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## GOOD MORNING

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Today: Partly sunny and warm, with a chance of a thundershower. High 69, low 45.

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# Going to school – undercover

## Officials say operation at Jerome school was a success

By Karin Kowalski  
Times-News writer

JEROME — For three months, students at Jerome High School went to classes not knowing that one of their peers was actually a 29-year-old sheriff's deputy on a mission to find

drug dealers.

"I never suspected a thing," said Caitlyn Lancaster, a senior who was in the same advisory group and government class with the undercover deputy who went by the name Julio Rodriguez.

Students found out about the

undercover operation when the Jerome County Sheriff's Department arrested five people on drug-related charges Wednesday.

Lancaster said some students felt violated when they first learned of the deputy's presence, but most were coming to

terms with the events.

The investigation actually resulted in six arrests on drug-related charges. Under Sheriff Jocelyne Nunnally said, Donald Ray Hatch, 25, of Wendell was taken into custody Friday on a \$15,000 warrant for delivery of a controlled substance — five grams of marijuana.

The other adult arrested was Anibal Alarcon-Vargas, 18, of

Jerome, who was taken into custody Wednesday on a charge of delivery of a controlled substance. That arrest was in connection with the sale to the undercover deputy of \$100 worth of methamphetamine in the high school parking lot, according to court documents.

Alarcon-Vargas and four ju-

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# WILL WATER FALL?



BYRON STUBBS/The Times-News

The Godfrey family, from Burley, show a friend from Florida the sights at Shoshone Falls Saturday. It has been several years since there's been enough water to sustain spectacular flows over the falls, but officials hope for better views for tourists this summer.

## Mid-June might be time to visit Shoshone Falls

By Jennifer Sandmann  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The three-year dry spell plaguing Shoshone Falls could change for at least a month this summer.

The waterfall isn't promising to be spectacular, but there is a good chance that some water will be spilling over its 212-foot-high rock face.

Thank a better snowpack, endangered salmon and federal relicensing of Idaho Power Co.'s dam at Shoshone Falls.

"We have a little better water supply, we have a little more pressure to perform on our Endangered Species Act commitments, and I guess the water users are starting to feel those pressures," said Mike Beus, a Snake River water manager with the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation in Burley.

When the water is available, water users rent water to the federal government. The water is passed below Milner Dam in

a much-debated program that aims to help flush endangered Snake River salmon and steelhead all the way to the Pacific Ocean.

The bureau is anticipating about 100,000 acre feet of water from above Milner, Beus said. (That's enough water to cover 150 square miles with water a foot deep.) The timing of the release still is being set.

But it looks like mid-June could be the time to visit the falls.

Twin Falls centennial planners have set June 12 for a "blessing of the water" celebration at the falls. They chose the date to coincide with water releases.

This summer's fish flows could last about a month and reach up to 1,500 cubic feet of water per second, Beus said.

Some of that water would bypass the falls into Idaho Power Co.'s hydro plant, which can handle up to 960 cfs. But the river is running at about 800 cfs at Shoshone Falls, so some fish

### If you go ...

The city of Twin Falls began changing seasonal admission Saturday to Shoshone Falls and Clerks Lake parks. Daily admission is \$3 per vehicle. Season passes are available for \$25 per vehicle. Passes are available at the park toll booth, City Hall or the city Parks and Recreation Department.

water would be left for the public.

Flows will be increased gradually to avoid wide fluctuations that could harm the river's ecosystem.

A view of the falls won't come cheap for taxpayers. In fact, 100,000 acre feet of water will cost about \$1.4 million. Water users, who are compensated by the government for sending their water downstream rather than using it on their farms, are setting a rental price of \$14.45 an acre foot to send water

below Milner.

### Snowpack levels

Watershed	% of Avg.	% season peak
Upper Snake Basin	75%	73%
Salmon Falls	89%	82%
Salmon	78%	74%
Oakley	90%	90%
Big Wood	71%	69%
Little Wood	62%	63%
Henry Fork/Teton	87%	85%
Big Lost	71%	71%
Little Lost	78%	71%

As of April 3

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

Magic Valley Irrigation canals empty the Snake River at Milner unless enough water is available to more than satisfy all of the upper river water rights. Flows pick up again near Kimberly, where springs refill the river all the way to King Hill.

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## U.S. death toll leaps over 600 mark

### Cleric's supporters riot in Iraq cities

The Associated Press

NAJAF, Iraq — Supporters of an anti-American cleric rioted in four Iraqi cities Sunday, battling coalition troops in the worst unrest since the spasm of looting and arson immediately after the fall of Saddam Hussein. At least 22 Iraqis, eight U.S. troops and one Salvadoran soldier died.

Hundreds were wounded as fighting raged in Baghdad, Najaf, Nasiriyah and Amarah. Tanks rolled through the Iraqi capital and two Humvees burned in the streets of its eastern Sadr City neighborhood.

Protesters, some dressed all in black or waving green banners, moved toward the fighting in Najaf as heavy gunfire echoed through the city. One man stood on a bridge, a rocket-propelled grenade launcher



American soldiers take cover as a Spanish garrison comes under attack Sunday outside Kutfa, Iraq. Gunmen opened fire on the Spanish garrison during a demonstration by followers of an anti-American Shiite Muslim cleric.

at the ready.

The riots were ignited by the arrest on Saturday of an aide to anti-American cleric Muqtada al-Sadr, known to his reverent followers as al-Sayed, or master.

"I am happy" to die for al-Sayed, 21-year-old Ali Hussein said after being shot in the arm during fighting with troops in Najaf. "Take me to see my

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## Senators question Iraq readiness for sovereignty

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee raised the prospect Sunday of extending the Bush administration's June 30 deadline for turning over power in Iraq, questioning whether the country would be ready for self-rule.

But the White House said firmly it was sticking by its timetable.

Sen. Dick Lugar said security is a shambles in some cities, and Iraqi police forces are not prepared to take over.

"The real issue is June 30,

how we are going to make that transition," the Indiana Republican said on ABC's "This Week."

The key, he said, is that "even as we're trying to get security, which we must, and Iraqis take on more security, there will be enough going there that, in fact, the democratic forces can have the constitution building, they can have the elections, can have the transition."

Asked whether transferring power in less than three months would be too soon, Lugar said, "It may be, and I think it's probably time to have that debate."

Under current plans, Iraq would no longer be under U.S. political control on June 30, but more than 100,000 American troops would remain in the country. U.S. officials have said the Army is assuming it will have to keep roughly 100,000 troops in Iraq for at least another two years.



Sen. Dick Lugar

TWIN FALLS FORECAST

Today: Partly sunny and warm with a thunderstorm possible. Highs near 70.
Tonight: Periods of clouds with a shower possible. Lows in the middle 40s.
Tomorrow: Mostly cloudy and breezy with isolated showers. Highs in the lower to middle 60s.

BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST

Today: Partly sunny and warm with a thunderstorm possible. Highs near 70.
Tonight: Mostly cloudy with a few showers. Lows in the lower to middle 40s.
Tomorrow: Mostly cloudy and breezy with isolated showers. Highs in the lower to middle 60s.

IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS.
Thickening clouds will lead to scattered showers today and Tuesday. Even an afternoon thunderstorm will be possible. Sunny and drier conditions are expected on Wednesday.

BOISE Warm temperatures are expected today but clouds will increase leading to a chance for showers and thunderstorms. Cool temperatures are expected on Tuesday along with a chance for morning showers.

NORTHERN UTAH
Clouds, showers and thunderstorms will be likely over the next several days. Be prepared for wet roads.

Table with 3 columns: City, Today, Tomorrow. Lists various Idaho cities and their weather forecasts.

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TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Five-day forecast for Twin Falls showing weather icons and temperatures for Today, Tonight, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday.

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Almanac for Twin Falls including Temperature, Precipitation, Humidity, Barometric Pressure, Sunrise and Sunset, and Pollen Count.

MOON PHASES

Table showing Moon Phases for April 5, 6, 7, and 8.

REGIONAL FORECAST

Regional forecast table for various Idaho cities including Boise, Idaho Falls, and Pocatello.

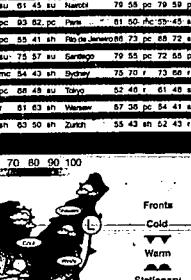
NATIONAL FORECAST

National forecast table for various states including Alaska, Arizona, and California.

WORLD FORECAST

World forecast table for various countries including Canada, Mexico, and the United Kingdom.

TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP



CANADIAN FORECAST

Canadian forecast table for cities like Vancouver, Toronto, and Montreal.

Soldiers undergo tests for uranium contamination

NEW YORK — Army officials at Fort Dix and Walter Reed Army Medical Center are rushing to test all returning members of the 42nd Military Police Company of the New York Army National Guard for depleted uranium contamination.

Pentagon officials Sunday for not properly screening soldiers returning from Iraq. "We can't have people coming back with undiagnosed illnesses," Clinton said.

Undercover

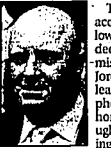
Continued from A1. Veniles were arraigned Thursday and await preliminary hearings, Nunnally said.

Blending In

O'Dell said Sheriff Jim Weaver approached school administrators to propose the undercover officer come to school for the second trimester.

Holdout juror believes defendants were scapegoats

NEW YORK — The holdout juror in the Tyco trial believed defendants Dennis Kozlowski and Mark Swartz were railroaded victims of ethnic scapegoating, another panelist revealed Sunday.



Dennis Kozlowski

The incident's account followed Friday's declaration of mistrial — after Jordan got at least one phone call at home and an ugly letter to convict.

Iraq

Continued from A1. mother then let me die." The first unrepentant to be a show of force by al-Sadr, a 30-year-old Shiite cleric backed by an illegal militia and hundreds of young seminary students.

down by suspected Saddam agents in 1999. Al-Sadr issued a statement later Sunday calling off street protests and saying he would stage a sit-in at a mosque in Kufa, where he has delivered fiery weekly sermons for months.

scrutiny of the U.S. military, whose leaders threatened to arrest him six months ago after his militia fought gunbattles with U.S. troops and moderate Shiites, who support the coalition.

soldiers involved were those who died. Near Najaf, supporters of al-Sadr opened fire on the Spanish garrison during a street protest that drew about 5,000 people.

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Falls

Continued from A1. Twin Falls Parks and Recreation Director Dennis Bowyer hopes for a guarantee soon that water will flow over the falls all summer.

TV

Continued from A1. children who watched on TV. The remainder watched at least five hours daily.

Hours of service: daily and 10 percent watched seven or more hours daily. In a Pediatrics editorial, Educational psychologist Jane Healy said the study "is important and long overdue" but needs to be followed up to confirm and better explain the mechanisms that may be involved.

# Finances hamper Democrats

### GOP looks like it has advantage in key Senate races

WASHINGTON (AP) — Democrats in numerous key Senate campaigns face a financial disadvantage this fall, according to strategists in both parties, the combined result of the priority given to John Kerry's bid for the White House, new fund-raising restrictions and the location of the most competitive races.

### Worshippers pray for woman who killed sons

TYLER, Texas (AP) — At the church where Deanna Laney once ministered to youth, sang in the choir and spoke in tongues, worshippers Sunday prayed for her and her family a day after she was acquitted by reason of insanity of bludgeoning two of her young sons to death.

Members of the Pentecostal First Assembly of God church turned to their faith to cope with killings, which Laney said God told her to commit.

"We'll probably never know really why it happened," said Joe Jackson, 69, a former deacon of the church and friend of the Laney family. "I know she's got some time to serve though to pay for the things that she's done but I think the Lord will be with her and carry her through this."

Pastor Gary Bell preached about hope amid despair to his people, and said he will continue to stand by Laney and her husband, Keith.

"You're going to make it. I said you're going to make it. By the grace of God, you're going to make it," he preached.

Some of Laney's relatives attended Sunday's service and were consoled afterward by church members. They have declined to give interviews.

A jury found Laney, 39, did not know right from wrong in May when she killed her two older sons, ages 6 and 8, in the front yard and left the youngest, 2, maimed in his crib.

ing him and the Democratic National Committee.

Democrats also lag in the fund-raising race between the party's senatorial committees, trailing the Republicans in cash on hand by nearly \$10 million at the end of March, while Kerry works furiously to raise the money to compete with President Bush's record-setting war chest, the president raised \$2.7 million for the GOP senatorial committee at one event in March, and has pledged to attend a dinner benefiting congressional candidates in June.

Dan Allen, a spokesman for the Senate GOP campaign committee, said the money advantage "will allow us to have more of an impact on the competitive races that are in good territory for the Republicans to begin with."

