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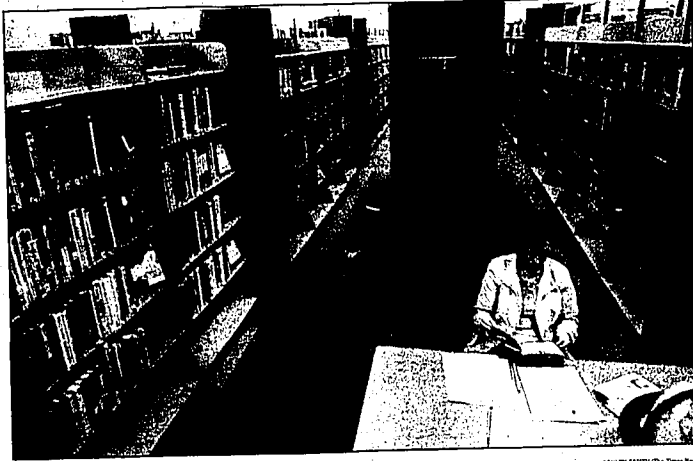
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Searching for space



Michelle Willard, a College of Southern Idaho freshman, studies in the Twin Falls Public Library. Library officials are looking into expanding the building to provide more shelf space and reading areas.

T.F. library officials look at possible expansion

By Loretta Burkhardt Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS — Crunched for room, Twin Falls Public Library officials are looking at the possibility of expanding the building. With immediate concerns that include more space for patrons, the library board is now seeking proposals from firms to provide architectural and engineering planning.

That design was based upon projected space needs for 15 to 20 years, he said. Now it's time to start looking ahead. "We've well into the life span of what was intended," Call said. Library Board Chairman Tom Kershaw agreed.

looks like the best way to go, Kershaw said. As a department of city government, the public library relies upon funding from city taxpayers to operate, with an annual budget of around \$1 million. The Twin Falls Public Library Foundation provides money to acquire books and other materials, and the library receives some grant money for specific purposes.

saved for expansion, and the Library Foundation isn't a likely source of money for a major capital project. At this point, we're just going to try to get some type of engineering and architectural analysis of what's possible and what our options are, Kershaw said. "I think it's a few years down the road, depending on the physical location where it occurs, it may be necessary to acquire property. Lots of things have to be looked at." To help with concept planning, the Drafting Club at the College of Southern Idaho is lending its design expertise for

Hamas founder dies in airstrike

The Associated Press

GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip — Sheik Ahmed Yassin, the founder and leader of the Hamas militant group that targeted Israelis in suicide bombings, was killed by missiles fired from Israeli helicopters as he left a mosque at daybreak Monday, witnesses said. Tens of thousands of Gaza residents, many of them in tears, poured into the streets after Hamas announced the death of the quadriplegic Yassin over mosque loudspeakers. Masked fighters at Shifa Hospital in Gaza City, where Yassin's body was taken, shot into the



Ahmed Yassin

The Associated Press

LARAMIE, Wyo. — As the Wyoming countryside begins to thaw, biologists and game wardens are canvassing the rugged terrain to solve an alarming mystery: Why have hundreds of elk slumped to the ground and died in less than two months? Despite intensive research, the wildlife deaths have stymied state officials, who have investigated a host of theories ranging from deliberate poisoning to exposure to heavy metals. The only time we've ever seen any deaths like this before have been winter-related deaths — severe winters, starvation-type things — which is not the case, state veterinarian Walt Cook said. At least 289 elk have been affected in south-central Wyoming since early February. The sick animals usually slump to the ground and cannot get up. Many eventually die of thirst. Some have also been cu-

A WILD MYSTERY

Why are Wyoming's elk dying?



State veterinarian Walt Cook assists a stricken elk back to health at the State Veterinary Laboratory, March 6 in Laramie, Wyo. Experts report at least 289 elk have mysteriously fallen ill and died in south-central Wyoming over the past month.

thitized by employees of the state Game and Fish Department. Cook's specialty is investigating mysterious animal deaths. He first looks for the telltale brain perforations of chronic wasting disease, the deer-and-elk version of mad cow disease. But chronic wasting disease

U.S. will keep power

Sovereignty date won't change troop numbers in Iraq

The Associated Press

BAGHDAD, Iraq — The United States says Iraq will no longer be governed under military occupation, on June 30. But most power will reside within the world's largest U.S. Embassy, backed by 110,000 U.S. troops. The fledgling Iraqi government will be capable of tackling little more than drawing up a budget and preparing for elections, top U.S. and Iraqi officials say.

"We're still here. We'll be paying a lot of attention and we'll have a lot of influence," a top U.S. official said on condition of anonymity. "We're going to have the world's largest diplomatic mission with a significant amount of political weight." In just over three months, the mantle of sovereignty in Iraq will be passed to an interim government. Its composition and the manner of its choosing will be decided after a United Nations team arrives this week.

But with Iraqi elections scheduled for December, the interim government will last a fleeting seven months at most; a butterfly's life, in legislative terms. Since the U.S.-led occupation regime will have a hand in choosing Iraq's new government, the body will lack a mandate for anything but administrative tasks. Many envision a team of nonpartisan Iraqi technocrats who concentrate on keeping the country functioning.

"We don't expect them to enact any laws unless there is absolute need for them," Iraqi Governing Council member Adnan Pachachi said Sunday. "We're not going to enter into any big contractual obligations — either diplomatically or economically — because those things should be done by an elected government."

The short-lived government's main work includes passing the 2005 national budget and preparing for elections, the U.S. official told reporters in a dinner meeting.

The U.S. ambassador will wield a large measure of influence on Iraq, and the fledgling government will remain heavily dependent on American money, troops and advisers, whom Pachachi said will be tutoring Iraq's rulers on governance issues across the board.

The American face in Iraq will undergo only a symbolic change with the ambassador's building but U.S. affairs still handled in Saddam Hussein's former Republican Palace.

The ambassador will also have a say in the spending of \$8 billion of the massive \$18.4 billion U.S. aid package approved by Congress in November, a huge tool with which to influence Iraq's affairs.

Americans "will be heavily involved, so there will be continued contacts with them," Pachachi said in an interview in a rented Baghdad mansion that serves as his headquarters.

Family gathers ransom money

By Helen O'Neill Associated Press writer

LITTLE PRAIRIE, Wis. — At his home on Bluff Road, Eddie Braun sat at the kitchen table, refusing to eat or sleep, sobbing about how he had lost the love of his life. The blind, 88-year-old man was so despondent that at first his children were reluctant to tell him that their mother wasn't missing. She had been kidnapped. "Kidnapped?" cried the Brauns' 53-year-old daughter Joan Wolfram, when police told her about the ransom note. "Why would anyone want to take my mother?" But the motive was clear. Heddie and Eddie Braun live in a modest one-story home in Little Prairie. Their only wealth lies in the 100 acres they once farmed. But the Brauns' eldest daughter, Judy, had

Kidnaping of Grandma Braun

Grandma Braun went missing February 2003 from her tiny farmhouse in the Wisconsin countryside, family found out two days later when a ransom note was found in a mailbox, demanding \$3 million. Second of four parts



Joan Wolfram and her brother, Richard Braun, sit March 5 at Wolfram's home near East Troy, Wis., with photos of their mother, Hedwig Braun, who was kidnapped from her home a year earlier.

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Tonight: Scattered clouds.
Tomorrow: Mild and mostly sunny.

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Today: Partly cloudy, high 70, low 37.
Tonight: Fair skies, continued quiet, high 70, low 37.
Tuesday: Mostly sunny skies, high 69, low 42.
Wednesday: Plenty of sun and warm, high 70, low 40.
Thursday: Mostly sunny, slight chance for light showers late, high 69, low 38.
Friday: Partly cloudy, continued warm, high 67, low 37.

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FBI monitored Kerry for more than a year

Los Angeles Times
As a high-profile activist who crossed the United States criticizing the Nixon administration's role in the Vietnam War, John H. Kerry was closely monitored by FBI agents for more than a year, according to intelligence documents reviewed by the Los Angeles Times.

Battle erupts after death of Afghan minister

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP) — Forces loyal to Herat's governor have taken control in the western city Monday after fierce factional fighting that killed Afghanistans' aviation minister and left as many as 100 people dead.

Hamas

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air in rage, vowed revenge against Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon.
Witnesses said Israeli helicopters fired three missiles at Yassin and two bodyguards as they left the mosque, killing them instantly. He was carried around in a special car that could accommodate his wheelchair.

Fighting ebbs as elders try to negotiate surrender

WANA, Pakistan (AP) — Fighting between Pakistani troops and suspected al-Qaida militants ebbed Sunday as tribal elders said they would try to negotiate an end to the longest battle yet against suspected terrorists along the Afghan frontier.

Elk

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was quickly ruled out after the first sick elk turned up Feb. 6. Also crossed off the list have been most viruses and bacteria, as well as malnutrition, exposure to heavy metals such as arsenic, and the possibility of poisoning from a leaky gas well or pipeline.

Library

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a "visual" of the possible expansion — one that pushes the library perimeter farther down Fifth Avenue East. The plan can then be presented to engineers and architects for consideration.

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\$280B tobacco suit moves toward trial

Repeated attempts at settlement end in failure

WASHINGTON (AP) — Cigarette makers are no strangers to the courtroom and after settling a lawsuit with states, they face Uncle Sam as the plaintiff this fall in what is shaping up as the biggest civil racketeering trial in history.

Repeated efforts to get the \$280 billion case dismissed have failed. So has an attempt by the Bush administration to negotiate a settlement.

Last week, U.S. District Judge Gladys Kessler rejected the latest bid to have the case thrown out, and the government submitted a list of witnesses it intends to call. On it is a who's who of the tobacco industry.

Six years ago, 45 states settled their suit against the industry for \$206 billion,

payable over 25 years. Four states settled separately for a total of \$40 billion. The states recovered costs for treating sick smokers.

Kessler ruled the federal government cannot do the same. She is letting the justices' Department sue the industry for allegedly conspiring to deceive the public about the dangers of tobacco and the addictive nature of nicotine. The government also claims the companies targeted children through advertising and then lied about it.

Government lawyers are pursuing the civil case under the Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act, known as RICO. The 1970 law was created to prosecute mobsters.

The suit was in 1999 under President Clinton. The Bush administration has allowed it to continue after receiving criticism for publicly discussing the case's perceived weaknesses and attempting unsuccessfully to settle it three years ago.

"My sense is that through pressure from Capitol Hill and elsewhere, the case has been funded and that the career attorneys (not political appointees) have been permitted to make the major litigation decisions," said William Schultz, a former Justice Department lawyer who headed the case during the Clinton administration.

The department would not comment on the case or say

how much is being spent on it. Observers say the cost to the government is tens of millions of dollars annually.

The defendants are Philip Morris USA Inc. and its parent, Altria Group Inc.; R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co.; Brown & Williamson Tobacco Co.; British American Tobacco Ltd.; Lorillard Tobacco Co.; Liggett Group Inc.; Council for Tobacco Research-U.S.A.; and The Tobacco Institute.

Justice lawyers argue that the \$280 billion amount to "ill-gotten gains." Philip Morris lawyer William Ohlemeyer called that "made up number" and said there is no way the companies can pay that much.

Even if the government can show the money was earned through fraud, it also would like to prove the fraud was likely to continue, Ohlemeyer said.

Bush, Kerry trade light barbs - indirectly

BOSTON (AP) — President Bush and Sen. John Kerry engaged in some light-hearted, long-distance one-upmanship Sunday, exhorting a Roman Catholic priest to save the souls of Republicans and Democrats alike.

"I presume he's got quite a few souls to save in the world," the Republican president joked.

"Father, I got a few Republicans I want to add to the list if I can," quipped his Democratic rival.

It was part of a kind of political call-in show as the Bush and Kerry in separate telephone calls gave their greetings to the annual St. Patrick's Day breakfast.

The event is the more than half-century old precursor to the annual South Boston St. Patrick's Day Parade, which draws hundreds of thousands

The gathering is attended by top politicians in the city and the state, most of whom are Democrats.

Bush placed his call from the White House. Kerry checked in from his skiing vacation in Ketchikan.

Kerry drew a big round of applause when he identified himself by saying, "This is the next president of the United States."

Both Bush and Kerry already in the full-throttle campaigning against each other, had some fun at the expense of Republican Gov. Mitt Romney.

"Here's the way I like to put it about Massachusetts," Bush said. "I know there's a lot of talk about a Massachusetts politician who has his eye on the presidency, but tell Mitt it's not open till 2008."

Kidnap

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married Richard Mann of Mann Brothers Inc., one of the largest construction firms in the state. The Manns are considered the wealthiest, most politically connected family in the area.

"Please God," Wolfram prayed, "wherever Mother is, send your angels to protect her."



Eddie Braun

write subpoenas for records from the Florida company that makes the phones. But it could be days before they got the information.

In the meantime, the only thing to do was old-fashioned leg work — knocking on doors, interviewing anyone connected to the Braun and Mann families, talking to employees at Kmart in the nearby town of Delavan — the only place locally that sold TracFones.

The sheriff's department and the FBI quickly established a joint system of command, as dozens of agents poured in from around the state. Phone banks were set up. Photographs of the white-haired, smiling Braun were placed in the wall, along with a huge chart detailing both the Braun and Mann family trees.

"There was a sense the clock was ticking," said Capt. Dana Nigbor, the sheriff's department chief of detectives, "and it was getting louder all the time."

Following the instructions on the ransom note, police placed a cell phone number in the windows of Mann Brothers Inc. facing Route 12, the main highway north of Elkhorn. They set up round-the-clock surveillance from the country club across the road.

Meanwhile, they waited for the kidnapper's next move.

Shivering in the cold and the dark, Heddie Braun knew she was falling.

The pain in her feet was excruciating. Her slippers had fallen off and ice encrusted her ankles. She knew she couldn't last much longer. Yet she didn't feel bitter, or scared.

