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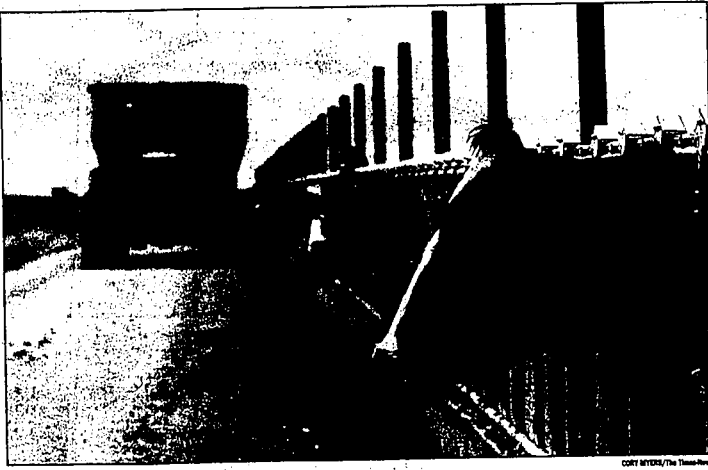
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Room to grow?



Cows on Mike Quessell's dairy in eastern Jerome County wait for the feed truck to arrive Thursday. The dairy is one of the newest in the Magic Valley, and a rise in milk prices is fueling talk of more dairy expansion in the valley.

Economist expects more dairies in valley

By Julie Pence
Times-News writer

HAZELTON—The first milk cow entered Mike Quessell's new Jerome County dairy on Dec. 9, 2003.

Though it's less than a quarter mile from the Snake River Canyon, the dairy's incline is away from the canyon, and there aren't many neighbors around.

"It works fine because getting away from people was Quessell's objective when he went scouting for land in the late

Dairy numbers on the rise.

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1990s. He was on a quest to get away from the urban/rural interface that had crept up on his former Twin Falls County dairy.

"Over time we grew, and the city grew, and eventually the city limits reached our property," Quessell said. "It wasn't good for us or for the city. So, he turned to dairy-

friendly Jerome County. And now he has 700 head with expectations to expand to about 4,000 cows someday.

Quessell's new dairy is only one of a handful of new dairies or expansions over the past three years throughout the state. The price of milk has been consistently below break-even prices for that long, and so the dairy industry has been limited in development.

However, over the past several months, prices for milk have actually reached an all-

time high on the futures market. And things are finally turning around for the dairy industry. Does it signal more expansion in the area?

Over the long haul, yes, says Wilson Gray, University of Idaho agricultural economist. The state will continue to see growth in its two dairy centers — the Magic Valley and upper Treasure Valley. Seventy percent of the state's 411,500 cows are in Magic Valley, with 20 percent in the Treasure Valley.

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Clean and sober Drug court offers ex-substance abusers a chance to start fresh

By Rebecca Meary
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Heather Hale couldn't see the light of day.

In fact, she couldn't see at all. She had been rendered temporarily blind from doing too much crystal meth, she said.

Unable to care for her baby, Hale hired her friend to baby-sit — and paid that friend with drugs.

"I was blind, in bed, but I still kept smoking," she said.

Clean and sober for one year and two months after three years of hard living, Hale sat in her living room Thursday, her eyes bright, her mind alert.

She cradled her two-month old daughter, Isyde, in her arms and tossed a ball to her two-year old son, Isaiah.

"I would still be doing it if I hadn't gotten busted," she said.

Hale, 25, of Burley, was forced to face her problem after a judge ordered her into drug court last



Heather Hale, left, shares a laugh with Sheryl Helbert just before they both graduated from drug court Thursday. Fifteen participants, who were drug-free for at least six months, graduated from the 8th Judicial District drug court.

AMBLEY SMITH/The Times-News

year. Thursday night, she and 14 other participants, plus their families and friends, attended a graduation ceremony at the College of Southern Idaho campus,

marking their successful completion of the 8th Judicial District drug court program. To graduate, each person must be clean for at least six months.

Slip sliding away

At first, Hale was a social drug user, using crack on the weekend.

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WWII memorial finally opens

Lawsuits held up construction

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Gray-haired war veterans sat in quiet reflection. Tourists came by to quietly say thanks. Schoolchildren on field trips crowded around asking for autographs. Decades in the planning, the National World War II Memorial opened to the public Thursday.

Under brilliant spring sunshine, visitors of all ages streamed in to look at Washington's newest memorial and to pay their respects to those who served during one of the country's most difficult and triumphant periods.

The memorial, which sits prominently between the Washington Monument and the Lincoln Memorial on the National Mall, was long overdue but



worth the wait, some vets said. "It is beautiful," declared George Lynch, an 81-year-old former Marine from Washington. "To see this memorial after all these years is absolutely marvelous."

Lynch was accompanied by another World War II Marine, William "Abby" Abernathy, 91, also of Washington. "So many people have stopped both Abby and me and said thank you," Lynch said. "I can hardly talk about this without my eyes watering up. It really touches you."

Authors use irreverent humor to get kids reading

The Associated Press

CHICAGO — Clean Murray, an educator-turned children's author from Canada, is still getting used to the ruckus over two books he co-wrote. They feature a flannel pouch named Walter, whose little problems saves the day time and time again.

The content may seem quirky and even off-color to some. But these days, potty humor is big in the world of popular children's literature.

Parents jokingly call the genre the kids' version of pulp fiction — or "kidd fiction."

"You gotta give kids something they want to read," says Murray, who firmly believes that his smelly but well-meaning protagonist has become an ambassador for literacy.

"Now he's the people's dog," Murray says. "And I'm just his agent."

“ If you want to laugh, read this book. ”

— Derek Morgan, 11, in a Chicago bookstore

It would seem that kids agree, since the genre's books regularly appear on children's best-seller lists.

Derek Morgan, an 11-year-old Chicagoan, recently picked up the second Walter picture book, subtitled "Trouble at the Yard Sale."

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TWIN FALLS FORECAST

Today: Mostly sunny and warm. Highs near 68.
 Tonight: Mostly clear and calm. Lows near 39.
 Tomorrow: Sunny and pleasant. Highs near 74.

BURLEV/RUPERT FORECAST

Today: Mild with plenty of sunshine overhead.
 Highs in the 60s to near 70.
 Tonight: Mostly clear with a light nighttime breeze.
 Lows in the 30s.
 Tomorrow: Mostly sunny, mostly dry and pleasant.
 Highs in the lower 70s.

IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS.
 High pressure building in the west will promote a mostly dry and mostly sunny look for the weekend. Temperatures will warm nicely. Next week will remain warm and mostly dry.

BOISE High pressure aloft will keep precipitation development at bay for the next several days. Today through Sunday will be mostly sunny and warm.

NORTHERN UTAH
 Today will be a beautiful day with a high in the 70s and a low in the 40s. Clearing, the weekend looks to be dry and warm with plenty of sunshine.

Weather's Best (Idaho: High 71 at Lowell & Payette, Low: 17 at Blanding) (Northern: High 66 at Pocatello, Low: 20 at Tropic) (Southern: High 68 at Pocatello, Low: 20 at Tropic) (Western: High 68 at Pocatello, Low: 20 at Tropic)

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Today	Tonight	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Yesterday's Weather
Mostly sunny and warm	Mostly clear and calm	Sunny and pleasant	Warm and mainly dry	Warm with plenty of sunshine	Fairly to mostly sunny and mostly dry	Hi, Lo Prep Sunny 63 34 0.10" Clear & Warm 64 28 0.00" Sunny 63 31 0.00" Sunny 63 31 0.00" Sunny 63 31 0.00" Sunny 63 31 0.00"
High 58	Low 39	74 / 43	78 / 48	82 / 47	78 / 45	

ALMANAC - TWIN FALLS

Temperature	Precipitation	Humidity	Barometric Pressure	Sunrise and Sunset	Pollen Count
Today: 58	0.00"	42%	30.05"	6:32 AM - 8:29 PM	Low

Temperature: 58
 Precipitation: 0.00"
 Humidity: 42%
 Barometric Pressure: 30.05"
 Sunrise and Sunset: 6:32 AM - 8:29 PM
 Pollen Count: Low

MOON PHASES
 May 4: First Quarter
 May 11: Full Moon
 May 19: New Moon
 May 27: First Quarter

MOONRISE AND MOONSET
 Today: 6:57 PM
 Tomorrow: 6:57 AM

REGIONAL FORECAST

City	Today	Tomorrow	High	Low
Boise	65-75	65-75	77	45
Idaho Falls	65-75	65-75	77	45
Pocatello	65-75	65-75	77	45
Payette	65-75	65-75	77	45
Shoshone	65-75	65-75	77	45
Timber Lake	65-75	65-75	77	45
Wendover	65-75	65-75	77	45
Yellowstone	65-75	65-75	77	45

NATIONAL FORECAST

City	Today	Tomorrow	High	Low
Albuquerque	73-86	73-86	81	50
Atlanta	63-78	63-78	71	40
Boston	53-68	53-68	61	30
Chicago	63-78	63-78	71	40
Denver	63-78	63-78	71	40
Houston	73-86	73-86	81	50
Los Angeles	63-78	63-78	71	40
Miami	73-86	73-86	81	50
Minneapolis	53-68	53-68	61	30
New York	63-78	63-78	71	40
Phoenix	73-86	73-86	81	50
Portland	63-78	63-78	71	40
San Francisco	63-78	63-78	71	40
Seattle	63-78	63-78	71	40
Washington	63-78	63-78	71	40

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 Very High 14
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CANADIAN FORECAST

City	Today	Tomorrow	High	Low
Calgary	63-78	63-78	71	40
Edmonton	63-78	63-78	71	40
Halifax	63-78	63-78	71	40
London	63-78	63-78	71	40
Montreal	63-78	63-78	71	40
Ottawa	63-78	63-78	71	40
Quebec	63-78	63-78	71	40
Regina	63-78	63-78	71	40
Saskatoon	63-78	63-78	71	40
Vancouver	63-78	63-78	71	40
Winnipeg	63-78	63-78	71	40

Weather Symbols
 ☀️ Sunny
 ☁️ Partly Cloudy
 ☔ Rain
 ❄️ Snow
 🌩️ Thunderstorm
 🌪️ Tornado
 🌊 High Surf
 🌋 Volcano
 🌪️ Hail
 🌪️ Fog
 🌪️ Ice Storm
 🌪️ Dust Storm
 🌪️ Sandstorm
 🌪️ Squall
 🌪️ Gale
 🌪️ Storm
 🌪️ Hurricane
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Dairies

Idaho dairy growth

Growth probably won't be at the accelerated rate the two areas saw over the past couple of decades. However, Idaho will continue to see consolidation of the industry with larger dairies, says Gray said. The average herd size now is 780 head.

It's all about economies of scale, Gray said. In other words, the more cows under one roof, the cheaper they are to maintain. It's a trend nationwide, whether you're talking about Wal-Mart or Kmart, Gray pointed out.

Factors guking growth

Quessnell has integrated himself into his new neighborhood by buying hay and corn from Idaho farmers. They're grateful to have the new market after being squeezed out of growing beans and potatoes, while struggling yearly to make money on sugar beets.

"You try to work cooperatively with working agreements that benefit both you and the farmers," Quessnell said. "You buy feed and supply compost to them."

Areas of interest

Both Gray and Quessnell said to look east as far as Magic Valley is concerned for dairy growth. Though Quessnell has ties to anyone looking in eastern Idaho County lately, he said the area is open for growth.

There has been definite interest recently in eastern Twin Falls County, Bob Nareboud, director of the Idaho Dairymen's Association, confirmed. And Cassia and Minidoka counties continue to be areas the industry is interested in staking out, Nareboud added.

Cassia, in particular, is working on a comprehensive county plan that would establish zones for large dairies, thereby reducing the likelihood for controversy.

Western Twin Falls County is nearly saturated, as well as Gooding County, Quessnell said. For one thing, Twin Falls County ordinances make it almost impossible to place any more dairies on the West End.

Political and environmental issues, however, may be very calculated," Quessnell said. Dairymen have become sensitive to having an effect on such places as the recreation and retirement area of Hagerman Valley, Quessnell said. Over the past several years owners of expensive homes in that area have complained about odors and flies from the 72,000 cows located on the area above the Snake River Canyon. Quessnell predicted no more dairies squeezed together like that in Magic Valley, he said.

"I think you're going to see the future dairies built in Magic Valley will be spread more apart," Quessnell said.

Large dairies require huge amounts of corn silage and hay. Competition from other large nearby dairies would increase the cost, because dairymen would be forced to look farther away for growers. In addition, the public won't put up with it, he said.

As for lots of out-of-state dairymen moving in, it won't happen, Quessnell said. For the most part, the growth will come from expansions of dairies already here or from new dairies being run by owners already here.

Gray said out-of-state dairy growth over the next 20 years is likely to take place in California and New Mexico, where the largest population growth in the West is expected. Plus, Midwest and northern Texas are using incentives to recruit dairymen.

Though dairymen are likely to see high prices over the next year, that doesn't mean Magic Valley will immediately start seeing dairy expansions or seeing dairy dairies in the short run. That's because most dairymen will be digging out from three years of debt, Quessnell said.

Clean

Court-ordered detox

Defendants facing drug charges must meet certain criteria to get accepted into the 5th Judicial District drug court program.

- No violent charges such as domestic battery or assault
- No sexual offenders
- Defendants must enter a plea of guilty in court
- They must subject themselves to a background evaluation to see if they qualify for the program

During the first 12 weeks of the program participants must:

- Report to the Walker Center, an out-patient treatment center, three times a week
- Attend two 12-step meetings per week
- Take three random urinalyses per week

Source: Drug court coordinator Daniel Rosalesky

Meet with the coordinator as instructed

Follow random searches of their person and property

A life revitalized

"I haven't talked to any of them for a long time," she said. "I pretty much lost all my so-called friends after I got busted. Probably because I didn't have drugs no more."

In their place now are family, including a fiancé who quit her own habit to accommodate Hale's new lifestyle.

"She knew there'd be temptation for me if she was doing it," Hale said.

Hale's days are now spent caring for two children, a task she relishes.

"I want to take care of my kids now because I didn't, then," she said. "I wasn't a mom. I'm living now. Then I wasn't."

With her life back on track, she said, the thought of drug court just isn't her in the slightest anymore.

"I know that it's the swiftest way to live," she said. "It's just not worth it. It is so worth it."

About drug court

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Her body gets immune so you look for something stronger

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Into the system

Prosecutors recommended drug court for Hale, and she will likely accept it.

"I knew that's what I needed to do," she said. "I had two felonies in two weeks. I knew something needed to be done."

If a person charged with a felony successfully completes drug court, the conviction stays on his or her record but documents show the charge was dismissed.

The first two months of the program were brutal for Hale. She was unable to do this because of withdrawal symptoms and the occasional naysayer.

"I knew there were people betting on me, saying 'She's not going to be able to do this. She ain't going to make it. She ain't going to make it.' I had to show them I can do this," she said.

More importantly, she said to show herself that she could persevere.

"It's like the only thing I think I ever accomplished without

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Daniel Walock, director

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Correction

New criteria worry Jerome schools chief

An article in Wednesday's newspaper about tougher Standards Achievement Test criteria misquoted Jerome School District Superintendent Jim Cobble concerning dropout rates.

Speaking of the stricter graduation criteria, Cobble said: "We don't want to exacerbate the dropout problem or have students out there that don't have a diploma that should have one."

The Times-News regrets the error.

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Panel quizzes Bush, Cheney on pre-Sept. 11 warnings

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — The commission investigating the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks questioned President Bush and Vice President Dick Cheney Thursday for more than three hours in a historic Oval Office meeting, a session that Bush described as "wide-ranging" and "very cordial."

The private interview, which was not tape recorded, came after 18 months of discord between the 10-member bipartisan commission and the White House. Bush initially refused to meet with the panel and later sought to limit the number of questions and the length of the meeting. In the end, he agreed to meet with the entire panel but required that Cheney appear with him.

Also Thursday, the White House took the unusual step of publicly rebuking the Justice Department for posting on its Web site declassified memos that some GOP lawmakers and justice officials said show that one of the panel's Democratic members had hindered coun-



President Bush at the White House after his testimony

terrorism activities while serving in the Clinton administration.

Bush's statements and his spokesman's scolding of the Justice Department — which Bush shared with commission members — appeared to be aimed at calming tensions that have escalated in recent weeks between Republicans and the panel.

The commission is beginning work on a final report that is likely to include significant criticism of the administration and is scheduled to be released in late July, shortly before the presidential campaign heats up.

Bush and his questioners described the session as amicable and, according to some members, even joyful at times. Neither side disclosed much detail about the substance of the discussion, but three commissioners said they learned new details about the government's counterterrorism policies and strategies in the months before the attacks, as well as about the events of Sept. 11. One of the commissioners said there were "several surprises."

Commissioners had said previously that likely subjects would range from the Bush administration's overall strategy in combating al-Qaida to its handling of an Aug. 6, 2001, presidential briefing document that warned of the terrorist network's intent to strike on U.S. soil.

"I'm glad I took the time," Bush said in the Rose Garden after three hours and 10 minutes of uninterrupted questioning. "This is an important commission, and it's important that they ask the questions they ask so that they can help make recommendations necessary to better protect our homeland."

Medicare posts drug prices on Web site

WASHINGTON (AP) — Medicare began posting drug prices on its Web site Thursday, allowing people to compare the new Medicare-approved discount drug cards and decide which offer the best prices.

Only about a quarter of the 40 national and 33 regional cards were included in the initial list-

ing of prescription drug prices. Medicare said it will update the site every Monday. The same information can be obtained by calling 1-800-Medicare.

The Web site is part of the administration's campaign to promote the value of the Medicare-approved drug discount card to older Americans who are only

dimly aware of what it is. It is the first time the government has made available drug pricing information at individual pharmacies and mail-order operations across the country. Sponsors of the drug cards agreed to make the information available to participate in the discount drug card program.

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Research shows promise for some cancer patients

WASHINGTON (AP) — In a step toward more tailored cancer therapy, scientists have discovered some lung cancer patients harbor gene mutations that make a new drug dramatically help them — even as it fails most.

Now the race is on to develop a test to figure out in advance whom Iressa will help, so patients who need it might benefit sooner and others won't waste time and money and risk unnecessary side effects.

The discovery, by two teams of Boston scientists, ultimately could benefit thousands battling the nation's top cancer killer. And it points the way toward more targeted therapy of other cancers.

"It's incredibly important," said Vanderbilt University lung cancer specialist Dr. David Johnson, president-elect of the American Society of Clinical Oncology. "This is just the beginning of personalized medicine."

But it also raises some intriguing questions: The mutations aren't inherited, they just occasionally arise inside the cancer itself — yet they seem more common among Japanese patients, women and nonsmokers. Why? No one knows.

Iressa, which began selling a year ago, was designed to target "epidermal growth factor receptor," or EGFR, growth-spurring signaling posts for lung cancer cells. The idea was that lung cancer might make excess EGFR, and blocking it might

slow growth with less toxicity than chemotherapy.

Doctors have reported terminally ill patients who lived months or even years longer than expected on Iressa. But they were rare.

Only about 10 percent of U.S. patients respond to the drug, frustrating doctors who felt they had to offer it to most advanced-stage patients to find the fraction it helps.

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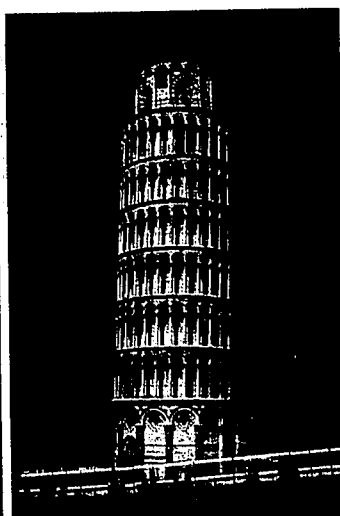
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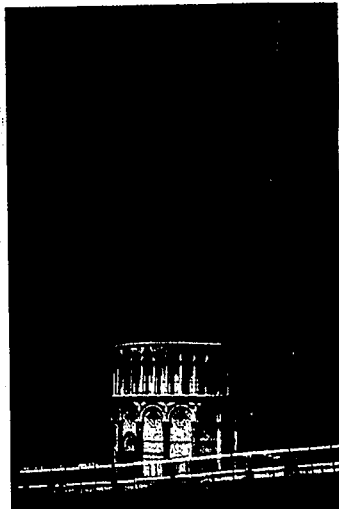
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Feds link defendant to suspect charity

BOISE (AP) — Only hours before arrest on terror-related charges, Sami Omar Al-Hussayen told an unidentified caller to his Moscow home to support an Islamic-based charity whose founder was accused a day later of illegally sending money to Iraq, jurors were told on Thursday.

A telephone call on Feb. 25, 2003, intercepted by federal agents, recorded the University of Idaho graduate student describing Dr. Rafiq Dhafir as a good man and the Help The Needy charity he led as a clean organization worthy of financial support.

The caller asked whether Help The Needy sends money to Iraq and may be an organization that has issues nowadays.

But Al-Hussayen replied, "I don't know."

"These people have no problems," Dhafir, 55, was arrested in New York on Feb. 26, 2003, the same day as Al-Hussayen, and both have been in federal custody. Dhafir, a physician, has been portrayed by defenders as a good Samaritan and humanitarian who has been the victim of an overzealous — maybe even racist — government.

Unlike Al-Hussayen, 34, a Saudi national, Dhafir is a U.S. citizen who was born in Iraq. He is still awaiting trial.

Defense attorneys for Al-Hussayen have made similar arguments about an overzealous government in rejecting the three charges that the computer science doctor candidate used his online skills to foster terrorism. The government claims Al-Hussayen used his key role in the Islamic Assembly of North America, which created Help The Needy, to set up an Internet network that financed and recruited terrorists.

Defense attorney David Nevin has repeatedly argued that Al-Hussayen was only a volunteer for the assembly and its Islamic outreach efforts.

Jury finds Aryan member guilty in trial

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — A former staff member of Richard Butler's white supremacist Aryan Nations organization erupted in anger after a jury found him guilty of battery and injuring a child, forcing police to subdue and arrest him in a courtroom.

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SALMON (AP) — The \$1.5 million Sacajawea Interpretive, Cultural and Education Center opens for its first full season on Saturday, giving administrators a trial run for the Corps of Discovery bicentennial.

The center is expected to attract as many as 40,000 visitors and \$4.5 million in revenue to Salmon during the bicentennial, which runs from 2005 to 2007.

Gary Van Huffel, the center's

director, said this year will give him an idea of what to expect during the bicentennial.

"We're trying to get an idea of just how many people will be coming here," he said.

A member of the Lemhi Shoshone tribe, Sacajawea is believed to have been born near Tendo, south of Salmon. She helped guide Lewis and Clark across the Continental Divide at Lemhi Pass.

The 71-acre center is the first

thing in the area to be named in her honor. It also is expected to be an economic windfall for the community, which has struggled with timber cutbacks, mining layoffs and a recreation industry still recovering from devastating forest fires in 2000.

Visitors are greeted by Agnes Vincent Talbot's bronze sculpture of Sacajawea and her baby, Jean-Baptiste, set against the backdrop of the Beaverhead Mountains. A trail meanders

around the property, allowing hikers to view some of the sights the explorers saw when they crossed into the Lemhi Valley.

"Tepees and a fish weir used to catch salmon give a glimpse of the area's early inhabitants — the Agaidika, known today as the Lemhi Shoshone. The Agaidika culture and the Corps of Discovery's experiences are further explored in the interpretive center."

The center also features a

small theater, a community garden and the Lewis and Clark research library.

Several other projects are in the works, including a \$2.2 million Cultural and Performing Arts Center. That facility will house the Native American Cultural Institute, a performing arts theater, exhibits and space for educational programs. Van Huffel said the community hopes to raise the money and build the facility by 2005.

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"These people have no problems."

Dhafir, 55, was arrested in New York on Feb. 26, 2003, the same day as Al-Hussayen, and both have been in federal custody.

He is still awaiting trial.

Defense attorneys for Al-Hussayen have made similar arguments about an overzealous government in rejecting the three charges that the computer science doctor candidate used his online skills to foster terrorism.

Defense attorney David Nevin has repeatedly argued that Al-Hussayen was only a volunteer for the assembly and its Islamic outreach efforts.

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U.S. uses rebuilding aid to pay expenses

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Seven months after Congress approved the largest foreign aid package in history to rebuild Iraq, less than 5 percent of the \$18.4 billion has been spent, and occupation officials have begun shifting more than \$300 million earmarked for reconstruction projects to administrative and security expenses.

Recent reports from the Coalition Provisional Authority, the CPA's inspector general and the U.S. Agency for International Development attest to the growing difficulties of the U.S.-led reconstruction effort. And they have raised concerns in Congress and among international

aid experts that the Bush administration's ambitious rebuilding campaign is adrift amid rising violence and unforeseen costs.

Rep. Jim Kolbe, R-Ariz., chairman of the House Foreign Operations Appropriations Committee, cited bureaucratic infighting and a "loss of central command and control" at a hearing Thursday as he sharply questioned top administration officials: "I have very serious concerns about the pace of assistance in Iraq and the management of those funds."

Deputy Defense Secretary Paul Wolfowitz pointed to successes in rebuilding, and blamed contracting snafus for some of the delays. But Richard



Rep. Jim Kolbe, R-Ariz.

Armitage, the deputy secretary at the State Department, which will take over from the CPA this summer, refused to make what he called "excuses."

"Of course we're not satisfied," he said. "We feel the same sense of urgency that Paul feels to get on with it."

Of the \$18.4 billion in Iraqi aid approved by Congress in October, just \$2.3 billion had been steered to projects through March 24, the CPA told Congress this month. Only \$1 billion has actually been spent, the authority's inspector general told congressional aides Monday. In January, the CPA had said it had planned to spend nearly \$8 billion during the first six months of this fiscal year.

The first round of rebuilding funds, about \$4.5 billion, focused on rebuilding the electricity grid, restoring the flow of oil, Iraq's main source of

revenue, and fixing schools and hospitals.

In a report this month, occupation officials warned Congress that security project management and logistics expenses may "reduce slightly" the level of funding for reconstruction, but that they were still working with the Office of Management and Budget to determine how much money would be moved.

So far, occupation officials have reassigned \$184 million appropriated for drinking water projects to fund the operations of the U.S. Embassy after the provisional authority is dissolved June 30. Another \$29 million from projects such as "democracy building" were relocated to fund the U.S. development agency's administrative expenses.

And more diversions may be coming. Armitage said the State Department still faces a shortfall of \$40 million to \$60 million in embassy operating funds this year. And embassy construction and operations could consume as much as \$2.5 billion in fiscal year 2005, none of which has been requested by President Bush.

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Reading

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"If you want to laugh," the fifth-grader said at one of Murray's book store appearances. "Read this book."

Kaylee Paul, a 6-year-old from Riverside, Calif., has latched onto another off-color series: Captain Underpants, a cross between a cartoon and a chapter book, written by author Dav Pilkey. Her favorite is about the "Big, Bad Battle of the Bionic Booger Boy."

