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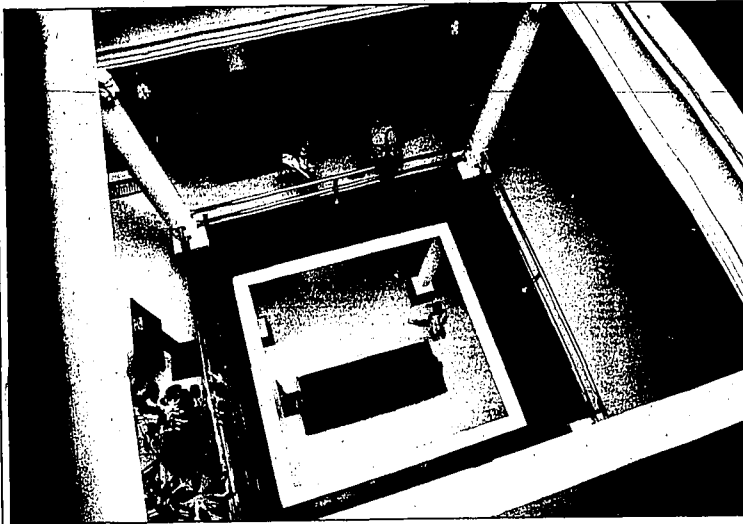
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# County OKs funding plan



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Many of the operations at the Twin Falls County Courthouse, seen here looking down from the fourth floor, may soon be moved to the former Anderson Lumber property on Eastland Drive. The Twin Falls County Commission Thursday approved a proposal from First Federal Savings and Loan to provide a \$3.1 million lease-to-buy loan to purchase the former lumberyard.

## But lender for building wants assurances

By Sandy Miller  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — County commissioners decided Thursday to accept a \$3.1 million financing proposal to acquire the former Anderson Lumber property, but they must first convince the prospective lender that their plan is legal.

Commissioners Gary Grindstaff and Tom Miksel approved the proposal from First Federal Savings and Loan to provide the \$3.1 million lease-to-buy loan. Commissioner Bill Brockman was the lone dissenter, saying the 4.51 percent fixed interest rate was too high.

Commissioners want to convert the former lumberyard into county government offices.

One of the requirements in First Federal's proposal is that the county agree to "legal confirmation" of the county's authority to consummate the proposed transaction. Commissioners said they don't have a problem with having attorneys

### About the Anderson Lumber property

• What the county needs: County government officials say they're running out of space. The plan is to move all court-house offices, except for those dealing directly with the courts such as the sheriff's office and jail, the prosecutor's office and some court services, to the former Anderson Lumber property on Eastland Avenue. The county would also consolidate eight of its remote locations to the property.

• What the property offers: It includes 4,923 square feet of finished office and handicapped-accessible restroom space; 35,860 square feet of box store space which would be converted into offices and public meeting rooms; 26,820 square feet of warehouse space; 9,825 square feet of shop space; and 3,050 square feet of greenhouse space. The property also includes 14,995 square feet of outdoor covered storage space, 225 parking spots in the front of the property and room for 300 vehicles around the sides and back of the building. The property is already landscaped.

examine the deal, but they drew the line at asking a judge to confirm whether the transaction meets legal muster.

"Judicial review is very time consuming," Grindstaff said.

The loan from First Federal would be paid in 19 annual principal and interest payments of \$238,523, with a final pay-

ment of all outstanding principal and interest. The county could pay off the loan early without penalty, and the deal would include a non-appropriation clause, meaning a future board of commissioners could decide each year whether to continue the loan.

Commissioners have said

they could buy the building without taking it before voters or a judge because it would be an "ordinary and necessary" expense. But Laird Maxwell, chairman of the government watchdog group Idahoans for Tax Reform, told *The Times-News* in December that a lease-to-buy agreement is a "long-term debt subject to the vote of the people or in the worst case subject to approval from a judge, i.e. judicial confirmation."

Maxwell cited a similar case in Boise in which the city asked District Judge Cheri Copey for judicial confirmation to allow the city to bypass voters for a new police building because it was an ordinary and necessary expense. Copey said no, telling the city that "if the Court were to adopt such reasoning then every time a local government wanted more room or wanted to improve service, such expenditures would escape the debt limitations."

County commissioners in  
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# State probes protest at school

Officials want to know if ISDB staff took part in walkout

By Karln Kowalski  
Times-News writer

GOODING — The State Board of Education wants to know if any of the Idaho School for the Deaf and the Blind's staff members were involved with student protests at the school in October.

The board's operations/performance officer, Harry Lytle, who is also acting superintendent of the Gooding school, sent an e-mail to the school's employees last week and asked students to bring forward any information about staff or faculty members planning or directing the protests.

About 25 students walked out of classes for three days in October to demand the reinstatement of Angel Ramos, the school's superintendent, who has been on paid administrative leave since July after disagreements about his management style and possible financial mismanagement divided the school.

Rick Hartwell, spokesman for the pro-Hartwell Save Our Superintendent Committee, called the investigation into the student protest self-destructive.

"It pits employees against employees, students against teachers. It threatens any possibility of rebuilding trust. It perpetuates fear and intimidation among already fragile professional and educational relationships," Hartwell wrote in an e-mail to *The Times-News*. "It is a 'witch hunt' which will produce no winners."

Lytle said he could not comment on the progress of the investigation, but if school employees did help the protesting students, it would have violated the Ethics in Government Act. If there were any accusations, the state would review evidence and talk to witnesses. As acting superintendent, he would have the authority to discipline those employees who were found to be involved. He said his main goal is to find out the truth.

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## Bush gets bill giving rights to fetuses

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — The Senate Thursday gave final approval to legislation that would make it a crime to injure or kill a fetus during the commission of a federal crime of violence, overriding critics' claims that the bill defines the start of human life in a way that could undermine abortion rights.

The 61-38 vote to approve the measure came after a far closer vote of 50-49 to reject an alternative favored by abortion rights advocates, that would have imposed the same penalties without reference to the legal status of a fetus, Idaho

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## COMMON GOAL



Former Vermont Gov. Howard Dean, right, endorses Sen. John Kerry's candidacy for the presidency Thursday during a rally at George Washington University in Washington. Democrats of every stripe rallied around the challenger to President Bush. Please see page A3.

## Kempthorne signs bill to hike schools funding

The Associated Press

IDAHO FALLS — The 3 percent increase in state support for public schools approved by lawmakers was signed into law Thursday by Gov. Dirk Kempthorne.

Kempthorne chose the library at Temple View Elementary School to approve the package that provides nearly \$890 million in general tax support for school operations and another \$75 million in tax relief for property owners statewide.

"The students understand that this continues our investment in their education," Kempthorne said.

The state support is on top of the \$350 million the state's 11 school districts raise from prop-

erty taxes.

Nearly half have secured voter approval to impose levies higher than the basic rate to help offset declining support from the state.

The budget for the 2004-2005 school year is almost \$5 million higher than Kempthorne proposed last January. He and state lawmakers have repeatedly said the package provides as much money as possible given the sluggish state economy.

The share of the general tax budget earmarked for the operation of public schools will slip below 43 percent for the coming school year, continuing a downward trend from its peak of 52 percent in the late 1980s.

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## Tiffany's opposes gem mine near Idaho border

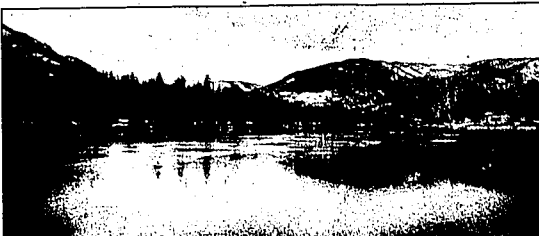
The Associated Press

SPOKANE, Wash. — The jeweler Tiffany & Co. is publicly opposing plans for a silver and copper mine beneath a wilderness area in Montana, prompting a forceful response Thursday from the Bush administration.

Tiffany officials paid for an open letter published Wednesday in *The Washington Post*

that asked Forest Service chief Dale Bosworth, whose agency has approved the mine, to block construction. The mine would require boring three miles under the Cabinet Mountains Wilderness Area near the Montana-Idaho border. The Rock Creek Mine, owned by the Spokane Company, would discharge millions of gallons of wastewater per day into the

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The Clark Fork River heads for Idaho's Lake Pend Oreille near the Idaho-Montana border.



# Attacks in Iraq claim two soldiers, a Marine

By Sewell Chan  
The Washington Post

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Two U.S. soldiers and a Marine were slain over the past two days in separate attacks, including a fierce firefight in which five insurgents were also killed, the military announced Thursday.

The deaths raised to 399 the number of American service members killed in action since the war in Iraq began in March 2003.

On Thursday, a roadside bomb killed a soldier with the 1st Infantry Division and wounded two others around 8:25 a.m. near Baquba, a city 10 miles northeast of the capital. The injured soldiers were reported to be in stable condition, according to a military spokesman, Marine Cpl. Craig Stowell.

In the afternoon, insurgents attacked a military convoy near Fallujah using a roadside bomb, a rocket-propelled grenade launcher and guns.

One Marine was killed and two were wounded in the attack at 3:48 p.m. Fallujah, a city about 35 miles west of Baghdad, has been the site of some of the



An Iraqi man throws rocks at a U.S. humvee that burns after it came under attack during a shootout Thursday in Fallujah, west of Baghdad. A U.S. Marine was killed in an attack in Fallujah but it was unclear whether this humvee was involved in that attack.

fiercest resistance to the U.S.-led occupation.

In addition, at around 2 p.m. Wednesday, insurgents attacked a military convoy north of Taji, a northern suburb of Baghdad. One soldier was killed

and three were wounded.

Members of the convoy returned fire, killing five attackers, Stowell said. The wounded soldiers were taken to a military hospital in Baghdad, and one has returned to duty.

## Military focuses on suicides - A4

In Baghdad, U.S. officials expressed worry about the constant attacks against members of Iraq's five U.S.-trained security forces, which are supposed to assume the main responsibility for guarding the country after the occupation.

"We remain concerned at what is clearly a program of intimidation and targeting of not only the Iraqi Police Service, but all Iraqi government officials," a U.S. military spokesman, Army Brig. Gen. Mark Kimmitt, said in Baghdad. About 350 members of the national police force have been killed over the last year, he said.

"It is a credit, it is a tribute to the Iraqi Police Service that despite the amount of attacks that they endure on almost a daily basis, they have a tremendously high morale," Kimmitt said. "We have not seen a significant downturn in either the recruitment or the retention rates of the Iraqi Police Service."

# Bush defends response to threats of terrorism

The Washington Post

NASHUA, N.H. — President Bush sought Thursday to knock down allegations that the administration was inattentive to the threat posed by al-Qaida before the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks, saying he would have "used every asset, every resource, every power of this government" to prevent the terrorist hijackings had he been warned of them.

Bush made his most extensive statements yet about the controversy that has swirled for several days, since his former chief counterterrorism adviser, Richard Clarke, portrayed the president as unprepared on the

terrorist network and unduly preoccupied with Iraq. Clarke gave the critique in a new book and in testimony Wednesday before a federal panel that is examining the 2001 attacks.

White House aides Thursday countered their strategy of trying to undermine Clarke's credibility. Bush, however, did not mention Clarke, who left the White House 13 months ago and had held senior roles in several previous administrations. Bush praised the work of the bipartisan commission and defended his own efforts to defeat terrorists in the United States and abroad. "Our solemn duty is to protect America," he said.

## Rice asks for time with panel

WASHINGTON (AP) — The White House on Thursday asked the independent commission investigating the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks to give national security adviser Condoleezza Rice another opportunity to talk privately with panel members.

The White House said, in a letter to the commission chairman and vice chairman from Alberto Gonzales, that such a session would allow her to clear up "a number of mischaracterizations of Dr. Rice's statements and positions."

Rice still would not testify publicly before the panel, as the members and many relatives of victims of the 2001 terrorist at-

tacks want. Gonzales wrote that it is important that presidential advisers such as Rice "not be compelled to testify publicly before congressional bodies such as the Commission."

Rice had said Wednesday that she was willing to return for another private session with the commission.

# Candidate will propose cut in corporate tax rate

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — John Kerry will propose cutting the corporate tax rate to 33.25 percent as part of new economic plan designed to create 10 million jobs by 2009 and discourage companies from sheltering taxable income overseas, his economic advisers said Thursday.

In essence, Kerry will offer a trade: if elected president, he would cut taxes on U.S. corporations if they accept the elimination of tax benefits for firms that move overseas. Kerry, fresh from a week-long vacation, is planning to use his first domestic policy address of the general election campaign to call for this carrot-and-stick approach to prod U.S. compa-

nies to do more business and create more jobs in America. The speech is billed as the first of three presenting the candidate's detailed balanced budget plan, which will include several new tax cuts.

In doing so, Kerry is seeking to position himself as a moderate, pro-business Democrat similar to Bill Clinton in the 1990s.

The Kerry offensive illustrates the centrality of economic issues in the 2004 election. As rolling out the new plan, President Bush was airing a new TV ad, accusing Kerry of supporting tax hikes on Social Security recipients and gas and touting his own "optimistic" economic vision in a different ad and in New Hampshire.



Democratic presidential candidate Sen. John Kerry, D-Mass., left, greets former President Bill Clinton and former President Jimmy Carter at a Democratic fund-raising dinner Thursday in Washington.

# Carter, Clinton, Dean lend support to Kerry

By David Jackson  
The Dallas Morning News

WASHINGTON — Returning from vacation, John Kerry spent Thursday with new best friends such as Bill Clinton, Jimmy Carter — and even Howard Dean.

The two former presidents toasted Kerry at a record-breaking Democratic fund-raiser, hours after the candidate — back from a weeklong ski holiday in Idaho — accepted an endorsement from former nemesis Dean.

Even as his former pollster wrote about Dean's dislike for Kerry, the Massachusetts senator's vanquished opponent said: "I trust John Kerry, and that's why I'm voting for and that's why I'm working for."

Republicans sought to puncture this bubble of unity by reviving what past Democratic opponents have said about Kerry, particularly Dean: "We are not going to beat George Bush by nominating someone who is the handmaiden of special interests."

As he hits the campaign trail again, Kerry plans a busy month filled with fund-raisers and speeches. Aides said he will also try to flesh out a more specific policy platform, including an

economic speech Friday that includes a discussion on the outsourcing of American jobs.

Appearing with Dean on Thursday at George Washington University, Kerry praised his former opponent for bringing new people into politics, particularly college students. He borrowed a Dean catch phrase to appeal to the young audience, themselves just back from spring break.

"You have — Who am I quoting? — 'You have the power,'" Kerry said to cheers. "The truth is that you do, and this is where change does begin, and this is an election for a generation, if not a lifetime."

Kerry rallied from behind to defeat Dean in Iowa and New Hampshire, then cruised to all but clinch the Democratic presidential nomination. On Thursday, both men played down past enmity.

Dean said, "We've had a tough campaign here and 'We're both tough competitors,' noting that during the primaries they stressed their differences.

"Now we're going to talk about the things we have in common," Dean said.

The Democratic challenger attacked Bush over job losses, the rising federal deficit, health care and education policy at the rally with Dean.

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NATION/WORLD

# Sixth-graders offer pictures of their poor neighborhoods

ROCHESTER, N.Y. (AP) — Twelve-year-old Jared Martinez photographed gang insignia sprayed on a basketball court next to his school. A classmate snapped the familiar figure of a homeless woman sitting and smoking on a curb outside an abandoned building.

Other youngsters took pictures of drug dealers, druggies, drug bags and a memorial to a child killed in a drug dispute.

The sixth-graders from Enrico Fermi School No. 17 in one of Rochester's poorest neighborhoods were given an unusual assignment: use donated, disposable cameras to document the dangers around them, and offer suggestions for how to deal with those dangers.



Tykweas Blice displays her photograph titled 'You Will Always Be Missed' in a booklet of pictures created by Enrico Fermi School No. 17 sixth-graders to highlight the health of their neighborhood in Rochester, N.Y., Tuesday.

The results were heartbreaking. "They didn't have far to walk" to capture dozens of bleak images, said Principal Patricia Jones. "There were times they would see some of this on the school grounds."

Tykweas Blice's picture of a memorial beside the school entrance had a personal twist. The sign is dedicated to Yhsaiah Cantilwell, a 10-year-old pupil killed by a stray bullet during a drug dispute outside his home on a June night in 2001.

"He was outside simply because it was too hot to be inside," Tykweas wrote. "What makes me even sadder is that the day he was shot, he was playing football with me. This is what normal kids do... There aren't as many children playing outside anymore."

The 59 youngsters each chose their favorite photo and wrote short essays. Their work was assembled in a booklet, "Children's Visions and Voices," that went on sale this week for

\$5 a copy. The money will help pay for community service projects the school is now exploring.

The photo-essay idea was organized in September by the University of Rochester Medical Center, which in 2000 launched a project to turn Rochester into one of the healthiest cities in America by 2020.

"I am always amazed at what we learn when we take the time to listen to children," former Surgeon General Dr. David Satcher, the medical center's senior adviser for community health, wrote in a foreword. "Without the full scope of community issues that need our attention."

The photo-essay idea is especially appropriate one for Rochester, the world headquarters of Eastman Kodak, though most other than manufacturing the cameras.

The public elementary school is in the Crescent, a ring of black and Hispanic neighborhoods

beset by poverty, drugs and murder. At least 95 percent of the schoolchildren qualify for free lunch.

The sixth-graders were split up in small groups and taken on supervised tours of the neighborhood of dilapidated houses, abandoned factories, homeless people, unemployed men hanging out on street corners, and patrol cars rolling slowly down side streets.

One distant shot shows three young men loitering outside a house. "They are the reason people die," wrote Taj Perkins, titling his picture "Drug Dealers."

Inspired by his exploits, the class is organizing a community spring cleanup. The youngsters are hoping to paint over the graffiti on a vacant building.

"If we want our neighborhood to be a better place, then we should not just persuade other people to do it, but do it ourselves," Unique Dorman said brightly.

# Army beefs up suicide prevention

BAGHDAD, Iraq — The U.S. military has intensified its suicide prevention efforts here as a result of an investigation into the self-inflicted deaths of 23 U.S. soldiers in Iraq and Kuwait last year, the U.S. Army said Thursday.

The Army is requiring all soldiers to take a suicide prevention class within three months of arriving in Iraq or Kuwait, said Capt. Jeff Greeninger, an Army mental health expert. Previously, soldiers had to take the class within a year.

The Army's four combat stress teams in Iraq have also begun closely monitoring suicide attempts and visiting U.S. military units that suffer deadly attacks, Greeninger said.

There were at least 23 suicides among U.S. soldiers in Iraq and Kuwait last year, according to the Army's count. That number may increase because there also are three deaths whose cause is still being investigated.

## Nation/World in Brief

ability to terror attacks.

Presidents and prime ministers from 25 nations approved Gijb de Vries, a former Dutch deputy interior minister, for the post.

"Today the European Union has reinforced its unity of purpose... to fight the scourge of terrorism," said Irish Prime Minister Bertie Ahern, who chaired the meeting. The European leaders met a day after many of the 190 victims of the Madrid bombings at a state funeral in the Spanish capital.

searched for evidence.

The German news channel n-tv reported Thursday that three suspects arrested by Spanish police Wednesday had lived in Germany and were "directly involved" in planning the Madrid bombings.

## Obscure group renews threats against France

PARIS — An obscure group trying to blackmail France for millions of dollars threatened an attack to surpass the Madrid terror bombings in a cryptic letter Thursday. But the group, which previously claimed to have mined railway tracks, also announced a suspension of its operations, saying it wants to perfect them.

The letter came a day after a bomb was found half-buried on a train track near the town of Troyes, 105 miles southeast of Paris, triggering a massive inspection of France's rail network.

For reasons investigators have yet to fathom, the group calls itself AZE. While it has not carried out attacks, its threats to blow up rail targets have heightened concerns — laid bare by the Madrid train bombings — about the vulnerability of European public transport systems.

— compiled from wire reports

## European leaders name anti-terror 'czar'

BRUSSELS, Belgium — European leaders named a former Dutch minister Thursday to coordinate new counterterrorism efforts at their first summit since the deadly Spain rail bombings exposed the continent's vulner-

## Spain police arrest more suspects in bombings

MADRID, Spain — Spanish police arrested five more suspects for the March 11 commuter train bombings, court officials said Thursday, bringing to 18 the number of people in custody for the attack against one of the U.S. allies in the Iraqi war.

Two suspects were arrested Thursday in the Madrid area, the officials said. Three others, identified as Moroccans, were arrested Wednesday in the Madrid region and in Algeria, 20 miles south of the capital. The suspects' homes were being

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## Jury finds ex-beau liable for e-mail

LUMBERTON, N.C. — A jury Thursday found a former beauty queen's ex-boyfriend liable for the e-mail he sent about topless photos that forced the Miss North Carolina to give up her crown.

Jurors determined that Toshi Welch's anonymous e-mail, sent a month after Rebekah

Revels won the state pageant, interfered with Revels' contact with the pageant and interfered with a potential contract with the Miss America Organization.

They found Welch didn't intentionally inflict emotional distress on Revels. Revels also accused Welch of invasion of privacy, but the judge threw that out.

## Suspect in woman's death kills himself

SCITUATE, R.I. (AP) — A man who was suspected of harming his girlfriend killed himself after leading police on a high-speed chase. The woman's head, knives and a gun were found in the man's car.

Authorities found Heather Mullins-Keltz's dismembered body in the Plainfield, Conn., home she had shared with Michael Shechtman, 33.

A co-worker had told author-

ities that Shechtman seemed suicidal and may have harmed his live-in girlfriend, Rhode Island State Police Maj. Brendan Doherty said.

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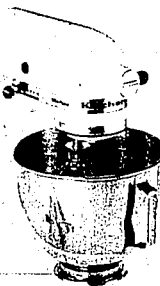
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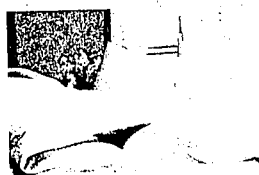
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## EDITORIAL

# New energy bill adds relief at the pump

## Jones, Burdick will add rural flavor to high court

It has taken a few decades of work, but the Idaho Supreme Court will have not just one, but two justices who come from the Magic Valley.

With no opponents filing against them in the upcoming election, Justice Roger Burdick and former Attorney General Jim Jones have a clear road to winning terms this November on the Idaho Supreme Court.

lence for Jones and Burdick demonstrates a retreat of sorts from the partisan judicial elections Idaho has seen in the past. It's no easy task to handle an opponent, raise campaign funds, battle out-of-state interest money, and still remain fairly tight-lipped about your political leanings. Under these terms, many candidates may be staying away.

**Our view:** The state Supreme Court will reflect more rural perspective with two justices from the Magic Valley.

**What do you think?**

We welcome viewpoints from our readers on this and other issues.

The fact that Burdick and Jones are more centrist has something to do with their lack of opponents. Both are conservative (although not ideologically right-wing) and have support from all political types in Idaho.

Jones, who has served two terms as Idaho attorney general, is also without a challenger. Jones is running to replace Wayne Kidwell, who will retire at the end of this year's term.

Perhaps the biggest strength Burdick and Jones bring to the court is their background and expertise in Idaho's water laws. It couldn't come at a better time, with a water appropriation crisis looming over the state courts and Legislature.

Jones, a native of Eden, and Burdick, a former Jerome County prosecutor and Twin Falls judge, have significant ties to the Magic Valley. The two justices' presence on the court doesn't assure that every ruling affecting southern Idaho will go to the region's favor, but that is expertise along with that of Daniel Eismann, a former Owyhee County judge, will help create a cognizance and awareness of rural issues that wasn't there in years past.

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In the Cecil Andrus era of Idaho politics, a rural perspective on the court was a lower priority. Most court justices had ties to Boise or capital city politics.

A more rural influence would be the only wind of change for the new court.

And it was Burdick who did some of the most recent and influential work as presiding judge of the SRBA over the past three years.

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## LETTER

### Free trade pacts will weaken U.S. economy

By January 2005, our independence, jobs and freedom will be destroyed if we adopt the Central America Free Trade Area and the Free Trade Area of the Americas agreements.

These agreements will create a regional government and a regional union, consisting of the 34 Western Hemisphere countries. The regional governments will be merged into a United Nations world government.

Our trade representative, Robert Zoellick, a member of the Council on Foreign Relations whose goal is world government, is crafting regional government agreements for the Bush administration. These agreements will ultimately lead to destruction of our national independence and our individual rights guaranteed under the Constitution and Bill of Rights. Adopting FTA will empower an unaccountable, socialist bureaucracy where they make decisions that will force Congress to change our laws to conform. The North American Free Trade

Agreement and World Trade Organization have already superseded some of our nation's laws.

Also, FTA will create a larger tax burden and unlimited immigration with wide open borders resulting in a drastic reduction in our standard of living as we move downward toward Third World status. Many more jobs will be destroyed by FTA.

The end result will be that Americans will have little control over their lives like the people of Cuba and Communist China.

Some say it can't happen here! It is! Get informed by visiting [www.stopthefda.org](http://www.stopthefda.org) and help save freedom, our jobs and independence by contacting our senators, congressman and President Bush to stop this regional government plot and get us out of the United Nations before it becomes the tyrannical, socialist world government that totalitarianism who want to make us slaves so desire!

ADRIAN LARP  
Twin Falls

America thrives when energy is abundant and affordable. Without it, our economy, our jobs and the welfare of our people suffer.

While being the No. 1 consumer of energy, the United States also is the No. 1 producer of the world's good and services. Americans use energy efficiently. We are, arguably, the breadbasket of the world, the heart of the technological revolution and the principal defender of freedom—none of which is possible without abundant, affordable energy.

## REP. RICHARD POMBO

Unfortunately, as we Americans know too well, energy is becoming all too scarce and all too expensive. We are paying record prices for gasoline.

Those prices may well go much higher as we enter the summer driving season and face the temporary halt in production to change over to the array of summer blends mandated by Environmental Protection Agency.

There are 24 different blends of unleaded gasoline required by law for different states and different times of the year. If there is a shortage of gasoline in one area, gasoline can't be interchanged easily between various parts of the country. Nationwide, nearly half of all American refineries have been shut down in the last 30 years and no new facilities have been built due to confusing environmental standards.

In 1992, 263 refineries operated throughout the country, only 159 were operating in 2002. Today, our remaining American refineries operate at less than capacity, yet are unable to meet our needs. This means we must import refined petroleum products, such as gasoline and diesel fuel, sending those refining jobs overseas and causing prices to increase.



Today, we import nearly two-thirds of our oil, compared to only one-third at the time of the Arab oil embargo of the 1970s. And the price of that oil has soared to more than \$35 per barrel, partly due to restricted production by Persian Gulf countries. At the same time, Alaska produces 50 percent less than it did in 1990. This supply has dropped due to lack of production from existing wells and an unwillingness to open new oil fields.

There are vast reserves of oil in Alaska, which could provide America with at least an additional million barrels per day. Lacking we aren't forced to decide between a clean environment and energy production—we can accomplish both.

The fears associated with exploring for resources were completely debunked by the Clinton administration study, "Environmental Benefits of Advanced Oil and Gas Exploration and Production Technology," which found modern extraction methods actually improve

the environment rather than harm it.

As many Americans have testified, the hard way the oxygenated mandate for gasoline has compounded our energy woes.