Grateful her abductor hadn't beaten or raped her. Grateful she had been the one taken, and not a grandchild or great-grandchild.

Most of all, Heddie felt grateful for a life well lived, especially the time with Eddie, the dear man she had fallen in love with at a roller rink in Milwaukee 68 years ago. Over the years he had been a factory worker, a railroad man, a farmer, and they had never

stopped loving each other. They raised four children, and later, when the children had grown, they had made friends around the country on camping trips in their recreational vehicles.

It had been a simple life, but a good one. And though this wasn't the way she had expected it to end, she could accept it.

She had been to church the previous Sunday. A throng of grandchildren had visited on Monday and celebrated her 88th birthday with cupcakes and candles.

She understood now that she was being held for a \$3 million ransom. In written notes, the kidnapper had explained everything.

She couldn't imagine her family had that kind of money — and even if they did, it was too old to be worth it.

And so, at peace with her life and her Lord, Heddie Braun prepared to die.

Yet, as she drifted into an uneasy sleep, she couldn't help but wonder:

"How does he plan to kill me?"

Wednesday: Fighting back.

"We need to know everything about you and your family and your lives," Graves said. "We need to know the name of anyone you have ever had a disagreement with. There can be no skeletons, no secrets."

Wolfram was unsure whether she felt more angry or scared.

"We are all the people who love mother the most," she thought, "and we are suspects?"

But the nightmare reality only got worse.

Police would need fingerprints from every family member, background checks, too. They would need to tap their phones. They could tell no one that the FBI was involved.

"As far as the public is concerned," Graves said, "this is still a case of a missing person."

The FBI's Mitchell took over. It was time to talk about the ransom.

"The decision to pay or not to pay is yours and we won't question it," he said. "But all decisions about how to handle the drop, how to negotiate it, how to execute it... you are not making those decisions. We are."

Around the table, the sons and daughters of Heddie Braun nodded. There was no doubt about the money. They would call their banks. They would raise as much as they could.

They would hand it over willingly in return for their mother's life.

Police called off the massive search near Braun's home and began focusing on any shred of information that could lead them to her kidnapper. But there was little to go on.

There were no fingerprints on the ransom note. The local phone company confirmed that the phone used to make the call to Robert Mann was a prepaid disposable cell phone called a TracFone.

Officers were assigned to

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AROUND THE VALLEY

CSI considers employee raises

TWIN FALLS - The College of Southern Idaho faculty and staff consider their first base pay increase in two years if the college's board approves a recommendation for raises. The board will meet today at 5:30 p.m. in the Taylor Building, Room 258, and will hear a recommendation as an informational item.

Vice President of Finance Mike Mason said faculty and staff have had raises for rank-increase and changes in duties, but no other increases in the last two years.

The board also will look at awarding a bid for a new roof on an apartment building at 1322 Washington St. N., owned by the Dormitory Housing Commission. Western Roofing was the low bidder with a proposal of about \$38,000 for the project, Mason said.

Commission studies used car lot proposal

BUHL - A used car lot will be the topic of a public hearing Wednesday at Buhl Planning and Zoning Commission meets Wednesday.

Dick and Karen Dey have requested a conditional-use permit to conduct retail and wholesale sales of used cars on property located on Highway 30 east of Buhl. K&D Auto Sales would be located on a vacant lot east of the Subway restaurant. The lot is zoned as a neighborhood business district. Conditional-use permit would be required for vehicle sales.

Public comments will be taken at the hearing in the council chambers at Buhl City Hall, 203 North Broadway. The hearing begins at 7 p.m. Written comments will be accepted at the city clerk's office until 5 p.m. the day of the hearing.

Camas County hires new sheriff deputy

FAIRFIELD - Brian Miller of Jerome has been hired as a deputy with the Camas County Sheriff's Department.

Miller, 30, began his duties last week. The position, which was vacated when former Deputy Rose Vaughn resigned in mid-February, pays \$2,200 per month, Sheriff Dave Sanders said.

Miller served 10 years in the U.S. Army before entering law enforcement.

CSI sees tuition increase for fall

TWIN FALLS - College of Southern Idaho students will pay \$7.50 more per credit hour beginning with the fall 2004 semester.

The increase that was approved by the CSI Board last month will raise full-time tuition - 10 credits or more - from \$925 to \$900. Full-time tuition for out-of-state and foreign students will go up to \$2,500 per semester. The new rates were approved after CSI administrators compared the increases enacted at other Idaho colleges this year and also discussed CSI's needs with elected student officers and the student senate. Students asked that a portion of the increase, amounting to \$25 per full-time student, be applied to the construction of a new student recreation center to be built onto CSI's physical education building.

Tuition rates for the summer semester will remain at existing levels. Registration for the summer and fall semesters will begin April 12 at all CSI locations in Twin Falls, Gooding, Burley and Halley.

For information, call 733-9554

- compiled from staff reports

Snowpack levels

Watershed	% of Avg*	% season peak**
Upper Snake Basin	86%	80%
Salmon Falls	104%	102%
Salmem	88%	80%
Oakley	106%	105%
Big Wood	84%	78%
Little Wood	86%	84%
Henry Fork/Teton	100%	93%
Big Lost	88%	81%
Little Lost	82% - 72%	

*As of March 21

**A comparison of basin snowpack on this date, with a 30-year average.

**An indicator of basin snowpack for the entire snow season, which peaks in late May.

Council examines requests

By Rebecca Meany Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - More homes in two subdivisions may be on their way to fruition if the City Council grants approval.

Owners of Villa Vista Subdivision, No. 6, which could be developed into 76 residential lots, and Pleasant Meadows Subdivision, phase one, which would potentially develop 120 lots, are looking for the go-ahead at tonight's City Council meeting.

Twenty acres of land northwest of the intersection of Harrison Street South and Pleasant Road may be transformed into the sixth phase of the Villa Vista Subdivision. Owners are seeking approval of the final plat of the subdivision.

The area is currently zoned R-4, which requires a minimum lot size of 4,000 square

Tonight's meeting

The Twin Falls City Council meeting begins at 5 p.m. today at the City Council chambers, 305 Third Ave. E. It is open to the public.

area in December.

The council also will consider approving the final plat of Pleasant Meadows Subdivision, located west of Washington Street South east of Kenyon Road. The now-vacant land is zoned R-4.

The planning commission unanimously approved the preliminary plat on Jan. 13.

Other council business will include:

- RV parking - Council members are scheduled to hear a request by members of St. Saviors Lutheran Church to allow nine RVs to be parked on property at the southeast corner of the intersection of Carriage Lane and Filer Avenue East. They are seeking permission for the RVs to be occupied during construction of their new church building.
- Plan of action - The council will continue its discussion of the strategic plan. Council members and city staff met in a day-long planning session March 11 to discuss goals and objectives during the next two years.

The city annexed the

The seat of choice for feline strays at this makeshift animal kingdom seems to be the lap of a 93-year-old woman who is helping to save animals.

One cat

Local woman devotes effort to helping animals, controlling population

By Loretta Burkhart Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS - Just east of the city, at a home surrounded by open fields, it's reigning cats and dogs.

But forget about sitting on thrones. The seat of choice for feline strays at this makeshift animal kingdom seems to be the lap of a 93-year-old woman who is helping to save animals - one cat at a time.

"She loves animals, and she's got a heart as big as all outdoors," said Karen Keady, a registered nurse who took a leaving more than a year ago to serve as a home caregiver for her aunt, Pauline Long.

Nevertheless, in a setting where hungry droppings are an everyday occurrence, the art of caregiving has taken on a whole new meaning. Long is concerned about the ever-growing population of stray and feral cats that are left to make it on their own. Therefore, she is doing her part to see that they have a chance to survive.

"And she's running me ragged," Keady said with a laugh. With a collective goal, the family is involved in a personal pet project by paying to have any cat they catch spayed or neutered, then released. The main objective is keeping the population down "to keep them from breeding," Keady said.

A long with all of her baggage from Seattle, she brought along 'Colors,' a black and white stray that took up residence with her some 14 years ago. And it wasn't long after she settled in Idaho that another stray had found its way into her heart.



Pauline Long, 93, holds Queenie, a stray cat she rescued almost a year ago. Long catches stray cats with a trap and then takes them to a local veterinary clinic, which spays and neuters them.

County aims to eliminate redundant access to public land

By Chip Thompson Times-News writer

BURLEY - Hoping to relieve a burden on landowners, the Cassia County Roads Committee will recommend that some roads providing access to public lands be eliminated, said the committee's co-chairman, Tom Geary.

During the past two weeks, individual highway districts held meetings to gather information and comments from the public about access roads, with the goal of eliminating multiple access routes to single areas.

"There are some places with three or four roads right next to each other," Geary said at the Albion meeting. "That's the sort of thing we're trying to get rid of."

"We want people to have ac-

Road map to improvement



Tom Geary, co-chairman of the Cassia County Roads Committee, points out redundant access roads to Albion Highway District Director Lee Jolley.

cut and gates left open, allowing cattle to escape, and vehicles have been driven across wet areas, causing deep rutting on private property.

"The public comment will allow updating of 1999 maps,

County Administrator Kerry McMurray said. The meetings provided a chance for the people who use the roads to tell county officials if there are roads on the map which no longer exist, or new roads which are in use but not on the map, he explained.

Accurate maps will be a benefit to emergency services, Smyer said. If somebody gets hurt on public or private land, emergency personnel need to have current maps which show the best routes to the scene. "There's roads on the map which haven't been there for years," Cassia County Emergency Services Manager Kent Seattle said. "We either need to have a good map, or we just need to know from experience."

ON THE TABLE

Buhl prepares to spend \$50,000 on arsenic study

By Sandra Wisecaver Times-News correspondent

BUHL - A \$50,000 contract for a study of Buhl's water system in compliance with new federal arsenic standards could soon be on the table.

But Mayor Barbara Gietzen is not convinced that the Environmental Protection Agency's previous arsenic standard of 50 parts per billion was all that bad. "We wouldn't have all these people living to be 90 and 100 in Buhl if it was that bad," she said. They drank this water all their lives.

Regardless, one of Buhl's four wells exceeds the new EPA arsenic standard of 10 parts per billion, which cities must meet by January 2006. Well No. 6, the city's newest, is at 16 drops of arsenic per billion gallons of water. The other three have been testing below 10 ppb for the past year.

City Engineer Scott Bybee thinks the 6 additional ppb over the new 10 ppb standard is pretty minimal.

"The new standard is too low," he said. "I'm not a scientist, but I don't see the aftereffect of the arsenic that they are concerned about."

Despite reservations about the science behind the new rule, the city is currently negotiating a contract for a required study of the water system. That study should identify the most feasible means of complying with the new standard.

Buhl's new Study Committee will meet Thursday to review the contract with the

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Economics suspend Billingsley project

Students want to reintroduce native plants back to area

By Sandra Wisecaver Times-News correspondent

HAGERMAN - Now elementary students are trying to get their hands into Hagerman's greenhouse home.

Supporters of restoring native plants to Billingsley Creek State Park are seeking funds to jumpstart a hands-on educational project. Hagerman fifth grade teacher Creed Robinson said,

"We have lots of things lined up, but unfortunately it costs some severe money," he said.

The idea is to fix up Billingsley's greenhouse so that Hagerman Elementary School students can grow native plants to restore the park.

"It's a great opportunity for the community of Hagerman and the entities in this area to collaborate in an educational process for Hagerman School District," Superintendent Lee Mitchell said.

The project would be a win-win for everyone, said Jim Scott, secretary-treasurer of Hagerman Improvement Development Education and Accreditation Inc., a group known as IDEA.

But the success of the hands-on youth science project will depend on support from the community.

The school district and the Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation have signed a formal agreement to allow students to grow native plants for Billingsley. IDEA will help raise funds and has challenged businesses and organizations to meet or beat their donation goal of \$700.

IDEA has raised funds through memberships, dona-

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Study reports Boise among best in terms of cost of doing business

BOISE (AP) — Boise ranked fifth among 10 cities with comparable populations when it comes to environments favorable to the cost of doing business, according to a recently released study.

Trial will begin today in murder, kidnapping case against Boise man

BOISE (AP) — A murder case that sparked community criticism of the Canyon County justice system heads to trial this week.

MINIDOKA COUNTY COURTS

RUPERT — Recent activity in 5th District Court in Minidoka County included:

- Misdemeanor dismissals
Burt Shaw Anderson, 38, use of possessive drug paraphernalia, dismissed;
Magistrate Judge Rick L. Bolter.

SERVICES

Emma R. Proegster, formerly of Minidoka and Paul, graveside service at 11 a.m. today at the Paul Cemetery (Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel).

Boye, vice president of the Boise Metro Economic Development Council.

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Bottom banner advertisement for 'Better Hearing Starts Today, Call Us!' with contact information for Twin Falls, 734-2900.

Coming Tuesday

The NCAA women tournament field gets whittled down.

MORNING LINE

SPORTSQUOTE

“It’s amazing how emotional you can get about a giant slab of concrete.”

”

— John Middleton, one of many fans who gathered to pay last respects to Veterans Stadium. The famed sports venue was imploded Sunday.

TRIVIA

QUESTION:
Seven Saint Joseph’s players have gone on to become head coaches in the NBA. Jack Ramo, Jack McKinney and Paul Westhead are three of them. Who are the four others?

...answer below

IN BRIEF

Tri-City sign-ups begin today

RUPERT — All boys and girls in the Mini-Casita area are welcome to register for the Tri-City youth baseball and softball programs. Registration begins today and continues until April 16 with games starting in May. The registration fee is \$15.00 for boys and \$10.00 for girls. Prizes range from 4-5 year old co-ed tee-ball to high school co-ed softball and 11-13 boys live pitch and 11-13 girls advanced pitching machine leagues. For further information, please call the Rupert Recreation department at 434-2400.

No CSI booster lunch held this week

TWIN FALLS — There will be no College of Southern Idaho Booster Club luncheon today due to spring break.

