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# Parties reach tentative water deal

### One-year plan would prevent shutdown of Northside wells

By Julie Pence  
Times-News writer

BOISE — Spring users in the Thousand Springs area and groundwater pumpers on the north side of the Snake River struck a tentative agreement Monday in order to prevent the shutdown of more than 1,300

### Water protests - C1

wells on April 1. If the deal is completed, it would avert — for at least a year — potential economic disaster stemming from curtailment of water to hundreds of dairies, farms, municipalities and businesses in Gooding, Jerome, Lincoln, Minidoka and Blaine counties. Among the proposed agreement's provisions, according to

House Speaker Bruce Newcomb, R-Burley:

- A state loan to groundwater pumpers of about \$500,000 to rent 40,000 acre feet of water to be sent to the spring users. One acre foot of water is enough to cover an acre of land with water a foot deep.
- Pumpers would give \$500,000 to the spring users for mitigation. The pumpers and the spring users will sit down and work out those plans.
- A \$500,000 state appropriation. Please see WATER, Page A2

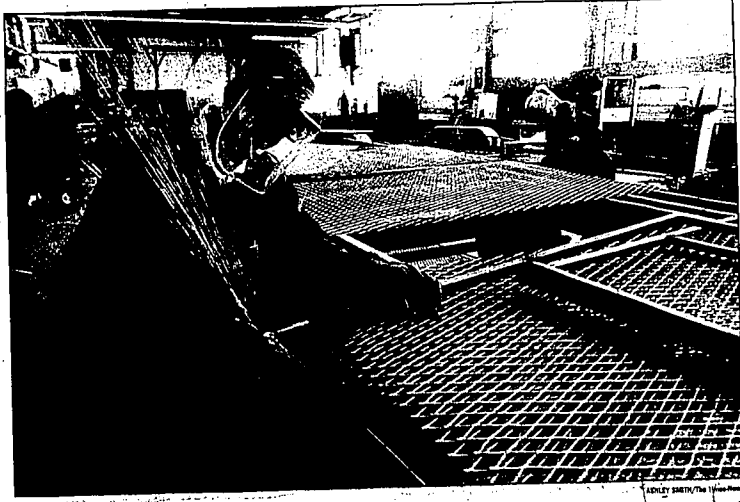
### Points to ponder

An interim legislative study committee will likely look at the following ideas over the next year for a permanent solution to the dispute between surface water users and groundwater pumpers, according to House Speaker Bruce Newcomb:

- **Recharge** — Raising the water table by channeling more water through canals and to targeted areas to allow seepage to reach the aquifer.

- **Drying up land** — The federal government might be called on to pay people off to take land out of production.
- **Living water districts, cloud** — Newcomb suggested that water districts should have the power to shut down water use through buying water rights.
- **Conversion** — An aquifer might be protected by converting pumping rights to surface rights.

## CHANGING PRIORITIES.



James Tracy, a senior in the fabrications class at Twin Falls High School, grinds the welds out on his snowmobile trailer ramp Monday. The agriculture science and technology courses at the school, including the fabrications class, are slated for elimination at the end of the school year.

## District plans to move declining high school ag program to CSI

By Karin Kowalski  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Sparks flew in a shop behind Twin Falls High School Monday afternoon when Jeff Olsen's students repaired trailers as part of the senior fabrication class. Next year, that building could house something else entirely. The high school's agriculture program could be entirely transferred to dual-credit programs at the College of

Southern Idaho next year if the Twin Falls School Board approves the changes. Olsen is speaking out against the plan, saying it would leave a gap in the high school's offerings. "I'm not doing this to save my job," said Olsen, the school's agriculture science and technology teacher. "I think kids need this at the high school level." Olsen said he is leaving at the end of this school year after 15 years of teaching, and Su-

perintendent Wiley Dobbs said there are no plans to replace him. Human Relations Director Linda Baird said the school district will actually expand its offerings by working with CSI and meet its goal of increased cooperation. "It'll actually broaden the program," Baird said. This year Olsen is teaching a greenhouse class where students raise and experiment with vegetable plants, a track with a semester of metals and a

semester of welding and an engines and fabrication track. He has 70 students out of the approximately 1,500 in the school. Five years ago, the program offered offerings including zoology, forestry and wildlife, and floral design and marketing. A full program could include as many as 32 classes. There was also a co-op program where students had jobs and earned class credit. Please see PROGRAM, Page A2

## Irrigators, elderly protest rate hike

By Jennifer Sandmann  
Times-News writer

JEIROME — Irrigator after irrigator stepped up to the microphone Monday night to tell state utility regulators that farms would go under with another Idaho Power Co. rate increase.

Several Magic Valley residents expressed their disapproval at executive pay, company expenses and IDACOR's publicly traded holding company over Idaho Power.

More than 100 people attended a public hearing at the microphone Monday night to tell state utility regulators that farms would go under with another Idaho Power Co. rate increase to allow.

John O'Connor, who farms near Buhl and handles billing and management issues for other farms, said they irrigate with canal water pumped through sprinkler systems or high-lift pumps that draw water from the Snake River. With the 15 percent irrigation rate increase proposed by PUC staff, 900 acres watered by the high-lift pumps could see power costs increase from about \$14,300 last year to more than \$162,000 this year, O'Connor said. If Idaho Power's full 25 percent increase were approved, the cost would rise to \$176,625, he said. Please see POWER, Page A2

**How to comment - A2**

## New Spain leader calls Iraq war a 'disaster'

The Washington Post

MADRID, Spain — Spain's incoming prime minister, Jose Luis Rodriguez Zapatero, offered sharp criticism Monday of the Iraq war and the U.S. occupation and reaffirmed a campaign pledge to withdraw Spanish peacekeeping troops unless the United Nations takes control of the operation by the end of June. In comments a day after the surprise victory of his Socialist Workers' Party, Zapatero made

clear that he would pursue a "cordial" but decidedly more distant relationship with the United States than did his predecessor, Jose Maria Aznar, one of President Bush's closest allies in Europe. "The war has been a disaster; the occupation continues to be a disaster," Zapatero told a radio interviewer. At a news conference later, he called the Iraq war "an error." He added, "It divided more than it united." Please see SPAIN, Page A2

## GOLDEN EAGLES TAKE AIM

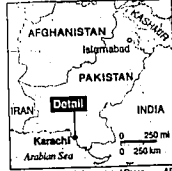
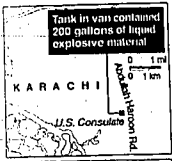


Window light frames freshman Mohamed Kone as he sets up for a three-point shot during the College of Southern Idaho's first scheduled shoot-around at the Hutchison Sports Arena Monday. Both the CSI men's and women's teams are competing in the National Junior College Athletic Association Basketball Tournaments in Hutchinson and Salina, Kan., respectively, this week. See more on B1. COURTESY/The Times-News

## Pakistani police defuse bomb near U.S. Consulate

The Associated Press

KARACHI, Pakistan — Pakistani police defused a large bomb less than five minutes before it was timed to detonate outside the U.S. Consulate on Monday, averting a devastating terrorist attack two days before Secretary of State Colin Powell visits this country. The close call came as President Gen. Pervez Musharraf, a top Washington ally, said a Libyan member of al-Qaida was behind two bombings he narrowly escaped in December. Musharraf vowed to purge Pakistan of hundreds of foreign terrorists. Please see PAKISTAN, Page A8



Pakistani paramilitary troops and security agency officers look into a vehicle containing a water tank, blue, filled with explosives in Karachi, Pakistan, on Monday. Police explosive experts disconnected a timer and detonators attached to the tank, defusing the bomb and sparing the building from 'big destruction,' police said.

TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

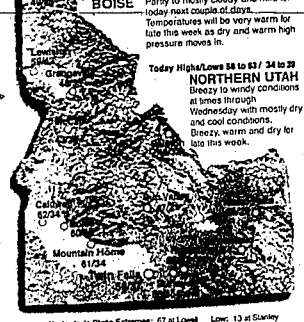
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IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS. There will be scattered rain and snow showers for today and tomorrow but the show activity will be staying to our north.
BOISE Today High 51 to 55. Tonight Low 18 to 28.
NORTHERN UTAH Breezy to windy conditions all times through Wednesday with mostly dry and cool conditions. Breezy, warm and dry for late this week.



TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Today: Mostly sunny, mild and breezy. High 58.
Tonight: Partly cloudy and dry. Low 37.
Wednesday: Breezy and mostly sunny. High 60.
Thursday: Mostly sunny and very nice. High 63.
Friday: Sunny and warm. High 64.
Saturday: A great end of Spring. High 69.

ALMANAC - TWIN FALLS

Table with columns for Temperature, Precipitation, Humidity, Barometric Pressure, Sunrise and Sunset, and Moon Phases.

REGIONAL FORECAST

Table showing regional forecasts for various Idaho cities like Boise, Pocatello, and Idaho Falls.

Yesterday's Weather

Table listing weather conditions and temperatures for various cities like Boise, Pocatello, and Idaho Falls.

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Large table showing national weather forecasts for numerous cities across the United States.

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Table showing world weather forecasts for various international locations.

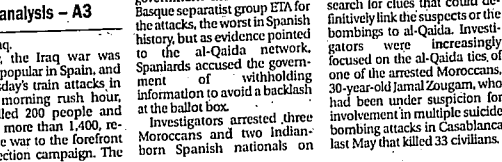
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Table showing Canadian weather forecasts for various cities.

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U. V. INDEX: 1-2 (Low), 3-4 (Moderate), 5-6 (High), 7-8 (Very High), 9-10 (Extreme).

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Program

Continued from A1. Today the students aren't coming. A lot of kids are getting cussed out of this. Olsen said. Sean Blickey, 18, is in the process of rebuilding an old trailer in the senior fabrication class.

Program in decline

Olsen said the program started to decline five years ago when another teaching position was eliminated. At its peak, the program had nearly 100 students coming to participate from the two junior high schools.

but found they fell on deaf ears. He said the district's administration is out of touch with his training students and lacks farm laborers, which he said it has been trying to do.

Susan Westendorf, a coordinator of professional/technical programs for 11 Magic Valley school districts, said increasing academic standards and tighter schools are making it harder for schools to provide extensive technical programs.

Spain

Continued from A1. There were no reasons for it, time has shown that the arguments for it lacked credibility, and the occupation has been combated internationally.

An analysis - A3

ence to Iraq. Initially, the Iraq war was deeply unpopular in Spain, and last Thursday's train attacks in Madrid's morning rush hour, which killed 200 people and wounded more than 1,400, turned the year to the forefront of the election campaign.

government first blamed the Basque separatist group ETA for the attacks, the worst in Spanish history, but as evidence pointed to the al-Qaida network, Spaniards accused the government of misinformation to avoid a backlash against a ballot box.

Saturday, and they continued to search for clues that could definitively link the suspects or the bombings to al-Qaida. Investigators were increasingly focused on the al-Qaida ties of one of the arrested Moroccan, who had been under suspicion for involvement in multiple suicide bombing attacks in Casablanca last May that killed 33 civilians.

Power

Continued from A1. "These kinds of numbers are devastating," O'Connor said. Russell Patterson of Heyburn said power costs are reducing operating margins to the point farmers can't make it, he said.

"I'm appalled at the expenses that they want the ratepayers to pay," Wilcox said. PUC staff found them in an audit. Idaho Power was including in its proposed base rate increase a number of expenses such as \$7,200 for memberships to the exclusive Arid Club in Boise for the company president and vice presidents. PUC staff, in its

How to comment

Written comments on proposed Idaho Power rate increases will be accepted through April 30 and should be mailed to the Idaho Public Utilities Commission Secretary, IPU, P.O. Box 83720, Boise, 83720-0074, and Idaho Power to the attention of Brian Kling and John Gale, P.O. Box 70, Boise, 83707-0070, or by e-mail at bklings@idahopower.com or jgale@idahopower.com.

New rates

Table showing base rate proposals in cents per kilowatt hour for Residential, Sm. Commercial, Lg. Commercial, and Industrial categories, comparing existing rates, proposals, and percentage increases.

of ratepayer dissatisfaction. Some people said they are upset over the fact that has allowed Idaho Power, which serves the basic survival needs of home heating and energy, to fall under the umbrella of IDACORP, a publicly traded holding company beholden to stockholders.

Idaho Power's books are distinct from IDACORP, but the issue continues to surface as an area of concern. Idaho Power has requested the PUC approve an average base rate increase of 17.7 percent, but the actual change might be far less if the commission follows its staff recommendation. PUC staff recommends an average 3.86 percent increase, but it would vary by customer group.

The difference is about \$70.8 million in revenue - \$86.6 million requested by the company and \$14.8 million proposed by the PUC staff.

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Water

Continued from A1. tion in the next fiscal year to the Department of Commerce to help develop the aquaculture industry. Though other exact stipulations won't be available until Wednesday, Gov. Dirk Kempthorne and Newcomb said the agreement is actually only a three-year solution to a water war that has potentially more impact than any previous water dispute in the state's history.

greater than Swan Falls," Kempthorne said, referring to a dispute in the 1980s that resulted in the largest water rights adjudication in U.S. history. The \$60 million project is still not completed. The Swan Falls water fight addresses the rights of hydropower facilities. Kempthorne pointed out. The current dispute brings both Magic Valley surface water users and groundwater pumpers to the table for the first time to address aquifer depletion.

Four years of drought, coupled with changing irrigation practices, have contributed to water shortages for spring users in the Thousand Springs area. Those Magic Valley water users could easily trigger a domino effect so that many other water users on the 10,000-square-mile Eastern Snake River Plain would be affected in short order, Newcomb said.

In addition, the plan calls for the 2004 Legislature to approve an aquaculture commission. Two extra state workers would be hired. One would work in the Department of Water Resources to help monitor the aquifer. The other would go to Commerce to help develop the aquaculture program.

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Advertisement for the Information Line with phone number 735-3350 and icons for Ski, Lottery, and Weather information.

CORRECTION

Shepard directs development commission. Bob Shepard's name was misspelled in Friday's newspaper. Shepard is the director of the Mini-Cassia Development Commission. Times-News regrets the error.

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NATION

Photos of sex offenders printed in paper spark privacy debate

MUNCIE, Ind. (AP) - Robert Enoch was starting to turn his life around last fall. He had moved out of the car and in with his girlfriend, and they had gotten engaged. He soon landed a job driving a tow truck. Then the local paper ran photographs of him and 62 other sex offenders on the front page.

The harassing phone calls began. Within a few days, Enoch lost his job. His fiancée stayed with him, but the convicted child molester otherwise found himself a pariah in his community once more. "When I saw my picture in the paper, I was more upset and mad, more than anything else," said the 33-year-old Enoch, who served two years behind bars for molesting a relative and has been out of prison for a decade. "What happened in the past, leave in the past, don't bring it back up."

At least five of the 63 Muncie-area men and women pictured in 'The Star Press' on Feb. 15 have lost their jobs, some of them because they had not revealed their past to their employers, said Sheriff's Deputy Steve Case.

What the newspaper did has divided this industrial city of 66,000 and stirred debate among journalists.

Other papers around the country have run photos of sex offenders. But 'The Star Press' may have gone further than most, devoting half the front page of the Sunday paper to the photos. It also listed the offenders' crimes along with their home addresses inside the paper.

The information on the 60 men and three women was



The front page of 'The Star Press' in Muncie, Ind., on Feb. 4, 2004 displayed photos of 63 people in the Muncie area on Indiana's sex-offender registry.

drawn from Indiana's sex-offender registry, established in 1994 to give people a way of learning whether neighbors, coaches and others in their midst are released rapists or child molesters. Those identified by the newspaper had been on the state registry for anywhere from a few months to nearly 10 years. "I would like to see you publish this information at least once a month on the front page," one reader wrote. "Great job," said another.

Others were outraged. Some compared the photos to public

stockades and the scarlet-letter treatment. Another warned that printing the offenders' addresses could open them to retaliation.

"You paint the least offender with the stigma of the worst. You weaken relationships, you jeopardize trust, and you can ruin people's lives," one letter-writer said.

Star Press Executive Editor Evan Miller said the newspaper realized that some of the 63 could suffer, but "we made a decision that the information was more valuable than the potential for fallout."

Women get birth control without first visiting doctor

SEATTLE (AP) - Step right up to the pharmacy counter, answer 23 questions and walk out with birth control pills.

That's all it takes for women enrolled in a study that is believed to be the first effort in the nation to offer hormonal contraceptives at drugstores without a doctor's prescription.

The University of Washington project aims to find out if women and pharmacists are comfortable with drugstore delivery of birth control pills, patches and vaginal rings.

That doesn't mean women should stop going to the doctor for annual checkups to guard against sexually transmitted diseases and other problems. But most medical organizations agree it is not necessary to have a pelvic exam to get birth control pills and the like.

The best situation is for every woman to have immediate access to medical care, "but there are women who don't have access, and there are some barriers and difficulties," said Dr. Robert Palmer Jr., an obstetrician-gynecologist on the study's advisory board.

Astronomers discover icy world beyond Pluto

LOS ANGELES (AP) - It is a frozen world more than 8 billion miles from Earth and believed to be the farthest known object within our solar system.

NASA planned a Monday press conference to offer more details about Sedna, a planetoid between 800 miles and 1,100 miles in diameter, or about three-quarters the size of Pluto.

Named for the Inuit goddess who created the sea creatures of the Arctic, Sedna lies more than three times farther from the sun than Pluto. It was discovered in November.

Sedna is the largest object found orbiting the sun since the discovery of Pluto, the ninth planet, in 1930.

It trumps in size another world, called Quaoar, discovered by the same team in 2002.

White House suggests Kerry lied

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Bush administration cast doubt on John Kerry's credibility Monday, strongly suggesting that the presumptive Democratic nominee lied when he said some foreign leaders privately backed his presidential bid. Kerry denied the White House's assertion, saying "I stand by my statement."

"I'm not making anything up at all," Kerry told 'The Associated Press.' "They're just trying to change the subject."

In a telephone interview, Kerry said "it's no secret" that people in some countries are deeply divided about our foreign policy. We have lost respect and influence in the world," he said.

"I stand by my statement. The point is not the leaders," Kerry added. "What's important is that this administration's foreign policy is not making us as safe as we can be in the world."

One day after Secretary of State Colin Powell called on

Kerry to identify his foreign backers but made no accusations, the administration ratcheted up the challenge, saying Kerry should identify the leaders who purportedly have helped President Bush in November.

"Either he is straightforward and states who they are, or the only conclusion one can draw is that he is making it up to attack the president," said White House spokesman Scott McClellan.

Saudi shootout results in death of al-Qaida leader

RIYADH, Saudi Arabia (AP) - Saudi security forces killed two militants, including one considered al-Qaida's chief of operations on the Arabian Peninsula, in a shootout in the capital of Riyadh on Monday, U.S. and Saudi officials said.

A Saudi Interior Ministry statement said the two were killed in the al-Nassee neighborhood, in eastern Riyadh, in an exchange of fire with security forces on Monday afternoon.

Abu Izzat al-Shari, a Yemeni believed to be about 30, was the senior al-Qaida figure in the region, a U.S. counterterrorism official said, speaking on the condition of anonymity. The official said his death represented a "major very significant blow" to al-Qaida. "This guy was involved in ongoing terrorist planning and plotting," the official added.

The Saudi Interior Ministry identified the dead as Khaled Ali Haj, a Yemeni, and Ibrahim bin Abdul-Aziz bin Muhammad al-Mozzini, a Saudi. Haj is another named used by Abu Izzat, according to the U.S. counterterrorism official, who ranked third on the government's list of 26 other dead militant names was not on the list.

The suspects were riding in a vehicle and refused to stop for a spot identification check by members of the security forces. The suspects began shooting at the security forces, who returned fire, killing the two, the statement said.

Police say Fresno victims were shot

FRESNO, Calif. (AP) - All nine family members who were discovered in a Fresno home over the weekend had been shot to death, the coroner's office said Monday.

Investigators were still working to determine the relationships among the victims, who were found tangled in a pile of clothes when police went to the home about a child custody dispute Friday.

