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Assessments reveal mixed bag

Twin Falls School District rises above state average in all tests except one

By Karin Kowalski
Times-News writer

How did local schools fare in skills assessment tests?
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Marilyn Howard

TWIN FALLS—The Twin Falls School District is holding its own in scores on the state Direct Writing and Direct Math Assessments, said Brett Gies, the district's data analysis and program improvement director.
The district is above state averages in every category on both tests, except the sixth-grade Direct Math Assessment. This is the first year the whole

state has participated in that part of the assessment, Gies said. The seventh-grade writing assessment also is new this year. These tests are in the second year of a three-year state plan to create and revise new math and writing tests.

"This is a long process, but in the end we hope to have quality tests that are useful to teachers and students," said Marilyn Howard, the state superintendent of public instruction.

The assessments test higher-level thinking, requiring students to use problem-solving skills in math and composition in writing.
Schools are still getting used

to the tests, which are used to measure student progress.

Twin Falls' results are a mixed-bag with some scores going up and others going down compared with last year's scores.

Gies said the district is working on improving math instruction at all levels, by focusing on applying concepts and problem solving, instead of just computation.

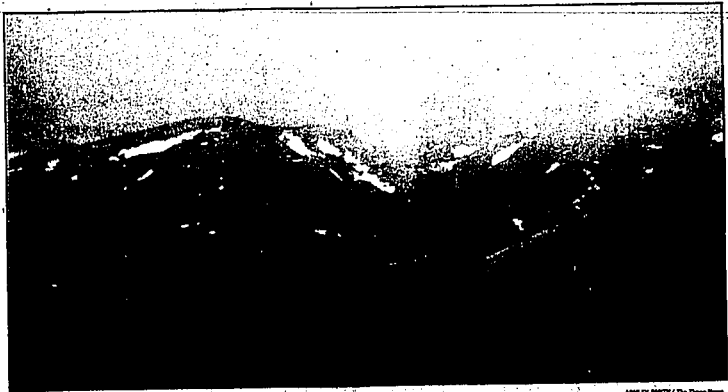
"We need to do more actual application," Gies said.

Students took the assessments in December. Both are state mandated, but school districts do not have any specific benchmarks for students to meet, Gies said.

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APRIL SHOWERS



A lone cow grazes in the rain Monday afternoon west of U.S. Highway 93 about 10 miles north of the Nevada state line. Forecasters say cloudy weather with rain will continue through Wednesday.

Columbine reminders linger 5 years later

Knight Ridder News Service

LITTLETON, Colo. — The prom was Saturday night (the theme: "You're Everything," followed by an all-night party at the high school for students and parents. Student actors are rehearsing "The Tempest." Seniors are getting ready for graduation.

An school will be closed Tuesday for a memorial service.

Five years after the Columbine High School massacre, the reassuring routines of the present and the horrific memories of the past are inextricably entwined.

Time has eroded many overt reminders of the day two students killed 12 classmates and a teacher and wounded 23 others before killing themselves. All the students who were here on April 20, 1999, have graduated. About 70 percent of the teachers are gone. The cafeteria has been remodeled and the library

replaced. But reminders remain. The 13 names engraved on a floor-to-ceiling stone panel at the entrance to the new library. The memorial poems and pictures on the walls of the principal's office, with a drawing of slain teacher Dave Sanders prominent in the middle. The senior picture of the Class of 1999, with Eric Harris and Dylan Klebold in the extreme corner of the back row.

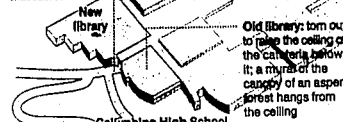
Columbine's name will always be linked to their murderous rampage five years ago, and today's students resent that.

"To us, we're normal high school students having a normal high school experience," said Jeff Wahl, senior class president.

"The only thing different is what everybody elsewhere perceives about Columbine. Whenever there is a school shooting, it's 'another

Trying to erase the past at Columbine

After the shootings, the community of Littleton made many physical changes to Columbine High School in an attempt to erase the memory of the massacre.



- Carpeting replaced and new tiles put down
- Additional cameras throughout the building and outside
- Alarm sounds changed
- Forbidden to serve the food served the day of the shooting
- Halls repainted

SOURCES: Jefferson County Sheriff's Office; Jefferson County Public Schools AP



A U.S. Army sniper takes up position at a traffic checkpoint near Najaf, Iraq on Friday.

Snipers prove 'vital' in Iraq

The Associated Press
NAJAF Iraq—A U.S. Army patrol stops suspicious vehicles on the edges of this insurgent-controlled city.

Some 500 yards away, lying prone and hidden in the sand, two expert-marksmen stalk Iraqis emerging from cars through the cross-hairs of their rifles.

If they detect a sudden, hostile move, the snipers should be able to kill the assailant with a single bullet before the patrol itself can react.

They can get enough of them," says Capt. Damien Mason, from Maui, Hawaii, a company commander who ordered the two shooters into po-

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Negotiators OK plan for Fallujah

City leaders call for surrender of heavy weapons

Los Angeles Times

BAGHDAD, Iraq—U.S. and Iraqi representatives agreed on a preliminary plan for a full ceasefire in the embattled city of Fallujah, even as insurgent attacks on Marine positions continued late into Monday evening.

Marines besieging the city agreed not to resume their offensive into the heart of the town if all persons turned in their rocket-propelled



Marine Cpl. Donald Jordan, 20, right, from Peimolote, Calif., loads confiscated rocket-propelled grenades on the back of a Humvee in Fallujah, Iraq, Monday.

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TWIN FALLS FORECAST
Today: Becoming cloudy with scattered rain showers developing. Highs near 54.
Tonight: Mostly cloudy with intervals of rain. Lows near 37.
Tomorrow: Cloudy with a renewed chance of rain. Highs near 54.
BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST
Today: Mostly cloudy and breezy with a chance of rain. Highs in the lower to middle 50s.

TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST
Today Tonight Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday
Scattered rain showers developing. Mostly cloudy with rain showers. A renewed chance of rain. Slower chances and clouds decreasing. Mainly dry and pleasant. Afternoon rain and thunder may surface.
High 54 Low 37 54/34 58/35 63/36 65/38
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IDAHO'S FORECAST
SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS.
Unsteady upper level conditions will keep rain showers developing across the area at a chance of rain and snow showers in the outlook through Wednesday. Brisk winds likely at times.

BOISE
Moist upper level conditions will keep rain showers developing across the area at a chance of rain and snow showers in the outlook through Wednesday. Brisk winds likely at times.

NORTHERN UTAH
Rain shower development and cool temperatures will prevail through Thursday.
Snow showers will continue to occur occasionally but showers are anticipated.

Weather's Best Estimate: Highs 60 to 64; Lows 21 to 24; Partly cloudy to mostly cloudy, with a chance of rain and snow showers in the outlook through Wednesday. Brisk winds likely at times.

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How local schools fared on skills assessments

Table with 2 columns: Newly Released Scores and Last year's scores. Rows include Blaine County, Bliss, Buhl, Camas County, Cassia County, Castelford, Dietrich, Filer, Glenna Ferry, Hagerman, Hansen, ISDB, Jerome, Kimberly, Minidoka County, Murtaugh, Richfield, Shoshone, Three Creek, Twin Falls, Valley, Wendell, State.

Accident claims 16-year-old Burley girl

The Times-News
BURLEY — A 16-year-old Burley girl was killed in a Monday morning crash on 600 South.
Autumn R. Parton died of head injuries, according to a report from the Cassia County Sheriff's Department. She was a passenger in a pickup driven by Josh R. Winnmill, 21, of Burley. Winnmill sustained possible injuries, the report states, but was not taken anywhere for medical treatment; He was arrested at the scene and booked for manslaughter.

Iraq

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grenades, mortars, missiles and other heavy weapons. Residents can keep their AK-47 assault rifles for personal protection, the Marines said.
The joint communique from U.S. and Iraqi leaders who have been negotiating the fate of Fallujah also modified the terms of the U.S.-imposed curfew, allowing access for the sick and wounded to hospitals and pledging to facilitate the burial of the dead, among other steps. As of Tuesday, 50 civilian families a day are allowed to enter the encircled city, which experienced a mass exodus during the initial Marine strike.
U.S. officials stressed that Marines could quickly launch an assault deep into the city's urban core if insurgents do not disarm. "There is also a very clear understanding... that should this agreement not go through, Marine forces are more than prepared to carry through with military operations," Brig. Gen. Mark Kimmitt, the coalition's chief military spokesman, said at a Baghdad news briefing.
Volleys of rockets and mortars were fired at Marine positions late Monday, though there was no immediate report of casualties.
In other action, representatives of the U.S.-funded television station, Al-Iraqiya, said U.S. troops shot and killed a correspondent and his driver near the northern city of Samarra. A military spokesman said the incident was being investigated. The Army last month acknowledged killing two staffers of the Al-Arabiya station in Baghdad in what the Army called an accidental shooting.
Occupation officials said they would like to avoid large-scale bloodshed in Fallujah, a predominantly Sunni Muslim city that has emerged as a symbol for anti-U.S. sentiment. Some 600 Iraqis are said to have been killed in the initial U.S. assault, which halted armed force opposition with most of the city still in insurgent hands.
U.S. officials also appear to be seeking a negotiated resolution of the other pending Iraqi crisis — the Army's determination to capture or kill Muqtada al-Sadr, a prominent Shiite cleric allegedly implicated in the murder of a fellow holy man last spring. Thousands of militiamen have taken up al-Sadr's cause and vowed to battle U.S. forces to the death.
The Army has put off for the time being plans to send a force into the holy city of Najaf, where al-Sadr and his closest advisers are believed to be holed up. Even moderate Shiite clerics have warned such a step could escalate violence among al-Sadr's followers and others enraged by any such U.S. move.
"Can we wait," said Col. Dana J.H. Pittard, who heads an Army force of more than 2,000 soldiers recently deployed outside Najaf. "They will wait there. Ultimately, we still want Iraqis to solve this problem."

Snowbird

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place to lose money," Oberg said.
Living in an RV for a few months each year isn't too bad, either. "We don't have to walk as far as when we are home," Oberg said. "We're all in the snowbirds' presence is not lost on local businessmen.
Bill Davis, director of hotel operations for Cactus Pines, said most snowbirding couples take advantage of Jackpots dining opportunities on weekends and gambling — even if they're just staying in the parking lot.
"We enjoy seeing the familiar faces of our RV guests in the spring and fall," he said.
The peak RV seasons typically last from March through mid-May and again in September through November, Davis said.
Most stay for two or three days, and most come from the northwest states, mountain states or Canada.

Columbine

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Columbine." Our goal is to have the name not mean that. That's not what Columbine is to me."
Wahl wants his high school memories to be of good times with his classmates and his girlfriend, Maggie Ireland. There, too, is an inescapable connection to five years ago: Maggie is the younger sister of Patrick Ireland, the "boy in the window" who was shot in the head but dragged himself to a library window and was rescued.
Principal Frank DeAngelis said certain mundane events trigger five-year-old memories for him. Passing a church where he attended a memorial service. Weather reminiscent of that sunny April day. Driving on Hampden Avenue, the route he took to school that morning.
"I relive it and relive it," he said, rubbing his face with his hands. He remembers coming out of his office about 11:25 a.m. and seeing Harris fire a shotgun at him from about 60 yards away, shattering the plate-glass windows behind his desk.
"I said to myself, 'Oh my God... I'm going to die. What's it going to feel like to have bullets pierce my body?'" I froze there. Then I heard some girls come out of the gym, and they didn't know what was going on. That made me move. I went down that hallway to warn them."
The shooter did not follow DeAngelis, and the principal believes it was because he was distracted by Utah Davis Sanders coming up the stairs.
"Dave probably saved me from being shot. I go through survivor's guilt — I lived and my best friend died."
Sanders was shot and died to death winning valiantly for rescue with several students, as hundreds of sheriff's deputies and police officers waited outside the building for hours. One of the students who tried to save Sanders later committed suicide.
Of the 144 faculty and staff at Columbine on the day of the shooting, 59 have left.
DeAngelis, the principal, promised the class of 2002, freshmen at the time of the shooting, that "would be here till the last one walked across the stage." And now, after 25 years as a teacher, a history teacher and administrator, DeAngelis said he stays "because it's my home. I can't imagine being anywhere else."

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CORRECTION
Alternative schools have higher enrollment numbers
A story in Monday's newspaper gave incorrect information about the enrollments at Magic Valley High School and the Twin Falls Bridge Academy. Magic Valley High School has between 100 and 120 students in each three-week block class and the Bridge Academy has about 30 students.
The Times-News regrets the errors.

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Snipers

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 sion. "Snipers are vital in this kind of warfare."

Mason's commanding officer, Lt. Col. Karl Reed, describes snipers in Iraq as a "political weapon," ideally able to isolate and knock out combatants without harming civilians without insurgents often use as human shields.

"You run into bad guys in a school with children. A regular infantry squad can't really cope. That's when you need snipers. They prevent civilian casualties, and thus political problems," said Reed, who commands the 5th Brigade 5th Battalion, 20th Infantry Regiment.

Officers say snipers in Iraq have inflicted the greatest number of casualties during counter-sniper fire or protecting an advancing unit by hanging back and watching for an insurgent to appear at a window or peer around a corner.

Despite the thermal targeting devices and other battlefield wizardry, the technological advantage of U.S. forces drops sharply the moment a unit moves into the warrens of al-leys, walled compounds and low, flat-roofed buildings that dominate Iraq's urban centers.

At such times, the finely honed skills of the snipers must kick in, and the fighting becomes close-up and dependent on raw instinct.

"It's more personal than regular combat. You see the man's expression before you pull the trigger, then the blood and the fall," says Cpl. Omar Torres, a sniper with the 2nd Infantry Regiment, 1st Infantry Division.

The 23-year-old soldier and others rate their Iraqi counterparts low on training and ingenuity, saying opposing snipers invariably use upper stories of houses or rooftops and aren't armed with particularly accurate weapons. Nonetheless, they're among the main killers of U.S. forces after roadside bombers.

Torres, of Waterbury, Conn., is one of only five fully qualified snipers in the regiment's 2nd Battalion, having gone through the army's rigorous sniper school at Ft. Benning, Ga.

Up to 70 percent of a class fail the five-week course. Successful students become masters of camouflage, stealth and ability to identify hostile faces in a crowd by their expressions and movements.

In Torres' battalion, the snipers operate in two-man teams, one soldier wielding a sniper rifle and the other armed with an automatic fire weapon, says Staff Sgt. Carlo Pokos, a Croatian-American who is the unit's top sniper.

Pokos says snipers often move into a targeted area 24 to 48 hours before an attack to observe and pick targets, avoiding detection at all costs. "You measure your movement in inches, not in feet," the 25-year-old master marksman says.

