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# Drought reigns across West

## Idaho isn't the only state where snowpack shriveled in March

The Associated Press

BOISE — From the brittle hillsides of Southern California to the drying fields of Idaho, from Montana to New Mexico, a relentless drought is worsening across most of the West.

A once-promising snowpack is shrinking early, water supplies are dwindling, and the threat of wildfires is already on the rise.

"Most of the West is headed into six years of drought, and some areas are looking at seven

years of drought," said Rick Ochoa, weather program manager at the National Interagency Fire Center in Boise.

The U.S. Natural Resources Conservation Service forecasts the potential for water restrictions and widespread crop and pasture losses in southern Idaho, central Nevada, most of south-central Montana and eastern and southwestern Utah.

"Drought? What drought? It rained here a couple of years ago," said Dick Larsen,

spokesman for the Idaho Department of Water Resources.

He's straining for humor because most of southern Idaho is in a category the U.S. Department of Agriculture calls "exceptional drought," along with southwest Montana and southern New Mexico.

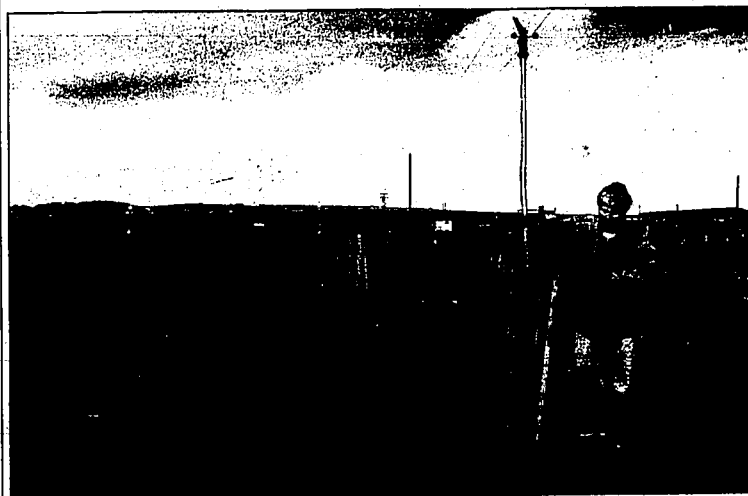
That's a step worse than "extreme drought," which the USDA says best describes the condition of other parts of Mon-

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Douglas Hutchinson, of the U.S. Geological Survey, measures the flow rate and volume of the Truckee River near Reno Tuesday.

## AN EYE FOR A STORM



Sherry Satterwhite, a volunteer weather spotter with the National Weather Service, takes a reading of her wind speed from her anemometer on her ranch near Rogerson Thursday.

## Volunteer spotters help weather agency do its job

By Jennifer Sandmann

Times-News Staff

Want to be a weather spotter?

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ROGERSON — The road between Rogerson and Jackpot, Nev., can be bad. Just ask Sherry Satterwhite.

The volunteer storm spotter for the National Weather Service watches storms roll in from the south and west over the butte that defines Brown's Bench. Sometimes the clouds bell. Other times the sky turns black. Whiteouts caused by blowing snow are common.

When it's bad, Satterwhite phones in her observations to professional meteorologists. They rely on a network of hundreds of weather spotters across the state to verify radar readings.

On Feb. 23, she reported that more than an inch of snow fell every hour.

Satterwhite estimates it was about 10 years ago that National

Weather Service meteorologists were looking for spotters in the area. She attended a training workshop like two scheduled this month in the Magic Valley.

"We're farmers and ranchers, so I'm always watching the weather anyway. It has a lot of impact on our lives, our business," Satterwhite said.

She grew up on the ranch. Even though she was only about 6, the day she hid in the cellar from a tornado remains a

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— Sherry Satterwhite, west of Rogerson

## Panel sets stage to find solution to aquifer crisis

The Associated Press

BOISE — Scores of lawyers, lawmakers and water experts convened Friday to lay the foundation for what state leaders hope will be a long-term solution to Idaho's increasing water fights.

Prompted by a water rights problem in southern Idaho, the special legislative committee was part of a late deal among Gov. Dirk Kempthorne, water users and other state officials to avert an economic crisis in the Magic Valley.



Rep. Bruce Newcomb and Sen. Laird Noh

But Sen. Laird Noh of Kimberly, co-chairman of the special panel, said the problems between groundwater and surface

water users expand beyond his region and the Eastern Snake Plain Aquifer.

"That is by no means the only part of the state where we have difficulty," Noh said.

The panel has expanded its focus to include problems plaguing underground water sources for the Rathdrum Prairie area in the Panhandle, Moscow in north-central Idaho and the Bear River Basin in the southeastern corner of the state. Members want to get ahead of the problems in those areas so they do not become as severe as

the one in southern Idaho. "We're depleting the aquifers across the state faster than we're recharging them," House Speaker Bruce Newcomb of Burley told the crowd of 100.

State Water Resources Director Karl Dreher laid out the complex water management issues facing the panel, which will meet at least monthly through the year. Working groups were established to assess specific issues for each aquifer.

But the priority for the com-

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## Fallujah residents flee city during lull in fighting

By Lourdes Navarro and Abdul-Qader Saadi  
Associated Press writers

FALLUJAH, Iraq — The people of Fallujah carried their dead to the city's soccer stadium and buried them under the field on Friday, unable to get to cemeteries because of a U.S. siege of the city.

As the struggle for Fallujah entered a fifth day, hundreds of women, children and the elderly streamed out of the city. Marines ordered Iraqi men of military

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age to stay behind, sometimes turning back entire families if they refused to be separated.

"A lot of the women were crying," said Lance Cpl. Robert Harriot, 22, of Eldred, Please see FALLUJAH, Page A7

## PRAYER FOR PEACE



Pope John Paul II prays during the Good Friday Passion Mass in St. Peter's Basilica at the Vatican. For more, please see page A7.

AP photo

TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Today: Mainly dry with patchy sunshine. Highs near 62.
Tonight: Mostly clear and calm. Lows near 34.
Tomorrow: Sunny and warmer. Highs near 66.

TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Table with 5 columns: Today, Tonight, Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday. Includes weather icons and temperature ranges.

Yesterday's Weather

Table with 2 columns: City, Hi Lo Prec. Lists weather for Burley, Coeur d'Alene, etc.

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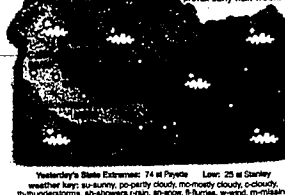
Today: Partly to mostly sunny and comfortable. Highs in the upper 50s to lower 60s.
Tonight: Mostly clear with a light breeze blowing at times. Lows in the upper 20s to lower 30s.
Tomorrow: Mostly sunny, dry and pleasant. Highs in the lower to middle 60s.

IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS. The weekend outlook looks to be mostly dry, mostly sunny and pleasant. Temperatures will level off to slightly above average most days.

BOISE A warming trend with mostly dry weather will prevail this weekend and through the first portion of next week. Plenty of daily sunshine will keep temperatures well above average most days.

NORTHERN UTAH Drought conditions will decline leaving the weekend outlook mostly dry and seasonal. A warming trend with dry weather will prevail early next week.



Yesterday's State Extremes: 74 at Pocatello, 28 at Starbuck. Warm hours were recorded in Boise, Burley, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho Falls, Pocatello, and Teton.

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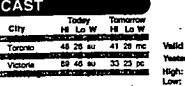
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TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP



Drought

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tana, Utah, Wyoming, Arizona, Nevada and Colorado.
Those states are heavily dependent on melting snow for water supplies - snow that has rapidly disappeared the past month across the region.
Snowpack showed half or less the normal March precipitation level in the Intermountain West, Southwest, Northern Rockies, central Idaho, Oregon and California. The driest basins were in central Arizona, where less than 70 percent of normal seasonal precipitation was reported.

drought that has now lasted four years.
'It's fading away. All this good stuff that we had, the basins that had plenty of snow, it's headed south on us,' Larsen said. 'We're going to be right back where we were last year.'
'In Idaho, the farther south and east you go, the worse it gets. One of the hardest-hit areas is in the southeast corner of the state at Bear Lake, which provides water to parts of Idaho, Wyoming and Utah.
They are looking at historic low levels of water, it's entirely possible there will be no irrigation water available for farmers down there,' Larsen said.
Some part of the West has been in a state of drought since the winter of 1995-96, Redmond said.
'For the last year or two, it has extended all the way from the Mexican border to Canada pretty consistently,' he said.
Larsen likened the cumulative effects of Idaho over the years to 'a snake starting to eat its own tail.'
The snowpack went down, so we had to keep tapping the reservoirs, so that last year we just absolutely emptied our reservoirs,' he said.
The saddest thing about all of this is we can already see next year's train wreck coming,' Larsen said. 'Pray for rain. That's about all we can do.'

Cops pick up ex-Enron exec

NEW YORK (AP) - Former Enron CEO Jeffrey Skilling was picked up by police early Friday after acting erratically, a police spokesman said.
Skilling's attorney disputed the account, saying his client and his wife called police after they were assaulted by two men who had followed them.
But a New York Police Department source said Skilling was taken to a hospital after several people called police saying he was pulling on their clothes and accusing them of being FBI agents.

Attacks
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men's alarming- and reported that the FBI mentioned al-Qaida members living in the United States and others traveling in and out of the country. A July 2003 report from a House-Senate inquiry into intelligence failures said the PDB found that al-Qaida 'apparently maintained a support structure' inside the United States.
The same report also said the PDB mentioned 'FBI judgments about patterns of activity consistent with preparations for hijackings or other types of attack' and included intelligence acquired in May 2001 that 'indicated a group of bin Laden supporters was planning attacks in the United States with explosives.'
Rice added in testimony on Thursday that the document says the FBI had 70 ongoing field investigations related to suspected al-Qaida cells or operatives. During the same hearing, Democratic congressman Richard Ben-Ray, said 'the PDB reported that al-Qaida members have resided or traveled to the United States for years and maintained a support system in the U.S.'

Water

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mittee is resolving the conflict that has pitted commercial fish hatcheries in the Hagerman valley, who rely on surface water, against irrigators, dairymen and others who pump their water out of the aquifer with wells.
'Last spring flows in the Snake River Canyon, blamed on well-pumpers and aggravated by four years of drought, have dented the hatcheries and other surface water users their full water rights,' he said.
The hatcheries invoked their right to receive full allocation by requiring users with more recent water rights to be cut off. The last-minute deal headed off the shutdown of 1,300 wells north of the river and the possible loss of \$25 million in economic losses to the region.
The committee has just a year to come up with a solution, or the hatcheries will renew their claim to their full allocation.
The state is putting up \$2 million to provide replacement water for the hatcheries this year and help all water right holders find more efficient ways to use the limited resource.
'This isn't just fish farmers,' Newcomb said. 'It's people who flush a toilet. It's people who turn on a faucet who are at risk here.'

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viding money. Her dad, who had been caught outside, crawled underneath a heavy piece of farm machinery. The sky went black and the wind roared, but the twister broke up before it reached the farm.
'I think that may have pleased my interest,' she said.
Weather on the ranch, which sits in a sort of bowl, can be different from what's going on around either bend of the highway, she said.
The National Weather Service needs spotters particularly in remote areas, said Jack Messick, a meteorologist in Pocatello.
'The only thing required is that you have two good eyes and that you have an interest in doing it and helping your community out,' he said.
The Weather Service provides spotters with rain gauges and guidelines for how to estimate wind speeds, spot funnel clouds, identify freezing rain, stay safe when observing a thunderstorm, and measure snow depth.
Forecasters rely on spotters to verify radar readings or report what the radar doesn't detect, Messick said. Doppler radar isn't as accurate in arid Idaho as it is in more humid areas of the country such as the South.
'We would prefer to know for sure that there is a tornado on the ground before we send everyone into panic mode,'

Becoming a weather spotter
Storm spotter training will be held this month in the Magic Valley. Anyone interested in volunteering for the National Weather Service or who wants a refresher course can attend the free workshops.
Four-county area: A workshop will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday at the Jerome Ambulance Center in Volcan, for Jerome, Gooding, Lincoln and Twin Falls counties. Call Paul Fatt at 334-9868 for more information.
Mini-Cassia area: Weather spotter training for Cassia and Minidoka counties will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. April 29 at the Cassia County Sheriff's Department, 1415 Albion Ave., in Burley. For more information, contact Ken Simoska at 233-0834 or Ken.Simoska@noaa.gov.
Messick said.
Terrain is also an obstacle. Radar doesn't pick up low-level elevation readings in communities such as Stanley or Ketchum that are surrounded by mountains.
'Especially in those areas, we don't know what's going on, on the ground,' he said.
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CORRECTION
Hunt for eggs today in Wendell
A calendar item Friday reported the wrong date for the Wendell Club and Curry 4-H Club's Easter egg hunt. The event is today at 10 a.m. in Wendell City Park.

# Cheney ties fight in Iraq to U.S. security

Los Angeles Times

ANCHORAGE, Alaska — Vice President Dick Cheney called on Americans on Friday to maintain support for the U.S. military effort in Iraq despite the upsurge in fighting there, and said the security of the United States is directly dependent on our success.

Cheney told an audience of cheering military personnel at Elmendorf Air Force Base that the U.S. efforts in Iraq and Afghanistan are aimed at ensuring that the two countries cannot become "sanctuaries for terrorists."

"Our own security, and that of



Vice President Cheney

our friends in the region is directly dependent on our success." Cheney said. "Our will is being tested in Iraq, as we have seen in the heavy fighting this week," Cheney said. "Yet as Americans, we understand what is at stake. It is absolutely essential in both Afghanistan and Iraq to finish the task at hand. That means helping the people of both na-

tions to establish representative governments and the forces necessary to guarantee their security — so that they can enjoy the blessings of liberty and their countries never again become sanctuaries for terrorists."

Cheney spoke following a week in which U.S.-led coalition forces in Iraq have been fighting on two fronts against Sunni and Shiite insurgencies. President Bush, who is spending the week at his ranch in Crawford, Texas, did not speak publicly about Iraq Friday.

Cheney, as he frequently has in the past, said the fight against the al-Qaida terrorists who attacked the World Trade Center

and the Pentagon on Sept. 11, 2001, and the fight against Saddam Hussein in Iraq, were both part of a broader war against terrorism.

"In Iraq, we rid the country of a murderous dictator, a sponsor of terror," he said. "He will never again threaten the United States of America." Critics of the administration have argued that Saddam never posed a threat to the United States.

Cheney spoke during a refueling stop in Anchorage on his way to begin a weeklong trip to Japan, China and South Korea. He also attended a fund-raising reception for Sen. Lisa Murkowski, R-Alaska.

# Kerry sprinkles jobs message with Iraq issues

The Washington Post

CHICAGO — John Kerry on Friday brought his economic plan and jobs message to a minority vocational center struggling with federal funding cuts. But for the second consecutive day, his fiscal message was sidetracked by events in Iraq, as the Massachusetts senator repeatedly strayed from his planned message to assail the administration's foreign policy.

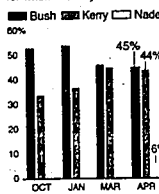
Joined by Illinois Senate nominee Barack Obama, one of the Democratic Party's rising stars, Kerry attacked President Bush for cutting \$1.6 billion from Illinois' federal allocation for job-training programs. The presumptive Democratic presidential nominee used Chicago's significant public high school dropout rate — at least 30 percent — to highlight the administration's cuts in job-training funding across the country.

"You shouldn't be abandoned and struggling the way you are today," he told the 100 or so employers and students crowded into the center, which faces a 33 percent decrease in funding next year. Kerry called the cuts "almost criminal."

Kerry's appearance here was one of several this week reaching out to minorities.

## Race for president

Registered voters were asked if the election were held today, for whom would you vote?

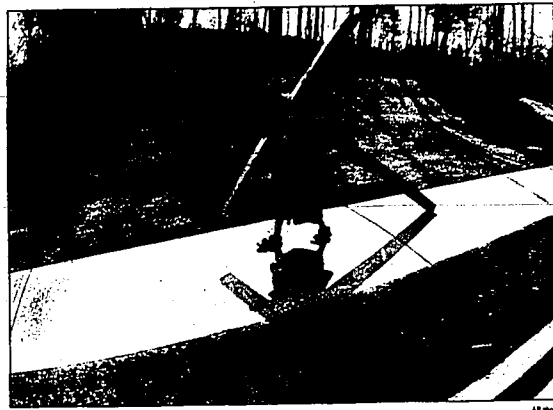


NOTE: 758 registered voters interviewed between April 5-7; margin of error, plus or minus 3.5. Nader percentages not shown are unavailable.

SOURCE: Ipsos Public Affairs for AP

Earlier, Kerry attended a fund-raising breakfast that collected about \$100,000 in donations, according to a Kerry spokesman. In his remarks, the Democratic candidate questioned the administration's handling of Iraq. "This administration has been gutted by its own ideology and its own arrogance. We can succeed, but boy, it's a lot tougher than it has to be."

## HEAVY BURDEN



Nate Hughes, 7, Hoschton Ga., on Friday carries a wooden cross that he made with his father. For the third year in a row, Hughes, who weighs 40 pounds, carried the 45-pound cross through his neighborhood on Good Friday morning. He said he started the ritual at age 5 because he wants to remind people of Jesus' sacrifice for them.

## U.S. agent defends tape erasure

JACKSON, Miss. (AP) — The U.S. marshal on Friday defended the erasure of two journalists' recordings of a speech by Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia.

During Scalia's speech Wednesday in Hattiesburg about the Constitution, a woman who identified herself as Deputy Marshal Melanie Rube demanded that a reporter for The Associated Press erase a digital recording of the justice's comments. The reporter initially resisted, but later showed the deputy how to erase the recording after the officer took the device from her. Rube also made a Hattiesburg American reporter erase her tape.

But Rube's boss, Nehemiah Flowers, the U.S. marshal for the Southern District of Mississippi, defended the deputy's actions, saying Friday that one of the service's responsibilities is to provide a traveling Supreme Court justice with security.

Scalia spoke Wednesday at Presbyterian Christian High School and at William Carey College. He did not warn the high school audience that recording devices would be forbidden, but issued a warning before the college speech.

A spokeswoman for the Supreme Court said it is up to Scalia and his staff to set guidelines for coverage of his events. A spokesman for the Justice Department did not immediately respond to calls seeking comment Thursday.

## FDA warns about some Mexican candy

WASHINGTON (AP) — Children shouldn't eat certain candy imported from Mexico because it may be contaminated with small amounts of lead, the Food and Drug Administration said Friday.

At issue is candy that contains significant amounts of chili powder, including lollipops coated with chili, and powdery mixtures of salt, lemon flavor and chili seasoning. The chili powder apparently can become contaminated with lead during manufacturing, FDA said.

Also, FDA cautioned against tamarind, a popular Mexican candy item sometimes mixed with chili — it also can become contaminated with lead if it is sold in poorly made glazed ceramic vessels that can leach lead.

Fruit or lollipops dipped or mixed with chilies are popular among Mexicans, and a market has been growing market for them, particularly in high-immigration areas.

## Study: Cats became tame much earlier than thought

Los Angeles Times

Findings at a newly excavated grave in Cyprus have moved back the date for the first domestication of cats by at least 5,000 years, suggesting that felines have been living with humans nearly as long as dogs have, researchers said Friday.

Archaeologists have known that the Egyptians had tame cats 4,000 years ago and suspected that the relationship extended back much farther in time, but the new evidence reported this week in the journal Science provides the first firm evidence of that association.

Jean-Denis Vigne of the CNRS-Museum National d'Histoire Naturelle in Paris and his colleagues discovered the grave in Shillourokambos, a large Neolithic village inhabited between 8,300 and 7,000 B.C.

The cat was found in the same grave as a human — whose sex is unknown because of damage to the pelvis — along with a variety of polished

stones, tools, jewelry, sea shells and other items believed to be offerings. The offerings were relatively rich for the time, indicating that the person buried had some degree of social status.

The cat was buried a little more than a foot from the human, and both of their heads faced west. The animal belonged to the wildcat species "Felis silvestris" and was significantly larger than modern cats. The cat, which was probably about eight months old at the time of its death, showed no signs of butchering, which suggests that it was a pet of the grave's occupant or shared some other special relationship.

Vigne speculated that cats started living close to humans as many as 11,000 years ago when people began living in villages. The cats would have found the mice living on stored grain a rich food source.

Evidence for the taming of dogs extends slightly further, to about 12,000 years ago.

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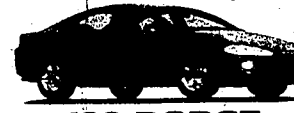
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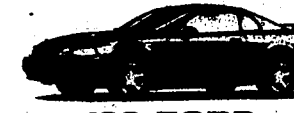
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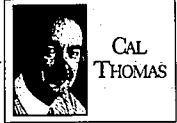
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## Condi stands up to the fire

She spoke with authority. That was my first impression of Dr. Condoleezza Rice as she faced the commission investigating how 9/11 happened and what might be done to prevent future attacks on American soil. Mere mortals would have melted during the three hours of sometimes-intense questioning, but Rice didn't even break a sweat.



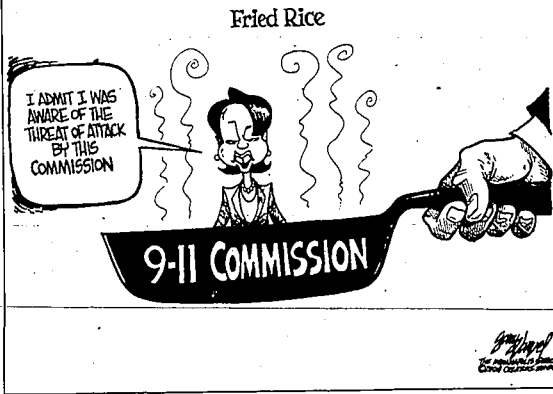
CAL THOMAS

One might have thought she was engaging in after-dinner conversation and not the high drama that persuaded the three broadcast networks to interrupt the banalities they usually carry in the morning for something—and someone—of substance.

Rice kept reminding commission members, "I took an oath." In Washington, that can be as meaningful as a marriage vow, which not a few managers to break. To her, though, an oath has value. It is about the character of the one who takes it as well as the fear of the One to whom it is made. A serious Christian, Rice is not just taking an oath before men and women, but before God, to whom she believes she must give account.

Rice is a remarkable woman. In 1963, childhood friends of hers were murdered by white racists in the bombing of a Birmingham church. She might have joined the company of victims. But instead of just singing the African-American anthem, "We Shall Overcome Someday," she simply overcame.

That said, Rice's testimony did not reveal much new information. For many years, the FBI and CIA did not talk to each other, something Rice said was partially for legal reasons (separation of the CIA international



Fried Rice

intelligence-gathering "church" from the FBI domestic intelligence-gathering "state") and partially for bureaucratic ones. The Patriot Act and other post-9/11 reforms are supposed to have improved communication.

Commission Vice Chair Leo Hamilton was right when he said, "Policy-makers face terrible dilemmas: information is incomplete; the inbox is huge; resources are limited; there are only so many hours in the day. The choices are tough, and none is tougher than deciding what is a priority and what is not."

There is something else. Until 9/11, too few members of the Clinton and Bush administrations and too few members of the public believed what the fanatics were saying in their public sermons, their newspaper editorials and actions. Americans have fallen for the fiction, that all people are basically good and that everyone secretly longs for the same things. If all of the previous terror attacks did not convince

American leaders and American citizens that evil cannot be accommodated, but must be defeated, 9/11 should have taught that cosmic lesson.

Rice made this point with a brief history lesson. She noted this country's failure to properly assess German intentions until two years after the sinking of the Lusitania in 1915. The United States did not enter the war until 1917. Apparently we learned nothing from history, so it was repeated when the Nazi regime regularly violated the terms of the Treaty of Versailles, which ended World War I. Further provocations throughout the 1930s, she noted, did not provoke a response from the Western democracies, further emboldening Hitler. Only after Hitler invaded Poland in 1939 did the West begin to act. It was the same with Japan, she said. Despite numerous signals of a growing threat, the United States failed to respond until Dec. 7, 1941, when the Japanese attacked us at Pearl Harbor.

More important than who saw what memos and when, or

what intelligence was seen by whom and why it was not acted upon, is the way in which we are currently engaged. There is enough bipartisan blame to pass around. The question is, does blaming anyone prevent or reduce the likelihood of another attack? The answer is that it does not.

The terror cells are among us. They await opportunity and instruction. They must be located and destroyed.

"We are at war, and our security as a nation depends on winning that war," Rice told the commission. She ought to be believed, and if we do believe her, we had better make sure that those who mean us harm—whether in America or abroad—are eliminated before they strike again.

That's what war is. Anything less is surrender. Rice made her case with great authority. Our future demands that we heed her.

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

## Kerry reverses on education reform

The best counsel John Kerry has received about education during the presidential campaign came last fall from one of the party's strongest voices for school reform during the 1990s.

"It bothers me," the reformer wrote, "that some Democrats have resisted the idea of making educational outcomes—the skills and knowledge our kids obtain from the educational system—as important as educational inputs—the adequate funding, the good facilities, and the higher teacher pay we all want."

That sound advice came from John Kerry in the campaign book he published last fall, "A Call To Service."

Too bad Kerry the presidential candidate has almost completely ignored Kerry the educational critic.

After voting for President Bush's No Child Left Behind Act in 2001, Sen. Kerry, D-Mass., during his race to the nomination, failed at the mob of Democrats condemning the education reform.

Pressed by rival Howard Dean's denunciations of the act, and the unwavering opposition from groups representing teachers and school administrators, Kerry retreated from his book's powerful demand for accountability.

Instead, he reversed himself to insist that schools be judged not only on outputs—their success in improving student performance—but inputs as well, such as whether teachers and students show up regularly.

Kerry and other skeptics point to some legitimate problems in No Child Left Behind. But many education reformers worry the changes he's demanding will do more to hide problems in the schools than to fix them.

Another way his proposed revisions mostly favor the adults in the school system over students and their parents.

Kerry's most important proposal would change the way the law assesses schools. New schools must test every student in reading and math annually from third through eighth grade.

Schools must show improvement every year for every group of students—not just white or middle-class kids, but minority and low-income children as well.

Schools that don't meet that standard are labeled "needing improvement," which triggers an escalating series of reforms. During the Democratic primaries, Kerry echoed the teachers unions in deriding this system as "punitive" and "arbitrary."

Rather than judging schools on whether they improve student proficiency in reading and math, he said they should also be measured by other indicators, like graduation rates, teacher attendance and parental satisfaction.