Marcus Wesson, thought to be the father and grandfather of the victims, walked out of the home covered in blood and was booked on suspicion of nine counts of murder. Authorities said Wesson, 57, may have been involved in piggybacking and thought to have fathered children with at least six women, including two of his own daughters. Police said Wesson has cooperated with the investigation but no motive had been determined. Wesson's arraignment was scheduled for Wednesday; bail was set at \$9 million.

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WORLD

Observers criticize Russian elections

MOSCOW - European observers said Monday that Russia's presidential election fell short of democratic standards, citing vote count flaws that kept incumbent Vladimir Putin's rivals out of the spotlight.

Putin was swept to a second four-year term in a campaign and voting that "overall did not adequately reflect principles necessary for a healthy democratic election process," said Julian Peal Yates, head of the observer mission from the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe.

A joint mission by the OSCE and the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe stated in its report that observers said state-controlled media displayed a "clear bias" in favor of Putin, lavishing the incumbent with overwhelmingly positive coverage in amounts "far beyond what was reasonably proportionate to his role as head of state."

**Thailand argues over nightlife closing times**  
BANGKOK, Thailand - Thailand's internationally renowned, multimillion-dollar nightlife industry has scored a victory of sorts against the powerful government, but the bar girls are no happy campers.

Efforts to keep the young from drugs, sex and alcohol the government approved a regulation in February to move up the closing time - to midnight from 2 a.m. - for bars, clubs, restaurants and massage parlors outside a few designated areas. The move drew applause from parents and teachers, but a storm of protest from the businesses affected.

In the end, the government backed off some, saying entertainment venues can stay open until 1 a.m.

**Ruling aids opponents of Venezuela's president**  
CARACAS, Venezuela - Venezuela's Supreme Court gave a major boost Monday to opponents of President Hugo Chavez, ruling that signatures on recall petitions need not be validated.

The high court overturned a decision by the National Election Council to force more than 870,000 citizens to confirm they signed the petitions seeking a vote to recall Chavez.

The ruling, while not guaranteeing a recall, was a big victory for Chavez's opponents, who had claimed the council's decision had made holding the referendum nearly impossible. If the citizens don't come forward, Chavez opponents would have more than enough signatures to trigger the vote.

**WHO: Drug resistance hampers some countries**

LONDON - Drug-resistant tuberculosis is a particular problem in parts of the former Soviet Union and China, but data is lacking for other potential hot spots, the World Health Organization reported Tuesday.

Data from 67,657 TB patients found the worst problem in Kazakhstan and in Israel, where 14.2 of the cases were resistant to two or more drugs.

The WHO estimates there are 300,000 new cases per year of multiple-drug-resistant TB around the world, and 79 percent of MDR-TB cases now show resistance to three or more drugs.

**Gates Foundation gives \$47M for AIDS in India**

NEW DELHI - The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation on Monday donated \$47 million to private agencies carrying out AIDS prevention programs in India, a senior foundation official said.

The money will help significantly expand access to AIDS prevention programs among high-risk groups in the Indian states of Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu, Manipur and Nagaland, said Rajat Gupta, who heads the board of Avahan - the India AIDS Initiative - of the Gates Foundation.

Sharon cancels peace talks

JERUSALEM (AP) - Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon (AP) - ruled out negotiations with the Palestinians, accusing them of doing nothing to stop terror attacks a day after a double suicide bombing killed 10 Israelis.

The declaration dealt a blow to efforts to restart peace talks, clearing the way for the prime minister's proposal to withdraw from the Gaza Strip and impose a boundary in the West Bank unilaterally.

Addressing Israel's parliament, Sharon said Sunday's attack at the Israeli seaport of Ashdod "reinforces the understanding that there is no Palestinian leader with the

courage, the ability, to struggle against terror. Clearly, in this situation, there will be no political negotiations," he said. Palestinian Cabinet minister Saeb Erekat called Sharon's declaration "unfortunate."

"This was a very grave development which will not add anything to efforts to revive the peace process, but will only add to the complexities," he said.

U.S. officials and international mediators have pushed Israel and the Palestinians to implement the "road map" peace plan, which calls for an immediate end to violence and the creation of a Palestinian state by next year.



Palestinian militants take up positions Sunday in the Nasserat refugee camp in the Gaza Strip, from which Israel is considering withdrawing.

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# Shootings kill three Americans

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Three American civilians were killed and two were wounded in a drive-by shooting Monday in the northern city of Mosul, the U.S. military said. Hospital officials said two of the dead were women.

The victims worked for a non-governmental organization, and the wounded among them were taken to the U.S. Army combat support hospital in Mosul, said

**Nation/World**  
in brief  
Air Force Lt. Col. Tom Gilroy, a military spokesman in Baghdad, No. Identities were provided nor was the name of the organization for which the victims worked.

The victims were attacked by two or three men in a car, witnesses said.

## Anti-war protesters march to White House

WASHINGTON — War protesters marched more than five miles Monday to the White House from Walter Reed Army Medical Center, where many wounded soldiers are treated, urging President Bush to bring U.S. troops home from Iraq.

Carrying memorial wreaths, more than 100 demonstrators read names of hundreds of war victims printed on slips of paper, which they then placed in a mock coffin.

The demonstration was part of a two-day rally that began Sunday in Dover, Del., to mark this week's one-year anniversary of the war. Participating were veterans and members of families who have lost loved ones.

## Soldier who refused to return to Iraq surrenders

HANSCOM AIR FORCE BASE, Mass. — A Florida soldier who refused to return to duty in Iraq turned himself in to military authorities on Monday, saying he would seek conscription object status.

Accompanied by his lawyer, Staff Sgt. Camilo Mejia, Staff Sgt. Camilo Mejia

surrendered at the base's gate to two military police officers, who drove him away.

"I am saying no to war. I have chosen peace," Mejia said earlier at a news conference by anti-war activists. "I went to Iraq and was an instrument of violence and now I have decided to become an instrument of peace."

## Army admits error in seeking names from panel

AUSTIN, Texas — Army Intelligence and Security Command agents overstepped their authority when they sought information on civilian participants at a University of Texas conference on Islam, the Army said.

Two counterintelligence agents from Fort Hood, near Killeen, went to the university's law school on Feb. 9, seeking information on people who attended the conference, "Islam and the Law: The Question of Secularism."

The Army is prohibited from investigating civilians unless the FBI waives its jurisdiction or requests assistance, said Deborah Parker, a spokeswoman for the Army Intelligence and Security Command, based in Fort Belvoir, Va.

## U.S. forces, insurgents battle at Afghan caves

KABUL, Afghanistan — U.S.-led troops surprised eight enemy fighters in a cave city last week in southeastern Afghanistan, prompting a gun-battle in which three militants were killed and five others were wounded, the American military said Monday.

The fighting was the first reported by the U.S. military since the March 7 start of a new sweep for insurgents and terror leaders, including Osama bin Laden and Taliban chief Mullah Mohammed Omar.

The Taliban and their allies appear to have launched their own new offensive along the invisible Afghan-Pakistan frontier, killing an Afghan soldier at checkpoints in the last attack — compiled from wire reports

# U.S. allies in Iraq hold firm, despite Madrid fallout

LONDON (AP) — Governments helping rebuild Iraq pledged Monday to stay the course, though there were signs of nervousness after terror bombings in Madrid possibly linked to al-Qaida and the defeat of the Spanish government that sent peacekeepers. Only Spain's newly elected leader said he would withdraw troops.

Britain, which is America's closest ally and has the second-largest contingent of troops, insisted the coalition must remain committed to bringing stability and democracy to Iraq. So far, no significant opposition party has called for a withdrawal.

Poland, which leads a multinational force in southern Iraq, said a pullout would hand a victory to terrorists. Prime Minister Leszek Miller pledged to stay with the peacekeeping mission despite pressure from opposition lawmakers.

"It would amount to an admission that the terrorists are right and that they are stronger than the whole civilized world," Miller said.

The European Union, meanwhile, announced it would hold high-level security talks Friday in Brussels, Belgium, to assess additional anti-terrorism measures, including a continentwide intelligence service and a European arrest warrant.

Irish Prime Minister Bertie Ahern said Monday that proposals would also include a "solidarity clause" committing nations to help each other in response to terror attacks, as well as appointment of a security coordinator to oversee counter-terrorism measures, improved intelligence sharing and closer cooperation with outside nations to combat terrorism.

Last October, Poland and Spain, also a U.S. ally in Iraq, were named as possible targets on a taped message attributed to al-Qaida leader Osama bin Laden.

But British Foreign Secretary Jack Straw said Monday that all countries, not just those who supported the campaign to topple Saddam Hussein, were the targets of terrorists.

"We are under a threat from most every other country in the world," Straw told British Broadcasting Corp. radio.



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NATION

How would a new attack on U.S. affect coming election?

By Terence Hunt Associated Press writer

Analysis

WASHINGTON - Even before the bombings in Madrid, White House officials were warning that terrorists might strike the United States before the November elections.

Americans have supported their president. After Sept. 11, 2001, Bush soared in the polls. That standing has softened over time but still remains strong reinforced by the fact that America has not been hit again.

But Kohut and others say the rally effect could diminish, particularly if Americans doubted Bush's ability to protect them or thought the war on Iraq played any part. His anti-terrorism standing might be weakened by other factors, too, such as doubts about his handling of the economy, analysts say.

How the Democrats responded to a possible attack would figure in as well.

"It has been made a political issue already," said Columbia University political scientist Robert Shapiro. "It's no longer the attack out of nowhere like 9-11 was," he said.

There's a context for it that's very different."

Kerry has been probing for Bush weaknesses on the international front, accusing the president of alienating allies at a time when the United States needed them the most. Kerry claims that some foreign leaders have told him privately that they would prefer him in the White House.

The administration has made no attempt to hide its concern

about another attack.

"We live in an age of terror, in which ruthless enemies seek to destroy not only our nation and not only to destroy freedom as a way of life," National Security Adviser Condoleezza Rice said last week. She spoke of "our worst nightmare" of attack by chemical, biological or nuclear weapons at the hands of terrorists.

Bush regularly talks about the threat in his stump speeches. In his State of the Union address, he said it was tempting to think after more than two years, that

the danger was behind Americans. "That hope is understandable, comforting, and false," Bush said.

Brookings Institution political analyst Stephen Hess said issues such as terrorist attacks are troublesome for campaigns because they represent the unknown, or a strategist as much as trying to contemplate the unknown, trying to factor it in, what would happen."

Terence Hunt has covered the White House since the Reagan presidency.

"That's an amazing impact of a terrorist event, to change the party in power," said Jerrold Press, a former CIA profiler who directs the political psychology program at George Washington University.

"The implications of this are fairly staggering," agreed Stanley Beneshon of City University of New York. "This is the first time that a terrorist act has influenced a democratic election. This is a gigantic, loud wake-up call. There's no one they like to have out of office more than George W. Bush."

In political terms, the question is whether an attack would cause Americans to rally around Bush or blame him for the nation's vulnerabilities.

Bush has made the war on terrorism his trademark issue, spending tens of billions of dollars at home and abroad in the name of fighting terrorists. Polls show it's his strongest suit in his re-election battle against Democrat John Kerry.

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The settlement calls for Bridgestone-Firestone, North American Tire to pay an estimated \$70 million to replace tires, \$41 million to manufacture better tires, \$15.5 million on a consumer education campaign, and \$19 million for attorneys' fees. The company also has paid \$3.5 million to notify owners of the settlement.

The settlement could affect 15 million people. The 45 named plaintiffs each could receive up to \$2,500. Those who own one of four types of tires between 1991 and 2001, can have their tires replaced.

Pakistan

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It was not clear who was behind the two suicide bombings on the streets of Karachi - Pakistan's largest city of 14 million people and scene of a wave of anti-Western bombings since the Sept. 11, 2001 attacks - but suspicions immediately focused on Islamic extremists blamed for previous blasts.

Pakistan's military leader has engaged radicals through his backing of the U.S.-led war on terrorism. Musharraf switched allegiance in the days after Sept. 11, withdrawing support for Afghanistan's Taliban militia government and working with Washington on engineering its ouster.

Pakistani police, using footage from surveillance cameras at the consulate, said a man dressed in a traditional Pakistani tunic parked a van outside the heavily guarded consulate at 7:14 a.m., and fled in a following car after he was challenged by a paramilitary guard.

A police investigator, Qazi Chand, told AP that "only four and a half minutes were left for the bomb to detonate when bomb disposal experts successfully defused it." One of the experts suffered a slight injury to his hand as he removed the timer and detonator from the tank.

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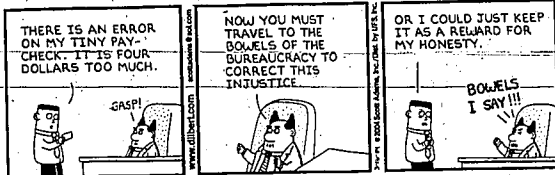
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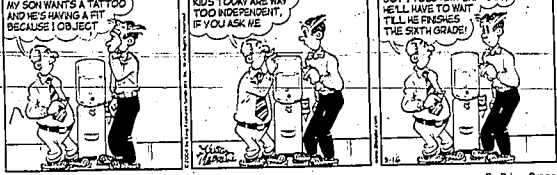
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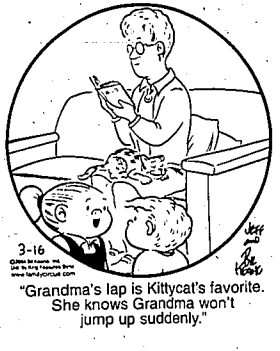
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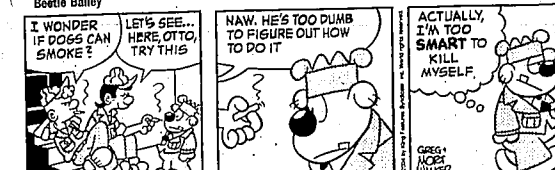
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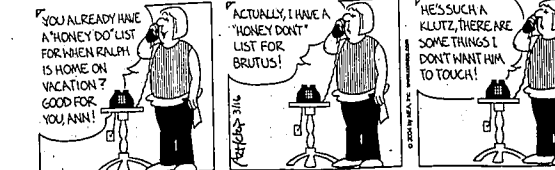
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## EDITORIAL

### Reward for drug testing sends wrong message

Respective college students, get ready for another high-stakes test. You've heard of the SAT, the JSAT, and the ACT. Now get ready for the C-UP.

Under legislation passed by the Idaho House last week, high school students who pass four years of voluntary drug testing could qualify for state scholarship money. Over four years, a student who abstains from drugs, alcohol and tobacco could accumulate \$1,000 in scholarship money for college or technical schooling in Idaho.

**Our view:** Since when does the state of Idaho need to reward its students for obeying the law?

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

ward its students for obeying the law? If state government has to pay kids for avoiding drugs, alcohol and cigarettes, then what's next — scholarships for those who avoid shoplifting, jaywalking and back-seat high jinx at the drive-in?

This program aims to do a big favor, but it won't.

When society tells youths they should be responsible for making wise and healthy decisions, we fuel a sense of entitlement. If we see their drug-free lifestyle as a financial decision — not a moral or ethical one — then we will have lost the spirit of fighting drug abuse.

We should teach our kids that when they avoid drugs, alcohol and tobacco, they're choosing something much more important than a check from the state. They are determining their own path to a bright future, with healthy bodies and bright minds, while avoiding other influences that could change their lives for the worse.

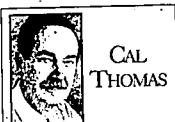
Idaho lawmakers may have sound intentions for rewarding high school kids who stay clean. And in our view, random drug testing does have merit in our schools. But high school students need to be taught that avoiding drugs, alcohol and cigarettes should be the norm, not the exception. This legislation fails to do that.

### MIXED MESSAGES... SENT TO OUR NEIGHBORS IN THE SOUTH!



### Bombings prove: We're at war

The dramatic upset by Spain's Socialist Party in Sunday's election represents a setback in the war on terror. The killers of 200 people on trains in Madrid last week made a horrific act would change the course of the election and put in office a new president who opposes Spain's participation in the stabilization of Iraq.



Cal Thomas

Incumbent Prime Minister Jose Luis Rodriguez Zapatero has promised to bring home Spain's 1,300 troops from Iraq when their tour of duty closes at the end of June. Nonetheless, Osama bin Laden must be having Europeans learned anything from history? Don't they recall the resignation of Austria's president in 1938 and the annexation of his country by Germany? This merely increased Hitler's appetite, and he launched World War II by invading Czechoslovakia following British and French appeasement at Munich. Spain will make itself and the rest of the West less safe if Zapatero follows through on his promise of a troop withdrawal.

Whether those responsible for the Madrid bombings prove to be linked to Al Qaeda, Basque separatists or a freelance organization that seeks to use Al Qaeda's "brand" to gain visibility, it is all terrorism. Whether the IRA in Northern Ireland, Palestinian terrorists in the Middle East or Chechen rebels in Russia, those who would kill the innocent in pursuit of their objectives must first be killed. They must be harassed, wired, eliminated, shut down and disarmed. Their meeting places — mosques, churches or secular hideouts — must be exposed, closed and bulldozed. Anyone who still doubts throughout the doctrine of pre-emption should be invoked throughout the world is either one of them or seriously deluded.

Osama bin Laden. He claims to have nuclear suitcase bombs in several major American cities and in London, Paris and Berlin. He demands that the United States withdraw support for Israel and Saudi Arabia and pledge not to intervene as he leads a war against Jerusalem and Riyadh. If we try to stop him, he threatens to detonate his bombs, killing millions.

The free world cannot afford to wait until that day. It must cooperatively and immediately take an aggressive, unforgiving and effective stance that will neutralize terrorists wherever they are hiding and working to destroy us, our economy, our freedoms and no time of life. There will be no time for appeals to the United Nations or negotiations with sick people who think they are going to heaven and want to send us to hell.

The possibility that terrorists will try to repeat their political success in Spain during America's election season will be greatly enhanced if Spain cuts and runs. President Bush has done more to stand up to terror and evil than any president since Ronald Reagan. If he is elected president, Sen. John Kerry would return American decision-making to the dithering and powerless United Nations, which is precisely what America's enemies would like to see.

Imagine this. A tape is sent to Al-Jazeera with the face and

There is no time for seminars at which academics and other remainders from the '60s ponder the question, "Why do they hate us?" We shouldn't care. The question should be, "How quickly can we eliminate them before they come after us again?" They cannot be placated or converted, and the longer we pretend they can, the more bombings and death we will see.

This election in Spain is a sign that the horrors of 9/11 in New York and Washington and now 3/11 in Madrid are not the end of it. They are just the beginning.

This is a world war, and we had better start behaving like we are in one. Our enemies are.

Cal Thomas hosts 'After Hours' on Fox News Channel Saturdays.

## LETTERS

### Greed drives hospital to stifle competition

The March 5 headline, "Hospital's outpatient services grows," caught my attention.

Not only is one reason for outpatient growth not mentioned by Mr. John Crossbeck, but he does not want you to know! What this Magic Valley Regional Medical Center (that's regional; owned only by the citizens of Twin Falls County) administration does not want you to know is that they have stifled all competition so that they can soak the public with whatever charges they please.

The "magic" has gone out of this institution. Great centers most Twin Falls doctors have sold out to Magic Valley Regional and now owe their souls to the company store (hospital). Little wonder the hospital administration wants to hide its shenanigans from the public. It wants to keep its illegal status so as to hide all public information from The Times-News. We the owners are not to know what our hospital is doing to us.

But I ramble. What I really started out to complain about is a simple wrinkle in greed. A few weeks ago, I met an appointment at a doctor's office. I did not resent the \$60 for 15 minutes of the doctor's time. What I resented was that our beloved, great center had a Medicare rate for "outpatient services." Calls to many offices resulted in total disclaimers. No one knew what the charge was for.

My health insurance statement indicated a hospital charge of \$40 and a Medicare rate of \$58, plus I still owed Magic Valley Regional, Medical Center \$14. Somehow my math is faulty. I simply cannot get \$58 plus \$14 to add up to \$49. This resulted in a payment plan of \$18 a month and an additional bill of \$14 to me (plus or minus \$132).

