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Official sees likely water deal

Sheriff's departments may help shut down wells if no agreement is reached

By Julia Pence
Times-News writer

BOISE — A worst-case scenario for shutting down more than 1,300 wells on the north side of the Snake River April 1 could involve sheriff's deputies accompanying Idaho Department of Water Resources employees.

Water Resources Director Karl Dreher told the Senate Natural Resources and Environment Committee on Friday he can't predict how talks will turn out between spring

users and groundwater pumps. So, Dreher said, he has to continue making plans with employees to shut down the wells owned by 750 outlaws. The effort would have to involve sheriff's departments from the five affected counties, Dreher said.

Nevertheless, "This situation cries out for agreement," Dreher said.

Municipalities, dairies and farms face curtailment if talks don't yield a solution before April 1 — or if replacement water for spring users can't be



arranged. Dreher made the order to curtail wells in order to restore spring water to fish farm Rangen Inc.

But a key player in the state's first-ever order for curtailment of groundwater rights says an agreement averting well shutdown could come early next week.

Lynn Tominaga, director of the Idaho Ground Water Association Inc., said Friday the two



Sen. Laird Noh

sides are close to a deal. Part of the solution includes a Legislature-approved aquaculture commodity commission. Another piece includes some money for committee members to conduct an in-terim study.

A mitigation plan is in the works, with part of it including an offer by groundwater pumps to tighten up the irrigation season from March 30-Nov. 1 to April 15-Sept. 30.



Sen. Dean Cameron

Tominaga said. He was reluctant to say more. "Right now everything is very fragile," Tominaga said. "Not all the pieces of the puzzle have come together, and hopefully we will see that over the next few days."

The mitigation plan is what Dreher referred to as the "bridge between prior appropriation law" and state code that also

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MILITARY MOTIVATION



Josh Renn, 27, cleans tools at the Jerome National Guard Armory. Josh, who has Down syndrome, is an honorary member of the National Guard unit in Jerome and volunteers at the armory twice a week.

National Guard inspires two young people

By Loretta Burkhardt
Times-News correspondent

JEROME — When decked in a military uniform, he's taller. In Army fatigues, get out of his way. As an honorary member of the Army National Guard, Josh Renn is one step up on making the world a better place. At least that's his aim.

Born with Down syndrome, Josh, 27, has long been fascinated with the military, said his mother, Leah Renn.

"When he sees a soldier, it gets his attention immediately," she said. And though it's difficult to understand what he is saying, he introduces himself and tries to engage in conversation.

When he got his first pair of fatigues at a thrift store 10 years

ago, he wore them "until I insisted they get washed," Leah Renn said.

With a great desire to serve his country, Josh recently was issued a full uniform, complete with coat, cap and an official nameplate that reads: Civilian PVI Renn. And where making the world a better place is concerned, he's doing his part — two mornings a week.

Working as a civilian volunteer under direct supervision, he sweeps and mops the tile floors of the National Guard armory in Jerome.

"It gives him a sense of belonging," Capt. Cory Dahlquist said. "And he takes his work seriously."

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Hanna Kollas, 10, an honorary sergeant major with the National Guard unit in Twin Falls, holds a .308mm shell casing she received as a gift from the unit.

Millions protest attacks in Spain

Los Angeles Times

MADRID, Spain — From this traumatized capital to the conflicted Basque region, millions of Spaniards filed into streets and plazas Friday to show defiance in face of Spain's worst-ever terror attack and to pay tribute to the dead and wounded.

As Basque separatists denied involvement in Thursday's synchronized bombings, which killed nearly 200 people and wounded another 1,500, a stunned Spain was struggling Friday to raise its head and proclaim — its determination — to overcome the previous day's carnage. In every major city and town, residents passed for a 10-minute observance of silence at noon; in Madrid, spontaneous shrines of candles, flowers and hand-written messages sprouted at train stations where men, women and children lost their lives.

In the evening in Madrid, an estimated 2 million Spaniards marched under a driving rain, through fountain-adorned plazas, up the wide Paseo de la



Thousands of Spaniards holding umbrellas join an anti-terror protest in the center of Madrid, near the railway station Atocha Friday.

U.S. sees itself as vulnerable — C9

Castellana boulevard, past the Prado Museum and to the steps of the Atocha train station, to demand an end to political violence.

They were led by members of the royal family and senior officials from all over Europe. A sea

of umbrella-topped masses filled Madrid streets for miles and miles.

"We must show the world we are not afraid," said Maria del Carmen Lopez Lopez, 46, an elderly-care worker.

"Murderers! Murderers!" chanted a crowd both angry and somber. "We were all on that train."

Debate raged over who was

Mother refuses to have C-section, faces charge

The Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY — The woman at the center of a fetal murder case who allegedly refused a Caesarean section that would have saved one of her babies denied in a jailhouse interview Friday that she killed the fetus.

Melissa Ann Rowland, 28, rejected claims she refused the surgery because of cosmetic worries.

"It was all medical concern. None of it was vanity," Rowland told The Associated Press a day after prosecutors charged her with exhibiting "depraved indifference to human life" in avoiding the C-section.

"I never imagined having a stillborn would get me national news coverage or a murder charge," Rowland told the AP during a 30-minute interview at the Salt Lake County jail.

Rowland, who has been in the jail since mid-January on a

child endangerment charge involving the surviving twin, said she was informed of the murder charge Thursday evening by reporters.

"I feel like I'm getting a lot of attention that (should be) my private business," she said.

Critics of the charges say the case could affect abortion rights and open the door to the prosecution of mothers who smoke, fail to follow their obstetrician's diet or take some other action that endangers a fetus.

"It reaches a level that is extraordinary in our legal understanding of bodily integrity and what that means in this country," said Kim Gandy, president of the National Organization for Women and a former prosecutor.

Rowland, who lives in the Salt Lake City suburb of West Jordan, was allegedly warned

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Utah woman denies accusations of murder

TWIN FALLS FORECAST

Today: Cool, but still mostly sunny and mostly dry. Highs near 49.

Tonight: Partly cloudy. Lows near 29.

Tomorrow: Becoming mostly cloudy with a small chance of rain developing. Highs near 51.

BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST

Today: Mostly sunny and dry. E-blast winds with higher gusts possible. Highs in the upper 40s to lower 50s.

Tonight: Partly cloudy with calmer winds. Lows in the 20s.

Tomorrow: Becoming mostly cloudy with a small chance of rain developing. Highs in the upper 40s to lower 50s.

IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY SURROUNDING MTS.
Sunny, dry and cool today. Becoming cloudy with a chance of rain and snow developing across the area on Sunday. Rain and snow chances will linger through Monday and into Tuesday.

BOISE
Sunny, dry and mild today. Slightly cloudy tomorrow with a slight chance of rain falling. The week will start off mostly dry and fair. Shower potential on the rise from mid-week on.

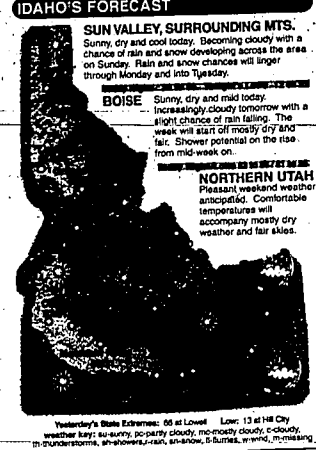
NORTHERN UTAH
Pleasant weekend weather anticipated. Comfortable temperatures will accompany mostly dry weather and fair skies.

TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Today	Tonight	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Cool, but still sunny and mostly dry	Partly cloudy	Becoming cloudy with a small chance of rain	Partly to mostly cloudy	Breezy with a small chance of rain	Cloudy with a chance of showers possible
High 49	Low 29	61 / 31	65 / 34	63 / 38	63 / 34

Yesterday's Weather

City	Hi	Lo	Wind
Burley	57	29	0-10
Coeur d'Alene	57	30	0-10
Idaho Falls	55	31	0-10
Lowell	56	31	0-10
Malta	59	28	0-10
Rupert	47	21	0-10
Twin Falls	49	28	0-10



Yesterday's State Emblem: 68 at Lowell; Low: 13 at HI City. Weather keys: sunny, partly cloudy, mostly cloudy, cloudy, overcast, showers, rain, snow, sleet, snow, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100.

ALMANAC - TWIN FALLS

Temperature	Precipitation	Humidity	Barometric Pressure	Sunrise and Sunset
Yesterday's Low: 28	Month to Date: 0.0"	Yesterday's Low: 33%	Yesterday's Low: 30.1	Sunrise: 6:51 AM
Record High: 84 in 1988	Year to Date: 0.0"	Today's Forecast Low: 30%	Today's Forecast: 30.1	Sunset: 6:44 PM
Record Low: 12 in 1957	Year to Date: 0.0"	Today's Forecast High: 50%	Today's Forecast: 30.1	Sunrise: 6:47 AM
Temperature & precipitation valid through 5pm yesterday.				Sunset: 6:46 PM

REGIONAL FORECAST

City	Today	Tomorrow	Monday
Boise	45-55	45-55	45-55
Idaho Falls	45-55	45-55	45-55
Lowell	45-55	45-55	45-55
Malta	45-55	45-55	45-55
Rupert	45-55	45-55	45-55
Twin Falls	45-55	45-55	45-55

NATIONAL FORECAST

City	Today	Tomorrow	Monday
Atlanta	65-75	65-75	65-75
Boston	45-55	45-55	45-55
Chicago	45-55	45-55	45-55
Denver	45-55	45-55	45-55
Houston	65-75	65-75	65-75
Los Angeles	65-75	65-75	65-75
Miami	75-85	75-85	75-85
New York	45-55	45-55	45-55
San Francisco	65-75	65-75	65-75
Seattle	45-55	45-55	45-55
Washington	45-55	45-55	45-55

CANADIAN FORECAST

City	Today	Tomorrow	Monday
Calgary	45-55	45-55	45-55
Edmonton	45-55	45-55	45-55
Halifax	45-55	45-55	45-55
London	45-55	45-55	45-55
Ottawa	45-55	45-55	45-55
Quebec	45-55	45-55	45-55
Vancouver	45-55	45-55	45-55
Winnipeg	45-55	45-55	45-55

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Guard

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Josh isn't the only young person benefiting from a relationship with the National Guard. Equally enthused by the military - and inspired especially by the local Guard unit - is 10-year-old Hanna Kollas of Twin Falls.

Hanna, daughter of Nick and Sandy Kollas, recently received the rank of honorary sergeant major and was given a personal tour of the army in Twin Falls. She has cerebral palsy.

Hanna became interested in the military three years ago, when she saw home videos of her mother's time serving in the Coast Guard.

"She really wants to join the military, but she knows she can't, and that's hard for her," Nick Kollas said. "For these guys to bring her here and make her feel part of something is just great."

Dahlquist said the outreach effort is just part of the Guard's mission.

"We're a military organization in defense of our country, yet we're intertwined in the community," he said. "And it's nice to be able to open the armory to young adults and support their programs."

Mother

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several times between Christmas and Jan. 9 that the unborn twins were likely to die if she got immediate medical treatment, according to charging documents. When she delivered them on Jan. 13, a baby girl survived but her twin, a boy, was stillborn.

She was charged in Salt Lake County with one first-degree felony count of criminal homicide. Rowland said the child endangerment charge stems from allegations that the surviving baby girl, who was adopted, is in drugs and alcohol in her system, which Rowland denied.

Rowland, who said she was "petrified" by the murder charge, remembered a visit to LDS Hospital in January when she asked a lot of questions about her treatment. A week earlier, she had been advised by a nurse to seek medical attention because she hadn't felt her babies move.

Prosecutors alleged that Rowland told a nurse during the January meeting that doctors wanted to cut her "from breast bone to pubic bone" and she would rather "lose one of the babies than be cut like that."

Rowland denied making the statements, but remembers that hospital visit as "very stressful. Doctors there had me very upset." She was concerned about her recovery time and the nature of the surgery, she said.

"I was scared, but any major surgery you're scared," she said.

At no time did doctors tell her she needed an emergency procedure, she said, adding she would have had no objections to a C-section since she had heard previous ones during the births of her other two young children, ages 7 and 9, who live with the parents of Rowland's estranged husband. She said she was never concerned about her babies' health because in all her hospital visits, she was told they had good heartbeats and were fine.

Rowland said she hadn't seen the father of the twins in over six weeks, but believed he was in Salt Lake City living in a homeless shelter. She said they decided to put the twins up for adoption when Rowland was four months pregnant.

Rowland's court-appointed attorney, Michael Sikora, did not return two phone calls seeking comment on his hospital case. Rowland had a history of mental issues, though he was awaiting medical records for confirmation.

Rowland said she had twice attempted suicide and spent time in a psychiatric hospital. She said she was not under national attention over its potential legal ramifications on the debate over fetal rights.

"I see this as part of an overall focus of a certain movement to get rid of all hospital abortion and fetal rights above the rights of a woman," said NOW's Gandy.

Explosion in Tikrit kills two soldiers, wounds four more

TIKRIT, Iraq (AP) - An explosion early Saturday in Saddam Hussein's hometown killed two American soldiers and wounded four, the U.S. military said. The soldiers were on patrol in downtown Tikrit, north of Baghdad, when a roadside bomb exploded, said Capt. Tim Crowe of the U.S. Army.

Small arms fire erupted after the explosion.

Initial reports said six soldiers were wounded. But the military later said two of the wounded had died. The four other soldiers were evacuated to a military hospital north of Tikrit. It was not immediately unclear how serious the wounded soldiers' injuries were.

The soldiers were from the U.S. Army's 1st Infantry Division, which is taking security in the Tikrit area on Saturday.

Spain

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responsible for the 10 bomb blasts that gutted four commuter trains during Thursday's morning rush hour. The government said it continued to favor the theory that Basque separatists staged the attacks, while others suggested communist bomb makers were responsible.

The militant Basque organization ETA formally denied responsibility Friday evening in a communication with a Basque-language newspaper, while the debate itself was entangled in election-eve politics.

As a host of crestfallen families staggered to an ad-hoc morgue on city fairgrounds to identify their relatives' shattered bodies, the death toll climbed Friday to 199 when a 7-month-old Polish girl died. A reporter announcing the baby's death on state television broke down in tears.

Authorities said the dead identified thus far included people of 12 nationalities. Prime Minister Jose Maria Aznar announced illegal immigrants who have been injured in the bombings or whose relatives were killed will be granted Spanish citizenship; heretofore, Aznar's government had been fairly tough on immigrants, many of whom were too afraid to come home or seek in vain for missing relatives after the bombings.

In a day of nationwide mourning and protest, the outpouring in Madrid was phenomenal. Families, couples, workers, entire student bodies - all braved the frigid rain and marched toward the stricken Atocha station, where two trains blew up, in a procession that began at dusk and continued well into the night.

Courting the numbers

Twin Falls County Clerk Kristina Glascock analyzed the actual cost of processing misdemeanor and infraction cases and determined they accounted for 45 percent of court costs, amounting to \$413,558 for personnel and \$177,549 for supplies, maintenance, housing and phone - a total of \$591,107. Glascock subtracted \$130,339 the county received in payments for court costs, copying and certification fees - leaving a bill for \$460,768. The county and the cities' portions were determined by each entity's percentage of total citations and complaints issued:

- Twin Falls city: \$258,030.
- Twin Falls County: \$134,544.

But Wonderlich said it was a no-brainer. He figured it would cost the city about \$76,000 a year to run its own city court, and after deducting revenue it would receive from the county for those cases, the final bill would be about \$21,000, a whole lot less than the county's \$258,000 bill.

The city of Buhl is also considering bringing back its own city courts.

"We can run a circuit court cheaper than paying the county," said William Nungesser, the city's attorney.

Judges should issue a written decision on the matter within 30 days, Erny said.

The city of Kimberly has filed a lawsuit against the county for withholding revenues from court fines that go to the city. The county says it's withholding the revenue to cover Kimberly's unpaid bills to fund the court system: A judge put a 30-day hold on that lawsuit.

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CORRECTION

Fund-raiser features women's interests today

An item in Friday's newspaper gave the wrong day for the annual fund-raiser of Women Helping Other Women, or HOW. The event is 12:30 p.m. today at the Ruff Club, 734 Falls Ave. in Twin Falls. The Times-News regrets the error.

Survivors return to Iwo Jima

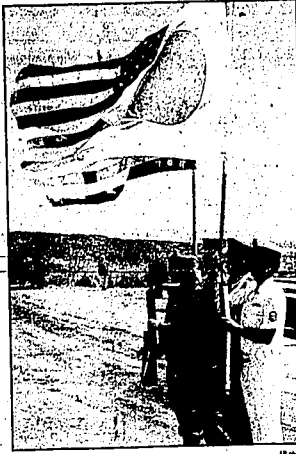
IWO JIMA, Japan (AP) — When Gordon Ward first hit the black sand beach at Iwo Jima as a 23-year-old U.S. Marine, the air was alive with the crash of naval guns and buzz of bullets. The next day, he was on the beach, preparing to be blown off by the explosion of his leg nearly blown off and a medic dead on top of him.

"The medic was trying to get me ready to be evacuated," said Ward, now 80, of Kensington, Md. "But a shell blew him up before he could get me to safety."

Fifty-nine years later, Ward and 24 other veterans returned here Friday for a memorial and reunion with three Japanese who also survived the battle for Iwo Jima — one of the bloodiest fights of World War II and a victory for Americans that came more than any other to symbolize the Pacific conflict.

The battle of Iwo Jima — the name means Sulphur Island — in February-March 1945 was crucial for both sides. The volcanic islands, of which two were part, were 700 miles south of Tokyo and part of the capital prefecture, thus the first part of Japan proper to be invaded.

The Americans wanted its three airstrips as a way station for long-range bombing raids on Tokyo, and for the soon-to-



Japanese and U.S. service members held the national colors during the 59th Commemoration Ceremony of the Battle of Iwo Jima held on the island, about 700 miles southeast of Tokyo, Friday.

come invasion of Okinawa. Mount Suribachi, a 550-foot dead volcano at the tiny, teardrop-shaped island's south-

ern tip, was where five Marines and a Navy corpsman raised the flag on the third day and were immortalized on film by Associ-

ated Press photographer Joe Rosenthal. The iconic image eventually was translated into low-key event, with the Marine Corps War Memorial in Arlington, Va., bearing the inscription, "Uncommon Valor Was A Common Virtue."

The annual Iwo Jima gathering, which began in 1955, is always held with few media invited — partly because the Japanese consider it sacred ground with many wandering souls of unrecovered dead. It draws speakers ranging from former Japanese prime ministers to top U.S. military officers.

The tradition may be fading, however, as the veterans of the three Marine divisions that fought for Iwo Jima are now in their 80s and less able to travel. Japanese veterans of Iwo have always been in short supply as fewer than 1,000 of the island's 22,000 defenders survived the 36-day battle in February-March 1945.

"I won't be able to make this trip again," said 85-year-old William Leverette of Orlando, Fla., who was hit by a mortar round on the fifth day of fighting. "I'm just glad to be able to come back and see it again. Without the bodies and bullets."

GOP takes new look at importing drugs

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Bush administration and Republican congressional leaders are being forced to take a hard new look at the idea of importing cheaper prescription drugs from foreign countries as an election-year clamor grows for removing prohibitions.

Continuing increases in prescription drug prices — the fastest growing item in health care — and the pitched partisan battle over the new Medicare law have given the topic greater prominence in Congress and on the campaign trail.

AARP's 35-million-member seniors' group that gave Republican-backed Medicare legislation a critical endorsement last year, backs allowing imports. So do two Republican senators, former COO leader Trent Lott of Mississippi and John Cornyn of Texas, both changing their position in recent days.

And so do nearly two-thirds of Americans, according to a recent AP poll.

Drug importation has become a proxy for talking about the high cost of prescription

drugs in the United States. Spending on prescription drugs is the fastest-growing component of health care costs, rising 15.3 percent in 2002.

Drug costs are expected to outstrip the overall growth in health care spending for the next 10 years, and that projection even take into account the new Medicare prescription drug benefit that begins in 2006. Many economists believe the change will lead to an additional increase in costs.

"We're not talking about an academic situation. We're talking about seniors who are going to bed tonight making the decision whether to pay for prescription drugs or to eat," Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., said at a hearing this week.

While importing lower-cost drugs from abroad has supporters and opponents in both parties, Democrats have used the issue to highlight their political charge that the new Medicare law is too generous to drug companies and insurers at the expense of seniors.

Iraqi security forces arrest six in killings of U.S. civilians

Knight-Ridder News Service

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Iraqi security forces have captured and are interrogating six suspects — including four of their own policemen plus a former cop — as chief suspects in this week's execution-style killings of two American civilians who were doing human rights work near Baghdad, U.S. coalition officials said Friday.

The Americans were the first U.S. civilians working for the occupation authority to be killed in Iraq and, if they were, they would be the first to have been killed by members of Iraq's newly minted, 150,000-strong security forces.

FBI agents have been called in to assist on forensic and are investigating the crime scene, said Army Brig. Gen. Mark Kimmitt. But coalition spokesman Dan Senor warned that it was premature to say whether the

U.S.-nurtured security forces had been infiltrated by anti-American cells.

"We have a very robust vetting process for all Iraqis that are hired or rehired in the security services," said Senor. "But it is not perfect... Individuals slip through the cracks. We act to immediately."

Both men said that corrupt cops are in every society, then boasted that 500 more Iraqi police had just graduated from an eight-week, U.S.-sponsored police academy program in Jordan.

That brought the number of Iraqi police who have taken the comprehensive course to 2,827. In addition, 12,422 others received a special three-week course.

It wasn't known whether the suspects completed the special U.S.-funded program, said Kimmitt, adding that four of the six suspects were carrying coalition-approved police

badges. A fifth, he said, was an officer-in-Saddam's now-defunct Iraqi police force.

Investigators are checking the four policemen for criminal records or ties to the Saddam regime, to see if they should have been disqualified from Iraq's new security forces, which ostensibly were cleansed of Baath Party loyalty under administrator L. Paul Bremer.

Killed were Fern Holland, 33, of Oklahoma, Robert Zain, 44, a former Marine from suburban Pittsburgh, and their U.S.-paid Iraqi interpreter, Selwa Ourmashe. Holland helped write the women's rights section of the new interim Iraqi constitution, and Zain was working on an Iraqi free press project.

Kimmitt said there had been no confessions — the six men were caught in the Americans' car — but Senor said the killers' motive was to spread terror and undermine U.S. gains in nurturing Iraqi democracy.

Water

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calls for "reasonable economic development" of groundwater.

"But they can't be pitted against each other," Dreher said.

But he also said in regard to the economic development aspect of water law, "We don't exactly know what that means."

Case law on the subject has remained static for the past 100 years, Tomlinson said.

The House Agricultural Affairs Committee approved a proposal for an aquaculture commission on Friday. It is scheduled for floor debate next week. Lawmakers want to adjourn the 2001 session by March 19, so the bill will have to fly through both houses before then.

Meanwhile, Water Resources spokesman Dick Larsen said the protests to Dreher's Feb. 27 order to shut down Northside wells are beginning to flood

the department. Since Monday, 17 have been filed, including one from the city of Burley. Protests can be filed until March 25.

In addition, Larsen said the department is getting calls from banks, asking for lists of water rights on the north side of the Snake River.

A Lincoln County official also called, wanting to know the economic impact of shutting down the county's 25 dairies, Larsen said. The Idaho Dairyman's Association is protesting the curtailment, too.

Sen. Clint Stennett, D-Ketchikan, and others on the Resource Committee grilled Dreher on Friday, asking him what would happen if some 125,000 cows can't be watered.

Before he could answer, Sen. Laird (No.) R-Kimberly, jumped in. He pointed out in the most dire of circumstances it would be about the same

scenario that played out last summer in the Hagerman. Thousands Springs area. Spring users with fish farms that had gone dry had to bring in trucks to remove "many thousands and thousands of fish to either other raceways or to be slaughtered," Noth said.

Sen. Dean Cameron (R-Rupert, asked Dreher about the ripple effect of water being shut down in Magic Valley. Dreher said obviously there will be statewide economic repercussions if the wells are shut down. But he warned that someone in Magic Valley with a senior water right to someone further up the river in eastern Idaho is not necessarily able to get more water if he's losing water to restore spring flows.

There would have to be proof that his particular water right is directly related to someone's farther east, Dreher said.

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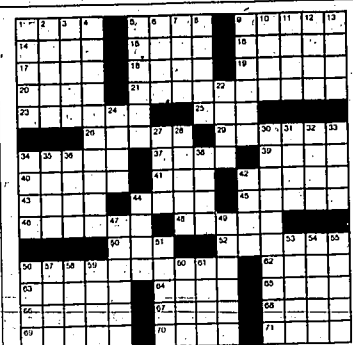
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Woman leaves abuse in the past

DEAR ABBY: From the time I was 2 until I was 13, I was abused by five different family members — including my own father. At the age of 13, my parents terminated their parental rights, giving the state permanent custody of me. I lived in foster care until I turned 18.



DEAR ABBY
Jeanne Phillips

When the caseworkers first evaluated me, it was expected that I would succumb to welfare statistics — become a welfare mother, a drop-out, etc. I fooled them all and graduated from high school. Later on, I tried to reconnect with my real family, only to discover the chaotic, violent nature of my caseworkers had recognized. The saying "Age makes you wiser" is true.

I wish I could say that I have been a piece of cake, but the truth is, it has been difficult. Abuse has long-term side effects that can take a lifetime to overcome, especially the rejection by a parent who sided with the abuser. Had it not been for

my faith in God and the encouragement of good people in my life, I would not be living the normal life I've always dreamed of.

Among the things I always wanted was a loving, caring family. It turns out that my friends are just that. I also wanted a loving husband. As I acknowledged — and later overcame — the deep emotional scars left by the abuse, and with the help of caring friends, I experienced a drastic turnaround. I met and married the man of my dreams, and my in-laws are some of the nicest people I've ever known. It's like I'm growing

up all over again. I have lived a whole lifetime in this short period. I realize now that my past doesn't have to determine my future.

—ALBUQUERQUE SURVIVOR

DEAR SURVIVOR: I congratulate you for overcoming the odds and creating the life you dreamed of. Instead of letting the past define you, you learned a valuable lesson: You cannot re-create the past. Concentrate on making the present the best it can be, and the future will take care of itself.

DEAR ABBY: Six weeks ago, I co-hosted a baby shower for a friend I'll call Angela. Her mother or agreed to split the cost and I put everything on my credit card. I ended up spending more than \$1,200 for food, flowers, cake, decorations, favors, etc. I have yet to receive one dime from Angela's mother. Had I

known I would end up bearing the entire cost, I would never have spent so freely.

I feel awkward "demanding" the money, Angela and I have been friends since grammar school, and I don't want to put a strain on our special relationship — especially since she's due to deliver twins any day now. What should I do? Please advise.

—FINANCIALLY STRAINED IN PORTLAND

DEAR STRAINED: Have you sent Angela's mother an itemized accounting of what she owes? If you have and she hasn't responded, then you now know that she is irresponsible and unreliable. She should have settled with you long ago — without prompting. For the sake of your long-time friendship with Angela, however, be prepared to write it off as tuition in their school of experience.

Women are risky when charm goes

Item No. 8242C in our Love and War man's files is the observation of a longtime marriage counselor: "The most dangerous age for a woman is when she begins to discard charm as her most effective device and tries to get her way by being authoritative."

All stars rotate. Q. Do you feel the effects of a poisonous snake bite immediately?

A. Usually. But the coral's bite is curious, say the medics. In some cases, the victim feels no symptoms for 12 hours before the death of sudden respiratory failure.

In London is a Chinese restaurant named "Now & Zen."

Some western Indians in the earlier frontier days rode east, and returned to tell about multitudes of white people, tall, hulking and big ships. But their tribes people ridiculed them as liars. That shot their reputations. And in their conversational memoirs they said they wished they kept their mouths shut.

Supermarket laser beams aimed at my red rear.

Both feathers and fur hold air against the body to keep it warm. Feathers do it better. Hardly anybody around can tell you the whereabouts of that nation officially named "Jumhuriyat Misr al-Arabiya."

Wait, you didn't sound it out. You'll forget how to pronounce it.

The steamer duck of the Falklands can fly when young but when grown up.

Q. What's the wildest river in North America?

A. The Yukon, say the experts. From northern British Columbia to the Bering Sea. On some stretches, its fiercer currents continually dig new channels.

When you see "10W/40" on a container of engine oil, note the stands for winter, not weight.