Kerry's clear intent is to loosen the standard so that fewer schools are identified as needing improvement, even if student test scores fail to rise. It's easy to see why teachers and administrators worried about their public image like that idea. It's more difficult to see how it helps parents or children.

The demand for loosening the accountability standard is backed largely on the myth, now embraced by Kerry, that the law punishes schools designated as

RONALD BROWNSTEIN

needing improvement. In fact, schools face no changes until they have failed to raise student performance for at least two consecutive years.

Even then, they are only required to develop an improvement plan and, more importantly, allow parents to transfer their children to other public schools.

If the school fails to improve student performance for three consecutive years, it must provide low-income parents stipends to obtain extra tutoring for their kids, often from respected providers like Sylvan Learning Centers.

In other words, when students don't make progress, the law initially demands that schools offer parents more options—the chance to switch schools or receive extra tutoring.

Relatively few parents are using the transfer option, partly because districts haven't advertised it well and partly because most families prefer to keep their children close to home.

But a recent survey found that in just 46 of the nation's largest school districts, more than 133,000 students already are receiving supplemental tutoring because of the law.

Fewer children would receive those services if Kerry succeeded in allowing more schools to avoid the "needing improvement" label.

Kerry and other critics are on stronger ground in complaining that the law might eventually designate so many schools as failing that states won't be able to focus on those that need help most.

Under the law, schools that persistently fail to improve student test scores eventually face mandates for corrective action. Those begin after four years with options such as redesigning the curriculum and can end, after six years, with a state takeover.

In the meantime, Kerry and President Bush should focus on making the law work better for parents and children, not just teachers and administrators. The federal government could pressure school districts to improve their woeful performance in alerting parents to the new tutoring and transfer options.

Tutoring, the more popular option, could be made available in following schools earlier than school transfer.

But retreating from accountability, as Kerry recognized not long ago, will only reduce the pressure on schools to lift all children.

That truly would be punitive—for the predominantly minority and low-income kids the school system has left behind for too long.

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### Odor won't be as bad as story suggested

In an effort to improve the relationship between the citizens of Jerome and the Wastewater Treatment Plant, the city administrator and I felt it was in the best interest to send out a mailing that gave the people who would be immediately affected heads up that they may experience a slight odor—emphasis on slight—due to a few events such as making the final drying bed and regularly flushing the Bio-Tower (The Times-News overreacted and the result was the Thursday, April 8, article).

This does not affect the entire city and it is not going to be like previous years; however, since it has been anaerobic (no air) for the past six months, we do expect some odor will be present, sometimes but not a lingering odor or a real "strong odor" as the paper seems to suggest.

We hope that this effort to keep you informed as to the happenings at the plant will show that we care about our community and the people in it.

If you do smell something that may not agree with you, please remember that we do live in an agricultural area and please think of the other possible things that could contribute to the odor before automatically blaming the plant.

The wastewater plant has made leaps and bounds in the past 18 months, all for the good. I would hate to see the successes all be overshadowed or be blown out of proportion

in an article that makes one really believe the old adage that you shouldn't believe everything you read.

Springtime is here and warm weather will ensue. Please feel free to barbecue and enjoy life in the great city of Jerome anytime. As for a "strong" odor, only the residents can be the judge—and please, feel free to call me at 324-7122 if you have any concerns.

JOHN BOYD  
Jerome  
(Editor's note: John Boyd is the manager of the Jerome Wastewater Treatment plant.)

### Emphasis on careers doesn't exist in schools

Your editorial's statement about the "mission of the Twin Falls School District has been to help students take one of two roads"—one leading to higher education and the other to the workplace—is a good starting point for discussion. I, too, think it's time for the community to actually decide the "mission" of public education.

Isn't they really the same path? One is the direct route and the other the scenic route. One goes directly to the workplace and the other takes a more circuitous route. They end up at the same place—the workplace.

The point being, if the mission of education is to prepare students for the real world, why do all the "distractions" seem to have a priority?

Please notice how many school hours are spent out of school for "non-academic" activities having no relationship

to the workplace.

After careful consideration, I believe schools have multiple missions. Top priority is to "entertain the community." If there is a conflict between any entertainment activity, whether it is sports, drama, music, homecoming or the prom, the classroom loses.

Planning with the highest paid state employees are coaches. The second priority is "babysitting." The community would rather have students in the classroom than on the streets causing trouble. The most disruptive classroom element is a student who does not want to be there. Yet, new mandates dictate that disruptions remain in the classroom rather than outside.

"Education and training" appear to be the least important. If it happens, it happens—if not a trophy will do.

Education should be recognized as having multiple levels and missions. Elementary schools provide the basics. Middle schools build on the basics with the addition of "a love of learning." Secondary adds career exploration. Higher education preps for careers requiring degrees.

Although over-simplified, the point is, if the mission of education is to prepare students for the workplace, whom do you want teaching? What kind of certification is required? How much is it going to cost? Does a written exam demonstrate say ability to perform? If a student passes the state exam, are they ready for the workplace?

It's nice you feel that the mission of our schools is

preparation for the workplace, but I have seen nothing to indicate this to be true.

WESLEY GATES  
Jerome

### Commissioners show poor loyalty

Regarding The Times-News article of April 6 on more county space:

The Urban Renewal Agency owns 15 acres between Rock Creek Canyon and the railroad tracks next to the city parks and recreation and actively promotes businesses to locate to the downtown area to help revitalize it, yet the county commissioners themselves put this area on the bottom of their list to relocate county offices.

They could just as easily build in an area from the ground up, yet they pursue other alternatives. Grindstaff himself said, "We have to have a building that meets our needs. I don't think the clinic building does."

Abundant parking can surely be found on 15 acres, maybe even more than the 225 parking spaces available on Eastland Drive. I say the county commissioners put their money where their mouth is. Step up to the plate and be an example for the community you say you promote and support by relocating there or admit that its location is less than desirable. Move there yourself, and then you'll bring in more business and pride to the very area that attracted us here in the first place.

JOHN MCCAFFERTY  
Twin Falls

### Doonesbury



### By Garry Trudeau



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## Pope braves weather, keeps Good Friday appointment

ROME (AP) — Braving the chill of a rainy night, Pope John Paul II led prayers at the traditional Way of the Cross procession at the Colosseum on Good Friday as thousands of faithful turned out despite concerns over security.

The bad weather and the long day were the latest test of the 83-year-old pontiff's frail health and stamina during Holy Week ceremonies.

Barely two hours earlier, John Paul presided over a two-hour Good Friday service in St. Peter's Basilica in which he struggled to his knees to pray and blessed a white crucifix to him.

On Friday night, wearing white robes, John Paul sat in a chair and observed the procession, which symbolically traces Christ's path to his Crucifixion.

Many faithful stood under umbrellas in pouring rain for hours to get a good view of the procession. The rain stopped shortly before the pope arrived at the Colosseum, but the early spring night air was bone-chilling.

"Brothers and sisters, yet again we are reunited in following the Lord Jesus on the path that led him to Calvary," the pope said in an opening prayer.

Among the procession participants was a young woman from Madrid, including a sign of solidarity with the Spanish capital and its citizens after deadly March 11 train bombings there.

## Med team brings its best to fallen Marine

By Tony Perry  
Los Angeles Times

FALLUJAH, Iraq — The wounded Marine lay on an olive-drab stretcher placed in the dirt and rocks beneath a freeway overpass. There had been other casualties, and the dirt was littered with discarded surgical gloves and tourniquets.

Above, Marine and Army vehicles raced along Highway 1, which leads to Baghdad, the capital. Last year, the 1st Marine Division had powered down the road in its rush to topple Saddam Hussein. This time, reinforcements were rushing to fight the resistance fighters in Fallujah.

The Marine had been wounded in the head in the final minutes of the battle for a Fallujah mosque. Whether he was hit by a small arms fire or a rocket-propelled grenade was unknown.

His head was swathed in bandages, but the blood seeped through from the wound in his left temple, a blossoming crimson stain on the white fabric.

Knocking over his stretcher, body. Navy doctors and medical corpsmen, backed by Marine guards to protect them from hostile fire, worked feverishly on the Marine. Orders were barked out. Clamps, gauze, intravenous solutions, everything in a fully stocked medical supply truck was being used.

## Iraq toll builds as fighting continues

| U.S. military deaths in Iraq* | Action     | Non-hostile | Total      |
|-------------------------------|------------|-------------|------------|
| Before May 1, 2003            | 109        | 29          | 138        |
| On or since May 1, 2003       | 346        | 165         | 511        |
| <b>Totals</b>                 | <b>455</b> | <b>194</b>  | <b>649</b> |

\* Figures do not include Department of Defense civilians.

| U.S. soldiers wounded in Iraq | Returned to duty | Did not return to duty |
|-------------------------------|------------------|------------------------|
| Before May 1, 2003            | 115              | 428                    |
| On or since May 1, 2003       | 1,022            | 1,706                  |
| <b>Totals</b>                 | <b>1,137</b>     | <b>2,132</b>           |

NOTE: All figures are as of 10 a.m. EDT on April 9, 2004.

SOURCE: Department of Defense

by the doctor and he's going to be fine." The tone and quaver of his voice showed that was untrue.

The work continued, more clamps, more stitches, more bandages. More barked orders. In the distance, the Marine tanks, the Air Force jets and the insurgents' mortar fire could be heard. As trucks passed overhead, the concrete pillars of the overpass trembled slightly and a light rain of dirt fell on the medical personnel and Marines below. Light

was falling and night arriving. For 40 minutes, work on the wounded Marine continued. Then it stopped. Tubes and clamps were removed. An anguished call went out for a chaplain, but the chaplain was miles away.

Still kneeling, the doctors corpsmen and Marines draped their arms over their buddies' shoulders and leaned forward over the Marine's body in a kind of huddle. Marines who had watched from atop their vehicles nearby became quiet. Some had tears in their eyes.

Navy Lt. Cormac O'Connor, a boyish-looking doctor from Indiana, pronounced the Marine dead and led a prayer asking God to help his family through the grief that would soon descend on them. After the hushed prayer was said, and the Marines and sailors had separated, nothing more was said for several moments.

Then came a voice, maybe a corpsman's, maybe a Marine's, saying "OK, let's get this area cleaned up. We have work to do." The body was put in a large rubber bag and taken away.



## France stays alert and takes threats seriously

PARIS — The French government is on alert for terrorist threats and "leaving nothing to chance," the interior minister said Friday, a day after dozens of train and Metro stations were evacuated on a CIA tip.

The CIA contacted French authorities on Thursday, warning of an attack on Paris' commuter network, the RER, at the end of rush hour between 8:30 p.m. and 9:30 p.m.

An attack materialized, but Interior Minister Dominique de Villepin said the information was from a credible source and had to be taken seriously.

The warning came from the CIA's Spanish station, which intercepted an e-mail from Madrid that referred to an attack against a "red line" in Paris at a "central station," a police official close to the investigation said on condition of anonymity.

## World in brief

on police in Uzbekistan got military training from Arab instructors who also taught al-Qaida fighters, the country's top prosecutor said Friday.

Prosecutor-General Rashid Kadyrov also said the militants were influenced by Hib ul-Jahrih, an extremist Islamic group that claims to disavow violence, and the Islamic Movement of Turkistan — a terrorist group believed to have emerged from the remains of U.S.-led operations in Afghanistan.

Kadyrov did not offer any evidence or take questions from reporters at his news briefing. Uzbekistan has been keen to portray itself as the latest victim of global terrorism, but the authoritarian regime has created many enemies at home through its oppressive policies and crackdown on Muslims who worship outside state-affiliated mosques.

At least 47 people died in the recent attacks, including 33 alleged terrorists and 10 police, Uzbek officials say.

The violence was the first unrest here since Uzbekistan became a key U.S. ally after the Sept. 11 attacks and allowed hundreds of American troops to use a southern military base — compiled from wire reports

## Troops battle in cities

The Washington Post

BAGHDAD, Iraq — U.S. troops battled to retake cities from insurgents in southern and western Iraq on Friday as clerics in Baghdad's mosques urged a general uprising against the occupation one year to the day after American tanks entered the heart of the city.

Six foreign civilians, including four Americans, were reported kidnapped. All were seized on the dangerous road leading from Baghdad toward Fallujah.

Governing Council suspended his membership on the U.S.-appointed panel, two others threatened to do the same, and a longtime U.S. ally resigned a senior advisory position.

In a Friday meeting with Iraq's civilian administrator, L. Paul Bremer, council members argued over not involving them in discussions about military operations and for failing to pursue less violent ways to control Fallujah and confront Moqtada Sadr, a justly famous Shiite militia has fighting coalition forces in cities across southern Iraq.

## Fallujah

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N.Y. There was one car with two women and a man. I told them that he couldn't leave. They tried to plead with me. But I told them no, so they turned around."

The fighting has killed more than 280 Iraqis — and four Marines, and has seen heavy battles that have damaged mosques and destroyed buildings — angering even pro-U.S. politicians and turning the city of 200,000 into a symbol of resistance for some Iraqis.

American forces halted their offensive at noon to allow a delegation from the city to meet with U.S. commanders, let food and medicine into the city and give residents a chance to tend to their dead.

But after 90 minutes, the Marines complained they were being attacked, and commanders gave their troops permission to open fire again, Marine Maj. Pete Farnum said.

"We said to them (the civilians): 'We are going to lose people if we don't go back on offensive ops.' So we got the word," he told The Associated Press.

Marines raked the insurgents Friday night. Troops could be heard firing into the city from their positions on the southern outskirts.

An AC-130 gunship fired rock-

ets at a cave near Fallujah where insurgents took refuge after fighting Marines. A 500-pound laser-guided bomb also struck the cave, said spokesman Lt. Lt. Eric Knapp.

One Marine was killed in Fallujah and another wounded. Many residents emerged from their homes Friday for the first time in days.

People carried the bodies of loved ones and others slain to the al-Somoud soccer stadium for burial. Access to cemeteries, which are on the city's outskirts, was blocked.

A long line of cars snaked its way Friday afternoon through parts of the city as residents lined up to be "checked" by Marines before being allowed out, said Lt. Col. Brennan Byrne, commander of the 1st Battalion, 5th Marine Regiment.

Marines used Fallujah's large southern industrial region, which they have controlled for the past few days, as a staging ground. Many militants made into nearby neighborhoods. Troops used abandoned cement factories as cover, firing on suspected rebel positions in buildings close by.

"There are a lot of people who wish to do America harm," said Sgt. Maj. Ken Jones. "There are a lot of foreign insurgents here. They are well-organized and well-trained."

## Algeria's president wins re-election in landslide

ALGIERS, Algeria — Algeria's president won an overwhelming re-election, although his defeated rival said Friday the vote was a "sham."

President Abdelaziz Bouteflika was elected to a second term in a landslide — winning 63 percent of Thursday's vote, the Interior Ministry said in announcing the results.

For a Prime Minister Ali Benflis said second with 8 percent.

He alleged there were irregularities "in thousands of polling stations across the country," and vowed to appeal to the Constitutional Council that validates results.

International observers hailed the vote as a major sign of progress toward reform in a nation emerging from a murderous Islamic insurgency. Bouteflika has been trying to raise Algeria's international profile and quell the 12-year insurgency that has claimed an estimated 120,000 lives.

## Prosecutor: al-Qaida trained Uzbek terrorists

TASHKENT, Uzbekistan — The suspects behind a wave of suicide bombings and attacks

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### 11 High Cost Home Inspection Traps You Should Know About Weeks Before Listing Your Home For Sale

**YOUR TOWN** — According to industry experts, there are over 33 physical problems that will come under scrutiny during a home inspection when you home is for sale. A new report has been prepared which identifies the eleven most common of these problems, and what you should know about them before you list your home for sale.

Whether you own an old home or a brand new one, there are a number of things that can fall short of requirements during a home inspection. If not identified and dealt with, any of these 11 items could cost you dearly in terms of resale. That's why it's critical that you read this report before you list your home. If you wait until the building inspector flags these issues for you, you will almost certainly experience costly delays in the close of your home sale or, worse, turn prospective buyers away altogether.

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NATION

# WWII national memorial will open later this month

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Officials with the National World War II Memorial said this week that they probably will not meet their informal goal of opening the site to the public next week and instead expect the opening to be late this month.

But retired Marine Gen. EX. Kelley, chairman of the American Battle Monuments Commission, said the cedar

fencing along the north side of the memorial will be removed by next week to give people fuller views of the site. He said the commission also will begin distributing handouts to detail the various inscriptions that might not be visible to visitors from that distance.

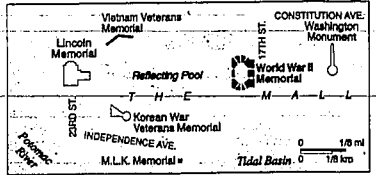
"The goal is at least to let them see the memorial, though they won't be able to actually get into it," said Setsy Blyck, a spokeswoman for the

commission. The project's sponsor.

A formal dedication ceremony is scheduled for Memorial Day weekend, but Kelly said the commission wants to open the site early to give as many World War II veterans as possible the chance to visit. The war's veterans are dying at a rate of about 1,100 a day, according to the commission.

The commission earlier this year had announced that construction was on track to be completed in March, and this week construction officials had said they expected to get the site ready for a full opening next week. But Kelly Thursday said officials decided to push back estimates for a "soft opening" to late April to ensure that all safety and disabled-access features are properly installed.

Kelly said the total cost of the memorial is estimated at \$172 million.



SOURCES: Department of Defense; Department of Veterans Affairs; American Battle Monuments Commission

## Economics, politics put California schools in crisis

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — California public schools once ranked among the best-funded in the country, but a growing number of districts in the nation's largest public school system now say they're in full-blown crisis mode.

Seven warned the state they can't pay their bills this year, and 55 others say they may fall short of cash in the next three years. In one extreme example, the West Contra Costa Unified School District eliminated all sports, closed its libraries and laid off more than 200 employees last month.

particularly severe in California, which educates one of every eight students in the country.

Educators point to a confluence of economic and political constraints at the federal and state level that have forced California schools to slash programs, lay off staff and increase class size.

The problems include a state budget deficit projected to reach \$14 billion next year, declining student enrollment in some places and explosive growth in others, spiraling health care and workers' compensation costs, and intractable state and federal spending mandates.

"We are getting a call or an e-mail a day from districts asking for management assistance," said Tom Henry, whose Fiscal Crisis and Management Assistance Team offers state management help to struggling schools.

The problem, many say, is a political environment that pays lip service to the importance of education but doesn't deliver the resources needed for even basic services.

California's public schools were among the nation's best funded before voters in 1978 approved Proposition 13, slashing the property taxes that provided key revenues. Today, California ranks about near the bottom in average per pupil spending.

A voter backlash led to Proposition 98 in 1988, which guaranteed minimum funds for K-12 schools. But California's school spending has declined in recent years to about \$6,500 per pupil per year, while states like New York and New Jersey spend close to \$11,000.

"There's never been a time that I've been more concerned, more worried, and more fearful of the impact of budget cuts," said Brett McFadden of the Association of California School Administrators. "We have a situation in California where there's a huge disconnect between what the electorate wants and what the electorate is willing to pay for, and Republicans and Democrats alike need to admit it."

States nationwide face daunting school funding challenges, but the situation is

Republican Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger campaigned on a promise to protect public education. He negotiated a deal in December to delay \$2 billion in payments to public schools in exchange for no further cuts, and has proposed freeing \$2 billion in mandated programs so that schools can spend it as they see fit.

## Strip-search hoax causes trouble

The Associated Press

The caller to the Phoenix area T-9 Bell said he was a police officer and informed the manager there was a thief on the premises. Someone's pocketbook was missing, the caller said, ordering that a female customer be detained and strip searched in a back office.

But there was no theft. Investigators believe the caller was an impersonator, possibly from north Florida, who has pulled the same stunt dozens of times nationwide since 1999 with alarming success.

The caller, who sometimes poses as a company official, has

persuaded managers at restaurants and other stores to detain and search employees for drugs or money. Targets have included Taco Bell, McDonald's, Wendy's, Burger King, Ruby Tuesday, Applebee's, Perkins and others.

The caller's motive is unknown. Because his targets are primarily restaurants, one theory is that he is a disgruntled former fast-food worker. Some investigators believe he may be a sexual deviant who enjoys exercising power over people.

The searches have included male and female victims. Some businesses have been sued, and some managers have faced criminal charges.

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### MORNING LINE

#### SPORTSQUOTE

66 This franchise (Toronto) has proven over the last three weeks that they're undeserving of someone of Kevin O'Neill's integrity and convictions: 99

- Pacers coach Rick Carlisle about his former assistant and current Toronto coach Kevin O'Neill



Buhl third baseman James Osterkamp is unable to make the catch as Teton's Scott Sewell slides in safely in the top of the second inning in Buhl Friday. Buhl won 9-8 in six innings.

### TODAY'S SCHEDULE

- College baseball**  
CSI at Colorado Northwest-em, 2, noon
- High school baseball**  
Jerome at Mountain Home, 11 a.m.  
Pocatello at Burley, 2, 11 a.m.  
Twin Falls at Highland, 2, Halliwell Park, noon  
Wood River at Easter Tournament, Las Vegas, Nev., TBA  
Buhl Mid-Season Classic  
Buhl vs. Bear Lake, Buhl field, 10 a.m.  
Filer vs. Wells, Nev., Filer field, 10 a.m.  
Teton vs. South Fremont, Buhl field, 12:15 p.m.  
Kimberly vs. Shelley, Filer field, 12:15 p.m.  
Third-place game, Buhl field, 2:30 p.m.  
Seventh-place game, Filer field, 2:30 p.m.  
Fifth-place game, Filer field, 4:45 p.m.  
Championship, Buhl field, 4:45 p.m.
- High school softball**  
Burley at Preston, 2, 11 a.m.  
Kimberly at Declo, 2, 11 a.m.  
Melba at Glenn River, 2, noon  
Twin Falls at Timberline, 2, noon
- High school tennis**  
Twin Falls at Mountain Home, 11 a.m.
- High school rodeo**  
Sixth district, Buhl, 1 p.m.
- Semi-pro football**  
Magic Valley Bulldogs vs. Iner, squad scrimmage, Minico HS, 3 p.m.

### IN BRIEF

- Boxing Challenge comes to Filer**  
FILER - The Magic Valley Boxing Challenge will be held at 8 p.m. Saturday, April 17 at Filer High School gymnasium.  
General admission is \$10 with raffle seats \$15. Proceeds go to Filer student athletes.  
Call Ed White at 736-5629 to compete. For more information call Loyd Garey at 326-5013.
- Babe Ruth will sign out-of-town players**  
TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls Babe Ruth baseball organization is inviting 16-19-year-old players from Jerome County and the Buhl/Filer area to register for the 2004 season.  
Sign-ups will be held Wednesday, April 14, from 7-8 p.m. at the Jerome Recreation Center conference room at 2032 South Lincoln in Jerome.  
Registration costs are \$55. For more information call Brent at 734-6384 or Linda at 734-2633.
- BSU football coach Hawkins will be in T.F.**  
TWIN FALLS - All fans of Boise State Broncos football are invited to meet BSU head coach Dan Hawkins Monday, April 19 at the Pressbox in Twin Falls.  
Hawkins and the BSU department staff will talk about the upcoming season in the Western Athletic Conference. A social hour will be held from 6-7 p.m. while speakers will be featured from 7-7:45.

## Filer opens strong at Buhl classic

By Kevin Colbert  
Times-News writer

FILER - The host Filer Wildcats scored four runs in the bottom of the seventh inning to earn a 9-7 win over Shelley Friday in round-robin play of the 9th Annual Buhl Mid-Season Classic.

The win was Filer's second in as many tries, having defeated Kimberly earlier in the day. The Wildcats will advance to the tournament championship game today at 4:45 p.m. if they defeat Wells, Nev. In the final game of round-robin competition.

Both Josh Paxton and David Ryan homered in the fifth inning off Shelley starter Aaron Freer for Filer to give the Wildcats a 5-3 lead.

"We know that he was throwing first-pitch strikes, and we just jumped on that first pitch," Paxton said. "I jumped off and hit that home run and then

everyone got rallied up. After that, we were on our way." Filer had 11 hits in the game, including six for extra bases. "They're just good hitters," said Shelley coach Mike Messick, whose team fell to 8-3 on the season. "...Our pitchers didn't make the pitches we needed, and they took advantage of it."

**Filer 11, Kimberly 5**  
FILER - Remington Daniels hit a triple off the first pitch in the bottom of the first inning and the Filer hitters kept it up from then on, an 11-5 win over Kimberly to open the Buhl Mid-Season Classic baseball tournament.

Kimberly's Dustin Lammers conducted for two home runs to

spark the Bulldogs offense. He had a two-run shot in the third and a solo homer in the fifth. He went 3 for 4 on the day.

Filer's Tad Gill made a stand-out defensive play in right field during the fourth inning. He fully extended his body on a line drive and knocked the ball down, allowing him to fire a quick throw to second to put out the runner.

Filer junior Dustin DeMello (3-0) picked up the win. He also had a two-out, two-run single in the first to give Filer the lead, which the Wildcats never gave up. Josh Chockler took the loss.

**9th Annual Buhl Mid-Season Classic**  
Results  
Buhl Field  
South Fremont 8, Buhl 4  
Buhl 9, Teton 8 (6 innings)  
Bear Lake 16, Teton 13  
Bear Lake 8, South Fremont 6  
Filer field  
Filer 11, Kimberly 5  
Shelley 3, Wells, Nev. 1  
Filer 9, Shelley 7  
Wells, Nev. 16, Kimberly 3

time defending small-class state champion in Nevada, used a seven-run second inning to lift its way to a 16-3 win over Kimberly in a 10-run rule game.

Jake Bottari, one of the top high-school-pitchers in Nevada, earned the win while also hitting a double. Teammates Levi Romero, Lauren Stevens and John Bles also doubled.

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## Girls carry Wood River against Burley

By Joe Paisley  
Times-News writer

BURLEY - A Burley tennis team strong in the boys and a Wood River team that relies on the girls for most of its points led to some lopsided individual matches on a rainy, blustery day in Burley.

"Our strength is in the boys and theirs is in girls so we didn't match up well today," said Burley coach Shane Ogden.

The Wolverines girls won all their matches and helped with a decisive sweep in the mixed doubles for an 9-3 dual meet win over 4A Burley Friday night.

"We have a very strong girls team," said Wood River coach John Radford. "Our girls are playing well and the boys are coming along."

It was an impressive showing by a group that could improve on its second-place tie at state last spring.