## 9-11 commission plans questions

WASHINGTON (AP) — The commission looking into the Sept. 11 attacks will ask Condoleezza Rice why government anti-terror efforts failed to stop the strike and how the Bush administration plans to fix the problems, panel members said Sunday.

"Nineteen men with \$350,000 defeated every single defensive mechanism we had up on the 11th of September, 2001, and they defeated it utterly," said former Democratic Sen. Bob Kerrey of Nebraska.

President Bush's national security adviser, in her public testimony Thursday will need to answer how that happened, Kerrey said.

Rice also will be asked about ways to correct "what has gone wrong so badly," said a Republican commission member, former Secretary John Lehman.

"She's now got her mind focused on just what went wrong and I want to hear her views on some of the things that were going to do and be recommended to make fundamental changes," Lehman said. He appeared with Kerrey on CBS' "Face the Nation."

Recommendations of the National Commission on Terrorist Attacks Upon the United States are due July 26. The commission's deadline was extended from May 27 after complaints about alleged lack of cooperation by the White House.

A major complaint was Bush's refusal to let Rice testify publicly and under oath, which he said would violate a president's right to confidential exchanges with his advisers.

Under pressure from Congress and the commission,

spokesman for the Senate Democratic campaign committee, conceded the GOP edge but said Democrats would have the money it needs for the "small number of events that we need to impact."

Republicans hold a 51-49 Senate majority, with one Democratic-leaning independent. Democrats must gain two seats to win a majority, but were hit by the retirement of five incumbents in Bush's Southern stronghold.

More recently, though, Republicans Sen. Don Nickles in Oklahoma and Ben Nighthorse Campbell in Colorado have announced retirement plans, and Democrats quickly fielded strong contenders in both states. "We're moving," asserted New Jersey Sen. Jon Corzine, who heads the Democratic senatorial committee.

Privately, though, numerous Democratic strategists conceded a significant financial disadvantage looms, the result of an unprecedented confluence of events.

Four years ago, many of the presidential battleground states — Michigan, Washington, Missouri, Ohio, Pennsylvania among them — also had key Senate contests. Bush and then-Vice President Al Gore poured money and personal into the states, shaping the political terrain with television commercials and get-out-the-vote activities that spilled over to other races.

Two years ago, old fund-raising rules applied, and Republican and Democratic senatorial committees helped their candidates by raising tens of millions of dollars in donations of unlimited size.



Condoleezza Rice Will testify Thursday

including the chairman, former GOP Gov. Thomas H. Kean of New Jersey, Bush relented last week.

The White House had offered earlier for Rice to speak privately with the commission for a second time. She wanted to clear up "a number of mischaracterizations" of her statements and positions in public testimony by former White House counterterrorism chief Richard Clarke.

Democratic commission member Tim Roemer, a former congressman from Indiana, said Rice's testimony this week should help clear up discrepancies in her public positions and Clarke's. "Now I hope that we will

not only focus on "She said, he said," it's important for us not to try to trap Dr. Rice into some kind of a statement she made in private interview," Roemer said.

Bush also agreed to testify alongside Vice President Dick Cheney, but the session will be private, unsworn and unrecorded.

The dual Bush-Cheney testimony Kean said Sunday, was part of a deal with the White House.

"All things considered, maybe we would have rather to have them one at a time, but we don't see any problem with it, really," Kean said on NBC's "Meet the Press."

"They promised us to give us the time we needed to get our questions answered, and if we have any problems, ... we'll have follow-ups."

Kean said a date has been set for their appearance, but he would not disclose it. After Rice's appearance, the next scheduled public hearings are April 13-14 that will focus on failures in intelligence and law enforcement.

## Report: Statue of Liberty could have reopened sooner

NEW YORK (AP) — The Statue of Liberty could have reopened sooner than July if the foundation overseeing the monument's security upgrades had paid for them with money that was available, instead of raising funds especially, according to a published report.

Also, the National Parks Service, which is responsible for the statue, was slow in pursuing the project and did not ask Congress for money to help pay for it because the agency was not sure it wanted to reopen the statue, The New York Times reported Sunday.

The monument has been

closed since the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks. Officials announced earlier this week that visitors would be allowed partial access to the statue in late July, after improvement were made with the money that was raised.

The nonprofit Statue of Liberty-Ellis Island Foundation, which is overseeing the upgrades, chose to launch a fund-raising campaign rather than dip into its \$37.7 million endowment and general fund.

Foundation president Stephen Brigand told the Times the money from the endowment should be "saved for the future."

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## AROUND THE VALLEY

### T.F. County Dems will meet Tuesday

TWIN FALLS - Twin Falls County Democrats say they are bent on instilling a social aspect to this year's political races.

Capping the agenda at this month's regular meeting of the Twin Falls Democratic Central Committee will be discussion about a fund-raising get-together scheduled for May. The meeting will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the conference room at Twin Falls City Hall, 312 Second Ave. E.

Harry Phillips, Democratic Central Committee chairman, said a number of business items will be covered, including formation of pre-primary election campaign issues, an April 26 precinct leadership training program, establishment of a county Young Democrats Association chapter, and criteria for write-in candidates for as-yet unchanged state and county elective offices.

All Twin Falls County residents are welcome to attend and participate in central committee meetings.

For more information, contact Phillips at 735-8825 or harryphillips@email.com.

### Meeting focuses on truck route plans

TWIN FALLS - The public is invited to attend a workshop for the Southeast-Twin Falls Regional Corridor Study at the College of Southern Idaho Officials from the Idaho Transportation Department are going to discuss a potential truck route in the Magic Valley. There will be maps illustrating the locations of recommended improvement projects and a contact name to connect U.S. Highway 93, U.S. Highway 30, Idaho Highway 50 and Interstate 84.

The route to be discussed begins at the Idaho-Nevada border and involves the communities of Reardan, Hellsing, Hansen, Kimberly, Jackpot and Twin Falls.

The workshop will be in Room 277 of the Taylor Administration Building from 7 to 9 p.m.

### City seeks applicants for zoning vacancy

TWIN FALLS - The city has a vacancy for the Planning and Zoning Commission.

Applicants must have lived within the city for at least one year and the county for at least two years.

Interested people should submit letters to the planning and zoning office explaining why they are good candidates.

Hand-deliver the letters to City Hall, 321 Second Ave. E., or fax them to 736-2236. Or the letters can be e-mailed to lorton@tfd.org or mailed to the planning and zoning office, P.O. Box 1907, Twin Falls, 83303-1907.

### BLM sponsors Safety Week activities

SHOSHONE - The Bureau of Land Management is sponsoring several activities during Safety Week, which runs today through Friday. Activities will be held in the Fire Ready room at the BLM's Shoshone Field Office, 400 W. F.S.

The Shoshone Fire Department will present a free session on fire extinguisher training from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. Tuesday.

Blood screenings will be done by Magic Valley Regional Health Center from 8 to 10 a.m. Wednesday. The screenings require fasting from 8 p.m. the previous evening; results are confidential and will be mailed out by the medical center. Costs are \$20 for a comprehensive cholesterol screen and \$10 for a cardiac risk screen.

A stress management seminar will be presented by Canyon View hospital from 3 to 4 p.m. Friday. Admission is free.

For more information, call Tara Hegen at 732-7205 or ask for a member of the safety committee at 732-7200.

### Projects aim to help Lincoln County youth

SHOSHONE - Janet Russell needed a place for her son Mark, 9, to go after school.

So she opened the Sunrise Activity Center, a place where children ages 8 and up can go on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays after school.

She bought a kiln for the center so children can make their own ceramics and pottery.

Some of the projects can be made and taken home the same day. Others take a few weeks to complete, Russell said.

While most of the items created at the center cost something, the center is not about making money, she said. Instead, Russell started the center out of a concern for Shoshone children. She said at a recent Community Justice meeting.

"We want to keep them out of the streets, talk things through, teach kids to communicate," Russell said.

In addition to art projects, the Sunrise Center offers computer games, board games, and more free activities for children.

She has been working with day care centers and other groups to set times for children to come and work on projects.

Adventure Club Inc. - another facility in Shoshone that offers a place for children to go after school - has worked with the Sunrise Activity Center.

Adventure Club started about eight years ago with

# Getting acquainted



I.B. Perrine Elementary School sixth-graders, from left, Ty Bonomo, Mackley Kuhl, Brianna Hanson and Ashley Hepworth read a letter written to them by a student at Manuel M. Diezquez School in Guadalajara, Mexico, Perrine's sister school.

## Local teachers visit new 'sister school' in Mexico

By Loretta Burkhardt  
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS - Four teachers at I.B. Perrine Elementary School brought back mementos and gifts from individual students following a weeklong visit to their "sister school" in Guadalajara, Mexico.

And opening a treasure chest filled with surprises from pen-pals who attend the Manuel M. Diezquez School in Mexico's state of Jalisco was the delight of students in Myrna Griffith's sixth-grade classroom at Perrine last week.

The trip to Mexico was part of an educational exchange between the two schools. The exchange was made possible a year ago after a "sister school" agreement was signed by Gov. Dirk Kempthorne and Francisco Ramirez Acuna, the governor of Jalisco.

The idea behind the accord is to promote friendly relations and to enhance understanding and cooperation in education, culture and technology between the two countries.

As a result of the year-old agreement, Griffith spent the entire week of spring break with fellow teachers Rosalind Dingwall, Kris Roy and Eugene Hodges attending classes and exchanging ideas with teachers and students at the sister school.

Following a year of correspondence with the school - and with a new sixth-grade curriculum that involves all of Latin America -

"we're leaning to speak Spanish, and they're learning to speak English," Griffith said.

But the learning experience went beyond the spoken word.

Located in a city with a population of more than 4 million people, Manuel M. Diezquez School has a student body of about 576 students. While each student has a desk, individual lesson books are rare. For the most part, instructors rely on a chalkboard, and instruction is given verbally. Students turn record information into consumable workbooks, or single spiral-bound notebooks.

"They basically work with nothing," Griffith said.

With a common goal to break cultural and language barriers by exchanging curriculum and enhancing the understanding about each other's schools, the exchange between educators went "far beyond" their expectations, said Roy, who teaches kindergarten.

"It was a tremendous learning experience, seeing their teaching styles and how they do so much with so very, very little. But even with a small amount of resources they have to work with, they do an excellent job of educating their children," Roy said.

The Spanish planning was a bonus.

With a pre-planned agenda of educational entertainment awaiting the visitors, the level of acceptance the four local teachers received was beyond anything Hodges

could put into words.

"We were complete strangers, yet they treated us like they had known us all their lives," the sixth-grade teacher said.

Griffith agreed.

"They're the most generous, hospitable people I've ever met," Griffith said.

Nevertheless, the opportunity of exchange was no easy matter.

Before the cooperative effort could happen, guidelines had to be worked out between the two countries, and mutual educational rules and regulations were set in order.

The signed agreement allows both schools to explore curriculum exchanges and opens the door of communication between students and teachers.

With a hope that the experience will develop into close and lasting relationships, Griffith, who was instrumental in bringing the program to the Twin Falls School District, encourages pen-pal correspondence and the exchange of e-mail messages between the students of the two schools.

Although a language barrier still exists, during the weeklong visit the teachers found a way to build a bridge.

"Laughter is the same in any language," Dingwall said.

Times-News correspondent Loretta Burkhardt can be reached in Twin Falls at 734-3990.

## City adjusts water practices

### Decline in primary spring prompts changes in policy

By Julie Pence  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - The city's main water source is diminished by more than 30 percent from five years ago.

That source, the Blue Lakes spring, accounts for about 60 percent of the water that residents use for drinking and irrigation, said Lance Bates, one of the city's engineers.

**Meeting today**  
The Twin Falls City Council meets today in council chambers, 305 Third Ave. E. The meeting is open to the public.

"It is the backbone of our city water supply," said Gretchen Scott, assistant to the city manager.

The drop in the spring flow has been brought on by drought, changing irrigation practices and groundwater pumping, Bates said. Those are the same factors in the decline of springs all along the Snake River Canyon in western Magic Valley.

At its regular meeting on April 5 at 5 p.m., the City Council will hear a presentation from city employees about how to mitigate the problem.

One thing the city has already put in place to preserve the Blue Lakes supply is requiring all new subdivisions to use canal water for irrigation. The city acquires any water rights that come with the land upon which a subdivision is to be built, and infrastructure for piping and canal water to lawns is put in place. Then the Blue Lakes water is used only for drinking and household uses, Scott said.