Scorpio: Forget the turmoil

IF MARCH 13 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY... you can expect big changes in the coming year as you become more focused on "business" matters and your ambitions kick in. You may totally alter your perception of what is most important to you by the end of the year, one chapter of your life will be completed and you will need to adapt to new situations as the next chapter begins.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 19): You've become focused on your enthusiasms that you may not be aware of trouble brewing elsewhere behind the scenes. Put the final touches on your projects as this winning streak is almost over. Accept inventory for tonight as love is in the forecast.

TAURUS (Apr. 20-May 20): Romance is in the stars for those who want a fantasy getaway this weekend. Tonight and tomorrow are extra special adventures for glamorous adventures.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): The mood could be intense and unyielding early today; partners may be out of sorts and hostile. This evening and tomorrow are best for soothing troubled areas of relationships and making up; romantic interludes could prove blissful.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): You could become aware of an explosive situation, but the damage has already been done. You may as well take advantage of the amorous evening and plan on some kind of pleasant social gathering.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Reflecting on the problems of the past week may leave you frustrated. Long hot baths and pampering yourself will help. Later in the day, plan on an amorous and cozy evening with that special someone.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Tensions will drain away by late afternoon; don't cancel out on the evening plans. This is an evening meant for lovers, and there is a romantic sparkle in the air. Go after your heart's desire.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Count on an evening of

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sensuous pleasures and special delights. Let bygones be bygones, and erase the pressures of the week from your mind. Tonight and tomorrow will be especially blissful.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): By late evening, the turmoil of the past week will be behind you and you can concentrate on looking for love. This week-end your intuitions will become more attuned to attracting those who are in harmony with you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): The mood of the first half of the day could be tense and may drain your inner resources, but late evening through tomorrow looks especially good for romantic pursuit and making peace with close partners.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Your sexy swagger may have caught someone's eye. Singles should grab that invitation and get out and about tonight. There is some special magic sprinkled in the stars for romance.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Deep attractions can lead to special times tonight and tomorrow if you follow your heart. Tonight is wonderful for creating long-lasting and cherished moments with those who love you the most.

PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20): Don't allow upsets and brooding in the early hours today to spoil what promises to be a romantic weekend. Put crises behind you, take a bubble bath and expect that your cherished someone will sweep you off your feet later tonight.

Krispy Kreme Doughnuts will go healthy

WINSTON-SALEM, N.C. (AP) — Krispy Kreme Doughnuts, long known for its high-calorie, low-sugar doughnut to attract dieters and diabetics. Exactly how low the sugar content would be was unclear.

Krispy Kreme spokeswoman Amy Hughes said the new doughnut is still in the early stages of development. It is set to debut before the end of 2004. One of Krispy Kreme's Hot Original Glazed doughnuts has 10 grams of sugar and 200 calories. —More than half—those

calories come from fat, 12 grams of it. Krispy Kreme lover Nathan Painter said he would give one of the newfangled doughnuts a try. Still, he found the whole idea strange. "It just seems odd they're trying to be healthy," he said.

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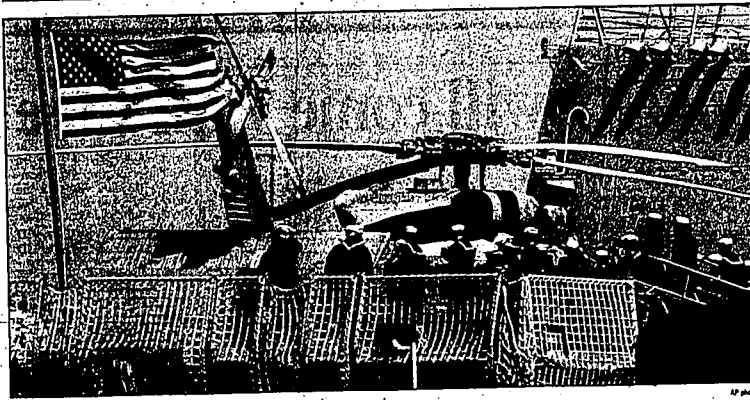
Burglar falls asleep in garage

RAVENNA, Ohio (AP) — Eric L. Palmer, 34, of Akron, was arrested Thursday by police after he apparently fell asleep on the garage floor of a home that police say was trying to burglarize.

Brimfield Police Chief David Blough said Palmer has been charged with aggravated burglary with a gun specification.

Police arrived at about 6 a.m. after a home health care worker called to report a suspicious person in the garage of the home where she worked.

"We approached him very stealthily and had the handcuffs on him before he even woke up," Blough said.



Crew members return to the guided missile destroyer William Pinckney at the old Charleston Naval Base in North Charleston, S.C., as the U.S. flag is seen at half mast, Friday. A bus carrying Navy personnel from the vessel to a wreath-laying ceremony at Beaufort National Cemetery, honoring the destroyer's namesake, crashed into incoming traffic Friday and another bus veered off the highway, authorities said. Three sailors were killed and dozens more injured.

Greenspan urges more job training

BOSTON (AP) — The United States needs to better educate its workers and avoid the trappings of protectionism to fully flourish in a global economy, Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan said Friday.



Alan Greenspan

While trade barriers might slow the frenetic, sometimes troubling pace of competition, our — starting in jobs of living would soon begin to stagnate and perhaps even decline as a consequence, Greenspan said at a finance conference at Boston College.

Time and again throughout our history we have discovered that attempting merely to preserve the comfortable features of the present, rather than reaching for new levels of prosperity, is a sure path to stagnation," he said. Greenspan spoke at a conference where the outsourcing of jobs to foreign countries was a prominent topic. Many U.S. companies are sending manufacturing and service jobs overseas to save money, and the topic has emerged as a key issue in the presidential race. Greenspan noted that while wages for high-skill workers have risen, real wages for low-skill workers have been stagnant for 20 years, suggesting the country is producing a shortage of high-skill workers and a surplus of low-skill ones. "Some have a gnawing sense that our problems may be more than temporary and that the roots of the problem may extend back through our education system," Greenspan said. Greenspan's comments came after a vigorous debate on outsourcing between AFL-CIO President John Sweeney and U.S. Chamber of Commerce President and CEO Thomas Donohue. "Ninety-six percent of the people that we want to sell something to or provide a service to live somewhere else," said Donohue. "We have got to play in a global economy."

Three die in crash of military buses

GARDENS CORNER, S.C. (AP) — A bus carrying Navy personnel to a wreath-laying ceremony Friday lost control on a two-lane highway and crashed head-on into a tractor-trailer, killing three sailors.

A second Navy bus veered off U.S. 17 to avoid the wreck about 60 miles southwest of Charleston. Seventy people were taken to hospitals, including 58 who were expected to be checked and released. The sailors were from the guided missile destroyer William Pinckney, said Susan Bedford, a spokeswoman for the Charleston Naval Weapons Station. About 100 people were aboard the two buses that crashed, she said.

One bus swerved onto the right shoulder of the highway, then overcorrected and crossed the center line, hitting a tractor-trailer, said Highway Patrol Lt. Col. Paul Brothers. Three sailors on that bus, including the driver, were ejected and killed, Brothers said, and the truck driver was seriously injured.



Rescue workers are at the scene where two buses carrying Navy personnel on their way to Beaufort for a memorial service were involved in an accident Friday morning, north of Gardens Corner, S.C.

A van from a television station was used to take people to the hospital because so many people were hurt. Two other Navy buses were unaffected, and sailors who arrived safely at Beaufort National

Cemetery gathered in a circle after learning of the crash. U.S. Naval Hospital spokeswoman Patricia Binas said. "There were tears out there," said Binas, who was at the cemetery.

Another ceremony, scheduled to take place on the ship itself, was canceled.

"I can only imagine the mood on the ship is not light right now," said Navy spokesman Paul Binas. "It's like a family, so anytime something like this happens it's definitely felt."

Names of the dead were not released pending notification of families. The USS Pinckney is visiting South Carolina this week and will be commissioned in May in California.

The ship is named for a Navy cook who won the Navy's second-highest honor for saving the life of a shipmate during a Japanese attack on the carrier Enterprise in 1942.

Although injured, Pinckney carried another man up several decks to safety after an ammunition handling room filled with flames. Four others in the compartment died.

Pinckney died in 1975. The sailors were heading to Beaufort for a graveside ceremony with his widow.

Governor commutes sentence

HOUSTON (AP) — Gov. Rick Perry has commuted the death sentence of a Houston killer with an IQ estimated at 63 — a move required under a 2002 Supreme Court decision barring the execution of retarded inmates.

It was the first time Perry, a Republican who has presided over 81 executions since taking office in 2000, has commuted a death sentence.

Robert Smith, 36, will serve a life sentence for the 1990 murder of James Michael Wilcox, Wilcox, a transient living out of his truck, was shot to death after crossing paths with Smith and an accomplice as they fled a clothing-store robbery.

In January, District Attorney Chuck Rosenthal grudgingly recommended the inmate's sentence be commuted after a new expert diagnosed Smith as retarded. A judge concurred last month, the governor acted on Thursday.

"I recommended it because our expert looked at him and agreed he was retarded," Rosenthal said Friday. "But here is a guy who had done a lot of things you'd think someone who was retarded could not handle. His lawyers at trial never brought it up because he never had any trouble" assisting them.

Smith's attorneys said he has an IQ of 63, seven points below the retardation threshold.

AARP now enters Social Security debate fury

WASHINGTON (AP) — AARP, the advocacy group for people over age 50 that opposes diverting Social Security taxes into private accounts, is linked about a new organization with a similar name — minus one A — that is advocating the changes.

The new group, founded by Republicans, is called Alliance for Retirement Prosperity, or ARP.

"Gee, what a coincidence," said John Rother, AARP's policy director. ARP will be led by Jack Kemp, the 1996 Republican vice presidential nominee and housing secretary during the first Bush administration, and former House Majority Leader Dick Armey. A third co-chairman is Bruce Hardy, a former Social Security commissioner who served in the Reagan administration. Grover Norquist, president of Americans for Tax Reform, and Steve Moore, president of the Club for Growth, also are involved.

Larry Hunter, executive director of the new organization, said the acronym for Alliance for Retirement Prosperity and its near-match to AARP was not deliberate. "Look at the name of the group. The name of the group is the Alliance for Retirement Prosperity. It perfectly describes what this group is about," said Hunter, chief economist at Power America, a conservative Washington-based think tank that Kemp helped found.

Rother said, AARP, which learned of the new group Thursday, is considering a lawsuit to protect its trademarked name. "It's an intentional effort to mislead the public, then it's not legal," Rother said of ARP. AARP has not yet contacted ARP but plans to do so. "We're certainly going to respond," Rother said. "I don't think anyone with a straight face can say this is a coincidence." Hunter said a lawsuit by AARP "seems like a silly thing for them to do."

Report: Rumsfeld, FBI official took 9-11 souvenirs

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Justice Department investigation that criticized FBI agents for taking souvenirs from the World Trade Center site also found that Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld and a high-ranking FBI official kept items from the Sept. 11 attack scenes.

The final investigatory report said the Justice Department inspector general confirmed Rumsfeld "has a piece of the airplane that flew into the Pentagon." The Associated Press obtained a copy of the report Friday.

Investigators learned Rumsfeld had the airplane part after an FBI agent saw a television interview in which the defense secretary was "holding up pieces of building from the WTC and the Pentagon, saying he kept those items on his desk to remember the terrorist attacks."

A Pentagon spokesman did not immediately respond Friday afternoon for comment.

The Justice Department investigation also collected testimony that Pasquale D'Amuro, FBI Director Robert Mueller's executive assistant director for terrorism until last summer, asked a supervisory agent to "obtain a half dozen items from the WTC debris so the items could be given to dignitaries."

Six items that weren't evidence were gathered and sent to D'Amuro, the report said. D'Amuro, now the head of the FBI's New York office, said that he asked for a piece of the building as a memento and that he was aware that agents had taken "such" items from other terrorist crime scenes over the years.

He said he got a piece of the building in June 2003 but denied asking for items for dignitaries. D'Amuro left the following month from FBI headquarters as Mueller's top terrorism official to become an assistant director in charge of the New York office.

Valiquette, a spokesman for the New York FBI office, declined to comment Friday.

Surviving family members were surprised by the news.

"Unbelievable," said William Doyle, whose son died in the World Trade Center. A New York woman suing local authorities for alleged negligence in the Sept. 11 attacks said any souvenir-taking by officials was part of a larger failure to keep enough items, like steel beams, as evidence.

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Peace and prosperity will come with time

Returning to the United States from Baghdad a few days before the signing of Iraq's interim constitution, I found an America more seized with failures than with the considerable successes there.

Nowhere do I find Americans aware that Iraqi children hug U.S. Army sanitary engineers who repair sewer and water pipes.

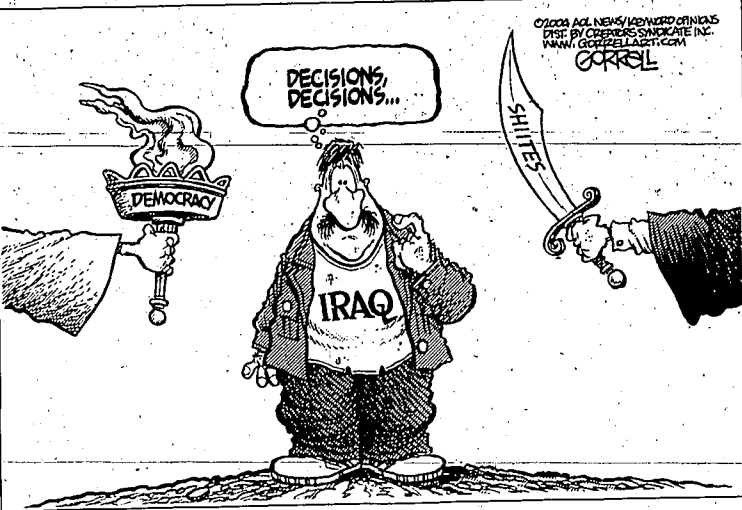
DANIEL SERWER

The U.S. press - critical of the failure to fix the electrical system as well as oil fields and pipelines by last summer - ignores the return of electricity and oil production to prewar levels. Even the constitutional framework provokes questions about legitimacy rather than praise for accomplishment.

This is understandable. The suicide bombings in Karbala and in Baghdad while I was there, as well as Shiite hesitation to sign the constitutional framework and continuing attacks on coalition and Iraqi security forces, have colored perceptions and raised questions about whether we are doing the right thing.

The administration's prewar failure to plan adequately for postwar reconstruction has cast a pall over the entire enterprise. The reluctance of major allies such as France to join in - despite the enlarged role for the United Nations and the commitment to early turnover of sovereignty - has generated further doubts.

We should not, however, allow problems of reconstruction to obscure the progress that has been made. In Baghdad I found a Coalition Provisional Authority (CPA) preparing for an unprecedented rapid shift of



responsibility from an occupying power to an Iraqi interim administration on June 30. This shift has already occurred for most practical purposes in some areas. Schools and universities, for example, are open for business under Iraqi management, though plagued by resource shortfalls.

The coalition is truly multinational, despite the absence of the French. In just a few days in the CPA mess, I ran into a Dutch naval officer, British and Italian diplomats, Australian and Polish army troops.

It will be a shame if this

multinational effort disappears entirely by the June 30 transition, especially since the United Nations has not sent its people back to Iraq.

The Bush administration, while not announcing a change in policy, had by last spring abandoned its plan to decapitate the Saddam Hussein regime and quickly turn Iraq over to a leader chosen in Washington.

Instead, there is now a concerted effort at nation-building that should extend years past the formal turnover of sovereignty, accelerated to suit the American electoral schedule but also in response to strong

Iraqi demands. This will require unprecedented levels of assistance. To offer but one example: Americans will be training Iraqi police, judges, prosecutors and prison wardens for years to come.

The \$10 billion supplemental budget for reconstruction, passed last fall, is an enormous commitment, but likely isn't the last that will be needed, whoever is president come January 2005.

The emergence of this approach, while expensive, should be welcomed. The half-hearted and superficial nation-building effort in Afghanistan illustrates all too

clearly what happens when they try to get away without a long-term commitment to building strong democratic institutions.

The U.S.-supported government in Kabul is unable to control most of the country, which is in the hands of warlords and Taliban. Al-Qaida still thrives in both Afghanistan and the relatively lawless frontier provinces of Pakistan.

The same will happen in Iraq, but with more dramatic consequences, if the United States allows it. The recent bombing attacks on Shiite Muslims should be seen not as the consequence of the U.S. failure to plan for the transition

to democracy in Iraq but rather as a targeted protest of those plans. Al-Qaida will not be able to survive in an Iraq with strong democratic institutions.

It therefore seeks to provoke internal disorder to disrupt the June 30 turnover of sovereignty. The Iraqis I met in Baghdad criticized one or another aspect of U.S. postwar engagement; but they said they wanted American nation-building plans to succeed.

Al-Qaida also seeks to undermine coalition resolve, attacking coalition forces wherever it can and killing more Americans in the postwar period than during the war. This has particular significance as we enter an American presidential race.

Administration policy in Iraq is quite properly being questioned: Was it right to go to war? Did doing so increase U.S. security?

Would we have gone to war had we known that there were no large stocks of weapons of mass destruction in Iraq? Was it a good idea to go to war without U.N. or NATO backing?

These are tough questions that need to be asked, and answered, in the upcoming presidential election campaign and in years to come.

But there is the risk that those who oppose the administration on the Iraq war will now inadvertently undermine the building of the peace.

Whatever the answers on prewar Iraq policy, we are in Iraq now and need to stay the course, with as many allies as we can muster. There is no turning back.

Daniel Serwer is director of peace and stability operations at the United States Institute of Peace. The views here are his own.

LETTERS

Idaho's water crisis finally hits home

Water, water and none to drink. The chairman of the State Water Resources Committee, Bert Stevenson, in Sunday's *Times-News*, finally told it like it is for the first time. He and his mates fiddled while our home burned down.

I came here 10 years ago. The first *Times-News* headlines read the odor, too many cows, can we put our wastewater in Gooding County, the water in the springs in Hagerman is running out.

Every day since then in letters to the editor, someone was begging the legislators to do something about it. Too many cows; there isn't a legislator in Idaho who doesn't know the water is the key to the Magic Valley economy.

The politicians have sat on their hands all the while and odor, disposal of the waste and the use of too much water. Our legislators' wallets on their right side had them all loaded.

The money all their voices were tied to the money and directly related to the water. The fish in our rivers disappeared. The dams were after the water; this built the power plants everywhere.

Then came the banes after the water to haul the grain to the world. Money, I can write for a week why our politicians didn't stop the quest for our water.

The dairy industries moved from California. They came here because they could not

operate in California for lack of water.

Bruce Newcomb, Dean Cameron, Dirk Kempthorne, Craig Crapo - they all welcomed them with no regulations at all. All the while this went on, water was the key. Yet in bold, black letters even our kindergarten kids can spell, said this: Water in the state of Idaho is allotted; first come, first to serve. These words were put together by lay people that did not need a lawyer to interpret the words.

Idaho water law has some of the same words. The rights to the water is first to the water is the senior right. That means pumpers are the junior in almost all cases. The dairies and agriculture use that have the junior rights, by law, must shut down first.

If our legislators can figure a way to have it both ways, power to them. But I think they dodged a bullet on the term limits now that will haunt them. I am waiting to see them dodge the big one.

Pay attention. **BARNEY "B." ROWLAND** Hagerman

'Passion' movie profits could aid U.S. debt

The Passion of Christ - I felt inspired to write. I keep pushing it away, only to have it return. Mel Gibson, to my knowledge, directed and was totally immersed in this great movie, using his own funds to produce it.

We know our country is in trillions of dollars of deficit. Our

November election will soon be here, making promises - be it Republican, Democrat or other of how they can diminish this monumental debt and/or have it completely eradicated in a strict discipline to erase. What poverty will we go through in 10 years? Devastation!

Since Mel Gibson paved the way for us, surely we can do as he did. Give all of the monies the movie takes in to help do away with the deficit of our government.

I understand the movie pulled in \$26 million the first day. This movie will be shown for a very long time. Think of the stupendous difference that would make.

JAN ANDERSON Twin Falls

Time for the feds to get off deficits

Regarding *The Times-News* edition Monday, March 8: First, I would like to comment on Dave Barry's column on federal spending. It was enjoyable reading. I have felt frustrated through the years watching Congress in both administrations waste billions on unnecessary spending.

I realize they provide jobs, but where does the money derive from? The only place it can come from is us taxpayers or from the national debt.

Second, you asked for comments on the centennial pages. Here's mine: I think they are great and look forward to them each week!

DWIGHT OSBORNE Hagerman

Americans showered with disillusionment

Today (March 6), I read an article in *The Times-News* that so aptly describes my attitude about our lives in the United States that I was stunned. The

title of it is "Americans increasingly dwell in the land of the disillusionment."

We are constantly being presented with criminalism among our leaders, scandals about Dick Cheney and Halliburton, Enron, Catholic priests, Martha Stewart, Jayson Blair, William Bennett. Many of us have been so traumatized that we are hopeless about our country.

Our worldwide image has lowered so much that even exchange students in programs that place them do not want to study in the United States. Many nations regard us as terrorists. Consumer confidence is shaky, and voting has dropped since 1960.

We have a bumper sticker that says, "Act locally, think globally." I volunteer in the community with juveniles and the homeless and it seems that if we can't do it, it is my sincere hope that people will become aware of what is happening to us and react in a way that will save us - whatever that might be.

JOANN JACKSON Twin Falls

Wolf debate missing the point on harvests

The "debate" on wolf reintroduction has been entertaining, if somewhat sad in its emotionalism on both sides, and has pretty much degenerated into a screaming, name-calling match.

One observation I have not seen made, but may have missed, is that the species taken by wolves have obviously survived for all of their history and been made stronger by predators' taking of individuals less fit for whatever reason.

They did not need to be "harvested" by shooters. One bit objection to reintroduction has been: not enough animals left to "harvest." One suspects that members of harvested species fit enough to avoid wolves

could easily avoid "harvesters." (Is this term just political correctness or a euphemism?)

In a related vein, I liked the item heading, "Wyoming Legislature backs away from wolf suit" in the paper so much I almost sent it to Leno for "Headlines."

MIKE LEEDS Buhi

Let gays form their own scout troops

Why do the gays want to join the Boy Scouts of America? Why don't they start their own organization: "Scouts of America" and not require the Supreme Court to rule in one way or the other?

JACK HAYES Twin Falls

A free fair shouldn't be a free-for-all

Regarding free admission to

the county fair: Opening up the county fair with free admission to anyone would lead it up with too many of the very element that would prohibit family enjoyment.

If we really need free admission underwritten by county taxpayers, let's require fair visitors to provide proof of residence in Twin Falls County or pay full price.

DIANE STEVENS Twin Falls

Correction

A letter in Friday's paper incorrectly identified Peter Toft's position with the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center Foundation.

Toft is the past president of the foundation. Bill Koch Jr. is the current president.

The Times-News regrets the error.

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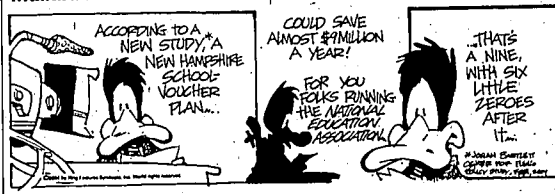
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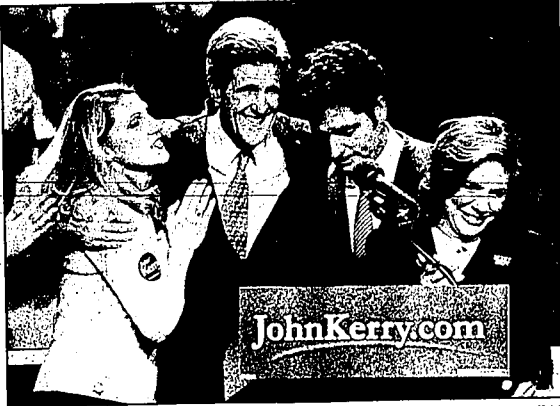


ON THE CAMPAIGN TRAIL

Kerry's family plays a role

By Elizabeth Wolfe Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — An aspiring filmmaker, a medical student, a blacksmith and a teacher, an environmentalist and a son who easily takes over the campaign trail. They are the children in the wealthy clan that will be America's first Heinz family...



Democratic presidential hopeful Sen. John Kerry, center, D-Mass., with daughter, Vanessa, left, stepson, Chris Heinz, second right, and wife Teresa Heinz-Kerry, right, celebrates with friends and supporters on the primary victories of his campaign for the Democratic presidential nomination in this March 2 file photo in Washington...

The children, ages 27 to 37, came together in 1995 when a divorced father of two daughters married a widowed heiress with three sons. The offspring of U.S. senators — Kerry, a Massachusetts Democrat, and the late Pennsylvania Republican John Heinz III — have taken different paths in life, both toward and away from politics...

I think we're a very normal family in that we have our ups and downs, said the youngest son, Chris, 30. "But everyone gets to go to bat for the other person."

Kerry clawed his way to the Democratic nomination, some of the brood helped court voters. They say the experience, hardly over, has given them a better understanding of each other as well as political life.

The campaign has definitely brought us closer together, said daughter Alex Kerry, 30. "Not many people can relate to this process."

And, she added, in case anyone asks: "Yes, we have been referred to as the Brady Bunch, minus Cindy or Jan."

The youngest — a tall blonde teased by a stepbrother as being the Cindy-Jan combo — is 27-year-old Vanessa Kerry, a Yale alum like her father. During a hiatus from the third-year at Harvard Medical School, she filled a role similar to that of Kareena Gore Schiff, whose campaign appearances in 2000 often showed the lighter side of her sister's father, Al Gore.

Adeptly stumping for California to Iowa to New York, Vanessa Kerry offered anecdotes that contrasted the senator's aloof image. For example, there's the family vacation tale of Kerry performing a chest compression on his recently recovered young Vanessa's beloved hamster after its cage fell into the water.

Her sister goes by Alex but is billed as Alexandra Kerry for her bartender role in "Spartan," a movie released last year about the missing daughter of a senior government official. A film student in Los Angeles who occasionally pops up to campaign, Alex has gathered footage from the trail for a documentary.

After their parents' marriage fell apart in 1982, the girls lived primarily with their mother, Julia Thorne, who also falls from wealth. Thorne later wrote a book about depression, touching on her own battles with the disease. Remembered: she moved to Montana but stays in touch with her busy

Daughters Kerry initially met Teresa Heinz through her first husband, who died in a plane crash in 1991. The family tree now extends to the heirs to the Heinz food fortune, three brothers from a moderate Republican household who grew up in the Pittsburgh and Washington areas. Like their stepisters, they attended Washington and New England prep schools.

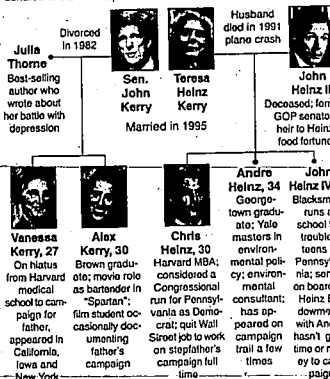
The youngest, Chris, quit his job in a private equity firm to raise money and stump full time for his stepfather. A Yale graduate with a master's in business administration from Harvard, he attended the same prep school, St. Paul's in Concord, N.H., as Kerry. Sports lovers both, Chris is the closest of the Heinz children to him. Calling himself "a big believer in John," Chris said he holds many of the same political positions. On gay marriage, which Kerry opposes, he diverges. "It's a constitutional issue, and I don't see a big deal with it."

With political proclivities like those of his father, and Kennedy reminiscent of John F. Kennedy Jr., Chris has toyed with running for Congress someday from Pennsylvania. His leanings, he said, come down on the side of "moderate people first and Democrats second." He admires former President George H.W. Bush, whom he met a few times with his father and calls "an internationalist and a gentleman and a serious politician, in a good way."

Middle son Andre, 34, with a master's degree from the Yale School of Forestry and Environmental Studies, is an environmental consultant who is focused on that topic for his few campaign appearances. He was also known to regale campaign staff and media with an impres-

Kerry-Heinz clan hits the campaign trail

Sen. John Kerry's two children and three stepchildren are an active bunch ranging from movie actress to blacksmith. All but one have donated to their dad's presidential campaign with time and money.



