requires the rivers and dams to be managed to assure the survival of the lish runs.

Hospital's outpatient services grow

By Sandy Miller Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Thanks to

TWIN FALLS — Thanks to advances in health care and state-of-the-art technology, more and more treatment is being provided on an outpatient basis.

"The trend of shifting from inpatient to outpatient basis." The trend of shifting from inpatient to outpatient can be seen in our own marketplace. John Groesbeck, chief Innancia officer at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, told the hospital finance Committee Thursday. Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, told the hospital self-told in the property of the self-told in the self-to

anys of verit weets in a hospital are now being done on an outpatient basis.

According to Outpatient Surgery Magazine, the forces driving the nationwide trend are minimally invasive technologies, new surgical techniques, advances in anesthesia and nausea control, and rising budgetary pressures.

Other highlights from Magic Valley Regional's january flancial statements include:
Total revenue: The hospital brought in about \$9.3 million in total operating revenue in January down from \$9.8 million, or 5 percent from the same month the previous year.

Expenditures: The hospital, Page 83

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area here," he said, "All eight counties have had quite substantial improvements over the last year." Madsen pointed out that Twin Falls County was the leader in Job growth last year while other areas such as Boise and Ada lost Jobs. According to Information provided the Department of Labor, Twin Falls County saw an increase of 2.621 Jobs last year while Ada County saw an decrease of 12.51. Madsen praised the College of Southern Idaho and Region IV Development. "It is important to recognize, the local leadership here, which is exceptional," he said. "The College of Southern Idaho is one of the most impressive work force devel-Imes-News correspondent RUPERT — The Magic Valley leads the way in economic growth in Idaho, state Labor Department Director Roger Madsen told a group at Thursday's rural development forum. Madsen said the Magic Valley leads the state in economic Iritidatives. "We haven't seen as an impressive effort in the state as we have here in the Magic Valley and others are trying to replicate it." Madsen highlighted the overall economic growth of the Magic Valley and the governor's rural initiative. "Take a look at your eight-county Dobbs joins ISAT panel after sacking of previous members

The Times-News and The Associated Press

By J. Drew Johnson Times-News correspondent

BOISE — The appointment of Variance and Press Boise — Obstite Superintendent Wiley Dobbs to a statewide committee adulating the Idaho Standards Achievement Test came after seven previous committee intembers were-removed by the State Board of Education last month.

The Technical Advisory Committee is charged with making sure the ISAT is valid and fair. The removals, first reported Thursday by the Lewiston Morning Thubune, happened during a Feb. 5 board meeting not attended by State Schools Superintendent Marilyn Howard. "It was a total turnaround, with no advance warning," said Howard, with appointed the seven who were removed.

Dobbs wasnit available for comment Thursday, but he told Thursday, but he told Thursday, but he told Thursday But he told Thursda

who were removed.

Dobbs wasn't available for comment Thursday, but he told The Times-News early last month that he wants to see the ISAT improved



attend last month's meeting because she was traveling. She intended to call in for the meeting, but it was over by the time she called. Howard learned of the firings Feb. 13 by listening to a tape of the meeting.

ings Feb. 13 by listening to a tape of the meeting.

The change signals ongoing leadership struggles between Howard, the only Democrat elected to statewide office, and the members of State Board of Education, all appointed by Republican Gow. Dirk

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oper initiatives in the country, not

just in Idaho."

CSI has been an example to the country through its customized training, particularly for Dell, he

said. "The U.S. Secretary of Labor mentioned the efforts of CSI and Dell of how you ought to do things," Madson said. "Out of all the programs in the country, she mentioned the CSI-Dell relationship first."

first."
Madsen was in Rupert to present
clty officials a \$350,000 grant from
the state that is helping improve
the electric system to allow Kraft to
expand its Rupert operation and
hira 35 new employees.
"We feel honored to be able to

obtain this grant and we know that Kraft is very appreciative and the new workers appreciate this award," Mayor Audrey Nelwerth

said.

The forums are designed to bring state and federal officials into communities to provide resources and explain to local leaders how to access the programs and grants to boost economic development.

boost economic development.
"We are bringing community leaders, mayors, city council people and economic development specialists together to talk about their successes and challenges," said Dwight Johnson, public affairs manager for the Idaho Department of Labor.

Senate rejects legislative review of mandatory test Idaho

The Associated Press

BOISE — Despite the support of most Magic Valley senators, an attempt to secure an independent legislative assessment of the soonlegislative assessment of the soon-to-be, mandatory test for high school graduation narrowly falled Wednesday.

On an 18-15 vote, the slim majority argued that the evaluation of the Idaho Stan-to-be delivered.

ation would Sen Dean Cameron
duplicate an
evaluation being planned by the
State Board of Education.
Finance Chairman Dean
Cameron, R-Rupert, rejected contentions that the board's review
would be tainted since it develpoped the test. Also, the evaluator of
the test would be selected by a
group leaded by an expert recommended by the Bush administra-



tion, which is a strong supporter of mandatory testing. But fellow Republican Laird Noh of Kimberly, the senior member of the Legislature, complained about how the Bush administration of Kimberly, the senior member of the Legislature, complained about how the Bush administration seemed to be dictating to the state on many issues — from assessing the mandatory tests to computerized certification of teachers to a special curriculum for home and virtual schools.

"Let's get our own determination of whether this is valid and not turn it over to the federal government." Noh said.

Also voting for the assessment were Republican Sens. Tom Gannon of Buhl and Denton Darrington of Declo, along with Democratic Sen. Clint Stennett of Ketchum.





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"I'm becoming increasingly frustrated by the constant progression of federal folks who regard us as some backward state ripe for exploitation — and with the judases of Idaho who are willings osell us out for an 'atta buy' and a Please see REJECTION, Page B3

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Orvil D. 'O.D.' Christopherson

Orvil D. "C.D." Christopherson.

83, passed away peacefully
Monday March 1, 2004, at a local
care facility.

Orvil was born on Dec. 25, 1920,
in Hazelton, Idaho. He was raised
there and gradutated in 1938. He
attended University of Idaho.
Southern Banch, known as ISU.
He has lived in Decatello, for the
1844 Oyears.

- He married Florence Sorenson
in Jerome, Idaho, on July 2, 1947.
After her passing in February of
1991, he met and married Rhoda
Mitchell in Elko, New, on June 15,
1992.

Orvil was a World War II veter
com, serving in the U.S. Marine
Corp, for six years, He worked for
the Union Pacific Railroad for 42
years, retiring Jan. 1, 1981.

He was a member of
Scottish Rite, El Korah Shriners.
Elks Clüb and Mt. Kippott

He was a member of the Scottish Rite, El Korah Shriners, Elks Club and Mt. Kinpott Masonic Lodge. He was also a member of the United Methodist

Church.
He loved his family, fishing, hoating, golfing, playing pool, camping and walking.
Should friends desire, donations may be made in his honor to the Chubbuck United Methodist



Church, 5157 Whitaker Drive, Chubbuck, Idaho, or to your

favorite charity.

The family wishes to give special thanks to the staff at the Idaho eVeterans home in Pocatello.

Idaho.
Ordi is survived by his wife.
Rhoda Mitchell Christopherson
of Pocatello, daughters, Beverly
Daniel of Pocatello, Joanne
(Jonathon) Mielenz of Gray,
Tenn., and Jayna (Gil) Kemmero
of Pocatello; sons, Steve
Christopherson of Omaha, Neb.,

anu Jetl (Cherl) Christopherson of Pocatello; brothers, Deo Christopherson of Alta Loma, Calif., Dale Christopherson of Pahrump, New, and Gale Christopherson of Payson, Utah; seven grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Florence Sorenson Christopherson, parents, Murdoth and Isabell Christopherson.

Murdoth and Isabell Christopherson; brothers, Wallace Christopherson and Jimmy Christopherson; and sister.

Wallace Christopherson and Jimny Christopherson; and sister. Lavinna Sorenson.

A memorial service will be held at 2 pm. today, Friday, March 5, 2004, at the First United Methodist Church, 200 N. 15th Ave. in Pocatello, with Pastor Marcie Collins officiating. Family will receive friends from 1 pm. to 1-35 pm. at the church on the day of the services. Interment will follow at the Mountain View Cemetry, where the Pocatello Veterans Honor Guard will provide military Rites Arrangements are under the direction of Colonial Funeral Home, 2005 S. 4th Ave.

Arthur Vernon Beem

Arthur Vernon Beem, 86, died Wednesday morning. March 3, 2004, at his home. A native of Idaho, Art was born in Nampa, on Dec. 14, 1917. He was the second child born to Virgil and Katie Beem. At age 16 he signed up for the Civilian Conservation Corps and worked on projects in the mountains near Idaho City and in the South Hills.

He returned to the Magie Valley

South Hills.

He returned to the Magic Valley and where he farmed in the Pleasant Plains and Perrine area. He married Sarah Bamberry on July 4, 1937, and they were later divorced. Art enjoyed fishing in the summer and snowmobiling in the

winter.

He is survived by Melba Burgess, his loving companion of 30 years; his children. Dub Beem of Twin

Falls, Idaho, and Beverly Beem of lerome, Idaho; brothers, Trun (Ruby) Beem and Kenneth (Donna) Beem of Jerome, Idaho;

and sister. Laura (Johnny) Kober of Burley. Idaho: grandchildren, Sherry (Doug) Masstas of Bolse, Idaho, Shelley (Iraul) Meckley of Winnemuca, New. Rufina Beem of Boise, Idaho, and Yoeng Beem of Jorome: great-grandchildren, Lyndsee Cenarrusa, Michael and Kylee Meckley, Lucy Maestas, and numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents; and sisters. Dorothy Rice and Anna Beem; and a brother, Fred Beem.

At his request no services will be held. A celebration of Art's life will be held at 1 p.m. on Saturday, March 6, 2004, at his home:

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that contributions to the American Cancer Society be made in Art's name.

Nick Shaver - Buhl Nick Shaver. 90, of Buhl, died Wednesday, March 3, 2004. "He was born April 22, 1913, in Hartsville, Mo. to Walter and Daisy (Widner) Shaver. The family invoed west to Idaho locating in Buhl in 1918. The family farm was located in the Clover area south of Buhl. He attended the Syringa country school and later went to Buhl High School. He married Evelyn Moore Nov. 23, 1931.



toric treaty signing that took place in Tokyo Harbor Sept. 2, 1945.
Upon returning to Buhl and civilian life, he found a passion for road and highway construction.
He worked for numerous contractors and later became a partner with the firm, Eagle Construction Company, One for his most memorable projects was having successfully built a high-

way up a steep mountainous area in Tensleep. Wyo.
He subsequently was awarded recognition by the Wyoming state highway department for this most difficult achievement.
He was a 50 year honorary member of the International Union of Operating Engineers Local 370, based in Spokane,

Wash.

He is survived by his son, Jack (Martha) Shaver: his daughter, Yvonne (Clayton) Cross; nine grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; and 23 great-grandchildren.

children: and 23 great-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Evelyn: mother and father, brother, Don Shaver; and sister, Ruby Eggleston.

Service will be held at 11 a.m. on Monday, March 8, 2004, at Farmer Funeral Chapel, 130 N. 9th Ave. in Bubl.

Interment will follow at the West End Cemetery followed by a memorial reception at the Buhl Senior Citizens Center, corner of Broadway and Main.

Gooding Manning Brown Patterson

Manning Brown Patterson, 29, of Gooding, died Wednesday, March 3, 2004, in Gooding, Idaho Manning was born Jan. 20, 1912, in Palmyra, ILL, to John and Mary Patterson. He moved with its family to Gooding in October of 1912.

They moved to their ranch northeast of Gooding in 1917 where he lived the rest of his life. He received his education in Gooding in 1918 behood in 1930, graduating from Gooding iligh School in 1930. Manning married Mildred Brown on Nov 3, 1935. They were married 88 years. They have continued to live at the home place, farming and raising sheep and cattle.

They purchased a ranch on the

1931.
She preceded him in death on. Dec. 30, 1984. They were the parents of one daughter, Yoonne Cross, who lives in Clarkston. Wash., and one son. Jack Shaver, who lives in Pocatello, Idaho. Nick was a World War II vetera, classified as a gunners mate

classified as a gunners mate aboard the Naval Destroyer U.S.S. Qwin. win. He served in the Pacific Theater.

He served in the rache it means including Okinawa and Iwo Jima. During this time he was awarder multiple citations for his gunnery skills in battle.

Later he witnessed, from his ship that was anchored next to the battleship Missouri, the his-

farming and raising sheep and cattle.

They purchased a ranch on the Camas Prairie in 1963. Their son, Jim, and Juis wife, Nancy, Joined the corporation in 1974. They sold the ctorporation in 1974. They sold the sheep business in 1982.

Manning was a life-long member of the Gooding Baptist. Church and served as moderator of the board for many years. He was also a 60 year member of the Odd Fellows Lodge.

Manning was a director on the Production Credit Association for





20 years.

He was inducted into the Livestock Hall of Fame in 1971. He also served as a commissioner on both the Goodling Highway District and Gooding Cemetery

District and Gooding Cemetery Board for many years. He belonged to the Idaho Cattle Association and the Idaho Wool Growers Association. Manning loved his chosen wocation of ranching and farming. He was well respected as honest,

hardworking and fair in his dealings.

It is survived by his wife, Midred; three daughters, Bontia (Allen) Osborne of Twin Falls, Arlene (Ed) Marshall of Meridian/Faiffield, and Maryfern (Don) Janak of Middleion; one son, Jim (Nancy) Pattersson of Gooding; 10 grandchildren: 15 great-grandchildren: 15 great-grandchildren: 15 great-grandchildren: 15 great-grandchildren: 15 great-grandchildren: 16 great-grandchildren: 16 great-grandchildren: McKinsey Osborne.

Service will be held at 10 a.m. on Sautrday, March 6, 2004, at the Gooding Methodist Church, 805 Main St., with the Rev. Robert Smith officiating. Burial will follow at the Elmwood Cemetery in Gooding.

low at the Elimwood Cemetery in Gooding. Friends may call from 5 p.m. until 7 p.m. on Friday at Demaray's Gooding Chapel. Memorial contributions may be, made to the Gooding Baptist Church. Gooding Hospital Memorial Fund or the charity of

OBITUARY

Melvin Louis Brehmer - Rupert

Melvin Louis Brehmer, an 81-year-old Rupert resident, passed wavy March 4, 2004, at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls.

valuey negional Medical Center in Melvin Wals Som on Feb. 14, 1923, in Anita, Iowa, to Martin Carl and Emma Marie Pieken Brehmer.

He married May Phillips Kent on Feb. 23, 1954, and lived in Denver, Colo., for many years. They moved to Rupert in 1972.

He served honorably in the military for the duration of World Wall. Melvin was a diesel mechanic

itary for the duration of World War II. Melvin was a diesel mechanic and owned Mel's Diesel Repair in Rupert. He loved his work and had a great interest in all types of heavy equipment and loved to attend

the tractor pulls.

He was a member of the United Church of Christ.

Medvin Is survived by one sister. Eleanor Bock of Iowa; four stepchildren; Robean (Parl) Kent of Rupert, Devere (Carol) Kent, Myrna Gillen and Arvon (Bonnle) Kent of Salt Lake City, Utah.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife, one brother and one sister.

Private service for family and close friends will be held at 10 a.m. on Monday, March 6, 2004, at the Hansen Mortuary Ruper Chapel.

Friends may call from 6 pm. 10.

B pm. Sunday, March 7, 2004, at 5 pm. sunday, March 7, 2004, at 6 pm. sunday, March 7, 2004, at 6 pm. sunday, March 7, 2004, at 6 pm. Sunday, March 7, 2004, at

Chapel.

Friends may call from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Sunday, March 7, 2004, at the mortuary, 710 6th St. Rupert, Idaho.



Hagerman residents discuss city's future

By Sandra Wisecaver Times News correspondent

HAGERMAN — Drugs topped nn_Baker's_list_of problems in

Ann. Baker's list of Francisco and Pagerman. "We have drug problems in my neighborhood," she said. "Just within the last two weeks, we have had two drug busts and I am very grateful for that."

had two drug busts and I am very grateful for that."

Baker's comments came during a town hall meeting Wednesday hosted by the Hagerman City Council to openly discuss corens held by city residents.

And while Baker supported deaning up the drug problem and trash, resident Niko Tzanakakis said he would like to see the city and Hagerman Sentor-Community Center personnel do something about the center's parking lot and adjacent street.

The last 10 years, there has been no improvement at the center, "Tzanakakis said."

"Hyou had a paved parking lot, I would volunteer my services every time it snows, to plow it," he added.

added.
One resident complained that a specific piece of property in Hagerman had become a "landill". Resident Pete Addison supported appointing a citizens watch-dog group to advise the City Council, which he said should establish an annual clean up day.

Think in the near-term, cleaning up is going to have to be done by the people in this room, resident Milo Packer said. I agree the businesses should probably take the lead. I know it's a state highway that goes through here, but I think right now if we get the state to come and clean it the week before Fossil Days, we're lucky. "If everyone would grab a broom and shovel, it wouldn't take us very long to go from one end of town to the other, Packer also added. Joe. Herring of Region IV Development, a nonprofit corporation that facilitates economic development in south-central daho, moderated the meeting, which drew more than 70 residents. Herring encouraged them to voice their concerns and suggest ideas to better their community. Residents voiced a wide variety of problems, from "slum landlords" to unificensed cars on vacations and dogs on the run. Some complained of haystacks and others listed tuffic concerns, such as excessive speed limits in residental zones, notely jake brakes, street damage caused by truck traffic, and potholes.

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Improvements suggested included a monthly news bulletin, after-school activities for youth, hometown shopping promotions, city sanitation services and construction of a new library, city hall

and community center complex. The town hall audience applauded resident Mark Boldus when he commended Police Chief Loren Miller and Public Works Superintendent Casey Kelley.

We have two new city employees, Boldus told the audience. "In the last 60 to 90 days. I have seen more activity from these two guys than I have seen in a lot of years. A limited budget and a declining population — which in the last census had dropped from 830 in 1990 to 636 in 2000, despite recent annexations—were listed as problems by resident Doug Winegar. He encouraged City Council members to be receptive to new developments and consider annexations that the control of the control of

annexing them, which would translate into more tax revenue for the city.

Tom Bricker said he wants to see more people get involved. Only a small, core group in Hagerman volunteer at community events and more people need to participate, he said.

"Mayor Todd Bassett conclude the meeting by pledging to following on the residents concerns." In my heart, I believe individuals really care about this community." Bassett said. "You say you want to volunteer your time, service and resources and I think we are going to call you on that. We need you."

Police find illegal immigrants in Ariz. drop houses

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PHOENIX (AP) — At least 115illegal Immigrants were found
Thursday in three Phoenix-area
houses after neighbors saw people
being unloaded from trunks and
horse trailers, became suspicious
and called police, officials sailed
"drop houses" found in the
Phoenix area in the past three
weeks. In all, about 350 illegal
immigrants have beeff rounder
up. Since the beginning of
February, about 30 suspects have
been taken into custody.
Officials say the numbers are
tunprecedented.
"Before we do our 'Chicken
Little' thing and think the sky is
falling, we have to put this into historic perspective," sald Russell Ahr,
aspokesman for the U.S. Bureau of
Immigration and Customs
Enforcement. "We have seen

greater levels of smuggling activity... in Maricopa County in the past.
Fifty-eight immigrants were found inside a two-bedroom apartment in Mesa on Thursday morning. Ahr said.
A few hours later, Mesa police received a call from someone who saw people being unloaded from trucks and moved into an apartment, where they later found 19 illegal immigrants.
The apartment was being rented by someone facing deportation and agents were trying to see what the renter knew about the group staying there. Ahr said.
A couple hours later, Phoenix police received a call from a neighbor who saw people being unloaded from a horse tailer and taken into a house.
Police deciatined five people whower in a pickup that was towing the trailer as they were driving

away from the house.

They found about 45 people inside the house in south Phoenix.

Ahr said. Four firearms were recov-

inside the house in south Phoenix. Ahr said. Four fireams were recovered.

"I think that the drop house situation is as it's always been." said Border Patrol Chief Gus De La Vina, who was touring patrol operations along the border this week. The number of apprehensions at these drop houses may not up, but the total apprehensions by the Border Patrol are.

Border Patrol afficials point mainly to the increase in agents for the surge in apprehensions -44,504 this February compared to 33,849 last February.

The Border Patrol had 43 agents in 1988, compared to about 1,900 now, said Border Patrol spokesman Andy Adame. Since last year, 150 agents have been added.

SERVICES

Valgene Povey

RUPERT — Valgene Povey, 60 year-old Rupert resident, died Thursday, March 4, 2004, at his residence.

Arrangements will be made by Payne Mortuary in Burley.

Howard O. 'Christy' Christiansen

CODING — Howard O.
"Christy" Christansen. 89, died
Wednesday, March 3, 2004, at
Gooding County Memorial
Hospital in Gooding,
Arrangements will be made by
Demarny's Gooding Chapel.

Roman James Moyer

BURLEY — Roman James Moyer, 17-month-old son of Todd and Shawna Moyer of Burley, died Thursday, March

4, 2004, at Cassia Regional Medical Center in Burley of sud-den illness.

Arrangements will be made by Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley.

DEATH NOTICES

Doris (Faye) M. Wokerslen, service at 11 a.m. today at the Lighthouse Fellowship Church. (Demaray's Funeral Chapel)

Reed C. Condie of Gooding, service at 2 p.m. today at Demaray's Chapel in Gooding.

Lida Odetta Madsen Jackson of Twin Falls, funeral at 10 a.m. today in the Gooding Ward LDS Chapel. Viewing from 9-9-45 a.m. today at the church. (Hove Robertson Funeral Chapel.)

Gary Lee Dean of Rupert, graveside service at 2 p.m. today

at the Rupert cemetery. (Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel.)

Dennis Reed Blackwood, service at 3 p.m. Sajurday at Ascension Episcopal Church. (Reynolds Funeral Chapel)

Michael Andrew Powlus of Seattle, Wash., memorial Mass at 8 a.m. Saturday at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church, 630 Falls Ave. E., Twin Falls, Idaho.

Phyllis Kourland funeral at 1 p.m. Monday at the St. Thomas Episcopal Church (Wood River Chapel)

You are invited

to join a nondenominational Christian Men's Fellowship that meets every Saturday morning at 7 am in the Depot Grill banquet room (545 Shoshone St. S.).

Includes song & personal testimonials on how the Lord Is working in your life. Everyone is welcome. No-host breakfast is available.

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Killed in House

555 (Transportation and se) — increases title fees paid on vehicle transactions from \$8 to

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SB1229 (Resources and
Environment) — Clarifles meeting
dates for the Fish and Game
Commission.

SB1230 (Resources and
Environment) — Allows the Fish and
Game Commission to set sign requirements for shooting preserves.

SB1253 (Ring) — Limits solution
Committee to a candidate to \$2,000 for

Sent to Governor

HB720 (Revenue and Taxation)

Brings Idaho's income tax law into conformance with the federal tax law.

Introduced in House

HB808 (Business) — Clarifies whether health care plans are managed care plans for purposes of Title 41, Chapter 39, Idaho Code.

39, Idaho Code.
HB809 (Revenue and Tax)—
Requires minimum of 30 percent of the
qualified electors to vote at a bond
election in order for the bond to pass
an increase of more than 3 percent
above the statutory authority of the
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HB810 (Revenue and Tax) — Allows the American Legion to make tax-exempt purchases.

HB811 (State Alfairs) — Requires political campaigns to make semilannual reports on Jan. 31 and July 31 if there are unexpended contributions in

dahos Legislature 2004

the account.
HBB12 (State Affairs) — Amends
Idaho law to recognize requirements of
the federal Health insurance Portability
and Accountability Act.
HBB13 (State Affairs) — Revises the
definition of "pecuniary benefit" to
strike language referring to "economic

Introduced in Senate

multistate talks on a streamlined sales tax system. SB1438 (State Affairs) — Updates the state law authorizing the Commission

state law authorizing use con the Arts.
SB1439 [Local Government and Tixualion]—Creates the County-Based Intermodal Commerce Authority.
SCR133 (Judiciary and Rules)—Creates a special committee to assess public charter schools.
SR109 (State Affairs)—Recognizes the late Fanice Dixon for her service as a teacher in Idaho Falls.

Park Service wilderness official quits, says agency shirks duty

SANTA FE, N.M. (AP) — A former wilderness coordinator for the National Park Service in Rocky Mountain states says the agency has shirked its responsibilities to protect the nation's wild backcoun-

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Im Walters, who retired in
January after 37 years with the
agency, said Thursday that the Park
Service hasn't carried out its mission under the 1964 Wilderness Act.

It's been 40 years. You son of run
out of excusses why you aren't doing
a better job of wilderness. Walters
said in a telephone interview from
his home in Santa Ee.

He said he left the agency
because he didn't want to make a
forced transfer from Santa Fe to a
regional office in Denver.

After he retired, Walters sent a
hilstering letter in late January of
Park Service Director Fran Mainella
that said the agency has accomplished very little in implementing
either the letter or spirit of the
Wilderness Act.

The Park Service, he wrote, has
the state of the

Wilderness Act."
The Park Service, he wrote, "has falled to properly identify and protect its wilderness resources" and

"senior level managers continue to demonstrate either a lack of con-cern and or open hostility to the service's wilderness responsibili-

ties."

A Park Service spokesman, Rick Frost, said the agency decided to move Walters' position because it would be "more effective to have the wildemess person" in the Intermountain Region office in

Denver.

He also said Walters' criticisms
were "wide of the mark by a good

degree."
"The Park Service mandate is to

The Park Service mandate is to manage its resources unimpater for future generations," said Frost. "Our managers are dedicated resources unimpater for future generations," said Frost. The Park Service had a "historic lack of commitment to wilderness." The agency has not finished assessing its land for potential eligibility swilderness and has not adopted management plans for most wilderness areas. He said park managers ignore or violate rules, which exposes the agency to law-suits and embarrassment.

Dobbs

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Kempthorme
The Feb. 5 meeting notice indicated the existing Technical
Advisory Committee members
would be reappointed.
Randy Thompson, the board's
academic officer, said the published agenda was incorrect
because of miscommunication.
But he said the committee membership was changed to meet new
challenges regarding the fairness
and validity of the state's standardizzed tests.

and validity of the state's standard-ized tests.
Howard sald consistency was rotical for the panel, which began work two years ago as part of Idahos effor to comply with the federal No Child Left Behind Act and maintain federal financing. But Thompson said changing personnel on such panels is com-mon in many states to ensure fresh-respectives on testing issues. He

perspectives on testing issues. He said the change will have no impact on Idaho's requirement to comply with the federal law by next

year. For the past year, the state board

has been gradually taking control of programs and responsibilities that for decades had been the purview of the state superintend-ent, regardless of political affilia-

tion.

The tug-of-war began last year when the board convinced the when the board convinced the Legislature to give it control of more than \$100 million in federal program money. That included cash for the soon-to-be-mandato-ry high school graduation test. Those dismissed from the advi-

rynign school gatantion tea.

Those dismissed from the advisory committee were Davis francis of the University of Houston, testing expert Garly Hargett from Oregon, Carolyn Keeler of the University of Idaho, Skip Klfer of the University of Kenucky and Michael Kozlow and Jim Leffler from the Northwest Regional Education Laboratory. In their place, the state board has appointed Dobbs and Thomas Fisher, a Tennessee testing expert who is developing criteria for selection of an independent expert to evaluate the ISAT. The other five members will be named later.

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has of gold." Schroeder said.

The board's criteria for evaluating the ISAT is being written by
Thomas Fisher, a testing expert
from Tennessee who was recommended by U.S. Education
Secretary Rodney Palge, Cameron
said.

Schroeder once was a harsh critic of the test that under state board directive will be among the option students must meet to graduate in 2006 and 2007 and the only option boards in 2008.