First, it caused the fuel additive methyl tertiary-butyl ether to be blended with our gasoline and that severely polluted ground water in many states. Some states, having banned that additive, are now forced by federal law to use ethanol in its gasoline. Since ethanol cannot be shipped through economic pipelines, motorists must get it by truck or rail or produce it locally, further raising gasoline prices.

Petroleum, of course, is not our only energy concern. In my home state of California, it has been mandated by the electric-ty shortages of 2001 and the resulting mismanagement of that crisis. It is a crisis that could well return since little has been done to address nationwide electricity production and transmission modernization. Congress has the power to

resolve all these issues, but it has not.

The comprehensive energy bill now before Congress makes a commitment to alternative energy production and would launch numerous initiatives to provide abundant, affordable energy in America. Sponsored by Sen. Pete Domenici, R-N.M., the bill has stalled because of partisan obstructionist politics. Thus, the legislation has not been able to garner the 60 votes it needs in the Senate.

It has been a dozen years since we passed a comprehensive energy bill. It is time Republicans and Democrats pull together—not apart—and pass a comprehensive energy bill that will lower gasoline prices and protect Americans and their jobs. Done right, we can produce hundreds of thousands of new jobs. It's time to work together in our common interests to lower gas prices.

Rep. Richard Pombo, R-Calif., is chairman of the House Resources Committee.

## Life rewards generosity, perseverance, wisdom

Accountability.

Always know that others around you are aware of your actions, be they good or bad. Courage. Life is at its best and worst takes a lot of energy; talk to survivors of different times. Connect with good things, people, organizations, clubs, rodeo, 4-H, service, church, cowboy culture.

Opportunities are on the horizon; you just have to keep your eyes open and mind alert. Understand there are those who love you; if you think not in this life, God does.

No, say no to things you know are harmful to your mind and body.

Try harder; you'll never be faulted for trying.

Act like this is your last day on earth because it might be.

Be all that you can be (without the car) and get back up when you fall down.

I think I might have made some mistake and will try again.

Little things mean a lot—little acts of kindness and consideration toward your fellow beings.

I will try harder to be a better warrior in this life.

Time has a way of catching up to you regarding your iniquity or lack thereof.

You are responsible for your actions.

BEVERLY ROBERTS  
Buhl  
(Editor's note: Beverly Roberts is a cancer survivor)

## United States was declared a military zone

The Enemy Alien Law of 1798 and the Alien Registration Act of 1940 effected as well as EO9865 to accomplish his wartime security.

The code name "Magic" was used for decoded Japanese diplomatic messages. Messages decoded in 1941 told of espionage planning and operations involving Japanese-Americans along the west coast. As early as 1934, intent of sabotage to the Los Angeles water system were in planning. The existence of this spy network contributed to the decision to move enemy aliens from the west coast.

In her March 15 letter, Priscilla Wegars, who professes to be an expert, disputes the accuracy of Ralph Willis' letter of March 7.

Fact: Of the 16,853 Japanese-Americans interned, 5,620 were relocatees who had renounced their citizenship. As "relocatees," their numbers are already accounted for. Results 11,233; 14,426 Euro-Americans were interned. Ms. Wegars is wrong. Mr. Willis is correct. No mention is made that more than 14,000 Japanese petitioned to renounce their citizenship; 5,620 were processed by war's end. No mention is made they all received \$20,000 Tax fee.

Fact: The nine members of the U.S. Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Civilians were paid \$1.5 million for salaries and expenses and two to profit \$200,000. Of the 33 staff surmises, 14 had Japanese surnames. It was not a requirement that they be given under oath. Credible persons attempting to testify that opposed the redress were allowed to be hooded and hissed by the Japanese-American audience in this courtroom facility. In its "rush to judgment," the Commission had to

## LETTERS

ignore "magic." The reparations people do not address "magic" to the Commission parallel is the O.J. Simpson trial. We all know he is innocent.

Do we really want to spend thousands of dollars to resurrect the old Mindokola Relocation center? Should it be a national monument?

Fact: For historical accuracy visit [www.hemnet11.com/alha](http://www.hemnet11.com/alha) or [www.folliem.com](http://www.folliem.com)

Ken Akagi states he was born in an "internment camp." He failed to mention if he received an apology and \$20,000 for being born. Tax free.

Fact: As usual, anyone who disagrees with this is either stereotyping, prejudiced, a racist or a bigot.

Real patriots put their country first.

FRANK THRESHER  
Halley

## Public needs to fight for its interest in water

A lawsuit has suddenly exposed the water appropriation excesses allowed by our politicians and their special interest benefactors over the last few decades! One of the most prominent hydrologists in our area was quoted as saying, "We in the water community didn't recognize the writing on the wall."

It appears to me this was recognized all too well by those who sponsored this unsustainable mining of our water. Our legislators vary consistently in their intent to eliminate the consideration of "public interest" in water rights transfers. A bill was passed this year to get the Idaho Department of Water Resources out of the book in being responsible for actual or historical consumptive use of a water rights transfer—HO 636—so

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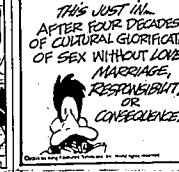
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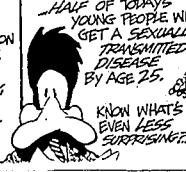
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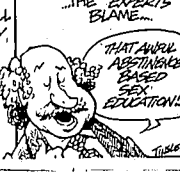
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## THE 'EXPERTS' BLAME...



## Doonesbury



OPINION

YALE DEGREES

ARON REASON JOURNALIST

RECESSION MEANS THAT PEOPLE'S INCOMES, AT THE EMPLOYER LEVEL, ARE GOING DOWN, BASICALLY, RELATIVE TO COSTS, PEOPLE ARE GETTING LAID OFF.

-FEB. 19, 2004

I ACTUALLY DID VOTE FOR HIS \$87 BILLION BEFORE I VOTED AGAINST IT. -MARCH 16, 2004



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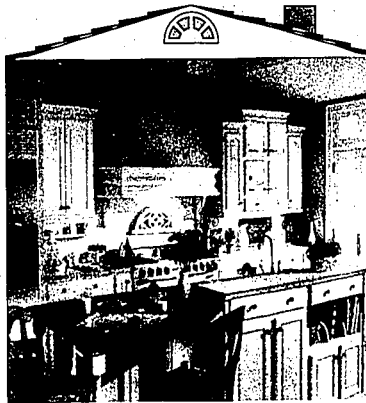
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LETTER

Voters deserve better than outrageous deficits

The Bush administration just published its budget for 2005 — \$2.36 trillion budget with the deficit already in the billions. When the Bush administration took over, the deficit was paid off and the government was operating in the black. As soon as they took over, they gave the tax refunds on a percentage basis that would put larger amounts of money in the pockets of the rich. By the time this was done, the government had a large deficit. That was not enough; then they gave large tax cuts targeted to the rich that were made retroactive, thus sending our government budget further into the red. Craig and Crapo both voted for these bills. Now they find out they are not getting as much revenue as they had expected because there are so many middle-class citizens out of work. The 9/11 attacks came, which cost the government more money. Then the war on Afghanistan to get the terrorists responsible for the attack. If that was not enough expense, they declared war on Iraq, which we know now has no weapons of mass destruction. This war cost American soldiers more lives than the other war. We have

spent billions on that war, plus \$87 billion to rebuild Iraq schools, hospitals, etc., while cutting down those programs for our citizens for the same. They passed Medicare reform and drug benefit bills to help balance the budget and neither is a benefit to the seniors they claimed to be helping. Then they find out that the new act is going to cost more money than if they had left everything the way it was. If this administration would think more about trying to be fair to all U.S. citizens instead of lining the pocket of the rich corporation like drug companies, oil companies, insurance companies and reconstruction companies for rebuilding of other countries, and if the rich citizens would be willing to pay their fair share of taxes, we would not be in this situation and we would be able to balance the budget. Our country cannot afford another four years of this administration and Idaho certainly cannot. Whether you are a Republican or a Democrat, Idaho is made up of poor and middle-class people, and Idaho needs to cast their votes in November for the party that can lead this country in a more diplomatic way and balance the budget. LOIS IOBE Burley



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AROUND THE VALLEY

Small spring users sign agreement

TWIN FALLS — The final signature has been added to a state agreement that will keep water running in the Magic Valley north of the Snake River for at least another year.

About 50 Hagerman Valley spring users Wednesday afternoon formed the Thousand Springs Water Users Association, said J. Dee May, an attorney for Rangen Inc. who has helped to organize spring users.

Hagerman trout producer Bill Jones was designated by the group to sign the agreement on its behalf, May said. The association will send out notices to all potential members.

The group's role includes distributing mitigation money among spring users and participating in execution of the agreement. In other formalities completing the one-year agreement among the state, spring users and groundwater users, Idaho Department of Water Resources Director Karl Dreher has approved the agreement, said Gov. Dirk Kempthorne and legislative leadership already had signed it.

Craig: Arsenic rules could cripple Idaho

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Sen. Larry Craig, R-Idaho, told Environmental Protection Agency Administrator Mike Leavitt Thursday that the science behind new arsenic standards for drinking water is "flawed" based on evidence that is increasingly coming to light.

"Many here in Congress — myself included — fought this before it was enacted because we saw it would financially cripple rural communities and small towns across the West," Craig said.

The senator's comments came during the EPA's budget hearing before the Senate Appropriations Committee's Subcommittee on VA-HUD-Independent agencies.

"There are communities in Idaho — such as Castelford and Burley — that estimate it will take double or triple their entire city budget to come into compliance," Craig said. Cities must have arsenic in their drinking water below a level of 10 parts per billion by 2006. Castelford, for instance, has been measured to have levels of arsenic of 22 ppb. The cost of building a facility to remove the arsenic has been estimated at \$200,000, and operating it could cost the city \$104,000 annually. Castelford's entire city budget is about \$175,000 this year.

T.F. police seek burglary information

TWIN FALLS — A \$2,000 reward is being offered for information leading to the arrest and conviction of those responsible for burglaries at Adventure Motor Sports. The store at 2469 Kimberly Road has been hit several times over the last eight months, resulting in several thousand dollars in lost merchandise, according to a news release issued by the Twin Falls Police Department.

Anyone with information is asked to call Detective Curtis Gambrel at 732-7279 or Crime Stoppers at 732-5387.

— compiled from staff reports

Snowpack levels

Table with 3 columns: Watershed, % of Avg., % of Peak. Rows include Upper Snake Basin (81% 77%), Salmon Falls (94% 86%), Salmon (82% 76%), Ovidale (85% 82%), Big Wood (78% 73%), Little Wood (75% 73%), Henrys Fork/Teton (95% 90%), Big Lost (89% 75%), Little Lost (83% 83%).

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

Governor signs waste plan access bill

The Times-News and The Associated Press

BOISE — People requesting documents showing how cattle feedlots handle their waste will now have extremely limited opportunities to obtain them.

Gov. Dirk Kempthorne has signed a bill limiting public access to nutrient management plans of cattle producers.

The new law, which goes into effect July 1, bars the state from keeping copies of nutrient

management plans detailing how cattle feedlots handle waste. The law doesn't affect public access to the waste-handling plans of dairies, however.

Nutrient management plans show how much manure is being produced and where it is being spread once it leaves the corral.

Cattle operations will continue to file their nutrient management plans with the state Department of Agriculture, but once the state

regulators are done reviewing the plans, they must be returned to the feedlot.

Kempthorne spokesman Mike Journee said the Ag Department doesn't have the space to store the documents.

He said the public will have access to the plans only while the Ag Department reviews them.

Idaho Conservation League lobbyist Justin Hayes called the new law "a blatant attempt by industry to blatant attempt by regulators are done reviewing the plans, they must be returned to the feedlot."

from knowing what's going on." He said the argument that the Ag Department doesn't have room to store the documents is laughable, considering that most nutrient management plans are no more than an inch thick and could be stored electronically.

Hayes said his group "will look for ways to circumvent" the new law.

Lloyd Knight of the Idaho Cattle Association said proprietary information contained in

inspection records will be better protected.

"There are still going to be inspection forms. It's not like there's not going to be a record at all," Knight said.

"Our producers have felt very strongly that (the plans contain) confidential business information."

Hayes predicted that dairy-men will attempt to shield their nutrient management plans from the public in the next legislative session.

SWING TIME



Christopher Dorman, 11, swings at a tennis ball while other children wait their turn at the Twin Falls YMCA's spring break day camp Thursday. The club will take over the city tennis program this summer and add a half-day preschool in the fall.

YMCA leads push for kids' fitness

Childhood obesity gains the attention of organization as it expands

By Karin Kowalski Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Children played indoor tennis and outside games, then went swimming at the YMCA's main building Thursday as part of the Days Off Camp for children during spring break.

Melissa Butcher of Twin Falls has her daughter in the camp and the day care program.

She said the price and the benefits are great. "It's wonderful," Butcher said. "They don't sit in front of the TV."

Cindy Pherrig of Twin Falls took her daughter to the spring break camp and plans to enroll her in summer day care. She said her daughter gets a lot of activity.

"She almost falls asleep at dinner time, she's so tired," Pherrig said.

Pherrig's daughter, Natasha, 8, said her favorite part of the

day is swimming in the YMCA pool.

"You get to play with your friends a lot," Natasha said.

The YMCA's programs for children are part of the organization's desire to help in a community effort to prevent obesity in children, said Karen Jachimowski, the Twin Falls YMCA's executive director.

Big plans

Other new programs in the works at the Twin Falls YMCA:

• Preschool — Partnering with the Twin Falls School District, the YMCA will start a half-day preschool this fall. Three days a week will be devoted to programs for 4-year-olds, and two days will be for 3-year-olds. The program will also accommodate children with disabilities. Executive Director Karen Jachimowski said the program is unique because it will include tennis and swimming lessons.

The YMCA still needs to raise about \$2,500 to cover the \$10,000 cost of the program.

• Tennis — The YMCA will run the city's tennis programs at the YMCA and at Harmon Park for the first time this summer. Lessons for ages 3 to adult start the second week of June.

• New building — The YMCA may include a new facility in its long-term plans, Jachimowski said.

Speaking to the Kiwanis Club Thursday, Jachimowski introduced a pilot program called "Tons for Fitness" that will help children be more active by providing a day of fitness adventures each month.

The program is funded by a grant from Magic Valley Regional Medical Center and focuses on exposing sixth-

seventh- and eighth-graders to a variety of physical activities.

The program could become part of one of several national initiatives aimed at improving people's health.

Jachimowski went to Washington, D.C., earlier this month, for three days to help lobby for eight bills related to fitness.

Helping children be more active can prevent obesity and other health problems later in life, she said.

"As the needs come up, the Y can change to meet those," Jachimowski said.

"We want to have healthy families. We want to have healthy employees in this community."

After the Kiwanis meeting, Jachimowski stressed the service mission of the YMCA.

"If there's families out there that need us, we want to be there for them," Jachimowski said.

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Liquor store debate continues

By Shelley Ridenour Times-News writer

ALBION — Economic benefits are important and the addition of a state liquor store in Albion would mean more jobs and the ability to better serve tourists, proponents of a contract state liquor store say.

Opponents counter that the presence of alcohol would increase crime in the small town, lead to people developing alcohol problems and possibly change the character of the city. People who want liquor can buy it somewhere else, they say.

The pros and cons of opening a contract state liquor store in Albion were debated at a Wednesday hearing conducted by state officials. No decision has been made whether a state liquor store will open in Albion, but because Roger Jenkins asked if he could house such a store in his existing business, state officials wanted to hear people's opinions.

Whether a liquor store opens in Albion is a decision made by officials at the Idaho State Liquor Dispensary. Voters do not have the power, however, Deputy Idaho Attorney General Kent Nelson said. If 50 percent of the voters in the precinct where a store is planned sign a petition opposing the store, it can't be opened.

Dyke Nally, superintendent of the liquor dispensary, said no one at the dispensary wants to force a store upon a community. Based on distances and populations, the Albion area is considered "underserved" by liquor dispensary officials, he said. Several years ago when a store was discussed people opposed it and no store was opened.

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Minidoka museum plans expansion

By Chip Thompson Times-News writer

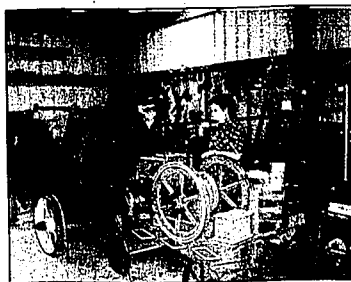
RUPERT — Visitors to the Minidoka County Historical Society Museum could soon have a bit more elbow room.

Museum officials are seeking bids for a 30- by 75-foot expansion of the facility's indoor display area.

"We've got donations and no place to put them," museum Secretary Annie Schenk said, referring to some 3,000 square feet of storage sheds filled with items waiting to be put on display.

Plans for the addition, which will extend the rear of the main building include a veterans' area and a local history research library. The new building will nearly double the display area. Construction is expected to be completed this summer if work begins by the end of April, as Schenk expects.

Schenk said the lack of space has meant sometimes not ac-



Minidoka County Museum Secretary Annie Schenk and board member Lloyd Gillespie stand amid stored items, many of which will be displayed in a new addition planned at the museum.

cepting donated items. "We have become very selective — we've had to," she said. During the past 15 years the museum board has raised more than \$40,000 in donations to pay for the expansion, board

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BLM seeks applicants for resource advisory councils

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — People interested in advising the Bureau of Land Management on public lands management in south-central Idaho have a chance to do so.

The BLM is looking for people with interest and backgrounds in natural resources to fill 31 vacancies on four resource advisory councils in Idaho.

One of those councils is for the BLM's new Twin Falls District in south-central Idaho.

The councils represent a cross section of the public and provide significant advice and recommendations to BLM managers on issues concerning the management of the 11.8 million acres of public land in Idaho, the agency said in a news release.

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SERVICES

JoAnn Elaine Winn of Twin Falls, funeral at 10 a.m. today at Trinity Lutheran Church in Rupert. (White Mortuary).

Ray E. Briggs of Burley, funeral at 11 a.m. today at the Payne Memorial Chapel, 221 W. Main St. in Burley. Friends may call from 10-10:45 a.m. before the funeral.

Verda L. Hansen of Twin Falls, formerly of Berkeley, Calif., graveside service at 11 a.m. today at the St. Joseph Cemetery in Berkeley, Calif. (Parker's Magic Valley Funeral Home).

Lydla V. Haycock Fleming, graveside service at 1 p.m. today at the Hagerman Cemetery in Hagerman. (Summers Funeral Homes, Boise Chapel).

Gary Clegg Jacobson of Gooding, service at 11 a.m. today at Demaray's Gooding Chapel.

Byron L. 'Duke' Martin of Burley, funeral at 11 a.m. today at the Unity First and Second Ward Chapel of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 275 S. 250 E., Burley. Friends may call from 10-10:45 a.m. today at the church (Rasmussen Funeral Home).

William R. Pat Patterson of Mountain Home, memorial service at 4 p.m. today at Summers Funeral Homes, McMurry Chapel in Mountain Home.

Gary Roy Kernin of Lewiston and formerly of Magic Valley area, graveside service at 11 a.m. Saturday at Norman Hill Cemetery in Lewiston.

Burton R. Mackey of Burley, service at 1 p.m. Saturday at the Pella 1st and 2nd Ward, Chapel of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 160 W. 400 S., Burley. Friends and family may call from noon to 12:45 p.m. Saturday at the church (Rasmussen Funeral Home, Burley).

Dr. George E. Brown, celebration of life for family and friends at 1:30 p.m. today in the Chapel of the First Presbyterian Church in Twin Falls. A celebration of life will also be held at 1 p.m. April 3 at Red Rock Christian Church in Boise.

Cecil Dale Irving of Glenns Ferry, memorial service at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Glenns Ferry. (Summers Funeral Home, McMurry Chapel in Mountain Home).

Emma Viola McCleod of Wendell, graveside service at 11 a.m. April 10 at the Wendell Cemetery (Spencer, Libby and Powell Funeral Home).

Lloyd L. Campbell of Twin Falls, memorial service at 4 p.m. Saturday at Parker's Magic Valley Funeral Home.

Donald Leslie Robinson of Twin Falls, memorial service at 4 p.m. Saturday at Parker's Magic Valley Funeral Home.

2551 Kimberly Road: Phillip A Smith Sr. of Buhl, celebration of life at 3 p.m. Sunday at the Clear Lake Lake Country Club. Celebration of life for Philip and his wife, Jo, who died in 1988. (Farmer Funeral Chapel).

Andrew J. Parks of Twin Falls, graveside service at 11 a.m. Monday at Sunset Memorial Park. Friends may call from 4-6 p.m. Sunday at White Mortuary.

Margaret Louise Greer of Twin Falls, memorial service at 7 p.m. April 8 at Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

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DEATH NOTICES

Ruth Camozzi JEROME — Ruth Camozzi, 83, of Jerome, died Wednesday, March 24, 2004, at her home in Jerome.

Service will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, March 30, 2004, at the Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome.

Della Reeder JEROME — Della Reeder, 84, of Jerome, died Wednesday, March 24, 2004, at the St.

Benedicts Family Medical Center Long Term Care Unit. Arrangements will be made by Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome.

Fred H. Shockey BLISS — Fred H. Shockey, 95, of Bliss, died Thursday, March 25, 2004, at his great-granddaughters residence in Bliss.

Arrangements will be made by Demaray Funeral Chapel in Gooding.

OBITUARIES

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Lucille F. Ayers - Boise

Lucille F. Ayers, 85, of Boise, died Wednesday, March 24, 2004, at St. Luke's hospital in Boise after a brief illness.



one grandson preceded Lucille in death. Surviving her are a brother, Kenneth Davis of Colorado Springs, Colo.; a sister, Darlene Fullerton of Co. Neb.; three daughters, Lois (Richard) Benckel and Diana (Jim) Nowland of Boise and Jean (Larry) Walker of Engle and two sons, Stan (Antoinette) Ayers of Buhl and Don (Barbara) Ayers of Mesa, Ariz. In addition, she had 17 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Church in Buhl and served in many capacities in the Moose Lodge. Among the things she loved most were being a friend, bowling, playing pinocle and dancing. To ask her of her greatest success in life she would reply "My family."

Her parents, her husband and five brothers, four sisters and

Rodney Delno Moreland - Jerome

Rod's beautiful, loving spirit peacefully passed from this world to the next on Tuesday, March 23, 2004, after losing a courageous battle with injuries sustained in an accident while riding his motorcycle.



Mark (Melodee) Moreland of Oklaheita, Ind., and Christofel George (Ginger) Moreland of Oaktown, Tenn., and his mother-in-law, Leona Twitcheil. He is also survived by many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

In Hagerman when Rod was in the sixth grade. He died the home until his death. Rod married his high school sweetheart, Mary L. Twitcheil, on Oct. 24, 1975. The greatest joy in his life came from the love he shared with his family.

Rod is survived by his wife, Mary of Jerome; son Casey Moreland also of Jerome; his daughter, Amy (Brandon) Boyer of Bliss; granddaughter, Marissa Boyer; and grandsons, Balle and Colby Boyer also of Bliss. He is also survived by his parents, I.D. and Juanita Moreland of Manchester, Tenn.; sisters, Regina Norwood and Peri (Gary) Trail of Winchester, Tenn.; brothers,

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Fred and Ardella Moreland and Willis and Abigail Clark and his father-in-law, Angus Twitcheil. Rod cherished spending time with his family and extended family. They all brought many days filled with love and laughter into his life. Rod's love for life and helping others was witnessed by all who were honored to cross his home until his death. Those who were touched by this man will never be the same.

Service for Rod will be conducted at 11 a.m., at the Malad Gorge State Park, (take Interstate 84 Exit 147, Tuttle/Malad Gorge to enter park). Interment will follow in the Jerome Cemetery. Rod's family would appreciate memorial contributions made at D.L. Evans Bank, 980 S. Lincoln, Jerome, ID 83338. Funeral arrangements are under the care of Farnsworth Mortuary, 1343 South Lincoln, Jerome, ID 83338.

Sheriff urges residents to stay calm over church construction

ELDORADO, Texas (AP) — A rural Texas sheriff cautioned people not to jump to conclusions about a compound under construction north of Eldorado, saying he has no proof that the structures are for the head of a polygamist church group. Schleicher County Sheriff David Doran was responding Tuesday to concerns that Warren Jeffs, head of the polygamist Fundamental Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, was building three-story houses on a 1,500-acre site. Aerial photographs show the houses appear similar to some of the large homes in the twin FLDS communities of Colorado City, Ariz., and Hildale, Utah.



Thelma Bosmann displays her opinion about a polygamist sect rumored to be building a facility near Eldorado, Texas, Thursday. Schleicher County Sheriff David Doran cautioned people not to jump to conclusions about a compound under construction north of Eldorado, saying he has no proof that the structures are for the head of a polygamist church group.

"The Sheriff's Department is on top of this," Doran said. "In the future if there is a connection with FLDS, then we will continue to monitor it. When people purchase land the last thing you want is to have rumors following you. You don't want law enforcement creeping around your door accusing you of something you are not."

Doran said it is his understanding that the property is a corporate hunting retreat.

Jeffs, who is estimated to have 50 wives, has been rumored to be building a compound in Mexico. The border is about 90 miles south of Eldorado in West Texas.

Rod Parker, an attorney for the FLDS church, has said it is unlikely that there are any plans to move the FLDS communities.

Both Doran and child victim advocate Flora Jessop agree the land was bought by David Alfred OFFY Land Co. Jessop, who also spoke during a news conference, said Alfred is related to Jeffs.

"I don't think they are coming. I think they are here," Jessop, 34, said in Friday editions of the San Angelo Standard-Times. "But to what extent, I don't know. We've been applying pressure in Utah and Arizona and I think they are looking to establish some where they are not known. The

best thing to do is educate yourselves about the group." Most of Jeffs' followers live in the Hildale-Colorado City area, but the church also has an enclave in Creston Valley, British Columbia, near the Idaho border. Estimates of the total membership range from 6,000 to 12,000. Utah and Arizona prosecutors have been investigating allegations of welfare and tax fraud, incest, child abuses and forced marriage of young girls to adult men.

Utah revokes dentist's drug license after drugging and abusing woman

LOGAN, Utah — The state has revoked the controlled substance license of Logan dentist John A. Isgaen and put him on professional probation.

The action by the Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing comes after Isgaen, having admitted giving a woman a controlled substance and videotaping a sexual encounter with her, was sentenced to 30 days in jail.

According to the DOJPL report, Isgaen admitted to obtaining the prescription and administering anabolic steroids to the woman, who was not his patient. In order to increase her sexual drive, he gave her a controlled substance on one occasion, Isgaen told the woman the drug was for sore muscles.

On another occasion he secretly slipped the drug in her drink and videotaping a sex act with her while she was unconscious.

College president faces budget restrictions

LEWISTON — Lewis-Clark State College has announced a soft hiring freeze in response to a state budget-cutting school budget.

President Dene Thomas will review vacant positions to see if hiring can be delayed or if positions can be eliminated.

Thomas was denied a 9.98 percent student fee increase at a State Board of Education meeting on March 12.

Blue Cross wins \$125 million state contract

LEWISTON — Regence BlueShield of Idaho has signed the health insurance contract it has had with Idaho State Government since 1984.