Sisson wins athletic leadership award

BUHL — RC Sisson received the Athletic Leadership Award recently at Buhl High School’s Winter Awards Banquet. The award is given to an athlete who has shown leadership on and off the athletic field or arena floor. Sisson did volunteer work through the National Honors Society, the wrestling program and Little League football. He is the son of Terry and Mary Sisson.

T.F. soccer player will compete in England

TWIN FALLS — Twin Falls soccer player E.J. Morgan will join a national boys team for a Sports Tour USA competition in England this July. Players are chosen based on skill and volunteer work. He is the son of Paul and Carol Morgan of Twin Falls.

Raqueeters hosts 3-on-3 hoops tourney

BURLEY — Raqueeters Fitness Center will host two 3-on-3 basketball tournaments as part of its March Madness celebration. March 23-25 will mark tournaments for adults ages 19-39 and 40-plus. Registration is \$10 per participant with activities starting at 6 p.m. Friday, March 19 and continuing between 7-9:30 a.m. and 1-5 p.m. Saturday.

Boys and girls in grade school through high school can compete in the tournament held March 26-27. Registration is \$5 for members and \$10 for non-members. The tournament will run from 1-9 p.m. Friday and 9-5 p.m. Saturday.

Compiled from staff reports

TRIVIA ANSWER:

George Senesky, Jim Lyman, Matt Guokas and Jim O’Brian.

Johnson races to victory

The Associated Press

DARLINGTON, S.C. — Jimmie Johnson got the lead with a fast pit stop and held off a challenge from hard-luck Bobby Labonte to win the NASCAR Nextel Cup race Sunday at Darlington Raceway.

Labonte was leading the Carolina Dodge Dealers 400 by half a straightaway over Kurt Busch on the 1.366-mile oval when Kyle Petty’s engine went up in a plume of white smoke, bringing out a caution flag 19 laps from the end of the 283-lap event. All the leaders pitted for much-needed fresh tires and Johnson’s No. 48 Chevrolet crew got him out inches in front of Labonte’s No. 192 Chevy.

“These guys got me the lead early in the race and they got me out front again when it really counted,” Johnson said,

seconds — about two car-lengths — behind.

For Johnson, it was the seventh victory of his Nextel Cup career and first on NASCAR’s oldest superspeedway. It also was the 10th Darlington victory for team owner Rick Hendrick, tying him for the track record with retired Junior Johnson.

Ryan Newman, who had to make up a lost lap after being penalized for hitting a marker cone while entering the pits early in the race, came back to finish third, followed by Robby Gordon, Elliott Sadler and Busch.

Dale Earnhardt Jr. also had to make up a lap and struggled with handling throughout the race. He still managed a 10th-place finish and jumped past Tony Stewart into second in the standings, trailing leader Matt Kenseth by 21 points.

NCAA BASKETBALL

UAB stuns Kentucky

The Associated Press

COLUMBUS, Ohio — The NCAA tournament’s top seed got sent back to its ol’ Kentucky home.

No Finley made a 17-foot jumper with 12.2 seconds left and ninth-seeded Alabama-Birmingham hung on to stun the heavily favored Wildcats 76-75 Sunday in the second round of the St. Louis Regional.

Kentucky’s Gerald Fitch missed a 3-pointer with 2.2 seconds left and Chuck Hayes’ tip rolled off the rim just before the final horn.

The Blazers (22-9) advanced to the round of 16 for the first time since 1992 with their second big upset of Kentucky in the NCAA tournament.

UAB’s win came almost exactly 23 years to the day that the Blazers beat Kentucky in the second round of the 1981 tournament, a victory the school had claimed as the turning point in its basketball program, which is celebrating its 25th anniversary this season.

This one might just top it. Using a “40 minutes of Hell” attack that their coach Mike Anderson learned under Nolan Richardson at Arkansas, the Blazers took it to the Wildcats from the outset.

Richardson got to see every second of it, too, cheering and waving his arms in the stands for the Blazers like he was on the sideline coaching the Razorbacks.

“Forty minutes of Hell Part Two,” Richardson screamed in the middle of UAB’s cheering section that had turned into a mosh pit. “I knew they had a chance.”

For the second straight year, Kentucky came up short in its quest for an eighth NCAA title as the tournament’s favorite.

Kentucky rallied all the way back from a 10-point deficit in the second half and took a 75-74 lead with 29.3 seconds left.

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Mo Finley (10) shoots the game-winner in the final seconds to lift the University of Alabama-Birmingham past top seed Kentucky 76-75 Sunday during the second round of the NCAA men’s basketball tournament. UAB was the second Alabama-based team to knock off a No. 1 regional seed.

Top seed Duke advances easily

By The Associated Press

DURHAM, N.C. — Reserve Jessica Foley scored 18 points to lead top-seeded Duke to a 103-51 victory over Northwestern State on Sunday in the first round of the Midwest Regional.

Foley added 17 points and 11 rebounds for the Blue Devils (28-3), who scored the first 13 points and were never challenged. Duke advanced to play ninth-seeded Marquette.

Diamond Cosby scored 17 points for the Lady Demons (24-7).

Marquette 67, Old Dominion 64
DURHAM, N.C. — Christina Quaye scored 24 points and hit a go-ahead layup with 5.8 seconds left for Marquette. Shareese Grant scored 19 points for the Lady Monarchs (25-7).

Kansas St. 71, Valparaiso 63
MINNEAPOLIS — Nicole

Women’s basketball

Childs scored 25 points to lead, second-seeded Kansas State past Valparaiso.

Kendra Wecker added 15 points and Laurie Kohn 14 for the Wildcats. Jamie Gutowski had 20 points for the Crusaders (20-12).

Minnesota 92, UCLA 81
MINNEAPOLIS — Lindsay Whalen scored 31 points in her first game in more than five weeks, leading Minnesota.

Janel McCarville added 19 points and 17 rebounds for the Gophers (22-9). Nikki Blue scored 20 of her 33 points after halftime for the Bruins (17-13).

Penn St. 79, Hampton 72
HAMPTON, Va. — Kelly Mazzanti scored 18 points, and Tanisha Wright added 16 for top-seeded Penn State.

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Duke’s Lindsay Harding makes a steal against Northwestern State’s Katrina Swanigan in the Blue Devils’ win Sunday.



Jimmie Johnson celebrates with his pit crew Sunday after winning the Carolina Dodge Dealers 400.

Americans falter at Pacific Life Open

The Associated Press

INDIAN WELLS, Calif. — Roger Federer and Justine Henin-Hardenne played up to their No. 1 rankings on Sunday, both winning Pacific Life Open titles in straight sets.

Federer beat just-novice Tim Henman for the second time in eight matches 6-3, 6-3 to take his third title of the year. Federer’s only loss in his last 28 matches was to Henman earlier this year in Rotterdam.

Henin-Hardenne used a dazzling mix of shots to beat former No. 1 Lindsay Davenport 6-1, 6-4 in the women’s final.

Federer was virtually error-free against Henman, with the Swiss star making only five unforced errors to 19 by his English opponent.

Henman was in the title match for the second time in three years; Lleyton Hewitt beat him 6-1, 6-2 two years ago.

Henin-Hardenne’s victory, which came in 104-degree heat, gave the 21-year-old Belgian her fourth title of the year, and she’s off to a 22-1 start.

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Campbell charges at Bay Hill

The Associated Press

ORLANDO, Fla. — Playing with Arnold Palmer for two days at Bay Hill was quite a thrill for Chad Campbell.

Even sweeter was finishing him on the 18th green Sunday for the trophy presentation.

With a final-round charge that would have made Annie Porter, Campbell rallied from a four-shot deficit by closing with a flawless 6-under 66 to surge past mistake-prone Stuart Appleby and win the Bay Hill Invitational.

Campbell, 29, was four shots behind with 12 holes to play.

By five time he walked onto the 18th green, he could have seven-punted and still won the tournament.

Appleby lost the lead for good with a three-putt on the 14th hole.

He missed a 3-foot par putt on the 17th, then drove into a hedge and hit into the water on the 18th, lucky to escape with a double bogey for a 4-over 76 to finish six shots behind.

Campbell won for the second time with the kind of golf that shows why he’s one of the rising stars in golf.

He finished at 10-under 270 and earned \$900,000.

Tiger Woods, going for a record fifth straight victory at Bay Hill, shot a 73 to tie for 16th.

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SPORTS

Mavericks snip Nets

Dallas makes big defensive. plays in final seconds of win

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (AP) — Steve Nash had 15 points and a season-high 16 assists and the Dallas Mavericks came up with two big defensive plays in the final 18.1 seconds to post a 101-98 win over the undermanned New Jersey Nets on Sunday.

Dirk Nowitzki blocked a shot underneath the basket by Nets center Jason Collins, seconds after hitting a fadeaway jumper that gave the Mavericks a 99-98 lead with 26.8 seconds left. Nash, who had a big turnover in the final minute to keep the Nets' hopes afloat of an upset without Jason Kidd and Kenyon Martin, made the second defensive play with 5.4 seconds to go.

Guarding Lucious Harris in front of the Mavericks' bench with Dallas still up a point, Nash tipped the inbound pass and Marquis Daniels picked it off. Nowitzki finished with 21 points and Antawn Jamison had 20 for the Mavericks.

Richard Jefferson had 22 points, seven rebounds and eight assists for New Jersey.

Warriors 96, Clippers 85
LOS ANGELES — Jason Richardson had 28 points and nine rebounds and the Golden State beat an injury-ravaged Los Angeles lineup.

Erick Dampier had 16 points and 17 rebounds for the Warriors.

Elton Brand, the only healthy Clipper averaging more than 7.1 points, finished with 20 points and 10 rebounds.



Dallas' Dirk Nowitzki shoots for two his 21 points against New Jersey while Rodney Rogers looks on during the fourth quarter Sunday.

defensive stopper Trenton Hassell and scored just 13 points, eight below his average, on 6-for-22 shooting.

Pistons 96, Cavaliers 76
CLEVELAND — Chauncey Billups had 18 points and Detroit held Cleveland to a season-low 31 points in the first half en route to its eighth straight win.

LeRon James shot poorly for his second straight game — 5-for-17 for 15 points. Carlos Boozer led the Cavaliers with 21 points and 10 rebounds.

Raptors 121, Hornets 120, OT
NEW ORLEANS — Vince Carter finished a 42-point, 12-rebound performance with a 30-second game-tying free throw in Toronto's overtime victory over New Orleans.

Carter also hit one of two 3-

that Toronto needed as it erased a 107-99 deficit over the final 2:36 of regulation to force overtime.

Jalen Rose scored 26 for Toronto, including a tying shot at the end of regulation. Baron Davis had 29 points for New Orleans, which has lost two straight.

Kings 100, Rockets 95
SACRAMENTO, Calif. — Peja Stojakovic scored 29 points, and Chris Webber capped off a terrible shooting game (4-for-18) with a key assist and a steal in Sacramento's come-from-behind victory over Houston.

Mike Bibby had 18 points and seven assists for the Kings (51-19), who nudged ahead of Indiana (50-19) for the NBA's best record despite trailing for most of the first 3.5 quarters. Sacramento closed with an 18-7 run in its sixth straight home victory.

Wade Divac scored five of his

17 points in the final two minutes, including his first 3-pointer of the season with 41 seconds left.

Maurice Taylor scored 23 points and Steve Francis had 17 for the Rockets, who lost their 10th straight game in Sacramento and third straight overall. Yao Ming had 11 points and nine rebounds before fouling out midway through the fourth quarter.

SuperSonics 84, Magic 67
SEATTLE — Ray Allen scored 22 points and Vitaly Potapenko added a season-high 21, leading the Seattle SuperSonics to a 84-67 win over the lowly Orlando Magic on Sunday night.

Rashard Lewis had 18 points and Vladimir Radmanovic 12 as the Sonics won their season-high fifth straight, though it's coming too late to help make a push for the playoffs.

Duke

Virginia Tech 89, Iowa 76

BLACKSBURG, Va. — Jeva Kublina had 26 points and four blocks, and Carrie Mason added 19 points for Virginia Tech.

Notre Dame 69, SW Missouri St. 65, OT
SOUTH BEND, Ind. — Courtney LaVere scored four of her 11 points in overtime and made a key block, helping Notre Dame escape in overtime.

Middle Tennessee St. 67, North Carolina 62
SOUTH BEND, Ind. — Patrice Holmes scored 19 points, including two free throws with 8.3 seconds left, to lead Middle Tennessee State past North Carolina.

Villanova 66, Mississippi 63
AMES, Iowa — Jackie Adamshick scored all of her 15 points in the second half and Liad Suez added 11, leading Villanova to a 66-63 victory over Mississippi on Sunday night.

Texas 92, Southern 57
AUSTIN, Texas — Tiffany Jackerson scored 21 points and the Longhorns, the top seed in the West Regional, rolled over Southern 92-57 Sunday night.

Maryland 86, Miami 85
BATON ROUGE, La. — Delvona Oliver and Chrystal Washington each scored 22 points to help 12th-seeded Maryland upset fifth-seeded Miami 86-85 in the first round of the NCAA West Regional on Sunday.

UAB

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when Kelenna Azubuike dunked in a miss.

UAB called his last timeout before Finley made the shot that will go down in Blazers' history. Drilling on the right side, the 6-foot-3 senior used a pump fake to get Hayes in the air, and then stepped inside the 3-point arc to drain his jumper.

Kansas 78, Pacific 63
KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Wayne Simien had 10 points and 12 rebounds before Kansas overcame a slow start to beat Pacific.

Former College of Southern Idaho player Guillaume Yango had 22 points for Pacific (25-8).

Georgia Tech 57, Boston College 54
MILWAUKEE — Jarrett Jack scored four points in the final minute, including a key steal and dunk with less than six seconds left to lift Georgia Tech, 57-53.

Elder led the Yellow Jackets (25-9) with 18 points.