However, after reviewing it entire this year, he said a senior graduating from a school in this state outgit to pass it or not get a diplome.

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But he said the test needs to be validated because the state will be sued by one of the first students who is denied graduation for failing the test and the assessment can show that the state did not act arbi-

How they voted

Let us the 18-17 vote by which the Senate refused to authorize an assessment of the idaho Standards Achievement Test by Its Office of Performance Evaluation. A "no" vote was a vote against the assessment, and there were 18 "no" votes.

"no" votes.

Republicans for (10) —
Andreason, Balley, Darrington,
Gannon, Goedde, Ingram, Keough,
McWilliams, Non and Schroeder.

Democrate for (7) — Burkett, Calabretta, Kennedy, Malepeal, Marley, Stennett and Werk.

Mariey, Stennett and Werk.

Republicans apainst (18) —
Anderson (Noble), Brandt,
Bunderson, Burtanshaw, Cameron,
Darks, Duncan (Compton), Geddes,
Hill, Little, Lodge, McKenzle,
Pearce, Richardson, Sorrenson,
Stegner, Sweet and Williams.

Democrats against — None.

Heyburn annexations aim to create jobs

By Chip Thompson Times-News writer

HEYBURN — City officials recently annexed land into the city limits and have plans for future annexations as part of their effort to boost economic development in

Heyburn.
At last week's City Council meeing, council members voted to
annex 143 acres of unincorporated
Minidoka County, property along
interstate 84, west of U.S. Highway
30, A public hearing to discuss the
proposed annexation of land next

to this property is scheduled during. Wednesdays 7 p.m. council meeting at City Hall.
The goal of the annexations is to create economic growth and jobs after the loss of the J. R. Simploit Co. potato processing plant. Heyburn City Attorney Steve fulf said.
The annexations will extended a sewer and water services to the

The annexations will extend sower and water services to the Centennial Industrial Park, which houses the new Coast to Coast Carports, former Midway subdivision and Schow's Inc.'s planned truck repair facility. The annexed land will continue to be zoned

industrial light.

This is a voluntary annexation, Minidoka County Director of Community Development Paul Aston said, 'in which all land owners agree to the annexation.' Three owners are interested in future expansion and some of the land was stanceed with this expansion in mind.

mind.

A block grant administered by Region IV Development is expected to help pay for the utility work.

"We need to expand while block grant funds are available," Tuft said.

Coast to Coast Carports Inc.

manufactures and distributes car-ports and specially buildings and is constructing a new assembly plant in Heyhum that it hopes will sup-port a staff of more than 40. Schow's Inc. is constructing a 16,000-square-foot, truck repair facility on the northwest side of U.S. Highway 30, co-owner Don Schow said. Schow plans to hire 10 new people to work at the new facility.

Times-News reporter Chip Thompson can be reached at 208-677-4042, Ext. 638, or by e-mail at cthompson@magicvalley.com.

All-terrain vehicle meeting will now be on Tuesday

TWIN FALLS — The date for a public meeting on proposed all-terrain whiche regulations in Idaho will be held Tuesday in Twin Falls. The date has changed from an earlier meeting date announcement. State and federal agencies will hold the joint public meeting to hear what the public thinks about new proposals to manage all-terrain vehicle use in Idaho.

The number of Idaho registered ATVs more than doubled in just five years. There were 24,207 registered in 1999 and 52,371 in 2003.

live years and several in 1999 and 52,571 in 2003, according to the Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation. The state departments of Parks and Recreation, Fish and Game, and Lands have an agreement with the U.S. Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management to develop a uniform ATV management strategy

In Idaho. Proposed rules include-requirements for a minimum oper-ating age, operator education, he-nets, light, noise limitations, neg-ligent operation regulations, desig-nated routes and a three strikes rule for ATV registration. In addition to public meetings, focus group sessions will be held with land managers, law enforce-ment personnel, ATV users and conservation groups. They will be followed by a random public sur-

vey of Idaho households.

Monday's public meeting will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Red Lion Canyon Springs Holel, 1357 Blue Lakes Blvd, in Twin Falls. Written comments can be sent to Dave Claycomb, Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation. P.O. Box 83720, Boise, 83720-0055 or dclaycomb@dipr.state.id.us. Find more information online at www.idahoparks.org.

Idaho Legislature begins to come to an end

BOISE — The beginning of the end of the 2004 legislative session started in the House on Thursday. Leaders paused at the end of the day to rearrange the calendar, putting all budget bills at the top.

The move made by Republication Hoor Leader Lawerence Denney took only seconds, but makes passing the remainder of the states \$2 billion budget the priority. Once that is done, nothing else constitutionally stands in the way of lawmakers adjourning.

Idahoans won't have to worry about new \$10 fee

BOISE — A proposal to add \$10 title fees paid on vehicle sales as killed in the House on

was killed in the House of Thursday. Sponsored by Rep. Tim Ridinger of Shoshone, the bill would have raised about S5 million a year for a transit fund to finance smaller road improvement project of up to \$100,000, mostly in tural areas. Many lawmakers debated that a

fee increase was the same as a tax increase, and they were not going

increase, and they were not going to allow it.

"This is another Robin Hood bill that steals from the rich and gives to the poor," complained Rep-Henry Kulczyk of Eagle. "It's a redistribution of wealth."

Ridinger said the legislation did not hide the fact that there would be a \$10 increase over the current

Legislature in brief

\$8 fee, and said the money was

"You can put off maintenance of a road, but sooner or later, you're going to pay for it," he said.

House authorizes \$1,000 employer tax credit

employer tax credit

BOISE — The House on
Thursday authorized employers to
take a \$1,000 tax credit for each
employee hired into a newly created position that pays at least
\$12.50 an hour and includes medical insurance.

The bill was sponsored by
Democratic Rep. Chuck Cuddy of
Orofino, though he was opposed
by most members of his own party.
Rep. Margaret Heribest argued
against the legislation because the
wage trigger was cut from \$15.50
to \$12.50 an hour.

The bill passed \$5-14 and was
sent to the Senate.

The bill passed sent to the Senate

House panel approves new health care bill

BOISE — A House panel on Thursday approved a Democratic-sponsored bill creating a new legislative committee on health care. It was sponsored by Rep Margaret Henbest of Boise, who has served on the state Health Care. Task Force for the past eight years. "In that time, the legislators have."

gotten some expertise, but there is no continuity of guidance without having the stature of a standing committee. Henbest told members of the State Affairs Committee. Standing committees of the Legislature meet regularly during the winter sessions, and occasionally during the offseason ordinarily, legislation must pass through a standing committee of both houses before it can be approved by the whole Legislature. Most members of the State Affairs committee seemed to support Henbests proposal, but some said they wanted to see a broader review of the enther committee system over the summer. However, Republican Caucus Leader Julie Elisworth supported the Democrats' bill, saying it would keep the issue in front of legislative leaders.

The bill passed the committee 14-4, but there was no guarantee it would reach a final vote this year.

Legislature approves new state tax laws

BOISE — Legislation bringing idahos tax laws into general con-formity with federal tax laws won final legislative approval on Thursday. The state Senate sent the House-passed bill to Gov. Dirk

The state Senate sent the Hous passed bill to Gov. Di Kempthorne on a 23-11 vote. Its key provision is the increa from \$25,000 to \$100,000 in tivalue of investments, most

equipment, that can be written off on taxes in the same year the pur-chases are made. It will cost the state about-\$1.5 million in lost at collections this year and \$1.8 million a year for the next two before the accelerated depreciation catches up and the write-offs begin declining, analysts said.

Advocates called it a boon for

small business.
However, opponents said it was just too expensive in tight economic times.
A much more lucrative depreciation break in the federal law was rejected by the state for the second straight year. It would have cost more than \$20 million.
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But more offensive to the bill's critics was its declaration that school teachers wouldn't be given a \$250 deduction on their 2004 income taxes for classroom supplies they bought with their own money. The deduction was allowed on the federal returns for 2002 and 2003, but not 2004.

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2002 and 2003, but not 2004.
Republican Sen, John Goedde of Coeur d'Alene called the provision an insult to teachers. Republican Laird Noh of Kimberly, the Legislature's senior member, said it was only included by the House trax-writing committee to reflect "gross dislike for teachers." Republican Sen. Shawn Keough of Sandpoint called it "another poke at those great folks who teach our children."

— compled from whe reports

Authorities probe where boys might have found liquor

ELMO, Mont. (AP) — Two 11-year-old boys found dead in a snowy field on the Flathead Indian Reservation were buried Thursday as investigators tried to determine how they got their hands on lethal amounts of liquor and whether any adults were to blame. Authorities said it was looking more likely that an adult may have given the boys the hard liquor. About 350 packed a community hall for the funeral for Frankie Nicolai III and Justin Benoist, sixth-grade friends from the reser-

Hospital upgrades condition of officer after shooting

BOISE (AP) — The condition of n officer shot during a traffic stop as been upgraded from critical to

an officer shot during a traffic stop has been upgraded from critical to fair.

Whipps, 32, was shot three times after he stopped a car for a traffic violation Saturday. Two bullets were deflected by his bulletproof vest. The chird hit Whipps under the arm, causing a collapsed lung and other injuries, police said. Authorities said Whipps was shot as he reviewed the motorists dress ficense and registration. Juventino Torres-Vargas, 26 faces felony charges of attempted murder and using a deadly weapor of firearm in the commission of a crime.

He also is charged with misdemeanor counts of resisting or obstructing a police officer and unlawful entry for allegedly breaking into a home after the shooting prompting a four-hour standoff with police. He surrendered peacefully that evening.

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Torres-Vargas was wanted at the time on an aggravated battery war-rant. He is accused of shooting his giffriend Feb. 24 at their Fairview Avenue residence.

vation town of Roman, about 30 miles south of here.

The Rev. Gary Reller cautioned against casting blame for the boy's deaths, saying people should instead concentrate on what could have been done to help the boys and apply that to prevent a similar tragedy in the future.

"There is a great pleasure and great joy in watching young people grow, watching them learn in the classroom or in the school of life." Some of that joy has been taken from this community

the last few days."

Authorities say the boys apparently skipped difemoon classes at Ronan Middle School last Friday and got their hands on a large amount of liquor.

A friend who went searching for them found their bodies in a field Monday, about 100 yards apart, Authorities believe the two died sometime late Friday or early Saturday.

Saturday.

Investigators said Frankie's blood alcohol level was a lethal 0.50 percent. Justin, who had a

blood-alcohol level of 0.20 percent, died of a combination of alcohol poisoning and hypothermia.

Lake County Sheriff Bill Barron initially said it appeared the boys had pilifered the liquor from several homes on the reservation, but he said Thursday there was growing evidence someone may have given the boys the booze, possibly

at a party.

Barron said about a dozen officers from various agencies contin-ue to follow leads.

Hospital

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spent about \$8.7 million in
January down from \$9.2 million.
or 6 percent from the same month
the previous year.
Largest expenditure: Salaries
accounted for the largest expenditure in January with \$3.4 million
going into employee paychecks,
down from \$3.6 million, or 6 percent the same month the previous
year.

cent the same month the previous year.

Supplies accounted for the second largest expenditure in January. The hospital spent SI million on general supplies, Se24,484 on drugs and \$222,078 on orthospital annuary.

Income from operations: The hospital ended up with \$607,119 in income from operations in January, up from \$549,724, or 10 percent from the same month the previous year.

percent from the same month the previous year.

Net Income: Magic Valley Regional - Mad 5 485, 109 - In net, income in January, up from 5860, 197, or 18 percent from the same month the previous year, leaving the hospital with a net income margin of 1 percent.

Total assets and flabilities: The hospital had \$106.1 million in total assets and \$106.1 million in total liabilities and net assets at the end of January.

Magic Valley Regional Finances Month-end numbers

Jan. 2004

atient revenue	38,743,030	40,010,001	
tpatient revenue	\$6,106,036	\$8,481,197	-6%
tal patient revenue	\$14,851,674	\$15,052,184	-6%
ductions from revenue	\$6,418,730	\$6,052,483	6%
t patient revenue	\$8,432,944	\$8,999,701	-6%
her operating revenue	\$866,106	\$762,872	. 14%
tal operating revenue	\$9,299,051	\$9,762,573	-5%
	Expenditures	Expenditures	
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lades	\$3,372,876	\$3,573,717	-6%
nefits —	\$923,002	\$1,093,325	16%
es-Physicians	\$374,459	\$348,338	2%
es-Other	\$461,869	\$596,112	-23%
pplies	\$1,020,784	\$1,099,330	7%
pplies-Drugs	\$624,484	\$493,820	26%
pplies-Ortho	\$222,078	\$265,644	-16%
ilities	\$127,649	\$143,561	-11%
pairs/Maintenance	\$102,349	\$228,192	-55%
oses/Rentals	\$143,337	\$115,400	24%
surance	\$63,132	\$66,166	-5%
terest expense	. \$105,530	\$113,281	7%
npaid patient bills	\$536,958	\$451,721	19%
epreciation/Amortization	\$531,969	\$515,356	3%
ther expense	\$81,457	\$110,889	-27%
tal Operating Expense	\$8,691,932	\$9,212,849	-6%
come from operations	\$607,119	\$549,724	10%
on-operating revenue	\$77,991	\$30,473	156%
et income	\$885,109	\$580,197	18%

Former : staffers get into Senate computers

WASLINGTON (AP) — Two former senate Republican staffers are to blame for distributing Democratic computer memos about judicial nominees to Republicans, but the computer files also were not adequately protected, said a Senate report released Thursday. Democrats are calling for an outside investigation, but the committee has yet to decide what its next step will be.

The report said 4,670 files were found on a GOP aides computer, the majority of which appeared to be from folders belonging to Democratic staff."

Senate Judiciary Chairman Orrin Hatch said the intrusion was inexcusable.

orrin Hatch said the intrusion was inexcusable. "I'am mortifled 'that' this improper, methical, simply unac-ceptable breach of confidential files occurred," said Hatch, 'R-Utah.

Sen. Richard Durbin, D-Illi, who said his office was targeted for the smooping, suggested that Illinois U.S. Attorney Patrick Fitzgerald be appointed as a special prosecutor, by the Iustice Department, to review the information uncovered so far and make recommendations on how to proceed.

Added Sen. Charles Schumer.
D-N.V. "It is my view and the view to get to the bottom of this is a special counsed with full investigative power."

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cial counsel with full investigative power.

A report released by the Indiciary Committee and authored by Senate Sergeant-at-Arms William Pickles office faults two former GOP aides: Manuel Miaranda, who worked for Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist and Indiciary Committee Chairman orrin Hatch, before resigning, and Jason Lundell, a clerk who worked on nominations for Harch before teaving last year.

The report said the investigation dula to identify any other individuals besides Miranda and Lundell "who were accessing other users' files on the Judiciary Committee computer network."

Is it real?



The Reptile Man, Scott Peterson, hand at left, gots a mixed bag of reactions as he assists Lucy the alligator in waving her left arm to Berney Elementary students as they exit from Wednesday atternoon's enrichment program or reptiles at the school in Walia Walia, Wash. Kids were allowed to pet Lucy, if they wanted, on the way out of the gym.

Charter school bill will be changed before heading to Senate next week

ROISE (AP) - Gov. Dirk Kempihorne's charter school reform package will be split in two parts and modified before it is formally introduced in the state Senate next week, key lawmakers said Thursday.

Emerging from an hour-long closed-door Republican discussion on nearly every aspect of charter schools. Senate Floor Leader Bart Davis of Idaho Falis provided no specific plans.

But Finance Chairman Dean Cameron of Rupert and Education Chairman Gary Schroeder of Moscow said the policy issues in

the governor's plan will be evaluated by the Education Committee. The budget panel will deal with the two section on financing both tradition charter schools and the computer-based statewide school. Both Cameron and Schreeder said changes will be made to the draft the governor provided law-makers late Wednesday, although they said the exact modifications were still being discussed. Schreeder and others on the Education Committee want charter school officials to be held to the same ethics laws that currently apply to officials of traditional

public schools. He said the revised bill will have stronger provisions for that.

"I don't see many people whowant to do away with charter schools," said Peatello School Board member Terry Anderson. While both senators endorsed a limit of six new charter schools a year statewide, neither discussed the fate of one major provision of Kempthorne's plan—to permit a seven-member commission trump local school districts and award charters within those districts.

Grand jury files new charge against UI student

BOISE (AP) — A University of Idaho graduate student, jailed for more than a year, faced another charge Thursday; conspiracy to provide material support to Hamas, the militant Palestinian organization.

But his attorney said the criminal indictment handed down by a federal grand jury against Sami Omar Al-Hussayen is another attempt to find guilt against the Saudi national where there is none

none.
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here & that when you have an innocent man, it is extremely difficult to articulate charges against him." said David Nevin, who was advised of the indictment by The Associated Press. "When you have to cast about in the dark." Al-Hussayen, 34, who was arrested at his Moscow home on Feb. 26, 2003, was first charged with seven counts of student visa fraud and four counts of making failed statements to obtain a visa to study computer science at Idaho.

On Jan. 9, federal prosecutors won a new indictment adding the charge of providing material support to terrorism. It was just II days before his original trial was set to start.

Al-Hussayen was currently scheduled to stand trial April 13 on those 12 charges.

scheduled to stand transpara 15 of those 12 charges. Nevin had challenged the con-stitutionality of the Jan. 9 indict-ment and maintains Thursday's indictment has the same prob-lems. The government contends the indictment is proper.

Biologists try to find cause of elk deaths

CHEYENNE, Wyo. (AP) — Biologists are trying to determine what is causing the biggest elk die-off anyone in Wyoming can off anyone

on anyone in visioning car-remember.

The elk started falling nearly a month ago and the death count has topped 280 over a 15-square-nile area in south-central Wyoming, But that figure is proba-bly low because officials have stopped counting to focus on the cause.

It has been a process of elimina-

stopped counting to focus on the cause.

It has been a process of climination, with no solid theories yet.

"This is quite unprecedented for wildlife. The only other thme that his do fide-off dividelife is a winter kill—starvation, that kind of thing," said Walt Cook, a veterinarian with the Wyoming Gamard Fish Department. And that's not what's going on here.

With plenty of forage available and hardly any snow in their way, the elk are relatively fat, suggesting they have at least been willing and able to eat.

Chronic was sing disease — the clk and deer equivalent of mad row disease — has been ruled out from post-mortem examinations. The usual viruses, bacteria and plant toxins also have been eliminated.

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A vitamin or mineral deficiency remains a possibility, Four elk that did not die or were euthanizzed have been taken tot the state veterinary lab in Laramie for study and to be nursed back to health. But while those elk have been given a plarmacy alse of vitamins and minerals, as well as water and anti-mlammatory drugs, they have not been recovering.

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While remote, the area 150 miles northwest of Cheyenne has a milroad running through it and some oil and gas wells.

"All those sources have been looked at pretty darn hard and were going to continue to look at those to see if we can see anything," said Tom Reed, spokesman for the Game and Fish Department.

Yet even pollution seems unlikely considering that other animals in the area, including deer and usually the last animals to succumb, not the first.

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Legislators OK measure

Gay marriage ban will go before voters

SALT LAKE CITY (AP)—The Utah Legislature on Wednesday night endorsed a measure that will send a constitutional amendment bunning same-sex marriage to the November ballot.

after a holdout senator changeurus vitte during debate. Before the House voted 58-14 for final legislative approval, Rep. Jackie Biskupski, D-Salt Lake City,

asked gay couples in the balcony to stand. "This is about you," are said. "I just wanted to thank you for coming," said Biskupski, the state's inst openly gay lawmaker. House members rose to give the gay cou-ples a standing ovation before tak-ing up a brief debate.

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Both chambers passed the joint resolution by the two-thirds margin required to send a constitutional amendment to the voters.

The bill had been debated once in the House, where it passed a week ago. Wednesday's Senate debate was the first time the body heard the bill, prompting calls to send, the proposal to the state Constitutional

Commission-before, passing, it in haste.

think where I'm ortable with the sense of

urgency, that something is out to get us, something is after us," said Sen, James Evans, R-Sait Lake City, noting that the bill had been before lawmakers for only 23 days.

Bill supporters fiercely lobbied for votes Wednesday, and up to the final vote it appeared it would fall to gamer the 20 votes needed.

During debate, Sen. Pete Knudson, R-Brigham City, seemed to question the need for the constitutional amendment. "Have we not once enough to get our point across? Or do we need to slam the nail all the way through the wall?" he said.

But during voling, Knudson said comments from Sen. David Cladwell. Brogden, changed his mind. Knudson voted yes, tipping the balance.

Border patrol might seal busy crossing

TUCSON, Ariz. - The U.S. Border Patrol has a shot this year at sealing the Arizona-Mexico border, the busitest spot for illegal entries along the entire frontier, the-agency-stop-official, said Thursday, 'Chief Gus de la Vina, touring patrol operations along the Mexican border this week, said that with manpower expected to reach 2,000 agents in the agency's Theson sector this year, 'were finally building our resources in fluson to the point that we will have a definite impact.' For several years, more illegal.

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For several years, more illegal immigrants have been apprehended in the Tucson sector than abywhere else along the 2,000-rille Mexican border.

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Immigrant smuggling has also
been rampant in the sector, which
chvers all but the 50 westernmost
rilles of the Arizona border.
A lot of the agency's success will
depend on the flow of illegal inmiriants, the economy and the lures
for them, de la Vina said.
But a host of other factors,
including getting the personnel,
chulpment and technology "has
come together this year and it think
ve've got an eccellent shot at closing the border," he said.

Report: Bad decisions contributed to standoff

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PHOENIX - Many of the problems that contributed to a 15-day fison hostage standoff resulted from years worth of bad decisions by the Department of Corrections at all levels, investigators sidd in review released Thursday.

The panel appointed by Govanet Napolitano concluded that a crisis of some kind at a correction ficility was inevitable given what it called chronic underfunding by the Legislature, a lack-of adequate taining for officers and severe staffing shortages at state prison. "Many things went wrong," the namel said. "Some spontaneous and isolated, others the result of long-term institutional neglect and decay."

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The panel was one facet of orgoing investigations into how two inmates were able to overpower two officers on Jan. 18 and hold them hostage in a watchtower at the Arizona State Prison Complex-Lewis in Buckeye, about 50 miles southwest of Phoenix.

University of Utah still

speks a president
SALT LAKE CITY - Nearly six months after the University of Idah's former president strate is still plowing through a list candidates to replace him - with pot deadline in sight, officials say. Regents officials say the committee has received more than 100 applications and nominations officials say of the strategy o

A. Lorris Betz, dean of the

West in brief

school's College of Medicine and senior vice president for health sci-ences; has been serving as Interim-president, which prevents him from being considered for the per-manent position.

GOP contributor gets

leeway for oil drilling

WASHINGTON - The government has eased Clinton-era oil and gas drilling restrictions on a large tract of desert grassland in New Mexico in a decision that benefits a large Republican donor in the state.

The deep County Washington County Wa

in the state.

The donor, George Yates, says his contributions and fund-ralsing assistance to Vice President Dick Cheney had nothing to do with the decision. The Interior Department says its drilling plan, while opening up more land in Otero Mesa, will be the most restrictive ever.

However, environmentallists are

restrictive ever.

However, environmentalists are crying foul. The Bureau of Land Management "surrendered to the demands of one oil company and the political power of the name to which it was connected," the Campaign to Protect America's Lands said Thursday in

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contrasting the Bush administration's plan for Otero Mesa with the Clinton administra-tion's.

Police charge 'DWI champ'

with drunken driving
ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. – Gov.
Bill Richardson said Thursday a
lawmaker arrested for drunken
driving is a "DWI champion"
strongly committed to tougher
laws, and should be given another
chance.

laws, and should be given another chance.
House Minority Whip loe Thompson of Albuquerque was charged with drunken driving early Wednesday, less than 24 hours after he attended a ceremony at which Richardson signed into law stronger DWI penalides.

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Israelis search for tunnels

GAZA CTIV. Gaza Strip (AP) -Israeli soldiers battled with Palestinian militants in Gaza on Thursday, tilling a 14-year-old boy and bulldozing houses during a daylong raid, Palestinian officials said.

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The Israeli army said troops entered Rafah, a frequent battle ground in the conflict, in search of tunnels used by Palestinian millitants to smuggle weapons from Egypt. Soldiers were met with gunfire and grenades, the army said. Palestinian leader Vasser Arafat condemned the raid and a Vedenesday helicopter strike on a car that killed three Hamas millitants. The intensified attacks came ahead of a proposed Israeli with drawal from almost all of the Gaza Strip.

"They say they want to leave Gaza, but before leaving they are increasing-their massacres against. our people, 'Arafat said.

Late Thursday, the Israeli millitary imposed a closure on the West Bank and Gaza, banning all Palestinians from entering Israel until at least Tuesday, following the Jewish festival of Purim. Such closures, routine during Jewish holidays, idle thousands of Palestinians who have permits to work in Israel.

Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon has said he would leave Gaza and parts of the West Bank and impose a boundary on the Palestinians if efforts to implement the U.S. backed road map' peace plan remain stalled.

Under the plan, Israel is required to tear down dozens of unauthorized settlement outposts.

China sets democracy activist free

BEIJING (AP) - China released a BEIJING (AP) – China released a longtime democracy activist Thursday who helped organize the 1898 Tiananeme Square protests—the third time in a week Beijing has moved on similar cases after lobbying from Washington.

Wang Youcal was given medical parole and left the Zheijang No. 1 prison in southern China early in the day, said John Kamm, exce cuil ve director of the Duil Hua

Dui Foundation,

Conservatives nominate IMF head for election

FRANKFURT, Germany (AP) – International Monetary Fund chief Horst Koehler sald Thursday he was quitting to accept the conser-vative nomination for the German pursidence.

was quitting to accept the conservative nomination for the German presidency.

Kochler, 61, told reporters in Washington that he wanted to bring his experience in national and international affairs to the mostly ceremonial post.

To believe that I am up to the challenge and that with my professional national and international experience will be able to bring something to the office that Germany needs now, he said.

Since the conservative parties sold a majority in the assembly that chooses the next president on May 23, nomination virtually assures Koehler of winning the largely ceremonial post.

While Germany's president has little direct say in politics; the position nevertheless has a great deal of political influence.



Supporters of former President Jean-Bertrand Aristide protest around U.S. Marines patrolling the streets of Port-au-Prince,

Marines draw smiles, angry words

PORTAU-PRINCE, Haid (AP) – U.S. Marines trained their filles down grity streets and into a teem-ing market as they parrolled the Haitian capital with other peace-keepers Thursday, drawing smiles and a few angry words, but no

resistance.
Hattred is still simmering among various factions nearly a week after-President Jean-Bertrand Aristide was ousted in a rebellion that left at least 130 people dead, with new killings discovered outside Port-au-

Prince.
As the Marines rolled into the looted port area in eight Light Armored Vehicles and ventured into the crowds, onlookers gathered

around in curiosity but showed no fear.

"I feel much safer now the Marines are here," sald Frantz Labissiere. 44. "I wouldn't be here if the Marines weren't here."
But not everyone shared his view. As the convoy passed an angry knot of people, one youth shouted: "You took our president-now you're taking our country!"
Others held up photographs of Aristide, who fled the country Sunday as rebels neared the outsitrs of the capital and the United States and former colonial ruler France pressed him to resign.

Haiti's first freely elected leade lost a lot of popularity in Haiti - and

in Washington, which restored him to power in 1994 after he was ousted in a 1991 military coup - because he allegedly used militant lyoqulists to attack and intimidate his opponents, failed to help the poor and condoned corruption. Aristide, in cedie in the Central African Republic, has denied the accusations.

The Central African Republic will offer him permanent asylum if he asks but would find it difficult to pay for his upkeep, the government said Thursday.

"I can't say definitively if Mr.

Thursday.
"I can't say definitively if Mr. Aristide will stay here or if he'll go, but if he asks us, we won't refuse him." Communications Minister Parfait Mbaye said.