The board had already approved a 8.5 percent increase in January, before the state set a lower than expected higher education budget.

Blue Cross already has 320,000 customers in Idaho, and spokeswoman Lisha Bridges said 30 full-time employees will be added to handle the new business.

West in brief

University officials plan to cut adjunct

POCAHELLO — Idaho State University officials plan to cut the adjunct faculty budget and increase salaries for employees. Adjunct instructors are hired on a temporary, as-needed basis. Liberty Howe, university director, said they traditionally teach class added at the start of a semester after a wave of late registrations.

"This means we won't be able to add classes for those students who register late," she said.

Howe said the university is not planning to cut departments or programs, and no permanent university employees will be dismissed.

Ken Prolo, vice president of financial services, said the cost-saving measure will enable the school to afford a 2 percent salary increase for employees.

Scientists say acid may have caused elk deaths

CHEYENNE, Wyo. — Usnic acid, a substance found in some weight-loss diet supplements, is suspected as the natural ingredient in lichens that may have caused the deaths of more than 300 elk in Wyoming in recent weeks, scientists say.

The elk ingested usnic acid by eating lichens, and some scientists theorize that the chemical was what caused the animals to weaken and collapse — too helpless to eat, drink or escape predators.

Burglary victims now face pot charges

MOSCOW — Two home burglary victims became suspects after officers allegedly discovered marijuana growing at the

Garden City investigates improper bidding

GARDEN CITY — The city department is investigating allegations of improper bidding procedures and misuse of city vehicles.

Mayor Ted Ellis said there have been allegations of city vehicles being driven for personal use.

The police also are investigating claims that a wire-transfer was awarded without putting it to a public bid, which is against city policy, he said.

Police Sgt. Robert Little declined comment because the investigation is still open, he said.

Soldiers come home after a year in Iraq

IDAHO FALLS — Twenty-two Idaho National Guardsmen returned to their homes Thursday after spending nearly a year in the Middle East.

The 38th Engineer Detachment, a freighting unit, was called to active duty in February 2003. After training in Washington state for three months, members were shipped overseas to serve in Iraq.

The unit battled 150 fires in Iraq and responded to more than 250 calls, a spokesman for the National Guard said.

Gov. Dirk Kempthorne was on hand to welcome the unit, which is based in Driggs.

This year, an additional 2,600 Idaho Guardsmen in the 116th Cavalry Brigade are on alert for possible deployment to Iraq.

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# Contractor halts work at Washington tank farms

YAKIMA, Wash. (AP) — The contractor hired to clean up underground tanks holding radioactive waste at the Hanford nuclear reservation halted routine work Thursday after three workers were taken to medical centers following a possible vapor exposure.

In a statement, Colorado-based CH2M Hill said only essential workers would be allowed into the so-called tank farms — and then only with respiratory protection — as a result of the incident earlier Thursday.

"We are evaluating the situation and will determine the appropriate precautions moving forward," the company said.

The three workers were monitoring near a pit in the 200 East section at about 10 a.m. when they noticed an odor, described as a "sweet smell," according to Erik Olds, spokesman for the Energy Department's Office of River Protection.

The workers initially declined medical evaluation, but co-workers called 911 when one of them later developed a nose-bleed, Olds said.

Two of the workers were transported to Kadlec Medical Center and the third was taken to the Hanford Environmental Health Foundation, both in the Richland area near the reservation.

# HOME COMING



Pic. Nathan McKinney popped out of the top of an Idaho National Guard C-130 when the plane landed in Idaho Falls Thursday. Waving back to hundreds in an enthusiastic crowd, McKinney was one of 22 soldiers from the 938th Engineers based in Driggs that returned from Iraq. For more, please see page B2.

# Utility company issues a warning on deceptive calls

TWIN FALLS — Local power and gas companies are warning consumers about phone calls from unauthorized people seeking personal information.

Customers have reported getting calls from people purporting to represent the utilities saying a systemwide error has occurred in their monthly billing process, and that they need to provide customers' Social Security numbers and other personally identifiable information, according to a news release issued by the Better Business Bureau.

"If the customer has the slightest suspicion, we encourage them to call back at published phone numbers to verify any contact from our company," said Mike Huntington, vice president of external affairs for Intermountain Gas Co. in the release.

Customers believing they

## Magic Valley in brief

have been the victims of identity crime are urged to contact local law enforcement and to file statements online at [www.idaho.gov](http://www.idaho.gov).

The public is invited to get more information on the issue at today's free identity theft seminar.

The meeting will take place at 2 p.m. in the KMYT Community Room.

**Advocates say scams target immigrants**

JEROME — Scam artists in the area are targeting immigrants, trying to bilk them out of money by promising shortcuts to resident status.

For a fee, the scammer offers to put an immigrant's name

"first on the list," so that person can stay in the United States, said Lupe Cisneros, a paralegal who also serves as chairwoman of the Jerome Committee on Minority Relations.

Or, the scam artist promises to "push the alien's immigrant papers through INS faster," she said.

Cisneros said several people who've contacted her recently have asked if she knew about "the list."

"If anybody asks for money to put your name on some list, do not give them any," she said. "There is no list. It is a scam."

Cisneros said immigrants need to realize that new policies are still working their way through Congress, but in the meantime there are no shortcuts to legal residency.

— compiled from staff reports

# BLM

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regionally recognized environmental organizations, archaeological or historic interests, dispersed recreation and wild horse and burro groups.

Category 3 consists of state, county or local elected officials, employees of a state agency responsible for natural resources, members of American Indian tribes, and Americans involved in natural resources and the public at large.

The BLM recently changed the boundaries of the three existing districts and established a fourth district in Twin Falls. BLM now has three active district advisory councils in Idaho and plans to reorganize so there will be one council

## Want to apply?

If you're interested in seeking a position on the Twin Falls BLM District Resource Advisory Council, you can find nomination forms at the local BLM office. **Formal nominees must submit the completed forms, accompanied by letters of reference, to the Bureau of Land Management, Idaho State Office (ID-912), 1387 S. Vinnell Way, Boise, 83709, attention: Jerry Rohrer. Deadline for nominations is May 3.**

of the council's geographical base, the BLM says. The agency also will consult with Gov. Dirk Kempthorne before final consideration and decision by the Interior Department. Advisory council members will be appointed by the secretary of Interior, and the terms will begin around Oct. 1.

Nominees will be evaluated based on their education, training, experience and knowledge

# Buhl P&Z punts on auto sales business

Commission struggles to reach quorum with three vacancies

By Sandra Wisocover  
Times-News correspondent

BUHL — A Planning and Zoning hearing Wednesday was canceled when the commission failed to reach quorum.

The hearing on a request by Dick and Karen Dey for a conditional-use permit was rescheduled to be heard by the Buhl City Council on Monday, April 12.

The planning commission recently lost three members.

Candy Tipton resigned her position when she moved and two other members, Lonnie Hill and Marianne Barker, opted not to serve additional time when their terms expired.

Four members are required for a vote of the commission. One of the four remaining members was unable to attend the Wednesday night meeting due to illness. The four current members are Randy Clark, Lynn Schneidemann, Gary Smith and Leonard Sheets.

City Council members will hear public comments on the Dey's request 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 in the back of the Subway restaurant. A small office would be built on the back of the eatery for the Dey's operation.

Dick Dey has said the operation would be a small business, with no outdoor sound system or additional lighting.

The lot is zoned as a neighborhood business district. The conditional-use permit would be required for vehicle sales.

City Council members will continue to conduct planning and zoning business until a full commission can be appointed. Planning and Zoning Administrator Tom Gannon said.

# Museum

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member Harold Carraway said. Contributions have come from service and social clubs, local authors and entertainers, book sales and individuals.

"The museum receives some tax money from the county for operational expenses, but the expansion will be completely funded with donations."

"The commissioners have been very generous," Schenk said, indicating that the museum would not survive without county support.

Initially the addition will be a bare metal building. Insulation and electricity will be added if there's enough money, Schenk said. Because bids haven't been received, the price is somewhat uncertain.

"We'll depend on the generosity of others to finish it," Schenk said.

Current museum displays in-

## If you go...

The Minidoka County Museum is located next to the county fairgrounds at 99 E. Baseline Road in Rupert. It's open from 1 to 5 p.m. Mondays through Saturdays year-round, except holidays. Admission is free, but donations are welcome.

on E Street in 1970. In 1975 the current facility was built with donated funds.

As the original Union Pacific rail depot was moved to the museum grounds, and it is undergoing restoration, including the construction of an HO scale model railroad by the Idaho Country Rails Club, museum board member Lloyd Gillespie said. When finished, the railroad will wind through about a third of the depot.

As the only museum in Minidoka County, it regularly hosts school children from Hoot-Cassia, with volunteers such as Gillespie acting as tour guides.

Times-News reporter Chip Thompson can be reached at the "positive, uplifting" ways to find revenue for Albion besides selling liquor.

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# Liquor

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on population. But if a city has a liquor store, it gets a bigger share of the profits from the particular store. Liquor stores in small towns with a tourism base "typically fare well," he said.

Last year Burley received \$76,000 from the state liquor store. Another \$57,000 went to Cassia County, \$12,000 to Crater, \$6,200 to Teton, \$4,800 to Blaine and \$3,200 to Malta.

"If a contract liquor store opens in Albion, the city would get 'substantially more money than you get today,'" Winkler said.

The numbers sounded good to Jim Whigham.

"Anything that can add to the sales tax revenue should be a plus," he said. "From an economic standpoint I think it's good."

Mayor Lynne Bristol opposed the store.

"I don't believe our town needs this kind of establishment," she said. "It creates more problems than it does good."

Lee Woodland spoke in favor of the store, too. "I think we need all the money we can get in our town," Woodland said.

Jenkins said the addition of a

liquor store to his business would allow the convenience store to stay open, because it operates marginally today.

He would also be able to hire more people and would pay more taxes.

In contract liquor stores, as is being discussed in Albion, the business owner who houses the store receives a commission on sales. The liquor is owned by the state.

"Nothing positive comes from alcohol other than revenue," Lisa Ross said.

"I'd rather have Albion be poor than have the weaknesses of people preyed on having alcohol come into town."

Jim Kelley supported the store plan because the city can benefit from additional revenue, the two bars in Albion that have liquor licenses would be able to buy their liquor locally for resale and the presence of a store in Albion means people who now drive to Burley to buy liquor won't be tempted to drink while in Burley and then drive back to Albion.

"Most people who buy a bottle of liquor take it home and drink it there, Kelley said, and don't drive around drinking it.

Keith Amende said Albion doesn't need any more liquor establishments.

Darlene Erickson, owner of the Marsh Creek Inn, said many hotel customers ask her where they can buy liquor and she has to send them out of Albion.

Those customers don't cause problems at her inn, she said. She also supports the store because of additional revenue to the city.

Reve said there are other "positive, uplifting" ways to find revenue for Albion besides selling liquor.

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# Father faces 10 years in prison in death of infant

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Ernestina Moya says after having four sons, she was delighted when her daughter was born.

"I waited for her. To me she was so special," Moya said through tears outside federal court Thursday, when she learned that her daughter's killer would be sentenced.

Moya's daughter, Beyonce Serawop, died when she was 3-months-old after her father threw the crying infant down in a bathroom. Beyonce hit her head on the sink or toilet and died from serious head injuries.

The girl's father, Red Rock Serawop, 24, was convicted of voluntary manslaughter in December.

A sentencing hearing for Serawop on Thursday focused on how long it took investigators to get the truth of the girl's death.

Serawop was watching the in-

fant on Nov. 3, 2002, at their home on the Ute reservation about 140 miles southeast of Salt Lake City when the baby was taken to a local hospital, with serious head injuries. Beyonce later fell down a Salt Lake City hospital, where she was pronounced dead.

Serawop initially told investigators that he wasn't in the room when the incident occurred, but he had heard a thump and one of the other children in the home may have dropped her, said Rex Ashdown, an FBI agent who investigated the case.

Serawop later said he fell down while holding the child, Ashdown testified. Eventually, Serawop said he was frustrated with the crying child and threw her down in the bathroom.

U.S. District Judge Paul Cassell said Thursday he agreed

with prosecutors, who say Serawop's changing stories impeded the investigation.

That charge obstructing justice, and the fact that Serawop was placed in a position of trust with the child are both issues that could lengthen Serawop's prison sentence.

On Thursday, Cassell said he would sentence Serawop to the maximum — 10 years in prison. But he felt that Serawop's attorney, Fred Metos, did not have sufficient time to prepare arguments against the "position of trust" question in the delay sentencing until April to give Metos time to prepare his defense.

"I know what I did was wrong. I have to live every day thinking about losing my daughter," Serawop said. "I just want my kids just want to be with them as soon as I can."

# Official: Nuclear waste casks would survive attack

WASHINGTON (AP) — The containers to carry radioactive waste to the planned Yucca Mountain dump in Nevada would survive a Sept. 11-style airplane attack, the head of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission said Thursday.

NRC Chairman Nils Diaz told a House subcommittee that the finding was the result of recent classified tests. Yucca Mountain opponents have warned about nuclear waste casks of transporting nuclear waste across the nation's roads and railroads.

"Our present findings are that a transportation cask that is certified by the NRC ... of a large aircraft without releasing radioactivity to the public," Diaz said in response to a question from subcommittee Chairman Rep. Ralph Hall, R-Texas.

"We have even carried them beyond the aircraft crashes and we feel confident that the present design of this cask is quite resistant to terrorist attack and will provide substantial protection to the American public," he said.

Diaz also said the casks would survive being stuck inside a burning train trapped in a Baltimore tunnel in 2001.

"Our studies indicate that it would not have resulted in a significant release of radioactivity. We've found it able to withstand fire," Diaz said, adding that "there would be no impact to public health and safety."

Later, the director of Nevada's Nuclear Projects Office, Bob Lux, questioned Diaz's assertions.

"If the public can't have an opportunity to see casks being

tested in all of these testing areas and possibly even tested to destruction, they know where the thresholds are, it doesn't seem to me that any of these tests really improve public confidence," he said in an interview.

The Yucca Mountain dump 90 miles northeast of Las Vegas would hold 77,000 tons of highly radioactive spent reactor fuel now at commercial power plants in 31 states and government waste from its nuclear weapons program. The Department of Energy wants to open the dump in 2010 and plans to submit its license application to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission in December.

Although Congress approved the project two years ago, Nevada officials are trying to stop it, and the state is challenging the project in court.

# Scientists criticize government over salmon rules

SEATTLE (AP) — Scientists applauded by the government to review salmon-recovery efforts are lashing out at federal court rulings that require both wild and hatchery-raised fish be counted when determining whether a species is threatened.

In an editorial being published in Friday's edition of the journal Science, the six scientists also criticized the National Marine Fisheries Service, saying the agency must do more to protect wild salmon.

One hundred years of hatcheries have not brought back wild Atlantic salmon to Maine, lead author Ransom Myers, a fisheries biologist at Dalhousie University in Nova Scotia, said in a news release Thursday. "Once we lose the wild populations of salmon and

the natural habitats that support them, we will never get them back."

At issue is a debate over whether hatchery-raised salmon help or hinder salmon conservation efforts. The hatchery fish are generally bigger than their wild counterparts, and thus can compete more easily for food upon release, but in the long run, their instincts are worse. They die at much higher rates than wild fish, so their survival as a species is less likely, the scientists wrote.

In eastern Canada, the scientists wrote, "Hatcheries effectively disguised long-term problems."

But in 2001, U.S. District Judge Michael Hogan of Eugene, Ore., ruled that the fisheries service could not give

Endangered Species Act protection just to wild fish if it had previously lumped hatchery fish in with the same population. It counts both hatchery and wild fish in its "evolutionarily significant units" of salmon, because the wild and hatchery fish in those units are genetically indistinct.

Last month, the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals dismissed an environmental group's appeal of that ruling, effectively dissolving the threatened species listing for coho salmon off the Oregon coast and prompting similar lawsuits challenging salmon listings elsewhere in Oregon, California and Washington.

The fisheries service is reviewing its policy on protecting wild fish.

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# California town seizes desert land

### 'Urbanized and blighted' area will become test track

CALIFORNIA CITY, Calif. (AP) — When Hyundai needed land for a new auto testing track, officials in this remote, high-desert town were eager to oblige.



On March 9, Jim Swain looks at an area where he owned land near California City in Southern California's Mojave Desert that was taken from him by eminent domain. Swain and three other landowners have sued to stop the city from seizing their property and paying a set price, but a federal judge has rejected the landowners' request for an injunction to stop Hyundai from building a \$50 million testing track on the land.

They hoped the \$50 million track would bring a wealth of property taxes for the struggling town, where the unemployment rate is twice the state average.

Under a state law that allows governments to seize land designated as "urbanized and blighted," the city's redevelopment agency went to court and won permission to take more than 700 acres from private landowners, paying them what many in the area considered a fair amount.

On the surface, the arrangement looked like a reasonable example of the government buying privately owned land for the public good. But four property owners, none of whom live in the city, said if Hyundai wants the land it must be worth much more than what the city offered.

there's no tracks or anything," said Barry Redfearn, who owns 20 acres. "That's how it looks. And it's been like that for hundreds of years."

Redfearn and three others have sued to stop the city from taking their properties, which total 60 acres, but a federal judge has rejected their request for an injunction to stop Hyundai from building on their land.

Jim Swain said he's sure Hyundai will eventually get the 10 acres owned by him and his sister.

"I think they're already won," said Swain, who is part of the

suit. "We know that they're going to get our property. It's just whether we're going to get any money for it."

Some other landowners are negotiating purchase prices.

California City is the state's third-largest in size but one of the smallest in population. About 2,600 of the town's 12,000 residents are federal prisoners.

Todd Ampoker, an attorney for the city, says the law grants government agencies permission under eminent domain to take land made of "subdivided lots of irregular form and shape and inadequate size for proper usefulness and development

# BLM suspends land sales near monument

CRAIG, Colo. (AP) — The government has suspended its decision to auction more than 45,000 acres of public land for oil and gas leases near Dinosaur National Monument in Colorado and Utah.

More than 126,000 acres of federal land in Utah and Colorado were offered for lease last month. Sales in Utah brought in more than \$5 million.

In all, 55 leaseable parcels in both states are on hold while officials consider protests from environmental groups.

Dwayne Spencer, chief fluid mineral officer of the Colorado office of the Bureau of Land Management.

Groups including the Natural Resource Defense Council and the Colorado Environmental Coalition filed protests, saying oil and gas drilling could harm the pristine character of the area.

A decision is expected within a couple months, Spencer said.

The 210,000-acre monument is home to hundreds of dinosaur fossils, including the Dinosaur Quarry, which features 1,500 bones.

## Idaho foresters will close roads for bears

KALISPELL, Mont. (AP) — Foresters in the Kootenai, Idaho Panhandle and Lolo national forests want to close up to 500 miles of roads over the next 10 years to provide safer habitat for grizzly bears in the Cabinet-Panhandle and Selkirk recovery areas.

For supervisors say the changes would allow more options for providing roadless habitat for bears and better management of the remaining 3,000 miles of roads still open for motorized recreation.

Critics say the legal language was intended to describe slums and abandoned buildings, not open spaces.

"The whole redevelopment scam makes a mockery of the English language," said Chris Norby, a state-wide director of Municipal Officials for Redevelopment Reform. "Blight would be slums that breed crime and juvenile delinquency. Blight would be overcrowded apartments and leaky plumbing. Blight would be places like the South Bronx or areas of Detroit. Blight would not be the Mojave Desert in California."



Francis F. and Irene E. Gunning of Twin Falls, were married March 23, 1934, in Twin Falls, ID. Francis and Irene were farmers, primary in the Magic Valley area, for over 75 years, and farmed a great number of years with their son, Gail. Irene and Fran have always enjoyed living in the Magic Valley area surrounded by friends and family.

The Gunning had one son, Gail Curtis. They have three grandchildren; Katherine Diaz, Elk Grove, California; Amy Ballhagen, Boise, Idaho; and Andrew Gunning, Elk Grove, California. They also have five great grandchildren: Austin, Emily, Andrew, Elizabeth, and Aaron, with two additional great grandchildren on the way. Fran and Irene also want to acknowledge their very special friends, The Silva Family including Judy Marlow.

Please come celebrate this momentous occasion at an open house held in their honor on Saturday, March 27, 2004, at Alterra Retirement Home located at 1367 N. Locust Street, Twin Falls, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. No gifts are requested.



Lloyd Keimig, a tourist from Eugene, Ore., smokes while enjoying the coastal weather during his family spring break at Santa Monica Beach Wednesday in Santa Monica, Calif.

# Santa Monica council OKs beach smoke ban

SANTA MONICA, Calif. (AP) — Santa Monica would become the third- and largest — California community to ban smoking in its beaches under an ordinance tentatively approved by the City Council.

Councilors voted 4-2 in favor of the ordinance late Tuesday, but must approve it in a second vote in about two weeks before it can become a rule. The ban would prohibit smoking along a 13-mile stretch of beach, on the city's pier except in designated areas, and at bus stops.

Mayor Richard Bloom said the ban would improve public health and reduce pollution.

"We know that cigarette butts not only litter our community, but also leach out toxins into the sand, into the water, and that affects marine

life," he said.

Resident Hema Alvarez spoke against the ordinance, suggesting the City Council establish smoking zones in beach areas rather than a complete ban.

"I think that it's a really touchy subject, telling people who have a constitutional right that they can't do what they want," she said.

In Orange County last week, the San Clemente City Council voted 3-2 for a beach smoking ban. Solana Beach in San Diego County went smoke-free in October. Los Angeles officials will hear a similar proposal April 6.

California's strict anti-smoking restrictions include bans on smoking in restaurants and bars and within 20 feet of a building entrance or operable window.

# Rancher accused of assault stays in jail

LAS CRUCES, N.M. (AP) — A southern New Mexico rancher accused of assaulting federal officers remained jailed Thursday after a federal judge denied his request to be released on bond.

Kit Laney, 43, was arrested March 14 after allegedly charging at Forest Service officials who were trying to impound his cattle for illegal grazing.

He was indicted by a grand jury Tuesday on two counts of obstruction of justice, five counts of assaulting and interfering with federal officers and employees and one count of interfering with a court order.

U.S. Magistrate Karen Molzen denied bail for Laney on Wednesday, saying she was concerned he would return to the Diamond Bar grazing allotment on the Gila National Forest and try to disrupt the court-ordered roundup.

Molzen cited statements by Laney before the March 14 incident that he would not interfere with the roundup.

Laney's ranching partner and ex-wife Sherry Farr said she was shocked by the judge's decision.

"Is this America where you are innocent until proven guilty? It sure doesn't seem like it," Farr said.

Farr and Laney do not hold permits to graze on Gila land known as the Diamond Bar allotment. They own private land within the allotment, and have contended in lawsuits that they have grazing rights based on historical use of the land.

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## F&G officials: Elk carcasses aren't hazardous to recreationists

NAMPA (AP) — Carcasses of elk that fell through the ice covering Lucky Peak Reservoir this winter have now sunk.

The carcasses were seen floating last week.

More than 100 elk fell through thin ice two months ago as they attempted to escape heavy snows at higher elevations and find food in the lower elevations.

Idaho Fish and Game experts said that while most deer were light enough to cross the ice, the heavier elk broke through.

When the elk first broke through the ice, authorities considered trying to remove carcasses to be too dangerous and too expensive.

Fish and Game officials say the elk are not hazardous to recreationists.

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# Students try to gain insights by plotting attacks

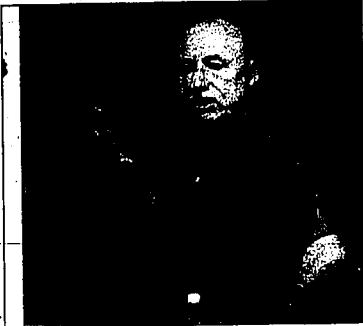
Class offers glimpse into mind of terrorist

By Amy Argotsinger  
The Washington Post

The plan was chilling in its detail and deliberation. The four men, all trained at Qaida operations, were to walk into Minnesota's famous Mall of America two days before Christmas. They would slip overcoats stuffed with C4 plastic explosive onto the retail racks in each of the mall's four department stores — and then detonate the explosives from afar, using cell phones. The intended result: bloody chaos to terrorize the "average American family" untouched by Sept. 11, 2001.

As he pored over the 18-page document, Dennis Pfluchinsky was struck by its cold-blooded specificity — from the 900-word draft of a letter claiming responsibility for the attack, to a minute-by-minute timeline, to a detailed budget that even noted the sentimental cost of a pair of jeans in near the mall. Total operational cost: \$2,716, not including explosives.

But with a quarter-century of experience analyzing terrorism threats, Pfluchinsky quickly spotted the holes that could unravel the plot. "4 Arab males flying together would attract suspicion in today's post 9/11 environment," he scribbled in red pen.



Veteran State Department analyst Dennis Pfluchinsky says they only way to understand terrorism is to understand how terrorists think.

Plus, he added, why no Koranic quotes in the communique? "This terrorist cell leader would have to venture for an Amninus." In the view of Pfluchinsky, 55, a veteran State Department analyst, the only way to understand terrorism is to understand how its practitioners think. So the centerpiece of a popular course he teaches as an adjunct professor at several Washington area universities is nothing less than a hypothetical plan of attack. He assigns each of his stu-

dents, most of them undergraduates, to play the role of a high-ranking official in a real-life terrorist group and pick a U.S. target of strategic or symbolic value. Using mostly the Internet for their research, they must outline a lethal attack, justify how it will fulfill the group's objectives, calculate the necessary resources and predict the U.S. response. Pfluchinsky won't accept suicide attacks — too easy. He encourages the use of diagrams or photos to illustrate the plan —

“ Terrorists don't just wake up and say 'I'm going to do an attack.' ”

— Dennis Pfluchinsky, terrorism analyst

a map of the major nuclear facilities, for example, or the floor plan of a football stadium.

The point of the macabre exercise, he said, is to make students understand that terrorists, though evil, are not erratic madmen but rational people bent on sending a particular message or fulfilling a particular goal — a lesson key to preventing their attacks. "Terrorists don't just wake up and say, 'I'm going to do an attack,'" he told his class at George Mason University last week.

Having worked at the State Department for 26 years, analyzing the horrific potential dangers confronting U.S. interests around the globe, Pfluchinsky brings to class a manner so hard-boiled and dry his students sometimes seem a little intimidated. Midway through a recent dis-

ussion of the radical Earth Liberation Front, a student asked how the group raises money — wouldn't it be illegal to send it a check? "Eh, I send money to them all the time," Pfluchinsky deadpanned, and the room froze. Is that a joke? "For their videos and publications," he said, explaining that he uses them for research — and his students finally choked up nervous half-laugh.

"I was thinking five major college campuses," Andi Monson said of her paper, due at the end of the semester. Specifically, car bombs, placed by a radical Islamist group determined to strike down American youth. Robin Rosenthal, meanwhile, was reluctantly discarding her plan to blow up the Metro. "It was too similar to the Madrid bombings," she said, referring to the commuter train blasts that killed 190 people.

Over the years, some of his students have offered papers that have terrified Pfluchinsky: works of research and imagination that have pointed up examples of jaw-dropping real-world vulnerability. Such as the one about the empty school bus packed with explosives and parked in that spot behind the popular museum where all the buses wait during field trips. All too possible, Pfluchinsky fears. "Sometimes it scares me," he said. Still, "I think they're just interested in doing a good job."