Oklahoma St. 70, Memphis 53
KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Joey Graham scored 21 points — all but one of those coming in the first half — for Oklahoma State. Antonio Burks and led Memphis with 21 points.

Pittsburgh 59, Wisconsin 55
MILWAUKEE — Carl Krauser

Charge

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Sorenstam wins at Safeway International
SUPERSTITION MOUNTAIN, Ariz. — Annika Sorenstam survived hot, windy conditions in the desert to win the Safeway International.

The win was her 49th win on the LPGA Tour. She finished with a 2-under 70 for an 18-

Sunday night.

Connecticut 91, Pennsylvania 55

BRIDGEPORT, Conn. — Connecticut led a strong defense of its NCAA title with relative ease, routing Pennsylvania with a 91-55 victory in the first round of the East Regional on Sunday night.

Purdue 78, St. Francis 59
AMES, Iowa — Shereka Wright and Erin Lawless scored 17 points apiece and Purdue ended an upset bid by St. Francis with a strong second half that produced a 78-59 victory Sunday night in the first round of the NCAA women's tournament.

Auburn 79, North Carolina St. 59
BRIDGEPORT, Conn. — Natasha Brackett scored 26 points and Auburn dominated on the inside to beat North Carolina State 79-59 in the first round of the NCAA tournament Sunday.

LSU 83, Austin Peay 66
BATON ROUGE, La. — Selmon Augustus scored 21 points and Temeka Johnson had 17 points and 12 assists to lead fourth-seeded LSU past Austin Peay 83-66.

Michigan St. 72, Arizona 60
AUSTIN, Texas — Lindsay Bowen scored 18 points and Michigan State used a strong defensive effort to beat Arizona. Liz Shimek added 16 points and 13 rebounds.

scored 16 points, and Jitus Page added 12 to lead Pittsburgh (31-4).

Devin Harris scored 21 points for the Badgers (25-7), but one after his 3-pointer gave Wisconsin a 40-37 lead.

Xavier 89, Mississippi St. 74
ORLANDO, Fla. — Lionel Chalmers scored a career-high 31 points, and Dedrick Finn added 22, helping seventh-seeded Xavier upset second-seeded Mississippi State.

Xavier (25-10), which has won 15 of 16 games after a 10-9 start, advanced beyond the second round for the first time since 1990.

Illinois 92, Cincinnati 68
COLUMBUS, Ohio — Deron Williams led his fourth-seeded team's effort with 26 points, setting the tone for a can't-miss attack, and fifth-seeded Illinois rolled past Cincinnati.

Williams matched his career high with 31 points. Field Williams led fourth-seeded Cincinnati (26-7) with 16 points.

Vanderbilt 75, N. Carolina St. 73
ORLANDO, Fla. — Matt Freije scored 31 points, and Corey Smith's three-point play with 21.2 seconds remaining lifted sixth-seeded Vanderbilt past North Carolina State.

under 270 total and a four-stroke victory over Cristie Kerr (71).

Purtzer prevails at Toshiba Senlor Classic
NEWPORT BEACH, Calif. — Tom Purtzer won his second Champions Tour title, closing with a 4-under 67 for a one-stroke victory over Morris Hatakey in the Toshiba Classic.

Pacific

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Her last loss in one of the WTA Tour's major Tier I tournaments was 25 matches and almost a year ago, to Chandra Rubin at Key Biscayne, Fla.

Davenport lost for only the second time this year.

When Davenport hit shots that looked impossible for Henin-Hardenne to reach, she often managed not only to chase them down, but ripped back winners on the run.

Davenport could only stand and watch as Henin-Hardenne bunched shots down the lines that were well out of reach.

After Henin-Hardenne dominated the opening set, Davenport came back to take a 3-1 lead in the second before Henin-Hardenne won four of the next five games.

Davenport, a two-time champion and five-time finalist at Indian Wells, fought off three match points in the final game, which went to deuce seven times.

Henin-Hardenne, who won three points with perfect lob that Davenport couldn't chase down, ended the match by driving a forehand just inside the line.

Heat 101, Wizards 81

WASHINGTON — The Miami Heat ran their season-best winning streak to five, blowing the game open in the third quarter to beat Washington.

Dwyane Wade scored 22 points to lead six Heat players in double figures.

Steve Blake scored a career-high 21 points for the Wizards.

Timberwolves 98, Nuggets 77

MINNEAPOLIS — Kevin Garnett had 20 points, 13 rebounds and seven assists, and Sam Cassell and Wally Szczepniak added 18 points each to lead Minnesota to past Denver.

Garnett became just the 17th player in NBA history to reach 13,000 points, 7,000 rebounds and 3,000 assists with his performance Sunday.

Carmelo Anthony was shadowed for most of the game by

Lightning division lead dwindles

Losing skid moves Flyers within a point

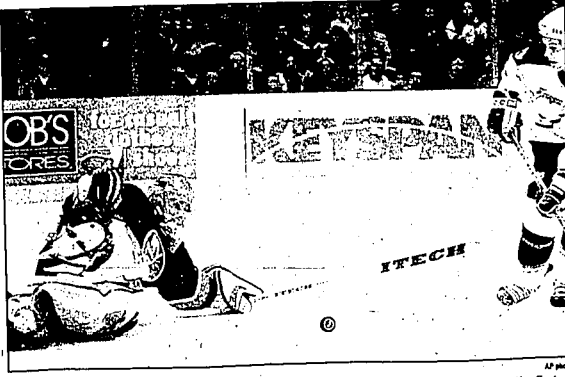
UNIONDALE, N.Y. (AP) — Michael Peca and Adrian Aucoin scored 2:46 apart in the third period and Rick DiPietro made 29 saves in the New York Islanders' 3-0 victory over the Tampa Bay Lightning on Sunday.

Aucoin set up Peca's goal with 8:19 remaining and then knocked in a rebound of Alexei Yashin's shot at 14:27 to make it 3-0.

It was Tampa Bay's second loss in two days, having blown a three-goal lead Saturday at Boston. The Lightning are clinging to a one-point lead over Philadelphia atop the Eastern Conference, with each club having six games remaining. Boston, with seven games left, trails by two points.

Blackhawks 2, Coyotes 2
CHICAGO — Mike Comrie's power-play goal midway through the second period lifted the Coyotes into the tie. Comrie poked the puck into a half-empty net after Chicago goalie Michael Leighton made a save on Paul Marz's shot from the slot. The rebound went to Dan Cleary, who fed a cross-ice pass to Comrie.

Cleary also scored for the Coyotes, whose winless streak reached 15 games (0-8-4-3).



New York Islanders goalie Rick DiPietro blocks a shot by Tampa Bay's Vincent Lecavalier during the first period Sunday at the Nassau Coliseum in Uniondale, N.Y.

Tyler Arnason and Eric Daze each had a goal and an assist for the Blackhawks.

Penguins 4, Rangers 3, OT
PITTSBURGH — Aleksey Morozov scored a power-play goal in overtime for the second consecutive game in a match marked by the ejection of Rangers captain Mark Messier.

With New York's Boris Mironov in the penalty box for hooking, Morozov took a pass from Lasse Pijeta and scored his 15th goal with 7.9 seconds left.

Oilers 5, Sharks 2
SAN JOSE, Calif. — Marc Andre Bergeron scored two goals in the Edmonton Oilers' fourth consecutive win, 5-2 over the San Jose Sharks on Sunday.

The victory would the Oilers within one point of St. Louis for the eighth and final playoff spot in the Western Conference.

Nabokov was sloppy in allowing five goals on 27 shots. In his last 10 games, Nabokov has allowed 31 goals.

Markkanen (0-13-3) finished with 32 saves to earn his first win since Jan. 26 while playing for the New York Rangers. He

was acquired by Edmonton on March 3.

Mighty Ducks 8, Red Wings 6
ANAHEIM, Calif. — Sergei Fedorov scored his second goal of the game on a power play seven minutes into the third period to give Anaheim an 8-6 victory over his former team in the highest scoring game in Mighty Ducks history. The Ducks set a franchise record scoring five goals in 10 minutes and 4 seconds — spanning the first and second period — to erase an early three-goal deficit.

SCORES AND STATS

SPORTS IN BRIEF

BASEBALL

Spring Training All-Time Series Record. Table with columns for team and wins/losses.

WHAT'S ON T.V.

Baseball schedule listing games between teams like Houston Astros vs. Cleveland Indians.

NCAA women's tournament, second round, ESPN, 7 p.m.

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NCAA women's tournament, second round, ESPN2, 9 p.m.

Baseball schedule listing games between teams like Houston Astros vs. Cleveland Indians.

NCAA women's tournament, second round, ESPN, 5 p.m.

Baseball schedule listing games between teams like Houston Astros vs. Cleveland Indians.

NIPT, second round, Oklahoma at Michigan, ESPN2, 7 p.m.

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Marlins CF Pierre dislocates right pinkie article text.

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Wade Kreutzer and Ryan Zuercher article text.

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Cody Hewerton went 4 for 4 article text.

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OTHER VIEWS

New plan recognizes limits of water supply

The Idaho Statesman (Boise)

State leaders have a plan head off an ugly water war, based on an overdue conclusion. Idahoans can't just keep pumping water out of the ground like it's a limitless resource. In Southern Idaho's high desert, water is scarce whether it comes from the river or from the ground.

That new mindset might be the best thing to come from the water compromise. The plan was approved by the Idaho Senate on Saturday and is now on its way to Governor Kempthorne.

It's a significant attitude change, considering the crisis that brought everyone to the table.

The short history:

1. Rangen Inc. demanded water for its Hagerman trout farm. Invoking its state water rights, the company gets its water from springs that have steadily provided less and less water.

2. State Department of Water Resources Director Karl Dreher threatened to shut down some 1,300 wells across Southern Idaho in order to stop the depletion of the springs. These shut-downs threatened 14 small cities, dairies with 125,000 head of cattle, several food processing plants and up to 111,000 acres of farmland.

3. With Dreher's April 1 deadline looming, lawmakers and water users hammered out a tentative agreement designed to keep the wells open and satisfy the spring users.

That placed a complex and crucial issue in the Legislature's lap at the last minute - always a troubling prospect. But in this case, it's necessary.

The shutdowns present a serious threat, reminiscent of the ugly water crisis that hit

Oregon's Klamath Basin in 2001, drying up some 200,000 acres of farmland.

Lawmakers have a clear role in heading off this trouble and protecting farms that rely on wells and a growing trout industry that depends on spring water.

Is this water package the right plan, with its combination of water users, increased groundwater monitoring and improved marketing of fish-farming operations such as Rangen? The taxpayers' bill could be \$1.5 million, not a small chunk of money when legislators are trying to save dollars by writing

Their view: This guest editorial from the Idaho Statesman in Boise says legislators need to take their time to approve the new agreement by water users.

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

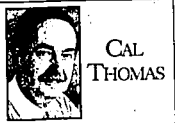
spartan budgets for public schools and higher education.

One piece of this sketchy legislative package makes a lot of sense on its face: an interim legislative committee to come up with a long-term plan to preserve the groundwater. These study committees don't always produce results, but this one has an important job: figuring out tangible ways to stretch groundwater and to "share the pain" among all water users, said Sen. Laird Noh, R-Kimberly, one of the Legislature's experts on water.

The state has gotten itself in this crunch because it has tried to wring too much water from the ground - especially the Snake River Plain Aquifer, the 10,000-square-mile underground sponge covering much of Southern and Eastern Idaho. It will take effort to replenish the aquifer, by "recharging" it with water from the surface, by moving water users off of wells, by conserving water. Recognizing the aquifer's limits represents a key first step.

Kerry's revolving world of change

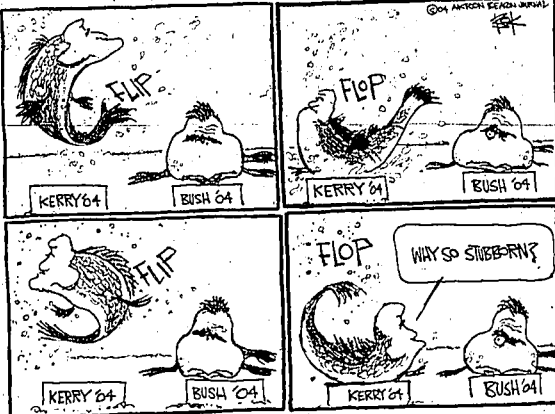
The high-minded definition of politics is: "the art or science of government; the art or science concerned with guiding or influencing governmental policy." It is only when you keep reading in Webster's Ninth New Collegiate Dictionary that you get closer to the truth: "political activities characterized by artful and often dishonest practices."



CAL THOMAS

"Many politicians change their minds or flat out lie in order to win or stay in office. Some announce they will work to 'not lie,' flip-flop, and run again after pledging to limit their terms in office; others promise not to raise taxes and do; still others claim to be pro-life and then switch to the other side as a strategy to protect their political lives. Flip-flopping, slandering the truth and denying that he said what he is on the record as having said are also expected in politics. It seems the one you want in office is the one who does these things less frequently than his opponent and on issues of less concern to you.