I strongly believe that \$132 is a bit exorbitant for an office call. The \$14 is not the sticking point. Call your Medicare rate by insurance and Medicare, but who do you imagine paid the premiums for the insurance and Medicare?

The problem is the greed of the hospital administration. The problem provided no service whatsoever. I thought this might have been an isolated occurrence, but it has happened twice with another family member. The public is entitled to a complete explanation of this hospital's policies as regards to the doctor's practices it has bought. I can hardly wait for St. Ben's to get going at the crossroads!

LESLIE L. DEAN  
Twin Falls

### Double standard applies to two famous women

You just have to love this country. The double standards are really something else.

Take two powerful women, both known for their tempers and foul mouths. One loves Big Bill, the other can't stand him.

One makes a profit of \$50,000 with one phone call in a shady way and most likely will do jail time.

The other invests \$1,000 and gets a return of \$100,000, also in a shady way and walks free. One lives in the FBI and will do jail time.

The other's hubby lies to a federal judge — that's called perjury no matter how you slice it — and, like his wife, walks out with no jail time.

I guess the prosecuting district attorney figured that being married to her was enough punishment.

MIKE SIMMONS  
Buhl

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### Make sure you've made funeral arrangements

This may happen to you. Please make arrangements before someone takes it out of your hands. No one should have to die without dignity. My brother-in-law recently passed away in a local nursing home. He had a court-appointed guardian. His burial insurance that he had paid for years was canceled one year and four months before he died by someone in charge. He had a retirement check every month, a home, vehicle and Social Security but they could not pay his \$14,900 premium for him. The funeral home took a loss of more than \$1,000 for his cremation.

the crematorium floor now has a huge crack in it. It could have exploded. The walls of the building were crumbling. My brother-in-law moved to Twin Falls to be near his sister (my wife) and our two sons in 1982. His photo album is full of pictures of us. We were important to him as he was to us, but we are not considered his family. The guardian's name appears on the death certificate under family.

His belongings were donated before we could agree; the guardian wanted to keep his photo album of our beloved family. Please make arrangements before this could happen to you or your loved ones.

RANDOLPH KING  
Twin Falls

### Justice system hasn't yet aided Eden shooting case

This letter is in response to the Feb. 24 ruling by U.S. District Court Judge Mikel Williams concerning the Jan. 3, 2001, shooting deaths of Eden resident Tim Williams and Jerome County Sheriff's deputies James Moulton and Phillip Anderson.

Honorable Judge Williams: Could you possibly explain to me and all the other citizens of the great state of Idaho why, from any day of hearing concerning this horrible tragedy, where all the involved parties are required to testify under oath?

Three men died on Jan. 3, 2001, as a result of violence, and there was not even a coroner's inquest. Why?

Judge Williams: How can you possibly decide to do with any of 12 reasonable men and women would conclude if they were ever allowed to see all of the evidence involved? Again, what is the reason every effort has been made to

keep the facts and evidence from an official jury hearing? Under our judicial system, is justice not decided by a jury? Could one of the reasons be that the honorable judge who shut down the warrant for Tim Williams' house (there were two on the night of Jan. 3, 2001) now sits on the Idaho Supreme Court?

Judge Williams: By your ruling on this case, you have shown to me and a lot of other honest people the "good of boys" are alive and well in the great state of Idaho.

PAUL R. ROBERTS  
Twin Falls

### Signs gave local soldier a wonderful welcome

With the troop rotation that has been taking place the last few months in Iraq, we began to wonder how the Magic Valley would welcome those

soldiers home, or if there would be any support at all.

What an awesome feeling to drive the streets of Twin Falls, Filer and in between and see the signs on area businesses, schools and churches welcoming several soldiers home.

As a family member of one of these soldiers, it fills me with pride knowing that so many would show their support. What a great community to live in!

TERESA JONES  
Twin Falls

(Editor's note: Teresa Jones is an aunt of Spc. Gerald Hays Jr., who is in the Army, stationed in Fort Campbell, Ky., and home for a 30-day leave.)

### Correction

The writer's name was spelled incorrectly on Thursday's letter from Terri Fisher. The Times-News regrets the error.

### Doonesbury



### Mallard Fillmore



# Jamaica sparks tiff with Haiti

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti (AP) — Ousted Haitian President Jean-Bertrand Aristide, defying the U.S. and Haiti's Monday, returned to the Caribbean Monday, arriving in Jamaica where he had been given temporary asylum. Aristide's return to the Western Hemisphere, two weeks after he was ousted to the Central African Republic to end a rebel uprising, recalled his ambassador to Jamaica and suspend relations.

A U.S. Marine, meanwhile, was shot in the arm while patrolling a pro-Aristide neighborhood of Port-au-Prince, the U.S. military announced Monday, the first American peacekeeping casualty in the current operation. His wound was not life-threatening. U.S. troops have been attacked several times and have shot and killed at least six Haitians in the past week. Aristide's arrival in Jamaica has increased tensions in Haiti, where his

followers plan more protests to demand the return of the country's first democratically elected leader. Aristide arrived with his wife, Mildred, at Norman Manley International Airport in Kingston, the Jamaican capital, 130 miles from Haiti. A Jamaican protocol officer said he was being taken by helicopter to a residence of Jamaican Prime Minister P.J. Patterson. Haiti's new U.S.-backed leader, interim Prime Minister Gerard Latortue, said

he was recalling the ambassador in Kingston, putting diplomatic relations with Jamaica on hold, and reconsidering Haiti's position with the 15-member Caribbean Community, which currently is chaired by Patterson. Jamaican officials have said Aristide will visit for only eight to 10 weeks to be reunited with his two young daughters, who had been sent for safety to New York City and while he makes plans for a permanent home in exile in a third country.

# STRAWBERRY FIELDS FOREVER

It's no accident that the Beatles chose to sing about Strawberry Fields rather than raspberry fields, banana fields, or (heaven forbid) potato fields. Fresh strawberries are, after all, remarkably sweet, tasty, and satisfying. Of course, the sad irony is that real strawberry fields are not forever — you really only get three or four weeks every Spring to stuff your face with as many fresh

strawberries as your digestive system can handle (unless, of course, you're willing to pay off-season prices that could make even the fabulously wealthy Paul McCartney blush). Fortunately, at Swensen's Markets we're ready to help you make the most of this short strawberry season — by offering you truly amazing prices on some of the best strawberries Magic Valley has to offer.

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Sports Editor: Joe Paisley, 735-3239 (Hours: 2-11 p.m.)

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Section B

MORNING LINE

SPORTSQUOTE

Women over 40 used to be little old ladies. But now women over 40 are hell on wheels.

Boston Marathon pioneer Kathrine Switzer on age barriers being broken by runner Joan Samuelson

TRIVIA

QUESTION: What former Saint Joseph's coach also coached in the NBA and won a title?

...answer below

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

College basketball
Women, National Tournament, Salina, Kansas
CSI vs Seward County (Kan.) 5:15 p.m. MST

High school basketball
District IV all-star games, Twin Falls High gym
Girls, 6 p.m.; Boys, 7:30 p.m.

High school golf
Twining, Wendell, Oakley at Filer, Blue Lakes CC, 1 p.m.
Wood Falls, Highland, Poacello, Skyline, Idaho Falls, Minico at T.E. Municipal CC, 9 a.m.

Deco, Valley, The Community School at Kimberly, Pleasant Valley CC, 2 p.m.
Wood River, Glenns Ferry, Hagerman, Magic Valley Christian at Buhl, Clear Lakes CC, 2 p.m.

High school softball
Buhl at Jerome, 3:30 p.m.
Wood River at Deco, 2, 3:30 p.m.
Wood River IV at Wendell, 3:30 p.m.
Filer at Twin Falls JV, 2, 3:30 p.m.
Glenns Ferry at Kimberly, 2, 3:30 p.m.

High school baseball
Burley at Jerome, 4 p.m.
Filer at Buhl, 3:30 p.m.
Glenns Ferry at Kimberly, 2, 3:30 p.m.
Wood River JV at Wendell, 3:30 p.m.

High school tennis
Jerome at Minico, 3:30 p.m.

IN BRIEF

Jerome Rec hosts softball meeting

JEROME - The Jerome Recreation District will hold the countywide softball meeting on Wednesday, April 7 at 6:30 p.m. in the Jerome Recreation Center conference room.

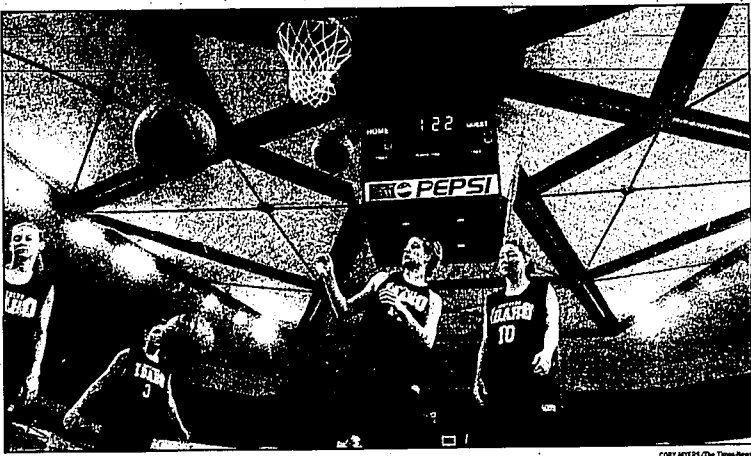
Heyburn/Paul all-star tryouts continue today

HEYBURN - Tryouts for the boys ages 8-10 Heyburn/Paul traveling all-star team will be held starting Monday, March 15 from 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the Heyburn ball field. Tryouts will also continue on Tuesday, March 16 between the same hours.

TRIVIA ANSWER:

Jack Ramsay, who coached at his alma mater from 1955 to 1966. In the NBA, he coached Philadelphia (1968-72), Buffalo (1972-76), Portland (1976-86) and Indiana (1985-87). He won a title with Portland in 1977.

Will Eagles fly IN KANSAS' SKY?



Golden Eagle freshmen, from right, Krystin Patterson, Denisa Svarova, Deleeta Jernigan and Sidney Orndorff go after loose balls during a shoot-around at the Bicentennial Center in Salina, Kansas Monday.

CSI women see stiff test at nationals

By Kevin Colbert
Times-News writer
TWIN FALLS - Playing the fourth-ranked team in the country can be a daunting task, but it's one the College of Southern Idaho women's basketball team may just be able to handle.

The 13th-seeded and 21st-ranked Golden Eagles (26-6 overall) will find out if they are up to the test when they battle fourth-seeded Seward Community College (Kan.) today at 5:15 p.m. MST in the first round of the National Junior College Athletic Association Women's Division I Basketball Tournament in Salina, Kan.

The winner will face the winner of Wednesday's Southeastern Illinois/Central Arizona game at 3 p.m. MST Thursday. The losers will meet at CSI.

CSI head coach Randy Rogers knows his team faces a tall order.

NJCAA women's national basketball tournament

Today's game
No. 13 CSI vs. No. 4 Seward CC (Kan.), 5:15 p.m. MST

Note: CSI beat writer Kevin Colbert and chief photographer Cory Meyers are in Kansas this week providing the latest from the national tournaments.

But he also knows Seward (31-2) is a squad the Eagles can compete with, as two games from this season would seem to indicate.

Two fellow Scenic West Athletic Conference members - the College of Eastern Utah and Dixie State College - played the

Lady Saints this season. CEU, which CSI defeated three games out of four, beat Seward, 79-71 in late December. Dixie also played today a day later before falling, 75-67.

"They're good," Rogers said. "We're going to have to play extremely well to win, but they're beatable. We match up size-wise, but their guards are bigger than our guards. That's probably the biggest disadvantage we have."

Indeed, CSI will have to overcome a backcourt that features 5-foot-9 sophomore Stephanie Thiel, 5-10 Trevor McDonald and 5-11 Kirby Wilson. All three

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Baker, McGriff face team from home

Florida natives hope to do well against Chipola College

HUTCHINSON, Kan. - Not that playing in the junior college national tournament isn't motivation enough, but College of Southern Idaho men's basketball players Yusuf Baker and Jason McGriff might have a little added fuel for their fire.

Both players will hit the hardwood with a chip on their shoulder when the Golden Eagles square off with fourth-ranked Chipola College Wednesday in Hutchinson, Kan. in the first round of the NJCAA (tournament). Baker and McGriff are the state natives of Florida, the both in which Chipola CC is located.

"It gives me a lot of motivation, man. I didn't go to school at home, so I just make it mean to beat every school in Florida," said McGriff, a Palm Bay, Fla. native who was recruited by just one community college, Breward CC. In his home state, "They didn't take me at a junior college at home, so it gives me a lot of energy. It makes me motivated a lot."

Baker, who played last season at the University of South Florida, also holds a bit of a grudge for being passed up by the junior colleges in Florida. "It's a lot (of motivation),"



College of Southern Idaho sophomores Jason McGriff, left, and Yusuf Baker talk during a shoot-around at the NJCAA basketball tournament in Hutchinson, Kansas, Monday.

NJCAA men's tournament

Wednesday's game
No. 13 CSI vs. No. 4 Chipola CC (Fla.), 12:45 MST

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women's Olympic marathon. Today, Joan Benoit Samuelson still is running - but she's no longer alone. The 46-year-old Samuelson plans to run in the U.S. Olympic women's marathon trials in early April in St. Louis, though she realizes she has little chance of qualifying for the Athens Games. And she hopes to run in a San Francisco marathon designed for women set to debut in October. "I could be the mother of half my competitors," she says. "I'm still passionate about the sport, but I'm not focused like I used to be. I don't have the same energy and drive I used to, but the passion still burns."

Appearance in NCAA sets Air Force abuzz

The Associated Press

DENVER - They wake before sunrise and march to breakfast. Their day is a regimented schedule of classes and military training. Friends and former cadets fighting in places like Iraq and Haiti are never far from their thoughts.

Basketball? That's always been way down on the priorities list at Air Force.

Yet, the Falcons are in the NCAA tournament for the first time in 42 years. A group of undisciplined overachievers has the academy buzzing about basketball in a place long known for its football program.

"I think that reputation was the Air Force was a football school and basketball was non-existent," senior forward Joe Gerlach said Monday. "We're feeling great and people are starting to take notice of Air Force basketball."

When Air Force (22-6) meets North Carolina (18-10) in the first round of the Atlanta regional Thursday in Denver, it will mark the culmination of easily the best season in the program's 48-year history.

The Falcons set a team record for victories with their first winning season since 1977-78. Air Force was undefeated at home (13-0) for the first time after winning a combined 18 home games, the previous three seasons. The Falcons also won the Mountain-West conference regular-season title after going 9-33 the previous three years and finishing no higher than sixth in any conference. Just last week, Air Force cracked the Top 25 for the first time in school history.

Despite a record-setting season, the Falcons weren't a lock to make the NCAA tournament. Sure, Air Force was one of the feel-good stories of the year, but there were plenty of reasons to keep the Falcons out: an RPI rating of 70; a strength of schedule ranked 236th; and 16 wins against teams ranked 200 or lower.

Add in a 60-48 loss to Colorado State in the first round of the conference tournament - Air Force's 14th straight loss - and there was a great deal of hand wringing.

Then the Falcons got a No. 11 seed in the Atlanta regional.

And even when they got to school, it's not all. If the main focus is basketball.

The day starts around 6 a.m. with the cadets cleaning their rooms, followed by a march

After the win, Samuelson circled the Los Angeles Coliseum track wearing a painter's cap and waving an American flag.

"I remember her running into the stadium and the national anthem is being played," says Deena Drossin-Kantor, who says Deena Drossin-Kantor, a top U.S. marathoner who was 10 at the time and focused on

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East meets West

District's all-star games promise to entertain

By Joe Paisley
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - The area's best boys and girls basketball players, regardless of school size, will meet up tonight at Twin Falls High's gymnasium for the District IV All-Star Games.

The girls go at it at 6 p.m., followed by the boys at about 7:30 p.m. Ticket prices are \$4 for adults, \$3 for students with an activity card and \$3 for senior citizens.

Money raised goes toward District Four's catastrophic insurance policy for the game.

A list of 40 players was whittled down to 20 for each game on the Monday prior to girls state tournaments by area coaches. The original 40 were nominated by their coaches.

"Kids get a chance to see players they haven't seen all year," said organizer Roger Keller of Kimberly. "It's for the fans and parents mostly."

The games are set up in an East vs. West format. The East girls coaches are Tim Chapman of Shoshone and Brent Camdoff of Wood River while Jerome's Mitchell Skyles will mentor the West girls.

The boys coaches are Dick Simpson of Carey for the East and Wendell's Allen Kelsey for the West.

Rosters with uniform numbers included, follows:

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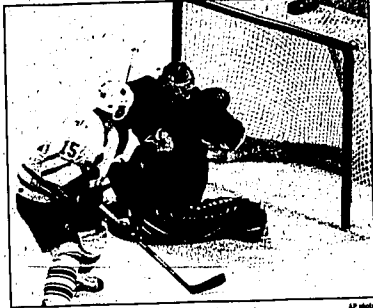
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SPORTS

# Suns extinguish Rockets in OT



Toronto Maple Leafs defenseman Tomas Kaberle (15) of the Czech Republic, puts the game-winning goal past Buffalo Sabres goalie Martin Biron (43) during overtime at the HSBC Arena in Buffalo, N.Y. on Monday. The Maple Leafs won 6-5.

## Leafs rattle Sabres

BUFFALO, N.Y. (AP) — Tomas Kaberle's goal with 1:15 remaining in overtime capped a stirring comeback for the Toronto Maple Leafs, who defeated the Buffalo Sabres 6-5 Monday night.

Alexander Mogilny had three assists, including his 1,000th NHL point, and both Mats Sundin and Owen Nolan scored twice to help Toronto snap a two-game losing streak.

With Toronto goaltender Trevor Kidd pulled for an extra attacker, Mogilny wristed a shot that Gary Roberts deflected past Martin Biron for his seventh goal with 37.2 seconds remaining in regulation to tie it. Leaf coach Ed Snider added a goal and three assists, and J.P. Dumont had a goal and two assists and Daniel Briere added a goal and an assist for the Sabres.

### Devils 3, Rangers 1

NEW YORK — Patrik Elias scored his eighth game-winning goal of the season to lead New Jersey over New York. Martin Brodeur was forced to make just 16 saves in his 65th consecutive start against New York. The Devils ran their unbeaten streak at Madison Square Garden to seven games (4-0-3).

## Diener lifts Marquette past Toledo in the NIT

MILWAUKEE (AP) — Travis Diener scored 21 points and tied a career high with 12 assists to lead Marquette over Toledo 67-72 in the first round of the NIT on Monday night.

Marquette (10-11) will host either Rice, Wisconsin-Milwaukee, UNLV or Boise State next Monday in the second round.

The Golden Eagles blew a 17-point lead late in the first half and fell behind 55-54 with 15:46 left in the game, but they used a 14-0 run to go up 79-63 on Steve Novak's fast-break layup with 7:16 remaining.

## Samuelson

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soccer. "I started running the very next year. Samuelson still runs about 50-70 miles a week. She competes in masters' races — her time of 2 hours, 42.28 seconds in the 2002 Chicago Marathon set a national 45-49 age group record — and an occasional marathon.

Her last marathon was in Honolulu last December. She was there as a speaker and decided on the morning of the race to run, finishing in 2:53:54.

Samuelson has not qualified for the Olympics since 1984. During the past two decades she has often been denied by injuries, as well as raising two children — 16-year-old Abby and 14-year-old Anders.

"I break my running career down into BC and AD — before children and after diapers," she says. "I used to base my day around running, now I base my running around my day." She also coaches at a middle school in her hometown of Freeport, Maine, does volunteer work focusing on children and the environment and is the founder of the Pecos Beach to Beacon 10-kilometer race in Cape Elizabeth, Maine. Ellen Steinfeld, race director for the New York City Marathon, says Samuelson's victory at the

1984 Olympics was a breakthrough for American women runners. He was chief referee for that race, and was on the lead vehicle when Samuelson made her break.