# House OKs budget over \$2 trillion

WASHINGTON (AP) — Republicans muscled a \$2.41 trillion budget through the House on Thursday that sets up a clash over a Senate-passed plan to make it harder for Congress to approve President Bush's tax cuts.

The House measure largely embraces Bush's budget proposal, but recasts it in acknowledgment of the record federal deficits that Republicans worry may haunt them in November's elections. The GOP plan pinches Bush's tax reductions and spending proposals and accelerates his goal of halving deficits in five years.

But taking a stand for a Republican priority, the House budget ignores efforts by Democrats and moderate GOP lawmakers to make it harder for Congress to enact future tax cuts without paying for them. The Senate included such a plan in the budget it approved two weeks ago, over the opposition of the White House and its own Republican leadership.

After overcoming disaffection by some GOP defectors and veterans advocates, majority Republicans pushed their fiscal outline for 2005 through the House by a mostly party-line vote of 215-212.

# Park Service promises to cut expenses

WASHINGTON (AP) — Reacting to stern criticism in Congress, the National Park Service sought to dispel notions Thursday that its spending priorities were out of line and that it had muzzled employees who might want to speak out.

"Who's minding the store here? All sort of obnoxious to what's going on?" Rep. George Nethercutt, R-Wash., demanded of Park Service Director Fran Mainella.

Mainella said she would immediately halt any more spending for foreign travel and cut 10 percent from domestic travel spending.

She acknowledged that million-dollar projects were getting under way elsewhere in the national parks, but said any costing more than \$1 million would require approval from her or Interior Secretary Gale Norton.

Mainella said the Park Service was working hard to improve management and make sure dollars were well spent.

"All agencies have to face increased costs — we're no different," Mainella told the House Appropriations subcommittee that oversees Park Service money. "It's a balancing act ... Just like a home."

Republicans and Democrats said they had helped the agency's budget grow steadily the past decade, yet Park Service officials still planned to cut back on services and hours at parks.

"You can't sit here and tell me, across this table, that services aren't eroding in the national parks," Rep. Norman Dicks, D-Wash., told Mainella.

The Park Service asked for \$102 million more than Congress approved for this year's \$2.56 billion budget, including \$1.6 billion for park operations. The rest is for building projects, acquiring land, historic preservation and maintenance.

# Michigan college finds no abortion records to turn over

DETROIT (AP) — The University of Michigan Health System, ordered by a federal judge to turn over records in a legal fight over the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act, said Thursday none of its records fall under the court mandate.

The statement came on the deadline set by U.S. District Judge Avern Cohn for the university to produce the documents so they could be passed on to a judge in New York who is hearing a lawsuit challenging the ban.

The Justice Department, which is defending the ban, says the records are central to answering the plaintiffs' claims that the procedure — known medically as "intact dilation and extraction" and called partial-birth abortion by its foes — is medically necessary. Among the plaintiffs is University of Michigan doctor Timothy Johnson.

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## best bets in entertainment



### Closing weekend

The Dilettantes of the Magic Valley will wrap up their production of the musical "Damn Yankees" tonight and Saturday night in the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium in Twin Falls.



### 'Idol' melodies

Kelly Clarkson and Clay Aiken will sing in the Delta Center in Salt Lake City tonight.



### At the hop

Sha Na Na will do two shows tonight and two Saturday at Cactus Petes Resort Casino in Jackpot.

### Steppin' lively

Boot Scooting Country Dancers Club will host a country dance at the Radio Rondevo. Admission in downtown Twin Falls.

### Stomp!

Rivertance will perform tonight, Saturday and Sunday in Salt Lake City's Capitol Theater.

### 'Plaid' all over

The Sun Valley Company's production of Stuart Ross' "Forever Plaid" plays its final few Sunday nights at the Boiler Room at the Sun Valley Resort.

For times, dates and details, see Events Spotlight on Pages C2, 4-5

# Dancing under the lens



Matthew Prescott in a 2003 Joffrey production of 'Romeo and Juliet.'

Photo courtesy of Joffrey Ballet of Chicago

## Jerome's Matthew Prescott finds himself working for big-time director

By Steve Crump Times-News writer

**JEROME** - Dancing in front of a camera is nothing special for members of the Joffrey Ballet of Chicago. But dancing for Robert Altman's camera, well, that's a memory worth keeping.



Robert Altman

"He was very easy to work with," said Jerome-bred Matthew Prescott, one of 15 Joffrey dancers who appear in Altman's current movie, "The Company," which is playing at the Lamphouse Theater in Twin Falls through Thursday. "He told us just to act naturally."

Prescott, who at 19 jumped from the Joffrey Ballet School in New York City to the Chicago-based Joffrey Ballet, one of the nation's elite dance companies, spent the better part of two months last summer working on the story of a season in the spotlight.

Altman, probably the most



Actress Neve Campbell and members of the Joffrey in a scene from 'The Company.'

Photo courtesy of Sony Pictures Classics

revered of living American directors with a resume that includes "MASH," "Nashville," "McCabe and Mrs. Miller" and "Gosford Park," was recruited by actress Neve Campbell ("Scream," "Scream 2"), who owned the rights to the story.

Campbell also brought in veteran actor Malcolm McDowell ("A Clockwork Orange") to play the company's hard-nosed artistic director.

McDowell's character is tough, demanding and critical, but also supportive and quick to applaud when it's deserved. He has high hopes for

the young and exquisite Ry (Campbell). In the course of the film, Ry meets and falls in love with Josh (James Franco), chef at a bustling, trendy Chicago restaurant. Both are hard-working and, although their schedules don't mesh as they had hoped, they don't let their romance turn into a trite love vs. career hassle.

Along with the rich Joffrey repertoire, "The Company" shows a ballet in the making, with choreographer Robert Desrosiers re-creating his "Blue Snake" for the Joffrey.

"It's a good depiction of the

life of a dancer, Prescott said in a telephone interview from Chicago.

"It wasn't like doing a ballet because a film isn't made that way, but it's pretty authentic."

Prescott, who grew up on a cattle ranch near Jerome and danced with several local dance studios, spent his high school years at Interlochen, the famed performing arts school in Michigan.

From there he went to the Joffrey Ballet School, and within a year, to a professional career.

"That's the way it is in pro-

### Now playing

Robert Altman's film, "The Company," shows at 5, 7 and 9 p.m. nightly through Thursday at the Lamphouse Theater in Twin Falls' Old Towne. The Lamphouse is located at 223 Fifth Ave. S.

essional dance," said Prescott's mother, Judy. "If you're going to make it, you have to make it when you're young."

In the three years since, Prescott has performed in a variety of Joffrey productions, including dancing the lead in the ballet version of "Romeo and Juliet" last year.

"He started with small roles and worked his way up," Judy Prescott said. "It's been a struggle financially sometimes because dancers don't work all the time."

Matthew has no idea if appearing in a high-profile movie will open up avenues for him in film or theater, but he says the contacts he's made can't hurt. In addition to Joffrey productions, he does some freelance work.

"It's been a long road," said Matthew, who turned 23 on Thursday. "But I still have a ways to go."

- The Los Angeles Times contributed to this report

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## Video watch

### Dirty Pretty Things

Stephen Frears' gripping, spirited movie is about the illegals, semi-legals and other, hands-crawble foreigners forced to make a living in the shadows of the British capital.

Written by Steve Knight, it's a story that pulls you into a seldom-seen world where everything is eerie and alien.

Contains sexual content, disturbing images and obscene language.

### The Rundown

As a bounty hunter named Beck, the Rock has a disarmingly sweet bedside manner just before he reduces someone to human ash. As the stubborn, kid Beck has been assigned to find in the Amazon, Sean William Scott is suitably sassy.

And Christopher Walken's somewhat amusing as Hatchery, a witty, psycho-heavy who's running a gold mine in the jungle. Contains grinding violence, fatal gun-play and people a lot bigger than most of us. - Source: Washington Post

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## Farndale Ladies return to West End

The Times-News

**BUJIL** - There's possibly nowhere outside the English Midlands where the Farndale Ladies are better known than Buhl.

The West End Theater Company will present David McGillivray and Walter Zerlin's "We Found Love and an Exquisite Set of Porcelain Figurines Aboard the SS Farndale Avenue" in dinner theater.

When: Tonight and Saturday; dinner at 6:30 p.m., followed by the show at 7:30.

How much: Tickets, which are \$15.95, can be reserved by phoning 543-4849.

### If you go ...

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following in the British Isles long before the rest of the world recognized their entertainment value.

There are now a dozen Farndale Ladies plays; this one was written and first staged in 1990.

They're based the activities of 'townswomen's Guilds, mainly middle-class housewives who meet to learn skills and raise funds for charity. Inevitably - and unfortunately - their thoughts seem to turn to the actor.

"You may think that no actors could possibly be as unmitigatedly awful as the Farndale Ladies," McGillivray has written.

"Perhaps they couldn't. But if they did exist, they'd come from Britain."

The cast include Jamie Larson, Brian Avelar, Kimberly Smith and Sue Bousquet. The director is A.J. Hoffman.

the only company in the world which discourages personal achievement as vulgar and has made cult out of the heroic failure." - co-author David McGillivray writes in his author's notes for the plays. "Coarse acting, bad movies, and botched outtakes had a loyal

WEEKEND

# Big Head Todd and the Monsters comes to Boise

## ROCK 'N' ROLL

**Tonight - Boise**  
**Big Head Todd and the Monsters** will play the **Big Easy Concert House** at 8:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$25, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at **Atkinson's Market in Ketchum**. The **Big Easy Concert House** is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

**Tonight - Boise**  
**Steel Train** will perform at **ID & Friends** at 6:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$10, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at **Atkinson's Market in Ketchum**. **ID & Friends** is located at Main St.

**Tonight - Boise**  
**Starlight Mints, Dressed Bessy and Denzley Davies** will perform at the **NeuroLux Lounge** at 6:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$8, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at **Atkinson's Market in Ketchum**. The **NeuroLux Lounge** is located at 111 N. 11th St.

**Tonight and Saturday**  
**Sha Na Na** will perform two shows a night at **Cactus Petes Resort Casino** in **Jackpot**, at 8 and 10 p.m. Tickets, which are \$15, \$20 and \$25, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at **Atkinson's Market in Ketchum**. The **Big Easy Concert House** is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

**Tuesday - Boise**  
**Keller Williams** will play the **Big Easy Concert House** at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$15, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at **Atkinson's Market in Ketchum**. The **Big Easy Concert House** is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

**Wednesday**  
**Keller Williams** will play the **nextStage Theater** in **Ketchum** at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$18.50, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at **Atkinson's Market in Ketchum**.

**April 2 - Utah**  
**The Get Up Kids** will play **Albee Square** in **Salt Lake City** at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$15.50, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TDXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. **Albee Square** is located at 165 South West Temple.

**April 2-3**  
**The Little River Band** will do two shows a night at **Cactus Petes Resort Casino** in **Jackpot**, at 8 and 10 p.m. Tickets, which are \$25, \$30 and \$35, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at **Atkinson's Market in Ketchum**.

**April 3 - The**  
**Willie Waldman Project** will perform at **W&L Jacques** in **Ketchum** at 9 p.m. No cover charge.

**April 3 - Boise**  
**Damion Rice** will perform at the **Big Easy Concert House** at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$12, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827 or online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>. The **Big Easy Concert House** is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

**April 4 - Utah**  
**Yellowcard and Something Corporate** will play in the **Venue** in **Salt Lake City** at 6 p.m. Tickets, which are \$17, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TDXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. In the **Venue** is located at 600 West 219 South.

**April 5 - Boise**  
**A Feet Circle and The Mars Volta** will play the **Bank of America Center** at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$29.50, can be reserved by



phoning Select A Seat at (208) 426-1494, online at <http://www.idahoticket.com>, or at **Albertson's in Twin Falls**. The **Bank of America Center** is located at 233 S. Capitol Blvd.



**April 5 - Utah**  
**The Adolescents** will perform at **Club Sound** in **Salt Lake City** at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$12, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TDXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. **Club Sound** is located at 600 West 219 South.

**April 10 - Boise**  
**Presidents of the United States of America** will perform at the **Big Easy Concert House** at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$19.50, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, and at **Atkinson's Market in Ketchum**. The **Big Easy Concert House** is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

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

**April 12 - Utah**  
**Tiger Army and The Business** will play in the **Venue** in **Salt Lake City** at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$12, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TDXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. In the **Venue** is located at 600 West 219 South.

**April 15 - Boise**  
**The Suicide Machines, Against All Authority and The Code** will play the **Big Easy Concert House** at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$12, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at **Atkinson's Market in Ketchum**.

**April 16 - Utah**  
**Suicide Machines** will perform at **Albee Square** in **Salt Lake City** at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$12, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TDXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. **Albee Square** is located at 165 South West Temple.

**April 19**  
**Paradigm** will perform at 7 p.m. in the new student center in the **Taylor Administration Building** on the campus of the **College of Southern Idaho** in **Twin Falls**. Free.

**April 19 - Utah**  
**The Strokes** will perform at the **Venue** in **Salt Lake City** at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$22.50 and \$25, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TDXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. In the **Venue** is located at 600 West 219 South.

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

**April 21 - Utah**  
**Pinback and Enon** will play in the **Venue** in **Salt Lake City** at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$10, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TDXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. In the **Venue** is located at 600 West 219 South.

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**April 22 - Utah**  
**International Noise Conspiracy and Moving Units** will perform at the **Venue** in **Salt Lake City** at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$12, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TDXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. In the **Venue** is located at 600 West 219 South.

**April 24 - Utah**  
**The Rapture and Black Rebel Motorcycle Club** will perform at the **Venue** in **Salt Lake City** at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$15, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TDXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. In the **Venue** is located at 600 West 219 South.

**April 25 - Boise**  
**The Fhides** will play the **Big Easy Concert House** at 8 p.m. For ticket information, call (800) 965-4827. The **Big Easy Concert House** is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

**May 12 - Boise**  
**Slightly Stoopid** will perform at the **Big Easy Concert House** at 6:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$12, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at **Atkinson's Market in Ketchum**. The **Big Easy Concert House** is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

**May 15 - Utah**  
**My Morning Jacket** will perform at the **Venue** in **Salt Lake City** at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$15, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TDXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>.

<http://www.smithstix.com>. In the **Venue** is located at 600 West 219 South.

**COUNTRY**  
**Tonight and Saturday**  
**Rockin' Horse** will play country and rock from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at **Honker's Place**. Cover charge is \$4. **Honker's Place** is located at 121 Fourth Ave. S. in **Twin Falls**.

**Tonight and Saturday**  
**Country Classics** will play from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. at **Montana Steakhouse**. No cover charge.  
**Montana Steakhouse** is located at 1625 Canyon Crest Drive in **Twin Falls**.

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

**Tuesday - Boise**  
**Railroad Earth** will play the **NeuroLux Lounge** at 9 p.m. Tickets, which are \$5, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at **Atkinson's Market in Ketchum**. The **NeuroLux Lounge** is located at 111 N. 11th St.

**April 18 - Boise**  
**Nickel Creek** will play the **Big Easy Concert House** at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$27.50, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at **Atkinson's Market in Ketchum**. The **Big Easy Concert House** is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

**April 19 - Boise**  
**Wu Tung Clan and GZA/Gene** will play **Pie** at 10 p.m. Tickets, which are \$23, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at **Atkinson's Market in Ketchum**. The **Big Easy Concert House** is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

**April 24**  
**The Bar-J Wranglers** will perform at the **King Center** in **Busby** at 7:30 p.m., the **final Mini-Carroll Community Concert** of the season. Subscriptions for the four-concert series are \$32 for adults, \$16 for students and \$96 for families, which includes children over the age of 5 living at home. For more information, call Julie at 678-4704 or Susan at 678-1798.

**May 1 - Elko, Nev.**  
**The Oak Ridge Boys** will perform at the **Red Lion Inn & Casino** at 8 and 10 p.m. For ticket information, call (775) 753-0551. The **Red Lion** is located at 2065 Idaho St.

## HIP-HOP

**April 2 - Boise**  
**N.E.R.D. and Black-Eyed Peas** will play the **Big Easy Concert House** at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$25.50, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at **Atkinson's Market in Ketchum**. The **Big Easy Concert House** is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

**April 3 - Utah**  
**N.E.R.D. and Black Eyed Peas** will perform at the **Venue** in **Salt Lake City** at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$20, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TDXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. In the **Venue** is located at 600 West 219 South.

**April 5 - Boise**  
**Wu Tung Clan and GZA/Gene** will play **Pie** at 10 p.m. Tickets, which are \$23, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at **Atkinson's Market in Ketchum**. The **Big Easy Concert House** is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at **Atkinson's Market in Ketchum**. **Pie** is located at 612 Grove St.

## ELECTRONIC

**April 28 - Utah**  
**Cystal Method** will perform at the **Venue** in **Salt Lake City** at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$20, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TDXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. In the **Venue** is located at 600 West 219 South.

## JAZZ

**April 2 - Boise**  
**Ernie Martin** will headline the **Gene Harris Jazz Festival**, 7 p.m., **Bank of America Center**. Tickets, which are \$22, \$44 and \$75, can be reserved by phoning Select A Seat at (208) 426-1494, online at <http://www.idahoticket.com>, or at **Albertson's in Twin Falls**. The **Bank of America Center** is located at 233 S. Capitol Blvd.

**April 3 - Boise**  
**Dave Brubeck** will headline the **Gene Harris Jazz Festival**, 7 p.m., **Bank of America Center**. Tickets, which are \$25, \$47 and \$85, can be reserved by phoning Select A Seat at (208) 426-1494, online at <http://www.idahoticket.com>, or at **Albertson's in Twin Falls**. The **Bank of America Center** is located at 233 S. Capitol Blvd.

## JAZZ

**March 29 - Utah**  
**Lady Banks** will perform at **Club Sound** in **Salt Lake City** at 8 p.m. Please see **EVENTS**, Page C4



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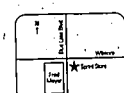
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# Scooby-Doo unleashes monsters on Magic Valley

## New to the valley

### "Jersey Girl"

It's a radical adjustment for Ben Affleck, from slick Manhattan publicist to single parent living with his father back in Jersey. With Liv Tyler and Raquel Castro. Written and directed by Kevin Smith. (PG-13; for language and sexual content including frank dialogue.)

### "The Ladykillers"

Joel and Ethan Coen's remake of the classic British comedy finds a group of criminal conspirators headed by Tom Hanks attempting to do away with their inconvenient landlady (Irma P. Hall). With Marlon Wayans and J.K. Simmons. (R, for language including sexual references.)

### "Scooby-Doo 2: Monsters Unleashed"

Freddie Prinze Jr., Sarah Michelle Gellar, Matthew Lillard and Linda Cardellini are back, and someone is reintroducing such classic Mystery Inc. adventures as the Pterodactyl Ghost and the Black Knight. Director Raja Gosnell also returns. (PG, for some scary action, rude humor and language.)

### Continuing

#### "Agent Cody Banks 2: Destination London"

Frankie Muniz's likable Seattle teen-ager recruited by the CIA is off to England for his second funny, fast-moving and free-wheeling adventure. This time he has to stop a rogue CIA agent (Keith Allen) armed with stolen mind control software from joining forces with an evil nobleman (James Faulkner), who has invented a device that controls body movements. With Anthony Anderson as Cody's rambunctious CIA handler and Hannah Spearritt as the film's resourceful leading lady. (1240, PG, for action violence and some crude humor.)

#### "The Best Two Years"

Scott Anderson's autobio-



From left to right, Matthew Lillard, Scooby-Doo, Linda Cardellini, Freddie Prinze Jr. and Sarah Michelle Gellar in Warner Bros. Pictures live-action comedy adventure 'Scooby-Doo 2: Monsters Unleashed.'

graphical saga of the experiences of four Mormon missionaries in Holland. Rated PG.

### "Cheaper by the Dozen"

A family slapstick that young kids will love for the food fights, older kids will like for TV stars Hilary Duff and Ashton Kutcher, and adults will endure for Steve Martin and Bonnie Hunt. "Cheaper by the Dozen" purports to be based on the memoir by the children of Frank and Lillian Gilbreth. The new movie and the wryly funny memoir are alike in name only. PG (flatulence and poop humor)

### "The Company"

A year-in-the-life story of a Chicago ballet troupe (the Joffrey), with Neve Campbell as a dedicated, ambitious young dancer and Malcolm McDowell as the company's scarf-wearing, fit-throwing director. Robert Altman, in uncharacteristically unycinal mood. direct. PG-13 (adult themes, profanity)



Ben Affleck and Liv Tyler in Kevin Smith's 'Jersey Girl.'

### "Dawn of the Dead"

Good zombie fun, the remake of George A. Romero's "Dawn of the Dead" is the best proof in ages that cannibalizing old material sometimes works fiendishly well. Directed by newcomer Zack Snyder, with a script by James Gunn, the movie races along at a break-neck, at times exhausting pace. The speeded-up rhythms are

unsettling, not only because the zombies are continually rushing toward the camera like bugs toward a car windshield (and to become similar splatter effect), but also because it forces the action into overdrive. The movie doesn't break new ground, but it's a reminder of how good horror movies sweep you away with equal parts pleasure and dread. With Sarah Polley, Ving Rhames, Jake Weber, Mekhi Phifer and Ty

## What's playing now

### Twin Falls

Twin Cinema  
"Agent Cody Banks: Destination London"

"Brother Bear"  
"Catch That Kid"  
"Dawn of the Dead"  
"50 First Dates"  
"Haunted Mansion"  
"The Ladykillers"  
"Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King"  
"Monster"  
"The Passion of the Christ"  
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"The Best Two Years"  
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"Hidalgo"  
"Starsky & Hutch"  
"Jersey Girl"  
"Miracle"

### Lamphouse Theater

"The Company"  
"Fog of War"

### The Orpheum

"Secret Window"

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Magic Lantern  
"Hidalgo"

"Jersey Girl"  
"The Ladykillers"  
"Starsky & Hutch"  
"Touching the Void"

### Skiffline Cinemas

"Scooby-Doo 2: Monsters Unleashed"  
"Secret Window"

### Sun Valley Opera House

"Taking Lives"

### Burley

#### Century Cinema

"Agent Cody Banks 2: Destination London"

"Dawn of the Dead"  
"Hidalgo"  
"The Passion of the Christ"  
"Scooby-Doo 2: Monsters Unleashed"  
"Secret Window"  
"Starsky & Hutch"

### Burley Theater

"Cheaper by the Dozen"

### Jerome

#### Jerome Cinema

"Agent Cody Banks 2: Destination London"  
"Hidalgo"  
"The Passion of the Christ"  
"Taking Lives"

## Big box office

Last weekend's top-grossing movies:

1. "Dawn of the Dead," Universal.
2. "The Passion of the Christ," Newmarket.
3. "Taking Lives," Warner Bros.
4. "Starsky & Hutch," Warner Bros.
5. "Secret Window," Sony.

—Source: Exhibitor Relations Co.

Burrell. (1:40. R, for pervasive strong horror violence and gore, language and sexuality.)

### "Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind"

A patchwork of moments in time with a title taken from an

Alexander Pope poem, the film is about what goes wrong with love and why—it's a comic mystery by way of a romantic thriller. As played with open heart delicacy by Jim Carrey and especially Kate Winslet, Joel and Clementine are two ordinary people who embark on the most extraordinary adventure a human being can take—they fall in love. A memory play and a sleight of hand, the film is more than anything else deeply sincere. For Kaufman and director Michel Gondry, the architects of this comic and often cruel affair of the heart, love means always having to say you're sorry. With Tom Wilkinson, Kristen Dunst, Mark Ruffalo and Elijah Wood. (R, for language, some drug and sexual content.)

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WEEKEND

Events

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 phoning Select A Seat at (208) 426-1494, online at <http://www.idahotickets.com> or at Albertson's in Twin Falls.

KARAOKE

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

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

**Tonight**  
 High Mountain Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Shakers in Declo. No cover charge. Shakers is located at 626 Highway 81.

**Tonight**  
 Kroakers Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Melody in Rupert and from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Cheers in Burley. The Melody is located at 502 Sixth St. in Rupert and Cheers is located at 163 West U.S. Highway 30.

**Tonight, Saturday and Sunday**  
 Karaoke with Rubid Dog Entertainment will be featured from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. at the Pioneer Club in Twin Falls. No cover charge. The Pioneer Club is located at 1519 Kimberly Road.

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

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

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

**Saturday**  
 Kroakers Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Riverside in Burley and from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Big Kahuna in Declo. No cover charge. The Riverside is located at 197 Highway 30 W. in Burley and the Big Kahuna is located at 9 E. Main in Declo.

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

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

**Tuesday**  
 Kroakers Karaoke will be featured from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. at George K's East Restaurant in Burley. George K's is located at 325 E. Third N.

**Wednesday**  
 Kroakers Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Office Lounge in Paul. The Office Lounge is located at 118 E. Idaho St.

**Wednesday and Thursday**  
 P & D Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Montana Steakhouse in Twin Falls. No cover charge. Montana Steakhouse is located at 1956 Canyon Crest Drive in Twin Falls.

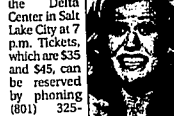
**Thursday**  
 Kroakers Karaoke will be fea-

ured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Riverside in Burley. The Riverside is located at 197 W. Highway 30.

MISCELLANEOUS



**Tonight - Utah**  
 Kelly Clarkson and Clay Aiken will sing in the Delta Center in Salt Lake City at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$35 and \$45, can be reserved by phoning (801) 325-SEAT or online at <http://www.ticketmaster.com>. The Delta Center is located at 301 South West Temple.



**Tonight and Saturday**  
 Bob Nora Band will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Oasis. No cover charge. The Oasis is located at 1007 Blue Lakes Blvd. N. in Twin Falls.

**Tonight and Saturday - Utah**  
 Utah Symphony will present A Celtic Celebration at 8 p.m. nightly in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. Tickets, which range from \$22 to \$45, can be reserved by phoning ArtTix at (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

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

**Wednesday**  
 The Vuarnettes - Linda Badell, Calie Galpin, Cheri Kessler and Heidi Bates - will perform at 6 p.m. in the Boiler Room at the Sun Valley Resort. There's an \$15 cover charge. The show will continue every Wednesday night through the end of March, with art in precept ("b.j. thomas for friday features")

**April 9-10**  
 B.J. Thomas will do two shows a night at Cactus Petes Resort Casino in Jackpot, at 8 and 10 p.m. Tickets, which are \$15, \$20 and \$25, can be reserved by phoning (800) 821-1103.

**April 15 - Utah**  
 Solomon Burke will sing in Kingsbury Hall on the campus of the University of Utah in Salt Lake City at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$25 and \$45, can be reserved by phoning ArtTix at (801) 355-2787.

**April 16 - Utah**  
 Lorie Line will perform in Jeanne Wagner Theater in Salt Lake City at 7:30 p.m. for ticket information, call ArtTix at (801) 355-2787. Jeanne Wagner Theater is located at 138 West 300 South.

**April 16-17 - Utah**  
 Utah Symphony will perform band music at 8 p.m. nightly in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. Tickets, which are \$22 to \$45, can be reserved by phoning ArtTix at (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

**April 17**  
 The Twin Falls Music Club and Twin Falls Junior Music Club will present "Crusade for Strings," 7 p.m., College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium, Twin Falls, featuring local artists and ensembles.