Burley No. 1 boys singles player Chad Davis cruised against Japanese exchange student Ryoisuke Okamoto 6-2, 6-2 to pick up a valuable point for

the Bobcats.

The junior relied on consistent play to force Okamoto into errors.

"I was just getting everything in," Davis said. "I made him make the mistakes."

Davis started out the season rough, he said, but has since bounced back with Great Basin Conference wins over Century and Jerome opponents to put himself into position for a good seeding at districts and potentially at state. The top three from districts advance to Boise.

He advanced as the No. 3 seed out of the district last spring and received a tough draw. He had an 0-2 showing at state as a sophomore.

One player who can avoid a tough draw at state if she keeps on winning is Wood River sophomore Hadley Debre, who handled Turkey's Mandi Hueros 6-0, 6-1. Debra was half of last spring's 3A state champion mixed doubles team.

Debre attacked on the second serve and got some quick points. Debre used the non-conference match to work on a



Bobcat junior Chad Davis hits the ball during his 6-2, 6-2 win over Wood River senior Ryoisuke Okamoto during Burley's tennis meet with the Wolverines Friday in Burley.

## The King and the kid grab Masters spotlight

The Associated Press

AUGUSTA, Ga. - A center stage at the Masters now belongs to the kid, not the King.

With a handsome tan and that knowing wink, Arnold Palmer took one final trip around Augusta National as everyone from Jack Nicklaus to Average Joe celebrated his 50 years of memories - the Sunday changes, the four green jackets, his army of fans.

"I don't think I could ever separate myself from this club and this golf tournament," Palmer said. "I may not be here, but I'll still be a part of what happens here."

With that, his half-century at the Masters was over.

"It's not fun sometimes to know I'm over," said Palmer, unable to hold back the tears.

For 23-year-old Justin Rose, the fun might just be getting started.

Wearing dark shades and walking with a purpose, the youngest professional in the field

played a steady hand under an increasing spotlight for a 1-under 71, saving par with a superb bunker shot on the 18th hole to build a two-shot lead.

"Playing under pressure for the right reasons is fun," said Rose, who missed his first 21 cuts after turning pro.

Playing under pressure for the wrong reasons, that's awful. This is much, much better."

On a wild day of changes and collapses, the Englishman, rarely got into trouble and finished at 6-under 138 to lead Jose Maria Olazabal of Spain and



Arnold Palmer watches his drive on the second tee during his second round of the Masters golf tournament at the Augusta National Golf Club in Augusta, Ga., Friday.



England's Justin Rose gestures after saving par on the 17th green during the second round of the Masters golf tournament Friday.

## MVS opens tonight

By Joe Paisley  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Area race fans can expect another exciting season at the Magic Valley Speedway this spring and summer.

The 2004 season, the track's 18th, opens tonight at the oval south of the airport with the debut of this year's edition of the Grand American modifieds, grand nationals, pony stock and thundershock guest stars start at 6 p.m. with races beginning at 7. Gates open at 4 p.m.

**Magic Valley Speedway**  
2004 season opener  
Time trials: 6 p.m.  
Races: 7 p.m.

The schedule features a big draw each summer month, beginning with the 75-lap Rocky Mountain Challenge Series (RMCS) stop May 8; the Pepsi 125 NASCAR Northwest Series stop June 12; the Twin Falls RMCS 100, in honor of the city's centennial, on July 10; Indy Cars Aug. 7; the Easter Festival race at 6 p.m. on the season ending-NAPA 150 on Sept. 18.

The RMCS is made up of last year's Intermountain super stocks and Boise super stocks. The two groups combined and now have drivers from Utah, Idaho and Nevada. There is a lot of crossover between the NASCAR Northwest Series and the RMCS, so many of the same drivers and crews will be in Twin Falls again this summer.

"They're basically the same," said speedway promoter Steve York. "We'll have more cars running in the 100-lap deal."

## WESTERN FUN

CSI holds Wild West Fiesta & Rodeo fund-raiser today

By Kevin Colbert  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - While the College of Southern Idaho rodeo team will not have a collegiate competition this season, the team will still put on its annual fund-raiser when the Wild West Fiesta & Rodeo comes to Shawn Davis' arena at the Eldon Evans Expo Center today in Twin Falls.

**Wild West Fiesta & Rodeo**  
Shawn Davis Arena at the Eldon Evans Expo Center  
Today  
Mini rodeo begins at 1 p.m., finals at 7:15  
Main event begins at 8 p.m.

The main Fiesta and Rodeo begins at 8 p.m. with a mini rodeo for children taking place earlier in the day.

The CSI team had to cancel its annual rodeo, which was to be held during spring break, due to a scheduling conflict with another rodeo being held at Utah State University.

"What happened is when I applied for the dates for our rodeo, the regional director, and he agreed to our dates, he never looked to see what the dates were for his (rodeo)," CSI rodeo coach Shawn Davis said. "Then, they fell on the same weekend."

showed him a way we could do both, but he disagreed. So what I said is that I'm not going to put on a rodeo, which we use to support our team, and take a chance of not making any money, or even losing money, when we've had 27 successful rodeos here."

The Wild West Fiesta & Rodeo, however, fills the bill

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SPORTS

CSI baseball sweeps CNCOC

RANGELY, Colo. — The College of Southern Idaho baseball team earned one blowout and clawed its way to another win in sweeping Colorado Northwest Community College Friday, 16-1, 2-0.

The wins improved the Golden Eagles to 25-12 overall and 15-7 in the Scientific West Athletic Conference. Colorado Northwestern drops to 6-27, 2-20.

The two teams will meet again today at noon for a doubleheader to conclude CSI's four-game tour to Rangely.

"Things didn't come easy for the Golden Eagles in the Game 1. CSI managed just four hits against CNCOC starter Ben Hagaskil but fortunately three of them came in a two-run fourth inning."

"(Hagaskil's) pitched very well for them this year and doesn't have a lot of wins to show for it," said CSI pitching coach Dave Carter. "CSI head coach Jim 'Skip' Walker was talking to our players and encouraging us to get them to get to make adjustments. I think it opened up the fort for us."

Zach Aakhus reached base with a one-out single and later reached second before Sean VanElderen drove him in with an RBI single. Mitch Saxowski then came up with two outs and laced a single to score VanElderen, who had stolen second.

Chris Totto earned the win for CSI, pitching 5.0 and one-third innings for his third win of the year. He allowed one hit and two walks while striking out seven.

Charlie Strandlund earned his third save of the year by relieving Totto in the sixth. Strandlund entered the game with two runners on base with just one out, but shut down the Spartans' offense.

"We've got Strandlund in the bullpen, who's been unhittable for us," Carter said. "So Skip made the move to get him with Chris about to face the No. 5 and No. 6 hitters for the third time."

Local sports

"We hit the ball really hard all the way through the lineup, putting pressure on," Hovey said. "They just had one of those games where everything fell apart for them."

The Clearfield pitcher did hit a solo homer in the top of the third after his teammates committed eight errors in the bottom of the second inning, leading to 12 Wood River runs.

The Wolverines went down 6-0 by the end of the third inning in the loss to Jordan, Utah, Wood River did manage to tack on three runs against the best team in its division, Hovey said.

Wood River (6-2) plays Whitehead High School of Zephyr Cove, Nev. today.

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Jays spoil Red Sox home opener

BOSTON (AP) — The Toronto Blue Jays went ahead with three RBI doubles in the eighth inning to spoil the home opener for the Boston Red Sox with a 10-5 win Friday.

Reed Johnson and Kevin Cash each drove in three runs for Toronto, to which they were swept in an opening three-game series at Detroit.

Boston had little sleep before its opener, arriving at Fenway Park at 7:24 a.m. after its flight from Baltimore-Washington International Airport was delayed by mechanical problems.

White Sox 9, Yankees 3
NEW YORK — Magglio Ordonez homered and drove in five runs while Jim Garland worked around bouts of wrist pain, leading the Chicago White Sox over the New York Yankees.

Joe Crede also homered for the White Sox and made a key play at third base. After he bipped Derek Jeter with the bases loaded to end the fourth, the White Sox scored nine runs in the next two innings.

Garland (1-0) went despite injuring a career-high seven walks, including four in the fourth. Backed by several fine defensive plays, he held down the Yankees on one run and four hits for eight innings.

Rangers 12, Angels 4
ARLINGTON, Texas — Michael Young, who moved from second base to shortstop when Alex Rodriguez was traded just before spring training, drove in three runs and scored twice in Texas' win over Anaheim, ending the Angels' chance to start 4-0 for the first time since 1970.

Devil Rays 4, Orioles 3
ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — Pinch-hitter Eduardo Perez singled home the winning run in the 10th after Jose Cruz Jr.'s lead-off hit off John Parra (0-1). Damian Ross's sacrifice and Rocco Baldelli's intentional walk...

Royals 3, Indians 1
KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Jimmy

Buhl
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Winn fielded the ball cleanly but threw an errant throw home in an attempt to force out pinch runner Seth Blich.

With the score tied 8-8, Chris Winn grounded to first, allowing Ashbire to score from third after a play at the plate for the win.

Buhl 9, Teton 8, six-innings
BUHL — The Buhl Indians (5-3 overall) scored five runs in the bottom of the sixth for a come-from-behind 8-8 win over Teton in a game ended after six innings after it reached time limit.

Buhl trailed 0-4 entering the bottom of the sixth. Simon Olsen led off the inning after being hit by a pitch. He later scored on Perry Hamilton's fielder's-choice grounder to shortstop. Brett Twiss then singled to center, followed by a Josh Ussery walk. John Ashbire later blooped a single to right, scoring Ashbire. Buhl then tied it with two more runs when Zach Leckey hit a bouncer to third with the bases loaded.

Rodeo
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nically as a fund-raiser. The featured event, which will include barrel racing, saddle bronc riding, bareback bronc and bull riding, begins at 8 p.m.

Only entertainment will include Idaho county muscle star Muzzle Braun and cowboy poet Ernie Sties. World champion charro Tomas Garcia, a master of trick roping will also make an appearance. Garcia received a standing ovation at last year's National Finals Rodeo.

"It's bronc riding and bull riding and barrel racing, but we surrounded it with entertainers," Davis said. "It has a fiesta theme."

Competitors from the professional and collegiate ranks will compete, including several members of the CSI team. Region champion saddle bronc rider Ike Thomas will participate, as will Bud Munns in the bareback competition and Mark Fisher and Chris Willard in the bull riding.

The event will also feature the Latham Chrysler-Plymouth-Dodge Championship Mini Rodeo, which will take place earlier in the day. The mini rodeo is for children ages 12 and under and will begin at 1 p.m. Events include stick horse barrel racing for age groups 4-and-under, 5-8 and 9-12. The age groups are the same for the goat tagging competition. Team roping will be held for those ages 5-8 and 9-12 while children under 4 years old may compete in a "bull riding" competition, featuring Badger's Horns. Hot dogs, popcorn and drinks will be provided for all participants. Those who compete will also be admitted free of charge to the evening's featured event.

Bruins grab 2-0 lead against Canadiens

BOSTON (AP) — Maybe Patrice Bergeron and Andrew Raycroft are just too young to realize that the Boston Bruins aren't supposed to do this to the Canadiens.

The two rookies combined to help Boston beat Montreal 2-1 on Friday night.

Bergeron scored 1:26 into overtime to give the Bruins a 2-0 lead in the best-of-seven Eastern Conference playoff series.

The 18-year-old French Canadian has been a part of three of the Bruins' five goals in the series.

Two of the NHL's Original Six teams, the Bruins and Canadiens, have a long-running animosity that, in its time, was at least the equal of the Red Sox-Yankees rivalry that bedevils Boston these days. And this one is almost as one-sided. Montreal has won 22 Stanley Cups to five for Boston, and of the 29 playoff series between them Montreal has won 22, including a first-round ouster two years ago after the Bruins finished the regular season with the conference's best record.

Raycroft, who shut out the Canadiens 3-0 on Wednesday in his first NHL playoff game, stopped 25 shots in Game 2. Michael Nylander scored Boston's first goal and set up Bergeron for the winner with a nice tap-pass in the neutral zone to sent him toward the net without breaking stride.

Bergeron stick-handled to



Montreal Canadiens' goaltender Mathieu Garon watches the overtime goal by the Boston Bruins' Patrice Bergeron slide into the net giving the Bruins a 2-1 win in game 2 of their NHL first-round playoff series Friday in Boston.

ward the net and made a fake—or maybe a stumble—between the circles, then took a screened shot that went off Jose Theodore's glove before tricking into the net.

Jose Theodore made 17 saves, and Patrice Bisebas had the Canadiens' only goal. The series moves to Montreal for Games 3 and 4 on Sunday and Tuesday.

Avalanche 5, Stars 2
DENVER — The Dallas Stars

were intent on stopping Peter Forsberg's line in Game 2 of their playoff series against Colorado.

The trio of Forsberg, Alex Tanguay and Milan Hejduk combined for two goals and four assists Friday night, lifting the Avalanche to a 5-2 victory over the Stars.

Forsberg and Tanguay scored for the second straight game and had an assist each, and Hejduk added two assists to give Colorado a 2-0 lead in the best-

of-seven-series. Joe Sakic also scored for the second straight game and Dan Hjorte added a goal.

Dallas struggled on the road all season and the playoffs have been no exception.

Game 4 is Monday in Dallas, where the Stars were 26-7-8 this season.

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The Pony Stocks should be more interesting this year after a more exciting game. In practice Wednesday the top speeds were more than a second better than the current track record.

"That will be pretty cool," York said.

The introduction of a late model class using a crate motor

Masters

Palmer on the sixth tee. The Golden Bear gave him a thumbs-up, and Palmer responded with a bow.

"Thanks for the years, Arnie!" a fan shouted on the 18th fairway as Palmer waited for the green to clear.

No one cared about Palmer's score. They just wanted to see him play.

The gallery was 10-deep before he teed off on the 18th tee and it seemed as though dozens of players, caddies and

members in green jackets — was there for the end.

each division will be staggered over the final weeks of the six-month season.

Attendance was up slightly last season despite three rainouts and a slow economy.

"It was a safe season and everybody had fun," York said. "We hope for the same this year."

Steve Jones will return to defend his modified season title as will Dan Doan in the grand nationals.

Gret Feulner won last season's Thrunder Stocks title. A speedway rule does not allow a thunders champion to attempt a repeat so he will enter the Pony Stocks this summer.

The always-entertaining Hornets are scheduled to return April 17.

top of the board. K.J. Choi of South Korea tied a Masters record with a 30 on the front nine, only to follow that with a 40. Still, he was 3-under 141 with Mickelson.

Charles Howell III, who grew up five minutes from the course, had a second straight 71 and was in a large group at 142 that included Ernie Els (72), Fred Couples (69) and David Love III, who charged into contention with a 67, matching Steve Flesch for the best round of the week.

SCORES AND STATS

SPORTS IN BRIEF

BASEBALL

American League

Table with columns for team names (Tampa Bay, Boston, Detroit, Chicago, Milwaukee, Cleveland) and statistics (W, L, GB, Pct).

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Area ski report

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Saturday, April 10 - Sat 6:00 AM spring snow machine 10-15 degrees...

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Wednesday, April 14 - Wed 6:00 AM spring snow machine 10-15 degrees...

WHAT'S ON T.V.

Auto Racing - Busch Series, Pepsi 300, FX, 3 p.m.

Baseball - White Sox at Yankees, WGN, 11 a.m.

Basketball - John R. Wooden Award Show, CBS, 11 p.m.

Boxing - Boxing after Dark, HBO, 7:45 p.m.

Golf - The Masters, third round, CBS, 12:30 p.m.

Hockey - NHL playoffs, regional coverage, ABC, 1 p.m.

Baseball - NCAA tournament championship, Denver vs. Maine, ESPN, 6 p.m.

Baseball - Grand American Road Racing, Rolex Series, SPEED, 7 p.m.

Baseball - Wood Memorial and Bay Shore Stores, ESPN, 1:30 p.m.

Horse racing - Blue Grass Stakes, at Lexington, Ky, and Arkansas Derby, at Hot Springs, Ark. live; Wood Memorial, at Zionsville Park, N.Y., NBC, 2:30 p.m.

Soccer - MLS, Chicago at San Jose, ESPN2, 2 p.m.

Tennis - WTA Tour, Bausch & Lomb Championships, semifinal, ESPN, noon.

Hockey - Davis Cup, quarterfinals, U.S. vs. Sweden, doubles match, ESPN2, 8 p.m.

Jerome Rec looking for softball umpires

Jerome - The Jerome Recreation district is accepting applications for ASA Umpires.

Interested applicants should contact Gary at the Jerome Recreation District office at 2032 S. Lincoln in Jerome (243-3358) or Don Pagen at 644-6436.

Magic Valley Babe Ruth will hold signups

TWIN FALLS - Magic Valley Babe Ruth baseball will be holding signups for boys ages 15-19 from 6-9 p.m. on Tuesday, April 13 at the Hamon Park Recreation Building in Twin Falls.

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PLAYERS

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Painter left for Purdue

Southern Illinois introduced Lowery at a news conference Friday afternoon, the school said.

Painter resigned Thursday to become an assistant at Purdue, where he is expected to replace head coach Gene Keady after next season.

Lowery followed coach Bruce Weber to Illinois last season from SIU, where he had been a Weber assistant for two years. In each of those seasons, the Salukis won the Missouri Valley Conference title and made the NCAA tournament.

Lowery, 31, becomes the third coach in three years at SIU, and a Weber sub assistant deserves a heading coaching chance.

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SIU hires Illinois assistant coach

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## YOUR WEEKEND



### Songs of spring

- **What:** The Magic Valley Chorale will perform its spring concerts, featuring music by Haydn, Mendelssohn, Bach and Beethoven.
- **Where:** College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium, Twin Falls.
- **When:** 8 p.m. today and 3 p.m. Sunday.
- **How much:** Tickets, which are \$5 for adults and \$3 for seniors and students, are available at the door.



### Hooked on a feeling

- **What:** B.J. Thomas will do two shows in Jackpot.
- **Where:** Cactus Petes Resort Casino.
- **When:** 8 and 10 p.m. today.
- **How much:** Tickets, which are \$15, \$20 and \$25, can be reserved by phoning (800) 821-1103.

### Dance fever

- **What:** Urban dance music will be featured at Chasers Sports Bar and Nightclub in Twin Falls.
- **Where:** 1539 Fillmore St. N.
- **When:** 9 p.m. today.
- **How much:** Cover charge is \$5.

### Gone country

- **What:** Randy Roberts and Cowbules will perform a fund-raising concert at the Schubert Theater in Gooding.
- **Where:** 402 Main St.
- **When:** 7 p.m. today.
- **How much:** Tickets, which are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children, are available at the door.

### Easter parade

- **What:** The Buhl Public Library and the West End Head Start will sponsor an Easter "El Dia de Los Niños/Day of the Children" parade.
- **Where:** Starting at the corner of Main and 11th streets in Buhl and ending at Eastman Park.
- **When:** 9 a.m. today.
- **How much:** Free. Children who participate in the parade are encouraged to wear Easter hats.

### Easter party

- **What:** The Idaho Migrant Council will sponsor a barbecue, Indian drums demonstration, face painting, balloon animals, games and live music, in addition to an Easter egg hunt.
- **Where:** El Millagro Community Center, 1122 Washington St. S., Twin Falls.
- **When:** Today, starting at 1 p.m.
- **How much:** Free.

# Candidate touts business skills

By Julie Pence  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — If you're looking for a guy who can bring opposing sides together in just about any kind of disagreement, check out Ken Edmunds to fill the state Senate seat in District 24.

Whether it's dairymen versus dairy neighbors, those who advocate school consolidation versus supporters of small school districts, surface water users versus groundwater pumpers, Edmunds said he puts everyone on the same page by showing them how to work convivially toward common



goals. It's his main selling point, Edmunds says — that is, in addition to his considerable knowledge of economic development and education.

"To me, the Legislature is a place to help our community by crafting things to make our community a better place to live," Edmunds said Friday when he met with *The Times-News*' editorial board.

Edmunds, a Republican, has filed to run for the seat being vacated by retiring Sen. Laird Noh of Kimberly, along with Twin Falls businessmen Randy Hansen and farmer Chuck Colner. The trio face off in the May 25 primary. Democrat Gary Baty will face the winner in the general election.

Edmunds, 48, owns Twin Falls business TDK Auto Service. He is also a real estate developer, home builder and a financial consultant. At one time he worked with developer Craig Nielsen, who operates Cactus Petes in Nevada and developed the Canyon Park project near the Perrine Bridge.

The father of four moved to Twin Falls with his wife in 1987.

For most of that time, Edmunds admits, he has been looking for a position in the Legislature. When Noh announced his retirement after 24 years in the Senate, Edmunds figured the time had arrived.

"I've been waiting for a window of opportunity, because I knew you can't beat an incumbent," he said.

But even better, Edmunds said he had thought a House seat would likely come up before Noh's. He said Noh's Senate seat suits him much better.

"The Senate is more pro-education than the House, which has traditionally thought of it as a line item," Edmunds said.

Critical of how the Legislature has skirted key players in public school legislation the past couple of years, Edmunds said lawmakers would get better buy-in from the affected parties if they had been included in writing the legislation. In addition, Edmunds said though No Child Left Behind is a good policy, it has turned out to be another federal unfunded mandate.

He also said in an informal poll he's been tallying, 80 percent of the people with whom he has talked would actually favor keeping the extra 1 percent sales tax the 2003

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# Open up Hemingway's house?

## Neighbors win out — for now — in battle over public tours

By Bob Fick  
Associated Press

KETCHUM — The rustic home where famed author Ernest Hemingway ended his life 43 years ago has never been on public display and won't be any time soon.

Neighbors have won — at least for the moment — their second battle in eight years against public tours of the hillside house overlooking the scenic Big Wood River in Ketchum.

"There's always two sides to everything," says neighbor Joan Anderson, who knew Hemingway's widow, Mary, long before she decided to turn the home and its 13 acres over to The Nature Conservancy in 1966.

"But I recall her saying she looked hard to figure out what she was going to do with the property," Anderson said. "I really know she didn't want to make it public."

The Idaho Hemingway Home Foundation and Hemingway's granddaughter, Maricel, as its board vice chairwoman, see it differently. In their new role of managing the house for the conservancy, they would make public access — until the next time she says no.

Hemingway's only surviving son finds himself in the middle.

"Ernest Hemingway loved Idaho, and he had many good times there and many good friends," said Patrick Hemingway, who lives in Bozeman,



Ernest Hemingway's home overlooks the Big Wood River on March 31, in Ketchum. Its concrete design was made to look like the logs of the nearby Sun Valley Lodge.

Mont. "But whether that house is a symbol of that I don't know."

Hemingway first came to Idaho in 1939 to hunt, fish and write, and over the next 22 years he wrote parts of *For Whom the Bell Tolls*, *Islands in the Stream*, *The Garden of Eden* and *A Moveable Feast* while in the valley.

He lived at the Sun Valley Lodge and the Ketchum Coral cabins before buying the house just northwest of downtown Ketchum in 1959. A concrete design made to look like the

logs of the Sun Valley Lodge, the house was built eight years earlier by Bob Topping, the brother of then-New York Yankees owner Dan Topping. It has about a mile of frontage on the Big Wood.

Hemingway, a Nobel laureate, made it his permanent residence until he killed himself there with a shotgun on July 2, 1961, 19 days before his 62nd birthday.

"Ernest Hemingway has emerged from the shadow of those last years, and literary people recognize his enormous achievements," Patrick Hemingway said.

"Although his stay in Ketchum over the years contains many happy days and fine friendships, the house itself was really a last refuge," he said. "The very last period he spent there was one of despair, and in some ways the house is a very sad place, I think, in terms of his life."

The Nature Conservancy first proposed opening the spacious two-story house to the public in 1996 and was so roundly

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# Scientists study jawbone found in Gooding

The Times-News

GOODING — A human jawbone was discovered near the Little City of Rocks last week, and investigators are trying to determine its age.

Lisa Cresswell, an archaeologist with the Bureau of Land Management, said the bone will be sent to a lab for carbon dating. It may take one or two months before the age of the bone is determined.

"My initial impression is that this will be a new find, because of the lack of dental work and also because the bone was found along a creek bed," she said.

Gooding County Sheriff Shaun Gough said if the bone is determined to be new, he'll begin searching through missing person files in hope of matching up dental work.

If it's an ancient bone, Gough

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said, "Then we would put it back where we found it and leave it alone."

Cresswell said American Indian tribes typically placed their dead in rock crevices and covered the remains with rocks. She said the bone might have been washed out of its original burial place.

The bone was found on private property.

"We have a search team out looking for the rest of the remains," Gough said.

## Governor orders flags flown at half-staff

RUPERT — Gov. Dirk Kempthorne plans to attend today's funeral for a local soldier killed in Iraq.

And in honor of Pfc. Cleston Raney, Kemphorne has ordered flags at all Idaho state buildings and facilities be flown at half-staff today.

"In tribute to an outstanding young Idahoan who has paid the ultimate sacrifice in defense of his country's freedom, I have ordered flags at the Idaho Capitol, state buildings and other state facilities be flown at half-staff from sunrise to sunset on Saturday," the governor said in a press release.

Raney, 20, was killed in action in Iraq March 31.

The funeral is at 10 a.m. in the Hansen Mortuary Chapel in Rupert, with full military rites to follow at Pleasant View Cemetery in Burley.

## Man faces vehicular manslaughter charges

TWIN FALLS — A man who

police say was involved in a fatal car accident last year had an appearance in court Friday.

Earl W. Reed, 47, of Twin Falls appeared in 5th District Magistrate Court to face two counts of vehicular manslaughter.

Officers were called to the scene of an accident on April 21, 2003, at 3900 N. 3435 E.

A witness told police that Reed veered into the oncoming lane of traffic, according to an affidavit written by Sgt. Perry Barnhill of the Twin Falls County Sheriff's Department. An investigation determined that Reed traveled just over 10 seconds in that lane at 80 mph before impact occurred.

Vella Arterburn, 68, the driver, and passenger Endl Bell, 72, died in the accident, according to the affidavit.

Reed's preliminary hearing was scheduled for April 16.

# Dietrich residents speak about leadership

By Lorraine Cavener  
Times-News correspondent

DIETRICH — Even some of the men became teary-eyed when they talked about what living in this small town means to them.

The Dietrich School District Board called the Thursday meeting to let Dietrich residents express their opinions about the possibility of the board pursuing talks about consolidating administration with the Shoshone and Richfield school districts.

A crowd of about 130 came together in a school gymnasium so new that the smell of fresh paint lingered.