Vanessa Kerry, 27, on hiatus from Harvard medical school as bartender in school to campaign for father, appeared in California and New York.

source of Bill Clinton. Living mostly in Europe, Andre speaks French and Swedish and has an ear for languages like his mother, who was born in Mozambique and speaks five languages. Least involved with Kerry's quest is John Heinz IV, 37, a blacksmith and teacher who lives with his wife and child in Pennsylvania, where he runs an alternative school for teenagers. Both John and Andre serve on the board of the Pittsburgh-based Heinz Endowments, which their mother chairs, to help guide its grant-making decisions.

"He's very, very good at bringing us down out of the clouds, endowment president of Maxwell King said of John Heinz. "He really wants to know how the average person lives and works in Pittsburgh, not the elite of the community."

Not surprisingly, the union of these high-profile families was rocky at times, especially in the beginning. "I've heard horror stories about stepparents before, and I don't recall a lot of horror story-type material," Chris said. "Friction? I guess," he said. "But much less often than good times."

Tenn. In December, the United States and Britain persuaded Libya to abandon nuclear, chemical and biological weapons programs. Energy Secretary Spencer Abraham leads a tour of the storage facility. Tuesday and Wednesday Bush meets with the Dutch and Irish prime ministers — two strong allies on the Iraq war.

On Thursday the president returns to Fort Campbell, Ky. for a speech to military personnel and for lunch with the troops. He visited the base in November 2001, shortly after the terrorist attacks. The weeklong effort culmi-

Kerry ad counters Bush's assertions

WASHINGTON (AP) — Democrat John Kerry, with far less money and advertising reach, countered President Bush's negative ad with one of his own Friday, accusing the president of "misleading America."

The ad, which will air for at least a week beginning Saturday in fewer states and fewer media markets than Bush's spots, rebuts the president's claim that Kerry has proposed a \$900 billion tax increase. Kerry's ad asks: "Doesn't America deserve more from its president than misleading negative ads?"

Bush is entering his second week flooding most media markets in 18 competitive states in a multimillion-dollar advertising onslaught. He unveiled the first negative television ads of the general election campaign Thursday, calling Kerry "wrong on taxes" and "wrong on defense," characterizations that prompted the Democrat to respond.

The attacks on the air are unusual: eight months from the Nov. 2 election and indicate just how ugly the campaign could get.

The toughest of Bush's two new ads says Kerry wants to raise taxes by at least \$900 billion and weaken the Patriot Act, while the other makes a veiled reference to him when Bush says: "We can go forward with confidence, resolve and hope."

Or we turn back to the dangerous illusions that terrorists are not plotting and outdaw

regimes are no threat." Kerry has never explicitly called for a \$900 billion tax hike, but the Bush campaign says there is no way Kerry can implement his health care plan and not increase the deficit without boosting taxes by that amount. Kerry campaign officials say they will flesh out his economic plans soon.

He has not been on the air anywhere since locking up the Democratic nomination March 2 and instead has focused on rebuilding his depleted campaign coffers after an expensive Democratic primary contest. Until Bush's ads were unveiled Thursday, the Democrat's campaign had no imminent plans to go on the air or dip into the \$16 million in Democratic Party money available to him.

Kerry aides say the ad will run in every state where Bush is running commercials except Washington and Delaware. However, they acknowledge that they will be on the air in fewer markets and at lower levels than Bush.

Kerry has raised \$7 million on the Internet over the past 10 days, but he would have to spend much of it to match the roughly \$6 million Bush will spend over the next week to run ads on broadcast channels. That doesn't include the more than \$4.5 million Bush is spending on national cable networks through May, or the \$6 million he spent last week on broadcast channels.

Kerry refuses to apologize to critics

WASHINGTON (AP) — Democratic presidential candidate John Kerry says he does not intend to apologize for describing his critics in the Republican Party as "the most crooked... lying group I've ever seen."

At the Capitol for meetings Thursday with congressional Democrats, Republican lawmakers called on the Massachusetts senator to stop what they said was name-calling and negative campaigning. Rep. Jack Kingston, R-Ga., said Republicans think of Kerry as "Ted Kennedy on a South Beach diet," a reference to the other Democratic senator from the

crooked, you know, lying group I've ever seen. It's scary."

Bush campaign chairman Marc Rubeico said the remark was "unbecoming" of a presidential candidate. House Speaker Dennis Hastert, R-Ill., said Kerry was "getting off on the wrong foot" in this campaign by name-calling. We're not lying when we start saying that Senator Kerry is the old-time Democrat of tax and spend."

Rep. Tom DeLay, R-Texas, said the comment gave the public "a little glimpse of the real John Kerry."

Kerry said he was referring to Republican critics who distort his record.

"There is a Republican attack squad that specializes in trying to destroy people and be negative," he said. "I haven't said anything that's incorrect about them. They've said a lot of things that are incorrect."



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Bush spotlights terror war as anniversary approaches

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush marks the one-year anniversary of the Iraq invasion with a speech next week on the war there and in Afghanistan. But the White House is looking to spotlight progress in the broader war on terrorism, from breaking up an arms-dealing network based in Pakistan to persuading Libya to give up weapons of mass destruction.

Also, blended into Bush's schedule are political events in key electoral states including Pennsylvania and Florida. Every day next week, the White House has arranged events

meant to highlight gains in the war on terrorism and the Iraq war, which began March 19, 2003. Bush sets the stage this week, ending by sending Secretary of State Colin Powell, national security adviser Condoleezza Rice and Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld onto the Sunday news shows. Their message: The Iraq campaign and the anti-terror war are getting results.

Monday, the White House showcases one of its greatest success stories — tons of nuclear weapons components recently shipped back from Libya to a storage facility in Oak Ridge,

Washington. Tuesday and Wednesday Bush meets with the Dutch and Irish prime ministers — two strong allies on the Iraq war. On Thursday the president returns to Fort Campbell, Ky. for a speech to military personnel and for lunch with the troops. He visited the base in November 2001, shortly after the terrorist attacks. The weeklong effort culmi-

nates Friday with a Bush speech in the East Room of the White House on the wars in Afghanistan and Iraq. Bush is expected to highlight the gains these wars produced in the war on terrorism, the benefits for the people in those countries and advances toward Middle East democracy and freedom, a White House official said.

Also Friday, the president visits again with wounded troops at Walter Reed Army Medical Center. He did similar visits to the hospital in January, April, September and December of last year.

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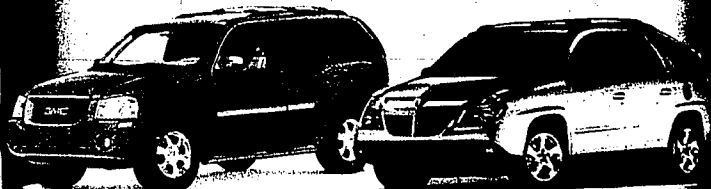
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— Braves general manager John Schuerholz, about the injury to Yankee Gary Sheffield

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

- College baseball
 - CSI at Salt Lake CC, 2 noon
- High school baseball
 - Bonneville at Jerome, 11 a.m.
 - Skyline at Burley, 2, 11 a.m.
 - Wendell at Minico JV, 2, 11 a.m.
 - Wood River at Bishop Kelly, 2, 11 a.m.
 - Preston at Filer, 2 noon
 - Madison at Twin Falls, 2 noon
- High school softball
 - Twin Falls at Eagle, 2 noon
 - Idaho State at Jerome, 11 a.m.
- High school tennis
 - Jerome at Pocatello, Highland, 11 a.m.

IN BRIEF

Burley baseball will begin signups

BURLEY – Registration for Babe Ruth baseball for boys ages 13-15 in the Burley area is now being accepted at Donnelly Sports, Redder's Showcase, and Fine Furniture in Burley. The deadline to sign up is Saturday, April 10.

Also, boys ages 12 are invited to Burley All-star tryouts April 7 and 8 starting at 5 p.m. both days at the Burley Baba Fields. For more information, please call Troy Winmill at 678-8917 for ages 11-12, or Bernie Boehmer at 768-8393 for ages 9-10.

Minidoka baseball registration will start

RUPERT – Sign-ups for the 2004 Minidoka County Babe Ruth Baseball season will be held March 18 through April 8. Players between the ages of 13 and 15 are eligible to play. Sign-ups will be held at East Minico on March 18 and West Minico on March 19 during the lunch hours. Tryouts will be held April 8 at 5:30 p.m. at Fluke Field in Rupert. For more information contact Mary Andersen at 434-2400 or 436-1611.

Association holds soccer referee clinic

TWIN FALLS – There will be an entry-level United States Soccer Federation referee clinic from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, March 13 and from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. the following Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. The cost is free if the new referee is willing to work Twin Falls Soccer Association games this spring. For more information, call John Jacobson at 734-3151 or Peter Doble at 734-4555.

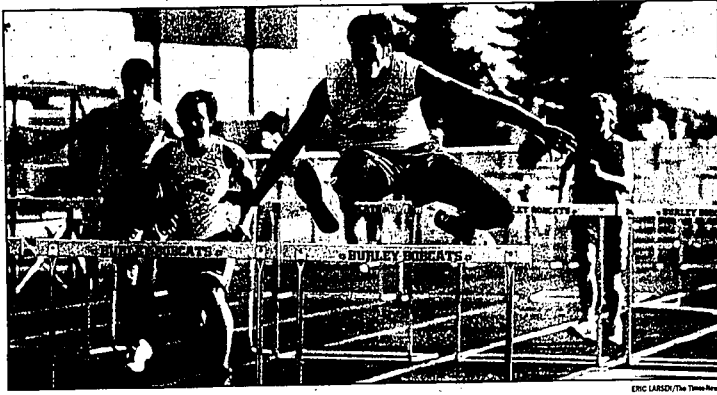
T.F. baseball signups will start Tuesday

TWIN FALLS – The Twin Falls Babe Ruth baseball league will hold registration from 6-8 p.m. Tuesday, March 16 at the Harmon Park recreation building for players ages 13-19.

All players living in Twin Falls County must register Tuesday. A release form for players under age 18 must be signed by a parent. A \$55 registration fee must be handed in Tuesday. A copy of the player's birth certificate is also required for anyone new to the league. Call Brent Jussel at 734-6384 or Linda Brittain at 734-2633 for more information.

Compiled from staff reports

Back



Minico junior Matt Schenk leads in the boys 100-meter hurdles during Thursday afternoon's track meet at Burley High School's Budge Field.

Area runners open track season in Burley

By Eric Larsen Times-News writer

BURLEY – It wasn't exactly the epic battle between Burley, Minico, Pocatello, and Highland that the schedule touted. Highland didn't bother coming, but the Wood River Wolverines came down from Halley to enjoy the sun at Budge Field.

And sure, the scores quit bothing with results midway through the event. Maybe some of the runners were more interested in socializing than stretching before their races, and maybe the Pocatello shirts that read, "Poky track" could have described a few performances during the meet.

Nonetheless, Thursday afternoon's jamboree-style track meet marked the start of what is sure to be a busy track season. Although many runners stayed

home after not accumulating the mandatory 10 practices before the meet, those who did show got a leg up on the competition.

Especially Minico's Matt Schenk, who in his first attempt at the 100-meter hurdles blew away the competition, much to the surprise of his teammates and parents who were in attendance. Schenk also competed in the long jump and fared quite well.

There was also Burley sophomore Stephanie Johnson, who apparently has season Johnson won every event she entered, including running the mile in well under seven minutes. Burley's Anthony Curiel was all over the meet, running and jumping his way through various competitions.

And then there was the cherry on the

top, the "Fat Man's" 100-meter relay between each school's shot punters, discus throwers—and generally slow guys—But Burley's Cole Jones showed off his moves, rambolling to an easy victory after he took the hand-off for the last leg tied with the Pocatello team. Asked if he had any reflections on the glory of his win, Jones broke out the quote of the day.

"Yeah, um...no."

Thursday's meet may have been a light warm-up, but you can bet that these kids will come ready to roll when the actual competition is on. The Bobcats are scheduled to head to Rupert next Friday for a meet with the Spartans, Skyline, Rigby, Idaho Falls and Hillcrest starting at 3:30 p.m.

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M.V. sports teams spring into action

By Eric Larsen Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS – As the last remnants of the winter's snow trickle into the ground while the weather warms, high school athletes across the Magic Valley are shifting their focus to the great outdoors and the 2004 spring sports season.

With the exception of a few all-conference teams and all-star games, the winter sports season is now just a fleeting memory, giving way to the smell of moist dirt on rawhide and freshly cut fairways. Magic Valley teams may have got a jump on spring sports as early as

Thursday, but today marks the first big day for the games played under the sun.

The Twin Falls Bruins will take the baseball diamond for a home double header against Madison starting at noon today, while the Lady Bruin softball team travel to Eagle, also at noon. The Jerome Tigers will also be in softball and baseball action. The Tiger baseball team hosts Bonneville at 11 a.m., as do the Lady Tigers, who will take on the Lady Bees at the same time.

Up in Halley, the Wolverines host Bishop Kelly for a baseball doubleheader starting at 11 a.m.

Looking down the road, the area's games will hit the links starting Tuesday, March 16. Twin Falls will host Minico, Skyline, Pocatello, Idaho Falls, and Highland at the Twin Falls Municipal golf course starting at 9 a.m. Meanwhile at Blue Lakes Country Club, Filer will compete against Gooding, Wendell, and Oakley starting at 1 p.m. In Bluff, the Indian golfers will clear Lakes Country Club for a meet against Wood River, Hagerman, Magic Valley, Christian, and Glenns Ferry starting at 2 p.m. Finally, Kimberly will host Declo, Valley, and The Community School at Pleasant Valley Golf Club, starting at 2 p.m.

CLASS 5A & 4A CONFERENCES: GIRLS AND BOYS BASKETBALL

T.F., Minico pick up all-conference honors

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS – A number of Twin Falls High and Minico High boys and girls basketball players earned all-conference honors, it was announced recently.

Ashley Baldwin of Skyline was named girls player of the year. She joins Twin Falls' Amanda Hoves and Amy Brownold on the first team along with Highland's Titum Dixey and Skyline's Britney Bettinger.

Nick Hansen of Pocatello High was named boys player of the year. He is joined on the first team by Twin Falls' Graham Stanley and Minico's Travis Noble. Cole Nielsen of Highland and Greg Birch of Pocatello were also honored.

Second-team girls honors went to Erica Miller and Meghan Boettcher of Minico,

Hannah Heidenreich of Twin Falls, Highland's Corey Price and Mikey Price of Skyline. Honorable mention went to Amber Worth of Minico and Jamie Edwards of Twin Falls.

Boys second-team honors went to Kody Bingham of Minico and Brady Smith and Luc Martin, Ted Sied of Highland and Jordan Hillant of Idaho Falls also made the squad.

Honorable mention went to Mitch Smith and Cory Albertson, Twin Falls; Charlton Coats, Minico; Jordan Pollak, Pocatello; Jordan White, Highland; Jordan Taylor, Idaho Falls; and Skyline's Derek Grinnell, Nick Thiros and Eric Davis.

Matt Harr was named boys basketball coach of the year. A girls coach honor was not announced.

GETTING ACCOLADES: Great Basin Conference announces all-conference teams

The Times-News

BURLEY – The Jerome and Burley boys and girls basketball teams had a number of players named to the Great Basin Conference all-conference teams, it was announced recently.

For the girls, Jerome senior Whitney Clark was named player of the year. She is joined on the first team by senior teammates Vanessa West and Emma Hope and Century's Paige Knudson, Britney Tremayne and Sicily Jorgensen.

Andy Stuck of Century was named the boys' player of the year. Area first-team honorees were Scott Randklev and Graydon Funk of Burley and Jerome's Jared Miller, Ryan Ray of Century was also named.

senior Mallory Meservy and Tara Davis of Jerome were honored along with Burley seniors Jessica Byington and Lindsey Aba. Cori Fowler of Century made that squad.

Honorable mention went to Jerome senior Kristi Kum, Burley senior Sheri Garn and Century freshman Haylee Ottosen.

Boys second team members were Burley's Steve Ebsenhorn and Drew Vance; Jerome's Chance Craig and Century's Danny McLeese and Jacques Wilson. Honorable mention went to Jerome's Conrad Lee, Burley's Anthony Curiel and Century players Justin Walls and Luke Butler.

Michelle Skykes was named girls basketball coach of the year. No boys honoree was announced.

All good things and Buicks must come to end

BURLEY – Spring has thrust itself upon the Magic Valley with the same startling vigor that this winter's weather displayed while dumping layer upon layer of traffic-stalling snow upon us. The shedding of coats, once again unveiling



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pasty skin to the pleasures of sunshine has signaled that it's time to move on, to spring forward, to head outside without fear of frostbite.

But as I type in my cubicle, a certain measure of separation anxiety has set in. Unshowered, unrested, and demoralized, I find my tattered mind reflecting on the past three weeks of winter sports state-tournaments. And while all good things must come to an end, they do leave the best memories.

Like watching Richfield's Michelle Schmidt and Janet Ellis – the unluckiest of stars – lead the Lady Tigers to the 1A girls basketball state tournament. Neither look like the All-Northside Conference players they are, but both are testaments to what four years of gut-busting work and good coaching can lead to.

The Boise sun peaked out in late-February to shine a light on things to come, but dulled in comparison to the spotlight Jerome's Lady Tigers played under during the tournament. But was a 54-30 victory over Vallivue and a slyly off-key rendition of Queen's "We are the Champions," the Lady Tigers took all the expectations, all the hype, and smashed them – by 24 points, nonetheless.

There was Pocatello, Idaho State-University's Holt Arena, and the 2004 Idaho State Wrestling Tournament. Poky made up for Boise's pleasantries with a combined eight inches of snow during my three-day visit. As I battled the biting winds, Magic Valley wrestlers clawed their way up the state tournament brackets. Many fell short, but Buhi's Will Baggs and Burley's Cole Jones climbed to the top of the mountain, securing their place as state champions. Jones celebrated with a hug and tears from regularly stone-faced coach Clint Milliron – that's Mill-Iron, not Miller-on – proving that tough guys do have tender hearts.

Baggs celebrated with a handshake and a pat on the back. If the senior had grabbed his lunch-bag, punched his 2:30, and hopped on the 2:30 train back to Burley after the tournament, it probably wouldn't have surprised anybody.

And there were my muffled cheers for Twin Falls' Dusty Scott. Sports writers are supposed to be fair and balanced, and I'm not a cheerleader. Scott lost in the 189-pound championship. I wish I had screamed my guts out for him.

But my chance to yell came later that night as my '88 Buick Regal died in the Holt Arena parking lot. AAA jump-start, a 30-foot adventure and another stall later, and it was towing time, escaping the Temple of Doom. Luckily, though, a crusty old car junky was more than willing to become me for a new alternator with added charge for Sunday morning service. So my Buick and I sputtered, stalled, and shimmied our way back to untold, but not serious, embarrassment for the boys basketball state tournament.

And that's where the Wendell Trojans were, capping off their perfect season with a perfect state performance. There was untold, but not serious, embarrassment for the Trojans' final two games. There was Tyrel Davis, bound and determined to win, dropping 24 points in a state championship game, then slyly smiling after the game when one reporter asked if he was

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SPORTS

Salt Lake CC sweeps CSI baseball

The Times-News

SALT LAKE CITY — The College of Southern Idaho's bats fell silent Friday as the host Salt Lake Community College Bruins took advantage for a 4-2 and 3-2 wins in a Scenic West Athletic Conference doubleheader sweep.

SLC jumped out to 2-0 leads in both games but could not sustain any offense in either game.

"We didn't get anything going offensively," said assistant coach Boomer Walker. "We're playing fine defense and pitching well too. We're just not getting the timely hits."

RBS senior Theadore hit an RBI single in Game 2. The other CSL plays Friday are scored due to CSI runs SLCC at noon for a conference twin bill today.

Local sports

Softball
Minico 10, Hillcrest 0, five innings
Minico 8, Hillcrest 6, five innings

RUPEY — Minico's Amber Warnh struck out 10 batters in a no-litter win to open the season Friday against Hillcrest. Warnh followed up the 10-0 win in five innings with a strong 8-6 win for the Spartans.

Senior Amy Johnson struck out three in little more than two innings work before Warnh stepped in and fanned four.

"We became complacent in the second game," said Minico coach Jack Rasmick. "You can't do that with any team. The seniors really led us at the plate in the first game."

Alicia Gomez went 3 for 4 on the day and had five RBIs. Mandy Regan went 3 for 5 with an RBI. Rachel Roberts went 2 for 3 in Game 2 with two RBIs. Emily Wynn was 1 for 1 with a two-run single. Leslie Johnson added a hit and RBI.

Minico hosts Jerome Thursday.

Track

Twin Falls boys and girls sweep opening meet

JEROME — The Twin Falls High boys and girls track teams recorded wins at the Jerome Track Invitational Friday.

The Bruin girls recorded 75 points thanks to wins in the four relays to edge Vallivue and its 68 points. Century recorded 67 points while host Jerome managed 60.

Brian Ward went the long jump and Chelsea Irons took the triple jump to pace the Bruin individuals.

The Twin Falls boys had an easier time of it, recording 95 points to 69 for Century. 54 for Jerome and 51 for Vallivue. Eric Snow won both hurdles while the Bruins took three relays.

Vanessa West won the shot put and discus to pace Jerome girls while the boys were led by individual wins in the pole vault and the high jump.

Results follow:

Boys
100m — 1. Logan, Vallivue 17.8; 2. Nathan, Century 18.2; 3. Taylor, Century 19.1; 4. Kasper, Century 20.2; 5. Kasper, Century 20.2; 6. Kasper, Century 20.2; 7. Kasper, Century 20.2; 8. Kasper, Century 20.2; 9. Kasper, Century 20.2; 10. Kasper, Century 20.2

High school baseball

Kuna 6, Wood River 2

KUNA — Kuna took advantage of two Wood Rivers' three errors for as five-run second inning en route to a 6-2 season-opening win for the Kavenom over the Wolverines.

"There was a lot of rust out there," said coach Lars Hovey. "You could tell we're not in the groove yet, but we're getting a head start in the second. We had a dropped fly ball in the outfield."

Wood River (0-1) plays at 11 a.m. Saturday.



Vanderbilt's Mario Moore reacts in overtime of their 74-70 win over Mississippi State at the Southeastern Conference Tournament in Atlanta, Friday.

Vanderbilt upsets No. 4 Miss. State

ATLANTA (AP) — Vanderbilt stunned Mississippi State in the quarterfinals of the Southeastern Conference tournament Friday night, pulling off a 74-70 upset in overtime and likely denying the No. 4 Bulldogs any chance of landing a top seed in the NCAAs.

SEAC player of the year Vanderbilt's Mario Moore, hobbled by a strained ankle, led the Bruins to a victory in the Commodores' tournament but then ahead to stay with a couple of foul shots.

Vanderbilt (21-9) then won it in overtime, clinching the victory at the Commodores' tournament.

De'Angelo Alexander led the Sooners (19-10) with 15 points.

No. 11 Texas 66, Oklahoma 63

DALLAS — Brandon Douthett scored 22 points and three five-pointers in the final 26.8 minutes, capping Texas' comeback against a 12-point defending Big 12 tournament champion Oklahoma.

No. 10 Wisconsin 66, Indiana 52

INDIANAPOLIS — Mike Wilkinson scored 22 points and shut down Kris Humphries to lead Wisconsin past Minnesota in the Big Ten quarterfinals.

No. 12 Illinois 71, Indiana 59

INDIANAPOLIS — Deron Williams scored 12 of his 20 points in the final five minutes, and Illinois used a sizzling defense to pull away from Indiana in the Big Ten quarterfinals.

No. 13 Cincinnati 66, Saint Louis 46

CINCINNATI — Tony Bobbitt led a 3-point blitz that carried Cincinnati past Saint Louis in the Conference USA semifinals.

No. 14 Georgia Tech 83, No. 16 North Carolina 82

GREENSBORO, N.C. — Jarrett Jack hit a 15-footer with 1.4 seconds to play to lift Georgia Tech past North Carolina.

No. 5 Duke 84, Virginia 74

GREENSBORO, N.C. — Shelden Williams had a career-high 27 points and eight rebounds to help Duke beat Virginia in the Atlantic Coast Conference tournament quarterfinals.

No. 17 North Carolina 78, Florida State 71

GREENSBORO, N.C. — Julius Hodge scored 19 points to lead Florida State in the ACC quarterfinals.

No. 6 Pittsburgh 63, Boston College 53

NEW YORK — Carl Krauser scored six points in the final minute and defending champion Pittsburgh beat Boston College to reach the Big East title game for the fourth straight year.

No. 7 Oklahoma St. 83, Iowa St. 75

DALLAS — John Lucas III hit a short jumper, then a wide-open

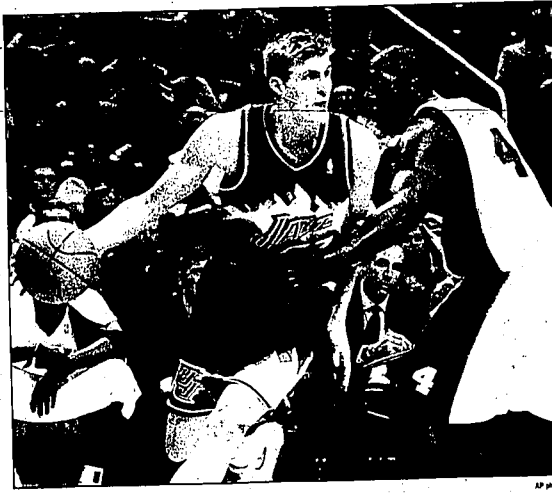
Jazz keep eye on postseason with win over Suns

PHOENIX (AP) — Gordon Girick scored a career-high 33 points and the Utah Jazz continued their drive for a postseason berth with a 93-90 victory over the Phoenix Suns on Friday night.

The win kept the Jazz one-half game behind Denver for the eighth and final playoff spot in the Western Conference. Utah is trying to reach the post-season for the 21st consecutive year.

Reserve Raja Bell added 16 points for the Jazz, including two key late fourth-quarter points. The Suns had closed within three points at 89-85, Jarrod Collins and Carlos Arroyo scored 10 apiece.

"The Suns' offense had 26, including 15 in the fourth quarter, with a season-high 15 rebounds. Joe Johnson had 23 points for Phoenix and Shawn Marion scored 15 and had 10 rebounds.



Utah Jazz' Andrei Kirilenko, left, is fouled by Phoenix Sun's Donnell Harvey during the first quarter Friday in Phoenix.

Hawks 138, Wizards 124

ATLANTA — Stephen Jackson scored a career-high 42 points and five Atlanta Hawks won their first game at least 20 in a 138-124 win over the Washington Wizards.

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And there was Allen Kelsey saying, "This one's for you, Tuff, for the game. Standing ovation, cracking voices, bum-

ing eyes, thank you, Wendell. Now, as spring sports begin, there will be new faces to learn, new names to mispronounce, and new stories to tell. But first, to all the coaches, the coaching staffs, the senior leaders, and the fans, thank you. It's been one hot winter.

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SCORES AND STATS LETTER

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Nextel Cup, fall practice for Golden Crown 500, FX 9 p.m. Craftsman Truck Series, Easy-care Vehicle Service Contracts 200, SPEED, 11 a.m.

Baseball

Preseason, White Sox vs. Cubs, WGN, 11 p.m. Conference USA championship, CBS, 9:30 a.m. America East Conference championship, ESPN, 9:30 a.m.

Basketball

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SPORTS IN BRIEF

Burley baseball signups starts Wednesday - The Burley Amateur Baseball Association will hold registration for children ages five to 17 at Mountain View Elementary School starting Wednesday, March 10.

Hasek refuses about \$3 million of salary - Detroit's Red Wings goaltender Dominik Hasek has refused to accept about \$3 million of his salary because he is out with a groin injury.

Jerome Cal Ripken plans registration today - The Jerome Amateur Baseball Association will hold registration for children ages five to 17 at Jerome Recreation District, 2037 South Lincoln.

Boise State eliminates Fresno State, 71-54 - Fresno State's Aaron Hayes scored 14 points and Jason Ellis added 13 to help Boise State knock host Fresno State out of the Western Athletic Conference tournament.

Newman - again - on the pole at Atlanta - Ryan Newman nipped rookie Brian Vickers - again - and won the pole Friday for the Golden Crown 500 at Atlanta Motor Speedway.

Knicks sign Vin Baker for rest of season - PHILADELPHIA - Vin Baker knows he's running out of chances to prove he can stay healthy and contribute in the NBA.