NATO nabs war suspect

SARAJEVO. Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP)—NATO-led peacekeepers arrested a former adde to top war crimes suspect Radovan Kandzic, a breakthough in destroying the fugitive's support network, the alliance said flurusday. Gen. Bogdan Subotic was arrested Wednesday at his home near Banja. Luka- in northwestern Bosnia, the NATO-led force known as SFOR said.
Subotic was a military commander and aide to Karadzic, the Bosnian Serb leader wanted by the International War Crimes Thibunal in The Hague, Netherlands.
This is part of SFOR's continued assistance to the Bosnian authorities in the apprehension of persons indicted for war crimes and their supporters." the SFOR-statement-said.
"We will continue to act on the Information subtered over the last

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Radio director dies in crash

KIEV, Ukraine (AP) – The head of a Ukrainian radio station that was considering broadcasting U.S.-funded Radio Liberty program-ming died in a car crash, police said.

Thursday.
The death came the same day that another stadion transmitting the programs was pulled off the

air.
The death Wednesday of Yuriy
Chechyk – combined with Radio
Liberty's losing its second outlet in
Ukraine in a month – raised suspi-

cions of foul play amid complaints that Ukrainian authorities are rolling back media freedoms. "Yesterday, we witnessed the killing. of lournalists again, in. Ukraine." Mykola Tomenko, the head of parliament's free press



New Movies: Hidalgo hits local theaters this weekend.

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Leapin' lizards!

The Oakley Valley Arts Council will present the musical "Annie" tonight, Saturday, Monday, Tuesday and Thursday in Oakley's Howells Opera House.



Sex and power

The College of Southern Idaho Theater Department will stage Aristophanes' "Lysistrata" tonight, Saturday, Wednesday and Thursday in Room 119 of the Fine Ans Center in Twin Falls

Dance for charity

The Red Cross Ball, to benefit the Red Cross disaster relief services, will be held Saturday night at The Ballroom in Twin Falls, with music by Brian Famon and the Twin Falls Centennial Orchestra.

Song and dance

First Choice Home Care and Hospice Assistance of Twin Falls sponsor its third annual Variety Show Saturday night in the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium, featuring 12 acts. Proceeds go toward providing financial help for folks suffering from terminal illnesses.

Folkcraft

The South-Central Idaho Folklife Exhibit, the first in a series of exhibits designed to reflect the life of the Buhl community, will open today at the Eighth Street Center at Buhl, Skills such as saddlemaking quilting needlework and woodworking will be feanured. It's free.

She don't know Sammy Kershaw will do two

shows tonight and two shows Saturday night at Cactus · Petes Resort Casino in lackpot.

For times, dates and details, see Events Spotlight on Pages C3-5

It's swing time

Sixty years after his death,

Glenn Miller's band comes to Twin Falls

By Steve Crump

WIN FALLS -Maybe the Beatles, Elvis, and Frank Sinatra Michael Jackson and Frank Sinatra have been heard by more people, but when it comes to longevity no musical act comes close to the impact of the band that's coming to town next week.

the band that's coming to town next week.

The Glenn Miller Orchestra, which has flourished for most its 66 years without its namesake leader, has come to embody swing music - and by extension, jazz - for several billion neeple over three generations.

"The mystique of the band is many-faceted," said Larry O'Brien, its musical director. "There's more than one reason for the continuing popularity of the band. For one thing, Glenn gave up a lucrative band business when he was at his zenith to join the service - when he didn have to. He was timmersely popular when he went thin to the service. The band has sold more recordes in a year than, I think, Elvis or the Beatles ever did in year.

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Then he went on to form a mon-ster band, play all over Europe for GIs, helped sell a lot of war bonds, improve morale and generally con-iribute greatly to the war effort.

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"So I think it's a combination of all these factors in addition to the great of the second of the

O'Brien, 70, who's run the Glenn Miller Orchestra for 16 years. "We manage to insert new ones from time to time, but these are songs that lend themselves to the Miller sound. We are careful to pick out standards with the idea of having something that will stay around for a while. These arrangements have turned out just wonderful-sounding very much theway Glenn would have insisted if he were still alive."

Miller horn in 1901, was a contemporary of some of the greatest jazz artists — Benny Goodman, Duke Ellington, Count. Basie and Artie Shaw — but he never embraced improvisation, which is the soul of jazz. After stints with Tommy and Jimmy Dorsey's and Ray Noble's swing orchestras in the 1930s, he formed a succession of bands and finally found a radio audience in 1339.

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1939. Miller developed a distinctive sound in which a high-pitched clarinet carried the melody, doubled by a

saxophone section playing an octave lower. Unlike the Dorseys, Goodman, Ellington, Basic and Shaw, he ran the tightest band in the business—highly disciplined and rigorously rehearsed. It was a sound that caught lighting in, a bottle. The Miller band had an astonishing 17 Top Ten his in 1939. 31 in 1940, 11 in 1941 and 11 more in —1942—when-the quit the business to become an Army bandleader after the United States entered World War II. "Chattanooga Choo-Choo' was the first Gold Record – million-seller in history.

the first Gold Récord – million-seller in history.
"I'm a traditionalist, but wêre no' nut-picking Miller," O'Brien said.
"We've instituted some changes we think Glenn probably would have instituted himself were he still alive ... I'm going back to some of the oldstrings. I think the people who comes to hear the Miller band come to hear the sightly different, though not obscure, material like Anvil Chorus' and 'Bugle

Call Rag."
Most of the Miller bands show are seell-outs, even after 66 years.
"I think we've got staying power, and I don't see our what The Glenn N

If you go:

don't see our popularity wan-ing," O'Brien said. "Rather, said. with

with the renewed interest in swing and the Big Band sound, I think our appeal will keep growing especially with kids."
Wednesday's concert is sponsored by the Twin Falls High School Band.

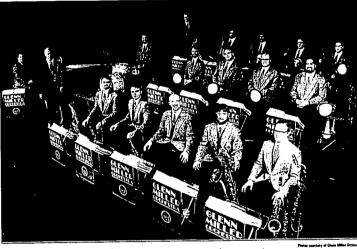
Falls.

- Where: Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.; doors open at 6:30.

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- How much: Tickets, which are \$12, are available at Welch Music, the Music Center, Durkfey Music, Everybody's Business, Kurt's Hallmark, Debbie Lettin Insurance and at Tiwin Falls High School.

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Top, Portrait of Glenn Miller. Above, the 19-member Glenn Miller Orchestra plays for 500,000 people each year.

AND THE WINNERS ARE ...

Nine readers share Times-News' Oscar contest honors

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS – For once, it was an Oscar plot without any twists and turns.

Nine Times-News readers correctly predicted the winners of the major honors at last Sunday's Academy Awards to share fitst place in the 11th annual T-N-Pick-the-Oscar Contest.

And all nine accurately predicted the tiebreāker.
Each of the winners will receive two movie tickets and nopcom to go with them.

They are Heather Redman, 30, of Twin Falls; Susan Reitsnus, 32, of Twin Falls; Andrea Pierce, 30, of Twin Falls; Christine McNurlin, 51, of Twin Falls; Janis Mottern-High, 52, of Twin Falls; Matt McKinney, 26, of Buhl; Dawn Jones, 39, of Twin Falls, and Kathryn Bell, 61, of Burley.

It was the fifth Pick-the-Oscar tide for Jones, a homemaker, and the fourth for Redman, a school-teacher. Jones shared the honors in 1996, 1997 and 1998 and won it ourlight in 2001. Redman was a winner in 1997, 1998 and 2000.

Reitsma was the contest's winner two years ago.

The nine winners correctly forecast that "The Lord the Rings Return of the King' would be the Best Picture, that Sean Penn and Charlize Theron would get the Best Actor and Best Actress awards, respectively, and that the supporting-role statues would go to Tim Robbins and Renez Edlweger.

The tiebreaker was Best Original Screenplay, won by Sofac Oppola for "Lost in Translation."

One hundred seventy-eight readers entered this year's contest.

Video watch

School of Rock

Jack Black so occupies the role of Dewey Finn. a falled, occupies the role of Dewey Finn. a falled, occupies the role of Dewey Finn. a falled, occupies the substitute clementary school teacher to come up with rolt money, that you can't believe that some of his fallen to harge play instruments, leading him to organize a phis-size pock band, with six burst of find, the seams between the actor and the chair actor, who relates to his, students with spit-inflected, cockeyed.

Looney Tunes: Back in Action

This mixture of live action and animation brings us into the zary backstage of Wamer Bross, where Bugs Bunny and Daffy-Dick air squabbling over their share of screen time. It is a postmodern connecty for kids. The movie, which also includes appearance by Vosemille, Sain, Rhode Island Rod and, off-course, Wile B. Coyofe, has its funry moments, but all bor often kits a comy, lackbuseg; film in mythich humans priemed (not always convincingly) to interact.

Classic with new twist 'Starsky & Hutch' hits theaters

New to the valley 'Fog of War'

Pog of War'

Documentary

Morris directs this captivating look
at Robert S. McNamara, who
curred as the secretary of defense
during the Vietnam War and the
Cuban Missile Crisis. The movie,
does not exclusively focus on this
part of McNamara's career, howevcand instead gives a broad
werview of the man he was, his
multitude of roles - a Harvard
lustiness School graduate, a
coloried in the Army-Air Force during WWIL president of ford Motor
Company - and his opinions on a
variety of historical topics, PG-13.

'Girl with a Pearl Earring'

Scarlett Johansson stars as she titular sitter for Dutch Master Johannes Vernneer's famous paining, while Colin Firth, bewigged and bearded, plays the 17th-century artist captivated by his serving wench, Very slow, very Jovely, PG-13 (torrid stares, 17th-century Euromores) mores)

'Hidalgo'

Has-been cowboy Viggo Mortensen and his horse face long odds in a grueling race across the Arabian desert. With Omar Sharif. Directed by Joe Johnston. (PG-13, for adventure violence and some mild innuendo.)

'Starsky & Hutch'

STAISKY & MUCH

Ben Stiller and Owen Wilson join forces as the stylish 1970s TV detective duo. With Snoop Dogg as Hugys Bear, Vince Vaughn, Indiette Lewis and Chris Penn. Todd Phillips directs. (PG-13. for drug content, sexual situations, partial multy, language and some violence.)

Continuing 'Against the Ropes' The words "inspired by the life



(L-R) Snoop Dogg, Ben Stiller and Owen Wilson star n Warner's Bros. Pictures' 'Starsky & Hutch.'

(LH) Snoop bogg, een stime are of can cover a multitude of onscreen sins, and most of them are
on display in this Meg Ryan-starring boxing drama. Though it has
been on the shelf for almost a year,
the movie is not as completely
woebegone as that delay might
indicate. As written, by Cheryl
Edwards and directed by Charles S.
Dutton (who also gives the film's
best performance), it's a workmanlike production that's simply too
predictable and too preposterous
to hold our interest. Meg Ryan stars
as lackie Kallen, boxing's most suc-

cessful fernale manager, whose ringside life so appealed to Hollywood they expropriated it for use in a fisticuffs fairy tale that use in a fisticuffs fairy tale that apparently has only a passing resemblance to reality. With Omar Epps and Tony Shalhoub. (1:51. PG-13, for crude language, violence, brief sensuality and some drug material.)

Broken Lizard's Club

Extreme violence and raunch

overwhelm this dreary soul-withering comedy set at an island resort whose staffers are being eliminated one by one in hideous Isahion. Has some vengeful zombie risen from the grave or is a homicidal maniac on the loose? Who cares? The fivenember Broken Lizard comedy group stars and also wrote the script, with Jay Chandrasekhar directing. With Brittany Daniel and Jordan Ladd as the films game leading ladies and with Bill Paxton as the resort's bleary ex-rock star proprietor. (1:43. R. for violence/gore, sex-

'Brother Bear'

'Brother Bear'
With top-notch (traditional) cartooning talent and a script laced
with lokes that parents and
guardians can chuckle at, Disney's
'Brother Bear' is a solld entry in the
family film fare category - a generally upbeat and engaging tale of
friendship and understanding. G
(mild violence)

The Butterfly Effect'

The Butterity Erect
Ashton Kutcher, the Chaos
Theory, dime-travelling supernatural goulder horor—its all here, in this
overwrought and underwritten
scarefest, intertwined with a love
story, and a dark and seary one it
is R (violence, sex, drugs, profanity)

'Cold Mountain'

Atwang with mountain music

Blg box office

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Chapter Two Jazz Quartet plays in T.F.

Tonight Chapter Two Jazz Quartet will perform at First Friday at Rudys from 6-9 p.m. at Rudys, A Cook's Paradise in Twin Falls. Free.

March 13

Mark O'Connor's Hot Swing Trio, the last act of the season in the Sun Valley Center for the Arts' Chamber Artis Series, will perform at the Presbyterian Church of the Bigwood in Ketchum at 7:30 p.m. 4Tckets, which are \$25, can be beserved by phoning the Sun Valley **Center at 726-0491.

April 2 - Bolse

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Ernie Martin will headline the
Gene Harris Jazz Festival, 7 pm.,
Bank of America Center. Tickets,
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Dave Brubeck will headline the
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Saturday - Utah

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The Sounds, Kill Hannah and
Ima Robis will play in the Venue in
Salt Lake City at 8 p.m. Tickets,
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Venue is located at 600 West 219
South.

Sunday - Boise

Junuay – DOISE

Liz Phair and Patrick Park will play the Big Easy Concert House at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$19.50, can be reserved by phoning (600) 965-4827, online at http://www.iden.org/ 965-4827, online at http://www.ticketweb.com, or at Atkinsons Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

Monday – Boise

The Motet will perform at Tom Grainey's at 9:30 p.m. For ticket information, call (208) 345-2505. Tom Grainey's is located at 109 S. Sixth St.

Tuesday - Utah

IUESUBY – Utah

The Early November, Hey Mercedes and Spitalfield will perform at In the Venue in Salt Lake City at 650 pm. Tickets, which are 511, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 886-17EX or online at http://www.smiths.tix.com. In the Venue is located at 600 West 219 South.

Wednesday - Boise

The Decemberists will play the Neurolux Lounge at 9 p.m. For tick-ct information, call (208) 336-5054. The Neurolux Lounge is located at 111 N. 11th ST.

Wednesday - Utah

The Casualites will play Albee Square in Salt Lake City at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$10, can be reserved by phoning Smiths Tix at \$100 888-TIXX or online at http://www.smithstix.com, Albee Square is located at 165 South West Temple.

Thursday - Boise

J HUTSGBY — BOISE

The Temptations will perform at the Big Easy Concert House at 8 pm. Tickets, which are \$35, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-8827, online at http://www.ticketveb.com. or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum, The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

March 12 - Bolse

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

March 12 - Utah

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Zeke and High on Fie will play
Liquid Joes in Salt Lake City at 8
p.m. Tickets, which are S7, can be
reserved by phoning Smiths Tix at
(800) 888-TIXX, or online at
http://www.smithstix.com, Liquid
Joes in located at 3300 South-1249
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March 12-13

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



Cactus Petes Resort Casino in Jackpot Tickets, which are \$20, \$25 and \$30, can be reserved by phon-ing (800) 821-1103:

March 13 - Utah

The Temptations will play Kingsbury Hall on the campus of the University of Utah in Salt Lake City at 8 p.m. Tlekets, which are \$33 and \$39, can be reserved by phoning Art Tix at (801) 355-2787.

March 13 - Bolse

Match 13. – Bolse
Henry Rollins will play the Big
Easy Concert House at 7:30 p.m.
Tickets, which are \$20, can be
reserved by phoning (800) 9654827, online at http://www.ticketweb.com, or at Adianson's Market
in Ketchum. The Big Easy Concert
House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

March 13 - Utah

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Allister, Hidden in Piain View
and Over It will play Albee Square
in Sal Lake City at 7:30 pm. Tickets,
which are \$13, can be reserved by
phoning Smithis Tix at (800) 886TIX of online at http://www.
smithsix.com. Albee Square is
located at 165 South West Temple.

March 13 - Utah

march 13 – Utah Great White will play the Phat Tire Saloon in the Salt Lake City suburt of Murray at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are S15, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 883– TIXX or online at http://www. smithstix.com. The Phat Tire Saloon is located at 4800 South No. 7 East.

March 15 - Boise

March 15 - Bolse

Allister, Hidden in Plain View and Over It will perform at the Big Easy Concert House at 8 p.m.
Tickets, which are \$12.50, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-8627, online at http://www.ticketweb.com, or at Atkinson's Market in Retchum: The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

March 18 - Utah

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A Perfect Circle will perform at
the E Center in the Salt Lake City
suburb of West Valley City at 7:30
p.m. Tickes, which are \$25.50, can
be reserved by phoning (800) 883
TIXX or online at http://twww.
smithstik.com. The E Center is
located at 3200 South Decker Lake
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March 19 – Útah

Total Chaos will play Albee Square in Sal Lake City at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are Sd, can be reserved by phoning Smiths Tix at (800) 888-TDX or online at http://www.smithstix.com. Albee Square is located at 165 South West Temple.

March 20 - Bolse

MARCH 2U - B0ISE
Metallica will perform at the Pavilion on the campus of Boise State University at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$57 and \$77, can be reserved by phoning Select A Seat at (200): 426-1494, online at http://www.idadhotickets.com. or at Albertson's in Twin Falls.

March 20 - Utah

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The Church will play In the,
Venue in Sait Iake City at 8 pm.
Tickets, which are \$20, can be
reserved by phoning Smiths Tx at
(800) 888-TDX or online at
http://www.mithstix.com. In the
Venue is located at 600 West 219
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March 20 - Utah

March 20 - Utali George Lynch Will perform at Club Expose in Salt Lake City at 9 p.m. Tickets, which \$18, can be-reserved by phoning Smiths Th at (800) 888-TIXX or online at http://www.smithstb.com. Club Expose is located at 204 West 2100 South.

March 20 - Utah

Metallica will perform at the E
Center in the Salt Lake City suburb
of West Valley City at 730 pm.
Tickets, which are \$34, can be
reserved by phoning Smiths Tix at
(800) 886-TIXX or online at
http://www.smithstix.com. The E
Center is located at 3200 South
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March 21 - Bolse

Death Cab for Ould will perform at the Big Easy Concert House at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$13.50, can be reserved by phoning Smiths Tix at (800) 888-TDX or online at http://www.smithstbx.com

March 22 - Utah

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Death Cab for Cutie will play In
the Venue in Salt Lake City at 7:30
p.m. Tickets, which are \$13, can be
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March 24 - Utah

MAICE 24 – Utan
Tesla will perform at the E Center
in the Salt Lake City suburb of West
Valley City at 7:30 p.m. Tickets,
which are \$25, can be reserved by
phoning Smith's Tx at (800) 888TIXX or online at
http://www.smithstix.com. The E
Center is located at 3200 South
Decker Lake Drive.

IHBIGH 24 - Utah
Llars and Young People will play
Albee Square in Salt Lake City at
7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$10,
can be reserved by phoning Smith's
Tix at (800) 888-TDXX or online at
http://www.smithstr.com. Albee
Square is located at 165 South West
Temple.

March 25 - Utah

Play will perform at Kingsbury Hall on the campus of the University of Utah in Salt Lake City at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$12 and \$20, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX or online at http://www.smiths

March 26 - Bolse

INTAICH ZO — BOISE
Big Head Todd and the Monsters
will play the Big Easy Concert
House at 8:30 p.m. Tickets, while
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March 30 - Bolse

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Keller Williams will play the Big
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March 31...

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

April 2 - Utah

April Z - Utan
The Get Up Kids will play Albee
Square in Salt Lake City at 7 p.m.
Tickets, which are \$15.50, can be
reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at
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April 3 - Boise

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Damien Rice will perform at the
Big Easy Concert House at 7:30 p.m.
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House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

April 4 - Utah

Yellowcard and Something Corporate will play in the Venue in Salt Lake City at 6 p.m. Tickets, which are \$17, can be reserved by

phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX or online at http://www. smithstix.com. In the Venue is located at 600 West 219 South.

April 5 - Bolse

April 5 – Bolse
A Perfect Circle and The Mars
Volta will play the Bank of America
Center at 6 pm. Tickets, which are
S29.50, can be reserved by phoning
Select A Seat at (208) 426-1494,
online at http://www.idahotickets.com, or at Albertson's in Twin
Falls. The Bank of America Center is
located at 233 S. Capitol Blvd.

April 5 – Utah

April 5 – Utan
The Adolescents will perform at
Club Sound in-Salt-Lake-Gity-at 8
p-nn-Tickets, which are \$12, can 10
reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at
(800) 888-TIXX or online at
http://www.mithstix.com. Club
Sound is located at 600 West 219
courts

Anril 10 - Boise

April 10 - Bolse
Presidents of the United States
of America will perform at the Big
Easy Concen House at 7:30 p.m.
Tickets, which are \$19.50, can be
reserved by phoning (800) 9654027, online al_http://www.ticketweb.com. and at Arkinson's
Market in Kerchum. The Big Easy
Concert House is located at 416 S.
Ninth St.

April 12 - Utah

April 12 – Utah Saves the Day, Grandaddy, The Fire Theft and Hey Mercedes will perform at in the Venue in Salt Lake City at 7 pm. Tickets, which are \$20, can be reserved by phoning Smith's It at (800) 888-TIXX or online at http://www.smithstix.com. In the Venue is located at 600 West 219 South.

April 12 - Utah

Tiger Army and The Business will play in the Venue in Salt Lake

cary at 8 p.m. rickets, which are 32 can be reserved by phoning Smiths Tix at 4800) 888-TIXX or online at http://www.smithstix.com. In the Venue is located at 600 West 219

April 16 – Utah

April 16 – Utah Suidde Machines will perform at Albee Square in Salt Lake City at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$12, can be reserved by phoning Smiths Tix at (800) 886-TiXX or online at http://www.smithsit.com. Albee Square is located at 165 South West Temple.

April 19 - Utah

April 19 – Utah

The Strokes will perform at in the
Venue in Saft Lake City at 8 p.m.
Tickets, which at \$22.50 and \$25,
can be reserved by phoning Smith's
fix at (800) 888-TIXX and online at
http://www.smithstix.com. In the
Venue is located at 600 West 219
South.

Anril 20 - Idaho Falls

April 20 – Idailo Fans Little Feat will perform at the Colonial Theater at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$29, can be reserved by phoning (208) 522-0413. The Colonial Theater is located at 498 A

April 21 - Utah

APIN 21 – UTAN
Pinback and Enon will play In
the Venue in Salt Lake City at 7:30
p.m. Tickets, which are \$10, can be
reserved by phoning Smiths Tix at
(800) 888-TIXX or online at
http://www.smithstix.com. In the
Venue is located at 600 West 219
South.

Anril 24 - Utah

The Rapture and Black Rebel Motorcycle Club will perform at In the Venue in Salt Lake City at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$15, can be

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reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX or online at http://www.smithstix.com. In the venue is located at 600 West 219 South.

April 25 - Boise

April 45 – B0158

The Pixies will play the Big Easy Concert House at 8 p.m. For ticket information, call (800) 965-4827.

The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

C O U N. T .R Y

Tonight and Saturday

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

Tonight and Saturday

Renegade will play from 9 p.m. to a.m. at Honker's Place. Cover narge is \$4. Honker's Place is locat-d at 121 Fourth Ave. S. In Twin

Tonight and Saturday

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

Saturday

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

March 18 - Bolse

MATCH 18 - BUISE

Sam Bush will perform at the Egyptian Theater at 7:30 p.m. For ticket information, call (208) 342-1441. The Egyptian Theater is located at 700 Main St.

March 19-20

Marcn 19-20

Pam Tillis will sing at Cactus
Petes Resort Casino in Jackpot at 8
and 10 p.m. Tickets, which are \$25,
\$30 and \$35, can be, reserved by
phoning (800) 821-1103.

April 18 – Boise

April 18 – BOISE

Nickel Creek will play the Big
Easy Concert House at 8 p.m.
Tickets, which are \$27.50, can be
reserved by phoning (800) 9654827, online at http://www.ticketweb.com. or at Atkinson's Market
in Ketchum. The Big Easy Concert
House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

April 24

The Bar-J Wranglers will perform at the King Center in Burley at 7:30 p.m., the final Mini-Cassia Community Concert of the season. Subscriptions for the four-concert series are \$32 for adults, \$16 for students and \$56 for families, which includes children over the age of 5 living at home. For more information, call Julie at 878-4704 or Susan at 678-1798.

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April 2 - Boise

April 2 – Bolse

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

April 3 – Utah

April 3 – Utall N.E.R.D. and Black Eyed Peas will perform at In the Venue in Salt Lake Gity at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are Sci can be reserved by phoming Smithis Tix at (800) 888-TDXY or online at http://www.mithstix.com. In the Venue is located at 600 West 219

FOLK MUSIC

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

CHRISTIAN ROCK

March 25 - Boise

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

ELECTRONIC

April 28 - Utah

Crystal Method will perform at In the Venue in Salt Lake City at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$20, can be reserved by phoning Smiths Tix at

(800) 888-TDXX or online at http://www.smithstix.com. In the Venue is located at 600 West 219

L U F

March 13 - Utah

Michael Doucet will play Libby Gardner Hall on the campus of the University of Utah in Salt Lake City at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$7, can be reserved by phoning Art Ix at (801) 355-2787.

REGGAE

March 16 - Boise

March 16 - Boise

Don Carlos will perform at the
Big Easy Concert House at β μπ.
Πέκειs, which are \$15, can be
reserved by phoning (800) 9654827, online at http://www.ticketweh.com, or at Atkinson's Market
in Ketchum. The Big Easy Concert
House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

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

19, 21 and 24 – Utall
Utah Opera will perform
Glacomrun Puccinis "The Girl of
the Golden West" at 7:30 pm. on
March 13, 15, 71, 91 and 24 and at 2
pm. on March 21 in Salt Lake Cliys
Capitol Theater. Tickets, which
range from \$25 to \$65; can be
reserved by phoning ArTix at (801)
355-2787. Capitol Theater is located
at 50 West 200 South.

GOSPE

March 16 - Utah

march 16 – Utah
Bill Galther will sing at the Delta
Center in Salt Lake City at 7 p.m.
Tickets, which are \$19.75 and
\$34,75, can be reserved by phoning
(801) 325-SEAT or online at
http://www.ticketmaster.com. The
Delta Center is located at 301 West
South Temple.

CLASSICAL

Tonight and Saturday - Utah

Saturday – Utah
Utah. Symphony will perform
music by Berlioz, Ravel and
Milhaud at 8 p.m. nightly in Saturate
Lake Citys Abruvanel Hall. Tickets,
range from \$16 to \$47, can be
reserved by phoning ArtTix at (801)
\$35-2787. Abravanel Hall is located
at 123 West South Temple.

Thursday - Utah

Ihursday – Utah
Utah Symphony wil play violin
music by Grieg, Sindling and
Schubert at 7:30 p.m. in Libbi Gardner Hall on the campus of the
University of Utah in Sait Liske City.
Tickets, which are \$27, can be
reserved by phoning ArtTix at (801)
\$55-2787. Abravanel Hall is located
at 123 West South Temple.

April 9-10 - Utah

April 9-10 – Utah
Utah Symphonywill perform the
music of Moran, Poulenc, Mozar
and Barber at B p.m. on April 10 in Salt Lake
Citys Abrawanel Hall. Tickets, which
range from \$16 to \$47, can be
reserved by phoning Art Tix at (801)
355-2787. Abrawanel Hall is located
at 123 West South Temple.