In addition, the city is switching to recycled water.

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## School boards have openings around valley

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS - If you're interested in serving on your local school board, now may be the time to get involved.

The filing period for school board elections is under way. The deadline for candidates to file is April 16.

If openings are contested, elections are planned in each school district for May 18. Idaho law allows school officials to waive elections for board members if only one candidate files for a position.

Candidates must pick up application forms at their respective school district offices. In order to run, a candidate must obtain the signatures of five registered voters from the zone the candidate is seeking to represent.

All seats, except the one noted otherwise, are three-year terms. Here's a listing of what's open and who's running so far.

- Twin Falls
  - Positions open: One from Zone 3 (northwest Twin Falls), one from Zone 4 (northeast Twin Falls).
  - Incumbents, running: Vera Redman, unknown; Del Traver, no.
  - Candidates filed: No others.
- Jerome
  - Positions open: One from Zone 5 (southeast part of district).
  - Incumbents, running: Connie Bernsen, no.
  - Candidates filed: Not available.
- Buhl
  - Positions open: One from Zone 3 (west side of town from Broadway), one from Zone 4 (east side of town from Broadway).
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Raymond Alexander and Aaron Aggeler install a retaining wall for sand where a new playground will be installed at Shoshone City Park. The playground equipment is one of several new youth-oriented improvements in Shoshone Park.

## Leaders target juvenile crime in Lincoln County

By Lorraine Cavener  
Times-News correspondent

SHOSHONE - When it comes to strengths, towns like Shoshone, Dietrich and Richfield have a lot to offer.

Several residents recently discussed how living in small towns, having family connections and knowing the others around them were important aspects of life in Lincoln County. Such strengths were the topic of the first "Community Justice" meeting in Shoshone last month.

But Lincoln County life has its

drawbacks, too.

Those challenges were the main topic of discussion last week at the second Community Justice meeting, which was held at the county courthouse with 5th District Judge Mark Ingram moderating.

Speaking to a crowd of about 45 people, Ingram said some of the most important things he had said that folks in Lincoln County are good at working through crises.

"These numbers ought to put us to the test of whether we really are good in a crisis," Ingram said.

He listed the sobering statistics.

"There are currently no less than eight girls in the county who are pregnant between the ages of 16 and 18," he said.

"Looking at the census data from 2000, that's over 10 percent of the girls in the county in that age group."

Another number he gave included the fact that 22 citations for underage drinking had been issued in the past 18 months.

"That is only the cases that were reported," Ingram said. "That is the equivalent of over

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Idaho teacher in Haiti expects soon return

BOISE (AP) — A former Boise resident who remained in Haiti despite escalated violence is expected to soon return to Idaho.

Brittany Adams-Bastien, 22, teaches in an orphanage in Port-au-Prince where she lives with her husband, Gary Bastien. She is caring for a year-old Dominican, a Haitian child who was not expected to live more than a few months.

Port-au-Prince in late February, and most Americans, including teachers who worked with Britnanny, left the country.

Board studies different methods of teaching English

BOISE (AP) — The rising influx of non-English speakers has some Idaho educators looking for new ways to help these students, such as making use of Beatles songs.

"The Ed Sullivan Show" Teacher Lisa Kinnaman said "sheltered instruction" classes like this mix English-language instruction with the regular subject matter.

try regular students. They're just getting it in a different way.

ON THE AGENDA

- Today
Acquia City Council, 8 p.m.
Acquia Automotive, 26022 F St.
Blaine County commissioner, 8:45 a.m., courthouse, 206 First St., Halley.

- Courthouse, 206 First Ave. S., Halley.
Hagerman City Council, 7:30 p.m., City Hall, 110 W. Main.
Jerome City Council, 7 p.m., council chambers, 100 E. Ave. A.

- Hagerman Chamber of Commerce, noon, Hagerman Senior Center, 140 E. Lake.
Jackpot Advisory Board, 6 p.m., Jackpot Library, 2301 Progress, Zovire.

- Today
Regional Transportation Board monthly meeting, noon, Taylor 256.
CSI Golden Eagle booster luncheon, noon, Taylor 277.

- education aerobics room.
Thursday
University of Idaho Milkers School, 7 a.m., Evergreen A21.
Magic Valley Student Leadership breakfast, 8 a.m., Taylor 277.

- Huggle — Bears — Narcotics Anonymous meeting, 7 p.m., Desert 113.
Boxing Club, 9 p.m., physical education aerobics room.

OBITUARIES

For obituary rates and information, call 735-3278 Monday through Saturday. Deadline is 4 p.m. for next-day publication. The e-mail address for obituaries is obits@magvalley.com.

Oma D. Baker - Richfield

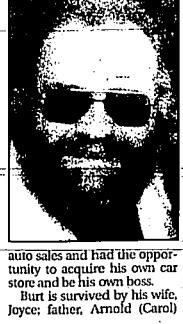
Oma D. Baker, a 75-year-old Richfield resident, died Thursday, April 1, 2004 at the Shoshone Rehabilitation and Living Center in Shoshone.

On Aug. 26, 1944 in West Virginia. They were later divorced. In September 2000, Oma moved to Richfield to be close to her daughter.

great-grandchild in October. Oma was preceded in death by her parents, two sons, two daughters and a grandson.

Burdette 'Burt' Ray Hirsch - Twin Falls

Burdette "Burt" Ray Hirsch, a 49-year-old Twin Falls resident, passed away Friday, April 2, 2004, at home with his family by his side.



Hirsch; children Don (Susan) Hirsch of Burley; Felicia (John) Kostova of Twin Falls; Bobby Hirsch of Coeur d'Alene; Krisi Hirsch of Twin Falls; Heather Marsh of Utah; Brad Sartin of Twin Falls; Daniel Cross of Boise; and Jerry Cross of Boise; eight grandchildren and one great-grandchild; one brother, Delmar (Roberta) Hirsch of Burley; and one sister, Susan (Dale) Higgins of Nebraska.

Edna Luella Egner - Twin Falls

Edna Luella Egner, an 87-year-old Twin Falls resident, passed away Saturday, April 3, 2004, at SunBridge Care and Rehabilitation Center following a brief illness. Edna was born Dec. 14, 1916 in Haxton, Colo., the first child of Homer and Mary Schnell.



going. Edna was a member of the St. Edwards the Confessor Catholic Church of Twin Falls. She is survived by a son, Rockie (Barbara) Egner of Filer; a daughter, Patricia Gross of Boise; seven grandchildren, ten great grandchildren, two great-great grandchildren and a sister, Bette (Hubert) Hendrix of Twin Falls.

SERVICES

at the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses... 2628 - Whispers

DEATH NOTICES

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# MAGIC VALLEY/WEST

## Openings

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way.

- Incumbents, running? Grant Loveless, yes; Pam McClain, yes.
- Candidates filed: No others.

■ Castleford

- Positions open: One two-year term from Zone 4 (south, southeast and west of 3600 North), one from Zone 3 (north and northwest - from 3500 North).
- Incumbents, running? Scott Tverdy, moved out of zone; Bob Black, no.
- Candidates filed: Not available.

■ Filer

- Positions open: One from Zone 1 (northwest and east of Filer), one from Zone 4 (southeast part of district).
- Incumbents, running? Dave Ramseyer, no; Garald Orth, no.
- Candidates filed: None.

■ Gooding

- Positions open: One from Zone 4 (west side of Gooding).
- Incumbents, running? Tim Pierson, yes.
- Candidates filed: No others.

■ Hansen

- Positions open: One from Zone 3 (north and west of Hansen), one from Zone 2 (North and east of Hansen).
- Incumbents, running? Louise Bally, yes; Robert Harris, yes.
- Candidates filed: No others.

■ Kimberly

- Positions open: One from

Zone 5 (from Center Street to west district boundary to the hills and east to the district line), one from Zone 4 (south from Center Street along 3500 East and south to the Lowell Canal).

- Incumbents, running? Kent Allen, yes; Dave Fullmer, yes.
- Candidates filed: No others.

■ Shoshone

- Positions open: One from Zone 3 (northwest and part of northeast part of town), one from Zone 2 (southwest part of town).
- Incumbents, running? Dale Chatterton, yes; Dr. Terrill Zech, yes.
- Candidates filed: No others.

■ Richfield

- Positions open: One each in Zones 2, 3, 4 and 5 (each zone is spread out throughout town; boundaries are indistinct).
- Incumbents, running? Brenda Farnsworth, unknown; Jessie West, yes; Dave Yorita, unknown; Sandra Calkins, yes.
- Candidates filed: No others.

■ Dietrich

- Positions open: One from Zone 5 (eastern portion of district).
- Incumbents, running? Shannon Telford, unknown.
- Candidates filed: None.

■ Murtaugh

- Positions open: One from Zone 3 (part of town to Cassia County), one from Zone 5 (other side of lake-to foothills).
- Incumbents, running? Liza Lutmer, unknown; Stuart Tolman, yes.

- Candidates filed: No others.

■ Bills

- Positions open: One from Zone 1 (west side of town), one from Zone 3 (northwest side of town).
- Incumbents, running? Steve Goolsby, yes; Allison Janss, yes.
- Candidates filed: No others.

■ Hagerman

- Positions open: One from Zone 2 (northeast of Hagerman), one from Zone 3 (city and west of Hagerman).
- Incumbents, running? Troy Brown, yes; Frank Knight, yes.
- Candidates filed: No others.

■ Valley

- Positions open: One from Zone 5 (east end of district).
- Incumbent, running? John Bruue, undecided.
- Candidates filed: Not available.

■ Wendell

- Positions open: One from Zone 1 (northeast section of the district), one from Zone 5 (the rural southeast portion of the district).
- Incumbents, running? Gray Solomon, no; John W. Wright, unknown.
- Candidates filed: None.

■ Camas County

- Positions open: One from Zone 1 (Hill City).
- Incumbent, running? Nels Bennett, yes.
- Candidates filed: No others.

■ Three Creek

- open: One from Zone 3

(northeast of Three Creek School).

- Incumbent, running? Joe Elmer, no.
- Candidates filed: None.

■ Cassia County

- Positions open: One from Zone 2 (southwest Burley and south and west of the city), one from Zone 1 (part of Burley, all of Oakley and the area between).
- Incumbents, running? Steve Lynch, yes; Debbie Critchfield, yes.
- Candidates filed: No others.

■ Minidoka County

- Positions open: One from Zone 2 (northern part of county).
- Incumbents, running? Rande Martin, no.
- Candidates filed: No others.

■ Blaine County

- Positions open: One from Zone 1 (Bellevue south to county line), one from Zone 3 (east of Halley), one from Zone 5 (northwest of Halley and Ketchum to county line).
- Incumbents, running? Howard Royal, unknown; Kathy Pruitt, unknown; Julie Dahlgren, unknown.
- Candidates filed: Not available.

■ Glenns Ferry

- Positions open: One from Zone 2 (Hammett) and one from Zone 3 (north side of railroad tracks east to Garfield Street).
- Incumbents, running? Rich Morrison, unknown; Dewey Crane, unknown.
- Candidates filed: None.

## Hospital: Patients should try to prevent errors

**The Times-News**

TWIN FALLS — Magic Valley Regional Medical Center is taking additional steps to promote health care quality and safety by urging patients to take a role in preventing health care errors, according to a hospital news release.

"Preventing health care errors has always been a focus at Magic Valley Regional," said Sharon Fischer, director of quality resources at the hospital.

"Patient Safety, Team and Performance: Improvement Committee monitor the quality of care we provide and look for opportunities for improvement."

New activities to promote patient safety include informational cards to be given to all patients in the hospital, staff education to increase awareness of patient safety needs and public promotion of patient involvement in quality and safety initiatives.

The hospital participated in the "Speak Up" campaign, a program sponsored by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations. The program encouraged patients to become active, involved and informed participants on the health care team.

Fischer said patients and their families can take a more active role in preventing health care errors by using the following tips:

- Ask a trusted family member or friend to be your advocate.
- Know what medications you take and why you take them. Medication errors are the most common health care errors.
- Use a hospital, clinic, surgery center or other type of health care organization that has undergone a rigorous on-site evaluation against established state-of-the-art quality and safety standards, such as that provided by ICAHO. Magic Valley Regional is ICAHO accredited.
- Participate in all decisions about your treatment. You are the center of the health care team.

## Crime

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half the kids graduating from Shoshone High School this year.

"People listening to Ingram's statistics, which he gathered from court records and the 2000 Census, said that it read like something out of a city anywhere but in Idaho.