Idaho beats UC Riverside in Big West - ANAHEIM, Calif. - Tyrone Hayes scored 22 points to lead Idaho to a 66-58 victory over UC Riverside in Thursday night's quarterfinals of the Big West Conference tournament.

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Sharpshooters

T.F., Gooding boys advance to hoop shoot nationals

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — Alex Ridgeway, 11, of Twin Falls and Justin Parko, 13, of Gooding, both won their age divisions at the Elks Hoop Shoot Northwest Regional Championships last weekend, earning both boys a spot among 72 free-throw shooters vying for a national title this Springfield, Mass. April 22-25.

The Perrine Elementary School student hit 22 of 25 shots in the boys age 10-11 division to win the regional title. He won the local, district and state competitions to advance to Portland, Ore., where the regional was held. He is the son of Mike and Janice Ridgeway of Twin Falls.

Ridgeway took second in the nation in the boys ages 8-9 division in 2002. He represents Snake River Lodge No. 2807.

Parko, the son of Walt and Socee Parko, shot 22 of 25 free throws to win his first regional title. The seventh-grader's previous best was third in the state. He also won the local, district and state competitions to advance to regional. He represents Gooding Lodge No. 1745.

There are six national titles with boys and girls vying for the ages 9-9, ages 10-11, and ages 12-13 division championships.

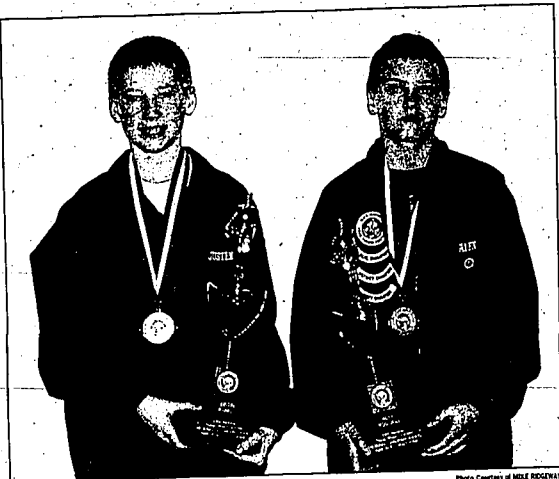


Photo Courtesy of BOB ROEDER

Justin Parko, left, and Alex Ridgeway pose with their regional trophies and medals recently.

More than 8 million athletes entered the local competitions nationwide.

Winning a national title would garner either a spot on the Elks Hoop Shoot plaque at the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame in Springfield, Mass.

Holtzen Farms repeats as rec champions

JEROME — Holtzen Farms defeated the high school squad 69-61 in the Jerome Recreation District Men's Basketball Tournament behind clutch free throw shooting by Bryan and Todd Brown in the final minute.

Mark Holtzen pumped in 23 points to pace the winners added 20 and Scott Holtzen.

Three players scored in double figures as Holtzen and his schoolers. In the consolation championship game, Bunn Insurance defeated Van Dyk Dairy 43-42.



Photo Courtesy of JOE SHANCO

Holtzen Farms took top honors in the Jerome Recreation District men's basketball tournament. From left to right are Bryan Brown, Layne Whitby, Todd Brown, Scott Holtzen, Mark Holtzen and Richie Blishop. Not pictured are Justin Mindon and Tracy Ahrens.

Wood River Gun Club expands league lead

HAYLEIGH — The Wood River Gun Club carded its third perfect 100 score of the season during Week No. 6 to build a seven-lead over second-place Caldwell Gun Club, which recorded a 99.

Third-place Twin Falls Rim Runners recorded a 98 to fall one pigeon short of Caldwell. Pleasant Trap Club remains in fourth place, just ahead of Ivin Falls Cliff Hangers.

Results follow:

Week No.	1	2	3	4	5	6
WOOD RIVER G.C.	100	91	94	95	97	98
CALDWELL G.C.	99	92	95	96	97	97
TWIN FALLS RIM RUNNERS	97	95	97	98	98	99
PLEASANT TRAP CLUB	96	94	95	96	96	97
TWIN FALLS TRAPSHOOTERS	95	93	95	95	96	96
EVANVILLE G.C.	94	93	94	95	95	95
WOOD RIVER G.C.	87	88	91	92	93	94

M.V. boys gymnastics teams claim second place

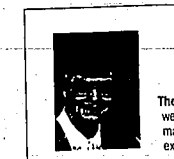
TWIN FALLS — The Magic Valley Gymnastics boys team took second place at the Pot of Gold Invitational at the Meridian Academy of Gymnastics on March 5.

Yukl McMillay placed first all-around and in all six events (51.7 points) in class 6, ages 8 and under.

Marcus Ko took third all-around (51.8 points) and Ryan Geist sixth all-around (47.6

points) in Class 6, ages 8 and up. In Class 7, ages 7 and under, Eric Holley took sixth all-around (52.4 points) and placed second in the vault and third in the high bar.

In other individual events, Ko won the parallel bars and took second in the pommel, rings and vault. Geist took third in the floor exercise and vault.



No Thelma this week

There will be no bowling column this week from Times-News columnist Thelma Tucker. The weekly feature is expected to return next Saturday.



Idaho hot pools: Late winter makes a perfect time to dip into Idaho's warm springs.

Thursday in Outdoors

Kimberly Pit Bulls place at Homedale tournament

HOMEDALE — The Kimberly Pit Bulls freestyle wrestling club took home some individual accolades from the Homedale Tournament held recently.

In the novice class, Colton Kenney took second at 70 pounds; Jared Archer, second at 85 pounds and Lane Albright, seventh, 80 pounds.

In the Johnnyboy class, Evan Albright took fifth at 110 pounds while Doug Baldwin took second at 80 pounds. In the cadet class, Ryan Simcik took second at 145 pounds while Vaughn Sobotka was runner-up at 98 pounds. Jake Archer wrestled well in an exhibition match in the 98-pound junior class.

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Do you know of a local sporting event that ought to be in the paper? Tell us about it!

Please include:

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- Home/office for people mentioned
- Date and place of the event
- Scores or places won for the participants
- A name and phone number for more information
- Photographs are encouraged. Please send a

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Drop photos and information by our office at 132 2nd St. W. Or mail items to: P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, 83303-0548 or FAXed to 734-5938.

SPORTS IN BRIEF

T.F. Cal Ripken fund-raiser starts today

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls Youth Baseball program's Cal Ripken players will hold their annual Little Caesar's Pizza fund-raiser through March 29. To place an order or donate to the program, call Kirsten Stewart at 733-6156.

St. Patty's run/walk begins at 10 a.m.

BOISE — The Malad George St. Patrick's Day run/walk will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, March 13 at Malad George State Park. Entrants have a choice of a 3.5 mile walk, 3.5 mile run or a 5.5 mile run.

Each runner and walker will receive a race shirt and enjoy a post-race party featuring Clear Springs trout. Prizes will be awarded to the top three overall finishers and top three finishers in each age group.

Participants can pick up registration blanks in Twin Falls at the YMCA, Gold's Gym, Big 5, Sports and Donnelly Sports.

This is the 14th year for this race that is jointly sponsored by the Hagerman Valley Chamber of Commerce, Malad George State Park and South Central Idaho Tourism and Recreation Development Association.

For more information, call the Chamber office at 837-9131. SCITRADA at 732-5569, or check out rideidaho.com.

Burley seeks scoreboard sponsors

SCOREBOARD SPONSOR — The Burley Amateur Baseball Association is looking for sponsors help fund the purchase of new scoreboards for the youth baseball fields. Anyone interested in making a donation is urged to call Mike Alcegar at 677-2454.

Minidoka Babe Ruth sign-ups begin next week

RUPERT — Sign-ups for the 2004 Minidoka County Babe Ruth Baseball season will begin March 18 through April 8. Players between the ages of 13 and 15 are eligible to play. Sign-ups will be held at East Minidoka on March 18 and West Minidoka on March 19 during the lunch hours. Tryouts will be held April 8 at 5:30 p.m. at Flake Field in Rupert. For more information contact Mary Anderson at 434-2400 or 436-1611.

Mini-Cassia coed softball meeting planned

BURLEY — Anyone interested in forming a coed softball team in the Mini-Cassia area for the 2004 season is urged to attend a meeting at 7 p.m. March 23 in the ice cream parlor of Al's Pizza Shop in Burley. For further information, please call Mike Hammond at 436-5826.

Raqueeters hosts 3-on-3 basketball tournament

BURLEY — Raqueteers Fitness Center will host two 3-on-3 basketball tournaments as part of its March Madness celebration. March 23-25 will mark tournaments for adults ages 19-39 and 40-plus. Registration is \$10 per participant with activities starting at 6 p.m. Friday, March 19 and continuing between 7:30 a.m. and 1:5 p.m. Saturday.

Boys and girls in grade school through high school can compete in the tournament held March 26-27. Registration is \$5 for members and \$10 for non-members. The tournament will run from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and 9-5 p.m. Saturday.

Also, the adult 3-point, free throw, and hot shot contests between 7-9 p.m. Youth events, the 3-point, free throw, hot shot, lightning, Mike drill, and around the world shooting contests will be held March 22-25, 1-5 p.m. Registration for each event is the same as the tournament registration fees.

Summer triathlon series sign-ups begin

BURLEY — Raqueteers Fitness Center is now accepting registrations for its summer triathlon series. Anyone interested is encouraged to contact the Raqueteers to register or call Mike at 436-5826 for more events. Registration is \$25 per member, \$35 for non-member, or \$10 per race. The first

event, a quarter-mile swim, 6-mile bike, and 1.5-mile run will be held April 24, starting at 7 a.m. For more information, drop by Raqueteers or call 678-5011.

Declo youth sports registration continues

DECLO — The Declo Recreation Association is currently accepting registration for its youth ice-ball, baseball, and softball programs. Registration will run through March 19 and forms are available at Declo Elementary and Junior High Schools. The registration fee is \$10 per player.

The program is for girls and boys grades K-6 and children who will be in kindergarten next year. Kindergartners and pre-kindergartners will play ice-ball, girls grades 1-6 softball, and boys grades 4-6 baseball. Practice begins the week of April 19 with games running from April 25 to May 29. For further information, please call 654-6893.

KYA holds spring sports registration

KIMBERLY — The Kimberly Youth Association will hold registration for ice ball ages 5-7, pee wee league ages 8-9, softball ages 9-15 and boys baseball ages 9-12 at the Kimberly High School commons room, Monday, March 29 and Tuesday, March 30 from 6 to 8 p.m. League fees vary.

Call Jamie in the evenings at 423-6173. There will be a \$10 late fee for anyone registered after March 30.

Coaches are needed and can sign up then.

YMCA open tennis social takes place today

TWIN FALLS — The "Swing Into Spring" social will be held from 8 to 11 p.m. Saturday, March 12 by the YMCA, which will provide water, soft drinks and utensils. Everyone is asked to bring a main dish, potato, or bread. The cost is free to members or \$5 to others. Register by March 10 at the front desk. Call 733-4384 for more information.

YMCA offers tennis classes for children

TWIN FALLS — Pee-wee tennis classes for children ages 4-6 will be held Fridays from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. for boys and girls ages 7-11 will be taught Mondays and Wednesdays from 4 to 5 p.m. at the YMCA. Intermediate classes will be held Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4 to 5 p.m. at the YMCA for more information at 733-4384.

Twin Falls Cal Ripken program needs umpires

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls County Youth Baseball Cal Ripken league needs umpires. There will be a clinic Saturday, March 20 at 8 a.m. at the Harmon Park recreation building. All current umpires who need to be certified are encouraged to attend. Call Bob Wayment at 423-5453.

Jerome Babe Ruth sign-ups are next month

JEROME — The Babe Ruth league for players ages 13-17 will hold registration April 3 from 10 a.m. to noon at the rec district offices and from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. on April 6. The fee is \$65 for the season, which runs May 1 through June 25. If enough players register, there will be softball and 13- and 14-15-year-old leagues.

Traveling teams will be selected from each league to compete in tournaments during June and July.

For more information on the league, call Larry or Debbie Bos at 324-8588 or Leisi Parker at 324-4881.

T.F. Rapids need players for squads

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.

For more information on the boys, girls and girls Pee-wee at 733-9411 or Mark Goodman at 733-1699. For the girls, call Vince Gibson at 735-0176 or Leo Sanchez at 736-4402.

Compiled from staff reports

YOUR WEEKEND

Country 'n' jazz

What: Mark O'Connor Hot String Trio — yes, that's the same Mark O'Connor who's a famous Nashville fiddler — will perform in Ketchum, the final installment of the Sun Valley Center for the Arts' Chamber Artist Series.
Where: Presbyterian Church of the Big Wood, 100 Saddle Road, Ketchum.
When: 7:30 p.m. today.
How much: Tickets, which are \$25, can be reserved by phoning the Sun Valley Center at 726-9491.



Annie' in Oakley

What: The Oakley Valley Arts Council will present Martin Charlin and Charles Strouse's 'Annie'.
Where: Howells Opera House, Oakley.
When: 8 p.m. today (the production continues Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and March 20).
How much: Tickets, which are \$8, can be reserved by phoning 677-ARTS.



Fast money

What: Rocker Eddie Money will do shows in Jackpot.
Where: Cactus Petes Resort Casino.
When: 8

and 10 p.m. today.
How much: Tickets, which are \$20-\$25 and \$30, can be reserved by phoning (800) 821-1103.



Sex and power

What: The College of Southern Idaho Theater Department will present Aristophanes' 'Lysistrata'.
Where: Room 119, CSI Fine Arts Center, Twin Falls.
When: 8 p.m. today.
How much: Tickets, which are \$6 for general admission and \$4 for students and senior citizens, may be purchased at the CSI Bookstore or by calling 732-6788.

Dazed and confused

What: The Interplanetary Theater Group will present Kenneth Lonergan's 'This Is Our Youth', directed by Pamela Stee Martin.
Where: nextStage Theater, Ketchum.
When: 8 p.m. today (the production continues Tuesday and Wednesday).
How much: Tickets, which are \$7 for students and \$20 for adults, are available at 726-4TKS.

Snowpack levels

Table with 3 columns: Watershed, % of Avg., % of peak. Rows include Upper Snake Basin, Salmon Falls, Balmor, Oakley, Big Wood, Little Wood, Henry's Fork/Teton, Big Lost, Little Lost. As of March 12.

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

T.F. sets goals for next two years

Leaders want to reduce crime, deal with growth, fix traffic problems

By Rebecca Meany Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Growth, crime and traffic are quality-of-life issues city officials hope to address over the next two years. Following a day-long meeting

that brought together representatives of the city fire, police, personnel and public works departments this week, the City Council adopted a number of goals. Here's a look at some of them:
• Growth — City government

will look at planning opportunities and challenges over the next 10 years. In the short term, by June 1, the city will examine policies relating to annexation, utility extension and the area of impact.
• City growth is an increasing point of controversy as people living outside the city limits have objected to the density of development taking place and the city's exercise of jurisdiction

outside city boundaries.
City leaders also want to look into ways to enhance the image of Twin Falls.
• Airport — By June 2007, the Twin Falls airport will have to comply with federal regulations that govern fire protection coverage at airports of a certain size. This new standard in firefighting safety could require additional staffing.
• Certain regulations are com-

ing out of Congress in June," said Bill Carberry, airport manager. "Airports will have to have standby, on-site firefighting coverage for aircraft with over nine seats."
SkyWest's Brasilia aircraft, which serve the Twin Falls airport, have 30 seats.
Airport and city staff will study for a year and a half ways to implement the mandate.
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ADMIRING HISTORY



Retired Idaho State Historical Society employee Judy Austin, bottom, looks at the interior of historic St. Edward's Catholic Church in Twin Falls during a tour of the church as part of the kickoff for the 2004 Idaho History Conference Friday. The conference continues today with sessions at the College of Southern Idaho from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

House approves new drug-testing scholarship

College money for drug-free students might have to wait for next year.

By Julie Pence Times-News writer



Rep. Sharon Block

BOISE — Legislation creating a new scholarship for students proving to be drug-, alcohol- and tobacco-free through random drug testing passed the House 52-5 on Friday.

Sponsored by former kindergarten teacher Rep. Sharon Block, R-Twin Falls, it would allow students to get up to \$1,000 per year to apply to their college or post-high-school technical education.

But though the House approved the bill overwhelmingly, senators aren't sure there will be time to get it through their chamber. Most lawmakers are predicting March 19 as the date for adjournment. In order to accomplish that, Senate leadership has to start shutting down committees in which the bills are considered before hitting the floor, and that could happen early next week.

Block's bill, which has strong support from the Magic Valley's Idaho Department of Health and Welfare director, John Hathaway, would create a new category of the Promise Scholarship. It would reward students for each year of high school they sign up to submit to random drug testing and remain drug-free. Over four years, a student could accumulate \$1,000 in scholarship money to be used toward college or technical school.

If a student tests positive for an illegal substance, he would lose the money he had accumulated and could start over the next year. The program would not require drug testing once a student enters college, but students could lose the scholarship if they were convicted of or pleaded guilty to a substance-related charge.

If approved, the program could be implemented starting next school year for freshmen. Block admitted in floor de-

bate that only 17 school districts throughout the state are doing random drug testing for students who participate in extracurricular activities. Thirteen of those are in the Magic Valley.

But the concept of beginning early random drug testing of students has merit because the younger students start using drugs, alcohol and tobacco, the more likely they are to continue with the behavior and less likely to do well in school, supporters say.

Of the approximately 6,000 juveniles in state custody or on probation, a majority of them have been involved in some form of drugs, alcohol or tobacco, said Brent Reinke, the state juvenile corrections director. He said the scholarship program could be an incentive for students as they make choices.

This bill gives students a reason not to smoke or use drugs," Block said.

Eighty-five percent of prisoners became involved in crime as a result of substance abuse, Block said. In addition, 85 percent of youngsters in foster care are there because their parents had substance abuse problems.

The \$500,000 fiscal impact of the measure would not take effect until 2009, when the freshmen in 2005 enter college. The legislation also requires the State Board of Education and the board of regents at each college or university to create databases to keep track of students who have racked up money for the scholarship through passing all their drug tests.

Home-schoolers or students in private school could put their names in the pool of districts where random testing is going on, or they could go to their private doctors for tests, Block said.

House approves teacher pay raise package

The Associated Press

BOISE — The Idaho House gave final legislative approval Friday to a bill that boosts starting pay for teachers but provides no state funding to give more experienced teachers a raise.

The House voted 41-28, with 12 Republicans joining all 16 House Democrats who voted against it.

GOP Rep. Scott Bedke of Oakley presented the 2004-05 pay package as an overall increase of 3.1 percent. He pointed especially to a portion of the plan that raises pay for starting teachers



Rep. Scott Bedke

from \$25,000 to \$27,500 next school year.

The \$25,000 pay floor has been a state mandate since 2001, but the state never appropriated enough money to cover it, leaving school districts to raise property taxes to make up the difference.

Several lawmakers noted that Idaho was recently ranked 44th among the states for starting

teacher pay, and 30th for experienced teacher pay.

Bedke said the move up to \$27,500 benchmark would raise pay to about the same as the ranking for experienced teachers.

Additionally, Bedke said school districts that have been using other resources to fulfill the \$25,000 pay quota could use those funds for anything else they choose, such as boosting experienced teachers' pay.

"This is addressing a long-

Please see TEACHERS, Page C1.

State suspends Buhl counselor's license

By Rebecca Meany Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — A Buhl counselor facing charges of aggravated assault and battery has had her license suspended. Katherine Christine Wolff, 45, was hand-delivered an order of emergency suspension last week Tuesday, said John Kersey, chief investigator with the state Bureau of Occupational Licenses.

Wolff was charged March 2 in 5th District Magistrate Court in connection with reported assaults on Feb. 18 and 19 against Constance Ruffing, according to

an affidavit written by Kevin Hanners, an officer with the Buhl Police Department.

Wolff had been arrested Feb. 21. Ruffing accused her of biding, choking and beating her — then threatening to have someone "cut her up into little pieces."

The relationship between the two women was unclear from the affidavit, but Ruffing was referred to as a "significant other" in the order of emergency suspension of license. That document was issued by the Idaho State Licensing Board of Professional Counselors and Marriage & Family Therapists.

Wolff, a licensed clinical professional counselor, faced separate action by the board stemming from two alleged cases of sexual activity with clients, according to "public records" obtained by The Times-News.

A formal complaint was filed against her claiming four instances of sexual activity between October and November 2000 with a patient at Canyon View hospital in Twin Falls, according to the stipulated document.

Another court alleged sexual activity between July and De-

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Tax preparer faces federal charges

By Rebecca Meany Times-News writer

BOISE — A federal grand jury indicted a Twin Falls tax preparer on allegations that he participated in defrauding the government.

Hector Maldonado-Reyes of Twin Falls was arraigned in U.S. District Court Friday on 10 counts of aiding in the preparation of false tax returns, according to the U.S. attorney's office.

The indictment alleges that he "aided, assisted, procured, counseled and advised" clients to include "false and fraudulent" information on their returns to reduce tax liability and increase refunds.

Maldonado-Reyes was arrested by the Internal Revenue Service Friday morning, with assistance from the Twin Falls County Sheriff's Department, according to a news release issued by the U.S. Department of Justice.

The defendant was released from custody with certain pretrial conditions.

Maldonado-Reyes may not prepare tax forms, assist or advise anyone on any tax-related matters, be present where tax returns are being prepared or

travel outside Idaho, according to Karin Maloney, assistant U.S. attorney in Boise.

The defendant is self-employed and has been preparing state and federal income tax returns since at least 1999, the release says.

The tax returns in question were individual and joint Forms 1040 for 2001 and 2002.

Maldonado-Reyes' actions "falsely and fraudulently reduced taxpayers' total tax liability and increased taxpayers' tax refunds," the indictment says.

That means, in part, that he knowingly helped people filing returns to claim expenses and deductions they were not entitled to, prosecutors say. Those included education credits, unreimbursed employee expenses and other expenses.

Maloney declined to reveal whether Maldonado-Reyes' clients would be charged, only saying he does not foresee a rash of charges against taxpayers.

A jury trial was scheduled for May 18 in federal court, Maloney said.

If convicted, Maldonado-Reyes faces a maximum imprisonment of three years for each count, according to the release.

MAGIC VALLEY/WEST

Uranium at Nevada mine stirs fear

RENO, Nev. (AP) - New tests show extremely high levels of uranium in groundwater beneath an abandoned northern Nevada copper mine, and federal regulators say more tests are needed to determine if nearby wells could be contaminated.

mer Anaconda mine site that has been mined since 1953. Tests conducted in December found concentrations of uranium at the mine at more than 200 times the Environmental Protection Agency's standard for public drinking water. Tests found the well had 7,280 micrograms of uranium compared with the legal limit of 30. One microgram collection pond recorded 11,200 micrograms of uranium per liter. Uranium is considered a carcinogen.

pushing the state to broaden its investigation into how far the pollution may have moved off site bordering the small, rural community of Yerington. Aides to Reid resumed talks this week with Gov. Kenny Guinn and the Nevada Department of Environmental Protection to explore whether the state should reverse its long-held opposition to declaring the mine a Superfund site.

apparently the uranium has not yet made its way into Yerington's drinking water," he said. "But some of these (uranium) levels on the site are screaming. To me, this really increases the need for Superfund cleanup that goes as far as removing that contaminated soils and tailings away from the city and to a hazardous waste facility."

Idaho Senate OKs abortion law revision

BOISE (AP) - Despite a split among anti-abortion advocates, the Idaho Senate approved a bill requiring doctors to give information about options to abortion before a woman undergoes the procedure. The bill, prompted by concern that the state's 1983 informed consent law was not being adequately enforced, details the information women must be given at least 24 hours before undergoing an abortion. That includes alternatives.

the right not to have an abortion, what financial and other assistance is available for prenatal and neonatal care as well as childbirth and that the state prefers birth over abortion. It gives the pregnant woman and her immediate family the right to sue for damages if the law is violated, and it requires physicians to use ultrasound equipment in abortions to tell women they have a right to see the ultrasound image of the fetus before the abortion is performed.

OBITUARIES

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Olga N. Fisher - Rupert



Olga N. Fisher passed away on March 11, 2004, at her home in Rupert, surrounded by her loved ones. She was the youngest of 13 children and was preceded in death by all her brothers and sisters. She attended kindergarten and middle school in Switzerland before her family immigrated to the United States in 1911. At the age of 9, Olga, her mother, older sister and three other brothers boarded a ship to meet the rest of her family who had already immigrated to the United States. The Nussbaums' first destination was Fairbury, Ill., for the purpose to visit an older sister, who had settled there earlier. When Olga was 10, her family made the long train trip to Montpelier, Idaho. It was during these years that Olga mastered the English language. It was here that she graduated from high school and married Neil Lish.

and her employer for over 23 years. In 1925 they relocated from Montpelier and made their new home in Rupert. She continued her sales career when she relocated to the Mini-Cassia area and was subsequently employed by Van Engen's in Burley for 11 years. Olga was a life-time member of the Montpelier and Rupert Eastern Star. She has held all of the offices, including two terms as Worshipful Matron. She also belonged to Daughter's of the Nile and served as chaplain and president. She served as guardian of Job's Daughters. She went on to hold the office of grand guardian of Idaho Internationally she held the

Melba Cox Dillon - Twin Falls



ter, Joyce (Bud) Jennings also of Twin Falls, Idaho. She is also survived by 13 grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; and many nieces, nephews and friends. She was preceded in death by her husband, parents, one brother and one sister. Melba was a wonderful wife, mother, grandmother and friend who will be missed by all who knew her. A Celebration of Life will be held at 11 a.m., Tuesday, March 23, 2004, at Farnsworth Mortuary Chapel, 1343 S. Lincoln. Jerome, with Bishop Jonathan Hinckley officiating. A visitation will be held from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. Monday, March 15, 2004, at Farnsworth Mortuary Chapel, where family and friends may call. Interment to follow in the Sunset Memorial Park.

Melba is survived by her children, Gene (Carolyn) Dillon of San Diego, Calif., Donna Morrill of Hansen, Idaho, Vicki (Russ) Eller of Twin Falls, Idaho, and Robert (Gayle) Dillon of Boise, Idaho; one brother, Glen (Nadine) Cox of Twin Falls, Idaho; and one sis-

J.B. Smith - Burley



Alumni Board of Idaho State University and the Mini-Cassia Bowling Association. Survivors include his wife, Sharon of Burley; four daughters, Nancy (John) Durrant and Pam (Larry) Jensen all of Boise; Julie (Scott) Maeser of Idaho Falls and Laurie Park of Burley; a son, Kevin Smith of American Falls; a sister, Mary (Vern) Juchau of Sugarland, Texas; and 15 grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his father, mother, stepfather and a sister. A funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, March 15, 2004, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Burley West Stake Center, 2420 Paik Ave., with Bishop R. Scott Bray officiating. Burial will be in Pleasant View Cemetery in Burley. Friends may call from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Sunday at the Payne Mortuary, 221 W. Main St. in Burley and from 10 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. before the funeral on Monday at the church. The family suggests memorials be given to the CSI Foundation for CED, J.B. Smith Memorial Scholarship Fund, P.O. Box 1236, Twin Falls, Idaho, 83303.

He loved sports of all kinds. In recent years he was an avid bowler and his pure joy was watching his son, Kevin, follow in his footsteps as a teacher and coach. The last two years J.B. has worked as an education specialist for the adult basic education program with CSI in Burley. J.B. was a high priest in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and was serving as the 1st assistant to the high priest as of late. He was in the Oakley Valley Arts Council where he actively participated in several productions, a member of the

Senate committee introduces key changes in public charter school law

BOISE - The Senate Education Committee's version of Gov. Dirk Kempthorne's policy changes in the public charter school law was formally introduced on Friday. The bill uses Kempthorne's plan as a foundation but makes a number of changes. Among the most important are stricter ethics and financial responsibility standards for charter school boards and scaled-back authority for a state commission charged with handling charter problems.

Charters have been a controversial issue for the state since the late 1990s. The bill's introduction was met with mixed reactions. Some supporters see it as a step toward more oversight, while critics worry it might limit the flexibility that has made charter schools popular. The bill also addresses funding and accountability issues.

Field burning lawsuit legislation is killed

BOISE - Legislation under-cutting a lawsuit over field burning in northern Idaho has been killed by the Senate Agriculture Committee. The committee rejected the House-approved legislation after sharply questioning Agriculture Department officials about the validity of the provision essentially declaring that there is no legitimate alternative to burning. The bill would have declared the only viable alternative to field burning would be something that achieved the exact same results and brought farmers exactly the same problems and questions of public health, Democratic Sen. Fred Kennedy of Mountain Home said. Several lawsuits have been filed challenging the practice of burning grass on fields on public health grounds. Growers say burning shocks the bluegrass into producing more seed in the next crop.