"I said to myself, 'Boy, is Joanne crazy. What is she trying to do?'" Grete and Ingrid assumed Joanne would just come back to them, but she kept opening up the lead," Steinfeld says. "Then she comes through the tunnel and the crowd goes absolutely wild. I've never heard anything like it. There were tears in people's eyes."

For Kathrine Switzer, who made headlines in 1967 by becoming the first woman to run the Boston Marathon despite race officials' efforts to pull her off the course, Samuelson carried on the tradition of groundbreaking women's runners — and still is doing that.

"What Joan did is she kind of took everything the pioneers did and pushed the physical barriers way, way out there and 'declassified this country,'" Switzer says. "Joan is right out there once again showing the way. This is the new territory. I've always said as women get older they get better. There are no barriers. Women over 40 used to be little old ladies. But now women over 40 are hell on wheels."

HOUSTON (AP) — Joe Johnson made a 16-foot fadeaway jumper with 1.4 seconds to play in overtime and the Phoenix Suns snapped the Houston Rockets' five-game winning streak 99-97 Monday night.

Shawn Marion had 17 of his 29 points in the second half as the Suns rallied from 21 points down in the second quarter and overcame a big performance by Yao Ming, who had 23 points, 19 rebounds and six blocked shots before ending their four-game losing streak.

Phoenix took their first lead, 67-65, with 56 seconds left in the third quarter on a pair of free throws by Zarko Cabarkapa.

Trailing 73-70 with 8:53 to play in regulation, Houston used a 9-0 run to regain the lead with 6:27 to go. Yao scored six points during the spurt.

The Suns regained the lead at 81-79 but Yao scored on a dunk, two free throws, and after a 3-point basket by Jackson, a 20-foot jumper for an 88-83 lead.

But the Suns wouldn't quit. A jumper by Johnson and a three-point play by Amare Stoudemire pulled Phoenix within three, and Marion drilled a 3-pointer with 6 seconds left in regulation for the tie.

Houston got its final lead in overtime on a driving layup by Cuttino Mobley with 30 seconds to play for a 96-95 lead. Stoudemire's basket put the Suns ahead and Yao made a free throw to tie it 97-97.

The Rockets got a big early lead on a 3-point shooting of Jim Jackson, who finished with 23 points and hit seven of eight



Phoenix Suns' Amare Stoudemire (32) shoots over Houston Rockets' Yao Ming (11), of China, and Cuttino Mobley (5) during the fourth quarter Monday in Houston. The Suns beat the Rockets 99-97 in overtime.

from 3-point range. Mobley had 20 points and Steve Francis had 12. The Rockets shot 13-of-25 for 3-pointers.

Stoudemire and Francis drew double technicals for a brief confrontation with 8:07 to go in the third quarter.

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Spring Training table with columns for team, games won/lost, and other statistics.

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Missouri at Michigan, Post season NIT, first round, ESPN, 7 p.m.

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ATP/WTA Tour, Pacific Life Open, early round, ESPN2, 3 p.m.

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National League baseball scores table.

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NBA basketball scores table.

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Atlanta Regional basketball scores table.

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Area ski report

Area ski report text providing details on ski conditions, lift operations, and local events.

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Seed No. 1
Record: 29-1

Western Nebraska Community College
Location: Scottsbluff, Neb.
Seed No. 12
Record: 23-10

Three Rivers Community College
Location: Poplar Bluff, Mo.
Seed No. 3
Record: 23-10

East Central Community College
Location: Decatur, Miss.
Seed No. 10
Record: 23-10

Central Arizona College
Location: Coolidge, Ariz.
Seed No. 11
Record: 23-10

Latah Region State
Location: Lewiston, Idaho
Seed No. 1
Record: 23-10

Gulf Coast Community College
Location: Panama City, Fla.
Seed No. 2
Record: 23-10

Vincennes University
Location: Vincennes, Ind.
Seed No. 4
Record: 23-10

Northwest Community College
Location: Lincoln, Neb.
Seed No. 5
Record: 23-10

Westminster College
Location: Westminster, Tenn.
Seed No. 11
Record: 23-10

Northwest Community College
Location: Lincoln, Neb.
Seed No. 6
Record: 23-10

Golden State Community College
Location: Gardena, Calif.
Seed No. 16
Record: 23-10

Florida A&M brings losing record to tourney

DAYTON, Ohio (AP) — A 1-10 start is a bad sign for teams hoping to play in the NCAA tournament. But even a losing record wasn't enough to keep Florida A&M out of this postseason.

The Battlers overcame early season struggles and are a win away from the main bracket and a chance to play top-seeded Kentucky.

At 14-16, Florida A&M is the only team in the tourney with a losing record, but some of those losses came against top Florida, North Carolina State and Marquette.

"We belong here. I don't care what our record is," coach Mike Gillespie said. "We did play extremely well this year at Marquette, at Georgia. I thought we played very well against Florida."

Florida A&M faces Lehigh (20-10) in Tuesday's play-in game to determine the 16th seed. The team will play in the St. Louis Regional. The winner will play Kentucky on Friday in Columbus.

Florida A&M reached the tournament by beating Coppin State 58-51 Saturday to win the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference championship. The Battlers last appeared in the NCAA tournament in 1999.

"We're in the tournament, and this is as good as it gets for us," Gillespie said. "It's a once-in-a-lifetime experience for me right now. We certainly would like to be playing Friday against Kentucky."



Florida A&M guard Terrence Woods shoots three point shots during the team's practice at the University of Dayton Arena, Monday, in Dayton, Ohio. Florida A&M will play Lehigh in a play in to the NCAA Men's Championship, Tuesday night.

Iverson's days in Philadelphia dwindle

Allen Iverson's reign of error is coming to a close in Philadelphia.

Come summer, look for the 76ers to deal him to a team that can afford him and is willing to tolerate the baggage that now outweighs his points.

The bidding is not likely to be fierce, even if the 76ers throw in "some years" supply of aspirin for the next coach.

That's not to say there won't be several teams interested in Iverson and his 27 points-per-game career scoring average.

The other stumbling block in any trade is whether another team has the player or players Philadelphia wants to trade.

The Sixers have gone as far as they can with him — they reached the NBA finals three years ago — and they're on the down slope now as they drift out of playoff contention.

Iverson will turn 29 in June after eight seasons — in the league, all in Philadelphia, but his lifestyle, size and high-impact game may age him prematurely.

He wore out Larry Brown, rode over Randy Ayers and now is butting heads with non-sense interim coach Chris Ford.

STEVE WILSTEIN

Let him get away with doing whatever he liked. In Ford's mind, if Iverson couldn't run full court in practice, he wasn't ready to start in a game.

"I was concerned that if he would go out there and try to play, we could now look at him for another five games down the road," Ford said.

Ford and Iverson have had a rocky relationship since the coach replaced Ayers on Feb. 9. Ford has fined Iverson twice for missing a practice, then for missing a home game.

So where else might Iverson play next season? At least three teams are possible contenders: Atlanta, San Antonio and the Los Angeles Lakers.

Atlanta has a shot, with tons of salary cap room after cleaning house. Under new ownership the Hawks are desperate for a box office draw to fill thousands of empty seats.

San Antonio is a city of straight arrows, from coach Gregg Popovich to superstar Tim Duncan. Yet it is there, perhaps, that Iverson might be able to park his ego a bit, holster his shooting hand and flourish with a chance to win a championship ring.

He and the Sixers know that won't happen in Philadelphia. Steve Wilstein is a national sports columnist for The Associated Press. Write to him at swilstein@ap.org.

CSI

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as adept with their outside shot as they are with a shot-fake and drive to the basket.

The tallest player in CSI's backcourt is 5-9 Jordan Ekman. Sidney Omdorff is 5-8, Megan Kane is 5-7, Delicia Jernigan is 5-6 and Ashley Alley is 5-6.

"I think we're just planning to

be physical, as physical as they're going to be, because their guards are bigger, thicker," Kane said. "So we practiced with guys all (last) week, and that's helped a ton because they're as physical as you can get. We just want to push them back, be physical, get in their heads and not let them get in ours."

And Rogers knows a little extra aggressiveness will likely go a long way in helping his team overcome any nerves it has in the early going.

"As soon as the game starts, my nerves usually go away," Rogers said. "For my players, I want them to just go out and foul the hell out of somebody hard. Then, their nerves will go away, too."

The Saints boast a front line that includes 6-7 Margareta DeCiman, 6-2 Amanda Foster and 6-0 Ania Grabias.

While their opposition is tough enough, CSI will also be considering a homecourt advantage. Seward is located in Liberal, Kan., just five hours away by car from Salina. In addition, the Saints have played their last four games in Salina's Bicentennial Center, where Seward clinched the Region 6 tournament championship with a 64-38 win over Dodge City CC (Kan.). It is also the site for the national tournament.

"It's almost a home game for them," Rogers said. "It's a disadvantage to us but we exceeded that expectation."

McGriff

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excited to be here and play a great team like Chipola.

"I might have to use that as a pregame speech, to remind them that (Chipola) passed them up," Arnold said with a laugh. "But I think they're self-motivated. At this time of the year, we don't have to do a whole lot. Those guys come ready to play every night. I'm

sure I'll be no different on Wednesday."

Ironically, only five of the 14 players on Chipola, located in the northwest portion of the state's panhandle, are from Florida.

McGriff is familiar with just one player on the Indians, Vas'han Newborne of Natchez, Miss.

Howard CC (Texas). Although Baker doesn't recognize any names on the Chipola roster, he still hopes to show those in his home state that he can play in the Sun Belt.

"Even though I don't know any of the players on the team, I feel like I need to go out and prove something," Baker said. "And, people are saying we're going to lose on top of that. I don't even want to think of that scenario. But yeah, we have a lot to prove."

Air Force

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back to their rooms where they'll study until as late as 1 a.m.

"Whenever we're going through daily life here at the academy, it's very challenging in more ways than one," center Nick Welch said.

"Physically, because you're sleep deprived — there's different military aspects to that — and also you're mentally

drained for most of the day because of all the different things you do to. And to go to practice, coach (Joe) Scott demands a lot from us each and every day."

AROUND THE VALLEY

T.F. farmer seeks Noh's Senate seat

TWIN FALLS - Primary races are shaping up for two Republican legislative nominations in the Magic Valley. Twin Falls County farmer Chuck Colner said Monday he plans to run for the state Senate seat in District 24, while Wayne Bagwell of DeLo announced he will challenge Rep. Scott Bedke, R-Oakley, for a District 27 House seat.

The District 24 Senate position is opening up as a result of 24-year Senate veteran Laird Noh's announcement that he will retire. Twin Falls resident Randy Hansen, a former member of the House, has also announced plans to run for the seat.

Colner said he has been approached by a number of people to run, but he also said he is still collecting signatures for the filing and hasn't set up an election committee yet.

Noh is the retiring chairman of the Senate Resource and Environment Committee. Colner has spent roughly two decades sitting on various water boards in the Magic Valley and farther east. He is a member of the Committee of Nine, which sets water policy for southern Idaho.

Hansen served in the Legislature from 1998 until May 2000, when he pulled out of a re-election bid to serve as a bishop in the LDS Church. While he was in the Legislature, he served on the powerful Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee.

Bagwell didn't detail Monday his reason for running against Bedke, who already had filed for re-election.

Man remains serious after shooting mishap

BOISE - A filer man who was accidentally shot in the neck was in serious condition Monday at Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center in Boise.

John Shetler was injured Sunday afternoon on U.S. Highway 30 near Flirt when he was trying to put a 22-caliber rifle in the back of his truck and it discharged.

Shetler was transported by Life Flight to Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, then to Saint Alphonsus.

Buhl makes plans for 100th birthday

BUHL - Buhl residents are invited to help plan the celebration for the city's 2006 centennial.

A public meeting will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday in the council chambers at City Hall, 203 N. Broadway.

The Centennial Steering Committee consists of Jim Barker, Judy Felton, Barbara Glitzen, Pat Hamilton Jr. and Holly Langdon.

This will be the second public meeting on the topic. About 20 people attended an earlier meeting.

"We want to get more people interested," Langdon said. "It's a huge undertaking, and we want input from more people."

Subcommittees have been formed on the topics of history, legacy, events and fund-raising for the 2006 celebration. Some of the projects include a movie of the early days, an art sculpture wall at the center of town and a museum.

- compiled from staff reports

Snowpack levels

Table with 4 columns: Watershed, % of Avg., % season peak, % season average. Rows include Upper Snake River, Henrys Fork/Teton, Big Lost, Little Lost, Salmon, Blue Wood, Little Wood, Salmon Basin, and Oakley Divide.

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

Fair board drops get-in-free plan

Property tax levy would allow event center construction, officials say

The Times-News

FILER - Twin Falls County Fair officials are backing away from plans to allow free admission to the fair if voters approve a two-year, 2-mill property tax levy. Instead, they say approval of the levy would allow the Fair Board to move forward with construction of a \$2.3 million

multi-purpose event center.

A news release issued Monday evening by the Fair Board said the first phase of the event center could be built by this winter if voters approve the levy in the May 25 primary election. The levy - which would cost property owners an additional \$20 annually for every \$100,000 in value on their 2004 and 2005 tax bills - would generate an es-

timate \$540,000 each year.

The board is recommending building a multi-purpose event center to replace single-use buildings built in the 1930s and 1940s that are deteriorating. The proposed event center would be a 220- by 300-foot clear span building with concrete floors. Proposed uses for the building include trade shows, concerts, beef and stock

sales, circuses, sit-down dinners, high school graduations, indoor supercross races, winter soccer practice and equine activities.

"The multi-purpose event center would be used all year long versus the single-use buildings we now have that we only use for six days of fair," Fair Manager John Piz said in the news release. "When the voters

pass the levy, Phase I will be started right after fair and be completed 90 days later. It would be available for use by county residents and meet the immediate needs of the fair. Then as funding is available, refinements would be added to the building, thus increasing the types of events that could be

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ALONE WITH THEIR THOUGHTS



Tiffany Radtke and Chris Webb, both of Twin Falls, enjoy a sunset walk along the Canyon Rim Trail Monday evening. The Magic Valley saw temperatures in the low 60s with blue skies Monday. Forecasters say highs in the 60s will continue throughout the week.

T.F. Council brings in site of new subdivision

By Karin Kowalski Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - The City Council Monday unanimously approved annexing the Candlelight East development along Eastland Drive North after developers agreed to withdraw the subdivision's original plan. A second plan for the area still needs approval from the Planning and Zoning Commission and the council.

About 13 people from the nearby neighborhoods came for a fifth public hearing on the topic Monday.

The much-debated subdivision will be zoned R-1 Variable, and the second plan would call for 41 lots of about one-third to one-half acre on about 20 acres of land. R-1 Variable zoning would allow lots as small as 8,000 square feet. The area was originally zoned R-1-4300, which allows one-acre lots, but is not permitted within city limits.

Developers were pleased with the vote. "I think the City Council did

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what they should have done four or five meetings ago," said Jack Straubler, one of the project's developers.

Residents of adjacent neighborhoods are still anxious to see the final approval for the site's plan.

Roger Blades, a resident of the area, said the council had only listened to the developers and not numerous residents.

"We're dead against it," Blades said.

During the hearing, Doug Vollmer, one of the developers of the project, presented a letter from one resident of the area, Hazel Aslett, who supported the development. He said he had other people call him who preferred to remain anonymous.

Speakers in the hearing had many concerns, including the water table, density of develop-

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Groundwater users file petitions for use prior to tentative deal

By Jennifer Sandmann Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Some 21 Magic Valley water users had filed petitions related to the possible shutdown of Northside wells before Monday night's announcement of a tentative agreement averting curtailment.

The petitioners' circumstances are as varied as their numbers, and they said loss of groundwater would leave their farms, schools and even the Bliss rest area without water.

The filings with the Idaho Department of Water Resources included mitigation proposals, pleas for relief and requests for hearings. Many of the petitioners said they were not members of groundwater districts that are proposing other mitigation efforts.

Here are some of the petitioners and their concerns:

• Carey Water and Sewer District - All of the district's water would be cut off by curtailment. Eighty percent of its water is de-

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livered to Carey School. The rest goes to 175 homes and 10 other establishments.

The district predicts curtailment wouldn't save any water because water users would resort to drilling numerous unregulated domestic wells.

"Groundwater levels in the Carey area have increased in recent years, suggesting little or no relationship to diminishing flows at Thousand Springs," the district's petition says.

The Carey Valley Ground Water Users, which diverts about 7,000 acre feet of water each year, also face curtailment and make the same argument.

Small water users - Small water users including those on the outer borders of the affected Water District 130 question whether their water use affects the Hagerman Valley springs at all.

Arlen and MarLee Burkde said they wouldn't be able to

water about 400 trees and grassy areas on 1.67 acres at their recreational vehicle park. They were asking the department if they could use their unaffected wells for watering instead.

Gene and Judi Frederickson of Jerome argued that the state's curtailment order lacked proof that wells 10 or 20 or more miles away from the Snake River Canyon could affect the springs. They also objected to a lack of information about how much water is actually being used by fish producers.

"Most groundwater pumpers who pump groundwater for their crops have been true conservationists, resorting to water savings techniques and management practices to lessen waste. The order penalizes conservation of water and good farm management practices," the Fredericksons' petition said.

City of Burley - An area of town north of the Snake River in Minidoka County has one well

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Feds ease rules for rural teachers, others

The Times-News and The Associated Press

Area educators welcome easing of part of No-Child law

CASTLEFORD - In a school district with just over 300 students, science teacher Kent Stewart doesn't get much of a chance to specialize.

This semester, Castleford School's lone secondary science instructor is teaching eighth-grade earth science, freshman physical science and high school biology, chemistry and advanced biology.

Although he acknowledges a need to gain more education in some areas - he sees chemistry as a particular weakness - he said lack of knowledge isn't his biggest worry.

"I've got so many classes that it's the planning to do a good job in all of them where I'm kind of feeling the stress," he said.

Additional stress has come his way in the form of the federal

No Child Left Behind Act, which mandated that schools have "highly qualified" teachers in all core subjects by the end of the 2005-06 school year. "Highly qualified" means teachers must have bachelor's degrees, state certification and proven knowledge in the subjects they teach.

On Monday, however, the U.S. Department of Education announced it is easing that requirement for rural teachers, science teachers and those who teach multiple subjects.

The changes are most sweeping for rural teachers, thousands of whom will get an extra school year - until spring 2007, three years from now - to show they are qualified in all topics they teach. New

hired rural teachers will get three years from their hire dates.

For Stewart, the change is a big relief.

"The way it was going, I would have basically had to get a master's degree every five years. I would have been going to school constantly," he said. "This way, it kind of eases up, and still gives me the chance to take the necessary courses. At least it won't be 'When is my next class?' instead of thinking about getting ready to teach."

As a result of the change, states can allow science teachers to show they are highly qualified in the broad field of science - not necessarily in chemistry, biology, or every field

of science they teach. States can decide whether to require mastery of individual science disciplines.

The move matches federal law, which gets specific about core subjects such as history, economics and civics but leaves broad the topic of "science," department officials said. This could significantly ease pressure on rural schools, which may only have one science teacher.

Some schools have found the "highly qualified" requirement exasperating, particularly for teachers who handle multiple subjects, as many in rural districts do. To show they are competent in their subjects, current teachers must pass a test in each topic, hold a college degree in that field or meet a standard of subject-matter knowledge as set by their state.

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Paternity issues get a hearing

By Julia Pence Times-News writer

BOISE - Twenty percent of children born in Idaho have questionable paternity yet their fathers might not even realize it.

But once a man finds out he is not really the father, a child he has supported financially since birth, he discovers he can't get out of paying child support



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MAGIC VALLEY/WEST

# Utah senator backs amendments

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. Orrin Hatch has called the Constitution "an inspired document," but he is not above a little fine-tuning, having sponsored or co-sponsored amendments to the document 67 times.

The Senate Judiciary Committee chairman is in the process of putting his mark on one to prohibit gay marriage and this Congress has again proposed a ban on desecration of the flag.