Before deploying to Iraq, his men had brown-colored sheets sewn into camouflage wear making them appear like just another small rise in the desert sand.

The standard M-24 sniper rifle is of the same hue, a bolt-action weapon with which a sniper is expected to make "head shots" at up to 600 yards and "body kills" at a maximum range of 1,000 yards.

Sometimes snipers accomplish more by inspiring fear than by pulling triggers.

Called to the Kosovo town of Gnjilane, where ethnic Albanians had been attacking Serbs and gypsies, Pokos and seven other snipers scanned the town around-the-clock from a radio tower. The eerie sensation that a silent, deadly marksman could be viewing them at any time through a rifle scope, stopped the killers.

Pokos, who like some snipers declines to talk about how many people he has killed, says that total concentration and calculation must be brought to bear on the moment when the trigger is pulled, as well as the distance, weather, tune of the rifle, the amount of sleep and coffee one has had.

"It's just you and your buddy and you've got to make the call on the ground and the one call is all you get," he says. "The only thing you must think about are those cross-hairs."

Powell says he was kept informed

WASHINGTON (AP) — Denying he was out of the loop or that about taking on Saddam Hussein. Secretary of State Colin Powell said Monday he was committed to President Bush's war plan in the event diplomacy failed at the United Nations last year.

"I was as committed as anyone else to seeing an end to this regime, the destruction of this regime that put people in mass graves," Powell told The Associated Press in an interview.

Disputing an account by Bob Woodward in a new book, "Plan of Attack," Powell said Bush and all his national security advisers had agreed in August 2002 to ask the U.N. Security Council to seek a peaceful resolution and to go to war if the effort failed.

Powell dismissed Woodward's suggestion that Bush already had made up his mind by Jan. 11 last year to go to war against Iraq and that Saudi Arabia's ambassador to Washington, Prince Bandar, had been informed of the decision that day.

Asserting that the final decision did not come until March, Powell said he was "intimately familiar with the plan and I was

aware that Prince Bandar was being briefed on the plan." "I knew as much as anybody" Powell said.

Asked about Vice President Dick Cheney Woodward wrote that the two were barely on speaking terms — Powell described the relationship as excellent.

On another subject, Powell said one or two countries may follow Spain's lead and withdraw its troops from Iraq. He said he expected the United Nations to approve a resolution on peacekeeping before the end of the U.S. occupation June 30.

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Chairman says 9-11 panel will be fair

WASHINGTON (AP) — The chairman of the Sept. 11 commission denies panel members are grandstanding or showing partisanship but says they plan a more low-key approach as they put together recommendations for a final report.

"There will be a lower profile," Republican chairman Thomas Kean, a former New Jersey governor, said in an interview. "Trying to do anything in

Washington is very, very difficult because the atmosphere is so poisonous and there are rockets coming from the right and the left."

"But I believe we'll steer through the distractions and write a fair and balanced report."

Five Democrats and five Republicans are on the commission. Claims of partisanship intensified after recent

public hearings that featured some of the foremost members of the Clinton and Bush administrations, including the highly anticipated testimony of National security adviser Condoleezza Rice. Critics on both sides of the political aisle contended commission members were engaging in "gotcha"-style questioning and seeking to promote their own agendas.



Colin Powell



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Man faces 12 murder counts

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — An employee at a trash-hauling company has been charged with strangling 12 women or girls from 1977 to 1993 in an arrest authorities said was made possible by new DNA technology.

Authorities said Lorenzo J. Gilyard preyed on prostitutes and teenage girls during his 16-year rampage, sexually assaulting all but one of the victims and strangling them with items including nylon stockings, shoe strings and wire.

The bodies — most of them nude or partially clothed —

turned up in various places around Kansas City over the years — an abandoned van, a field, a parking lot, a snow bank. Eleven of the victims were prostitutes; the other was a mentally ill woman who roamed the streets and accepted rides from strangers. They ranged from ages 15 to 36.

The news brought relief to family members who had all but given up hope that someone would ever be arrested in the killings.

"It's a blessing," said Bessie Kelly, whose sister Naomi Kelly died bodily in 1986. "Thank God for DNA."

Feds might relax airport regs

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Pittsburgh International could become the nation's first major airport to let the Oct. 11 rule that says only ticketed passengers are allowed past security checkpoints.

Federal security officials are considering allowing people one more to say their hellos and goodbyes to friends and loved ones at the gate.

Airport officials and western Pennsylvania's congressional delegation have pushed for two years for the change for reasons of money and passenger convenience.

What happens here could become a model for other airports.

Pittsburgh is a strong candidate for the experiment for two reasons: It has a centralized security checkpoint in one terminal. And it has a full-scale shopping mall that has suffered a drop-off in business because it is reachable only by ticketed passengers.

If the change is approved, people without tickets will have to go through security just like passengers. They will be checked with metal detectors and may have to empty their pockets and handbags and take off their shoes.

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Report: Troops will leave in May

WARSAW, Poland (AP) — Spanish troops will withdraw from Iraq in five weeks, a spokesman for the Polish contingent that commands a multinational peacekeeping force in Iraq said Monday.

Polish Gen. Mieczyslaw Biernacki told reporters at the headquarters that troops currently under Spanish command from El Salvador, Honduras and the Dominican Republic would stay put, Poland's PAP news agency reported. But he said it was unclear who would replace the 1,300 Spanish troops.

Later Monday Spanish Defense Minister Jose Bono said Spain's force would leave in fewer than six weeks. Bono at first refused to give details beyond assuring that the "troops would return very soon and safely."

Maj. Slawomir Walenczykowski confirmed the report from the force's Camp Babylon headquarters in southern Iraq. Spanish Prime Minister Jose Luis Rodriguez Zapatero on Sunday ordered the 1,300 Spanish troops to return home as soon as possible. The troops are part of a multinational force led by Poland.

Poland oversees the 23-nation force of 9,500 troops in south-central Iraq. The Polish Defense Ministry said in a statement Monday that commanders were now working on transferring "tasks from the Spaniards while maintaining the operational capability of the division and ensuring the safety of the soldiers."

Report: U.S. forces kill TV employees

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — U.S. troops shot to death two employees of U.S.-funded television station — Al-Iraqiya — on Monday and wounded a third in the central city of Samarra, the station said.

Correspondent Husein Kadhim said driver Hussain Saleh was killed. Cameraman Bassem Kamel was wounded after American forces opened fire on them while they were performing their duty," the station announced.

The station, which is funded by the Pentagon, interrupted its broadcasts to announce the deaths and showed photos of Kadhim. It then began airing only Koranic texts as a symbol of mourning.

The U.S. military had no immediate comment. Thahir Ibrahim, an Al-Iraqiya editor, told The Associated Press he had no details on how the shooting occurred. But "it was part of the road leading to the city of Samarra. Before they reached it, they were fired upon."

Officials: Terror group returns to Islamic roots

MANILA, Philippines (AP) — Decimated by two years of U.S.-backed assaults, the al-Qaida-linked Abu Sayyaf is reinvigorating itself as the "Islamic Movement," returning to fundamentalist roots and plotting urban bombings to result in foreign funding, security officials said.

The Muslim extremist group, with a 13-year history of kidnappings, for ransom and beheadings, appears to be trying to shed its image as a band of criminals and focus more on bold attacks facilitated by radical Islamic converts, authorities told The Associated Press.

The boastful group forced its way back into the headlines by claiming it planted a bomb aboard a ferry gouted by a Feb. 27 fire after a loud blast, killing 100 people. Investigators have not determined the cause of the fire.

Abu Sayyaf is now trying to attract recruits and funding from foreign Muslim organizations like the Southeast Asian terror group Jemaah Islamiyah, security officials told AP.

It's like a last hurrah. They want to say they're still around and that they're not irrelevant," Defense Secretary Eduardo Ermita told AP.

Bush criticizes new Spanish leader on Iraq pullout

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush gave a chilly welcome to Spain's new leader Monday, suggesting his abrupt withdrawal of troops from Iraq would give "false comfort to terrorists."

Spain's pullout of 1,300 soldiers — and an expected troop withdrawal by Honduras — was a blow to Bush's portrayal of a solid international coalition in chaotic Iraq. With no immediate replacement for Spain's forces, other members of the coalition hastened to rewrite military plans to deal with Iraq's increasingly bloody landscape.

One day after taking office, Prime Minister Jose Luis Rodriguez Zapatero picked up the telephone to call Bush and got an Iraq president on the line. Iraq increasingly is a political problem for Bush as he faces re-election; more than half of Americans disapprove of his handling of the situation.

In a five-minute conversation, Bush was said to have expressed regret that Zapatero was withdrawing his troops so quickly, even though the Spaniard had campaigned on a pullout pledge. Spain is the sixth largest contributor of troops in Iraq, and Bush urged that the withdrawal be coordinated with other coalition members so as not to put other forces at risk, the White House said.

More pointedly, Bush stressed the importance of carefully considering future actions to avoid giving false comfort to terrorists or enemies of freedom in Iraq, press secretary Scott McClellan said. Zapatero has rejected claims that withdrawing troops would appear to be appeasing terrorists, saying his idea of removing them came long before the March 11 commuter-train bombings that killed 191 people in Madrid three days in advance of his election.

Bush, in an afternoon speech in Hershey, Pa., raised the subject of the Madrid bombings and said, "The terrorists used violence to spread fear and disrupt elections. They want us to panic."

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Bush names U.N. ambassador as envoy to Iraq

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush named John Negroponte, the United States' top diplomat at the United Nations, as the U.S. ambassador to Iraq on Monday and asserted that Iraq "will be free and democratic and peaceful."

Bush announced the nomination in an Oval Office ceremony. At the United Nations, Negroponte, 64, was instrumental in winning unanimous approval of a Security Council resolution that demanded Saddam Hussein comply with U.N. mandates to disarm.

While the resolution helped the administration make its case for invading Iraq, the Security Council eventually refused to endorse the overthrow of Saddam, opting instead to extend U.N. weapons searches. Negroponte is a man of enormous experience and skill and "has done a really good job of speaking for the United States to the world about our intentions to spread freedom and peace," said Bush.

Regarding Negroponte's new post, the president said there is "no doubt in my mind he can handle it, no doubt in my mind he will do a very good job, and there's no doubt in my mind that Iraq will be free and democratic and peaceful."

Battered Marine battalion returns to Husaybah

The day before, five died in firefight

By Ron Harris, St. Louis Post-Dispatch



Marines fire from the cover of a Humvee during a battle Saturday in Husaybah. More than 100 insurgents had slipped into the city from Fallujah and Ramadi and launched the assault.

HUSAYBAH, Iraq — The day after fighting in Husaybah left five of their brethren dead and at least a dozen wounded, a different, grimmer 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines, returned to the city Sunday.

They offered residents no friendly waves or broad smiles as they patrolled the streets of the town near the Syrian border. No more polite knocks on the door and careful conversations with the family patriarch. Instead, they methodically entered every Iraqi home along their route to search for weapons and question the occupants about insurgents.

There were no more nice, good-natured chats to convince the local populace that the Marines — not the insurgent mujahideen — were their friends, and not the occupiers and oppressors as they have been labeled by local clerics and others.

As the Marines patrolled Sunday, it was a meaner, more solemn, more serious force that the 100,000 residents of this city saw.

"No more knocking today,"

"When we first got here, we tried making friends. They escalated this, we didn't."

— Jeremy Heidrick, Navy corpsman with 3rd Marine Battalion

the city from Fallujah and Ramadi launched an early morning assault against the Marines Saturday, the military said.

The fighting lasted nearly 24 hours, and when it was over, dozens of Iraqi insurgents had been killed. At the same time, the Marines had taken some of their worst losses since they charged into Iraq more than a year ago.

So, when they began moving from house to house Sunday to look for insurgents, their mission had taken a different, sterner footing. "As the situation improves, we'll shift back to knocking on doors and then shift back to limited direct action."

U.S. death toll in Iraq exceeds 700

WASHINGTON (AP) — The number of American troops who have died in Iraq since U.S. forces invaded in March 2003 has surpassed 700 and the number wounded in action has topped 3,600, the Pentagon said Monday.

The death toll stands at 706, although fewer than 700 individuals have been identified by the Pentagon because it has not completed the required next-of-kin notifications for a number who died in recent days. Just last Friday, the Pentagon said the troop-death total stood at 685.

April has been the deadliest month since the invasion, with at least 99 U.S. troops killed so far.

Of the 706 deaths recorded by the Pentagon, 511 came after President Bush declared on May 1 that major combat was over. Two Department of the Army civilians also have been killed and two U.S. soldiers are listed as missing.

The number of wounded stands at 3,630, according to a Pentagon count that was updated last Friday. The total has grown by more than 600 since April 8, when it stood at 2,988.

Peacekeepers scramble with Spain pullout

WARSAW, Poland (AP) — Iraq's multinational peacekeeping force scrambled to regroup Monday after Spain's announcement that it would pull out its 1,300 troops, with Albania pledging more soldiers but U.S. officials bracing for further withdrawals.

Spanish troops will leave Iraq in less than six weeks, Defense Minister Jose Bono said Monday in Madrid, but it remains unclear who will take their place. The 9,500 peacekeepers under Polish command are charged with the south-central sector, where followers of radical Shiite cleric Muqtada al-Sadr are waging a bloody rebellion.

Polish officials said they thought greater United Nations involvement might help warring countries make new troop commitments or at least follow through with what they have already promised.

"A U.N. resolution would be a great help," Polish Defense Minister Jerzy Szamajdzinski told Poland's TVN24.

Szajdzinski said Spain's decision caught him by surprise, but he was working intensively on several variants on how to make up for the leaving troops," he told the Rzeczpospolita daily. "Perhaps we will have to reorganize the division."

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EDITORIAL

Challenge of drug test policy might have merit

On first glance, Joseph Stanzak's drug-testing lawsuit against Twin Falls High School may look like tilting at windmills.

After all, the district appears to have the backing of a 2002 Supreme Court decision, which allows drug testing of students in extracurricular activities.

But Stanzak, a pugnacious Twin Falls lawyer, may have a compelling case anyway.

Our view: A local case against a Twin Falls High School's drug testing policy raises valid questions.

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

Stanzak and his wife are filing the case on behalf of their two daughters, Danielle and Anastasia. They argue that Anastasia's refusal to sign a consent form for drug testing has resulted in a lower grade and a failed test, and that her high school graduation could be at risk.

The lawsuit also contends that Danielle Stanzak has endured criticism from teachers at the school. It says the testing policy violates students' right to refuse drug testing "simply because they wish to enroll in academic, graded, non-extracurricular, humanities classes."

This year, for the first time, Twin Falls High School requires drug tests for students involved in athletics and other extracurricular activities. But band is in a tricky category. It's an academic class that commonly requires some out-of-classroom participation. Anastasia Stanzak contends her non-participation in extracurricular band activity caused her classroom grade to fall from an A to a C.