Legislature in brief

Another suit, filed by the American Lung Association, the Idaho Conservation League and the Sandpoint-based Safe Air For Everyone, challenged state Agriculture Director Pat Takasugi's determination last summer that farmers have no economically viable alternative to field burning. The bill killed this week would have formalized that determination in law.

House approves alternative energy bills

BOISE - The Idaho House on Friday passed two bills aimed at encouraging alternative energy production and research. House Bills 760 provides an income tax credit for capital investment in renewable resources, such as wind power, solar energy and anaerobic digesters. It passed 65-2. House Bill 761 allows an income tax credit of 4/2-cent per kilowatt hour of electricity generated. It passed 63-6.

Rep. Doug Jones said he has been working to secure federal grants for anaerobic digesters, which use bacteria to digest manure into methane gas, which then can be burned in a generator to create electricity. The bill would allow the technologies are fairly expensive and its questionable whether it will be even, Jones said. "With an additional tax credit, it will make them economically viable." The bill was opposed by Blackfoot Republican Dennis Lake, who did not feel the estimated \$1.5 million expense was worth the risk. "It could be argued that this is expanding economic activity, but I think that's speculative," Lake said. The bills go to the Senate for consideration.

Few Democrats fight water lawsuit resolution

BOISE - Only eight Democrats stood up to a sweeping move by Republican leadership to pass a nonbinding resolution supporting the state effort to intervene in a water lawsuit filed by environmental groups. The resolution passed 62-8 and goes now to the Senate. Five environmental groups led by Washington, D.C.-based American Rivers are suing state water users in federal court to have a judge consider the effects of about a dozen dams on endangered salmon and steelhead fish. The groups contend that the



dams prevent the fish from reaching the Pacific Ocean, where they live for years to breed and die. Idaho Attorney General Lawrence Wasden has asked a federal judge to allow Idaho enter the case to protect the state's sovereignty and control of its water. The resolution was presented on the House floor by Speaker Bruce Newcomb, who said out-of-state people are trying to tell Idaho how to use its natural resources. "This is the eastern U.S. wants to have the western U.S. as its own park," Newcomb said. Rep. David Langhorst opposed the resolution, saying it offered a false choice between farmers, who use precious river water for crops, and endangered salmon and steelhead stocks, which need full streams to carry them to the Pacific Ocean. "This says Idaho values its water. We can all agree on that. But this also says we really aren't serious about protecting national resources, our wild salmon. It creates a false sense of choices." But numerous lawmakers from both sides of the aisle said they doubted the scientific work that has identified the four lower Snake River dams in Washington state as the main reason ocean-going fish stocks have dwindled to a fraction of their historic highs. Republican Rep. Jack Barracough of Idaho said there is no way the West will empty its cities and drain its farms to save fish.

House passes new cattle identification law

BOISE - House Speaker Bruce Newcomb successfully pushed a bill through the House that will mandate new cattle identification requirements. In response to the Mad Cow scare that gripped the American beef industry late last year, all cows imported from Canada would be required to have a C-identifying ear tag before entering the United States, as well as a radio frequency identification or implanted electronic identification device. The bill passed unanimously and goes to the Senate for consideration.

DEATH NOTICES

John Schwenson
JEROME - John Schwenson, 78, of Jerome, died March 11, 2004, in Twin Falls. Arrangements will be made by Farnsworth Mortuary and Crematory, 1343 S. Lincoln St., Jerome.

Thurlo C. 'Ted' Hartwell
TWIN FALLS - Thurlo C. 'Ted' Hartwell, 78, of Twin Falls, died Friday, March 12, 2004, at St. Luke's Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls. Arrangements will be made by Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls, Idaho.

Ruby Pearl Wilson of Ontario, Ore., and formerly of the Twin Falls area, service at 1 p.m. today at the Church of the Nazarene, Filer. (Haren-Wood Funeral Home, Ontario).

Ronald R. Spearing of Buhl, Celebration of Life at 1 p.m. today at the Back 30 Bar, highway 30, in Buhl. (Farmer Funeral Chapel, Buhl).

Sarah A. Powell, memorial service at 3 p.m. today at the Unitarian Universalist Church in Spokane, Wash.

Martin D. Young of Emmett, service at 11 a.m. today at the Emmett First Baptist Church. (Potter Funeral Chapel.

Emmett). Esta Foy Miracle of Twin Falls, graveside service at 11 a.m. today at the Sunset Memorial Park in Meridian, Idaho. (Reynolds Funeral Chapel.)

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Grand jury indicts robbery suspect Jackpot residents object to streetlights

BOISE — A federal grand jury indicted a man in connection with bank robberies in Twin Falls and Boise.

William Frank Auser, 57, faces four counts of bank robbery and four counts of possession of a firearm in furtherance of a crime of violence.

The indictment alleges that Auser took about \$22,275 from a Wells Fargo bank branch in Twin Falls on



William Frank Auser

July 30, 2002. The suspect is accused of brandishing a Beretta .380 semi-automatic pistol during that incident.

On March 31, 2003, the indictment says, Auser took \$16,700 from the Key Bank on Blue Lakes Boulevard in Twin Falls, using the same type of pistol.

The indictment charges that Auser robbed the Wells Fargo Bank on Orchard Road in Boise of about \$47,914, the indictment charges.

Auser was arrested March 5 after an anonymous tip led Boise police to his home.

Police in Twin Falls had been asking the public for help in locating the person involved in several bank robberies here.

Bank security cameras had captured the image of a man who was at least 6 feet tall and weighing between 250 and 300 pounds.

In the most recent robberies, the suspect was wearing a turkey hunting hood with aviator glasses.

Magic Valley in brief

At Auser's Boise home, police found a gun, a camouflage turkey-hunting hood that matches the description of the one used in the robberies, and money authorities believe was taken during the robbery in Boise, police said.

Bank robbery carries a maximum sentence of 25 years' imprisonment.

Possession of a firearm used in furtherance of a crime of violence has a maximum sentence of life in prison.

Fund-raiser will feature fashions, travel tips

TWIN FALLS — Women Helping Other Women, known as WHIOW, will hold its annual fund-raiser at 1230 p.m. today at the Turf Club, 734 Lakes Ave. in Twin Falls.

WHIOW will feature a spring fashion show, travel tips, budgeting, skin care with makeup techniques, responsible health care and refreshments.

Participating businesses will have booths. Black Rock Clothiers, an acting consultant Helen Odenwald will give \$10 gift certificates to every attendee. There also will be raffle prizes, including a mammogram certificate, bone density test, \$100 wardrobe, travel vouchers, glamour baskets, financial consulting certificate and dinner for two.

Tickets cost \$8.50 and are available at Black Rock Clothiers, 4-Ways Travel, Steven Pierce and Associates, Women's Health & Imaging Services (Magic Valley Regional Medical Center) and from Odenwald. Some tickets will be available at the door.

Proceeds go to the Magic Valley Regional Breast Cancer Endowment Fund. For more information, call 543-2500.

Festival organizers look for help with food, parking

HAGERMAN — Volunteers are needed for the 12th annual Thousand Springs Festival Sept. 25 and 26.

This arts and crafts festival is held on the Thousand Springs Preserve, an island on the Snake River between Buhl and Hagerman. The festival is a fund-raiser for The Nature Conservancy of Idaho and Southern Idaho Land Trust. Proceeds benefit conservation projects along the Snake River and in the Magic Valley.

About 3,500 people attend this event and volunteers may help with admissions, artists, food, cleanup, parking, setup and take-down. More than 200 volunteers turn out to help at the show each year.

The festival is also looking for a new festival chairman, who will be in charge of coordinating volunteer activities.

If you'd like to help, call Gini Ormohund, festival coordinator, at 837-4933 or e-mail ado@northrim.net.

Kimberly prepares for Johnny Horizon Day

KIMBERLY — The City Council has selected May 1 as Johnny Horizon Day.

The local effort, in which groups clean trash along roadways, will be coordinated by Councilwoman Lee McKinlay, who is taking over the job filled for several years by the retired Darrell Heider.

In other business during this week's meeting, the council decided to make a decision on the citywide cleanup day at a later meeting.

Also, the council was informed that the streets' potholes had been filled with temporary patches that will hold until asphalt plants start operation.

— compiled from staff reports

By Sam Felman Times-News correspondent

JACKPOT, Nev. — Do residents have to have streetlights if they don't want them?

That was the question brought before Jackpot Advisory Board members during their regular meeting Thursday. The community has had plans to put streetlights by parks, ball fields and in some of Jackpot's new subdivisions.

However, some homeowners in the Golf Course Terrace Subdivision would just as soon go without the lighting. The Advisory Board received a letter from Wilson and Barrows LLC, representing Tom Barton, asking that a streetlight not be installed on his corner.

Advisory Board member Brad Hester, also a resident of the subdivision, said he could relate to Barton's request. He said he doesn't want a streetlight by his home, either. Hester said he enjoys going out at night and viewing the stars.

But Advisory Board Chairman Frank said other residents eventually will want the lighting for safety. "What do you feel about the safety?" he asked.

"Who is going to pay for it?" Hester responded. "When it gets to that point we can vote on it."

The streetlights in question were removed from Gurley Drive last summer after the street was improved, and the public works department has since been looking for a place to relocate them.

Hester recommended putting all of the available streetlights by the ballpark.

In other business, Ed Youngman, owner of West Star Resort,

Other business

Other business conducted by the Jackpot Advisory Board included:

Four lanes — Advisory Board Chairman Gene Frank reported that the Nevada Department of Transportation and the Elko County commissioners want to make four lanes through Jackpot. Certain sidewalks and fences now in place would not have to be moved, Frank said. However, some light poles would have to be replaced with new break away poles, Frank said.

"I think it would make traffic a lot safer," he said. "And new development would not have to pay for it turn lane."

Zoning change — Darrell Jack, owner of the Four Jacks Casino and Hotel, has submitted a request for a zone change from open space to light industrial for the property behind his casino. Jack wishes to build a portable concrete batch plant and a 50-by-200-foot storage building. The board voted to strongly recommend to county commissioners that this be approved.

"It will be a big asset to the town," Advisory Board Member Norma Prindle said.

Equipment — Public Works Supervisor Ed Ellis was given the board's permission to pursue a lease agreement for a front-end loader and a yard truck for the new transfer station that is under construction. "The county controller said we can't afford to purchase," he said.

Crossing sign — Ellis also presented a pamphlet on a solar-powered pedestrian crossing sign. The Advisory Board has been looking for ways to make the crosswalk on Highway 93 and Casino Way safer. Ellis says these signs run for about \$800 each and are inexpensive to operate.

Advisory Board members agreed to talk about the sign at the upcoming budget meeting.

Fire grants — Jackpot Fire Chief Veri Jarvis said his department has received a wildland heavy truck, foam and some new fire hoses thanks to grants.

"We've done pretty good on grants," he said. Additionally, Jarvis said he has unofficially received word that the department also will receive \$48,000 from the Federal Fire Acts Grant to purchase a portable fire training unit. Jarvis said his department will have to come up with 10 percent in matching funds.

"But do have money to cover it," he said. "This will be great for fire-fighting training."

Jarvis said it also will help in recruiting new firemen.

Budget meeting — A special budget meeting will be held at 6 p.m. Wednesday in the Jackpot Library meeting room.

wanted to know why the town of Jackpot hasn't been putting pressure on the Nevada Department of Transportation to include Jackpot on the signs at the freeway off-ramps in Wells.

Advisory Board Member Norma Prindle told Youngman

that this issue has been brought up many times before.

"Ed, we have tried and tried and tried," Prindle said.

"Well let's try some more," Youngman responded. "We need to get our name on that sign."

Rescuers save woman after she fell 1000 feet off mountain

MOOSE, Wyo. (AP) — A Jackson woman was rescued Friday after falling 1000 feet near the Lower Saddle of Grand Teton.

Park officials say Beth Dyer, 27, and Matt Nooner, 25, both of Jackson, planned to complete a one day climb of the Grand Teton Thursday.

While descending the mountain Friday, Dyer fell about 1,000 feet in a tumble fall down a gully near the Black Dike above the Lower Saddle.

Rangers were alerted Friday morning that the two climbers had not returned when expected so a search was initiated.

After locating the pair were in distress, rangers and rescue gear were brought in by helicopter to the Lower Saddle of the mountain around 2:30 p.m.

Two rangers and three private climbers in the area made their way to the accident site to provide emergency medical care to Dyer and to prepare her for evacuation.

Dyer was placed in a litter, which was attached to the bottom of the helicopter, and she was airlifted to the valley floor. She later flew down to Eastern Idaho Regional Medical Center in Idaho Falls, Idaho for evaluation and treatment.

Park spokeswoman Joan Anzelo said Dyer was stable and conscious when she left the park Friday, but was unconscious when she arrived at the hospital.

WANTED
in the Magic Valley

Name: William Brann.
Age: 22.
Description: 5'foot-10, 140 pounds, brown hair, brown eyes.
Wanted for: Probation violation. Original charges: burglary and grand theft. The Twin Falls County Sheriff's Department asks anyone with information about Brann's whereabouts to call 736-4100 or Crime Stoppers at 732-5387, where you can remain anonymous and might be eligible for a cash reward.

Regents approve tuition hikes

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — The state Board of Regents on Friday approved tuition hikes averaging 5 percent across the state's nine public colleges and universities.

Regents spokesman Dave Buhler said that annual student fees for health services, computers, athletic and student activities increased 5 percent on average. Currently, fees range from \$300 at Snow College to \$630 at the University of Utah.

The tuition and fee hikes at the university's flagship campus mean that undergraduates will pay an additional \$306 and graduate students will pay an additional \$375 each semester, Buhler said.

Out-of-state tuition will increase \$535 for undergraduates and \$650 for graduate students each semester.

An undergraduate Utah resident with a full 15-unit course load will now pay \$3,364 in tuition for the full year.

Business graduate students will pay even more under a differential tuition increase, which 13 university graduate professional programs use to address unique needs — in this case, hiring faculty.

Differential tuition increases will increase the cost of each credit hour from \$58 to \$91.50 for master's program students

next year and up to \$125 per credit hour in 2005-06.

"When fully implemented, the annual increase will be \$1,340," Buhler said.

This year, the Legislature appropriated \$1.6 billion in new ongoing funding systemwide, meant for fully implemented.

Adrian Ashton, president of the Associated Students of the University of Utah, has said student groups back the tuition hike because they understand it is necessary for the campus to progress.

The following are tuition increases broken down by campus:

- Utah State University, 7.9 percent (cheaper for returning students)
- Weber State University, 10 percent
- Southern Utah University, 11 percent
- Snow College, 9 percent
- Dixie State College of Utah, 7.5 percent
- College of Eastern Utah, 7 percent
- Utah Valley State College, 11.4-14.5 percent
- Salt Lake Community College, 8 percent
- University of Utah, 10 percent for undergrads, 15 percent for graduate students.

Counselor

Continued from C1 counselor 2001 with a clinic of Psychiatric Services in Twin Falls.

The allegations, if proven, would violate the counseling code of ethics, according to the document, which was signed by Wolff on Feb. 24.

Wolff denied that any sexual activity took place, the document says.

Calls placed to Wolff from *The Times-News* were not returned, nor were calls placed to her attorney, Scott Hess.

Instead of formal disciplinary action in court, the document says, Wolff and the board worked out a "stipulated consent agreement" wherein Wolff agreed to subject herself to certain disciplinary measures. One of those measures was a one-year suspension of her license.

The suspension was waived as long as she complied with all other terms of the agreement.

She was also ordered to pay a fine of \$1,000 to the board, complete coursework in ethics and comply with all federal, state and local laws, among other conditions.

She was put on two years of probation by the board.

charges filed against her in Twin Falls County last week.

"We'll complete an investigation into the criminal charge," Kersey said. "In all likelihood, we'll file documents to schedule an administrative hearing."

In that case, Ruffing said Wolff stuck a nine mm Beretta to her head and threatened to kill her, according to the criminal affidavit written by Hammers.

The suspect became mad about a car the alleged victim's brother loaned her when it wouldn't start, the affidavit says. "While the alleged victim was on the phone to her brother about the car, the suspect held a gun to her head and later choked her, the alleged victim told officials.

The next day, the alleged victim claimed, the suspect beat her and hit her nose.

The alleged victim told police that the suspect threatened that someone would "cut her up into little pieces, which would cause her to die over a period of three days" if she reported the abuse to authorities.

Wolff appeared in 5th District Magistrate Court Friday, but her attorney asked the judge for a delay in the case, according to Jill Sweezy, Twin Falls County deputy prosecutor. A hearing will be tentatively scheduled for March 25.

Teachers

Continued from C1 overdue equity issue," Bedke said.

However, many of the representatives who voted against the \$665 million spending package said veteran teachers were being left out.

"It's great to provide additional money for new teachers. But not funding experienced teachers with even a symbolic increase, we've sent out a message that they are not that important, and they are just going to have to get by," said Dep.

Goals

Continued from C1 then move toward instituting it, Carberry said.

"We knew it was coming," he said. "We'll be able to handle it."

Crime response — Twin Falls ranks fifth in property crime rates in Idaho. Police Chief Lee DeKorne said:

"We've had an increase in property crime in particular areas of the city," he said. "As a response to that issue, the police department will pay special attention to the city's core, hoping to reduce larceny and burglary by 5 percent in that area by the end of 2005."

Roads and traffic — Old streets that are being pounded by more cars than they were constructed for prompted officials to consider rebuilding Shoshone Street between Addison Avenue and Second Avenue and Pole Line Road from Blue Lakes Boulevard North to Bridgeview Boulevard.

"They are the biggest and most critical maintenance issues," said City Engineer Gary Young, who estimated the cost to be \$300,000 for the pair.

The city wants to have the project done by Oct. 1, 2005.

Blue Lakes Boulevard is a common site of car accidents. The police department proposed reducing collisions by 10 percent in the north corridor by Dec. 30, 2005, Sgt. Brian Pike said.

Revenue sources — City leaders want to limit property tax increases to no more than 1 percent over the municipal cost index annually, plus new development taxes.

Timing and evaluating revenue sources is important because revenue "drives, limits and provides parameters for the next 20, 30 years," Councilman Chris Jalkington said.

Technological leaps — The city hopes to develop a plan for the implementation of a geographic information system by June 1.

"We have some of the equipment already," said Mick Turner of Information Services. "We can do some of the things like calculating, without even having it up and running."

Wastewater — The city has

Mark Snodgrass, a Meridian Republican and high school government teacher.

On the Democratic side, Rep. George Sawyer of Cour d'Alene offered a personal perspective. He said his wife, an experienced teacher whose salary has hit the top end of the scale, has received no cost-of-living raise for the past three years. Yet her health insurance premium has increased about 10 percent annually.

"That effectively makes it a decrease of 10 percent a year," he said.

Republican Rep. Debbie Field of Boise said that the approximately \$6 million increase for teacher salaries translated for her district into \$286,000 for salary increases, which she said would average out to about \$400 a year.

Republican Mack Shirley of Rexburg said that failing for a third year to give veteran teachers a raise hurts their morale.

"Hopefully next year can remedy that. Our experienced teachers deserve a plug," he said.

Missions accomplished?

Here are the goals set by the Twin Falls City Council two years ago, with updates on progress made by the city to meet them:

- Goal No. 1:** Assess four arsenic rule compliance strategies by Dec. 31, 2003.
- Status:** The strategies have been reviewed. Research is being conducted on the application of one process to meet new federal standards for arsenic in drinking water.
- Goal No. 2:** Complete a source water protection plan.
- Status:** Complete. Twin Falls County has adopted a wellhead protection plan, though Jerome County voted not to approve the same ordinance.
- Goal No. 3:** Increase police officer availability by 20 percent.
- Status:** This was accomplished due to the completion of the city call center, which handles emergency and non-emergency calls from Twin Falls city residents.
- Goal No. 4:** Reduce city traffic collision rate by 10 percent.
- Status:** Accidents were down almost 7 percent in 2002 and another 5 percent last year. Accidents involving pedestrians in school zones fell to zero.
- Goal No. 5:** Assist existing businesses in creating 100 new jobs.
- Status:** The addition of the Dell Inc. call center brought more than 700 jobs to the area.
- Goal No. 6:** Implement a performance evaluation system for city employees.
- Status:** Complete. The first round of evaluations is done.
- Goal No. 7:** Purchase Auger Falls and canyon canyon rim trail development.
- Status:** Auger Falls was bought by the city in December 2002. The city only needs to fence a canal at the site for it to be opened to the public. "Once it's bid and constructed, we can open the park to public use," City Manager Tom Courtney said.
- The city continues to work to acquire additional right of way to expand the canyon rim trail so people have more access.
- Goal No. 8:** Limit property tax.
- Status:** 2003. Property owners saved over \$6 million as a result of cost controls by city government and finding other revenue sources.
- Goal No. 9:** Assist community groups in finding resources to develop a senior center and animal shelter, plus enhance Old Town's infrastructure by Dec. 31, 2003.
- Status:** The senior center is open. With \$200,000 in private contributions and \$400,000 from the city, plans are moving forward for the animal shelter. The project had to be put back out to bid due to the bids coming in over estimate. The intersection at Main Avenue and Shoshone Street has been reconstructed.

Source: City of Twin Falls

to prepare for federal mandates for collection system overflow analysis. As a response to this, the city wants to have a complete collection system model by April 30, 2005.

City leaders also set as a goal choosing an in-system wastewater phosphorous limit compliance strategy and implementing it by the end of year.

Talkington praised the goal-setting process used by city

leaders.

"This is the single most effective tool we've used," he said. "It's a dynamic business management practice."

"The strategic planning sessions are a focusing of your resources on agreed upon identified needs," consultant Dawson Blackless said.

Her firm, Blackless and Associates, has been hired by the city for the past six sessions to facilitate the meeting.

LEGISLATIVE LOG

The Associated Press

Completes for Wednesday Sent to governor

HB1542 (Revenue and Tax) - Provides incentive cities to locate thermal power plants owned by electric utility companies close to the electric load.

HB1551 (Health and Welfare) - Allows the Board of Psychiatric Examiners to discipline licenses for false statements.

HB1555 (Health and Welfare) - Increases the number of Health and Welfare Board members from seven to nine.

HB1556 (State Affairs) - Requires counties to include poll accessibility information in voter pamphlets.

HB1557 (State Affairs) - Allows up to two high school seniors over 17 years old to work at each election poll.

HB1558 (State Affairs) - Sets requirements for open meetings held by teleconference.

HB1559 (Agriculture Affairs) - Simplifies cooperative requirements for filing reports with the Secretary of State.

HB1562 (Agriculture Affairs) - Repeals the state Prune Commission.

HB1563 (Agriculture Affairs) - Eliminates specialty fertilizers from the specialty provisions.

HB1565 (State Affairs) - Continues for four more years special filing requirements for those seeking benefits from the state's Industrial Special Incentive Program.

HB1567 (Business) - Reduces from one year to six months the requirement for work experience for a consentsory instructor.

HB1568 (Business) - Defines "basis of bearing" in the motor survey law.

HB1569 (Business) - Clarifies engineering experience requirements for certification as a surveying engineer.

HB1570 (Business) - Allows Idaho Transportation Department to estimate

value of property owned that has been declared surplus when the value is \$10,000 or less.

HB1505 (Revenue and Taxation) - Makes technical changes to property tax appeal law.

HB1506 (Revenue and Taxation) - Corrects a technical error in House bill 302, passed in 2003.

HB1522 (Business) - Defines the federal consumer protection act in Idaho law.

HB1523 (Business) - Incorporates key federal laws and regulations into Idaho Residential Mortgage Practices.

HB1525 (State Affairs) - Brings the Endowment Fund to reduce fees by combining funds, and makes technical changes.

HB1535 (State Affairs) - Brings Idaho's Do Not Call list into conformance with the federal list.

HB1536 (Revenue and Taxation) - Makes permanent the investment tax credit for research and development work and broadband equipment set to expire at the end of 2005.

HB1538 (Judiciary and Rules) - Deletes obsolete language from the Idaho Code regarding the sheriff's jail-keeping duties.

HB1510 (Revenue and Taxation) - Eliminates income tax credit to donations to Children's Village Inc.

SB1401 (Appropriations) - Allocates \$2.3 million to the Division of Public Works for 2004-2005 operations.

SB1410 (Finance) - Allocates \$22.2 million for 2004-2005 operations of the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation.

SB1411 (Finance) - Allocates \$2 million for 2004-2005 operations of the state Capital Commission.

SB1412 (Finance) - Allocates \$11.1 million for 2004-2005 operations of the state Comptroller.

SB1413 (Finance) - Allocates \$29.6 million for 2004-2005 operations of the Agricultural Research and Cooperative Extension Service.

SB1414 (Finance) - Allocates \$53.8 million for 2004-2005 operations of the

Division of Professional-Technical Education.

SB1224 - (Bailey) - Establishes a new military veteran motor vehicle license plate and makes technical changes.

SB1243 (Judiciary and Rules) - Makes it a crime to videotape people in an area where they could reasonably expect privacy.

SB1302 (Judiciary and Rules) - Revises procedures for appointing guardians for minors.

SB1303 (Judiciary and Rules) - Extends from two to three years the time in which probate claims can be filed.

SB1304 (Judiciary and Rules) - Limits the liability of the homesteaded for debts of the spouse.

SB1313 (Judiciary and Rules) - Includes madrigals as a substance for which a motorist can be cited for driving under the influence.

SB1344 (Judiciary and Rules) - Includes the damage or destruction of a human embryo under state criminal laws on murder, manslaughter and aggravated battery.

SB1245 (Judiciary and Rules) - Reduces from 21 to 19 the maximum age a juvenile can be committed to a juvenile correctional facility.

SB1554 (Title) - Decreases publication requirements from 30 days to two weeks for opening bids by counties.

HB1567 (Revenue and Taxation) - Allows a tax deduction for the full amount of long-term care insurance premiums.

HB1561 (Revenue and Tax) - Permits the Blind Services Foundation to make

tax-exempt purchases of equipment to be given to blind and visually impaired residents.

HB1655 (Health and Welfare) - Clarifies fees to be paid for social workers' licenses.

HB1493 (Business) - Requires deposits made by insurance companies to be maintained in the insurer's home state or in Idaho.

HB1494 (Business) - Increases the limits for businesses that self-insure employee health insurance deductibles.

HB1491 (Business) - Allows the Department of Insurance to suspend certificate of authority for up to a year for insurers who are not in compliance with Idaho laws.

HB1494 (Business) - Prohibits insurance companies from using a name deceptively similar to another company.

HB1497 (Business) - Standardizes accounting practices in procedures to be used by insurance companies filing reports in Idaho.

HB1490 (Business) - Requires surplus lines insurance carriers to provide timely notice to the state regarding business name or facility changes.

HB1492 (Business) - Changes the number of copies of certain documents required to be submitted by an insurer applying for a certificate of authority.

HB1496 (Business) - Adopts model language developed by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners relating to nonreformation rates for individual deferred annuities.

HB1518 (Judiciary, Rules and Administration) - Updates the Interstate Compact for Juveniles.

HB1537 (Revenue and Taxation) - Changes paycheck withholding tax filings by employers from quarterly to annually.

HB1538 - (Revenue and Taxation) - Changes the state account used to send money to local taxing entities to make up for revenues lost to agricultural operations.

HB1460 (Naccarato) - Establishes a proposed Historical Revision Special License Plate.

Completes for Thursday Killed by Senate

SB1271 (Transportation) - Authorized posting of campaign signs in the highway right of way.

Sent to Governor

SB1415 (Finance) - Allocates \$21.1 million for 2004-2005 operations of the Department of Water Resources.

SB1423 (Finance) - Allocates \$44.8 million for 2004-2005 operations of the Department of Juvenile Corrections.

SB1424 (Finance) - Allocates \$39.4 million for 2004-2005 operations of the state court system.

SB1425 (Finance) - Allocates \$147 million for 2004-2005 operations of the Division of Family and Community Services.

SB1426 (Finance) - Allocates \$43.7 million for 2004-2005 operations of the support services division of the Health and Welfare Department.

SB1427 (Finance) - Allocates \$68.1 million for 2004-2005 operations of Public Health Services.

SB1428 (Finance) - Allocates \$121.1 million for 2004-2005 operations of the Division of Welfare.