"These numbers, which bear out the concerns expressed at the last meeting, are very real," he said. "I know if you are like me, the list of challenges seems pretty daunting."

His hope is that discussions can lead to solutions.

The judge introduced the Association of Idaho Cities' Michael Shaw, who works in leadership training, conflict resolution, community building and cultural diversity.

Shaw asked everyone in the room to introduce themselves and explain why they came to the meeting.

A group included several city, county and school district officials, as well as parents, law enforcement officers and Department of Health and Welfare officials.

Local filmmakers from Western States College were present with cameras rolling.

"We're making this film to document this event," said Michael Clair, president of WSC. "This is groundbreaking."

The college has a strong interest in children, who are normally just numbers in Ingram's statistics, Clair said.

"One of the things Western States offers is a place for kids to find their magic," said Karina Fernald, who lives near Shoshone and is involved with the college.

Shaw said magic can be worked in Lincoln County when proactive preventative measures are taken.

Instead of a having a shelter, domestic violence could be decreased to zero with the right combination of help from the community, Shaw said.

"One of the beautiful things

**Lincoln County statistics:**

- 31 drug charges, 11 of which involved methamphetamine, were filed during last year.
- More than 85 percent of these drugs were found in the home commute. Average commute time - one way - is 30.4 minutes.
- Eight child protection cases were filed involving 11 children since last July.
- Nineteen are in Department of Health and Welfare custody because of cases involving abuse, neglect or abandonment.
- About 40 youth are on probation for juvenile crime - more than 40 percent of the county's population between the ages of 15 and 18.
- About 70 adults are on supervised probation.
- Seven children from Lincoln County were charged with curfew violations in Twin Falls County.
- 37 children, average age 15, have been in detention since 2001 for a total of 536 detention days. The average stay is 14 days. Daily cost of detention is \$136. The county has spent \$72,896 on detention since 2001.

Source: 5th District Judge Mark Ingram, speaking at a "Community Justice" meeting

was another suggestion.

Jann Thomsen, a teacher at Shoshone High School who works with STEPS Student/Teacher Empowerment Program of Shoshone said that group already has completed a youth survey that asked about the young people's wants and needs.

"Let's get that information to this body," Shaw said, adding that the Community Justice meetings could facilitate bringing together a wide number of groups who had been working separately on solutions to juvenile problems.

Laino outreach was another suggestion.

"Most police officers only know one phrase in Spanish - 'Mono serbia,'" Shaw said.

The phrase means "hands up," he said. "It takes more than that to build a relationship."

He told the group about College of Southern Idaho classes that help people quickly learn to converse in Spanish.

Shaw asked the group to write down ideas of what could be done to help prevent juvenile crime. He said the ideas would be compiled and sent out to people in the group and the ideas would be discussed at the next meeting.

From this, several subcommittees could form to work on during the issues, Latino issues, education issues and more, Oxtarango-Ingram said.

The group received a \$10,000 Regional Substance Abuse Authority grant to help pay for speakers and other expenses related to the meetings, she said.

As the group began to write their suggestions - with looks of intense passion on their faces - Shaw brought out an acoustic guitar and began to sing songs about transformation, clarity, healing grace, dignity and change.

The next Community Justice meeting will be held at 6:30 p.m. May 6 at the Lincoln County Courthouse.

## Water

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ing some of the older parts of town back to canal water for irrigation. During the early decades of Twin Falls history, residents used canal water, but at some point most began sprinkling with household water.

The city has started using canal water for its own parks.

As a result of the change to canal water, the city is actually using less water from the Blue Lakes source than four years ago, when the switch to canal water began, Scott said.

One thing the city can do to stretch the Blue Lakes water is to reduce the irrigation system. If residents don't start watering until mid-April, they can save weeks off the season, she said.

"People have to understand they don't have to water the first day it turns 60 degrees," Scott said.

The city is also trying to get residents to change the kind of landscaping they use, Scott said. Instead of planting grass, shrubs and trees that require a lot of water, Scott said the city is holding classes on desert landscape, or xeriscaping. There is also information on the city's web site about desert plants.

The main thing the public must remember, Bates said, is that southern Idaho is still in a drought. And it's a serious drought.

"We're still in an exceptional or extreme drought," Bates said. "Exceptional is worse than extreme. We have to re-educate the public on water use."

## Randy Hansen Explains Reasoning for Re-entering the Political Arena

When asked at a local meeting why he wanted to run again, Randy explained, "Twin Falls has been the home of my wife and me almost our entire lives. This is where we have raised all our children."

After selling his business, he and his wife could have lived just about anywhere. Twin Falls, however, is where they chose to live; and it is his dream to again represent the Republican Party and the people of Magic Valley in the upcoming primary election.

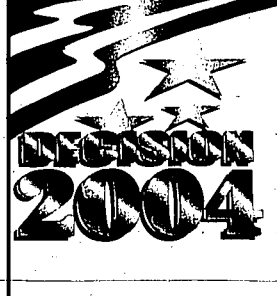
In answer to the question of why he previously left the House of Representatives and what has changed his life so that he now has the time to serve, Hansen replied, "I am an individual who is very focused. When the Legislature was in session, it was my life. My family, my work, and everything else were put on hold for three months. I felt that stepping down would be only fair to the thousands who had elected me to that sacred office. With the

addition of a second automobile dealership and the added responsibilities in my church, it was too much. The demand on my family became overwhelming.

"Walking away from the House of Representatives - a job that I loved - was the hardest thing I have ever done."

"Now circumstances have changed. All my children have left the nest except one. She is a teenager, so I never see her anyway. I have sold my dealerships, and my church responsibilities are much less demanding. My wife thinks that I need a job now since I have way too much free time. I feel that I have the time it would take to serve my Republican supporters in Idaho."

If you want to be part of the Randy Hansen Team, call Campaign Headquarters 736-4860, fax: 734-5354 or write: Randy Hansen for Senate, 834 Falls Ave., Suite 1020 N., Twin Falls, Idaho 83301.



## Projects

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about eight children enrolled. It expanded to full time two summers ago, and enrollment also has expanded.

Enrollment now is between 30 and 40 children, said Ronda Owens, an after-school aide. Adventure Club is now a preschool, daycare and after-school care center.

"It meets the needs of a whole family, rather than just after school," Owens said.

Lincoln County has demonstrated a need for more places like these.

More than 85 percent of those who work outside the home commute, according to the 2000 Census. The average commute time one way is 30.4 minutes.

Many people live in Shoshone and commute to either Twin Falls or Blaine County to work.

Adventure Club is able to

offer more activities because of the state Regional Substance Abuse Authority grants received by the program, said Rovanna Scamrow, site director and grant administrator.

The grants, which vary from year to year, pay the cost of staffing and extracurricular activities such as art projects and Internet access.

"Lunch Buddy" is another youth program that is growing, with about 70 young people participating, said Michele Gaskill, youth asset builder with AmeriCorps.

She is working with Lincoln County youth on several other projects, such as a skate park upgrade. Some high school students wrote a grant proposal for the upgrade, Gaskill said.

"Community of Promise" is another program area youth are beginning to become involved in, she said. The program works

to improve youth and adult relationships.

"We as a community are committed to make sure these gaps are filled," Gaskill said.

The Shoshone City Council also is working to fill a gap. The council, along with the Lincoln County Parks and Recreation Department, received a grant from a toy manufacturer for a large piece of playground equipment.

The \$10,000 piece of equipment cost the city and the park department \$5,000 in matching funds.

A city work crew was working to install the equipment last week, but it could take up to a month to finish depending on what other projects the crew has to work on.

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A Twin Falls teen gets a wish.

SPORTS

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SPORTSQUOTE

I think the fact that I was young, dumb and Canadian.

Clants QB Jesse Palmer on why he thinks he was chosen to star in the new season of 'The Bachelor'

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

High school baseball... High school softball... IN BRIEF

M.V. drag racers eliminated

LAS VEGAS - Jerome native Dick Vander Meer won two rounds in the Super Comp division with his rear-engine Dragster, before losing out to Matt Constant of Stockton, Calif.

Vander Meer reached 171 m.p.h. while Constant cracked 173 m.p.h. to win Sunday at the NHRA Summit Racing.com Nationals at the Las Vegas Motor Speedway.

Diana Anderson of Twinn Falls lost out in the second round Saturday night in the Super Gas event.

Larry Malone Pro Am starts today at Muni

TWIN FALLS - The 30th annual Larry Malone Snake River Chapter PGA Scholarship Pro Am golf tournament starts this morning at the Twin Falls Municipal Golf Course.

Buhl baseball signups begin Tuesday night

BUHL - Registration for Buhl Youth baseball begins Tuesday, April 6 from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Buhl Elementary School and continues at the same time and location on Thursday, April 8.

An additional session will be held from 6:30 a.m. to 10 a.m. Saturday, April 10 at the school. The registration covers boys and girls ages 6-15.

Castleford looks for baseball coaches

CASTLEFORD - Anyone interested in coaching a team in Castleford Youth baseball 2004 needs to attend a Tuesday, April 6 meeting at 7:30 p.m. at the Red Barrel in Castleford.

Jerome Rec plans softball meeting

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

T.F. swimmer heads to YMCA nationals

By Kevin Colbert Times-News writer



Michael Machala trains Friday afternoon at the YMCA/City Pool. The Twin Falls teenager will compete in four events at YMCA nationals in Orlando.

TWIN FALLS - Sometimes, dreams do come true. Making it to the YMCA National Swimming and Diving Championships has always been a goal for Twin Falls native Michael Machala.

hard to qualify for this meet," said Machala, who qualified in the maximum four events. "And I did it. So I'm really proud of myself that I reached this goal."

to qualify for nationals in six years had to swim under national standard times at the YMCA Pacific Region North Swim Meet in Boise in early March. He did so in the 50-yard freestyle (22:73), 100 freestyle (45:02), 100 butterfly (54:54) and 200 individual medley (2:02:59).

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Davis steal lifts Vols

Tennessee books another berth in NCAA women's title game Tuesday

The Associated Press

NEW ORLEANS - In the end, Tennessee always seems to find a way. LaFoya Davis scored with 1.6 seconds left after LSU's Temeka Johnson lost the ball in the backcourt, giving Tennessee a 52-50 victory over the Lady Tigers in the national semifinals Sunday night.

Nothing has come easy for the Lady Vols this season, but remarkable balance and resiliency have put them in their 11th NCAA championship game.

It was the third straight two-point, last-second victory for the Lady Vols, who had only three players score in double figures. With the score tied 50-50 and the clock running down, once again Tennessee put the ball in the hands of Tasha Butts, who scored the winning points in the Lady Vols' last two narrow wins.

She missed this time, giving LSU the ball with 8 seconds left. But Tennessee trapped Johnson in the backcourt, forcing the turnover. The ball squirted out and Shyra Ely came up with it and quickly fed Davis underneath for an uncontested layup.

Tennessee will seek an NCAA-best seventh title against the winner of the other semifinal between Connecticut and Minnesota.

Seimone Augustus led LSU with 16 points and nine rebounds, but her shooting percentage-plummeted from her previous games in the tournament.

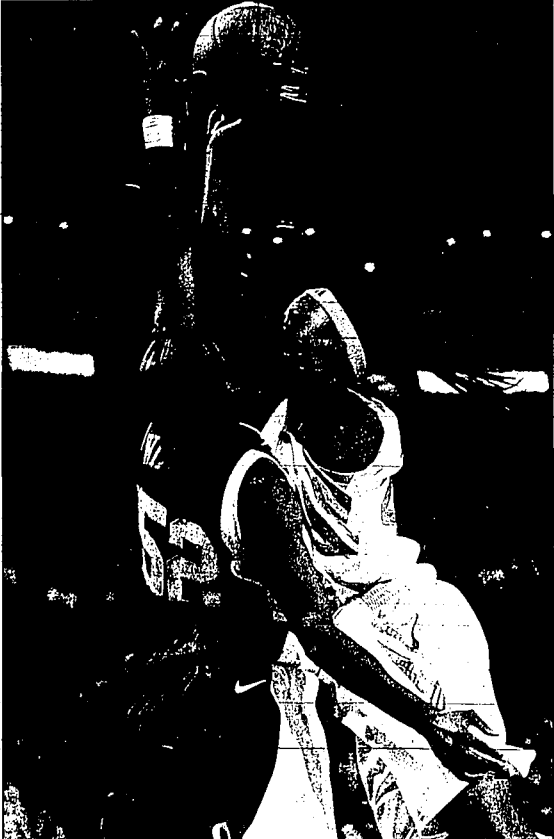
She carried the Lady Tigers to their first Final Four by making LSU the 8th seed.