Kaylee's parents say they originally bought her the Captain Underpants stories because, as an early reader, picture books became too easy. She likes the series so much that now her dad, Stan Paul, sometimes has to tell her "That's enough reading for today."

Editors at Scholastic Inc., which publishes Captain Un-

derpants, say that's the goal — especially when it comes to kids who are "reluctant readers."

"For many, many kids, this is the first book they read that starts them on a path of reading," says Barbara Marcus, president of Scholastic's children's books division.

Librarians call such stories "book hooks," says Barbara Genco, immediate past president of Association of Library Services to Children.

Some parents have persuaded their school libraries to take Captain Underpants and other titles off their shelves. Some educators agree.

"I don't want to be a prude about it," says Sister St. John Delany, a nun who heads the School of Education at New York's Pace University. "I just don't think kids need to be exposed to that kind of language."

Memorial

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symbolize the two theaters of the war.

Fifty-six smaller granite pillars adorned with two bronze wreaths form the oval shape of the memorial and encircle a sunken plaza and pool. Each pillar is engraved with the name of a state or territory from that period.

While the formal dedication ceremony is a month away, project organizers raced to put the finishing touches on the memorial so the ever-dwindling number of World War II veterans could come to see it as soon as possible.

World War II vets are dying at a rate of 1,056 a day, the Veterans Affairs Department estimates. Fewer than 4 million of the 16 million who served will be alive

at the time of the May 29 dedication.

The \$174 million memorial was almost two decades in the making.

Legislation was introduced in 1987 by Rep. Marcy Kaptur, D-Ohio, who was prompted by an encounter with World War II veteran Roger Durbin. In front of a crowd at a political event, Durbin asked Kaptur why there was no World War II memorial. Together, they worked to get legislation passed so the memorial could be built.

Congress gave its approval in 1993, but that was followed by court challenges from critics who claimed the monument would clutter the Mall and interfere with sweeping vistas long enjoyed by visitors. Construction began in late 2001.

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EDITORIAL

University of Idaho has little option but to cut

It's been well over a year since the University of Idaho found its ship had steered into choppy financial waters. But a faculty mutiny against new administrators won't make for easier sailing. U of I has seen some tough times. First came state holdbacks of higher ed budgets in 2002. Then came the University Place setback in Boise, which cost President Bob Hoover his job. Soon after that, the school began scuttling unprofitable programs that were clinging to the red ink. But those efforts haven't been enough to bail out the university from a continuing deficit.

Our view: Coping with fiscal solvency at the University of Idaho will require a united effort by faculty and administrators. What do you think? We welcome viewpoints from our readers on this and other issues.

ing to manage the University Place development. Vice President for Finance Jerry Wallace resigned for a conflict of various roles in the project. But what comes next? Even if you throw the captain overboard, you still have to steer the ship. Cuts and unpaid leave may be tough, but conditions could be worse. If the university's situation does not improve, additional program cuts could be made after President Tim White takes over in July. Two programs, the University Press and the office of Diversity and Human Rights, have already been

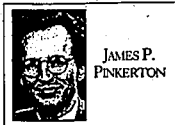
eliminated. Employees can blame the previous administration for its "full steam ahead" approach to University Place, not to mention legislators and the State Board of Education members who signed off on the plan.

But the push to expand U of I into the Boise market seemed sensible when it was first introduced. Now that the project has soured, the entire university has no choice but to cinch its belt.

The U of I enjoyed years of expansion, enrollment growth and strong donations to the school's research causes. The faculty anger at the cuts is understandable, but ultimately it's unproductive. Now that the prosperity has thinned, the personnel at U of I need to work together toward fiscal solvency.

Free press validates coffin pictures

All pictures worth a thousand words, or are some images too un-speakable to show? Media outlets, as well as the government, must make tough decisions. But the state, as well as the Fourth Estate, should realize that the choices they make will be scrutinized for signs of hypocrisy and, in any case, those decisions are likely to be overwhelmed by the rush of technology.



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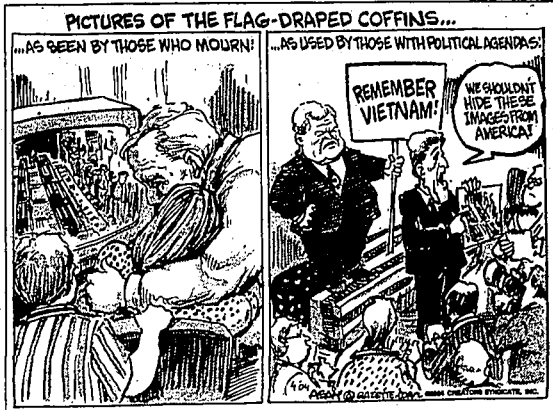
We might consider, as one example, CBS News' decision to show, on its April 21 "48 Hours" program, up-close pictures from the 1997 Princess Diana crash scene in Paris. The shots of Diana dying repulsed even the bare-knuckled British media. The Guardian declared that the Eye Network had chosen to "publish new details of prurience in the Princess Diana industry."

Did CBS have a First Amendment right to run those pictures? Absolutely. But what was wrong was CBS' smugmy insistence that showing the pictures was a part of good news journalism.

The Diana images, CBS said, were "important information" placed in a journalistic context — an examination of the medical treatment given to Princess Diana just after the crash — and are in no way graphic or exploitative.

CBS is not to be believed here. Those in the media who wish to invoke freedom of inquiry to defend their actions should not, at the same time, insult the intelligence of their audience.

A second controversy revolves around the release and use of a second set of photo-



graphs — of coffins coming back from Iraq and Afghanistan. The Bush administration has decided to enforce a ban, dating back to the Persian Gulf War, of reporters' taking pictures of such scenes.

But among the reporting/editorial class, the reaction has been dismissive. According to a roundup in Editor & Publisher magazine, "the vast majority of newspapers" oppose the ban. The Denver Post, for example, called the publication of such photos, "a proper function of a free press in a free country."

But there's a new element to freedom that comes into play in this information age. As computer hackers proclaim, "Information wants to be free." And photographs are just another kind of information. So technology — wielded by sneaky or savvy individuals — has made the coffin-photos more publicized now than they ever would have been otherwise.

On April 19, The Seattle Times ignored the government's ban on coffin photos and published one on its front page. The paper had obtained the picture from a civilian contractor in Kuwait, who was promptly fired by her company. But in the meantime, the image rocketed around the world: the always-in-someone's-face Drudge Report made sure of that. And then came the image-deluge. A Web site operator, Russ Kick, published 288 Iraq coffin photos on his site, evocatively titled, in homage to George Orwell, "mememory hole.org." Kick had filed a request under the Freedom of Information Act for such photos — the military, it seems, takes them routinely for historical and training purposes — and got back a gusher of photos.

Evidently, someone was asleep at the government's information switch. Indeed, this being the government, Kick also received, in addition, 73 photos of coffins coming back from the 2003 Columbia

Space Shuttle disaster in Texas. Kick also got a reported 4.2 million "hits" just on Friday — proof that information is always on the loose.

So what did the Bush administration gain by trying to enforce this ban? Nothing. Indeed, one might say the administration is trying to censor bad news coming back from the war in Iraq. But the irony is that the Bush Iraq policy doesn't seem to have been hurt by the pictures. Having decided to support Bush on the war, Americans seem to accept that war causes casualties.

So the bad news is that it's tough to keep a secret. But the good news is that not everything should be secret. And the better news is that people can handle what they see, and put it in perspective. And that should give all of us confidence that in the long run, an informed non-empowered public will make the right decisions.

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Colner will consider area's many needs

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Kerry can fight best for the less affluent

"Four Score and seven years ago, our fathers brought forth upon this continent a new nation, conceived in liberty and dedicated to the proclamation that all men are created equal." These words are from Abraham Lincoln's Gettysburg Address and the Declaration of Independence. I am a concerned citizen about the equality of our people today.

This administration can sure figure out a lot of ways to cut the poor and give to the rich, with Medicare reform and drug benefits that line the pockets of drug and insurance companies. John Kerry wants to put a bill through Congress that will make affordable health care and drugs for all U.S. citizens by cracking down on drug companies and have health care to benefit all Americans.

They tell us Social Security will not last. Politicians do not pay into this fund and do not draw from it. They have their own plan, which they don't pay into either but is paid by the taxpayers. When they retire, they continue to draw the same pay until they die plus cost-of-living raises and survivor benefits of 55 percent for spouses that is not cut at age 62.

We could save Social Security by getting a bill started to place all politicians on Social Security and also have them pay into the fund. Dump all their retirement back into the budget, and we could also balance the budget. Now don't you agree that this would be a plan where all men are created equal? We would then have a government

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of the people, by the people and for the people, which is something we do not have now.

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Weaver works to build unity, camaraderie

Shortly after he took office as sheriff, Jim Weaver started the Senior Volunteer Program. From 1 to 3 p.m. each weekday, a volunteer answers the phone and assists people who come to the hall door in the driver's seat. This is the tail end of lunch hour, often a very busy time of day. I have been going in each Tuesday for about a year and a half and find this a most rewarding way to contribute time to my community. My fellow volunteers, Polly Bickett, Ludene Murri and Marian Halleran (two days), have told me they feel

the same. When I have told friends from other towns about volunteering, they have expressed the wish that their sheriffs had a similar program.

Volunteering affords the opportunity to get to know the members of the sheriff's department who use this outer office of the department wind down. The good-natured joking and conversation lends an air of relaxation. In this time, I have come to realize a true sense of camaraderie. This is an important bond, which Webster's New World Dictionary defines as "loyalty and good spirits among comrades." This is what comes about when there is mutual respect between deputies and their sheriff. This is how the Jerome County sheriff's department runs under Jim Weaver's apt leadership.

I have also seen the kind-spirited way Sheriff Weaver and his people into his office. Be it a problem, question or the desire to chat, Jim Weaver takes the time unless he is in a meeting or out on a call. The coffee pot is always on and the water jug is always full. Coming in to talk things over can solve a lot of problems and lead to better understanding.

The sheriff's department is an organization of real people dealing with sometimes stressful and adrenaline-pumping situations. I have seen the relief and humor. I have felt the appreciation of Sheriff Weaver for his volunteers. Most of all, I feel proud to be part of this team of men and women who have taken on the often thankless job of doing their best to make our county a better place

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OPINION

Kerry's U.N. double standard

Although the answer seems to change from week to week, the general consensus of John Kerry's comments over the past 18 months seem to indicate that the Democratic presidential candidates believe the United States should make every effort to work through the United Nations before acting to defend itself.

Kerry, however, does not believe Israel should be defended by such a request. "Is it not entirely clear, but then again, nothing with Kerry is."

No one is sure what Kerry's exact position is on the question of Iraq and the United Nations, but when asked on "Meet the Press" by the incomparable Tim Russert if Bush was right to go to war, Kerry responded, "I think the way the president went to war was a mistake."

He didn't think attacking Iraq was a "mistake." He did, lest we forget, vote to give President Bush the authority to go to war. But Kerry seemed to make it clear — as he has repeatedly in recent months — that the "mistake" was Bush's decision to go to war without the seal of approval of the United Nations. Kerry told Russert, "If I'm president, I will not only personally go to the U.N., I will go to other capitals" if ever in a similar position.

For Kerry, removing Saddam Hussein has less legitimacy if

JOEL MOWBRAY

not endorsed by the group that gives the same moral standing to Fidel Castro's Cuba and Kim Jong-Il's North Korea as it does the United States.

But when it comes to Israel, suddenly the United Nations need not be consulted.

When Israel began killing the leaders of Hamas, the United Nations rushed to condemn the Jewish state. All that stopped a Security Council resolution was the United States veto.

After Israel continued its campaign by killing Abdel Aziz Rantisi, the "international community" roundly condemned the Middle East's sole democracy.

But not Kerry. In uncharacteristically unequivocal language, Kerry applauded Israel for acting decisively, wholly ignoring the wish of the United Nations that it sit back and watch its innocent civilians die at the hands of mass-murdering suicide bombers.

"I believe Israel has every right in the world to respond to any act of terror against it," Kerry said when asked about the Rantisi assassination.

At first blush, it seems that Kerry holds the United States and Israel to different standards when it comes to defending national security.

After all, Kerry himself believed that taking out Saddam was *defensive*. Last January, he said, "Without question, we need to disarm Saddam Hussein. ... He presents a particularly grievous threat because he is so consistently prone to miscalculation."

The way Kerry described the threat posed by Saddam, in fact, is not that much different than the justification he offered for Israel's assassination of Rantisi: "Hamas is a terrorist, brutal organization. It has had years to make up its mind to take part in a peaceful process. They refuse to."

And where did Kerry make these bold statements of support for the pariah of the "international community"?

On the very same "Meet the Press" episode already discussed, in which he also proudly proclaimed, "Within weeks of being inaugurated, I will return to the U.N. and I will literally, formally rejoin the community of nations and turn over a proud new chapter in America's relationship with the world."

This is more than a mere contradiction. It goes to the core of one's political philosophy. Either you believe that a free society must act to defend itself regardless of how impopular or you don't. Kerry doesn't, at least not for the United States.

A cynical observer could ob-

serve that Kerry supports a nation defending its security without U.N. approval — as long as it has Jewish voters who can vote for him. Maybe that's a low blow, but what evidence is there to refute the appearance of pandering?

Russert did not press Kerry further on the Israel issue — but it would have been fun to watch if he had.

At least Bush did everything short of putting France and Germany in a headlock to get the U.N.'s blessing, Israel, understanding the concept of futility better than Bush, didn't even bother.

In hindsight, Bush probably would have been better off by-passing the United Nations. Who knows, maybe then he would have received Kerry's support.

Joel Mowbray is the author of the book "Dangerous Diplomacy: How the State Department Threatens America's Security." Readers may send him e-mail at mail@joelmowbray.com.

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LETTER

U.S. still struggles with overpopulation

In *The Times-News*, April 22, Roy Spencer, in his article, "Wealthy nations take an initiative on clean air," makes a good case for our industry and the economy and the effect it has on the environment.

Where I believe he is in error, though, is in his statement, "As an environmental bonus, the wealthiest countries have the lowest population growth rates."

While the U.S. natural fertility rate is only 2.1, immigration, legal and illegal, accounted for a 60 percent high increase. This was an unprecedented U.S. population growth of 33 million in the decade of the '90s. This growth amounts to 292 million people today. If these trends continue, our population will reach 400 million by the year 2050.

More people means more pollution, more sprawl, less green space and more demands on the earth's already

over-burdened resources. Around the country, communities are finding that population growth is overcrowding their schools, threatening the environment and causing them to spend more time in traffic and less with families.

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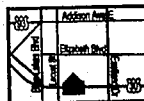
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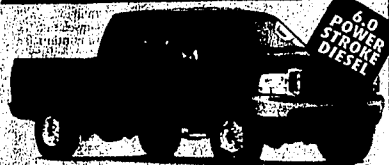
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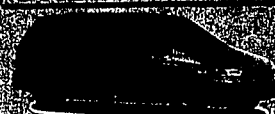


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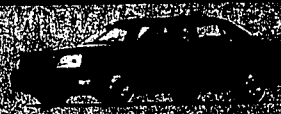
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AROUND THE VALLEY

Crews restripe lanes on I-84, I-86

TWIN FALLS - A project is under way to restripe lanes on two sections of Interstate, but no traffic delays are expected. Crews will work on Interstate 84 from the Utah state line to the Oregon state line and on I-86 between the Salt Lake Interchange and the Raft River Interchange, the Idaho Transportation Department said in a press release.

The project requires intermittent lane closures on the eastbound and westbound lanes of both sections of Interstate.

No traffic delays are expected. Interstate 84 is the contractor for this \$230,000 project. Work is scheduled for completion in late May.

Motorists are reminded to slow down in work zones to ensure their own safety and the safety of construction workers. Four out of five people killed in work zone crashes are drivers and passengers, not workers, the press release said.

For information about the state highway and interstate system, consult the Idaho Road Report. Beginning today, the report will provide updates on construction projects that affect traffic. Call (888) IDA-ROAD (432-7623). For on-line access, visit www.itd.idaho.gov.

Shoshone native retires as controller

POCATELLO - A Shoshone native who worked in Idaho State University's financial department for 37 years - all but three of those as the university's controller - is retiring.

Doug Pendleton will be honored at a retirement party from 2 to 4 p.m. today in the ISU Pond Student Union Buildings Salmon River Saloon.

Pendleton, a 1967 ISU graduate, said technology has dramatically changed ISU's finance system.

"ISU has evolved from hand-written ledgers to computer automation, but we're not as Web-based as we need to be," he said in a university press release.

"Going from hand tracking to computerized systems was a big challenge."

Pendleton said he has enjoyed his time at ISU.

"Most of the time I've had fun just coming to work," he said. "It's hard to define an experience that would have been this much fun over the long haul."

Pendleton and his wife, Gina, have been married for 38 years and have two grown children.

Care center plans open house Saturday

TWIN FALLS - Clearwater Care Center announced the opening of Campus View, an intermediate care facility for the developmentally disabled.

An open house will be held from 1 to 3 p.m. Saturday at the facility, 875 Monroe St.

Campus View will offer a range of services based on the needs of each resident, the care center said in a press release.

The comprehensive approach and focus on the individuals' capabilities is designed to help people acquire the skills necessary to attain their maximum level of independence.

For more information, call Tammy at 734-1046 or 308-3240.

Dance competition runs today, Saturday at CSI

TWIN FALLS - The fourth annual Canyon Rim Dance Classic, "Dancers from 2 Pines" is held today and Saturday at the College of Southern Idaho.

The competition, featuring 1,000 dancers from Idaho, Oregon, Washington, Nevada and Utah, will showcase nearly 4,000 dancers from 2 p.m. until 9 p.m. today and from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday in the CSI gymnasium.

Tickets are \$4 for adults and \$3 for senior citizens and students. Children under 5 get in free.

Proceeds go to the American Cancer Society.

Last year, the Canyon Rim Dance Classic raised \$5,000.

— compiled from staff reports

Jury indicts man who shot deputy

By Shelley Rideour
Times-News writer

POCATELLO - A Paul man in Nevada prison for shooting a Mindoka County sheriff's deputy was indicted Wednesday on charges of bank robbery and use of a weapon in the commission of a crime.

John Kurkowski, 23, was indicted after a grand jury convened Tuesday in U.S. District Court, according to Assistant U.S. Attorney Michelle Mallard. No date was scheduled for his initial appearance in federal court.



John Kurkowski

The Idaho U.S. attorney's office will have to file papers to have a warrant issued for Kurkowski brought to Pocatello to face the charges, Mallard said.

Kurkowski faces a possible maximum prison sentence of 20 years on the bank robbery charge. The firearms charge carries a mandatory minimum sentence of five years in prison, which must be served consecutive to any other federal prison sentence ordered.

Kurkowski is charged in connection with the Sept. 19, 2003, robbery of Key Bank in Paul.

Kurkowski was sentenced in February to two consecutive prison terms of eight to 20 years in the Nevada state prison after he pleaded guilty to a charge of attempted murder with use of a deadly weapon.

His guilty plea came as part of a plea agreement in which Nevada prosecutors agreed to have his state sentence run concurrent with any federal prison sentence he may receive from the bank robbery charge.

Those charges followed a Sept. 23 incident at Cactus Pines casino in Jackpot. Kurkowski and Lisa Ledford were staying at the casino motel and were suspects in the Paul bank robbery.

When police officers went to Kurkowski's motel room, Kurkowski came out and fired four shots from a handgun, three of which hit Mindoka County Sheriff's Detective Lt.

Randy White. White was able to return to his job many months later.

Ledford still faces charges in Mindoka County for accessory to robbery in the Key Bank case and charges of fraudulently obtaining welfare and possession of methamphetamine.

The latter two charges aren't related to the robbery.

Shelley Rideour is editor of The Times-News Mini-Cassia Bureau. She can be reached at 208-677-4042, Ext. 642, or by e-mail at srideour@magicvalley.com.

Economist:

New sewer would help community

By Chip Thompson
Times-News writer

RUPERT - The economy of Rupert will actually make money by borrowing money for a new wastewater treatment plant according to a report by Regional Labor Economist Greg Rogers.

"As long as it's a well-planned facility the benefit should outweigh the cost," Rogers said.

Voters will decide on a \$14.2 million sewer bond issue May 25 to replace the current, inadequate wastewater treatment facility, Rogers claims that

not only will the entire amount of the bond issue return to the community's economy, but an additional \$3.7 million will flow into the city in just two years.

How can this be? The answer lies in wages.

"It will take a lot of workers a long time to build the sewer plant, Rogers estimates it will take 100 workers two years to complete the project. And these workers will be paid an average of \$14 per hour plus benefits based on similar projects in the region."

This means that more than \$8.15 million will go to workers in the form of wages and benefits during the two-year period.

Please see SEWER, Page B3

GREEN THUMBS



Abilon Elementary School second-graders Whitney Galley, Brittany Sorenson and Alex Leach put the finishing touches on their hanging flower baskets in the school greenhouse Thursday morning.

Regular power drill saves a local man's life

WOOD RIVER - Medical Center last week to thank Dr. Keith Siverson and others who were involved in saving his life during a ceremony arranged by Boise Life Flight paramedic Joe Levitch.

"I just want to let everyone know that I feel fantastic," King said to the applause of about 75 people assembled in the hospital lobby.

King, 23, had moved to Halley from Boise just a year earlier and was working with a headhunter firm when he apparently tripped and fell down a long flight of stairs at a friend's home.

He struck the side of his head on the concrete basement floor.

"He was unconscious and his breathing was shallow," said Melissa King, his wife of four years.

With snow preventing a Life-Flight helicopter from landing in Ketchum, Siverson sent King south in an ambulance to Shoshone. But as he consulted with a Boise neurologist and examined lab results, he realized that King couldn't survive the blood pooling in his skull.

Not only was it starting to force the brain through the bottom of King's skull but it was compromising the young man's breathing.

Siverson grabbed a Makita drill and a couple drill bits from the hospital's maintenance shop. Then he chased after the ambulance on the slick highway, pulling into the LDS Church parking lot in Shoshone 20 minutes after the ambulance did.

As Melissa King watched, he drilled a tiny hole in the lower left part of Ben King's skull.

"An outsider it had to be pretty clear we had no idea what we were doing," Siverson said. "But I was focused. I'd done something similar before so I had a feel for it."

The state can achieve those things, he said, "by focusing on an economic plan which provides incentives to attract and keep businesses" in Idaho.

Bagwell works as principal at Greenacres Elementary School in Pocatello, commuting daily from Deda. He has been the principal there for six years and the Mindoka County School District for five years.

He has taught classes at the College of Southern Idaho since 1986, too.

Before entering the field of education, Bagwell worked as a police officer, a security dog handler in the Air Force - which included a tour of duty in Vietnam - was an FBI clerk, a construction worker, a salesman, farm handyman, stock clerk and a short-order cook.

"My employment experiences have given me the opportunity to recognize the value of my neighbors from every corner of the community and true empathy for what their needs may be," he said.

Doctor drills a tiny hole in man's skull to relieve pressure

By Karen Bossick
The Wood River Journal

KEITHCHUM - You can talk all you want about multimillion-dollar MRIs and other high-tech hospital equipment.

But in the end, it was a doctor and a \$300 drill he borrowed from the maintenance shop that saved the life of Ben King on a snowy night in December.

King returned to St. Luke's to visit the schools and meet the teachers and principals. The IRI workshops will focus on giving parents information about the skills children are expected to have when they enter kindergarten. Parents will receive packets of materials related to preparing children for school and helping to build reading-readiness and writing skills.

Parents may contact the schools for registration, open house and reading workshop information.

For more information about the workshop or the IRI, call LaVonne Peterson or Brett Giles at 733-6900.

Mercy Housing begins 12 new homes in Buhl

BUHL - Twelve local families poured their footings on new homes in Buhl this month as

Magie Valley in brief

part of the Magic Valley Self-Help Housing Program.

So far, 20 affordable homes - 10 in Filer and 10 in Kimberly - have been built under the program, which is led by Mercy Housing Idaho and the U.S. Department of Agriculture Rural Development office in Twin Falls. Another 11 homes under construction in Filer are scheduled to be completed this summer.

The Buhl homes under way are expected to take 10 to 12 months to complete.

Applications for a self-help group in the Wendell area also are now being taken.

Families participating in the program work 35 hours a week building their homes and the homes of their neighbors under

the direction of a construction supervisor.

Homeowners have committed labor, or "sweat equity," on their homes in lieu of a cash contribution, which is typically a home-buyer's biggest obstacle to home ownership.

Jerome school plans open house Monday

JEROME - Horizon Elementary School and the Horizon Parent Association will hold an open house from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Monday at the school.

Hot dogs, chips and pop will be sold in the cafeteria for \$1.50 per person. Bring the family.

The school district's supplemental levy election will be held from noon to 9 p.m. in the library. For more information, call 324-4841 or 324-5499.

— compiled from staff reports

OBITUARIES

For obituary rates and information, call 735-3278 Monday through Saturday. Deadline is 4 p.m. for next-day publications. The e-mail address for obituaries is obits@magicvalley.com. Death notices are a free service and can be placed until 4 p.m. every day. To view or submit obituaries online, or to place a message in an individual online guestbook, go to www.magicvalley.com and click on "Obituaries."

Annette Theresa Halman

Annette Theresa Halman, beloved mother, grandmother and friend, passed away peacefully in Visalia, Calif., on Sunday, April 25, 2004. She was 88 years old.

Annette was born on July 22, 1915, in Kansas City, Mo., to the late Fredrick and Antonette Becker. She graduated from Raytown High School, Raytown, Mo., in 1933.

Her family moved to California during World War II, where she was employed by Douglas Aircraft and later got a job with Railway Express, where she traveled extensively throughout the U.S. She also worked on a freight train, traveling around South America, and worked at hotels in Yosemite, Calif., and the Florida Keys.

She lived briefly with her parents in Chino and Downey, Calif., before following them to Hemet, Calif., where she met her future husband, an immigrant from Holland, Gerard Halman. They were married on April 24th, 1954, at Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church in Hemet. The couple owned and operated a dairy in San Jacinto, Calif., where they raised their daughters, and were active in St. Anthony's Catholic Church, St. Hyacinth Academy, Lyon's Club and Right-to-Life.

They loved to travel, and ventured with friends to Mex-



co City, Alaska and Australia/New Zealand. They also traveled Europe, while visiting Gerard's relatives in Holland.

Gerard passed away in 1977 and Annette eventually relocated with her daughter and son-in-law to Tulare, Calif. She divided the rest of her life between her families in Tulare and Filer, Idaho, taking walks, writing letters, and traveling, with a trip to the Holy Land being a highlight. She was happiest when she was with her family or working in the kitchen.

Annette is survived by her daughter and her husband, Teri and Cornell Kasbergen of Tulare; her daughter and her husband, Toni and Hank Haffinger Jr., of Filer, Idaho; nine grandchildren, Hilary,

Case, Jillian and Caitlin Kasbergen and Hank III, Desiree, Danielle, Diana and Anthony Haffinger. She is further survived by her granddaughter and her husband, Edie and Dale Koster of Sherwood, Ore.; her stepdaughter, Ruth Halman of Riverside, Calif.; her nephew, John V. Becker of South Lake Tahoe, Calif.; other relatives and many friends.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Gerard; her brother, John Becker; and her granddaughter, Ann Therese Kasbergen.