This raises legitimate questions. If students refuse drug testing, does the policy essentially lock them out of education opportunities in the fields of music, theater and debate?

Not all of the suit's claims hold water. Anastasia says she failed a Direct Writing Assessment because she chose random drug testing as her essay topic.

But Lavonne Peterson, director of Curriculum and Instruction for the district, says one of the criteria for the Direct Writing Assessment is to write about a specified topic. If a student wrote completely off-topic, it's possible to reflect that," she said.

In any event, the test in question was a practice test — not directly affecting the girl's future.

The Supreme Court's 2002 ruling said students can't be coerced into drug testing. But extracurricular activities are voluntary. So schools can require participating students to be tested for safety reasons.

(Federal law also allows districts to randomly test school teachers for safety reasons. Yet the school district still makes no attempt to test its teachers.)

Stanzak's suit reveals a possible need for the district to refine its policy. Drug testing for extracurricular activities is a positive step toward drug-free schools, but the district must take pains to avoid illegal coercion.

Calm in U.S. since 9-11 speaks volumes

Given the recent obsession with the 9-11 commission testimony, you'd think someone might ask why there has not been another attack since that day in the United States.

Perhaps the lack of any public discussion about that issue is due to an understandable desire not to fix ourselves.

PETER A. BROWN

Or maybe it stems from the obvious difficulty of trying to figure out why something has not occurred.

Yet the reality is that al-Qaeda has not disbanded. In fact, it has been quite active, killing people around the world. Yet during the intervening 31 months, it has not again attacked the United States, its sworn enemy.

One answer could be that the Bush administration's conduct of the war on terror, which has become a whipping boy during this presidential campaign, might just be working.

Of course, the other explanation would be to chalk the whole thing up to dumb luck — or assume that the bad guys are just biding their time.

The time and money — not to mention the political fallout — spent on historical hindsight by the 9-11 commission is worthwhile because it is aimed at understanding why the system in place was unable to prevent the tragedy.

Yet it is just as important to think about the present and what the lack of a repeat incident says about the future.

Obviously, a similar public investigation into why nothing has happened would be impractical, given the hypothetical nature of the whole exercise.

But it is something all Americans should think about in deciding how they want to fight the war on terrorism.

Since Sept. 11, we have faced countless alerts about the possibility of the next terrorist incident. Public opinion polls show a widespread public belief that the next domestic attack is just around the corner.

But that has been the case for more than two years and,



thankfully, nothing has happened.

There are two explanations — or a combination of them — that might explain the lack, thus far, of another terrorist attack within the United States:

— The U.S. government is doing a better job of deterring the terrorists.

— Al-Qaeda may have decided that the costs of pulling off another attack inside the United States would not be worth the political costs.

The period of national unity that followed 9-11 has long since ended, and the Bush administration's war on terror has become a political football.

His critics have decimated Bush's unwillingness to accommodate U.S. policy against terrorism to the international opposition to his tactics.

Democratic presidential hopefuls John Kerry's critique of the Bush doctrine boils down to the fact that it doesn't give enough weight to world opinion in formulating U.S. policy.

On the domestic front, the Patriot Act, pushed through by

Bush after 9-11 to give officials the necessary tools to combat terrorism here at home, has become a flash point.

Criticism that the act unnecessarily subverts civil liberties that was initially confined to fringe groups like the ACLU is now part of the Kerry mantra, even though he and most Democratic lawmakers voted for it.

It is possible that the extra powers that law has given authorities have allowed them to prevent other potential attacks.

Or perhaps it signals a stepped-up vigilance here at home that has led Osama and the boys to decide it is safer for them to blow up people in Spain and Bali.

Maybe the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan have tired up al-Qaeda's fighters and money and left them unable to focus on U.S. domestic targets.

Or maybe there is another explanation. Perhaps al-Qaeda has decided it would be contrary to its self-interest to strike again in the United States, especially before November.

Such an attack would almost certainly re-create a sense of

national unity that followed 9-11. Politically, it would likely create a rally-round-the-president effect.

Sure, the March 11 terrorist attack in Spain days before its presidential election led to the defeat of the party of the Spanish leader who had been a Bush ally in the war on terror.

But even terrorists who despise our culture are smart enough to understand how much more aggressive and confrontational (not to mention stronger militarily) we are than the Europeans.

The last thing al-Qaeda would like is for Bush to be re-elected. My money says U.S. voters would react to attempts to scare them into voting for John Kerry by raising their middle finger to the terrorists, not surrendering like the Spanish.

As we wrap the blame game for 9-11, it's worth pondering what the absence of a reoccurrence tells us.

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History shows the need existed for Internment

I am not surprised the letter from President Bosteder of the Sawtooth Japanese-American Citizens League is loaded with lies since it is habit with the reparations movement. They must maintain the victim image. However, the lies are circling the drain.

I appreciate your pre-confirmation informing taxpayers that Minidoka will be resurrected whether they like it or not. So why bother with reparations meetings with Neil King? It's eerily similar to the U.S. Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Civilians that was also pre-determined for monetary reward. History does repeat itself!

Like the CWIRC, you continue to ignore eithervolumes of "Magic" intelligence. You know, the World War II decrypted Japanese spy messages that boasted of success in infiltrating airplane plants and plans to sabotage the Los Angeles water system? Information was being sent to Japan from Japanese-Americans regarding troop movement and warships in our naval yards. How about the arrests of Japanese-Americans with search lights, cases of dynamite, blasting caps and two-way radios?

I guarantee ignoring this part

of the evacuation history will make it go away!

I would not classify these actions as loyal, at least not to the USA!

Rumors? This is the information President Roosevelt had in hand when the evacuation was ordered. Plans of the would-be terrorists were thwarted. The relocation was justified and internment of enemy aliens was the law.

Hope all this information will be side-by-side at your new Minidoka "Interpretive Center," along with photos of support rallies for Emperor Hirohito that took place at Minidoka, Heart Mountain and Tule Lake.

Don't forget to include the mass trial and conviction in Chennay, Wyo., of the Heart Mountain draft resisters.

Loyal? The facts are, the government wanted the evacuees to leave the centers, but they stayed for the duration of the war and Ms. Bosteder should know that the Japanese-American Citizens League asked Uncle Sam to keep them open after 1945.

Incarcerated? A word that describes the reparations people is "marry," a person who assumes an attitude of self-sacrifice or suffering in order to arouse feelings of pity, guilt, etc., in others.

A word that describes the CWIRC is "kangaroo court," an unauthorized irregular court that disregards normal legal procedures as in a frontier region or mock court set up by a prison inmate.

I urge the taxpayers to write to Gov. Dirk Kempthorne, 700 W. Jefferson St., Second Floor, Boise, ID 83720-0034.

FRANK THRESHIER Halley

Fivolous lawsuits hit medical industry hard

I was amused by the many contradictions in the article about Sharron Stromberg and Fen-Phen. When an echocardiogram showed she might have \$300,000 worth of heart damage, there was no question of validity. When a second study shows only \$6,000 damage, now the interpretation thereof is highly subjective? If echos are so subjective, would it be quite likely that her initial exam was wrong and could have grossly over-estimated the degree of heart damage?

Lawyer Browning underscores the defiance of reason with an astonishing "100 doctors reading 10 echos could get 10 different opinions." I would hope so! Ten doctors reading one echo and getting 10 different opinions

would be another matter. And if echo interpretation is so "iffy," mustn't the initial Mayo findings be viewed most skeptically?

The Fen-Phen dust-up looks much like the set-to over-allowance breast implants causing cancer, immune or neurological disorders. Ultimately, a National Academy of Sciences panel was convened (NAS, 6-12-99) and found no link between the four and silicone breast implants are once again approved by the Food and Drug Administration. Of course, Dow Corning was forced into bankruptcy by then (1995) and billions poured into lawyers' and mewing clients' pockets, the latter by scientific analysis having suffered no injury whatever.

Browning again, "Big corporations almost (sic) factor into the cost of doing business the damage they're doing to people." We could only wish law firms did the same.

The risk of elective bariatric surgery (gastric bypass) carries a 1 percent risk of death and up to a 10 percent risk of other complications (infection, hernias, bleeding, etc.). The risk of being morbidly obese can shorten a lifespan from five to 15 years and greatly increases the risk of cardiac disease, hypertension, diabetes and others. It seems risk is everywhere. Perhaps it is every-

where as if Ms. Stromberg just used Magic Valley sugar producers or her parents for causing her obesity and save drug companies the trouble of finding a way to rescue her from her plight.

KRISTIN WINGRAM Twin Falls

Saddam's threat was severe enough for war

My husband and I have been observing things for years. You do not agree with the war in Iraq because you don't believe that Saddam was a threat, right? Saddam Hussein invaded Kuwait — that was the reason for the Gulf War. Saddam was slaughtering them, so we went in to stop him. The Saudis were afraid he was going to attack them next. Anyway, after the Gulf War, Saddam Hussein killed thousands of people with mustard gas just to prove a point. He should have been re-investigated then, but he wasn't that I remember.

In 2001, according to Clinton, he was receiving threats for years while he was in office. He didn't mention anything about it to the public, though, until 2001 — after 9/11. After 9/11, President Bush sent troops to Afghanistan, but before he did, he asked Saddam if he would help fight the war on terror. Saddam, in his own way, said

no, that he supports the plans of the terrorists. Saddam targeted our planes on the way to Afghanistan.

Bush told Saddam to leave his country or we will attack. Saddam wouldn't leave, so we attacked. If Saddam would have left, then Iraq might have different today. Saddam played all sides against the middle and now he gets what he deserves as far as we are concerned.

So we know that the weapons of mass destruction were there, we just don't know what he did with them. Do you remember the chemical weapons suits they found all over the place when we got there? What was he planning? Saddam was a threat to the whole world as far as I'm concerned.

So you should observe things before you lash out. You might learn something.

Another thing: We never left Afghanistan, but the TV reporters did for awhile, like a year.

If you want to know what you can do to help your country, you can stop complaining, and start contributing. Join the Neighborhood Watch, keep your eyes and ears open and help take a bite out of crime.

MERRIE AND A JAY MORGAN Twin Falls

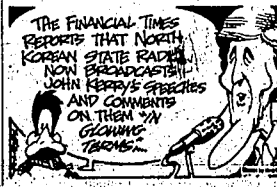
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COMPUTERS AND TECHNOLOGY

ROBOTS of all shapes and sizes

Once deemed as inefficient, they now find practical uses in daily life

By Charles Sheenan
Associated Press writer

PITTSBURGH — Researchers in robotics have traditionally faced two debilitating obstacles: terribly expensive parts and difficulty attracting funding from anyone outside of a small corps of true believers.

But the field could be in line for a major jolt. Robotics experts see a "perfect storm" heading their way, thanks in no small part to the human ravages of war.

Just as the constant march of technology is driving down the cost of key components, top universities in robotics are reporting major increases in federal funding, with the Defense Department the biggest spender.

The military desperately wants to reduce the number of soldiers killed by roadside bombs or surface-to-air missiles — cheap implements of war that have felled scores in Iraq. Many in the Pentagon believe the answer lies in autonomous air, sea and land vehicles.

The Robotics Institute at Carnegie Mellon University has seen federal funding jump 48 percent since 2000, and by 117 percent since 1994. Much of the \$24.8 million in federal funding for 2003 came from the Pentagon, said institute director Chuck Thorpe.

The university's corporate funding for robotics is also up 40 percent since 2000, with \$7.8 million arriving last year.

Other universities, such as the California, Virginia and Georgia Institutes of Technology, say funding for robotics is up at least 50 percent or more in recent years.

"Technology that lets robots perceive and overcome obstacles has made unparalleled bounds largely because the cost of charge-coupled devices (the core of every camera), microprocessors and varied sensors has fallen away as rapidly as computing power and memory have expanded."

"Nobody is inventing the wheel anymore," Kara said. "The core of research that occurred over the last 10 years is driving this market intellectual."

And now there's a ton of money coming from the military side of the aisle.

The Pentagon, which spent \$3 billion on unmanned aerial ve-



Members of the Los Angeles Regis Cajuna work on their entry in the robotic vehicle race March 8, in Fontana, Calif. Fifteen teams gathered in California's Mojave Desert for an autonomous 150-mile race. The prize: \$1 million from DARPA. Although no team won the money, DARPA's Grand Challenge is just one several competitions that will draw top robotics talent from across the country this year.

hicles between 1991 and 1999, is expected to spend upward of \$10 billion through 2010.

The Army is seeking portable reconnaissance robots, transport robots and fighting vehicles that could be deployed in the place of the Abrams tank. The 42-pound PackBot, which can climb stairs and work under water, already has been used by U.S. troops flushing out Afghan caves. The Marines have developed a similar robot half that size.

"The Pentagon's research arm, the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency, is sponsoring more than 40 projects in robotics," spokeswoman Jan Walker said.

For example, DARPA has given Carnegie Mellon \$5.5 million to develop the Splinter, a five-ton combat vehicle that could operate on almost any terrain, under any conditions, without a foot on a pedal or a hand on a steering wheel.

It is difficult to determine exactly how much money is going into research at universities because government contracts also go to corporations, such as Boeing Co., that work closely with schools like Carnegie Mel-

lon, Northrop Grumman Corp. and other companies that have sponsored university research or maintain their own robotics projects.

Boeing recently sent an engineer from its Phantom Works division to work full time with a robotics team at Carnegie Mellon and put two other engineers on call, according to company spokesman Glen Golightly. A partnership between Boeing and CalTech is pending.

John Reid worked on robotics systems for 14 years at the University of Illinois. Three years ago he was hired by Deere & Co. to manage its Intelligent Vehicle Systems, a research unit aimed at developing autonomous machinery that could distance farmers from dangerous farm work.

The engineers and computer scientists behind the machines have even found themselves in the national spotlight. Last month, many were mobbed by the stars. Virginia Tech's entry, a converted golf cart, made it only 100 yards.

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There is some concern among robotics experts, however, that expectations will exceed reality, especially for those providing the money.

After industrial robotic arms first entered the marketplace decades ago, there was a backlash when the corporate conception of robotics didn't quite meet with the technological realities of the time.

Robots could then perform only simple repetitive tasks. A widget gone askew on an assembly line could halt production until a human lent a hand.

Robotics specialists were wrestling with skewed perceptions again last month in DARPA's Grand Challenge in the desert.

Carnegie Mellon's robot made it the farthest before veering off course and snapping an axle just over seven miles from the start. Virginia Tech's entry, a converted golf cart, made it only 100 yards.

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WHAT'S HOT, WHAT'S NEW IN TECHNOLOGY

Get rid of your PDA

The Dallas Morning News

DALLAS — R.I.P. PDA.

The stand-alone personal digital assistant — that iconic, handheld gadget that sprang to life with the '90s computing revolution — is rapidly vanishing from pockets, desktops and boardrooms.