"The amendment process is part of what makes the Constitution a living document," said Hatch spokeswoman Margarita Tapia. "Amending the Constitu-

tion is not a step that Senator Hatch takes lightly and he wants to make sure that no other means short of an amendment are available.

Since Hatch was elected to the Senate in 1976, he has repeatedly backed efforts to amend the Constitution in the following areas: requiring Congress to balance the budget, prohibiting or restricting abortions, outlawing desecration of the flag, and guaranteeing silent prayer in schools.

Those four areas, introduced over and over by different sponsors, account for 55 of the 67

constitutional amendments Hatch has backed.

This year, Hatch added a new one seeking to wipe out a section of the Constitution that prevents foreign-born citizens such as California Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger or Michigan Gov. Jennifer Granholm from becoming president.

By comparison, Sen. Edward Kennedy D-Mass, has supported 16 constitutional amendments since Hatch came to the Senate in 1976, including reintroducing the Equal Rights Amendment for women 12 times.

# SERVICES

**Melba Cox Dillon** of Twin Falls, celebration of life at 11 a.m. today at Farnsworth Mortuary Chapel, 1343 S. Lincoln, Jerome.

**Ruby Lucille Harris** of Twin Falls, formerly of Nampa, graveside service at 11 a.m. today at the Meridian Cemetery in Meridian (Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home).

**R. Lorraine Mai Urigen** of Burley, memorial service at 11 a.m. Wednesday at St. Nicholas Catholic Church, 802 P St., Rupert, rosary at 7 p.m. today at the church; family will gather following the rosary to greet friends and family from 8 to 9 p.m. at Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel, 710 Sixth St.

Carmen Sanchez Reyes of

Rupert, vigil with recitation of the rosary at 7 p.m. today at Little Flower Catholic Church, 1601 Oakley Ave., Burley, funeral Mass at 11 a.m. Wednesday at Little Flower Catholic Church; friends and family may call from 6 to 7 p.m. today and from 10 to 10:45 a.m. Wednesday at the church. (Rasmussen Funeral Home, Burley).

# DEATH NOTICES

**Robert Behr** — Burley — Robert Behr, 66, of Burley, died Sunday, March 14, 2004, at Gooding County Memorial Hospital.

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

**Margie Warr Jensen** — Burley — Margie Warr Jensen, 76, of Burley, died Saturday, March 13, 2004, at her home.

A funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, March 20, 2004, at the Burley Third and Seventh Ward Chapter of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 2200 Oakley Ave., with Bishop Mark W. Fillmore officiating. Burial will be in the Pleasant View Cemetery.

— Friends may call from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. Friday at the Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley; and from 10 a.m. until 10:45 a.m. Saturday at the church.

**Ailne Rupard Covert** — Rupert — Ailne Rupard Covert, a 86-year-old Rupert resident, died Monday, March 15, 2004, at Minidoka Memorial Hospital Extended Care. Arrangements will be made by Hansen Mortuary, Rupert Chapel.

# OBITUARIES

For obituary rates and information, call 735-3278 Monday through Saturday. Deadline is 4 p.m. for next day publication. The e-mail address for obituaries is [obits@magvalley.com](mailto:obits@magvalley.com). Death notices are a free service and can be placed until 4 p.m. every day. To view or submit obituaries, visit our website at [www.magvalley.com](http://www.magvalley.com) or place a message in an individual online guestbook, go to [www.magvalley.com](http://www.magvalley.com) and click on "Obituaries."

## Thurlow C. 'Ted' Hartwell - Twin Falls

Thurlow Corydon "Ted" Hartwell, 70, of Twin Falls, passed away Friday, March 12, 2004, at St. Luke's Regional Medical Center in Boise, Idaho.



Ted was born Nov. 2, 1925, in Salt Lake City, Utah. The son of Corydon and Eva Marie Robinson Hartwell. As a young man, Ted enlisted in the United States Army and served his country during World War II. On Jan. 11, 1952, Ted married the love of his life, Georgella Sobotka. To this union, Ted and Georgella have four children. Ted's life work was as a central office technician for the Bell System, and he retired from there in 1988. But his hobby and great passion was Chess. From a very early age, he started to play, and won many competitions and championships. He played Chess anywhere he could set up a board, and had

Douglas Rodney (Edna) Hartwell of Las Vegas, Nev.; daughter, Barbara Ann Hartwell (Fred) Botha of Sacramento, Calif.; and two grandchildren, Janya Michelle Deway and Nicole Annette Davis. His parents and his son, David Hartwell, preceded him in death.

A funeral for Ted will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, March 17, at St. Edward's Catholic Church in Twin Falls with Father Boniface Lantz officiating. Interment will follow the service at the Sunset Memorial Park Cemetery in Twin Falls. All arrangements and services are under the direction of the Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls, Idaho.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorials be sent to the Monastery of the Ascension, 541 E. 100 S., Jerome, ID 83338.

opponents through the mail and throughout the country. He also enjoyed watching baseball.

Surviving Ted is his loving wife of 52 years, Georgella Hartwell; sons, John Robert Hartwell of Portland, Ore., and

## Paul Fleming - Hagerman

Paul Fleming, age 91, long-time Hagerman resident, died Saturday, March 13, 2004, at Gooding County Memorial Hospital.

Paul was born May 12, 1912, in Redfield, Iowa, the son of Joseph and Bessie Crane Fleming. He was raised in Iowa, moving to California as a young man where he worked in the Sacramento area. He later moved to Elk Grove, Calif., and it was there that he met and married Rose Anna Malka on June 11, 1939. After their marriage the couple

resided in California until moving to Hagerman in 1951. In addition to farming his own place, Paul also had worked for G.T. Newcomb in Red Rapids, Dave Archer in Bliss and during summer months for Hensley's Farms in Smiley Creek. Paul enjoyed the outdoors, his dogs, working with horses, and visiting with friends.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Bessie, in 1999.

Survivors include his son, Mike Fleming of Hagerman; daughter, Gloria Smith of Sun

River, Ore.; grandchildren, Corey Smith of Corvallis, Ore., Laci Smith of Keizer, Ore., and Tyler Smith of Flagstaff, Ariz.; and brother, John Fleming of Boise, Idaho.

In addition to his wife, he was preceded in death by two brothers, Leonard and Joseph; and two sisters, Mary Sellers and Leona Garrison.

A graveside service will be conducted at 3 p.m. Wednesday, March 17, 2004, at the Hagerman Cemetery. Arrangements by Demaray Funeral Chapel in Gooding.

## Lloyd Andersen - Wendell

Lloyd Andersen, 90, a resident of Wendell, Idaho, passed away Saturday, March 13, 2004, at Gooding Rehabilitation and Living Center in Gooding, Idaho.



Lloyd was born in 1914 in Cowles, Neb., to Lester and Emma Johnson Andersen. Lloyd grew up around many aunts, uncles and grandparents.

Lloyd's family moved to Holstein, Neb., where he went to country school. He farmed with his father during the depression and during the dust bowl days. He loved to play baseball, that was the entertainment for the community. Lloyd joined CC Camp at Pawnee, Neb., and made extra money pressing officers shirts. Later he and his family moved to Idaho. In Idaho Lloyd worked on farms. Lloyd met his wife, Erna Evans, while with his sister, Wilma, visiting her aunt.

Lloyd and Erna were wed in August. He continued working on farms topping beets and picking potatoes. Lloyd went to California with his brother who was working for Red River

later purchased the farm and remained there until 2000. Lloyd was active in the community, he was a member of IOOF and Grange Member and was on the Grange Board.

He was a Highway District Board Member and was on the Orchard Valley Democratic Committee and always had time to help neighbors.

He is survived by his wife, and two grandsons, Todd (Sherril) Andersen and Troy (Sharon) Andersen; two step granddaughters, Dorothy Armstrong and Penny Bowles; three great granddaughters, Kayla Andersen, Ashley East-erday and Asia Anderson; four great grandsons, Justin and Chance Easterday and Tanner Wray.

Lumber Co. He was employed there until 1944. He enjoyed fishing and hunting. He often took family on swimming trips to Lake Almidor. He had two sons, Harlan, born in 1938 in Wendell, Calif., and Ronald in 1941, in Susanville, Calif. He was going to sign up for the Merchant Marines. Lloyd was skilled in planing lumber, an edgeman and a sawyer and always wanted to farm.

When planting season began Lloyd moved back to Idaho and rented a farm. He

He was preceded in death by two sons, his parents, two brothers and two sisters.

A graveside service will be conducted at 2 p.m. Wednesday, March 17, 2004, at Wendell Cemetery. Family and friends may call from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 16, 2004, at Demaray's Wendell Chapel.

## Stella Marie (Barnes) Lawson

Stella Marie (Barnes) Lawson, 77, passed away peacefully in her sleep March 13, 2004, after an extended illness.

She was a member of the Castleford First Baptist Church. Marie cooked for many years for the Castleford school lunch program, worked for Kellwood until its closing and then for the R & I Cafe and the Ramona in Buhl until she was disabled by stroke in 1984. She has since been a resident of Snake River Rehab in Buhl. She was a skilled seamstress and enjoyed knitting, crocheting and embroidering until her illness.

Marie died since becoming a "prolific" writer, sending cards and letters to everyone she knew. Marie spent many hours a day reading her Bible and working crossword and word search puzzles, until her eyesight failed. She also enjoyed good 'old time' gospel music.

She is survived by her daughter, Beverly Ann (Jim) Weighall; grandsons, James (Denim) Weighall Jr., Shape (Gloria) Weighall and Aarom (Kolynn) Weighall; 10 great-grandchildren; a nephew, J.L. (Barbara) Barnes; and many nieces and nephews, including very special nieces, Linda Wiggins and Cathy (John) Yarbrough; and nephew John (Mary) Wiggins.

She was preceded in death by her grandparents, mother, father and her beloved sister, Midge.

Donations may be made to Castleford Baptist Church in Marie's honor. Service will be held at 10 a.m. March 17, 2004, at Castleford Baptist Church. Interim following at the West End Cemetery in Buhl, Idaho.

# Jerome looks to cut utility hookup fees to encourage new construction

By Dede Thomas Reale Times-News correspondent

JEROME — In an effort to attract new construction, the city of Jerome is considering a reduction in charges for connections to the city water and sewer systems and dropping fees for road cuts by more than 40 percent.

The city administrator, city engineer and the building official recently did a cost comparison with other towns in the area and found the hookup fees in Jerome were significantly higher than in other communities. They sharpened their pencils and made significant changes, City Administrator Tracy Rothweiler said.

**Meeting tonight**

The Jerome City Council meets tonight at 7 in council chambers, 100 E. Ave. A. The public is welcome.

The city administrator, city engineer and the building official recently did a cost comparison with other towns in the area and found the hookup fees in Jerome were significantly higher than in other communities. They sharpened their pencils and made significant changes, City Administrator Tracy Rothweiler said.

The City Council will consider an ordinance to reduce charges for new connections to the city sewer and water systems and provide for reduced fees for excavation permits.

The fee schedule for hookup to the city water system to hook into two schedules. Schedule one is for individual water service connecting to the city's main water line. For an average home with a 3/4-inch water line the current cost is \$750, plus \$115 for the water meter, plus the city crew's time and materials to hook up to the city water system.

To hook up to the sewer, it now costs \$1,500 plus the road cuts. Because the sewer pipes usually go down the alley and the water pipes go down the

ages commercial development. For those businesses that have private restrooms — a lawyer's office, for instance — the hookup fee is \$600. For those businesses with public restrooms, the hookup fee is \$3,500.

In other business, the council will consider entering into a contract with Aqua Engineers of Bountiful, Utah, to design a wastewater treatment plant and supervise the construction of it. The city expects to begin construction on the sewer plant upgrade by the summer of 2005.

And the council will meet as a board of corrections to make changes to the 2004 irrigation assessment rolls.

street, there are two road cut fees. The street cut is \$525, and the alley cut is \$100.

With the building permit it now costs around \$5,000 to hook up to the city sewer and water system before the first shovel full of dirt is dug on new construction of a hypothetical \$100,000 house.

If the ordinance is passed, it will cost \$500 to connect to the water main, and that includes the city's labor and materials plus \$15 for a meter. It will cost \$800 to hook up to the sewer, plus road cut fees of \$150.

The city is able to lower these costs because many people now want to do their own excavation work. Plus the city now has more efficient equipment which drastically cuts down on the time involved in doing road cuts and the installation of the infrastructure. With the new equipment the time involved is now almost negligible, Rothweiler said.

For subdivisions, mobile home parks or apartment complexes where there are multiple dwellings, the fees are \$200 per hookup, \$115 for meters, and the sewer and road cut costs stay the same, Rothweiler said.

The city has also created a new fee subsection that encour-

# Feds acknowledge toxic dust early on at Yucca

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Workers drilling the first tunnel at the nation's nuclear waste dump in the Nevada desert were exposed to dangerous levels of silica and other cancer-causing dusts in the 1990s, federal officials acknowledged Monday.

Dust masks and respirators were not mandatory at the time, and not all workers at Yucca Mountain used them, according to Gene Runkle, a senior safety adviser for the Energy Department who testified before a U.S. Senate committee on conducting a field hearing on the project in Las Vegas.

U.S. Sen. Harry Reid, a Nevada Democrat, accused the federal agency of sacrificing workers' health in its haste to dig the first five-mile tunnel. "What has taken place here is just absolutely wrong," he said, cutting off Runkle's comments and concluding the hearing.

Runkle later defended efforts to "balance operations and the safety requirements."

The hearing focused primarily on silica, a mineral that exists naturally in desert dust and in the rocks at Yucca Mountain, 90 miles northwest of Las Vegas.

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I would like to express my sincere gratitude for all the prayers, love and support given during the loss of my beloved husband and friend, Chris Dixon. Especially to Don and Linda Price and family, the State of Idaho Transportation Department, the Army National Guard Reserves, the Rupert Fire Department, Hansen Mortuary for the excellent service and to all my family, friends and neighbors. Willah Dixon & Family

# M-C inmates rack up dentist bills

By Chip Thompson  
Times-News writer

BURLEY — A side effect of increased methamphetamine use has resulted in increased medical costs at the Mini-Cassia Criminal Justice Center.

Dental bills for inmates have increased 50 percent compared to last year, jail Director Dennis Dexter told Cassia and Minidoka county commissioners during Monday's quarterly jail tour. The jail incurred \$4,900 in dental bills in January and another \$5,200 in February, Dexter said.

"Meth deteriorates everything," Dexter said. He told county officials several inmates have needed root canals, and many times inmates' teeth crumble when dentists try to work on them.

Mike Fehlman, deputy director of the jail, said drug use inside the facility is minimal and that use of police drug dogs has helped reduce drugs there.

"They hear the dogs, and you can hear the toilets flushing all down the line," Fehlman said, explaining that inmates with illicit drugs know they can't hide them from the drug dogs and instead flush the drugs.

The jails average daily popu-

lation has increased by about 10 percent to 143. At the same time, income has dropped from \$394,385 in 2003 to \$258,355 for the same period this year.

"This reflects a larger percentage of locals, the highest percentage we've ever had," Dexter said.

The 146 inmates at the jail this week include 109 Mini-Cassia residents, 27 state prisoners, four Jerome County residents and six prisoners of the U.S. Marshal Service. It costs an average of \$68 per day to house an inmate in Burley. Local authorities receive an average daily reimbursement of \$45 from other entities when they house their prisoners; state prisoners generate just \$40 a day.

Of this year's state prisoners, all but five are women. Dexter said most of their crimes were related to meth use or theft in order to purchase methamphetamine.

Another addition to the center will be a full-time technician who will assist the officer in charge, Fehlman said. "We've had some part-time jail techs in the past, but we could never keep anybody," said Fehlman, explaining that strange hours and part-time status made the position difficult to fill.

# BLM chief lauds effort against bird listing

Nevada moves to protect sage grouse without special endangered designation

RENO, Nev. (AP) — State protection plans like one being developed in Nevada are helping build a case against listing the sage grouse as an endangered species, a top U.S. land manager said Monday.

But Kathleen Clarke, director of the Bureau of Land Management, also said several Western states are lagging behind and running out of time to help persuade the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to keep the bird off the list of federally protected species at the end of this year.

"Not all the states are as far down the road as you are," Clarke told Nevada's Sage Grouse Planning Team. "Some are just now doing what you started doing in 2001," she added, not singling out any states.

Partly because of the void, the

BLM is developing interim national guidelines to help protect the bird, those who will be set aside in deference to any state plans that are adopted, she said.

"It is a state-of-the-art good species and, I hope it remains that way," said Clarke, whose agency manages about half the 110 million acres of federal land in 11 Western states that's home to sage grouse.

She assured the Nevada group that she remains strongly opposed to granting the bird federal protection under the Endangered Species Act. She said



Kathleen Clarke, BLM director

she recently met with officials in Oregon on the matter and meetings scheduled in Washington state, Idaho, Utah, Wyoming and Colorado.

"Rules and regulations are never going to recover species. There's probably nothing that could happen on Western land that would change the way we use those lands more than the listing of the sage grouse," she said about the potential for new restrictions on using and developing federal lands.

The Fish and Wildlife has until

December to decide whether to grant petitions seeking a federal listing of the bird.

Conservationists say populations of the small game hen have fallen perhaps as much as 80 percent in recent decades. Experts believe as many as 2 million sage grouse once inhabited a broad area of the western United States and Canada when explorers Lewis and Clark first noted the birds in 1805.

The Nevada Division of Wildlife estimates there are about 500,000 sage grouse across the West, including an estimated 45,000 in Nevada. BLM spokeswoman to Lynn Worley said.

The decline is blamed primarily on loss and fragmentation of sagebrush habitat, brought on by natural causes and human intrusion.

# Candidates file for Mini-Cassia posts

The Times-News

RUPERT — Several people have filed for the eight county government openings in Cassia and Minidoka counties.

In Minidoka County all four incumbents filed for office, County Clerk Duane Smith said, and two challengers filed for the sheriff's job. One commissioner is also being challenged.

Candidates who've filed are:

- **Minidoka County**
  - Sheriff, four-year term Paul Friess, Republican, incumbent.
  - Sheriff, four-year term Kevin Halverson, Republican.
  - Sheriff, four-year term David Pinther, independent.
  - Prosecuting attorney, four-year term Jason Walker, Republican, incumbent.
- **Cassia County**
  - Sheriff, four-year term Jim Higgins, Republican, incumbent.
  - Prosecuting attorney, four-year term Al Barrus, Republican, incumbent.
  - County commissioner, District 3, two-year term Dave Teeter, Republican, incumbent.
  - County commissioner, District 3, two-year term Lynn Hunsaker, Republican.
  - County commissioner, District 3, two-year term Dennis Crane, Republican, incumbent.

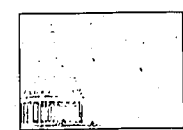
# Senate kills bill to exempt some from sales tax hike

BOISE — The Senate on Monday narrowly defeated an attempt to exempt people with purchase contracts in effect before last April 15 from a penny increase in the sales tax.

The bill was killed on a 15-14 vote. Tax experts said it would have cost the state about \$1.2 million in lost revenue this year.

Democrats were joined by a handful of Republicans in the futile attempt to extend the favorable tax treatment lawmakers gave to big contractors and other investors who had negotiated major purchases on the assumption the sales tax would not be raised from 5 percent to 6 percent as it was.

Although the bill would have



drained cash away from key budget priorities like education, the Democrats called it a matter of equity, of treating small purchasers the same as large purchasers.

But Republican Richard Compton of Coeur d'Alene argued that there has to be a cut-off when taxes are raised and May 1, 2003, was the date for this tax.

# Teachers

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Now, rural teachers will have extra time to prove they are qualified in all their subjects, provided they are highly ranked in at least one subject and get training in the others. The change will affect an estimated one-third of school districts.

"The standard remains very high," said a department official familiar with the change. "We're still saying that teachers who are highly qualified in all subjects they teach. This is just additional time."

"The easing of rules is the latest effort by the Bush administration to show it is trying to answer concerns about the No Child Left Behind Act without watering it down."

Castelford Superintendent Kelly Murphy, whose district has pushed for changes in the federal law, lauded the changes announced Monday.