This brings us to John Kerry, whose sole attraction appears to be that he is the candidate the Bush-haters have settled on to term. Not many seem enthusiastic about Kerry, the man. He is merely a tool, and an elitist one at that. If he were a hammer, he would be made of sterling silver. He'd be Hillary & Co. to President Bush's Wood-Mart. Like an intern in the Clinton White House, Kerry is to be used for the pleasure and purpose of the Bush-haters. He inspires no commitment, no loyalty. He is just a ticket-to-ride.



previously stood before most people's nose. The Washington Post took notice of Kerry's dangerous and constant shifts in a March 11 editorial. After observing that President Bush has shifted his positions on some issues such as nation-building and that "flip-flops aren't always bad," the Post got to the heart of the Kerry problem: "It's not always clear what, if anything, he's committed to... Where are the bedrock principles that would guide his days ago, a grinning Howard Dean appeared with Kerry; Dean reportedly is close to endorsing his former rival. The former Vermont governor now says the things that unite Kerry and himself are more important than the things that divide them. Does Dean mean that, or is he simply playing the cynical political game? As recently as Feb. 1, Tim Russert on NBC's 'Meet the Press' reminded Dean what he had told the New York Times the previous week: 'This is what you said.' (Dean) defined the nomination battle as a choice between (himself) and a Washington insider who shifts back

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and forth with every poll. 'Who is that?' 'That's John Kerry,' responded Dean. Asked 'On what issues?' Dean responded, 'Iraq, for one. He couldn't make up his mind whether he was for Iraq or not for the longest time. No that, didn't have the nerve to stand up against that when I did a long, long time ago.' One wonders what "important" things Dean has in mind - other than defeating President Bush - because he has criticized Kerry's positions and behavior on so many issues, from taking special interest money to talking about health care but doing nothing, trade and "winning" when asked about his positions. The two issues about which

Kerry seems "convicted" rather than conflicted are higher taxes and more spending. Don't look for him to flip on these because they define a modern liberal Democrat. That's why the president's reelection team is running commercials hitting the only non-moving target Kerry has presented. It's difficult to attack someone who, as the Post editorial noted, engages in "campaign-trail straddles on a wide range of issues." That may be politics as usual for Kerry, but it is politics the way the voters want it!

Cal Thomas is a commentator for Fox News Channel and a nationally syndicated columnist.

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LETTER

Stealing from Elks takes from community

We are very upset that a person or persons robbed the Burley Elks Lodge on or about March 13 of this year. They not only stole from the lodge but they stole from the community. The Elks provide help for the disabled through the hospital in Boise and fund community projects in our area. They have allowed the lodge to be used for The Buzz dances and several people have used this lodge to support local people in need money for medical bills.

Now we ask that you help the local law enforcement find these people that robbed the Burley Elks and support the

Burley Elks as we will. After all, the Burley Elks support us. Now let's stop the destroying of our community and build a better one.

DOUG L. GRIFFITHS

Rupert.
(Editor's note: Doug Griffiths wrote this letter on behalf of Elks members across the Magic Valley. It was also signed by 20 other Elks members.)

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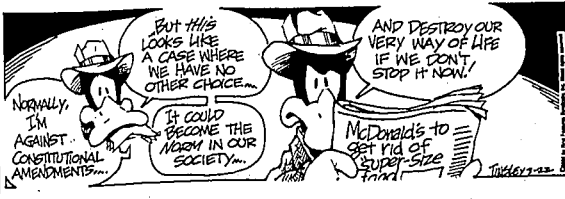
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Best Available Copy

Outsourcing produces jobs in U.S.

HI. Mencken, the iconic newspaperman, once defined democracy as "the art and science of running the circus from inside the monkey cage."

How else to explain the protectionist pieces of legislation now rumbling through the U.S. Senate that threaten to treat an economy well on the way from recovering to robust with twin doses of cyanide?

AMY RIDENOUR

One proposal was attached to a trade bill earlier this month by Sen. Chris Dodd, D-Conn., aided and abetted by — of all people — Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist, R-Tenn., and 21 other Republicans.

At a time when booming overseas sales in such areas as banking, computer programming, legal services and telecommunications are running a large trade surplus, the amendment would prohibit the federal government from awarding contracts to U.S. firms that outsource part of the work abroad and snap similar handcuffs on federal funds spent by states.

Only a few years ago, American firms offering such services complained that they were shut out from bidding for foreign contracts. Today, data indicates a vast sea change. A list of U.S. service-sector business shows \$131.1 billion worldwide sales and services overseas last year — up from \$6.2 billion in 2003.

So slamming the door shut on U.S. companies that outsource some jobs overseas likely could prove the law of unintended consequences. Foreign governments to respond in kind. If Dodd and Co. looked at the big picture, they would understand that America's economic growth depends on expanding trade.

A second bill moving through the Senate — the Jobs for America Act — is equally protectionist and also would have an adverse effect on the U.S. economy.

Sponsored by Senate Minority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D., Sen. Ted Kennedy, D-Mass., and Sen. John Kerry, D-Mass., the bill would require employers to notify about to be laid-off employees 90 days in advance instead of the current 60 if their jobs are being outsourced. It would also lower the threshold — applying the notification to 15 workers compared to the current 500.

While this sounds like a humane requirement and is obviously great election-year politics, it would slow the ability of U.S. firms to respond quickly in the fiercely competitive global arena.

The 90-day requirement, for example, is more onerous than such restrictions in France, which requires a two-month notice, and Germany, which requires a month. These restrictions combined with other tax breaks and regulations to protect native workers simply haven't worked for the French or the Germans. The two nations have unemployment rates well in excess of 8 percent — or close to double the current U.S. rate of 5.6 percent.

If Dodd, Daschle, Kennedy and Kerry think outsourcing really is "anti-American," perhaps they should check with the American auto workers employed at the Mercedes factory in Vance, Ala.; the Nissan plant in Smyrna, Tenn.; the Subaru factory in Lafayette, Ind.; the BMW plant in Spartanburg, S.C.; and the Honda plant in East Liberty, Ohio.

All of those factories are prime examples of flourishing outsourcing — not by U.S. companies but by carmakers from Germany and Japan. And they are just a handful of the hundreds of other production facilities operated in the United States by foreign firms.

As hard as it may be for politicians to accept, the fact is that productive jobs are created by private companies, not the federal government. Hamstringing U.S. firms with protectionist measures employed by socialist welfare states in Europe won't help them compete with their counterparts in China or India. Daschle and Kennedy — as well as the senators co-sponsoring their misguided legislation — signed up for a refresher course in Economics 101.

Any Ridenour is president of the National Center for Public Policy Research, a conservative think tank.

'Passion' film profits shouldn't bail out debt

This letter is in response to "Passion movie profits could aid U.S. debt," published on March 13.

I disagree with your viewpoint for the following reasons. Mel Gibson was moved by the holy spirit to go beyond everything imaginable to create this movie with money from his own funds so that others in this world who do not know Jesus Christ would be moved to seek him and know him to save their souls. It astounds me that you are suggesting that we take the profits from the movie and pay off the U.S. deficit. Isn't it the government who separated God from everything it does? Isn't the church separated from debt? Didn't they take Christ out of our schools?

First of all, it is Mel Gibson's decision as to how he allocates the funds that he has made from the release of this movie. I feel that he will use them wisely because he is a godly man. Secondly, something that is produced through the movement of the holy spirit should be used for issues that Jesus would address if he were here physically today. These issues may be children who need shelter, clothes, food; underdeveloped communities and the homeless; to spread God's word fully. The list is endless due to as stated in your letter, "Mel Gibson paved the way," but not to pay the U.S. deficit.

STEPHANIE STALLINGS
Hazelton

Excessive use of deity's name is grating

Am I the only one who is offended at the unconscious words that take the Lord's name in vain? I am referring to the words, "Oh, my God," that seem to be used for any exclamation indicating horror, pleasure, surprise or disgust.

For instance, I love to watch the TV show, "Trading Spaces," and see the reveal and the looks on people's faces as they see their new rooms. One woman said, "Oh, my God" so many times that I began counting them, and it was about 10

times that she took the Lord's name in vain. I have become so sensitive to it that it is like scraping one's fingernails on a chalkboard when I hear it said.

But I do believe people mean no offense to anybody when they off-handedly say this phrase. It is just that to one who loves God, it is hard to hear his name used so thoughtlessly. Certainly we can train ourselves to think of something else to say that means the same thing without offending God or others who look up to him as deity.

MARGARET WILCOX
Jerome

Young men targeted unfairly in rape cases

I just wanted to respond to Ms. Von Lindern's letter to the editor in the March 17 paper.

A few years ago, this same exact thing happened to a friend of mine who was sentenced to five years in prison. Playing a joke like this is no laughing matter. A joke like this destroys a person's life. No one listened then, either. They didn't want to hear the truth.

I cannot believe that it's happening to someone else. What, really bothers me is that he had to go through sex offender's class because of this when there was no reason to and, on top of that, to ask him to register as a sex offender when this was not a case of sexual abuse. I hope the girls who made the accusations are proud of themselves now. This young man was stripped not only of his clothing and name but of his dignity.

Mr. Prosecutor, what if this boy was your son? How would you feel if am not mistaken this is the same boy who I believe Ms. Von Lindern wrote another letter to the editor about. This boy was planning to marry his sweetheart who is two years younger than he is but instead he gets thrown in jail for consummating his love with her. Did her parents press charges? Did she press charges? So many questions left unanswered and yet the injustice system changes fast ready to divide and conquer its next victim. Whatever happened to innocent until proven guilty?

JULIANNE PRATT
Twin Falls

LETTERS

Society accepts filth, but turns off religion

The Times-News has a policy of conceding errors in its printing. How about this headline—Comedian, etc., etc.? To my dictionary, the "comedian" is not so as there is no humor in George Carlin's denouncement of religious beliefs against the TV filth that the public is exposed to.

The retort to protesters is, "If you don't approve, shut it off!" The sad response is that it is available! History has long been known to repeat itself. Did anyone remember the fall of Rome is credited to decadence?

Until people protest, we will have this legacy to hand down for generations. Excerpts from our Constitution are often quoted (mostly by politicians), but the long and short of the entire document is that we are allowing bit by bit of the original Christian vows to slip away. Perhaps we will see the day that our oath with our hands on the Bible in courts of law and even the incoming presidents will be omitted.

GLADYS SILL
Castledorf

Idahoans grasp the real sense of nature

"How many legs does a dog have if you call its tail a leg?" If you are in the group that believes that wolves are necessary to the ecosystem of Idaho, that breaching several dams on the Snake and Columbia rivers to preserve the steelhead and salmon (to heck with farmers, ranchers, dairies, water enthusiasts, fishermen and all the folks who depend on electricity for our way of life), that hunters do not care about the preservation of our wildlife but that some looney who has never been out of San Francisco does, then your answer to the question is, "Why, five legs of course!"

If you pose the same question to folks who have spent years in Idaho's back country, just hiking or fishing or hunting, to a group of farmers and ranchers or neighbors who may not fall into the aforementioned categories but have

both feet on the ground and good all-around perception of what is real and what is false. A dog only has four legs because calling its tail a leg doesn't make it a leg!

"Hey, waiter, take those folks at that next table who just arrived from San Francisco, get a pitcher of good, fresh Idaho spring water. It has been drinking too much chlorine — or — or something!"

ED SIMONS JR.
Gooding

Bush's bogus claims turn into a bloody mess

On March 20, we marked the first anniversary of the war with Iraq. On Wednesday, our representatives in Congress proposed a resolution congratulating President Bush. It has been a difficult year, and I'm more certain than ever that we were suckered into supporting an unnecessary war. A war that was supposed to be swift and victorious, followed by equally speedy and successful nation building. We were suckered into supporting the neocons' imperial crusade.

In contrast to their predictions — that we would find weapons of mass destruction, that the Iraqis would throw flowers at our soldiers' feet, that revenues from Iraqi oil would finance Iraq's rise from the ashes, that a new Middle East democracy would be a shining example for the other countries of the region — we are tragically mired in a bloody mess, holding the bag.

At the current rate of

killings, we will soon count more than 600 American soldiers dead, with thousands more wounded. Every one of our 50 states is struggling with revenue shortfalls, yet in just one year we've sent \$166 billion to Iraq.

We were told we had to attack first, against the bogus threat of a mushroom cloud! But I submit that the "imminent danger" now is the hornet's nest we stirred up.

Our commander-in-chief put the real test of his leadership (North Korea and Iran) on the back burner because of his obsession with Saddam Hussein. It was going to be a "cake walk" and the Pentagon's concerns regarding an exit strategy were largely overlooked. But now, we've asked (as Chris Matthews asked Rumsfeld) what's next, "What happens when Paul Bremer leaves?" This administration's inept answer is "I don't know."

"They don't know!" (Maybe the best honest thing we have yet been told.) So we don't know how this will end. But one thing is certain: every penny of the billions spent in Iraq is borrowed from the next generation and every single day, more body bags are flown into Dover Air Force Base under the cover of darkness, and growing numbers of maimed are waiting for treatment at Walter Reed Army Hospital.

What would you should congratulate President Bush? "Mission accomplished!" Let's get real.

MARCY W. NEILLSON
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WORLD/MORNING BREAK

Agents try to pinpoint where Spain bombs were assembled

MADRID, Spain (AP) — Investigators searched Sunday for the place used to assemble the backpack bombs that blew apart four train cars during morning rush hour earlier this month, killing 202 people and wounding more than 1,400. Spain still grieves after the March 11 attacks. Thousands of people, including Madrid Mayor-Alberto Ruiz-Gallardon, crowded the platform of El Pozo train station — where one train was bombed — for a funeral Mass.

The Rev. Jose Manuel Peco urged mourners to "reflect upon what we are going through, and reflect upon our capacity for forgiveness and reconciliation," the news agency Efe reported.

With seven Moroccans, two Indians and a Spaniard in custody, investigators focused on where the bombs were assembled. An estimated 220 pounds of explosives were found on the bombs, which were stuffed into bags and detonated by cell phones.

Ten bombs exploded, and four others failed to detonate. One was taken apart and police clues, that led police to suspects.

"We're now looking for the place where the bombs were put



A girl walks past a candle-lit shrine to remember the victims of the Madrid train bombings Sunday outside Madrid's Atocha train station.

together," an Interior Ministry spokesman, who identified himself only as Jose Antonio, told The Associated Press.

The attacks, three days for national elections, also shook Europe. Spy chiefs from France, Britain, Germany, Italy and Spain planned to meet in Madrid on Monday to review the attacks and discuss improving cross-border cooperation. Spanish Prime Minister-designate Jose Luis Rodriguez Zapatero called for "much greater cooperation between intelligence services."