People said they feared consolidation could bring them a step closer to losing the school that the community had built.

Hubert Shaw talked about last year's bond election, which passed by 81 percent. The bonds will pay for taking down the old gymnasium and for construction of new classrooms in its place.

Ryan Smith, a teacher at the school, talked about pride of ownership. The community pitched in and helped build a new gymnasium last year using money the district had set aside for many years.

"Love that we have here," Smith said. "We don't have to get permission from somebody else to build a gym."

For more than two hours — with some speakers going far over the two minutes each was allowed — residents sent a clear message to the board that they were adamantly opposed to consolidation. Most expressed concern that with a joint school board they would lose local control.

"It's best to solve problems as close to home as you can get," Jeff Weber said. "If there is a problem, I want it to be solved by five people who know it."

Several told stories they had heard about other school districts from nearby Brunneau to as far away as Pennsylvania where consolidation was tried, but failed.

Not one Dietrich patron spoke in favor of consolidation, but one Shoshone woman, Julie Oxarango-Ingram, said

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## WANTED in the Magic Valley

Name: Francisco Ross Cuellar. Also known as Francisco Cuellar Rojas, Frank Cuellar, Freddie Cuellar.  
Age: 21.  
Description: 5-foot-6, 220 pounds, black hair, brown eyes.  
Wanted for: Probation violation.  
Original charge: Felony unlawful discharge of a firearm into an occupied dwelling.  
The Twin Falls County Sheriff's Department asks anyone who knows anything about Cuellar's whereabouts to call 738-4100 or Crime Stoppers at 732-5387, where you can remain anonymous and might be eligible for a cash reward.

# Where to find an Easter egg hunt in the area

## Today

- **Twin Falls** — The Twin Falls Care Center will sponsor its annual Easter Egg Hunt at 2:30 p.m. for kids up to age 12. The facility is located at 674 Eastland Drive.
- **Idaho Migrant Council** will sponsor its annual Easter Egg Hunt at 1 p.m. at the El Millagro Community Center. In addition to the egg hunt, there will be a barbecue, Indian drums demonstration, face painting, balloon animals, games and prizes and live music. Bring a basket if you have one. The El Millagro Community

- Center is located at 1122 Washington St. S.
- **Twin Falls County Sheriff's Employees Association** will sponsor its annual Easter Egg Hunt for kids up to age 18 with special needs at 10 a.m. in Rock Creek Park.
- **YMCA/City Pool** will sponsor an Easter Egg Hunt for children 4 to 12. Dive for eggs at 1 p.m. and stay for an open swim at 5 p.m. Admission is \$1, and there will be treat bags for egg-hunt participants. Doors open at 12:30 p.m. The pool is

- located at 756 Locust St. N.
- **Jerome** — The Jerome Optimist Club and the Jerome Rotary Club will sponsor their annual Easter Egg Hunt at 10 a.m. in Forsyth Park. Kids up to sixth grade are welcome. Easter baskets and prizes will be given for special eggs and each child will receive a bag of Easter candy.
- **Buhl** — The Buhl Chamber of

- Commerce will sponsor its annual Easter Egg Hunt at 10 a.m. in the Buhl Community Center. Kids up to sixth grade are welcome. Easter baskets and prizes will be given for special eggs and each child will receive a bag of Easter candy.

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SERVICES

Alma Dale Thompson Bishop of Burley, funeral Mass celebrated at 11 a.m. today at the Little Flower Catholic Church, 1601 Oakley Ave., Burley.

Emilee Ruth Hankins of Twin Falls, funeral at 1 p.m. Monday at the Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls.

Parke Ave. Friends may call from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Sunday at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley, and from 10-10:45 a.m. Monday at the church.

Cleston C. Raney of Rupert, funeral at 11 a.m. today at Hansen Mortuary, Rupert, Idaho.

Susie Chesley of Burley, funeral at 11 a.m. today at the Burley West Stake Center of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 2420

Shirley LaRae Ariaga of Hagerman, celebration of life from 2-4:30 p.m. April 18 at the Hagerman American Legion Hall (Demary Funeral Home).

DEATH NOTICES

Gerald Lee Slocum Sr.

TWIN FALLS - Gerald Lee Slocum Sr., 64, of Twin Falls, died Thursday, April 8, 2004, at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls. Arrangements will be made by Reynolds Funeral Chapel, Twin Falls.

Earl Crouse

FILER - Earl Crouse, 89, of Filer, died April 8, 2004, at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls. Arrangements will be made by Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls.

Ronald J. Elquist

BURLEY - Ronald J. Elquist, 70, of Burley, died Thursday, April 8, 2004, from cancer at his son's home in Pocatello. Military gravesite rites will be held at 2 p.m. Monday, April 12, 2004, at Gem Memorial Gardens in Burley, where family and friends may gather shortly before service time. There will be a celebration of Ron's life following the service from 3 to 5

p.m. at his home, 2044 W. 16th St., Burley. Arrangements are under the direction of Rasmussen Funeral Home. A complete obituary will appear in Sunday's edition.

Cherrie R. Winks

RUPERT - Cherrie R. Winks, 70, of Rupert, died Thursday, April 8, 2004, in Pocatello, after a long battle with cancer. A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, April 12, 2004, at Hansen Mortuary Burley Chapel, 321 E. Main St.

Daniel Boswell

HEYBURN - Daniel Boswell, 57, of Heyburn resident, died Friday, April 9, 2004, at his home. Arrangements will be made by Hansen Mortuary Burley Chapel.

Rachael Clifford

FAIRFIELD - Rachael Clifford of Fairfield died Friday, April 9, 2004, at Hospice House in Jerome. Arrangements will be made by Demary's Gooding Chapel.

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

Oris Donald Cryder, service of remembrance and witness to the resurrection service at 11 a.m. today at the First Presbyterian Church, 209 Fifth Ave. N., Twin Falls (Crowder Funeral Home, Boise).

Lloyd L. Campbell of Twin Falls, service at 2 p.m. today at 11 a.m. today at the Wendell Cemetery (Spencer, Libby and Powell Funeral Home).

Karl LaMar Duffin of Shoshone, funeral at noon today at the Shoshone LDS Ward Chapel in Shoshone. Viewing one hour before the service at the church (Reynolds Funeral Chapel).

William A. "Bill" Kimball of Vail, Ariz., and formerly of Kimberly, graveside celebration of life at 1 p.m. today at the Twin Falls Cemetery (Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home).

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@magicvalley.com. Death notices are a free service and can be placed until 4 p.m. every day. To view or submit obituaries online, or to place a message in an individual online guestbook, go to www.magicvalley.com and click on "Obituaries."

Louis Elliott 'Ole' Larsen - Buhl

Louis Elliott Larsen, "Ole," age 87, was born Nov. 19, 1916, in Leigh, Neb. He died April 6, 2004, at his home in Buhl, Idaho, while listening to the birds sing outside and surrounded by family.



He was the oldest of 12 children born to Louis and Gennie (Moore) Larsen. He graduated from high school in Madison, Neb. Ole came to Idaho in 1937 with Leo, Bud and Tony Ruffing to find work farming. The city of Buhl was only 31-years-old when he arrived.

Reginald Larsen of Twin Falls and Rodney "Rocky" of Buhl; one son, Larry Elliott Larsen, died at age 9 months in 1945. They were later divorced.

After working a year, he returned to Nebraska to marry Martha Ruffing and within two years moved her entire family including her parents and his sister, Merna (Hartfield) to Buhl where he worked for various farmers.

Ole married Dorothy Mangers in 1960. She had a daughter, Susan (Hank) Hartley of Kennewick, Wash. Ole continued to farm various places around Buhl until he retired in 1973.

In 1941, when Pearl Harbor was attacked, he tried to enlist in the armed service, but was turned down because he was a farmer. At that time farmers were considered essential to the war effort.

Unable to adapt to "Wasting daylight," as he put it, he went to work for Magic Water Co. He retired again in 1994.

In 1943, he enlisted in the Army and became the champion boxer of his base. World War II ended before he was sent overseas. He brought his family back to Buhl, where they farmed in the Cedar Draw area north-east of Buhl for several years. Joyce had five children, Beverly (Gary) Stone of Kimberly, Mary Jo (Jerry) Way of Buhl,

While fishing and animals were favorite pastimes in his younger days, he took up hunting after he moved to Buhl. He always had a dog with him, usually some stray he found. He loved sports of all kinds. He won many golf, boxing and bowling trophies. He was a supporter of high school football and basketball

games while his boys were in school. Helping others was second nature to Ole.

For years he carried an extra can of gasoline in his vehicle "in case someone needed it." He had great integrity and considered a man's word to be his bond. Music was important to him.

He knew the words to any older song and would happily sing on request. He came from a long line of Irish tenors on his maternal side. He played the piano with ease, though he never had a lesson.

He loved occasionally singing with the Walden Brothers, and in later years, listening to Lawrence Welk on Saturday night.

He said they danced to Lawrence Welk in Nebraska. After retirement, he enjoyed going to Jackson's Country Corner to "shoot the breeze" and taking Dorothy to Home Cooking every morning for breakfast.

Ole is survived by his wife, Dorothy; and stepdaughter; four children; 12 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; two sisters; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, four brothers, three sisters and one son.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, April 12, 2004, at Buhl First Christian Church, 1005 Poplar St., with Pastor Steven Marshall officiating.

Arrangements are under the direction of Farmer Funeral Chapel, Buhl.

Joyce Ann Smith - Twin Falls

Joyce Ann Smith, 60, of Twin Falls, passed away Thursday, April 8, 2004, after a long battle with Huntington's disease. She was born Nov. 17, 1943, in Twin Falls, Idaho, the daughter of J.B. and Norma Bartlett Tilson. She was raised and educated in Twin Falls. She later moved to Colorado where she lived for many years prior to returning to Twin Falls in 1992. Joyce worked as a seamstress in Colorado. The love of her life was her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Joyce enjoyed cooking, laughing and joking with family and friends.

Sue Mata of Wiley, Colo., Thacie Ann Huggins of Parker, Fla., and Toni Renee-Younkin of La-Junta, Colo.; 10 grandchildren, six great-grandchildren; three brothers, Bruce and Bill Tilson, both of Twin Falls, Idaho; and Bobby Tilson of Washington; and by one sister, Judy Lete of Jerome, Idaho.



She was preceded in death by her father and one sister, Burma Rouse.

No services are planned. Cremation was under the direction of White Mortuary, "Chapel by the Park." The family suggests memorials to the Huntington Disease Society of America, 158 W. 29th St., Seventh Floor, New York, N.Y., 10011-5300.

DOE publishes plan to ship waste by rail to Nevada site

LAS VEGAS (AP) - The Energy Department has decided to rely on trains to ship radioactive waste cross-country to a planned Nevada nuclear waste repository.

The department plans 3,000 to 3,300 railroad shipments over 24 years from 39 states to Nevada, according to a notice published in the Federal Register that makes the plan official.

The site is slated to accept waste from the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory.

The department also is forming an anti-terrorism plan, and said it calculated four cancer deaths to people exposed to radiation during the 24-year railroad shipping campaign, according to the published notice.

An additional 1,000 shipments would be trucked from sites that can't handle 150-ton rail-shipping casks, the Energy Department said.

The department committed to environmental studies on a 319-mile rail corridor across Nevada from Caliente to Yucca Mountain, 90 miles northwest of Las Vegas.

The mode decision is rail on a national basis and within Nevada," Allen Benson, Energy Department and Yucca Mountain spokesman, said Friday in Las Vegas.

Nevada is considering legal action against the transportation plan, which the Energy Department first made public Monday.

The government has not made public the rail lines, cities or towns that would be affected by the plan to ship nuclear waste to a railroad it would build near Caliente, 150 miles northeast of Las Vegas near the Utah line.

State officials and anti-dump activists call the Caliente-to-Yucca Mountain route - which loops around the vast Nevada Test Site and Nellis Air Force Base bombing range - unrealistically dangerous and expensive.

The Energy Department identified only general corridors in 2002 environmental study.

The Energy Department has said it expects to be able to build the rail line for about \$880 million. The state says it cost \$2 billion.

Benson said Friday that radioactive waste might be sent by barge to rail depots in places where nuclear plants do not have railroad access. A previous Energy Department study identified 14 states in which nuclear-filled barges could ply waterways, including Chesapeake Bay, Lake Michigan and the Hudson, Mississippi and Missouri rivers.

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The state also is examining an Energy Department backup plan that calls for trucking nuclear waste across Nevada if a railroad line isn't built before the repository opens.

On Thursday Nevada's Legislative Interim Finance Committee released \$2 million, to continue the legal battle to stop 77,000 tons of highly radioactive waste from being stored at Yucca Mountain.

The Energy Department plans to submit a license application to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission by the end of the year, and expects to build and open the repository by 2010.

University studio arts program may get reprieve after griping

MOSCOW (AP) - University Dean Joe Zeller has agreed to consider budget cuts that would save the school's studio arts program.

problems with the plan. "The main problem is that so much of it is voluntary," Haarsager said. "The budget office will want us to show them where it is in the budget book."

Budget woes at the school prompted Zeller to announce the College of Letters, Arts and Social Sciences would end its studio arts program to save \$322,000 a year. The university estimates need to cut budgets by as much as \$2.5 million a year for the next three years.

The so-called Werner plan - named after Stephen Werner, the chairman of the committee that drafted it - calls for voluntary partial retirement of senior tenured faculty and a voluntary leave-with-benefits program.

But students, faculty and community members rebelled at Zeller's proposal, holding protests and studio art festivals designed to coincide with the university's recruited new students.

Haarsager said a committee will be formed to identify who would step up to participate in the voluntary portions of the plan.

Faculty members came up with their own budget-cutting plan, offering to undergo rotating budget cuts between the departments and take measures to reduce faculty.

The final proposal will also have to be specific about how classes will be taught when a professor goes on leave, Haarsager said, and what scheduling adjustments will have to be made. Overall, she said the meeting was productive and positive.

The plan was endorsed at a faculty meeting on Thursday and the professors now have six weeks to hone the plan, college leaders said.

"We're going to try to make it work," she said. Werner, an associate professor of psychology, said the 50-page faculty members' meeting was a team to make the plan work.

Federal judge allows petition gathering

BOISE (AP) - Petition gatherers will return to the Idaho Center to collect signatures for repealing Idaho's Right to Work law, armed with a temporary restraining order against the Nampa Urban Renewal Agency.

The agency contends the party leaving the Idaho Center on a specific day decides whether to allow signature gathering or other activities.

U.S. District Judge B. Lynn Winnill on Friday ordered the agency to allow signature gathering on the grounds of the center which holds concerts, farm shows and other events.

The city has most recently taken the approach that the lease, not the city, has the discretion," said attorney Alan Herzfeld, representing the ACLU and Idaho Citizens to Repeal Right to Work.

The American Civil Liberties Union of Idaho filed a federal court lawsuit Wednesday against the agency after two petition gatherers were arrested for trespassing on March 12.

"We argued that it's inappropriate for a government entity to pass the buck to the lessee." Nampa officials were unavailable for comment on Friday night.

"We all have to contribute to this plan," Werner said. "It's an obligation as much as it is a duty."

The University of Idaho's financial outlook has worsened in recent weeks.

An additional \$5 million shortfall was found in new proposed state budget numbers, and after a student fee increase of more than 10 percent fell through.

The surviving piece of the beleaguered University Place development in Boise, the Idaho Water Center, was supposed to start generating revenue for the school as well.

But the slow economy has kept tenants out of the rental space there, and the space that is rented is bringing in less per square foot than originally anticipated.

Zeller said insurance and utility rates are also significantly higher than expected and the Legislature only partially funded a 2 percent raise to faculty and staff this year.

A task force will meet through the summer to figure out how to deal with the new shortfall.

Volunteers have been gathering signatures for an initiative to abolish the 1986 law which says union membership cannot be made a condition of continued employment. Nampa's policy is a violation of First Amendment rights, the ACLU argued. The Idaho Center was built using taxpayer funds, and public money still subsidizes it.

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# Judge dismisses embezzlement case against bus ticket employee

TWIN FALLS — Fifth District Magistrate Judge Randy Stoker dismissed the case against a Greyhound Bus Company who had been charged with embezzling nearly \$28,000 from the company.

Adrienne Suzanne Carver, 32, of Twin Falls faced one count of grand theft, a felony.

"We're going to immediately refile," said Suzanne Craig, Twin Falls County deputy prosecuting attorney.

"The judge wanted more evidence that she was the individual. We plan to present additional evidence."

Carver's job duties included selling bus tickets and collecting money for those purchases, according to an affidavit written by Detective David Heldemann of the Twin Falls Police Department.

A routine audit revealed that manual tickets were not being issued in sequence and that large numbers of tickets went unaccounted for, the affidavit says.

**Drug case goes to District Court**

TWIN FALLS — A man who was arrested after police found drugs in his car waived his preliminary hearing Friday, and the case was bound over to 5th

**House**

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opposed it dropped the idea almost immediately. But last fall the new foundation revised the plan. Hemingway's other two homes — in Key West, Fla., and Cuba — are both open to the public, as is his birthplace in Oak Park, Ill.

The foundation notified the neighbors and began pursuing the local zoning changes required to conduct commercial activity in an otherwise quiet residential neighborhood.

"I looked at the Hemingway house as something we have that is a connection to our heritage in the Wood River Valley, and that connection to Ernest Hemingway and what he represented to the Ketchum community and the literary community would overshadow any objections the neighbors had," foundation board member Terry Ring said.

"There's no point in saving something if you can't have access to it," Ring said.

But objections persisted to tours — up to three a day Monday through Saturday — and some other proposed uses of the house. They came not just from neighbors but others concerned about commercial activity in a resort city where the median home value is over \$500,000.

Late last month, Geoff Pamphish, the Idaho director for The Nature Conservancy, stepped in and pulled the zoning application in favor of more negotiations with neighbors.

"I thought they had a pathway identified for a successful application," Pamphish said. "I guess we weren't paying as much attention to it as we should have been."

In addition to public tours, the foundation's overall plan called for restoring the home to its 1961 condition, developing a

## Magic Valley in brief

**District Court.**

Phillip Duane Flegler, 43, of Twin Falls is charged with three counts of possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver.

Flegler was driving in Twin Falls on March 31 when a police officer noticed that tinting on the passenger side of his vehicle appeared darker than what is allowed, according to an affidavit written by officer Jarred Webb of the Twin Falls Police Department.

Another officer with a police dog arrived at the scene. The dog indicated there might be drugs in the vehicle.

Officers searched the car and found marijuana, amphetamine and a hypodermic syringe, among other things.

## Man must pay fine in campground spat

BOISE — A Bellevue man has been sentenced to 12 months' probation and a \$500 fine for interfering with and intimidating a volunteer campground host on the Sawtooth National Forest.

The judge also banned the man from using any fee campgrounds during his probation.

according to a Friday press release from the U.S. attorney's office.

Following a bench trial in February, Chief U.S. Magistrate Judge Larry Boyle found Mark Hopper, 53, guilty of both interfering with and intimidating the volunteer.

The judge told Hopper he would suspend \$200 of the fine if the other \$300 was paid promptly.

Boyle found that Hopper entered the Botondary Campground near Ketchum on Aug. 4, 2003, parked his truck in an occupied fee campsite and didn't pay the fee.

When the campground host asked him to either move to the non-fee day-use area or move to an unoccupied campsite and pay the fee, Hopper refused and became belligerent, waving his hands and calling her names, the press release said.

He was cited by a Forest Service law enforcement officer.

Sawtooth Forest Supervisor Ruth Monahan said the agency takes it seriously when one of its employees or volunteers is abused.

"Fortunately this kind of thing is rare, but when it does happen we won't hesitate to cite the individual," she said in the press release.

— compiled from staff reports

# Eggs

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Commerce will sponsor an Easter Egg Hunt at 10 a.m. in Eastman Park, with sections for kids 1 to 7 and 7 to 12. Buhl Kiwanians will hide more than 2,500 eggs, which can be redeemed for cash.

Earlier this morning, the Buhl Public Library and the West End Head Start will sponsor an Easter "El Dia de Los Ninos/Day of the Children" parade starting at 9 a.m. at the corner of Main and 11th streets. The parade ends at Eastman Park, where the Chamber of Commerce Easter Egg Hunt will be held. Children who participate in the parade are encouraged to wear Easter hats.

**Gooding**

Schubert Theater will host Schubert Magic Days from noon to 4 p.m. Activities will include an Easter Egg Hunt, cookie decorating, face painting, coloring and drawing contests. The theater is located at 402 Main St.

**Kimberly**

Crossroads United Methodist Church will sponsor its annual Easter Egg Hunt at 11 a.m. in

City Park for kids up to sixth grade. Easter craft activities and lunch will be provided.

**Wendell**

The Wendell Card and Curry 4-H Club will sponsor the Easter Egg Hunt at 10 a.m. in City Park. There will be five different age groups: under 3, 4 to 6, 7 to 9, 10 to 12 and special needs.

**Hagerman**

The Hagerman Valley Chamber of Commerce will present its annual Easter Egg Hunt at 10 a.m. in Jean's Park. The event is open to pre-schoolers and elementary school students through the fourth-grade level. Youngsters will be divided into groups, according to age. Prizes to be awarded to the participants are sponsored by the

**Castelford**

The Castelford Parks and Recreation District will present its annual Easter Egg Hunt at 10 a.m. in Jean's Park. The event is open to pre-schoolers and elementary school students through the fourth-grade level. Youngsters will be divided into groups, according to age. Prizes to be awarded to the participants are sponsored by the

Castelford Men's Club, Corner Merc and Hollister's Market.

**Hollister**

The Sunday school of the Hollister Community Presbyterian Church will sponsor an Easter Egg Hunt at 2 p.m. at the church, 2461 Central Ave. There will be games and refreshments. All children are invited. For more information, call Rhea Lanting at 655-4257.

**Fairfield**

The Fairfield Community Easter Egg Hunt will begin at 11 a.m. in Fairfield City Park. There are four age categories: 0 to 3, 4 to 6, 7 to 9, and 10 and older. A barbecue will follow, with food donated by local businesses. Children need to bring and Easter basket. For more information, call Alicia Sanders at 764-2052.

## Sunday

**Sun Valley**

Our Lady of the Snow Catholic Church will sponsor its second annual Easter Egg Hunt at 11:45 a.m. in the festival field on Sun Valley Road. There will be prizes offered for different age groups; bring a basket.

## What they're saying

Here are some quotes from Thursday night's meeting in Dietrich about possible school district consolidation:

"Saying 'consolidation' is like saying 'Army'."  
— Acey Shaw

"Very likely it will cost you more money."  
— Wanless Southwick

"I don't think it is the school's responsibility to provide everything for our kids. If our school is not providing home ec, you can teach your kids to cook and sew."  
— Maureen Heimerlindger

"There are benefits. Is the gain worth the sacrifice?" In my opinion, no."  
— Jerry Heimerlindger

"There is something special about this town and something special about this school."  
— Ryan Smith

# Schools

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consolidation deserved more research. She said she had been to all the meetings throughout Lincoln County that were related to the issue and that it was disturbing to her that Dietrich School Board members had not expressed interest in finding out what consolidation was all about.

"If you don't know the information, you can't bring it back," Oxnango-Ingram said. "It becomes a liability when you cannot get together with others. There's so much you cannot

offer by refusing to come to the table."

While Dietrich residents did not show interest in coming to the consolidation table, many did say that cooperation with other schools in the county was necessary.

But cooperation is something that the three districts are already engaged in, many said.

"We are already cooperating with Shoshone and Richfield," Smith said. "We have more technology here per capita than any other school in the state."

He talked about distance learning that the school shares

with the two other school districts in the county.

Wanless Southwick, who worked as the district's technology coordinator for 10 years before retiring about a year ago, had installed the technology that made distance learning possible.

Southwick said distance learning provided opportunities to expand curriculum, but that could be accomplished without consolidation.

The board is accepting written comments on the issue until April 15.



A portrait of Ernest Hemingway hangs above the fireplace in his home with family pictures on another wall March 31 in Ketchum. The rustic central Idaho home where the famed author ended his life 43 years ago has never been on public display and won't be any time soon.

scholarly library, conducting workshops and creating a writer- or artist-in-residence program.

Susan Beegel, editor of The Hemingway Review based in Maine, recognized residents' concerns about traffic and other problems that could accompany public access to the house.

But she believes some accommodation can be reached that will open the building not just to scholars and writers but to the general public so people can come to better understand one of America's pre-eminent authors.

Hemingway is not only a very important American writer, but he's one of the most translated American writers in the world," Beegel said. "The

house is not only really important to Americans but to the world."

"I've been there with Idaho teachers and saw how inspired they were by it," she said.

From her back yard that also overlooks the Big Wood, Anderson acknowledged the value others place on the home and public access to it.

She's resisting tours, but she said, "my mind isn't closed. I understand what they're saying. There are a lot of people out there who are interested in Mr. Hemingway."

"Maybe there is a middle ground," Anderson said. "Maybe change is inevitable, and maybe it will happen. I'll live with what happens. But I'll express my view."

# Edmunds

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Legislature put in place for two years. But there would have to be one stipulation on that, he said.

"It would have to be dedicated only to Edmunds. He said he could support that."

One of the committees upon which Noh serves is the Senate Education Committee, which is made up of the committees. Edmunds said he's focused on joining.

Noh has also chaired the Senate Resources and Environment Committee for the past 22 years and is recognized throughout the state as an authority on water. Noh is even chairing an important interim committee that is focused on bringing some permanent solutions to the recent explosive water dispute in the Thousand Springs area between fish producers and groundwater pumpers on the north side of the Snake River Canyon.

One of Edmunds' opponents, Chuck Colner, has said he is a natural to fill in where Noh is leaving off, as he has worked for more than 20 years on various water boards. But Edmunds

said if the truth be known, he is the one to fill in for Noh.

"Now that's where my true expertise is," Edmunds said, adding that it is the other committee upon which he'd like to sit.

One of Noh's pet issues has been fighting against gambling. Edmunds said he's aligned with Noh's perspective on the subject. Though Edmunds worked as a consultant for gambling mogul Nielsen at one time, he distanced himself on Friday from the experience. He said initially he had worked for Nielsen as a real estate consultant, but when Nielsen became involved in developing casinos, Edmunds said he quit the job.

"It was in conflict with who I believe in as a society that believes in the easy way out of getting around working hard."

Edmunds said he defines himself as about halfway in between Hansen and Colner in political stands. In addition to tagging Colner as a one-issue candidate, Edmunds called him a Democrat.