**April 19**  
 The Sonos Handbell Ensemble will perform in the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium at 7:30 p.m., the fourth Magic Valley ArtTix concert of the season. Tickets, which are \$14 for adults and \$10 for students and children, are available at Everybody's Business, Kurt's Pharmacy and Hahnberg, Crowley's Old-Time Soda Fountain, the Magic Valley Arts, Council office and the CSI Community Education Center in Twin Falls; Saw-Mor Drug in Buhl; Arlene's Flowers in Jerome; and the CSI Outreach Centers in Burley, Hailey and Gooding.

**April 29 - Boise**  
 Blink-182, Cypress Hill and Idaho Center in Nampa at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$31.50, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.idahotickets.com>, or at Adkinson, Crowley's Old-Time Soda Fountain is located at 5000 Garrity Blvd. on Nampa's east end.

**April 30 - Utah**  
 Blink-182, Cypress Hill and Idaho Center in Nampa at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$31.50 and \$32.50, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. The E Center is located at 3200 South Decker Lake Drive.

**May 5 - Utah**  
 Slipnot will perform at in The Venue in Salt Lake City at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$30, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX or online at

<http://www.smithstix.com>. In the Venue is located at 600 West 219 South.

**May 9**  
 The Magic Valley Choral will perform its annual pops concert at 3 p.m. in the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium, Twin Falls. Tickets, which are \$5 for general admission and \$3 for students and seniors, are available at Welch Music, the CSI Bookstore and Everybody's Business in Twin Falls, at Arlene's Flowers in Jerome, or at the door or from Choral members.



**March 12 - Utah**  
 Trapt, Smile Empty Soul and Finger 11 will perform at in the Venue in Salt Lake City at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$15, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. In the Venue is located at 600 West 219 South.

DANCE

**Tonight**  
 Boot Scooting Country Dancers Club will host a country dance from 7-11 p.m. at the Indio Rendezvous. Admission is \$5. No smoking, no alcohol. All ages are welcome. The Indio Rendezvous is located at 241 Main St. in Twin Falls.

**Tonight, Saturday and Sunday**  
 -Utah- Riverdance will perform at Salt Lake City's Capitol Theater at 7:30 p.m. nightly. Tickets, which range from \$24 to \$57.50, can be reserved by phoning ArtTix at (801) 355-2787. The Capitol Theater is located at 50 West 200 South.

**Saturday**  
 The Roseland Ball will play for a dance from 8-11 p.m. at the Roseland Crystal Ballroom. Cover

charge is \$5 per person or \$9 per couple. The public is welcome. The Roseland Crystal Ballroom is located at 523 Main St. in Filer.

**April 9-10, 14-17 - Utah**  
 Ballet West will dance "40 Years of Jubilation," featuring George Balanchine's "Concerto Barocco" and "Tchaikovsky Pas de Deux," Stravinsky's "Rite of Spring" and Vaughan Williams' "Lark Ascending," 7 p.m. in Salt Lake City's Capitol Theater. For ticket information, call Art Tix at (801) 355-2787. The Capitol Theater is located at 50 West 200 South.

THEATER

**Tonight and Saturday**  
 The Dilettantes of the Magic Valley will present Richard Adler and Jerry Ross' "Damn Yankees," at 7:30 p.m. tonight, Saturday and Thursday and at 2 p.m. on Sunday. Collette at Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium, Twin Falls. Tickets are \$10 for general admission and \$8 for senior citizens, CSI students and children 12 and under for tonight and Saturday's performances. Tickets to "Damn Yankees" are on sale in a booth at the Magic Valley Mall; hours are noon to 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Tickets can also be reserved by phoning 735-8859.

**Tonight and Saturday**  
 The West End Players will present David McGillivray and Walter Zerin's "We Found Love" and an Exclusive Set of Porcelain Figures "About the SS Farmdale Avenue" in dinner theater at Clear Lake Country Club, north of Buhl. Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m., followed by the show at 7:30. Tickets, which are \$15.95, can be reserved by phoning 543-4849.

**Sunday**  
 The Sun Valley Company's production of Stuart Ross' "Forever Plaid" featuring Wally Hulffman, Gordon Flade, Eric J. Larson and Paul Stoops, will play the Boiler Room at the Sun Valley Resort at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$12, \$15, \$18 and \$25, can be reserved by phoning 622-2135. The show continues every Sunday through the end of March.

**April 14-18, 21-25**  
 Comparisons of Poets will present Ariel Dorfman's "Death and the Maiden" at the Roseland Crystal Ballroom. Cover charge is \$5 per person or \$9 per couple. The public is welcome. The Roseland Crystal Ballroom is located at 523 Main St. in Filer.

OPERA

**April 3-4**  
 Utah Symphony will perform Donizetti's "Don Pasquale" at 7 p.m. nightly at the Community School auditorium in Sun Valley. Tickets, which are \$35 for reserved seats and \$25 for general admission, are available at Chapter One Bookstore in Ketchum or by phoning 726-2220.

CLASSICAL

**April 9-10 - Utah**  
 Utah Symphony will perform the music of Moran, Poulenc, Mozart and Barber at 8 p.m. on April 9 and at 2 p.m. on April 10 in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. Tickets, which range from \$16 to \$47, can be reserved by phoning Art Tix at (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

APRIL 10-11

The Magic Valley Choral will perform its spring concert at 8 p.m. on April 10 and 3 p.m. on April 11, College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium, Twin Falls. Tickets, which \$5 for adults and \$3 for seniors and students, are available at the door.



**April 23-24 - Utah**  
 Utah Symphony will perform the music of Bernstein and Beethoven at 8 p.m. nightly in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. Tickets, which range from \$16 to \$40, can be reserved by phoning Art Tix at (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

**April 30 and May 1 - Utah**  
 Utah Symphony will perform violin music by Rautavaara, Sibelius and Tchaikovsky at 8 p.m. nightly in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. Tickets, which range from \$16 to \$40, can be reserved by phoning ArtTix at (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

**May 3**  
 Magic Valley Symphony will perform its spring concert at 8 p.m. in the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium, Twin Falls. Tickets, which are \$5 for general admission, \$6 for seniors and \$4 for students, are available at CSI Bookstore, Everybody's Business and Crowley's Soda Fountain in Twin Falls.

**May 7-8 - Utah**  
 Utah Symphony will play the music of Mozart, Mussorgsky and Shostakovich at 8 p.m. on May 7 and 2 p.m. on May 8 in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. Tickets, which range from \$16 to \$47, can be reserved by phoning ArtTix at (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

CHILDREN'S

**April 1 - Utah**  
 The Wiggles will perform at the E Center in the Salt Lake City suburb of West Valley City at 3 p.m. Tickets, which are \$15, \$20, \$25 and \$30, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. The E Center is located at 3200 South Decker Lake Drive.



**April 3 - Boise**  
 The Wiggles will play the Pavilion on the campus of Boise State University at 1 and 4:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$16, \$21, \$26 and \$31, can be reserved by

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# What's next for red-hot Mel?

Los Angeles Times

**HOLLYWOOD** — Mel Gibson, veteran superstar and Oscar-winning director fell off the Forbes Celebrity 100 list of entertainers and athletes last year. This year, his \$30-million personal investment in "The Passion of the Christ" not only repaid his gamble but put him back on the Hollywood power map. His ritzy portrait of Jesus' last hours has become the unlikeliest of blockbusters, taking in \$295 million domestically. That translates into a huge potential windfall for the actor — between \$300 million and \$400 million from gross revenue that may reach \$1 billion overall.

According to Forbes senior editor Peter Newcomb, the Celebrity 100 rankings are based primarily on earnings during the past 12 months, although "celebrity" — as measured by magazine covers and Web site hits — is also factored in.

"Oprah's a money machine, routinely taking in \$160 million a year," he said. "And Spielberg's always near the top. But given the money Gibson stands to make from 'The Passion' and the media attention it generated, I'd be shocked if he wasn't No. 1. In this year, Gibson is the 800-pound gorilla on the Hollywood landscape. The real question, since there's no possibility of a sequel, is just what's down the road."

That question is also on the mind of an industry reeling from the magnitude of Gibson's unexpected success. In a town where money talks and jockeying for position on the power lists is an obsessive annual ritual, the director's currency is higher than ever, Hollywood executives say. Some underlying residue remains from Gibson's handling of charges that "The Passion" was anti-Semitic. Still, most studios seem as eager

as ever to sign him up, and his leading-man status is unchanged. Now that his two-year deal with Fox is expiring, most people interviewed for this story agreed, Gibson's options are unlimited.

"Gibson was rich — and now he's richer," said David Matalon, president and chief operating officer of New Regency Productions. "He was getting \$25 million to star, plus a percentage of the gross — and anyone doing business with him must be even more generous now."

As tempting as it might be, Matalon said, "I doubt Gibson will sidestep the studio system. He doesn't want to throw all his money into filmmaking — and you need well over \$1 billion and revolving credit to start a film studio, or for the first year alone. Rather than marrying one studio, I suspect, he'll do different pictures on different ones."

The apparatus is certainly in place, should something strike Gibson's fancy, noted a producer currently working with Gibson's Icon Productions who asked to remain unidentified. "The company already functions as a mini-studio," he said. "It develops, produces and finances projects — and has the capacity to distribute as well. It's an all-encompassing business model, far from a vanity operation."

An executive at a rival company agreed. "The Passion" will make a billion dollars before it's done," he said. "Gibson can make a lot of \$30-million movies. He took the risk and it paid off."

Still, aligning with a studio has never hurt Gibson's ability to call



Mel Gibson Made millions with 'Passion'

his own shots, sources said. And a studio "housekeeping deal" takes care of office space and company overhead. Typically, Icon pays a portion of the production cost in exchange for international rights, while the studio gets domestic.

Although Gibson will be delivering only one film to Fox — "Papantzi," a tale of movie star revenge set for September release — he's got a good track record. Before "The Passion" became all-consuming, he turned out "We Were Soldiers," "What Women Want" and "Payback," as well as the Oscar-winning "Braveheart" for Paramount Pictures.

If Fox is disappointed with Icon's output under the deal, it's putting a bright face on the situation. "We have a great relationship with Icon and hope it continues," spokeswoman Fo

Grace said, adding that the fourth "Mad Max" installment is still "in active development."

Manhattan Entertainment Chairman Peter Guber doesn't discount Gibson's initiative. "Hollywood operates by the Golden Rule — he who has the gold makes the rule," said Guber, who interviewed Gibson twice on AMC's "Sunday Morning Shootout." "You'll see plenty of imitators and hangers-on — success makes strange bedfellows."

"I give Gibson credit for using his resources to present his vision, which he has every right to express. But what does will be led by Gibson's Last Supper? The movie is a two-hour primer on how to do a crucifixion, lacking layers and context, that caught the zeitgeist of the time. It was an egregious mistake for a person living in a multicultural society to present that effort to the world community."

A top major studio executive is equally upset by the "Passion" experience — although if his company signed a deal with Gibson, he "wouldn't fall on the sword," he conceded.

"Putting Gibson into a leading man role isn't a gamble," he said, on condition of anonymity. "Hollywood will hire him — but I wouldn't. Gibson hasn't tried to correct the perception that he's anti-Semitic or distance himself from his father, who claims that the Holocaust was a hoax. He's a movie star who rewrote the Bible, and his message wasn't a positive one. Jews are as unpopular as they've ever been and this feeds into it. All those statements were calculated."

Having sidestepped a risk-averse studio system and

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— David Matalon, New Regency Productions

financed the movie on his own, the director will reap the lion's share of the rewards. Theater owners, domestic and foreign distributors will get their cut, and actor James Caviezel, for one, has a deal guaranteeing a percentage of the profits. The movie is on track to gross \$350 million to \$400 million in the United States and Canada, and foreign theatrical revenue could be equally lucrative, although some observers were less optimistic.

The DVD market is another goldmine, now that the format has penetrated 45 million American households. Twentieth Century Fox, the domestic video distributor, declined to discuss specifics, but, assuming the studio gets the typical 20 percent distribution fee off the top, Gibson could make at least as much money on the video end as he does on domestic box office. Licensing (generally 10 per-

cent of the wholesale price) will feed \$50 million to \$75 million more into his coffers, even before TV rights are sold. And Icon's expense for prints and advertising was low thanks to free publicity.

Although Gibson declined to discuss what he might do with his payoff, his publicist Alan Nierob said that other than directing (with Mike Scully a pilot for ABC's Universal's "Sav-ages" — a sitcom loosely modeled on Gibson's experiences raising a large family — he is committing to free.

For the moment, that's probably just as well. "Mel is overwhelmed," one studio executive said. "When you assume you'll lose several million dollars and end up making several hundred million, anyone would be."

In a radio interview last week, however, Gibson suggested he may take another leap into the faith-based realm. The story behind the Hanukkah, which celebrates a Jewish rebellion around 165 B.C., would make a great movie, he told New York station WABC's Sean Hannity.

"The story that's always fired my imagination is the book of the Maccabees," he said. The family "stood up and they made war; they stuck by their guns and they came out winning. It's like a western."

Informed of Gibson's remarks, Anti-Defamation League executive director Abraham Foxman, one of "The Passions" earliest detractors, was unimpressed. If Gibson dramatizes the rebellion, he said, "we'll lose."

Gibson will have no trouble getting a mainstream picture off the ground, predicts Guber, a former chairman of Sony Pictures Entertainment. But whether he or anyone else will be able to sell the industry another faith-based movie is open to question.

## Finger creates controversy on TV's 'American Idol'

Knight Ridder Newspapers

Maybe it was just a finger malfunction: Was Simon Cowell subtly giving Ryan Seacrest the finger? Or was it meant for Paula Abdul?

On Tuesday night's "American Idol," Cowell seemed to be flipping the bird, reports USA Today. On camera, as 27 million people watched.

It all started with bickering between Cowell and contestant Fantasia Barrino. The judge who love to hate was critical of the singer's dress, to which she sassily replied: "Simon, you don't know class."

Barrino then huffed over to host Seacrest, and as they chatted, the camera cut to Cowell, his middle finger prominently propping up his head as he gazed at the onstage antics.

It looked as if he was pulling a childish prank — maybe slyly giving the finger to Abdul sitting

next to him, while he looked the other way.

By Wednesday, Cowell Was In The Middle Of "The Finger Controversy," as Seacrest called it on his syndicated talk show. And in this climate of Janet Jackson-induced hypersensitivity to indecency, the gesture quickly became the brouhaha du jour.

So did he or didn't he?

Cowell issued a statement denying any wrongdoing, and he called into Seacrest's live show. "Give me a break," he said, adding that "if you scratch your nose with your middle finger, you're flipping somebody off. It's crazy."

But "Mr. Nasty," as he was once nicknamed, has a history of this sort of thing. Last year, Cowell came under fire for rubbing his eye with his middle finger after Seacrest had gotten in a dig at him. Cowell said he was merely rubbing his eye.

## Events

**Continued from C4**  
Maiden," 8 p.m. on April 14-17 and 21-24 and 3 p.m. April 18 and 25, Liberty Theater, Halley. Tickets are \$24, or \$10 for student if purchased 30 minutes before curtain time. They're available from the company of Tickets box office in Halley, by phoning 578-9122, or online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>.

**April 20-25 — Utah**  
The touring Broadway production of Mark Holman and Greg Kotis' musical "Urinetown" will play the Capitol Theater in Salt Lake City at 7:30 p.m. on April 20-22, at 2 and 8 p.m. on April 24 and at 2 and 7 p.m. on April 25. Tickets, which range from \$30 to \$57.50, can be reserved by phoning ARTX at (800) 355-2787. The Capitol Theater is located at 50 West 200 South.

## CAR SHOW

**April 16-18**  
The Magic Valley Early Iron Car Show will be held from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. on April 16-17 and from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on April 18. College of Southern Idaho Expo Center, Twin Falls. Tickets, which are \$5 for adults and \$3 for students and senior citizens.

## PLANETARIUM

Tonight, Saturday and Tuesday and Wednesday Planetarium at the Herrett Center for Arts and Science on the campus of the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls will present a new show, "Ring World," at 7 p.m.

today, Saturday and Tuesday along with a matinee at 2 p.m. Saturday. Other shows are "More Than Meets the Eye" on Saturdays at 4 p.m. and "Led Zeppelin: Maximum Volume I" at 8:15 p.m. on Saturdays. Tickets, which are \$4 for adults, \$3 for senior citizens 60 and over, \$2 for students and \$3 for families, are available at the door. Children 4 and under are not admitted.

## ART SHOW

**Through Saturday**  
Three exhibits will be on display at the Magic Valley Arts Council in Twin Falls, including a Valentine-themed show in the Full Moon Gallery, and "Chairity," the work of Twin Falls High School art students in the Galeria Pequena. The arts council office is located at 132 Main Ave. S. Admission is free.

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

**Through April 30**  
The South-Central Idaho Folklore Exhibit, the first in a series of exhibits designed to reflect the life of the Buhl community, is on display at the Eighth Street Center in Buhl. Skills such as needle-making, quilting, needlework and woodworking will be featured. Free. The Eighth Street Center is located at 200 N. Eighth St.

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Movies

Continued from C3

"50 First Dates"
Alternately treacly and crass, this is a disastrous reteaming of the charming "Wedding Singers" Adam Sandler, as a marine animal veterinarian at a Sea World-type park in Hawaii and relentless Lohanio, Drew Barrymore, as the victim of short-term memory loss.



When Goldthwait Higginson Dorr, Ph.D. (Tom Hanks), concocts the plot for the perfect heist: he rents a room from unsuspecting church lady Mrs. Munson (Irina P. Hall), in the hilarious comedy, 'Ladykillers.'

"The Fog of War"
Filmmaker Errol Morris' startling candid tete-a-tete with Robert McNamara, secretary of defense during the '60s, who shares 11 lessons as pertinent to Vietnam as they are to Iraq.

"The Haunted Mansion"
Eddie Murphy stars in a diverting but formulaic film about a family trapped overnight in a spooky Southern chateau.

"Hidalgo"
It's a simple-minded but good-hearted Boy's Own Adventure, in Viggo Mortensen, it's got a star who is especially suited to the material. He plays a genial and unadorned U.S. cowboy who takes part in a horse race known as the Ocean of Fire - a daunting 3,000 mile, 68-day endurance test across the trackless wastes of Arabia.

"The Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King"
It took one ring to rule them all, and now there's one film to end it all, to bring to a close the cinematic epic of a time and an age which no others will be judged. Powerfully imagined two times over, first by the matchless fantasy mind of J.R.R. Tolkien and then by the brave filmmaking of director Peter Jackson, this is a fitting climax to a story where it ought to end. Like anything else that is eagerly anticipated, the film will inevitably be quibbled with. It is both formidably long and unceremonious where it ought to end. Like anything else that is eagerly anticipated, the film will inevitably be quibbled with. It is both formidably long and unceremonious where it ought to end.

(2:15. PG, for language and some rough sports action.)

"Monster"
The details of executed killer Alton Wuornos' brutal, pathetic life have been the subject of one television movie, an opera, several books, a forest of print articles and two documentaries by Nick Broomfield. And now it's made new in this offensive arthouse exploitation flick, written and directed by Patty Jenkins, a newcomer of some obvious talent. The film's big news, its gimmick and reason for being, is that actress Charlize Theron strips away her supermodel looks to play Wuornos. But phony chopppers and a startling resemblance to Jon Voight aren't enough to transform Theron into Wuornos. In the end, Jenkins' murders everywhere but on Wuornos, a tactic that, of course, makes the movie and the character easier to market. (1:59. R, for strong violence and sexual content, and for pervasive language.)

"The Passion of the Christ"
The arrival of Mel Gibson's film feels like a milestone in modern culture that tells us more about the way our world works than we may want to know. Gibson's career-long interest in martyrdom and the yearning for dramatic conflict that make him an excellent actor coupled with his belief in the Gospels' literal truth, have sideswiped "The Passion." At a moment when different systems of religious belief are causing tremendous violence and conflict, a film intended to inspire and invigorate those who believe they are the exclusive possessors of the truth about

God is perhaps not the best way to make the world a more humane, a more livable, a more peaceful place. With James Caviezel, Mala Morgenstern, Monica Bellucci, Mattia Sbragia and Hiroshi Nagano's Shogun, his latest, a romantic and Hebrew with English subtitles. (2:06. R, for sequences of graphic violence.)

"Secret Window"
Johnny Depp stars as a writer whose gone down the emotional rabbit hole after separating from his wife. Lucked away in the countryside with only a mulky-eyed dog for company, he has all but shut out the outside world, a condition and a genre conceit that all but assures that it's just a matter of time before something or someone comes banging on his door with a vengeance. Trouble appears in the person of John Turturro, a Mississippi dairy farmer with a molasses-drip voice, claiming that the successful author has stolen his story. Unsteadily pitched between horror and comedy, the movie turns out to be neither terribly scary nor especially funny. Directed by David Koepp, based on a novella by Stephen King with Maria Bello, Charles S. Dutton and Timothy Hutton. (1:37. PG-13, for violence and terror, sexual content, language.)

"Stargate & Hutch"
In the new movie based on the old series, Ray Sliker and Owen Wilson star as the titular couple, homicide detectives working in the fictional Bay City. Upright (um, maybe it's the jeans), Stargate plays by the rules but seems as dumb as a post. Loosy-goosey Hutch, in contrast, plays by no evident rules and seems somewhat sharper than his partner-in-arms. Director Todd Phillips and his co-writers John O'Brien and

Scott Armstrong apparently don't have any ideas and so build their movie on jokes about "new" Coke and the image of Huggy Bear (Snoop Dogg) wearing a kaleidoscopic fur coat that shows refuges from "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat." Such lazy-boy nostalgia for the dress of an era wears thin fast. With Vince Vaughn and Juliette Lewis. (1:41. PG-13, for drug content, sexual situations, partial nudity, language and some violence.)

"Lacking Lives"
Angelina Jolie stars in yet another stinker, an unsavory thriller directed by J.J. Caruso and written by Jon Bokenkamp from the book by Michael Pyle. It's slick nonsense at best and for the first hour it's watchable. There's cheap entertainment to be had from a thriller in which two detectives are played by beauties as ravishing as Jolie and Olivier Martinez. Of course, no one in the cast comes off particularly well (Ethan Hawke as a jittery witness fares the best), but that counts in a movie like this isn't the expressive reach of the performances. It's how good everyone looks as they race through the streets, guns at the ready. With Kiefer Sutherland and Cheyke Karyo. (1:30. R, for strong violence, including disturbing images, language and some sexuality.)

"Twisted"
In this junky woman-in-peril thriller, Ashley Judd - butchered with cropped hair, leather jacket and a bloodstream gurgling with booze - plays a tough-talking, rough-loving rough inspector who knows she has a problem when two recent sexual conquests end up filling chalk outlines. As the bodies mount, so do the clichés.

es, and it isn't long before both are overtaken by the sort of unintentional laughter that will make this a fine video rental far into the future. Written by newcomer Sarah Thorp and directed with anonymous efficiency by a slumming Phillip Kaufman, the film is puerile nonsense of a familiar type. With Samuel L. Jackson, Andy Garcia, David Strathairn and Russell Wong. (1:37. R, for violence, language and sexuality.)

"Touching the Void"
The true story of British climbers Joe Simpson and Simon Yates' first ascent up Peru's Siula Grande is told through interviews and dramatic re-enactments in spectacular mountain settings.

No MPAA rating (profanity may be too complex for children under 12)

"Welcome to Mooseport"

A toothless political satire set in a coastal village of Maine and starring Gene Hackman as a popular ex-patriot running for mayor against the hardware-store proprietor, Ray Romano. PG-13 (posterior nudity, sexual candor)

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"Miracle"
Powered by an excellent Kurt Russell performance, the movie treats old-fashioned, emotional material with an intelligence that respects both the story and the audience. Directed by Gavin O'Connor, working from the script credited to Eric Guggenheim (but the script as shot was apparently written by uncredited Mike Rich). With Patricia Clarkson and Noah Emmerich.

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  5. "Angels & Demons" by Dan Brown (Atria)
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  8. "Seduced by Moonlight" by Laurel K. Hamilton (Ballantine)
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  10. "Death in Vienna" by Daniel Silva (Putnam)
  11. "Eragon: Inheritance" by Christopher Paolini (Knopf)
  12. "Ransom" by Danielle Steel (Delacorte)
  13. "The Amateur Marriage" by Anne Tyler (Knopf)
  14. "New Spring" by Robert Jordan (Dell)
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1. "The South Beach Diet" by Arthur Agatston (Rodale Press)
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  13. "Give Me a Break" by John Stossel (HarperCollins)
  14. "The Passion: Photography from Overstaring the Christ" by Mel Gibson and Ken Duncan (Lyndale)
  15. "Superfoods for Fourteen Foods That Will Change Your Life" by Steven J. Pratt, M.D., and Kathy Matthews (William Morrow)

- Lisa Jackson (Zebra) (F-P)  
 20. "Secret Window" by Stephen King (Signet) (F-P)  
 21. "Lost Light" by Michael Connelly (Warner/Vision) (F-P)  
 22. "Life of Pi" by Yann Martel (Harcourt) (F-P)  
 23. "The Footprints of God" by Greg Iles (Pocket Star) (F-P)  
 24. "One Hundred Years of Solitude" by Gabriel Garcia Marquez (Perennial) (F-P)  
 25. "The Dante Club" by Matthew Pearl (Random House Trade Paperbacks) (F-P)  
 26. "Gone Too Far" by Suzanne Brockmann (Ballantine Books) (F-P)  
 27. "Eragon: Inheritance" by Christopher Paolini (Knopf) (F-H)  
 28. "The Ultimate Weight Solution Food Guide" by Phillip C. McGraw (Dell) (NF-P)  
 29. "The Devil in the White City" by Erik Larson (Vintage) (NF-P)  
 30. "Middlesex" by Jeffrey Eugenides (Picador) (F-P)  
 31. "Chesapeake Blue" by Nora Roberts (Jove) (F-P)  
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By Lynda V. Mapes  
 The Seattle Times



Richard Manning  
 Delves into agriculture troubles

At times prescient, at times prophetic, Richard Manning's newest book, "Against the Grain: How Agriculture Has Hijacked Civilization" (North Point Press, \$24), is a provocative and engaging read.

Manning, a former Twin Falls journalist who now lives in Montana, intrepidly sweeps more than 10,000 years of mankind's history with agriculture to build an indictment against the social, economic and political effects of putting plow to field. Those looking for a new take on the usually misty-eyed Farm Bureau portrait of farmers as Jeffersonian icons to be protected at all costs will find food for thought in Manning's take on agriculture as a tool of oppression, despoliation and oligarchy.

Ever since we put down our stone-tipped spears and started raising grain, Manning argues, agriculture has been used by the haves to amass wealth (by storing grain) and thereby control the hungry have-nots. Famine in Manning's world is a deliberate, political outcome of agriculture, not a natural disaster. The corruption goes further, Manning argues: He sees a fundamental dehumanization that occurred when mankind morphed from hunter-gatherer and struck a bitter bargain over the past 10,000 years, trading a large measure of our sensual lives for the bit of security that

reporting job in Missoula, Mont., where he wrote a series of articles critical of the timber industry. When his editors at the Missoulian transferred him to another beat, he resigned.

The articles he wrote about the timber industry were the genesis of Manning's first book, "Last Stand." He's written four more books since then, all challenging the ways modern society uses nature.