April 23-24 - Utah

April 23-24 – Utan
Utah Symphomy will perform the
music of Bernstein and
Rochmaninoff at 8 p.m. nightly in
Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall.
Tickets, which range from \$16 to
\$40, can be reserved by phoning Art
It at (101) 355-2787. Abravanel
Hall is located at 123 West South
Temple

April 30 and May 1 – Utah
Utah Symphony will perform
violin music by Rautavarna. Sholius
and Tchaikowsky at 8 p.m. nightly
in Salt Lake City's Abravane! Ital.
Tickets, which range from 316 to
\$40, can be reserved by phoning
ArtTix at (801) 355-2787. Abravanel
Hall is located at 123 Wess South
Temple.

KARAOKE

Tonight

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

Tonight

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

Tonight

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

Shakers is located at 826 Highway 81.

Tonight

Kroakers Karaoke will be fea-tured from 9 pm. to 1 am. at the Melody in Rupert and from 9 pm. to 1 am. at Cheers in Burley The Melody is located at 502 Staft St. in Rupert and Cheers is located at 163 West U.S. Highway 30.

Tonight and Saturday

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

Tonight, Saturday

and Sunday
Karaoke with Rabid Dog
Entertainment will be featured
from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. at the
Pioneer Club in Twin Falls. No cover
change. The Pioneer Club is located
at 15:19 Kimberly Road.

Tonight through Thursday

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

Saturday

Karaoke will be featured from 8

p.m. to midnight at the Sagebrush

Lounge in Hazelton. Singers can
bring their own CDs for karaoke.

No cover charge. The Sagebrush

Lounge is located at 325 Main St.

Saturday and Thursday

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

Saturday
Kroakers Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Riverside in Burley and from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Big Kahura in Declo. No cover charge. The Riverside is located at 19 7 Highway 30W. in Burley and the Big Kahuna is located at 49 E. Main in Declo.

Monday

MORGAY

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

Tuesday

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

Tuesday

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

Wednesday

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

Wednesday and Thursday

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

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

MISCELLANEOUS

Tonight and Saturday

44 Magnum will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at TJ's Lounge. No cover charge. TJ's Lounge is locat-ed at 112 Broadway Ave. S. in Buhl.

Tonight and Saturday.

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

Saturday

First Choice Home Care and Hospite Assistance will present its third annual Variety Show. 7 p.m., in the College of Southern Idaho Flace Arts Center auditorium, Twin Fails, Icatural Johnny U., clown act Little Har & Toolz, Burt Huish, Sheri audit Bohane Studio, John and Lorraine Jesser, Laura Almand, Milk Seward and Thary Armstrong, Medical Control of the Control of th

March 24 - Utah

financial help for those with termi-nal illnesses.

Monday – Utan
Sarah Brightman will sing at the
Delta Center in Salt Lake City at 8
p.m. Tickets, which are \$35, \$50
and \$75, can be reserved by phoning (801) 225-5EAT or online at
http://www.ticketmaster.com. The
Delta Center is located at 301 West
South Temple.

Monday – Boise
The Glenn Miller Orchestra will
perform at 7:30 p.m. in the
Morrison Center on the campus of
Boise State University. Tickets,
which are S16, can be reserved byplonning (200), 426-1494, online at
http://www.idahotickets.com. or
at Albertson's in Twin Falls.

The College of Southern Idaho Wind Ensemble will perform at 7:30 p.m. in the CSI Fine Arts Center auditorium. Admission is by a suggested \$3 donation.

Wednesday
The Glenn Miller Orchestra will
play Roper Auditorium in Twin
Falls at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are
St2, are available at Welch Music,
the Music Center, Dunkley Music
Everybody's Business, Kurt
Hailmark and Debbie Lattin
Insurance and Twin Falls High
School in Twin Falls, or from any
TEHS band member.

Treunesday
The Vuarnettes – Linda Badell,
Callie Galpin, Cheri Kessler and
Heidi Bates – will perform at 6 p.m.
in the Boiler Room at the Sun
Valley Resort. There's an \$15 cover
charge. The show will continue
every Wednesday night through
the end of March.

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

Monday - Utah

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marcn 24 – Utah
Ryan Adams will play in the
venue in Salt Lake City at 7 p.m.
Tickets, which are \$16.50, can be
reserved by phoning Smiths Tk at
(800) .888-TDX. or online at
http://www.smithstb.com. in the
venue is located at 600-West 219
South.

March 26 - Utah

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

March 26-27 - Utah

HIGH 20-21 - Utall
Utah Symphony will present A
Celic Celebration at 8 p.m. nightly
in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall.
Tickets, which range from \$22 to
\$45, can be reserved by phoning
ArTix at (801) 355-2787, Abravanel
Hall is located at 123 West South
Temple.

April 15 – Utah

APRIL 15 - UTARI
Solomon Burke will sing in
Kingshury Hall on the campus of
the University of Utah in Salt Lake
City at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are
\$25 and \$32, can be reserved by
phoning ArtTix at (801) 355-2787.

April 16 – Utah

April 10 — Utall
Lorie Line will perform in Jeanne
Wagner Theater in Salt Lake City at
7:30 p.m. For ticket information,
call Artik at (801) 355-2787. Jeanne
Wagner Theater is located at 138
West 300 South.

April 16-17 - Utah

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

April 19

APII 19

The Sonos Handbell Ensemble will perform in the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium at 7:30 p.m., the fourth Magic Valley Arts on Tour concert of the season. Tickets, which are \$14 for adults and \$10 for students and children, are available at children are Everybody's e available at Business, Kurt's

Pharmacy and Hallmark, Crowley's Old-Time Soda Fountain. The Magic Valley Arts Council office and the CSI Community Education Center in Twin Falls: Sav Mor Drug in Buhl; Arlene's Flowers in Jerome, and the CSI Outreach Centers in Burley, Halley and Gooding

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March 12 - Bolse

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Jerry Seinfeld will perform at tip
Morrison Center on the campus of
Bolse State University at 7 and 9:30
p.m. Tickets, which are \$51.50 and
\$77, can be reserved by phoning
Select A-Seat at (200) 426-1494,
online at http://www.idah.otick--ets.com.-or-at-Albertsons. in Twin
Falls.

March 14 - Utah

March 14 – Utah Louie Anderson will perform at the Wise Guys Comedy Club in the Salt Lake City suburb of West Valley City at 7 and 9 p.m. Tickets, which are \$20, can be reserved by phonling Smiths Tix at (800) 888-TIXX or online at http://www.smithstit.com. The Wise Guys Comedy Club is located at 3500 South 2200 West.

D A N C

Tonight

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

Saturday

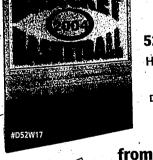
Saturday

The Red Cross Ball will be held dt. The Ballroom in Twin Falls, with music by Brian Farron and tirk Win Falls Centennial Orchestra, 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$53.0 p.m. Tickets, which are \$50.0 confice or by phoning 7:33-6467. Proceeds go to American Red Cross disaster relief services.

Sunday

Twin Falls Senior Citizens Centif-will hold a dance with music from 2.5 p.m. at the senior center. Music will be provided by the Melody Masters. Cost is \$4 per person. The Please see SPOTLIGHT, Page 65

Guitarist David Santistevan will perform at the Schubert Theater in Gooding at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$5, are available at the door. Grand Prize! RG/I



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WEEKEND

Spotlight

Twin Falls Senior Center is located at 530 Shoshone St. W. March 19-21 - Boise

march 19-21 - Bolse

Riverdance will play the Morrison Center on the campus of Bolse State University at 8 p.m. on March 19-20, at 2 p.m. on March 20-21 and at 7 p.m. on March 21. Tickets, which are \$32-50, \$45 and \$55, can be reserved by phoning select-t-8-sea at 2(208) 426-1494, online at http://www.idahotick-tsc.om. or at Albertson's in Twin Falls.

March 23-28 - Utah

marcn 23-26 - UTan

Riverdance will perform at Salt. Eake Citys Capitol Theater at 7:30 p.m. on March 23-25, at 8 p.m. on March 28-27, and at 2 and 7 p.m. on March 28. Tickets, which range from \$24 to \$57.50, can be reserved by phoning Art Tix at (801) 355-2767. The Capitol Theater is located at 50 West 200 South.

April 9-10, 14-17 - Utah

April 9-10, 14-17 - Utah

Ballet West will dance "40 Years of hubliation," featuring George Balanchine's "Concerto Barocca," and "Tchaikovsky Pas de Deux," Stravinsky's "Rite of Spring" and Vaughan "Ulliams" Lark Ascending," 7 p.m. in Salt Lake Citys Capitol Theater, For ticket information, call Art Tix at (801) 355-2787. The Capitol Theater is located at 50 West 200 South. located at 50 West 2003 Tonight, Saturday,

THEATER Wednesday and Thursday

Wednesday and Thursday
The College of Southern Idaho
Theater Department will present
Aristophanes "Lysistrata," 8 p.m.
nightly in Room 119 of the Fine Arts
Center. Tickets, which are \$6 for
General admission and \$4 for stuGeneral admission an

Tonight, Saturday, Monday, Tuesday and Thursday

Juesday and Thursday

i The Oakley Valley Arts Council
will present Martin Chamin and
Charles Strouses "Annie," 8 p.m.
nightly in Oakley's Howells Opera
House Tickets, which are \$8, can be
reserved by phoning 677-AKIS. The
production continues March 12-13,
15-16, 18-20

Sunday

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

Wednesday through

March 17
The Interplanetary Theater Group will present Kenneth Londergan's "This is Our Youth" in association with the Sun Valley Performing Arts Center, starring former "Dynasty" star Pam Sue Martin, 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Thursday, March 14 and 16-17 and 8 p.m. on March 12-13, mexStage Theater, Ketchum. Tickets, which are \$7 for students and \$20 for adults, are available at 726-4TKS.

The RAT Players, formerly the Friends of the College of Southern Idaho players, will perform Adam

Long. Reed Martin and Austin Thehenors "Complete History of America (Ahdiged)" at the Eighth Street Center in Buhl, with an all-American dinner prepared by Chel LuAnn Stites. 6:30 p.m. Tickets, which are Sils, are available at the door or by phoning 543-2888. The Eighth Street Center is located, at 200 N. Eighth St.

March 17-21

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

March 19-21 and 25-27

March 19-21. and 25-27

The Dilettantes of the Magic Valley will present Richard Adier and Jerry Ross" Damu Yankoes," at 7:30 p.m. on March 19-20 and 25-27 and at 2 p.m. on March 21, College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium, Twin Falls, Tickets are \$10 for general admission and \$7 for senior citizens, CSI students and children 12 and under for the March 19-20 and 26-27 performances and \$7 for the March 21 and March 25 shows. An opening-night gala is planned for the Elis Lodge in Jerome, featuring dinner and tickets to the show starting at 5:30 p.m. For reservations, call Michelle McFarlane at 536-6213 or Crast Pobleker at 736-8831. Tickets to "Damn Yankees" go on sale March 12 in a booth at the Magic Valley Mall; hours are noon to 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday Tickets can also be reserved by phoning 735-8830.

April 20-25 – Utah

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April 20-25 – Utah

The touring Broadway production of Mark Holman and Greg
Kotis' musical "Unientown" vill
play the Capitol Theater in Salt Lake
City at 7:30 p.m. on April 23 on 42 and
7 p.m. on April 23. Tickets, which
range from S30 to 557-50, can be
reserved by phoning ArtTix at (800)
355-2787. The Capitol Theater is
located at 50 West 200 South.

PLANETARIUM

Tonight, Saturday and Tuesday and Wednesday

Tuesday and Wednesday
The Faulkner Planetarium at the Herrett Center for Arts and Science on the campus of the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Fails will present a new show, "Ring World at 7 p.m. today, Saurday and Tuesday along with a matinee at 7 p.m. Saturday. Other shows are "More Than Meets the Eye" of Saturdays at 4 p.m. and "Led Zeppellin Maximum Volume I" at 8:15 p.m. on Saturdays Tickets which are \$4 for adults, \$3 for settion and \$9 for families, are available at the door. Children 4 and under are not admitted.

CULTURAL FESTIVAL

Tonight

IONIGNT
The Gooding Basque Association will have its monthly First Friday Dinner from 6 to 8:30 nm. at the Basque Culture Center, located at the south end of Gooding just east of the Highway 28 junction. The public is welcome. Cost is \$14 per person and \$12 for seniors.

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March 20

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St. Nicholas Catholic Church's annual Basque Festival will be held at 6 p.m. in the church hall, featuring dinner, dancing and a live auction. Tickets are \$17.50 per person or \$5 for the dance. St. Nicholas Catholic Church is heated at 802 F St.

ART SHOW

Today

The South-Central Idaho
Folklife Exhibit, the first in a series
of exhibits designed to reflect the
life of the Buhl community of
pen at the Eighth Street Center at
Buhl. Skills such as saddle-making,
quilting, needlework and woodworking will be featured. Free. An
opening reception is scheduled
from 5-7 p.m. The Eighth Street
Center is located at 200 N. Eighth
St.

Through March 12

"Cowboys and Indians: the West as Muse in Contemporary Photography" will be on display at the Sun Valley Center for the Arts in Ketchum. Gallery hours are Monday through Friday from 9 a.m.

to 5 p.m., and admission is free. The Sun Valley Center is located at 191 Fifth St. E. The gallery is open Mondays intrough Fridays from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturdays from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission to the gallery is free.

Through March 27

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Three calibits will be on display
at the Magic Valley Arts Council in
Twin Falls, including a Valentinethemed show in the Full Moon
Gallery, and "Chair-tity" the work of
Typin Falls High School art students
in the Galeria Pequena. The arts
council office is located at 132 Main
Ave, S. Admission Is free.

Through March 27

Magic Valley Art Teachers. Open, an exhibition of the artwork of the areas art teachers, will be on display at the Jean B. King Gallery in the Herrett Center for Arts and Science on the campus of the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls. It's free.

March 13- May 23 - Boise

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The Boise Art Museum will prosent "Thin Skin," an exhibit of an
based on bubbles, spheres and
inflatable structures by artists
including Tom Friedman, Ernesto
Neto and Andy Warhol. Hours are
Tuesday through Saturday from 10
a.m. to 5 p.m., Sunday from noon to
5 p.m. and Thursday from 10 a.m.
to 8 p.m., Admission is 55 or adults,
S3 for senior citizens and college
students and 51 for child grades 12. Kids under 6 get in free, BAM is
located in Julia Davis Park in down
town-Boise.

Big Wood ministry expands

Ketchum church sponsors Spanish-language congregation.

Saturday in Religion

CSI Wind Ensemble celebrates spring

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS - The College of Southern Idaho Wind Ensemble, will present a concert at 720 pm. Tuesday in the CSI Fine Arts Auditorlum. CSI music professor George K. Italsell says "March Melodies" will include a variety of music to celebrate the coming of spring.

The Wind Ensemble will sethe mood for the concert with its opening number. "From Tropic March" by Russell Alexander. The band will then play a visit to sunny Spain, as it performs the Spanish, classic, "Malaguena" by Ernesto Lectiona. Following this rousing piece will be a performance of Charles Carter's delightful "Sonata for Winds" Awe bit of Scotland is offered next, as the ensemble plays Frank Ticheli's beautiful and moving arrangement of the Scottish song "Loch Lomond" The first half will

colebrates spring
conclude with "Geneva Variations"
by Stephen Bulls; the variations are
based on an American trymn "My
Shepherd Will Supply My Needthat was first published in 1844.

The second half of the program
will begin with another march,
"Die Regimentskinder" (The
Children of the Regiment"), by the
late 18th-century Czech composer,
Idius Fujk, Neet the band will play
a selection of Alfred Newman's
score to the 1931 movie "Sneet
Score" Then, in honor of the
Lenten season, the concert will
offer a setting of "Blessed Are They
from "A German Requiem by the
esteemed German composer,
fohannes Banims. The concert will
close with an exciting work by the
band composer Alfred Reed entited "The Hounds of Spring".

Admission is by a suggested S3
donation per person to the CSI
Music Activities and Scholarship

Admission is by a suggested \$3 donation per person to the CSI Music Activities and Scholarship Fund. For more information, call 732-6767.





West End folklife exhibit opens today

BUHL - The Buhl Arts Council and the Idaho Commission on the Arts will sponsor "Traditional Folklife on the West End," starting today, at the Eighth Street Center. The works in the exhibit repre-sent the aesthetics and cultural val-ues of residents of western Twin Falls County.

ues of residents of western Ivon Falls County:
A grand opening is planned from 5-7-p.m. today. The exhibit will run through April 30.

Participating: arrists: include-woodworker lames Chapin, quil-maker Fay Parrot, embroiderer and crochet artist Sherry Hoem, crochet artist Sherry Hoem, crochet artist Mae Kenyon and lapidary and silversmith Dick Morris.

This is the first of a series of exhibits designed to reflected the life of the Buhl community, accord-

ing to Kelly Daluiso, the arts council's program director. She said these artists were selected because their work reflects a way of life. A series of classes and demonstrations is planned over the next wor months, starting with Luann Stites' cooking class on March 31, demonstrating cooking herbs. Latino vocalist Perla Batalla Willemonstrating cooking herbs. Jatino vocalist Perla Batalla Willemonstrating cooking herbs. Jatino vocalist Perla Batalla Willemon April 16, and on April 17 there will be a poetry workshop with Kim Stafford.

Parrot - and Essie Dease will demonstrate-quilding, on April 21, while on April 24 Pam Fockler will present pine-needle basket weaving.

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All of the events are free and open to the public. For more information, call 543-2888.
The Eighth Street Center is located at 200 N. Eighth St.

Red Cross holds ball

TWIN FALLS - The American Red Cross of Greater Idaho will sponsor its first Red Cross Ball Saturday night at The Ballroom in downtown Iwin Falls.

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The event will feature dinner, dessert and dancing to Bruce Farnon and the Itvin Falls Centennial Orthestra.
It starts at 7:30 p.in. and ruis

until midnight. Tickets for the Red Cross Ball are

S50 per person or \$500 for a table of 10, and they're available at the South Central District Red Crost office, 1139 Falls Ave, Suite B. All proceeds will go to support American Red Cross disaster services and Armed Forced Emergency U.S. Sen. Mike Crapo, R-Idaho, will serve as chairman of the ball. For more information, call 280-2315

For more information, call 280-2315. The Ballroom is located at 205 Shoshone St. N.)

Basques plan dinner

The Times-News

The Gooding Basque Association will hold its monthly First Friday Dinner from 6 to 8:30 p.m. today at the Basque Culture Center. located at the south end of Gooding just east of the Highway 28 junction.

28'junction.

The buffet-style dinner menu this month is grilled lamb, salmon, chicken breast, Basque rice, green beans with ham. Basque bread, salad bar and potato-leek soup.

Desserts are flan and Mississippi mud cake. There also is a no-host bar. The center now has four serving lines for faster service and has dining tables to seat 300. The public is welcome. Cost is \$14 per person and \$12 for seniors. The dinners are cooked and served by volunteers. Proceeds go to make payments or the culture center, opened in fanuary of 2003. The building also is available for rent. For more information, call Athena Sabala at 934-9961.

CSI choir sing Sunday

TWIN FALLS – Members of the College of Southern Idaho choirs will present a program Sunday help raise money for a trip to rai invitational choir event in-Sall Lake City this spring. CSI music professor Carson Wong says the Women's Choirs, Chamber Choir and Madrigal Ensemble will present a program called "Feel the Spirit," featuring well-known spiri-

tuals by John Rutter. Selections include "Joshua Fit the Battle of leriche." "Steal Away." "I Got a Bobe." Sometimes I feel Like a Motherless Child." Ev Jy Time I Feel the Spina. "Deep River" and "When the Saints Go Marching In." The concert will be held in the Jine Arts Center auditorium, which is accessible only through the back-of west – door because of construction. Suggested donation for the event is 55 per person at the door.

Hospice holds variety show

TWIN FALLS - First Choice lione Care & Hospice will sponsor its third annual Variety Show, Saturdaynight, to raise money for those with terminal illnesses.

Saturday night, to tase un-those with terminal illnesses. Curtain Jime is 7 p.m. in the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium. Performers will include country-western arist Johniy U. Little Pat& Took: a clown act; Burt Huish and the U.S. Army Reserves; the Elite Dance Force of Sheri Mauldin Studio; John and Loroine Jesser as

Sonny and Cher, Lauren Almand, the Top Hat Tappers; Mike Sewai and Tracy Armstrong; Mike and Sam Sites; pianist Mark Melhif the Give-& Take Barbershop Quartet; vocalist Heather Fulze and harpist Brother Selby.

Tickets, which are S8 for adults. S6 for senior citizens and 56 for kids under 12, are available at the door of at Everybody's Business; Clos Office Supply, Crowley's Soda Selountain, the Christian Bookstore and Home Headth Professional First Choice Hospiec, which is located at 147 Main Ave. E.

Festival will hold beard-growing contest

TWIN FALLS – Western Days,
Twin Falls, beginning of summer
festival, will sponsor a beard-growing contest this year.
Prizes will be awarded in three
categories, for longest, fullest and
most unique design.
Men with would like to participate
rougs-start the contest clean-shaven.
The contest, sponsored by Select
Mortgage of Twin, Falls, will have a

check-in at Select Mongage on April 2 from 3-7 p.m. Select Mongage is located at 233 Second St. N., Suite E. Contest will be judged on June 4 4:30 p.m. at the City Park band-

shell.
First prize for each category is a 525 restaurant gift certificate and a barber's shave. Second prize is two movel tickets and the third-place winners gets two movie rentals. For more information, call Carol at 734-1083.

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Go ahead and laugh. Hard. They've heard it all before. But then, Go ahead and laugh. Hard. They've heard it all before. But then, they can talk about you and you won't have a clue what they're saying. For anyone speaking in any of the more than 1.000 artificial tongues—languages carved out of someoneds word-wise imagination — these are very good times. The Lord of the King' gives wide exposure to the eff languages of the more than 1.00 and the property known as they'r contection of the property in any of the property i

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from "Star Trek," is
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"Earthlings," to be
shown at the
Cannes Film
Festival in May.
And later this
year, the Esperantomobilo – a team
of six speakers of Esperanto. one of
the oldest invented languages and
the most videspread – will be barnstorming the country extolling the
loy of saying "saluton," their version
of "bello." joy of saying of hello.

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It's just a little taste of sweet victory for invented-language fans, many of whom are linguists, philologists or amateur enthusi-

nnioogsss of mateur enthusiasts who've encountered everything from curiosity and ribbing from onlookers to government censure. Esperanto banned in Nazi Germany. the Soviet Union and, until recently, China. And then there are the vision of that infamous "Saturday" high live" sketch when William Shatner, playing himself Of course, artificial languages didn't begin with the 'Lord of the Rings' movies or Tolkien's hobbit tales, which he began to create in the '30s. As long as there's been conversation, William Shatner, playing himself appearing at a "Star Trek" convention,

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application to came get year doors.

"I'm a really intellectual, dorky guy-live learned to embrace that," says University of Beasa at Austin linguistics student Ben Hamill, who studies Elvish on the side. Most of my friends say, "I didn't know how you could (study Elvish)" or 'yeah, would."

But thanks to the Internet and Tolkien, exposure and tespect may

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ELVISH IS IN THE HOUSE

slowly be dawning.

Interest has increased, notes Frederick Hoy, a UT linguistics graduate student who conducts a class about Tolkien's languages. But he admits he got the big eye-noll from some in other departments when they heard about what he was eaching. (The popularity) has to do with the movies. There was always a community there that was doing their thing. Now there's a huge increase. But how much is serious and how many just want the more.

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a group with about 700 paying members. The "Star Thek" universe put artifi-cial languages into pop-culture warp drive when the warlike, today-is-a good-day-to-die Klingons became Ian favorites. The Klingon language, created by linguist Marc Okraud, has all the grace of a kung-fu kick to the head.



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Group will present 'History of America (Abridged)' at **Eighth Street**

The Times News

BUHL - The RAT. Players, formerly the Friends of the College of Southern Idaho Players, well present the comety Complete History of America Christoged on March 12 at the Eighther Complete History of America Christoged on March 12 at the Eighther History of America Christoged on March 12 at the Eighther History of America Abortaged of Written by Adam - Ing. Reed Martin and Austin Leaners, Is part Monty Python and part burlesque. It manages on the Stephenor. Is part, Monty Python and part burlesque. It manages two hours.

The SIS per person ticket price will include an all-American diner prepared by Chef Luknn Stitutes.

For further information, call 543-2888. The Eighth Street Center is located at 200 N. Eighth.

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Former Dynasty star directs play for Blaine County, theater group

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KETCHUM — Blaine Countys Interplanetary Theater Group will present "This is Our Youth in association with the Sun Valley Performing Arts Center Wednesday through March 10 at the necStage Theater. Former "Dynasty" star Pamelb Sue Martin will direct the play by Kenneth Lonergan.

Play time is 7 p.m. Sunday and Jip p.m. Friday and Saturday Tickes are \$7 for students and \$20 for adults, available at 726-4TKS:

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4. The Last Juror" by John Brisham (Doubleday) (F-H);
5. "The Guardian" by Nicholas Spariss (Warner) (F-P);
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1. 'Angels & Demons' by Dan
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3. 'Deception Point' by Dan
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4. 'Digital Fortress' by Dan
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9. "The Jester" by James
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Trade paperbacks

1. "The Secret Life of Bees" by Sue Monk Kidd (Penguin)
2. "One Hundred Years of Solitude", by Gabriel GarcDia MDarquez (Perennial)
3. "Life of Pi" by Yann Martel

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4. The MacKade Brothers: Rafe and Jared' by Nora Roberts (Silhouette)

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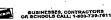




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WEEKEND

Movies

of miles. R. (violence, profanity, nudity, adult themes)

Confessions of a Teenage Drama Queen'

Drama Queen'

A sharp, witty and exuberant yet also affectionale sadire on the teerangst movie. Lindsay Lohan's wondrustly self-absorbed yet appealingly vulnerable 15-year-old Manhantanite copes with a move to New Iersey, competes for a role in a school play a rock version of Pygmalion' and pursue her idol, a British rock star (Adam Garda). Alison Pill co-stars as her sty but sensible best friend, and Carof karelie-the-schools; goriously, eccentric. sensible best ment, and can raine size-the-schools gloriously eccentric drama teacher. With Megan Fox as Lohan's sleek, ruthless nemesis (1:30. PG, for mild thematic elements and brief language)

'The Cooler'

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

'Dirty Dancing: Havana

Nights'
Drawn from co-producer/choreorganiter JoAnn Jansen's personal
experiences and borrowing the basic
motif of a youthful awakening
through dance from the original
Dirty Dancing, 'this new version is a
sumptuous and romantic period
piece, set on the eve of Castor revolution, that is designed to appeal to
women of several generations.
Romola Garaf and Diego Luna (of 'Y
Tu Mama Tambieri) are the attractions
stars. With Sca Ward, John Salttery
and Patrick Swayze, wito appears as
unmanued dance instructor. (1:26.
PG-13, for sensuality.)

'Eurotrip'

The writing team of Alec Berg.

David' Mandel and Jell Schaffer concocted this lame tale of a U.S. high school student endeavoring to reach his sexy German e-mail pen pal with a little help from his friends and a lot of hindrance from a contrived plot. Striving to be a kind of "If its Tuesday. This Must Be Booty Call," the film winds up as a fairly lame treatment of the Americans abroad scenario. But Judging by the post-credits outstakes, at least the east had a good time, and why not? They got to go to Europe, while all we get is this lousy movie. With Scott Mechlowicz, Jacob Pitts, Travis Wester and Michelle Trachtenberg (1:30 R. for scuality, andity, language and drug/alcohol content.)