She finished 7-for-21 against Tennessee. Johnson had nine points and eight assists for LSU.

Shanna Zolman led Tennessee (31-3) with 12 points, hitting a 3-pointer at the shot-clock buzzer with 1:38 left to give Tennessee a 50-46 lead.

LSU (27-8) rallied to tie it at 50 when Johnson drove and passed to Tille Willis with 27.2 seconds left.

But Davis made the final basket.



Tennessee's Shyra Ely, right, goes up for a shot against Louisiana State's Tille Willis (52) during the second half Sunday of the NCAA women's basketball semifinal in New Orleans.

It was the lowest scoring game-in-women's-Final-Four history. The previous was in the 1985 semifinal game in which Old Dominion defeated and Louisiana-Monroe 57-47. It was a sour end to a feel-good run by LSU. Longtime coach Sue Gunter has been watching games from home since early this season because of respiratory problems.

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Two teams tie for first at Cove best ball

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS - The teams of Kevin Boer and Todd Ostrom were matched stroke-by-stroke by the Sun Valley duo of Walter Littonberg and Jeff Wong as the two pairs tied for first place at the two-day The Cove-Pepsi Best Ball golf tournament Sunday.

Boer and Ostrom carded a 65 the first day and a 62 the second round for a total of 127, as did Littonberg and Wong, overtaking the first round-leaders, Kevin Packard and Larry Amen, who carded a 64 Saturday and a 67 Sunday to take fourth.

Norm Lancaster and Gary Jenkins took third with a 130.

Wong Littonberg were especially proud of their first win in their initial sports entry in this best ball tournament. Their home course in Sun Valley won't open for another couple weeks.

"We plugged away and took what the course gave us," Wong said. "We made a few putts."

Wong's strengths of long drives and accurate putting complemented Littonberg's mid-to-short-range game.

"We're like ham and eggs," Littonberg said.

Chris Stelling and Marguerite Astorquia carded a two-day 152 to win the gross championship ladies flight while Linda Rockne and Mary Ann Lancaster shot a 141 in the net. Leaders follow:

- Championship Flight... Ladies... Please see VOLS, Page A8

Orioles win stateside opener

The Associated Press

BALTIMORE - One bad inning did in Pedro Martinez, just like last October.

Javy Lopez homered and drove in three runs, and fellow newcomers Rafael Palmeiro and Miguel Tejada both had two hits to lead the Orioles over the Boston Red Sox 7-2 Sunday night in Lee Mazzilli's first game as Baltimore's manager.

Martinez experienced an uncharacteristic lapse in control while yielding three second-inning runs. The Red Sox fell behind the New York Yankees (1-1) in the AL East for the first time this season by virtue of the opening-night loss.

Signed as free agents during a busy winter for the Orioles, Lopez, Palmeiro and Tejada combined to go 7-for-11 with three runs and four RBIs. Tejada was also perfect on 12 chances at shortstop.

Martinez was the loser, giving



Baltimore shortstop Manuel Tejada turns the double play Sunday against Boston Sunday night at Camden Yards.

Sorenstam wins 50th LPGA career victory

The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES - Annika Sorenstam won her 50th LPGA Tour title, birdieing three of the final five holes Sunday for a 3-under 69 and a three-stroke victory in the Office Depot Championship.

The LPGA Hall of Famer, also the tournament winner in 2001 and 2003 and the runner-up in 2002, had a 9-under 207 total. Ashi Bunch closed with a 65 to tie for second with Meg Mallon at 6 under. Mallon, two shots off Sorenstam's lead began the day, shot a 70.

Sorenstam, who came on the LPGA Tour full time in 1994, led all three days of the tournament, although Bunch tied her at the top briefly during the final round. Sorenstam pulled away when she found her putting touch down the stretch. Sorenstam became the second fastest to 50 wins on the

LPGA Tour. She reached the milestone in 10 years, three months and 19 days. Mickey Wright won her 50th when she had been on the tour for eight years, eight months and 21 days.

Kathy Whitworth holds the record for total wins with 88.

Johnson wins BellSouth Classic

DULUTH, Ga. - Zach Johnson finished an up-and-down round exactly where he started - out front. The PGA Tour rookie held on to win the BellSouth Classic on Sunday despite four bogys over a five-hole stretch on the back nine. He shot an even-par 72 to edge Mark Hensby by a stroke. He finished at 13-under 275 on the TPC at Sugarloaf. Hensby closed with a 67, Scott (71) followed at 11 under.





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Minico boosters meet at school tonight

RUPERT — The Minico Booster Club will meet at 6:30 p.m. Monday, April 5 in the Minico High School Library. Parents with students in grades 9-12 are urged to attend. Call 436-5670 for more information.

Jerome Babe Ruth signups continue

JEROME — The Babe Ruth league for players ages 13-15 will hold registration at the rec district offices from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 6. The fee is \$65 for the season, which runs May 1 through June 25.

Twain Falls to compete in regional

Twain Falls will compete in the regional basketball tournament on Saturday, April 10. The team is coached by Coach...

CSU booster luncheons continue on Mondays

Twain Falls — The College Southern Idaho booster club luncheon will be held at noon Monday in the Taylor Administration Building Room 277 on campus. Fans and boosters are welcome to attend.

Sadler wins in Texas, Kahne loses again

FORT WORTH, Texas — Elliott Sadler took advantage of another hard-luck moment for Jeff Gordon in Texas, then handed off rookie Casey Kahne in an exciting finish Sunday.

Spain's Jimenez wins Algarve Open title

FORTIMAO, Portugal — Spain's Miguel Angel Jimenez shot a 5-and-3 victory at the Algarve Open.

Indians trade Bradley to L.A. for minor leaguer

PHILADELPHIA — The Los Angeles Dodgers acquired troubled outfielder Milton Bradley from the Cleveland Indians on Sunday for a minor league player and a player to be named.

Well-travelled Oilers center Oates retires

VANCOUVER, British Columbia — Edmonton Oilers center Adam Oates announced his retirement minutes after the Oilers were eliminated from the playoffs.

Reyes will start season on Mets' disabled list

PORT ST. LUCIE, Fla. — Jose Reyes' strained right hamstring will prevent him from starting the season with the New York Mets, who traded second baseman on the 15-day disabled list.

Roddick wins Biscayne title

KEY BISCAYNE, Fla. — Andy Roddick battled a fluary stomach in the final of the Nasdaq-100 Open, and he was the healthiest player on the court.

First MIT graduate reaches big leagues

SAN DIEGO — MIT finally has its first big league ballplayer. Jason Szuminski, who

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Sadler and Kahne were racing side-by-side in the front of the field, with the rookie trying to get back in the lead for the seventh time.

He led 148 laps, but not the one that mattered. Sadler led by a half-second on lap 160, but Kahne kept trimming the space between the two cars. He tried to go high several times in the corners, but never could get back in.

Gordon finished third and Dale Earnhardt Jr. was fourth, his fourth top-10 finish at the 1.5-mile track where he got his first Cup win four years ago. A week after a runner-up finish at Bristol, Rusty Wallace was fifth, stretching his winless drought to 105 races.

Bradley, the Indians' cleanup hitter, was barred from Cleveland's training camp Thursday, one day after he was pulled from an exhibition game by manager Eric Wedge for not running out a pop fly.

He then was optioned to the minors. Cleveland received outfielder Ryan Wallance, 21, the Dodgers' minor league player of the year last season, when he hit .282 with 20 homers and 68 RBIs for Class-A Vero Beach.

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Oates signed with the Oilers as a free agent in mid-November after helping Anaheim to Game 7 of the Stanley Cup final last season, the closest he came to winning the Stanley Cup.

Oates, who also played with Detroit, St. Louis, Boston, Washington and briefly in Philadelphia, topped the 100-point plateau four times in his career.

His best season was in 1992-93, when he had 45 goals and 142 points for Boston.

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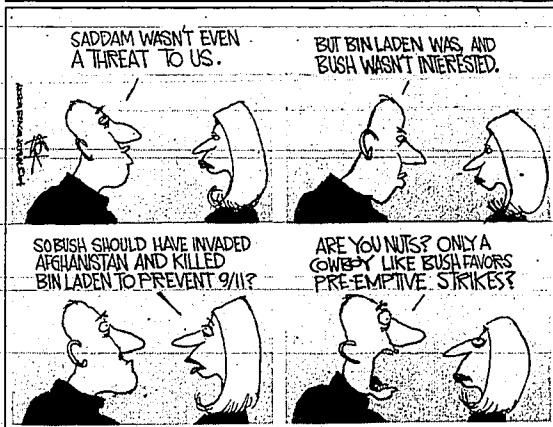
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Focus on Stubblefield, not administrative leave

Right or wrong, my husband, Robbin Stubblefield, was put on administrative leave without pay when he filed a declaration of candidacy for Twin Falls County sheriff. It appears the media would like nothing more than to make this "administrative leave" the hot topic during this election year.

The people in our community need to know that this is not my husband's focus for his campaign. Although he will do what is necessary to protect his family of six, his purpose for filing candidacy cannot be put any better than in his own words, "I believe I can make a difference and pave the way to a better department." The decision to campaign was not made lightly and came after much prayer and discussion. His family is proud of him for following his heart and convictions and supports his decision 100 percent.

I feel strongly that instead of focusing on the "administrative leave," the media needs to introduce the "other candidate" to the citizens of our community. You need to get to know the man and his vision for a department to "step up to the 21st century."

Robbin has been in law enforcement since 1986, as a corrections officer in a maximum security prison in California and a deputy for Twin Falls County since 1995. Some of his goals for the department in the capacity of sheriff, would be to work toward revising budget issues, not only to benefit the department but also taxpayers; citizens; to re-establish a rapport and valuable working relationship with other law enforcement agencies; and, most importantly, to rebuild the morale in a department that has too long been depleted, even before his intention to file candidacy.

One more point for the record. Out of respect and courtesy to the sheriff, we met with him on Jan. 26 and informed him personally of Robbin's intentions to file candidacy. Robbin then worked from that time until his dismissal on March 12, completely "dedicated" and "loyal" to the department and his career.

A sheriff should have the experience, skills and fortitude to be a competent leader. Take time to get to know this candidate. I know firsthand that he will do his very best on your behalf. Remember that positive change is beneficial and refreshing. So do your part—register and vote.

ANNETTE STUBBLEFIELD, Twin Falls

Knowledge, involvement will solve water crisis

The Times-News editorial on March 17 said: "... Only God can create water ...". I say amen! But it needed to say further, "Only God creates air and soil to sustain life. However, some people, out of their arrogance and greed, exploit his soil, pollute his air and contaminate his water for profit. One hearing the arguments from those exploiters and polluters would quickly conclude that those people consider themselves god. They believe that they can do whatever they want with our soil, air and water in the name of the "economy."

Yes, the economy is an important element for our prosperity, but prosperity has to be balanced with prudence and foresight for the future. If we continue to exploit our soil to the point that it's no longer productive, contaminate and deplete our water resources, and cause disease and illness by polluting our air with toxic chemicals, there will be no economy. History tells us that when a civilization becomes arrogant and greedy, it will be destroyed by its own making.

The water crisis on the north side is just the tip of the iceberg and is exposing underlying faults in our government. However, this happens because of the apathy of many citizens, which encourages government officials to do as they please. Additionally, some elected officials contributed to the crisis through their self-serving actions and shortsightedness.

People with intellect know that the water problem isn't only limited to north side citizens, but every citizen in the Magic Valley can also be affected. As citizens, we can do something to stop future problems. We can attend public hearings on issues that concern soil, air and water; be an informed voter and vote for the person who has the intellect, integrity and independent mind to do what is best for all citizens; exercise our rights as a citizen and demand our elected officials protect the soil, air

and water—not just the exploiters and polluters, and hold those in authority accountable for their actions.

One shouldn't assume citizens' rights are automatically respected and protected under democracy. We all need to be actively involved in the political process because if we don't, sooner or later our rights will be violated and we will have to live with the consequences. Exploiters and polluters will never cease to manipulate our democratic system for their profits at the expense and suffering of citizens.

PHUONG SMITH, Pler

Legislators give smoking ban easy passage

The new no-smoking ban has me completely befuddled!

Were the legislators in such a big hurry to get home they just passed anything brought up for a vote? Am I the only one who finds it very strange that you can't smoke in a restaurant yet you can in a bowling alley? Excuse me, but aren't there any children or elderly who bow?