SB1302 (Judiciary and Rules) - Revises procedures for appointing guardians for minors.

SB1345 (Judiciary and Rules) - Reduces from 21 to 19 the maximum age a juvenile can be committed to a juvenile correctional facility.

SB1289 (Local Government and Taxation) - Authorizes county commissions to operate solid waste disposal system by exclusive or nonexclusive means.

SB1372 (State Affairs) - Imposes additional reporting requirements on independent campaign expenditures

over \$100.

SB1276 (Health and Welfare) - Creates a licensing system for certain personal care services.

SB1320 (State Affairs) - Approves fee increases for heating, ventilation and air conditioning installers by the Division of Building Safety.

SB1341 (State Affairs) - Approves all agency temporary rules adopted by state 16 agencies pursuant to the Administrative Procedure Act, except a rule governing the Special Offender Classification Board.

HB1349 (Education) - Directs the Health and Welfare Department to develop a process for overseeing assisted living facilities.

HB1406 (Commerce and Human Resources) - Repeals revisions in the nepotism rule by the Division of Human Resources.

Introduced in Senate

SB1134 (State Affairs) - Authorizes issuance of bonds to build a \$3.9 million Health Care Education Center in Idaho Falls.

SB1441 (Judiciary and Rules) - Revises exemption provisions for workers' compensation records under the public records law.

SB1438 (Finance) - Requires a majority vote of the House and Senate to ratify an amendment to the U.S. Constitution.

SB1443 (Finance) - Creates formula for financing public computer-based charter schools. Introduced in House.

HB1433 (State Affairs) - Requires insurance companies that provide health insurance to pay a claim for covered services within 30 days following receipt of a bill if claim is sent electronically or within 45 days if sent by paper.

HB1434 (State Affairs) - Combines state employee, school district, municipality and counties into one health plan.



can be cited for driving under the influence.

SB1344 (Judiciary and Rules) - Includes the damage or destruction of a human embryo under state criminal laws on murder, manslaughter and aggravated battery.

SB1245 (Judiciary and Rules) - Reduces from 21 to 19 the maximum age a juvenile can be committed to a juvenile correctional facility.

SB1554 (Title) - Decreases publication requirements from 30 days to two weeks for opening bids by counties.

HB1567 (Revenue and Taxation) - Allows a tax deduction for the full amount of long-term care insurance premiums.

HB1561 (Revenue and Tax) - Permits the Blind Services Foundation to make

Judge orders university to turn over student records

BOISE, Idaho (AP) - Three University of Idaho professors were ordered by a federal judge on Friday to turn over all files and other information about the graduate student accused of aiding terrorism.

The brief order from U.S. District Judge Edward Lodge granted the government's request to obtain the files and other records on Sami Omar Al-Hussayen prior to his scheduled April 13 trial on two charges of supporting terrorism and 11 counts of visa fraud.

Lodge said the material could be provided at a time agreeable to both sides.

Named in the subpoena were James Alves-Foss, faculty member in the university's Computer Science Department; John Dickinson, a retired member of the computer science faculty; and Deborah Frinke, another department faculty member currently on a leave of absence.

"I have no idea what records they're asking for," Alves-Foss said in a telephone interview Friday afternoon.

On advice of the university's attorneys, he declined to discuss his relationship with Al-Hussayen beyond saying that he was not his faculty adviser and that Al-Hussayen had been taking one of his classes.

All three professors have been subpoenaed to appear at the trial.

Al-Hussayen, 34, had been jailed for more than a year since his arrest at his home on the university's Moscow campus in late February 2003.

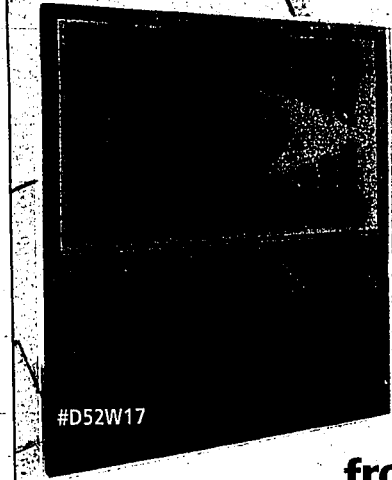
He was initially charged with 11 counts of visa fraud that federal agents contended occurred to suppress his ties to a number of terror organizations.

Then in two new indictments, one in January and one just earlier this month, the Saudi national was charged with two new counts assisting terrorism through his participation in several Internet web sites.

He has denied any wrongdoing. Lodge has scheduled the trial for six weeks.

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Ministries offer unique ways to live your faith

Living out your faith doesn't have to stop with serving meat loaf to the homeless.

Here are three inventive ministries I'm proud to share, along with a thought: Why not try these in your faith home?

SOMEBODY'S PRAYING: The folks at Philadelphia Presbyterian Church in Mint Hill, N.C., are bringing to life a Hickey Skaggs classic that is more a sermon than a song.

KEN GARFIELD



"Every time the beeper vibrates," said the Rev. Colburn Colwell, "you know someone is praying for you."

Colwell, the interim senior pastor who got the beeper ministry going, said two families so far have been blessed to know that so many people are praying for them.

They don't just know it. They feel it.

If you want to learn how to get the beepers humming in your place of worship or business, call Philadelphia Presbyterian at (704) 545-6172.

MOVING ON: In a world where everyone seems to be moving fast, Charlotte, N.C.'s Van Walton yearns to provide Christian stability.

Walton is the inspiration behind In Him We Move, a ministry to women whose lives seem to be built around moving vans and loneliness.

Walton, working with the popular Proverbs 31 Ministries for Christian women, is eager to speak to your group or welcome you to visit <http://inhimwemove.org>.

The Web site offers advice on packing, buying and selling homes, and making it easier on the children. Walton knows what she's talking about - she's moved 13 times in 32-plus years of marriage.

But more than practical help, she tries to offer comfort to those struggling with the spiritual burdens of picking up roots.

Wherever you're going, you're likely to find a friendly congregation waiting for you.

Until then, there's Van Walton and her Web site.

BEFORE YOU SAY I DO: The immediate goal of The Greater Charlotte Churches for Marriage is to get more couples into premarital counseling before they get to the altar.

Calvary Church, Carmel Baptist, First Baptist, Forest Hill Church, Hickory Grove Baptist and University Park Baptist have united to put on conferences and encourage churches and couples to make premarital counseling as important a priority as picking out a honeymoon spot.

In this age of adultery and divorce, can you imagine a more perfect goal?

Said the Rev. Phil Anderson, minister of family life at Charlotte's First Baptist Church: "Anything we can do to strengthen marriage strengthens the family and strengthens the home."

To sign on, call Anderson at (704) 334-3108 or visit www.charlottechurchesformarriage.org.

Ken Garfield is the religion editor at The Charlotte Observer.

Christian bookstore bids farewell

By Denise Turner Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Other retailers will be left behind to sell the Good Book when The Christian Bookstore closes its doors this year.

"We just can't keep up," said Scott Baumer, who bought the store in 1992 and relocated it from Centennial Mall to Main Street in 2000. "So much Christian product has gotten into general stores, like Costco and Walmart and Hastings and Barnes and Noble - and discount stores, in most cases, can sell the merchandise cheaper."

General merchandise retailers now carry the top 20 percent of Christian bookstore items, Baumer added, which accounts for 80 percent of sales.

Meanwhile, the restaurant inside The Christian Bookstore is doing well, and the Christmas store has grown every year.

"But that can't carry what we're losing on the other side," Baumer explained. "I can't live on what's left to me."

The problem is not just local; according to Baumer, who says Christian bookstores are closing up all over the country. But that fact doesn't soothe the souls of customers around town who are asking where they are going to shop for the Christian merchandise that secular stores don't carry.

Baumer bought out the Cornerstone (Christian) Bookstore in Twin Falls five years ago and combined it with The Christian Bookstore.

The other stores don't carry the same product line that we do," said Baumer, noting that the LDS community will continue to be served by businesses like Crowley's and Bella's.

Curriculum sales at Baumer's shop were a problem, too, with Internet sales and mail-order businesses taking an increasing chunk of the market.

"Our market has shrunk 15 percent a year for five years," said Baumer. "We are down to my wife and me and two part-time employees. We have laid off everyone else."

In the store's glory days, Baumer recalled, he had 12 employees.

"This is a bad time for mom-and-pop stores across the country," he said.

Baumer doesn't blame location for his profit-and-loss woes, and he says he hopes his store closure won't have a negative impact on downtown. He owns the building that houses the bookstore, and now has it up for sale.

He is open-ended about a closing date.

"I'm kind of thinking June," he said.

And after that?

"I'm taking the summer off but, after that, we don't know at his point." At age 56, Baumer says, he's too young to retire.

He is a committed Christian and a member of Magic Valley Bible Church, and he is thinking about mission opportunities.

He might sign on to work with orphanages somewhere, he said, after he locks up shop on Main Street.

"The Lord is closing a door here, but he will open a door somewhere else," Baumer said.

The Christian Bookstore first opened its doors in 1978.

STIRRING THE WATERS

Best-selling author takes Church of Christ in new directions.

By Bobby Ross Jr. The Associated Press

SAN ANTONIO - To millions of readers, he's a writer whose personal anecdotes help connect ordinary Christians to God. To thousands at his church, he's an honest, humble preacher.

But to some within the Churches of Christ, Max Lucado is an errant theologian whose positions on baptism and instrumental music in worship have stirred too far from the faith's literalist following of New Testament teachings.

For his part, Lucado - whose more than 50 books for children and adults have sold 23 million copies - said he answers only to the elders at Oak Hills Church in San Antonio, where he has ministered for 16 years.

"I really gave up on trying to answer to or even please everybody else. I don't think we're called to do that," Lucado said while promoting his new book, "It's Not About Me." The book is not an autobiography - the theme is that God, not man, is the center of the universe - but friends say the title fits Lucado's life and ministry.

"I've heard him preach to 50,000, to 10,000, to three in his living room, and he's the same every place," said Kenny Wilson, an elder at Lucado's church. "It's really genuine, without ego, and I don't know how he does it."

Lucado's critics differ with him on matters of faith, not personality.

Howard Norton, editor of Church and Family magazine, published by Church of Christ-affiliated Harding University, said:

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Max Lucado uses an old cello as a visual aid at Oak Hills Church in San Antonio. The best-selling religious author who has ministered at Oak Hills for 16 years, holds views about baptism and the use of instrumental music during services that are controversial within the Churches of Christ.

Group aims to increase awareness of Israel's plight

By Joan Bean Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS - When Gary Palmer began holding intercessors for Israel meetings a couple of months ago, his goal was to raise awareness of the people's plight, and offer prayers on their behalf.

So far, just Palmer, his wife and a couple of others are attending the meetings. Palmer said he expects the increase in membership to be gradual and is taking the slow start in stride.

"I'm not discouraged about that, because I think sometimes slow growth can be good growth," he said. "For example, it takes time to grow a good apple - it doesn't grow overnight."

Palmer said the Israelis are being attacked by suicide bombers, which has affected their economy. Some have lost jobs; others have had to close up their businesses because of terrorism.

"Israelis are living in terror," he said. "You don't know when you get on a bus to go to work if you're going to come home that night."

He believes immigrants are coming into Israel because these are the last days - when God said he would draw the scattered Jews from many places see ISRAEL, Page C7



Gary Palmer

Intercessors for Israel

WHERE: Modular building behind Amazing Grace Fellowship, 1061 Eastland Drive N., Twin Falls

WHEN: 7:30 or 9 p.m. Fridays

MORE INFORMATION: 734-0824

Dordt College choir plans spring break visit to Twin Falls

By Denise Turner Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Shanna Smit began dreaming of singing in the Dordt College Concert Choir when she was in junior high. Last year, her dream came true.

"I remember the choir coming to my home town when we lived in Montana," said Shanna, in a phone interview from the Sioux Center, Iowa, campus. "I wanted to be in it."

It took some work. Shanna, on music scholarship at the school, auditioned for the choir when she was a sophomore.

"I didn't make it," she recalled, "but I got in as a junior."

She's a senior now, majoring in elementary education, and she's participating in her second concert choir tour. During Christmas break, the choir stayed in the Midwest, traveling to Kansas City and St. Louis. For their spring-break tour, choir members will perform in Oregon, Washington, Montana, British Columbia - and Twin Falls, Idaho.

Shanna's parents, Mike and Dian Smit, now live in Twin Falls. And the choir will be performing at their church.

"I think it will be great," Shanna said. "I will see friends and family."

Shanna's love of music began early on, followed by voice lessons and school choirs.

"I have a very musical family," she said. "My older brother teaches music at a high school."



The Dordt College Concert Choir's spring-break tour is a rigorous one, with stops everywhere from Kansas to British Columbia. Choir member Shanna Smit, second row, second from left, says she's excited about the opportunity to come home and perform in Twin Falls.

She sang in the 100-voice chorale at Dordt before she made it into the more elite concert choir. This year, she's also singing in the school's 26-member Kantorei, which performs in area churches.

She's found the choirs at the Christian liberal arts college to be close-knit groups of students bound together by similar beliefs, she said. Her experience with the groups is fully meeting her childhood expectations.

The concert choir, under the direction of Dr. Benjamin Kornell, performs a wide variety of choral music, including works by Part, Rheinberger and Parry, as well as arrangements of hymns, folk songs and spirituals.

If you go

WHAT: Dordt College Concert Choir

WHEN: 7 p.m. Sunday

WHERE: Twin Falls Reformed Church, 1631 Grandview Drive

ADMISSION: Free; donations received

Burley church hosts women's meeting

BURLEY — Burley Little Flower Catholic Church will host the spring meeting of the Southern Idaho Women's Council of Catholic Women today at Little Flower Catholic Church, 1601 Oakley Ave.

Registration/continental breakfast are set for 9:30-10:45 a.m., with Mass at 11 a.m., before lunch. Mary Frances-Thompson, president of the Idaho Council of Catholic Women, will present a workshop on services performed by the National Council of Catholic Women. The meeting concludes at 3 p.m.

Southern Idaho Catholic women are invited. Call 878-7338, 878-5453 or 845-2270.

Loice Anyika speaks at Sunday service

KIMBERLY — Loice Anyika will talk about her homeland of Kenya at the College of Southern Idaho's African Fellowship meets at 10 a.m. Sunday at the Kimberly Chapel of White Mortuary, 712 Center St. W. Anyika is currently at the College of Southern Idaho on an education visa and will return to her African village this year.

A potluck/orientation for people interested in learning more about Unitarian Universalism will begin at 6 p.m. Wednesday at a member's home. For more information, call Michael Becker at 735-9021.

First Assembly plays host to Sam Austin for revival

TWIN FALLS — Sam Austin will speak at revival services this week at the First Assembly of God, 189 Lewis St. N.

Austin is founder of the "Lift Jesus Higher Ministry Inc." He also sings and will perform at 7 p.m. today at the Magic Valley

Church news



Gospel Opry. Revival services are set for 10:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. Monday through Wednesday. Admission is free to the public. For more information, call Lori Bassett at 731-0254.

Noted singer will perform at Kimberly church

KIMBERLY — International TV and recording artist Lowell Mason will perform old-time songs at 8:30 and 10:45 a.m. Sunday at Kimberly Christian Church, 307 Madison Ave.

Mason, 66 inches tall, is known as the "World's Smallest Gospel Singer." He has made several crusade tours to Russia and helped distribute more than 3 million Bibles to Russian school children. He conducts revival meetings, helps establish churches and organizes Gospel Team tours. In 1996, he received an honorable doctor of divinity degree for achievements in world evangelism.

The public is invited. Admission is free, but offerings will be received.

Berean Baptist church holds revival meetings

WENDELL — Revival meetings with Jeffrey Laughlin of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth, Texas, are set for 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. Sun-

day and 7 p.m. Monday through Wednesday at Berean Baptist Church, 175 Second Ave. W. Laughlin, a graduate of Northeastern State University, is working on a master of divinity degree at Southwestern, which is affiliated with the Southern Baptist Convention.

For more information, call Pastor Paul Kroeger at 536-5789.

Gospel quartet plans show at Bliss church

BLISS — Joint Heits, a southern gospel quartet from Fruiland, will perform at 5 p.m. Sunday at Bliss Community Church. All are welcome. Refreshments will be served. Offerings will be accepted.

The church will hold its annual fund-raising (roast beef) dinner from 6-8 p.m. Friday, cost is \$10 with donation, with proceeds going to ministry and building maintenance.

Families are welcome. For more information, call Carolyn Herzog at 934-5700.

What About Christ? will be held at Baptist church

TWIN FALLS — W.A.C. (What About Christ?) is set for 7:00-8:30 p.m. Wednesday at First Baptist Church.

There will be story games, crafts and snacks for first-through sixth graders.

Lutheran missionary league holds spring lunch

BURLEY — The Lutheran Women's Missionary League of Zion Lutheran Church will host its annual Spring Salad Luncheon from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday at the church, 2410 Miller Ave.

Offerings will be accepted. Pro-

ceeds will benefit Concordia University in Portland, Ore., and Good Shepherd Homes.

The public is invited. For more information, call 678-9621.

LDS Church plans series of lectures on religion

The Know Your Religion lecture series sponsored by the Church Educational System of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints will be held at several area churches this week.

Bruce Satterfield, religion instructor at BYU-Idaho, will speak Friday at the Burley West Stake Church, 2420 Park Ave., on "Developing and Maintaining Spirituality."

Richard Opatsch, religion instructor at BYU-Idaho, will speak Friday at the Kimberly Stake Church, 3057 N. 3500 E., and March 20 at the Tuley Chapel, Broadford Road and Cedar Street, on "Building Faith in Christ."

Richard Opatsch, religion instructor at the LDS Institute in Orem, Utah, will speak March 20 at the Rupert West Stake Center, 26 S. 100 W., on "Understanding the Doctrine of Atonement."

Gregory Lawson, instructor at the Pocatello LDS Institute, will speak March 20 at the Wendell Stake Center, 605 N. Idaho, on "The Law of Sacrifice."

Programs start at 7 p.m. Ages 14 and up are invited and asked to bring their scriptures. No tape recorders, please. Cost is \$5 or by season ticket.

The Times-News welcomes news of church events. Send to Ellen Thomson, The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303, or Treia Tegan, The Times-News/Burley Bureau, 1263 Central Ave., Burley, ID 83318. Deadline is noon Thursday for publication on Saturday.

MISSIONARIES

Several young men from the Magic Valley area have been called to serve or returned from serving missions for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

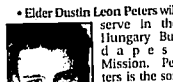
Called to serve:

• **Elder Tyler Thessens** will serve in the Nebraska-Omaha Mission. Thessens graduated in 2003 from Jerome High School, where he was in football, wrestling and track. Honors include 2003 Defensive Player of the Year, All-Conference First Team Offensive and Defensive Lineman, Outstanding Wrestler award in district wrestling shoot-out and discus and 2003 Bear-Cat Wrestling Tournament champion. He is the son of Randy and Debra Thessens of Jerome and an Eagle Scout.



Tyler Thessens

• **Elder Dustin Leon Peters** will serve in the Hawaii Mission. Peters is the son of John and Nancy Peters of Jerome and an Eagle Scout. He graduated in 2003 from Filer High School and attended Brigham Young University-Idaho.



Dustin Peters

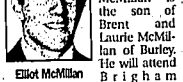
Returned from serving:

• **Elder Lance Osterhout** served in the Pennsylvania-Pittsburgh Mission. Osterhout is the son of Ellen and Marcia Osterhout of Declo and is in the Declo 1st Ward.



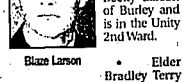
Lance Osterhout

• **Elder Elliot McMillan** served in the Washington-Seattle Mission. McMillan is the son of Brent and Laurie McMillan. He will attend Brigham Young University.



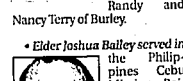
Elliot McMillan

• **Elder Blaze Larson** served in the Washington-Seattle Mission. Larson is the son of Chuck and Becki Larson of Burley and lives in 2nd Ward.



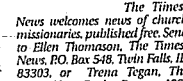
Blaze Larson

• **Bradley Elder** served in the Mexico City West Mission. Terry is a 2000 graduate of High School and is in the Springdale 2nd Ward. His parents are Bradley and Nancy Terry of Burley.



Bradley Terry

• **Elder Joshua Bailey** served in the Philippines-Cebu Mission. Bailey is the son of Nolan and Dawn Bailey of Heiburn and lives in the Heiburn 2nd Ward.



Joshua Bailey

The Times-News welcomes news of church missionaries published Sunday to Ellen Thomson, The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303, or Treia Tegan, The Times-News/Burley Bureau, 1263 Central Ave., Burley, ID 83318. Deadline is noon Thursday for publication on Saturday.

Did Jesus die in vain?

The Kansas City Star

READER'S QUESTION: Jesus Christ experienced a painful death to save humanity. With U.S. groups, judges and politicians trying to take God's name and images from public view, I ask the question: "Do you think Jesus died in vain?"

Faith Q&A

The Rev. Jarvis L. Collier, pastor, Pleasant Green Baptist Church, Kansas City, Kan.: The magnitude of the life, death and Resurrection of Jesus Christ upon American life cannot be adequately measured simply by the preponderance of religious symbols in the public square. Noble, well-meaning persons wishing to fill government buildings, courtrooms and other public places with religious icons should be applauded, but their efforts only take the debate so far.

Conversely, removing monuments to Ten Commandments from court buildings, declaring Nativity scenes unconstitutional in public spaces and seeking to remove the words "under God" from the Pledge of Allegiance are all ways to eradicate his significance in millions of lives. In fact, the proper gauge for determining the influence of Jesus Christ must be found in the private space of the human heart.

Jesus himself declared, "My kingdom is not of this world" (John 18:36). In one sense, he teaches by such a declaration that there will never be universal acceptance of his life as the son of God and savior of the world. Instead his kingdom resides in redeemed hearts and minds, resulting in moral actions and dispositions. The significance of Christ relates to his redemptive work, wherein his death really saves the only means of a new relationship with God. Jesus did not die in vain. My own life and that of every other Christian reflects such a proposition.

Eucado

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Churches of Christ teach that baptism by immersion is an integral part of salvation—and the vast majority believe the Bible prohibits instrumental music in worship services, permitting only a cappella singing.

While Eucado views baptism as important, he suggests it's not essential for redemption. His church allows instrumental music in some services. And in 1993, he dropped the "Church of Christ" from its name—an effort to reach people hesitant to attend a church of Christ, Eucado said.

In Eucado's view, his church reflects a scientific shift. Since the name change, average Sunday attendance has jumped to about 4,500, up from 3,300, he said.

God seems to re-emerge in today's popular culture

By David L. Beck
San Jose Mercury News

SAN JOSE, Calif. — If the passionate response to Mel Gibson's "The Passion of the Christ" takes you by surprise, you're not alone. In 1954, Frankie Laine and the Four Lads sang, "Well, rain, children, God's gonna send new orders from Zion."

More than 40 years later Lars of Clay sang, "Rain on my face. It hasn't stopped raining for days."

Both were hits, only by the time the 40 years had passed, the music was being called "crossover" hit, meaning one that broke out of the contemporary-Christian genre and appealed to mainstream audiences. Before "Flood," said Deborah Evans Price, Christian music editor for Billboard magazine, "her manager told me it just wasn't cool for rock stations to be playing a Christian song."

What happened between Frankie Laine and Lars of Clay? "I don't know," said Price. "Tighter playlist? People looking for what they considered hip and appealing to a younger demographic? I just know that, there for a while, there was a lot of resistance to playing any spiritual on mainstream radio."

With Gibson's movie about the last 12 hours in the life of Jesus, which has raked in more than \$200 million since opening Feb. 25, the breakthrough may be complete. "When's the last time an Aramie movie got the cover of Entertainment Weekly?" said Robert Thompson, director of the Center for the Study of Popular Television at Syracuse University.

On television's "Joan of Arcadia," a teenage girl talks to God regularly in the movies, Jim

Then came cable ... whose multiplicity of channels, subjects and viewpoints mirrored the way in which U.S. culture, once a shared thing, has shattered.

Carrey becomes God in "Bruce Almighty." In baseball stadiums, sluggers point to the heavens when they send one deep and run the bases with big gold crosses flapping around their hips, novelized by Lou Lاية and Jerry Jenkins as "The biggest phenomenon of the last decade," Thompson believes. And "Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King" may take place in Middle-earth, but according to mythology professor James S. Spivey, the "Rings" trilogy "might be the most significant statement of a Christian world view ever to hit film."

There was a time when religion, whether it was the old-time religion of Duke Ellington's "Jump for Joy" or the twinkly Catholicism of Bing "Father O'Malley" Crosby, was considered merely an aspect of everyday life and thus useful fodder for books, movies and music. Nobody called in the American Civil Liberties Union when Cole Porter made "Blow, Gabriel, Blow" the showstopper of his 1934 shipboard romance, "Anything Goes"—and nobody had to ask who Gabriel was, either.

What happened to change all that, Thompson believes, was

network television. What helped change it back, he says, was cable. The idea, of course, is that you didn't want to offend anybody and that meant the old-fashioned talk-radio ban on politics and religion became network gospel. When the network finally began to loosen up just a little, religion became "the last frontier — the one way you could do something completely different."

Some shows — "Highway to Heaven," "Touched by an Angel" — were "entry-level religion" and subscribed to what Thompson called the "I can walk again" style. He contrasts that with "Joan of Arcadia," in which the heroine's brother uses a wheelchair. "In Highway to Heaven," at the end of the episode, he'd have walked," said Thompson. "Here, they put him in a wheelchair and by gosh, he's still there."

But there were also serious shows, like "Picket Fences," in which writer/producer David E. Kelley took on "incredibly complex" subjects — stigmata, Judaism, Mormonism — with "more thoughtful and interesting insights than I would get from the pulpit on Sunday morning," Thompson said.

Then came cable, which had a business plan to die for, and whose multiplicity of channels, subjects and viewpoints mirrored the way in which U.S. culture, once a shared thing, has shattered.

The grim HBO prison series "Oz" was "like an open window of religious questions," said Thompson, who says "Six Feet Under," a series about an undertaker family named Fisher ("come with me and I will make you fishers of men") represents "that whole Alan Ball kind of spiritual cosmology" that we first saw in "American Beauty."

And now have three teenage daughters.

After Lucado's father, died from Lou Gehrig's disease in 1986, Max returned to Texas to be closer to his mother and focus on writing.

He takes no church salary at all, he says, because his book royalties are so strong. His books mix personal stories, current events and Scriptures in a conversational, seldom-preachy tone that portrays God as real and accessible.

Despite his fame, Lucado said he turns out to be the second most-famous minister on staff at his church. Retired San Antonio Spurs star David Robinson joined the congregation last year as "minister at large."

What do you think?

The Times-News

Controversy has swirled around Mel Gibson's new movie, "The Passion of the Christ." Now it's your turn to offer your opinion. The Times-News will print your responses, or excerpts from them, in a future issue. Include your name, address and phone number.

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Gospel Talent Showdown lets aspiring artists network

By Kristin E. Holmes
Philadelphia Inquirer

PHILADELPHIA — Sherry Hayward and her dance troupe traveled in a four-car caravan from Maryland to Philadelphia in a snowstorm to seek their fortune in a gospel showdown. They took the stage at Clarke's Gourmet Seafood in Fairmount, Pa., in February to pit their talent against some of the best the city had to offer. In the spotlight, they leaped and shook to the beats of Kurt Carr and Rick Franklin.

"Our God is an awesome God. He reigns from heaven above ..." the choir sang while the dancers interpreted the lyrics, punctuated by shouts of encouragement from the audience.

The event was the Gospel Talent Showdown, a new competition being held on the first Tuesday of each month at locations throughout the city. It's a chance for gospel artists to network and get a little guidance from the contest judges.

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countries, returning to the land of Israel that God gave to Abraham.

When immigrants arrive in Israel, they need help. Palmer said. They need the basic necessities of life, such as cooking pots, dishes, clothing and food. They also need to find jobs and places to live.

Linda Palmer said there are support groups ministering to the newly arriving immigrants. "It is prophesied in the Bible that they will come from the four corners of the world and into Jerusalem in the last days," she said. "So, it's exciting to be part of it."

She said she believes one's relationship with Jesus Christ is crucial — and she believes those who see Jesus as the true messiah will love Israel, too.

"We really love the people of Israel and we're praying because they're going through so much now," she said. "And we're also praying for the messianic congregations over there, which are congregations that believe in Jesus as a messiah and love him with all their hearts and minds and share this with the Jewish people that are living there in Jerusalem."