In a phone interview later, Colner laughed heartily and

said, "I think I may have voted for a Democrat once or twice. I think it might have been right after Nixon and Watergate, but certainly not any time in recent memory."

Edmunds said Hansen is much further to his right because of Hansen's conservative views on budget issues. And Edmunds put aside speculation that he and Hansen, who are both LDS, would split the Mormon vote, referring to Colner, a non-Mormon, in the lead for Noh's job.

For one thing, Edmunds said church surveys show the Mormon population in District 24 only accounts for about 20 percent of the voters.

But also, "I don't believe in that sentiment."

He said he personally has not seen any evidence of any Mormon versus non-Mormon prejudice in the community.

"My strong suit is that I bring people together on common goals," Edmunds said.

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# Randy Hansen gets Key Endorsement from JFAC Co-chairpersons

Today Representative Maxine Bell, House Appropriations Committee Co-chairperson, and Senator Dean Cameron, chairman of the powerful Joint Finance Appropriations Committee, announced that they are supporting former State Representative Randy Hansen as candidate for the Senate seat from District 24.

Representative Bell stated, "Randy Hansen made an immediate impact on the state budget process when he was appointed to the Joint Finance Appropriations Committee."

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# JEROME COUNTY COURTS

### The Times-News

**JEROME** - Recent activity in 5th District Court in Jerome County included the following:

#### Misdemeanor arraignments

**David A. Ahrbaugh**, 19; driving under the influence; driving without privileges; prenatal conference April 12; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

**Kenneth J. Baker**, no date of birth listed; unlawful placement of junk and debris in open view on private property; prenatal conference April 12; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

**Ross B. Bateman**, 45; unlawful accumulation of junk and debris; unlawful placement of junk and debris in open view on private property; prenatal conference April 12; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

**Dale Canary**, 39; driving without privileges amended to failure to purchase/invalid driver's license; prenatal conference April 12; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

**Robert C. Chiswell**, 27; battery; prenatal conference April 12; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

**Robert E. Helms**, 59; unlawful accumulation of junk and debris; unlawful placement of junk and debris in open view on private property; prenatal conference April 12; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

**Arnold S. Minnowes**, 48; driving under the influence; prenatal conference April 12; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

#### Misdemeanor sentencing

**Vince Brewer**, 25; open container; \$300 fine, \$200 suspended, \$63.50 court costs, \$35 probation fee; one year unsupervised probation; 15 days in jail, 15 suspended; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

**Joseph M. Sillnohich**, 19; driving without privileges; \$300 fine, \$200 suspended, \$78.50 court costs, \$35 probation fee; one year unsupervised probation; 180 days in jail, 178 suspended, two days eligible for work program; 180-day driver's license suspension; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

**Geary D. Devies**, 50; driving under the influence (excess) amended to driving under the influence; \$750 fine, \$450 suspended, \$78.50 court costs; one year supervised probation; 180 days in jail, 148 suspended, 30 discretionary, two days eligible for work program; 180-day driver's license suspension; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

**Gonzalo Morales-Ramirez**, 21; driving under the influence; \$200 fine, \$50 suspended, \$78.50 court costs, \$50 public defender fee; one year supervised probation; 180 days in jail, 40 suspended, 100 discretionary, credit for 40 days served; 180-day driver's license suspension; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

**Cayetano Perez-Marin**, 41; driving

under the influence amended to inattentive/careless driving; \$300 fine, \$150 suspended, \$63.50 court costs; one year supervised probation; 90 days in jail, 88 suspended, two eligible for work program; open container; dismissed; by prosecutor; failure to provide proof of insurance; \$75 fine, \$32.50 court costs; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

**Randy W. Hansen**, 51; driving under the influence amended to inattentive/careless driving; \$300 fine, \$200 suspended, \$63.50 court costs; one year supervised probation; 80 days in jail, 78 discretionary, credit for one day served; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

**Kennard A. Harper**, 55; driving without privileges; dismissed by prosecutor; failure to obey traffic control device; \$20.50 fine, \$32.50 court costs; failure to use safety restraint; \$10 fine, \$32.50 court costs; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

**Paulo Sergio Leon-Mendez**, 27; driving without privileges; \$68.50 fine, \$63.50 court costs; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

**Francisco J. Mireles-Pena**, 22; driving under the influence; \$750 fine, \$750 suspended, \$78.50 court costs; one year unsupervised probation; 180 days in jail, 169 suspended, 11 days served; 180-day driver's license suspension; failure to purchase/invalid driver's license; dismissed by prosecutor; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

**Marion L. Murdoch**, 45; driving under the influence; \$750 fine, \$550 suspended, \$78.50 court costs; two years supervised probation; 180 days in jail, 178 suspended, two days eligible for work program; 180-day driver's license suspension; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

**Jose Gabriel Gordillo-Anguelo**, 22; disturbing the peace; \$300 fine, \$250 suspended, \$63.50 court costs, \$35 probation fee, \$50 public defender fee; six months unsupervised probation; 10 days in jail, 10 suspended; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

**Jaine Rosales-Martinez**, 27; failure to stop damaged/leaving the scene of an accident amended to failure to notify upon striking fixtures on the highway; \$300 fine, \$250 suspended, \$63.50 court costs, \$35 probation fee, \$50 public defender fee; six months unsupervised probation; 10 days in jail, 10 suspended; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

**Preston Asa Emery**, 27; battery amended to disturbing the peace; \$300 fine, \$250 suspended, \$63.50 court costs, \$35 probation fee, \$50 public defender fee; six months unsupervised probation; 10 days in jail, 10 suspended; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

**Michael Murphy**, 47; inattentive/careless driving; dismissed by prosecutor; operating a motor vehicle without liability insurance; \$500 fine, \$600 suspended, \$63.50 court costs, \$50 public defender fee; one year unsupervised probation; 45 days in jail, 45 suspended; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

**Thomas Allen Russell**, 22; driving without privileges amended to failure to purchase/invalid driver's license; \$300 fine, \$200 suspended;

dismissed by prosecutor; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

#### Misdemeanor dismissals

**Duncan B. Garvie**, 52; weight exceeding registered gross weight; dismissed by prosecutor; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

**Eric G. Johns**, 28; malicious injury to property; dismissed by prosecutor; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

**Michael Evert Sant**, 24; reckless driving amended to inattentive/careless driving; \$300 fine, \$250 suspended, \$63.50 court costs, \$50 public defender fee; one year unsupervised probation; 20 days in jail, 20 suspended; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

**Michael Allen Taylor**, 49; disturbing the peace; dismissed by prosecutor; trespassing; \$300 fine, \$250 suspended, \$63.50 court costs, \$50 public defender fee; one year unsupervised probation; 45 days in jail, 45 suspended; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

**Thad Eugene Kern**, 33; battery - domestic violence amended to disturbing the peace; \$300 fine, \$200 suspended, \$63.50 court costs, \$35 probation fee, \$40 public defender fee; one year unsupervised probation; 30 days in jail, 30 discretionary. Separate case: enhancement - domestic battery/assault - child present amended to battery; \$300 fine, \$200 suspended, \$63.50 court costs; one year supervised probation; 90 days in jail, 88 suspended, credit for one day served, one day eligible for work program; destruction of a telecommunication line/instrument;

**Child support cases**  
State of Idaho Child Support Services vs. Layton Tyrell Koehn and Erica June Koehn. Seeking of Mr. Koehn: \$338 monthly support for Jesse Tyrell Koehn, plus 69 percent of child's medical expenses; \$330 attorney fees.

State of Idaho Health and Welfare vs. Sergio A. Moreno and Paul Cruz. Seeking of Mr. Moreno: \$176 monthly support for Monsant Moreno, plus 50 percent of child's medical expenses; \$330 attorney fees.

State of Idaho Child Support Services vs. Gerald S. Gause and Johane L. Hall. Seeking of Mr. Gause: \$130 monthly support for Brendan Eugene Gause, plus 46 percent of child's medical expenses; \$174 for his pro rata share of birth costs; \$520 as reimbursement for public assistance

granted; \$330 attorney fees. State of Idaho Child Support Services vs. Crystal Grace Malone. Seeking \$152 monthly support for Sierra Michelle Malone; \$475 attorney fees.

#### Divorces

**Terri Jo Solorzano** vs. Gabriel J. Solorzano-Gomez. Seeking \$152 monthly support for Matthew E. Comstock vs. Angela E. Comstock. Christel E. Plate vs. Robert E. Plate



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Father Miguel Celo, center, is led away by Palm Springs police after participating in a rally held to demand workplace rights and union talks at the Spa Resort Casino Thursday in Palm Springs, Calif.

## Police break up rally in California

PALM SPRINGS, Calif. (AP) — Police arrested 25 people Thursday after they locked hands and blocked a street while demanding workplace rights and union talks at a downtown casino owned by the wealthy Agua Caliente tribe. Police said the protesters would be booked on charges of unlawful assembly after ignoring an order to disperse. Nearly 200 protesters gathered in a downtown church, before marching to the Spa Resort Casino. With them was Dolores Huerta, who helped found the United Farm Workers with Cesar Chavez. She and two priests were among those arrested. Union officials trying to or-

ganize workers at the casino accused management of a range of discrimination, including sexual harassment, age bias and favoritism. "This is about stopping the abuse," said Jennifer Skumik, organizing director in California for the Hotel Employees and Restaurant Employees International Union. "We want to appeal to the tribe and to the governor to have these problems resolved." Ray Brown, a spokesman for the Agua Caliente tribe, denied the allegations. The tribe abides by state and federal labor laws outlined in its 1995 compact agreement with the state to operate its two casinos, he said. Union officials said that since Indian tribes are considered

sovereign nations, they are not responsible to government agencies that typically enforce workplace regulations. The organizers also said they have approached the tribe about a possible collective bargaining agreement but received no response. The tribe countered that workers have not told management they want to unionize. The rally came as leaders of California tribes conducted secret negotiations with Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger to renew portions of the compacts that allow 61 tribes to operate casinos in California. Casino employees want to make sure guarantees of their rights are included in the new deals.

Among the workers at Thursday's rally was Denise De Groff, 49, of Thousand Palms. She said she was fired last year from her job as a slot machine technician for insubordination but not given any specifics about the action. She was told she could apply for a different position and now works as a casino maintenance engineer. De Groff believes she was fired over her complaints about working in the smoke-filled casino. She also claims her supervisor disliked her because she is openly gay. "I want to help the cause," she said. "I'm willing to stay, because I can't walk away from what's going on at the casino."

## State police investigate crash that killed girl

CALDWELL (AP) — A 3-year-old child has died of injuries suffered earlier this week in a collision in Canyon County. Liliana Jones died Wednesday evening, but Idaho State Police spokesman Rick Ohnsman did not announce the death until a day later.

The little girl was sitting unrestrained in the front seat of the van when it collided at slow speed with another vehicle. Investigators said the crash initially threw the child into the dashboard and then the deploying airbag hurled her back, causing the fatal neck injuries.

Her 6-year-old sister who was buckled in the back seat, was not injured. Donald Jones, 42, of Caldwell, the girl's father, was driving the van. Prosecutors are awaiting a State Police investigation before determining whether Jones should be charged.

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## Japanese abductions pressure government

TOKYO (AP) — The abduction of three Japanese in Iraq plunged Prime Minister Junichiro Koizumi into his deepest crisis since taking office three years ago, as relatives of the hostages and thousands of protesters pressed the government Friday to withdraw Japanese troops from Iraq.

Ruling party officials vowed not to give in to terrorists and reiterated that Japanese soldiers would continue their humanitarian mission in Iraq. Koizumi announced as "towardly" the Iraqi captors' threat to burn the three civilian hostages alive unless Tokyo gives in.

Thousands massed near the prime minister's official residence and held a candlelight vigil for captives also in the nearby Inari, 18, and Nahoko Takato, 34, and photojournalist Soichiro Koriyama, 32.

"As a parent, it would be just unbearable to see my child being burned," said Koizumi's mother Kinuko said at a news conference.

"Time is running out," said Ayako Inoue, Koizumi's younger sister. "My uneasiness and anx-

leity grows as the time passes." In a video obtained by Associated Press Television News, four masked men threaten the blindfolded captives with guns and knives. The Arab TV network Al-Jazeera also received the video and said it was accompanied by a statement saying the hostages would be burned alive if Japan's troops were not pulled from Iraq within three days.

Koizumi pushed forward with the deployment of 1,100 troops to Iraq this year despite deep public reservations about sending Japanese soldiers to a combat zone for the first time since World War II.

Critics said dispatching troops to Iraq violated Japan's pacifist constitution, which bans the use of force to resolve disputes. Many Japanese also said they feared the troops could come under attack and suffer casualties, something Japan's military has not experienced since 1945.

Nearly 2,000 people turned out for the candlelight vigil in the heart of Tokyo's political district, shouting "Defense troops, withdraw right now!"

## A FALLEN FRIEND



Emily Holt, 17, a junior at California High School in San Ramon, Calif., stares Thursday at a photo of her friend Kyle Crowley, 18, a Camp Pendleton Marine who was killed Monday in Iraq. Students put up a photo of Crowley and signed remembrances in a hallway at the school that Crowley attended.

## Iraqi exiles return to fight U.S.

By Hannah Allam  
Knight Ridder News Service

AMMAN, Jordan — A long row of battered militants lined a street Friday in downtown Amman, waiting to catch eager young Iraqi exiles home to battle.

Emboldened by news accounts of Islamic militiamen fighting U.S.-led forces, many Iraqis said they were keen to replenish the uprising that's left hundreds of their countrymen and at least 42 coalition troops dead since last Sunday.

Shiite and Sunni Muslims, age-old rivals, taunted one another about which sect was punishing the Americans more.

"You always boast about what's happening in Fallujah," a young Shiite man shouted to a Sunni. "But we know what we're doing in Karbala and Najaf!"

Mostly Sunni Fallujah has long been a hotbed of resistance to the occupation. Najaf, a Shiite holy city in southern Iraq, is where radical young cleric Muqtada al-Sadr is believed to be holed up against the Americans. His Mahdi Army militia has captured parts of or entire southern cities, including the holy city of Karbala, and continues to fight American forces street-by-street in several areas.

New recruits in Amman crammed food and clothing into orange-and-white Iraqi taxis Friday in a quarter of the Jordanian capital known as "Iraq Row." Hundreds more Iraqis met gathered after Friday prayers to trade news about the bloodshed and say goodbye to friends who pooled their money for a \$300 ride to the battle.

"I want to fight," said Mohsin al Maamuri, 31, who was packing supplies into a car bound for the southern Iraqi city of Hilla. "I've spent two years in Amman, and I planned to stay longer. I even bought furniture. But when I saw the pictures on TV this week, I had no choice. I have to go to join the Mahdi Army."

## Rice's testimony probably won't satisfy critics

By David Von Drehle  
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — When the Washington investigative machinery gets rolling, it takes a major event to stop it. National security adviser Condoleezza Rice's defense of the Bush anti-terror effort Thursday's hearing before the 9/11 commission was not enough.

But while the hasty anticipated hearing — a sometimes tatty affair played out before live television cameras — failed to end the scrutiny of the Bush administration, it helped to narrow the focus to this: What did President Bush and his senior advisers know in the summer of 2001 about a flurry of terrorist threats picked up by intelligence services, and what did they do about it?



Condoleezza Rice

That piece of the puzzle remained in dispute in part because of questions about a key classified document that detailed terror threats to Bush about a month before the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks.

Commissioners called on the White House to make the document public, which seems certain to keep the investigation in the headlines.

In his blockbuster testimony two weeks ago, former counterterrorism chief Richard Clarke leveled two basic charges.

es simply knew too little about al-Qaida's plans, she lamented. And the inability of the FBI and CIA to work together on terrorism had been a chronic problem, left unfixed for years.

"We were there 233 days" before the attacks.

At another point, Rice said the specter of terrorist hijackings should have led the government to order airlines to fortify cockpits "a long time ago."

The first has receded: that the Bush administration ignored his plans for disrupting the al-Qaida terror network in early 2001, plans that included possible military action against the Taliban in Afghanistan.

Rice and the commissioners spent much time on that point, because Clarke himself undercut it when he said it would not have prevented 9/11.

"Instead, they spared over Clarke's second charge, that top officials, including Bush and Rice, were listless in the face of the summertime "sheat spike." Rice insisted that she and the president did all they reasonably could to address "frustratingly vague" threats despite being hobbled by longstanding legal and bureaucratic barriers.

With the election heating up, the nearly 3-hour session rang

with political overtones. The toughest questions for Rice came from Democrats on the panel, including contentious exchanges with former Senator Bob Kerrey of Nebraska and Washington lawyer Richard Ben Veniste.

One section of the room erupted into applause for Rice several times, only to be answered a bit later by applause for her interrogators from another quarter of the room.

"We're in the political echelon now," said Republican Mit Speers, a veteran of the Reagan and first Bush administrations. Rice "did a credible enough job" to "take away the bigger issues," he asserted, but "I don't think that her testimony will still the debate. The Democrats have enough residual fodder to kick this dog for a while longer."

Among Democrats, many felt that Rice's testimony had pushed the trail of blame directly to George W. Bush.

"Just one month before terrorists claimed the lives of 3,000 Americans at the World Trade Center and the Pentagon, President Bush was on a thirty-day vacation in Crawford, Texas," said Rep. Elijah Cummings, D-Md., chairman of the Congressional Black

Caucus. "He was informed by his national security team that al-Qaida operatives in the United States had the ability to hijack passenger airplanes."

Cummings was referring to one of the hot spots of Rice's testimony: She tangled with commission Democrats over the nature of a highly classified briefing Rice received on Aug. 6, 2001.

Ben Veniste characterized the briefing as a dire warning of al-Qaida leader Osama bin Laden's desire to strike America. He underscored his point in one of the day's most dramatic — and tense — exchanges.

"And I ask you whether you recall the title of that (briefing)," Ben Veniste said. "I believe the title was, 'Bin

Laden Determined to Strike Inside the United States,'" Rice answered.

Ben Veniste tried to stop her at that, but Rice kept talking over his objections, insisting that there was nothing new and nothing solid in the "PDB," or President's Daily Briefing.

"It did not warn of attacks inside the United States," Rice insisted. "It was historical information based on old reporting. There was no new threat information. And it did not, in fact, warn of any coming attacks inside the United States."

After some more sparring, Ben Veniste challenged Rice to have the briefing made public.

"If you are willing to declassify that document, then others can make up their minds about it," he said.

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Hope in Iraq seems far away

Reporter sees early goals of the war vanish as insurgents sow chaos and death

By John Darzavauk  
Los Angeles Times

BAGHDAD, Iraq — One year ago Friday, I walked down an empty stretch of Sadoun Street toward the pointed gun barrels of U.S. Marines who had just reached the center of Baghdad. Perhaps it was dangerous, but I felt only relief and elation. The arrival of the Marines meant the 21-day war was over, and Iraq would have the possibility of a better, peaceful future.

On that day, I was soon surrounded by happy Iraqis, no longer scared in wild, dark fears, came pouring into the streets.

Today, I can no longer walk down Sadoun Street. As an American, it is not safe for me to do so. During my last trip to Iraq a few weeks ago, I could only drive past the cafes, shops and ice cream parlors where I had once lingered. With assassins in the streets on the lookout for Western interlopers, the shopkeepers and restaurateurs seem to wish that I would just move on, quickly.

A year after the fall of Baghdad — after the deaths of more than 600 Americans, the wounding of 8,000 others and the allocation of untold billions of dollars — the hopes of April 9, 2003, seem farther than ever from reach.

I had visited the country on and off during the previous eight years and shared the foreboding of many that a conquest of Iraq would be messy, Iraqis are people as complex, diverse and driven as any in the Arab world. Although the majority had hated Saddam Hussein, many Iraqis also distrusted and harbored grudges against the United States. Yet as the fighting came to its supposed close, it was possible to push aside those uncertainties and imagine a better future.

Unfortunately, the seeds of today's problems were sown even before the war was really over. The Marines moved in on the eastern side of the Tigris in Baghdad. The Army was on the western side, mopping up pockets of resistance. But neither had the mandate to enforce law and order.

As U.S. troops stood by and did nothing, a paroxysm of looting erupted. It is hard to describe the chaos — fire and ransacking sweeping like a plague through just about every enterprise and institution in the country. By the time it was over, the country was left far more shattered than it had been during the war.

Electricity, which had failed only in the closing days of the war, was nonexistent, people needed food deliveries and clean water, and the economy



A demonstrator ducks as gunfire erupts during an anti-American protest in Baghdad Sunday.

no longer functioned. But everyone believed that U.S. forces — the most powerful army in the world — would swiftly take care of whatever was needed.

It was nine days after the fall of Baghdad before the U.S. Defense Department finally let the U.S. civilian authority, led by retired Gen. Jay Garner, into Baghdad. For reasons of security, Garner and his makeshift team set up shop in Saddam's Republican Palace and began to construct what came to be known as the "green zone."

In these days, a few guards and some mild strands of concertina wire were deemed enough to block the gates. Now the green zone barrier is hundreds of yards of reinforced concrete — a Berlin Wall in the middle of Baghdad.

Still, back then in May most Iraqis had an open mind about the U.S.-led occupation and hailed the removal of Saddam. Most expected the United States to quickly call a council of opposition parties, set up a new government and prepare to leave the country.

But the replacement of Garner with L. Paul Bremer III in mid-May brought another series of shocks to the Iraqi population. Bremer said it was too early for any grand council or turnover of meaningful power to Iraqis. He abolished the Iraqi army, saying that its soldiers had in effect dissolved the army by fleeing during the war. That pen stroke led about 500,000 men desperate for work, creating a reservoir of anger that would come back to haunt the U.S. leadership.

slight and meager in relation to expectations.

The capture of Saddam himself in a "spider hole" close to his home village in December seemed at first as if it might deflate the former Baathists and intelligence officers who seemed to be the backbone of the resistance, but in some ways it liberated them. No longer encumbered by the crimes of their former leader, they could style themselves as patriots for Iraq and win over more of the public in a nationalistic struggle against America.

Another girder of American hopes for Iraq seemed to collapse this month when at least one segment of the unhappy but generally quiet Shiite population turned to open revolt, led by the firebrand cleric al-Moqtada Sadr.

Today, U.S. forces are losing lives on two fronts — against Sunni insurgents mixed with religious extremists and against the newly awakened Shiites. Violence and fear have become the country's twin plagues. During last year's war, the level of civilian casualties was horrifying, even if they were accidental and often unavoidable because of the tactics used by the old regime's defenders. But the ongoing bloodshed in Iraq has made the three weeks of active combat pale in comparison.

Murders, political violence, reprisals, kidnappings and theft have made the entire country a danger zone.

I can count five friends or fairly close acquaintances who have died or been killed in the last 12 months in Iraq — two by heart attacks, one in a road accident and two by assassination. I consider them by all victims. Eight of my Los Angeles Times colleagues were seriously injured in a terrorist bombing on New Year's Eve. When I saw their injured faces, I wanted to cry.

For Iraqis, the suffering has been enormous. They are disappointed, disillusioned and — in many cases — blindly furious and eager and willing to lash out at the foreigners in their midst.

On my last day in Iraq last month, I visited a young second cousin of mine from Texas who, as a reservist, has been sent to Baghdad in the Sunbelt Triangle, where the United States is in the midst of constructing what some Pentagon planners hope will be a permanent base.

Seeing her bright, shining face in the sea of desert cantonment tents, a young woman eager to do a good job and please her commanders, but also to stay safe and please her worried mother back home, I wondered how we Americans and Iraqis found ourselves in this predicament.

Afghan troops help restore calm

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP) — Afghan troops restored calm to the northern city of Maymana on Friday, one day after it was overrun by militia loyal to a powerful regional warlord, but the ousted governor remained in hiding and told The Associated Press he feared for his life.

Government soldiers retook the city in Faryab province without resistance, according to presidential spokesman Jawed Ludin.

President Hamid Karzai has ordered Gov. Enayattal Enayat to resume his duties. Enayat was in hiding near the Turkmen border, and resting after breaking his leg in an accident, said Ludin.

Contacted by satellite phone Friday, Enayat said he was afraid for his life after hostile forces burned and looted his home.

Maymana, near the Turkmenistan border, fell Thursday to forces of Abdul Rashid Dostum, the government said.

Accounts of the clash varied, but it presents another security problem for Karzai and the U.S.-led military coalition already entangled in hunting Taliban and al-Qaida insurgents in the south and east of the country.

More than 150 U.S.-trained national army troops entered the city late Thursday without incident and 600 more soldiers were

on the way, said Ludin, the presidential spokesman.

"They secured the airport and then went out into the city," Ludin said. "Our reports are that the people received them quite warmly."

There were no reports of casualties, and Dostum's supporters also reported no

fresh incidents Friday. It was not immediately clear whether Dostum's men had withdrawn from the city.

"The city is quiet and the shops are open," said Haroun Turani, a doctor at a Maymana hospital whose telephone number was supplied by a Dostum aide.

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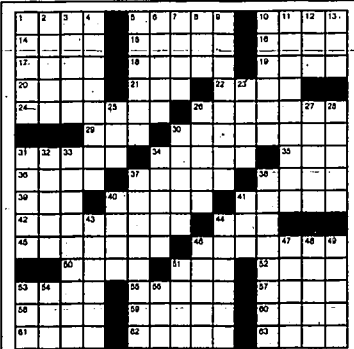
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APR 10/04

Dad leaves bitter taste in son's mouth

DEAR ABBY: My ex-husband, "Robert," is a police officer. We have two children together. I am now remarried.

When my children visited Robert last weekend, my 8-year-old son, Danny, got into a fight with his stepfather. They started calling each other names. This happened at Robert's friend's home, and the friend suggested the children drink vinegar as a punishment.

They taunted Danny, asking what color shot glass he wanted his vinegar in. He cried and begged his dad not to make him drink it. He said he wanted to come home to me. Robert screamed at Danny until he drank it.

When I picked my children up on Sunday night, Danny was distraught. He can't seem to get over that incident.

I called my lawyer, who said that it is borderline abuse. He said to tell Robert if it happens again, we will file a petition for supervised visitation. Robert thinks I'm being unreasonable. He can't believe I would go that far since he's a police officer and it might hurt his job. I think he should know better because he is a police officer.

I failed to mention that Danny has Tourette syndrome. Stress makes it worse. He is a good boy, and I don't feel he deserved this type of punishment. Am I



DEAR ABBY Jeanne Phillips

being unreasonable? -DISTRUGHT

DEAR DISTRUGHT: I don't know what the children called each other that sent you off the deep end, but the punishment didn't fit the crime. In light of the fact that Danny has Tourette syndrome, there are better ways to discipline him - i.e., write 100 times "I will not name-call," or write his stepfather a letter of apology.