Good job, guys. Duhi MERRY FLOYD Buhl

City should take business off Locust

Want a 24-hour Oasis Stop & Go in your neighborhood? Neither do the residents of Richmond, Locust and Falls Avenue.

The Planning and Zoning Commission did it again. They opened a project at Locust Street North and Falls Avenue East. This project is called Locust Business Park. According to plan, all buildings have to have the appearance of residences to include a service station and deli in a residential neighborhood with limited hours of 7 a.m. to 10 p.m.

This neighborhood does not need a 24-hour Stop & Go with the extra noise, traffic and trash. The biggest problem we have at the present time is the blowing dirt and dust from the back of the project that Stutzman Construction has stored for later use. There is no cover or water truck available. When the wind blows you cannot see outside your home if it can blow so thick it can cause traffic hazards. And the inside of the home is full of dust all the time. I have photos of what it is like.

At the council meeting on March 30, these problems were discussed by residents of this area—Richmond Drive, Falls Avenue and Locust Street. All individuals involved, Gerald Martin, Dan Willie, Wall Hiss of Gem State Realty and Stutzman Construction ignored our concerns.

I intend to get results. I won't go away!

RICHARD V. SALVADORE, Twin Falls

Political system should not heed to profits

Yes, Mr. Wilson, I served—Vietnam.

I'll write not necessarily to you but to the greater community, hoping they'll get excited about von Mises, Hayek, Rothbard and Rand, or in other words, the subject of economics, because only through its understanding is there a route to our nation's salvation.

Key point: capitalism is only an economic system. It's not a social or political system, a

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philosophy of life or a gospel. It's an arrangement of working, owning and producing; and like any other human arrangement, it has flaws.

With this simplification, we can get away from the conventional and mystifying thought process, and it becomes easier to comprehend that capitalism isn't an "us vs. them" issue. It's a universal mechanism to make money, and every social and political system uses it. Even Red China uses capitalism. The question is: Who or what controls it? Is it free markets acting within a more liberal democratic political philosophy arranged around a republic that tends to spread the wealth? Where are Americans coming from. Or is it the statist, where all elements are controlled and/or owned by the state, which causes people and things to be reduced to mindless labor and cheap resources? Unfortunately, where we Americans are going:

What was written was that social and political movements (communism, socialism, even unions) are reactions to, not capitalism (the system) but capitalists (the rulers) gone out of control. Even Nazism came about because this. After World War I, the western industrialist, the world's monopolists, would not allow Germany, their old competitor, to re-enter the world market. Thus, Germany starved and reacted with numerous and varying political parties and unions—all militant. The Nazis were but one of these. Once in power, Hitler outlawed differing political parties, all unions, all private firearms, cut deals with the German industrialist and the military and sought to bring about the Third Reich.

In contrast, our nation was founded on the belief that man is a social and moral creature, not just a victim of his appetites, and on the belief

that justice, honor, integrity, and the common welfare are more important than personal gain. However, when profit becomes the only motivating of the society, be it personal or corporate, it signals the end of that society. Why? Because sooner or later, there'll be a significant social and political upheaval, a reaction to the ruler's abuses.

MARK SCHUCKERT, Twin Falls

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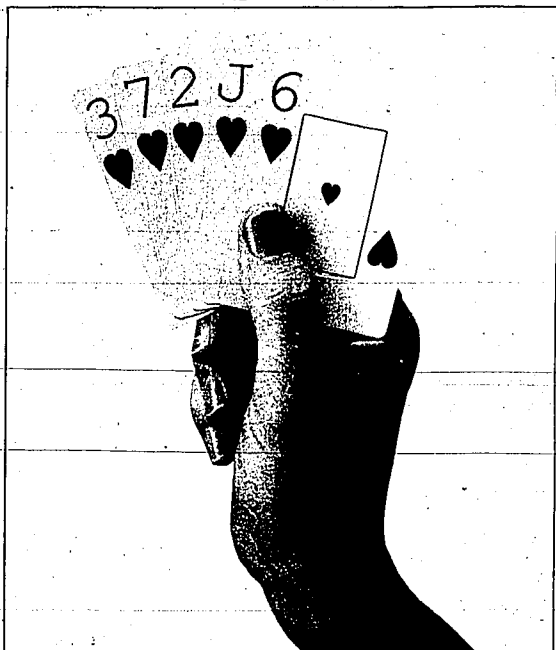
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# Kempthorne vetoes wind energy bills

BOISE (AP) — Gov. Dick Kempthorne has vetoed two bills that would have benefited Idaho wind farmers, slowing the developing search for alternate power production.



Gov. Dick Kempthorne

Kempthorne said the state's budget was too tight to allow a half-cent per kilowatt production tax credit and a 3 percent investment tax credit on equipment.

The governor said that anything like that has to show some kind of return on investment and that doesn't show it right now," Kempthorne spokesman Mike Journe said Friday.

Journe said when the budget "comes on" in July, the governor would look more favorably on incentives to encourage alternative energy.

Several large-scale projects are being considered statewide, including one in Cassia County, but wind developers say Idaho lags behind other states in its effort to attract projects, despite the fact Idaho ranks 13th in the nation for wind power.

Ridgeline Energy has received permits to build up to a 200-megawatt project straddling Bingham and Bonneville counties in eastern Idaho.

"Idaho is surrounded by states that are working with the renewable energy industry support development," Vice President Rich Rayhill. "It would be great if Idaho would join with the other states and create a similar supportive environment at home."

Rayhill said Montana, Wyoming, Oregon, Washington and Nevada don't impose sales or property taxes on wind farms. And Utah this year passed legislation exempting renewable energy developers from a sales tax.

Although the governor's veto

eliminated incentives, Rayhill and others said the biggest setback came when the Legislature failed to pass the sales tax exemption.

The price of equipment such as generators and turbines is stagnant due to a limited number of manufacturers, and to add sales tax to the price "were out of the ball park," Rayhill said.

Boise-based Windland Inc. is planning to build a 200 megawatt wind power project in the Cottrell Mountains south of Burley. Spokesman Mike Heckler said it hopes the Legislature will consider a sales-tax exemption next year.

Such incentives foster competitive bidding when supplying power to a utility, and Rayhill said the power contract will determine the success of a project.

Both Rayhill's and Windland's projects lack confirmed buyers for the wind power they hope to generate. Developers say there has not been a great rush from utilities to buy renewable energy.



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## Mormon officials defend traditional marriage, families

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Mormon speakers on Sunday defended traditional marriage and families, saying both have become targets for belittlement and destruction.

"Marriage is meant to be and must be a loving, binding, harmonious relationship between a man and a woman," church elder W. Douglas Shumway told about 21,000 members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints gathered for their semiannual conference.

Church elder L. Tom Perry said a traditional family provides the most stable and secure foundation for society.

"We should have learned by now that alternate styles of family formations have not worked and never will work," he said.

The nationwide controversy over gay marriage was not addressed by name during the two-day conference, but the defense of marriage and families theme was set out Jan. 10 in a speech by church President Gordon B. Hinckley to those attending a Worldwide Leadership Training meeting.

"The traditional family is under attack. I do not know that things were worse in the times of Sodom and Gomorrah," Hinckley said during the January meeting.

The faithful were reminded Sunday of their duty during a time when, Shumway said, marriage is often shunned, parenthood avoided and families degraded.

"We have the responsibility to honor our marriages, nurture our children and fortify our families," which he said were ordained by God. "Separation and divorce would seldom be a consideration in the Latter-day Saint home."

Mormons are often criticized for their faith and conservative beliefs. Just as traditional as the semiannual conference is the presence of street preachers, who berate people on their way to the sessions with anti-Mormon taunts.

Again this year, evangelical street preachers picketed at Temple Square, carried signs and shouted about false teachings. The city this year set up buffer zones to keep the preachers and conference-goers separated after two preachers were assaulted last year.

There were no reports of confrontations this year, but there was exchange that drew chuckles from those waiting to cross the street outside the Conference Center.

The woman pushing a baby buggy shouted down a preacher Sunday afternoon, saying, "Hey, buddy, I'm not even Mormon and you're starting to bug me."

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# Twin Falls hospital offers diabetes education session

Magic Valley Regional Medical Center will host a community education session today on the highs and lows of diabetes, including information on signs, causes, and treatment of the disease.

The class will be taught by Janet Renaldi, diabetic patient educator at Magic Valley Regional. It will be held from noon to 2 p.m. at Magic Valley Regional's Downtown Campus, 660 Shoshone St. E. in the basement conference room. Pre-registration is required for this free community offering. To sign up, call 737-2166.

## Gastric bypass

For folks who are considering gastric bypass surgery, or for those who have undergone the treatment, Magic Valley Regional Medical Center will begin a monthly support group to help with these issues. The first meeting is tonight. The group will meet on the first Monday of every month at Magic Valley Regional's Education Center, 598 Addison Ave. W. in Twin Falls. The session will run from 7-9 p.m. For more information, contact Gale Carlock at 733-4407.

## LOSE weight

To help women and men work toward healthy weight loss, Magic Valley Regional Medical Center will offer an Adult Weight Loss Class beginning this Wednesday. The class will be held every Wednesday from 7-9 p.m. through June 9 at Magic Valley Regional's Downtown Campus, 660 Shoshone St. E. in Twin Falls in the lower level conference room.

The adult weight-loss class will be taught by Heather Shaw, a registered and licensed dietitian and certified adult weight loss consultant with Magic Valley Regional. Topics will include proper diet and exercise techniques and support from others in the class. Cost for the 10-week class is \$50. For required pre-registration, please call 737-2166.

## Back school

Magic Valley Regional Medical Center has developed a program to prevent back injuries.

A two-hour education course "Back School" will be offered on the first Wednesday of each month by the hospital's Rehabilitation Services. Instructors will demonstrate specific exercises for patients to help strengthen their backs after injury as well as provide information on preventing future damage and pain.

"Back School" will be held this Wednesday or May 5 or June 2 from 5-7 p.m. at Magic Valley Regional's Rehabilitation Services, 598 Shoup Ave. W. in Twin Falls. The cost is \$25 per person. For more information and to register for the class, call 737-2126.

## NuParent

Magic Valley Regional Medical Center is offering a new program for new parents. NuParent is a parent development program that balances a focus on the needs of children with a focus on the needs of adults. Its structure provides time in each

## To do for you

session for a parent/child activity, a knowledge-building exercise, and a parent support group.

NuParent will begin April 13. The eight-week session will be held each Tuesday from 5:30-7 p.m. at Episcopal Church of the Ascension Firestone Road, 371 Eastland Dr. N., in Twin Falls. Cost for the classes is \$25. Registration is required. To sign up, call 737-2166.

Topics to be covered include health and safety, parenting styles, nurturing, playing and guiding your baby and infant massage.

## Health and lunch

Magic Valley Regional Medical Center will offer information about breast and bone care for women at a special brown bag lunch on April 14.

Health-care professionals will speak with participants about important issues related to breast and bone care. They'll answer questions and offer tips on living a healthier life.

The session will be held from 12:15-12:45 p.m. at Magic Valley Regional's Downtown Campus, 660 Shoshone St. E. in Twin Falls, in the basement conference room.

Participants should bring their own lunches. Pre-registration is not required.

## Buckle Up

The Magic Valley Safe Kids Coalition will hold two "Buckle Up" events in April to promote safety.

At the free events, trained safety seat technicians will inspect children's car safety seats. They will also check for product recall and damage to equipment, as well as work with parents to make sure they know how to properly install the seat.

The first event will be held on April 16 from 2-6 p.m. at Kim Hansen Chevrolet, 1221 W. Main St., in Burley.

The second event will be held on April 29 from 2-6 p.m. at St. Luke's Wood River Medical Center, 100 Hospital Road, off Idaho Highway 75 in Ketchum.

Safe Kids offers low-cost infant, convertible and booster car safety seats to families of all income levels. It also offers reduced prices on gun locks, bicycle helmets, and seat belt covers. Car Safety Seat checks are available during regular business hours or by appointment at the Safe Kids office, 598 Addison Ave. W. in Twin Falls. Call 737-2430 for more information.

## Learn infant care

Infant care class will be offered from 7-9:30 p.m. Tuesday at the St. Benedict's Health Education Center, 115 Fifth Ave. W., Jerome.

The class will be taught by a registered nurse. Topics will include infant care and beginning parenting. Participants are asked to bring two pillows and a blanket to the class.

The class is free for those who will be delivering at St. Benedict's Family Medical Center. To register, call 324-1122, Ext. 3361.