A rosary service and Mass of the Resurrection was held on Wednesday, April 28, 2004, in Tulare, Calif., followed by burial on Thursday, April 29, 2004, in San Jacinto, Calif.

Annie 'Pete' Burch - Twin Falls

Annie "Pete" Burch, 79, of Twin Falls, died Tuesday, April 27, 2004, at Twin Falls Care Center.

She was born Feb. 20, 1925, in Honey Grove, Texas, the daughter of Henry and Mattie Shortmeyer. She met Dallas Burch while he was stationed at Carswell Air Force Base in Fort Worth, Texas, and they married on Feb. 28, 1950.

"Pete" and Dallas were long-time residents of Idaho where they chose to raise their two sons, Robert Anthony, and Charles Ray. Her greatest joy and pleasure was derived from her children and grandchildren. Pete was a member of Grace Baptist Church in Twin Falls. She is survived by one sister, Ruby May Pider of Fort Worth, Texas; seven grandchildren; and 11 great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her beloved husband, Dal-



las, on March 5, 2003, her two sons, two brothers and one sister.

A funeral will be conducted at 1 p.m. Friday, April 30, 2004, at White Mortuary, "Chapel by the Park," with the Rev. Myron Glatz officiating. Private interment will take place in Sunset

Memorial Park. Friends may call from 4 to 9 p.m. today, Thursday, at White Mortuary.

The family would like to express their deep appreciation to Twin Falls Care Center and their wonderful staff for the love and care extended to "Pete."

Dorothy Rutherford - Jerome

Dorothy Rutherford, 92, of Twin Falls and formerly of Jerome, died Monday, April 26, 2004, at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center.

Dorothy was born July 4, 1911, in Baldwin, Kan., the oldest child of A.A. and Bessie Lee Benson. The family resided in Buhl for a short time, where Dorothy started school. They later moved to Wendell and Dorothy graduated from Wendell High School in 1929.

She married Norval Rutherford on Jan. 28, 1931, and they resided at Shoshone, Seattle, Wendell and Jerome, where Norval barbered. They were both avid bowlers and she received many awards and trophies over the years. They also loved to fish and she was with Norval when he played baseball, hunted and golfed. They had lots of friends no matter where they lived. In later years they were snowbirds, spending winters in Arizona.

Dorothy and Norval had



been married 64 years when he died on May 30, 1995. They never had any children but Dorothy had a lot of dolls that she cherished and loved. Dorothy moved to a retirement home in 1997 and later to Heritage Assisted Living Center in Twin Falls.

She had a beautiful and lively smile, where ever she lived and never met a stranger. Dorothy loved her nieces and nephews and they loved her in

return.

Survivors include three sisters, Geraldine Zollinger of Wendell, Lucille (Scott) Gulick of Jerome and Norma (Diane) Johnson of Gooding; one brother, George (Violet) Benson of Wendell; eight nieces and seven nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Norval; and a sister, Jean Gates.

A graveside service for Dorothy Rutherford will be conducted at 2 p.m. Saturday, May 1, 2004, at the Wendell Cemetery with the Rev. Michael Holstrom officiating. Friends may call from 6 until 8 p.m. Friday evening at the Howe Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome and gather at the cemetery shortly before time of service.

The family would like to thank the staff at Heritage Manor and the doctors and nurses at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center for their kind care and attention to Dorothy.

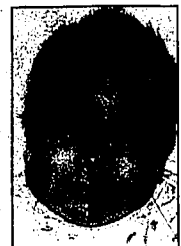
Jayce Zackery Gauthier - Twin Falls

On April 28, 2004, our angel, Jayce Zackery Gauthier, flew home.

Although he was here for only a brief time he left huge impressions on many lives.

Jayce was born Feb. 28, 2004, in Twin Falls.

Surviving are his parents, Vincent and Jacque Gauthier; one brother, Jaden; and one sister, Justice, all of Twin Falls; his maternal grandparent, Pam Buckley of Stanley, Idaho; maternal grandparents, Jack and Julie Buckley of Alpine, Wyo.; paternal grandparents, Bob and Barbara Gauthier of Buhl, Idaho; maternal great-grandparents, Joe and Norma



Miller of Twin Falls, Doug and Sally Stone of Bakersfield,

Calif.; many aunts, uncles and cousins.

A funeral will be conducted at 11 a.m. Saturday, May 1, 2004, at White Mortuary "Chapel by the Park" with the Rev. Jerry Kester officiating. Private family interment will take place at Sunset Memorial Park.

Friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. today, Friday, at White Mortuary.

The family suggests memorials to the American Sudden Infant Death Syndrome Institute, 6065 Roswell Road, Suite 876, Atlanta, GA 30324.

OBITUARY

Donna Rae Sullivan (Gupton) - Filer

Donna Rae Sullivan (Gupton), age 51, passed away April 27, 2004. Having completed her cycle of mortality on this earth, she slipped the restraining bonds of this life to find everlasting peace with her maker.

Donna was born in Pawtucket, R.I., Jan. 12, 1953, to William and Clara Sullivan. The family spent most of Donna's early years in California. Donna later moved to Idaho with her daughter, Meka, and became a dental assistant for many years.

Donna married Dale Gupton on Feb. 7, 1982, creating a family of love and happiness. While in Twin Falls, those who knew Donna knew of her love for her gardening, picture taking and a heart rock collection. A devoted mother and nanna, she will be missed by many. Through life's trials and tribu-



lations, Donna maintained her love an support of family, the twinkle in her eyes will be missed, she truly did shine.

Donna is survived by her parents, William and Clara Sullivan of California; ex-husband, Dale Gupton; her

daughter, Meka Gupton (Tom) Cavanaugh; granddaughter, Halleyann of Oregon; her son, Aaron Gupton; grandchildren, Kira, Alec, A.J. and Deag; her sister, Bobbie Sullivan of Boise, Idaho, and Debbie (Tim) Milsel of Twin Falls; her brother, Bill Sullivan of Boise, Idaho; and many nieces and nephews.

A memorial service for Donna will take place at 1 p.m. Saturday, May 1, 2004, at St. Edwards the Confessor Catholic Church with Father John Koelsch as celebrant.

At Donna's request there will be no public viewing. Should friends desire, contributions may be made to the Twin Falls Animal Shelter, or the Women of Domestic Violence Shelter.

Contributions may be mailed to Reynolds Funeral Chapel, P.O. Box 1142, Twin Falls, ID 83303.

SERVICES

Wynn Gordon Condit of Boise, graveside service at 11 a.m. today at the Hagaman and Cemetery (Access: Burial and Cremation Society).

Margret Jane McClung, memorial Mass at noon today at Holy Spirit Catholic Church in Kenworthy, at 327 Second St. Celebration of life from 1-2:30 p.m. today at the Kent Senior Center, 600 E. Smith St. (Marlatt Funeral Home).

Cecilia Arrien Aldana Jougard of Rupert, funeral Mass at noon today at the Rupert St. Nicholas Catholic Church, 802 F St. Friends may greet the family from 11-11:45 before the service today at the church (Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel).

Senovio "Sammy" Trevino of Rupert, memorial service at 10 a.m. today at the River of Life Church, Eighth and J Street, Rupert; gathering one hour before service (Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel).

Billy Leroy Cornett of Wendover, Ky., formerly of Twin Falls, funeral at 1 p.m. today at Camp Creek Church of Christ at Wendover, Ky. (Dwayne Walker Funeral Home).

Roger William Flala of Jerome, funeral at 11 a.m. Saturday in the Jerome LDS 6th Ward chapel, 26 N. 100 E. (north of Jerome High School), Jerome; visitation from 8-8 p.m. today at Funerals & Crematory, 1343 S. Lincoln, Jerome, and again one hour before the service Saturday at the church.

Catherine "Marie" Farnsworth of Filer, graveside service at 2:30 p.m. Saturday at Filer Cemetery. Friends may call from 4-8 p.m. today at White Mortuary.

Vivian J. Metzner of Buhl, private family graveside service at 10 a.m. Saturday at West End Cemetery in Buhl. Memorial service at 11 a.m. Saturday at St. John's Lutheran Church, 1128 Poplar in Buhl (White Mortuary).

Donald "Don" Edward Walker of Genus Ferry, family and friends will gather at 1 p.m. Saturday at Dolores and Jerry Good's home in Hammett (Summers Funeral Homes, McMurry Chapel in Mountain Home).

Shawn Austin Smith of Twin Falls, formerly of Caldwell, graveside memorial service at 10:30 a.m. Saturday at the Lower Boise Valley Cemetery in Parma, Idaho

(Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home).

Newell Morgan of Twin Falls and formerly of Boise, memorial service at 3 p.m. Saturday at University Christian Church in Boise (Alden-Wagoner Funeral Chapel, Boise).

Ether Frances Fairman of Ketchum, memorial service at 2 p.m. May 8 at Mary Crouch's home, 3589 Minuteman Way, Boise (Wood River Chapel).

DEATH NOTICES

H. Keith Reamsnyder

BOISE — H. Keith Reamsnyder, age 70, of Hagerman and formerly of the Wood River Valley, died Sunday, April 25, 2004 at St. Luke's Hospital in Boise, Idaho, after a lengthy illness.

Memorial service will be held at 2:30 p.m. today, Friday, April 30, 2004, at the Wood River Chapel in Halley. The Rev. Wendy Collins will be the speaker.

Interment will follow in the Halley Cemetery.

Leslie Allen Cross

HAGERMAN — Leslie Allen Cross, 80, a resident of Hagerman, Idaho, died Wednesday, April 28, 2004, at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center.

Arrangements will be made by Demary's Gooding Chapel.

David Michael Saras

SHOSHONE — David Michael Saras, 53, a resident of Shoshone, Idaho, died Thursday, April 29, 2004, at his residence.

Arrangements will be made by Demary's Shoshone Chapel.

Louis Vernon Rivers

GOODING — Louis Vernon Rivers, 80, a resident of Gooding, Idaho, died Thursday, April 29, 2004, at his residence.

Arrangements will be made by Demary's Gooding Chapel.

Ella Viola Berrey

BELLEVUE — Ella Viola Berrey, 90, of Bellevue, Idaho, died Thursday, April 29, 2004, at her home.

Arrangements will be made by Wood River Chapel of Halley, Idaho.

Peggy Ann Gossett

BURLEY — Peggy Ann Gossett, 66-year-old Burley resident died Tuesday, April 27, 2004, at St. Alphonsus Regional Medical Center in Boise.

Memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Monday, May 3, 2004, at the Burley First Baptist Church, 2262 Hilland Ave. in Burley, Idaho. Pastor Chris Costa is officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Payne Mortuary, 221 W. Main St. in Burley.

Michael C. Erling

PAUL — Michael Craig Erling, age 59, of Paul, died Thursday, April 29, 2004, at Ashley Manor in Boise.

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

Theodore 'Ted' Goers

SHOSHONE — Theodore "Ted" Goers, age 77, a Shoshone resident, died Thursday, April 29, 2004, at his residence.

Arrangements will be made by Demary's Shoshone Chapel.

Couple signs extradition papers in polygamy case

PROVO, Utah (AP) — A Utah couple accused of forcing an 11-year-old girl into a polygamous marriage with her stepfather will be extradited to Arizona.

Stanley Ernest Rimer, 71, Orem, and Janice Star Rimer, 52, American Fork, signed extradition papers Wednesday. They have been charged in Maricopa County, Ariz., with molestation of a child and sexual conduct with a minor.

The girl was Janice Rimer's daughter, who prosecutors said was forced to marry Stan-

ley Rimer in an unofficial ceremony in 1994 when she was 11.

The girl lived with her mother and stepfather in Phoenix, Peoria and Sunrise when the abuse is said to have occurred.

The couple were arrested by Brigham Young University police on March 24, and have been held in the Utah County Jail since then. BYU police assisted the Phoenix Police Department in the case because the alleged victim lived for a short time in BYU's on-

campus housing with a relative, said Carrie Jenkins, BYU spokeswoman. The alleged victim was not a student.

Bill FitzGerald, spokesman for the Maricopa County Attorney's Office, did not know when the couple would be transferred to Arizona.

According to court records, the alleged victim, now 21, got protective orders against her mother and stepfather in February in Provo's 4th District Court. The Rimers can't have any contact with her or know where she is living.

Utah gathering honors Greyhounds

KANAB, Utah (AP) — If you want to go greyhound this weekend, go to Kanab.

The Greyhound Gathering, which celebrates love for the breed and raises funds for a shelter, will be Friday through Sunday. It's sponsored by a local nonprofit rescue organization called the Greyhound Gang.

Founder Claudia Presto said all proceeds, including the required registration fees, go directly toward building a doghouse in Colorado for greyhounds rescued from dog traps. Last year's gathering raised \$20,000.

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NAP TIME



A couple of newly-hatched Canada goose gosling nap in the morning sun Thursday in a park in Kalspell, Mont.

Chuck-A-Rama apologizes for cutting couple off beef at buffet

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - Chuck-A-Rama is serving up an apology to the low-carb couple cut off from eating beef at their buffet last week.

Chuck-A-Rama chief executive Duane Moss and chain president Mike Johanson made the public apology Thursday for the experience that Isabelle Leota, 28, and her husband, Sui Amaama, 26, had when they dined at a Chuck-A-Rama in suburban Taylorsville April 20.

The West Valley City couple were offended after the eatery's general manager told Amaama he was cut off from the roast beef when he went up for his 12th slice. Leota said they were on the low-carb Atkins diet and ate at that location at least twice a week because of

its convenience.

When the couple refused to leave until they got their money back, the manager called police and had them escorted out.

The couple argued that the buffet was all-you-can-eat. But despite the apology, Moss reiterated Thursday that not the chef, and the policy won't change.

"We are a buffet-style, which means self-service," he said, speaking to reporters at the chain's corporate headquarters.

"What will change, he said, is the way that message is conveyed to customers."

"We are in the process of defining a system by which we can communicate this difference to our customers so our buffet-style dining is better un-

derstood," said Moss.

Corporate management was scheduled to meet Thursday night with Amaama, Leota and the attorney they've hired since the incident.

The couple didn't return calls seeking comment Thursday, but said after the episode last week that they had been embarrassed and treated unfairly.

The company has offered them a gift certificate, though its amount was not immediately known and would likely be discussed at Thursday's late meeting.

"I'd like to be able to shake hands with them. Invite them to come back as a great customer and hopefully we can move on with life," Moss said.

Another porn actress tests HIV positive in the wake of two earlier infections

Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES - Another adult film performer - the third in 2 1/2 weeks - has tested positive for HIV, health care advocates for the pornographic movie industry said Thursday.

The actress, whose identity was not released, had already been on an adult industry "quarantine list" of about 50 potentially infected performers for the past 2 1/2 weeks.

The list was created after actor Darren James tested positive for HIV, which spurred much of the multibillion-dollar industry to temporarily shut down production. Within a few days, another actress who worked with him also tested

positive for the virus.

Despite the latest case, the number of potentially infected performers remains the same because the sex partners of that actress were already on the quarantine list, said Sharon Mitchell, executive director of Adult Industry Medical Health Care Foundation, a Los Angeles-based nonprofit group that conducts HIV testing for the porn industry.

"This is the beauty of containment," Mitchell said, referring to the common industry practice of requiring performers to undergo monthly HIV testing before producers would allow them to work.

While some expressed sympathy for the actress, others said performers should realize the consequences of sex with-

out condoms - a prevalent practice within the industry.

"If some guy offers you \$1,500 (to perform unsafe sex) and you're stupid enough to do it, that's your fault," said producer Rob Spallone of Starworld Productions. "I tell them don't let anybody talk you into doing anything you don't want to do - even me."

Stopping the transmission of HIV, he said, would require performers to do something they never have before: band together.

"If they were smart enough, they'd all say they make the rules and tell us as directors to do what they're not. They have the power, they're just too stupid to use it," Spallone said.

Sewer

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construction period. And it gets better, Rogers said.

He explained that every economy has a "money multiplier effect," whereby each dollar in income is multiplied as people buy groceries, dine out, pay local bills and so on. He's calculated a multiplier for the Mini-Cassia area of 2.2 times.

So, the \$8.15 million in wages becomes \$17.9 million going back into the local economy - \$3.7 million more than the amount that would be borrowed under the sewer bond issue, Rogers said.

Another economic benefit would be the potential for development currently limited by the insufficient sewer facility.

The city is unable to court industry because there's no capacity for handling the new waste it would create.

But the news isn't all good. While workers and business owners will benefit from the wage dollars, the cost of the sewer project will be paid by all users.

Residential sewer rates in the city are expected to jump from \$28 to between \$32 and \$35 per month and could even go as high as \$45 per month, City Administrator Roger Bagley said.

And residents will be paying off the 30-year bond issue long after the two-year construction period comes to a close in 2007.

"It's always most difficult for those least able to pay," Rogers said, likening the situation to the current spike in gas prices.

The hope is that the new facility will stimulate the economy and improve the tax base, halt out-migration and attract new industry, Rogers said.

In the end, the city must build the new facility in order to meet Idaho Department of Environmental Quality standards.

Rupert will be mandated by the state so if the bond issue doesn't pass. The bond issue would allow access to low-interest state funds and keep rates as low as possible.

Times-News reporter Chip Thompson can be reached at the newspaper's Mini-Cassia bureau at 208-677-4042. Ext. 638 or by e-mail at cthompson@magicvalley.com.

Drill

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For his part in turning a life-threatening injury into a medical miracle, Siverson received a plethora of commendations, plaques and certificates last Friday. He also received a drill from Makita, the case emblazoned with a plaque in his honor, and a drill bit used in neurosurgery from Dr. Bruce Anderson, the neurosurgeon who treated King when he arrived at Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center in Boise.

There's not a lot of people

who perform operations of this type frequently, Anderson commented. In fact, what Siverson did might have earned him a repudiation rather than a commendation in many states.

As part of what one person dubbed "Keithfest 2004," Siverson gave King a Makita ballcap marked with a bull's eye where he had drilled into King's skull. He also gave King a Makita T-shirt autographed by those who took part in the dramatic lifesaving operation.

"It was a calculated risk," he said. "We will risk a lot to save a

life."

King, who since has moved to Bend, Ore., to be closer to his wife's family, said he owes a lot to Melissa, as well.

"There were at least six doctors in the early going who told her I wasn't going to make it. And her response was always, 'Yes, he is.' She kept on them and helped see to it that I did indeed get a chance to make it," he said.

"And now - well, I'd be lying if I said I wasn't at a 100 percent. I am a 100 percent."

CSI vocal groups will perform Sunday in the Spring Sing

Magic Valley in brief

a new truck repair and sales facility. Plans call for 10 new jobs to be created at the business, which qualified the project for state money.

The city of Rupert received \$100,000 to renovate the Civic Gym and make the Wilson Theatre handicap accessible.

CSI's Renaissance Faire begins this morning

TWIN FALLS - At CSI did Sir Schiwe a stately festival de-cree.

The College of Southern Idaho will stage its annual Renaissance Faire today from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the lawns north of the Student Union Building, weather permitting.

Events and attractions include mock jousting, a labyrinth, singing, dancing, poetry, puppet shows, Shakespearean plays and a cap-and-gown contest, all in the style of the cultural rebirth in Europe during the 14th to 16th centuries.

The faire is sponsored by the college's Renaissance Club. Travis Schiwe is president.

The faire's king and queen will be crowned at 3:30 a.m. in

the Student Union Building. Members of the Society for Creative Anachronism, which celebrates the customs of the period, will demonstrate fighting and other arts.

In case of rain, events will be in the Student Union Building. Admission is free.

CSI students elect officers, senators

TWIN FALLS - New student officers and senators have been elected for the 2004-05 school year at the College of Southern Idaho.

Nearly 1,500 students voted online. The winners were certified by the CSI Student Senate and reported to the CSI board.

New officers are Megan Thom of Twin Falls, president; Luke Hamilton Brandt of Vale, Ore., vice president; Stephanie Standley of Caldwell, secretary; and Sarah Smith of Meridian, treasurer.

Student senators for the coming year are Eric Highbee of Rupert, Isaac Moffitt of Jerome, David Chambers of Dietrich, Halley Bonantz of Spring Creek, Nev., Alezy Dorofeyev of St. Petersburg, Russia, Blin D. D. of Twin Falls and Randal Andrew of Gooding.

—compiled from staff reports

Diesel pipeline spill fouls marsh east of San Francisco with waste

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) - A pipeline that pumps petroleum from refineries in the San Francisco Bay area ruptured and spilled an estimated 40,000 gallons of diesel fuel into a marsh that serves as a key nesting ground for migratory birds, officials said Thursday.

The spill, which began Tuesday, prompted an emergency cleanup effort at Suisun Marsh, about 30 miles northeast of San Francisco.

The accident wasn't expected to affect fuel supplies in California, state officials said.

A worst-case scenario had initially put the damage at 1 million gallons of spilled fuel, said Mark Merchant, a spokesman for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

But state officials later reduced the estimate to about 40,000 gallons.

Kinder Morgan Energy Partners, the Houston firm that owns the pipeline, estimated that 500 to 1,000 barrels, containing 42 gallons of fuel each, had leaked into the marsh, said spokesman Jerry Engelhardt.

The spill was mostly con-

tained by Thursday and was limited to a diked area of roughly 600 acres, so the fuel couldn't easily escape to the rest of the marsh, officials said.

About 50 workers from state, county and federal agencies were working Thursday to assess the damage and contain the spill, which left a sheen over the top of the water.

The U.S. Coast Guard and state Department of Fish and Game were leading the effort.

Several dead animals were found, said Coast Guard spokeswoman Clare Miranda.



Randy Hansen Campaign Gains Momentum with the Support of the House of Representatives Leadership and Its Members.

Today the leadership of the House of Representatives and 29 of its members endorsed the candidacy of former State Representative Randy Hansen who is now running for the open Senate seat in District 24. Lawrence Denney, the Republican Majority Leader, stated, "Randy was one of the most effective legislators we have ever had in the legislature. In the joint finance and appropriations as a freshman (which is not ever done) he worked as hard as anyone. His integrity and respect is foremost in the legislature."

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Salmon policy faces criticism

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — Salmon conservation policy could be headed for a major change under a draft proposal by the Bush administration that would add hatchery-bred salmon to any decision about protecting wild fish runs under the Endangered Species Act.

The draft was immediately criticized by conservation groups. "This policy circumvents the main tenets of the Endangered Species Act and effectively lets the federal government off the hook for any responsibility to recover salmon and healthy rivers and streams up and down the West Coast," said Kathleen Lovell of Trout Unlimited.

But Bob Lohn, regional administrator of NOAA Fisheries, the federal agency that oversees salmon conservation, said the policy change was required by a recent federal appeals court ruling that forces the agency to count all fish that are genetically related.

"It's certain that a number of hatchery fish are genetically related, even identical to wild fish," Lohn said. He said conservation groups overreacted to the draft. "They assume it will be applied in some extreme manner, and even allow all fish to be hatchery fish and avoid habitat improvement," Lohn said. "But nothing could be farther from the truth."

The draft states that the genetic relationship between hatchery fish and wild fish must be considered when deciding whether to protect wild salmon runs. Lohn said the language may change and a final policy may be ready by June.

The recent 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruling that led to the draft policy change resulted from a challenge to the Endangered Species Act led by the Pacific Legal Foundation, an industry-backed group.

"It's not a political decision by the Bush administration. It's simply the administration recognizing it has no choice but to comply with the law," said Russ Brooks, managing attorney for the foundation's Northwest center and lead lawyer in the case.

U.S. District Judge Michael Hogan ruled in 2001 that any genetically related fish must be considered under the Endangered Species Act, whether they spawn in the wild or are raised in the concrete tanks of a hatchery.

But conservation groups say that reasoning extends the act too far. "In fact, the Endangered Species Act says we're here to protect species in natural habitat, and the last time I looked, concrete didn't qualify as a natural habitat," Lovell said.

The draft policy will allow the number of hatchery fish to be considered when counting wild fish to determine whether to maintain protection for wild stocks, environmentalists say. Instead of working to improve habitat for listed species of salmon, the policy could allow managers to rely on hatcheries for long-term recovery.

"A lot of conservation policy has dealt with hatchery fish but this draft policy is different," said Patt Goldman of Earthjustice. "This is first time they have said they'll count hatchery fish when deciding whether to list."

GETTIN' THE BOOT



Workers and artists look on Wednesday as a line of eight-foot fiberglass boots stands on Capital Avenue in Cheyenne, Wyo. The boots will be painted and displayed around Cheyenne as part of a fund-raiser for an endowment for the Cheyenne Depot Museum.

Regents name Michael Young University of Utah president

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Following a nearly six-month search, the Utah Board of Regents on Thursday named Michael Young, dean of the George Washington University in Washington, as the new president of the University of Utah. Young had the strongest Utah ties of any of the candidates. He's a relative of pioneer and Mormon leader Brigham Young and received his undergraduate degree from BYU. Young replaces Bernie Machen, who became president of the University of Florida earlier this year. The Utah job is "the opportunity of a lifetime," Young said after the announcement at Rice-Eccles Stadium at the university, adding that Utah is "truly a world-class university."

Young, a Harvard law graduate, has been a Loblinger Professor of Comparative Law and Jurisprudence since 1998. He's a former director of the Center for Japanese Legal Studies and the Center for Korean studies. Young worked from 1989-1993 in the U.S. State Department on trade, environmental and agricultural issues. Young was chosen over Loren Crabtree, chancellor at the University of Tennessee in Knoxville, and Susan Westerberg Prager, a law professor at Los Angeles.

It was the school's most open presidential search in more than 30 years. Last week, regents publicly announced the names of the three finalists instead of keeping the process confidential until a winner was named. The process had historically been kept classified because it was believed that identifying candidates would discourage qualified contenders from submitting their names in the event they did not eventually make the cut. Regents chairman Nolan Karas called the job one of the top five positions in Utah in terms of visibility and, perhaps, influence.

Regulators refuse to say who owns energy tags

BOISE (AP) — The Idaho Public Utilities Commission has refused to enter a dispute over who owns the highly marketable renewable energy tags often traded among power companies, commissioners announced Thursday. Idaho Power Co. asked the state regulators last month to issue an order declaring who owns the so-called "green tags." The tags are awarded to small power producers that contract to sell renewable energy to Idaho Power, and are essentially a currency that can be traded to parties that support renewable energy. The tags are becoming more valuable since a growing number of states are requiring their regulated utilities to buy or generate some electricity from renewable resources. They are awarded by regional organizations, such as

the Bonneville Environmental Foundation. Idaho Power, the regional organizations and the renewable energy project owners all wanted state regulators to rule that the renewable energy project owners also own the green tags they are awarded. But Idaho Power also wanted the "right of first refusal," guaranteeing it the first chance to buy the tags if the owners decided to sell. The utility said that would encourage additional green energy development in Idaho without forcing increases in energy prices. The state's other large electric utilities argued that the tags are owned by the purchasing utilities. And some small power producers simply said that state regulators did not have jurisdiction to decide the issue.