In an interview published Sunday in the daily newspaper El Pais, Zapatero also said "the focal points that produce fanaticism and violence" must be addressed, and ending the Israeli-Palestinian conflict was "absolutely necessary."

He repeated that Spain's 1,300 troops in Iraq would be withdrawn by June 30 unless the United Nations takes control of Iraq's occupation. Asked if he thought whether the U.N. could meet Spain's deadline, Zapatero responded, "My impression is yes."

Marines shoot, injure two in Haiti

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti — U.S. Marines shot and wounded two men who failed to stop at a checkpoint in Haiti's volatile capital, a military spokesman said Sunday.

The shooting occurred late Saturday in Port-au-Prince residential neighborhood of Port-au-Prince, half an hour after the 10 p.m. curfew. Maj. Richard Crusan told The Associated Press.

The Marines were patrolling the area when two men in an all-terrain vehicle slowly drove past a checkpoint and ignored orders to stop, Crusan said.

Marines opened fire, hitting one man in the head and the other in the stomach, he said. Both were taken to a local hospital, and were listed in stable condition.

A pistol with three clips of ammunition was recovered from the vehicle, but Crusan couldn't say if the men fired on the Marines.

Taiwan seals ballots after opposition protests

TAIPEI, Taiwan — Taiwan's High Court ordered all ballot boxes sealed Sunday as thousands of protesters demanded a recount of President Chen Shui-bian's re-election, saying it was marred by voting irregularities and an apparent assassination attempt, that wounded the incumbent.

The court said it was sealing

World in brief

the boxes to preserve evidence, but it did not order a recount of Saturday's vote as requested by challenger Lien Chan. The opposition also said it would seek to nullify Chen's narrow victory, Saturday, arguing he unfairly received sympathy votes because of the election-eve shooting, which remained unexplained.

Chen, who campaigned on a China-bashing platform, and Vice President Annette Lu were shot and slightly wounded while riding in an open Jeep on Friday in Chen's hometown of Tainan.

Nobody has been arrested, and police have not identified any suspects. A \$716,750 reward was offered for information leading to an arrest.

Chen won Saturday's election with 50.1 percent of the vote compared to 49.9 percent for Lien — a margin of just 30,000 votes.

Mourners remember Kosovo drowning victims

CABRA, Serbia-Montenegro — Thousands of mourners gathered at a wind-swept hilltop cemetery Sunday to bury two ethnic Albanian boys whose drowning sparked Kosovo's deadliest violence in five years.

NATO helicopters patrolled overhead and Italian Carabinieri paramilitary police encircled

this northern village to ensure calm in a critical test of alliance efforts to stabilize the province. Fearing more unrest, troops set up checkpoints every 10 miles along the main road leading to Cabra. They warned people they would be turned away.

Still, as many as 7,000 mourners came anyway, walking to Cabra along dusty roads.

The Tuesday drowning of the boys triggered days of rioting, looting and arson by ethnic Albanians mobs against Serbs they blamed for the deaths. The violence left 29 dead, 600 injured and 4,000 people homeless.

"Their deaths brought more deaths to Kosovo and this has made our pain greater," Sali Doku, an uncle of Egon, "Let's hope these are the last ones."

The violence illustrated the depth of hatred between Kosovo's mostly Muslim ethnic Albanians, who want independence, and Orthodox Christian Serbs, a minority in Kosovo, who want the U.N.-run province to remain part of Serbia-Montenegro. NATO has tried to keep the peace here since the war ended in 1999.

With the restoration of some order, authorities Sunday started investigating claims by a 13-year-old boy, Flim Veseli, that a group of Serbs with a dog chased him and the other ethnic Albanian children into the Ibar River.

— compiled from wire reports

Aries: You can juggle many tasks

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ARIES (Mar 21-Apr. 19): You'll find you can juggle several tasks more easily now than Mars is in Gemini, but shifting your focus to initiate a new endeavor requires a cautious attitude.

Taurus (Apr. 20-May 20): It's way too easy for people to play upon your kind nature today, and you can be easily fooled by appearances. Hang on tightly to understandings with lovers.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You could seek or give good advice today that will make your future brighter, but you really need to confide only in people who have a detached viewpoint.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): For once, you have a handle on what is going on in your career and work; your insights can help you take steps toward being more efficient.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): If you can remain especially analytical over the next several days, you may develop valuable opinions and gain deep insights into what gives you pleasure.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): It's a good day to think about future plans, but you need to beware of people who would distract you by making emotional appeals or inflict guilt.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): It's much too simple to become embroiled in long-winded discussions that make you feel guilty or misunderstood. Don't gamble with your money or your heart today, and avoid reprimands.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): A glimmer of understanding is developing in your mind. You can learn how to utilize power and figure out how to manipulate situations to your advantage.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You may have better judgment than usual today and tomorrow, but that does not mean you should trust luck. This is an extremely poor week to actually start anything out of the ordinary, but you can strategize for the future.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You of all people should know that throwing good money after bad is not wise.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Slow and steady always wins the race as far as career is concerned.

PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20): You could feel today that being with that special someone will solve misunderstandings, but, unless you spill out every detail, this could make things worse. Try to keep yourself moving forward as next week will bring improvement.



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Check your children's health by participating in a research study

Does your child carry a resistant bacterium? Now's your chance to find out.

The Intermountain Project on Antimicrobial Resistance and Antibiotics (IMPART) has been once again set up at Shopko...

Twin Falls has been participating in this study for past two years and IMPART has found that nearly one out of every six children in Twin Falls carry a resistant bacterium.

A team of local community members will be at Shopko through April 3, to conduct the nose swabbing. Each study participant will receive a Shopko gift card and a free toy. To learn more about this study and the specific hours the team will be swabbing, please contact Sam Iltis at (801) 585-3454.

IMPART is a research study funded by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, to track the spread on antibiotic resistance throughout rural Utah and Idaho. Fourteen study sites were chosen to participate, including Twin Falls. For more information, log on to www.impactproject.org or call (801) 585-7085.

To do for you

Breast cancer support

Breast Cancer Support Group will meet at 7 p.m. today in the reception area of the St. Luke's Mountain States Tumor Institute Twin Falls Cancer Center, 656 Addison Ave. W., Twin Falls.

The ongoing group is open to breast cancer survivors or patients (male or female) and their families and friends.

For more information, call Lydia Gilman at 737-2979 or Mary Howard at 734-1766.

'Baby and Me'

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

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

The class is free. For more information, call 324-7252.

About childbirth

Two classes on prepared childbirth will be offered this week from 6:30-9 p.m. Tuesdays, beginning Tuesday

through April 20, and Thursdays, beginning Thursday through April 22, in the Sage Room of the Education Center at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls.

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

Cost is \$50. Pre-registration is required, call 737-2901.

Breast-feeding class

St. Benedict's Family Medical Center will offer Breast-feeding 101 from 7:00-9:00 p.m. Tuesday at the Health Education Center, 115 Fifth Ave. W. in Jerome.

The class will discuss the advantages of breast-feeding, common breast-feeding problems and solutions, nutrition and weaning. The class is for expectant mothers, first-time parents, mothers who haven't breast-fed before or who had an unsuccessful breast-feeding experience and for parents who

would like a refresher course. The class is free. All parents are encouraged to attend the class within two months of the baby's due date. To register, call 324-4301, Ext. 3361.

Refresher course

Childbirth refresher course will be offered from 6:30-9 p.m. March 30 in the Sage Room of the Education Center at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls.

The class is for those who have previously taken childbirth classes. Childbirth preparation and childbirth will be reviewed, along with labor and delivery information. The seminar will include discussions about diabetes in the school system, insurance coverage for diabetes, avoiding complications of diabetes, basic and advanced insulin pump management and practical approaches to fitness and athletic performance. There also will be blood drawings to identify and enroll at-risk individuals in the Type 1 diabetes prevention study.

The seminar is free. Space is limited and registration is required.

To register or for more information, call Carol Gandiga

Diabetes seminar

The Magic Valley Diabetes Foundation and the Magic Valley Diabetes Coalition are sponsoring the eighth annual "Day with Diabetes" seminar from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. April 3 at the Twin Falls Reformed Church on Pole Line Road. Lunch will be provided. Nationally-known diabetes experts will present information on research, prevention and treatment of Type 1 diabetes.

at 733-5300.

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

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A. According to Dr. Nia Terezakis, MD, at my alma mater, Tulane University School of Medicine, there is little or no research that demonstrates a change in skin quality resulting from healthy people taking vitamin supplements. In fact, even topical creams and lotions containing anti-oxidants like vitamins C and E that are applied directly to the skin are rarely beneficial.

Not that vitamins and minerals aren't needed for healthy skin. They are indeed, but we have so many opportunities to obtain these vitamins in our daily diets, additional topical agents would not be necessary anyway. The loss of elasticity and suppleness, mottled pigmentation and surface roughness are due to aging and sun exposure. Our money is better spent on sun screen, if we use it faithfully.

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Do something about the way you look from the neck down

DEAR READERS: When it comes to skin care, most women tend to focus on their faces, forgetting about the other parts of their bodies. Unfortunately, some of the most telltale signs of aging are often evident from the neck down, which is especially true if you haven't been as diligent about avoiding and protecting your body from sun exposure as you have your face.

So just as a reminder, the following is a daily "Do Not Forget List" for those often-forgotten parts of your body. This doesn't necessarily mean you need to run out and buy new products. Quite the contrary, you probably have everything you need at home already, and even if you are missing a few items, none of the new additions has to be expensive.

COSMETICS Q&A Paula Begoun

- Neck and chest (d'colletage): The easy way to think about this area is: whatever you are applying to your face, you should also be applying to your neck and chest. Don't forget daily application of the following: sunscreen (SPF 15 or greater with UVA-protecting ingredients), a moisturizer loaded with antioxidants, and an exfoliant to slowly peel away sun-damaged layers of skin. For severe sun damage in this area, speak to your dermatologist about using a prescription tretinoin product (such as Retin-A) or having a series of AHA or

- BHA peels. Hands and arms: Apply sunscreen (SPF 15 or greater with UVA-protecting ingredients) every day and be sure to reapply it every time you wash your hands. Hands get exposed to unprotected sun exposure. The crepey skin and brown discolorations that start showing up on the back of your hands and arms around the age of 35 to 40 are all about sun damage. Hands and arms can also benefit from a moisturizer loaded with antioxidants and a salicylic acid-based exfoliant. Knees, heels, and elbows: The skin over these areas tends to be the thickest, and is often callused. A topical exfoliant containing 1 percent or 2 percent BHA (salicylic acid) can be very helpful when used daily. Knees, heels, and elbows will also benefit from application of an extremely emollient moisturizer, including plain Vaseline.

- Lips: An emollient lip balm (one without irritants) worn nightly can prevent chapped lips all winter long; consider Neurogena's Overnight Lip Treatment as your secret cure. During the day a lipstick with sunscreen (SPF 15 or greater with UVA-protecting ingredients) is critical. Revlon Moisturous SPF 17 is an excellent option, or an extremely opaque, thickly applied lipstick can prevent sun damage and reduce the chances of wrinkles showing up around your mouth.

Paula Begoun is the author of "Don't Go to the Cosmetics Counter Without Me (6th edition)." (Beginning Press, \$27.95). Write to her at 13075 Gateway Drive, Suite 160, Seattle, WA 98168 or check out her Web site: www.cosmeticscop.com

More fruit in diet can lower risk of stroke by 28 percent

IRVINDALE, CA — Following the recent release of two significant health studies, Ready Pac Produce, a leading provider of premium fresh-cut salads, fruit and vegetables, has begun a campaign to encourage Americans to eat more fresh fruit as a way to maintain good health.

According to a study in the American Journal of Clinical Nutrition, people who ate the most fruit and vegetables had a 28% lower risk of stroke compared to those who consumed the least. The strongest association was found to be in the consumption of fruit — citrus fruits, in particular.

A separate report by the Institute of Medicine recommended that Americans double their average daily intake of potassium to 4.7 grams. In addition to reducing bone loss and preventing kidney stones, potassium also lowers blood pressure. Since 90% of Americans develop high blood

pressure, this recommendation was deemed pertinent enough to be incorporated into dietary guidelines being drafted by a joint committee of the Department of Health and Human Services and the U.S.D.A.

Why don't Americans consume more fruit? It could be that they are simply too busy. Melons and many other potassium-rich fruits require preparation. Ready Pac's communication efforts, which include PH, at-shelf point-of-sale messages and consumer promotions, are designed to educate consumers that its Fresh-Cut Fruit provides an easy alternative. The company offers natural fresh fruit that is washed, cut and packaged in a handy re-sealable container. Consumers can enjoy the natural sweet goodness of cantaloupe, watermelon, citrus and other potassium-rich fruit anytime with no added sugar, sugar or preservatives and save the rest in the refrigerator for later.

ENGAGEMENTS

SILCOCK-BRUNSON

BURLEY — Richard and Kaye Dawn Silcock of Burley announce the engagement of their daughter, Brigetta Silcock, to Jaman Burdette Brunson, son of Burdette and Tracy Brunson of Mackay.

Silcock is a graduate of cosmetology school and is currently working in Idaho Falls.

Brunson is attending Brigham Young University-Idaho.

The wedding is planned for Friday, March 26, in the Idaho Falls LDS Temple. A reception to honor the couple will be held



Janam Brunson and Brigetta Silcock from 7 to 9 p.m. March 26 at the Springdale LDS Church, 525 E. 200 S., Burley.

HELMS-KINDER

BURLEY — Terry and Marla Helms of Burley announce the engagement of their daughter, Cristina Helms, to Wayne Floyd Kinder, son of James and Debera Kinder of Magrath, Alberta, Canada.

Helms is a graduate of Burley High School.

She is employed at the Center for Independent Living in Twin Falls.

Kinder is a graduate of Magrath High School in Magrath, Alberta.

He is attending the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls.

The wedding is planned for Friday, March 26, in the Salt Lake



Cristina Helms and Wayne Kinder, LDS Temple in Salt Lake City, Utah.