## 'Baby and Me'

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

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

The class is free. For more information, call 324-7262.

## About childbirth

Prepared childbirth classes will be offered from 7-9:30 p.m. Wednesdays, beginning Wednesday through May 12, at the St. Benedict's Health Education Center, 115 Fifth Ave. W., Jerome.

The second class of the series will be a "refresher course" for mothers who have previously taken the childbirth classes.

The sessions, taught by a registered nurse, emphasize preparation for labor and birth, changes during pregnancy and newborn care. Participants are asked to bring two pillows and a blanket to each class.

The classes are free for those who will be delivering at St. Benedict's Family Medical Center. To register, call 324-4301.

## Learn CPR

Cardiopulmonary resuscitation class will be offered from 8 a.m. to noon Saturday in the Doctors Meeting Room on the lower level floor at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls.

The class will include emergency procedures for mouth-to-mouth resuscitation, chest compression and choking for adults and infants. The program includes classroom instruction and hands-on practice.

Cost is \$25. Pre-registration is required. To register, call 737-2547 or 737-2007.

## Eating disorder support

Eating disorder and food addiction support group will meet at 6:30 p.m. April 13 at the Third Floor East Conference Room of the Transitional Care Unit at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls.

The support group will discuss anorexia, bulimia, compulsive overeating, and compulsive diet and exercise.

For more information, call Erinn Erickson at 735-2728.

## Breast screening

Magic Valley Regional Medical Center will offer a breast screening education program to help women learn about early detection of breast cancer.

self-breast exams and information about mammography. A breast examination will be completed by a certified nurse specialist.

The program is offered free to all women at Women's Health and Imaging Services, Downtown Campus, 660 Shoshone St., Suite 232, Twin Falls.

For more information or to make an appointment, call 737-2192.

## Breast screening

Gooding County Memorial Hospital will offer a breast cancer screening program that includes a free breast exam by a trained clinician with a scheduled mammogram. A registered mammographer will perform the mammogram and offer educational material including a video presentation. Every woman scheduled for a first-

time mammogram will receive a complimentary gift.

The hospital has several programs to assist low-income residents with the cost of a mammogram or transportation.

For more information, call 934-4433, Ext. 113.

## Free mammograms

Minidoka Memorial Hospital will offer free mammograms to women, ages 35 to 49, who are uninsured and currently have no symptoms.

The hospital received grant funding from the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation, Boise affiliate, to offer the free mammograms. The funding will provide 100 free mammograms to area women, mammogram data recording and training equipment. For more information or to

review qualifications or schedule an appointment, call the radiology department at the hospital at 436-8143.

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

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# No procedure is risk-free

**DEAR PAULA:** My appearance has always been important to me, and today, at age 76, I still do not look my age. However, after having lost 18 pounds two years ago while dieting, I immediately noticed new wrinkles I had never seen before, a result of losing fat in my face (as you have so often pointed out: losing fat makes wrinkles more evident).

I'm seriously considering consulting a dermatologist about chemical peels, dermabrasion and other corrective cosmetic options. However, I am scared of what might go wrong. A friend of mine had a chemical peel and she is left with blotches on her skin. I want to ask if you think having cosmetic surgery at my age is too risky, or if you think (because of my age) it is too late. Thank you



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for the advice.

**-EVA, GLENSIDE, PA.**  
**DEAR EVA:** All corrective cosmetic procedures performed by dermatologists or plastic surgeons that produce a dramatic impact on the face have associated risks. However, certain procedures have less risk than others. Cosmetic surgery, deep laser resurfacing and deep chemical peels have the highest chances of causing undesirable or unwanted results. On the

other hand, Botox, dermabrasion, less deep chemical peels and less deep laser pulsed light or radio frequency procedures have minimal associated risks. However, except for Botox, the general rule is that the more impressive the results, the greater the risks. You simply can't get away from the potential of problems if you want dramatic results.

I am not one of those women who believe a woman over 70 should just be thankful she is alive and forget about her wrinkles or not looking her age. There are those who will tell you that the advantages of corrective cosmetic procedures are not for you. I disagree. That is a decision each woman needs to make for herself. If your appearance is important and you want to in-

vestigate options that are available for you there is every reason to start the process of interviewing - plastic surgeons - or dermatologists to see which one offers the best combination of procedures. Keep in mind that research has shown that women who are most happy with the outcome of the procedure they receive are those who are realistic about what type of results are really possible. Unrealistic expectations lead to disappointments.

Paula Begoun is the author of "Don't Go to the Cosmetics Counter Without Me (6th edition)" (Beginning Press, \$27.95). Write to her at 13075 Gateway Drive, Suite 160, Seattle, Wash. 98148 or check out her Web site: [www.cosmeticscop.com](http://www.cosmeticscop.com)

# Two new patterns offer loads of springtime fun

A couple of new and unusual patterns are worthy of your attention this spring.

The first is the "Blossom and Bloom Raggedy Coat," published by Linda Lee Vivian and marketed by Evelyn Bowen, both from near Flint, Mich. This unique design has a cozy feel and an easy fit, and can be done in sizes small through 3XL.

The coat, in a short or three-quarter length, was originally sold at juteed art stores and upscale boutiques, priced from \$200 to \$800.

With the pattern now available to home-sewers at \$12.95, you can give it your own interpretation from "casual" to elegant.

Made entirely of muslin, this coat can be left plain, but it has endless possibilities for embellishment, including embroidery, applique, painting and dyeing, laces, buttons and



**SEWING  
Barbara  
Gash**

more. No special sewing skills are needed, but be prepared to cut several layers and to do a lot of clipping to achieve the raggedy or blooming effect after laundering.

The pattern is available in many suburban quilt and fabric stores, and classes are also scheduled in some of those.

For more information, and to order the pattern visit the Web site [www.innovativelpattern.com](http://www.innovativelpattern.com).

Another unique pattern to try is the "Travel Skirt" by Canadian designer Kathryn Brenne.

It pleats up neatly into its own self-belt, easily rolls up for packing and requires no ironing. The belt is threaded through buttonholes at the top of the skirt.

The 12 slim panels are top-stitched for the pleated effect. It has an eight-button front closure, is fitted at the waist and gently skims the hips, creating a flattering fit for most figure types. Sew it up in light- to medium-weight cotton, rayon or wool crepe or challis, in a solid color or print that coordinates with other pieces you own. The finished length is about 35 inches.

Barbara Gash writes about sewing for the Detroit Free Press. Write to her at the Free Press, P.O. Box 828, Detroit, Mich. 48231, or send e-mail to [compuserver@aol.com](mailto:compuserver@aol.com). Letters cannot be answered personally.

## Dust

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and engaged in "a little recreation (kicking up their heels on the rug).

Most of the particles detected were bigger than 5 microns, which are considered a lesser health threat than smaller particles. But the researchers detected a substantial amount less than 5 microns - fine enough to lodge deep in the lungs, where they can decrease lung function and exacerbate asthma.

The good news for those with respiratory problems is that there's less loose dust to blow around Idaho than there used

to be. Wind erosion of the states' eroded, desiccated soil decreased between 1982 and 1997, according to the NRCS. Idaho lost 94,300 acres of cropland to urban development during that period.

Another 741,000 acres was taken out of production and enrolled in the federal government's Conservation Reserve Program, meaning that there are about 1 million fewer acres under cultivation in Idaho than there were 20 years ago.

But does that translate into fewer dust storms? Probably not.

"Dust storms in southern

Idaho are driven by sustained severe winds - Out here, that's been a climatological characteristic of the area for a long time."

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Congress has closed about every loophole that ever existed when it came to trusts and Medicaid. The logic is simple: Medicaid is expensive and the government needs money.

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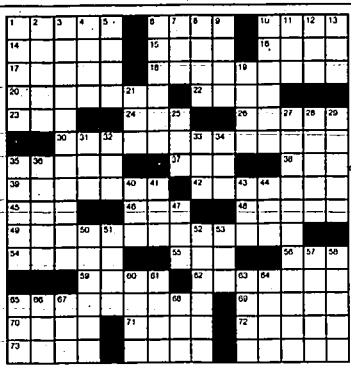
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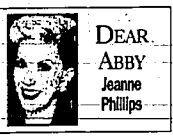
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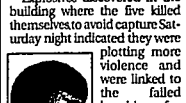
DEAR B.J.: You are not alone... The United States estimated 750,000 people with ostomies in the United States...

DEAR BETTER: I am a police officer... I should know. I am a police officer. These two little girls are definitely in danger walking home alone...

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Official: Terror attack leader dies in bombing

MADRID, Spain (AP) - The suicide apartment house blast that killed the alleged ringleader of last month's Madrid train bombings and four other terror suspects left the core of the terror group either dead or in jail...



Sarhane Ben Abdelmajid Fakhri, a 35-year-old Tunisian accused of spearheading the March 11 attacks that killed 191 people...

carried out the attacks is either arrested or dead in yesterday's collective suicide... Fifteen suspects are already in custody in the Madrid attacks...

The judge overseeing the probe of the attacks issued interim warrants for Fakhri and five others last week... "The core of the group that carried out the attacks is either arrested or dead in yesterday's collective suicide..."

Libra: Focus on your allies, partners today

IF APRIL 5 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY... you have seen everything that you always wished for materialize, but it is possible that your wishes were not as wise as they should have been...

HOROSCOPE Jeraldine Saunders

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): The full moon early today in your sign can emphasize an interest in your allies and intimate partners... SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): A spotlight on finances causes friction, and you could be possessed by an urge to do something entirely foolhardy...

Whiplash patients often have trouble swallowing

Accident victims have been known to complain of whiplash. Testers ask them to swallow if they can do so without pain, doctors say...



L.M. BOYD

A German shepherd named Dox was publicized sometime back as Europe's best police dog. Claim was he was so well trained he could unload pistols.

It was in the 1950s that the agricultural scientists developed a type of clover that always grew four leaves. That did it! Four-leaf-clover luck seekers, led bereft, had to look elsewhere for their promise of good fortune...

"Q. Did you ever find out why woodpeckers don't get headaches? A. Their brains are in slings, sort of. Muscular shock absorbers in their skulls."

Q. Why can't we tap the earth's hot core for energy? A. Too deep to drill - 4,000 miles. Be like drilling the length of the Canada-United States border, not counting Alaska.

When Woodrow Wilson ran Princeton, the student Eugene O'Neill threw a beer bottle through Wilson's window, and got suspended. Wilson wound up as U.S. President. O'Neill as America's most famous playwright. Curious how the roots of the renowned intertwine.

Leah XVI wouldnt conduct business on the 21st day of any month. His astrologer told him not to.

"A cynic," wrote H.L. Menckin, "is a man who, when he smells flowers, looks around for a coffin."