Audit finds counties hold forfeiture money

SALT LAKE COUNTY blames sloppy bookkeeping and a pending legal settlement. Salt Lake County blames sloppy bookkeeping and a pending legal settlement. This is just another example of state and county officials ignoring the will of the people and acting like they're above the law," Initiative B supporter Arnold Gaunt said. Shortly after Initiative B passed, law enforcement agencies unsuccessfully challenged its constitutionality. Later, county attorneys argued the initiative was superseded by another law. A state judge rejected that argument and the counties were ordered to turn over their forfeiture proceeds.

The law enacted by this year returns the forfeiture profits to law enforcement, while strengthening some protections against innocent property owners being hurt. Under the new law — which goes into effect on Monday — the state auditor no longer will be responsible for tracking forfeitures. "To a large extent it makes our findings moot," Johnson said. "But we still intend to go after the money owed."

His report said that of the \$924,952 in cash and valuables seized in fiscal years 2002 and 2003, only \$450,557 has reached the state treasury. Davis County Attorney Melvin Wilson held on to \$250,000, contending he was abiding by another state law, Utah's Unclaimed Property Act. Regarding an automobile seized in a criminal investigation, Emery County Attorney David Blackwell said, "The van was held in Green River for a year. At some point the state treasurer was notified of the location. Frankly, we don't know what to do with it."

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Baby animals bring crowds into zoos

TOLEDO, Ohio (AP) — The mad dash starts as the baby African elephant saunters into his enclosure to gnaw on twigs left behind by his zoo keepers.

Boys and girls reach into their bags for cameras, jostling to get a better view. Shouting out "Louie, Louie!" in unison, they cheer as he steps closer.

For zoos, nothing draws a crowd like an adorable baby elephant or gorilla. And at a time when public funding for zoos is limited, attracting more visitors helps prop up the bottom line.

The 935-pound Louie, who will celebrate his first birthday Friday with a sugar-free cake, has become the Toledo Zoo's biggest attraction.

He's on billboards and on sweat shirts that say "He has his mother's nose." He's got his own DVD. When he was first shown to the public, there were three-hour lines just to get a two-minute glimpse.

The Audubon Zoo in New Orleans started the "Baby Boom" marketing campaign this spring to highlight its new arrivals — Satchmo, a rhinoceros born in September, a baby anteater and two jaguar cubs.

"Baby animals are one of the best things you can have to bring people in — depending on what it is," said Audubon Zoo spokeswoman Sarah Burnette.

A zoo babies celebration is one of the most popular events at the Cincinnati Zoo, where pink and blue signs point the way to the newborns.

"We don't just stick to the cute and cuddly," said John Dinon, the zoo's director of animal conservation. "We've done it for insects and snakes."

Dinon and other zoo leaders say animals are bred to save their species, and that boosting attendance isn't their primary motivation.

The North Carolina Zoo plans a \$60 million expansion for its elephant and rhinoceros exhibit. It wants to put together the largest breeding herd of African elephants in the nation.

Two years ago, the zoo's director, David Jones, said the best way to increase attendance and revenue was to have a baby elephant. The larger herd also may help replenish the aging number of captive African elephants.

"Sure we want more visitors, that's how we survive," said zoo spokesman Tom Gillespie. "But we're most concerned about the survival of the species. They're in a crisis mode right now."



Louie, an 11-month-old African elephant, breaks a paper mache egg during an egg hunt April 9 at the Toledo Zoo. The 935-pound Louie has become the zoo's biggest attraction.

LA malls tighten security after threat

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Security was tightened at malls Thursday after an anonymous caller warned federal authorities that terrorists could strike a Los Angeles shopping center near the Federal Building.

Dozens of police and security guards patrolled malls close to the facility, including the indoor Westside Pavilion and The Grove, a maze of new shops in the Fairfax District.

Mayor James Hahn urged people to continue their usual activities while remaining vigilant for unusual activity like trucks parked too long in one place or people wearing bulky clothing in hot weather.

Authorities have previously acknowledged a number of sites in Southern California could be targets of terrorism, including Los Angeles International Airport, ports, movie studios and bridges.

Police said they have fielded more than 1,000 tips about possible threats in the past year — but decided to make this one public because it offered a specific date and general target.

A caller told federal officials several days ago an unnamed mall near the Federal Building

could be struck Thursday, but didn't describe the nature of the attack, police said.

"The information is uncorroborated and the credibility of the source is unknown," the Los Angeles Police Department said. Police Chief William Bratton said the call was analyzed for several days along with other information that he declined to specify. Malls were notified and police were placed on citywide alert before the warning was made public Wednesday night.

The alert was "strictly precautionary," Bratton said during a news conference.

Police increased patrols at shopping malls and asked mall operators to beef up security while a joint terrorism task force investigates.

Tom Miles, The Grove's general manager, said shopping traffic appeared normal. "Life goes on," he said, adding that the mall never considered closing.

LAPD officers also patrolled the Westside Pavilion, about 2.5 miles away from the Federal Building. Early morning crowds seemed sparse, although mall marketing manager Erica Boatman-Dixon said it appeared to be a typical midweek turnout.

Family: Army mistreated accused soldier

HAGERSTOWN, Md. (AP) — Family members of a soldier accused of abusing Iraq war prisoners said Thursday that he was being made a scapegoat for commanders who gave him no guidance on managing hundreds of Iraqis with just a handful of poorly equipped troops.

Army Reserves Staff Sgt. Ivan "Chip" Frederick is one of six members of the 800th Military Police Brigade facing courts-martial for allegedly humiliating the prisoners at Abu Ghraib prison near Baghdad. CBS's "60 Minutes II" broadcast pictures of the alleged abuse and an interview with Frederick Wednesday, the other soldiers' names have not been released.

Frederick's uncle, William Lawson, said the Army was

Commander who overrose troubled Iraq prison.

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treating his nephew unfairly.

"They're trying to portray him as a monster," said Lawson of Newburg, W.Va. "He's just the guy they put in charge of the prison."

Frederick's wife, Martha, of Buckingham, Va., said her husband, in Iraq since April 2003, told her his unit wasn't provided proper training and equipment.

"I feel like things are being covered up. What has come to light has spilled in the burden of my husband," Martha Frederick said.

Military officials said Chip Frederick, 37, and at least some

of the others are from the 372nd Military Police Company, a unit of the 600th based in Crestwood, in western Maryland. The charges against them include dereliction of duty, cruelty and maltreatment, assault and indecent acts with another person.

Some of the soldiers were smiling in the photographs obtained by CBS, which showed naked prisoners stacked in a human pyramid and being forced to simulate sex acts.

At a news briefing Wednesday in Baghdad, Brig. Gen. Mark Kimmitt said the investigation began in January when an American soldier reported the abuse and turned over evidence that included photographs.

"That soldier said, 'There are some things going on here that I can't live with,'" Kimmitt said.

Ex-nurse pleads guilty to deaths

SOMERVILLE, N.J. (AP) — A former nurse who claimed to have killed as many as 40 patients by giving them lethal doses of intravenous drugs pleaded guilty Thursday to 13 murders in a deal that will spare him from the death penalty.

Charles Cullen, 44, also admitted to two attempted murders and agreed to plead guilty to a murder in Easton, Pa. He will also cooperate with authorities as they try to uncover other crimes he may have committed between 1984, when he entered nursing school, and his arrest last Dec. 12.

Authorities said they will question Cullen about suspicious deaths in the nine hospitals and one nursing home where he worked over his 16-year career.

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Fears rise along with 'hot lab' boom

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — From Boston to Livermore, Calif., "hot labs" designed to combat bioterrorism and house the world's deadliest germs are being planned and constructed with a huge cash infusion from the federal government.

Supporters of the unprecedented building boom say the new or expanded high-containment labs — there are at least 18 — are essential to national security in a post-Sept. 11 world.

But as the labs rise on college campuses and government installations across the country, so do concerns about safety and security.

Neighbors fear that some frightening variant of Ebola virus, plague or other deadly disease could be leaked to their backyards, and are filing lawsuits and lobbying politicians to halt construction.

A growing number of scientists complain that the \$6 billion earmarked by Congress for fighting bioterrorism is excessive, is being doled out with little oversight and is detracting from efforts to combat problems that are much more deadly — for example, AIDS and malaria, which are already killing millions of people.

Others worry that the buildup actually threatens national security, by arming more people with the know-how to construct bioweapons, and perhaps even race since two of the hot labs are to be built inside national weapons labs at Livermore and Los Alamos, N.M.

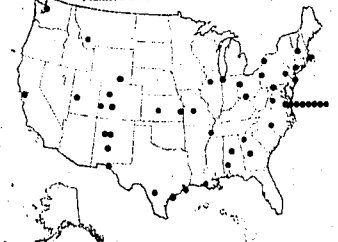
Universities in Boston, Pittsburgh, Texas and elsewhere have already won grants to build labs, some in urban neighborhoods.

In Boston, activists are trying to halt construction of a \$168 million lab at Boston University, to be built in the city's south end. They fear something akin to what health inspectors suspect occurred recently in China: that SARS escaped from a laboratory and made its way into the Chinese heartland, contributing to the latest eruption of the sometimes fatal disease.

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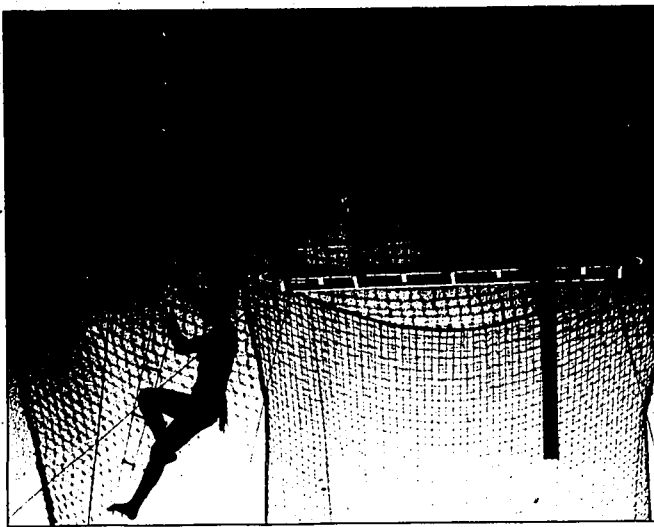
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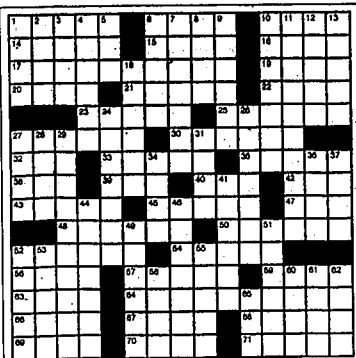
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Stop mulling, Gemini, and make that decision

IF APRIL 30 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY ... you are currently experiencing relief as problems that clouded your spirits over the past year have lifted and a clear atmosphere has dispelled. Opportunities and blessings have showered down on you recently, and more are in the stars in the months ahead. Right now you need to curb the tendency toward possessiveness or a key relationship could experience turmoil.

ARIES (Mar 21-Apr. 19): You have the necessary prowess to get your way in just about anything today. If you are going out on the prowl tonight, the prospects look very good for a warm initial meeting.

TAURUS (Apr. 20-May 20): Partners may be full of vim and vigor and hard to restrain. It is a good night for family gatherings or projects at home; there's a sparkle in everything you do.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Your direction has shifted, and things you have been mulling over for weeks are ready for dynamic decisions. You are more sure of yourself and attuned to the truth.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): It might be a good night to spend with family or friends. There is a bit of a romantic notion in the back of your mind, but you really shouldn't start new romances under these stars.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Today, energy levels are high and much can be accomplished. It is a pleasant night to pursue pleasures at home in the warm embrace of those closest to you. Relax and kick back.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Decisions that have been stewing on the backburner are now ready to be brought to the table. Ideas that are conceived now should flourish.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You will not need to kick-start relationships, as people are full of vigor and ready for action. Friends may treat you like family, and the best time can be had at the kitchen table.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You may be mentally rehashing your goals and able to take action on matters that have lain dormant for weeks. There's a buzz in the air today, and you can take the bull by the horns.

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SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): A boost to your energies can make you a whirlwind of activity, and you can get everything completed before the weekend begins. Once free of business, enjoy a home-style evening.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): An enterprising air will help you get to those last-minute items on your checklist before the weekend begins. Good company and quiet pastimes in the evening may warm up your mood.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You could be a bit restless for some social adventures. If you are out and about, you could find someone to spark your interest tonight, but delay important intimate involvements.

PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20): You are quick on your feet today, and there is no problem finishing up tasks. Decisions that have been on hold can be made without hesitation or regret. Avoid being overly possessive.

Shakers don't watch THAT spring ritual

Legal tradition of the Shakers long has required them to look elsewhere during the breedings of their farm livestock.

Q. "Companionship" always comes in first in those surveys that ask what people most want out of marriage. What comes next?

A. Reciprocated love, financial security and reliable sex. Our Love and War man sometime back reported, "Intellectual stimulation is sometimes mentioned, too, wistfully."

Q. Says here you can be right without being correct. I don't get it ...?

A. If you were to tell your hostess she sweats about quart a day, you'd only be right.

Phoenix residents call themselves "Phoenixians."

The breath you exhale during normal breathing moves at about 10 feet per second. That, experts say, is the speed of a light breeze.

A handkerchief couple of centuries ago typically was a yard square. Had to be. Travelers carried their belongings in them. There were no suitcases.

All clouds are white, say pilots above.

Capsaicin is what makes the chili hot to the taste. And it does something else, according to researchers at Texas A&M. It picks up the body's metabolic rate. They conclude, therefore, you can lose weight on a diet of chili.



Bride objects to some invitees

DEAR ABBY: "Chad" and I have been engaged for more than a year. Our wedding is in six months. While finalizing the guest list, I discovered that Chad wants to invite some people with whom I am not at all interested in sharing my special day.



"Michelle" was a close friend of mine through high school and college, but we have not spoken to each other in four years. I know Michelle's parents really like Chad, and I remember Michelle's mom telling me that if I ever broke up with Chad she'd like him to date Michelle.

Chad knows Michelle from high school and college only because he was dating me. He occasionally speaks to Michelle since they are in the same profession, and he likes her parents enough to take the time to visit them when he's in town.

I do not want to come across as the jealous fiancée, but I am uncomfortable with the fact that he so badly wants Michelle and her parents to be at our wedding. When I told him how I felt, he said he has known them forever and considers them good friends. Abby, I do not consider Michelle a friend at all, and her parents mean absolutely nothing to me and my family.

This is the only disagreement Chad and I have about our wedding. It's important to me to

have only people there whom I truly care about. Should I put my foot down and deny them an invitation, or suck it up and pray they're busy that weekend?

—SICK OF THE LIST IN FLORIDA

DEAR SICK OF THE LIST: Take a giant step backward and let's look at this situation:

(1) Chad and Michelle have a casual business relationship.

(2) Chad was never romantically interested in Michelle, regardless of how much her parents might have wished it.

(3) Chad wants to invite them all on HIS special day so they can have the pleasure of watching him commit the rest of his life to you.

(4) If I were you, I'd offer them a front-row seat and popcorn!

DEAR ABBY: My husband and I both had failed relationships in the past. I thought we had learned from our mistakes, but we've been arguing a lot. If I ask where something is or

have a different opinion about something, he claims I'm trying to "make him look stupid, that he's "ways in the wrong," and that I accuse him of things "all the time."

Abby, I do not think my husband is stupid. I think he's smart. I have never thought the things he's accused me of thinking. He blows everything out of proportion to show how wrong, wrong, wrong I am. The most benign comment can start a fight that leaves me in tears.

We have five children under age 5, and for their sakes, history must not repeat itself. Please help.

—CONFUSED IN IOWA

DEAR CONFUSED: There's an old saying, "Once burned, twice shy." Because of the way his first wife treated him, your husband is hypersensitive to what he perceives as criticism. He's playing old tapes over and over in his head and reacting to them, instead of what's going on with you.

With five children under the age of 5, this may be difficult, but I cannot stress enough how important it is for you both to find the time for marriage counseling. Do it for your children's sake. You may need to be more diplomatic, and he definitely needs to learn to live in the present. Please don't wait.

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Love to rock?

Eighties rocker Joan Jett will do two shows a night today and Saturday night at Caenus Pezes Resort Casino in Jackpot.

Dancing feat

Nearly 1,000 dancers from five states will participate in the Canyon Rim Classic, a fund-raiser for the American Cancer Society, today and Saturday in the College of Southern Idaho gymnasium in Twin Falls.

Many voices

The College of Southern Idaho's Chamber Choir, Madrigal Ensemble, and Women's and Men's Choirs will present their annual "Spring Sing" Sunday afternoon in the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium in Twin Falls.

Forsooth?

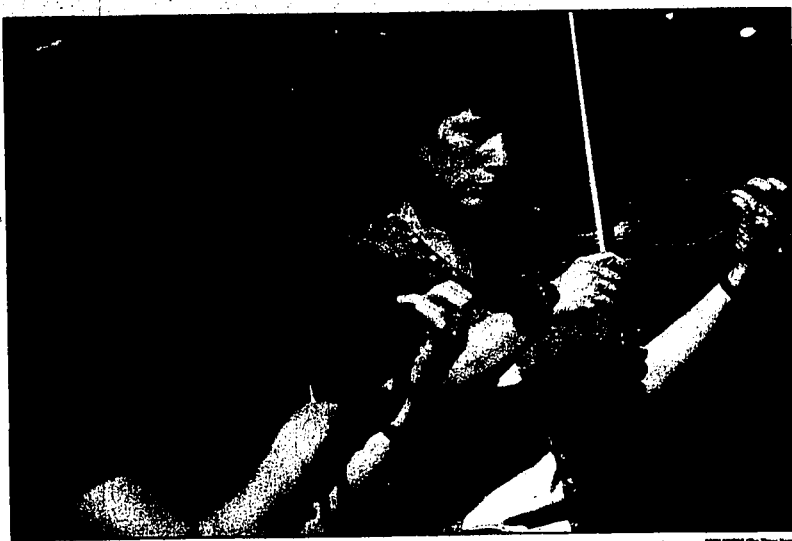
The College of Southern Idaho will stage its annual Renaissance Fair today on the lawns north of the Student Union Building in Twin Falls, with mock jousting, a labyrinth, singing, dancing, poetry, puppet shows, Shakespearean plays and a catapult contest, all in the style of Europe during the 14th to 16th centuries.



Latin grooves

War, Lil Rob and Angelina will perform for a Cinco de Mayo party at the Big Easy Concert House in Boise Tuesday night.

For times, dates and details, see Events Spotlight on Pages C3-7.



Kathy Harris, right, and Lori Casperson rehearse for the Magic Valley Symphony's spring concert tonight at the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Building.

Ann a dissonance

Far-flung collaborators perform with Magic Valley Symphony tonight

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — Boise and Provo, Utah, are 383 miles apart. It's pretty hard for one piano player to hear another at that distance, no matter how fortissimo.

No matter: Del Parkinson and Jeff Shumway are always on the same page. Parkinson, professor of piano at Boise State University, and Shumway, who heads keyboard studies in the music department at Brigham Young University, have played and performed together for 20 years, even recording a CD of George Gershwin's music in tandem.

They'll be together again tonight at the Magic Valley Symphony's spring pops concert in the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium.

"We have never lived in the same city, except when we were students for a year at The Julillard School," Parkinson said. "But we have performed together a lot, both in this piano duo and in the American Piano Quartet."

"After years of working together, we know each other's performance mannerisms quite intimately, and we know exactly what the other person is doing in terms of interpretation. So it's really not difficult to be separated geographically. Once we

learn our own parts, we are generally able to put the two parts together relatively quickly."

And together they'll play a unique concerto tonight.

It's Felix Mendelssohn's Concerto for Two Pianos and Orchestra in E major, written in 1823 when the composer was just 14. Mendelssohn never published it, considering it to be immature. Extensively revised, it emerged as a later concerto in a different form, but a colleague kept a copy of the original and it was discovered long after the composer's death.

Stephan Lindeman, a BYU music professor and expert on the lost concerto, suggested that Shumway and Parkinson learn and perform it.

"The amazing thing to me is that it is a fully mature work, as wonderful as anything (Mendelssohn) wrote in his twenties and thirties," Parkinson said. "The piano parts are incredibly pianistic; he was a fine pianist himself and he knew his technical possibilities perfectly."

They'll also play some Gershwin from their CD, which they developed when they took sabbaticals at the same time.

"I Got Rhythm Variations" is, of course, based on his famous tune," Parkinson said. "He morphs the theme in a variety of ways, including a slow waltz

version, a Chinese version, a blues section, and an extended jazz finale. He wrote it for piano and jazz band, and we have modified it so we can play it on two pianos. The rhythm is infectious."

"An American in Paris" is (Gershwin's) symphonic masterpiece. In this piece he depicts the sights and sounds of a great European city. One can hear the sounds of taxi horns, a slow blues section, and an upbeat, energetic conclusion. As preparation for the orchestra version, Gershwin wrote out the entire piece in a two-piano version. The two-piano version was only published a decade ago, so we immediately acquired it. We have had to make some slight adjustments in the piece to adapt it for public performances."

The symphony will perform "Mars, the Bringer of War" and "Jupiter, the Bringer of Jollity" from Gustav Holst's suite, "The Planets," and "Adventures on Earth," a symphonic medley that composer John Williams compressed from the movie "E.T."

Members of the symphony with their instruments have been visiting the Boys and Girls Club of Magic Valley this week, and the kids and their parents will be guests at the concert tonight.

If you go ...

- **What:** The Magic Valley Symphony will perform its spring pops concert.
- **Where:** College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium, Twin Falls.
- **When:** Tonight, 8 p.m.
- **How much:** Tickets, which are \$7 for general admission, \$6 for seniors and \$4 for students, are available at CSI Bookstore, Everybody's Business and the Magic Valley Arts Council office in Twin Falls.

Meet the band

- Members of the Magic Valley Symphony are:
- **First violin** — Lori Casperson (concertmaster), Kara Rose Gibbs, Diana Dewey, Angie Fillmore, Melorie Kerbs and Rachel Vanderpool
 - **Second violin** — Ken Patterson, Joeri McFarlane, Roger Maschek, Katie May, Kendra Patterson and Caitie Soderquist
 - **Viola** — Kevin Howard, Jan R. Olsen, Deb Touchette and Lindsay Coverdale
 - **Cello** — Rick Strickland, Lorna Pringle, Susan Glaze, Barry Hamilton, Janeta Miller, Kaylie Stele, Erienne Boesiger, Ian Birch and Jessie Jensen
 - **Bass** — Aaron Miller, Don Ringler Jr. and Zachary Haralson
 - **Flute** — JoAnn Gerrish and Ann Pool
 - **Piccolo** — Stacey Corbett
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 - **Piano** — Margaret Vincent

McLean brings his artistry to Burley tonight

The Times-News

BURLEY — If you've gonna do the play, it's always good to hear from the author first.

So Michael McLean, whose musical "The Ark" will be performed by the Oakley Valley Arts Council this summer, is coming to town for a concert tonight at the King Center.

McLean, a 51-year-old Utah composer, author, playwright and movie producer who spent part of his childhood in Twin Falls, co-wrote the "The Ark," the story of Noah and his struggles to build the ark. The OVAC production is scheduled for July in Oakley's Howells Opera House.

McLean also does live shows, which consist of stories and songs he has written that fit the story or idea, accompanying himself on piano. "Garrison Keller meets Billy Joel" is how he describes himself. He has played everywhere from cruise

ships to Mormon firesides to Disneyland to a dental conference at Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall to dozens of other largely LDS audiences around the country.

He wrote his first song at 11 — about the mashed potatoes and gravy on his Sunday dinner plate, which he still plays for laughs at his concerts. McLean served an LDS mission in South Africa, where he and his companions formed a musical group as a way to reach people and promote families. After their mission, the band regrouped and began playing the Utah music scene, which was mostly bars, clubs and dances. Their biggest payday came when they wrote the score for the movie "The Life and Times of Grizzly Adams," which netted them \$1,000 to be divided among six band members for six days of work, no royalties.

McLean dropped out of

Words and music

- **What:** Oakley Valley Arts Council will present "An Evening with Michael McLean."
- **Where:** King Fine Arts Center, Burley
- **When:** Tonight, 7:30 p.m.
- **How much:** Tickets are \$10 and can be purchased at the Book Store in Rupert; Book Plaza, So Heavenly Book and Which Music in Burley; and Bill's Family Books and Crowley's The Quad in Twin Falls. Tickets also are available by calling 877-ARTS.

school to pursue his music, but the band couldn't get a record deal and broke up. McLean had taken a music theory class at Brigham Young University "to see if my passion for music might be worth pursuing professionally." The professor gave him a "C" and told him to enjoy music as a hobby and keep his day job.

He took the advice and transferred to the University of Utah to study business. In a last-ditch attempt to see if he had what it took, he drove to BYU weekly to take a music composition class from the highly respected Merrill Bradshaw. The other students were producing symphonies; McLean was writing pop songs.

Bradshaw gave him little feedback, and at the end of the term McLean asked him if he should continue his musical pursuits. After a long pause, Bradshaw said he didn't know what to make of his talents, "but if you quit I would consider it a personal loss. Whatever it is that you do affects me."

By now, McLean was married and had a daughter. His wife, Lynne, worked as a nurse, and McLean sold shoes at ZCZC and continued to do freelance music work. Noting their empty bank account, Lynne suggested that he try writing commercial jingles.

McLean became a one-man ad agency, writing countless jingles, some of which won Clio Awards.

Many of the spots still get played. He spent 17 years at Utah's Bonneville Communications, and got his break when he convinced James Stewart to play the title character in his "Mr. Krueger's Christmas," a movie about a lonely old man who day-dreams about conducting the Mormon Tabernacle Choir and being present at the Nativity.

In the years since, he's produced the film "Noah's Christmas Gift" (which was inspired by his grandmother), plus 25 albums.

He's also produced theatrical presentations; written "The Forgotten Carols" and "Celebrating the Light" (written three books, co-authored a 75-minute oratorio about the Garden of Gethsemane, and co-written and produced several films for the LDS Church).

Boot Scooting Country Dancers sponsors dance featuring Loraine Gibson

Dance/Twin Falls
The Boot Scooting Country Dancers Club is sponsoring a dance with live music, featuring Loraine Gibson: The One Woman Show - Many Instruments. The show, from 9-10:30 p.m. at the Radio Rodeo. Admission is \$5 and includes line and couples dance instructions from 7-10:30 p.m. No smoking and no alcohol. All ages are welcome; informal attire. The Radio Rodeo is located at 241 Main Ave. W.



Dance/Twin Falls
Urban dance music will be featured at 9 p.m. at Chasers Sports Bar and Nightclub. Cover charge is \$5. Chasers is located at 1539 Fillmore St. N.

Dance/Twin Falls
The Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary will hold a public dance at 8:30 p.m. at the DAV Hall. Archie Turner will provide the music. A \$2 donation is suggested. The DAV Hall is located at 459 Shoup Ave.