Once a symbol of the with-it, mobile professional, these stand-alone minicomputers are destined to become mere footnotes on the sea of endless electronic innovation, some experts say.

"The device that was pre-eminent an organizer centered around being a replacement for paper, that device is dead," said Alex Slawsky, senior mobile analyst for IDC research.

The sleek, brushed aluminum profile of the Palm V or VII is no longer a fixture in corporate meetings, having been replaced by ever more sophisticated cell phones. Personal

digital assistants lacking wireless phone or Internet connectivity are increasingly relegated to trivial chores.

This year, for the first time, smart cell phones are expected to outsell PDAs. Consumers increasingly find cell phones more easily handle the address book and calendar chores the Palm Pilot had commanded when it burst on the scene 1996. IDC predicts two smartphones will be sold for every one PDA in 2002.

Overall, PDA sales are flat. In 2003, market research firms say shipments declined anywhere from 5.3 percent to 17.9 percent, depending on how the device is defined. Best Buy and other retailers have begun reducing the size of PDA displays, filling in with products in higher demand. Earlier this year, PalmOne, the leading PDA maker, cut 100 workers, 12 percent of its staff.

Watchdog groups tear into Google's new e-mail service

User may trade privacy for more storage space

The Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — Google Inc. hails its new e-mail service as a breakthrough in online communication, but consumer watchdogs are attacking it as a creepy invasion of privacy that threatens to set a troubling precedent.

Although Google's free "Gmail" service isn't even available yet, critics already are pressuring the popular search engine maker to drop its plans to electronically scan e-mail content so it can distribute relevant ads alongside incoming messages.

Privacy activists worry that Gmail will comb through e-mail more intensively than the filters widely used to weed out potential viruses and spam.

Gmail opponents also want Google to revise a policy that entitles the company to retain copies of people's incoming and outgoing e-mail even after they close their accounts.

The e-mail scanning, which Google says will be handled exclusively by computers, has raised the most alarms, partly because it seeks to capitalize on messages sent by people without Gmail accounts.

Google intends to deliver ads by analyzing what's being discussed. For instance, an e-mail

from one friend to another talking about an upcoming trip might include links to hotels or airlines.

Gmail has a "definite creepiness factor," said Art Schwartz, associate director of the Center for Democracy and Technology.

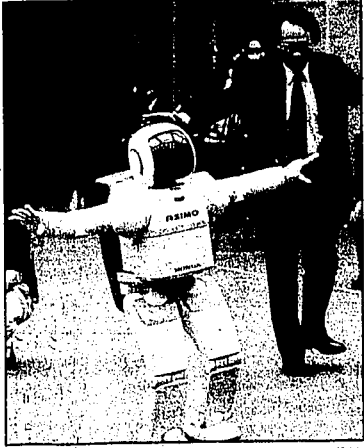
Mountains View, California-based Google portrays the commercialization of e-mail as a small trade-off for a service that will give each user one gigabyte of storage — up to 500 times more than other leading free services — and provide a quicker, cleaner way to search e-mailboxes. Most e-mail messages opened on Gmail won't even contain ads, according to Google.

Nevertheless, critics say the free storage, roughly the equivalent of 500,000 pages, isn't worth compromising individual privacy rights.

"Consumers really need to look this gift horse in the mouth because it has rotten teeth and bad breath," said Beth Givens, director of the Privacy Rights Clearinghouse, a watchdog group.

The enthusiastic response to Gmail probably is being driven by the chance to get so much e-mail storage space for free, said Chris Hoehnig, associate director for the Electronic Privacy Information Center.

HUMAN LIKE



Humanoid robot ASIMO, developed by Honda Motor Co., stands on its right leg, competing with an unidentified Fukuoka City official during a press preview of a science program in Fukuoka, southwestern Japan, Wednesday.

A robot for the elderly

The Washington Post

Take one prototype 'personal robotic assistant for the elderly.' Add volunteer testers from the Longwood Retirement Community in Oakmont, Pa. What do you get? Curious smiles and interest in the technology's potential for helping frail or cognitively impaired elders find their way around or remember to take their medicine.

"Pearl," as the robot is known, is the product of a research collaboration involving four universities: Michigan, Pittsburgh, Carnegie Mellon and Stanford.

She's not ready for mass marketing. For one thing, her cost—significantly more than \$10,000, according to Michigan's Martha Pollack, who developed the robot's software—would be prohibitive. A handheld version, though—absent humanoid qualities—runs about \$150, or \$500 if you add in home sensors that would send wireless messages to the computer.

Pearl's humanoid design was deliberate, says Pollack. "We thought people would react bet-



Washington Post photo

ter to a device that looked a little human-like than something that looked like a trash can. Did they? They loved it," she said. Pearl, she added, is meant to supplement, not replace, human caregivers.

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WORLD

Rocket hits Israeli settlement

EZREK CROSSING, Gaza Strip — A Palestinian rocket exploded in the Jewish settlement of Nisanit after midnight Monday, rescuing workers and settlers said, and three Israelis were lightly wounded.

The Magen David Adom rescue service said the rocket hit a house in the settlement, which is in the northwest corner of the Gaza Strip.

Three ambulances were seen headed to the settlement, where residents said the rocket set the house on fire. Firefighters put out the blaze.

World in brief

Earlier Monday, an Israeli was seriously wounded in another rocket attack. Palestinians fired homemade rockets and mortars at the Jewish settlements in Gaza and communities just outside the fence frequently.

Victim of child rapist faces attacker at trial

ARLON, Belgium — A woman who survived almost two months of sexual abuse while imprisoned in a basement faced her attacker for the first time Monday, testifying at his rape and murder trial and asking him why he did not kill her.

Sabine Dardenne, now 20, is a key witness at the trial of Marc Dutroux, a convicted pedophile who was on parole when he allegedly abducted and raped six girls between 1995 and 1996. Four of the girls died.

He has admitted kidnapping and sexually abusing the first girl and the other girls, but claims he was working for a criminal network that recruited prostitutes across Europe.

Dardenne has spoken out about the case on Belgian television and in newspapers.

Jordanian officers lose immunity after shootout

PRISTINA, Serbia-Montenegro — Four U.N. police officers from Jordan were stripped of their diplomatic immunity Monday to be questioned in a fellow Jordanian's killing of two American guards in Kosovo.

A warrant clear why Sgt. Maj. Ahmed Mustafa Ibrahim Ali opened fire on a convoy of corrections officers on Saturday. He and the two female American guards were killed in the shootout that followed, and 11 people were wounded.

Ali was a member of a highly trained unit in Jordan and had been decorated for warding off an attack on the Israeli Embassy in Amman, a Jordanian official said.

Reports: N. Korea's Kim visits China, talks nukes

BEIJING — North Korean leader Kim Jong Il reportedly held talks Monday with Chinese President Hu Jintao about the North's nuclear arms program and requests for economic aid, amid U.S. appeals for Beijing to pressure the reclusive communist state to give up atomic weapons.

China's Foreign Ministry would not confirm Kim's arrival in Beijing and said it had "no information" on the meeting with the Chinese leader — the first between the two since Hu became president last year. When Kim visited China in 2000 and 2001, neither side announced the trips in advance and released few details until his return to Pyongyang.

Authorities probe crash that killed U.S. youth

PARIS — A bus that crashed while carrying a group of North Carolina teenage soccer players, killing one, was going too fast and had an onboard device to limit its speed that may have been deliberately disabled, an investigator said Monday.

The bus company manager and a driver were in police custody and could face manslaughter and other charges, said the investigator, speaking on condition of anonymity.

The bus, carrying 35 people, including the two drivers, was traveling at 61 mph — about 18 mph above the speed limit — when it ran off a highway Sunday near Mityry-Mory, east of Paris, the investigator said.

— compiled from wire reports

Saudi TV host sparks debate over domestic violence

DUBAI, United Arab Emirates (AP) — A popular Saudi television host publicly showed her bruised and bloodied face and has shocked her compatriots into openly talking about one of the kingdom's long-hidden problems: violence against women.

Ranla al-Baz has been hailed as a hero for letting newspaper photographers snap pictures of her face and for frankly dis-

cussing her case after she said a beating by her husband earlier this month left her unconscious.

Her story has been widely reported in the Saudi media. A Saudi princess stepped forward to pay al-Baz's medical bills. Representatives of the new Saudi National Human Rights Association visited her in the hospital.

Al-Baz told The Associated

Press in a telephone interview Sunday that once she is back at work, she will press a violence-against-women awareness campaign. "I know many women in Saudi Arabia are badly beaten and when I recover I will do a program addressing that," she said.

She said she also will try to tackle other topics, like rape, that are usually not publicly discussed in conservative

Saudi Arabia.

Al-Baz's television persona — warm smile wrapped in a stylish headscarf — made the photographs of her wrecked face after the April 10 beating all the more startling. Al-Baz suffered 13 facial fractures required 12 operations.

Though the photo was too gory for some people — blood was dripping from her face — she wanted her case to be pub-

licized so that other battered women would be encouraged to speak up, columnist Raed Qusti wrote in the Arab News.

Qusti said that all Saudi women should salute al-Baz.

Al-Baz, in her 30s, said her husband of six years, singer Mohammed al-Fallatah, had beaten her before. But she said the April 10 attack was especially vicious, and that she thought he wanted to kill her.

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AROUND THE VALLEY

Renaissance Fair arrives at CSI

TWIN FALLS — Nearly 20 entertaining and educational events are planned for this year's Renaissance Fair on April 30 at the College of Southern Idaho.

Travis Schwede, Renaissance Club president, said contingents are in place to allow the fair to be held from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. regardless of weather conditions.

The fair replicates the dress, activities, work and entertainment of the time from the 14th through the 16th centuries in Europe.

Planned activities include "Shakespeare," a Shakespearean performing group, period dancing, madrigal singing, mock jousting, marionette performances and skits, open air poetry recitations, pastries sold by tart girls, a period weapons display, and a falconer who will perform on demonstrations with his birds.

The Society for Creative Anachronism, whose members celebrate the customs of the Renaissance, will have several fighting and other demonstrations. CSI Engineering students will have a catapult competition. A labyrinth will be in place on the second floor of the Student Union Building. The Shakespearean play will be produced in the Eagle's Nest on the main floor of the Student Union Building.

Bliss Bridge reopens for business Thursday

BLISS — The Bliss Bridge, which has been closed since it was deemed unstable in November, is set to reopen at 9 a.m. Thursday.

Dave Burgess, director of the Twin Falls Highway District, said the bridge is being repaired. The total cost of the repairs came in at just under \$260,000, he said.

Funds for restoring the bridge came from several entities.

An Idaho Community Development Block Grant produced \$96,410. The Local Highway Technical Assistance Council also came up with \$100,000. The Twin Falls Highway District put \$45,000 toward the repairs and the Bliss Highway District chipped in \$5,000. Twin Falls County contributed \$5,000 and Gooding County came up with \$1,500.

The bridge's closure has been a major disruption for people who live south of the Snake River near Bliss.

Burgess said that although the structure will be fixed well ahead of the May 15 target date, "for the people that live there it seems like an eternity."

Program focuses on moms, daughters

TWIN FALLS — Magic Valley Regional Medical Center is offering an opportunity for mothers and young teen or adolescent daughters to learn more about each other.

"Voyage to Womanhood" is a time for mothers and daughters to share discussion about issues that are important to the overall health and well-being of young teens and adolescents on the threshold of womanhood.

Participants will learn improved communication skills as well as information about physical and emotional health issues including:

- Good Habits for a Healthy Body
- Beauty — More Than Skin Deep
- Body Image and Skin Care
- The 40 Developmental Assets
- Sexuality, Menstruation and Other Mysteries

The program will be held from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. April 24 in the hospital's education center located at 588 Addison Ave. W. Participants should dress comfortably. Lunch will be provided. The cost is \$20 per mother and daughter. Space is limited. Please register by calling Magic Valley Regional at 732-3241.

— compiled from staff reports

Cow shooting prompts new policy

Jerome sheriff says he'll pay for animal shot last month

By Sandy Miller
Times-News writer

JEROME — The county sheriff says he'll personally pay for a pregnant cow that his deputies shot to death last month, and he's working with cattle owners on a new policy for handling stray livestock.

Sheriff Jim Weaver said ideas being talked about include contacting cattle owners as well as using tranquilizer darts to stop cattle that might threaten public safety.

In the meantime, Weaver said he intends to reimburse Jerome County for the \$950 paid to cow owner Gerald Martens.

"Ultimately, I take personal responsibility for the actions of my deputies in cases such as this," Weaver said. "I feel I'm not going to have the county taxpayers pay for it."

County Commissioner Veronica Llerman said the commissioners initially rejected Weaver's offer to pay for the cow, paying Martens with a county check instead. But after Weaver renewed the request, the commissioners agreed to have the money taken from Weaver's paycheck. The sheriff earns about \$47,000 a year.

Weaver said the incident took place the morning of March 6, after dispatchers received two calls about a cow heading north beside Highway 83.

According to a report by sheriff's Cpl. Scott Novak, Novak and Cpl. Kirk Thorpe tried to find the cow's owner before deciding it was getting too close to the Interstate 84 junction.

Martens, however, said the cow was killed less than 80 feet from a pasture gate.

"The cow shouldn't have been shot," Martens said. "There's no justification for it. The deputies made a mistake."

Contacting brand inspectors

Part of a brand inspector's job is to catch loose livestock and return them safely to their pasture. Jerome County Brand Inspector Steven Taylor said the first thing people should do if they see livestock that might threaten public safety is to call law enforcement.

However, the public can also contact him or fellow Brand Inspector Jode Stoddard directly at 733-3804. The number for brand inspectors in Twin Falls County is 733-8270.

Jerome County Brand Inspector Steven Taylor was working at a 4-H steer weigh-in when he received a call from deputies. "I asked if she was running around and causing a problem," he said.

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VETS BRING ERAS TOGETHER



Richard Hansing, right, a World War II veteran who survived the Pearl Harbor attack, and Shane Barlow, a sergeant first class with the Army National Guard unit in Twin Falls who might soon be deployed to Iraq, offer different perspectives on military service.

Servicemen speak to Jerome students

By Karin Kowalski
Times-News writer

JEROME — The past and future of military service united in the Jerome High School band room Monday.

Two veterans, hailing from different military eras, spoke about their experiences to a several audiences of students toward the end of the day.

Sgt. Shane Barlow, a recruiter with the Army National Guard, told the history and government classes that he was prepared to go to Iraq even though his position isn't normally one that's deployed.

"I volunteered to go," Barlow said. "I've enlisted so many people that I feel obligated to go."

Barlow's appearance was

“You can live every day of your life in honor of their sacrifice.”

— Richard Hansing, WWII vet, on lives that are lost in war

complemented by Richard Hansing, a World War II veteran who survived the attack on Pearl Harbor.