'50 First Dates'

*50. First Dates'
Alternately treacly and crass, this is a disastrous reteaming of the charming "Weddling Singers'
Adam Sandler, as a marine animal veterinarian at a Sea World-type park in Hawaii and retember to the same the victim of short-term memory loss. When the abysmal film isn't being gooey over Sandler and Barrymore's impediment to romance, it's indulging in unfunny humor of jaw dropping awfulness; {1:31. PG-13. for crude sexual humor and drug references}

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

Return of the King'
The final installment in Peter
Jackson's daunting adaptation of J.
R. R. Tolkien's trilogy is longepisodie, Renaissance Faire'y and,
at times, mind-bogglingly brilliant.
The fellowship of hobbit arilliant.
dwarf and eil, puts down the orsaand far greater evils – in this visually spectacular realization of
Middle-earth. PG-13 (violence,
monstrous beings)

A spellbinding saga of how America's mighty pucks shot past



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

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

'The Passion of the Christ'

The arrival of Mel Gibson's film feels like a milestone in modern culture that tells us more about the way our world works than we may want to know. Gibson's career-long interest in martyrdom and the yearning for dramatic conflict that make him an excellent actor, coupled with his belief in the Gospels literal truth, have sideswiped 'The Passion." At a moment when different systems of religious belief are causing tremendous violence and conflict, a nigm Intended or inspire and insigorate those who believe they are the exclusive possessors of the ruth about God is perhaps not the best way to make the world a more humane, a more livable, a more peaceful place. With James Caviezel, Maia Morgenstern, Morica Belluccy. Matta Sbragia and Hristo Naumor Shopov. In Latin, Aramaic and Hebrew with English subtitles.

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'The Triplets of Belleville'

The Triplets of Belleville'
The widdly inspired Frenchmade Oscar nominee is a feature-length animated tour de force that involves, strangely and subbilmely, the Tour de France, obese Americans, a kidnapping plot, song and dance numbers, a car chase, and, well, a whimsical, siten-screen poetry and unbound drawing style that's completely captivating, PG-13 (scary images, adult themes, violence)

'Twisted'

'Iwisted'
Police detective Ashley Judd
pursues a serial killer whose victims have one thing in common.
They dated her. Her partner
(Andy Garcia) and the police
commissioner (Samuel L.
Jackson) become suspicious.

Directed by Philip Kaufman ("The Unbearable Lightness of Being"). (R, for violence, language and sexuality.)

'Welcome to Mooseport'

This robust comedy pits an immensely popular newly ex-President (Gene Hackman) in a President (Gene Hackman) in a small-town mayoral contest against a somewhat nerdy local hardware store proprietor-plumber (Ray Romano). What's most appealing about the film is that It allows the glib former leader of the free world and the diffident local yokel to emerge as very likable opponents. With Marcia Gay Harden, Maura Tierney, Christine Baranski, Fred Savage and Rip Torn. (1:50. PG-13, or some brief sexual comments and nudity).

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A-Rod a sure thing? Remember the Alomar:

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- A New York Post headline after the Yankees Alex Rodriguez trade, remembering the Mets' trade for Roberto Alomar.

TRIVIA QUESTION:

Who is the last player to win the NBA scoring title and not make the playoffs?

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

College basketball

Women's Region 18 tourna-ment, CSI gym - No. 2 Salt Lake CC vs. No. 3 Sastern Utah, noon - No. 1 CSI vs. No. 4 Dixie State,

5 p.m.
Men's Region 18 tournament,
CSI gym
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IN BRIEF

Rec holds spring soccer registration

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TWIN FALLS - The TWIN Falls
Barks and Recreation Department
is holding registation for spring
sbecter for boys and girls in kindergarten through grade 7. Volunteer
coaches are needed.

The fees are \$12.520 depending
on whether a player needs a jersey.
Registration runs through March
12. when a \$10 late fee will be
assessed. Call 736-2255 for more
Information.

YMCA announces adult tennis lessons

TWIN FALLS – The Twin Falls
YMCA will offer two beginning
adult tennis lesson sessions on
Saturdays from 9 to 10:30 a.m.
starting with the first session running March 6-27 and the second
session April 3-24. Each session
rosts \$15 per player. Only 12 are
plilowed in each class so sign up
now by calling 733-4384.

Church league plans organizational meeting

TWIN FALLS - An organizational meeting for the Magic Valley Church League will be held at 7 p.m. March 11 at Lighthouse Christian Fellowship, 259 Main Avenue East in Twin Falls. The meeting concerns both men and Avenue East in Iwin rais. The meeting concerns both men and coed leagues. Call Kevin Newbry during the day at 737-1425 or in the evenings at 734-3169.

T.F. Rapids need more soccer players

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls Rapids competitive soccer club needs players for its U-12 and U-11 girls teams and for the 13-and-under and 11-and-under boys soccer teams for the upcoming season.

Son.
For more information on the boys, call coach Sasha Pavlovic at 733-9411 or Mark Goodman at 733-1699. For the girls, call Vince Gibson at 735-076 or Leo Sanchez at 736-4402.

State Special Olympics needs volunteers.

McCALL - Volunteers are needed to work at the 2004 State Special Olympics Winter Games to be held in McCall March 12-14. For more information, call Shaana Endow at (208) 323-0482 ext. 14.

Complied from staff reports

TRIVIA ANSWER:

Bernard King of the New York Anicks, who averaged 32.9 points in 1984-85. The Knicks finished last in the Atlande Division with a 24-58 record.

MOVING ON UP

Twin Falls advances

Bruins build big lead, hold off Mountain View

By Eric Larsen Times-News writer

NAMPA – As the silent Mountain View crowd slowly filed out of Nampas Idaho Center, the Twin Falls Bruins celebrated their first state tournament victory in 11 years. With a 67-53 victory Thursday alternoon, the 2003-04 Bruins are the first Twin Falls team to play a second championship bracket game since 1993's team took second at state.

"We brought our A-game," Bruins coach Matt Harr said. "It's been four-straight games now that

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"We brought our A-game,"
Bruins coach Matt Harr said. "Its
been four-straight games now that
we've played our best basketball."
And the Bruins' best basketball is
very good. Twin Falls combined timeby scoting with scambling defense to
get up early and hold its lead.
"They played with Intensity.
Mountain View coach Tony Saras
said. They best us to the loose balls
and made us look slow tonight."
The Mavericks only lead came at
2-0. From there, the Bruins
punched through the Mountain
View defense, scoring in bunches
that yould result in a lead as big as
20 points midway through the
fourth quarter.

"They got up on us early and it
was an uphil battle the rest of the
way." Saras said.
Then Falls was able to peel off
runs of 6-10 points while stalling
the Maverick's offense. Mountain
View's longest run of five points
came midway through the fourth
quarter with the game already out
of hand.
"A lot of people were impressed
by our shooting, but I really liked
our defense tonight." Harr said.
The Bruins gained an early 3-10
lead thanks to a 10-0 run that forced
a Mountain View time-out with 2-40
left in the first period. Up 25-11 after
the first quarter, Graham Stanley
connected on a three-polinter to
guite the Bruins 17-point lead, their
largest of the half.

But the Mavericks chipped away
at the Bruins' lead and a Drew

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Thursday's scores Twin Falls 67, Mountain Vie Borah 72, Lewiston 57 Centennial 77, Capital 58

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p.m., loser-out
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Wellman three-pointer at the buzzer closes 24 at the half

ouezer crosed the Bruin lead to 32-24 at the half.

A balanced Bruin attack was lead by 14 points from both Luc Martin and Mitch Smith, while Graham Stanley and Mike Smith both added 13. Aggressive senior point guard Cory Albertson added four points, eight rebounds, and three assists while steering the Bruins' offense. Meanwhile, Mountain View senior Jake Bower finished with 17 to lead the Mavericks, while both Jared Mace and Drew Wellman added 11.

The Bruin winning streak new

anded 11.

The Bruin winning streak now sits at four thanks to the team's renewed focus on playing every quarter to the best of their ability.

"We broke it down before the conference championship." Harr said. "We wanted to play 12 good quarters, and now we're up to 16."

The Bruins will see if they can make it 20 at 6.15 p.m. Friday against Borah, which upset Lewiston 72-57.

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Twin Falls junior wing Mitch Smith, 32, passes between Mountain View's DJ Rupert, left, and Jake Bower during the fourth quarter Thursday. Twin Falls won the state 5A boys basketball tournament first-round game at Nampa's Idaho Center, 67-53.

CSI men inch closer

Times-Nows writer

TWIN FALLS - One down, two to go.
Any thoughts of a regional championship
are still a little premature. But the College of
Southern Idaho mens baskethall team looks to
be a team determined to reach the NICAN
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tollege, 85-80 Thursday night in a firstround game of the Region 18 tournament at
the CSI Gymnasium.
The fourth-seeded Golden Eagles (22-9
overall) will now face top-seeded Dixic State
College in a semilinal tonght at 7.
Yusuf Baker led CSI with 19 points and 14
rebounds despite fouling out late in the contest. Treammane Jason McGriff added 17 points
and 12 rebounds as the Eagles dominated play
in the condition of the stayed ont of foul trouble till use the
trought Yusuf really came to play. CSI
nead coach Gib Arnold said. "That's the Yusuf
of old. He stayed out of foul trouble till just the
"Coff was high tough exiting rebounds and

d." Griff was just tough getting rebounds and

defending."

McGriff sustained a what may be a broken toe in the second half but is expected to play

to in the second man configuration for the form of the

line. CSI held a shaky two-point lead with 8:54

remaining. But the Eagles, who shot just 5 of 23 from 3-point range, made three key 3-pointers over a 2:27 stretch to take a 73-64 advantage with 6:27 to go. Today's Region 18 games

Women's games
No. 2 Salt Lake CC vs. No.
3 Eastern Utah, noon
No. 1 CSI vs. No. 4 Dixle
State, 5 p.m.
Men's games
No. 2 Snow College vs.
No. 3 Salt Lake CC, 2
p.m.

p.m. No. 1 Dixie State, vs. No. 4 CSI, 7 p.m.

4 CSI.7 o.m.

Annotes and one two best shooters, Dani and Schafer, had tough nights. But Dani hit one in the corner that we really needed, and Schafer hit another one that we really needed. Those

6:27 to go

6:27 to go.

"We couldn't
hit a 3 to save our
life tonight,"
Arnold said. "Our

In tainoner one that we reary meets by:

The Cardinals never came closer than seven points the rest of the way.

The Eagles managed to take a 44-32 lead into halftime despite shooting just 42 percent

up to that point.

CSI did most of its damage early, grabbing a
14-9 lead with 14:00 remaining in the half on
Mohamed Kone's tomahawk dunk in transi-

tion.

The Eagles then grabbed their first double-figure lead at 23-13 thanks to some hustle from Aking Elting. Schafer Jackson missed a 3 from the right wing, but neither team came up with

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CSI BASEBALL PREVIEW

Defense on the diamond carries Eagles in early season

By Kevin Colbert Times-News write:

College of Southern Idaho center Moha siams home two points for the Golden Eagles during the first half of CSI's 85-80 win over the North Idaho

College Cardinals Thursday night.

TWIN FAILS - While the winter weather has not been kind to the College of Southern Idaho baseball teams bats in the early season, it's been its defense that has stepped to the plate.

The Golden Eagles will need to continue their stellar play in the field when they open up their Seenle West Athletic Conference season today and Saturday with a pair of double-headers at Walker Field against Colorado Northwestern Community College. The games today begin at 1 p.m. while the first pitch is scheduled for noon Saturday.

CSI (10-4-1 overall) brings a .956 fielding per-

CSI baseball doubleheaders

Today: 1 p.m. vs. Colorado Northwestern CO Saturday: Noon vs. Colorado Northwestern CC

centage into this weekend's games, slightly above where the Eagles finished last season at .952. In comparison, CSI's opponents are fielding at a .941 pace.

The Eagles' provess in the field is even more-impressive considering that a lot of reserve players have seen a lot.of time, especially in his past Sunday's second win of a doubleheader sweep over Dawson Community College (Mont). The Eagles won 3-1 and although they committed three errors in the contest, CSI head coach Jim "Skip" Walker Isn't worried.

"We mixed it up a little bit and played every-

body," Walker said. "We break down a little bit, the continuity. Some of those guys haven't played

body," Walker said. "We break down a little bit, the continuity Some of those guys havent played a lot of innings.

"I think it was just good to let those guys know we appreciate them. They've been really good at filling in. And you know, our defense has been pretty consistent."

The Eagles received a lift from several parties defensively in the 3-1 victory over Dawson. Centerfielder Tom Hentinger and catcher Mitch Stachowsky termed up in the skth linning to preserve a 2-1 CSI lead. Heninger made a routing grab in center field and then made a strong, dead-eye throw to Stachowsky at home to gun down a runner trying to score after tagging up a third base.

Freshman Jeremy Thomas also had gun and the strong free the state of the strong the s

third base.
Freshman Jeremy Thomas also had two out-standing games in the field. His glove work at Please see BASEBALL, Page D4

Declo loses rematch

Preston defeats Hornets at state

By John Derr Times News writer

MERIDIAN - The Hornets got the game they wanted, stopped the main scoring threat of the Indians but just couldn't get the ball to fall Thursday in a 44-37 loss to Presto and the team Declo beat for its state 3A boys basketball title last season.

Déclo faces Lakeland at 1:15 p.m. in a loser-out game at 1:15 p.m. in a loser-out game al Meridian High School. Lakeland lost to Marsh Valley 64-53 Wetnesday.

"We played excellent defense, but the shots

we played excellent defense, where the shots didn't fall for us, said Declo coach result – D2 Pennie Smyer. "The kids

result – D2

The Smyer. The showed a lot of heart. I am disappointed we had to of heart. I am disappointed we had to ollay the state champlonship game in the first round. Declo was able to limit Preston 6-foot-9 post Shawn Oliverson to six points. But that opened up the outside and the Indians would tally four three-pointers big in a low-scoring affair. You have to give up something. We collapsed on the big gay and that opened up the outside. Smyer said.

Declo pushed the ball up the court to score the first four points of the game. Nick Ramsey and Bret Hornets with 13 points and wardle both hit short jumpers in the lane. Wardle, who led ded another jumper with 13 points and whome the best of the pointers by Kiyle Heusser and the 12-9 after one. Heusser would finish with a trio of three-pointers. Both teams cooled for much of the second - juarret. Declos Bjom Christiansen hit a jumper to give Please see DECLO, Page D2

Wendell rolls into semifinals

Pope pumps in 30 as Trojans down West Side

By Philip A. Janquart Times-News correspondent

BOISE – West Side's plan was to ontain Wendell's 6-foot-8 post

BOISE – West sines plant was contain Wendell's 6-foot-8 post Kael Pope. It's been tried 22 times before and it worked just as well against the undefeated Trojans Thursday. Pope amassed 30 points en route to the Trojans 71-54 first-round victory over the Pirates at the 2X state basketball tournament at Capital High School in Boise.

2A Boys Real Dairy

Thursday's scores
Wendell 71, West Side 54
Matad 60, Petalach 37
New Plymouth 69, Lapwal 52
Rifle 62, Homedale 47
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Wendell vs. Malad, 6:15 p.m. New Plymouth vs. Ririe, 8 p.m.

Although Wendell (23-0) won by its usual 15-20 points, head coach Allen Kelsey was impressed by West Sides fight.

"We watched them play against Butte County and thought they were good athletes, but didn't think they were as tough as they are." Kelsey said.

The Pirates (13-11) matched senior Robert Bingham against Pope in order to prevent the inside play.

play.

In the game's early moments the strategy appeared to be working as Pope registered his first foul only 1:47 into the game. But a full-court press kept the Pirates off balance,

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Wood River falls in opening round

By John Derr Times News writer

MERIDIAN – Making its first trip to the state topmament in 13 years, the Wood River Wolverines led early but struggled in the second half as they fell to the Fruitland Graziles 57-47 in the first round of the 3A State Boys Basketball tournament Thursday evening at Meridian High School.

It was a tale of two halves. The Wolverines couldn, miss early and led by three at the half. After the break they dropped down to 30 percent shooting while Fruitland found its touch. "We played well the first half, we just didn't come out in the second half," said Wood River coach. Fred.

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a n d Fruitland was at state

nament on roll, finishin second in

3A Boys Real Dairy Shootout

Thursday's scores
Preston 44, Declo 37
Marsh Valley 64, Lakeland 53
Middleton 48, Shelley 31
Fruitland 57, Wood River 47
Friday's games
Declo vs. Lakeland, 1:15 p.m., loserout

Decio Vs. Cardinio, 1.13 p.m., loser-out Preston vs. Marsh Valley, 6:15 p.m., semifinal Middleton vs. Fruitland, 8 p.m., semifinal

ning eight of its last 10 games. They played like it early, getting the ball inside to 6.7 post lason Hofman who converted a pair of jumpers in the lane as the Wolverines led 10-8 after one against the District III champion forizzlies.

Wood River, s Kory Ott completed the old fashioned three-point play as Wood River led by four early in the second period. .

The Grizzlies hit a pair from behind the arc and the game was tied 17-17 late in the quarter. Wood River charged back in front as Mat Pruett knocked down a jumper, and then converted the fast break lay-up and the lead was three at the half.

half.
Wood River shot 50 percent from the field while Fruitland could manage to hit just 27 percent from the field. Things would change in the second half.

second half.
Fruidland scored the first four points to take
the lead, but Brady Fernling hit a three-pointer to
put the Wolverines back on top.
Out scored in the lane to give Wood River the
29-25 lead, before the Grizzlies took control.
Fruitland went on a 13-3 run leaving the
Wolverines down by six heading into the final
period.

Wolyerines would lose the battle of the boards in the second half. For the game, Frnitland outer bounded Wood liver 37-31, a key according to Fruitland coach Mike Flich. Fruitlands, post Derrick Mahan added 13 points after the break and finished with 20 points



Wood River guards Brady Femiling, center, and Dylan Fullmer double team Fruitiand guard Brian McKinney during the fourth quarter of their 3A state tournament game in Meridian Thursday.

while dominating in the paint. Four times he knocked down Wolverine defenders, but was not called for the foul.

"I think their big guy had a career night against us. Our big men didnt, get anything done." Trenkle said.

Trenkle said.

Down by eight with two minutes left Fernling, who was the only Wolverine in double figures with 15, hit two straight from beyond the are cout the deficit to six, but Fruitland would go 7 of 8 from the free throw line down the stretch to seal

the victory.
Fruitland,s Eric Snavely, scored 16 of his game-high 22 points in the second half including 11 of

14 from the charity stripe. Hofman added seven points for the Wolverines while Scott Bohrer grabbed six points and Fleming chipped in three steals

period. Despite having the size advantage, the Wolverines would lose the battle of the boards in the second half. For the court

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Community School downs Genesee

The Cutthroats move on to the state semifinals.

By Eric Larsen Times-News write:

CALDWELL - Maybe it was a coincidence. or maybe the Community School Cutthroats just needed to see a few friendly faces during their 1A Idaho Real Dairy Shootout quarterfinal game against the Genesee Bulldogs.

Dairy Shootout quartefinal game against the Genesce Bulldogs.
Whatever it was, when the Richfield Tigers entered Caldwell High School gyn to cheer on the Cuthrouts, coach Mike Wade's train responded with a 11-2 run that helped them to their 60-48 victory and into the champloisiship semifinal cound.
"Tim not surprised at all that they came out and supported us." Wade said. It was great, we rooted for them against Hansen and the return the favor. We like to see them win whên they're not playing us."

with Richfield coach Garr Ward, star Victor Vasquez, and the Tige-cheering them on, the Cutthroats came out of the half with a great

cheering them oh, the Chilmose came out of the half with a great third quarter, putting in 16 points while holding coach jeff Boyd's Bulldogs to only one basket.

"We came out of the half and we were on fire." Wade said. "You always want to come out with a big quarter and so often it doesn't work that way, but we hit our shots."

Hayes pumped in 32 points on 11-of-18 shooting, scoring more than half the Cutthroat's points.

"John has proven time and time again that when other teams focus on him. that's when he plays his best ball." Wade said. "He's a calming influence on his teammates and he wants the ball when the pressure is on."

pressure is on.

Hayes was especially effective in the high-scoring fourth quarter, as he was able to deal with the Genesee press and keep the ball in

1A Boys Real Dairy Shootout

Thursday's scores at Vallivue High School Hansen 59, Richfield 45, loserout Root State Handlay 51, loserout Troy 45, Lakeside 33 Cole Valley 51, Horseshoe Bend 46 at Calawel High School Sho-Ban 80, Idaho City 59, loser-

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Council vs. Community School, 8
p.m., semifinal

the Cutthroats' possession. Hayes also held off the Bulldogs by hitting six' of his seven free-throatenents in the second-half.

"They certainly made life difficult for us." Boyd said. "And John Hayes got hot for them. We just couldn't get over that hump."

Council 55, Carey 49

Council 55, Carey 49

CALDWELL - Thursday night's
55-49 loss to the Council
Lumberjacks was an auspicious
end to the Carey Futhers' state
championship hopes. With 55.6
seconds left and the Panthers
trailing 49-51, Carey's K.C. Rivera
wheeled a cross-court bounce
pass to teammate Tyler Gook, only
to watch the ball sail out of
ouncies a Cook collided widi one
of the referees. Despite the interference, the play was ruled a
turnover, giving Council posession of the ball

The Panthers wouldn't recoverfas Council connected on four free
throws to lock up the victory.
"I won't take anything away
from them." Carey coach Dick
Simpson said. "Sometimes you

need a few more baskets or a little more luck and we didn't have it

night."
For Council coach David Howe,
he favorable finish felt like it
ame down to more than a stroke of luck.

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"Doggone it, we got things going down the stretch and showed some poise." Howe said. I'm thinking somebody upstairs is pulling for us.

But when you hold your opponent to 31.7 percent shooting. divine intervention isn't required for a win.

"We had some shots that normally would go in that didn't." Simpson said. "But those big guys of theirs can really change you shots."

Simpson said. "But those big guys of theirs can really change your shots."
Council post Nick McConnell used all of his 6-foot-6 frame to make scoring difficult for the Panthers. McConnell finished with 19 points, 10 rebounds, and eight blocked shots, leading the Lumberjacks in all categories. The Panthers jumped out to an early 13-5 run in the first quarter only to see Council chip away at their lead with an 8-0 run to tie the score at the end of the period, the start of the second saw Carey open with a 5-0 run, which was again answered by the Lumberjacks, who tied the score at 18. Council then proceeded to go on a 16-9 run that gave the Lumberjacks a 34-27 lead at the half.

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Carey's Ty Simmons was held to a team-high 11 points on 5-17 shooting, thanks mostly to senior Council wing Casey Green.

"Casey is our best defensive player and that's something he really prides himself on." Howe said. "Simmons is the first kid all season to score double figures against him."

Both Tadd-Green and Blake Surerus added nine points for the Panthers, while K.C. Rivera finished with eight.

Carey will play Genesee Friday at 3 p.m. at Valliyue High School.

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Hansen 59, Richfield 45

CALDWELL – Hansen rallied from down 30-24 at halftime to defeat Magic Valley rival Richfield 59-45 in loser-out play at the 1A boys basketball state tournament in Caldwell. boys basketball state tournellin Caldwell.

Mark Pearson scored 17 points

Mark Pearson scored 17 points and pulled down 11 rebounds while Scott McAhren added 14 points and 15 rebounds to pace Hansen.
Victor Vasquez scored 22 points to lead Richfield, in the loss, which ends the Tigers' season. Tate Exon scored 10. Charlie Amy pulled down 11 rebounds.

Raft River 58, Mackay 51

nan niver 30, matriay 31, ...CALDWELL – Braden Barrett scored 21 and Zach Nye 12 points to lead Raft River past Mackay 58-51 Thursday to advance to the consolation championship semi-finals against Hansen at 10 this morning.

morning
Alex Nelson scored 11 for the
Tojans, Nye added 12 rebounds.
Sean Gillish scored 20 for the
Miners. Miners leading scorer CJ
Park went 0-for-10 from the field
while Mackay was 0-for-12 from
3-point range.

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Stanford wins at buzzer

PULIMAN, Wash. (AP) — Matt Lottich's desperation 3-pointer gave top-ranked and undefeated Stanford another buzzer-beating victory, 63-61 over Washington State on Thursday right. The Cardinal (28-0, 17-0 Pac-10) railled in the final 20 seconds, with Lottich's long-3-nointer coming off a

The Cardinal (26.0, 17-0 Pac-10) milled in the Inail 20 seconds, with Lortich's long 3-pointer coming offa wild scramble in front of the Stanford bench. Washington State led 61-56 with 25 seconds left before Dan Grunfeld cut it to a point with a rare four-point play, hitting a 3-pointer from the corner and making a free throw With 17.2 seconds Jeft, Washington State could not inbound the ball against Stanford's defense and turned it over on a five-second violation, setting the stage

DePaul 68, No. 13

Cincinnati 65

Cincinnati 85

ROSEMONT, Ill. – Drake Diener and Delonte Holland scored 17 each and Quernont Greer had 13 points and 10 rehounds to lead DePaul to an upset over No. 13 Cincinnat.

It was DePaulis first victory over a team ranked this high since December 2000, when the Blue Demons (18-8, 11-4 Conference USA) beat then-No. 10 Missouri.

Held Williams led Cincinnati (26-6-11-4) with 14 points, all but two-coming, from -3-point, range, Efc. Hicks and Armein Kirkland had 10 each.

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the Hornets a 13-12 lead. Preston
went over four minutes without a
bucket, but started a 7-3 run with a
tunderous dunk by Oliverson to
regain the lead. Declo trailed 21-16
at the break, shooting just 22 percent from the field. Declo struggled
after the break and Preston took
advantage, outscoring the Hornets
11-2 to pull away.
"We came out flat to start the
third quarter and that killed us. It
was up hill from then on." Smyer
said.

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Down 15 points, the Hornets picked up the defensive intensity and got back into the game. Wardle hit two more buckets. Drew Jones connected in the lane while a jumper by Christiansen cut the deficit to seven heading into the final period.

Jones, who came off the bench to score six, hit two straight to open the fourth quarter and the lead was down to three. Declo would go the next six minutes without a bucket. Wardle would break the drought with a three-pointer to cut the deficit to five, 40-35.

Preston left the door open, hitting just 4 of 8 free throw attempts, but the Hormets could not convert on the offensive end.

"All we wanted was a chance in the fourth quarter and I think we had I. We just had a couple big turnovers." Smyer sald.

The Hornets would finish the game shooting 29 percent from the floor. 15-05-10. On the boards, Preston would dominate 40-29.

"Rebounding was a key, we knew we had to be close." Smyer sald.

Declo will now-look to battle back and capture the consolation of the season. If we do that we will bring home a trophy to Declo, Smyer sald.

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as a pointer to up the lead to 17-10.
West Side answered back on the
very next play when senior Shane
Raiphs connected from the 20-foot
mark.

Davis wasn't through, however,
connecting on two more 3-pointcers, helping to keep the game in
control at 30-26 at halftime.

The second half looked like an
entirely different ball game as the
Tojans took control of the tempo,
wendell's Tyrel Davis hit another 3pointer for the Trojans who pulled
ahead 51-34 by the end of the third
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period. "We didn't give up any boards in

the third quarter," Kelsey said.
"That was very key for us. Overall
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have to credit Zak (Davis). We were
flat in the first half, but he steppéd
up for us."
Wendell jumped out to a 21point lead in the fourth and cruised
the rest of the way.
Pope ended the game with 30
points, followed by Davis with 17,
Tyrel Davis 11, Jysen Lancaster
nine and Cody Howeton four.
The Trojans play at 6.15 tonight

The Trojans play at 6:15 tonight against Malad, which beat Potlatch 60-37.

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the rebound. Elting scooped up the
loose ball after it hit the floor once
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half came at 35-19 with 524 left
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Salt Lake CC 64, College of Eastern Utah 62

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TWIN FALLS - Casey leveson's Joint attempt at the buzzer came up just short for Eastern Utah as too 35al Lake Community College hung on for a 64-62 victory.

CEU (16-15) inbounded the ball under its own basket with 1.9 seconds remaining after Eastern Utah's Jeremy Atwater was tied up for a jump ball, leveson their got a good look from the right wing, but the shot was off the mark.

Jeveson led sixth-seeded CEU with 14 points.