Perhaps it is unfair to hold a law enforcement officer to a higher standard, but as an adult he should have known better. He could benefit from talking to Danny's doctor or the Tourette Syndrome Association Inc. (888-488-8738) about reasonable expectations. Or he could visit the Web site: www.usa-usa.org. However, if it happens again, listen to your lawyer.

DEAR ABBY: My wife has allowed my 19-year-old stepdaughter, "Jana," to move her boyfriend into our home. They are both college students

who earn excellent grades and work part-time. Many of their classes are the same and they study together. Jana sleeps upstairs and her boyfriend sleeps downstairs.

I do not agree with this arrangement. I believe it will lead to them living together when they go off to complete their educations. I simply can't support this, but my wife wants to avoid conflict by allowing it. What do you think?

-CONCERNED STEPDAUGHTER IN FLORIDA

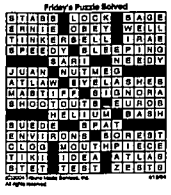
DEAR STEPDAUGHTER: Since they earn excellent grades, have part-time jobs, sleep on different floors and are focused on completing their educations, I think your concern about what might happen down the road is premature.

DEAR ABBY: I am 17. My girlfriend, "Becky," is 15. Six months ago, we were alone in her house. Becky's father came home earlier than expected and caught us in the act in their bedroom. He called my parents and said we had to get married. I refused. I haven't talked to Becky since.

Abby, was I wrong? Should I have married Becky? -CONFUSED IN CALIFORNIA

DEAR CONFUSED: Not under those circumstances. Neither of you is old enough or mature enough to take on the responsibilities of marriage.

Perhaps when Becky's father made that call, he was trying to show his daughter that serious responsibilities go along with having sex.



Friday's Puzzle Solver

Horoscopes - To read yours turn to page C5

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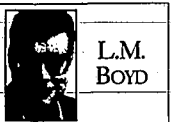
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A: About \$2 a car. He sold more than 15 million of them.

Q: How many species of insects have humans exterminated?  
A: None, so far. Birds, yes. Mammals, yes. But not insects. And it's insects, or some of them, that humans have been trying so hard to get rid of.

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Notes on the economy

Magic Valley report
Sun Valley home values
The average value for new, single-family homes that got building permits in Sun Valley rang in at \$934,636 for 2003.

Source: Wells Fargo's 'Idaho Construction Report'

BRIEFLY IN MONEY

Business owners share experiences

GOODING — The Gooding County Jaycees are inviting the public to their next general meeting at 7 p.m. Tuesday at the War Memorial Hall at the corner of Third and Idaho streets.

The meetings topic will be "Inside the mind of self-employed small business owners."

Doors open at 6:30 p.m., and refreshments will be served. Call 934-5125 or send e-mail to d9napauls@earthlink.net for more information.

Group hosts housing training class in Boise

BOISE — In celebration of Fair Housing Month in Idaho, the Idaho Housing and Finance Association will host Fair Housing Accessibility FIRST training April 20-21 at the Morrison-Knudsen Plaza Auditorium in Boise.

The initiative is sponsored by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to promote compliance with Fair Housing Act design and construction requirements.

"Of all the presenters we've seen over the years, this group provides the most comprehensive and practical tools for housing professionals," said Julie Williams, IHFA's vice president.

For information on the act and fair housing activities during April, visit IHFA's Web site at www.ihfa.org/research/fairhousing.asp or call toll-free 1-877-438-4472.

Qwest gives clients wireless modems

SALT LAKE CITY — Qwest announced that all its new Qwest DSL subscribers will be offered Wi-Fi capable modems, giving them the ability connect to the Internet wirelessly as well as by DSL lines.

Including the option in the new modems will save customers about \$50 previously needed to add Wi-Fi cards to their personal computers.

The feature also will mean Qwest DSL customers no longer will need a major provider of local phone service in Magic Valley.

Grant would allow expansion

By Megan Hinds Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — As a Twin Falls manufacturing company looks to expand and add workers, the Twin Falls Urban Renewal Agency will discuss how a state Community Development Block Grant could be used to fund those plans at its regular meeting Monday.

Last month, the Twin Falls City Council approved the \$100,000 grant proposal for recycled-paper manufacturer Hamilton Manufacturing's building expansion plans.

If you go
The Twin Falls Urban Renewal Agency will meet at noon Monday in the City Hall conference room, 324 Second Ave. E. The meeting is open to the public.

But Urban Renewal is helping with the work of submitting the application.

The Hamilton plant's expansion — which would increase electrical capacity at the company's current facility and upgrade wiring and electrical transformers — would allow

Hamilton Manufacturing to add about 25 jobs, said Dave McAlindin, executive director of the Twin Falls Urban Renewal Agency.

"They're just going gangbusters over there," McAlindin said.

The city will submit the Hamilton grant proposal to the Idaho Department of Commerce for consideration April 15, along with a \$250,000 grant application for Hydro Fitting Manufacturing Corp.

Hamilton Manufacturing's Chief Executive Officer Christy Eames declined to comment

on the company's expansion plans Friday, but agreed to discuss details later.

In other Urban Renewal Agency business, the agency will discuss the demolition of two vacant buildings owned by the agency in Old Towne, McAlindin said. The abandoned buildings on Maxwell Avenue are "nuisances," McAlindin said, and are occasionally home to transients.

Times-News business writer Megan Hinds can be reached at 733-3238 or mhinds@magicvalley.com.

Where have all the credits gone?

Most Hispanics don't collect the tax credits they've earned

The Associated Press

HURON, Calif. — When Petra Janzer arrived at the free tax workshop, her 10-year-old car was breaking down, the tires were worn through and she had never heard of the Earned Income Tax Credit.

The \$1,307 check she got last year paid for new tires and repairs, and the 56-year-old grandmother from Huron could again rely on her car to get her to her job as a child care provider 25 miles away.

But the EITC, a federal program that can boost a low-income family's tax credit by thousands of dollars, is not reaching some of the poorest households — especially in rural Hispanic communities.

Only 36 percent of the eligible Hispanic households surveyed in California's San Joaquin Valley received the EITC. They were entitled to last year — even though the credit can provide up to \$4,000 for households headed by the working poor.

The disparity was evident in the past year's results of the Rural Families Speak Project — a five-year survey by universities around the country into the financial well-being of rural families.

Volunteers helping taxpayers in isolated rural communities say their clients' inability to access agencies that could tell them about the credit, along with language differences and cultural assumptions, often keep Hispanics from receiving the credit.

The large number of undocumented immigrants in the Hispanic population does not account for this difference, since the EITC applies only to legal, working residents, with income less than twice the poverty level and at least one child living at home.

The Internal Revenue Service, recognizing the need for outreach, has trained 14,000 volunteers in the last three years to fill out the basic tax form and check for EITC eligibility.

The effort has paid off. Last year, 20 million more people got the credit — up from 16 million the year before.

Government auditors consider EITC a high-risk program, however, so this year, the IRS is asking some applicants for extra documentation proving they qualify.



Wifredo Rodriguez of Central La Familia goes over the taxes of Natividad Alcocer Wednesday as her daughter Iris Hernandez, 3, watches in Huron, Calif. Only 36 percent of the eligible Hispanic households surveyed received the Earned Income Tax Credit they were entitled to last year.

Taxes 2004

ABOUT 25,000 letters went out in December asking families to provide more than half the year.

Margarita Rocha, executive director of Centro La Familia, an advocacy organization that gives free tax help, said the letters have intimidated some recipients.

The literacy level of our clients sometimes is not high, or they haven't been here that long," said Rocha.

EITC is often considered the most successful federal anti-poverty program.

More eligible families get the EITC than traditional assistance programs like Medicaid or food stamps.

In the last tax year, it gave \$36.9 billion back to qualifying families.

Prompts say one of its advantages is the way it rewards only those who work. The amount each eligible taxpayer gets is equal to a percentage of income.

If the earned income tax credit exceeds the taxpayer's liability, the Internal Revenue Service will refund the difference.

"These are really their dollars, not a handout," said Karen Varcoe, the University of California-riverside consumer economics specialist who led the California research published in the January-March issue of California Agriculture magazine.

For Janzer, the EITC she never knew anything about before at Centro La Familia's free tax workshop last year means she has extra money to help care for her granddaughter.

Now, it's tax time again and she's back in line, hoping the credit will keep her car rolling for another year.

Lower qualified because she makes less than \$24,980 per year — double the \$12,490 level that marks the official beginning of poverty for a family of two.

In the Hispanic households surveyed by Varcoe and others in rural Kern and Madra counties, where unemployment is high and many workers depend

on seasonal agricultural jobs, the average family income was \$19,020 a year, just under poverty for a family of five. But only a third of the eligible families filed for the EITC.

"Some even have an idea that they can get money back but they don't know how, or if they qualify," said Wifredo Rodriguez, who works at Centro La Familia.

Knowing if you are eligible is not always simple in a community where families often include undocumented immigrants and people in the process of legalizing their status.

Fear of the federal government is also common.

"The IRS to them is the federal, the people who come after them."

Karen Varcoe, researcher at UC-Riverside

Reports: Kraft CEO returns from hospital

The Associated Press

CHICAGO — Kraft Foods Inc. CEO Roger Doremus, who was hospitalized, was paid off. Last year, 20 million more people got the credit — up from 16 million the year before.

Government auditors consider EITC a high-risk program, however, so this year, the IRS is asking some applicants for extra documentation proving they qualify.

"He's at home recovering from the flu," said Sandra told the Chicago Tribune from their home in Connecticut.

Telephone calls to the company on Friday were not immediately returned.

nosed medical condition." The Northfield, Ill.-based company has given no further details amid reports that only top executives have been informed of his condition.

Doremus, a 26-year veteran of Kraft, was given sole control of the biggest U.S. food company in December after co-CEO David Teresi was removed and put in charge of global marketing.

After taking over, Doremus immediately launched a corporate overhaul at the food company, whose brands include Jell-O desserts, Maxwell House coffee and Post cereals.

The company said Louis Please see KRAFT, Page D3

CEO: Qwest makes headway with customers

The Associated Press

DENVER — Qwest Communications International is turning around its image with careful attention to customers and a top-to-bottom change in company culture, CEO Dick Notebaert said.

Despite an ongoing Securities and Exchange Commission investigation and the trial of four former Qwest executives on federal fraud charges, the Denver-based telecom is making headway with its customers, Notebaert said in an interview with The Associated Press.

"You'd like to have it behind you. It affects the stock. But at the end of the day, the thing that holds it together is the customers," he said.

Qwest, the dominant provider of local-phone service in Magic Valley — erased \$2.5 billion of revenue in 2000 and

2001, survived a brush with bankruptcy and remains under investigation by the SEC and the Justice Department.

But Notebaert, named to the top job in June 2002 to help right the company, doesn't believe those events are major influences on customers now.

"People react about these things," he acknowledged. "Is it affecting your buying decision? I think not."

Notebaert said service is a key factor in consumers' decisions, and in late 2002, the company adopted "Spirit of Service" as its slogan, stitching it on employees' shirts and building an advertising campaign around it.

Dell mocks rivals

Knight Ridder News Service

AUSTIN, Texas — Dell Inc. ridiculed its competitors this week for their losses in the past few years in the personal computer business, saying its own strategy for PC profits will help it outpace its rivals in an economic recovery.

Round Rock-based Dell — which employs hundreds of people at a call center in Twin Falls — said it was on track to beat its goal of \$60 billion in annual revenue, up from \$41 billion last year, leaving competitors in the dust.

The trash-talking at the company's meeting with Wall Street analysts was rare for Dell, which in recent years has only provided more subtle criticism of its competition.

But some analysts have said that Dell works better in an economic downturn than it would if spending recovers.

Dell executives appeared determined to quash that notion. The company's manufacturing efficiency and its practice of selling directly to customers without a middleman give it a leaner cost structure than rivals, they said.

That moves the company to provide lower prices — an average of 6 to 7 percent lower than competitors — and to grow at a faster rate, they said.

"Our competitors' losses in PCs and poor performance in standardized hardware is being subsidized by more profitable businesses," such as Hewlett-Packard Co.'s printing division, said Dell president Kevin Rollins. "We're not laying off the cost-reduction track at all."

Dell's personal systems division, which includes PCs and other digital devices, had an operating profit of \$62 million in its fiscal first quarter, which ended in January.

That was the division's highest operating profit, a figure that leaves out one-time expenses, since it merged with Compaq Computer Corp. in 2002. Its printing division had a \$968 million first-quarter operating profit.

Dell's implication that H-P is selling computers at a loss is dead wrong, said H-P spokesman Brian Humphries, pointing to the first-quarter operating profit.

And Dell has been the one selling prices to compete, he argued. Dell's notebook computer prices fell by about 18 percent in its most recent quarter from a year ago, compared to H-P's 9 percent, he said.

Dell does have the most profitable business in the industry, Humphries acknowledged. But H-P is catching up because of its merger with Compaq.

The merger has also helped H-P's PC sales outpace Dell's, he said.

"The facts do not validate what they have just suggested," Humphries said.

Dell argues that H-P hasn't been able to make or sell PCs efficiently and only uses them to develop a relationship with a customer, who will then buy more profitable H-P products.

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MONEY

# Broadcasters will face trial

Los Angeles Times

DENVER — A federal judge in Denver has ruled that there is evidence that the United States' biggest radio broadcaster and concert promoter abused its clout by threatening to keep artists off the air unless they performed at his shows.

U.S. District Judge Edward W. Nottingham III last week ordered Clear Channel Communications Inc. to stand trial in August and defend its business practices after finding there was reason to believe that "Clear Channel intends to manipulate artists' promotion decisions and interfere with competitors by withholding airplay."

The ruling came in a lawsuit filed in August 2001 by Denver concert promoter Nobody in Particular Presents.

The suit accuses Clear Channel of violating state and federal antitrust laws.

San Antonio, Texas-based Clear Channel, which owns about 220 stations, including eight in Denver, has denied the allegations and asked Nottingham to dismiss the case. Clear Channel's Twin Falls radio stations are KEZJ-FM, KLDX-AM and KLDX-FM.

The judge April 2 tossed out claims of the smaller promoter that Clear Channel illegally monopolized the market for rock concert tickets. But

Nottingham ruled that it could proceed with its allegations that the conglomerate attempted to create a monopoly. He set a trial date for Aug. 2.

Much of the evidence in the case remains under seal.

But in his 125-page decision, Nottingham cited excerpts from several depositions and e-mails that allegedly showed Clear Channel executives tied up artists' appearances at Clear Channel concerts.

Andrew Levin, Clear Channel's executive vice president for law and government affairs, cautioned that the ruling was "the beginning of a long process of finding the truth."

"That's what a trial is for," he said. "You're only seeing part of the picture and there are material facts in dispute."

"We look forward to our day in court when we will clearly demonstrate that these allegations are unfounded," said Jesse Morrales, a co-owner of Nobody in Particular Presents, said the evidence illustrated Clear Channel's "predatory behavior, the way they've used their control over the content of the radio stations to injure us as a competitor."

Despite their denial of the behavior, it's great that the evidence is out there so people can see it wasn't us crying wolf.

# IRS expands audits

Corporate executives will be first in line

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Internal Revenue Service plans to expand its audits of corporate executives after exploratory examinations uncovered significant problems.

"We did a quick check on returns and filing patterns, and we were surprised at the number of who were not filing tax returns," said Keith Jones, director of IRS field specialists.

Jones said Friday that the agency expects to send a memo to all agents next week instructing them to inspect corporate executives' returns at twice the current rate, including scrutiny of such corporate perks as stock options, private jets and luxury apartments.

The IRS started examining corporate compensation last year after an explosive growth in the perquisites accompanying executive salaries. The IRS audited 24 major corporations in a sampling of industries and locations to see if they were following the rules when compensating their executives.

That study led them to look into tax returns filed by some corporate leaders. They discovered that some hadn't filed returns at all.

The agency has identified eight areas that need more oversight.

One is executive stock op-

tions. The Financial Accounting Standards Board has proposed requiring publicly traded companies to disclose stock options as a compensation expense.

Companies currently don't have to record the cost of options as an expense on their income statements, though some have started to do so voluntarily.

Another area is income stock options for aiding the corporate abuses of recent years by enticing executives at companies like Enron and WorldCom to boost stock prices by manipulating earnings.

The IRS also looked into the business and personal use of fringe benefits like private jets and vacation homes. Another area of concern is the improper use of family limited partnerships as a way to transfer family compensation to other family members.

Other areas include benefit packages known as "golden parachutes" granted to executives when they leave a company; life insurance arrangements misused as a tax shelter; and improper compensation executives or transfer wealth; and deferred compensation agreements.

The IRS wants to also make sure executives avoid an offshore employee leasing practice that improperly hides money abroad, and that companies abide by a \$1 million deduction limit on executive compensation.

# High food equals high prices at ski resorts

KEYSTONE, Colo. (AP) — The Mishler family members cast a few sidelong glances as they huddled over a homemade picnic in the Summit House cafeteria atop Keystone ski area.

The day before, the vacationers from Lawrence, Kan., spent more than \$60 on lunch. Today it's sandwiches from the knapsack.

"We have to brown-bag it some days," says Ken Mishler, who hauls his five-member family up to Colorado ski areas once a year. "Sure it's about the same price as eating at a sporting event. But you don't usually go to baseball games five days in a row right?"

Dining now accounts for as much revenue as ski schools generate at most resorts. That means the industry tolls to discourage cooler-toting and brown-bagging as it boosts the bottom line with \$30 pizzas and sodas tipping toward \$5.

"How do you think we achieve a return on a \$10 million building that operates only 125 days a year," says Bill Blevins, head of operations for Vail Resorts' five ski areas. "The return on investment cannot be achieved solely through in-skiers in lift ticket pricing and skier volume."

Vail Resorts, the country's largest resort developer, logged strong dining revenues in recent years.

Still, food- and beverage-service revenues are a third or less of those generated by lift-ticket sales at the company's resorts: Vail, Beaver Creek, Breckenridge and Keystone in Colorado, and Heavenly, which borders California and Nevada on the south shore of Lake Tahoe.

The same story is true for Intrawest, the Canadian resort developer that owns Copper Mountain and Snow Winter Park in Colorado. Intrawest has 110 eateries with room for 28,000 diners in its international resort empire, and dining revenue has



First year apprentice chef Jana Popolito prepares lunch entrees at the Alpenglouh Stube restaurant on top of North Peak at the Keystone ski area March 24, near Frisco, Colo. Dining now accounts for as much revenue as ski schools generate at most resorts.

nearly doubled since 1997, cooking and mountain-top restaurants is not cheap.

Food is hauled up and trash is hauled down 24 hours a day on specialized snow machines with hydraulic decks that run at a cool \$250,000.

Snowmobiles ferry employees at all hours. And dining halls, such as Vail's Two Elk atop the back bowls, cost tens of millions to build and maintain.

Toss in high-speed lifts that compete to exhaust skiers in record time, and the search for ways to pluck more dollars from ski-pants pockets ends in a dining room with a view.

The typical skier today spends 4.5 hours riding up and down the mountain.

Ski hills are typically open for about seven hours, which leaves plenty of time for a leisurely feed.

Resorts have labored to persuade skiers to stay on the hill

and eat from their trough. But today, the feed trough is gilded. While the foil-wrapped burgers and chili dogs can still be found, many resorts have pumped up their food to five-star levels with five-star prices to match.

"We have to look for opportunities out there to make money from skiers when numbers are declining or flat," said Peter King, head of Aspen Skiing Co.'s food operations at its four ski areas. "I think many ski areas are paying closer attention to the business of eating than they were a few years ago."

At Colorado's smaller ski areas, popular with budget-minded vacationers, corraling families into the cafeteria line is even more of a challenge.

"Our philosophy is to keep it cheap to keep everyone from brown-bagging," says Kevin Wright, spokesman for Loveland ski area, where veal is

never on the menu, but made-to-order sandwiches are.

Frugal vacationers at Monarch, near Salida, have traditionally swarmed the base lodge around noon, establishing cooler fortresses, protected by armies of kids moshing on Mom's PB&Js. This year, the ski area's new owners tried herding brown-baggers into designated areas in an effort to gently cajole vacationers into the renovated cafe.

It was a decision that took a while to implement, but it seems to be working, says Monarch spokeswoman Carrie Locke.

"I think with the upgrades we've made, people are buying more," she says. "We've tried to make it really affordable and tell our guests that this is just one less thing to think about when they get here. Just give the kids vouchers for lunch. It's a lot less of a headache."

# Adjustable mortgages make sense for many

By Andrea Coombes Knight Ridder News Service

SAN FRANCISCO — Most homebuyers want nothing more than to lock in interest rates that, at about 5.5 percent for 30-year loans, are still hovering near 45-year lows.

But Americans' penchant for moving every seven years on average means some could save a bundle by opting for cheaper adjustable-rate loans rather than paying for fixed-rate mortgages, experts said.

"They refinance, they move, they downsize, they upsize," said Ron Chieffero, president of Thornburg Mortgage Home Loans, based in Santa Fe, N.M. "The rate is not going to change in a long time. Very few people keep a loan for exactly 30 years."

For those who like that frenetic picture, experts say hybrid ARMs still make sense, even in a recent period of low interest rates. Hybrids have fixed rates for a set period, after which the rate adjusts, usually annually.

A hybrid ARM "essentially functions as a fixed-rate loan as long as you pick the product that corresponds with your intended (time) horizon." In the house, said Greg McBride, senior financial analyst with Bankrate.com.

"People are opting for the 30-year fixed or one of the more traditional fixed-rate mortgages when they might be suited for another product because they are likely to change homes at some point," he said.

That year for fixed-rate loans appears to pain Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan.

"Many homeowners might have saved tens of thousands of dollars had they held adjustable-rate mortgages rather than fixed-rate mortgages during the past decade," he said in a recent speech to the Credit Union National Association.

ARMs are gaining in popularity, but they represent only about 27 percent of new mortgage applications this year, according to the Mortgage Bankers Association.

Still, as Greenspan noted, Americans wouldn't have saved thousands had rates gone up — and that's exactly what most worries borrowers.

Memories of double-digit interest rates in the 1980s hold many Americans in thrall and eager to lock in low rates.

"Hindsight's 20/20," said Bob Moulton, president of Americana Mortgage Group Inc., based in Manhattan, N.Y. "The interest rate would tend down, they would have taken adjustable rates."

The question is: How high will rates be in a few years, when the adjustable rate kicks in?

Over the next couple of years, higher interest rates are "a very real certainty," said Keith Gumbinger, vice president of HSH Associates, servicers and publishers of mortgage and other financial information.

That means choosing a short-term hybrid ARM now comes with some risk.

However, given economic cycles, it's possible that purchasing say, a 7/1 ARM now means you "totally sidestep a rising interest rate environment, and when the fixed period for your product ends you might find market conditions very advantageous," he said. "But of course, we don't know yet... There are some risks in buying a product whose rate will change down the road."

While short-term interest rates might shoot higher than long-term rates, the more likely scenario is "that ARM rates are going to be lower than fixed rates," Chieffero said. "If I knew rates were rising and would never fall again, then take a fixed-rate today. (But) that's never happened."

Remember that while ARMs usually have an annual rate reset, about 2 percentage points, some hybrid products have no cap for the first adjustment.

Thus, the rate for a loan with a 6 percentage-point cap overall could rise 5 percentage points at the first adjustment. Plus, be wary of prepayment penalties, which may refinance before the loan term is over a pricey endeavor.

Even with the cost savings, however, ARMs are not for everyone.

"If a borrower is elderly and on a fixed income, a 30-year fixed is probably the best deal, even though they're going to be paying a higher rate. They're in an economic situation where they can't afford any interest-rate risk," Chieffero said.

Plus, being "elderly" doesn't necessarily imply "fixed rate." "We're even finding elderly people are downsizing or moving to warmer climates," said David Heppers, director of consumer affairs at AmeriSave Mortgage.

A borrower in a secure job and unlikely to be transferred, or a young family that intends to stay put for 20 years, are good candidates for fixed-rate mortgages.

And some borrowers are simply anxious to stow away their money. "You have to say, 'If your payment went up \$200 would you be OK?'" Piazza said. "Some clients aren't and they're not comfortable thinking that way."

Greenspan said in his speech that lenders should offer borrowers a more diverse array of products, but some say the products are there — Americans just aren't asking for them.

"Consumers call in and many times the first thing is, 'What's my 30-year fixed rate today?'" Heppers said.

"What's my customer is self-maintaining their IRA and investing in volatile stocks or volatile mutual funds," but they're unwilling to consider a riskier, yet cheaper, mortgage product.

# Big run-up in small-cap stocks might be finished

By David Nicklaus ST. LOUIS Dispatch

ST. LOUIS — You might have missed it, but an important stock-market index set a record this week.

It wasn't the Dow Jones industrial average or the Standard & Poor's 500 index, which remain, respectively, 11 percent and 25 percent below their peaks of early 2000. It certainly wasn't the Nasdaq composite index, a whopping 59 percent lower than it was at the height of dot-com mania.

The record setter was the Russell 2000, a benchmark for small-company stocks. It has gained 60 percent in the past year, compared with 30 percent for the big stocks in the S&P 500, and on Monday, it surpassed the old record set March 9, 2000.

Longtime small-stock fans aren't surprised. When the economy turns from sluggish to swift, the smallest, riskiest companies typically are the first to benefit.

"This is what happens when we have an economic recovery," says Ellwood Towle, president of Towle & Co. in Town and Country, Mo. "When it turns, it can be pretty powerful for small companies."

Richard Sinise, veteran portfolio manager at Kennedy Capital Management in Creve Coeur, Mo., said investors have rewarded small firms for showing "legitimate earnings growth, meaning growth that comes from higher sales and new orders. Large companies,

until recently, got most of their earnings growth from cost-cutting and foreign-currency adjustments.

Small companies also are benefiting from a pickup in mergers. They often are the targets of acquisitive larger companies or leveraged-buyout firms.

Sinise expects to see more management-led buyouts like the one announced last month by Hollywood Entertainment, parent of the Hollywood Video chain. Being a public company is more burdensome than it used to be, and a leveraged buyout can save executives the trouble and expense of complying with the Sarbanes-Oxley Act.

Sinise says the boom in hedge funds, which are loosely regulated investment pools for wealthy investors, also has been good for small-cap stocks. Hedge funds are to justify their high fees, they must invest in firms that don't have dozens of Wall Street analysts following them.