Hansing's been making his rounds during the past two years, speaking at several

Magic Valley high schools. He said he often gets asked how people can respond to the lives that are lost in war.

"You can live every day of your life in honor of their sacrifice," Hansing told students and teachers.

A third veteran from the Vietnam War also was supposed to speak to the teens Monday, but he couldn't make it.

All three were invited to the high school by history teacher Vol Jones, who timed their appearance with the end of her students' unit on World War II.

"It takes it out of the context of mothballs," Jones said. "It just brings it to life."

Barlow graduated from Jerome High School and served in the Army in the 1970s with Company D of the

321st Engineer Battalion. He has been in the National Guard 20 years and has recruited for 18.

His unit, the Headquarters and Headquarters Company of the Second of 116th Cavalry Battalion, has been alerted for possible deployment, presumably to Iraq.

Barlow said he has a new respect for teachers after facing students all day with tough questions about why the United States is in Iraq.

"We're just over there to defend our country and our freedom," Barlow said. "It's not about oil, he added.

Barlow and Hansing met before at a post office.

Barlow said a lot has changed since Hansing served. The weapons are

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Burley fire chief prepares to cool down after 40 years on the job

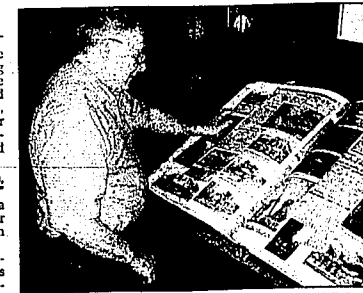
By Chip Thompson
Times-News writer

BURLEY — While Burley Fire Chief Phil Heiner was fighting his first fire, a garage blaze some 40 years ago, the owner pointed into the garage and said, "They're right in there." Heiner didn't think much of the comment until the owner added the dynamite caps.

"My first instinct was to run, but I stayed and we got it out," Heiner said, admitting it was a pretty shaky start to a career that will come to a close when he retires April 29.

Heiner has seen plenty of action with the department as evidenced by the large scrapbooks in the station's lobby. Every page is covered with news items and photographs and every item has a story behind it — a story Heiner knows firsthand.

Heiner recalls when two-thirds of the Overland Shopping Center burned in 1968 and when Burley Junior High School burned during school hours in 1973.



Burley Fire Chief Phil Heiner ponders the highlights of his 40 years with the department as he flips through a scrapbook. He is retiring at the end of this month.

"They had a fire drill earlier that day," Heiner said of the school fire.

A harrowing moment came during the Gem International fire when it "blashed over" with

four men inside. Flashing over means the contents of the building ignite simultaneously from the heat.

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Spring rains in '03 aid mule deer population

The Times-News

JEROME — Mule deer numbers are up this spring in the Magic Valley, including in the South Hills where the population has been struggling for a number of years, the Idaho Department of Fish and Game reported.

"It's the biggest increase we have seen in the past 10 years," said Kelton Hatch, the department's regional conservation educator.

Aerial counts have shown a 45 percent increase in the deer population in the hills on the north and south ends of the Magic Valley. Biologists with the Fish and Game Department in Jerome counted 7,778 deer in 2003 compared with 11,304 this spring. The regional increase is attributed to better fall winter survival.

The population increase and the observed pre-winter ratio of 34 bucks for every 100 does suggests a healthy deer population, and for hunters, the prospect of a good fall season, the department said.

Last year spring rain hit at just

the right time to green up forage, Hatch said. Deer went into winter with good stores of body fat.

The Bennett Hills deer count northwest of Twin Falls increased by 32 percent, the department said.

In the South Hills, the population count grew from 1,133 last year to 1,823 this year in hunting Unit 54. It's the highest count since 1996. Surrounding South Hills hunting units also saw growth.

South Hills deer populations have struggled since 1992-93. Fire and drought have played major roles in prohibiting recovery. Biologists are continuing to be cautious on hunting permit numbers.

The increase in deer numbers throughout the northern Magic Valley units allowed Fish and Game Commissioners to increase the number of antlerless permits for the 2004 hunting season after having cut back in 2003.

Antlerless permit levels are set to allow continued deer herd growth while giving hunters expanded opportunities.

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Jan Jordan - Twin Falls

Jan Jordan, 69, died at her home on Wednesday, April 14, 2004, after a long and courageous battle with emphysema and COPD.



She battled her disease the way she had always lived her life, on her own terms with strength and dignity. The people she loved, her family and friends and her faithful dog, Sassy, surrounded her.

(Cody) Sparrow, Michelle Nuzlo, Kameron Kolsen, Kristy Kolsen, Jeremy Gumm of the Magic Valley, Cody Hoggan, Pocatello, Franca Strouble, Richie, Robbie and Ashley Jimenez, and DJ and Vanessa Dewey; and her great-grandchildren, Jane and Jessie Sparrow, Mikayla and Shandra Nuzlo and Sierra Willingham. She was also survived by her sister, Helene Gass of Salt Lake City; and three brothers, Warren (Rory) Gossett, Pocatello, Bobbie (Joyce) and Clyde (Pat) Nix of Texas. She also leaves behind several nieces and nephews who will miss their "Aunt Nell."

She attended schools in American Falls when it didn't interfere with her passion for fishing and horses and eventually she received her diploma. Her passion for fishing stayed with her all her life.

Her parents, Wayne and Polly Gossett and Kale Jenny, as well as three brothers, Jimmy, CW and Eugene Nix, and her sister, Bobbie Smith, preceded her in death.

Her ability to laugh at life and her endless energy and love will always be remembered by her family. She opened her heart to not only those she loved but to anyone that needed a friend and until her health failed she always had "the coffee pot on" for the constant stream of people through her kitchen.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, April 24, 2004, at Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls, with Pastor Greg Fadness officiating. At Jan's request, private inurnment will be held at a later date for the family.

Jan was a remarkable woman and could do anything she set her mind to do. She had been a barber, an assessor, cab driver, construction worker, owned her own businesses including a pizza parlor and bar, a daycare

and a home for the elderly, an overhead crane operator for B.E. and had been a foster mother to 32 teenage boys in the Pocatello area.

She loved to play the drums in a country band and worked the casinos in Reno. She did whatever was necessary to raise her family.

Jan had been manager at Creekside Court for almost 17 years when her health forced her retirement in September of 2002. Her previous work experiences gave her the perfect background to manage and maintain the court and she loved every minute of her 17 years there. It will leave a void in the area to no longer have Jan to turn to when it is needed. Prior to moving to Twin Falls in the mid '80s she had lived in Nevada, Boise, and Pocatello areas.

Jan is survived by her five children, three daughters, Jondrea Malotte, Kerl Kolsen and Kim Harris, all of Twin Falls; two sons, Paul (Mary Jean) Wegner and Dana Dewey, both of Boise; her grandchildren, Kristy

Grace A. Blackburn - Twin Falls

Grace A. Blackburn, 82, of Twin Falls, passed away Monday, April 19, 2004, at Curry Retirement Estates. Grace was born June 13, 1921, in Tall, Calif., the daughter of Ray and Cora Sorenson Corbit. She married Floyd Blackburn in Idaho Falls on Sept. 22, 1949. Grace enjoyed cooking, making up recipes and collecting porcelain dolls. She loved being a mother, grandmother and great-grandmother and spending time with her family. Grace is survived by her children, Brenda (Rich) Foster, San Jose, Calif., Dorene (Carmy) Kerr, Kimberly, Clifton Blackburn, Twin Falls, Floyd Blackburn,



Twin Falls, David (Sharon) Blackburn, Kimberly, Lola (Chil) Hoobler, Twin Falls, and Lloyd

Blackburn, Twin Falls; a son-in-law, Robert Schroeder; 18 grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren; brother, Vincent "Bob" (Tecla) Corbit, Menan, Idaho; and one sister, Beverly Partin of Helena, Mont.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, five sisters and two brothers.

A service will be held at 1 p.m. Thursday, April 22, 2004, at White Mortuary "Chapel by the Park" with Pastor Dale Metzger officiating. Burial will follow in the Twin Falls Cemetery. A viewing will be held from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. the day of the service at the mortuary.

George Alan Carrico - Gooding

George Alan Carrico, beloved son of Don and Verna Jean Carrico and brother of Rick and Ted, passed away quietly and unexpectedly on Friday, April 16.



He has recently been recovering from numerous surgeries and medical problems at his home after spending the last year in Magic Valley Regional Medical Center and Bridgeway. His greatest joy since November has been the fact that he has been able to be in his own home in Gooding and has been able to be out and about.

He was very grateful to all of the people who provided care for him during that time and his family would like to extend their thanks to all of them as well as to Family Practice Associates, Dr. John Gies, Dr. Dell White, Dr. Stephan Schmidt and the home health nurses.

George was born in Gooding, Idaho, on Feb. 13, 1947. He was very active in school, Boy Scouts, master counselor of Order of DeMolay, playing tennis, and playing on a winning football team and working at Johnson's Drug Store. He and his friends organized their own band and played for different functions.

His mother would be close to his classmates and being involved in his class reunions has been one of the joys of his life. After graduating from Gooding High School, George attended school at the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls when it was just getting started. Art has always been close to his heart

and his teachers advised him to seek further education in that field, so he continued his education in Seattle at Bernley School of Professional Art.

Upon returning to Gooding from Seattle, George worked at the Soldier Mountain Ski Area helping to install the first chair lift, working in the ski shop there and in Carrey's Pro Hardware and Sporting Goods in Gooding.

His commercial art business, "By George," began to expand and his wood-carved signs and paintings have graced many homes and businesses.

In 1988, George survived a fall in his home in Fairfield at which time he broke his back and was left paralyzed from the waist down.

Since then, he has been confined to a wheelchair, but his attitude has always been one of optimism and gratitude for the blessings of life. He has worked

to see that disabled persons have as many opportunities as possible to live a normal life. Most people he would meet would never know the problems which were present due to his condition and he loved to see and visit with everyone he met.

George is survived by his parents, Don and Verna Jean Carrico of Twin Falls; brothers Rick (Janie) of Twin Falls and Ted (Becky) of Nampa; nephews Jason (Molly), Steven (Paris), Ben and Bart (Nicole) (Alex) and Bethany (Jacob); great nephews Jack; great aunt Pearly Carrico; aunt and uncle Doris and Bill Oakley and uncle Howard Foster; (as well as friends too numerous to list. He, his talent and his beautiful smile will be missed greatly.)

A celebration of George's life will be held at 2:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 21, 2004, at the First Christian Church in Gooding, Idaho, with the Rev. Andy Morris officiating.

A gathering of his friends and family will be held at 3:30 p.m. following the service at the Schubert House, 841 Main St. in Gooding.

Inurnment will take place at a later date at the Elmwood Cemetery in Gooding. Family members and friends may call from 1 to 7 p.m. today, Tuesday, at Deamond's Gooding Chapel.

In-laws, or flowers, donations may be given to a memorial which will be established for opportunities to help disabled individuals.

Susan Garner Hart - Burley

Susan Garner Hart, 51, of Burley, passed away Friday, April 16, 2004, at her home.



She was born Jan. 15, 1953, in Burley, Idaho, the daughter of Lester and Max Antonia Garner. She received her education in Burley and attended college in Salt Lake City, Utah.

(Kelly) Clark of Salt Lake City, Utah; two brothers, Jack (Phyllis) Garner of Boise and Mike (Joyce) Garner of Burley; her five grandchildren, Christian (Nicole), Cassandra, Taysen and Talse; and her nieces and nephews.

Susan had a youthful spirit. She enjoyed listening to music, camping, fishing, worm hunting, socializing and shopping. She was a hard worker and most recently was an advertising consultant in the telecommunications industry.

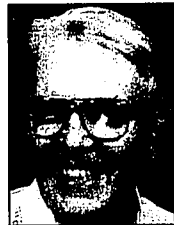
She was preceded in death by her father and one sister. The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, April 22, 2004, at the Burley First Baptist Church, 2262 Hilland Ave., with Pastor Dennis Steneman officiating. Her final resting place will be beside her dad at Pleasant View Cemetery.

Susan loved spending time with her family and was an outstanding hostess. Her home was immaculately clean and ready for company. She especially loved her dogs, Rozzy and Roxxy.

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

Raymond V. Hansen - Burley

Raymond V. Hansen, 79-year-old Burley resident, died Sunday, April 18, 2004, at the View Care Rehabilitation Center Burley.



He was born Nov. 10, 1924, in Burley, the son of James Raymond and Emma Victoria Jansson. He served in the U.S. Army during the Asiatic Pacific Theater from March of 1945 to December of 1945. He received the Asiatic Pacific Service Medal and a Victory Medal. He married Lois Lenore Rambo on Oct. 14, 1951, in Meridian. Raymond worked as a farmer for a number of years and for 24 years was a supervisor at the J.R. Simplot Co. He was a member of the Burley First Christian Church and the local chapter of the VFW.

Survivors include his wife, Lois (Dixie) Rambo; and a sister-in-law, Janis Rambo, all of Meridian. He was preceded in death by

his parents; a son, Kevin Hansen, on Nov. 25, 1987; a sister, Ella Glorfield; and four brothers, Algot Petersen, Ernest Petersen, Arnest Petersen and Arthur "Happy" Peterson.

A service will be held at 1 p.m. Thursday, April 22, 2004, at the Payne Memorial Chapel, 221 W. Main St. in Burley, with Pastor Greg Fadness officiating. Burial will be in the Pleasant View Cemetery in Burley with military rites by the local veterans. Friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday at the Payne Memorial, 221 W. Main St. in Burley and from 12 noon to 12:45 p.m. prior to the funeral on Thursday. The family suggests memorials be given to the Burley First Christian Church, P.O. Box 1244, Burley, ID 83318.

DEATH NOTICES

Autumn Rose Parton

BURLEY — Autumn Rose Parton, 16, of Burley, died Monday, April 19, 2004, from injuries received in an automobile accident.

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

William H. Kyles

TWIN FALLS — William H. Kyles, 87, of Twin Falls, formerly of Buhl, died Monday, April 19, 2004, at Bridgeway Estates.

Arrangements will be made by White Mortuary, "Chapel by the Park."

Raul Salinas Reyes

PAUL — Raul Salinas Reyes, 35, of Paul, died Monday, April 19, 2004, at Portneuf Medical Center West in Pocatello.

Reception of the rosary will be at 7 p.m. today, Tuesday, April 20, 2004, at Saint Nicholas Catholic Church, 802 F St. in Rupert. A memorial funeral Mass will be celebrated at noon Wednesday, April 21, 2004, at Saint Nicholas Catholic Church with the Rev. Father Gabriel Vargas as celebrant. Burial will take place

in Mexico. Funeral arrangements are under the direction of Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley.

Mark A. Bentzinger

JEROME — Mark A. Bentzinger, 44, of Jerome, died Monday, April 19, 2004, in Twin Falls.