Ahmet Tidlane paced Salt Lake (22-9) with 14 points and 14 rebounds. His presence was especially important with Rekalin Sims, the SWAC's leading scorer, limited igust 15 minutes due to foul trouble.

"Ahmet's just a pup," SLCC coach Norm Parrish sald. "Great job on his part, and even bigger was the 14 boards."

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Snow College 98, Colorado Northwestern CC 62

Northwestern CC 62
TWIN FALLS - Second-seeded
Snow College shot 54 percent from
the field on the way to a 98-62
drubbing of Colorado
Northwestern Community College.
"The first game's always the
toughest game of the tournament,"
Snow College head coach Joh
Judkins said. "(CNCC) could (havb)
come in and beat some eonle."

Snow College head coatch juddins said. "(CNCC) could (have) come in and beat some people." Steve Barnes scored 16 points to lead five players in double figures for Snow (22-9), lake Schroeder and Andy Tovery each added 14 while Jarcel Parish scored 11 and Moses Hawkins 10.

Chris Truman led all scorers with 21 points for No. 7 CNCC (4-27). Snow faces Salt Lake CC at 2 p.m. roday.

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· The MasterCard Classic, first round, TGC, 3 p.m. Baseball Motor Sports Preseason, Phillies vs. Yankees, ESPN, 11 a.m.

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Tri-City Co-ed youth spring soccer registration begins

soccer registration begins RUPERT - All Mini-Cassi youth figes 5-16 are welcome to register for the Ri-City co-ed youth spring soccer program sponsored by the Rupert Recreation Department. Registration runs through March 12. Drop by the Rupert city office between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. weekdays with a \$15 registration fee payment to sign up. For further information, please call 439-2400.

Source: Jets agree to terms with Winfield

terms with Winfield
NEW YORK - Unrestricted freagent comerback Antoine Winfield
has agreed to a contract with the
New York les, a source within the
NET, told The Associated Press on
Thursday night.
While the source, speaking on
the condition of anonymity, said
the former Buffalo player and
agent Richard Kaz had worked
out a deal with the Jets, the team
said there was no announcement.
Katz did not immediately
return a call seeking comment.
ESPN.com also reported
Thursday that Winfield and the
Jets have agreed in principle on a
six-year, \$30 million deal that
includes a \$10 million signing
bonus.
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Negotiations were continuing through the evening.

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MORRISTOWN, N.I. – Eric, Dickerson, Deion Sanders, Lawrence Taylor, Troy Aikman and other college stars who went on stellar-pro football careers a among 85 candidates on this reamben 85 candidates

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Kirkiand, Wash. - The
Seattle Scalawks signed, freeagent defensive end Grant
Wistrom to a multiyear contract
Thursday.
Agent Tom Condon said
Wistrom signed a six-year deal
that includes a \$14 million sing
bonus.
Wistrom, 27, had 7.5 sacks for
the St. Louis Rants last season.
The Seahawks hope he can provide a consistent pass rush that
they lacked during the 2003 season, when they were 10-6 and
made the playoffs for the first
time since the 1999 season.

Phoenix acquires goalle Johnson from Blues

Johnson from Blues

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. — The
Phoenix Coyotes acquired goalie
Brent Johnson from St. Louis on
Thursday in a deal that sent welltraveled center Mike Sillinger to
the Blues. — The 26-year-old Johnson was
once a-rising star in the NHL Is
became the first goalie in league
history to record shutouts in his
first three postseason appearances in 2002. He has been
plagued by inconsistency, and
lost his starting job late last season when the Blues acquired
Chris Osgood.
Sillinger, who will be joining his
10th NHL team in 14 seasons, has
fol career goals and 227 assists,
along with 493 penalty minutes
in 813 games.

Alvin Snow voted Big

Alvin Snow voted Big Sky's most valuable OGDEN, Utah - Alvin Snow of Eastern Washington is the 2003-2004 Big Sky Conference most valuable player in men's basket-ball, the conference amounced Wednesday, Eastern Washington, the regu-lar season champion, placed three players on the 11-member all-conference team, chosen by

the lengue's head coaches. All eight schools were represented on the team, but Idaho State, with two, was the only other school with more than one all-conference choice.

Snow, a 6-2 senior from Seattle, Wash, led the Eagles to an 11-3 lig Sky record. He ranks in the top 13 in the ligs Sky in seven individual statistical caregories. Snow played in 115 games in his Eastern career, a school record. He is the Tirst Eastern Washington player and the 17th in Big Sky history to be named all conference three straight seasons. Montan'a junior forward Kamarr Davis, a junior oflege transfer from Milwaukee, Wis, was named. newcomer of the year. He averaged 14.1, points and 6.1 rebounds per game in the regular season.

Matt. Nelson of Eastern

year. He averaged 1.4. I points and el. rebounds per game in the regular season.

Matt Nelson of Eastern Washington was named freshman of the year. The forward from Issaquah, Wash. averaged 8.1 points and five rebounds per game. Portland State forward scamus Bodey, a junior from Mountlake Terrace, Wash., was the defensive player of the year. He led the Big Sky in rebounds and was fourth in blocked shots.

Others named to the all-conference team:

Marc Axton, Eastern Washington; Brendon Merritt. Eastern Washington; Brendon Merritt. Eastern Washington; Brendon Merritt. Eastern Washington; Bradon Fickson, Montana: Jason Erickson, Montana: Jason Erickson, Montana State; Aumar Davis, Montana: State; Aumar Davis, Montana: State; Aumar Davis, Montana: State; Josho Bodo, Northern Arizona; Seamus Bodey, Portland State; Josho Boxon, Sacramento State; Sobodan Cockolije, Weber State; John Hamilton, Weber State; John Hamilton, Weber State; John Hamilton, Weber State; John Hamilton, Weber State; Ison Pedending champ Federer

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defeats Robredo in Dubal
DUBAI, United Arab Eminates
Defending champion Roger
Federre beat frommy Robredo 6-3, 6-4 Thursday to reach the
Dubai Open quarterfinals.
The top-ranked Federer has
won five straight matches against
Robredo.

Gardner-Webb gets three

years' probation in scandal

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CHARLOTTE N.C. – GardnerWebb was placed on three years
probation by the NCAA on
Thursday for the grade-tampering scandal that cost school president Christopher White his job.
The men's basketball team will
be ineligible for postseason play
this year, and the men's and
women's basketball teams will
lose a scholarship in the next two
academic years. Both programs
also will be limited in their
recruiting activities.
The NCAA's committee on
infractions found that White provided former basketball star
Carlos Webb with an 'extra beenfit' and 'violated the principles of
institutional control.
White resigned in October
2002, weeks after admitting he
ordered an F. to be left out in calculating Webb's grade point average in 2000.

Henin-Hardenne, Capriati

Henin-Hardenne, Capriati advance to semifinals

DOHA, Qatar - Top-ranked Justine Henin-Hardenne and for-mer No. 1 Jennifer Capriad won in straight sets Thursday to move into the semifinals at the Qatar Open.

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Henin-Hardenne improved to 16-0 in 2004 by beating Nathalic Dechy 6-1, 7-5. The Belgian now faces Svedana Kuznetsova in a rematch of last week's Dubai Open final.
Kuznetsova rallied past Meghann Shaughnessy of the United States 4-6, 6-1, 6-3.
The second-seeded Capriati Fifth-seeded Silvia Farina Elia 7-6 (6), 6-1. It was only Capriatis third match of the year after being sidelined with a back injury.
Capriatis semifinal opponent will be defending champion Anastasia Myskina, who beat Jie Zheng of China 6-2, 7-5.

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ST. PAUL. Minn. - The
Minnesota Wild traded center
Jim Dowd to the Montreal
Canadiens on Thursday, for a
fourth-round draft pick.
Dowd had four goals, 20 assists
and 38 penalty minutes in S2
games with the Wild this senson.
The 35-year-old forward
totaled 121 points and 203 penalty minutes in 283 games with
Minnesota after being selected
from Edmonton in the 2000
expansion draft.
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Caught in the red tape

Owens goes to Ravens in trade after paperwork problem

The Associated Press

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NEW YORK - Terrell Owens is now Brian Billick's problem - and the star receiver the Baltimore Bavens have never had.

The tempesticion's receiver was traded by San-Tranciscor to the Bavens on-Thursday, -a.week-after he was prevented from becoming a free agent because of a paperwork mistake. The 48ers got a second-round draft pick in return—a bonus considering they would have received nothing had he become a free agent.

"However he treated people or dealt with people before is not of concern to me because the Baltimore Ravens werent a part of that," Billick said of Owens, whose behavior alienated coaches and teammates and prompted the 49ers to get rid of him.

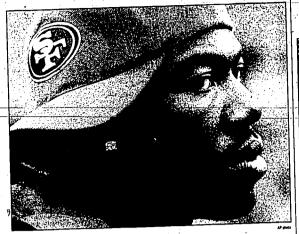
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The second day of free agency was quieter than the first, largely because Daniel Snyder and the Washington Redskins made their annual splash. Wednesday. The Skins then spent Hunsday hittorducing the new players they not will mesh into a cohesive unit under loe Gibbs. Philadelphia, meanwhile, formalized its S66 million, eight-year deal with Jevon Kearse after the former Tennessee defensive end passed a physical. That had been a concern because of 1001 problems that kept Kearse on the slodeline for all to 4 feet for the Tennessee defensive end passed a physical. That had been a concern because of 1001 problems that kept Kearse on the sideline for all to 4 feet for the 100 problems that kept Kearse on the sideline for all to 4 feet for the 100 problems that kept Kearse on the sideline for all to 4 feet for the 100 problems that kept Kearse on the sideline for all to 4 feet for the 100 problems that kept Kearse on the payer away from winning the Super Bowd, said Kearse, whose signing lifts the spirits of Philadelphia fans after three consecutive losses in NFC championship games.

Sili, Owens dead took the spoilight.

Owens, one of the NFE's best receivers, gives the Baltimore offense the kind of receiver it has never had – not even when it won the Super Bowd after the 2000 season. The price was relatively cheap – a second-round draft choice for an impact player.

But it also cound give Bilick and his coaching staff a headache. Owens feuded with both See Marfucci and Dennis Erickson in San Francisco is well as teammates and opponents with his surfiness, complaints and on-field artics. Nor does the deal make the Ravens an offensive pagermaut.



San Francisco 49ers wide receiver Terrell Owens watches the game during the second quarter against the Artzona Cardianals on Saturday, Dec. 21, 2002, at Sun Devil Stadium in Tempe, Ariz. Owens was traded to the Baltimore Ravens by San Francisco on Thursday after a paperwork error prevented him from becoming a free agent,

a free agent.

There are still questions at quarterback, where Kyle Bolter is still learning and missed the second half of last season with a knee injury. And Jamal Lewis, who nushed for 2.066 yards last season, is under indictment for drug conspiracy.

The 49ce shenefit, too.
Instead of losing Owens with nothing in return, they get the 51st overall pick in what's expected to be a deep draft, especially for wide received to be a deep draft, especially for wide received to the control of the contr

became obvious that it was going to be extremely tough for us to do, and it was extremely obvious that he wasn't coming to camp. I hink he pretty well made up his mind that it was going to be hard for him to come back here.

In other developments Thursday.

The Cleveland Browns disclosed they will meet Friday with quarterback Jeff acria, cut for salary cap reasons by San Francisco this week. He could be an option if the Browns can't renegotiate a cap-friendly deal with Tim Couch.

Tampa Bay signed another former 48er, left tackle Derrick Deese, a 12-year weteran. Deese also was cut on Monday.

Ilouston formalized its deal with defensive tackle Robaire Smith. The former Titan signed a six-year deal worth \$26.3 million.

New Orleans signed former Tampa Bay running back Aaron Stecker, who will back up Deuce McAllister. came obvious that it was going to be extreme

ble.
Gagne will earn \$5 million this season. He asked for \$8 million, but lost in arbitration – a process which

season. He asked for 36 thindown loss than abtraction – a process which upset him.

"It's business," he said. "The only thing I was mad about was going in. They didn't offer midpoint (855 million). That's what bothered me. I didn't care about winning or losing. I don't think they should have taken me there.

"But it's not going to affect me on the field. That's not my nature. I have to go all-out between the lines—that's my passion.

Gagne said he didn't feel disrespected by the Dodgers.

"Disappointed, I blink, is a more proper word." he said.

Nevertheless, he stressed that ight now, he wants to stay when less eligible for free agency after the 2006 season assuming the Dodgers.

2006 season assuming the Deogra-still want him.

Gagne said he believes he has the right personality to be a closer because he likes to go 100 percent on every pitch, which doesn't work

on every pitch, which doesn't work as a starter.

And his intensity on the mound is evident, which also seems to be an ideal trait.

Things, change once he leaves the field.

"I'm calm, I'm a really calm guy-easy going," Gagne said. "I step on the mound, its a different story. I'm really calm, and shy."

Two new teams, two new reasons to feel good



mates while waiting to take part in the drill take part in the drill during spring training Feb. 26; in Lakeland, Fla. Below, The Baltimore Orioles' new shortstop, Miguel Tejada, watches teammates during spring training Feb. 27 in Fort



I-Rod and Tejada give clubs a boost

By The Associated Press

Ivan Rodriguez and Miguel Tejada wasted no time in getting started on helping turn around los-

started on helping turn around los-ing teams.

In his debut with the Detroit Tigers on Thursday, Rodriguez had two singles and an RB in a 5-4 win, over the Montreal Expos.

"With him signing, automatically we've got a chance to win the Central," fellow newcomer Rondell White said. "I don't think there's no cent to everyower US.

Central, fellow newcomer notwork white said. "I don't think there's no one to overpower us. "The attitude around here is not like we lost 119 games last year. We're walking around here with confidence, and cockiness." Rodriguez signed a four year, \$40 million contract in the offseason to help the Tigers rebound from one of the worst seasons in major league history after leading the Florida Marlins to the World Scries title. The 10-time All-Stra and Gold-Glove winner will try to instill some of that championship swager on his young teammates.

Carlos Pena, who hit a home run spains Florida Southern on Wetnesday, hit a two-run homer in the fifth. Rodriguez and Dmitri Young followed with RBIs in the inning.

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Tejada hit a solo homer off World
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Halt solo made a 18 single
with two outs off Beckett in the first
and Lopez went 1-for-z at Fort
Lauderdale, Fla.
Baltimore second baseman Jerry
Haltston broke the ring finger on
his right hand while stealing third
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Fontenot hit a two-run homer in
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In his first action of the spring, Beckett allowed two runs and five hits in 2-3 innings. He struck out four and walked one.

Ramon Castro started his campaign. Le replace Rodriguez as catcher for Florida with two home runs, including a two-run shot off Orioles opening day starter Sidney Ponson in the second.

In other spring training games:

Glants 9, Cubs 3

M. Mess. Adrz. Barry Bonds

At Mesa, Ariz., Barry Bonds

grounded out in his only at-bat before leaving on a cold and rainy

day.

Jeffrey Hammonds hit a grand,
slam for San Francisco. Corey
Patterson, making a comeback
from knee surgery, homered for the
Cubs off Kirk Rueter.

Phillies 5, Yankees 1

At Clearwater, Fla., Jim Thome and Jimmy Rollins homered and Philadelphia opened its new spring training ballpark by beating New York.

York.

Eric Milton pitched three hitless innings for the Phillies.

Dodgers 7, Braves 5

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At Kissimmee, Ha., Adanta's I.D.
Drew homered for the second straight day.
Drew connected off Los Angeles starter Jeff Weaver, Julio Franco, the oldest position player in the majors at age 45, hit a two-run triple for the Braves.

Mets 4, Cardinais 2

At Jupiter, Fla., Jason Phillips hit a solo home run and the Mets beat St. Louis. Steve Trachsel pitched two hitless innings for New York. Rangers 9, Royals 5

Naugers 3, Royals 5
At Surprise, Ariz., Alfonso Soriano
went 1-for 3 with a stolen base and
started two double plays in lis
flexas debut.
Jason Jones hit a tiebreaking double over the lead of Royals left fielder Garth Brooks.

Padres 3, Mariners 2

At Peoria, Ariz., Terrence Long hit a two-run homer and Brian Buchanan had a solo shot for San Diego. Raul Ibanez and Scott Spiezio dou-bled off the Padres' Ismael Valdez.

Reds 6, Pirates 3

At Bradenton, Fla., Adam Dunn doubled twice and drove in two runs for Cincinnati.

The Pirates held a moment of silence before the game for former Reds owner Marge Schott, who died Thesday at 75. uesday at 75.

Brewers 8, Athletics 7

At Phoenix, Scott Podsednik went 2-for-3 with an RBI, a run scored and two stolen bases as Milwaukee beat Oakland. The Brewers won it on Bill Hall's one-out triple off Lou Pote in the bottom of the ninth inning.

Baseball

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first base was spectacular, scooping several poor throws from list fellow infielders while also flashing the leather on a looper that seemed like a sure base bit.

"You think about it, Iereny does go unnoticed." Walker said. "He doesn't look like he's a slick-fielding infielder. But he is. He comes up with big plays and he's saved some of the throws that have been down and taken some pretty trick phounces. He's better than what everybody thinks out there."
CSI should get a still challeng from a CNCC team that is 4-7 this season but has won four of its last five games. Eastern Utah defeated the Spartans 7-0 their last time out,

but CNCC beat Weber State, Dawson CC and Utah State (twice) by a combined 23-4 in their four previous games.

Sophomore Robby Bales leads all Colorado Northwestern players with at least 30 at-bats with a 294 average. But 6-100-4 feshman Cold Adams may wield the most feared bat in the Spartans It supp. Adams is hitting just 250 but the carries a slugging percentage of 4,00 and has two CNCC also has, are on the mount in Ben Haskell. The sophomore must his season.

CNCC also has, are on the mount in Ben Haskell. The sophomore has a minute 1,95 camed run average in four surts, two of which he has completed. He also has 16 strikeouts compared to just five walks.

Dodgers' Gagne sets standard for closers Sutter. "A lot of those guys did it for many years," Lasorda said. "Let's see him do it. It almost looks sometimes like he's pitching against little Leaguers. Gapne does it with three out pitchies—a fastball that approaches 100 mph," a devastating curveball and changetip that keeps batters off-balance. "I don't think you'll ever see any-one have two seasons like diat," Dodgers manager lim That'y self you do, it will probably be the same guy, I le will strive to be better this year than last year. That would seem to be impossible.

VERO BEACH, Fla. (AP) - The bullpen gate swings open, and Eric Gagne emerges to the raucous sounds of Welcome to the lungle. With his untucked shirt, straggly goatee and weathered hat, Gagne lumbers toward the mound. A picture of baseball's best closer is shown on the large video scoreboard with a blinking caption: "Game Over."

Three outs later, that's true. "It's annazing - I listen every

"It's amazing - I listen every single time," Gagne said, "I listen to the crowd, feed off their ener-

in the crowd, feed off their eners, for me, it means everything, they get me going, he said. 'Of course, when I throw the hall, fin focused and block the noise out. The fans have been so good to me-Iwant to be a Dodger for the rest of my career."

Just two years ago, Gagne was a complete unknown without a defined job with the Dodgers – a candidate for the starting rotation who'd been mentioned in trade talk.

cantidate for the starting rotation whold been mentioned in trade talk. Now, he's a cult hero of sorts.

"Fivery day 1 try not to pinch myself. I don't want to wake tup," he said. "The having a blast - 1 don't want it to end?

Gapine put together the best consecutive years for a closer in big league history, going 6-1 with a 1.97 FIRA and 52 saves in 56 chances in 2012 and then 2-3 with a 1.20 EIA and 55 saves in as many opportunities has year, when he won the NI.

Nobody else has recorded two 50-save seasons – much less in his first two years as a closer.

"The goes out then and just plays around with the hitters," Dodger third baseman Adrian Beltre said. "When he's out tiere, you don't event expect a ground ball. It looks like nobody dan touch him.

"Twe never seen anybody throw like that."

Gagne allowed 37 his, including list two homers, in 82 1-3 innings

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Gagne allowed 37 hits, including just two homers, in 82 1-3 innings last season with 20 walks and 137



National League Cy Young winner Eric Gagne fires a pitch in Vero Beach, Fla, Feb 23. With his untucked shirt, straggly goatee and weathered hat, Gagne lumbers toward the mound as a picture of baseball's best closer is shown on the large video scorebeard with a blinking caption: 'Game Over.'

Gagne struck out at least one batter in 71 of his 77 appearances; two or more 51 times, three or more 14 times and four once. He enters the 2004 season with a

He enters the 2004 season with a record 63 consecutive saves.

The seen a lot of outstanding relief pitchers, but I've never seen

anyone do what he's done," said Hall of Jamer Tom Lasorda, who managed the Dodgess from 1977-96 and watched the likes of Hall of Famer relicevers Hoty Wilhelm, Rollie Fingers and Dennis Eckersley along with Goose Gossage, Lee Smith and Bruce

game. Lamar Odom broke the tie with

a free throw for the Heat, and his runner from the left side gave-blanni a three-point lead with 24 seconds left.
Rasual Butler scored a season-high 20 points off the bench for Miami, and Odom finished with 16 points, seven rebounds and nine assists.
Keith Van Horn scored 22 points and Michael Redd added 21 for Milwaukee, which had its four-game winning streak snapped.

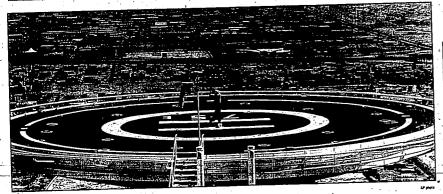
Webber leads Sacramento Kings past Sixers, 114-105 sixth straight double-double with 15 points and 13 rebounds. Heat 104, Bucks 98

PHILADELPHIA (AP) – Peja Stojakovic scored 22 of his 27 points in the first half and Chris Webber had 24 points and 10 assists, leading the Sacramento Kings to a '114-105' wictory over the Philadelphia Toers on Thursday night.

Webber was playing his second game of the season for Sacramento, which has won three straight and nine of its last 10 on the road. He had 26 NBA

points and 12 rebounds Tuesday in his debut after missing nine months to rehabilitate his knee and serve an eight game suspension. Allen verson-rebounded from Wednesday's 2-for-21 shooting performance to-score a team-high 32 for the Skors, who have lost six of seven. Kenny Thomas, recorded his

MIAMI - Haifer Asion uted a career high with 23 points and Caron Buler added 21 to help Miami snap its four-game losing streak Miami wasted a 16-point first half lead, letting the Bucks rally to tie it 98-all with 1:09 left in the



Tiger Woods hits balls from the Hell-pad on top of the Burj Al Arab Hotel prior to the 2004 Dubal Desert Classic in Dubal, UAE, in this photo rel

On the fringe: Woods has frustrating day at Dubai

DUBAI. United Arab Emirates (AP) – Tiger Woods has the \$3 million appearance fee at the Dubai Desert Classic, Little-known Bradley Dredge of Wales has the lead. Woods had a long and frustrating day Thursday, and was at even-par through 12 holes when the first round was suspended because of darkness. The start of tournament was delayed 2.5 hours by fog, and about half the field falled to finish the round.

natt the field fatted to finish the Dredge took an early lead with an 8-under 64. David Howell of England was three back after a 67, and Richard Green of Australia shot a 68. Ernie Els opened with a 70, and Darren Clarke of Northern Iroland had an even-par 72. Woods' frustration was evident throughout a round that included a double bogey at the 10th. He showed his anger several times, including on the 13th tee when he raised his club over his head and wung as if he were wielding an ax. When play was stopped, Woods

Golf roundup

had a 30-foot birdle putt on No. 13, but he elected to wait until play resumed Friday.
Woods birdled Nos. 4 and 9, but slipped back to even after a double begey at the par-5 10th. He pushed his tee shot lar right, then hooked his provisional drive into trouble. Playing the provisional, Woods hit into a greenside bunker and wound up with a 7.
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Woods is playing in the event for the first time since 2001. He withdrew last year because of the impending war against traq.
In his only other appearance in the tournament, Woods and Thomas Bjorn were tied for the lead after 71 holes. Bjorn won the event when Woods made double bogey on the final hole and finished two shots back.

Fresh off winning the Match Play Championship, Woods has been busy since arriving from California on Monday, a trip that took him hallway around the world through 12 time zones.

Dredge was the surprise leader after six birdies and a 20-foot eagle putt on the 18th, his ninth hole.

"Because the greens are so good around here it was almost like an easy putt," Dredge said. "Ifyou hit a good putt they are going to go in."

Smith overcomes double-

bogey to lead at Doral

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MIAM - Chris Smith shot a 7under 65, dosing with a double bogey
on the beefed-up 18th hole, to take a
one-stroke lead after the first re-ind of
the Ford Championiship at Doral.
Joe Durant opened with a 66, and
Phil Mickelson. Retief Goosen and
Scott Verplank were two shots back.
Smith, Mickelson and Verplank and
found the water on the par-4 18th.
Smith, the 2002 Butck Classic

winner, opened the round with an eagle, then birdied eight of the next 12 holes to 'move to 10 under through No. 13 – five shosts better than anyone else. He gave a stroke back after findings a fairway bunker on No. 16 and then had the poor second shot on No. 18.

Davies and Kuld lead at Women's Australian Open

Women's Australian Open
SYDNEY. Australia — Mianne
Bagger bezame the first transsexual to
play in a pro golf tournament, shooting a 12-over 8 in the first round of
the Women's Australian Open.
Bagger's 84 left her 16 strokes
behind first-round leaders
England's Laura Davies and
Denmark's Christina Kuld.
Bagger was born a male in
Copenhagen, Denmark, in 1966
and began playing golf as an 0year-old. Bagger began a transformation to a female with hormone
therapy in 1992, and had the sexchange operation three years later.

Making the list



The United State's Mia Hamm, top, fights for control of the ball with Costa Rica's Xlomara Briceno, bottom, during a game in a Olympic qualifying tournament for the Confederation of North America, Central America and the Caribbean in San Jose, Costa Rica, Wednesday, Eight teams from the region are vying for the two tickets to the 2004 Athens summer Olympics.

Hamm, Akers are only Americans, women on Pele's naming of soccer's best

LONDON (AP) – Naturally, Pele chose himself among the top 125 living soccer players. But he also chose two Americans in a sport where the United States has always been an afterthought. Min Hamm and Michelle Akers. They also were the only women chosen, symbolic of U.S. dominance in the two decades that women's soccer has been on the world stage.

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The list was compiled as part of the celebration of the 100th anniversary of the founding of FIFA, world soccer's governing group. Hipk fielt the choice to one man - the Brazilian acknowledged to be the greatest player ever.

Pele was allowed to pick only players who are still living. The list initially was to include 100 players - 50 current and 50 retired. But

FIFA relented when Pele asked to increase the retired list to 75.

There were 15 players from Brazil, which has won five Word Cups, two more than any other Cups, two more than any other country. Pele conceded it could have been more.

"I did my best, in said, "I asked if we could have blood players, but I was told it should be only 100. Tould have picked 100 from Brazil."

There are 14 players each from 'taly and France on the list, 13 from the Netherlands, 10 each from Germany and Argentina, and seven from England.

Plus the two American women.
"When I came up with the name Mia Hamm and the midfielded Michelle Akers, everyone was a little surprised." Pele said.

"But women's Gootball in the world is very important."