Readers will find themselves arguing with Manning throughout the book, scrawling "Right on!" or, as I did at times, "Is he nuts!" in the margins. Manning argues that agriculture has dumbed us down, reduced us to a stupefied corn-fed populace one step up (maybe) from our corn-fed cattle: "I have come to think of agriculture not as farming, but as a dangerous and consuming beast of a social system. We are all corn-fed products of identical trucks at identical strip malls, coast to coast. Our people have no idea what real food tastes like."

There is a way out of this, Manning argues, and it's just a return to the bow and arrow. Demanding quality, Manning argues, is subversive: Farmers grow what the market will buy.

"The farmer is saying: We are what you eat."

Manning draws a distinction between agriculture, undertaken to accumulate wealth through the amassing, storage and trading of commodities; and farming, undertaken to

grow food. Slow Food, inefficient food, food lovingly crafted from a variety of fresh ingredients. This is the much-maligned agriculture of place, place and taste: food with flavor, a regional identity, grown by someone you know. Foods sold in open-air markets—the kind that have always thrived in "primitive" towns all over the world. Farmers markets that American cities are working so hard to revive.

The alternative, he warns, is the status quo: pollution of the natural world and the body and the culture with "the dulling, monotony of catastrophic agriculture." Manning calls for nothing less than a ground-up reinvention of the food system — not a return to the garden, but a return to the wild, even if that's only playing hunter-gatherer at the farmers market, and reclaiming a piece of humanity long lost in the industrial food chain.

His ideal meal: a little freshly killed elk from his own land with a bit of home-grown sweet corn. A lovely alternative, to be sure, and readily available in Manning's 70-acre hidey-hole in Montana. How applicable any of this is in a hungry world and a natural environment already reeling from overhunting, overfishing and overpopulation is a complexity Manning doesn't address. He readily admits, "I am a richly privileged human." The rest of us will probably still need a little help from agriculture.

USA Today

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'Jersey Girl' has director on edge

By Terry Lawson  
Knight Ridder News Service

Kevin Smith has been doing more pre-emptive strikes than a politician. Nearly two years ago, when he started making "Jersey Girl," he rhapsodized about star Jennifer Lopez on his Web site, refuting any suggestion that she might be less than a consummate professional.

Then, in January, he released a statement defending his patron Harvey Weinstein, who was accused of many things — including being a fat bully — in a book by Peter Biskind about the roles Weinstein's Miramax Films and the Sundance Film Festival played in the rise of independent film.

Then, this month, Smith issued a statement alerting fans that "Jersey Girl" is not like his other films. Not much cursing, no outrageous diatribes, no Jay and Silent Bob. Just Ben Affleck as a single dad with a cute little daughter. It was, the director admitted, kind of sweet.

"Come on, do I sound like a puss?" says Smith, up early on a weekend for an interview. "I said the stuff about Jen because she had a bad rap and she couldn't have been any more different than you imagine. She was great on my movie. I thought people should know that. As for Harvey, hey, I'm still a Jersey guy. I stand up for my boys."  
"He didn't need me to defend

him, but if it hadn't been for him and Bob Weinstein, Harvey's brother, I wouldn't have a career."  
As for "Jersey Girl," "The truth is, I have very vocal fans, and they have become like a weird, dysfunctional family in a way."

Smith felt a responsibility to warn fans who live for Jay and Silent Bob or who can't get enough trash talk. "This movie is going to be very different," he says. "It's a movie about a father and his daughter, and learning what being a man is really all about. I'm saying that knowing I'm going to get killed or made fun of, but it's the best movie I've ever made."  
"It's like 85, 90 percent what I wanted it to be. But besides the baggage that it's me doing something new, it has that other baggage too."

That other baggage, of course, is the thing called Ben Affleck. When Smith was writing "Jersey Girl" with Affleck slated to star as a New York publicist who blows his career, he was wondering who could play Affleck's wife, a character who (stop reading here if you want even the prologue to be a surprise) dies in childbirth. Smith's wife suggested Lopez, whom she had liked in "Out of Sight,"



Kevin Smith

and when Affleck and Lopez teamed up to make "Gigli," the director figured she was right. "I think great, 'Gigli' is a big hit. We come in right behind it with this. Boom. I get a break. They show up for the movie. Jen does her thing. They have great chemistry. She becomes the linchpin, the thing that sets the story in motion, and she's out of there."

But the on-again, off-again Affleck-Lopez romance and engagement became a tabloid obsession. Then comes "Gigli," which is generally, gleefully and correctly, for once, pilloried as one of the worst big-budget movies ever released.

The release of "Jersey Girl" is delayed to distance it from the disaster, and rumors abound that Miramax is demanding Lopez be removed from the poster or perhaps from the film altogether, to avoid comparisons. Finally Lopez and Affleck break up for good, and Smith does make a cut in the opening segment, removing a wedding scene he figured "would just take people out of the movie."

In other words, generate laughs. "I feel like the most hapless dude on the planet," says Smith. "I'm like a character in an Alfred Hitchcock movie where all this terrible stuff is happening and I have no control over it all. So I can either go into the Witness Protection Program, or I can do what I do, which is go out and try to have a sense of humor

about the thing."  
To prove it, when the film had its premiere last week at the annual South by Southwest festival in Austin, Texas, Smith took the stage to quiet the late getting started.

"We're just waiting for J-Lopez," he deadpanned.

Even those who haven't succumbed to the low-rent, and if for some reason you still haven't seen "Clerks" or "Chasing Amy," you should — tend to enjoy Smith because he is the real thing, a movie-loving, comic book-obsessed and street-smart good guy who loves hearing and telling stories. His speaking gigs — are more entertaining than most of his movies, which, as he has no problem admitting, are less than artful.

"I'm never going to be Martin Scorsese, and that kills me, you know," he says. "But there are people who like what I do, and I hope they'll take a chance on "Jersey Girl" because it's a movie about the things I really care about and I really worked to make it look good, like a real movie. Ben is just butt-kicking good in this."

"Having a kid completely changes your life, and that's what I wanted to make a movie about. If that's combal, well, so be it. But as anyone it's happened to knows, it's also true."

Handbell ensemble tickets go on sale

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — Tickets are now available for the Sonos Handbell Ensemble, the last regular performance of the Arts on Tour 2003-2004 season. The performance will take place on April 19 at 7:30 p.m. in the College of Southern Idaho's Fine Arts Center auditorium. Tickets are \$14 for adults and \$10-for students and children. There is no senior discount on individual Arts on Tour event tickets.

Sonos Handbell Ensemble has been at the forefront of handbell artistry since its founding in the San Francisco Bay Area in 1950. With a repertoire ranging from Bach to Berlin, Baroque music to folk songs, ragtime to contemporary, this 12-member ensemble offers something to hear and see as they handle 68 chromatically tuned bells covering more than five octaves in synthesis.

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For more information or for tickets, call 732-6288.

Craft fair begins Saturday

The Times-News

GOODING — A spring craft fair will be held today and Saturday at the Gooding Basque Center.

In addition to crafts, there will be a food court, serving soups with Basque bread,

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The Basque Center is located at the intersection of state Highways 26 and 46.

Hours are 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily.

Snake River Players holds auditions

The Times-News

WENDELL — The Snake River Players will hold auditions for their summer production, the melodrama "The Three Musketeers: All Swash and No Buckle," on April 2-3.  
The show is scheduled for June 18-19 and 25-26

during Wendell's Dairy Days. Actors of all ages are needed. Call Andrew Chonack at 324-7544 for more details and to set up an audition time.

Rehearsals will begin in May. If you'd like to work behind the scenes on the production, call Lorna Irwin at 324-7544.

JUMP Company plans auditions for 'State Fair'

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — The Junior Musical Playhouse will hold auditions on April 12-13 for its summer production of Rodgers and Hammerstein's musical "State Fair."  
The production is scheduled

for July 13-17 at Roper Auditorium.

Auditions, which are by appointment only, can be scheduled by phoning 734-2854 between 5-9 p.m. on April 2, 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. on April 3 or 5-9 p.m. on April 5. Those who audition should be prepared to

sing a short song.

Both JUMP Company members and non-members are welcome to audition, although those who are not members must pay \$20 annual dues. For further information, call Kate Woods at 543-8761.



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MORNING LINE

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

- College baseball
Southern Nevada at CSI, 1 p.m.
High school baseball
Twin Falls at Ontario, Ore.
Twin Falls at Payette-Tourney, 9 a.m.
Mallard at Wendell, 3:30 p.m.
Minnico at Buck's Bag Invite in Boise, vs. Ontario, Ore. and Meridian
Glenns Ferry at Nampa Christian JV, 2, 11 a.m.
Twin Falls at Meridian, Storey Park 7 p.m.
High school softball
Minnico at Boise invite, 2, TBA

IN BRIEF

Canyon Springs Am announces times

TWIN FALLS - The tee times for Saturday, March 27 for the Canyon Springs Amateur on Saturday were announced Thursday.

The times and names follow:
9 a.m. - Greg Hays, Greg Owen, Jacki Harnett, Brian Feltz, 9:15 a.m. - Matti Carter, Cliff Cook, Steve ...

Jerome Rec needs soccer officials

JEROME - The Jerome Recreation District is accepting applications for youth soccer referees. Starting salary \$5.50 to \$7 per game.

Scramble tournament is set at Rupert CC

RUPERT - On Saturday, the Rupert Country Club will host a five-person scramble tournament. Teams may make their own tee times between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Utah State's Butler competes in contest

LOGAN, Utah - Utah State basketball player Candice Butler will compete in the 16th annual Mountain Dew College Slam Dunk Championships as part of the NCAA Division I men's Final Four in Santa Ana, Calif.

KYA holds spring sports registration

KIMBERLY - The Kimberly Youth Association will hold a spring registration for tee ball ages 5-7, pee wee league age 8, girls softball ages 9-15 and boys baseball ages 9-12 at the Kimberly High School commons room.

Call me in the evenings at 423-6173

There will be a \$10 late fee for anyone registered after March 30. Coaches are needed and can sign up there.

CSI welcomes defending national champs

By Kevin Colbert
Times-News writer
TWIN FALLS - At least the level of competition for the College of Southern Idaho baseball team this weekend won't come as a surprise.

S. Nevada at CSI
Today: 1 p.m. (2)
Saturday: noon (2)

today and Saturday for a pair of doubleheaders. Today's action at Walker Field begins at 1 p.m. while the first pitch for Saturday is set for noon.

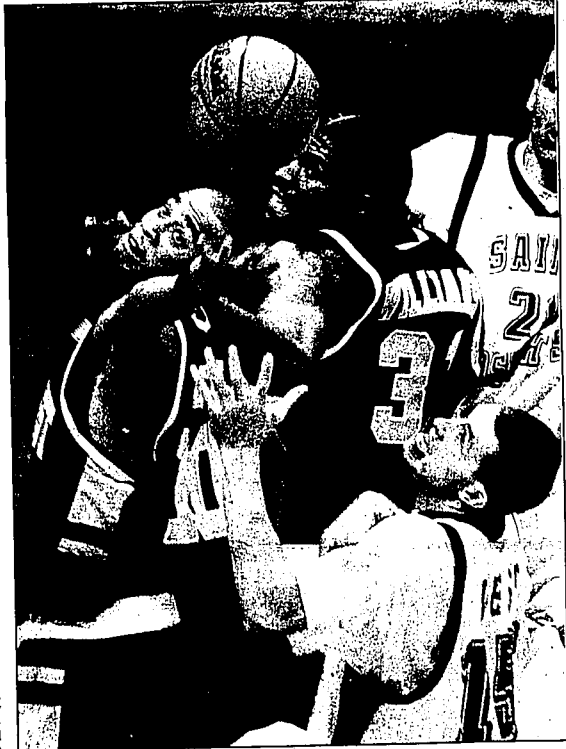
conference title. CCSN (19-8-1, 11-1) is the current frontrunner in the SWAC, one game ahead of Dixie State. The two teams are yet to play to it, CSI head coach Jim "Skip" Walker said of the matchup with the defending national champions.

And that could happen real easy, too. The Eagles have lost seven of their last nine games but avoided a home sweep against DSC last weekend with an 8-1 triumph in the final game of the series.

base on a questionable call following a drug bust. The Eagles had just five hits in the contest, though they were facing Rebel ace Brandon Kintzler. Kintzler is 5-0 and has a perfect 0.00 ERA in 34 innings.

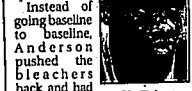
Saint Joseph's survives

The Associated Press
EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. - Jameer Nelson, Delonte West and Saint Joseph's put on quite an eye-popping performance for Billy Packard.



Torturous season gets UAB ready for defense

The Associated Press
ST. LOUIS - A few days in coach Mike Anderson's grueling conditioning program, and Mo Finley wondered if basketball at Alabama-Birmingham was really worth this kind of pain.



Drills with a water-filled ball, a shapeless blob that's impossible to grip or grab. Full-speed sessions with a heavy medicine ball. And then there were those torturous suicide sprints.

But then Nelson escaped a double-team trap in the corner and passed to West, who was fouled. West made both free

throws, and the Hawk mascot began flapping in earnest.

The only thing left to do for coach Phil Martelli was walk across the court and shake hands with Packard.

Behind them, Hawks rosters razed Packard. He turned to them and said, "You're exactly where you should be."

Martelli claimed all along that the Hawks (30-1) should be regarded as highly as schools such as Connecticut and Oklahoma State.

"We certainly don't look like these teams, but we sure do play like them."

The Hawks advanced to play second-seeded Oklahoma State, which banged its way past Pittsburgh 63-51, on Saturday for a trip to the Final Four.

Wake Forest's Jamaal Levy (10) and Eric Williams (31) battle for a loose ball with Saint Joseph's Delonte West (15) and Dwayne Jones (21) during the second half of their NCAA men's basketball championship regional game Thursday in East Rutherford, N.J.

You know what I'm talking about," shouted Alabama's Antoine Pettway as he ran off the court, embracing team-mate Earnest Shelton.

"Elite Eddy baby! We made history!" Shelton and Kennedy Winston put Alabama (20-12) ahead from the outside in the first half, then Chuck Davis got rough inside in the second to

send the Crimson Tide to an NCAA regional final for the first time.

Next up Saturday is a matchup against No. 2 seed Connecticut, a 73-53 winner over Vanderbilt in Thursday's first game.

"Even as that clock went down to zero, their minds were right on Connecticut. They understand they've accomplished some nice things, but they know where their minds need to be."

"They're not just satisfied with this, they want to compete for it all." Shelton scored 22 points and Please see NCAA, Page D2

Olympic flame begins global trek

By Brian Murphy
Associated Press writer

Torch relay for Olympic torch begins

With the lighting of the Olympic flame Thursday in Olympia, Greece, the relay of the torch that will carry the flame around the world begins.



The ceremony was resplendent with torches but shadowed by the fears terrorism has cast over the games.

"Because of extremist phenomena, and uncontrolled fanaticism, we are living under unusual conditions of insecurity that paralyze and exhaust us," said Lambis Nikolau, president of the Greek Olympic Committee.

Nikolau spoke moments before the flame was lit by the sun's rays using a concave mirror at the ancient sanctuary where the Olympics were born 2,780 years ago.

Table with columns for date and location of the torch relay: March 17 (St. Louis), March 19 (New York), March 20 (Montreal), March 25 (Start), March 26 (Athens), March 27 (Greece), April 1 (Torch lit), April 2 (Torch on), April 4 (Torch on), April 6 (Torch on), April 9 (Torch on), April 13 (Torch on), April 15 (Torch on), April 17 (Torch on), April 19 (Torch on), April 21 (Torch on), April 23 (Torch on), April 25 (Torch on), April 27 (Torch on), April 29 (Torch on), May 1 (Torch on), May 3 (Torch on), May 5 (Torch on), May 7 (Torch on), May 9 (Torch on), May 11 (Torch on), May 13 (Torch on), May 15 (Torch on), May 17 (Torch on), May 19 (Torch on), May 21 (Torch on), May 23 (Torch on), May 25 (Torch on), May 27 (Torch on), May 29 (Torch on), May 31 (Torch on), June 1 (Torch on), June 3 (Torch on), June 5 (Torch on), June 7 (Torch on), June 9 (Torch on), June 11 (Torch on), June 13 (Torch on), June 15 (Torch on), June 17 (Torch on), June 19 (Torch on), June 21 (Torch on), June 23 (Torch on), June 25 (Torch on), June 27 (Torch on), June 29 (Torch on), July 1 (Torch on), July 3 (Torch on), July 5 (Torch on), July 7 (Torch on), July 9 (Torch on), July 11 (Torch on), July 13 (Torch on), July 15 (Torch on), July 17 (Torch on), July 19 (Torch on), July 21 (Torch on), July 23 (Torch on), July 25 (Torch on), July 27 (Torch on), July 29 (Torch on), Aug 1 (Torch on), Aug 3 (Torch on), Aug 5 (Torch on), Aug 7 (Torch on), Aug 9 (Torch on), Aug 11 (Torch on), Aug 13 (Torch on).

Mom of Bryant's accuser says the teen lives in fear

The Associated Press



EAGLE, Colo. - The 19-year-old woman accusing Kobe Bryant of rape accused the judge Thursday to set a trial date so she can stop trying to outrun the media and perhaps the court to the death threats she has received over the past nine months.

"Her life is on hold and her safety is in jeopardy until this case is over," the woman's mother wrote in a letter accusing the judge of seeking "swift resolution" of the pretrial proceedings.

Attorney John Clune said in the filing that his client has been "forced to quit school, she cannot live at home, she cannot talk to her friends and she has received literally hundreds of phone calls and e-mails threatening either death or mutilation."

Kobe Bryant
clined further comment when reached by telephone. Bryant has acknowledged having sex with the woman last June at the Vail-area resort where she worked, but said it was consensual. If convicted of felony sexual assault, the 25-year-old Los Angeles Lakers star would face four years to life in prison or 20 years to life on probation.

"None of these consequences will end until after this case goes to trial," Clune said. Pretrial hearings are scheduled well into May. Prosecution spokeswoman Krista Flannigan said she could not comment and Clune de-

Thursday's request came as Bryant and attorneys held Please see BRYANT, Page D2



SPORTS

# Taurasi leads UConn on title chase

HARTFORD, Conn. (AP) — All season, Diana Taurasi has done her best to get everyone involved for Connecticut.

Now it's time for her to take over. So even if two more assists will make Taurasi the career leader for UConn, the two-time Naismith Award winner as national player of the year probably won't be passing up too many open shots.

And that's just fine with Geno Auritemma, the coach of the NCAA champions the last two years.

"She understands that it's winning time now, and I think she understands it better than anybody," Auritemma said. "The kids recognize she has her game face on. Hopefully, they can feed off that."

The second-seeded Huskies are two victories away from becoming the first team to reach five straight women's Final Fours.

They play UC Santa Barbara — at No. 11, the lowest-seeded team left in the field — on Saturday in the East Regional in Hartford. The other regional semifinal is top-seeded Penn State against No. 5 Notre Dame.

"Right now, everyone is willing to give themselves up for the good of the team," Taurasi said. "Sometimes it takes five months to get people to do that, like it did last year. When March comes around, every game you put all your chips in."

She certainly did that a year ago in the NCAAAs. Taurasi averaged a tournament-high 26.2 points, along with 5.7 rebounds and three assists.

"Through the course of the year, it would be awfully hard to maintain the level she was at last March," Auritemma said. "She didn't pass up opportunities that she normally would pass up."

The season, Taurasi leads Connecticut in scoring (her 15.6-point average is down two points from 2002-03) and assists (5.1).

With 158 assists, the 6-foot guard lifted her career total to 636, one less than former teammates Rizzotti, who helped UConn win the first of its four national titles in 1995.

Taurasi's teammates know what to expect from her now. If Taurasi has the ball, be ready for it. A pass could whiz through a wave of defenders, and find a court-length heave could loft perfectly to a teammate streaking to the basket.

"Her passing ability and her court vision are unbelievable," guard Maria Conlon said. "It's almost like she knows where people are going to be before they do."

Opponents know they've got to find Taurasi and slow her if they want to beat the Huskies. Auburn tried to focus on her in a second-round game Tuesday.

"Once we get Taurasi, we've got UConn," Auburn forward Louise Emeragi said before the game.

But the AP All-American proved too elusive, handing out seven assists and going 6-of-12 from the floor in UConn's 79-53 win. Five of those field goals were 3-pointers, while the other was a spinning left-handed scoop layup along the baseline.

Against UC Santa Barbara, Taurasi can provide her team with more than passes and points. As a Californian, she's familiar with the opponent.

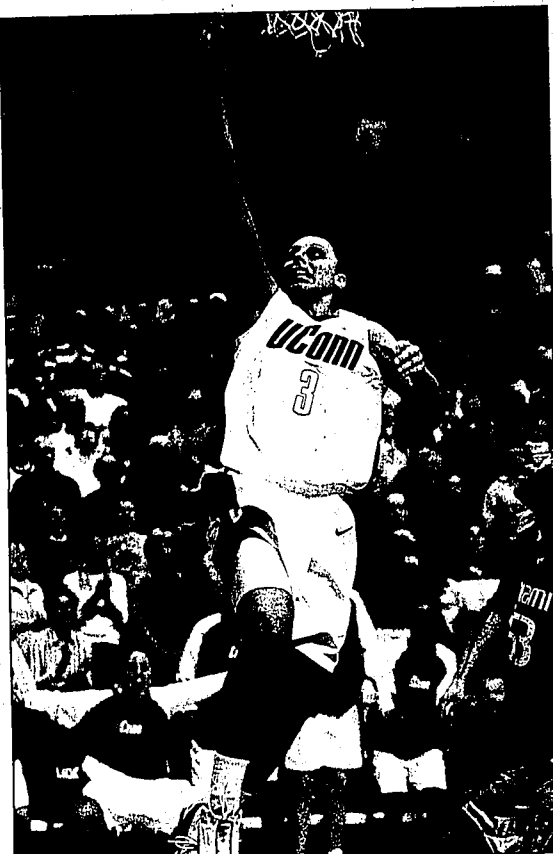
"Every tournament they've made some noise," Taurasi said, "and they keep getting better."

She's 18-1 over her career in the NCAA tournament game, the lone loss being in the 2001 national semifinals against eventual champion Notre Dame. A freshman, Taurasi didn't pass up many opportunities then, either. That night practically nothing went in. She went 1-of-15 from the field, missing all 11 3-point attempts.

The floor used for that Final Four was used again for UConn's first two tournament games this year, at the Arena at Harbor Yard in Bridgeport, Conn.

Taurasi certainly made amends, averaging 17.5 points and eight assists in the Huskies' victories over Pennsylvania and Auburn.

Four more outings like that might just give Connecticut — and Taurasi — another title.



Connecticut's Diana Taurasi, left, takes the ball to the net past Miami's Chanvira Broussard, right, during the second half at Storrs, Conn., in this Feb. 8 photo.

## Sura hits career high on birthday

ATLANTA (AP) — Bob Sura celebrated his 31st birthday with 23 points and a career-high 15 rebounds Thursday night, and the Hawks took advantage of the absence of Baron Davis to defeat the Hornets 84-76.

Sura averaged 3.8 points and 1.9 rebounds with Detroit this season, but he has posted seven double-doubles in 17 games since coming to Atlanta in a Feb. 19 trade.

Though only 6-foot-3, Sura has made an impact with his aggressive play and leaping ability.

Davis, who leads the Hornets with his average of 23 points, had a sprained left ankle. He is not expected to play in Friday's home game against Phoenix.

Without Davis, the Hornets were held to 30 second-half points, including 14 in the fourth period.

Chris Crawford and Jason Collier scored 16 points apiece for Atlanta.

New Orleans is fourth in the Eastern Conference standings but only 1.5 games ahead of fifth-place Milwaukee. When Davis missed six games with a similar ankle injury earlier this season, the Hornets went 2-4.

## Spurs 84, Pistons 75

SAN ANTONIO — Manu Ginobili scored 14 of his 17 points in the second half, and the San Antonio Spurs pulled away following the late ejection of Ben Wallace to defeat the Detroit Pistons 84-75 Thursday night.

Detroit trailed 71-64 when Wallace was called for a loose ball foul with 6:07 remaining. Referee Steve Javie ejected Wallace for heatedly complaining.

Malik Rose lit the technical free throw and Hedo Turkoglu followed with a 3-pointer as part of a 6-0 run that put the Spurs ahead by 13. A basket by Tony Parker with 3:55 remaining completed an 18-4 run and gave San Antonio an 82-66 lead.

The win pulled the Spurs within two games of Midwest Division leader Minnesota with 10 games remaining for both teams.

Parker added 16 points for San Antonio, 10 of them in the second half. Tim Duncan had 12 points and 13 rebounds.

Flashed Wallace paced the Pistons with 17 points and 14 rebounds. Richard Hamilton scored 15 and Corliss Williamson 10. Ben Wallace had two points and eight rebounds.

## Bryant

Continued from D1 closed-door arguments over what evidence will be admitted at trial.

The defense wants details of the woman's sex life admitted to back up its claim that she might have been injured during the week of her encounter with Bryant.

A former boyfriend, Matt Herr, testified for about an hour.

The woman testified for more than three hours Wednesday, the first time she has faced Bryant since the alleged attack.

Several witnesses also testified Thursday to help determine whether Bryant's statement that authorities will be admitted at trial along with physical evidence including a T-shirt stained with the accuser's blood.

The defense says authorities violated court guidelines for gathering evidence and secretly taped Bryant's comments.

Three men have been arrested for allegedly making death threats against the woman. Her name and pictures of her have also been plastered across the Internet and supermarket tabloids.

The woman's mother told the judge in the letter that her daughter has lived in four states in the past six months and that she and her husband are constantly worried about her safety.

"My daughter has plans for her future. She wants to continue her education," the mother wrote.

"I am asking that the court do whatever possible to bring this case to trial as soon as possible."

# Maple Leafs, led by Belfour, blank Bruins 3-0

BOSTON (AP) — Ed Belfour made 33 saves for his eighth shutout of the season, and Toronto cut Boston's lead in the Northeast Division to one point with a 3-0 win Thursday.

Toronto got goals from Joe Niemi and Ron Francis in the first nine minutes of the second period and an empty-net goal from Nik Antropov with 1:43 left in the game.

## Lightning 2, Devils 1

TAMPA, Fla. — Brad Richards scored with 4:58 left to give the Eastern Conference-leading Tampa Bay Lightning a 2-1 victory over the New Jersey Devils on Thursday night.

Richards' pass from behind the net appeared to deflect into the net off New Jersey defenseman Viktor Kozlov.

New Jersey tied it 1-1 midway through the period on Patrik Elias' 35th goal of the season.

Pavel Kubina opened the scoring midway through the second period for the Lightning, who swept the four-game season series with the Stanley Cup champion Devils.

Nikolai Khabibulin stopped 18 shots for Tampa Bay, and Martin Brodeur made 15 saves for New Jersey.

## Islanders 4, Flyers 2

PHILADELPHIA — Wade Dubielewicz came off the bench to stop all 14 shots he faced in his NHL debut to lead New York to its fourth straight victory.

Adrian Aucoin had two goals in the first period, Mark Parrish scored the game-winner on a breakaway in the second, and Janne Niinimaa had a third-period goal. Dubielewicz replaced Garth Snow after the first period.