"It's a very positive first step," he said. "It's even more than that, what it says is that the administration is open to what the people in the trenches have to say. If teachers, administrators and parents get involved — as they have legitimate concerns — it appears that there are going to be some very key people interested in what we have to say."

Stewart, 32, is in his second year at Castelford School and his third as a fully certified, full-time teacher. The Idaho State

# Speaker will talk about pitfalls of being 'cool'

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — Being "cool" or trying to be, can become a prison that will cut you off from a whole world of opportunity.

So says Derrick Ashong, who's scheduled to speak at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday in the Student Union building at the College of Southern Idaho.

"Killing Cool: Igniting the Soul of Society" is the title of Ashong's message. Ashong was educated at Harvard, Kim Prestwich, International Student Services director at CSI, says his experiences in West Africa, the Middle East and the United States have produced his message.

He teaches the only way to succeed is to be true to yourself rather than making decisions based on appearances, on fitting in or on gaining approval. Ashong's appearance is sponsored by the CSI Diversity Council. Admission is free, and the public is invited.

# St. Patrick's Day Parade organizers seek entries

TWIN FALLS — The annual St. Patrick's Day Parade will begin at noon Wednesday and travel downtown on Main Avenue. Entries will be awarded after the parade at Dunkens Draught House.

For float entries and more information, call Stan Thomas at 734-4154 or 733-3799.

# Military support group gets together Saturday

JEROME — The Magic Valley Military Support Group will meet at 10 a.m. Saturday at the Jerome Public Library.

Anyone who has family members or friends in the military is welcome. The group meets about every three weeks to support one another, share information and pray for the military, their families and the nation.

For more information, call Shaeta at 536-6159 or Sharon at 536-6111.

# Burley hosts Snake wildlife funding meeting

BURLEY — A public meeting

# Magic Valley in brief

tonight in Burley will focus on federal funding for fish and wildlife programs in the Snake River above Shoshone Falls.

The Northwest Power and Conservation Council, a multi-state group that must-balance Columbia River system hydropower needs with environmental needs, has requested development of a plan to protect and enhance fish and wildlife in the Upper Snake River Basin.

The Shoshone-Bannock Tribes are leading the effort in coordination with the Idaho Department of Fish and Game. The plan will determine how Bonneville Power Administration funds could be spent over the next 15 years. BPA has spent more than \$13 million in the Upper Snake River since 1992.

The project area includes the Henry's Fork, South Fork, Snake, Blackfoot, Burneet, Big Lost and Little Lost river drainages in Wyoming.

The meeting begins at 7 p.m. at the Burley Best Western Inn. For more information, contact Karen Hasket or Kyle Bannitt at 208-522-5007 or bannitt@wccouncil.org. More information is available online at [www.wccouncil.org/fv/sub-basinplanning](http://www.wccouncil.org/fv/sub-basinplanning).

# Judge binds over one more in drug bust

BURLEY — Another person was bound over to 5th District Court on drug charges stemming from a Jan. 9 "sting."

Barry Doman of Burley was bound over after his March 5 preliminary hearing in Cassia County Magistrate Court before Judge Ben Holt.

Doman is charged with delivery of a controlled substance.

A preliminary hearing for Jody Naranjo of Burley is scheduled for Friday. Naranjo is charged with delivery of a controlled substance, also stemming from the Jan. 9 bust.

— compiled from staff reports

# Other Items

Other Twin Falls City Council Business Monday included:

- **Third Avenue West parking** — The council approved a plan that will create four perpendicular parking spaces along Third Avenue West near Willis Toyota. The new spaces will come in from the curb and recrete the sidewalk around them.
- **BILLS Place** — The council approved a special-use permit for **BILLS Place**, a transitional home for troubled youth, at 285 Martin St. The conditions for approval include stipulations that residents be between 17 and 19 years old when admitted. They must participate in programs administered by the state Department of Health and Welfare or Department of Juvenile Corrections. They must not have histories of violent or sex-related crimes, and the maximum stay will be 15 months or until age 21, whichever is longer.
- **Subdivisions** — The council unanimously approved final plats for the Canyon Trails subdivision, which would put 51 lots on 14 acres, Adam's Condominiums, which would put three condominiums on half an acre, and the Castletwood Subdivision to develop 85 lots on 19 acres.
- **Zoning change** — The council approved changing the zoning of 870 Eastland Drive from R-2 to R-6 Pro.
- **Traffic safety** — The council gave the Jim A. Milson Traffic Safety Award to Tilde Busbee, the Parent-Teacher Organization president at Morningside Elementary School.
- **Parks and recreation** — The board voted to extend the terms of three members of the Parks and Recreation Commission. Brent Jussell, Laird Stone and Paula Sinclair Brown all have three-year terms ending in March 2007.

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ment as it approaches the Snake River Canyon rim, and presents a major development. Most said they liked the second plat much better than the first.

Paul Manwaring, a resident of the area, said he fears the smaller lots in the subdivision will set a pattern of smaller developments right up to the canyon rim.

"We'd hate to see that get smaller and smaller," Manwaring said.

Mar Jean Bulcher said she loves the neighborhood for the wildlife and views. She said her family moved to that area thinking there would one-acre lots all around it.

# Fair

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"The Fair Board has said it already has \$396,000 in contributions for the event center, including in-kind donations and labor. The Twin Falls County Fair Foundation also has applied for three grants and plans to apply for more.

Fair officials had proposed using revenues from the property tax levy to provide free admission to the fair, but Monday's news release backed away

from that idea. If voters approve the levy, family fair admission, which admits up to two adults and three children under the age of 18, would be reduced from \$25 to \$15. Meanwhile, admission for people age 65 and over would be reduced from \$6 to \$4. Admission for children ages 6 to 12 would be \$3, and adult admission would be \$5. Grandstand events would be \$5 for reserved seats, and general admission to the events would continue to be free.

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• **Clear Lakes Trout Co.** — The company, which is suing Water Resources over groundwater management, objected to an Idaho Dairymen's Association's petition for a hold on the curtailment order. The trout producer says a delay would further hurt the company's water supply and petitioned to intervene in the dairymen's request.

# Water

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that could be curtailed. The well was drilled in 1960, before the July 15, 1962, cutoff date but was acquired by the city in 1962. The city said the well's priority date should actually be 1960 and also that the well does not affect the Hagerman springs anyway.

• **The Simplot Co.** — The company has about 86 acre feet of water that would be lost to curtailment, including water to maintain humidity in potato storage. Instead of shutting down these water rights, the city is looking for a way to mitigate for the 86 acre feet a year through the closure of its Heyburn potato plant.

Simplot last week announced it will donate the Heyburn property to the city of Burley. Burley City Administrator Mark Mitton said the city has been negotiating with Simplot over its industrial water rights that allow pumping up to nearly 5

million gallons a day partially provided by a 1959 water right. Burley could receive rights for up to 2 million gallons, Mitton said.

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# Paternity

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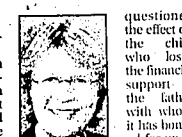
House Bill 771, sponsored in part by Rep. Wendy Jaquet, D-Keetchikan, would give a man some grounds for lacking out of child support. Plus, it would allow him to sue both the mother and the biological father for back child support.

"Now the supposed father only has 60 days to prove that he is not the father. This bill changes that to two years," Jaquet told members of the Senate Judiciary and Rules Committee on Monday.

DNA tests, which cost about \$300 to \$500 apiece, would make the case for the non-biological dad.

"I was surprised to learn this was a big issue," Jaquet said. A liaison for the Judiciary brought the information to Jaquet, asking her and Rep. Mike Moyle, R-Starbuck, to look it through. The lobbyist, Patty Tobias, said the bill does not address custody or visitation issues.

Though Sen. Sheila Sorenson, R-Boise, voted to pass the bill to the floor, she



Rep. Wendy Jaquet

questioned the effect on the child who loses the financial support of the father with whom it has bonded for up to two years.

"This is no different than adoption or divorce," Sorenson said. "The dad has taken on the responsibility, and the poor child is the one left hanging out there. It looks to me like you're opening up a can of worms; it would be a real mess."

Jaquet said the child would be given protection through the language in the legislation. If the mother had "knowingly" told the non-biological father the truth, that would provide one barrier. In addition, the time for protesting paternity would be limited to two years.

The bill, which passed the House 67-3, is headed to the Senate floor for debate.

# COMMUNITY

Community Editor: Pat Marcantonio - 735-3288

## Donors earn pins for blood donations at Buhl drawing

**BUHL** - Despite lots of colds in the West End, 97 healthy donors turned out recently for the Buhl blood drawing at the Moose Hall. With eight deferrals for miscellaneous medical reasons, a total of 89 pints of blood were collected.

"We missed our quota of 100 pints, but appreciate those who were able to take the time Friday to donate blood," Chairman Sandra Wiscaver said. "Each pint of blood can help three people. The recipients will forever be grateful to the donors who took time to give."

Donors Ramona Sallor and Edna Wiebe were recipients of special edition Red Cross un-

derbras for donating their 50th pint at the event. Other pin recipients were: Shirley Barron, 14-gallon pin for donating 112th pint of blood; Sandra Wiscaver, 11-gallon pin for 88th pint; Eva Wagner, 10-gallon pin for 80th pint; for 40th pint; John Peterson, a Mariann Avery, five-gallon pin for 32nd pint; Norma J. Mills-Cain, three-gallon pin for 24th pint; and Annette Buckendorf, two-gallon pin for 16th pint of blood. One-gallon pin recipients included Adriana Billings, Clay Montgomery and Barbara Weaver.

First-time donors were Kimberly Cramer, Rachel Koehn,

Kelly Tabet and Chris Wiebe. The Buhl Moose provided the facility and the Buhl Kiwanis Club showed up early and late to unload and load the equipment for the drawing. The women of St. John's Lutheran Church provided refreshments for donors and lunch for the workers.

Edna Wiebe is the canteen recruiter and Nedra Korte serves as the volunteer recruiter. Greeters were Shilly Barron, Sharon Rosenblatt, Anita Svanam and Beverly Wagner. Facilitators were Michelle Bremers and Ginny Hampton. Pat Koehn served as the escort. Carolyn Jones assisted with publicity.



Red Cross nurse Jon Hodge takes Nedra Korte's blood, while Korte visits with donor escort Pat Koehn.

## TFHS announces honor roll students

**TWIN FALLS** - The Twin Falls High School has announced its first semester honor roll.

### Sophomores

**4.0 grade point average**  
Joshua Allen, Amy Ash, Yelena Bagdasarian, Ryan Ballester, Christopher Bell, Alicia Bowman, Alex Boyer, Brent Byers, Ashley Brown, Lindsey Brown, Alex Calvert, Katie Carr, Jamie Carter, Elizabeth Ceval, Danielle Cook, Hanna Dickerson, Debra Dora, Timbree Eason, Hannah Evans, Laura Fila, Ashlin Ford, Katie Ford, Kathryn Gregg, Natalie Harkey, Eric Hart, Timothy Huzarke, Konstantin Kichev, Allison Ka, Alex Kral, Matthew Lawson, Sarah Lee, Christopher MacVie, Jenna Meeks, Kelsey Moore, Blake Nielsen, Staniela Nikolova, Kurt Oler, Megan Ottmann, Alissa Pettigall, Christine Pettigall, Sarah Poppo, Nicole Pridley, Jared Rayborn, Nicole Ridgeway, Leslie Scanlon, Jessica Shepard, Samantha Shus, Leah Snow, Benjamin Spencer, Andrea Tomlinson, Henry Tom Tran, Kati Tudes, Brett Wisconsin, Brittany Watt, Abby Watts, Andrea Wolkias, Danielle Willett, Hank Willis and Huaying Wu.

### 3.5 GPA and above

Sarranada Acosta, Zehreeta Alie, Alexander Alfred, Anthony Aranda, Brenden Barton, Amber Beeson, Timothy Blanchett, Dagny Blain, Kenneth Bingham, Katelyn Brown, Stephanie Brown, Adrienne Browning, Whitney Browning, Erica Bywater, Lloyd Justin Carpenter, Suzanne Cavillon-Shantel Chasler, Lisa Chasler, David Galenson, Amanda Gonners Smith, Parker Gamba, Dianna Collette, Lauren Davis, Charlotte Delebeck, Erin Donnelly, Sheneal Downard, Brandon Duncan, Eric Dumont, Sara Elizabeth, Jennifer Eak, Daniel Eager, Mitchell Eldredge, Kevin Fowler, Ashley Franklin, David Galan, Kristi Gofindstall, Clay Hansen, Lindsey Hansen, Lauren Hartman, Amanda Harter, Annie Hawkes, Heather Hendrix, Christopher Hish, Amy Jandino, Emily Jensen, Jan Jette, Audrey Kosman, Skyla Long, Kull Land, Jesse Maher, Kevin Mikesell, Dore Miller, Chain Randall Mitchell, Nicholas Mithrabader, Nathan Moody, Armin Munnawee, Ashley Nayler, Justin Niekaya, Inessa Oiler, By Pipps, Serena Prater, Ariel Pullin, Anita Quach, Hannah Hurdman, Jossyn Rickard, Tishan Hopack, Chris Tucker, Stuart Salvo, Paul Sarlock, Ka Serrivas, Aubrey Shaw, Sarah Stanley, Tasha Stanton, Anthony Strickland, Miria

Sidelmanno, Christina Theroged, Thea Tran, Sallie Veen, Thomas Watkins, Katharine West, Whitney Welch, Linda White, Tritan Woodhouse and Daniel Zook.

### Juniors

**4.0 GPA**  
Narikant Bandolin, Tenille Balfow, Justin Blain, Amy Brindoff, Cassie Bryant, Nicole Bulcher, Laurie Buegenmeyer, Schuyler Burton, Kempton Cox, Brandon Deschery, Alysa Drevas, Kristin Green, Tiffany Greene, William Grest Griffith, Caroline Harter, Alexander Harmon, Jessica Hartley, Susanne Heintz, Chelsea Heintz, Emily Jackson, Kristin Johnson, Megan King, Michael Machala, Rebekah Middleton, April Miller, Evert Morgan, Whitney Nall, Skovna Nelson, Eric Nelson, Steven Norris, Vanessa Olmsstead, Jonathan Poff, Maria Pugh, Donna Quach, Heidi Reisma, Katie Reender, Eric Riveck, Michelle Robble, Joel Joseph, Sabrina Stone, Jennifer Sullivan, Jessa Stinson and Justine Winters.

### 3.5 GPA and above

Case Adams, Christopher Arne, Kille Ann Arrington, Anca Banica, McKenzie Baseman, Katherine Baxter, Kiera Bennett, Matthew Bennett, Drew Benhard, Sarah Bond, Whitney Bond, Holly Brittan, Aspen Clontz, Keri Cooper, Brian Capaldi, Todd Cayle, Keri Daniels, Melissa Doolittle, James Edwards, Haley Everson, Cody Faught, Kelli Frew, Joana Fuller, Marissa Gabler, Kara Gambrell, Catherine Garwood, Cassie Gonzalez, Kaylee Grybaek, Holly Hansen, Meredith Hanes, Jayne Hansen, Andrew Harris, Mandy Heiberg, Hannah Heidenreich, Lauren Hedger, Jennifer Holmstrom, Michelle Holland, Kimberly Howell, Nicole Howe, Jesse Hye, Timothy Jacobson, Timothy Levatch, Amanda Lovell, Heather Jones, James Kahla, Leah Kevan, Guy Kim, Thomas Kubler, Ashley Krent, Kaye Lania, Allison Lang, Kristin Leavitt, Kathleen Lee, Jessica Lupton, Kevin Mankala, Travis Mason, Zachary Mathers, Colin Mattison, Scott McHenry, Jack Maywell, Nicole Miller, Michelle Milken, Jessica Mitchell, Wesley Morshita, Carlee Nieldrich, Jack Nipper, Nikola Novomy, liquid Olander, Alex Parkinson, Jason Peay, Ubenda Petersen, Paul Puhlovskis, Siarone Quigley, Kristin Richter, Emilee Roper, Zachary Seidel, Nicholas Sederik, Stacy Scherck, Melissa Shillington, Christina Sims, Alexa Spaulding, Caitlin Stanley, Scott Stirling, Scott Thompson, Jacob Tracy, Michael Travers, Alexander Tronac, Whitney Tupper, Alex

Turner, Anna Turpin, Amanda VanSant, Matthew West, Sierra Widmer, Andrew Wilkin, Melissa Williamson, Kendra Wilson and Jessa Woodland.

### Seniors

**4.0 GPA**  
Lauryn Adrian, Collin Allan, Tamm Barton, Erin Beale, Ashley Berwick, Kristian Berthoch, Erika Blank, Ashley Borwick, Lenzi Bowman, Tracie Buttas, Heather Callen, Lindsay Chandler, Jared Conroy, Nicole Cornia, Kalena Corder, Diase Crowley, Sarah Dreyer, Alicia Egbert, Angela Esama, Kelle Estep, Whitney Field, Cassie Frew, Perri Gardner, Madeline Greenwood, Amanda Guyer, Sadie Halverson, Haley Hall, Amanda Howe, Brittany Huzarke, Jamie Kern, Daniel King, Kory Krieger, Maggie Lutz, Chelsie Meyer, Tisha Nielsen, Scott Olsen, Anthony Patterson, Kelly Peterson, Eric Paterson, Scott Sierra, Jessica Rossini, Brian Scott, Sierra Seman, Keris Senn, Eric Sano, Kathleen Standley, Graham Stanley, David Ward, Ashley Watkins, Katherine Welch, Melissa Whitaker, Gray Wilk, Andrea Workman and Kristen Wright.

### 3.5 GPA and above

Cory Albertson, Jacque Armendariz, Jessica Badenes Contreras, Amanda Barton, Bryson Berrett, Amanda Blatock, Tyeal Bourquin, Meagan Boyton, Tara Brewer, Darren Brown, Jennifer Brown, Amanda Brumback, Alexander Castagno, Jessica Chapman, Mark Chappell, Haley Chastion, Jessica Cullie, Whitney Cleland, Heather Crane, Emily Doolittle, Amber Dunford, William Durkin, Jason Elbert, Nell Garbyan, Jerka Geppner, Manuella Gonzalez, Katherine Grill, Jessica Guarkert, Katherine Handing, Alesia Harter, Luke Hawkins, Alexander Hill, Damon Hill, Melissa Keegan, Eric MacMillan, Nikki McGill, Barbara Marks, Randall May, Sierra McCree, Tiffany Miller, Donika Moore, Daniel Moreno, Caitrina Mueller, Sevelin Mustalle, Brinnah Oliviera, Melissa Oliviera, Nept Ostersberg, Thomas Patterson, Jelena Peckowic, James Pettigall, Daniel Phillips, Virginia Stevens, Britt Stovall, Angela Stone, Mia Sore, Danielle Stanzak, William Stearns, Alan Tansy, Hanna Thomas, Jacob Thomas, Ian Tinsley, Jeremy Tinsley, Ashley Orland, Brian Walsh, Stephanie Ward, Chelsea Weaver, Soeic Whitehead, Brenda Williams, Kyle Woodhouse, Erika Vogt and Tessa Voss.

## M.V. Duplicate Bridge names winners

**TWIN FALLS** - The Magic Valley Duplicate Bridge Club has announced its weekly winners.

March 4: tied for first and second, Harold and Renee Bulcher with Steve Hale and Betty Sutor; and flight B, Mary Tucker and Doris Watts.

March 6: tied for first and second, Harold Bulcher and Sandy Sexton with Mary Klien and Bobette Plankey; third, Betty Grant and Sam Smuty; and tied for fourth and fifth, Linda Burgess with Wilma Driscoll and Evelyn Meyer.

March 8 club championship: first, Mary Tucker and Doris Watts; second, Don and Shelley Montgomery; third, Sidonia Di Costanzo and Doris Finney; fourth, Steve Hale and Sam Smuty; and flight C, Doug Strand and Tom Wagner.