Variety/Burley
Swingtime will play from 7-10 p.m. at George K's East Restaurant and Lounge. No cover charge. George K's is located at 325 E. Third N.

Karaoke/Twin Falls
Karaoke with Rabid Dog Entertainment will be featured from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. at the Pioneer Club. No cover charge. The Pioneer Club is located at 1519 Kimberly Road.

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

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

Karaoke/Declo
High Mountain Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Shakers. No cover charge. Shakers is located at 826 Highway 91.

Karaoke/Rupert
Kraakers Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Melody. The Melody is located at 502 Sixth St.

Karaoke/Burley
Kraakers Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Cheers. Cheers is located at 163 West U.S. Highway 30.

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

Rock/Utah
Blunk-182, Cypress Hill and Taking Back Sunday will perform at the E Center in the Salt Lake City suburb of West Valley City at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$31.50 and \$32.50, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TDXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. The E Center is located at 3200

Comedy/Boise
Steven Wright will play the Egyptian Theater at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$35, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Adkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Egyptian Theater is located at 700 W. Main St.

Rock/Utah
Dada will play Club DVB in Salt Lake City at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$12, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TDXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. Club DVB is located at 115 South West Temple.

Classical/Utah
Utah Symphony will perform violin music by Rautavaara, Sibelius and Tchaikovsky at 8 p.m. in Salt Lake City's Abrahamson Hall. Tickets, which range from \$15 to \$40, can be reserved by phoning ARTix at (801) 355-2787. Abrahamson Hall is

located at 123 West South Temple.
SATURDAY
Cultural/Burley
A Cinco de Mayo Fiesta Grande will be held outside the Snake River Plaza. Activities include a car sound-off at 3:15 p.m., a yelling contest at 4:20 and a lowrider competition at 4:25 p.m. Children from Burley's Big Valley Elementary School will dance at 3:10 and 4:15 p.m., and Vanessa Lopez will sing at 3:05 p.m. and 4:10 p.m. In case of rain, the fiesta will move inside the mall. It's free.

Rock/Twin Falls
Raising Cain will play from 9 p.m. until 1 a.m. at Woody's Bar and Grill. Cover charge is \$2. Woody's is located at 213 Fifth Ave. S.

Dance/Twin Falls
Urban dance music will be featured at 9 p.m. at Chasers Sports Bar and Nightclub. Cover charge is \$5. Chasers is located at 1539 Fill-

more St. N.
Country/Twin Falls
U-Turn will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Honker's Place. Cover charge is \$4. Honker's Place is located at 121 Fourth Ave. S.

Rock/Buhl
Jan. Five Down will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at TJ's Lounge. No cover charge. TJ's Lounge is located at 112 Broadway Ave. S. 7

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Joan Jen will do two shows a night at Caseros Pecos Resort Casino, at 8 and 10 p.m. For reservations, phone (800) 821-1103.

Classical/Twin Falls
Magic Valley Symphony will perform its spring concert at 8 p.m. in the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium. Tickets, which are \$7 for general admission, \$6 for seniors and \$4 for students, are available at CSI Bookstore, Everybody's Business and the Magic Valley Arts Council office in Twin Falls.

Variety/Burley
Oakley Valley Arts Council presents "An Evening with Michael McLean" at 7:30 p.m. at the King Fine Arts Center. Tickets are \$10 and can be purchased at the Book Store in Rupert; Book Plaza, So Heavenly Book and Welch Music in Burley; and Bell's Family Books and Crowley's The Quad in Twin Falls. Tickets also are available by calling 677-ARTS. The King Fine Arts Center is located at 2100 Park Ave.

Country/Twin Falls
U-Turn will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Honker's Place. Cover charge is \$4. Honker's Place is located at 121 Fourth Ave. S.

Rock/Twin Falls
Raising Cain will play from 9 p.m. until 1 a.m. at Woody's Bar and Grill. Cover charge is \$2. Woody's is located at 213 Fifth Ave. S.

Rock/Buhl
Jan. Five Down will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at TJ's Lounge. No cover charge. TJ's Lounge is located at 112 Broadway Ave. S.

Blues/Jerome
Johnny and The Hellhounds will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Mr. Bill's. No cover charge. Mr. Bill's is located at 101 N. Alder.

Country/Twin Falls
Country Classics will play from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. at Montana Steakhouse. No cover charge. Montana Steakhouse is located at 1626 Canyon Crest Drive.

Variety/Twin Falls
Bob Norm Band will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Oasis. No cover charge. The Oasis is located at 1007 Blue Lakes Blvd. N.

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WEEKEND

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Country/Twin Falls

Country Classics will play from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. at Montana Steakhouse. No cover charge. Montana Steakhouse is located at 1825 Canyon Crest Drive.

Country/Declo

The Fugitives will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Shakers. No cover charge. Shakers is located at 1626 Highway 81.

Variety/Twin Falls

Bob Nora Band will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Oasis. No cover charge. The Oasis is located at 1077 Blue Lakes Blvd. N.

Karaoke/Twin Falls

Karaoke with Rabid Dog Entertainment will be featured from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. at the Pioneer Club. No cover charge. The Pioneer Club is located at 1519 Kimberly Road.

Karaoke/Twin Falls

Karaoke will be featured from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Klover Klub Lounge. The Klover Klub is located at 402 Main N.

Karaoke/Burley

Karaoke will be featured from 8 p.m. to midnight at the 610 Club. The 610 Club is located at 1054 Overland Ave.

Karaoke/Burley

Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Riverside. No cover charge. The Riverside is located at 197 Highway 30 W.

Karaoke/Declo

Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Big Kahuna. No cover charge. The Big Kahuna is located at 9 E. Main.

Karaoke/Rupert

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

Cultural/Utah

Utah Symphony will perform violin music by Rhapsody Sibelius and Tchaikovsky at 8 p.m. in Salt Lake City's Abraham Hall. Tickets, which range from \$16 to \$40, can be reserved by phoning Artix at (801) 355-2776. Abraham Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

Rock/Bolse

Vendetta Red will play the Big Easy Concert House at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$8, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Adkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

Rock/Jackpot

Joan Jeet will do two shows a night at Cactus Petes Resort Casino, at 9 and 10 p.m. For reservations, phone (800) 821-1103.

Country/Elko

The Oak Ridge Boys will perform at the Red Lion Hotel and Casino at 9 p.m. PDT. Sold out.

SUNDAY

Cultural/Burley

A Cinco de Mayo Fiesta Karaoke will continue outside the Snake River Plaza with the Miss Chiquita Contest at 3:20 p.m., a salsa contest at 3:40 p.m., a performance by singer Refugio Medes at 3:50 p.m., a dancing competition at 4:25 p.m., singer Vanessa Lopez at 3:05 p.m., dancing by children from Heyburn Elementary School at 3:15 and 4:10 p.m., singer Alejandra Paredes at 5 p.m. and the Miss Cinco de Mayo contest at 5:15 p.m. In case of rain, the fiesta will move inside the mall. It's free.

Choral/Twin Falls

The College of Southern Idaho's Chamber Choir, Madrigal Singers, and Women's and Men's Chorus will present their annual "Spring Sing" in the CSI Fine Arts auditorium. Admission is a sug-

gested \$5 donation to the CSI Music Activities and Scholarship funds.

Dance/Twin Falls

Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center will hold a dance with music from 2-5 p.m. at the center. Music will be provided by the Melody Masters. Cost is \$4 per person. The Twin Falls Senior Center is located at 305 Shoshone St. W.

Karaoke/Twin Falls

Karaoke with Rabid Dog Entertainment will be featured from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. at the Pioneer Club. No cover charge. The Pioneer Club is located at 1519 Kimberly Road.

Karaoke/Twin Falls

Karaoke will be featured from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Klover Klub Lounge. The Klover Klub is located at 402 Main N.

Rock/Bolse

Andrew WK will play the Big Easy Concert House at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$13, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Adkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

MONDAY

Karaoke/Burley

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

Rock/Utah

Vendetta Red will perform at the Lo-Fi Cafe in Salt Lake City at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$8, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tax at (800) 886-TDXX or online at <http://www.smithstax.com>. The Lo-Fi Cafe is located at 165 South West Temple.

TUESDAY

Karaoke/Twin Falls

P & D Karaoke will be featured

from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Honker's Place. No cover charge. Honker's Place is located at 121 Fourth Ave. S.

Karaoke/Burley

Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at George's East Restaurant. George's is located at 325 E. Third N.

Latin/Bolse

War, Lil Rob and Angelina will perform at the Big Easy Concert House at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$29.50, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, and at Adkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

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WEEKEND

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WEDNESDAY

Variety/Twin Falls

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

Karaoke/Twin Falls

P & D Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Montana Steakhouse. No cover charge. Montana Steakhouse is located at 1826 Canyon Crest Drive.

Karaoke/Paul

Krookers Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Office Lounge. The Office Lounge is located at 116 E. Idaho St.

Rock/Utah

Slipknot will perform at the Venue in Salt Lake City at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$30, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TDX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. The Venue is located at 600 West 215 South.

Rock/Utah

The Paladins and The Dusty 45's will play Eggs in Salt Lake City at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$10, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TDX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. Eggs is located at 668 S. State St.

Rock/Utah

Dick Dale will play Liquid Joe's in Salt Lake City at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$15, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TDX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>.

<http://www.smithstix.com>. Liquid Joe's is located at 3300 South 1245 East.

THURSDAY

Blues/Twin Falls

Steamroller will play from 8 p.m. to midnight for Blues Night at The Oasis. No cover charge. The Oasis is located at 1007 Blue Lakes Blvd. N.

Variety/Twin Falls

DJ night with Forrest will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Honker's Place. Cover charge is \$4. Honker's Place is located at 121 Fourth Ave. S.

Karaoke/Twin Falls

P & D Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Montana Steakhouse. No cover charge. Montana Steakhouse is located at 1826 Canyon Crest Drive.

Karaoke/Burley

Karaoke will be featured from 8 p.m. to midnight at the 610 Club. The 610 Club is located at 1054 Overland Ave.

Karaoke/Burley

Krookers Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Riverside. The Riverside is located at 197 W. Highway 30.

NEXT WEEKEND

Community/Shoshone

Lincoln County Fun Night will be held from 6-9 p.m. on MAY 7 in

the old high school gymnasium, featuring music by Dan Cole and his band and a potluck dinner and dessert (every family should bring a main dish and dessert).

Guitar/Buhl

Finger-style guitarist Adrian Legg will perform at the Eighth Street Center at 7:30 p.m. on MAY 7. Tickets, which are \$15, are available at the door. The Eighth Street Center is located at 200 N. Eighth St.

Jazz/Twin Falls

Pianist Mark Levine will perform at 7:30 p.m. on MAY 7 in the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium. Admission is by \$3 donation.

Comedy/Twin Falls

Magic Valley Little Theater will present "Punny Business," an evening of improvisational comedy, in dinner theater at The Ballroom on MAY 7-8. Dinner is at 7 and the show starts at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$20, are available at Everybody's Business.

Pop/Jackpot

Taylor Dene will do two shows a night at 8 and 10 p.m. at Cactus Petes Resort Casino on MAY 7-8. Tickets, which are \$20, \$25 and \$30, can be reserved by phoning (800) 821-1103.

Guitar/Buhl

Finger-style guitarist Adrian Legg will perform at the Eighth Street Center at 7:30 p.m. on MAY 8. Tickets, which are \$15, can be reserved by phoning 543-5417.

Rock/Bolsé

Gogol Bordello will perform at the Big Easy Concert Hall at 10 p.m. on MAY 8. Tickets, which are \$5, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Adkinson Market in Ketchikan. The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

Classical/Utah

Utah Symphony will play the music of Mozart, Mussorgsky and Shostakovich at 8 p.m. on MAY 7 and 2 p.m. on MAY 8 in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. Tickets, which range from \$15 to \$47, can be reserved by phoning Artix at (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

Country-western/Rupert

Johnny U and the U-Turn Band, Eli Doolin and Frank McCracken will headline "Western at the Wilson," an evening of western music, at 7 p.m. at the Wilson Theater. Tickets, which are \$15, are available at The Book Store in Rupert and The Book Plaza and Welch's Music in Burley, or \$15 at the door.

Classical/Twin Falls

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

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- Bickel: 733-4116**
Registration: 9:00 - 4:00 daily
Open House/Reading Workshop: Tuesday, May 4, 3:30
- Harrison: 733-4229**
Registration: 9:00 - 3:00 daily
Open House/Reading Workshop: Thursday, May 6, 3:30
- Lincoln: 733-1321**
Registration: 9:00 - 4:00 daily
Open House/Reading Workshop: Thursday, May 6, 3:30
- Morningside: 733-6507**
Registration: 9:00 - 4:00 daily
Open House/Reading Workshop: Wednesday, May 5, 3:30
- Oregon Trail: 733-8460**
Registration: 9:00 - 4:00 daily
Open House/Reading Workshop: Thursday, May 6, 3:30
- Perrine: 733-4288**
Registration: 9:00 a.m. - 11:00
12:00 - 3:00 daily
Open House: Wednesday, May 5 3:00
Reading Workshop: Wednesday, May 5, 4:00
- Sawtooth: 733-8456**
Registration: 9:00 - Noon
1:00 - 4:00 daily
Open House/Reading Workshop: Wednesday, May 5, 9:30 a.m.

- Students must be 5 years old on or before September 1, to enroll in kindergarten.
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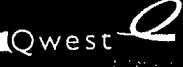
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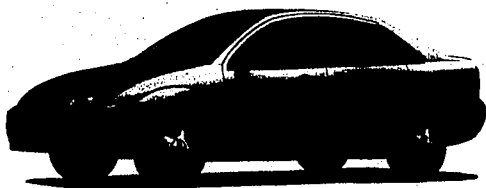


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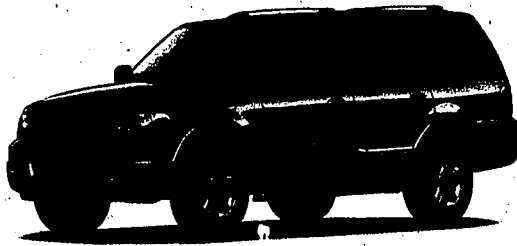
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Events

Continued from C3

Flowers in Jerome, or at the door or from Chorale members.

Rock/Boise

Los Lonely Boys will play the Big Easy Concert House at 7:30 p.m. MAY 5. Tickets, which are \$12, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

Rock/Boise

Headbangers will play the Big Easy Concert House at 7:30 p.m. on MAY 10. Tickets, which are \$12, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

Rock/Boise

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

Rock/Utah

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

New Age/Utah

Leo Kotzko will play the Rose Wagner Performing Arts Center in Salt Lake City at 8 p.m. on MAY 12. Tickets, which are \$25, can be reserved by phoning Artix at (801) 355-2787. The Rose Wagner Performing Arts Center is located at 138 West 300 South.

Rock/Boise

Kid Rock and Puddle of Mud will play the Idaho Center in Nampa at 7:30 p.m. on MAY 13. For ticket information, call (800) 888-4827. The Idaho Center is located at 16200 Can-Ada Road on Nampa's east end.

Rock/Boise

Conan will perform at the Big Easy Concert House at 7 p.m. on MAY 13. Tickets, which are \$17.50, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

Pop/Jackpot

Brenda Lee will do two shows a night at Cactus Pets Resort Casino, at 8 and 10 p.m. on MAY 13-14. Tickets, which are \$25, \$30 and \$35, can be reserved by phoning (800) 821-1103.

Disco/Twin Falls

Jensen Jewelers Relay for Life team presents Disco Night from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. on May 14 at the Turf Club. Admission is \$5. No host bar. For more information, call Chanice at 734-7323. Proceeds will benefit the American Cancer Society. The Turf Club is located at 734 Falls Ave.

Rock/Utah

Plating Razors will play the Lo-Fi Cafe in Salt Lake City at 8 p.m. on MAY 14. Tickets, which are \$12, can be reserved by phoning (800) 888-TDXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. The Lo-Fi Cafe is located at 165 South West Temple.

Rock/Utah

Gwar will perform at the Venue in Salt Lake City at 7 p.m. on MAY 14. Tickets, which are \$12, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TDXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. In the Venue is located at 600 West 219 South.

Rock/Utah

Jaculator will play Eggs in Salt Lake City at 8 p.m. on MAY 14. Tickets,

which are \$7, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TDXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. Eggs is located at 688 S. State St.

Rock/Utah

Every Mother's Nightmare will play Liquid Joes in Salt Lake City at 8 p.m. on MAY 14. Tickets, which are \$12, can be reserved by phoning (800) 888-TDXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. Liquid Joes is located at 3300 South 1249 East.

Rock/Utah

Henry Rollins will play in the Venue in Salt Lake City at 8 p.m. on MAY 14. Tickets, which are \$18, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TDXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. The Venue is located at 600 West 219 South.

Rock/Utah

Kid Rock will perform at the E Center in the Salt Lake City suburb of West Valley City at 7:30 p.m. on MAY 14. Tickets, which are \$32, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TDXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. The E Center is located at 3200 South Decker Lake Drive.

Pop/Utah

Michael Ball will play Salt Lake City's Abnormal Hall at 7:30 p.m. on MAY 14-15. Tickets, which range from \$40 to \$70, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TDXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. Abnormal Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

Rock/Boise

Damograpion and Drowning Pool will perform at the Big Easy Concert House at 7:30 p.m. on MAY 15. Tickets, which are \$19.50, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TDXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

Rock/Utah

My Morning Jacket will perform at the Venue in Salt Lake City at 8 p.m. on MAY 15. Tickets, which are \$15, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TDXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. In the Venue is located at 600 West 219 South.

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Opera/Utah

Utah Opera will perform Handel's "Julius Caesar" at 7 p.m. on

MAY 15, 7:30 p.m. on MAY 17, MAY 19 and MAY 21 and at 2 p.m. on MAY 23. Capital Theater, Salt Lake City. Tickets, which are \$12 to \$65, can be reserved by phoning Artix at (801) 355-2787. The Capitol Theater is located at 50 West 200 South.

Rock/Boise

John Mayall and The Bluesbreakers will play the Big Easy Concert House at 8 p.m. on MAY 18. Tickets, which are \$16, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

World music/Boise

Great Big Sea will play the Big Easy Concert House at 8 p.m. on MAY 17. Tickets, which are \$15, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, and at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

Rock/Utah

Machinae Head, Arch Enemy, God Forbid and 36 Crazyfists will perform at the Venue in Salt Lake City at 7 p.m. on MAY 17. Tickets, which are \$15.50, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TDXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>.

Rock/Utah

Zebrahead will play in the Venue in Salt Lake City at 7 p.m. on MAY 18. Tickets, which are \$12.50, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TDXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. In the Venue is located at 600 West 219 South.

Rock/Utah

The Clinic will play Liquid Joes in Salt Lake City at 9:30 p.m. on APRIL 19. Tickets, which are \$10, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TDXX. Liquid Joes is located at 3300 South 1249 East.

Rock/Boise

Sevendust and Cold will perform at the Big Easy Concert House at 7:30 p.m. on MAY 21. Tickets, which are \$25.50, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

Rock/Utah

Brides of Destruction, Amen and Living Things will perform at the Venue in Salt Lake City at 6:30 p.m. on MAY 21. Tickets, which are \$17.50, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TDXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. In the Venue is located at 600 West 219 South.

Pop/Utah

Utah Symphony will present its spring pops concert, "Pink Martini," at 8 p.m. on MAY 21-22 in Salt Lake City's Abnormal Hall. Tickets, which range from \$22 to \$45, can be reserved by phoning Artix at (801) 355-2787. Abnormal Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

Rock/Utah

Slaughter will play the Ogden Amphitheater in Ogden, Utah, at 6:30 p.m. on MAY 22. Tickets, which are \$12.50, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TDXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. The Ogden Amphitheater is located at 2949 Washington Blvd.

Rock/Boise

Matchbook Romancer will perform at the Big Easy Concert House at 7 p.m. on MAY 23. Tickets, which are \$12, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TDXX or online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

Rock/Utah

Raspautina and Audio Learning Center will perform at the Venue in Salt Lake City at 7 p.m. on MAY 23. Tickets, which are \$12, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TDXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. In the Venue is located at 600 West 219 South.

Rock/Boise

Sparta will play the Big Easy Concert House at 7:30 p.m. on MAY 24. Tickets, which are \$12.50, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

Rock/Utah

Ron Sexsmith and David Mead will perform at Liquid Joes in Salt Lake City at 8 p.m. on MAY 25. Tickets, which are \$10, can be reserved by phoning (800) 888-TDXX.

Rock/Utah

Styx and Peter Frampton will play USANA Amphitheater in the 2nd Lake City suburb of Otwell Valley City at 7:30 p.m. on MAY 27. Tickets, which are \$26 and \$36, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TDXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. USANA Amphitheater is located at 5400 South 6200 West.

Rock/Utah

The Shins will play in the Venue in Salt Lake City at 8 p.m. on MAY 27. Tickets, which are \$15, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TDXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. In the Venue is located at 600 West 219 South.

Rock/Utah

Kings X will perform at Liquid Joes in Salt Lake City at 8 p.m. on MAY 28. Tickets, which are \$12, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TDXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. Liquid Joes is located at 3300 South 1249 East.

ONGOING

Art/Buhl

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Art/Twin Falls

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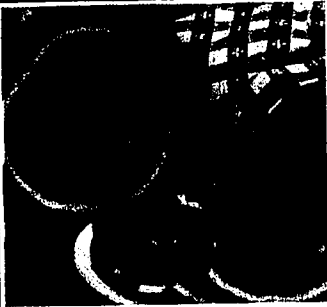
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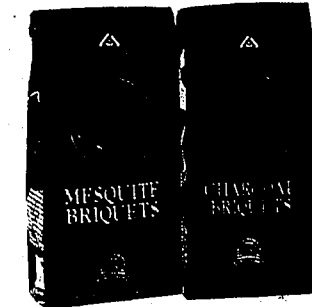
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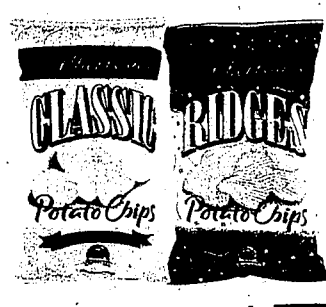
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SPORTS

Friday, April 30, 2004

Section D

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The Times-News

Varsity

■ Amber Warn fans her share of softball batters.
■ Twin Falls baseball plays key doubleheader this weekend.
See page D-4

MORNING LINE

SPORTSQUOTE

“They’ve been the only team in the NBA without cheerleaders. Technically, the Clippers don’t have cheerleaders. They have a team of what they call grief counselors.”

— Jay Leno, on the Boston Celtics’ adding a dance team

TODAY’S SCHEDULE

College baseball
CSI at Southern Nevada, 2, 3 p.m. MDT
High school track
Twin Falls, Burley, Filer, Jerome, Lighthouse Christian, Declo, Gooding at Minico Invitational, 2 p.m.
Wendell at Outback Championships, BSU, TBA
High school golf
Minico boys, Jerome at Falls Invitational, Pinescrest GC, 10 a.m.
High school softball
Declo at Kimberly, 2, 4 p.m.
Twin Falls at Pocatello, 2, 4 p.m.

IN BRIEF

T.F. boosters meet next Monday
TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls High School Booster Club will meet at 7 p.m. Monday in the school’s faculty lounge for its monthly meeting. Call Lynn Harrison at 733-6367 for more information.

Seniors sponsor tourney in Twin Falls

TWIN FALLS — The Idaho Seniors Golf Association is sponsoring a tournament May 18-19 at Canyon Springs Golf Course in Twin Falls. Registration is due by 6 p.m. May 15. The tournament is open to all men, 55-years-old and older and women 50-years-old and older. The entry fee is \$35 and includes two days of golf, lunch Wednesday and gross and net pay-offs in all flights. Golf cart rentals are an additional \$11. Players must have an IGA handicap and belong to the IGA. \$574 fees, which can be paid the day of the tournament, are \$14 per person or \$20 for married couples.

Prizes will be awarded for closest-to-the-pin in all flights. Contestants also have a chance to win a car from Rob Green’s Pontiac, Buick and GMC for a hole in one.

Prepaid entries can be mailed to Del Ericson at P.O. Box 5912, Twin Falls, Idaho 83301.
Call Canyon Springs Golf Course at 734-7609 to arrange Tuesday tee times.

Boise State offers junior golf camp

BOISE — The 2004 Inaugural Boise State Junior Golf Camp will be held June 14-18 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Falcon Crest Golf Club.
Proceeds benefit the Boise State Golf Program.
For more information contact David Gronbeck at Falcon Crest Golf Club at (208) 362-8897.

Compiled from staff reports

CSI’s VanElderen lives up to expectations

By Kevin Colbert
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — A 6-foot-3, 230-pound baseball player usually has to shoulder enough expectations. But College of Southern Idaho outfielder Sean VanElderen must feel like the monkey on his back is carrying a whole sack full of bananas.

VanElderen knows all about pressure. He dealt with it in leading Buhl High School to a Class 3A state title when he was a senior and again since his arrival at CSI. Being from a nearby town, VanElderen knows that a lot of eyes in the area rest squarely upon him but isn’t about to dwell upon it.

“I didn’t really feel pressure,” VanElderen said. “I just heard everybody saying, ‘You shouldn’t be going there,’ that the old man (head coach Jim ‘Skip’ Walker) doesn’t give the local guys a chance. I kind of took that as a challenge to stick with it and make it through everything.”

And there’s been plenty to work through.



CSI’s Sean VanElderen (27) dives back to first base to beat a pickoff attempt by pitcher Kamron Nelson (13) during CSI’s 9-5 win over Salt Lake Community College April 26 in Twin Falls. VanElderen is perhaps the most powerful player in the Golden Eagles’ lineup, with four home runs on the season.

VanElderen arrived on campus nearly three years ago with one of the best resumes of any high school player in Idaho. But he quickly found out that all players at the junior college level have similar accomplishments.

“When I came up here it seemed like everyone was the best from their team,” he recalled.

Both VanElderen and Walker felt a redshirt year was best for the powerful, but somewhat Please see VANELDEREN, Page D5

Eagles hope to shake off fatigue in S. Nevada contests

By Kevin Colbert
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The grind of a 50-plus game season takes its toll on all baseball teams. That grind is starting to wear away at the College of Southern Idaho.

The Golden Eagles (32-15-1 overall, 20-12 Scenic West Athletic Conference), losers of five of their last eight games, will need to fight through the fatigue this weekend when they battle defending national champion Community College of Southern Nevada (32-15-1, 24-8) on the road for a pair of doubleheaders. The teams will meet today, starting at 3 p.m. MDT, with the first pitch set for Saturday at 1 p.m.

The third-place Golden Eagles are perhaps feeling the fatigue of the long season more than the front-runners in the conference — CCSN and Dixie State College. Those teams have

CSI doubleheader

Today
CSI at CC of Southern Nevada (2), 3 p.m. MDT
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CSI at CC of Southern Nevada (2), 1 p.m. MDT

rosters packed with big, strong players who are able to handle the pounding of four games every weekend a little better than the smaller Eagles. The effect is especially noticeable at the plate, according to CSI head coach Jim “Skip” Walker.