A reception to honor the couple will be held from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Saturday, March 27, with dance following at the Star LDS Church, 100 S. 200 W., Burley.

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Drawbacks can overshadow face transplants' advantages

Los Angeles Times

Society may not be quite ready for the day when a dead person's face is grafted for the living — but that day is coming nonetheless.

Such an operation would give new life to someone severely disfigured by burns, cancer or an accident, allowing the person to cast aside the stares and shock their appearances often evoke. The procedure would be more straightforward than the many reconstructive surgeries such victims usually must endure.



Los Angeles Times photo

After surviving a rear-end crash in 1977, Barbara Kammerer Quayle underwent approximately 20 operations over four years to reconstruct her face.

Already, doctors at the University of Louisville in Kentucky say they hope to soon seek a candidate for the operation, possibly within the year. The same team performed the first U.S. hand transplant (and second in the world) in 1999. Surgeons in London are pursuing the possibility of a face transplant as well. All agree it's just a matter of time until the world's first face transplant.

The technical skills needed for the surgery are well-established. Organs are routinely transplanted from one person to another, and even some limb transplants have been successful. Those operations, once remarkable, have become almost commonplace.

But an internal organ, or even a hand, is dramatically different from the wholesale appearance change that surgeons are now considering, the Louisville surgeons acknowledge.

A face transplant would rely on microsurgery — the connection of very small nerves and blood vessels. In the first such surgeries, doctors probably would remove a layer of donor skin containing muscle, nerves, tendons and blood vessels. The recipient's disfigured face would be removed down to the bone and cartilage, and the donor face draped across it, fitted and reattached.

The result would be a hybrid face, with features from donor and recipient, Barker said. The team has tried to anticipate the cosmetic result by experimenting on cadavers. The result is a face that resembles donor and recipient, perhaps similar to a relative of one or the other.

"It's surprising how different the recipients look" from the donors, he said. "If you transplanted the entire bone structure however, they would look exactly like the donor." (That, however, is not currently possible.)

The groundwork for face transplantation was laid about five years ago when French surgeons transplanted a hand. Since then, more than 20 hand transplant surgeries have been completed worldwide, Barker said.

Like people who receive new hearts or other organs, face transplant recipients would have to take medications for the remainder of their lives to prevent the body from recognizing the donor tissue as foreign and rejecting it.

The long-term risks of these drugs — and the unforeseen psychological effect of wearing someone else's face — were cited by the Royal College of Surgeons of England as a reason to delay such surgeries.

A reconstructive surgeon, Dr. Peter Butler, of London's King's Free Hospital, had prompted a national debate in England when he said he wanted to perform the surgery.

The idea is "worthy of study," Barker said. "While we can sometimes do wonderful things technically, we can't follow up with the other things" — the tissue matching, rejection phenomenon, the social issues. "Can we overcome all the other issues?" said Dr. James Wells, a Long Beach, Calif., plastic surgeon and immediate past president of the American Society of Plastic Surgeons. "They haven't answered all the questions," he said of the Louisville team.

Although donor and recipient would share several tissue-typing characteristics, anti-rejection drugs would still be needed to suppress the recipient's immune system so it wouldn't attack the donor tissue.

The drugs carry long-term risks, such as hypertension, diabetes, kidney toxicity and infection.

"It may be time to consider face transplantation in people with absolutely devastating injuries. This would probably give you the best functional and cosmetic result," said Dr. Rod Rohrich, president of the American Society of Plastic Surgeons and a plastic surgeon at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center in Dallas.

Public acceptance is not the only roadblock, however. Many doctors remain unconvinced of the medical need for the operation, questioning whether the risks of the surgery outweigh the potential value. A face recipient would need to take powerful medications for the remainder of his or her life to prevent rejection by the body. He or she would also face the possibility that the transplant would fail and the unknown psychological effect of having one's cardinal form of identity, even if disfigured, so wholly transformed.

"Faces," said a British advisory panel in a published report, "help us understand who we are and where we come from."

Ten terrors: Common phobias can disrupt daily life

Knight Ridder News Service

Garden-variety fears are one thing. Phobias are another. Let's say Dorothy was in Oz today, trying to get back to Kansas. If she had a phobia, she might not have gone more than a few steps down the Yellow Brick Road for fear of encountering a bridge on the path. Flying in that hot-air balloon? Forget it. Of course, she might never have gone on her fabled journey in the first place if she had a crippling case of agoraphobia, a fear of crowded public places.

Phobias, the most extreme manifestations of fear, come in three varieties: agoraphobia (irrational anxiety about being in a place where escape is difficult or embarrassing); social phobia (irrational anxiety about performing or being in social situations); and specific phobias (spiders, germs, clowns — in other words, anxiety provoked by a specific object).

Note the repetition of the word "irrational."

"Phobias are irrational ... and not natural," says Hildy Agustin, a Menlo Park, Calif., clinical psychologist, and "until there's a medical reason, you don't have fears, but not necessarily phobias. So the question is, is it a phobia? Or is it just a personal distaste?"

For a fear to be a phobia, it must interfere with daily routine, occupation or social life. And if it does, that phobia should be identified and treated.

"Phobias aren't like a common cold," says Barbara Kirsch, a psychologist in Los Altos, Calif. "They get worse. You don't eventually get rid of them on your own."

Before treatment, though, what is most important is to identify the phobia. Here are a sampling of 10 phobias:

- **Cynophobia** — Fear of dogs. A classic example of a phobia that has arisen as a learned response.

"A simplistic way of describing many phobias is something that has happened to you," says Kirsch. "You see a dog, the dog bites you, you cultivate a fear of dogs."

Key to conquering cynophobia? "Unlearn what you've learned," says Kirsch. And in the meantime, give a wide berth to unleashed dogs that make you uncomfortable.

- **Aviophobia** — Fear of flying. Increased after the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, 2001, but, like it or not, it's difficult to live a

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modern life and not fly. At the Fear of Flying Clinic in San Mateo (www.flyfoc.com; 650-341-1595), flying pros provide information about flying, airports and safety features.

- **Mysophobia** — Fear of germs or dirt. The current "it" phobia. Health discussion forums teem with mysophobes' recommendations for using public bathrooms. (Turn on water. Rinse and soap hands. With water still running, press towel dispenser lever to release paper. Wash again as lever may have been dirty. Tear paper off and dry hands. Use same paper as protective shield to turn water off. Use paper again to open door to restroom. Lather Porell sanitizer on hands and walk away.)

"Fear of germs was very high during the SARS period of time. People refused to go to Chinatown," says Karen Elpers, a certified hypnotherapist at the Bay Area of northern California. "With education and understanding, it's lessened."

- **Arachnophobia** — Fear of spiders. A classic phobia. Many sufferers, though, misdiagnose their fear as a phobia simply because they're afraid to have someone else kill the offending stimulus when they spot it on the ceiling. Still, it can help to identify and work with this fear.

- **Agoraphobia** — Generally interpreted as a fear of public, crowded spaces (and a fear of being unable to escape the situation), this is "the most common and the most debilitating phobia," Elpers says. "It can actually cripple someone, and really affect their life."

Help from a professional is almost always a must. After all, it's difficult to have a life if you're afraid to take a step outside the door.

- **Claustrophobia** — Like agoraphobia, claustrophobia stems from a fear of being unable to escape, only in this case from a confining space. In treatment, therapists often point to Harry Houdini, the magician who made a living out of escaping from a variety of nightmarish claustrophobic situations. See, Houdini was a claustrophobe. It was situations that he couldn't control that caused the phobia. Seems magic was his cathartic outlet.
- **Gephyrophobia** — Fear of bridges. In the San Francisco Bay Area, this fear spiked after the Loma Prieta earthquake of 1989.

- **Hobophobia** — While some joke that hobophobia, a fear of bums or beggars, fueled the recent mayoral race in San Francisco, the fear is legitimate. And it's only gotten worse as cities have grown, while jobs and housing have shriveled. Therapists point out that though it may be pettily incorrect, this is a phobia that can largely be avoided — just skirt areas where paralyzers hang out.
- **Coulrophobia** — Fear of clowns. Possibly the most maligned phobia. But therapists say it's no surprise — clowns can be downright scary.
- **Trichophobia** — The hairs, it can be terrifying for small children, Agustin says. "I could see that fear blossoming into a phobia."

As this is an example of a phobia arising from exposure to an incident, therapists urge parents to explain to their children before encountering a clown what the entertainer is all about.

- **Fear of terrorists**. "During certain periods the world goes through, there's an increase in specific fears," Elpers says. "Like now ... there is a fear of terrorists, but it doesn't have a name. Within the year, they'll have a name for that."

Advisers urge FDA to approve artificial heart

WASHINGTON (AP) — A temporary artificial heart to keep near-death patients alive long enough to receive a heart transplant has won the cautious backing of advisers to the Food and Drug Administration.

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"This is not something any of us would subject ourselves to unless we were dying," said Dr. Judah Weinberger of Columbia University.

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MORNING BREAK

Flirting style verges on harassment

DEAR ABBY: I am 14 and a little confused. I go to a school where "flirting" involves touching. Even when the girls say stop, the boys don't. One guy has grabbed me several times. I like him, but I'm afraid he's going to do worse things to me. Please help me. I feel weird talking about this to anyone. But I need to know what flirting really means.



DEAR ABBY Jeanne Phillips

dent body before things get "out of hand."

DEAR ABBY: As the owner of a tanning salon, I feel compelled to reply to the wife who said her husband's visit to a tanning salon was a sign of cheating.

The other clues you listed were more relevant. At our salon, only about 15 percent of our customers are male. Most clients tan for the good look a tan gives, or in preparation for a beach or cruise vacation - or even just for the relaxation.

DEAR BRETT: No one meant to "flirt" an entire industry or imply that the fact someone visits a tanning salon is conclusive proof that he or she is cheating. When someone is cheating, the warning signs usually appear in multiples - and that is where the checklist comes in handy.

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L.M. BOYD

I am sending you my child's head... Turned out it was a rough clay figure indelicately addressed to an art teacher. But a deep chill remained in the clerk, and the inspector wrote two long letters to his mother about it.

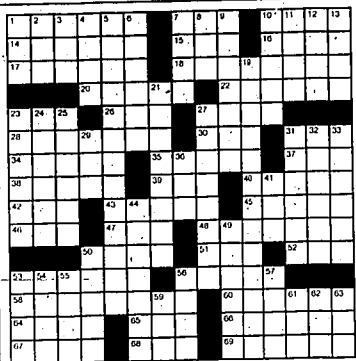
chocolate-covered candiest Give me their significance again, please.

A "O" means orange cream. "L" means lemon. "C" and a rectangle means caramel. Another sort of "C" means coconut. In the trade, they're called strings. Too many to list.

Wine perfectionists insist it even hurts the quality of the wine to store an open bottle of it overnight in the refrigerator. Inbibers mention this, I suppose, when they want another glass.

If your bathtub is sloped at one end only, it's "French pattern." If at both ends, it's "Roman pattern."

Q. Those squiggles on



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Clooney helps raise money for father's campaign

FORT MITCHELL, Ky. - Actor George Clooney helped raise about \$140,000 Saturday at private fund-raisers for his father's congressional campaign.

Andrew is making his way state-side to watch the Master's tournament. Andrew arrives in Augusta on April 5 for the Augusta National golf tournament, according to the calendar posted by Queen Elizabeth's press secretary.

The golf course is named for Augusta, Ga., an 18th-century relative of Andrew, the Duke of York, and mother of King George III. - compiled from wire reports

People in the news

Nick Clooney, a longtime Cincinnati television personality, is the lone Democratic candidate for the 4th District seat of retiring U.S. Rep. Ken Lucas.

George Clooney spoke briefly at two events in northern Kentucky, but stayed away from making political statements. Instead, he talked about his father and how he wanted to help him with the election.

"It's great having my son come in to help," Nick Clooney said. "It's family. When my son and my daughter show up and help me, it means a lot and it shows me this is more than just politics. We still matter to one another."

About 150 people paid \$250 each to mingle with the actor at The Oriental Wok, a restaurant in Fort Mitchell. In another fund-raiser, about 100 people paid \$1,000 each to see the actor at a private home.

Prince Andrew will visit Master's tournament AUGUSTA, Ga. - Prince

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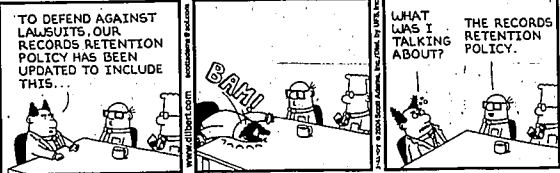
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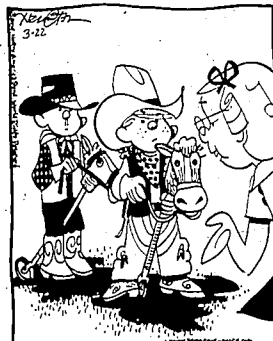
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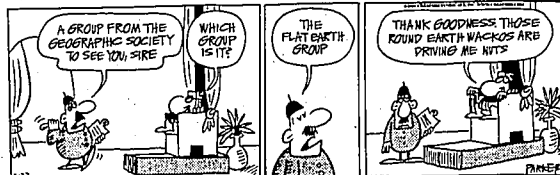
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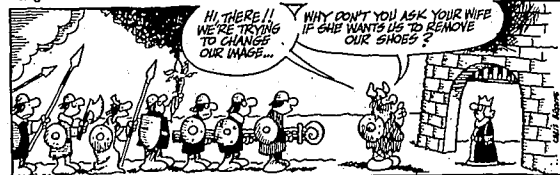
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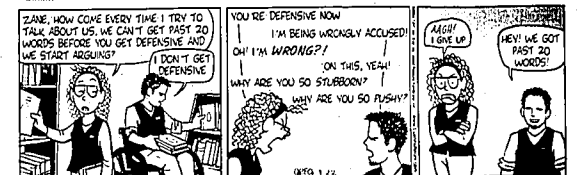
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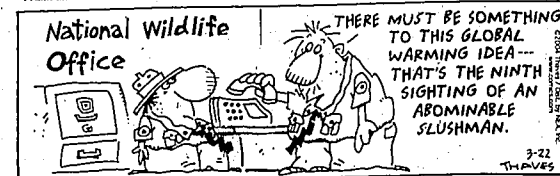
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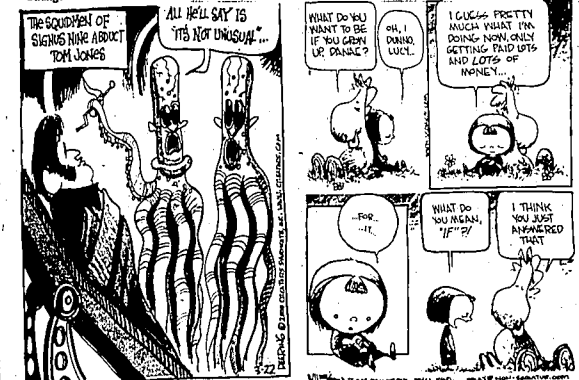
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SCHOOL DAYS

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Fast pace continues at Buhl High



Grand-prize winners in the Hagerman Elementary School are, from left to right, Micha Pope, Coner Ray, Ryan DeWolfe, Austin DeWolfe, Tobl Wickham, Joanne Brown and Kenal Snider.