March 9: first, Ruby Crimes and Doris Watts; second, Dottie Miller and Mary Lee Pfeiffer; third, Betty Grant and Sam Smuty; fourth, Madeline Savaya and Mary Ann Siegel; and tied for fifth and sixth, Doris Finney and Joyce Johnston with

Bonnie Aspartate and Veta Roberts.

March 10: first, Renee Bulcher and Polly Mulliner; second, Beverly Burns and Mary Klien; third, Dick Cook and Beverly Reed; and fourth, Linda Fix and Edna Pierson.

The club meets at 7 p.m. every Monday and Thursday and at 1 p.m. every Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday at the Magic Valley Bridge Center, 246 Falls Ave. in Twin Falls. For a partner, call 324-2000.

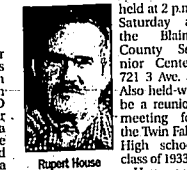
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**Deadlines**  
For the Sunday page: noon Wednesday  
For the Thursday page: noon Monday  
For the Tuesday page: noon Friday  
For the Saturday page: noon Tuesday

## Welcome home open house set for soldier

**TWIN FALLS** - Spc. Tucker Johnson is home from fighting with the third ID and 101st Air Assault Division as a Scout with the 2-70 AR and received a Medal of Valor. An open house for Johnson will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday at 2121 Rancho Vista Drive, the home of Bob and Jan Capps.

**Birthday celebration set at Blaine Senior Center**  
HAILEY - An open house for Rupert "Rupe" House will be



Rupert House

held at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Blaine County Senior Center, 721 S. Ave. S. Also held will be a reunion meeting for the Twin Falls High school class of 1933.

House was born in Hansen on March 21, 1916, and graduated from Twin Falls High School in 1933. He married Bonnie Layborn Nov. 25, 1933.

He started mining, including working at the Triumph Mine, and farming and ranching in southern Idaho before he and his wife moved to North Star, Idaho. In 1941, they moved to Hailey.

Other than when the couple

briefly lived in Oakdale, Calif., after the closing of the Triumph Mine, they have resided in Hailey. Rupert and Bonnie were active in the Wood River Grange and Sawtooth Riding Club and both held office several times.

House worked for the city of Hailey in charge of the street crew. After retiring, he was elected to the Blaine County Commission and served for 12 years.

His children include, William Louis, Anthony Rupert, Alan, Carmen, Patrick, David and Cynthia Louise. He has 15 grandchildren and 46 great-grandchildren.

The family requests no gifts.

**4-H offers Scrapbooking pet vaccination clinic**  
HANSEN - The 17th annual pet vaccination clinic will be held from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Saturday at the Hansen City Fire



Bottom, 'How the West was Done' included actors, from left, Hannah Blair, Stevy Marchand, Tyson Long, Leah Cryst, Tyler Long and Scott Pettlingli.

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

**Blvd. N.** will host a 4-H Scrapbooking Project-in-a-Day March 23. Beginners will start at 10 a.m. and those with experience will start at 1 p.m. Students must register by Friday. The beginners fee is \$7, including a \$3 registration fee and \$4 for scrapbook. Experienced students will pay \$3 by the pre-registration date, and \$5-\$10 to The Scrapbook Cottage during the class.

4-H leaders will need to sign students up through the Extension Office. For more information, call 734-9590.

**Hansen holds annual pet vaccination clinic**  
HANSEN - The 17th annual pet vaccination clinic will be held from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Saturday at the Hansen City Fire

station, 357 Main St. Vaccinations for dogs include rabies, parvo, corona and distemper shots are \$5 each or \$15 for all four shots. Vaccinations for cats, include leukemia, rabies, distemper and FIP are \$5 each or \$15 for all four. Furr's shots are available also. Owners should bring their pet records books. Hansen City dog licenses may be available also.

For more information, call 423-5158.

**Professor shares photography with guild**  
TWIN FALLS - Marvin Stroppe, a geology professor at the College of Southern Idaho, will share photos from trips with his wife, Ingrid, to the Rocky Moun-

tains, Sierra Madres in Mexico, Copper Canyon and San Antonio, Texas with the Art Guild. The meeting will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday at the Moon Gallery, 132 Main Ave. S. For more information on the Art Guild, call Jeanne at 404-1201.

**Brew Master's Club shares brew samples**  
KIMBERLY - The Rock Creek Brew Master's Club will host a show and tell for members to share samples and how they made their brew. The show and tell will start at 7 p.m. Thursday at Werts Brew Haus on Highway 30. Visitors should bring finger foods and samples. Guests are always welcome. For more information, call 423-6274.



WEST

# Mother facing murder charge in C-section case pleads innocent

SALT LAKE CITY - The mother charged with murder after avoiding a Caesarian section that doctors say would have saved the life of one of her unborn twins pleaded innocent Monday.

Melissa Ann Rowland, 28, appeared in court via video teleconference from jail. An attorney entered an innocent plea on her behalf to one count of criminal homicide and asked that Rowland be assigned a court-appointed attorney in the case.

Prosecutors say Rowland ignored multiple recommendations that she get a C-section to save the lives of her twins. When she eventually did give birth by C-section on Jan. 13, one of the babies, a boy, was stillborn.

The child endangerment charge stems from the surviving baby who was found with cocaine and alcohol in her system, prosecutors allege. She has since been adopted.

### Tribe says it's ready to resume law enforcement

BROWNING, Mont. - Leaders of Montana's Blackfeet Indian Tribe say they want tribal police to resume law enforcement on the Blackfeet reservation, alleging the Bureau of Indian Affairs has not met its obligations since seizing police duties a year ago.

Tribal leaders say many of the changes the BIA promised to implement under an agree-

### West in brief

ment have not occurred, and many of the problems that existed under tribal law enforcement continue now that there is federal control.

Last February, the BIA, citing what it said was corruption and mismanagement within the tribal police department, moved in and seized all law enforcement duties on the Montana reservation.

### Judge again orders feds' computers shut down

WASHINGTON - A federal judge once again ordered the Interior Department to pull the plug on most of its Internet connections Monday, finding no assurances that the department can protect hundreds of millions of dollars worth of American Indian money.

disconnected to protect oil, gas, timber and grazing royalties the department collects from Indian lands.

Lamberth said the move was necessary because the department refuses to work with Special Master Alan Balaran to fix holes in the computer security, which has been widely criticized in government reviews as being deficient.

### Rancher faces assault charge in grazing dispute

SILVER CITY, N.M. - Federal officers have arrested a southwestern New Mexico rancher whose cattle are at the center of a battle over grazing on a 146,000-acre allotment in the Gila National Forest.

Kit Lancy was arrested Sunday on charges including three counts of assault on a peace officer and resisting and obstructing arrest. He was being held without bond Monday in the Dona Ana County jail.

- compiled from wire reports

# FBI arrests man on ecoterror charge

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) - A fugitive radical environmentalist has been arrested by federal officials on charges of setting fire to logging and cement trucks in two separate attacks in 2001, the FBI announced Monday.

Known as Tre Arrow - was arrested by FBI domestic anti-terrorism agents, the FBI said in a statement.

with setting logging trucks on fire on June 1, 2001, to protest logging on the slopes of Mount Hood.

Scarpitti has been on the FBI's most-wanted list since disappearing two years ago. He is among four activists charged

Three other suspects were captured after one of them told a girlfriend about the crime, according to arrest papers.



Melissa Ann Rowland

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Tony received his Juris Doctor degree from the University of Colorado School of Law in 1994, and subsequently began his practice in Idaho in 1995 with the Twin Falls County Public Defenders Office. Prior to joining the law firm he was Chief Deputy Public Defender.

Mr. Valdez' practice focuses on the representation of clients in civil litigation and criminal defense. He is licensed to practice in Idaho and Colorado, and has argued cases to both the Idaho Supreme Court and Idaho Court of Appeals.

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March 17 is the deadline to apply for "It's A Switch"

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Simply fill out an application and enter! You could have a wonderfully redecorated room, all courtesy of Cain's Home Furnishings, Kelly-Moore Paint, Ray Goffin Construction, Frankling Building Supply and The Times-News. From the bathroom to the living room, simply choose a room and enter!

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### Applicant Rules

- Participants must live within the Magic Valley area
- You must either own the property or have written permission from the owner.
- Each home must have a "team" of two people - spouses, parent and child, siblings, and friends are all welcome. All participants must be at least 16 years old.
- The room must be at least 14' x 14'
- The room must already have furniture in it. Any furniture that should not be touched can be removed beforehand, but the room cannot be empty.
- You and the other participating party must both be able to take the same two days in March/April 2004 out of your schedule. If additional days are needed, both parties must agree on the specific day. The project must be concluded within three days total.
- The participating party must have a friend or relative that they can stay with for the duration of the project (up to three days).
- Invasive work into walls, floor or ceilings is not allowed. New lighting fixtures are allowed.
- Interested groups should fill out an application, available at the following sponsoring businesses: Cain's Home Furnishings in Twin Falls or The Times-News in Twin Falls and Burley; or on-line at [magicvalley.com](http://magicvalley.com) - click on the "It's A Switch" button. Applicants must also include photos showing all angles of the room to be transformed, a picture of themselves, and applications to The Times-News, PO Box 548 Twin Falls, ID 83303, Attn: It's A Switch
- Employees of The Times-News, Cain's Home Furnishings, Kelly Moore Paint or their immediate families are ineligible to enter.

Applications and pictures are due to The Times-News by March 17, 2004. Winning applicants will be announced on March 24 in The Times-News. Work will need to be completed by April 7.

A complete follow-up section on the two rooms featured will appear in The Times-News Home section on Wednesday, April 14 or April 21, depending on scheduling.

Entry Form

Date of Application: \_\_\_\_\_ Your name: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Day Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Evening Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Teammate's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Teammate's relationship to you: \_\_\_\_\_

Day Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Evening Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Address (if different from yours): \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Room to be transformed: \_\_\_\_\_ Measurements: \_\_\_\_\_

Why have you chosen this room? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you own your home? \_\_\_\_\_

When was your home built? \_\_\_\_\_

What style is your home? \_\_\_\_\_

Who else lives with you? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever tried decorating before? \_\_\_\_\_

Tell us a little about yourself (30 words or less): \_\_\_\_\_

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PUBLISH: March 16 and 23, 2004

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PUBLISH: March 16, 17 and 18, 2004

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FOUND Beagle, brown, black & white, SW of Twin Falls...

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## BRIEFLY IN MONEY

### Horizon Air offers special \$69 fare

HAILEY - Magic Valley residents can fly off to Seattle at a moment's notice during a "spring" season with Horizon Air's special \$69 fare to Seattle, available April 3 through June 13, the airline said.

The fare - \$69 each way - applies to the Horizon Air's daily nonstop service from Hailey's Friedman Memorial Airport to Seattle and is based on a required round-trip purchase with no minimum stay and no advance purchase necessary.

"You can buy this special low fare on short notice, and fly to Seattle whenever the impulse strikes," said Patrick Zachwieja, Horizon's vice president of marketing and planning.

Reservations are available on the Web at [www.horizonair.com](http://www.horizonair.com), by calling Horizon Air at 1-800-547-9308, or through travel agents.

The nonrefundable sale fare does not include per-person airport passenger facility charges of \$7.50 and a security fee of \$5, round-trip.

### Sun Valley rates tops for romance, skiing

SUN VALLEY - Sun Valley snagged the No. 1 spot on a top-10 travel list as a great place to ski and smooch.

The most romantic ski/snowboard resorts in the West, according to Web site [skinsnowboard.com](http://skinsnowboard.com):

1. Sun Valley
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3. Banff/Lake Louise, Alberta
4. Deer Valley, Utah
5. Santa Fe, N.M.
6. Crested Butte, Colo.
7. Taos, N.M.
8. Telluride, Colo.
9. Jackson Hole, Wyo.
10. Beaver Creek, Colo.

### Rising prices don't hamper demand

WASHINGTON - Despite near record-high gasoline prices, U.S. motorists continue to increase consumption and, with supplies tight, that is helping to keep fuel costs propped up.

The Energy Department reported Monday that nationwide retail gasoline prices averaged \$1.72 per gallon last week. Meanwhile, the price of oil surged to \$37.44 per barrel on futures markets, the highest level in more than a year, in part because of the rising cost of motor fuel.

"The gasoline demand has been pretty spectacular of late," said Tom Kloza, director of Oil Price Information Service, a Lakewood, N.J., publisher of industry data.

The most recent statistics from the Department of Energy show that gasoline demand has been roughly 3.7 percent higher than last year over the past four weeks.

Average daily gasoline consumption for the month ended March 5 was about 8.9 million barrels, up from 8.5 million barrels a year earlier.

Analysts attribute this increase to improving economic conditions, rising population and consumers' preference for gas-guzzling SUVs.

### Stewart resigns from her empire's board

NEW YORK - Marsha Stewart resigned Monday from the board and as chief creative officer of the media empire she built, a little more than a week after she was convicted of lying to investigators related to a 2001 stock sale.

The self-made queen of domestic arts - whose name has been stamped on magazines, TV shows and household products - will remain affiliated with Marsha Stewart Living Omni-media Inc. in a new non-executive role of founding editorial director.

In that role, Stewart, 62, will continue to provide creative inspiration for new product design and development; write two pending books, "Home-keeping" and "Baking"; and provide input on the continuing evolution of the company and its brand and strategic issues.

- compiled from staff and wire reports

# Firm slates Wendell for plant

## City plans industrial park to hold methane gas processing facility, other businesses

By Megan Hinds Times-News writer

WENDELL - Thousands of homes and businesses could be warmed by natural gas produced by the cows of local dairies within the next few years, an Idaho Falls renewable energy company says.

The city of Wendell will announce plans Wednesday for the construction of a 32-acre "green energy" industrial park to be built three miles east of Wendell.

Mayor Paul Isaacson said the industrial park could eventually generate more than 100 jobs over the next five years, he said.

The anchor business within the park, due to be constructed by 2006, will be a methane gas processing facility operated by Idaho Falls-based Intrepid Technology and Resources.

The methane, a biogas that can be used like natural gas or propane, will be produced through the use of anaerobic digesters from the manure of cows on local dairy farms, Isaacson said. The anaerobic digesters will use digester tanks containing bacteria that break down organic waste.

The construction of the first of two anaerobic digesters planned by Intrepid will begin in about two weeks on the Whitesides Dairy north of Rupert. Another digester will be constructed and in operation by July on a dairy

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### Town meeting

Wendell City Council members and the Greater Wendell Area Gem Team will host an informational meeting on plans for a "green energy" industrial park at 7 a.m. Wednesday in the Wendell High School auditorium. The meeting is open to the public.

## COURT FILINGS

The Times-News

BOISE - Recent activity in U.S. Bankruptcy Court included these Magic Valley filings:

### Chapter 7, nonbusiness, under \$50,000

Patricia Huddleston, also known as Tricia Huddleston, 756 Northview, Twin Falls, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 04-4042E.

Gary Dean Andrew, 423 E. Clark, Paul, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 04-4043J.

Brent Furman, and Kristen Furman, also known as Kristen Joy Yost, 275 S. Pacific, Eden, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 04-4044E.

Christian Anthony Pannell and Stephanie Dawn Pannell, 951 Winterhaven, No. 20, Hailey, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets not indicated, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 04-4044J.

Emily Comly, 330 Golconda Drive, Hailey, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 04-4047E.

Christopher M. Herrin and Samantha Herrin, 1093 Second Ave. W., Twin Falls, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets not indicated, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 04-40477.

### Chapter 7, nonbusiness, \$50,000 to \$100,000

Verl Dean Gutches and Nila M. Gutches, also known as Nila M. Sellers, 605 S. Greenwood, No. 2, Shoshone, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities \$50,000 to \$100,000. Case no. 04-4042I.

Edward D. Coats and Bonnie R. Coats, 2550 Carriage Way, Twin Falls, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets not indicated, liabilities \$50,000 to \$100,000. Case no. 04-40427.

John T. Burkhardt and Kerri M. Burkhardt, 301 Central, Albion, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets \$50,000 to \$100,000, liabilities Please see FILINGS, Page D2

# QUIETER COMPUTERS

## BYU professor seeks to tone down fan noise

The Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY - On his way out of the office one day, Brigham Young University physics professor Scott Sommerfeldt shut down his desktop computer, printer and other equipment and "couldn't believe how quiet" the room had become.

"That made me aware of how much background noise we put up with," said Sommerfeldt, who has worked for NASA trying to make turbo jet engines run quieter.

Sommerfeldt set about to find a way to drown out the whine from built-in fans that cool computers and other electronic devices. He came up with an idea for a cheap noise-control unit that's built around its own fan.

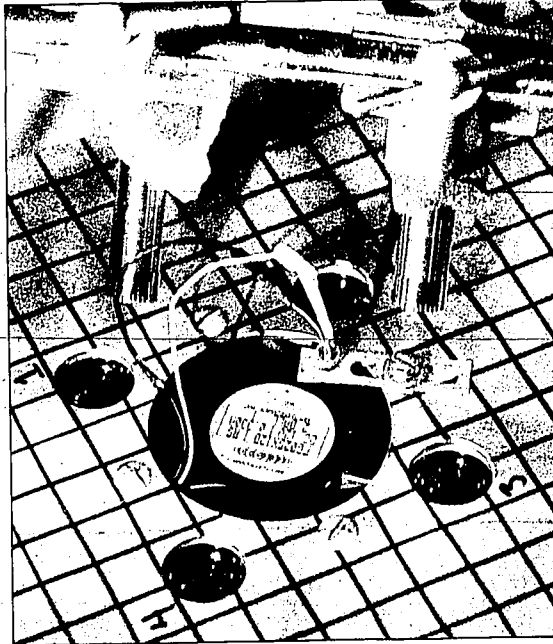
The new unit would take no more space than that of a conventional fan and add only about \$20 to the cost of a personal computer, he said.

The results of his design, made in collaboration with Pennsylvania State University acoustics graduate Kent Gee, were to be published Monday by the Noise Control Engineering Journal.

Their noise-control unit consists of four tiny loudspeakers and microphones built into the case around a fan.

The four microphones measure the fan's noises and signal a tiny microprocessor that drives the speakers, which make sound waves precisely canceling out the sound waves of the rotating fan blades. From the speakers come a sound pressure inverse to the pressure made by the fan, Sommerfeldt said.

"It's hard to think of loudspeakers creating silence, Sommerfeldt said it would be like placing conventional



Microphones and tiny speakers surround a computer cooling fan as part of noise-reduction unit invented by BYU professor Scott Sommerfeldt. The mechanisms emit vibrations that counter the noise coming from the fan, thus eliminating the noise.

speakers in an air vacuum, where the speaker cones would vibrate but produce no sound.

But Sommerfeldt hasn't achieved absolute quiet yet from his unit.

"You can hear a distinct difference if the (noise-control) system is on or off," he said of the audible results so far.

"It doesn't make it completely quiet, but it eliminates all of

the tonal noise of the fan - the 'whine' of the fan. It takes that virtually completely out. You don't hear that any more, but you hear some other noise. We haven't made a quiet world yet, but it's noticeably better."

The sound that remains is the whooosh of air moving through the fan, a noise made from the air molecules swirling over the fan's built-in ducts.

"We're knocking out the whine" and working to get rid of the whooosh, Sommerfeldt said.

His work for NASA was more challenging.

Sommerfeldt said he made some progress reducing the roar of jet engines "but that's a very difficult problem" without an easy fix. The space agency dropped the project, he said.

# Idaho firm to close two OfficeMax centers

The Associated Press

ITASCIA, Ill. - Boise Cascade Corp. will close two Boise Office Solutions customer contact centers and cut 400 jobs as it begins integrating OfficeMax, which Boise acquired in December.

The Boise-based forest-products company on Monday said it will close its Fort Worth, Texas, and North Ottawa, Ill., centers by

## Boise Cascade bought the office supply company last year, warned of cutbacks

the end of May.

The Fort Worth closure affects all of the nearly 400 employees there. The company plans to move most of the displaced employees from its North Ottawa center to its centers in south Ottawa and Peru, Ill., but is cutting

100 jobs in its south Ottawa center. The 400 jobs lost represent 1 percent of Boise Office Solutions' workforce.