Arrangements will be made by the Hove Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome.

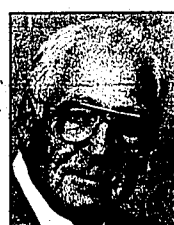
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Dr. Newell Francis Morgan - Twin Falls

Dr. Newell Francis Morgan, 87, of Twin Falls returned to the arms of his Heavenly Father at his home in Twin Falls, Idaho.



Newell was born Jan. 25, 1917, in Red Oak, Iowa, the son of Frank and Effie Hornby Morgan. Newell had a twin brother, Thomas James Morgan. The family moved to Orem, Minn., and later to Red Bluff, Calif. He attended College at Southern Oregon College of Education in Ashland, Ore. He then went on to attend Northwest Christian College in Eugene, Ore., and finally did his graduate work at Phillips University in Enid, Okla. On June 7, 1942, he married Anna Rose Cathrell. They had a daughter, Paula Jeanne Lampe.

pastor in several ministries, including Twin Falls, Kimberly, Yuma, Ariz., El Central, Calif., Helena, Mont., Emmett, Idaho, Grangeville, Idaho, Southwest Christian and Central Christian in Boise, Idaho, and Buhl, Idaho. Anna Rose passed away on Aug. 15, 1990. Later, Newell met and married Grace Long. Since

March of 1991, they have lived in Yuma, Ariz., Kimberly, and Twin Falls, Idaho. Grace has been his loving helpmate and companion.

Surviving Newell is his loving wife, Grace; daughter, Paula (Gene) Lampe of Boise, Idaho; one brother, Lester Morgan of California; two grandchildren, Gene Lampe and Kristi Lampe; and two great-grandchildren, Robbie and Sidney.

His parents, two brothers, two sisters and his wife, Anna Rose, preceded him in death. A memorial service for Newell will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, April 24, 2004, at Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls, Idaho, with Pastor Steelman Borden officiating. All services and arrangements are under the direction of the Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls, Idaho.

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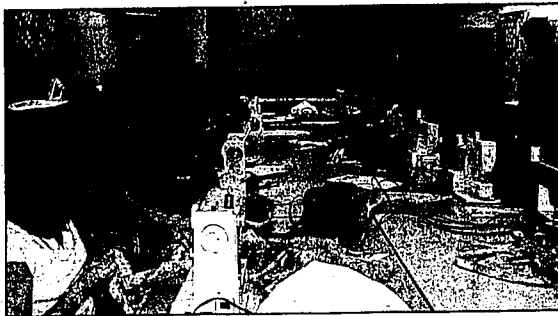
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SEWING PROJECTS



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The Twin Falls County 4-H Sewing and Scrapbooking Project-in-a-Day drew about 30 youngsters for scrapbooking, and 16 for the sewing project. Upcoming Projects-in-a-Day include: Super Sitters: 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. May 22 at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center. The cost is \$20. Dutch Oven: 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. July 13 at the extension office. The cost is \$10. Cake decorating: 1-3 p.m. July 20, at the extension office. The cost is \$10. Super Sitters: 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. July 22 at the extension office. The cost is \$20. Organizers say the projects fill fast so 4-H members should call as soon as possible, 734-9590.



YOUNG EINSTEINS



Photo courtesy of Lincoln Elementary

Lincoln Elementary School in Twin Falls has named its March Einsteins. They are, from left, top row; Charles Marovich, Miranda Hodson, Kaitlin Horton, Antigony Jeffers, Alexandra Wolford and Bradon Tilly; middle row: Andrew Masala, Megan Mayo, Regina Uplahi; Carlee Schwennon, Mettie Beard, Kaitley Broner, Breanna Wagstaff, Elina Jackson, Alivia Wolford and Taylor Deaton; bottom row: Taytynn Eldredge, Matthew Taberna, Kyle Regalins, Jacob Merkle, Dusty Tracy, Tristan Daniel, Philip De Helio, Alexis Rodriguez and Kaitlyn Breeze; on floor: Pouyan Anasari, Haxhmedin Terziqi, Russell Dalton, Clarissa Hayes, Idalis Mejia, Amber Jackson, Dallas Mabey and Roper Hobbs.

STORK REPORT

Magic Valley Regional Medical Center

Riley Raquel Spigarelli, daughter of Michelle Charnelle Spigarelli and Benjamin Lee Walker of Gooding, was born Saturday, April 10, 2004. Letia Rose Maklak, daughter of Beverly Rose Urle and Zlatan Maklak of Twin Falls, was born Saturday, April 10, 2004. Imaeal Salas, son of Elva and Gamaro Salas of Buhl, was born Monday, April 12, 2004. Nicholas James Raff, son of Jennifer Dawn Crisler and Nathan James Raff of Twin Falls, was born Monday, April 12, 2004. Paige Madison Clair Pierce, daughter of Brenna Clair and Bryant Andrew Pierce of

To announce a birth Send a copy of the birth certificate to: The Community Page The Times-News P.O. Box 548 Twin Falls, ID 83303 Or fax to: 734-5533. Deadline: noon Tuesday for Sunday's paper, and noon Friday for Tuesday's paper. More information? Call 735-3278

Jerome, was born Monday, April 12, 2004. Alyssa Elaine Ferreira, daughter of Joyce Mary Ferreira and Jose Manuel Espino of Buhl, was born Monday, April 12, 2004. Trinity Dawn Rumble, daughter of Kort Dawn and Charles Willie Rumble of

Gooding, was born Tuesday, April 13, 2004. Mallett Jaden Moore, daughter of Jacqueline Rachel and Darren Thomas Moore of Twin Falls, was born Tuesday, April 13, 2004. Antonio Greer Johns, son of Misty Danielle Tyler and Eric Greer Johns of Jerome, was born Tuesday, April 13, 2004. Chandler Dawn Erickson, daughter of Brenda Lynn and Callell Gene Erickson of Oakley, was born Tuesday, April 13, 2004.

St. Luke's Wood River Medical Center

Enmett James Ruggieri, son of Allison and Erik Ruggieri of Halley, was born Monday, April 12, 2004.

Jerome readers talk books

By Jaml Whitfield Times-News Writer

JEROME — Every month, patrons of the Jerome Public Library gather to discuss the authors of books that they enjoy. The book talks started in January and are also known as a "brown bag lunch." Most of the participants are from the Friends of the Library group. Every month a member volunteers to discuss an author of a book they have read or are reading. Other members read a book by the same author and they each discuss the book and the author. On April 26, a faithful member of the club, Xenia Williams, will discuss the books of one of her favorite authors, Willbur Smith. In the discussion she will talk about Smith's life and his writing. The club discusses books by the author for about an one

What's happening at the Jerome Library?

Friends of Library meeting is held at 7 p.m. every third Tuesday in the meeting room at the library, 100 1 Ave. E. Brown Bag Lunch book talks are

held at noon every fourth Monday. Every month a new book is discussed. A book sale will be held from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. April 30 and May 1. Story time will be held at 1 p.m. Thursdays and 10 a.m. and 11 a.m. Fridays for preschoolers and kindergartners in the meeting room. For more information, call 324-6427.

hour. Members ask questions about the book and why the reader chose to discuss it. The group was originally started as part of the "Let's Talk About It" program through the Idaho State Library and Humanities Council. The council usually brought in an outside source, such as a college professor, to lead the discussion. The program is only available every two years and one of the members mentioned her disappointment that the group

wouldn't meet anymore so Irwin and the group started the book talks. Lynn Correll, a retired school teacher, has been an avid reader all her life and enjoys the book talks. She even has the same book and she said she did when she was a child. She says the talks are interesting because she learns about the writer. The group also discusses a book's main characters and compares how one book relates to another.

Castleford releases honor roll

CASTLEFORD — Castleford Junior and Senior High School has released its list of honor roll students. High school students with a 3.5 to 4.0 grade point average, GPA, were:

Ninth grade
Megan Durahm, Jessica Elaner, Daniel Hill, Rhainie Horner, Anna Lopez, Kiana Anthony Machado.

Tenth grade
Lance Buck, Jessica Bobarg, Angela Genterman, Lauren Kline, Celine Cooper and Melissa McCoy.

Eleventh grade
Larissa Buck, Andrea Frey, Lucy Hernandez, Rachel Maves, Alycia Pater, Kristin Perand, Erika Reinhold and Laura Zavala.

Twelfth grade
Robert Gomez, Jonie Schermer, Katelyn Cothorn, Kelly Thibet, Stephanie Geary, Cory Tverdy, Jessica Hill, Heidi Wiseman, Tim Hill, James Hinely, Carl Kennison, Chiseo Ober, Jamison, Evan Nolevanko, Matthew Reinhold and Wesley Rodgers.

Students with a 3.0 to 3.49 GPA were:

Ninth grade
Jasen Bergina, Yecenia Sarabia, Lindzey Wiggins and David Wiseman.

Tenth grade
Jacob Harr

Eleventh grade
Kobi Bower, Jason Levechik, Danalisa Mayo, Justin Moore, Ryan

Murphy, Drake Stuckler and Gary Welch.

Twelfth grade
Seth Bluck, Aaron Maves, Kyle Moore, Ira Ozen and Roslo Zavala.

Junior High School High students with a 3.5 to 4.0 GPA were:

Sixth grade
Courtney Alred, Elizabeth Comer, Karylyn DeVries, Katie Eastman, Tolanee Edwards, Kaitlyn Edwards, Howard Allison Rodgers, Chase Rount, Jessica Schund, Tiael Wiersma, Caille Wiggins, Michael Wiseman and David Zavala.

Seventh grade
Megan Choate, Amanda Elaner, Julie Kaminski, Jenna Vulgionero and Rikki Wiggins.

Eighth grade
Tim Frey, Nathan Graybeal, Eufemia Hernandez, Zachary Kline, Gabriela Medina and Rachel Rodgers.

Students with a 3.0 to 3.49 GPA were:

Sixth grade
Elizabeth Borup, Storm Brito, Samuel Chavez, Leifissa Elder, Maricela Rodriguez and Ehan Twenty.

Seventh grade
Tyler Connell, Samantha Gulin, Jorge Hernandez, Sergio Hernandez, Calvin Kennison, Shelby Lammer, Elizabeth Lopez, Gabrielle Machado, Aaron Manges and Silvia Tejo.

Eighth grade
Callisto Mingo and Donovan VanSant.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

M.V. Duplicate Bridge Club releases winners

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

April 10: first, Wilma Driscoll and Jessie Lingnaw; second, Riley Burton and Bobette Flankey; third, Renee Bulcher and Ruby Grimes; and fourth, Bonnie Aspartate and Harold Bulcher.

April 12: first, Harold Bulcher and Joann Jackson and tied for second, third, Mike Mitchell and Sam Smutny; second, Doris Finney and Joyce Johnson; and third, Dottie Miller and Mary Lee Pfaffelie.

April 14: first, Linda Fix and Ruby Grimes; second, Joyce Astorquia and Betty Franz; third, Harold Bulcher and Wilma Driscoll; fourth, Renee Bulcher and Clady Hartruf; and fifth B, Al and Frances Anglin.

The club meets at 7 p.m. every Monday and Thursday

and at 1 p.m. every Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday at the Magic Valley Bridge Center, 246 Falls Ave. in Twin Falls. Refreshments are served. For more information or a partner, call 324-2000.

WalkAmerica set for this weekend at City Park

TWIN FALLS — March of Dimes WalkAmerica sign up will start at 9 a.m. Saturday with the walk following at 9:30 a.m. at the Twin Falls City Park at the bandshell. Participants can fill out sign-up forms at Kmart, visit walkamerica.org or call 1-800-525-WALK. David, Kirsten, Max and Morgan Lehman are Idaho's Ambassador Family for WalkAmerica 2004. Kirsten grew up in Twin Falls. Kirstin was placed on immediate bed rest due to signs of pre-term labor. Her children, Morgan and Max were born 10 weeks early and spent five weeks in the neonatal intensive care unit. Thanks to research

supported by the March of Dimes, doctors are better able to identify signs of pre-term labor, which helped Morgan and Max during their time in the neonatal intensive care unit, March of Dimes representatives say. A coupon good for lunch at McDonald's is awarded for those completing the 6.2 mile walk. All refreshments and activities are free. Donations are welcome. For more information, call (208) 336-5421.

Sound Art Family Day is set for S.V. Center

KETCHUM — Jennifer Gateley and Kathryn Crowley from the Sun Valley Center for the Arts will host a Sound Art Family Day from 3-5 p.m. Sunday at the center, 191 Fifth St. E. in Ketchum. All ages are welcome. Many activities require parents to assist their child. Family days are a drop-in activity with no registration necessary. Participants are encouraged to experiment with drawing and

sculpture in response to different sounds and practice the art of listening on sound walks. Participants will spend the afternoon mapping sounds in various indoor and outdoor environments in Ketchum. For more information, call the Sun Valley Center at 726-9491 or visit www.sunvalleycenter.org.

Rascals 4-H club holds baked-food fund-raiser

TWIN FALLS — The Rock Creek Rascals will have a 4-H fund-raising baked food sale from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday at D & B Supply, 2864 Addison Ave. E. Hand-sewn bears made by Laura Corder's prime time class from O'Leary Junior High will also be sold to help benefit American Cancer Society Relay for Life event.

Rebekah Lodge 96 hosts salad bar card party

WENDELL — The Idaho Rebekah Lodge 96 will hold a salad

bar card party starting at noon Saturday at the lodge hall, 120 W. Ave. A in Wendell. The cost is \$5. Proceeds will be given to the Wendell Police Department to help purchase safety equipment. For more information, call Peg at 324-3604 or Lorraine at 536-2015.

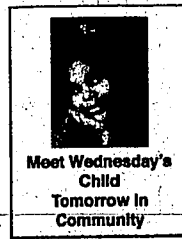
Spring Fling raises funds at Acorn Learning Center

TWIN FALLS — The students at Acorn Learning Center will have a spring fling fund-raiser complete with a silent and live auction, games and slide show. The fund-raiser will be held at 7 p.m. Friday at the Ballroom, 205 Shoshone St. N. in Twin Falls. Wine, beer, punch and hors d'oeuvres will be served. For more information, call the center at 733-7055.

M.V. Parkinson's Support Group meets tonight

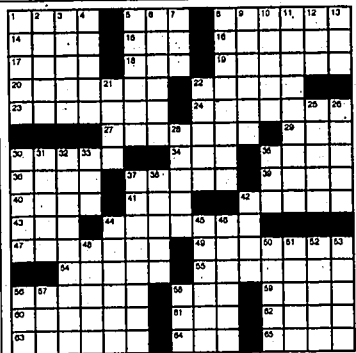
TWIN FALLS — The Magic Valley Parkinson's Support

Group will meet at 7 p.m. tonight in the KMVT Community Room, 1100 Blue Lakes Blvd. N. "The Art of Moving" will be discussed by Nichole Waters, the information and Referral Center coordinator in Boise. Participants are asked to wear their name tags and clothing that permits comfortable movement. For more information, call Don Arrington at 733-8868 or Ray Clark at 324-5013.