But even with these tailwinds, hedge funds are to justify their high fees, they must invest in firms that don't have dozens of Wall Street analysts following them.

Towle, a deep-value investor who usually does most of his prospecting among small caps, says he can't find anything to buy. "The easy money has certainly been made."

Sinise says price-earnings ratios are just about equal for large and small companies. So neither variety of shares looks especially undervalued or overvalued. "Going forward, it's kind of an even horse race."

# Mortgage rates rise after strong jobs report

Ridder News Service

HARTFORD, Conn. — Were you putting off refinancing, gambling on mortgage rates falling even lower, like they did last spring?

You just lost your bet.

Mortgage rates rose to their highest level in four months this week, pushed up after last week's unexpectedly strong national jobs report, a sign that the country's economic recovery may be taking root.

Thirty-year, fixed-rate mortgages jumped to an average of 5.79 percent, with an average 0.77 point, up from an average of 5.52 percent last week, according to Freddie Mac's Primary Mortgage Market Survey.

It was the biggest one-week gain since last July.

A year ago, 30-year, fixed-rate home loans averaged 5.85 percent.

Homeowners who missed last spring's low, 30-year rate may be another refinancing opportunity in March.

Borrowing rates took a steep dive, coming close to last year's historic low of 5.21 percent.

The decline was tied to weak job growth in February.

But last week, news that the nation added 308,000 jobs in March fueled speculation that the long sluggish job market may be kicking into gear.

The Jobs report sent the bond market higher, taking mortgage rates with it.

Ronald E. Van Winkle, a West Hartford, Conn., economist, said there will have to be a string of monthly job growth reports to show that hiring is back on track.

Even so, mortgage rates are likely to "drift" higher now. "I think we've seen the lows were going to see," Van Winkle said.

But Van Winkle and other economists don't expect 30-year, fixed-rate home loans to rise much higher than 6 percent this year.

Those terms won't be as favorable for refinancing, but still less than the 6.5 percent some economists had predicted earlier this year.

And that should be well for the housing market overall — both nationally and in Connecticut. Home sales nationally could set another record this year.

Freddie Mac also reported increases in the 15-year and one-year adjustable rates this week.

The average for the 15-year, fixed-rate mortgage was 5.12 percent, with an average 0.7 point, up from 4.84 percent last week.

One-year adjustables averaged 3.65 percent, with an average 0.5 point, up from 3.46 percent last week.

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# COMICS

### Classic Peanuts

By Charles M. Schulz



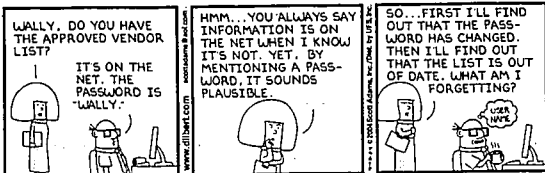
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By Lynn Johnston



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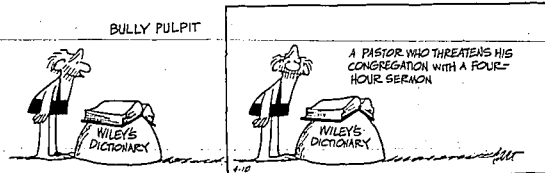
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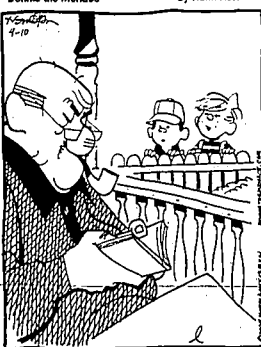
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### THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bill Keane



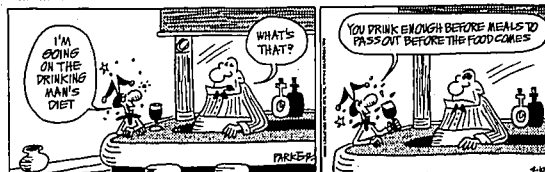
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By Chance Browne



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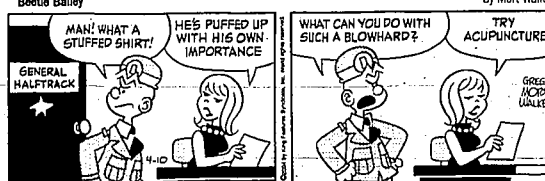
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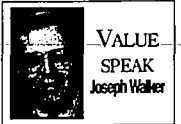




## Especially at Easter

There isn't an easy way to say this, so I'll just say it: Dad is dying.

Of course, this isn't a great surprise. He's 93 years old and has Alzheimer's (or is it dementia? I'm still a little uncertain). I've written his obituary three times during the past three years. Each time we think something is going to take him from us - pneumonia, diabetes or a fellow care center resident with a surprisingly effective right hook. Then he rallies.



VALUE SPEAK Joseph Walker

If Dad were the Titanic, he would have taken on the water after he hit that iceberg, but somehow he still would have managed to limp into port. Smiling sweetly, knot by waterlogged knot.

This time, however, the iceberg is going to win. Experts at the care center report that they've seen this scenario before, and the outcome is always the same. They give him a week or so, which should give me just enough time to make the 700-mile trip to see him and say...

What do you say at such a time? "I love you, Dad." Well, of course. That's a given. "You've made a profound difference in my life." Certainly. "We're all going to miss you." Absolutely. "Thank you." Yes - for a thousand different things.

Even though I don't know how much he will hear or understand, I plan to tell him all those things and more. But there's one thing I won't say to him when I see him this Easter weekend. ESPECIALLY on Easter weekend.

I won't tell him good-bye. I understand that I won't see him again after this visit. And I'm aware of what a wonderful opportunity this is, relatively speaking. So often death comes suddenly, without any warning or time to prepare. How many people would give anything for the chance to say a final good-bye to a loved one?

Believe me, this is not something I'm considering lightly. It's usually a matter of life and death. I know that. But if there's anything that being raised, loved, nurtured and instructed by this good man has taught me, it's this: Life goes on.

And not just in the Lennon-McCarthy oblahdee-oblahdah sense, although Dad was a big believer in the Doctrine of Moving On. It's what saw him through a promising athletic career that was thwarted by the Great Depression, and through two years of separation from his wife and five children during World War II, and through decades of business disappointments, financial struggles and family frustrations. His positive, forward-looking nature wouldn't allow him to dwell on past pains and failures. He was all about the next opportunity, the next big challenge, the next great adventure.

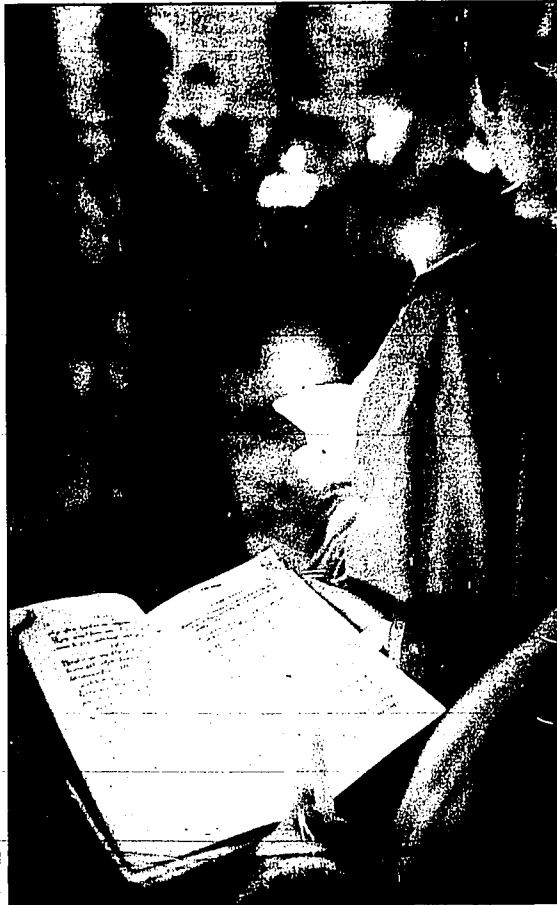
But more than just moving on with mortality, Dad believed that because of great and various events that occurred on the first Easter some 2,000 years ago, life truly does go on, that death is not an end and that families are forever. These beliefs, deeply held and intimately cherished, brought meaning and purpose to his life, just as they bring faith, hope, confidence and security to his death.

And that's why I won't say a final good-bye to Dad when I leave him this weekend. It would be inappropriate, because neither he nor I believe that it is a final good-bye. Instead, I'll probably just say the same thing I always say when I leave him: "I'll see you later, Dad."

Because I will. I know I will. Especially at Easter.

Joseph Walker is a freelance writer from American Fork, Utah.

## REJOICING IN FAITH



American Christians hold candles while reciting prayers as they take part in a procession in the Church of the Holy Sepulchre in Jerusalem's Old City on Tuesday. Christians of all denominations mark the Easter holiday in a week-long celebration of the crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Christians traditionally believe the church is where Jesus was crucified and buried.

## TALES OF CRUCIFIXION & RESURRECTION

# Gospels tell of Jesus' last hours

By Donna Gehrke-White  
The Miami Herald

This week, Christians around the world began commemorating the crucifixion and death of Jesus; his triumphant entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday, his last supper with the disciples on Holy Thursday and his crucifixion on Good Friday.

While Mel Gibson in "The Passion of the Christ" told the story of Jesus' last 12 hours with graphic detail, the four Gospels themselves are remarkably brief - in - their recounting. No other historical document from the time describes the events, but scholars say knowledge about the time and place helps put the story told in the Gospels in context.

"The gospels are really kind of circumspect," says Erik Larson, a Florida International University professor. "The movie is much more graphic than the gospels."

What is known is that Jesus was living in a tumultuous time - as a Jew under the rule of the Romans. To keep control, the Romans practiced "total oppression," says Rabbi Brad Hirschfeld, of the CLAL National Jewish Center for Learning and Leadership. "They were all mean-spirited men."

By the time Jesus was a teenager, the Romans already had brutally put down two Jewish rebellions, both of them within about 100 miles of Jesus' home in Nazareth. For thousands of Jewish rebels were nailed to crosses in the first revolt that occurred in the city of Sepphoris, about four miles from Nazareth, says Jesus scholar Marcus Borg, a professor at Oregon State University.

Jesus had a radical side that ultimately got him into trouble with the Roman authorities. He challenged the status quo,

talking about justice for the oppressed, says the Rev. Dr. Annette Jones, pastor of St. John's On the Lake First United Methodist Church in Miami Beach, Fla.

"In short, Borg says, "the Kingdom of God was about God's justice against the injustices of the dominant systems of his day."

Indeed, in his triumphant ride into Jerusalem just days before he was put to death - what Christians celebrate as Palm Sunday - Jesus was greeted with "shouts of popular acclaim," as the descendant of the Jewish King David, says Gerard S. Sloyan, author of "The Crucifixion of Jesus: History, Myth, Faith." He writes, "If the reminiscence in the New Testament is authentic, Jesus could be perceived from these shouts to have plans for a political insurgency."

"He entered the city in a provocative way," adds Borg, referring to the Gospel of Matthew, "and then overturned the tables of the money changers in the temple, calling the temple a den of robbers. This was a protest against the role of the temple in the economic and political exploitation of the peasant class."

Indeed the Jewish high priest Caiaphas and his power broker father-in-law, Annas, "were heartily despised by the people as agents of caesars acting through the prefects," Sloyan says. Still, they and other Jewish leaders had no choice but to "collaborate with the ruling Romans if they wanted to keep the peace and avoid another harsh crackdown."

In "A Dangerous Fiction: The Passion of the Christ and Post-Conciliar Catholic Teaching," published in Jesuit magazine America, Phillip A. Cunningham points out that the Gospel of John shows Ca-

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## IN THE SPIRIT OF EASTER

# Team takes message inside prison

By Joan Bean  
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS - Marvin Barnes spent the weekend of March 11 at the Idaho State Correctional Institution in Boise, where he shared 2,000 dozen homemade cookies with 42 inmates.

He says everyone eats the cookies for days. Barnes and a team of 28 men - four from the Magic Valley - were doing God's work for Kairos Prison Ministries. It's an international group begun in the mid-1980s and based in Winter Park, Fla. Barnes is the Idaho chairperson.

Team members were Methodist, Catholic, Lutheran, Baptist and Brethren. Kairos is interdenominational.

"We don't go in as separate beliefs, we don't go in as separate groups," Barnes said. "Our training strives to put us together as the body of Christ, and we go in."

Barnes said Kairos team members don't want to know what the inmates are in for, how long they've been in or how long they have to go. Team members start the ministry by accepting the inmates at the door, shaking their hands, giving them cookies and asking what they want to drink.

Kairos is sometimes called the "cookie ministry."

"The reason why is it's unbelievable what happens when you sit at your home and make cookies and pray over those cookies and ask God's blessing to be on those cookies," Barnes said. "These guys stood up Sunday night and told us how when they ate those cookies, they could just feel that somebody cared about them."

At Kairos, team members are of the same gender as the inmates. At a women's prison, a women's team goes inside. Kairos has found through the many, many weekends they've had that keeping the same sex as



Marvin Barnes leads a Kairos Prison Ministries training session at St. Paul's Student Center on the Boise State University campus in March.

the prison allows a more open environment," Barnes explained.

Kairos is a Greek word in the Bible meaning "endless time." The group also uses another biblical word, "agape," which means "unconditional love."

"On Friday afternoon we start introducing them to the 'agape' from around the world, praying for them all the time," Barnes said. "On Saturday afternoon, we introduce them to what we call 'personal agape' - where every team member sits down and writes them a personal letter and tells them we love them for who they are."

This was the first Kairos weekend in Idaho, Barnes said. The ministry is funded by contributions, and costs the state nothing.

When a Kairos group member steps into a prison, he is locked in a whole different world.

"On Friday, Saturday and Sunday, we go in at 7 o'clock in the morning and leave at about 8 o'clock at night," Barnes said. "We spend the entire day with the group."

A Kairos team might take in food for each day, prepared by a team on the outside. Although the ministry is run by lay people, members of the clergy also come along.

The Idaho group returned to the prison the following Saturday for six hours to teach the inmates "share and prayer."

"What share and prayer does is to teach how, in small faith groups, to pray for each other," Barnes said. That will eventually evolve into the "faith tier" - a program where a group of inmates would live in a tier (segment of a building) for one year.

Kairos is a continuing ministry.

"We commit to, when we go in, we're going to do the weekend so we'll be in for a year," Barnes explained. "We go back every month for a year at a minimum."

## Ministries bring the Word to inmates

By Collin Nash  
Newsday

EAST MEADOW, N.Y. - Fans above the altar, two high above the staid air inside the chapel in the women's wing of the Nassau County jail. At the altar, a stout man burst into song, as 80 female inmates in plain-faces green uniforms filed into the pews of the church. Inside.

Then the Rev. Roy Kirton, pastor of the Circle of Love Ministry in Copiague, launched into his sermon. "Whom the son of man set free is freed," he said, pacing back and forth. "How many y'all free tonight?"

Arms shot up by the dozens. Seeding jails and prisons as fertile ground for planting salvation, small groups of volunteer clergy and laypeople, representing religions of all kinds - Christianity, Islam, Judaism - minister to inmates. Although the impact of prison ministries is difficult to measure, perhaps about a third of the population trades lives of crime for a productive existence, estimates Prison Fellowship, a prominent national ministry. But the numbers don't dissuade the volunteers from slugging on, firm in their belief that changed lives grow from changed hearts.

Combining religious fellow- Please see PRISON, Page E2

RELIGION

Motorcyclists hold Easter service

TWIN FALLS - The Calvary Riders Chapter of the Christian Motorcyclists' Association will hold an Easter sunrise service...

Church holds annual Easter egg hunt today
KIMBERLY - Crossroads United Methodist Church will hold its annual Easter egg hunt...

Hollister church plans egg hunt today
'HOLLISTER - Hollister Presbyterian Church will hold an Easter egg hunt...

Gooding congregation holds sunrise service
GOODING - An Easter sunrise service, open to all, is set for 8:45 a.m. Sunday at the United Methodist Church...

Local church news

Baptist church holds Resurrection Celebration

TWIN FALLS - Eastside Baptist Church will hold a Resurrection Celebration service, open to all, at 11 a.m. Sunday in the O'Leary Junior High School auditorium.

T.F. church plans Easter service Sunday afternoon

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls Community Church of the Brethren will hold an Easter service, open to all, at 11 a.m. Sunday at the church, 461 Filer Ave. W.

Youth receives woman recognition award

TWIN FALLS - Krissann Leavitt will receive a Young Womanhood Recognition award Sunday at the Twin Falls LDS 15th Ward Church.



Krissann Leavitt

Estates resident's home is being redecorated. Her room, helped lead girl's camp and studied her family genealogy. A junior at Twin Falls High School, she is an honor student and varsity cheerleader.

Ladies fellowship holds monthly luncheon

HEYBURN - The Ladies Life-line Fellowship will hold its monthly non-demonstration luncheon, "Renewal of Life," from noon to 2 p.m. Wednesday at Connor's Cafe.

Pam Steele will present a program on "Dark Night." Doris Senecal will provide music; Karla Jessie will speak about her mission to the Ukraine. The public is invited.

For reservations, call Lila at 438-5376. For prayer concerns, call Ruth 436-5380.

Prayer circle is set for 10 to 11:30 a.m. April 21 at Ruth Simpson's home. Call 436-5380 for publication on Saturday.

MISSIONARIES

Four Magic Valley area residents recently returned from serving missions for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.



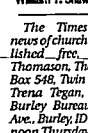
Halce Welch

Halce Welch served in the Illinois, Haer, Miss. Welch graduated from Twin Falls High School and Utah State University in Logan. She is the daughter of Randy and Jackie Welch of Twin Falls and is in the Twin Falls 3rd Ward.



Ben Haney

Elder Ben Haney served in the England-London South Mission. Haney is the son of George and Irene Haney of Twin Falls and is in the Twin Falls 14th Ward.



William T. Shaw

William T. Shaw served in the Tennessee Knoxville Mission. Shaw is the son of Jerry D. and Beverly J. Shaw of Burley.



Joshua Capps

Elder Joshua Capps served in the Canada Calgary Mission. Capps is the son of Brian and Ranae Capps of Jerome. He owns a law firm in Canada this summer, then work and return to Idaho.

The Times-News welcomes news of church events. Send to Ellen Thomason, The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303, or Trina Tegan, The Times-News Burley Bureau, 1263 Overland Ave., Burley, ID 83318. Deadline is noon Thursday for publication on Saturday.

LETTER

Easter is most important day in Christianity

Easter - the most esteemed day in the Christian world. What's it all about? I read with interest your coverage regarding the "Passion of the Christ." The Apostle Paul stated we are all responsible for finding our way to salvation (Philippians 2:12-16, Matthew 11:15). The "Passion" is a great step forward in comprehending what Jesus, who became the Christ, went through during those hours, but I read the movie is missing the "why" Jesus would submit to this horrible experience. That's a very important point. Take responsibility for your personal salvation. When offered life eternal, you won't profit from hearsay; read it for yourself. "Seek and you will find" (Matthew 7:7-9), said the Lord Jesus. In a nutshell, the Romans didn't kill Jesus, the Jews sacrificed himself in a willful act of submitting to God, his Father, to fulfill the Scriptures promising us a new and better agreement with God (Matthew 5:17-20). This willful act of submission was pre-ordained, promised, and detailed for thousands of years in the Old Testament and realized and manifested in the New Testament of Jesus Christ. Read and prove it yourself. (Matthew 11:27-30, 1 Peter 3:8-22, 1 Thessalonians 5, Revelations 3:20-22, 2 Corinthians 8:15). MARK COOK, Hailey

ON THE WEB

means that Easter can never occur before March 22 or later than April 25. Do not attempt his calculation at home. Instead, go to this Web site, enter the year in question and find out when Easter occurs. Click on the FAQs link for a complete explanation of the calculation. If you remember what integers and algorithms are, try "Computing the Date of Easter." Then contemplate the amazing journey of a tradition that started with an ancient religious council and ended up in the U.S. Navy's Observational Astronomical Applications Department.

By Mary A. Jacobs The Dallas Morning News

WEB SITE
http://aa.usno.navy.mil/data/easter/
Ever wonder how they calculate which Sunday is Easter Sunday? The rules date back to First Council of Nicaea in 325. In short, Easter falls on the first Sunday following the first ecclesiastical full moon that occurs on or after the day of the vernal equinox. The "ecclesiastical full moon" is the 14th day of the new moon; the vernal equinox is fixed as March 21. That

Gospels

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laphs fearful the Romans might destroy Judaism's only temple in Jerusalem.
Stoyan describes Pilate as a "cruel Roman functionary" who ordered Jesus' crucifixion based on his fears "that he might have a potential uprising on his hands."
The Romans used crucifixion - considered barbaric even at the time - for executing slaves and rebels. But some scholars say Gibson's movie may exaggerate the extent of violence Jesus endured.
The movie shows soldiers darning a newly captured and chained Jesus over a bridge - which is not in the Bible, says Larson. Larson also doubts that Romans made Jesus carry the entire cross to where he was crucified - whipping him all the time, because that would not have been practical: Jesus would have already been weakened from the severe whipping and the Romans would have wanted him strong enough to walk to his execution.
Still, the religion would have never spread if Jesus' followers hadn't regrouped.
Jewish historian, Flavius Josephus, a member of a priestly family who later became the court historian for Roman Emperor's Vespasian, wrote about Jesus and his followers about 60 years after the crucifixion.
"Among many people from among the Jews and other nations became his disciples," Josephus wrote.

Prison

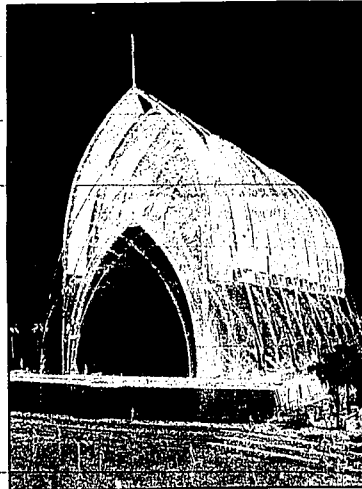
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ship and mentoring into outreach and job training outside the ministry is providing two Christian principles reaching out to those who are down and treating them the way you wish to be treated, with love and dignity. The premise is that crime results primarily from moral choices, with sociological, environmental, and economic forces playing minor roles.
Prison ministries run the gamut from larger organizations such as Prison Fellowship, which partners with local churches to minister to inmates, to autonomous church groups of diverse faiths. And, according to Kirton, keeping criminals in a nurturing environment requires more than merely proselytizing.
"Aftercare is laborious," said Kirton, who teaches life skills classes at the jail and has created a mentoring program for ex-cons. "The Good Samaritan didn't just give the robbery victim kind words" - he bandaged his wounds, gave up his donkey so the man could ride to the inn, took him inside and cared for him, and gave the innkeeper money to continue the care.

SURVIVING FOUR DECADES

First Catholic university possesses conservative values and big plans

By Ken Thomas The Associated Press

NAPLES, Fla. - The nation's first Roman Catholic university in four decades, Ave Maria University, only has 122 students now - but its leaders are aiming high.
The school, which opened last fall, has outlined plans to build a prairie-style campus that surrounds a huge, gleaming church - expected to be among the nation's largest - and to offer a top-notch liberal-arts education that remains faithful to the church's teachings.



Administrators of Ave Maria University, the nation's first Roman Catholic university in four decades, outlined plans in Naples, Fla., for a campus that will include one of the nation's largest Catholic cathedrals. The Oratory of Ave Maria, measuring 60,000 square feet, will have aluminum and glass arches and a 60-foot red tinted glass cross.

Vatican Council, but his spirit looks back to pre-Vatican II days.
"I think a kind of culture of questioning and dissent arose and there was a less of confidence among the Catholic hierarchy, the Catholic priest-

hood and the Catholic intellectuals," after the council, said Nicholas Healy, the university's president. "I think the pendulum is now swinging back."
The clerical sex abuse crisis that has battered the church for more than two years only points out the need for a place like Ave Maria, Healy said. "We see that (abuse) as a symptom of the failure to teach and accept Catholic doctrine on sexual morality."
Students said the \$18,000 a year for tuition, room and board and fees is more affordable than many Catholic colleges. The school hopes to eventually enroll 5,000 students.

Most of the students are devout Catholics. The campus' Angelus bell rings three times a day, signaling a time of prayer. Last September, a group of students started holding nightly "rosary walks" proceeding around campus while praying the rosary.
The new campus is scheduled to open in the summer of 2006. Its Oratory of Ave Maria will offer seating for more than 3,300 congregants and feature a 60-foot cross embedded into its facade. There will also be a town called Ave Maria, and a golf course.

Ave Maria has received contributions from about 25,000 donors, raising about \$3 million. The school recently picked up a pledge of \$5 million from John Donahue, chairman of Pittsburgh-based Federated Investors Inc.

Discerning a false prophet poses a difficult task

The Kansas City Star

READER'S QUESTION: How can you tell if someone is a false prophet or a false teacher? There are some people that I thought were good spiritual leaders, and people are telling me they are false prophets who are leading people astray.
The Rev. Pat Rush, vicar-general of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph, Mo.: The prophet Jeremiah was beset by

Faith Q & A

false prophets throughout his life. In his dispute with the false prophet Hanneiah, his ultimate recourse was to declare to Hanneiah that God had not called him to prophesy. It is God's calling, therefore, that makes one a true prophet. However, discerning the indicators of that calling is no easier for us today than it was for Jeremiah. Some churches tend to trust the individual to

discern if God is calling him or her to public prophesy. Other churches tend to trust the community to discern if God is calling someone to public prophesy. Each approach is subject to error. You and I have the trustest prophet for ourselves as individuals within us. That prophet is called conscience. Nothing speaks the Word of God for an individual with more authority than does conscience. Each of us must nurture the integrity and veracity of that inner prophet our

life long. We develop our consciences and become hearers of God's Word through humility and surrender to life and God, through prayer and study, through history, through the wisdom of the community and through living moral lives. Developing the inner prophet of personal conscience is our surest personal tool for separating the false from the true public prophets. I suspect this was how Jeremiah could discern who were the false prophets around him.