DIPLOMATIC MISSION: Play cricket

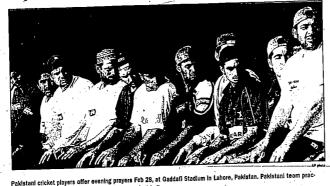
Shared passion for the sport may help forge peace between India and Pakistan

By Matthew Pennington Associated Press writer

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ISLAMABAD. Pakistan – India
and Pakistan have fought three
wars and edged to the brink of
unclear attack Next week, the biture rivals will try to spur a fragile
peace process with help from a
common passion: cricket.
Work will come to a halt, restaurants and tea shops in big cities and
remote villages will swell with people, and millions of 'IVs on both
sides of the border will be tuned in.
It's India's first full cricket tour of
Pakistan since 1989, although there
were three one-day matches in
1987, Karnchi will host the seriesorder border will be seriesladian batsman Yuvraj Singh
described it as 'the mother of all
games.' Weteran Pakistani commatlor Omar Qureshi called the
series 'war by other means,'
reached a broad agreement last
more talks over the disputed
peace talks over the disputed
province of Kashmir and other
tough issues. The talks represent
the entrenched positions, including Kashmir - the cause of two of
the controls three wars since ther!
1947 independence from Britain.
In the series than the moved to restore
transported fining in Kashmir.
The hope is that the cricket series
can players traveling to China in
the 1970s. That came to known
as 'Pingpong Diplomacy,' paving
the way for normalized relations.

Next week's cricket tour was
almost derailed by Indian fears



Pakistani cricket playe tices for the upcoming crucial cricket series against india.

over security after a wave of terror-ist attacks in the past three years. But Indian Prime Minister Atal Bhari Vajpayce last month pressed for its go ahea. "A lot to people in Pakistan and India," said Querishi, who has covered all but woo of the India-Pakistan cricket series since the first in 1952. "It's the one colonial legacy that we are handing onto. It's almost a secular religion on the subcontinent." The countries' sporting ties often have been wayald by posities. From 1960. 78 – a period marked by wars over Kashmir and Bangladesh and failed peace talks – there were no India vs. Pakistan cricket matches. Hope for change has emerged in recent months. Peace talks will

stretch over months and possibly years, but observers say they offer the best chance in a generation for an end to five decades of emnity. "People in both countries are sick and tired of the posturing and bogus belligerence," Qureishi said. "There's a genuine hunger for normalization in relations and this cricket series is a tremendous opportunity to build bridges. Khalid Mahmood of Islamasbad's Institute of Regional Studies said India's decision to agree to the tour was a goodwill gesture. "It will further help to ease tension," he said. Pakistan's cricket team toured India in 1999, before New Delhi blockwill-burshist."

ther help to ease tension." he said. Pakistan's cricket team toured India in 1999, before New Delhi blocked further visits. That year, sus-pected Hindu extremists, angered at Pakistan's alleged support of Islamic

separatist guerrillas in disputed Kashmir, dug up the cricket pitch in New Delhi and forced the first test to be rescheduled. Militants also ransacked the Indian cricket boards headquar-ters, damaging the 1983 World Cup trooby.

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During Indias 1997 three-match visit to Pakistan, fans hurled stones at Indian players in Karachi.
"I'm sure the Pakistani crowd will give the Indians a warm welcome," said Pakistani's cricket coach, laved Miandad. In 1999, "we went to India and had a lovely time. There were no differences between people. We were accepted simply as sportsmen."

sportsmen."

The hosts have promised heavy

Pele's list of the top 125 living soccer players

Argentina (10) – Gabriel Batlstuta, Hernan Crespo, Mario Kempes, Dilego Maradona, Daniel Passarella, Javier Saviola, Omar Sivori, Alfredo Di Stefano, Juan Sobastien Veron, Javier Zenatii

Stefano, Juan Sebastien Veron, Javier Zanetti.
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Belgium (3) – Jan Ceulerpans, Franky Van der Elst, Jean-Marie Pfalf Brazil (15) – Carlos Alberto, Cafu, Roberto Carlos, Falcoo, Junior, Pele, Rivado, Rivelina, Romarido, Djalima Santos, Nikton Santos, Socrates, Zico. Bulgaria (3) – Histo Stolchkov Gameron (1,0 – Roger Milles, Chila (2) – Pablo Figueras, Ivan Zamöranor Colombia (1) – Carlos Valderrama: Croatla (3) – Davor Suker; Czech Republic (2) – Josef Masopoust, Pavel Nedwet; Demarak (3) – Brian Laudrup, Michael Laudrup, Peter Schmeichel.

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England (7) – Gordon Banks, David
Beckham, Bobby Charlton, Kevin
Keegan, Gary Lineker, Michael Owen,
Alan Shearer.
France (14) – Frio Contact

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Oliver Kahn, Juergen Kilnsmann, Sepp Maler, Lothar Matthaeus, Gerd-Mueller, Kail-Heinz Rummenigge, Live Seeler

Ghana (1) - Abedi Pele; Hungary (1) - Ference Puskas; Ireland (1) - Roy

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Kay (14) — Roberto Baggio, France Baresi, Giuseppe Bergoni, Glamplere Boniperi, Giankue Buffon, Giandriup Facchetti, Paolo Maidini, Alessandro Petria, Alessandro Nesta, Gianal Ribera, Paolo Rossif, Francesco Totti, Christian Vieri, Liono Zoff.

Japan (3) — Hidetoshi Nakata; Liberta (3) — George Wesh; Mexico (4) — Hugo Sonchez.

Notberlands (13) — Marco van Basten, Denis Berglamp, Johann Cruff, Egigz Oradis, Ruud Gullit, Willy van de Kerkhof, Rene van de Kerkhof Patrick Kulwert, Johann Meeskans, Ruud van Nistolrooy, Rob

Kerkhof, Patrick Kluivert, Johann Neeskens, Ruud van Nistelrooy, Rob Rensenbrink, Frank Rijkaard, Clarend

Secdorf.
Nigeria (J.) – Jay-Jay Okocha;
Northem Ireland (1) – George Best;
Paraguay (1) – Romerlic; Poru (1) –
Teofilo Cubilis; Poland (1) –
Zelgniew Bonlek; Portugal (3) –
Manuel Rul Costo, Euseblo, Luis
Figo; Romania (3) – Gheorghe Hagi;
Russia (3) – Rinat Dassey; Sertiand
(1) – Kenny Dolglish; Sengeria (1) –
El Hagil Diout; South Korea (1) –
Lender Manuesho; Senin (3) – Emilio

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Armstrong lashes out at anti-doping agency head

U.S. rider Lance Armstrong
hands over a
rain jacket to
his U.S. Postal
team car during the first stage of the Tour o Murcia cycling de Pinatar,



AUSTIN, Texas.(AP) – Five-time Tour de France chamipi-on Lance Armstrong lashed out Thursday at the head of World Ami-Doping Agency for comments he made about cyclists tasking illegal sub-stances.

stances.

In an open letter released by his representatives, Armstrong said he was "stunned and saddened" by Dick-Pound's comments that "The public knows that the riders of the Tour de France and the others take forbidden substances."

Desural's comments were

per Le Monde on Jan. 28.

"I have said this before and I will say it again: I befieve that I am the most tested abliete on this planet. I have never had a single positive doping test, and I do not take performance enhancing drugs." Armstrong said.

candidating drugs and the Tour of Murch as part of his training to pursue an unprecedented sixth straight Tour de France title. Although Founds comments were reported more than a month ago. Armstrong said he felt compelled to defend him-

self and the professional cycling community.

"I have learned over the years that proving a negative can be quite challenging with expense that my decomplishments are possible without drugs." Armstrong said.

"I can live with that. But, for Mr. Pound to assert that I take drugs, or that my fellow riders in the Four do, is simply careless and unacceptable.

Armstrong acknowledged that cycling has had doping problems but said the sport has

cleaned up. He noted that the Tour de France tested him regularly and that tests are controlled by the French Ministry OSports
Thursdee Trance is one of the most controlled sports recent in the world. The said, adding that the majority of the control the said, adding that the majority of the control the said, adding that the majority of the control that the said of the control that the control that

Egypt admits imprisoning militant

CAIRO, Egypt (AP) – Egypt acknowledged for the first time. Thursday that it is holding Mohammed al-Zawahri, the brother of al-Qalda's No. 2 man. Al-Zawahri had been believed in Egyptian police custody for at least three years, but the government never acknowledged it. He was sentenced to death in absentia in 1939 group Islamic lihad. This older brother. Ayman al-Zawahn, is the top aide to al-Qalda leader Osama bin Laden and allegedly once led the milliary wing of Egypts libad group. Ayman al-Zawahri also was sentenced to death in absentia in the same 1999 trial.

Interior Minister Habib el-Adly

trial.
Interior Minister Habib el-Adly said Mohammed al-Zawahri would stand trial soon but did not say

stand trial soon but did not say when.
Under Egypt's laws, a suspect can be detained without charges or trail indefinitely. However, Egyptian law doesn't provide for a new trial for a suspect who has been convicted in absentia in a millitary court and returns to the country. It only permits elemency pleas to the president.

"Al-Zawahris relatives were surprised when they read a recent prised when they read a recent prised when they read a recent prised when they read a recent each." Mahfouz Azzam, al-Zawahris great uncle, told The Associated Press.

dead, Mahfouz Azzam, alZawahri s great uncle, told The
Associated Press.
Azzam, a lawyer, wondered why
Egyptian authorities had held him
so long without telling his family
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to see him and send him food?
Azzam added. He said Mohammed
al-Zawahris wife and six children
Azzam said hawawith himself in
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Montasser el-Zayat, a prominent autorney who defended Mohammed al-Zawahri in his 1999 trial, said his former client is not known to have any ties to al-Qaida, though he had been an Islamic Jihad member for years.

IRAQIS MOURN LOSSES.



An Iraqi lights candles, Thursday, after placing a portrait of his relative who was killed in Tuesday's suicide attacks in Kazimiya Shrine at Bagndad, Iraq. Tuesday's coordinated suicide attacks in the capital as well as the holy city of Karbals, killed more than a hundred people and injured hundreds more in the bloodlest attacks carried out since the fall of Saddam Husseln.

Opinions diverge on foreign involvement in bomb attacks

BACHDAD. Iraq (AP) — Top U.S. military and civilian officials were at odds Thursday over the role of foreign of the company of

Dempsey saut. As a conguess.*
He called the idea that foreign
fighters were flooding Iraq "a misconception.*
Another military official in
Baghdad, who asked not to be
named, said intelligence 'strongly
suggests' al-Zarqawi was behind
the blasts Thesday, the bloodiest
day since Saddam Hussein's regime

The Iraqi Governing Council said 271 people were killed in the attacks; the U.S. coalition said 181 people were killed and 573 wound-ed.

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Stall, tota a Pentagon news centered ence.
Army Gen. John Abizaid, who runs thewar in Iraq, said he had evidence al-Zarqawi was behind the massacres on the Shilte holy day of Ashoura. But other U.S. officials alter said they could not elaborate because the evidence was still "being developed."
In Najaf, meanwhile, police Maj.

Mohammed Dayekh said Thursday
an Iraqi member of al-Zarqawil
network had confessed he and four
other Iraqis were involved in the
Karbala bombing. The U.S. militarcommand said it was unaware of
the purported confession by
Mohammed Hanoun Hmood al
Morzani.

U.S. officials worry about returning power to Iraq

WASHINGTON (AP) – A growing number of lawmakers are worrying out loud about the Bush administration's ironclad deadline for handing over polluteal control to Iraq this summer, with even Republicans questioning wito will rule and whether the iraqis will bu up to it.

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The worst day of post-invasion carnage so far – Tuesday's coordinated bombings at Shilte Muslim strines – has heightened fears over sticking to the June 30 handover even as Iraqis make limba arroward dever

sticking to the June 30 handower even as Inqls make little progress toward decling who will be in their new government.

The Issue of whom sovereignty is to be transferred to is not just a thorny intellectual issue," said Michigan's Sen. Carl Levin, making Democrat on the Senate Armed Services Committee. "If the people clime don's support their sowreign. of Iraq don't support their sor government, even greater could result."

could result.

"It seems like a tough target to hit," GOP House Armed Services Committee member Rep. Joel Hefley of Colorado said of the June

deadline.

"I'm convinced that the timetable ... is unrealistic," said Missouri Democrat Rep. Ike Skelton.

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Lawmakers commented when the U.S. commander in Iraq. Gen. John Abizaid, testified before their committees with other sentor defense officials Wednesday and

committees with other senior defense officials Wednesday and Thursday.

Critics have charged the June 30 date is arbitrary and appears geared more toward helping President Bush in his November re-election bid than helping the Irad people. Lowering the U.S. profile in Iraq well ahead of November could be seen as progress, and could blum the war as a campaign issue. American death toll was more than 540 and the war's cost – already more than \$100 billion – is also a sore tople among American votes facing huge federal budget deflicts. Others believe that if violence were to worsen in the country once the sovereignty handover was complete;—that—could—hurt—Bushpolitically.

German court orders a retrial of the world's only Sept. 11 convict

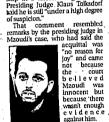
KARLSRUHE. Germany (AP) —
The only person in the world convicted in the Sep. 11 atracks won a retrial Thursday after an appeals court faulted Washington for refusing to allow testimony from a key al-Qalda captive.

The Federal Criminal Court overturned the conviction of Mounit el Motassadea, a Moroccan, leaving German prosecutors with little to show for their efforts to pursue suspects who may have belonged to the Hamburg cell that included three of the suicide hijackers.

A month ago, el Motassadeq's friend Abdelphan Mzoudi was acquitted of Identical Charges of principal control of the suicide hijackers.

A month ago, el Motassadeq's friend Abdelphan Mzoudi was acquitted of Identical Charges of principal leaving logistical aid to the cell. Relatives of Sept. 11 vectims again corpressed from the Sept. 12 vectims again corpressed from the Sept. 12 vectims again the Hamburg prison where he was serving the maximum 15-year sentence for more than 3,000 counts of accessory to murder and member-

ship in a terrorist organization. Presiding Judge Klaus Tolksdorf and he is still "under a high degree



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Mzoudi was innocent but because there wasn't enough e v i d e n c e against him.

Lawyers said they would seek el seek el Motassadeq's ned to introduce

release and planned to introduce new evidence in the retrial that was critical to Mzoudi's acquittal. El Motassadeq has denied involve-ment in the Sept. 11 plot. "I believe he is guilty," said Stephen Push, founder of the New

York-based Families of Sept. 11 group, whose wife was aboard the plane that crashed into the Pentagon. It's unfortunate that the York-based Families

plane that crashed into the Pentagon. "It's unfortunate that the conviction wasn't upheld." In Washington, the Justice Department said the court ruling was a German affair. "We will continue to cooperate to the fullest extent possible with Germany in the fight against our common foe, the terrorists spokesman Mark Corallo Sainst our common foe, the terrorists spokesman Mark Corallo Sainst our common foe, the terrorists spokesman Mark Corallo Sainst our common foe, the terrorists spokesman Mark Corallo Sainst our common foe, the terrorists spokesman Mark Corallo Sainst our thank and the following the full results of the terrorists with a fact of the following the foll

available."

El Motassadeq acknowledges knowing the plotters, but maintains Binalshibh would be able to

The summer of 2003 was probably the hottest in 500 years for much of Europe

WASHINGTON (AP) – Last year's deadly summer in Europe probably was the hottest on the cominent in at least five centuries, according to researchers who analyzed old records, soil cores and other evidence. More than 19,000 people died.

Researchers at the University of Bern, Switzerland, collected and analyzed temperature data from all over Europe, including such climate measures as tree rings from 1500.

They found that the climate has been generally warming and last summer was the most torrid of all.

"When you consider Europe as a whole, it was by far the hottest," said Jung Luterbacher. climatologist and the first author of a study appearing this week in the journal Science.

Science.

Luterbacher said the study showed that European winters are also warmer now. The average winter and annual temperatures during the three decades from 1973 to 2002 were the warmest of

the half millennium, he said.
Some studies have linked rising
average temperatures in North
America and elsewhere to global
warming caused by the burning of
fossil fuels, but Luterbacher said
has team did not attempt to make
such a connection.
"We don't make any analysis of
the human influence," he said.
"We don't attempt to determine
the cause. We only report what we
find."

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Other climatologists, however, say the new study agrees with models that have predicted a steady rise in global temperature as the result of greenhouse gases released into the atmosphere from the burning of fossil fuels and other sources.

other sources, Stephen Schneider, a climate expert at Stanford University and a prominent advocate for human-caused global warming, sald the Luterbacher paper is consistent with what climate modelers have been predicting for 20 years.

"The data is starting to line up

showing that those projections were correct." Schneider sald. We warned the world that this was likely to happen because we believed the theory, but couldn't actually prove it was happening. Now the data is coming in."

In the study, Luterbacher and his team analyzed the temperature history of Europe starting in 1500 to the oresen.

to the present.

generally available throughout Europe.

During the 500 years, there were trends both toward cool and toward hol. The second hottest summer in the period was in 1757. That was followed by a cooling trend that continued until early in the 20th century. The summer of 1902, for instance, was the coolest of the entire record.

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to the present. For the earliest part of the half millennium, the figures are estimates based on proxy measures, such as tree rings and soil cores. But after about 1750, he said, instrumented readings became generally available throughout

Countries mull gay marriage worldwide

provinces authorized weddings. In most of Africa, homosexually is illegal and gay marriage unthink-able. But in South Africa, gay rights were enshrined in the post-apartheid constitution and some groups are lobbying for the right to marry.

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In goan, homosexuality is no longer considered a mental ilines, but many guys still feel pressure to go through a sham heteroseand marriage, lapan is more progressive than most of Asia.

Strongly Roman Catholic countries such as Spala and taly refuse to recognize gay couples, following the Vatican's abhorence of homosexuality. But there are important exceptions.

AMSTERDAM, Netherlands (AP)

Three years after Amsterdams mayor officiated at the Netherlands first gay wedding, the gradient of the Netherlands first gay wedding, the first divorces are being registered and the issue has disappeared from the political agenda.

While the United States is engaged in debate on a constitutional amendment banning gay marriage, Canadians are discussing a federal law to legalize it and many European countries are adopting civil unitens for gay couples.

But in the Netherlands, nobody talks about the issue anymore.

Around the world, countries are coming to terms with how to treat

omosexual' couples – and the rend in many is toward liberalizing

laws.

In Denmark, civil unions with the same rights as marriage have been around since 1989, and other Nordic countries followed suit in

The Dutch were the first to eliminate any distinction between gay and straight, striking all references to gender in the marriage laws. Belgum soon did the same. Canada jumped to the forefront of gay rights in North America in June when it announced plans to legalize same-sex marriages. Many same-sex couples streamed north to marry in Ottawa and British Columbia after courts in those

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Section F.

BRIEFLY IN MONEY

Luncheon will honor Jefferson award winner

TWIN FALLS - The winner of the outhern Idaho Jefferson award will

Southern Idaho Jefferson award will be named today at a noon luncheon at the Blue Lakes Country Club.

The award, founded in 1972- by the American Institute of Public Service, "honors, and encourages individuals for their contributions and achievements to public and community service," according to a

community service, according to statement.

'The winner, selected from 35 nominees, will travel to Washington. D.C. in June to attend a national awards ecremony.
The award is sponsored by KMVT-TV and Team Con Paulos.

Crapo will sponsor an ag trade forum at CSI

Trade forum at CSI
WASHINGTON, D.C. – Sen. Mike
Crapo (R-ID) will sponsor an agricillural trade forum at 2 p.m.
Saturday in the Taylor Building at
the College of Southern Idaho.
Crapo is holding several agricultiral trade forums amilist several
developments related to farm trade,
the lates of which comes from the
European Union.
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EU leadership announced this week that it is planning sanctions on U.S. goods, including farm protest, in retailation to actions relating to export subsidies.

These trade forums are an excelent tool to discuss ways in which the contract in the contract

nem toot to discuss ways in which we can make improvements in trade for the betterment of American agriculture," Crapo said in a statement.

Best Buy reports 21 percent revenue increase

MINNEAPOLIS - Consumer elec-tronics retailer Best Buy Co. Inc. said

itonics retailer Best Buy Co. Inc. said revenue in its latest quarter jumped 21 percent, driven by a nearly 10 percent increase in sales at stores open a year ago.

Richfield, Minn.-based Best Buy reported Thursday its revenue rose to \$8.44 billion in its fourth fiscal quarter ended Feb. 28 from \$6.99 billion a year earlier.

"Customer traffic accelerated in the second half of December and sustained that pack through the rest of the quarter," said Brad Anderson, wice, chairman, and chief executive. he quarter," said Brad Anderson, e-chairman_and_chief_executive of Best Buy.

of Best Buy.

The company also added 78 new stores in the past 12 months – treluding a store in Twin Falls.

But sales at stores open a year ago – considered a good gauge of retail health – increased 9.7 percent for the quarter, higher than its previous guidance of a 6 percent to 8 percent gain.

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Best Buy had previously reported an increase in comparable store sales for December of 9.3 percent.

Given the revenue results for the quarter, Best Buy announced that it expects fourth-quarter earnings from continuing operations to be at the high end of its guidance of \$1.34 to \$1.39 per share.

Analysts surveyed by Thomson First Call expected \$1.39 a share for the quarter.

Costco profit jumps 25 percent on weak dollar

percent on weak dollar

ISSAQUAH, Wash. — Costco
Wholesale Corp, said this week that
profit for its latest quarter jumped
55 percent, as sales were boosted by
stronger foreign currencies and the
recently ended grocery strike in
southern California.

The warehouse dub operator —
right a store in Twin Falls — had net
income of \$226.8 million, or 48
reins a share, for the second quarter
ended Feb. 15, compared with
\$182.1 million, or 59 cents a share, to
year cariller.

Results for the year before include
cd a charge of \$16 million, or 3 cent
s share, for an increase in workers
compensation reserves.

Revenue, including not sales and
membership fees, rose 14 percent to
\$11,6 billion from \$10.1 billion.

Comparable-store sales, or sale

Tomparable store sales, or sales in stores open at least a year, elimbed 11 percent, rising 10 percent in the United States and 20 percent in the United States and 20 percent abroad.

cent abroad.

Jissaquah-based Costeo operates

351 warehouses in the United
States, Canada, Britain, Korea,
Talwan, Japan and Medco.

The company plans to open
squen to eight new warehouses by
Aig, 29, the end of its fiscal year.

Compiled from staff

Dell steps down, names new CEO

AUSFIN, Texas — Michael Dell will step aside as chief executive of the computer company he founded and be replaced by president and chief operating officer Kevin Rollins in July "Dell" Inc. announced Thursday. The board of directors, meeting in New York, named Rollins CEO

meeting July 16.
Rollins also will be nominated to Dell's board at the annual

to Dell's update as meeting.
Dell, who founded the company 20 years ago while a student at the University of Texas, will remain deeply involved in day-to-day-business as chairman, the compa-

ny said.

The company said the change

in titles was consistent with the main roles played by the two men: Dell has overseen trends in cus-tomer preference and research and development, while Rollins has focused on company strategy

has focused on company and operations. On the board, Rollins would replace-Mort Topfer, a director-since-December-1999, who has decided not to run for re-election, the company said.

Topfer retired as a Dell executive in December 2001. Dell, based in Round Rock, had sales last year of \$41.4 billion. Last month the company reported that fourth-quarter earnings rose 24 percent from a year earlier, to \$749 million.

Dell and Rollins, save an upbeat. assessment of first-quarter, products slippmens. The company has been expand-

ing from its beginnings as a maker of personal computers to manufacturing other devices.

It is known for pressing suppliers to keep costs down, helping it compete against other computer makers on price.

Dell shares were down 28 cents. or less than 1 percent, to \$32.85 in

the 2003 awards to Rex Lytle and Laird Stone.
Eaton introduced Lytle as the second-generation owner of a business — Lytle Signs — founded 56 years ago.
"In his version of Lilliput, he is the king of the "Lytle people." Eaton told the crowd. "If he were a doctor, he'd be a 'neon-atalogist." Lytle also serves on the board of directors for the Twin Falls Boys and Gilrs Club and First Federal Savings Bank.
"I'm sneechless, frankly." Lytle

awards Chamber hands out leadership Achievement Awards, said Chamber Ambassador Patti Adam. 2002 Lifetime Achievement Award winners Curtis H. Eaton and Gerald Meyerhoeffer presented the 2003 awards to Rex Lytle and

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a sign shop, an attorney and the store Thurschap and the store Thurschap But those titles are just for the winners' day jobs. The Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce and the College of Couthern, Idaho, at their and Success Breakfast, awarded 2003 Chamber Person of the Year honors to Terry McCurdy. Rex Lytle and Lad Stone each rook home a 2003 Lifetime Achievement Award.

Chamber described her turnout, About 600 people attended, the safe of the Couther Couther Store House We had a good response from many people on the people chamber of the wards as well as the speech by (gymnast, and motivational speaker) Peter Vidmar.

Chamber Person of the Year

of the Year
2002 People of the Year honorees
Randy Hansen and Elaine Steele
presented the 2003 award to
McCurdy, calling him an 'energetic
and enthusiastic individual.'
As chairman of the Twin Falls
Centennial Commission's Legacy
committee, Terry McCurdy, spearheaded two major projects in 2003
— the creation of the LB. Perrine
statue and the new section of the
Canyon Rim trail.

McCurdy, who currently serves



Rex Lytie watches as real estate signs for First Federal Bank roll off the new Roland Solvent Jet il printer at Lytie Signs varded the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Twin Falls Area Chami in Twin Falls Thursday, Lytie was awarded t Commerce at the 2004 Success Breakfast.

Commerce at the 2004 Success Break as Rotary Club president is a former president of the Twin Falls Area Chamber and has long served as a spokesman for downtown businesses. He is a leader in his church and "ruly understands the meaning of volumary leadership," Hansen said.

"Terry McCurdy loves projects," Steele told the audience, reading from the award plaque.

I'm just honored to win this award." McCurdy said as he accepted the plaques, I've seen it given many times to deserving people... 2004 is going to be a great year for Iwin Falls. It's great to be in a wonderful community." McCurdy also thanked his famile for their support, saying that in

ly for their support, saying that in winning the award, he lost a \$100

"There are many things that are important in this life." McCurdy said. "I love being of service, but probably the most important thing is family."

Lifetime

Achievement Awards The chamber received nearly 20 nominees for the 2003 Lifetime Times-News business writer Megan Hinds can be reached at 735-3238 or mhinds@magicval-ley.com.

of past recipients.

and Girls Club and First Federal Savings Bank.
"I'm speechless, frankly." Lytle said, accepting his plaque, "It's a privilege to live in this community.

Meyerhoeffer presented the second award to Twin Falls attorney Laird Stone for his "leadership and vision" on the board of the Twin Falls Parks and Recreation Department and the Idaho State Board of Education.

Stone thanked his family for their support and acknowledged his sons, who were in attendance.
"Tlearned my leadership skills by watching my parents growing up in Gooding." Stone said. "I'm very honored to be included on the list of past recipients."

Gymnast Vidmar shares the keys to success at breakfast

Ry.Megan Hinds

TWIN FALLS — While his gold medal performance in the 1984 Olympics was nearly 20 years ago gymnast Peter Vidmar still knows

gymnast Peter Vidmar still knows what it takes to succeed.

And he still knows his way around a pommel horse, too.

An audience of about 600 listened to Vidmos hitch sa part of Commerces 2004 Ambassadors Success Breakfast Thursday.

As people filed into the College of Southern Idaho's Fine Arts Auditorium after the breakfast's awards ceremony, Vidmar — wearing a black "Lord of the Sull

Rings" T-shirt — warmed up on a pommel horse borrowed from

pommel horse borrowed from Magic Valley Gymnastics. Vidmar, who tours the country as a motivational speaker, led his men's gymnastics team to America's first team gold medal by defeating the defending world champion team from China at the 1984 Summer Olympics in Los Angeles.

1984 Summer Olympics in Los
Angeles.
He also took a personal gold
medal on the pommel horse and a
silver medal in the individual allaround competition.
Vidmar is still actively involved
with the United States Olympic
Committee and is also the author
of "Risk. Originality and
Virtuosity." The books name
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Peter Vidmar Said For example, taking risks he said.
Vidmar told the story of a crushing loss he experienced prior to the 1984 Olympic Games at the gymnastics world championships in Budapest, Hungary.