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MORNING BREAK/MAGIC VALLEY/IDAHO



Want an aerial view of Jerome?

By Dixie Thomas Reale Times-News correspondent

JEROME — The city's state-of-the-art mapping technology may soon be available to the public.

A proposed ordinance on the City Council's agenda tonight would allow the public access to digital geographic information system data — technology more commonly known by the acronym GIS. The public hearing is scheduled for 7 p.m.

City crews have mapped the city, topography and infrastructure during the past year and incorporated that information into Jerome's information system database. Maps, photographs and data would be made available to the public according to a fee schedule.

Under the ordinance, maps less than 36 inches in height would cost \$25. They'd cost \$35 if they were taller.

Glossy 8-by-10-inch aerial photographs would cost \$20 per print and a fee schedule.

The fees for reproduction from digital files will be \$5.50 per acre for aerial tiles. A portion of the fee is a photograph of the city taken from an aerial photograph and digitized.

The size of an individual tile depends on the flight path of the aircraft that took the photo.

Layers of infrastructure — water meters, sewer lines, water lines, fire hydrants — can be separated out at a cost of \$10 per layer.

The executive director of South Central Community Action Partners Inc. will make a presentation to the council concerning a transitional housing program in Jerome.

Meeting tonight

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

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Stars suggest peace, tranquility for Libra

IF APRIL 20 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY ... you are fortunate that you have people who love you and are willing to shower you with presents. It could be that the gifts you receive show proof of unconditional love rather than center on material things. It is a good time to make pledges of your heart or of your mind. ARIES (Mar 21-Apr. 19): It is a perfect time to make long-term agreements and get a secure grip on the future. You are particularly glib today. 30 conversations will go smoothly. TAURUS (Apr. 20-May 20): You are entering a serene and calm period in which you can confidently pursue matters of love and companionship. It is fairly safe to take on recurring monthly obligations now. GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Your judgment is finely honed, so you can seek wise guidance or give reliable advice. If your heart starts racing around a special someone, don't hesitate to express your feelings. CANCER (June 21-July 22): Your attention could focus on romance as you find yourself yearning for closer contact with a soul mate. Money matters will flow with ease as well. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Smooth sailing today for love or for money. Partners may demonstrate their affection in special ways, and people will be in an agreeable mood. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Keep an eye out for whom and what you attract as this day unfolds because there is a good chance that you can forge a permanent link. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Peace and tranquility are in your stars today. Your intuitions are right on target. Start things today that you wish to be secure over the long term.

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SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): It is a good day to think about merging your funds with another person or joining forces otherwise. Make agreements or promises with the knowledge that they will last. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Follow your hunches and listen to your heart. Love and romance can blossom under these celestial aspects. You are assured of blessings if you enter into contracts now. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Your intuitions about finances are right, and you know that timing is everything. This is the right time to make the deal if you want something reliable you can count on in the future. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You may have been taught "never a borrower or lender be," but in today's world it is difficult to avoid. Still, you can safely go against that sage advice under these pleasant stars. PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20): A cheerful outlook today will draw people closer, and you can confidently express your true sentiments in one-on-one encounters.

Otter adds to war chest

BOISE (AP) — Idaho Republican 1st District Congressman Burch Otter raised \$100,000 for his 2004 campaign in the first three months of the year, bringing his total to \$276,000 for the two-year election cycle. The donations far exceed those of 2nd District incumbent Republican Mike Simpson, who reported raising about \$60,000 in the same period. The Federal Election Commission reported that Otter's campaign received 90 donations in the reporting period from Jan. 1 to March 31. A \$1,000 donation from Quest political action committee brought that company's total donations to \$4,500 for the two-year election cycle.

Looking for Dear Abby and L.M. Boyd? they're on page C1

Movies: Whole Ten Yards (TV) Daily 7:00-9:30, Home on the Range (TV) Daily 7:00-9:30, Prince and Me (TV) Daily 6:45-9:30, The Alamo (TV) Daily 6:45-9:30, Hidden on Daily 7:00-9:30, Star Trek & Hatch (TV) Daily 7:00-9:30, Jersey Girl on Daily 7:00-9:30, Johnson Family Vacation (TV) Daily 7:00-9:30, Secret Window on Daily 7:00-9:30, Hell Boy on Daily 7:00-9:30, 50 First Dates on Daily 7:00-9:30, Lady Killers on Daily 7:00-9:30, FBI: Most Wanted on Daily 7:00-9:30, Robin Hood on Daily 7:00-9:30, Rambler on Daily 7:00-9:30, Home on Daily 7:00-9:30, Walking Tall on Daily 7:00-9:30, Prince and Me on Daily 7:00-9:30, The Exonors on Daily 7:00-9:30, The Alamo on Daily 6:45-9:30, The Girl Next Door on Daily 7:00-9:30

MAGIC VALLEY READS! Twin Falls Centennial 2004 Schedule of Events April 21st, Wednesday 7:00 p.m. Twin Falls Public Library Open House/Reception Light Refreshments Honoring local authors and Magic Valley Reads! participants Short presentation by James Armstrong Culture of Reclamation (Poetry Video)

BACK TO BASICS Taste of Home COOKING SCHOOL Tuesday, April 27, 2004 Minico High School Rupert, Idaho FREE Women's Day Out Expo 3:30 pm - 6:30 pm Show starts at 7pm Tickets \$10 each Tickets on sale now at Times-News offices in Twin Falls and Burley (208) 733-0931 or (208) 677-4042 South Idaho Press, Burley (208) 678-2201 The Times-News South Idaho Press

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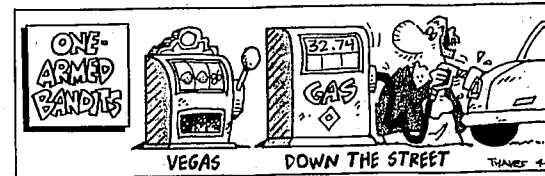
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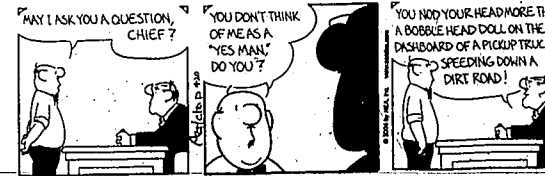
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Daughter wants to drive

DEAR ABBY: My 14-year-old daughter, "Michelle," wants to take driver's education next year when she's in the 10th grade. Most of her friends will be taking the class. I explained to her that I'm so afraid something will happen while she's behind the wheel, I don't want to sign for the class or her permit.

Michelle has assured me that she's responsible and would never drive without my consent. She says I should trust her. She's a great child—a straight-A student and very trustworthy. I do trust her, but I can't get over my fear of losing her. She says she understands, but I see the hurt in her eyes whenever she tries to talk to me about it.

Yesterday a boy in a nearby city driving with only his permit, was in an accident that killed seven children—ages 15 and under. I'm sure the boy's parents trusted their son or they wouldn't have signed for his permit. Now they have to live with this. I don't think I could handle the guilt. Children aren't perfect. Sometimes they do things they shouldn't.

Am I doing the right thing? Please help me, Abby.



DEAR ABBY
Jeanne Phillips

—PROTECTIVE MOM, GLEN, MISS.

DEAR PROTECTIVE MOM: Much as you might wish to, you cannot "protect" a child by keeping her ignorant. In her driver's education class she will learn basic rules of the road, including how to safely operate an automobile under strict supervision. After that, some states, including your own, place significant restrictions on teenage drivers. Only at age 18 is a person entitled to apply for a license for a full, unrestricted one-year license.

If you wish to add restrictions of your own, the option is yours, particularly if the car is yours. I suggest making a contract with her that stipulates what grade average she must

maintain to keep her driving privileges, limiting the number of passengers she can transport, and also setting distance limits. A version of the following contract has appeared in my column before:

Driving Contract

(1) I agree to the stipulations stated below granting me the privilege of driving. If, at any time, I violate this agreement, my driving privileges will be forfeited.

(2) I agree to pay for damages that I incur not covered by insurance.

(3) At no time will I ever drink alcoholic beverages and drive, nor will there ever be any in the car.

(4) I will not drive the car until I and all passengers have buckled up.

(5) I will keep the car I drive clean, inside and out, and be aware of its needs for gas, oil, etc., and wax it as needed. I have read the above agreement and sign in accordance with the rules.

Signed, () Child () Parent

Americans generally avoid 'touchy-feely' when they talk

Are you a "toucher" when you talk? Probably not. If you're British, Americans in conversation touch one another about twice an hour, typically. The French, approximately 110 times an hour. The

Puerto Ricans, as frequently as 180 times an hour. Or so say the hidden-camera researchers.

If you can't stand to be left alone, could be you're an "autophobiac"—somebody with a morbid fear of solitude.

The English of old ate mustard by the spoonful. Research into their household records show numerous families listed expenditures for as much as 10 gallons of mustard a month.

A tropical fish dealer in Florida imported Walking Catfish from Asia in the 1960s, but a lot of them ran away.

Q. Did Napoleon smoke? A. He stopped, according to the historical records, "to stimulate his intellect." However else he did tobacco is not in the notes at hand.

A young man who frequents singles

bars says his favorite conversational opener is "What time should I get up in the morning?"

Portuguese never attack. "Coco" meant "shell" in Latin. What the Portuguese traders thought they saw in the South Pacific palms seemed appropriate enough. Coconuts.

Before 1916, U.S. National Parks were managed by the Army, sort of.

Q. Do England's roads have rest stops? A. They do. Signs for them read "Lay-By."

That hair style called "bangs" started out as stable talk. An allusion to how early groomers cut horses' tails, said horses there—

after being called bangtails.

According to the genetic scientists, the essential difference between people and gorillas is about 1 percent.

A shellfish expert decrees: "Don't ice-down oysters. They'll open their shells and die." Interesting, if true. But all the fishermen do that, don't they?



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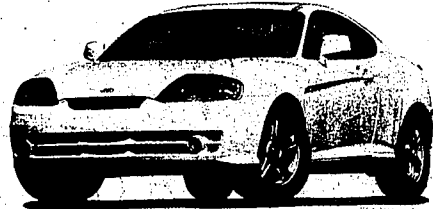
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SPORTSQUOTE

66 Going into the series, if you'd said that our top goal scorer was going to be (defense-man) Chris Therien, that would be all you would need to know.

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— Dallas coach Dave Tippett after the Stars were eliminated by Colorado in Game 6 on Saturday. Therien scored twice in the series after getting just one in 67 regular-season contests.

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

- High school golf
Glenns Ferry, Wood River, Gooding, Valley, Filer at Oakley, Burley Municipal GC, 1 p.m.
Kimberly, Wendell, The Community School, Magic Valley Christian, Hagerman at Declo, Rupert CC, 1 p.m.
Minico, Buhl, Twin Falls at Pocatello Gate City Invite, 8 a.m.
- High school softball
Buhl at Kimberly, 2, 4 p.m.
Declo at Wendell, 2, 4 p.m.
Filer at Wood River, 2, 4 p.m.
Highland at Minico, 2, 3:30 p.m.
Twin Falls JV at Burley, 4:30 p.m.
- High school baseball
Twin Falls at Minico, 7 p.m.
Buhl at Kimberly, 2, 4 p.m.
Wood River at Filer, 2, 3:30 p.m.
- High school tennis
Twin Falls, at Minico, 3:30 p.m.
The Community School at Gooding, 3:30 p.m.
Century at Burley, 3:30 p.m.

IN BRIEF

Area golfers nab holes in one
TWIN FALLS — Four more area golfers hit holes in one recently.
David Turner hit a hole in one on No. 4 at the 93 Golf Ranch in Jerome March 21. He used a wedge on the shot. Witnesses were Dale and Lois Budner of Jerome and Keith Turner of Twin Falls.
Rick Burke hit a 5-iron from 173 yards to get his hole in one on No. 12 on April 3 at Jerome Country Club. Witnesses were Rod Burke, Jon Brennan and John Caudill. This is Rick's ninth ace.
Gene Egbert scored his first career hole in one April 10 at the Ponderosa Golf Course in Burley. He aced the seventh hole (165 yards) using an 8-iron. The shot was witnessed by Lindsay Egbert.
Janice Checketts got a hole-in-one on No. 15 from 127 yards out at Jerome Country Club on April 10. She used a 5-wood into the wind. Witnesses include Dean Checketts, Trent Rosvall and Jackie Checketts.

Firebird announces drag racing results
BOISE — In the final results from Firebird Racing, Comp Eliminator driver Dean Carter took home his third win of the season. Carter, who also has a runner-up finish held off Clint Sallee in the final round of the Napa Auto Parts Igniter Opener and the season opener of the NHRA Northwest at Byron Lucas Oil Drag Racing Series.
Carter clocked in at 7.107 seconds at 183.74 mph to Sallee's 7.007, 194.25 on his trip to the winners circle and joined Super Stock runner and Motor City, Colo. resident Jim Weakland who knocked off Grant Singer with a run of 9.902 seconds at 123.89 mph.
Boise resident Joe Collette took home the win in the Kerkor Motorcycle Series with a win over No. 1 qualifier Steve Miller. Collette recorded an 8.692-second pass at 147.97 mph on his Kawasaki to Miller's 8.927, 144.68.
The Nostalgia Top Fuel title went to Jack Harris.
Jody Lang of Puyallup, Wash., picked up the win in Stock.

Compiled from staff reports



Maurice Clarett

Court blocks Clarett

RB can't enter NFL draft this weekend

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Maurice Clarett's bid to jump to the NFL was blocked Monday by a federal appeals court that left open the possibility he could enter a supplemental draft.
The 2nd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals put on hold a lower-court decision to allow the former Ohio State star and other athletes, like Southern Califor-

nians Mike Williams, to enter this weekend's draft.
Players are barred from the NFL until three years after high school graduation under current league rules.
The appeals court said it stayed the earlier ruling to safeguard the NFL from harm and to ensure a more thorough review. Its final opinion will probably be issued after the draft, perhaps weeks from now.

2004 NFL Draft

TV: ESPN, 10 a.m. Saturday



Any potential harm to Clarett would be lessened by the NFL's agreement to hold a supplemental draft if the appeals court later ruled in his favor, the court added.
The ruling came on the same

day Williams filed his own lawsuit in federal court in Manhattan, saying the NFL had issued conflicting statements about eligibility for the draft, thus causing him to sacrifice his college career. Williams hired an agent, which usually means a player cannot return to play in college.

Williams' college coach, Pete Carroll, said it was possible the wide receiver could return to school.