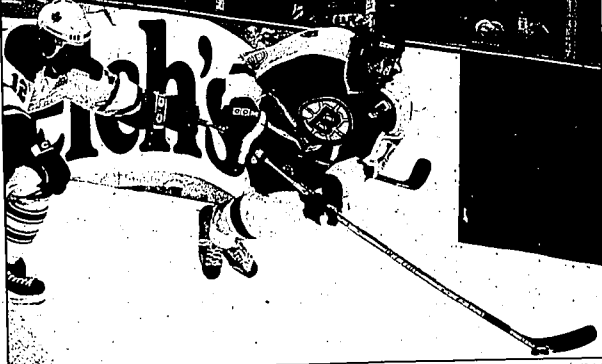
John LeClair and Michal Handzus scored for Philadelphia. Flyers center Jeremy Roenick returned to the lineup after missing 19 games because of a broken jaw and a concussion.

## Hurricanes 3, Panthers 2

RALEIGH, N.C. — Josef Vasicek scored with 11:51 left to help Carolina overcome a two-goal deficit.

Rod Brind'Amour and Kevin Adams also scored for the Hurricanes, eliminated from postseason contention Tuesday.

Nathan Horton and Niklas Hagman scored for Florida. Roberto Luongo made 42 saves, giving him an NHL-record 2,219 this season. He broke the mark of 2,214 set by Toronto's Felix Potvin in 1996-97.



Boston Bruins' Joe Thornton looks to pass the puck as he is tripped by Toronto Maple Leafs' Tom Fitzgerald behind the Toronto net during the first period in Boston, Thursday.

Handzus scored for Philadelphia. Flyers center Jeremy Roenick returned to the lineup after missing 19 games because of a broken jaw and a concussion.

## Predators 4, Rangers 2

NEW YORK — Andreas Johansson stepped into the NHL and Nashville moved to seventh place in the Western Conference with its team-record 35th victory.

Nashville, which missed the playoffs its first five NHL seasons, has a one-point lead over eighth-place Edmonton and St. Louis.

Defensemen Marek Zidlicky and Mark Eaton, and Martin Ent also scored for Nashville. Jaromir Jagr reached 30 goals for 12th straight season and Karl Ruchunek also scored for New York, which dropped its eighth straight (0-5-0-3).

## Senators 4, Canadiens 0

MONTREAL — Daniel Alfredsson scored twice and Patrick

Lalime made 29 saves for Ottawa for his fifth shutout of the season.

Brian Smolinski and Jason Spezza also scored for Ottawa. Montreal, 2-1 losers in Buffalo on Wednesday night, failed for the second straight game to earn a single point it needs to clinch a playoff spot.

## Red Wings 3, Avalanche 1

DENVER — Manny Legace stopped 35 shots for his third shutout and Detroit scored twice in the final 2.5 minutes.

Detroit managed just 23 shots, but Darren McCarty scored on a power play in the first period and Pavel Datsyuk sealed the win with 2:32 left when goalie David Aebischer failed to cover a shot by Henrik Zetterberg. Zetterberg added

an empty-net goal to push the Red Wings over the 100-point mark (101) and seven points ahead of Colorado in the Western Conference.

The Blues have 83 points, tied with the Oilers for the eighth spot in the Western Conference, with six games to go in a tight four-team battle for the final two positions.

Pavel Demitra had a goal and an assist, and Keith Tkachuk also scored for the Blues. Jason Krog and Rob Niedermayer scored for the Mighty Ducks.

added 12 points and 11 boards for the Huskies, who staved off a 16-3 second-half spurt by Ben Gordon had 20 points, nine rebounds and five assists and UConn (30-6) beat the cold-shooting Commodores in the semifinals of the Phoenix Regional.

Rashed Anderson had 15 points and Emeka Okafor

## Oklahoma State 36, Pittsburgh 51

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Oklahoma State took Pittsburgh's pushes, shoves and

banging for 33 minutes and then delivered a knockout blow that sent longtime coach Eddie Sutton to his sixth regional final.

Tony Allen keyed a late 17-5 spurt when second-seeded Oklahoma State solved Pittsburgh's tenacious defense and beat the third-seeded Panthers.

Oklahoma State (30-3) will face either Saint Joseph's or

Wake Forest on Saturday in the East Rutherford Regional for the right to go to San Antonio for the Final Four.

Allen lead the Cowboys with 23 points in a game that was much closer than the final score.

Carl Krauser had 15 points and Jason Brown 11 for the Panthers (31-5), who lost in the regional semifinal for the third straight year.

# NCAA

Continued from D1 Winston 19 for Alabama, but the difference maker was Davis, who scored 17 of his 19 in the second half as the Tide pulled away.

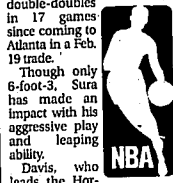
## Connecticut 73, Vanderbilt 53

PHOENIX — Connecticut hit from outside, pounded the ball inside and just plain dominated

Vanderbilt most of the night.

Now the Huskies are a win from becoming the Final Four team they were expected to be. Ben Gordon had 20 points, nine rebounds and five assists and UConn (30-6) beat the cold-shooting Commodores in the semifinals of the Phoenix Regional.

Rashed Anderson had 15 points and Emeka Okafor



NBA



SPORTS

Song sings in Nabisco Championship

RANCHO MIRAGE, Calif. (AP) — Annika Sorenstam stumbled at the start Thursday in her bid to win all four major LPGA tour titles in a year...

No, it wasn't Michelle Wie, though Sorenstam trailed that young phenom, too. The leader was Arce Song, who knows a little something about being a golf prodigy herself.

Song took advantage of ideal scoring conditions and an early tee shot to shoot a 6-under 66 in her first major championship since turning pro.

She played — and talked — with the confidence of a veteran instead of the rookie pro that she is. "You know, I like my chances here," Song said, "I feel I know the course pretty well."



Tiger Woods blasts out of sand trap to the second green during the first round of the Players Championship, Thursday in Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla.

Sorenstam, whose goal this year is to win all four major titles, wasn't even the best in her threesome. That honor belonged to Ochoa, who stumbled early but quickly recovered for a 67 that was cheered loudly by about 30 friends and family who came from her native Mexico to watch her play.

But it was Song who was alone on top of the leaderboard, despite being largely overlooked coming into a tournament where Wie's success made her yesterday's news.

won her tour card in the qualifying tournament. If she wins, Song would be the youngest to ever win on the LPGA Tour.

Woods still struggle. PONTE VEDRA BEACH, Fla. (AP) — Tiger Woods and Adam Scott have such similar swings, it's often tough to distinguish them.

round over par, a 75 that put him in a tie for 108th and in serious jeopardy of missing the cut for the first time in six years.

Duffy Waldorf survived a wild finish in his round of 66 by making a 15-foot eagle putt on the 16th, dunking one in the water on the island-green 17th for double bogey and closing out with a birdie for 101.

Dislocated shoulder will keep Ellis out for weeks

The Oakland Athletics lost their starting second baseman.

The Detroit Tigers are close to gaining a new reliever.

Mark Ellis will miss six to eight weeks after dislocating his right shoulder in a collision with

Spring training. Bobby Crosby landed 2-1 loss to the Chicago Cubs in Phoenix on Thursday.

Ellis was injured by David Reed for a grounder by Sandy Scott that cut into a go-ahead RBI double in the seventh inning.

Urbina worked out with Detroit pitching coach Bob Cluck while manager Alan Trammell looked on.

Urbina said he had to take a physical and then intended to sign in an "already home," said Urbina, a close friend of Detroit catcher Ivan Rodriguez.

The reliever passed a physical with Cleveland recently, so he expected the physical for the Tigers to be a formality.

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In other spring training games: Yankees 9, Phillies 0.

In Clearwater, Fla., Kevin Brown tuned up for Japan with another solid outing.

Devil Rays 7, Blue Jays 1. In St. Petersburg, Fla., Victor Zambrano pitched five solid innings for Tampa Bay.

Mets 1, Marlins 1, 11 Innings. In Jupiter, Fla., Darren Oliver gave up five hits and a run in six strong innings for the Marlins.

Tigers 4, Braves 2. In Kissimmee, Fla., Horacio Ramirez allowed three runs and seven hits in five innings for Atlanta.

White Sox 5, D-backs 2. In Tucson, Ariz., Mark Buehrle allowed one run in seven innings and Juan Uribe hit his fourth homer.

Brewers 13, Padres 2. In Phoenix, Lyle Overbay doubled three times and drove in five runs.

Giants 3, Rockies 3, 10 Innings. In Scottsdale, Ariz., Barry Bonds homered for the fifth time in 13 at-bats.

What a magnificent game, Walker said. "It's keeping the ball down and keeping them off-balance."

CSN enters this weekend's series having won 12 of its last 13 games.

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Yankees head to Japan

TOKYO (AP) — Even halfway around the world, the New York Yankees bring a buzz. Their season opener at Yankee Stadium usually is a time for pinstriped pomp, with politicians and celebrities filling many of the prime seats.

When the Yankees start the 2004 major league season at the Tokyo Dome on Tuesday night against Tampa Bay, Japanese Prime Minister Junichiro Koizumi and former New York City Mayor Rudolph Giuliani will throw out ceremonial first pitches.

Even before the two-game series — the first time the Yankees have played outside the United States and Canada since 1955 — Devil Rays pitcher Paul Abbott threw the score, at least as far as popularity.

"Kind of rock star-ish — I'm sure the Yankees will be just as amazing to them," he said.

After playing separate spring training games in Florida and Chicago, the Yankees and Devil Rays began the trip, 18 to 20 hours door to door.

The only other time major league baseball played regular-season games in Japan was 2000, when New York Mets and Chicago Cubs split a pair to start the season.

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Rays could make it to the World Series this season after six straight last-place finishes in the AL East?

"There isn't enough sake in Japan for that," manager Lou Piniella said. "It's right now. But we can bet the Angels are going to be competitive."

New York has won six AL pennants and four World Series in the last eight seasons and is baseball's biggest spender.

But both teams do have one thing in common — they train in the Tampa area. That's where New York owner George Steinbrenner will remain, deciding not to join his team on the trip.

The teams planned to leave about 5 p.m. EST on separate charter flights and land at around 12:30 a.m. Saturday (10:30 a.m. Friday back in Florida).

The Yankees were scheduled to return to Chicago, the Devil Rays in San Francisco, heading to a series 7,250 miles from their spring homes.

"The trip would be fine without the 17-hour plane flight. That's part of it that's going to be hard on everybody," said New York's Kevin Brown, slated to pitch the second game on Wednesday. "I think it's been about 20 years since I've had to face a flight like this."

Kansas coach Bill Self put eight defenders on his starters during practice this week.

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just as good as everybody else," Finley said. "We have put the work in to be successful. The bottom line is, once the tournament starts, you have to play the game. It isn't about what you wear in Jersey but it is about your effort."

And trust the Blazers, few teams worked harder than they did.

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blown out, but we look back and say we could've, we should've. We've got to quit saying could've and should've.

Although many of CSI's bats continue to struggle, leadoff hitter Eric Cauton has seemed to regain his form after an off series against SLCC.

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## A good walk spoiled?

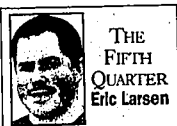
**BURLEY** - Ah spring, the time when a young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of golf.

Sorry ladies, but Tennyson has nothing on Tiger. During long months ending through balmy-swallowing snow, golf nuts around the Magic Valley are dangerously bearing their lily-white skin to the sun's merciless rays, all in the hopes of playing that one good round.

One good round, that's all golfers ask. And it might come the next time we hit the links. But oh no. Spouses, live-in girlfriends, and boy-toys with day jobs are all left watching their love for us fade while our four draws slice, cut and send so much time on the course, apart from our loved ones, because Bigfoot sightings are more common than good rounds of golf. But still we try.

Why? Because the first fairway holds all the promise of an unopened pack of baseball cards. There could be a Mickey Mantle rookie - that 310-year-old Big Bertha blast down the fairway and a short wedge to the green. Or maybe we'll play it smart, clear the dirt fairway bank with a 3-iron and poke an easy nine to the green.

More likely though, it's the Wilson shank into the juniper, followed by a kick to the rough - no penalty stroke, of course. A chull-clip to the left green sand trap later and that good round



THE FIFTH QUARTER Eric Larsen

has hurried to Sir Lawrence of Arabia's bad day.

Which is the frustrating thing about golf, because there is no one to blame but yourself. And the wind. And your putter. And maybe the groundskeeper woe-eating the rough on 13.

Golf is less a battle with the elements than it is a battle with one's own mind. Because a 50-yard wedge to the green is just a 50-yard wedge to the green. But put water somewhere between you and the green, and it becomes the toughest shot in golf.

The thought process goes from "Keep your elbow straight. Swing through the shot. Let it roll." to "Don't put it in the drink. Please, not another hole-in-one. Just do anything but let that ball swing."

Kiddie-pool shots just like that are the reason knickers were invented, because once that mind starts wandering, it's time to go wading.

But caddies, hackers, and rough-riders need not worry. Even good golfers are afflicted by bad rounds. After the spring

season's first high school golf tournament at Twin Falls Municipal Park, Burley golfer Justin Ellis half-jokingly told me he wasn't going to speak to me.

But why? Did he break his 3-wood? Did a goose leave a present in his putting line on the 18th green?

No, he shot a 79. Most golfers wouldn't step over their own mothers for a 79, but they'd seriously consider stepping over yours. But there Ellis was - a young man out of school on a Tuesday morning after spending his last four hours leisurely roaming one of the three green spots in Southern Idaho - sulking over a few misplaced shots.

Mark Twain was right. Golf truly can be a good walk spoiled. Because no matter how good you shoot, you could have done better. So maybe it's time to take a page from the great Ben Hogan, who only planned for a handful of shots per round to go exactly as planned. All the others were small misses.

So for your next round, may your misses be small, and when someone asks you how your round went, may you say, "It was a 92, but you should have seen me on the fifth tee."

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## K is for Koopman, and strikeouts

By Eric Larsen Times-News writer

**MALAD** - Wendell's Jesse Koopman blew away the Malad Dragons with a 17-strikeout performance during the Trojans' 6-4 road win last Saturday. The senior pitcher is the ace of Wendell rotation that also features seniors Cody Howerton and Tyrel Davis. Koopman has started 17 of his 24 starts and seven hits in 11.1 innings pitched during his first two appearances of the season.

### Softball

**Belinda Turley, Twin Falls** - TWIN FALLS - "Big B" as her teammates call her earned her first win of the season over the Minico Spartans last Friday with a 3-0 three-hit shutout in Twin Falls. The Bruins have started their season 1-2, but Turley's strong pitching against a conference rival is a promise-



Athlete of the Week Jesse Koopman

ling sign of things coming around for the Bruins.

### Track

**Stephanie Johnson, Burley** - BURLEY - The sophomore

distance runner led the Burley girls track squad to a victory over Madison, Bonneville, and Blackfoot last Friday. Johnson took first in the 3200-meter, 1600-meter, and 400-meter races to net 18 of the Bobcats' 70 points for the meet. Teammate Daisy Heiner took first in the 100-meter high hurdles and the triple jump, and the Burley 4-by-100 relay team finished first to help Burley to the win.

### Golf

**Richard Creason, Minico** - RUPERT - The Minico Spartans' low man continues to shoot low early-season scores, this time tying for a tournament-low 74 last Thursday at the Burley Golf Course. Creason shot a 73 at Twin Falls Municipal last Tuesday to tie for second at that tournament. Thursday's round of 74 tied Creason for the tournament low with Spartan teammate Zach Sanford.

## Wendell looks for sweep against Malad

By Eric Larsen Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** - There's a pretty good chance that the Malad Dragon baseball team remembers the name Jesse Koopman. The Wendell senior pitcher struck out 17 batters on the way to a 6-1 victory over the Dragons last Saturday in Malad. And now, after five days of rest, it's time to face Koopman and the Trojans again, this time in Wendell.

The Dragons have found the going tough against the Canyon Conference baseball teams, as they were shut out by Scott Arellano and the Glens Ferry Pilots last Wednesday. The Trojans are looking for that streak to continue Friday in the rematch that will re-open the high school spring sports season after spring break. Koopman will of course - be a big factor in the Trojans' success, but as with most Wendell teams, the Trojan baseball



squad isn't a one-trick pony. Senior shortstop Cody Howerton went 2-4 for 4 from the plate against Malad earlier, collecting two doubles. If Koopman hits during the game, the Trojans may go to Howerton, who is also one of their best on the mound. Senior first baseman Tyrel Davis could also be a factor as he switches into baseball gear after a long winter's

worth of basketball. Another 17-strikeout game from Koopman may be too much to ask, but if Koopman can maintain his early-season form, it would go a long way in netting Wendell a win. Koopman has allowed only seven hits and four runs in 11.1 innings pitched this season.

### Softball

**BOISE** - The Minico Spartans softball team will head to Boise Friday to participate in the Boise Invitational, held March 26 and 27. The Spartans will face Kuna, Mountain Home, Valluvue, and Ernest, playing two games each day. The invitational will be a good time to test out some backup pitching for senior ace Amber Wirth. The Spartans will also look to get their bats in gear after managing only three hits against the Twin Falls Bruins during their last game.

## Schools find steroid tests costly

By Rob Gloster Associated Press writer

**SACRAMENTO, Calif.** - High schools nationwide are struggling with rising steroid use, battling for college scholarships but also among non-athletes who think bigger biceps will make them more popular.

Most schools cannot afford the costly tests for detecting illegal bodybuilding drugs. Even those that test for marijuana and cocaine do not check for steroids, which are potentially more destructive.

"For a small district to do this kind of testing would be cost-prohibitive," said Joseph Wilmeck, school superintendent for Angels Camp.

At Bret Harte High School in Angels Camp, all student-athletes and cheerleaders take random tests for marijuana, cocaine and other illegal drugs each season, costing the district about \$9,000. Checking for steroids would cost an additional \$4,000.

That would be enough money to pay for another teacher, Wilmeck said. "Right now our priority is keeping staff - we've had to lay off three teachers and reduce our administrative staff already," he said.

Steroids soared in popularity among high school students - girls and boys - after Mark McGwire hit a major league record 70 home runs in 1998 while using the supplement an-drostenedione, a steroid precursor.

In a recent national survey of steroid use, 3.5 percent of high school seniors responding reported they have used steroids at least once, up from 2.1 percent in 1991.

Those figures do not include users of over-the-counter supplements such as andro or the more popular creatine, which are much cheaper than steroids.

"There was a big increase when Mark McGwire broke the home run record. Of course he was using andro, but that may have been a distinction lost on a lot of the kids," said Lloyd Johnston, who led the University of Michigan survey of 50,000 teenagers. "If you're looking at a classroom of 30 boys, one of them is using steroids."

Johnston said steroid use is more prevalent among boys

## High school steroid use is on the rise

More teenagers are using steroids, according to a national survey of 50,000 high school students conducted at the University of Michigan's Institute for Social Research.

| Percentage of students who said they had used steroids '91 | '03  |
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| 8th graders  | 2.5% |
| 10th graders   | 3.0% |
| 12th graders   | 3.5% |

SOURCE: University of Michigan AP

than girls, among whites than blacks and among non-college-bound students than those who plan to attend college. Many of the high school kids who use them are apparently non-athletes simply hoping to appear more buff.

Steroid use appears to be much higher in some parts of the country, particularly in the South. In a 2001 survey by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 11.2 percent of Louisiana high school boys surveyed reported using steroids, and 5.7 percent of Tennessee high school girls did.

Steroids' side effects can include heart disease, liver damage and rage. They can also stunt growth, shrink testicles and cause girls to grow facial hair.

Many high schools use an NCAA-approved test for marijuana, cocaine, amphetamines and methamphetamine that costs about \$22, plus collecting and handling expenses. But a steroid test costs \$50 to \$100, not counting collecting and handling.

Few school districts are willing to spend that kind of money.

In Florida, state Rep. Marcelo Lorente wants high school athletes to undergo mandatory testing for steroids. His bill, which would require each county to randomly test at least 5 percent of its athletes, was approved unanimously this week by a legislative subcommittee.

To reduce the cost, Lorente wants the tests to be done for about \$33 each by the University of Florida veterinary laboratory that now tests samples from horses and greyhounds.

"I played three sports in high school and had the opportunity to play Division I baseball," said Lorente, who attended Tulane University.

"I knew people who used performance-enhancing drugs. Young people don't understand the drastic consequences of

using steroids."

In California, state Sen. Jackie Speier has introduced legislation to ban the sale of supplements such as andro to teens. She convened a Senate hearing Thursday to focus on the possibility of state-mandated testing and other ways to fight high school use of steroids and supplements.

"We teach kids not to take candy from strangers, but how many know not to take performance-enhancers from their friends and mentors?" she asked.

Among those testifying at the hearing was Kevin Will, 16, a junior quarterback at Del Oro High in Sacramento. He said coaches have warned the team not to use cocaine or marijuana, but he was never told not to use steroids.

And while he was never pressured by coaches to use steroids, he said, "I was told by friends and coaches I can play on the college level, but I have to get bigger." Will, who is 6 feet tall and weighs 168 pounds, said he has never taken steroids.

One of the few school systems checking for steroids is the relatively wealthy Paradise Valley district in Phoenix, where random tests have been conducted since 1992. The 550 tests are administered to students involved in everything from football to cheerleading and badminton.

Students participating in sports must sign a drug-testing consent form. Positive tests result in a suspension of 18 weeks from the sport for a first offense and a permanent suspension for a second offense. Results are not shared with law enforcement officials.

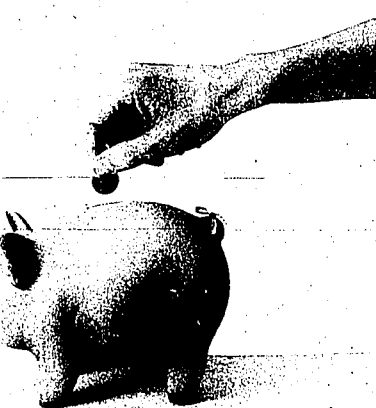
"The additional cost of testing for steroids is well worth it if we can protect our kids," district spokeswoman Judi Willis said. "We also believe the fact that we do this testing has been a deterrent."

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U.S. forces set up Afghan base for al-Qaida hunt

ON THE AFGHAN BORDER - Using bulldozers to slice bunkers and a helicopter landing pad out of a mountainside, U.S. special operations forces dug in Tuesday on a peak overlooking Pakistan - fortifying the area for the intensifying battle against al-Qaida and Taliban forces.

Special operations forces - which include Green Berets, Navy SEALs, and CIA operatives - are playing a secretive but leading role in the battle against al-Qaida and Taliban suspects believed to be hiding out in the mountains of Pakistan's tribal areas.

Remote posts like this one near the Afghan city of Ogun, scratched out of a mountainside to house a small contingent of U.S. forces and a larger Afghan militia unit, serve as forward launch pads for the fight.

An Associated Press writer on Tuesday became the first to report from the special operations' observation post since the start of Operation Mountain Storm, a 2-week-old American offensive designed to capture Osama bin Laden and his top lieutenants.

Village elders in this hamlet of 45 families in Pakitika province said the Americans arrived 18 days ago with Afghan militia.

The camp is home to 60 Americans working with 200 Afghan militia, the Afghan militiamen say. The Westerners wear T-shirts and sunglasses, and most sport beards and mustaches, with pistols strapped to their legs.

Villagers see the Americans out building their base and patrolling at times with allied Afghan militia - helping close the border against what villagers say are frequent incursions by al-Qaida and Taliban.

The U.S. military says its forces also are sharing information with Pakistani troops across the border - intelligence typically coming everywhere from satellites to intercepted radio calls.

On Tuesday, the Americans were erecting 100 yards of wire fence along the border beside their base. They also dug holes, which will become bunkers, to live in while their Afghan allies

put up tents. Workers used construction equipment to level a helipad. Americans around the camp refused to speak to AP. Relaying their request through Afghan militiamen, they eventually asked the reporter to leave, saying no journalists were allowed in the area.

The U.S. military as a matter of policy does not comment on special operations. But asked about buildup along the Afghan-Pakistan border in the area, U.S. military spokesman Lt. Col. Bryan Filley said: "We have some positions that are constantly changing. We are constantly rearranging."

On the Pakistan side, President Gen. Pervez Musharraf has said about a dozen U.S. "technical experts" are in his country. Some are located across the border from the special operations post in Miran Shah, Pakistani intelligence officials told AP.

Last week, a Pakistani army spokesman, Gen. Shaukat Azhar, said he welcomed the U.S. intelligence agents were in the country "assisting Pakistan in technical intelligence and surveillance." The CIA declined to comment.

Afghan villagers near the new post said they welcomed the U.S. crackdown, saying they have come under a growing cross-border rocket barrage from Pakistan.

"So many rockets. We are living in fear of rockets," said shopkeeper Shawar Khan in Sisand, a village near the U.S. encampment.

Both sides of the border around Miran Shah have come under repeated rocket attacks by militants hoping to hit U.S. or Afghan military posts. Authorities blame al-Qaida fugitives and allied Pakistani tribesmen. Taliban fighters are believed to be hiding in the mountains as well.

No uniformed American forces have been seen in recent days along one of the front lines in the U.S. campaign against terror suspects based in Pakistan's North and South Waziristan, locals say.

Village leaders say Taliban and al-Qaida attackers cross the border at will. Asked for proof, they laughed, as if there could be no doubt.

"Everyone can come easily into Afghanistan. Everyone can go easily into Pakistan," said

Mohammed Khan, another shopkeeper in Sisand. "There are no Afghan checkpoints."

"For 2 1/2 years, they are coming and attacking from Waziristan, said Shawar Khan. "That's why in this area, there are no schools, there's no health clinics, there's no development. Everyone is afraid to come to our area."

Since the Americans' arrival, villagers have stayed inside after dark, saying the U.S. security outweighed the inconvenience of the curfew.

The U.S. and Afghan forces have closed this part of the border, at least, to any attacks, Mohammed Khan said.

"Right now, from this area, it's impossible that anyone can come," the villager said. "But it's a huge border."



An Afghan militia soldier stands near a U.S. camp in Lwara in Afghanistan's Pakitika Province bordering Pakistan Tuesday.

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Officials: Al-Qaida fighters are on run

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP) - Al-Qaida and Taliban fighters, increasingly pursued by American and Pakistani forces, are on the run or hunkering down rather than mounting a threatened spring offensive of their own, U.S. and Afghan officials say.

More than 50 alleged terrorists have been killed and 163 detained in Pakistan's largest military operation yet against suspected al-Qaida fighters and local sympathizers in its tribal areas bordering Afghanistan, Pakistani officials said Thursday.

Brig. Mahmood Shah, chief of security in Pakistan's tribal areas, acknowledged that some terrorists might have escaped at the start of the 10-day operation.

His comments further fueled speculation that a "high-value" terrorist suspect - said by some officials last week to be al-Qaida No. 2 leader, Ayman al-Zawahiri - had escaped.

On Thursday, a tape purportedly recorded by al-Zawahiri called Pakistani President Pervez Musharraf a traitor and urged he overthrow the government. The audio was broadcast by the pan-Arab satellite channel Al-Jazeera.

Afghan government leaders in border provinces told The Associated Press that Taliban and al-Qaida are fleeing into Afghanistan to escape the crackdown in Pakistan.