Poised to take first place in the competition. Vidmar made an unfortunate mistake in the final event — the high bar.

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The mistake sent him crashing to the mat and cost him a world championship medal, but he learned not to take his skills for granted, he said.

'I failed. But I'm glad I failed.' Vidmar said. "I said to myself, Never again."

Shortly after that competition, he captured the gold medal at the Olympics. But the win came after hours and hours of perfecting his skills in the gym.—

"I used to have the goal to be the last person out of the gyme every day — which was kind of hard when every other guy in the

said. "But sometimes I had 15 to 20 extra minutes th guys. A little extra effort every day makes a big difference in the long

makes a big dilterence in the long run."
Chamber executive Kent Just was impressed with Vidmar's talk. But it was the second time he'd lis-tened to Vidmar in a week, having just attended another event at which Vidmar spoke.
"As he is a perfectionist as a gymnast, he is as a speaker as well." Just said.

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Cell phone firms struggle to keep up with Verizon

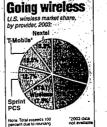
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DALIAS – When Bell Atlantic combined its wireless properties with PrimeCo, AirFouch and GTE to create the nation's largest cellu-lar-phone company, experts said Verizon Wireless might lead the industry in size but little else. Verizon's ligness added to its formulable challenges.

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Verizon's bigness added to lis formidable challenges: It had to combine four wireless systems, establish a new national brand and meld disparate corporate cultures quickly, without allenating increasingly demanding cell-phone cuntures and as a child of slow-and-steady Bally Bell phone companies, the company was seen as duller and slower than the innovative and sexy AT&T Wireless and Sprint PCS.

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In the last 3.5 years, however, Vertzon Wireless has outclassed its rivuls on a host of performance measures, an analysis of corporate financial statements from the last three years shows. Of America's six national Cellular-phone companies, it has most consistently increased profits, lured new subscribers and invested in its network

work.
Experts say Verizon's success has forced its rivals to rethink strategies and probably pushed Cingular Wireless to pay \$41 billion for AT&T Wireless in mid-February.



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"Everybody is chasing Verizon," said Albert Lin, an analyst with American Technology Research. Everybody wants to end up with Verizon-like results. Verizon ... has made some very simple decisions that these other carriers have not." Consider Verizon's performance against Cingular, which was created in late 2000 when SBC Communications Inc. and BellSouth Copp. megged their wireless-properties. In 2001, Cingular and three-fourths as many customers as the industry leader. But

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by the end of 2003, it had 63 per-cent as many. AT&T Wireless has shrunk from 61 percent of Verizon

simular from 61 percent of Verizon to 58 percent. Verizon is adding customers at such a rapid rate that many experts believe it will eclipse a combined Cingular and AT&T Wireless in a few years time. Nextel Communications and T-Mobile USA also are expected to continue their strong growth at the expense of their bigger fivils. Verizon relishes the idea of its biggest rivils getting together because the intricacies of shutting down duplicate cellular towers and combining billing systems will distract them from day-to-day operations, said Roger Entuer, an analyst at the Vankee Group, a research

at the Yankee Group, a research firm.

"It's an opportunity to gain market share at the expense of their No. 2 and No. 3 rival.

To be sure, a combined Cingular and AT&T Wireless w- suld have more than 46 million subscribers, and would be a formidable competitor to Verizon and others. Executives say that merger should close by the end of the year.

Verizon's growth shows that when done right mergers can propel a company. Buying AT&T Wireless will give Cingular control of a broad swath of wireless fre-

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Retailers report high February sales

NEW YORK — Consumers' rising confidence gave the nation's retail-ers — some with locations in Magic Valley — their third straight month of solid sales during February, with business above expectations at many clothing and department

business above expectations attaining and department stores.

Warmer weather and more appealing spring fishions contributed to the upbeat results issued. Thursday, February's performance followed a robust January performance followed a robust January performance and a better-than-expected holiday season.

"Consumers are definitely feeling better," said Todd D. Stater, an analyst at Lazard Freres & Co. They are more upbeat about their jobs. They have more liquidity, and they're much more compelled by the fashion offerings.

Federated Department Stores Inc. chairman and CEO Terry I. Lundgren reported "underlying sales strength in key merchandise categories such as women's ready-to-wear, jewelry, handbags, shoes and cosmetics that is very encouraging for the spring season over-dil."

The results from retailers coin-

cided with a report from the Labor Department that the number of Department that the number of people filing new applications for unemployment benefits dropped last week. That's an indication companies may be feeling confident about the economic recovery's durability and less inclined to reduce their payrolls.

For the work week ending Feb. 28 new filings for jobless benefits fell by a seasonally adjusted 7.000 to 345,000, the lowest level in two weeks. The decline was a bit larger than the decrease of 5.000 that some analysts were anticipating. Wal-Mart Stores Inc., the world's largest retailer, announced a 6.2 percent gain in same-store sales in February, beating the 4.9 percent expected by analysts surveyed by Thomson First Call. Same-store sales are a year and are considered a key indicator of a retailer's health.

Wal-Mart's total sales were up 14 percent.

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Wal-Marts tona care-percent.

Target Corp., helped by strong sales at its discount division, had a 7.5 percent increase in same-store sales. Analysts expected a 5.7 per-cent increase. Total sales were up 13 percent.

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Refinancings hit seven-month high

is a serial refinancer.

He's refinanced the mortgage on his house in suburban Potomac, Md., so often over the past few years that he's lost track.

"It's the fourth or fifth time." Cinkals sid. "I can't even remember. I'm just continually rying to drop my interest rate." Cinkals just locked in a rate of 8.89 percent on a 15-year mortgage, edigm fish interest rate down from 5.13 percent lee opied for a no-cost refinancing—didn't tap-into any of his built-up-nome equity and didn't extend the length of his previous mortgage. "Cinkaing rates has become agame." said Dong Duncan, chia economist of the Mortgage Bankers Association Washington. There are people out there who are refinancing for the fifth time in three years.

The great American rate chase, has heated up again over the last month as mortgage rates have dropped. According to statistics released this week by the bankers group, refinancing last week hit a seven-month high.

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"We expected rates to be higher now." Dutcan said. "Most people did."

"We should thank the Bank of Inpan for these low rates," said David Wyss, chief economist at single bigges influence."

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- Doug Duncan, chief economist of the Mortgage Bankers Association in Washington

an effort to prop up the dollar against the yen so that Japanese exports remain competitive in the U.S. market. That buying of Treasury bonds is pushing bond prices up and bond yields down. Because mortgage rates track long-term bond yields, low bond yields are translating into low mortgage rates.

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Another big influence is the state of the U.S. economy, particularly the continued soft employment. "Many analysts were expecting 200,000-plus new jobs to be created in January," said Frank Nothaft, chief economist at Freddie Mac. "We got about half that."

The number of mass layoffs also rose sharply in January, with more than 2.400 employers nationwide laying off 50 or more workers.

"As long as we have a weak job

market, interest rates will stay low," said-Sung Won Sohn, chief econo-mist at Weils Fargo & Co., one of the country's largest mortgage lenders.

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Too, "we have no inflation." Nothait said. "Over 2003, the core of the consumer price index went up only 1.1 percent, the lowest rate since the mid-1960s. And inflationary pressures look minimal.

With inflation so low, the Federal Reserve has little incentive to start raising short-term rates, which also helps keep down long-term rates, such as those on mortgages. Another influeiter on trates is the-wide use by hig investors of a strategy ralled "carry trading," which has been sometimed in the control of the c

for the rest of this year, with a slight wift upward.
But is chasing low rates the way to go for every homeowner?
- It shouldn't be done in a panic, advised economist Duncan.
- Homeowners need to do a solid bit of pencil work with the family budget, knowing something about heir future plans. If you're moving in 18 months, it's unfikely refinancing will make much difference. to you. But in many cases, even with a very small move down in rates, it does make economic sense.*

Mixed stocks await key employment report

NEW YORK (AP) — Investors bought tech shares Thursday but made few other commitments head of the government's February employment report and stocks mixed in still another lethangic session on Wall Street. The market's major Indees drifted in and out of possible week along stocks mixed in still another lethangic session out of possible week along of Friday's chapter of the week along of Friday's chapter of the week along of Friday's chapter of the week along of the report. The report created or lost during the moth; is considered one of the most critical indicators of the economycen a lot of speculation of the construction of the construct



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Separately, the department said productivity of American workers grew at a modest 2.6 percent annual rate during the final three months of 2003. That matched analyst forceasts, but was slighly slower than the 2.7 percent pace estimated by the government last more than the second of the sec

the recovery.

There may be some concern that the Fed will start to act, but the natural response to that its, Well, let's hope so!" said John Caldwell, chief investment startegist for McDonald Financial Group, "An environment that would drive the Fed to lower rates again is much more scary than a sustainable economic recovery with Jobs growth."

Walt Disney Co. was up 15 cents at \$28.80 after the company's board voted to strip the title Chairman from chief executive Michael Eisner, who has been blamed for poor stock performance. The board relterated its support of Elsner's management team, and he is expected to stay on fight a hostile takeover bid from Comeast Corp.

Comeast, which has refused to raise its offer, rose 31 cents to \$30.71.

No. 1 chipmaker Intel Corp. was up 16 cents at \$29.95 shead of a

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No. I chipmaker Intel Corp. was up 61 cents at \$29.65 ahead of a business update set for after the close, when it was expected to tighten its first-quarter revenue

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Also among gainers on the Dow, pharmaceutical maker Merck & Co, surged 67 cents to \$47.78 after reaffirming its earnings forecast for the first-quarter and the year.

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When asked how Cingular
would compete with a surging
Verizon, chief executive Stan
Sigman said the company has
aggressive plans.

"I guess we would rather not
talk about it," said Sigman. "We
would brather do it. We have the
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to grow this business.
But the company will have
some catching up to do.
A Dallas Morning News analysis
of Verizon Wireless, and its rivals'
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invested more in its network than rivals in both dollars and as a percentage of revenue.

AT&T Wireless has kept up to a degree. It invested \$5 billion in both 2002 and 2001, but cut capital expenditures to \$2.7 billion last year after it completed a major network upgrade. Vertzon has invested \$4.5 billion to \$5 billion as year for the last four years.

That money buys cellular radios, wireless towers, software and other technology for its networks. To be sure, greater spending doesn't always correlate to better service, and companies with more customers have to spend more because they need more capacity.

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spend more because they need more capacity.

But several surveys, including one by Consumer Reports, rated Verizon Wireless as the nation's best cellular network.
But consumer advocates caution that while Verizon ranks on top, its network is not leagues ahead of rivals and needs greater coverage and capacity in numerous areas.

Survey results may also be influenced by Verizon's 'Can you hear me now?' advertising campaign, which started in early 2002.

"If you say often enough that you have the best network and the highest quality concerns," said Stan Richards, principal of the Richards Group Inc.

Industry analysts say the marketing appears to be working because Verizon is gaining more customers even though its rates are higher than those of rivals such as T-Mobile, Sprint PCS and AT&T Wireless.

For Instance, a \$40-a-month national Verizon Wireless plan includes 400 anytime minutes. AT&T Wireless and T-Mobile give 600 minutes for the same price, Sprint offers 500 minutes for \$45.

But in 2003, Verizon added 5 million customers to the three rivals' combined \$4 million.

Experts and industry officials say Verizon executives inherited a better situation than rivals and made the most offit.

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In recent pages, local governments have gotten tougher on granting zoning and other permits for cellular towers. Murray sald this has hurt never phone companies that didn't get towers constructed in the 1980s and early 1990s.

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Meanwhile, mall-based apparel stores and department stores enjoyed a strong performance. Analysts said department stores are benefiting from designers' latest fashions, and bright colors like hot pinks and citrus as well as mini skirts have also helped spur sales

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"I think they have created new energy. Slater sald.
I.C. Penney Co. Inc. posted a 12.1 percent Increase in same-store sales at its department stores, well exceeding the 5.6 percent expected by Wall Street. Total sales were up 11.7 percent. The company sald sales were strong across all merchandise divisions thanks to a strong response to Valentine's Day and Presidents Day store events.

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At Sears, Roebuck and Co.,

same store sales in its domestic busines were up 1.1 percent. Analysts expected a 3.6 percent gain. Total sales were down 0.5 percent.

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Federated reported a 9 percent
same-store sales gain. Analysts
had expected 7.7 percent, and
total sales were up 8.8 percent.
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forecast. Total sales rose 6.3 per-cent.

Gup Inc., helped particularly by robust sales at Bannan Republic, had a 12 percent increase in same-store sales for the month, well past the 4.7 percent Wall Street expect-ed. Total sales were up 13 percent. Talbots inc., had a 5.8 percent gain, compared to analysts' 1.7 percent projection. Total sales were up 10 percent.

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By Charles M. Schulz

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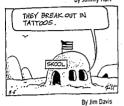


























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finer generous and outgoing. You are poised to embark on a new
phase, and an understanding of
what is really important to you
unfolds this weekend.
ARIES (Mar 21-Apr. 19): The
coming full moon should bring yourealizations about how partnerships can benefit you; you will be
very aware of those people who
truly have your best interests at
heart. Pay attention to the little
details.

TAURIUS (Apr. 29-May 20): This

heart. Pay attention to the little details.

TAURUS (Apr. 20-May 20): This weekends full moon may illuminate your goals and objectives in life. Not only will you be able to appreciate the many ways that friends support you. but you will be more aware of what makes you happy. Plan to enjoy yourself.

GEMINI. (May 21-June 20): As he heavenly pattern builds toward afull moon, you are apt to reflect upon the need to maintain a possitive public image and to value the support of home and family. You will be inspired to seek a solution to conflicting views.

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CANCER (June 21-July 22): You are soaking up information at a fast pace and will benefit from the learning process. As the full moon peaks this weekend, you will become aware of ways to communicate that will spread goodwill and smooth the way. Make new habits.

-LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): "Onderstanding the motivations and financial situations of others will make you more appreciative of the material blessings you those been granted. The full moon brings contentment. Secrets may be revealed.

rivealed.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): The full moon in your sign this weekend signals a new phase in rela-

conflicting views.

IF MARCH 5 IS YOUR BIRTH

to find true happiness.

tionships as peace and tranquility enter the picture. Becoming aware of what is most important to others, and honoring that, is the first step toward compromise.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You will be more aware of the pride you take in work and of your abilities as a leader. Small details that have previously escaped your control will fall into place as the full imoon comes into view. Be kind to your enemies.

enemies.
SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):
Following your heart by only doing what is really important is the trap path to happiness. Take joy in your pleasures and appreciate your firends. You will be more aware of real kindness and generosity during this cycle.

ing this cycle.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):
A protective spirit seems to safeguard you from your mistakes. You
can count yourself heeky to have a
happy and safe nest to fall back on.
This full moon emphasizes your
need to maintain a happy balance
between career and family
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-fan. 19):
Being able to trust what is said and
to process information that might
be exaggerated are your challenges
as this weekend's full moon brings
to a peak ideas that have been percolating in the background. Strive
to be honest with yourself and
others.

others.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): As you become aware of the generosity of others and express gratitude for their help, you will be tempted to respond in kind. A new phase is about to begin, and you must learn

for their help, you will be tempted to respond in kind. A new phase is about to begin, and you must learn to bring wiscion into financial matters. Care for your things.

PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20): The full moon will light in your sector of the zodiac this weekend. Your faithfulness and honesty in relationships will be brought to light, but so will any binscrettles or exaggerations. Don't be judgmental.

Clients who don't brush disgust dental hygienist

DEAR ABBY: I'm a dental hygienist. It's an excellent career, and I've been practicing for nine

years.
For the life of me, I cannot understand why so many people get into my chair and tell me that haven tonshed their teeth all day. Even worse, they'll say. I just ate a roast beef sandwich, so you might find some chunks in there." It's dis-

gusting.
Abby, how can I let people know
they should brush their teeth
before visiting a dental office?
—GROSSED OUT-INGROSSE POINT

DEAR GROSSED OUT: People already know they should have brushed their teeth before visiting you. Make it a practice to ask your patients when they arrive whether they have "had a chance" to brush their teeth. If the answer is no smile, hand them to obthornsh and toothpaste, and tell them to go do it. At first, they may be taken aback, but it won't take them long to get used to the new drill.

used to the new drill.

DEAR ABBY. My husband started working the graveyard shift two months ago. It has been a hard transition for us, but even harder for our 11-year-old son, 'Byan.'

For the past couple of weeks, Ryan has been overly concerned about someone breaking into our third-floor apartment white we're asleep. I've tried my best to reassure Byan, but he keeps having nightmares about someone breaking into our place — or my parents apartment — and harming or killing us. He wakes up screaming and crying.

Do you have any supportation.

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Do you have any suggestions about how I can make him feel more secure?

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NEW WESTMINSTER

Watch out for buffalo in fluorescent yellow paint

DEAR SLEEPLESS: It would be helpful to know what triggered your sons insecurity. Is he watch-ing too much television? Is he play-

Beware of buffalo dauhed with fluorescent yellow paint. At least, in Yellowstone Park. Park ranger see so illuminated irritable bison after several of same attacked outsits. The curiosity is people who wouldn't go near a bull in a cow pasture don't seem to fear a buffalo bull. They should.

Mastadons ate water lilies, too.

Mastodons ate water lilies, too. In the Civil War more than 1,000 nion soldiers qualified for disabil-y pensions after they were kicked

Union sources they were by mules.
Q. Who was Donald Turnlpseed?
A. The other driver who died in the wreck that killed James Dean.
You can call your yacht, if, you

You can call your yacht, if you ever get a yacht, almost anything, but you can't call it "Mayday."

but you can't call it 'Mayday.

The people of Ball do not gossip, it's said. Or not much. It's a cultural tradition modernized from old tahoos. Evidently people there just don't chitchat about neighbors, friends and relatives behind their leader.

backs.
Q. Ask your Love and War man why some people sulk?
A. Because they haven't figured out any better way to deal with it. whatever it is, he says. Recommended options: Take a walk, take a shower, take a nap.

display the collection in Europe and Japan. Vaccaro, of interlaken, acquired the collection after nine years of legal battles with the Jackson farnity. He said a company that the lacksons formed had agreed to buy his Neptune N.J. based Krame Gultar Co. in 1992, but then default-ed on \$1.4 million in payments the next year.

next year. Vaccaro said he acquired the col-lection after paying off a storage and shipping bill that the Jackson family owed to an Oxnard. Calif., warehouse. Since the collection arrived in New Jersey in 2002, Vaccaro has been busy cataloguing and photo-

Collection of Michael Jackson

items will be displayed in Europe



ABBY Jeanne Phillips

ing violent video something happened at school or afterward that he is not telling you? Talk to your son. If the problem persists, take him to his pediatri-cian for evaluation—and a referral to a psychologist-if necessary.

cian for evaluation—and a picerial—to a psychologist, if necessary.

**DEAR ABBY: 1 am a 47-year-old woman with a new (unplanned) baby. Despite my husband's initial reservations, we both consider her avelence addition to our lives. We also have three older chiefen, 25, 21 and 18. My doctor says 1 need time to adjust to all the recent changes in my life, but I believe there's a bigger problem. Ever since the haby arrived. I have been overwhelmed with fear about aging. This is completely out of character. Some days. I can't even leave the house. If and myself pushing my husband away and reglecting the house. If and myself pushing my husband away and englecting the heuses of fer test of my family. The only one getting the best of me is the baby. My husband thinks I'm trying to do too much, that I should stop breast-feeding, get help around the house and 'snap out of it."

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DEAR TRYING: Tell your doctor exactly what you have told me. You may be suffering from postpartum depression caused by hormone changes following childbirth. Please don't wait. Do it now.

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L.M. Boyd

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The Hudson Gorge near New York City is 200 miles long. Few Nave heard about it. Hardly any have ever seen it. It's under water. Today's woman, according to the recordkeepers, is more aggressive than her grandmother. 14 pounds heavier and six inches sive than her grandmother. 14 pounds heavier and six inches faller. She has bigger feet, too.

Not only did the old witchburners of Europe burn many a witch, they forced the alleged witch's family to pay for the firewood and subsequent banquet.

In tennis, the term "serve" started out in King Henry Vills court where servants, not players, tossed the balls into play.

The opster is "officially dead" when the shucker cuts the two muscless that attach it to its shell. That's what the shellfish experts claim.

Mary J. Bilge sings with talk show host Ellen DeGeneres, right, during a taping of 'The Ellen DeGeneres Show' at 'NBC Studies in Burbank, Calif., Tuesday. The episode will air March 15.

DeGeneres' talk show gets Emmy nominations

NEW. YORK (AP) — Ellen
DeGeneres' new talk show was
nominated for 12 Daytime Emmy
Awards on Thursday, and 'The
Young and the Restless' led the
soap opera pack with 16 nods.
DeGeneres' show has been a hit
in its freshman season, and earned
the comedian nominations for best
alk show and best talk show host.
"All My Children' and 'As the
World Turns' earned 14 nominations apiece, with 'General
Hospital' and' Gulding Light' joining Use Control of the State of the
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York's Latin City Music Hall, telecast on NIIC.

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In what has to be bittersweet, Wayne Brady earned nominations for best talk show and best talk show host-both awards he won lost a lost of the stalk show host-both awards he won will cease production this spring.

Other nomineers for bealth will cause production this spring. Other nomineers for bealth show host are Dr. Phil McGraw, Regis Philibin and Relly Ripa of Theet; and "The View crew of Merediih Vieira, Sar, Iones, Joy Behar and Barbara Wallers. Vieira was also nominated for hest game show lost a "Who Wants to Be a Millionatic," and will compter a galants veterans bol Barker of "The Price to light and Alex Trebok of Fleopardy.

Last year's winner as best actor in a daytine drama, Maurice Benard of "General Hospital," will compete a daytine drama, Maurice Benard of "General Hospital," will compete

against castmate Anthony Geary
this year. Other best actor nomicess were Roper Howards of Nas the
World Turns. Grant Aleksander of
"Dort Charles" and Eric Braeden of
"The Young and the Restless.

Two other "General Hospital"
cast members. Nancy Lee Grahn
and Tamara Braun. will compete
for best actress. Mature West of 'As
the World Turns." Sim Zimmer of
"Guiding Light" and Michelle
Stafford of "The Young and the
Bestless" were also nominated.

Among the missing were Susan
Flannery of "The Bold and the
Beautiful," who has won three of
the past four years, and the frequently nominated Susan Lucci.
"As the World Turns." The Bold
and the Beautiful, "Guiding Light"
"General Hospital" and "The Young
and the Restless" were nominated
for best daytime drama.

Martha Stewart, who could us
some good news as she awaits the
jury verdict in her insider trading
trad, was nominated as best service
show host for. "Martha Stewart
Living."

The late folm Ritter, the voice of
Clifford the Big Red Dog," was
nominated for outstanding per
former in an animated program.
Among his competitors: veteran
newsman Walter Cronkic, who's
the voice of Benjamin Franklin in
Poss" "Libery's Kids."

In the competition among neworks. CIS blad 53 nominations.
ABC 50, PBS 33 and NBC 19.

Can metered e-mail save you from spam overload?

NEW YORK (AP) – If the U.S. Postal Service delivered mail for free, our mailboxes would surely unneth over with more credit eard supermarket filers. Smatch in the supermarket filers. That's why we get so much junk e-mail its essentially free to send. So Microsoft Corp. Chairman Bill. Cates, among others, is now suggesting that we start buying stamps for eight and the start buying stamps for eight and encounted in the start buying stamps for eight and encounted in the start buying stamps for eight and encounted in communication the emotivation of the start buying stamps for eight and encounted in the encounter and international the emotivation of the start buying start buying start buying the start buying start buying the start buyin

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Consider how simple and inexpensive it is today to e-mail a friend, relative or even a city-hall bureaucrat. It's nice not to have to calculate whether greeting grandmate worth a cent.

And what of the communities now tied together through e-mail-lundreds of cancer survivors sharing into or coping dozeno of parents coordinating soccer schedules? Those pennies add up. "It detarests from your chilly to speak and to state your buildy for the state your buildy for the state your buildy for the your buildy for the your buildy for your buildy f

ounding fathers, said spammers re bound to exploit any free allot-

ments.
"The spammers will probably
ust keep changing their mailbox
names," Cerf said. "I continue to be
impressed by the agility of spam-

impressed by the agility of spammers.

And who gets the payments?
How do you build — and pay for — system to track all this! How do you keep such a system from becoming a target for hacking and scanns?

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The proposals are also larget go that hacking and scanns?

We have to conversion, paying even a token amount would be burdensome for the developing world, said John Patrick, former vice president of internet rechnology at IBM Corp.

We have to think of not only left say, the relatively well-off half billion people using e-mail today, but the 5 or 5 billion who aren't using it yet but who soon will be."

Denmark city plans floating musical of 'The Little Mermaid' in harbor

COPENHAGEN, Denmark (AP) COPENHAGEN, Denmark (AP) – Copenhagen will, stage a musical based on Hans Christian Andersen's "The Little Mermaid" next year, with 650 amateurs danc-ing and singing in a huge floating theater.

theater.
The musical Denmarks biggest theatrical event ever, will mark the 200th anniversary of the fairy tale writers birth.
Denmark will celebrate

writer's birth.

Denmark will celebrate
Andersen, who died in 1875, with
hundreds of events, parties and

manucus or evens, pances and festivals.

"We think it's a great idea to have ordinary Copenhageners staging this musical so they can take part in the Andersen 200-year celebrations," head organizer Nanna Socrensens aid Wednesday.

Auditions are set for April 2 at the Copenhagen City Hall.

The musical will be performed on a stage floating in the Copenhagen harbor.

About 2,500 people will be able, to watch from the quay af each of the eight performances in late

July 2005.

The play will be based on Andersen's fairy tale and not the 1989 animated Disney version, which had a happy ending. In Andersen's version, the mermaid, a sea king's daughter, falls in love with a human prince and sacrifices her mermaid tail to live with him on land.

But the prince chooses another woman and the mermaid perishes and is transformed into sea foam.

""The Little Mermaid' is about longing and the sweetness of falling in love," said Niels Brunse, who will be adopting the fairy tale

who will be adopting the fairy tale to script.

"It will be felt that there's both light and darkness in the story, because where light is strongest, shadows are deepest."

Andersen is known worldwide for his fairy tale classics including "The Ugly Duckling." The Emperor's New Clothes' and "The Emperor's New Clothes' and "The Red Shoes." He also wrote novels, poetry and other stories.

People in the News

ASBURY PARK, NJ. - A mammoth collection of stage costumes, moth collection of stage costumes, and pins pelonging to Michael lackson and his famous family has been loaded into shipping containers after spending IB months under warps in this grity shore city. The collection, whose seller contends its the largest accumulation of Jackson memorabilis in the world, was loaded up Wednesday and is being shipped to a European-buyer. Henry V Vaccaro Sr. declined to name the buyer or the price he paid, but said the man intended to display the collection in European Japan. Vaccaro, of Interlaken, acquired graphing it, and said he had two dif-ferent experts authenticate its contents.

love with Uma Thurman got "beatcup"

"Is very difficult for any couple
that a married if both people
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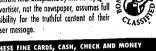
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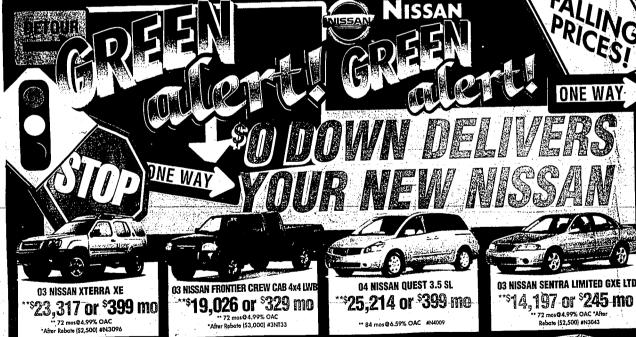
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