“I really feel that fatigue is playing a part in just getting the bat started,” Walker said. “If we’re not strong in our hands and forearms, we have trouble. We want to bring the bat forward but it jags. (Strength) is Please see CSI, Page D5

Minico holds off Pocatello



Minico’s Cory Warburton drives the ball foul down the right field line during Thursday evening’s 6-3 win over Pocatello High School.

No. 9 hitter Worthington helps power Spartans to win

By Eric Larson
Times-News writer

RUPERT — The Pocatello Indian baseball team did everything right against the Minico Spartans Thursday evening at Warburton Field. They got three runs and six hits off Minico ace Cory Warburton. The Indian pitchers held the top four batters of Minico’s order to three hits in 16 at-bats.

In fact they did everything right — everything except win. The Spartans picked up a 6-3 Region Four-Five-Six victory over Pocatello thanks in part to a 2-for-3, three-RBI performance from No. 9 hitter McCoy Worthington.

“McCoy did a heck of a job,” Minico coach Ben Frank said. “He really saved our bacon today.”

The Spartans were able to

bat around the order in the first inning, scoring runs on singles from Warburton, Worthington, Catcher Jarred Tracey, and third baseman Brandon Colwell. The 4-0 lead was cut to two when Pocatello first baseman Josh Willey hit a solo home run in the top of the second.

“I thought we played pretty good,” Pocatello coach Tom Harrison said. “Other than that first inning, it was a good all-around game on both sides. But it was Worthington who had the answer in the bottom of the third, driving in Colwell and Kyle Copeland with a two-out single to give the Spartans a 6-1 lead they wouldn’t lose.”

“I just got the pitches I was looking for,” Worthington said. Worthington is one of the Spartans’ leaders in batting average and is used more as a second leadoff hitter, accord-

ing to Frank. “I know Coach Frank will put me where I’ll be most productive,” Worthington said. “So far, this has worked out best.”

Minico improves to 15-6 on the year and 5-3 in Region Four-Five-Six play. Warburton improved his season pitching record to 5-1 with a complete game, six-strikeout performance.

“Cory threw well all game long for us,” Frank said. Warburton gave up two hits to Pocatello leadoff hitter Alex Hancock, but struck the dangerous Indian hitter out in the top of the seventh and followed with a strikeout of third baseman Ty Britt to end the game.

The Spartans still have regular season games against Skyline Monday and Burley Tuesday, but their postseason

fate is already sealed. They will enter the district playoffs as the third seed and will most likely travel to Twin Falls to face the Bruins in the opening round.

Meanwhile, the Indians fall to 1-7 in conference play and have two more league games to try and make districts. The 9-10 Indians had a chance for a win today, but it was Worthington who kept the Indians out of the win column again. “It’s just what happens,” Harrison said. “Damn.”

Minico 6, Pocatello 3
09:10 — 2-0
02:20 — 4-1
Mick Hanson, Casey Anthony (4) and Owen Jones, Cory Warburton and Jarred Tracey (4) — All Pocatello; Alex Hancock, Nick Harmon, Ty Britt, Pocatello; Josh Willey

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Pistons pound Bucks to clinch playoff series

The Associated Press

AUBURN HILLS, Mich. — Tayshaun Prince may not be one of the biggest names associated with the Detroit Pistons — unless it’s the playoffs.

Prince had the best all-around postseason game of his brief NBA career Thursday night, scoring 24 points with a career-high eight assists and nine rebounds to lift Detroit to a 91-77 series-clinching victory over the Milwaukee Bucks in Game 5 of their first-round series.

“He probably was the most valuable player in the series,” Pistons coach Larry Brown said.

The Pistons now move on to face the New Jersey Nets, the two-time defending Eastern Conference champions who swept Detroit in the



conference finals last season.

Game 1 is Monday night. “He played a much better team than we were last year, and they’re about the same,” said Chauncey Billups, who had 19 points and six assists. “But that same team was good enough to make it to the NBA finals the last two years.” Detroit took control with a 30-point third quarter after scoring just 39 points in the first half and leading by seven.

Richard Hamilton had 18, Rashad Wallace had 11 points and 11 rebounds and Ben Wallace added nine points, 12 rebounds and four blocks.

Milwaukee’s Michael Redd scored 24 points.

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Detroit Pistons forward Tayshaun Prince (22) goes for a dunk on Milwaukee Bucks forward Keith Van Horn on Thursday.

NCAA approves academic reforms

The Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — The NCAA approved a sweeping package of academic reforms Thursday that will penalize schools starting in 2006 if athletes perform too poorly in the classroom.

“This is the beginning of a sea change in college sports,” NCAA president Myles Brand said. “Landmark legislation was passed to ensure each and every student-athlete has a genuine opportunity to receive a high quality education and graduate.”

Athletes will have to stay above a still-undetermined graduation rate for schools to avoid punishment.

Brand said graduation targets for each school are being calculated. This fall, he said, each school will be notified “how much at risk it would have been” had the new standards already been in place.

The Division I Management Council originally proposed waiting an extra year before putting the reforms in place, but the NCAA Board of Directors decided to push it up to 2006 because it felt that wouldn’t change much by waiting.

The board previously voted to increase the number of core courses needed for freshman eligibility and to increase the number of hours required toward graduation to remain eligible.

Another piece of the package, approved last fall, required athletes to complete 20 percent of their degree requirements each year to remain eligible. The latest measure was designed to make the colleges themselves more accountable for keeping athletes on track to graduate.

“We’re starting immediately to make these reforms real,” said Robert Hemenway, chancellor of the University of Kansas and chairman of the Division I board.

The graduation rate “cut line” will be the same in all sports. Schools that fall below that beginning in 2006-07. Consistently poor performing teams could begin losing scholarships in 2007-08 and postseason eligibility and money from NCAA tournaments starting in 2008-09.

Also, if a scholarship athlete leaves school while not academically eligible, that scholarship may not be replaced for one year under a “contemporaneous” penalty that goes into effect this fall.

“This is a critically important set of legislative measures, the strongest ever passed by the NCAA, and different in kind because it holds teams as well as institutions accountable,” Brand said.

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SPORTS

Jeter breaks out of historic slump

NEW YORK (AP) — Derek Jeter broke out of a 0-for-32 slump with a leadoff home run, Miguel Cairo hit a tweeking three-run homer and the New York Yankees completed a three-game sweep of the Oakland Athletics with a 7-5 victory Thursday night.

The Yankees hit four home runs off Barry Zito (2-3). The former Cy Young winner allowed six runs and eight hits in six innings and struck out nine.

Bernie Williams and Alex Rodriguez also went deep to help Kevin Brown (4-0). The right-hander allowed four runs and seven hits in six innings.

Eric Chavez hit a two-run shot in the first for the A's, who have lost six straight.

Red Sox 4, Devil Rays 0, 1st game Red Sox 7, Devil Rays 3, 2nd game

BOSTON — The Red Sox finally allowed a run after 32 scoreless innings, then extended their winning streak to six with a sweep of the day-night doubleheader.

Jason Varitek's three-run homer capped a seven-run first inning in the night game after Byung-Hyun Kim and three relievers pitched Boston's third straight shutout to the opener.

In the opener, Kim (1-0) returned from the disabled list and allowed one hit in five innings in his first start of the season. Victor Zambrano (3-2) struck out 10 in the loss.

Tampa Bay's Jose Cruz Jr. went a combined 0-for-35, extending his slump to 0-for-33.



Boston's Jason Varitek connects for a three-run home run in the first inning Thursday against the Tampa Bay Devil Rays at Fenway Park in Boston.

White Sox 6, Blue Jays 4

CHICAGO — Esteban Loaiza stayed unbeaten as Chicago rolled for five runs in the sixth inning and beat Toronto.

Loaiza (4-0) ran his career record in April to 18-3, including 10 straight victories in that month dating back to 2001 when he pitched for Toronto.

Angels 12, Tigers 3

DETROIT — Vladimir Guerrero homered and Anaheim had an eight-run fourth inning, winning for the fifth time in its last six games.

Guerrero homered, doubled and singled twice in five at-bats.

Jarrod Washburn (4-1) pitched eight innings for the victory, allowing three runs and nine hits. He struck out six and walked none.

Nate Robertson (1-1) was tagged for nine runs and eight hits in 3 1/3 innings.

Rangers 9, Royals 7

KANSAS CITY, Mo. —

National League

Pitts 2, Pirates 0

ASTORIA — Andy Pettite needed only six exceptional innings to go from the disabled list to midseason form, getting his first NL victory for Houston in a 2-0 win.

Pettite (1-1), who hadn't pitched in 23 days because of a strained left elbow, and three relievers held Pittsburgh to two hits.

Raul Mondesi was the lone Pittsburgh player to reach base against him, with a walk and single.

Pettite struck out three and walked one, and Octavio Dotel struck out the side in the ninth for his third save in three chances.

Orioles 9, Mariners 5

BAaltimore — Eric DuBose pitched seven innings of three-hit ball and Melvin Mora and Brian Roberts had four hits apiece.

DuBose (3-2) has given up just four earned runs in his last 21 innings.

Luis Matos had three hits and drove in two runs for the Orioles, who got 15 hits, including 12 against Seattle starter Joel Piniero (1-3).

The last-place Mariners have lost seven of eight.

Cardinals 5, Phillies 4, 13 Innings

ST. LOUIS — Jim Edmonds homered to help off the 13th inning, leading St. Louis avert a three-game sweep.

Edmonds hit an 0-2 pitch from Amanyu Tolomaco (0-1), entering his fifth inning of relief, over the right-field wall for the sixth game-winning homer of his career.

The Cardinals raised their home record to 4-3, avoiding their worst start at Busch Stadium since going 2-11 in 1969.

Manager Tony La Russa became the second manager in major league history to win 700 games with two different teams, joining Sparky Anderson.

Mike Lincoln (3-2) pitched a perfect 13th. Phillies pinch-hitter Ricky Ledee hit a two-run homer in the ninth that tied it at 7.

Marlins 4, Giants 3

SAN FRANCISCO — Barry Bonds hit his 668th home run, but World Series champion Florida hit three homers of its own to defeat San Francisco.

The Marlins didn't get a tweeking solo homer off Felix Rodriguez (2-1) in the top of the ninth inning.

Franklyn Gracescul, promoted from the minors a day earlier, made his major league debut and struck out Michael Tucker with a runner on third to end it for a save.

Lightning zap Canadiens

MONTREAL (AP) — Brad Richards finished what Vincent Lecavalier started and the Tampa Bay Lightning swept their way to the conference finals for the first time.

Richards scored his second straight game-winning goal in the second period and the Lightning beat the Montreal Canadiens 3-1 Thursday night.

Tampa Bay handed the Canadiens their first series sweep since Buffalo did it in the second round in 1998.

The Lightning had never advanced past the second round in their first 11 NHL seasons, but now will have time off before facing either the Toronto Maple Leafs or Philadelphia Flyers with a trip to the Stanley Cup finals on the line.

Fredrik Modin scored into an empty net with 55.3 seconds remaining for the Lightning, who have won seven straight playoff games since losing Game 2 to the New York Islanders in the first round.

Nikolai Khabibulin stopped 27 shots, allowing only Montreal's goal. S-46 in Khabibulin, who has allowed nine goals in nine games, leads NHL goalies with four shutouts and a 0.99 goals-against-average in the playoffs.

Richards and Lecavalier, stars as juniors in Quebec, combined



Tampa Bay's Dan Boyle (22) celebrates his goal with teammate Martin St. Louis on Thursday in Montreal.

to make the Lightning just the fourth team to sweep the Canadiens in a best-of-seven series.

Lecavalier, who scored five goals in the first three games—including the tying goal with 16.5 seconds left in regulation in Game 3, assisted on Dan Boyle's first goal of the playoffs to tie the game midway through the second.

Richards, who scored 1:05 into overtime in Tuesday's 4-3 win, beat goalie Jose Theodore with a concussive backhand shot at 17:14 to silence the enthusiastic crowd.

Derby jockeys win right to advertise

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — Kentucky Derby jockeys won the right to wear advertising patches for the first time in what could become a financial bonanza.

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plaintiff in the case. "We're finally catching up with the 2000s and moving out of the 1800s."

One advertising expert said the decision could create a stampede of advertisers trying to get deals with jockeys.

"It's a tremendous opportunity (and) will give a renewed interest for the whole sport," said Peter Arnell, chairman and chief creative officer of Arnell Group in New York, which specializes in brand consultancy and advertising.

He predicted luxury goods companies would be especially attracted to the sport.

Jockeys said they'll look for tasteful ads.

Ballew's two-time Derby winner who will ride Wimbledon on Saturday, said jockeys are "very sensitive to the traditions of our sport and our goal is not to offend anyone."

"Jockeys work very hard and risk our lives on a daily basis. We have earned the right to make additional income," he said.

Sellers and Bailey have said ads would be placed on the right pants leg where the most TV exposure is possible.

William Street, chairman of the state authority, said the decision to wear ads shouldn't be left only to the jockeys.

"They're both fairly young, and it doesn't necessarily end their careers," Jacobs said.

Arbitrators have yet to hear appeals from two other THG cases — involving middle-distance runner Regina Jacobs of Oakland, who is not related to Howard Jacobs, and shot putter Kevin Tolt. In all, five track and field athletes tested positive for THG last year to adhere to their own rules by re-testing urine samples with the substance to the U.S. Anti-Doping Agency.

The arbitrators rejected the argument that sports officials failed to adhere to their own rules by re-testing urine samples for THG. Once officials learned about the possibility of a new drug, they held on to samples taken at the U.S. championships at Stanford in June.

Tyson heads to gym for planned comeback fight

By Tim Dahlberg
Associated Press writer



Mike Tyson would fight for first time in more than a year.

NEW YORK — Mike Tyson has a date, a trainer and an opponent of sorts for his first fight in more than a year. Unlike his last comeback, he also has a wide-open heavyweight division in front of him.

Tyson's manager, Shelly Finkel, said Thursday that the former champion probably will return to the ring July 31 against journeyman Kevin McBride. Finkel said negotiations were continuing over a site and possible pay-per-view broadcast.

"We should have something definite by next week," Finkel said. "There's a lot of anticipation for him to come back."

The fight would be the first for Tyson since Feb. 22, 2003, when he knocked out Clifford Etienne in 49 seconds in Memphis, Tenn.

That was supposed to be the first of a series of comeback bouts for Tyson, who was

stopping by Lennox Lewis in the eighth round of his previous fight. But Tyson hadn't been in the ring since and until recently said he wasn't sure if he wanted to fight again.

With the heavyweight division lacking a big-name champion following the retirement of Lewis, however, the 37-year-old Tyson apparently has the high ground.

"I'm totally confident about that," Finkel said, referring to Tyson's desire to fight.

The bout could be televised by Showtime, which has carried most of Tyson's fights since he was released from prison in 1995 after serving time for rape. Finkel said the fight would be promoted by K-1.

"We're in the negotiating process now," Showtime boxing executive Jay Larkin said. "But this is by no means an announcement."

Tyson has been a fixture in recent months at boxing cards and drew more applause than the main event boxers when he showed up earlier this month at Madison Square Garden for heavyweight title fights involving Chris Byrd and John Ruiz.

Byrd, Ruiz, Vital Klitschko and Lamon Brewster all hold portions of the heavyweight

title, though there is no dominant fighter in the division. That increases the attractiveness of Tyson, who still has a huge fan base despite his mediocre performances in recent years.

Tyson seemed reluctant to come back when Lewis was still fighting, perhaps because he had a rematch clause with the former champion who gave him a beating in their June 2002 fight. With Lewis gone, though, the road to the top suddenly got a lot easier.

"I think he can beat any of the four guys out there that are champions," said Freddie Roach, who trained Tyson for the Etienne fight. "He just needs to have discipline and get in shape."

Roach said he will train Tyson again, beginning next month in Phoenix. Tyson quit training a week before the Etienne fight because of a dispute with Showtime over the money he would be paid, though he said at the time he was ill.

"I was able to get some wide-open shots because of the double-teams," he said. "It wasn't like I was a go-to guy. I was just feeding off everybody else."

After a sluggish start, Detroit earned its first cushion with a 9-0 run for a 37-28 lead late in the second quarter.

An 8-0 run in the third gave Detroit a 49-36 lead, and the Pistons went ahead by 17 before taking a 69-54 lead into the final quarter.

Milwaukee did little more than trade baskets in the fourth quarter and never mounted a comeback.

"We knew they were going to come out fighting and they

NBA

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22 and Joe Smith had 16. Desmond Mason scored 14 and Keith Van Horn added 11 points and 12 rebounds for the Bucks, one of the surprise teams in the NBA this season.

"We fought hard all the way so this doesn't diminish what we've done," Redd said. "We just ran into a better team."

At this time last season, Prince went from sitting on the bench to playing a key role in Detroit's run to the conference finals.

He followed that up with a solid second season — and yet another strong postseason. The lanky small forward averaged

17.6 points, 7.6 rebounds, three assists and two blocks against Milwaukee.

"He was probably the X-factor," Bucks coach Terry Porter said. "He plays off the other players really well. In the series, he was really at the top of his game."

While the Bucks focused on Billups and Hamilton on the perimeter and Rasheed Wallace inside, Prince often was left alone.

"We got to make them pay," he said.

Prince shot 11-of-15 in the series finale, and ranks among the top shooters in the playoffs.

did," Billups said. "But we wore them down and took over."

Last year in the first round, Detroit became just the seventh of 150 NBA teams to win a series after trailing 3-1 when it rallied against Orlando.

The Pistons didn't give Milwaukee a chance to pull off the same feat, but they didn't seem to be motivated to play until late in the first half.

It took Detroit six minutes to take the lead, and the Pistons were ahead 24-22 after the first quarter. Following a late spurt, the Pistons led 39-32 at halftime as both teams made less than 39 percent of their shots.

SPORTS

SPORTS IN BRIEF

Bronco women's golf team sets up tourney BOISE — The Boise State University women's golf team and Falcon Crest Golf Club in Kuna present the Second Annual Women's Golf Clinic May 1 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Join Lisa Wasinger, David Greenbeck and 10 members of the women's golf team for a women-only clinic. The fee is \$100. Golfers can come to work on their games and learn more about BSU golf. All golfers of all experience levels are invited to attend. Lunch will be provided at the course and clubs will be provided for those without. All proceeds support Bronco women's golf scholarships. For more information contact Lisa Wasinger at (208) 426-3167.

Schuetter beats Haas; Dent quits with injury

MUNICH, Germany — Top-seeded Rainer Schuetter beat David Cup teammate Tommy Haas 6-4, 2-6, 6-4 Thursday to reach the quarterfinals at the BMW Open. Schuetter improved to 4-0 against Haas, who double-faulted then netted a drop shot in the ninth game of the last set. In other action, third-seeded Jiri Novak, the 2001 winner at this clay-court tournament, lost to second doubles partner Radek Stepanek 6-3, 7-5. Luis Horna advanced when seventh-seeded Taylor Dent quit with a left ankle injury while trailing 6-4, 3-1.

Nikolay Davydenko defeated Victor Hanesescu 6-7 (6), 6-2, 6-4 to set up a quarterfinal against Schuetter. In other quarterfinals, Stepanek plays Horan, Michel Kratochvil faces Martin Verkerk and Alexander Vaske meets Olivier Rochus.

Celtics hire former coach of river rivers

BOSTON — Doc Rivers is leaving TV to coach the Boston Celtics. The former NBA player and coach was introduced by Celtics head of basketball operations Danny Ainge at a news conference Thursday afternoon. "Danny Ainge called me and asked me to coach the Boston Celtics," said Rivers, who is the 16th head coach in the history of the storied franchise. "If you like basketball I don't know how you could say no to that."

Rivers was fired by the Orlando Magic in November after a 41-41 record with four undrafted starters. Rivers played 13 seasons for the Atlanta Hawks, Los Angeles Clippers, New York Knicks and San Antonio Spurs before retiring in 1996 to become a TV anchor for Turner Sports.

He went 171-168 in five seasons with Orlando, earning NBA Coach of the Year honors in 2000 for leading the Magic to a 41-41 record with four undrafted starters. Rivers played 13 seasons for the Atlanta Hawks, Los Angeles Clippers, New York Knicks and San Antonio Spurs before retiring in 1996 to become a TV anchor for Turner Sports.

Barcelona Spain — Defending champion Carlos Moyat lost to 13th-seeded Gaston Gaudio 6-4, 6-4 Thursday at the Open de Catalunya. Gaudio, who won the clay-court tournament in 2002 for his first ATP title, broke Moyat once in each set in a rain-delayed match.

In Friday's quarterfinals, Gaudio will play three-time defending champion Gustavo Kuerten, who beat Guillermo Canas 6-3, 6-7 (1), 6-3. Third-seeded David Nalbandian defeated Marc Lopez 6-4, 6-4 to reach his third quarterfinal. He will play Nicolas Pietrangeli, a 6-3, 6-4 winner over another qualifier, Olivier Patte.

No. 5 Fernando Gonzalez defeated No. 16 Mariano Zabaleta 7 (2), 3-6, 6-2 to set up a quarterfinal against No. 9 Jiri Novak. Novak eliminated Fernando Verdasco 6-4, 5-7, 6-4.

Also, No. 7 Agustin Calleri topped No. 10 Feliciano Lopez 6-3, 6-7, 5.

Williams jury resumes deliberations in trial SOMERVILLE, N.J. — Jurors in Jayson Williams' manslaughter trial told the judge Thursday they are in agreement on six counts. Williams and are split on two others. The judge told them to keep trying.

The development came on the afternoon of the second full day of deliberations in the case of the retired football player. The note explaining the split was among the still being debated.

Couch gains permission to talk to the Bears GREEN BAY, Wis. — Brett Favre doesn't care if Tim Couch may not talk to Green Bay. Favre may have a different opinion.

Couch, who has been talking to the Packers, was given permission Thursday by the Cleveland Browns to talk to another NFL North team, the Chicago Bears in hopes of pulling off a trade.

Browns spokesman Todd Stewart said Bears general manager Jerry Angelo contacted Cleveland coach Butch Davis on Wednesday.

Chicago's interest comes just days after the club drafted Ohio State's Craig Krenzel in the fifth round. Rex Grossman, a first-round pick last season, is the Bears' projected starter with Jonathan Quinn backing him up.

The Packers have been negotiating with agent Tom Condon for weeks in an attempt to get Couch, but have so far been unable to reach an agreement. Green Bay wants Couch, a former No. 1 overall draft choice, to back up starter Brett Favre.

Couch would sit in Green Bay, but he would come in and win the Bears' starting job in training camp.

Favre has started 208 straight games, a record for an NFL quarterback. He is expected to start in Arizona, 2002, was killed April in the Army patrol was ambushed near the Afghan-Pakistan border.

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Auto Racing

NASCAR, Busch Series, pole qualifying for 1400-PIT-SHORCOM 300, at Fontana, Calif., SPEED, 2 p.m.

Golf

European PGA Tour, Italia Open, second round, TVG, 7 a.m.

Baseball

Cubs at Cardinals, WGN, 6:05 p.m.

Basketball

Playoffs, first round, Game 5, teams TBA (if necessary), ESPN, 6 p.m.

Boxing

Friday Night Fights, ESPN2, 8 p.m.

Hockey

Playoffs, conference semifinals, Game 4, Flyers at Maple Leafs, ESPN, 8 p.m.

Horse racing

NTRA, Crown Royal American Turf States (live), ESPN, 1 p.m.

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VARSITY

GAMES THAT COUNT

Bruins look to beat Skyline, host at districts

By Eric Larsen
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Saturday's doubleheader against the Skyline Grizzlies will be the Twin Falls Bruins' two most important games of their regular season schedule. If the Bruins win both games, they will hold an 8-2 conference record and host at least the first round of the Region Four-Five-Six conference tournament. Lose, and the Bruins could be on the road for the entire postseason.

So unlike Wednesday's non-conference 10-3 win over Burley, the Bruins will throw everything they have at the Grizzlies. Top Bruin pitchers Nick Carr and Tim Mesler are the likely starters for the doubleheader, and don't expect to see any substitutions to give the Bruin bench a few at bats.

"Both games count, so they're big for us," Bruin coach Mike Federico said. "We really want to win a state championship and this is another step toward that goal."

Against Burley, the Bruins showed that they don't necessarily need to pound the cover off the ball to win. The Bruins managed only three hits, but made the Bobcats pay for every error they committed. However, if Alex Hill, Nathan Robertson, and the Bruin bats get hot, it could be bad news in a hurry for Skyline.

"We seem to have those innings where we get a run and all of a sudden there are four runs on the board," Federico said. "Or five, or six."

Another pair of error-free games would also be a great boost for the Bruins. The Twin Falls infield was solid against Burley, especially second baseman Todd Rebebin, who made a diving stop to keep a Bobcat ground ball in the infield and prevent one run in the sixth inning of Wednesday's game.

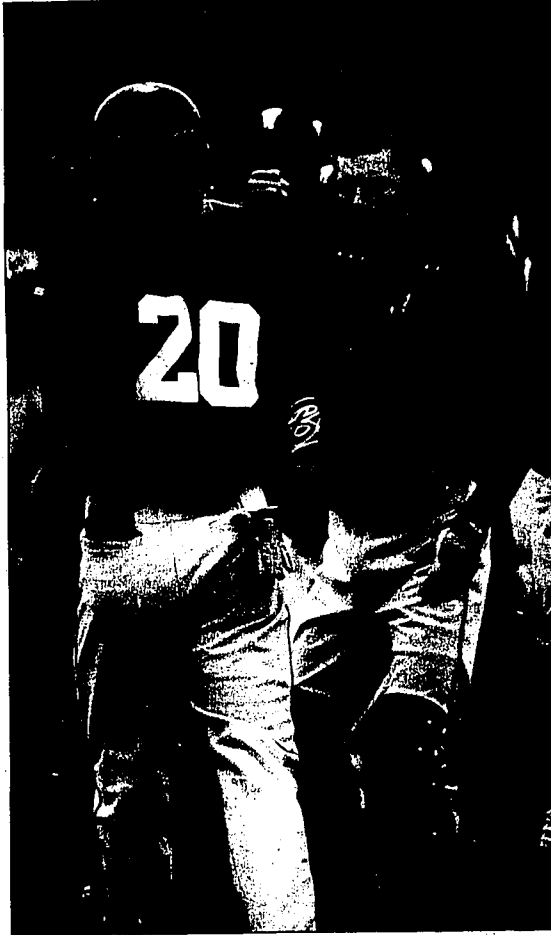
For Federico and the Bruins, the talent is there. The only question is how Twin Falls will react to the growing pressure of the last legs of the baseball season.

"If we're going to win a state championship, we just need to execute offensively and defensively," Federico said. "If we stay within ourselves, we do a pretty good job."

Track

RUPERT — Minico High School's Spartan Field has been the site of semi-pro football action as of late, but it's time for area track teams to take over for Friday's Minico Invitational. Scheduled to visit the Spartans are Twin Falls, Burley, Filer, Jerome, Light-house Christian, Declo, and Wendell.