But the fighters leaving Pakistan appear to be seeking new



hiding places, not launch pads for immediate attacks of their own, the Afghans say, citing cross-border intelligence from fellow Pashtun tribes.

The fugitives "are not in a position to do any terrorist attacks. ... They are just trying to find safe shelter," said Gov. Qulad Khan Murgie of Pakitika province, an assessment echoed by other Afghan officials.

Multinotously, U.S. forces in Afghanistan are two weeks into Operation Mountain Storm - an offensive bent on catching Osama bin Laden and his top al-Qaida and Taliban allies.

Tape urges overthrow of Pakistan regime

CAIRO, Egypt (AP) - A tape purportedly recorded by Ayman al-Zawahiri, the No. 2 figure in the al-Qaida terror group, called Pakistani President Pervez Musharraf a "traitor" Thursday and urged people to overthrow his government.

The pan-Arab satellite channel Al-Jazeera broadcast a seven-minute excerpt from a tape it received Thursday. Its

authenticity could not immediately be verified, but the speaker sounded like al-Zawahiri and made references to the Islamic holy book, the Quran, which is known to be al-Zawahiri's style.

The speaker also called for a military uprising in Pakistan. "Musharraf needs to stab the Islamic and resistance in Afghanistan in the back," the speaker said.



Lucky's meeting sparks questions

By Megan Hinds Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — A meeting to discuss a new downtown dance club turned into a debate of the city's policies on how business and property owners are notified of new businesses moving into downtown.

About 50 people crowded into a downtown conference room this week to listen to the plans of Armando Silva and Forrest Andersen, owners of Lucky's. The dance club is set to open May 1.

Controversy over the club erupted after several downtown business people claimed they were not informed by Silva of his intent to apply to the Twin Falls Planning and Zoning Commission for a special-use permit to serve alcohol at the proposed dance club at 156 Main St. The building is the former Kathy's building.

The commission unani-

mously approved the permit, with several noise and waste-disposal conditions, at its Feb. 24 meeting.

A petition, drawn up by several downtown business and property owners, was brought to the planning and zoning commission as an appeal shortly after that public meeting, but the commission denied the appeal on the grounds that the parties had not been present at the meeting nor submitted a written request prior to the decision.

The dance club's voluntary meeting Wednesday drew a healthy mix of those in favor and those against the opening of Lucky's, and the mood was tense. After Silva and Andersen outlined the dance club's format and plans for operation, the floor was open to questions and comments.

Tony Prater, owner of several downtown properties, including the one occupied by the

Hands On pottery studio, spoke in favor of the dance club.

"We understand the value of entertainment," Prater said. "We're excited to see people downtown ... if this club gets people to come downtown, then it's a good thing, and I support what (Silva and Andersen) are doing."

Prater's comments were met with applause, which Andersen tried to stifle.

"Now, we don't want that," Andersen said. "If we let people clap, then that means someone else can come up and try to hit me with a stick or something."

After the mood was lifted, several questions from the audience centered around the process by which business and property owners were notified of Silva's application for a special-use permit to serve alcohol.

"How can businesses weren't informed better?" asked Mary Ash, co-owner and manager of Tiffany Square. "I didn't

feel I had the opportunity to voice my concerns."

Andersen and Silva followed the proper procedures to notify downtown property owners within 300 feet of the club by sending letters of intent, city officials say.

But Lucky's owners acknowledged they would have done things differently to avoid conflict with their neighbors, including sending notification letters via registered or certified mail to ensure delivery and going door-to-door to inform business owners of their plans.

"Hindsight is always 20/20," Andersen said. "I think this meeting were having tonight would be a good idea before planning and zoning. Then, you'd be able to go to the meeting and voice your concerns."

"We apologize if people were offended or hurt," he added. "That was not our intention."

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Owners promise broad appeal, tight security

By Megan Hinds Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Lucky's owners Armando Silva and Forrest Andersen want their club to appeal to a broad audience — from high school kids to people retirement homes.

The two-level dance club will be open Tuesday through Sunday, with special nights planned throughout the week geared to different crowds.

While the club will serve alcohol on Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights, when patrons 18 and older are welcome at the club, Andersen said the Lucky's staff will make sure no underage

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Notes on the economy

Magie Valley report

Looking to stay in Magic Valley?

Hotels, motels, campgrounds, recreational-vehicle parks and other lodging facilities in Magic Valley's eight counties reported these lodging sales during February:

Table with 3 columns: County, Feb. '04 Reports, Change from Feb. '03. Rows include Blaine, Camas, Cassia, Gooding, Jerome, Lincoln, Minidoka, Twin Falls, and Magic Valley.

The State Tax Commission tracks lodging sales monthly. Because of the normal reporting lag, the February sales totals — for the most part — reflect activity that happened in January. Lodging taxes include nontaxable sales, such as those to nonprofit schools or federal or state government employees, in addition to taxable sales.

Source: Idaho State Tax Commission

BRIEFLY IN MONEY

CSI offers program on working skills

TWIN FALLS — Different personalities, values and communication styles can provide tension and barriers to meeting a team's common goal, but an upcoming class aims to help.

The Center for New Directions at the College of Southern Idaho is offering "WorkSmart: Teamworking Skills" to help workers become more productive by developing team-oriented attitudes.

The one-credit training program costs \$82.50, plus \$2.50 for materials.

Financial assistance and scholarships are available through the Center for New Directions.

"WorkSmart: Teamworking Skills" is scheduled for 5:30-8:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays during April 6-20 at the center. Students must register by April 2.

Ameristar increases earnings forecast

JACKPOT, Nev. — Las Vegas-based Ameristar Casinos Inc., a major Magic Valley employer at its Jackpot casino properties, upped its forecast of earnings for the quarter that will end Wednesday.

For the first quarter, Ameristar now predicts consolidated operating income of \$41 million to \$42 million (increased from the prior forecast of \$33 million to \$35 million) and diluted earnings per share of about 57 cents (raised from an earlier forecast of 40-44 cents).

Ameristar owns Cascares Resort Hotel and the Horseshoe Casino & Casino, as well as casinos in other states.

Albertsons will show presentation online

TWIN FALLS — Boise-based Albertsons Inc. will participate next week in the Banc of America Securities Consumer Conference in New York, and anyone can listen in online.

The Albertsons presentation will be broadcast live over the Internet at 12:40 p.m. Wednesday at www.albertsons.com/abs\_investorinformation.

The presentation will be available in an archived format for a couple of weeks.

Albertsons' Magic Valley stores are in Burley, Halley and Twin Falls.

— compiled from staff reports

Tater Tots celebrate 50th anniversary

The Associated Press

PITTSBURGH — When Tater Tots began arriving in grocery stores in 1954, they quickly caught on as a comfort food, a side dish and the basis for casserole dishes that became favorites at kitchen tables across America.

Millions of baby boomers and their families grew up with the lightly seasoned slivers of potatoes as an accompaniment to eggs, for breakfast, dipped in ketchup at lunch and even morphed into pizza crusts for dinner.

Hard to believe Ore-Ida's Tater Tots have turned 50 years old. "I've been eating Tater Tots since I was 12 myself," said 65-year-old Sylvia Barber, of Jones Valley, Calif. "It's a comfort food and it brings back childhood memories."

To commemorate the "Golden Bowl" anniversary of Tater Tots, H.J. Heinz Co. of Pittsburgh, parent company of Ore-Ida, will be introducing a new line of Extra Crispy Tater Tots this spring in an effort to expand its market share.

Tater Tots were invented in 1953 by Ore-Ida founders Golden and Nephri Grigg, of Jones Valley, Ore. The brothers from Oregon who found a way to use leftover potato from their french fry business.

The company was headquartered in Boise for 31 years until Heinz moved to Pittsburgh in 1989.

Over the years, products similar to Tater Tots have been marketed by other food makers such as ConAgra Foods Inc. and McCain Food Ltd.

According to the U.S. Potato Board, Tater Tots and similar products make up just a portion of



The Van Balen family of Wexford, Pa., reach for Tater Tots from a plate that was prepared in their kitchen on Tuesday. When Tater Tots began arriving in grocery stores in 1954, the frozen potato quickly caught on as a comfort food, a side dish and the basis for family favorite casseroles dishes across America's kitchen tables.

The 136 pounds of potatoes the average American consumes each year.

Of the \$2.8 billion worth of potatoes sold by U.S. growers in 2002, the board estimated 57 percent was processed into items such as frozen french fries, chips and instant mashed potatoes.

"Fries, Tater Tots, and hash browns have been a long and happy place on our menu," board spokeswoman Linda McCashion said.

Americans consumed 70 million pounds of Tater Tots last year, or 14 pounds per person. Ore-Ida's frozen potato business, making it the company's second best selling product behind the Golden Griddles fries, according to company officials. The company declined to reveal sales

figures.

Ore-Ida officials said they have no plans to overhaul the bite-sized potatoes. The seasoning is still a secret and Tater Tots are still made from russet potatoes grown in the Northwest, said Michael Smith, senior brand manager of Ore-Ida.

"It starts back with the original recipe and the fact that it became an American icon, and we've stayed true to the product," hobby cook Barber won second prize for her Tater Tot crab melt in the Ore-Ida Dream Kitchen Recipe Contest back in 1998. Barber says she served Tater Tots to her son when he was growing up and now she and her husband eat the treat as a side dish with ketchup at least once a month. She saves the crab melt for guests.

"They're quicker and easier to fix than french fries," Barber said. "I love them."

Karen Johnson, president-elect of the American School Food Service Association, said that on any given day, thousands of school children are served Tater Tots or similar potato finger foods. The

health-conscious association has worked with Ore-Ida, ConAgra and McCain to transition the food from fried to baked.

"They've been a really popular item with schools. You get them in so many shapes, now stars and smiley faces," Johnson said.

While the original Tater Tots casserole remains one of Ore-Ida's most requested recipes, families have also created their own special dishes.

Relatives said Paula Adamson won Ore-Ida's grand prize and received \$12,000 about the same time she was diagnosed with lymphoma in 1998. Adamson died in 2001, and her husband, Jerry, remarried. His new wife, Kathy Adamson, now makes turkey-herb Tater Tot casserole for the family.

"I make it once a month. I make it for the boys' sake. It's Mama Paula's prize-winning hot dish. It's a way for them to hang on to the memories of her," said Kathy Adamson, 39, of Vadnais Heights, Minn.

The recipe is sweet and calls for a can of baked beans along with brown sugar and ketchup.

ConAgra reports higher earnings in third quarter

The Associated Press

OMAHA, Neb. — Strong sales from brands like Armour, Banquet and Chef Boyardee helped ConAgra Foods Inc. increase earnings 26 percent in its third quarter, narrowly beating Wall Street estimates.

The second-largest U.S. food company earned \$203 million, or 38 cents a share, in the quarter ended Feb. 22, or 30 percent above the \$161 million, or 30 cents a share, in the same period last year.

ConAgra has the Lamb Weston Inc. potato-processing plant in Twin Falls and various other business operations around Magic Valley.

ConAgra said it would have had earnings of 39 cents a share, but for one-time expenses of 3 cents a share from cost-saving initiatives and 2 cents a share income from discontinued operations.

Analysts expected earnings

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of 38 cents a share before unusual items, according to a survey by Thomson First Call. Sales were \$3.6 billion, about equal with last year.

After adjusting for \$155 million in sales losses from divested businesses, revenue increased by 4 percent over last year, the company said. "This is a very solid quarter," ConAgra chief executive Bruce Rold said. "We are particularly encouraged by sales and category share trends for several key brands and products."

For the first nine months of the fiscal year, ConAgra earned \$688.3 million, or \$1.26 a share, up from \$624.4 million, or \$1.16 a share, a year earlier. Revenue was \$10.8 billion versus \$10.3 billion in 2002.

Sugar beet growing season starts, trade issues loom

The Associated Press

NAMPANA — Idaho sugar beet growers have started planting this year's crops with hopes for a stronger market this year.

The federal government sets a yearly marketing allotment limiting the amount of sugar domestic producers can put on the market. In exchange, the government limits sugar imports from other countries.

The efficiency of the program is important to Idaho, which ranks second in the nation in sugar beet production. The federal government has not yet set the marketing allotment for this year.

According to the American Sugar Alliance, a trade group, American growers produce about 85 percent of the country's domestic sugar needs. The remainder is imported from 41 foreign countries.

The marketing allotment was set too high last year and drove prices down, according to Norm

Shroff of Nampa, a farmer and vice president of the Nysa-Nampa Beet Growers Association.

"He said he got about \$35 to \$36 a ton for his beets last year, compared with \$40 last year before."

"If (the government) is willing to hold back imports, we're willing to hold back planting to stabilize the market," he said. "We were forced to keep some of his crop in storage last year."

"To reduce the stored surplus, Clark Millard, Treasure Valley agriculture manager for Amalgamated Sugar Co., said Amalgamated growers agreed to plant 5 percent fewer acres this year.

Amalgamated Sugar is a grower-owned cooperative with processing plants in Nampa, Twin Falls and Paul in Idaho, and a plant in Nysa, Ore. Last season Amalgamated's Nampa plant alone processed about 1.5 million tons of beets.

Skippy peanut butter oozes into new products

Knight Ridder News Service

HACKENSACK, N.J. — Arachibutyrophobia beware! If you're worried about peanut butter sticking to the roof of your mouth, you've got more to fear than three-quarters of a century of selling its product only in peanut butter. Skippy is expanding into snack foods.

The company called Skippy Snack Bars, and they're being shipped nationally now and are expected to be on supermarket shelves by the end of the month.

Depending on the success of this brand extension, arachibutyrophobics might have to deal with peanut butter in all sorts of new forms.

From the time the name was trademarked in 1923 by Joseph Rosefield, the man who perfected the peanut butter production process, until now, when it is made by one of the world's biggest food companies, Skippy has been used on peanut butter only.

"They've made chunky and reduced fat creamy, but it's always been the PB and nothing but the PB.

No more. A year after introducing Skippy Squeeze Stick, Unilever Bestfoods North America is launching Skippy Snack Bars, seeking a piece of the \$2 billion snack bar category.

"Peanut butter is the main ingredient in the new bars, but they are also layered with granola and filled with such alien ingredients as fudge, marshmallow and strawberry.

"We know consumers are interested in convenience snacks they can take anywhere," said spokesman Katharine Beyer said. "We felt Skippy would fit into that category."

"The market is dominated by cereal makers, led by Quaker, because it gives them access to about 36.7 million Americans. Simmons Market Research Bureau says Kellogg's Nutriliga ranks second at 23.8 million, placing it just ahead of Nature Valley at 22.3 million. Then come Quaker fruit and oatmeal bars (16.9 million), General Mills milk and cookie bars (16 million) and Kudos (14.8 million).

Unilever "blatantly to reveal sales projections," but "we are confident it will do well and be well received," Beyer said.

Unilever won't say whether the snack bar launch is a single break from Skippy's peanut butter, or if it's the start of an effort to expand the brand beyond its base.

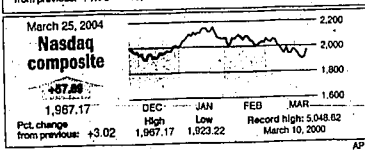
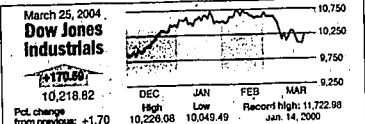
Be careful, says Al Ries, chairman of Ries & Ries, an Atlanta-based marketing consulting firm and author of "The Origin of Brands." It's going to be a minor fringe brand unless they come to their senses and change the name," he said.

The well-known name will help Unilever get distribution, but it gives them credibility in the marketplace, Ries said. "But that's probably the only advantage of the Skippy name. In the long run, the Skippy name will be a negative because it means peanut butter."

MONEY

Stocks surge on economic growth reading

NEW YORK (AP) — A solid reading on the economy gave investors some badly needed reassurance Thursday, propelling the Dow Jones Industrial...



The market has been in a corrective phase for the past two weeks, weighed down by a number of factors, from concerns over high stock valuations to fears about global terrorism. While it was not clear whether the advance would be sustained, the most promising sign was that the market was no longer in a bear market.

Investors got some solace when the market opened. The Commerce Department confirmed estimates that the economy grew at a solid 4.1 percent annual rate during the last quarter of 2003. The gross domestic product, which measures the value of all U.S. goods and services, is considered the most important barometer of the economy's health.

While there was nothing in the day's economic news to discourage investors, there was no evidence to suggest the recovery was accelerating, either. With the next market-moving date, the March employment report, still a week away, and first-quarter earnings not due until next month, it was unclear what would be next.

Among the top performers, Avon Products Inc. gained \$7.75, or 6.8 percent, to close at \$75.35, after raising its profit estimates for the first quarter on strong sales of beauty products.

The broader gauges were also markedly higher. The Nasdaq soared 57.69, or 3.0 percent, to 1,967.17, it was the biggest one-day change on the Nasdaq since Sept. 24, when the index fell 58.02 points, or 3.1 percent.

Nokia Corp. rose 59 cents to \$20.13 after the company announced plans to introduce new phone models this year and said research and development staff in an effort to meet rising global demand.

The Standard & Poor's 500 index gained 17.86, or 1.6 percent, to 1,109.19. It was the S&P 500's most significant one-day move since Oct. 1, when it rose 22.25 to close at 1,018.22.

Among the top losers, United Therapeutics Inc. fell 1.12, or 1.2 percent, to \$92.50. The company's shares were down after it reported first-quarter earnings that were below analyst expectations.

Economy grows at 4.1 percent

WASHINGTON (AP) — America's economic recovery ended 2003 on a good note, growing at a solid 4.1 percent annual rate, and is expected to do better in the opening quarter of this year. The latest reading on gross domestic product for the October-December quarter was the same as a previous estimate made a month ago, the Commerce Department reported Thursday. That was consistent with economists' forecasts.

half of the year, economists said. "I think we should have more confidence in our growth quarters," said Richard Zandi, chief economist at Economy.com, an analysis firm. "The only thing we can be hoping for now is some job growth."

GM measures that value of all goods and services produced within the United States and is considered the most important barometer of the economy's health.

On Wall Street, the GDP report helped prop stocks upward. The Dow Jones Industrial gained 178.59 points to close at 10,218.82.

Mortgage rates climb a tad this week

WASHINGTON (AP) — Rates on 30-year and 15-year mortgages nudged up this week, but rates on one-year adjustable mortgages dropped to their lowest level on record.

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For 15-year, fixed-rate mortgages, a popular option for refinancing, rates this week increased slightly to 4.70 percent from 4.69 percent last week.

Presumptive Democratic presidential nominee John Kerry has pointed to this as evidence that Bush's economic policies aren't working. Bush, who has defended his policies, wants Congress to make his tax cuts permanent, considering it stronger and spur job growth.

In other economic news, new claims for unemployment benefits rose last week by a seasonally adjusted 1,000 to 339,000, the Labor Department said.

Low interest rates beckoned buyers and pushed home sales to record levels in 2003. Sales are expected to be brisk this year.

"With a strong underlying demand for housing from a growing population in a recovering economy, we could be flirting with another record this year," said David Lereah, the associations' chief economist.

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Two jurors say deliberations have turned 'poisonous'

NEWYORK (AP) — Jury deliberations in the corporate corruption trial of two former Tyco International executives descended into acrimony Thursday as jurors complained that the atmosphere had turned "poisonous."

Another note said at least one juror "does not have an open mind. The disagreement is so intense that it has resulted in very bad acrimony. Perhaps this jury cannot continue. What shall we do?"

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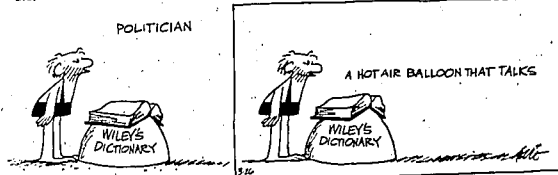
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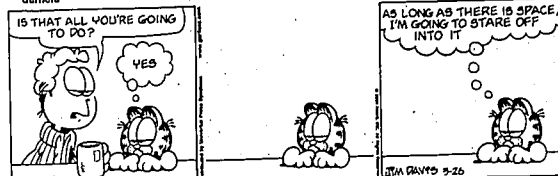
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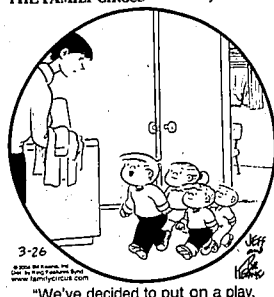
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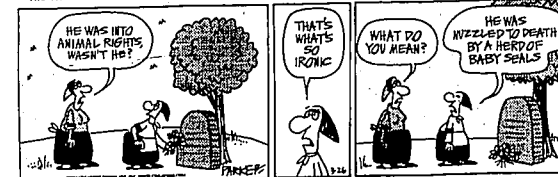
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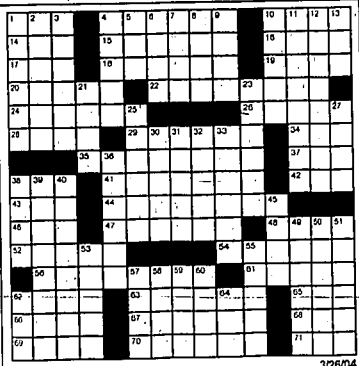


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### Libra should back away from feuds

IF MARCH 26 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY... you may be feeling unappreciated and burdened by troubles right shift in a few weeks and lighten your load. Take good care of your health and do not let small inconsequential matters pile up into major stumbling blocks.

**TAURUS (Mar 21-Apr. 19):** Today could prove to be a challenging day. A negative reaction to criticism may disrupt relationships. Keep your temper under control. **Taurus (Apr. 20-May 20):** Today is dark and dreary, and it's a bad time to start anything new or deal with people. It is best to keep your thoughts to yourself until better cosmic conditions prevail.

### HOROSCOPE

**Jeraline Saunders**

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** Achieve an interior triumph and your motivations, and think about ways to make money. Write down thoughts and ideas for later use. It's a dismal day that makes presentations as miscommunications can occur.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** Your coldly calculating appraisal of situations and people may be way off base. Try to put off major undertakings until next week, and do not make any permanent decisions today that you may regret later.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** File away information you gather today for future use, and avoid discussions of important topics. The stars are not conducive to convincing anyone.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** Back away from feuds or dissension as it is unlikely that even your diplomatic nature can defuse the situation that is running rampant. Old issues may reappear to cause you heartache, so you yourself to whatever crisis may be at hand.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** A few words of love can help to soothe the raw love who are tangled in competitive circumstances. People will be cold toward personal issues, so do precisely what is expected and walk away from challenges to your authority.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** This is not the time to take chances with your money or your affections. If coldness creeps into relationships, try to banish concentration on the business at hand.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** Use your talent for applying yourself to plow through tenuous situations today. Keep alert, and nip misadventures in the bud. Don't expect appreciation for your drudgery as compliments will be sparse or nonexistent.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** You could find today a clever and feel under the gun to get the week's work completed. Shun quarrels as they can spiral into permanent antagonism.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20):** Creativity is at a standstill today, and anything that requires an artistic touch should be put off until next week. A rebuff from a loved one may be merely due to other tensions at work, so maintain your forgiving and gentle demeanor.

# Area students make their way on to Who's Who list

The 37th annual Who's Who Among American High School Students list has been released and includes several students in the region. The students are nominated by high school principals and guidance counselors, national youth groups, churches and educational organizations based upon the students' academic achievement and involvement in extracurricular activities. Students "earn" a spot on the list by competing for \$200,000 in scholarships and participate in the annual survey of high achievers. Those included are:

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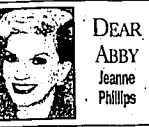
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**DEAR ABBY:** While I was still



**DEAR ABBY**  
Jeanne Phillips

married, I began dating "Alvin," a man I met through work. I then divorced my husband—the marriage wasn't good anyway—and moved in with Alvin. It meant giving up most of my friends and my lifestyle. Alvin gets mad if I wear something he thinks is "too tight" or "too revealing." He goes wherever he wants whenever he wants, but he gets upset if I even visit my parents. He is nasty to one of my children, and I feel like I'm constantly defending my child.

To make a long story short, our lease is up in a few weeks, and Alvin is being hating that he and I will be moving separately. I have a chance to rent a wonderful apartment, and I am starting to think I should take it no matter what happens with Alvin, but I'm scared to death to be on my own.

Should I cut my losses and move on with my children? I hate to say this, but I think I still love Alvin and the security he provides. It sounds more like "maximum security" to me. You are living with a man who is controlling, abusive to your child and hinting that he's through with you. You may be afraid, but it's time to move out and move on. It's better for everyone's sake. You'll find emotional support if you look for it. Join Parents Without Partners (800-637-7974 or www.parents-without-partners.org) or join the YWCA (American) support is available if you make up your mind to reach out for it.

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## Some of the earliest plastic surgery was practiced in India

India was where the earliest plastic surgery developed so swiftly. That's what I said. Client asks: Why there? And why swiftly? Various crimes were punished by various disfigurements. Noses and ears as well as hands were cut off. Doctors got a lot of practice on patients who not only wished to look better, but desperately wanted to conceal the criminal's scars.



**L.M. BOYD**

rooms with easy chairs for husbands who have to hang around while their wives shop? A. They quickly turn into sanctuaries for non-shoppers seeking refuge from the weather, still leaving no place for those awaiting the shoppers.

An African egg-eating snake won't eat just any egg. Has to be raw. And fresh. The snake can

tell with a flick of its tongue. Napoleon wasn't the only aggressive fellow who tested can loaders then. Theory is conquerors despise what they can't conquer. Cats.

Many a mystery writer has allowed many a fictional character to acquire immunity from some certain poison by taking gradually increased doses of same. There's a word for the tolerance so acquired. It's "multitardism."

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Saturday, March 27, 2004

THE ACES ON BRIDGE Bobby Wolff

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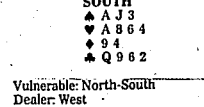
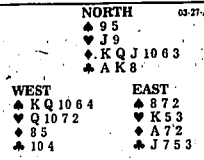
—John Milton

Encirclement may sound like the Native Americans surrounding the wagon trains, but at bridge it generally involves a defender leading an honor and scooping up a high card from declarer or dummy in the process.

West's three no-trump, West's lead of the spade king systematically jacks his partner to follow with the ace, knocked out the diamond ace, and found his relief that his eight hearts protected the fourth round of the suit.

However, there is a defense at trick two that specifically caters for East's having the 9 of hearts. The killing switch is to the heart queen. Whether South takes the first heart or the second one, the defense is in a position to cash three tricks in that suit as soon as East wins the diamond ace.

ANSWER: Respond one no-trump, showing 7-10 in a balanced hand but one that might conceal any unspinning four-card suit. This gets your general values across. By contrast, raising clubs would indicate your values and misrepresent your shape.



The bidding: South West North East. 1♥ Pass 1♦ Pass. 2NT Pass 3NT All pass.

Opening lead: Spade king

BID WITH THE ACES South holds: ♠ 8 7 2, ♥ K 5 3, ♦ A 7 2, ♣ J 7 5 3

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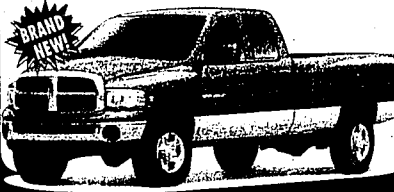
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