— Please see CLARETT, Page D2

A hot one

Runners give Kenya a sweep in Boston Marathon

The Associated Press

BOSTON — Weakened by the heat and a mile-long sprint to the finish, Catherine Ndereba had to receive her winner's medal and olive wreath in a wheelchair.
As for the traditional bowl of beef stew, she took a pass.
It was much too hot for that.
Ndereba won the Boston Marathon for the third time Monday, running together with fellow Kenyan runner Alena Getachew to finish in 2 hours, 24 minutes, 27 seconds. The 16-second margin of victory matched the closest in the history of the women's event.
"Toward the finish, I felt like I was dead," said Ndereba, who collapsed to the pavement at the finishing line, where it was 65 degrees. "All of the sudden, I had all those cramps and I could not stand... The heat was too tough. So I was going out there knowing I had to run very smart."
Timothy Cherigat won the men's race in 2:10:37 to complete a Kenyan sweep. He broke away from Robert Cheboror right before Heartbreak Hill to win by 1:12 as Kenyan men took the first four spots and six



Timothy Cherigat



Catherine Ndereba



Douglas Sandvig of Houston, Texas, cools himself with a cup of water on the way up Heartbreak Hill on Monday during the 108th Boston Marathon.

of the first seven.
A Kenyan man has won 13 of the last 14 Boston Marathons, and the country is so deep at the distance that Cherigat is not on the Olympic team despite winning the world's oldest and most prestigious annual marathon.

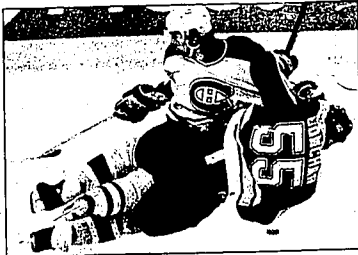
"It is sad because the team has already been chosen," he said. "I will wait for my time, and it will come."
For the women's field, the time came on Monday.

— Please see MARATHON, Page D2

Canadiens stun favored Bruins in Game 7

The Associated Press

BOSTON — The Montreal Canadiens wrecked the playoffs for the Boston Bruins again, in the most stunning fashion ever in their storied rivalry.
Richard Zednik scored midway through the third period and the Canadiens capped a comeback unprecedented in their rich history, beating the Bruins 2-0 Monday night to win the first-round series in seven games.
The Canadiens rallied from a 3-1 series deficit to win for the final time, capturing two of the first three games in Boston. Seventh-seeded Montreal will take on the Eastern Conference's top team, the Tampa Bay Lightning, in the second round.
Boston, which had never lost a series it led 3-1, also had its



Boston Bruins defenseman Sergel Gonchar (55) and Montreal Canadiens right wing Richard Zednik collide while chasing the puck during the first period of game seven of their NHL playoff series in Boston.

six-game winning streak in Game 7s snapped. Montreal has won four of the six Game 7s between the Original Six teams.
Zednik clinched this victory

with an empty-net goal with 7:38 remaining. Alex Kovalev, the NHL playoffs goal leader with five, and Saku Koivu assisted on both.

The Canadiens were 0-12 in seven-game series they trailed 3-1. They had gotten as close as 3-3 just one other time, in 1954.

The Bruins were 17-0 when ahead 3-1 but were eliminated with the same shock that ended their 2002 season. Seeded first then, they fell to eighth-seeded Montreal in six games in the first round as goalie Jose Theodore played brilliantly.

Theodore was outstanding again Monday, stopping 32 shots, including 12 in the third period.
The last time the Bruins lost against Quebec-Montreal's 1982 Game 7 victory was May 1, 1992, when the Canadiens eliminated Hartford.

Wood River junior will join U.S. Disabled Ski Team

Ketchum girl sees her skiing dreams come true

By Jody Zarkos Idaho Mountain Express

KETCHUM — In the beginning, the little girl belonged to no one but herself.
Born with birth defects which deformed her hands and legs, Elissa Storey spent the first five years of her life in an orphanage

in Bulgaria.
She does not remember her curly years in the orphanage, or when she was adopted by Janis and Gary Storey of Ketchum at the age of 5.
Not can Elissa recall the operations to amputate her right leg or the toes that were removed from the club foot and grafted onto her left hand to make fingers.
What does stand out in her memory is her first day skiing at 7 on Dollar Mountain.
"It was tough and I got really frustrated. Marc (Mas) was really patient with me," she said.
All of it, remembered or not, is past history. Storey, a seven-

year veteran of the Sun Valley Ski Team, is expected to be named to the United States Disabled Ski Team in May. At 16, she is one of the youngest racers ever designated to the squad.
"It's what I have wanted ever since I started skiing. It is one of those little kid dreams," she said.
A dream come true, thanks to the determination, drive and

fearlessness exemplified by the 16-year-old girl.

Janis met a woman at the Elkhorn pool in the summer of 1989. The woman had adopted an eastern European child through a Washington state agency run by a group of dedicated women. Janis contacted them.

"I said I wanted to give an older child a home," Janis said.
— Please see SKI, Page B2

SPORTS

Lee's grand slam lifts Cubs past Reds

CHICAGO (AP) — Derek Lee hit a grand slam, leading Matt Clement and the Chicago Cubs to an 8-1 win over the Cincinnati Reds on Monday.

With Chicago leading 3-1 in the seventh inning, Lee connected off reliever Ryan Wagner, sending a drive into the right-field bleachers. It was Lee's fourth career grand slam and first with the Cubs.

Clement (2-1) settled down after a rocky first inning to allow one run on four hits in 6 1/3 innings.

The right-hander retired 11 batters in a row and 15 out of 16 at one point, striking out six and walking four.

Mets 4, Expos 1

NEW YORK — Tyler Yates came up against the worst team

in the major leagues and came away with his first career win.

Yates shut down the punchless Expos on five hits over 5-2-3 innings, and the New York Mets extended Montreal's misery with a 4-1 victory Monday night.

Garin Garcia and Ty Wigginson homered off Tomo Ohka (0-3), and the Mets rebounded from three losses against Pittsburgh to send the Expos (2-11) to their eighth straight defeat, Montreal's worst losing streak since 2000.

Montreal has just 20 runs this season, getting shut out four times and scoring one run in three other games.

American League Red Sox 5, Yankees 4

BOSTON — Gabe Kapler

bounced back from a bad start Monday, along with the Boston Red Sox.

Kapler drove in the winning run with a single in the eighth inning to lead the Red Sox over the New York Yankees 5-4 Monday.

Alex Rodriguez finally showed a sign of pulling out of his deep slump, when he singled off Keith Foulke with two outs in the ninth. But Jason Giambi took a called third strike to end the game.

Tigers 10, Indians 4

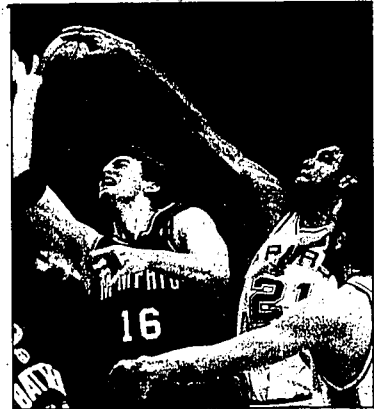
CLEVELAND — Indians reliever Jake Westbrook pitched seven perfect innings, but Ronald White hit a three-run homer in a six-run eighth and the Detroit Tigers beat Cleveland 10-4 Monday night.



Westbrook, who struck out seven in six innings, came on to pitch with the Indians trailing 4-0 in the first inning following a 65-minute rain delay.

Indians starter Jeff D'Amico gave up four runs. In 12 minutes, D'Amico faced six batters, and did not get an out. Rafael Betancourt (0-2) replaced Westbrook to start the eighth and gave up one-out singles to Carlos Guillen and Ivan Rodriguez before White lined his third homer into the left-field bleachers for a 7-4 lead.

Detroit then loaded the bases on a walk, error and infield single against Scott Stewart, who then gave up a three-run double to Brandon Inge.



San Antonio's Tim Duncan (21) blocks a shot by Memphis Grizzlies forward Pau Gasol during the fourth quarter of their first-round playoff game in San Antonio on Monday.

Ski

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"They asked me if I would accept a child with a disability. I really had to look inside and think, what can I handle? What can I do? The answer was, 'I would be pretty painful to go through the checklist.'"

Janis and Gary said they would take a disabled child. Gary and Janis already had three sons, Hannes, Slater and Hunter.

It took two years for the adoption process to unfold. The family went to pick up Elissa in Seattle on Dec. 7, 1992, 20 days before Elissa's fifth birthday.

Born prematurely, Elissa's right leg was missing the knee and ankle joint and was shorter than the left. Her foot, which was clubbed, was facing backward. She was without all her fingers on her left hand and her spine was curved.

She walked by sticking her shorter leg straight out and pulling herself on her elbows.

At first, a brace was used and prostheses fit over her deformed leg. But without a knee joint, the Storeys feared she might not ever be able to fully utilize the leg.

The decision to amputate the leg was made when Elissa was six.

The Storeys heard about ski instructor Marc Mast who had just moved to the Valley and had experience teaching disabled people.

Mast — who now is the director of Sun Valley Adaptive Sports — decided to teach Elissa to ski on one leg using outriggers, ski poles with little skis on them.

"The first time she was really nervous. I gave her outriggers

and she was real leery. But everything went really well," Mast said.

"Elissa was a natural. I knew from the time she was eight that if she stuck with it she would make the U.S. Team," Mast said.

Though often last in races, Elissa was never deterred from the sport she loves.

"It was definitely challenging. It was I wanted to be part of it. I see myself as everyone else. I can do whatever anyone else can when I put my mind to it," she said.

Elissa went through a time of angst during middle school.

"She went through a period where she didn't like her prostheses," Janis said. "She wanted to hide it. Didn't want it."

Then Elissa competed in her first disabled alpine race.

"She saw the racers taking off

their legs and throwing them. She saw wheelchair athletes. She saw how comfortable they were and after that she got over it really quickly," Janis said.

Elissa remembered the race in Winter Park, Colo. "Seeing all the other athletes doing what they can. It just made me more determined. They all have a disability but face it in their own way," she said. "It was neat to see."

Gaining strength and size, Elissa continued to compete in both able-bodied and disabled races.

As a member of the U.S. Team, Elissa will attend training camp in Austria in October while working toward graduation as a junior at Wood River High School in Haley and her ultimate goal: The 2006 Paralympics in Torino, Italy.

Clarett

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"We'll continue to help our guy out, just like we did when he was making his decision," Carroll said. "Nothing definitive has been declared by the NFLA. Some strong words have to be taken for the players to get back into college football."

Although Clarett never announced he hired an agent, there have been reports that he did. He was never cleared by the NFL or the NCAA to play after being suspended last year for accepting money from a family friend and for lying about it to NCAA and university investigators.

A spokesman for Hoffwald would not comment specifically on the Clarett case.

but he said players who hire agents could be reinstated if the school petitions the organization.

"The individual facts of each case ultimately will determine whether or not an athlete is reinstated," he said. NCAA president Myles Brand said if the NFL ultimately loses the case that graduation rates for football players could decrease significantly.

After more than an hour of arguments, though, the appeals court said the NFL showed it could win its case.

League lawyer Jeff Pash said simply that the league was "pleased." Clarett's lawyer, Alan Milstein, did not return telephone messages asking for

comment.

U.S. District Court Judge Shira Scheindlin ruled in February that Clarett should be allowed in the draft. She said the rule excluding him violates antitrust law and unjustly blocks a player from pursuing his livelihood.

If a subsequent ruling makes Clarett eligible, the league could hold a supplemental draft, something it has done for players who entered the draft late since 1977, NFL lawyer Gregg A. Levy said.

Such prominent players as Bernie Kosar, Brian Bosworth, Rob Moore and Chris Carter were taken in supplemental drafts, with the teams that chose them forfeiting the cor-

responding draft pick the following year.

During the hearing, Milstein said he disagreed with the NFL's argument that players such as Clarett are not physically ready for pro football. Williams was expected to be a first-round pick. Clarett was expected to be chosen in the second or third round.

Spurs declaw Grizzlies in fourth

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — The Memphis Grizzlies proclaimed they'd be better in Game 2, and for most of the night they were. But then came the fourth quarter.

The San Antonio Spurs went on a 14-0 run early in the final period, and their defense held it Memphis without a field goal for nearly 11 minutes in a 67-70 win Tuesday night for a 2-0 lead in their first-round series.

Tony Parker led San Antonio with 27 points, and Tim Duncan scored 14 of his 23 in the second half. Robert Horry yaddad 14 points for the Spurs, who shut down Pau Gasol in the second half to win their 13th straight game.

Game 3 is Thursday night at Memphis. Memphis, which trailed by 11 at halftime, made its push to open the third quarter. Mike



Miller, held scoreless in Game 1, scored nine quick points, and a pair of free throws by Stromile Swift cut the difference to 55-54.

Robert Horry made two 3-pointers and a putback and Parker hit his fourth 3-pointer to put the Spurs ahead 68-59 after three quarters. San Antonio held the Grizzlies without a field goal for the final 3:49 of the period.

Memphis didn't get its next basket until Bonzi Wells had a putback with 5:32 remaining in the game to make it 82-62, ending the 14-0 run.

Gasol led the Grizzlies with 20 points and 11 rebounds, but he had only one field goal in the second half. Wells scored 13 and James Posey 10.

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Marathon

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Four decades after a race official tried to run Kathie Switzer off the course, the women were put in front of the race and given their own start. Leaving Hopkinton 29 minutes before the men and 20,000 recreational runners, Nderera and Alemu didn't have to contend with the clutter of men who glom onto the women's winners for pacing or TV exposure.

"It is so great and we have all the room," said Nderera, the reigning world champion who won here in 2000. "We have all the road to run wherever you feel like."

The two ran side-by-side and alone together for about 100 miles before reaching Kenmore Square — one mile to go — where Nderera sprinted into the lead. Alemu, suffering from back pains and cramping, did not have the energy to respond.

"Catherine sped up, but I slowed down because of the pain in my back," Alemu said. "I wanted to improve my time, but the heat and the wind wouldn't allow me to do that."

Christopher Ziemann of Santa Cruz, Calif., was the top American man, finishing 13th in 2:25:45. Julie Spencer of Baraboo, Wis., was the top U.S.

Idaho runners compete. Rob took 2,384th in his division or 7,537th overall with a time of 3:31.49. He was the lone Magic Valley entrant, according to the event's website.

woman, placing 16th in 2:56:39. Ernst Van Dyk of South Africa won the men's wheelchair division with the fastest marathon in history, finishing in 1:18:27 to win for the fourth straight year. Van Dyk is tied with Franz Nienlispach (1997-00) for the most consecutive victories in the men's wheelchair and needs one more win to match Nienlispach for most wins overall.

Cheri Blauwert of Menlo Park, Calif., won the women's wheelchair race in 1:39:53. Defending champion Christina Ripp dropped out at the 12-mile mark.

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