The throwing events should be hotly contested, especially on the boys side with Burley's Cole Jones, Filer's Brad Vester, Wendell's T.J. King, and Declo's Brian Brackney in action. The only thing that could put a damper on Friday's competition is the Outback Invitational in Boise. Wendell's Jaymie Goodbody will make the trip to Boise with the Bruins, and other top athletes from the area could opt to compete at Boise State University's Bronco Stadium, the site of this year's track state



Twin Falls catcher Drew Bernhard and the Bruin bench greet right fielder A.J. Stone after Stone scored in the Bruins' 3-2 win over Minico recently.

Game of the Week

Twin Falls baseball vs. Skyline

championships.

Tennis

BOISE — The Twin Falls and Jerome tennis teams will be looking for a big challenge in Boise for the Capital Invitational at 3:30 p.m. Friday. The Bruins have played through the area competition virtually unscathed, and will welcome the challenge of playing state tournament caliber teams from the Boise area.

The Tiger tennis squad hasn't faced as well as the Bruins this year, but a change of venue and the competitive en-

vironment in Boise could bring out the best in coach Paula Tillquist's team.

Rodeo

BURLEY — The Cassia County Fairgrounds will be this week's host for the District Six High School Rodeo, as competition starts with bareback riding at 7 p.m. Friday with slack continuing at 1 p.m. Saturday. Gooding hosts the weekly District Five stop.

Softball

RUPERT — The Minico Spartan softball team is back in Region Four-Five-Six action after a busy week of non-conference games versus Jerome and Madison. Minico will host Idaho Falls for a noon doubleheader Saturday, their last home games of the season. Saturday will be senior day in Rupert, as the Spartans honor Leslie Johnson, Renee Jesse, Alicia Gomez, and Mandy

Req.

The doubleheader will be another important conference test for a Spartan team that is looking to solidify its spot as one of the top young teams in the state.

Golf

POCATELLO — The Twin Falls Bruins and Minico Spartans will head to Pocatello's Riverside Golf Club at 9 a.m. Monday for another round of Region Four-Five-Six action against Highland and Pocatello High School. The four teams are very familiar with each other after the last two months of playing together, so one could expect more of the same from this match. Look for the Bruin girls to dominate and the Bruins and Spartan boys to battle it out for first.

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Warth shows she's one steady Spartan

RUPERT — Watching Amber Warth softball pitcher Amber Warth on the mound, one gets the impression that it wouldn't be a good idea to play poker with her. Whether she's striking out 17 Century batters in a doubleheader or trying to ward off a Twin Falls rally, the junior is all business on the mound.

"You can't get too stressed out," Warth said. "You have to stay calm and block everything out. When I'm out there, I don't even hear any of the other stuff going on."

Usually when Warth is pitching, there isn't much else going on. At least for opposing batters, who most often make little sound other than the whiff of their bats and a couple of mumbles as they head back to the dugout. Warth is 12-3 for the 13-5 Spartans and aside from pitching, bats leadoff in the Minico lineup. She was a Region Four-Five-Six first team first baseman as a freshman, and has continued to improve into one of the better softball players in the state.

"She's improved tremendously in the off-season," Minico coach Jack Rasmick said. "She's worked on her changeup and drop, and she's a good self-evaluator. She's always looking to improve."

More importantly, Warth is a steady influence as a young Spartan team that is not happy just to boast about their potential. They want to do some damage in the state tournament this year. However, along with that youth comes inconsistency, something that Warth tries to help battle with every start.

"You have to be mentally stable, you can't let things go down," Warth said. "If one person gets down, the whole team starts to fall."

So Warth plays on an even keel. She doesn't pump her fist after a strikeout, she doesn't brag about her accomplishments, and she doesn't fault teammates if they make an error.

"I've never heard Amber boast," Rasmick said. "She's very humble. All the girls love and respect her. The team is like a family."

But even after 11 strikeouts in one game, 25 in a doubleheader, Warth still isn't big on celebration. Why?

"Because she was going for 25," Rasmick said. "She's thinking, 'I could have got her, or her.'"

Warth may never be cocky, but make no mistake, she is very confident in her abilities. She is also confident in her teammates and wants to make a run at the state tournament for the four seniors on the Spartan team.

"I think we can definitely take on the Spartans and win. It's the ability to do some damage against the bigger teams," Warth said.

The Spartans' biggest battle may be against themselves, as



Amber Warth, Minico softball

they try to realize all their potential this season instead of settling on knowing it will be there next.

"We just need to stay focused," Warth said. "It's more us trying not to beat ourselves than anything else."

Baseball

Dustin DeMello, Filer
DeMello pitched a complete game shutout during the Wildcat 7-0 win over Wendell Tuesday afternoon. While Filer coach Kent Knigge said his team came out flat against the Trojans, DeMello's performance was enough to shut down a potent crew of Wendell batters.

Track

Jerome Tigers
The combined boys and girls Jerome Tiger track team dominated last Thursday's Buhl Rotary Club Invitational Track Meet, finishing with a team score of 246. The Tigers won by a wide margin, besting second-place Snake River by 59 points.

Golf

Zach Abels, Kimberly
Abels carded a match-low score of 67 during Tuesday's round at the Twin Falls Municipal Golf Course. Abels led the Bulldogs to the boys team victory, edging out Filer by nine strokes.

Tennis

Burley Bobcats
The Bobcat tennis team won its third straight match Tuesday, defeating the rival Minico Spartans 8-4. The three consecutive wins came after the Bobcats opened the season 0-10-1. The Bobcats were won by straight-set wins by mixed doubles teams Orlando Ramirez and Kim Cochran and Scott Pearson and Tasha Jones.

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High schooler hurls perfect game 22 years after his father

BOWLER, Wis. (AP) — Twenty-two years later, the headline in the Shawano Leader was exactly the same:

"Rickert hurls perfect game." Mike Rickert pitched a perfect game for Bowler High School last Thursday, 22 years to the day his father, John Rickert, accomplished the feat, against the same team.

"I thought the old article to practice after school, and John started laughing," she said. "Mike said, 'No way,' laughing and saying that it was the same day," Mike Rickert said.

"I kind of guessed it was on the same day — and it actually was."

By Friday afternoon, Mike's mother, Cheryl, had confirmed that the two perfect games were pitched on the same date. She found an old news article about her husband's accomplishment.

"I thought the old article to practice after school, and John started laughing," she said. "Mike said, 'No way,' laughing and saying that it was the same day," Mike Rickert said.

Wood River softball rallies past Filer, 3-2, in conference thriller

WOOD RIVER — Wood River scored two runs in the bottom of the eighth inning to squeeze out a 3-2 Sawtooth Central Idaho Conference win over visiting Filer Thursday.

Filer led the game in the top of the seventh inning with a run scored on a passed ball. The Wildcats then tried to squeeze out a 2-1 lead before Wood River rallied.

Wood River pitcher Chandin Persaud earned the win, throwing eight innings and giving up just four hits and one walk while striking out 10.

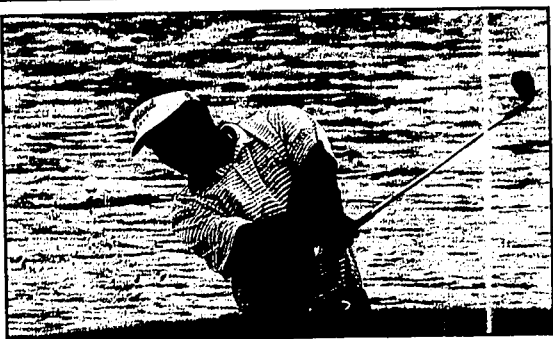
Wood River won Game 2 of the doubleheader, 18-7 in five innings in a non-conference tilt. Wood River hosts Buhl Saturday while Filer travels to Kimberly for a doubleheader Tuesday.

Wendell 16, Buhl JV 6, five innings
Wendell 11, Buhl JV 1, five innings
WENDELL — The Wendell Trojans made short work of the Buhl junior varsity team, downing the Indians 16-6 and 11-1 in a pair of five-inning contests.

Baseball
Jerome at Century game postponed, rescheduled
POCATELLO — The Jerome at Century of Pocatello game scheduled for Thursday was postponed and rescheduled to today at 4:30 p.m.

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SPORTS



Vijay Singh hits from the sand trap guarding the ninth green Thursday during the first round of the HP Golf Classic in New Orleans.

Sauers, Azinger tie for lead

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Gene Sauers and Paul Azinger — who between them have just two victories over the last decade — shared the clubhouse lead in Thursday's rain-delayed first round of the \$5.1 million HP Classic.

They had 6-under 66s before rain swept into the area, suspending play for almost 3.5 hours. Play resumed at 5:30 p.m., but 75 players were unable to finish their rounds before play was called again because of darkness.

Forecasters predicted a 50 percent chance of rain for Friday afternoon.

Robert Damron was 6 under with one hole to play, while Chris DiMarco was minus-6 through 14.

Defending champion Steve Flesch was 5 under through 14 holes and Phil Mickelson, making his first start since winning the Masters, was 4 under after 14 holes.

Five players completed 67s, while seven were on the course at 5 under.

Golf

Havret, Roe share lead after first round in Italy

MILAN, Italy — England's Mark Roe eagled the last hole to get to 8-under 64 and grab a share of the lead with Gregory Havret of France after the first round of the Italian Open on Thursday.

New Zealand's Michael Campbell and Christopher Hanell of Sweden were another shot back after a windy, cloudy day of play at the 7,228-yard course at Tolcinasco Golf & Country Club.

Sorenstam gets mad and back under par

STOCKBRIDGE, Ga. — Annika Sorenstam decided it was time to get mad.

She found herself in a very unfamiliar position after two straight bogeys pushed her score above par — gasp! — late

in the opening round of the Chick-fil-A Charity Championship.

"I got a little fired up at myself," said Sorenstam, who came into the tournament having broken par in 10 of 11 rounds this year.

Make it 11 of 12.

Sorenstam rallied with birdies on her last two holes Thursday, finishing with a 1-under 71 that put her in contention for her third LPGA win of the young season.

Christina Kim, a winless, second-year tour pro, was the surprise leader after shooting a 65 at Eagles Landing Country Club south of Atlanta.

Grace Park, who won the first major of the year at the Kraft Nabisco Championship, was one stroke back. Cristie Kerr, Lovie Knox and Becky Morgan were grouped together at 67, while defending Chick-fil-A champion Se Ri Pak lurked at 68.

But, as usual, all eyes were on Sorenstam, coming back from a three-week break after winning two of her first three LPGA events in 2004.

CSI

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probably the biggest detriment we have with our hitters." ... "The stronger guys are the ones that tend to be the most consistent."

The wear and tear on his team has forced Walker to back off a little in practice in recent weeks, although somewhat reluctantly.

"You feel like, man, that one more practice might make us better. The light switch might go on," Walker said. "But I think we're starting to get diminished returns."

"Baseball is a grind. We've got to be smart enough to really slack off."

One of the few Eagles to find success recently is shortstop Hector Martinez. The freshman is hitting .318 on the season and accounted for four of the Eagles' 14 hits this past weekend against Dixie State.

Despite the fatigue, the Eagles should have confidence in hitting CCSN. CSI took the final three of four games from the Coyotes in late March in Twin Falls. Those were victories that propelled the Eagles to win their next nine contests.

CSI could use a similar spark with only eight games remaining in the regular season and the Region 18 tournament just

around the corner.

"That wasn't too easy to accomplish, however, with a red-hot CCSN team waiting in what could be equally scorching heat just outside of Las Vegas. The Coyotes have won their last seven games and 10 of their last 11."

Part of the reason for CCSN's success this season has been its aggressive base running. The Coyotes lead the SWAC with 98 stolen bases in 115 attempts. Salt Lake Community College is second with 83 steals.

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VanElderen

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raw right-hander.

"I think it helped him out a ton," Walker said. "He really struggled his freshman year, but now the difference is night and day. If he hadn't had that third year, we probably wouldn't be seeing what we are now."

Strling a year out, however, can be frustrating.

"Especially on game days, it was," VanElderen said. "It'd be helping out. It'd be stuff like that. It's like, I do not want to be sitting up here. I just hated it."

But the frustration didn't end there. VanElderen ground his way through a 2003 season in which he hit a solid .265 but struggled with his power numbers. He finished with one home run, 19 RBIs and a .345

slugging percentage.

This season didn't even start out that well. VanElderen struggled with his confidence early, hitting just .250 through February before slumping even worse in March when he went 5-for-35 for a .143 average.

"At first it really bothered me, not getting the hits and having bad (at-bats)," VanElderen said. "I was really getting frustrated. But Skip talked to me and (assistant coach Boomer Walker) really helped me out. I work really hard and I like to come out and do stuff to try to get better."

"But I just have to let myself relax and let it happen," he continued. "That was the key. I just finally relaxed and a few things went my way. It kind of sparked me."

Skip Walker agreed.

"I think he's had to fight through his mind-set," he said. "I think that's the biggest thing. When his mind-set is positive, he's as good a hitter as we've ever had."

VanElderen is batting a robust .348 in April with three home runs and 15 RBIs. The outburst has allowed him to raise his season batting average to .256 and he now has 27 RBIs, a .406 slugging percentage and a team-best four homers.

"If I have a bad (at-bat) or I don't hit a ball hard, or I hit it hard and line out to somebody, I have the confidence to know that, well, hit it hard and I can come back and do that again," VanElderen said. "Next time, I'm going to put it somewhere they're not going to catch it."

NCAA

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The board also rescinded the so-called "5-8" rule, which allowed a school to award five basketball scholarships in one year or eight scholarships in a two-year period.

He said the reforms, with penalties to back up the tougher standards, send a message to athletes "that if you come to our institutions, we're

going to do everything in our power to make sure you graduate.

The board also discussed, but took no action, on recommendations by a task force on recruiting.

Brand formed the committee in February following allegations by two women who said Colorado football players or recruits raped them at a party in

2001. A third woman said she was assaulted in a dorm room shortly afterward, and since 1997, at least eight women have reported sexual abuse to administrators of rape.

The recommendations will be considered in July and are expected to be sent to the Board of Directors in time to have new rules adopted for the 2004-05 recruiting season.

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Jeff Gordon receives a celebratory handshake from his crew chief Robbie Loomis on Sunday after winning the NASCAR Aaron's 499 race at Talladega Superspeedway in Talladega, Ala.

Gordon gets into stride for another title run

By Mike Harris
Associated Press writer

FONTANA, Calif. — Things are finally going Jeff Gordon's way again.

It's been three years since Gordon won a NASCAR title, and that doesn't make him very happy.

His goal each season is "to win the championship," Gordon said. "When we don't, it's disappointing. You've got to believe you're going to win before you can do it."

Gordon won a race Sunday at Talladega, barely holding off Dale Earnhardt Jr. Gordon's No. 24 Chevrolet was about three-quarters of a car-length out front when the car-length out front when the race finished under the yellow.

"I didn't know who was ahead when the yellow came out," Gordon said. "It was that close. But it's good to have the first win under our belt."

After finishing fourth in the points each of the past two years, Gordon is off to a solid start with seven top 10 finishes in the first nine races of 2004. He goes into Sunday's Auto

Club 500 at California Speedway third in the standings, 111 points behind leader Earnhardt and just 17 behind Hendrick Motorsports teammate Jimmie Johnson.

Since a crash relegated Gordon to 41st on March 21 at Darlington, dropping him to 13th in the points, Gordon has four consecutive top 10s. He last three stars.

"We finished in the top 10 several times earlier this year, but we realized we weren't running at the level this team is capable of running," said Gordon, who will make his 375th career start this weekend. "This team has really stepped up their game recently and we're entering this weekend's race with a lot of confidence, especially after last week's win."

The difference so far this year, Gordon explained, is that his team is not letting bad days get them down.

At Texas, Gordon was leading when his alternator died. He switched to a second alternator, but the brief slowdown cost him a shot at victory.

At Martinsville, Gordon was

second to Earnhardt and running strong when he hit a chunk of concrete that had dislodged from the track. It damaged his car and cost him a shot at that win.

"Unfortunately, things didn't go our way and we just made the most of it," he said. "Instead of getting down, I think it fired this team up."

Now, coming off his 65th career victory, Gordon returns to his home state and a track where he is the only driver with multiple victories.

Gordon won the inaugural race on California's 2-mile oval in 1997, and he won again in 1999. In all, he has four top fives and has been outside the top 11 only once, finishing 16th in 2002.

The win Sunday, it will mark the 19th time Gordon has taken back-to-back victories during his 12-year career. It would also extend his streak of multiple-win seasons to 11, the longest current streak in NASCAR's top division.

"We're not worried about streaks or records," Gordon said. "We just want leave California with momentum still on our side."

Female engineer finds a place in NASCAR

By Mike Harris
Associated Press writer

Dale Earnhardt told Alba Colon she wouldn't last a year when she began working in NASCAR's top series, not even by the greeting she had hoped to hear.

"I wanted to show that guy he was wrong," Colon said.

She did.

Ten years later, Colon is GM Racing's Chevrolet program manager and one of the most powerful women in what has generally been regarded as a man's sport.

Her job is no simple task, either.

She manages Chevrolet engineering programs at the track, both in racing and testing. She also tries to improve communications between the GM Racing engineers in Detroit and the Monte Carlo brand team.

"I'm the liaison between the brand team and GM Racing, and at the same time I am a liaison between GM Racing and NASCAR at the track," Colon said.

In addition, she works on the annual racing budget for GM, and negotiates contracts between GM Racing and its team.

At the track, she works closely with owners and crew chiefs, including those from Richard Childress Racing, Hendrick Motorsports, Joe Gibbs Racing and Dale Earnhardt Inc., the top Chevy teams.

"I try to keep up with what's going on and to help the owners resolve issues with the NASCAR officials," Colon said. "As the person who goes to the track almost every weekend, I provide feedback to the rest of the engineers regarding any problems that have to be resolved."

John Darby, NASCAR's Nextel Cup director, called Colon a "refreshing fun person."

"You couple her personality with her knowledge of what we do and it's a real good relationship," he said. "If she has a complaint, she doesn't sugarcoat it. She presents it and you debate it, and whatever the decision is, you go on down the road. She doesn't carry it with her next weekend."

So, how did a woman born in Spain and raised in Puerto Rico find herself working in



Alba Colon

NASCAR?

"I wanted to be an astronaut," she said.

In 1990, Colon was attending the University of Puerto Rico when she volunteered to finish a solar car for a Society of Automotive Engineers competition.

She loved it, and as a member of SAE, she later helped design and build race cars for other competitions.

She graduated as a mechanical engineer and was working for a pharmaceuticals company in Puerto Rico when GM hired her in 1994.

Her first assignment was as data acquisition engineer for the Oval Track Group (Cup, Trucks, ASA and Busch). She met Earnhardt while testing a new engine with his team.

She was named NHRA Pro Stock Truck program manager in 1998, was part of a college of GM Racing's NHRA drag racing programs in 2000 and moved into her present position in 2001.

Colon is now a familiar face in the Cup community.

"I feel I'm respected more now than before," she said. "I feel welcome."

"You have to develop some respect from the teams, and they have to value and understand why you are there and what you are trying to do for them," she said. "I have a great relationship with the team owners and there's lots of camaraderie."

Team owner Richard Childress, for his seven Cup championships, won six of his seven Cup championships before his fatal wreck in 2001, is one of Colon's biggest fans in the garage area.

"She helped us so much back when she was working with us as an engineer on the 3 car," he said, referring to Earnhardt's Chevy. "She used to come and work at the shop and do the playbooks in a big role in a lot of our success."

Childress is happy working with Colon in her new role, too.

"If you need something or have a problem, or you've got new ideas or anything, she's the person you run it by," he said. "She makes sure that whatever it is handled, or she gets it to the right people to get it handled."

Colon even managed to win Earnhardt over.

"When I got this job before the 2001 season, he came up to me and said, 'Hey, you made it and I am proud of you.'"

"I like challenge," she added, "and I like to show people I can do whatever needs to be done."

THIS WEEKEND'S RACES

All Times MDT
NASCAR NEXTEL CUP
Auto Club 500
Site: Fontana, Calif.
Schedule: Friday, qualifying (Speed Channel, 4:10 p.m.); Sunday, race (FOX, 1 p.m.).
Track: California Speedway (d-shaped oval, 2 miles, 14 degrees banking in turns).
Race distance: 500 miles, 250 laps.

Nextel Cup schedule
May 2 — Auto Club 500, Fontana, Calif.
May 15 — Pontiac Performance 400, Richmond, Va.
May 30 — Coca-Cola 500, Concord, N.C.
June 6 — MBNA America 400, Dover, Del.
June 13 — Pocono 500, Long Pond, Pa.

May 14 — NASCAR Busch Series 250, Richmond, Va.
May 23 — Goudts Pumps ITT Industries 200, Nazareth, Pa.
May 29 — Carquest Auto Parts 300, Charlotte, N.C.

Busch schedule
May 1 — 1-800-PITSHOPCOM 300, Los Angeles
May 8 — Charter 250, St. Louis

season and has been among the top 10 in the standings for 41 straight weeks, dating to last season.

Next, race: Pontiac Performance 400, May 15, Richmond, Va.

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BUSCH SERIES
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Schedule: Friday, qualifying (Speed Channel, 2 p.m.);

Craftsman Trucks schedule
May 16 — Ohio 250, Mansfield, Ohio
May 21 — Tallgate 250, Concord, N.C.
June 4 — MBNA America 200, Dover, Del.
June 11 — O'Reilly 400K, Fort Worth, Texas
June 19 — O'Reilly 200, Memphis, Tenn.

NASCAR STANDINGS

NASCAR NEXTEL Cup
Through April 25

Points	Driver	Points	Driver
1,659,312	Dale Earnhardt Jr.	1	Dale Earnhardt Jr.
20	Jimmie Johnson	2	Jimmie Johnson
\$1,047,237	Jeff Gordon	3	Jeff Gordon
	Kurt Busch	4	Kurt Busch
	Matt Kenseth	5	Matt Kenseth
	Kevin Harvick	6	Kevin Harvick
	Rusty Wallace	7	Rusty Wallace
	Elliott Sadler	8	Elliott Sadler
	Ryan Newman	9	Ryan Newman
	Bobby Labonte	10	Bobby Labonte
	Jamie McMurray	11	Jamie McMurray
	Kasey Kahne	12	Kasey Kahne
	Rusty Wallace	13	Rusty Wallace
	Stirling Martin	14	Stirling Martin
	Robby Gordon	15	Robby Gordon
	Jeremy Mayfield	16	Jeremy Mayfield
	Dale Jarrett	17	Dale Jarrett
	Casey Mears	18	Casey Mears
	Joe Nemechek	19	Joe Nemechek
	Greg Biffle	20	Greg Biffle

NASCAR Busch Series
Points

1	Michael Waltrip	1,180
2	Davey Green	453
3	Martin Truex Jr.	1,153
4	Kyle Busch	1,137
5	Robby Gordon	1,118
6	Jason Keller	1,051
7	Johnny Sauter	988
8	Rock Carmona	954
9	Ron Hornaday Jr.	961
10	Jason Leffler	937
11	Tim Fedewa	914
12	Kenny Wallace	888
13	Greg Biffle	867
14	Johnny Benson	884
15	Mike Bliss	877
16	Robert Pressley	833
17	David Stremme	826
18	Casey Atwood	810
19	Stacy Compton	803
20	Kasey Kahne	792

CRAFTSMAN TRUCKS
Points

1	Carl Edwards	486
2	Travis Kvapil	464
3	Dennis Setzer	455
(tie)	Dale Reutimann	455
5	Mike Skinner	424
6	Matt Crafton	407
7	Robby Hamilton	406
8	Chad Chaffin	396
9	Bobby Hamilton	395
10	Jon Wood	388
11	Terry Cook	366
12	Jack Sprague	354
13	Tim Bockwold	350
14	Bill Lester	345
15	Shane Hmiel	324
16	Shane Siegel	321
(tie)	Brandon Whitner	321
18	David Starr	320
19	Andy Hunsaker	309
20	Hank Parker Jr.	300

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Commander will oversee troubled Iraq prison

The Washington Post

BAGHDAD, Iraq — The commander of the U.S. military detention facility at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, has been transferred to Iraq to oversee the treatment of 8,000 detainees as part of an investigation into alleged abuse at a U.S. Army-run prison outside Baghdad, officials said Thursday.

The officials also disclosed that the top U.S. commander in Iraq, Army Lt. Gen. Ricardo Sanchez, ordered administrative penalties against seven unnamed officers who supervised the Army Reserve military police unit that was responsible for the Abu Ghraib detention facility in November, when prisoners allegedly were subjected to beatings and sexually degrading acts by American soldiers.

Criminal charges were filed in March against six members of the unit, the 372nd Military Police Company, based in Cumberland, Md. The charges included conspiracy, dereliction of duty, cruelty and maltreatment, assault and indecent acts with another, the military's term for sexual abuse.

Three of the suspects have been recommended for court-martial. The other three face preliminary hearings in May and June to determine whether a court-martial is warranted.

An Army spokesman said charges are likely to be filed against a seventh soldier, and three more soldiers are still under investigation and could face criminal charges.

According to sealed charging papers that were provided to The Washington Post, soldiers forced prisoners to lie in a "pyramid of naked detainees" and jumped on their prone bodies, while other detainees were ordered to strip and perform oral sex acts. In one case, a hooded man allegedly was made to stand on a box of MREs, or meals ready to eat, and told that he would be electrocuted if he fell off. In another case, the papers alleged, a soldier unzipped a body bag and took snapshots of a detainee's frozen corpse inside.

Several times, soldiers were photographed and videotaped posing in front of the detainees, according to the charges. One gave a thumbs-up sign in front of the human pyramid.

WAITING IT OUT



U.S. Marines from the 1st Battalion 5th Marines take cover after an explosion Thursday in Fallujah.

U.S. military wants to put guerrillas on the payroll

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — A new Iraqi military force being proposed to tame Fallujah's guerrillas could bear a striking resemblance to the guerrillas themselves.

The band of about 1,000 Iraqis would be led by Saddam Hussein's generals, and its U.S.-funded payroll might include some of the same gunmen who have been fighting U.S. Marines.

In a move resembling U.S. strategy in Afghanistan, the United States appears to be co-opting its enemies to end a siege that has drawn international condemnation.

A U.S. military officer privy to the negotiations said it was "very likely" that the Fallujah Protective Army, which would fall under the command of the 1st Marine Expeditionary Force, could include some gunmen who joined the uprising in Fallujah — particularly criminals who signed on for money, and former soldiers disgruntled at losing their jobs when the Americans disbanded the Iraqi army.

The officer, who spoke on condition of anonymity, added that "hardcore" fighters and Islamic militants would not be included.

U.S. military authorities said

an agreement to end the fighting in Fallujah was "tentative," even after the Marines said it had been completed. As negotiations continued, U.S. airstrikes targeted insurgents in the city.

U.S. Marines are supposed to pull back from Fallujah, although if the new deployment works out, they could come back in joint patrols, said Marine Capt. James Edge.

The development makes possible the bizarre scenario of U.S. Marines patrolling alongside some of the same people they were shooting at earlier this week.