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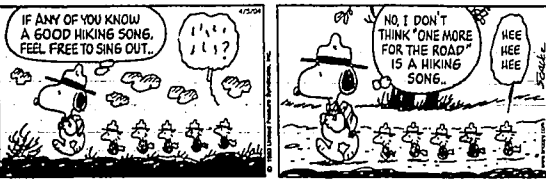
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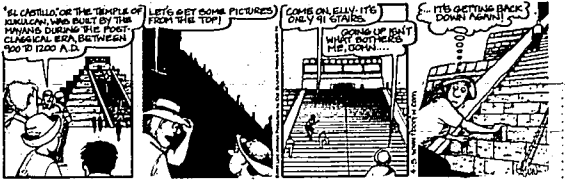
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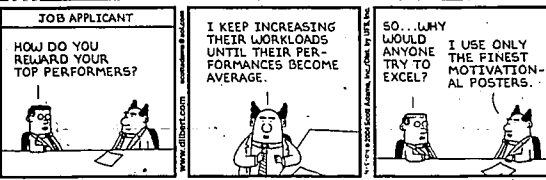
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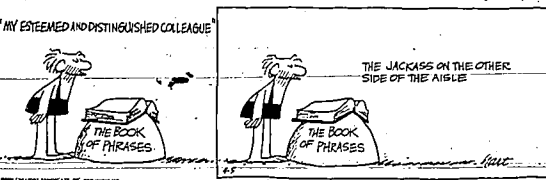
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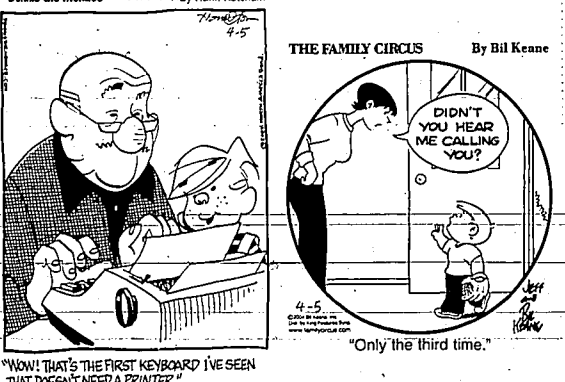
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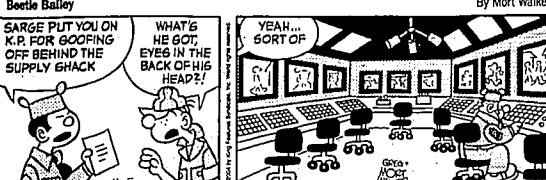
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# SCHOOL DAYS

Community Editor: Pat Marzantonio - 735-3288

## Students picked as ambassadors

**Eighth-graders will travel to Australia and New Zealand**

TWIN FALLS - Two eighth-grade students from Robert Stuart Junior High School have been selected to participate as a member of the People to People Student Ambassador Program. Felice Hopkins and Chance Requa were selected because of their achievements in the classroom and the community. They will be among 40 students who will represent Idaho in the countries of Australia

and New Zealand. The students will earn three academic credits and spend 22 days in those countries this summer. The exchange program consists of meetings with government officials, interaction with other students, educational activities and home visits with host families. The program was founded in 1956 by President Dwight D. Eisenhower. Last summer, Felice, who is the daughter of Mary and Ralph Hopkins, attended the Leadership Conference for



Felice Hopkins



Chance Requa

Youth. She also is an honor student and involved in basketball, volleyball, track and swimming. She plays the viola, participates in program contests and has been a participant of the American Cancer Society Relay for Life. "I will represent my community and county with leadership, respect, dignity and pride," Felice said. Chance, who is the son of Brad and Cindy Requa, also has attended the Leadership Conference for Youth; is an honor roll student; president of Heav-

only Hogs 4-H club; active in football and track; is a two-time conference champ in wrestling; and active in the youth group of his church. "I hope to leave Australia, my host families and everyone I meet with a feeling that Americans are trust worthy and respectful," Chance said. The tuition for the program is \$5,000, which includes meals, transportation, accommodations and educational activities. The tuition is due on May 1. To donate, checks may be made payable to Felice Hopkins, People to People Student Ambassador Program, and forwarded to any First Federal Savings Branch. Checks can be made payable to Chance Requa, People to People, or forwarded to any Farmers National Bank branch.

## WORLD TRAVELER



Popplewell Elementary in Buhl has a new project. A bear named 'Boomerang,' (because it always comes back) started out from Popplewell and traveled to Mexico for spring break. Third-grader Casey Gabardi took the bear on the break and brought back information about Mexico to share with the students at Popplewell. Boomerang's other travels are tracked on a world map and his information and any items brought back from his travels are displayed at school in a special case. Boomerang and his display case were donated by Mike and Kim Espanza of Buhl.

## Local band plans to rock talent show

By Kevin Otzenberger  
Special to The Times-News

JEROME - Jerome High School is presenting a talent show in April where a wide variety of student talent is expected to take the stage. Among the music, dances and other sources of entertainment, one particular group of young artists is quickly aspiring to a prosperous music career and plans to start drawing attention at this upcoming talent show. Tears of the Forgotten is a small local rock group that presents an up-to-date Christian sound.



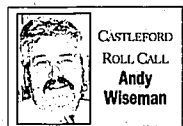
Tears of the Forgotten is a band made up of Jerome High School students.

The name, 'Tears of the Forgotten,' basically means that each one of us has at some point lived with the feeling that no one cares and that we were alone," guitarist Eli Hamlin said. "It explains that we have the heart to stand out for the kids who no one talks to because they're afraid of them. We're there for the forgotten." Eli, a junior, has spent the last year tuning his abilities as a guitarist and lyricist, and occasionally plays bass on the side. Other band members are Zack Ivey on vocals and Judah Wilmot on drums. Zack, 18, is a songwriter who has tuned his style to meet his religious messages. Judah, also a junior, has been playing the drums for six years, bass for four years and guitar for one. He also plays drums and bass for the Jerome High School band. According to the musicians, the group was formed about eight months ago when Zack and Ivey met each member and pulled them all together, one at a time. Since that period, they have been gradually compiling new songs as they take time to master their instruments. They have been through several bass players, but are currently without one. Tears has performed at shows, for small, casual groups of friends and recently at their second gig. The band has produced 13 songs and plans to play at least two at the talent show.

"It's a simple message. It's a message of hope, of life, and even of peace," Zack said of their music. "It all comes down to a guy that I love and adore, and his name is Jesus Christ. We see a hopeless generation, and we want to reach out to them." Kevin Otzenberger is a student staff writer with the Tiger Newspaper.

## Students' solar energy projects heat up

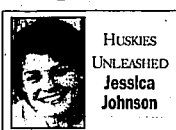
Fifth-grade teacher Garland Kyles has had his students involved with studying the potential of using solar energy. Mr. Kyles has each student constructing a device for collecting solar energy and measuring the temperature increase of their own and other students' devices. He says the students like the hands-on approach to learning science. The students have been graphing their data, making conversions between degrees Celsius and Fahrenheit and multiplying fractions. Mr. Kyles also says that this project ties in well with the solar panels that were placed on the school this fall via several grants. Castleford Schools is the first school in the state selected for the installation of solar panels. The panels are generating enough energy to run one classroom for 24 hours. We feel this project has been very educational and would like to expand to install more panels in the future. We would like the community to make their nominations for the excellence and efforts awards for the 2003-04 school year. This is an award presented by the Castleford School Board at graduation to one certified employee and one classified employee, based upon nominations and recommendations. Nominations can be made at the district office prior to April 20. Rangen's, Simplot, Solt-builders of Buhl, the Rock Creek restaurant and Jaker's restaurant sponsor the award. Parents are encouraged to access teachers' fourth-quarter scores and sequences on the school Web page (castleford-schools.com). We are also happy to make copies for any parent who requests one. Stacy Kinyon developed and managed our Web page and does an outstanding job. However, Stacy is always looking for ideas that would enhance our Web page, so please let us know. Andy Wiseman is principal of Castleford School.



CASTLEFORD ROLL CALL Andy Wiseman

## Hansen student gets academic recognition

Congratulations to Fernando Vargas for attaining the title of KMYT and United Dairymen of Idaho's Distinguished Student Award. "This is going to be the biggest plaque on my wall," Fernando commented when presented the award. Fernando enjoys playing the drums, writing poetry, participating in track, and solving math problems. He is one of Hansen's Natural Helpers and hopes to go into a career in counseling after college. Parent teacher conferences were well attended for the third quarter at Hansen School District. The school thanks all of the parents who turned out to support this event, as well as the Hansen PTO and the Husky Bakery for the refreshments. Hansen seniors are encouraged to complete the Trustee's Scholarship application. This is a \$500 award and due in May. Students must supply docu-



HUSKIES UNLEASHED Jessica Johnson  
Hansen High School student Jessica Johnson initiated and publishes the school newspaper.

## Bliss school releases science fair winners

BLISS - The Bliss School District has announced the winners of the annual science fair. Seventh grade: first, Chelsea Pulse and Sarah Wissenbach; second, Ashley Faulkner and third, Ariel Buik and Alex Campos. Eighth grade: first, Katie Faulkner and Brecca Stromling; second, Dale Butler; and third, Joey VanderWynt and Jamie Altamirano. Ninth grade: first, Adam Burk; second, Lacy Wood; and third, Ashley Brown. Tenth grade: first, Joseph Hudold; second, Michelle Elliott; and third, Jackson Burk. Other winners were: First grade, most enthusiastic; second grade, most creative; third grade, most comprehensive; fourth grade, best participation; fifth grade, best display; and sixth grade, best use of scientific method. Best Overall Junior High: Dale Butler. Best Overall High School: Michelle Elliott.

mentary School, 2463 Salmon Ave., will hold its annual bingo night starting at 7 p.m. Friday in the school gym and ending when all of the prizes are gone. Tickets and two bingo cards may be purchased in advance for \$20 at the door for \$25. Proceeds will go toward supplies, text books, library books, field trips and other needed items. To purchase tickets, call Candy Jones at 736-6678 or 655-4295 or Lori Slater at 655-4370. For more information, call the school at 655-4215.

**Canyonside Christian School offers registration**  
JEROME - Canyonside Christian School, 60 E. 100 S., will accept registration for pre-school through sixth-grade starting April 12 for the 2003-2005 school year. Registration for the summer program will also be through sixth grade for ages 3 through 12. Summer classes will be held from 7:30 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday from June 1 through August 13. Canyonside Christian is a non-denominational Christian School. Class sizes are limited. For more information, call

the school office, 324-3444.  
**Jerome fourth-grader wins district spelling bee**  
JEROME - Andy Brennan, a fourth-grade student of Jodi Ostler, at Central Elementary School, won first place at a district spelling bee. The spelling bee was held on March 11 at Central Elementary and included all the fourth-graders from a district that included Horizon Elementary, Life Elementary and Central Elementary. The runner up was Tyler Ostler, who is in Lisa Burke's class. **Valley Viking Foundation honors volunteers**  
HAZELTON - The Valley Viking Foundation annual banquet will be held at 7 p.m. April 17 at the Valley High School, 682 Valley Road S. in Hazelton. The banquet will honor out-

standing residents who have donated their time and talents to make the Hazelton, Eden and surrounding communities a better place to live. This year's honorees are Kent and LeAnn Sullivan. The banquet will also honor the 2004 graduating seniors who qualified for the six scholarships offered through the Viking Foundation. Entertainment will be provided by the Brent Jensen Jazz Co. The dinner will include London broil with all the trimmings and a silent auction will be held. Tickets are \$15. Early ticket purchase is encouraged. Tickets can be purchased from Don Meyer, president, at 308-7156, or Marcy Bruderer or Sharon Gebauer at 432-6653. **TFHS holds school dance**  
TWIN FALLS - Dancers interested in trying out for the Twin Falls High School Dance Team will learn a dance routine for the tryouts at 3:30 p.m. Friday in the small gym at the school, 1615 Filer Ave. E. Entertainers should bring completed and signed application forms and a water bottle and wear a white T-shirt, black

dance pants or shorts, appropriate dance shoes and hair in a ponytail. Judging will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday at the Roper Auditorium. Application forms can be picked up at the school office. For more information, call Joyce Thompson at 735-0904 or 732-8156. **Hagerman eighth-graders cook up fund-raiser**  
HAGERMAN - Eighth-grade students at Hagerman Junior High are preparing a community cookbook for a school fund-raiser. Students are accepting submissions from community residents of their favorite recipes for the cookbook. Recipe forms are available at the school, 150 W. Lake. Recipes must be submitted by May 1. The cookbooks can be purchased during the 2004 football season. For more information, call Shawanna Krott or Chris Holland at the school 637-4572. **Bickel students test faculty with pedometers**  
TWIN FALLS - Darla Pe-

terson's physical education classes at Bickel Elementary School have received pedometers, or step counters, from Bickel's PTA and the College of Southern Idaho Senate. Students challenged faculty members and Principal Kelly Schroeder to see who can run or walk the most miles during their lunch time recess. Pedometers are also used in the physical education classes to integrate math and social study skills. The first challenge was to see who could beat Schroeder to the top of Mount Everest. Winners were first, Armin Smajovic; second, Tony Trejo; and third, Brenda Renteria. **Burley High students complete tournament**  
BURLEY - Burley High School students, David Gochnur and Brianna Call, recently competed at the National Qualifying Speech and Debate Tournament in Idaho Falls. David placed 15th in student congress and Brianna placed first alternate to nationals in dramatic interpretation.

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**WITNESS MY HAND** and seal of said District Court this 17th day of March 2004.

By: K. Parker, Deputy Clerk

**PUBLISH:** March 22, 29, April 5 and 12, 2004

**IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS.**

**CASE NO. 2004-1277**

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

In the Matter of the Estates of:

**FREDERICK L. SHAFF**

**PEGGY LEE SHAFF,**

Deceased.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the undersigned has been appointed Co-Personal Representative of the estates of the above named decedents. All persons having claims against the decedents or the estate are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or said claim will be forever barred.

Claims must be presented to the undersigned at the address herein at the North American Parkers - NW Offices 2034 Addison Ave East Twin Falls, ID 83301

DATED This 12th day of March, 2004

/s/ Gale Lin Shafl  
Co-Personal Representative  
/s/ Kaye Jean Shafl  
Co-Personal Representative

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