American Muslims become more active in religion

By Genevieve Abdo Chicago Tribune

CHICAGO - Muslims in the United States are becoming more religious and politically active, they tend to believe America is an immoral society and members of the younger generation appear more conservative than their parents, according to a study to be released Tuesday.
The terror attacks of Sept. 11, 2001, had a lasting effect on the lives of American Muslims and led to two significant changes, the researchers said. More are attending mosques and activities in Islamic centers, and they became more involved in American politics to change policies they oppose.
Fallout from the attacks "made them real-

ize they are a vulnerable community," said lead researcher Ihsan Bagby, a University of Kentucky professor. "It accelerated their desire to become more involved both in their own communities and in America."
For the study, sponsored by the Institute for Social Policy and Understanding, 598 Detroit-area Muslims completed questionnaires. Sixty-four percent were male and 36 percent female. Bagby said the study focused on the Detroit area but identified trends typical of the broader Islamic community.
There are an estimated 6 million to 7 million Muslims in the United States.
Fifty-four percent of the Muslims surveyed said they attend mosque prayers every week, and 48 percent of those said

they regularly attend other activities held at the mosque.
The large number of immigrants in the Detroit area is one reason for the high rate of attendance. Another reason is the growing number of conversions to Islam. A total of 462 conversions occurred in Detroit-area mosques from summer 2002 to summer 2003, 56 percent among blacks.
Bagby said one of the most significant findings concerns Muslims' views on the primary purpose of a mosque. Thirty-nine percent of the mosque visits were for activities, while 32 percent said it was primarily a place for prayer.
Bagby said the view of a mosque as more than a place for prayer has led Muslims to feel more interconnected in the U.S.

# Holiday becomes a strong catalyst

## Easter especially poignant for those rediscovering their faith

By Bill Smith  
St. Louis Post-Dispatch

ST. LOUIS — Ed Haley can't remember the precise moment he turned his back on God. But he knows why.

He was angry, angry at God, angry at himself and angry at having to watch the young man under his command continue to die, one by one, in the senseless, awful war that was Vietnam.

"Suddenly, it was like something snapped," the former platoon sergeant said. "And I didn't care any more. I didn't give a damn any more about anything. I really wanted to die."

It would be nearly 40 years before Haley would return to God and the Catholic church he had abandoned. Sunday, he said, will mark the first Easter in a long time that has had real meaning for him.

"Something has changed," he said Thursday. "I was, traditionally a time of renewal and rebirth for Christians, may be especially significant for those who have lost and then rediscovered their faith. For some, the separation has been brief, maybe only a few months or a few years. For others, like Haley, it has lasted most of a lifetime."

The Rev. Gary Braun, director of the Catholic Student Center at Washington University, said decisions to break from God and faith are uniquely personal.

"There are as many reasons why people leave church as there are people. Disaffection, skepticism, laziness and sometimes a traumatic loss like a business failure or the death of a loved one."

Still others, Braun said, develop gnawing questions of faith as they grow older.

"The reasons for returning to religion can be just as varied. Often, Braun said, they include a longing for community or tradition. Sometimes, the trigger can be as simple as sitting alone and becoming overwhelmed by the beauty of nature."

For Mary Dale-Bannister, who works for a pharmaceutical company, the reconnecting began with a subtle change in a church message board. Dale-Bannister, 43, was reared in a strong Catholic family. As she grew older, she said, she began to question parts of church doctrine. One night as she lay awake reading, she had a sudden and disturbing realization.

"Wow," she remembers thinking, "I don't really believe in God any more."

The feeling, she said, was "horrible."

For the next two decades, Dale-Bannister stayed away from church. Gradually, she began searching for signs of

God in her everyday life. Often, she cycled past Mary Queen of Peace Church in Webster Groves. She always noticed the message board outside the church: "All Are Welcome."

One day as she was passing the church, she noticed that the sign had changed. "You Are Welcome," it said. She was so overcome that she stopped for several minutes. Soon after, she met with a priest at Saint Louis University. The priest confided that he understood her doubts. Sometimes, he said, he had doubts himself.

"If he could have doubts, then I felt it was OK for me to have doubts, too."

She said she realizes the change in the church sign could have been a coincidence. Then again, maybe it was something more. In some ways, she said, it really doesn't matter.

Farrell Hutsell, 62, a retired factory worker from Melville, N.H., said his memories of childhood always will be tied closely to memories of the Baptist church. His father was a Baptist minister. But when he left home at the age of 20, he said, he found himself walking away from God.

It wasn't so much that he doubted God's existence, he said. He was just "burnt out." He put his faith on a shelf and left it there, he said. He would keep it there for the next 39 years.

"I knew that if I died I was going to hell," he said. "I knew it. I told my mother that. And I'd heard enough sermons as a boy to know what hell was like."

Still, he said, it didn't matter. It wasn't until four years ago, as a brother lay dying of cancer that Hutsell's life underwent a profound transformation. His brother, himself a Baptist minister, had 42 family members were gathered at his bedside. "Sonny," his brother began, calling Hutsell by his nickname. "I sure want to see you in heaven."

Hutsell said he dropped to his knees in the hospital room. "I was broke up," said the retired factory worker. His heart softened.

Hutsell's wife, Lillie, had fallen away from her Catholic faith years before. The two began their search for a new church home, finally settling on the First Baptist Church of Allon.

Lillie Hutsell, 63, suffers from multiple sclerosis. She will be hospitalized on Easter Day. She said she will spend a part of the day praying and reading her Bible.

"I used to be afraid of dying," she said. "It doesn't scare me any more, not at all."

Farrell and Lillie Hutsell say they are sorry it took them so long to rediscover their faith.

But they say they are grateful to have it back.

# Jewish group asks Hillary Clinton for help

## Association seeks Senator's aid in preventing LDS baptizing Holocaust victims

By Mark Theissen  
The Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY — Despite a directive from Mormon leaders to stop the practice, members of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints have continued posthumously baptizing Jewish Holocaust victims into the Mormon faith, adding more concentration camp victims to its roster of those offered conversion in the afterlife.

A New York Jewish organization was so outraged that it asked U.S. Sen. Hillary Clinton to intervene, prompting a meeting in March between the former first lady and Utah Republican Sen. Orrin Hatch, an LDS church member. The Associated Press has learned.

"It was a private meeting be-

tween two senators," Clinton said when declining to comment on what was discussed. Hatch, through a spokesman, would not comment, calling it a private matter.

However, Ernest Michel, chairman of the New York-based World Gathering of Jewish Holocaust Survivors, said he asked Clinton to intervene to force the Mormon church to abide by a 1995 agreement to stop the posthumous baptisms.

Proxy baptisms are conducted in Mormon temples and offer salvation to the dead. Church members stand in to be dunked in water in the names of the deceased non-Mormons, a ritual the church says is required to get to heaven.

However, the practice has

caused tension with members of other faiths, especially Jews, who find it arrogant and insulting.

The church has reaffirmed formally and informally the 1995 agreement in recent years only to have watchdogs find new Holocaust victims added to church's database of 400 million names — each of which has had, or will eventually receive, a proxy baptism.

Michel said that Clinton is "now involved in planning our next step."

"We are very hopeful that we will be able to convince the church to stop," he said. If not, his group will consider other options, including possible legal action.

Church leaders, who were preparing for the Saturday fu-

neral of Majorie Fay Hinkley, wife of Mormon church President Gordon B. Hinkley, were not available for comment Friday.

In a Nov. 14, 2003, letter from church Elder D. Todd Christofferson to Michel, Christofferson said the church did not agree to find and remove the names of all deceased Jews in its database.

However, 400,000 names of Holocaust victims were removed, and the church continues to delete names when asked.

Clinton's late father, Hugh Rodham, was posthumously baptized Sept. 5, 2002, something she found out only after her meeting with Hatch, Clinton spokesman Joe Householder said Friday.

# Uplifting play came before 'The Passion'

By John Chadwick  
The Record (Bergen County, N.J.)

Nothing personal against Mel Gibson. But a charismatic priest at a Union City, N.J., theater can teach the actor-director a thing or two about staging a biblical drama.

After all, the Rev. Kevin Ashe has been producing the Passion Play for a Union City, N.J., theater since 1983 — long before Gibson put aside his action-movie persona to make "The Passion of the Christ."

Ashe, an urban Catholic priest whose Irish immigrant parents sparked his love for the arts, doesn't shy away from comparing the merits of his gentle musical with Gibson's provocative blockbuster. "My

artistic vision is far different from his," said Ashe. "His vision was to look only at the crucifixion and the cruelty. Mine is to provide a wider picture of Christ and the times he lived in."

And, Ashe added, "You can bring the whole family to see it."

But with Gibson raking in big bucks since his movie's Ash Wednesday premiere, Ashe is seeing his box office receipts shrink. Fewer people are attending the annual play, which is in its 21st season at the Park Performing Arts Center in Union City. According to Ashe, they saw the movie and decided to pass on the play.

"The movie has probably cut into our business by 25 percent," Ashe said. "This isn't our

grapes. This is reality." Still, the show, which runs through April 17, remains a New Jersey Lenten tradition. With a professional cast and crew totaling 80, along with an engaging gospel-pop soundtrack, the show is a colorful, thought-provoking mix of theater and theology.

Gibson's movie is unrelentingly violent. And its depiction of the Jewish high priests as vicious thugs who pressed for Jesus' death has prompted condemnations from some Jewish groups and movie critics.

In the musical, rewritten in the 1980s at Ashe's behest, Jesus is thoroughly Jewish, and is shown reciting the standard Hebrew prayers over the bread

and the wine. Although some Jewish leaders in the play condemn Jesus as a blasphemer, others see his ministry as falling within a liberal strand of Judaism.

At its core, the play shows ancient Jews suffering under Roman occupation, and Jews divided about what to do. The Roman governor Pontius Pilate is depicted as a tyrant who calls all the shots, unlike the movie, which portrayed him as a puppet of the Jews.

Passion plays date to the Middle Ages. The Union City play was started by German and Swiss immigrants at Holy Family Church. The parish built the 1,400-seat performing arts center in 1931 to accommodate the crowds.

# Couple sues IRS to win deduction for tuition

By Gilliam Flaccus  
The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — A federal tax case quietly working its way toward trial could have financial implications for many families, as an Orthodox Jewish couple sues the Internal Revenue Service to try and win a deduction for their children's religious education.

In their lawsuit, Michael and Maria Sklar of Los Angeles contend the IRS erred by disallowing their tax deduction claim when the agency permits Scientologists to write off the cost of spiritual counseling and instruction on that religion's terms.

"You have a particular sect that's being fa-

vored by the state based on religion," said Michael Sklar, an accountant. The case "will have enormous ramifications whatever the ruling is. I didn't do this for the \$3,000 that's at stake."

The Sklars hope the legal action in U.S. Tax Court will clarify whether millions of Americans who send their children to private religious schools can deduct part or all of those costs. But legal experts said it could raise even more difficult questions about separation of church and state.

"If the Sklars prevail, they may have created a bigger problem than they've solved," said Steve Johnson, a law professor at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas. "What the U.S. Supreme Court has repeatedly said is that one of the things we're trying to avoid is

excessive entanglement of the government in religion."

The root of the suit is a 1993 decision by Congress that allowed taxpayers to more easily write off charitable donations that resulted in "intangible religious benefits." Examples of such contributions could include Jewish temple dues or tickets to religious events.

Under an agreement with the IRS that year, members of the Church of Scientology were allowed to deduct contributions that lead to one-on-one spiritual counseling sessions and doctrinal courses.

The Sklars say they don't want to stop deductions for Scientologists — instead, they want to clear the way for write-offs for other religions.

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# LDS celebrate continuing growth

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints reached a world membership of just under 12 million last year, a Mormon conference was told. The church is the fifth largest U.S. denomination with 5.3 million members.

Once we were recognized as a Utah church," said President Gordon B. Hinkley. "Now we have become a great international body."

Conference proceedings were translated into 66 languages and

transmitted to much of the world by television, radio and the Internet. Conference speakers said traditional marriage is being targeted for belittlement and destruction, though America's controversy over gay marriage was not mentioned. The church has long opposed recognition for same-sex unions.

Saying "It is a somber time for me," Hinkley, 93, spoke shortly before the death of his 76-year-old wife, Marjorie. She had been ill and died Tuesday at 92.

# Leader explains disputed gay policy

LONDON (AP) — Answering to a panel working to close an Anglican rift over homosexual clergy, the leader of the Episcopal Church said his denomination has accepted gay clerics and an openly gay bishop because it is open to varying scriptural views on the issue.

U.S. Presiding Bishop Frank

Griswold dispatched the significant panel in late Feb. Last year, Episcopalians in New Hampshire elected an openly gay priest to be their bishop and the church's national legislative body confirmed the move. Conservatives in the United States and the worldwide Anglican Communion condemned the action.

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# COMMUNITY

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From left, Florence (Shank) Sheridan, Mary Williams and Ruthie Abel celebrate the 55th anniversary of the Mary Time Club, which has members in Filer and Twin Falls. The club met at Rose Crawford's home with Marie Webb as co-hostess.

## T.F., Filer sewing club goes strong after 55 years

FILER - In March 1949, country homes were far apart. There was no television or internet as women sat down to catch up on family sewing, usually all alone.

Then Mary Williams had the idea of gathering neighborhood women together one afternoon each month to do their quilting and sewing in a congenial, friendly group.

Founding members of the Jolly Time Sewing Club also included Ruthie Abel and Florence (Shank) Sheridan, reported member Betty Siffer in a history about the group, which recently celebrated its 55th anniversary.

In those earlier days, 15 women, often accompanied by their young children, met in each others' homes and held a

business meeting prior to sewing. Dues were a nickel per month, and the women chose scarlet and white for the club colors. Roll calls were answered with such topics as "my favorite radio program."

The hostess provided refreshments. Between meetings, cards were sent to "Secret Pals" for every holiday and sometimes just for "thinking of you," Siffer reported.

Other social women's groups also started up, such as Syringa, Maroa, Poplar Hill, Handy Helpers and the Elmwood Club. While some groups folded, the Jolly Time Sewing Club continued and changed its name to the Mary Time Club.

"The sewing was left at home, and dues have risen to 25 cents a month. Some of the

original members have died and new members have been invited in, so the club is still at full maximum membership and the women meet together, monthly without fail," Siffer wrote. Members often use some of the accumulated club funds to help the community, such as a tree for the new high school or for a family whose home burned down.

"Sometimes a picnic, sometimes a brunch; but reliably one afternoon a month, these fortunate women have pleasant talk, a yummy dessert, no sewing and the meeting is adjourned in time for the women to get home and prepare the evening meal," Siffer wrote. "No wonder that the Mary Time Club is still so popular—a gentle haven in rapidly changing times."

### AARP announces driver safety course schedule

TWIN FALLS - The American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) will hold driver safety courses from 1-5 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday.

For more information, call Mary at 733-6213.

Another course will be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. April 26-27. For more information, call Charlie at 733-9690.

Both courses will be held at the College of Southern Idaho Office on Aging, 315 Falls Ave. E.

The classes are geared to anyone age 50 and older. Students don't have to be members of AARP and no driving is involved.

The fee is \$10. Preregistration is required. Students must attend both sessions to receive a certificate of completion. Idaho law requires insurance companies to give a discount to people age 65 and older who complete the course.

### State FFA conference names officers, honorees

TWIN FALLS - The annual Idaho State Future Farmers of America Leadership Conference was held recently at the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls, with John Meyers, State FFA president, presiding.

More than 150 students who have been active members for at least two years and met the minimum qualifications were awarded the State FFA Degree. These students conducted a supervised agricultural experience program applies skills members have learned in the classroom that relate to their best interests.

The career programs were recognized and included State Star Farmer, Spencer Black of Burley, and State Star in Agrusiness, Jessica Kimball of Filer.

Held Lake of Burley was named the 2004-2005 Idaho Star president.

The officer's team will visit schools throughout the year conducting leadership workshops and preside over the 2005 state FFA conference.

### burn, announces its classes for April

Tuesday and April 20: Finish a project day, 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Thursday: Beginning piecing, 6-9 p.m. The cost is \$30 and includes a second class.

April 23: Applique by machine, 1-4 p.m. The cost is \$15; and Stitcher's Corner, 6-8 p.m. The class is free.

April 24: Table runner, 1:30-4:30 p.m.

April 27: Wall hanging, 6-9 p.m. The cost is \$15. Call ahead because limit is five people per class.

For more information, call 679-3573.

### Learn about rail fence quilt class in Burley

BURLEY - A rail fence quilt class will be offered from 5:30 to 9 p.m. Tuesday at Hem-Sitching Etc., 1238 Overland Ave., Burley.

The class is a good class for beginners. The cost is \$20 plus supplies.

For more information, call 878-0236.

### B.J. Duplicate Bridge Club announces results

RUPERT - Results for the B.J. Duplicate Bridge Club for Tuesday were:

North/south, first, Kathryn Carson and Beth Thomas; second, David and Gwen Stoker; third, Virginia Martin and Curma Wygant; and fourth, Suzie Evans and Marie Price.

East/west, first, Trudy Carver and Nancy Gibson; second, Pat Adams and Marlene Temple; third, Steve Sams and Margarite Manning; and fourth, Peggie Payne and Dona Kunath.

Play continues at 1 p.m. each Tuesday at the Rupert Elks. The association is offering two new courses.

### Buhl program offers welding, computer

BUHL - The Buhl Community Association is offering two new courses.

"Maintenance Welding" will be held from 7-10 p.m. starting Thursday and run for three weeks on Thursdays in the Buhl High School Wood Shop, 525 Sawtooth Ave. The cost is \$19 plus \$5 for materials. Students will learn the principals and practices of using oxyacetylene, arc and wire feed welding for farm or small shop use. Coveralls and welding gloves are required.

### Kimberly library adds Christian fiction

KIMBERLY - The Kimberly Public Library, 120 Madison W., has added several Christian fiction books to its shelves.

"Thunder on The Dos Gatos" by Paul Bagdon; "Back Roads to Bliss" by Ruth Glover; "Crying Kate" by Robin Lee Hatcher; "Desert Star" by L.L. Chalkin; "The Debt" by Angela Elwell Hunt; "The Wishing Star" and "The Memory Book" by Penelope J. Stokes; "One More Sunrise" by Al and Joanna Lacy; "A Quarter for a Kiss" by Mindy Starnes Clark; "The Color of Your Skin Ain't The Color of Your Heart" by Michael R. Phillips; "Dark Horse" by John Fischer; "Land of My Heart" by Tracie Peterson; "First Impressions" by Debra White Smith; and "Light of My Heart" by Ginny Aiken.

For more information, call 423-4556.

### Wood River Quilters share skills Thursday

GOODING - The Wood River Quilters will meet from 7-9 p.m. Thursday at the Gooding County Extension Office 441 at the Gooding County Fairgrounds, 201 Lucy Lane in Gooding.

The quilters share the craft of quilting, complete unfinished projects and visit with other quilters.

For more information, call Phyllis Kochert at 934-6046 or Ann Jansen at 934-4241.

### Relay for Life captain's meeting set next week

TWIN FALLS - The American Cancer Society Relay for Life captain team's meeting will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday at Bridgeview Estates, 1828 Bridgeview Blvd.

For more information, call LeAnn Taylor at 324-6423, Pat Costantino at 733-5981 or Les Hutchinson at 736-8093.

## FOR WISHING STAR



Mountain men Andrew Knapp, Alan Knapp and Dennis Knapp present a check for \$324 from the Southern Idaho Muzzle Loaders Association to Wishing Star President Debra Berg to help a local child with a life threatening illness. For more about Wishing Star, call 733-5529.

## SOMEBODY NEEDS YOU

**Electric wheelchair** - The Charity Anywhere Foundation is in need of an electric wheelchair for a woman suffering from Multiple Sclerosis. A washer is needed for a single mother. Call 734-0941.

**Hospice volunteers** - Idaho Home Health and Hospice needs volunteers to be with patients or caregivers in the Rupert and Twin Falls offices. Volunteers for clerical duties are also needed in the Twin Falls office. Training is offered in April for Rupert and Twin Falls volunteers. Call 735-8546.

**Clothing** - The College of Southern Idaho Refugee Center needs clothing for men, women and children, and blankets and bikes. Drop

items off between 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday to Friday at the Refugee Center, 1525 Addison Ave. E. The center is closed from noon to 1 p.m. Call Aleksandra at 736-2166.

**SHIBA - Volunteers** are needed for the SHIBA (Senior Health Insurance Benefits Advisors) office. Knowledge of computers, basic software programs and familiarity with the Internet is needed. Duties will be printing and mailing correspondence. Volunteers can work in the office mornings or in their home. For more information, call Tamara Stricker or Renee Chariton at 736-4713 Monday through Friday during normal business hours.

**Household items** - House-

hold items are needed by Hospice Visions. Crock pots, roasters, cake pans, small desks or tables are needed for the Hospice Home. Donations are tax deductible. Call Flo Slater at 735-0121.

This public service column is designed to match needs in the communities of the eight counties in the Magic Valley with volunteer help. If you need a volunteer, call the Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP), at 736-2122, Ext. 320. RSVP is a United Way-sponsored agency at the College of Southern Idaho.

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## HIGH RATING



Melissa Lockwood, Kate Randall and Casey Nelson represented Gooding at the District IV Music Solo Ensemble Festival at Wood River High School March 9. Melissa, an eighth-grader from Gooding Middle School, performed a clarinet solo. Kate and Casey, freshmen at Gooding High School, performed a vocal duet. Students were judged on their musical presentations, earning a rating of excellent.

### The fund-raising event will be held May 21 at the Filer Elementary School

### Singles Square Dance Club hosts workshop

JEROME - The Magic Valley Single Square Dance Club will have a workshop at 7 p.m. Tuesday followed by advanced dancers at 8:30 p.m. at the American Legion Hall on Lincoln Street in Jerome.

The evening will also include a used clothing sale. Dancers with the last name starting with P through Z are to bring finger foods and clean up.

For more information, call Vera Young at 734-4657.

### Boys and Girls Club hosts program in Buhl

BUHL - Parents of children who attended the Boys and Girls Club of the Magic Valley's summer program last year can sign up for this year's program from 4-7 p.m. Thursday and April 20 at Poppleville Elementary, 200 N. Sixth St. in Buhl.

Sign-up forms for nonmembers can be picked up and dropped off beginning April 26 at the Buhl City Hall, 203 Broadway Ave. N., Buhl Public Library, 215 Broadway Ave. N., Buhl, U.S. Highway 30, or Poppleville Elementary. Parents should sign their children up early because spaces fill fast.

For more information, call Kalem Wright at 736-7011.

### Century Club elects officers, listens to music

TWIN FALLS - The 20th Century Club will have a luncheon meeting at noon Tuesday at the Turf Club, 734 Falls Ave.

The luncheon will include election of officers, piano selections by Helen Jean Shaff and Tyler Clough and a presentation by Marilyn Scott of the Pregnancy Center.

For more information, reservations or cancellations, call Marge at 733-2435 or 733-3116.

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DOZIER, KEVIN PAUL, ANDERSON, the natural FATHER of said CEASAR DOZIER.  
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That a Petition under the Termination Act was filed in the above-entitled matter on the 30th day of July, 2003.

That a TERMINATION HEARING on the Petition has been set for 9:30 a.m. on the 10th day of June 2004, in the Magistrate Court, Ada County Courtroom, 200 West Front Street, Boise, Idaho 83702. Unless you file a response in pleading within twenty (20) days, a default judgment may be entered against you.

That you have the right to be represented by counsel of your choosing or upon good cause shown, providing you are financially unable, the Court may appoint Counsel to act in your behalf.

That you are required to register your claim of paternity with the Vital Statistics Unit of the Department of Health and Welfare prior to the date of any termination proceeding, or proceeding wherein the child is placed with an agency licensed to provide adoption services, pursuant to Idaho Code 16-1513.

DATED this 7th day of April, 2004.  
DAVID H. VARRIO, Clerk of the District Court Ada County, Idaho  
By: A. Schmidt, Deputy Clerk

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Twin Falls, ID 83303-0548  
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**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
The Regional Development Alliance, Inc. (RDA) & Community Reuse Organization (CRO) located in Idaho Falls, Idaho, is seeking expressions of interest regarding the proposed construction of a coal fired power plant located on the property of the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory (INEEL). The objective is to convert this facility, which is currently in shutdown, into a commercial power generation plant. It is also the objective of the CRO that the materials and equipment makes the facility available to the researchers at the INEEL for test purposes as long as that research does not interfere with commercial use.

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) is making the Coal-fired Steam Generating Facility (CSGF) located at INEEL available to the CRO. The facility is located within the boundaries of the INEEL at the Idaho Nuclear Technology and Engineering Center (INTEC). The CSFG was operated from 1982 through 1993 to provide steam to the INTEC complex. The CRO is investigating acquisition of the CSFG as excess DOE real property and returning the facility to productive use. Successful respondents would be required to modify the facility for electric power production and, potentially, cogeneration, operate the facility primarily as a facility to produce steam. Current facility specifications are as follows: two (2) 200,000 lbs. Atmospheric Fluidized Bed Boilers, 135,000-pounds steam generation per hour capacity, 650 psg operating pressure, bubbling combustor, 100% oxygen necessary, 400 scfm of particulate control, Detroit overbed fuel/air separator, stoker coal / processed devolved fuel / liquid-solid fuel mixture feeds, fuel feed system with air boiler controlled and railcar or truck fuel receiving and unloading. The facility could generate approximately 15-20 MW (gross) after addition of a boiler. The boiler house has sufficient space to accommodate two additional boilers that could raise the capacity of the facility. The DOE investments suggest that the transmission grid and the existing environmental permits could accommodate a total capacity of up to 50 MW. Additional capacity would need to be negotiated with DOE. The facility is fully equipped with a continuous emission monitoring system. Additionally, the facility has a mobile mounted air analyzer for certification of the stack's emission monitoring system that can be modified to meet project-specific requirements.

The capital facilities currently located at the CRO site will be transferred to the successful IPP at no cost but with a negotiated continuing royalty on power generated. Modifications to the facility will be accomplished by the IPP at its own expense. The IPP will be responsible for removal of the power plant at the end of its useful life. The successful IPP would enter into a lease and a Site Interim Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the Department of Energy.

Companies interested in evaluation of this opportunity should submit an expression of interest below by May 17, 2004, included with that expression of interest should be a brief financial summary of the submitting entity in sufficient detail to assure the CRO that the submitting entity can fulfill its potential obligations. Notification of the selection process will be made by the successful candidate within thirty (30) days. Upon notification of selection the candidate will be given the opportunity to make a complete inspection of the site and will be asked to make a formal proposal on the conversion and operation.

Official address for the CRO:  
Regional Development Alliance, Inc. (RDA) & Community Reuse Organization (CRO)  
2300 North Yellowstone Highway  
Idaho Falls, ID 83401  
Contact: Executive Director  
Telephone: (208) 528-9400  
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