In addition to praying for Israel, Gary Palmer said, his group is trying to become involved in what happens there. He said he's been in contact with about a dozen different ministries to Israel and has received prayer requests.

"They give me new updates of what's going on in Israel," he said. "So we know what to pray for and the needs that they have."

RELIGION

LDS TOP 10 SELLERS

LDS Booksellers Association

The LDS Booksellers Association released its most recent list of Top Ten Sellers on March 15.

FICTION

- 1. Adam's Story, by Jack Weyland (Deseret Books)
2. Runaway, by Claire Poulson (Covenant Communications)
3. Captain of Her Heart, by Anita Stansfield (Crosswalk Books)
4. Walk With an Angel, by Dan Yates (Covenant Communications)
5. Promised Land Vol. 3, by David Woolley (Covenant Communications)
6. The Great and Terrible Vol. 1, by Chris Stewart (Deseret Books)
7. Midway, by Dean Hughes (Deseret Books)
8. Never Too Late, by Nancy Chatty (Covenant Communications)
9. Passage to Zarahemla, by Chris Heimertinger (Heimertinger Enterprises)
10. Faith of Our Fathers Vol. 3, by N. C. Allen (Covenant Communications)

NON-FICTION

- 1. Small and Simple Things, by Marjorie Pay Hinckley (Deseret Books)
2. Book of Mormon Ref. Companion, by Dennis Largely (Deseret Books)
3. Book of Mormon Made Easier, by David Ridges (Cedar Fort Inc.)

- 4. Book of Mormon for LDS Families, by Thomas Valletta (Deseret Books)
5. He Lives, by Simon Dewey and Hillary Weeks (Deseret Books)
6. When Ye Shall Receive These Things, by Lloyd Newell and Robert Millet (Deseret Books)
7. Teachings and Commentaries on 3/NM, by Rex Pinegar and Richard Allen (Covenant Communications)
8. 50 Signs of the Times, by David Ridges (Cedar Fort Inc.)
9. Scripture Study for LDS Families, by Dennis Leavitt (Deseret Books)
10. Sacred Sites, by Joseph Allen (Covenant Communications)

MUSICAL CDS

- 1. Consider the Lilies, Mormon Tabernacle Choir (Deseret Books)
2. Not Your Mother's LDS Music, Various (Deseret Books)
3. Primary Colors, Inside Out (Sounds of Zion)
4. Providence, Providence (Deseret Books)
5. The RM, Various (Sounds of Zion)
6. Singles Ward, Various (Sounds of Zion)
7. HMB II Voice Male (Excel Entertainment)
8. My Family Can Be Forever, Clive Komney (Excel Entertainment)
9. Clay in His Hands, Jesse Clark (Sounds of Zion)
10. Deeper Still, Jericho Road (Deseret Books)

Exorcising Satan's iconic images

By Ann Hornaday The Washington Post

The Devil has been in movies virtually from the medium's inception. But in "The Passion of the Christ," Mel Gibson takes the character into a bold new direction, depicting Satan by turns as a wraithlike androgynous figure, a snake and — perhaps most creepily — as a series of increasingly terrifying children.

representations of Satan in cinema, from Emil Jannings' portrayal of Mephisto in FW. Murnau's "Faust" to Al Pacino feasting on the scenery in the 1997 movie "Devil's Advocate." (In 1988 Martin Scorsese made the controversial choice of portraying Satan as a young girl who offered Jesus a glimpse of the life he might have had if he had not obeyed God's will in "The Last Temptation of Christ.")

life, there had been a rather elaborate temptation and none of it had succeeded. Lucifer, upon leaving him, Lucifer said he was going to come back at a more opportune time. And this seemed to be the most opportune time, when in fact man is in a state of terror, fear, prayer and is sweating blood."

He said, was a reference to "The Lord of the Flies." At work through all the depictions of evil in "The Passion of the Christ," and part of the extraordinary success of the movie, old says, are the subconscious forces viewers bring to the film.

Does it matter whether 'under God' stays in pledge?

By Richard N. Ostling The Associated Press

Does it matter whether the Pledge of Allegiance proclaims that the indivisible American republic is "under God"?

In a political sense, the answer is certainly yes. The general of all 50 states, the Bush administration and many members of Congress joined briefs backing the current wording, an issue to be argued before the U.S. Supreme Court on March 24. But the religious question is more complicated.



Students in Miss O'Hara's sixth-grade class at P. S. 116 in New York salute the flag during the Pledge of Allegiance on Oct. 11, 1957.

separation. In the biggest surprise, the American Jewish Congress, one of the most militant separatist groups, joined conservative religious organizations in asking the court to retain the God reference.

edgment of the nation's past heritage, not gain for patriotic rather than religious reasons. If God is eliminated, they say, what about the Declaration of Independence ("endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights") or Gettysburg Address ("this nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom") or the full text of the National Anthem ("and this be our motto: 'In God we trust'").

Book chronicles life, trial of Ann Hutchinson

The Dallas Morning News

BOOK

"American Lezbebi: The Uncommunicated Life of Anne Hutchinson, the Woman Who Defied the Puritans," by Eve LaPlante (Harper/SanFrancisco, \$24.95)

place, should a woman in the 17th century do? John Winthrop, founder and governor of the Massachusetts colony, thought he knew the answer: Listen, Hutchinson didn't agree. The daughter of a minister who had battled church authorities in England had carefully studied the Bible and had her own ideas on how the Gospel should be taught. Winthrop would be upset with Charles I. and getting the colony's charter revoked, worried about a middle-class revolt, worried about a basicist Calvinist theology being taught, and worried about a woman who didn't know her place. He put Hutchinson on trial in 1637. Her judges were ministers, many of whom she had criticized for faulty knowledge of Scripture. Winthrop had blocked the few ministers who sympathized with Hutchinson from serving on the jury. The sentence was expulsion from the colony. She moved first to Rhode Island, then to New York, where she was murdered by American Indians in 1643. LaPlante, a descendant of Anne Hutchinson's son (as are George Bush and Franklin Delano Roosevelt), has written a powerful biography of a woman who refused to still her voice.

Religion in the media

ships can be just as skewed as castaway Tom Hanks adopting a volleyball named Coach. In her new book, "American Lezbebi: The Uncommunicated Life of Anne Hutchinson, the Woman Who Defied the Puritans," LaPlante writes that Anne Hutchinson, though distinctly positioned to extend grace and healing, have been sheepish about helping people understand human sexuality and need for intimacy. McMin, a need for intimacy. McMin, a professor, argues that churches should be "powerful agents of change and redemption for broken ideas about sexuality." The human desire for intimacy and sexual expression, she writes, is "fundamentally good," but things are not as they should be in a broken world. McMin makes a clearheaded case for Christians in particular to develop a theology about sexuality that goes beyond outdated and often unbiblical assumptions accepted even by churches. This book is a compassionate and thorough examination of human sexuality — from teen hormones to singles sleeping alone — that's often left untouched by congregations.

-Robin Russell

BOOK

"Sexuality and Holy Longing: Embracing Intimacy in a Broken World," by Lisa Graham McMin (Jossey-Bass, 182 pages \$23.95)

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-Michael E. Young

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Haiti's premier criticizes Aristide

As former president plans trip to Jamaica, U.S. Marines take fire at factory

By Ian James
Associated Press writer

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti (AP)—Haiti's new premier said Friday that ousted President Jean-Bertrand Aristide's planned Caribbean trip could threaten efforts to stabilize the country still in turmoil two weeks after the leader left amid a popular rebellion.

"Gerard Latortue also said he wants to hold legislative elections in six to eight months to resolve the country's political crisis."

"The political developments came as U.S. Marines reported Friday that they came under fire overnight at a factory that produces garments for American companies. Gunmen also shot up a nearby car dealership."

"Speaking to reporters Friday, Latortue criticized Jamaica for inviting Aristide to visit less than three weeks after the rebel forces fled for exile in the Central African Republic."

"Jamaican officials have said Aristide and his wife requested permission for the trip to be accompanied by their two young daughters, who were sent to New York City for their safety days before their father fled Haiti on Feb. 29."

"Latortue said Aristide's trip 'could be a threat to stability in Haiti,' and that he had conveyed his concerns to Jamaican Prime Minister P. Patterson. 'Having former President Aristide in Jamaica, so close, is in our view... an unfriendly act,' he said."

"Aristide has been in the Central African Republic since fleeing Haiti aboard an INS-crewed aircraft."

"Jamaica's government insisted Friday that Aristide would be



A U.S. Marine tries to control the crowd as Haitians enter an industrial complex on payday Friday, in Port-au-Prince, Haiti.

allowed to use their territory as a base to reclaim power."

"It has been made very clear to former President Aristide that Jamaica is not to be used as a launching pad to further any desire for reinstatement in Haiti," Jamaican Foreign Minister K.D. Knight said.

"A Caribbean summit in Jamaica last week called for a U.N. investigation into the circumstances of Aristide's departure, a call echoed Wednesday by the 53-nation African Union, which said Aristide's removal was 'unconstitutional.'"

"From Africa, Aristide has urged his followers to offer 'peaceful resistance' to the U.S. 'occupation.'"

"Cabinet Minister Leslie Voltaire said Friday that Latortue was seeking to hold elections within eight months and had reassured politicians from Aristide's Lavalas Family party that they would be part of the transitional government to be formed under a U.S.-backed plan."

"Aristide was widely popular when he became Haiti's first freely elected leader in 1990, but

he lost support as misery deepened and violence increased."

"The opposition in elections would be drawn from the Democratic Platform coalition that united against Aristide but includes disparate groups from right-leaning coup supporters to liberal rights activists."

"Latortue, 69, a former U.N. official and business consultant arrived in Haiti on Wednesday after years in exile in Florida."

"On Friday, U.S. Marines trained their rifles on workers and checked identity papers at the industrial park near the airport, acting on reports gunmen were planning to confiscate paychecks."

"The actions of the Marines drew complaints: 'We came here to work and we were forced to duck our heads below these Americans' rifles," said Myrcia Baraville, 42, who made \$1.70 a day sewing T-shirts sold by J.C. Penney Co."

"The Marines said they came under fire at the complex Thursday night, but there were no injuries."

"Nearby, they inspected damage at a Toyota dealership shot up by gunmen overnight. Show windows were shattered and walls pockmarked with gunshots."

"To promote security, Latortue wants his Cabinet to include retired army Chief of Staff General Abashain, who supports recreating Haiti's disgraced and disbanded army, a key rebel demand."

"Disarming Haiti's many factions will be the biggest challenge," and Latortue stressed the need for cooperation from some 2,600 peacekeepers from the United States, France and Chile, Canada plans to send 85 soldiers on Friday, a planned contingent of 450."

"The Toronto Sun reported Friday that Aristide's former security chief, Ornel Jean, was arrested in Toronto this week after he arrived from the Dominican Republic. Officials in Canada declined to comment on the report. Last year, U.S. officials revoked Jean's visa and said he was suspected of drug trafficking — charges he denied."

AMERICA ON NOTICE:

Spanish rail attack serves as evidence that U.S. remains vulnerable to terror

By Curt Anderson
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — Despite security upgrades, new surveillance systems and tightened explosives regulations, America remains vulnerable to a terrorist attack like the deadly bombings on Spanish trains, U.S. officials and terrorism experts said Friday.

"The simplicity of the timed backpack bombs placed on Spanish commuter trains demonstrates

that such an attack can be carried out, they said."

"We can't stop terrorism. All we can do is reduce the risks to levels that people can accept," said Anthony Cordesman, a national security analyst at the Center for Strategic and International Studies, a Washington think tank.

"Homeland security and law enforcement officials said they have no specific intelligence indicating terrorists are planning a similar attack in the United States. But as recently as Jan. 28, the FBI issued a bulletin to state officials describing 'a continued terrorist interest' in striking American rail systems."

Such an attack, the FBI bulletin said, "could cause substantial loss of life" and have an "impact on public confidence resulting in massive economic loss."

During the Afghanistan war, U.S. forces found al-Qaida photographs of U.S. railroad engines, cars and crossings. Al-Qaida prisoners have told interrogators that terrorists might try to take out bridges, remove sections of track or damage train engines to cause derailments.

"We do know that al-Qaida looks to hit us, hit us hard, and that mass transit is something they've consistently referenced," said Asa Hutchinson, security chief at the Homeland Security Department.

"The agency issued a new bulletin about railroad threats after the attacks in Spain, urging greater vigilance, especially concerning unattended bags and backpacks. Amtrak increased patrols of its police force and intensified electronic surveillance of bridges and tunnels, spokesman Dan Stessel said."

Since Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks, freight railroads have implemented numerous new security measures, including increased random inspections, a 24-hour operations center to coordinate security and increased tracking of trains carrying hazardous materials and munitions.

U.S. claims WTO victory in dispute with Mexico

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Bush administration said Friday it had won a trade case before the World Trade Organization that is expected to result in millions of dollars in savings for Americans who make telephone calls to Mexico.

"The administration said the WTO ruled that Mexico was violating global trade rules by forcing its telephone carriers to offer international calls to Mexico at a rate higher than U.S. carriers," the administration said.

"Mexico has provided a single, dominant carrier to carry government calls, and that is expected to result in millions of dollars in savings for Americans who make telephone calls to Mexico."

"The resolution stemmed from recommendations by a panel of experts in a 2003 report to the Security Council Secretariat's Committee. Those on the list would be able to keep what their host countries determine to be essential for basic living expenses."

"Liberia's new government is expected to arrange elections for late 2005 and cede power to a representative government in early 2006."

alternative channels for carrying their calls within a limited number of calls between the United States and Mexico originate in the United States, where price competition between U.S. carriers has led to much lower rates for consumers."

Zelick praised the WTO ruling as "an important victory for American consumers and for the telecommunications industry...."

"The successful implementation of this decision will lead to lower costs for American and Mexican families... and eliminate unnecessary costs for businesses and telecommunications providers."

"The Geneva-based WTO will not make its decision public for several weeks, but the U.S. and Mexican governments were provided copies of the decision Friday."

Mexico will have the right to appeal the decision, and only if it should lose on appeal would it be required to remove the objectionable trade barriers."

"Mexico should be able to remove the barriers, the United States would have the right to impose retaliatory trade sanctions at a level determined by the WTO."

U.N. passes resolution freezing ex-dictator's assets

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — The U.N. Security Council unanimously passed a resolution Friday to freeze the assets of Charles Taylor, the exiled Liberian leader and indicted war criminal.

"The resolution requires all countries to freeze funds, financial assets and economic resources owned or controlled directly or indirectly" by Taylor, his wife and son, as well as others on a U.N. sanctions committee list to be circulated to the 191 U.N. member states."

"Taylor fled into exile in Nigeria on Aug. 11 as rebels laid siege to the Liberian capital, Monrovia. He faces war crimes

charges by a U.N.-backed tribunal for his role in a brutal insurgency in Sierra Leone, Liberia's neighbor."

"Taylor's departure from Liberia cleared the way for a power-sharing deal between his government and the rebels after a war that claimed more than 150,000 lives."

"The resolution aims to locate resources it says Taylor and his associates drained from their country, undermining Liberia's transition to democracy."

"But Taylor's former spokesman said the former president did not have any money for the Security Council to freeze."

"What assets are they talking about? Charles Taylor has no assets anywhere apart from his dwelling house in Liberia," Vaani Pasewe said from Nigeria."

"Pasewe said Taylor last year challenged those who said he made money from selling diamonds and running guns to freeze whatever assets they could find."

"The still stands by that," Pasewe said.

"Officials reject Pasewe's contention that Taylor has no substantial assets but acknowledge they do not know where Taylor and his family are hiding their assets."

"They're probably spread over a number of states, and I think we'll be working vigorously to follow up within the council and bilateral on identifying where those assets are," U.S. deputy ambassador Stuart Holliday said.

Putin poised for victory in Russian presidential vote

MOSCOW (AP) — With incumbent President Vladimir Putin almost assured of a second term, Sunday's election in Russia was everything from a one-horse race to the start of the campaign to succeed him in 2008.

"It's also been called a farce and a Kremlin 'special operation' — anything but a vote whose outcome has ever been in doubt."

After winning nearly complete control over Parliament in an installing a loyal new Cabinet days before the election, the former KGB officer was virtually unknown half a decade ago in Russia's helm."

"In a televised address Thursday, Putin told Russians that each of our votes has huge importance — but few believe that."

"The result was decided long ago," Siberian pensioner Ilya Gubin said, dismissing the election with a wave of his hand."

"Putin regularly wins approval ratings of 70 percent or more, and none of his five challengers — one liberal, two nationalists, a communist and a politician who has said he was running to support the president — is expected to climb far past the single digits."

"The lack of a credible challenger has made the election a kind of popularity contest with a

single competitor, making voter turnout the key Kremlin concern."

"But simply, what's happening is a plebiscite on trust in Putin," said Mark Urnov, chairman of the Expertise Foundation, a Moscow think tank."

"Putin himself seems certain of his own victory, appointing his new Cabinet this week, he noted that it would be dismissed following the election, as required by the Constitution, but said the process would be a pure formality and that the government would keep on working."

"The president's critics say that what democracy has become in Russia: a formality. Like the no-choice votes of the Communist era, they say, elections in what analysts call Putin's 'managed democracy' have become a procedure organized by the Kremlin to legitimize the status quo."

"The presidential vote comes three months after the main pro-Putin party won a sweeping victory in parliamentary elections that foreign observers said were unfair, and a setback for democracy because of the authorities' use of the state-run media and other levers of influence."

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Iran cancels more visits by inspectors

VIENNA, Austria — Iran abruptly canceled further inspections by U.N. inspectors until late April, throwing into turmoil international attempts trying to build nuclear weapons, diplomats said Friday.

The move was downplayed by Iranian representatives, but diplomats familiar with the work of the International Atomic Energy Agency said the cancellation would freeze the probe into Tehran's past, and present nuclear secrets.

The inspectors were to be in Iran next week as part of the U.N. agency's examination of Iran's nuclear program, which the United States and other countries claim is trying to make nuclear weapons.

Earlier, Iran's chief delegate to the IAEA, Feroz Hossaini, told The Associated Press the inspections would be postponed because they conflicted with next week's celebration of the Iranian New Year.

Asked why the celebrations were not taken into account when the invitations were first issued, Hossaini said officials made "a simple mistake."

Diplomats: Japanese company sold uranium

VIENNA, Austria — A Japanese company supplied Libya decades ago with a key piece of the technology needed to make nuclear weapons, and the Japanese government must have known about the transaction, diplomats told The Associated Press on Friday.

One diplomat, speaking on condition of anonymity, described the 1984 sale of a uranium conversion plant as a "flagrant example" of the failure of export controls meant to keep such equipment away from rogue nations and terrorists.

Such plants are used in the process of enriching uranium that at lower levels can be used to generate power but at levels above 90 percent — or weapons grade — can be used in nuclear warheads.

The company was not named.

Egyptian president says Arab reform is needed

ALEXANDRIA, Egypt — Any Arab reform strategy should be homegrown and focus first on resolving Middle East conflicts, Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak said Friday.

Speaking to nearly 200 Arab intellectuals and addressing a theme that continues to engage the region in light of a U.S. initiative to promote democracy, Mubarak also warned that trying to accelerate the reform process could encourage Muslim fundamentalist groups to try

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to seize power.

"Our strategy to achieve a better future is based on two axes. One is to push for modernization and reform... on the basis of cohesion and harmony between Arab peoples, and governments," Mubarak said.

Pope John Paul II will be third-longest serving

VATICAN CITY — It may only be a footnote in reference books and the Vatican has not planned any celebration or festivity, but Pope John Paul II will reach another milestone in his papacy Sunday.

John Paul, who marked the 25th anniversary of his election as pope on Oct. 16, will surpass Pope Leo XIII to become the third-longest-serving pontiff in the history of the Roman Catholic Church.

"It's a beautiful thing, because it's a gift of our Lord," said Cardinal Paul Poupard, a Frenchman who has worked alongside the 83-year-old pope at the Vatican for several decades.

But some are asking whether term limits should be imposed for future popes.

Asked in an interview with an Italian religious affairs magazine whether future popes may be elected to a fixed term, one of the Vatican's most powerful officials, Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger said:

"The pope is selected for life because he is a father and his paternity comes before his role. Perhaps in the future, with life being prolonged, one also would consider new norms, but it doesn't seem to me to be a current issue."

Suspected terror group clashes with soldiers

N'DJAMENA, Chad — The Chadian army battled Islamic militants near a remote village on the country's western border with Niger, killing 43 "terrorists" of a group suspected of links with al-Qaida, the government said Friday.

The soldiers were also killed and 18 wounded in two days of fighting that started Monday near the village of Zouake. Chad's information minister, Moukhar Wawa Dahab, said in the capital, N'Djamena.

Suspecting that al-Qaida might be recruiting and planning new attacks in the deserts and jungles of Africa, the United States is helping train and equip security forces in Chad, Niger and two other Saharan nations to better guard their porous borders against terrorists and arms trafficking.

—compiled from wire reports

Fears mount at bird flu epicenter

TAMBA, Japan (AP) — Men in white protective suits, masks and hoods moved along the hillside above a chicken farm, spraying disinfectant and throwing lime into a massive ditch filled with thousands of dead birds.

This mountain-ringed town in western Japan is the epicenter in the country's mounting struggle with avian flu, which has compounded worries about the food supply and provoked a

scare over the possible spread of the disease to humans.

Those fears have expanded in recent days with the discovery of five wild crows infected with the virus — raising the threat that the freely roaming birds could trigger an uncontrollable spread of the disease.

"That's really worrying," Kaori Iwamoto, a 55-year-old housewife, said just a few blocks away from a farm being disinfected. "You can control where

the chickens go, but crows fly all over the place."

The avian flu hit Japan in January for the first time since the mid-1920s. It has infected chickens at three farms and led to the deaths or extermination of more than 300,000 birds.

So far, Japan has been lucky with no cases of human transmission. The disease has spread to people in Thailand and Vietnam, killing 22 and prompting the cull of about 100 million

chickens across Asia.

The flu scare is hurting chicken and egg sales in Japan. Wholesale chicken prices have dropped nearly 28 percent in the past two months.

A recent survey by Kyodo News service showed more than 60 percent of respondents were concerned about the safety of poultry. Japan has imposed bans on chicken meat imports from several countries where avian flu has struck.

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T.F. Dollar Tree
opens doors today

TWIN FALLS — Virginia-based Dollar Tree Stores Inc., a chain of \$1 discount variety stores, will open its doors in Twin Falls today at the Lynwood Shopping Center.

To celebrate the grand opening, Dollar Tree will offer specials on laundry detergent, paper towels and coffee.

Dollar Tree said it provides items with a constantly updated selection, for just a dollar, that appeal to the whole family. Dollar Tree said it has rapidly expanded its business in the dollar store marketplace. Fueling the company's recent growth are larger store formats and the single-price point strategy, including the new Twin Falls store. Dollar Tree is celebrating 11th grand opening events across the country today.

Dollar Tree stores are open seven days a week.

Albertsons declares
19 cent dividend

TWIN FALLS — Albertsons Inc. directors declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 19 cents per share.

The dividend will be payable May 11 to stockholders of record at the close of business April 14.

Albertsons, a Boise-based food and drug retailer, has annual revenues over \$35 billion, employs more than 200,000 people and operates over 2,300 retail stores in 31 states.

Washington Group
wins contract for Iraq

BOISE — Washington Group International has been awarded a new \$600 million contract with the federal government to rebuild infrastructure in Iraq, the Department of Defense announced.

The company will work with its Kansas-based engineering partner, Black and Veatch, to design, repair and construct water resources and water transmission projects across the country.

WGI spokesman Jack Herrmann confirmed the contract, but could say little about it. "We just learned that we have a contract for water resources, and the first task is to mobilize," Herrmann said. "I don't know yet about how many people will be going, and probably won't know until we get specific tasks."

The contract with WGI and Black and Veatch is split, with 90 percent going to the Boise-based construction company and 10 percent to the engineering firm, Herrmann said.

The contracts put the companies in place to perform as-needed construction projects for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. The projects have not yet been specified, but the Corps has been authorized to use the companies up to the \$600 million limit.

Think twice before
you spend tax refund

NEW YORK — A lot of money will flow into the IRS this tax season, but a lot of money will also flow out in the form of refund checks.

If you have received (or will receive) a refund from the IRS, don't blow it on the latest flat-screen television or spring fashion. Before you spend, make a list of financial priorities. CBS MarketWatch advises the first priority should be to pay down high-interest credit-card debt. With the average American household carrying credit-card debt of more than \$8,000, it's very possible you have some. A large refund check can be used to wipe your cards clean.

If you are free of high-interest debt, remember that everyone should have a cash cushion of about three months' salary. Put the refund in a readily accessible savings or money market account. Consider depositing the refund in a tax-deferred retirement or education account.

— compiled from staff and wire reports

YOUR TAXES

Changes guarantee April 15 surprises

The Washington Post

For American taxpayers, 2003 is turning out to be the year of living unpredictably.

After three years of seemingly large and certainly well-publicized tax cuts, topped off last spring by accelerated implementation of cuts enacted earlier, Americans this spring can sit down with their books and records — and not know what to expect.

On the surface, it would seem that almost everyone's federal income taxes would be lower for 2003 than for 2002. And many people are paying less and getting bigger refunds this spring.

But it is also turning out that what the tax law gives, the tax law in many cases also takes away, so millions of Americans won't know where they stand until their returns are completed, and they can look at the number at the end.

"For most people, especially this year, it'll come as a surprise. Their bottom-line tax amount will not be quite as predictable" as it has been in past years, said James Seidel, director of federal taxes at RIA, a tax information and software company.

Those most likely to face an unpleasant shock are people in the upper-middle- to lower-upper-income range — roughly \$75,000 to \$400,000 — especially

those with big families or those who live in high-tax localities, experts say, because they are most likely to fall prey to the alternative minimum tax.

There's a dichotomy: While federal taxes are going down, state taxes are going up, and you kind of wind up where you started in total taxes. But overall "it may get worse because of the AMT," said Jeffrey Kelson, a tax partner with accountants BDO Seidman in New York.

But those possibly facing the AMT are not the only taxpayers who may be in for a surprise. Fluctuating tax rates and deductions, along with other provisions that have been tucked away in the tax law for

years, can rise up and, in some cases, bestow a nice benefit and, in others, inflict a nasty bite.

Here are some examples of the way moving parts create uncertainty.

Greth: Tax rates on ordinary income were cut, as Congress expanded the lowest bracket and lopped two or more percentage points off rates in most brackets. Further, lawmakers cut the rates on capital gains and slashed the rates on many corporate dividends (to match those on capital gains).

Taketh: The AMT, as the name suggests, is an alternative

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A tax dodger meets the man

The Washington Post

Some people define themselves by their job, some by their hobbies, yet others by their family relationships. Josh Kornbluth and Richard Yancey are two very different men who can be defined, at least in part, by the Internal Revenue code.

Kornbluth is a West Coast writer/performer who, in his 20s, worked office jobs to pay the rent. At some point he dropped out of The System and, even though he turned pro for a tax attorney, didn't file tax returns for seven years.

Yancey spent those same years in Florida, and he too bounced around from job to job, trying to be a writer. He wound up — until four months ago — a revenue officer for the IRS, spending his days going after people like Kornbluth.

Yancey's book, meet tax collector. Kornbluth was in Washington last week performing his monologue "Love and Taxes" at Arena Stage. Yancey was in town promoting his new book, "Confessions of a Tax Collector" (HarperCollins). Here, in this edited transcript, they interview each other.

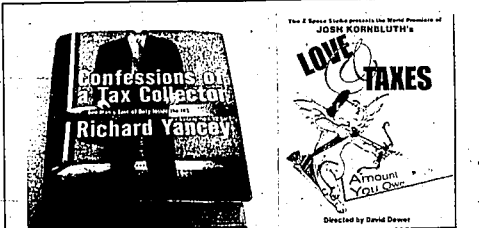
Kornbluth: Your book is really a story about becoming a grown-up. Yancey: Yeah, a coming-of-age story. The IRS just happens to be where I come of age.

Kornbluth: I picked up on that right away because, in my show, we're actually telling a very similar story. Although we are, like, point-counterpoint, as we're being set up here. But as you describe yourself, you're pretty much a slacker. (Grins)

Yancey: Oh, yeah. I was a ne'er-do-well in the classic sense. If there was something to fall at, I'd be achieving that failure. By the way, I got into the Service I was 28 and I didn't know what I was doing with a life. I didn't know what I was doing.