Hagerman Elementary reels in a 'big catch'

HAGERMAN - Students at Hagerman Elementary earned more than \$9,700 by participating in the Spring 2004 "Fishing For Words" Spell-a-thon. Thirty percent of the proceeds will be given to the elementary teachers to be used for needed items in their classrooms. The remainder will be used for student enrichment, including educational assemblies. Not only did students "reel in" a whopping sum by collecting pledges, 111 students were awarded medals for "netting" 90 percent or better on their spelling test school representatives reported. In addition, many prizes were given to students according to the amount of pledges they collected. Grand-prize winners, kindergarten through third grade were: Micha Pope, first place; Coner Ray, second place; Ryan DeWolfe and Austin DeWolfe, third place. Fourth-grade through sixth grade grand-prize winners were: Kenal Snider, first place; Joanne Brown, second place; and Tobl Wickham, third place. Classes that had a 100-percent participation will be rewarded with a root beer float party. They include Jennifer Andersen's, Hermelinda Leija's, Heidi Hooper's and Creed Robinson's classes.

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SPECIAL RECOGNITION



Sawtooth Elementary School in Twin Falls honored February 'Manners' students during the Sabar Award Recognition Luncheon. The students are McKenzie Harman, Jake Smith, Riley Hazen, Danny Goley, Delores Ibarra, Ashley Jacobson, Ashley Golt, Amanda Ward, Jamison King, Phang Wongmanthikan; Brian Cox, Elise Allan, Veronica Fustos Mark Sneddon, Sierra Wangeman, Christopher Ploumoy, Drew Ault, Makayla Nielsen, Isak Boyd, twins Hannah and Kylie Greenwald, Mikayla Seaman, Ashlyra Aaranda, Connor Allen, Brooklyn Musser, Sam Shamer and Eleona Rivoira.

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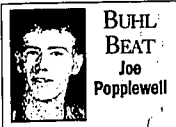


Citizens of the Week at Big Valley Elementary School in Rupert were, from left, front: J.J. Ramiroz, Derlan Gonzales, Weston Valdez and Miguel Boltran; center: J. Rodriguez, Halley Hanks, Ezequiel Ambriz, Morgan Schenk and Max Phillips; back: Kalyon Long, Kathleen Yanoz, Kathann Bean, Tylin Hoas and Trayson Foreman.

Burley High School BPA members get honors at state

BURLEY - Business Professionals of America students at Burley High School were honored at a recent state competition. Students and their award places: Katie Gunderson, second place, advanced accounting and third, computerized accounting; Lindsey Aho, third, economic research individual; Tom Preston, eighth, advanced word processing; Ashley Williams, fifth, legal office procedures; Katelyn Redder, ninth, database applications; Wendy Sealie, second, administrative research individual and 10th, human resource management; Drew Johnson, fifth, visual basic; ninth, C plus programming, and first, financial math; Sam Gunderson, Michael Kelsey and Alex Adams, seventh, Web site development team; Brandi James, seventh, entrepreneur;

Kirk Ostrander, sixth, graphic design; Natalie Baker sixth, advanced interview; Felicia Horsley, first, extemporaneous speech; Katherine Moses, 10th, extemporaneous speech; Julie Burnikel, fourth, prepared speech; and the parliamentary procedure team, Spencer Black, Aaron Kirk, Katherine Moses, Kamila McMurry, Felicia Horsley and Katherine Moses, fourth. Burley High School announces several upcoming events BURLEY - Burley High School sophomores and juniors are invited to attend the sixth annual Student Leadership Institute. Interested students should pick up applications in room 206 and return them by April 2. From tickets are on sale at lunch until April 1. The cost is \$20 or tickets at the door are \$25.



BUHL BEAT
Joe Poppellwell

is the premier dance of the year. This year's theme revolves around roses, and once again the junior class is in charge. The grand march and introductions will be conducted at 8 p.m. sharp with the dance and pictures following. May 28) Graduation The commencement exercises for the graduating class of 2004 will start at 7 p.m. Come and support all Buhl seniors on their very special night. Students in the news at Buhl High School Senior Megan Berks placed second in the American Legion Oratorical District Competition. Megan had to prepare an eight to 10 minute oration on a particular aspect of the United States Constitution and give a spontaneous three to five minute speech on one of the Constitution's amendments. Megan received \$100 from the American Legion. Congratulations!

Senior Vance Spencer has been selected as Buhl High Schools' nominee for the EF Global Citizen Award. Only one senior per high school may be selected. Applicants must write an essay about a person who has inspired them to live as a global citizen. Winners receive a 10-day expenses-paid educational tour of Europe. Best to you, Vance. Spring sports are warming up, so clean off that Indian gear and support your Buhl athletes as they compete in their respective spring sports. Joe Poppellwell is the student president at Buhl High School.

JHS music students celebrate success at district competition

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TIGER PRINTS
Kayla Earle

Once again, JHS students received compliments from guests at our school regarding their courteous, attentive attitudes and participation at Higher Education Day. Ruth Ruska, a presenter at the program, stopped by to let the principal know how very impressed she was by the JHS student body. She remarked that the school had a great feeling of respect and that she thoroughly enjoyed presenting in such a great environment. Tiger Print!

Patti O'Dell is the principal of Jerome High School.



The Hispanic Parent Organization March meeting was attended by almost 100 people who enjoyed a performance of Mexican dancing, awards honoring the accomplishments of many Hispanic students, as well as food and fun.

GHS honors outstanding students

Gooding High School recognizes five outstanding student leaders who have dedicated their time and efforts to improving their leadership abilities. Over the past year, Italy Eames, Angel Aguilar, Paul Sebastian, Brendan Arkoosh and Jill Dalton have traveled to various leadership conferences and brought back what they've learned to the school and community.



SENATOR SCENE
Jill Dalton

Last August, Italy attended the National Young Leaders Convention in Washington, D.C. She was nominated and selected based on her leadership and academic success. She toured the monuments, met with senators, visited the Supreme Court and listened to speakers. Italy serves as the student body vice president and Redox Club secretary.

Attending the same convention two weeks ago was Angel Aguilar. He enjoyed seeing the monuments and his personal tour of the Supreme Court building. Angel is the student body treasurer and Honor Society president. In June 2003, Paul went to Sprynga Boys State, then the Legionnaires nominated him to attend Boy's Nation in Washington, D.C. in August. Paul participated in the writing and debating of bills, selecting leaders. He also toured the monuments and museums.

"The highlight of my trip was going to the White House and meeting President Bush," said Paul, who serves as student body president.

Three weeks ago, Brendan traveled to Gonzaga University in Spokane, Wash. for Ignation, a scholarship contest based on leadership. He competed over several days in tests of leadership skills and abilities. The program will award a \$4,000 renewable scholarship to 10 boys. Brendan is the senior class president and Honor Society vice president and hopes to win the scholarship.

Last July, Jill was selected to attend an FFA-sponsored leadership conference in Washington, D.C. She met with senators, participated in activities focused on improving leadership skills, listened to speakers, and completed a service project. Jill is the student body secretary and FFA president.

Jill Dalton is student body secretary at Gooding High School.

East Minico releases honor roll

RUPERT - East Minico Middle School has released its honor roll for the second trimester. Eighth grade High honors: Andrew Aston, Erin M. Barnes, Shelley Coats, Jesse Eames, India Angula, Darek Ientszaki and Kavec Jungsmeier. Honors: Jade D. Bristol, Kalli Mackay, Cheryl D. Wigley, Sadie B. Barnes, Halley D. Hansen, Audrey Kent, Austin Goff, Stacy J. Tubert, Maria D. Adame, Benjamin D. Child, Kathleen D. Child, Brian Hansen, Julian Rodriguez, Marshall Young, Hanley Kelley, Kait Kobayashi, Ashley N. Bessire, Caitlin M. Reddington, Shagan Meyer, Tara Nestel, Kyrin Richardson, Lizette Vigil, Jocelle Poteef, Landon Whitesides, Jaren S. Wheeler and Damon Turner. Seventh grade High honors: Spencer Christensen, Tyson C. Crane, Brian

R. Duncan, Melanie Fennell, Holly C. Hruza, Erik Merrill, Kyleigh Smith, Landon Barnes, Matthew Bruden, Jaclyn Crane, Rahim A. Dominguez, Joyce Christopher, Shane M. Hansen, Kyle C. Hepworth, Jordan Nesbit and Samuel A. Bingham. Honors: Ashley E. Hulet, Margjorie Newman, Jackson Reed, Milica Baric, Katie Coats, Brenda Lopez, Kayla Naylor, Whitney Schut, Dale Annen, Eric S. Bohm, Kelsie Halverson, Byron Fincher, Camie Sakai, Joshua Dreier, Tyson G. Criswell, Justin Martinez, Sam Parker, Tedl Cameron, Tyler S. Hausman, Nathan L. Ellenberger, Adrian Toobson, Jake D. Hruza, Francisco J. Martinez, Stephanie L. Moon, BreAnna Parkin and Natasha Roman. Sixth grade High honors: Bruce R. Hansen, Cody Lopez, Cody Pfeiffer, Omaria Rodriguez, Jessica B. Sleight,

Christopher A. Barfuss, Jacye Couch, Hannah Felt, Colten W. Larsen, Lanae E. Linard, Victoria Vega, Ryan Webster, Lacey M. Anderson, Matthew Black, Morten T. Delgado, Shauna Turner and Michelle White. Honors: David B. Griffin, Bryce J. Harper, McKenna Williams, Layl Ibrahim, Roberto Olivas, Garri A. Crane, Michael DeFilippis, Kelsey Montgomery, Jena L. Bingham, Katie Richins, Laura Hurtado, Alexandra O. Koye, Garrett L. Mackay, Jill Hepworth, Christina McCarthy, Zachary Hayes, Rebecca E. Sunderland, Christopher Burns, Christopher Copeland, David Fennell, Enrique Gonzalez, Zachary B. Haman, Riley Walters, Pete Coats, Joshua W. Hieb, Josh Huber, Ashley Hyle, Kara Jentich, Jackie Mancias, Jamie Manciet, Thayne E. Pearson, Samantha Roberts, Adam Vogt, Brett M. Suliter and Albert Turner.

SCHOOL NEWS

Galina Bessudina won second in the 2004 "Celebrate Graduation" poster contest. She won \$150. A mandatory parent meeting for students interested in the Stepperette Team will be held at 6 p.m. March 30 in the cafeteria, 1600 Park Ave. Information can be picked up in the office. The tryout clinic will be held from 3:30-5:30 p.m. April 5-8 in the gym. Final tryouts will be held at 4 p.m. April 9.

Local high schools compete at National Science Bowl

BOISE - Several Idaho high schools have qualified for the 14th annual INEEL Scholastic Tournament state championship March 30-31 in Boise. Of the 28 teams, three will qualify for the U.S. Department of Energy's National Science Bowl April 29 through May 3 in Washington, D.C. The INEEL Scholastic Tournament is a quiz bowl competition with teams answering questions on math and science topics. The Idaho schools compete in three divisions determined by school enrollment. Qualifying teams in Class A (large schools): Twin Falls; class B (medium schools): Flyn, Kimberly and Buhl; and class C (small schools): Bliss, Commu-

nity School of Sun Valley, Liberty Christian Academy of Jerome and Hansen.

The state championships will be broadcast on Idaho Public Television at 5 p.m. April 3.

Jerome choir earns honors at recent state competition

HAILY - The Jerome High School Chorus placed for five of eight spots for state at a recent competition. Senior Brianna Boesiger placed first in meso-soprano, junior Tami Nejezchleba placed first in alto category and junior Eli Halper placed second in the tenor group. First alternates for state are sophomore Michelle Straley, who placed third in alto, and freshman Elissa Schmahel, who placed third in meso-soprano. Lisa Jansen is a second alternate for state, placing fourth in meso-soprano.

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80 DECEASED

above-named decedent. All persons having knowledge of the whereabouts of the decedent or the estate are required to present this Notice of a said Notice of Hearing to the Court for legal aid: 3 days prior to publication, noon on Wednesday for Sunday, noon on Thursday for Monday, noon on Friday for Tuesday and Wednesday, noon on Monday for Thursday and noon on Tuesday for Friday and Saturday, Holiday days.

101 LOST AND FOUND

FOUND: Brown, black & white, SW of Twin Falls, ID. FOUNDED Border Collie cubs, Female, had choke chain on, very noisy. Found at Family Home Services on Martin. Call 208-734-4183.

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