When Boise completed the acquisition of OfficeMax, the company said it expected to reduce the total number of

delivery warehouses and customer contact centers, eliminate underperforming stores and reduce staff.

In January, the company said that during 2004 it would close 45 OfficeMax stores, open 12 new stores, relocate 10, and remodel 200 to 250.

In Magic Valley, Boise has an OfficeMax store in Twin Falls and a corrugated-container manufacturing plant in Burley.

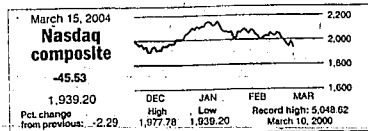
# Stocks slide again on terror fears

The Associated Press

NEW YORK - The election of an anti-war government in Spain further unnerved the stock market Monday, propelling the Dow Jones industrial average more than 130 points lower on fears that terrorists, emboldened by the events in Spain, would strike again.

The Spain elections certainly have some ramifications on the war on terror, and the political implications aren't great for the U.S., said Jay Suskind, head trader at Ryan Beck & Co. "Put that together with the lousy week we had last week, and there's not much confidence in buying."

The past week's selloff brought an end to the market's year-long rally which had started to taper off in mid-February. Resumption of the rally is un-



likely for some time, said Russ Koesterich, U.S. equity strategist for State Street Corp. "There's been a big reduction in risk appetite over the past few months, and investors are becoming very critical," Koesterich said. "The market has discounted a lot of good news, and there's limited upside ahead. That doesn't mean you should get out of the market, but the easy money's behind us."

The Dow fell 137.19, or 1.3 percent, to 10,102.89, its biggest drop since the 160.07 it lost March 10. The Dow and Nasdaq were at their lowest levels since mid-December, while the S&P 500 was at its lowest level since late December. Monday's session marked the third time in four sessions that the Dow fell more than 100 points, a common occurrence during the bear market but one that Wall Street has not been used to since stocks began their ascent a year ago.



Specialist Thomas Vardiglione, left, trades in shares of Nortel Networks Corp. at his post on the New York Stock Exchange Monday. The telecommunications equipment maker said Monday it put its chief financial officer and controller on paid leave while it reviews its financial statements.

MONEY

Taking advantage of home equity requires expertise

Question: Lately I seem to be overwhelmed with a plethora of friends who have decided to become "financial planners"...

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size-fits-all solution, regardless of your finances. These folks epitomize the old saw that "when all you have is a hammer, everything looks like a nail."

If you do decide you need a home equity loan or line of credit, you can arrange one yourself through a bank or credit union.

At what age is it reasonable for grandparents to send money with the birthday card? We have 14 grandchildren, are in the middle-income bracket and have enjoyed giving each

one \$20 for birthdays, but now we are ready to retire and know that our money is not going to stretch as before.

My mother feels that 18 years of age is the last year they should get money or a gift - because by that age, the children have graduated from high school and are earning money from their jobs.

Any cutoff age or method you want to choose is fine. The children's other sources of cash are really irrelevant. What matters is what you can afford and feel comfortable giving.

Questions can be sent to Liz Pulliam Weston at pulliamweston@aol.com or mailed to her in care of Money Talk, Business Section, Los Angeles Times, 202 W. First St., Los Angeles, CA 90012.

Potlatch execs cash in stock options

LEWISTON (AP) - With Potlatch Corp. stock selling for more than it has in 10 years, eight of its executives have exercised their stock options in recent weeks.

The stock closed Friday at \$41.36, up \$1.18. The executives' profits ranged from \$647,440 for L. Pendleton Siegel, chairman of the board and chief executive officer in Spokane, to \$10,305 for Harry Scoumades, vice president of pulp and paperboard in Lewiston, according to forms filed with the Securities Exchange Commission.

went to Richard Paulson, president and chief operating officer. Paulson sold 100,000 shares, March, said Michael Sullivan, company spokesman.

It's likely that in addition to the top executives, whose dealings are disclosed to the Securities Exchange Commission, a number of other employees also are exercising options, Sullivan said. The transactions were concentrated in February because it is one of four annual month-long windows following release of Potlatch's quarterly results when insiders are allowed to trade in Potlatch stock, Sullivan said.

In 2003, Potlatch stock hit a low of about \$18 a share following three losing years, including one with Potlatch's worst financial performance on record.

Since 1999, Potlatch, the Lewiston-Clarkston, Idaho's largest employer, has cut more than 500 employees out of north central Idaho, left the closed printing paper business with the sale of one plant and the closure of another, and closed the Joyce plywood mill near Pullman. Lately, because of a rise in the demand for oriented strand board, Potlatch began making money again in 2003.

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Here are the 525 most active stocks on the New York Stock Exchange, the 400 most active on the NASDAQ National Market and 100 most active on American Stock Exchange. Mutual funds are 1,115 listed. Stocks in bold achieved a 5 percent or more price increase.

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Table with columns for contract type (e.g., Soybean, Corn), price, and change. Includes sub-sections for Wheat and Soybean.

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Table listing various bean contracts (e.g., Soybean, Black Bean) with prices and changes.

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Table of Chicago futures contracts including Wheat, Corn, Soybean, and other grains.

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west of Wendell, the company says. At the request of the dairy has not yet been released to the public.

Unpurified methane will arrive at the industrial processing facility via a low-pressure gas pipeline that will connect to existing dairies, said Intrepid Vice President Jake Dustin. Construction of the anaerobic digesters, gas pipeline and methane processing plant is part of a \$40 million, three-phase, five-year plan to develop Phase 1 of the plant, said Magie Valley Renewable Gas Plant, Dustin said.

The plan will be funded through a combination of equity and debt financing with the majority of funding coming from Intrepid shareholders, he said.

"Our objective is to get as much gas as possible and to sell it on the market," Dustin said. "And that comes from anaerobic digesters."

The pipeline, once constructed and connected to the Wendell processing plant, will have the potential to carry the gas produced by 100,000 cows on 20 to 30 dairies in the area, said Wendell, Dustin said. That amounts to more than a billion cubic feet of methane gas per year - equivalent to more than 10 million gallons of propane.

The methane produced at the Intrepid facility could provide the fuel for ethanol and biodiesel plants, said Dustin. Methane produced there will be trucked from the dairy in liquid or gas form to be processed elsewhere.

As the anchor industrial plant, the Wendell methane processing facility could spur the construction of other "green energy" production plants in the future, including ethanol and biodiesel facilities, said Dustin.

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# COMPUTERS AND TECHNOLOGY

## World of search engines heats up

By Doug Bedell  
Knight Ridder News Service

DALLAS — The dry, esoteric world of Internet search engines is suddenly roiling with the intrigue of a midday soap opera. Yahoo has joined Google for a time, the Internet librarian that once belonged to the venerable Infotank. Meanwhile, dreading Microsoft's preparing a secret weapon that could push it past Google and Yahoo and into the hearts of millions.

"You have the upstart Google, the old veteran Yahoo and then the big bad Bill Gates villain lurking just behind," said Chris Winfield, author of the Search Engine Market Insider newsletter. "It's high drama."

After a couple of years of heavy consolidation within the search industry, Google remains the darling of consumers who need answers to their ever-expanding Net search queries.

About 40 percent of American Internet surfers conducted searches with Google.com in January, according to the latest comScore Nielsen/Netratings figures. But Yahoo (30.4 percent) and MSN (29.6 percent) are not far behind.

It means a good year for consumers, experts say. "The Big Three" will try to one-up each other by introducing better Web services and cheap ad-on services, such as the long-rumored spam-free Google e-mail, they say.

Microsoft is pouring millions into its MSBot (beta.search.msn.com), but it won't be released until late this year. So right now, all eyes are on the friction between Google, Yahoo in Sunnyvale, Calif., and Yahoo, based in Mountain View, Calif.

Yahoo may be No. 2 in search, but its Web sites were visited by 111 million people in January, making it the most popular Internet portal, according to comScore.

In many ways, the fact that Google leads in searches today is a product of its close association with Yahoo. Back in 1994, Yahoo's founders designed a driver for Microsoft's Internet Explorer browser that consumers would come to shop.

The company never bothered to develop a way to create an index of the billions of Web pages being created. Instead, it relied on software robots that compile Web page summaries in a complicated business.

Rather than plunge into their own "hot" development, Yahoo's architects hired Google to do the Web searches. In the process, Yahoo unwittingly gave Google a heavily trafficked test bed.

### Searching for differences

How the three largest Internet search engines compare:

Web address	MSN Search beta.search.msn.com	Yahoo www.yahoo.com	Google www.google.com
Ownership	Microsoft	Publicly traded	Privately held firm
Start date	Testing of new MSN Search began in early February	1994	1998
Headquarters	Redmond, Wash.	Sunnyvale, Calif.	Mountain View, Calif.
Top executive	Microsoft chairman Bill Gates	Chairman and CEO Terry Semel	Chairman and CEO: Eric S. Schmidt
Employees	Not available	5.6 million	1,300
Pages indexed	Currently developing and testing beta search	Will not disclose	Claims 4.28 billion
Percent of searches performed in January	29.6%	30.4%	39.4%
Average number of searches per user in December	23	16	11

Source: comScore Network Research Group, Web Usage, January 2004. Data Morning News research. Graphic, Daily, Page. The Daily Morning News.

"Really, it was a win for both of us," says Craig Silverstein, Google's director of technology. "Google was exposed to a lot of people in addition to those who already knew it as a search engine. Yahoo did very well by having good, high-quality Web search available."

So did America Online, another Google-powered partner. With the help of such alliances, Google survived to the top of the search market. Along the way, it developed an effective method of showing targeted text ads that show up when consumers do a last year.

By last year, search engine advertising brought in billions of dollars. Yahoo took drastic action to secure a piece of the market, which some analysts forecast will top \$7 billion worldwide by 2007.

Yahoo's chief executive Terry Semel shelled out \$2 billion for the Web search software company Infotank and search ad specialist Overmille. Reports began considering an initial public stock offering for this year.

In mid-February, Yahoo dismissed Google from most of its search duties. In its place, Yahoo tried to hybrid search technology built around the old Infotank indexing robot Shurp.

And senior vice president Jeff Weiner promised more surprises.

"Today's announcement marks the beginning of a rapid

succession of innovations from Yahoo Search that will deliver against our mission of providing the highest quality search experience on the Web," Weiner trumpeted in Yahoo's news release.

It was clearly a challenge to Google. And many experts believe the reigning King of Search has never been more vulnerable.

For one thing, Web surfers are proving fickle. A comScore study in December showed that people commonly turn to alternatives for search results. That means Yahoo and MSN have an opportunity to turn "drive-by surfers" into loyal customers.

And, analysts say, Google will have to find ways to build search traffic directly to Google.com without having the Yahoo Web presence of Yahoo.

But Yahoo is also showing some inventive muscle. It has already added functions that feed customers to insert news feeds into the Yahoo home pages.

Its Web mail service is established and running with impressive anti-spam software. Its SmartStart option in Yahoo Shopping allows users to pull down specific advice for computers, PDAs and other electronics.

"This is going to be a very heated competition," says Piper-Jaffray analyst Safa Rashtchy. "You've got two big titans of the industry. Google is by far one of

the best brand names on the Internet. But Yahoo has a much stronger base and is more established."

To some extent, Google could become a victim of its own success.

"They're continuing to roll out new things and new experiments, but being in the leading position, it's very easy for people now to sort of turn them into the enemy," said Chris Sherman, editor of the Search-Day newsletter.

Increasingly, businesses are finding that minor tweaks made by Google can move them up or down several rankings.

"Google really is in a position to make or break some businesses based on the way its ranking algorithms change," said Sherman. "That said, Google is, after all, providing a free service to these companies, so it's really not something where there's a clear right or wrong."

Said Google homes its difficult. Rashtchy says, it may be difficult for Yahoo and MSN to persuade users to give them a try.

"It's not that others haven't gained on Google," he said. "They certainly have gained and closed the gap. But Google is ahead of them a little bit, and it almost doesn't matter. Google has established a reputation as the most relevant site, and that cannot be easily undone, even by a more relevant search engine."

## This super scanner comes in small size

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On the Net

www.docupen.com

Look there! Up in your pocket. No, it's a laser pointer... No, it's a scanner! But this is not one of those mid-mannered pen scanners that merely scans a word or a line at a time. This is a FULL PAGE scanner.

Yet it's just a smidge bigger than a pen.

The problem with most pen scanners is that they use the tip of the pen as an optical reader. You hold the pen as you would a writing instrument and move the tip of the pen over the lines in a page you wish to scan. Because of the tiny surface area at the tip of the pen, you are limited to scanning in a line at a time at best. But with the DocuPen from Planon System Solutions (www.docupen.com), the entire length of the pen is the scanning element. And since the length of the pen is 8 inches, you can scan in an entire page with just one top-to-bottom motion.

To initiate a scan, simply place the DocuPen at the top of a standard 8.5 by 11 inch page and begin a downward movement. Depending on the contents of a page, the DocuPen will scan the entire page of text and graphic images in around 4 to 8 seconds, which is actually faster than some flat bed scanners I've seen. What's even more amazing about this device is that it does all that without the need for it to be connected to a computer at the time of the scan. That's because

the DocuPen contains its own power source—along with—2 megabytes of non-volatile flash memory. The flash memory is a time-nice touch since this kind of memory doesn't forget its contents even if the battery runs down. According to Planon, the 2 megabytes is enough to let the DocuPen internally store up to 100 pages before it fills up. From there, all you have to do is connect it to a computer via a USB or serial port connection and offload its contents.

The DocuPen's appearance is high-tech all the way. The beautifully sculpted exterior features a firm fingerprint grip as you position the device and move it down the page. The glowing green scanning light runs along the entire length of the pen. The whole thing looks like a futuristic pen, being used in your favorite science fiction movie. But the DocuPen is a reality and it's a James Bond gizmo you can own right now.

The DocuPen's monochrome resolution scans at up to a 200 by 200 dots-per-inch resolution. It uses a .55 silver oxide battery and weighs in at only 2 ounces. Planon includes image as well as OCR software that will transcribe any document into a word processor for further manipulation if needed.

The DocuPen works with any minimally configured PC running Windows 98 or later and sells for \$199.95.

## New software works magic with that face

Turn that scowl into something kinder

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On the Net

www.reallusion.com/facefilter

We've all taken bad snapshots at one time or another, especially when it comes to pictures of people.

There are the ones taken with someone's eyes closed or with a bad facial expression. Unfortunately, not everyone is willing to say "cheese" when you press the button. And while there are all sorts of photo-retouching products available to remove red eye and manipulate the images, none of them are actually designed to retouch facial expressions.

Until now, FaceFilter, from Reallusion (www.reallusion.com/facefilter), is a unique photo editor specifically designed to make faces more attractive. When I say attractive, I am referring to those facial expressions that tend to make an otherwise pretty face appear to be less appealing such as frowns, scowls and other unflattering grimaces.

FaceFilter accomplishes the transformation from unattractive to beautiful by actually allowing you to manipulate the subject's facial expression. According to the company, they have developed a revolutionary muscle-based facial enhancement formula that was derived from the analysis of literally thousands of faces. Using the supplied library of facial templates, you can make subtle face changes by simply grasping the corner of the mouth or opening the eyes wider, for example.

By playing with all of these variables, you can turn a frown into a smile, make a face look more friendly, slimmer or even more attractive. Turn that scowl on your mother-in-law's face into one of a kinder, gentler and more loving person. Or manipulate images of yourself so that you appear to be more intellectual, slender and even more confident. All of these appear-

ances are available within the FaceFilter template library.

To begin with, you first bring the digital image into the FaceFilter editor. An easy-to-use four step process lets you manipulate the facial image to your specifications beginning with the library of your own photos. Initially, the template attempts to normalize the facial image to provide what they call a balanced face. From there, you can apply a variety of features. Once the template has placed you in the correct position, the editor lets you apply a variety of manual facial feature adjustments.

This is done by selecting from ten different facial points. You can also modify the width and proportions of the head itself. Once the points are selected, you can change the position of those points. The facial image literally stretches or contracts depending on the direction of your movements. You can make eyes smaller, eyes bigger, enhance eyebrows and more.

Obviously all of this requires a gentle touch otherwise you will wind up with a caricature of the original image. Which isn't all that bad since creating a distorted version from a normal face turns out to actually be a touted feature of FaceFilter. Some of the examples I saw were hysterical. But the real value of FaceFilter is the ability you just have to throw away that precious memory—Now you have a chance to get most of them back.

## Hijacker slips past safety nets; use stronger Rx

By James Coates  
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Q. I seem to have a bug in my Internet Explorer file. I accidentally clicked on an ad on a Web site. As a result, every time I am on the Internet, a Web site changes my home page.

I bought SpySweeper and it helps me my home page back to what I want, but I have to run SpySweeper every time I'm on the Internet, so my surfing is going much slower. Can you help me find this problem? If you are curious, the evil Web site is www.evilforfun.com with an alias of about-blank.biz.

—Chad Rubick, Chicago

A. Ah, what I would like to pursue the truth, Mr. R. Or in your case, to pursue the adjuvant by catching it while it's in and then finding the cure while infected to the gills.

Any virologist will tell you this is a great way to work, but to check out your problem, I, too, clicked the wrong icon on an unprotected computer and had the home page hijacked to that noxious about-blank setting.

It proved to be one of the nastiest of these terribly invasive worms used to direct a victim's Web browser where a participating business wants. I say nasty because this worm and other hijackers damage a computer by ruining the browser's freedom to roam and scattering nasty files about the hard drive that amount to write notes.

They then boot new instructions into the computer's registry that allows them to trap each time you re-open the browser.

This means that you cannot

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simply restore your old home page using the familiar procedure of clicking on Tools in the browser and then Internet Options and General to find the home page setup. When you change this setting, the registry hijacker just runs again to restore the hijacking. This surely is the devil's work, eh?

While anti-spyware programs such as Ad-aware (www.lavasoft.de) will find and delete a great many of these hijackers, this about-blank one proved impervious to Ad-aware in my test just as you say SpySweeper didn't fix it for you.

So I went for strong medicine. The best way to eliminate this particular hijacker is to use the freeware Hijack This software. It is offered by a self-effacing Norwegian code writer named Merijn Bellekom and available at Shareware.com and through the extremely helpful Spyware site www.spywarefix.com (www.merijn.nl/download.html).

I must caution that this is at least an intermediate-level program because it can delete files that are important along with the junk, so follow the instructions and warnings carefully.

Afterward it's a good idea to keep something like Ad-aware's Ad-watch module running all the time to detect and deflect future hijack attempts.

Q. I have a 40-gigabyte AcornData USB 2.0 hard drive. When I plug it into my Windows XP computer, it is recognized and works fine. However, when I plug it into my fiancée's Windows ME computer, it doesn't find the drivers.

I went to AcornData's Web site and downloaded the drivers, installed them, and now it works fine. When I try to find the driver under My Computer, it doesn't show up. I can't figure out how to actually access the drive. Can you help me?

—Joseph M. Bley

A. This may be a silly question, Mr. B, but the next time you fire up that Windows ME machine with the AcornData drive attached, try this.

Hit the F5 key after first clicking on the My Computer icon to bring up icons for all present drives. This forces Windows to re-search its settings for all peripherals and often finds stuff that at first had seemed AWOL.

Falling that, the most likely problem is that you loaded the ME drivers only after first plugging the device into the computer and finding it didn't work. A long-standing Windows

weakness is that the operating system keeps a record of everything ever plugged in to its USB ports. If you plug something that fails to install properly, Windows will never again give you the chance to reload needed drivers.

So you need to fool the machine by telling it that the AcornData USB driver doesn't exist by removing it from the Device Manager menu that tracks every peripheral on the computer.

In ME and Windows 98 you right-click on My Computer, then select Properties and click on the Device Manager tab. (In Windows XP one clicks on a Hardware tab to get the Device Manager.) Scroll down to the bottom heading for USB and highlight the one for USB mass storage. Then click on the choice marked Remove below the list. This will eradicate the drivers you installed that aren't being used.

Finally, restart the machine and first install the drivers, then plug in the device. The operating system now will be able to recognize the hard drive and associate it with the necessary drivers in the Device Manager.

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