Kornbluth: You were the antithesis of what you were about to become. It's as if the car thief became the repo man.

So what was the job like? Yancey: It was a lot of things. In some ways it was a terrific job. We had fun, especially in the early '90s before Congress ruined everything and put all these inhibitions on the IRS. (Laughter) We had a



Tax dodger, meet tax collector. Left, former IRS revenue officer Richard Yancey's book, "Confessions of a Tax Collector." Right, a poster advertising Josh Kornbluth's monologue "Love and Taxes" in San Francisco.

blast, and every day was different. (Yancey tells of a married couple — apparently tax protesters — who owed about \$20,000 after failing to file for three years. They had no real estate in their names. Their 1999 truck had a large note on it. Only

a 1988 Chevrolet Chevette had no lien against it. No way was Yancey going to get the government's \$20,000 by seizing that.)

Yancey: But I thought, I gotta close the case, so I'll go out and get the Chevette. I knew where he worked, I knew he probably drove his car to work, and so I go there and was cruising his parking lot, three or four times. I can't find a red Chevette anywhere. Then I stop and I see this For Sale sign on a Chevrolet in a cherry-red '88. Corvette, not Chev. It's a classic, in mint condition, worth back then, what, \$70,000? \$80,000? Within 10 minutes I had a tow truck there. The guy comes running out of his office, and the tow truck driver says, "If he's got a gun, you're my human shield. Stand there."

Anyway, we hooked it up, we took it home, and I thought — the guy in. I didn't get to sell it, though — I learned in the IRS.



Kornbluth: Which is? Yancey: Which is how to control and manipulate people, which really didn't have anything to do with the power of the federal law that I had behind me. It had to do with learning how to push people's buttons. What I learned was, first you find what they love and then you take it. If you can't find what they love, find what they fear and exploit it.

Kornbluth: In your book, the IRS interviewer asks you, Why do people pay their taxes? You give the "right" answer, which is due to their patriotic duty. And he says, No, it's fear. Is that where it comes down? Yancey: That's my experience. I can tell the IRS, "You have to arrest me!" And when everything was done, they would say, "I can't believe a person from the IRS is like a human being."

But when you were going through this ordeal, how were the IRS people in general? Yancey: They were typical, you know, pocket money. Kornbluth: I didn't actually — what I did was, I called, First, I avoided.

Yancey: That's common.

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The tax man shares his rules for safe filing

The Washington Post

After a dozen years as a revenue officer for the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) — that's a tax collector — Richard Yancey knows a few things about compliance.

Here are his tips for staying out of trouble with the government:

- **DO file and pay on time.** If you don't, you'll wish you had. The IRS charges penalties and exorbitant interest, plus you may have someone like me knocking on your door ... or your neighbor's door ... your parents' ... your employer's ...
- **DO file your return, even if you can't pay.** The failure-to-file penalty runs at 5 percent per month, up to 25 percent of the total tax owed.
- **DO keep in mind that the IRS categorizes "non-compli-**

- an" taxpayers as three types: Will Pay, Won't Pay and Can't Pay. If you're a Will Pay or Can't Pay, you're pretty much in the clear. Won't Pays keep tax collectors in business (we called it job security).
- **DO take the initiative if you owe on your return.** Call or write the appropriate IRS office and ask for a payment plan or additional time to pay.
- **They won't waive the penalties and interest, but it's better to "take the bull by the horns" before the bull buries one of those horns in the middle of your back.**
- **DO expect courtesy and professionalism from the IRS personnel you deal with.** It's the least Report any rude, obnoxious or bullying-type behavior to the person's immediate supervisor.

tax, particularly if it's someone who is trying to sell you something.

Everyone who makes over a certain annual income has to pay.

Anybody who tells you differently is either pulling your leg or trying to pull your wallet out of your pants.

• **DON'T** assume the worst about the IRS. Most Service employees are well-trained professionals who are rewarded for helping taxpayers satisfy their tax obligations.

Of course, in every crop of apples (and the 'crop' is very large in the IRS) there are a few rotten ones.

If you're unfortunate enough to run into one of these, report the conduct and ask that your case be reassigned.

Tip toppers:
Some big pluses
and minuses

Check it out

Your last paycheck stub of the year may include useful tax information not included on your W-2. Two possibilities are union dues and charitable contributions you made through an automatic payroll deduction.

Did you have a baby?

First, add Baby to your exemptions — but make sure you've gotten Baby a Social Security number. That's required for all dependents. If you haven't already, apply to the Social Security Administration right away. The process usually takes about two weeks. If you don't have the number by the April 15 tax deadline, you can obtain an extension by filing Form 4868 with the IRS.

The child tax credit available to many parents is now as much as \$1,000. It starts phasing out for couples with income \$110,000 and over and for singles with \$75,000 or more.

A word to fund investors • Check the 1099 for your mutual fund carefully (for that matter, any 1099 from an individual stock) and be sure you differentiate ordinary dividends from qualified dividends on your Form 1040. The qualified dividends. If you have some, will qualify for the new 15 percent rate.

Home, sweet shelter • Points, the upfront amount you may have paid to obtain the mortgage on your principal residence, are deductible. Points accruing as loan origination fees, maximum loan charges, loan discount and discount points are also deductible. (Points paid on a loan secured by a second residence cannot be deducted in the year of purchase but must be deducted over the life of the loan.)

Speaking of which, points for a refinanced mortgage are amortized over the life of the loan. But homeowners who refuted that mortgage to refinance yet again may now deduct any points paid to obtain the first refinancing.

This is counterintuitive, but points paid by the seller are deductible by you, the buyer.

On the home front • Property taxes are deductible for filers who itemize. But municipal and county fees for trash collection and sewer service are not deductible — even though many times they are added to your real estate tax bill. Homeowner association dues aren't deductible, either.

Late fees added to your mortgage bill are already included in the amount the lender reports that you paid during the year. Don't take them on top of the number on the 1099.

FHA mortgage insurance premiums and private mortgage insurance (the dreaded PMI) are not deductible.

When going through receipts from past years, collect and save those that represent major additions and improvements to your house. The expenses are not tax-deductible per se, but you can add them to your cost "basis" when you sell. That means your capital gain will be smaller, which could keep you below the tax-free maximums of \$250,000 for an individual and \$500,000 for a married couple filing jointly.

A word from the state • You must report your state or local tax refund from 2002 as Income in 2003 — but only if you itemized deductions in 2002. If you simply took the standard deduction that year, do not report the refund.

Your good name • If a newwly takes her husband's name and doesn't tell the Social Security Administration, IRS computers will not be able to match the new name on the tax return with the Social Security numbers. Getting divorced and discarding the name? You could run into the same problem.

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You get a big standard deduction but have to put back many of your personal exemptions and many itemized deductions...

Particularly painful for many taxpayers will be the provision that interest on money taken out in a home refinancing, unless the cash was sunk into the house for improvements, is not deductible for the AMT.

Such interest is deductible at least on debt up to \$100,000 for the regular tax calculation. The AMT even has an impact on the special low dividend and capital gains rates.

Because of interactions too complicated to explain in a family newspaper, the AMT ensures that many taxpayers who have dividend or capital gain income will not see the full benefit of the low rates.

Gifts: When tax rates were lowered last year, the Treasury Department did not adjust withholding tables used by employers until June 1, and then it brought withholding into line with the new rates for the second half of the year.

The result: Many people were over-withheld for 2003 and should get an unusually large refund.

Take the AMT and a variety of other considerations, such as possibly lower incomes, seem to be clawing back the extra benefit.

Through the end of last month, the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) reports, the average refund had risen only \$94 to \$2,230, from \$2,136 last year.

Gifts: House prices have been soaring and, along with them, property taxes. These taxes are deductible — but at least you get to write in a really big number on your 1040's Schedule A, "Itemized Deductions."

Take this: Assuming this big deduction doesn't trigger the AMT, it may be partially offset by a smaller mortgage-interest deduction.

Many homeowners refinanced last year to take advantage of the historically low rates. But while it's nice to pay less interest, it does mean a smaller return on Schedule A.

In addition, higher-income taxpayers have to face "PEP and other provisions that reduce or eliminate their personal exemptions and itemized deductions."

PEP: The personal exemption phaseout, begins at an adjusted gross income of \$140,000 for a single taxpayer and \$209,250 for a married couple.

Peace, among its congressional sponsor, the late Rep. Donald Pease, D-Ohio, causes most itemized deductions to start phasing out at \$139,500 for both married and single taxpayers (a big marriage penalty for some two-income couples).

These provisions were stuck into the law in 1986 as soak-the-rich revenue-raiser.

The 2001 tax cut will eliminate them in stages between 2006 and 2009, but as of now they remain fully effective.

They interact with the AMT in unpredictable ways, experts say.

For example, since they tend to boost the regular tax, they may spare some taxpayers from paying the AMT.

In other cases, they may make it more advantageous for a taxpayer to take the standard deduction.

PEP: Particularly, encourages high-income taxpayers whose income — but not so much — to take the standard deduction.

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and the agency will remind you how much you got.

So what can you do? The best course, according to experts, is to try not to overlook any break to which you're entitled — and the law is full of them now for families, students, savers and others — and hope that what you work them all through your return, you get at least some benefit.

Income: In the late 1980s, income was pretty much just income when it came to tax rates. But now the tax law makes a number of distinctions.

In addition to the usual categories of wages, interest and short-term capital gains, and long-term capital gains, you now have both dividends and capital gains that were realized from Jan. 1 through May 5, and capital gains that were realized later — dubbed post-May 5 gains on IRAs.

Qualified dividends were put into a new law to offset the double taxation of corporate profits. In the past, the company paid tax on its income, then its shareholders paid tax on their dividends, which presumably came from what was left of the profits.

Now, dividends paid from already-taxed income qualify for special low rates with a maximum of 15 percent.

However, if you bought or sold shares, you have to watch the holding period.

Congress didn't want in-...

vestors buying shares, holding them just long enough to get the low-tax dividend, then selling them again.

So there is a minimum holding period.

Originally a taxpayer was required to hold the stock 61 days during a 120-day period beginning 60 days before the ex-dividend date.

Experts later realized this caused a problem for people buying or selling at the last minute, so last month the IRS extended the window to 121 days.

Note that the agency did not change printed materials such as Publication 17, Your Federal Income Tax (Chapter 9); Publication 553, Highlights of 2003 Tax Changes; or Publication 564, Mutual Fund Distributions.

So check the IRS Web site. If you have qualified dividends and capital gains but they are only from mutual funds, you may be able to compute your tax using a worksheet included in the instructions for Form 1040.

But otherwise, if you have capital gains, you need to fill out the Schedule D with your return.

That is not fun, but, like many IRS forms, it will lead you through the process if you just focus on filling in each line and don't think too hard about how things fit together.

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Above-the-line items are technically adjustments to income, entered on the front of the return, and available to taxpayers who take the standard deduction.

They include a special deduction of up to \$250 for teachers and other elementary and secondary educators who bought books, supplies, software, or other material for classroom use.

Also above the line are IRA contributions, student-loan interest and a deduction for tuition and fees (new in 2002).

These all have limitations, so if you think you might be eligible, consult the instructions for Form 1040 or 1040A. (You cannot use Form 1040EZ for these.)

And lumped in with this group, but not given a separate category, are a menagerie of deductions such as for clean-fuel vehicles, Archer medical savings accounts and jury duty pay your employer makes you turn over to it because you still got your salary.

Below the line — actually on Schedule A — things haven't changed all that much, though the amounts involved may have.

In many places, state and local taxes have gone up sharply, while mortgage interest may have gone down.

Or it may not have. BDO's Nelson noted that many people either took out more money or traded up to a bigger house in 2003. The rate may be lower, but the amount of interest may be the same," he said.

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Tax men

Yancy: (to laughter) Yeah, right... I worked up to do it. I worked up to do it. I worked up to do it.

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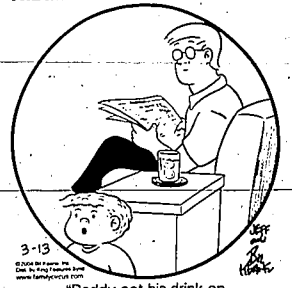
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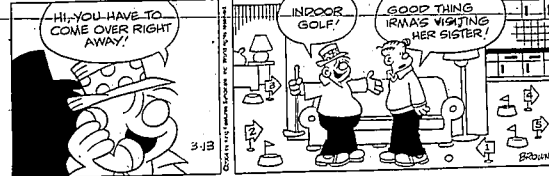
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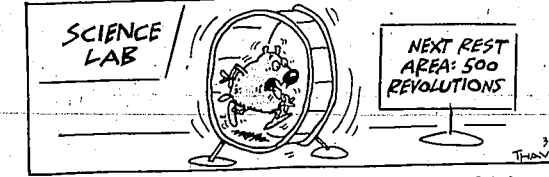
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Pets group holds open house

BURLEY—Therapy Pets Serving Mini-Cassia will hold a pet therapy informational open house from 1-3 p.m. today at the Civil Air Patrol building, 2100 Airport Road, Burley.

Planned are discussions on how to become a certified therapy pet team and what therapy pet teams can do for a care facility.

The small group of Mini-Cassia residents and their pets spread Valentine's Day greetings to residents of the Rupert Long Term Care Center and Park View Care and Rehabilitation Center in Burley. Therapy Pets teams distributed stuffed teddy bears and good cheer while visiting hospital and care center patients.

The teams visited more than 50 patients. Team members had purchased and decorated the bears before distributing them to patients as they visited.

"The patients enjoyed interacting with the Therapy Pets team members and the dogs, and socializing with the animals and handlers and watching special dog tricks," said Felicia Burkhardt, one of



Photo courtesy of FELICIA BURKHARDT

Therapy Pets teams spent time with residents of area care centers to celebrate Valentine's Day. From left are Felicia Burkhardt and Matilda, Cassie Douglas and Eyes, Lori Fletcher and Elle, Lori Kreider and Honey. Not pictured is Bob Kreider and Douglas.

the team members who visited the centers.

Animal-assisted activities have been proven to reduce blood pressure, provide distraction from stress, improve circulatory systems and alleviate

loneliness and emotional isolation of patients. Burkhardt said.

The teams have undergone intensive training in specialized environments in order to interact positively with patients in various hospital settings, she

said. The dogs are certified through the Delta Society, Therapy Dogs Inc. and/or Intermountain Therapy Animals. For more information, call Lori Fletcher at 436-6861, Felicia Burkhardt at 532-4928.

HOSPITAL SCHOLARSHIPS



Photo courtesy of Magic Valley Regional Medical Center Foundation

Magic Valley Regional Medical Center Foundation executive director Larry Baxter presents Employee Endowment Scholarships to Tamra Dixon and Scott Dayley. The non-nursing scholarships also went to Molly McGuire and Marla VanFassel for their schooling in lab/physiology, medical coding, radiology tech and pre-nursing studies.



Magic Valley Regional Medical Center Foundation director Larry Baxter, left, presents scholarships for the spring semester to registered nursing students Shelley Allen, Dawn Edgar, Brooke Frazier, Darlie Koffler and Michele McClain. Also winning scholarships were Janee' Cratter, Christean Hovey and Steve Little. They will begin their nursing careers at the county hospital upon completion of their associate degree studies. This scholarship program is funded by general donations and Magic Valley and coordinated by the foundation. For more information concerning scholarship opportunities, contact Baxter at larry@mvmmc.org or 737-2480.

Filer students donate quilts to kids

By Sandra Wisecaver
Times-News correspondent

FILER—Filer High students are giving youngsters something to hug.

Members of the Filer High School Family Career and Community Leaders of America recently donated more than 30 quilts for children.

"There is a need for quilts for children," FCCCLA member Brittany Rainsdon said. "The quilts will serve as security blankets when children are separated from their parents."

Separation can occur when neglected children are taken from a home or if parents are taken into custody on criminal charges.

The project started with Brittany's senior project to learn how to make a quilt, and it grew into an FCCCLA community project. Quilts for Kids, coordinated by Brittany and Brooke Rainsdon and Diana Hadliger, advised Darlene Arsenault said.

"Part of our goal was to get our community involved as much as possible," Brooke said. "We received an extremely warm response and enough material was donated to make over 30 quilts."

Fabric, batting and yarn were donated by students and community members. Filer



Sandra Wisecaver/The Times-News

From left, Brittany and Brooke Rainsdon and Diana Hadliger display the 30-plus quilts donated to children who are separated from parents.

National Honor Society members earned service hours for donating materials, and students in business classes created a slide show with photos taken from the start to the completion of the project.

Students in the adult living and consumer science classes sewed it all together. FCCCLA students also donated completed quilts.

Students and family members who made quilts included Arsenault, Jill Barry, Rachel Bartlett, Kille-Blass, Brian Bivens, Judith Calhoun, Chelsey Conner, Devon Dumas, Sara

Ehrmantraut, Diana Hadliger, Karamee Harner, Maurena Hoyt, Chelise Kack, Sandra Lewigine, Spencer Marsh, Jessica McLean, Kassi Meade, Sara Mills, Brady and Janice Moore, Shannon Morrison, Kristin Peters,indra Pruet, Brittany, Bobbie and Lori Rainsdon, Brooke and Lidia Ramirez, Brad Resder, Nancy Romero, Haruka Sato, Andy Shetler, Bobbie Stevens, Kyle VanBlisen, Morgan Votter and Anita Whalen.

"They did an outstanding job," Arsenault said. "I am very proud of what they accomplished."

The FCCLA invited the community and student body to a quilt show in the school library prior to the presentation of the quilts to Denise Matton, foster parent liaison for Children and Family Services.

The Quilts for Kids project has qualified for state competition with Filer's first-place award at the district Students Taking Action with Recognition. "When we completed our project, we felt proud of ourselves and our community," Diana said. "Our community generously gave to us and we have been able to give back to give something back."

We want your news

Please send your news and photos to:
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SOMEBODY NEEDS YOU

Electric wheelchair—Charity Anywhere Foundation is in need of an electric wheelchair for a woman suffering from Multiple Sclerosis. The foundation also in need of an electric range and refrigerator for a 61-year-old woman that is a shut in. Call 734-8041.

Drivers—Volunteers age 55 and older are needed in the Buhl area to drive clients to doctors and grocery shopping. Volunteers are reimbursed mileage and covered by excess insurance. Call 736-2122, Ext. 320.

Answer phones—Volunteers are needed to answer phone calls from seniors needing transportation to medical appointments, grocery shopping, and making arrangements with volunteer drivers. Volunteers must be age 55 or older. Hours are from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

This public service column is designed to match needs in the communities of the eight counties in the Magic Valley with volunteer help.

If you need a volunteer, call the Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP), at 736-2122, Ext. 320. RSVP is a United Way-sponsored agency at the College of Southern Idaho. Please submit your request before 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday for Saturday publication. Call weekly to retain request.

Monday through Friday, Call 734-4764.

Tutors—The College of Southern Idaho Adult Basic Education program is looking for Monday tutors for adult students in reading, English, math and English as a second language. Call 732-6536 or (800) 600-0274, Ext. 6536.

Reading—The America Reads program is looking for seniors age 55 and older to help children in grades kindergarten through third with their reading skills at Brack Elementary and Oregon Trail Elementary. Call Shirley Basham at 736-2122, Ext. 325.

Food-raising—Hospice Vilsons is looking for creative ideas for fund-raising. For more information or to submit ideas, call Flo Slatner at 735-0121.

Clothing—The College of Southern Idaho Refugee Center needs winter clothing for men, women and children and blankets in good condition. To donate items drop them off at the Refugee Center, 1525 Addison Ave. E. between 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday to Friday. The center is closed from noon to 1 p.m. Call 736-2166.

Jerome Optimists hold carnival, auction today

JEROME—The Jerome Optimist Carnival and Funny Money Auction will start at noon today at the Messersmith Building at the Jerome County Fairgrounds.

Admission is free. Tickets are \$5, which includes a chance to win a 2003 gas motorized scooter and \$1,500 in funny money to play games. The auction starts at 2:30 p.m. Tickets can be bought at Edward Jones, 2716 S. Lincoln St. in Jerome. For call Sheri Mitchell at 324-4953.

Families are welcome. Tony's Pizza will be provided at \$1 a slice. All proceeds benefit the young people of Jerome County. For more information, call Sheri at 324-4953.

B.J. announces results

RUPERT—Results for the B.J. Duplicate Bridge Club for March 9 were:

North/south: first, Howard and Mary Tucker, second, Frances and Al Anglin; third, Vera Mai and Nanette Woodland; and fourth, Lois Stephenson and Jackie Brown. East/west: first, Margie Brown and Steve Sans, second, Peggy Payne and Dona Kumard, third, Donna Moore and Kane Keicher, and fourth, Pat Adams and Marlene Temple.

Play continues at 1 p.m. each Tuesday at the Rupert Elks. The public is invited.

'Money Fundamentals' is offered in Cassia County

BURLEY—The Cassia County University of Idaho Cooperative Extension Office will offer a project on money fundamentals from 10 a.m. to noon March 23

at the Extension office, 1013 W. 16th St., Burley.

Marsha Hawkins, an Extension educator who helped develop this 4-H project, will teach this class. The project is designed for children 12 years-olds and older.

Deadline to register is Thursday. The cost will be \$5. For more information, or to sign up for the class, call 878-9461.

Speed boat sale benefits two local organizations

RUPERT—The DeMary Memorial Library and the Hagerman Historical Society in the 18-foot 1973 speedboat won an Millionaire "Make Me a Mega-Millionaire" promotion. The two organizations have decided to sell the boat and divide the proceeds. They are asking \$2,000 or best offer. The library plans to purchase a new set of encyclopedias with its share of the sale.

For more information, call Sharon Kay Kimber at 436-3874.

Senior trip to Jackpot is planned at end of month

RUPERT—A bus trip to Barton's 93 casino in Jackpot, Nev. is planned for March 21. The bus will leave at 10 a.m. from the Minidoka County Senior Center, 702 11th St., Rupert. The cost is \$10 per person and includes transportation, buffet and fun pack.

For more information or to sign up, call 436-9107.

Society hears about 'Celestial Cartography'

TWIN FALLS—The Magic Valley Astronomical Society will meet at 7 p.m. today at the Her-

rett Center on the College of Southern Idaho campus.

Featured speaker Chris Anderson will talk on "Celestial Cartography" and how astronomers and star gazers keep track of where things are located in the sky.

The public is welcome and, weather permitting, after the presentation there will be telescopes available. Saturn and Jupiter are well placed for evening viewing.

Job's Daughters 14 serves spaghetti dinner

JEROME—The International Order of Job's Daughters 14, Jerome is having an all-you-can-eat spaghetti dinner from 5-8 p.m. today at the Jerome Masonic Temple, 225 1st Ave. E. The cost is \$4 per person or \$15 for a family of four. The public is welcome. Proceeds will help the girls go to Grand Session.

For more information, call Barb McManus 324-2403.

Universal Peace dancers teach dance today

BURL—The Dances of Universal Peace in the Magic Valley will be held from 7:30-9:30 a.m. today at 200 N. 8th in Buhl.

The suggested donation is \$5. Certified, supervised Boise members of the International Network for the Dances of Universal Peace will teach. All ages are welcome.

For more information, call 733-9581.

M.V. Singles Square Dancers will perform

TWIN FALLS—The Magic Valley Singles Square Dance Club will dance at a St. Patrick's

Minidoka County 4-H Teen Association meets

RUPERT—The 4-H Teen Association will meet at 7 p.m. Monday at the McGregor Center at the Minidoka County Fairgrounds, 85 E. Baseline Road, Rupert.

All teens ages 13-19 enrolled in a county 4-H club may join the Teen Association. For more information, call 436-7184.

CSI Mini-Cassia center adds enrichment courses

BURLEY—The College of Southern Idaho Mini-Cassia Center has added several classes to the spring enrichment schedule.

"Beginning Conversational Spanish" will be held from 6-8 p.m. Thursdays, April 8-28. Students will learn to speak, write and read the Spanish community spoken in this area.

"Writing for Therapy" is set for a county 4-H club may join the Teen Association. For more information, call 436-7184.

Retired Educators will establish local unit

TWIN FALLS—The Retired Educators Association of Idaho, REAI, will hold a meeting for retired educators from around the region to determine interest in establishing a local unit of the association.

The meeting will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday in the Twin Falls High School faculty room, 1615

Filer Ave. E. Parking is available in the faculty parking area on the north side of the main building.

The association promotes issues and interest of members, supports the Public Employees Retirement System of Idaho and education systems in the state and is involved in educational and community affairs, organizers said. Membership is open to any retired educator.

For more information, call Dale Thornsbey at 733-4341.

M.V. Chess Club meets at Barnes & Noble

TWIN FALLS—The Magic Valley Chess Club will meet from 6:30-9:30 p.m. the second and fourth Mondays of every month at Barnes & Noble Bookstores, 1239 Pole Line Road, in Twin Falls.

For more information, call Barry Ecker at 733-6186 or e-mail evacker90@hotmail.com.

Bruneau Observatory supplies telescopes

BURNING—If weather permits, several planets, nebulae and galaxies should be available for viewing with telescopes at the Bruneau State Park Astronomical Observatory off of Highway 78.

Doors will open at 6:45 p.m. with a program in the multimedia theater starting at 7 p.m. March 19-20.

Visitors should bring warm clothing and plan to stay late. Admission is \$3 for adults, children under age 6 are free. There is a \$4 vehicle entry fee. For more information, call Bob at (208) 366-7919.

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The 2004 ESG Program Solicitation and Application materials may be requested from Idaho Housing and Finance Association, 1-877-4Grants, or downloaded from our website at www.ihfa.org/apply_nsg.html.

For more information please contact Mike Dillinger at (208) 331-4724 or Robecca Howell at (208) 331-4716. For a schedule of application training sessions in your area, please contact Lori Benfili at (208) 331-4073.

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open public meeting of the Idaho Fish and Game Commission. DATE OF NOTICE: March 3, 2004. PUBLIC MEETING: March 25-26, 2004. PLACE OF MEETING: Idaho Department of Fish and Game Trophy Room

600 South Walnut Boise, Idaho 83707. There will be a public meeting held on March 24, 2004, beginning at 7 p.m. MST at the same address.

PERSONS ATTENDING: Commissioners Director Staff

PURPOSE OF MEETING/AGENDA: Rules; deer, elk, antelope; bear, mountain lion; motorized vehicle use for hunting; non-ident license refunds; license refunds for military personnel; commercial trout fishing rules for Lake Pend Oreille; changes to classification and procedure of wildlife; FY06 budget direction.

Individuals with disabilities may request meeting accommodations by contacting the Director's Office at the Idaho Department of Fish and Game directly at 208-334-5159 or through the Idaho Relay Service at 1-800-377-2529 (TDD).

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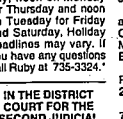
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A Petition by Ryler John Van Zante, born October 25, 1984 in Boise, Idaho now residing at 801 11th Avenue North, Buhl, proposing a change in name to Ryler John Henderson has been filed in the above captioned court, the reason for this change in name being: My stepfather has raised me, and I feel as though he is my real father: The petitioner's father is living.

Such petition will be heard at 9:00 o'clock AM on April 6th, 2004 at the Twin Falls County Courthouse. Objections may be filed by any person who can, in such objections, show to the court a good reason against such a change of name.

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TRAILER 37 Sundowner, 3 horse, front load, 1900 lbs...

704 PETS & PET SUPPLIES
AQUARIUM (2) 50 gallon complete with stand...

705 FARM EQUIPMENT
ACE Toller, hand, 1600 lbs, 10' x 10' x 8'...

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RAILROAD JOSS 8 ft., only 14 months old...

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BERKELEY FT0 pump, 1/2" discharge, 1/2" discharge...

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BEET SHARES 104 shares, Twin Falls area, 2004-2005...

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BUFFET CHINA GLASS
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719 DOM PERIGNON
DOM PERIGNON (1980). Rare find! 11 bottles, \$125 each...

720 BSA SALE
10 Antique Dealers will be selling a large variety of Antiques...

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MAYTAG washer, large capacity, runs great...

722 REFRIGERATOR
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LAWN MOWER, Craftsman, 20HP, riding, 3 years old...

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A FRIENDLY REMINDER
It is against Twin Falls City Ordinance to top dress that are in the City's right-of-ways...

816 BIRTHDAY PHOTOS
Have you forgotten to pick up your birthday photos? We have some photos you are sure you would want. These can be picked up at the Times-News Classified Dept.

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