The tentative agreement came as the United States was barraged by international pressure to prevent a revival of the bloodshed seen in Fallujah in the first two weeks of April.

It copies Washington's strategy in Afghanistan of giving armed militias cash and autonomy in exchange for keeping nettlesome areas quiet.

In this case, once-hostile sheikhs in Iraq's vast and lawless western Anbar province have been coaxed to make common cause with the United States, a senior U.S. military official said.

"We have in Afghanistan hired away militia," the official said, "if

we've got some sheikhs in al-Anbar that want to be part of the solution, that may be helpful."

The fighters would receive salaries paid by the United States, said the official, who had no word on any incentive bonuses promised to end the standoff.

The Fallujah Protective Army would move into U.S. Marine positions and erect a new command around the city, Marine Lt. Col. Brennan Byrne said. Eventually, the new force would try to take control of rebel-held parts of the city.

Byrne identified the commander of the new force only as Gen. Salah, a former division commander under Saddam.

He said he did not know the general's full name, but a Lt. Gen. Salah Aboud al-Jabouri, a native of the Fallujah region, served as governor of Anbar province under Saddam and was a senior commander in his military.

Byrne called the formation of the Fallujah army "an Iraqi solution to an Iraqi problem."

It remains to be seen whether the new force could wrest control of the city from as many as 2,000 rebels, most of whom wouldn't likely be joining the new force.

Some scrutinize Bush's anti-terror credentials

By Tom Ruzum Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush is centering his re-election campaign on his leadership of the war against terror, and that's why the stakes were so high for him and Vice President Richard Cheney in their three-hour-plus session with the Sept. 11 commission.

Although participants in Thursday's closed-door session

in the Oval Office reported the proceedings to be cordial, even lighthearted at times, the panel of five Republicans and five Democrats has the potential to deliver a heavy blow to the president later this year in the thick of the presidential race.

The panel studying the 2001, terror attacks issues its final report on July 26 — the same day the Democratic National Convention opens in Boston.

Bush supporters worry that the panel's findings will hand Democrats a golden opportunity to step up their criticism of the president's national security stewardship.

"Any report before the election has some risk," said Republican consultant Scott Reed. But Reed also said the commission "seems to be playing it straight in a bipartisan manner. And they're a pox on everyone's house."

Many people close to the investigation expect the report to fault both the current administration and the preceding Democratic Clinton administration, in particular the FBI and the CIA, for failing to do more to confront the pre-Sept. 11 threat of al-Qaida terror network.

But there's a big difference. Bush is on the November ballot; Clinton isn't.

Bush also could be vulnerable to the allegation by former White House counterterrorism chief Richard Clarke and others that an obsession with Iraq's Saddam Hussein led him to wage a misguided war against Iraq that diverted resources away from fighting terrorism.

Bush has made his performance as a wartime president — and the assertion that the world is safer with Saddam out of power — a guiding theme of his re-election campaign.

If the commission's report undercuts this central premise, it could be politically damaging to a president who is running hard to keep his job.

As the president was meeting

with the Sept. 11 panel, Democrats in the Senate are decrying the deteriorating situation in Iraq a year after Bush stood on the deck of an aircraft carrier and declared major combat over.

"Instead of keeping murderers in the Rose Garden on the run, the invasion of Iraq has stoked the fires of terrorism against the United States and our allies," said Sen. Robert C. Byrd, D-W.Va.

In a brief meeting with reporters in the Rose Garden after his testimony, Bush was asked if he could say with any confidence that there are no al-Qaida terrorists in the United States today. "No, I can't say that," he responded.

He said that was one question the commission didn't ask him. Republican polster Frank Luntz said he thinks Bush helped himself by meeting with the full commission and then responding to reporters' questions afterward.

"It showed confidence, that he wasn't afraid to answer tough questions and it shows accountability, that he's willing to explain why decisions were made," Luntz said. "Those are the essential attributes in this election campaign."

Bush agreed under pressure from victims' families and the commission to answer questions from all panel members, but insisted that Cheney be at his side and that no electronic recording be made.

Critics ridiculed the arrangement as a ploy to help both men keep their stories straight. But Bush returned to the White House, but insisted that Cheney be at his side and that no electronic recording be made.

Some Democrats on the commission who were outspoken in their criticisms of the administration in open meetings were reserved after Thursday's session. Democrat Richard Ben-Veniste called it "a very cordial meeting."

Bush and Cheney had the home-field advantage in summing up their interrogations to the Oval Office, the symbolic seat of the presidency.

"Being in the Oval Office is an impressive thing. It does limit what people feel they can say," said James Thurber, a political science professor at American University. "We remember when (then House Speaker) Newt Gingrich used to go to the Clinton White House. He would scream and yell, and then he would inside and rolled over like a puppy."

Italians march for peace in hopes that Iraq hostages will be released

Los Angeles Times

ROME — Waving rainbow-striped flags for peace, Italians marched to the front steps of the Vatican on Thursday to show solidarity with three Italian men taken hostage in Iraq — just days after the Iraqi captors ordered they do so.

In a video shown on Arabic satellite television on Monday, the hostage-takers demanded Italians rise up in protest against their governments' decision to maintain troops there. In exchange, the militants said they would spare the lives of the hostages. They gave a deadline of five days.

Some Italians — including the government and most of the opposition — changed their slogan the march Thursday would be waving in to black-mail. They stayed away.

But others, led by the families of the captured men and backed by Pope John Paul II, insist they resist the tactic. Making One of the original four Italians seized on April 12 already has been executed by his captors.

"If we do not do this perhaps it will be too late," the father of one of the hostages, Angelo Steffo, told reporters at the start of the demonstration.



Bishop Prato Gastone Simoni, left, comforts Angelo Steffo, the father of one of the three Italian hostages held in Iraq, Thursday in St. Peter's Square at the Vatican.

Organizers attempted to keep politics out of the march. Several thousand people walked in relative silence from the Castel Sant'Angelo, one-time hiding place of medieval popes, over the Tiber River down the Via della Conciliazione to St. Peter's Basilica. But toward the end, some in the crowd erupted in chants against the war and Italian Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi.

In an unusual move, the marchers were allowed to file into the square in front of St. Peter's. Demonstrations are

normally not permitted inside the Vatican city-state.

They were greeted by bishops from the hometowns of the three hostages and then heard the message from the pope, read by a senior Vatican official. Imploping the men be strong and urging they be released.

"In the name of the one God who will judge all of us, John Paul II renews his pressing appeal to the kidnappers to allow the hostages to return to their families," the Vatican's foreign minister, Monsignor Giovanni Lajolo, said.

Wow!: More detainees will be released

COPENHAGEN, Denmark (AP) — Secretary of State Colin Powell said Thursday the United States expects to release more detainees from Guantanamo Bay in Cuba soon, but first must make sure that interrogators have learned all they can from them about terrorism activity.

"I expect action on the French detainees in the near future," he said in remarks to high school students in Denmark. But Powell emphasized that many of the detainees would be held indefinitely.

"Some of these are very, very dangerous people who should not be let out," he said.

Powell also told the students at Frederiksberg High School the United States was doing everything it could to counter terrorism and that they should be proud of the contribution being made by Danish troops in Iraq.

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Israeli polls forecast defeat for Sharon

JERUSALEM (AP) — With polls forecasting defeat, Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon portrayed Likud Party referendum on his proposed withdrawal from the Gaza Strip as a vote of confidence in him.

Sharon stopped short of saying he will resign if he loses, but he warned that rejecting a plan supported by a vast majority of Israelis might eventually force Likud out of power. He portrayed his opponents in Likud as extremists who he said use "lies,

obscene language and deceitful propaganda" in their campaign.

The prime minister spoke after polls reflected a dramatic flip-flop among the 193,000 eligible Likud voters just three days before Sunday's referendum.

Plan supporters were ahead by several percentage points, but three polls published Thursday indicated a clear advantage for plan opponents.

The referendum marks the first time a vote is being held in Israel on an issue that has divided

the nation for decades: whether to give up land captured in the 1967 Middle East War.


Under the plan, Sharon would withdraw troops and 7,500 settlers in the Gaza Strip and evacuate four settlements. Palestinians suspect Sharon is giving up Gaza to tighten his hold on much of the West Bank, and the prime minister's critics in Israel believe he proposed the plan partly to deflect attention from two corruption probes against him.

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North Korean leader Kim Jong Il, right, greets former Chinese President Jiang Zemin April 20 in Beijing.

N. Korea's head honcho loses his hair

The Washington Post

SEOUL — North Korean ruler Kim Jong Il's surprise summit in China last week took the top off of at least one of the Pyongyang government's best-kept secrets: The Dear Leader is losing his famed big hair.

The familiar profile of Kim, 62, has long been characterized by his luxuriously piled bouffant. But in a photo-op during his trip to Beijing last week, Kim turned his back to the rolling cameras in a fateful moment to embrace Chinese leaders. Then, boom, it came into focus — the shiny patches of the Dear Leader glistening between strategically combed curls.

hair for at least two extra inches. The reform slaves are typically good for three more.

Shin and others say the high hair is meant to give Kim the larger-than-life, movie star quality befitting a leader who North Koreans are taught was born on a mountain top, his arrival from the heavens heralded by a double rainbow.

"Kim Jong Il wanted to prove that his rule would be more fresh and westernized than that of his father with that new hair-style," Shin says.

Living up to the more than 1,000 lofty titles bestowed on Kim by his subjects — including "Guardian of Our Planet" — has taken a lot of hair spray over the years. So not surprisingly, those rare shots of Kim's thinning locks in China landed in newspapers and TV stations across Asia.

Kim once lobbied a test missile over Japan in 1998. But he nevertheless has become an underground fashion icon in Japan and around the world.

"Kim Jong Il's Fan Club" shows a disco-dancing Kim, hair stretching toward the heavens. In specialty stores selling North Korean memorabilia, lapel pins of Kim Jong Il spirited out of North Korea outsell those of Kim Il Sung.

Especially sought after are the pins showing an sell for more than \$80 each.

A comic book about Kim Jong Il, with close-ups of Kim and his over-expanding hair, has sold more than 500,000 copies in Japan. In its sequel, Kim is a tight-wearing, big-haired "Superman of Darkness."

In the search for greater meaning in Kim's hair are people such as Pyong Jin Il, editor of the Korea Report and an unofficial expert on the Dear Leader's locks.

Pyong has spent years poring over photos of Kim and insists he first noticed the thinning tresses one or two years ago. For the past several years, however, Kim's hair has been soaring to greater heights, Pyong says. Reportedly suffering from heart problems, Kim is "looking for ways, Pyong guesses, to make himself look more robust through hair — or now, like many an older man, to cover up the lack of it."

"Only in these past four to five years has he come to show a strong tendency to have his hair look all fluffy and balloony," Pyong said. "Every time he disappears for a long period of time — it is said that he is sick — he reappears and his wrinkles stand out and his hair is thinner. That makes him pull his hair up higher and higher."



Kim Jong Il The good old days

North allows S. Korea aid plane in

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — In the first Inter-Korean cargo flight, South Korea's Red Cross will transport blankets, medicine and other aid to North Korea on Friday to help the communist nation cope with a devastating train explosion.

The riled flight will be in addition to \$25 million in-building materials, food and other goods Seoul plans to start shipping next week to Pyongyang, the town where the blast killed 161 people and destroyed thousands of homes.

A South Korea ship loaded with instant noodles, blankets and bottled water worth \$1 million arrived in a Northern port Thursday after a daylong voyage.

South Korea has been quick to respond to the North's request for help after the April 22

tragedy, although Pyongyang has rejected Seoul's offer to truck supplies across their heavily fortified border, seriously slowing the transport of emergency supplies.

The North also refused to let South Korea doctors go to the area, where thousands of homeless families have been living in tents without adequate sanitation or water.

A Korean Air cargo plane will fly into the North Korean capital of Pyongyang on Friday with about \$470,000 worth of blankets, noodles, drinks and medicine, South Korea's Red Cross said Thursday.

South Korea passenger planes have occasionally been allowed to fly to the communist country, but this will be the first South Korean cargo plane to travel to the North.

As the campaign for international aid gained speed, South Korea on Thursday accepted the North's requests for 50,000 tons of cement; 10,000 tons of food; 10 bulldozers; 10 steam shovels; 500 tons of diesel oil; 500 tons of gasoline; 1,500 sets of school desks and chairs; 50 blackboards; 10,000 tons of food and 50 television sets.

Most of the aid will go through China's Dandong port on the North Korean border before May 15, as requested by Pyongyang Unification Minister Jeong Se-hyun said Thursday.

Meanwhile, a pro-North Korean newspaper in Japan reported that a boy was rescued four days after the blast buried his primary school under broken tiles and gravel.

"I am hungry," the boy said as he was pulled out, the People's Korea reported.

Nearly 400 victims of the explosion remained hospitalized — many of them children. A World Health Organization team visited four hospitals in the area four days ago and said "an estimated two-thirds of the injured they saw are children," U.N. spokesman Fred Eckhard said in New York.

Western nations vow to fight anti-Semitism

BERLIN (AP) — Western nations pledged Thursday to fight "new forms" of anti-Semitism, rejecting any attempt to use the strife in the Middle East as a justification for hate crimes against Jews.

Meeting in the city from where the Nazis directed their campaign to annihilate Europe's Jews, governments of 35 countries unanimously adopted a declaration that condemned "all attacks motivated by anti-Semitism or by any other forms of religious or racial hatred or intolerance, including attacks against synagogues and other religious places, sites and shrines."

Delegates and Jewish organizations welcomed the "Berlin Declaration" by the two-day meeting of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe as a strong, timely denunciation of a recent surge in attacks on Jews in Europe and North America.

The declaration commits governments to collect and submit reliable information on anti-Semitic and other hate crimes. The OSCE — formed in the Cold War — includes the United States, Canada and countries across Europe.

Delide Berger, director of the American Jewish Committee in Berlin, said the conference was more successful than two previous major meetings on anti-Semitism in the past year.

The Berlin declaration "is a clear commitment to combat anti-Semitism," she told The AP.



Two members of the Jewish community light candles in front of the memorial site Thursday at Berlin Grunewald's train station prior to a ceremony in honor of the Jews that were deported from Germany during the Nazi era. Israeli President Moshe Katsav joined the ceremony during his three-day visit.

The declaration said anti-Semitism "has assumed new forms and expressions, which along with other forms of intolerance pose a threat to democracy and civilization."

The conference declared "unambiguously that international developments or political issues, including those in Israel or elsewhere in the Middle East, never justify anti-Semitism."

That was as close as the declaration came to meeting Jewish

organization's demand that the conference point a finger at extremist Muslim groups who blame for the increased attacks on Jews and other anti-Semitic acts.

Berger said there should have been a more explicit reference to anti-Jewish violence by such groups in Europe.

Delegates debated where the line should be drawn in criticism of Israel. U.S. Secretary of State Colin Powell and Israeli

President Moshe Katsav urged delegates to take a stand against any criticism in which Israeli leaders are "demonized" or likened to Nazis for their treatment of the Palestinians.

The three-page declaration committed the countries to teach children about combating anti-Semitism and to promote remembrance of the Holocaust, in which 6 million Jews perished at the hands of the Nazis.

EU membership sparks supply fears

BRATISLAVA, Slovakia (AP) — Salt by the shopping cart. A rush for rice. Pasta by the pallet.

In some of the eight former communist countries joining the European Union on Saturday, a panic over possible price hikes has driven tons of thousands to hoard basic foods in a spectacle reminiscent of the bad old days of communism.

Back then, the "five-year plan" — recurring attempts to match supply to demand far in advance — sometimes led to shortages, precipitating wild runs on anything from rice and sugar to toilet paper.

Five-year plans died with the hammer and sickle, and some of the victim nations have progressed far enough into democracy and capitalism to qualify for membership in the EU, the club of the rich Europeans.

But with that achievement comes widespread fear that EU membership will mean harmonizing customs and taxes, so that Slovaks or Latvians will pay the same price for a pound of sugar as a German or Swede earning five times their income.

The end result is the same as in communist times: Shop till you drop so you're not caught short in the future.

The Hungarian daily Nepszabados attributes the "hoarding fever" to fear of price hikes, but also to "reflexes left over from the old socialist times of the 'shortage economy.'"

Not all former communist countries have been hit — Hungary, has reported no shopping craze, possibly because prices of basic foods have already been at EU levels for months.

But in neighboring Slovakia, consumer groups are predicting rice and other basics could rise by up to 25 percent. The buying frenzy is also being fanned by supermarket advertising campaigns urging shoppers to buy now, before prices go up.

"Everything is going up, only our pensions remain the same," complained Marja Krjovicova, 79. Pensions average less than \$200 a month in Slovakia, but Krjovicova recently stretched her budget by buying 22 pounds of sugar and 11 pounds of rice.

Merchants speak of similar fears in the neighboring Czech Republic.

Thailand warns of more violence

PATANI, Thailand (AP) — Thailand sent reinforcements to its Muslim-dominated south Thursday to prevent retaliatory attacks amid accusations that government forces used excessive force to repel raids on security outposts, killing more than 100 suspected militants.

Frightened and angry residents said some of those killed were innocent civilians caught

in the mayhem when security forces opened fire Wednesday after militants stormed 15 police and army posts in apparently coordinated attacks.

The government had been tipped off about the dawn attacks in the southern provinces of Yala, Pattani and Songkhla and were lying in wait with overwhelming firepower.

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BRIEFLY IN MONEY

Magic Valley cities get grants

HEYBURN — Two Magic Valley cities have received federally anti-state-funded economic development grants to improve their economies and create jobs, Gov. Dix Kempthorn announced Thursday.

The city of Heyburn received a \$85,000 Rural Idaho Initiative grant to extend an industrial water line to Schow's Western Star Truck Dealership. The funds will be matched with \$15,930 in cash and \$74,532 from in-kind services. The extension will allow Schow's to expand its business and add ten new jobs to the local economy.

The business will sell new and used Western Star trucks, service semi-tractors and trailers and sell semi-tractor parts, said co-owner Don Schow. Plans call for opening the new facility in July.

The Schow brothers also own Schow's Carquest auto parts stores in Burley and Bay. The city of Rupert received \$100,000 to renovate the local community center and add handicapped accessibility to the historic Wilson Theatre.

These projects will help communities all across Idaho, Kempthorn said. "Whether being used to create jobs with good paychecks and benefits, like in Heyburn and Bonneville County, or to upgrade water and sewer systems, build senior centers and fund downtown improvements in rural communities like Spirit Lake, Cambridge, Rupert and Bancroft, this money will be put to good use."

Idaho Falls hosts business conference

IDAHO FALLS — Idaho companies with products and services to sell to large corporations and government agencies are invited to the annual Government Business Opportunity Conference in Idaho Falls May 13.

"Businesses that attend this conference learn how to access and work the federal purchasing system," said event coordinator Larry Dennirelli.

Purchasing agents from more than 50 Northwest corporations and government agencies will have one-on-one meetings with businesses to discuss how Idaho products and services match up with agency needs.

Collectively, Idaho Business Network subscribers have secured more than \$500 million in awards and sales since the program's inception in 1985, Dennirelli said.

John Christian, chief operating officer of Arlington, Va.-based BNFL, will deliver the luncheon keynote address. BNFL is an international energy business offering technology and expertise to nuclear utilities and governments.

Seminars will feature topics ranging from advertising strategies to small business to a homeland security update and how to bid on government-funded international projects.

The conference will be held in Idaho Falls at the Shilo Inn, 780 Lindsay Blvd., from 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Registration is \$30 per person — or \$40 after Thursday — and includes continental breakfast and lunch.

Register online at www.idahobusiness.com or call the Idaho Department of Commerce at 334-2470 for details.

Halley chamber will hold breakfast

HALLEY — The Halley Chamber of Commerce will hold its monthly meeting get-together "Wake Up with Halley" from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. Tuesday at The Senior Connection (Blaine County Senior Center) at 721 Third Ave. S. in Halley.

Hosts for the event is Director Brenda Shappee. "Wake Up with Halley" is open to all chamber members and "friends of the Halley business community," said Tom Smith, the chamber's executive director. Coffee and treats are served.

"This is a great opportunity to network with fellow business associates and colleagues," he said.

For information, call the chamber at 788-2700.

— compiled from staff reports

Mortgage rates climb above 6%

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Rates on 30-year mortgages climbed above 6 percent this week for the first time in 2004 as more signs of an improving economy triggered concerns about what impact the stronger growth will have on inflation.

Rates on 30-year fixed-rate mortgages rose to 6.01 percent, marking the sixth consecutive weekly increase since rates hit a low for the year of 5.38 percent

the week of March 18, Freddie Mac reported Thursday.

The mortgage giant's nationwide survey of rates showed that the increase, up from 5.94 percent last week, left 30-year mortgages at their highest level since they averaged 6.02 percent the week of Dec. 5.

"With financial markets more optimistic that the economy is expanding nicely, mortgage rates had no where to go but up this week," said Army Crews Crites, deputy chief economist at Freddie Mac.

She said at the moment investors are split between being encouraged about the economy's rebound and worried about what impact that could have on inflation and the Federal Reserve's interest rate decisions.

"Perhaps next week's Federal Reserve meeting and the release of the April employment numbers will help the market find a balance between the two

influences," she said.

Other mortgage rates rose as well this week.

Rates for 15-year, fixed-rate mortgages climbed to 5.35 percent, up from 5.25 percent last week. It was the highest level for this popular option for refinancing since the week of Dec. 5.

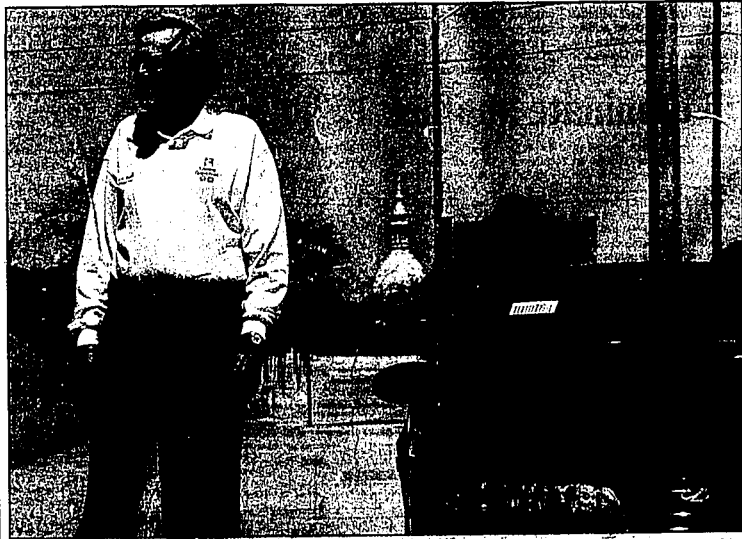
For one-year adjustable rate mortgages, rates were 3.75 percent this week, up from 3.69 percent last week.

The nationwide averages for mortgage rates do not include add-on fees known as points.

The thirty-year carried an average fee of 0.7 point this week while the 15-year and one-year both carried an average fee of 0.6 point this week.

This time last year, rates on 30-year mortgages averaged 5.70 percent, 15-year mortgages were 5.03 percent and one-year adjustable mortgages stood at 3.74 percent.

LAST OLDS'



UAW Local 852 shop chairman Art Baker stands next to a collector's edition dark cherry metallic Oldsmobile Alero, number 78 of the final 500 Oldsmobiles to be produced Wednesday outside the Oldsmobile facilities in Lansing, Mich.

Final Oldsmobile rolls off assembly line

The Associated Press

LANSING, Mich. — It's the end of the line for the oldest automotive brand name in the United States.

The last Oldsmobile rolled off the line Thursday morning at the Lansing Car Assembly plant, which has produced the venerable vehicles for nearly a century.

The car, an Alero that will have signatures of plant employees inside the hood, will be displayed at the R.E. Olds Transportation Museum in Lansing for about four months, said Rebecca Harris, a spokeswoman for General Motors Corp.

"It really has been fun. We've had great products," said Doug Spelt, a production manager for Oldsmobile who has owned more than 30 Oldsmobiles himself. "Phasing it out was sad. At the same time, it's like a graduation."

Oldsmobile pioneered chrome-plated trim and gave drivers the Eighty Eight series, the front-wheel-drive Toronado and the Cutlass, while inspiring songs like "In My Merry Oldsmobile" and "Rocket 88." It was named for Ransom E. Olds,



The special 'Final 500' logo badge of a collectors edition dark cherry metallic Oldsmobile Alero, number 78 of the final 500 Oldsmobiles to be produced, is shown Wednesday.

who started the Olds Motor Vehicle Co. in Lansing in 1897.

The company became part of GM in 1908, and soon assumed its place as the middle-class, middle-age cars in the conglomerate's lineup — more expensive than Chevrolet and Pontiac, just a step below Buick and Cadillac.

In the mid-1980s, however, buyers began moving from midsize cars that Oldsmobile was known for to minivans and sport utility vehicles. Imports and "transplants," cars from import automakers built in the United States, took larger shares of the midsize market.

The nameplate developed a stodgy reputation, which the company tried to shed with an ad campaign saying the make was "not your father's Oldsmobile."

The gambit fell short, and GM announced in December 2000 it would end production of the struggling line with the 2004 model year. The Alero is the brand's once-diverse lineup.

Of the 35.2 million Oldsmobiles ever made, more than 14 million were built in Lansing, and for more than a century, Oldsmobile meant steady jobs and decent paychecks in the

state's capital city.

The GM workers who have made Oldsmobiles over the years will still build Pontiacs, Cadillacs and Chevrolets, including the Cadillac CTS luxury sedan and the retro SS1 roadster.

"Losing the name is painful," said Dave Pfaff, a 60-year-old retired engineer who worked at the company for 37 years. "Oldsmobile and Lansing — just go together."

Oldsmobile is the oldest U.S. automotive brand name, behind only the Daimler name worldwide. Oldsmobile's presence in Lansing has been fading since GM reorganized in the mid-1980s, and decreased even more when its main office was moved to Detroit in 1998.

But affection and nostalgia linger, and Oldsmobile pride is as much a part of Lansing as the Capitol dome that rises within sight of the former Oldsmobile headquarters.

Sons and daughters followed their parents and grandparents into the plants.

"It's truly a situation where there's an Oldsmobile family," said GM spokeswoman Kim Carpenter.

Economic growth hits steady pace in early '04

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The economy started out the year solidly, growing at an annual rate of 4.2 percent in the first quarter in a performance that suggests the recovery has staying power.

That is good news for President Bush, who is counting on healthy economic activity this summer, as he campaigns for reelection.

The increase in gross domestic product from January through March was a slight improvement over the 4.1 percent rate over the final three months of last year, the Commerce Department reported Thursday.

The first quarterly report for 2004 fell short of the 5 percent pace analysts were forecasting. Nonetheless, it indicated the economy is on firm footing, economists said. Growth in the

past three quarters has averaged 5.5 percent, the strongest for any similar period in 20 years.

GDP measures the value of all goods and services produced in the United States. It is considered the most important barometer of the economy's fitness. Spending by consumers, business and the federal government, especially on defense, contributed to first-quarter GDP.

The economy figures prominently in the presidential campaign between President Bush and presumptive Democratic nominee John Kerry.

From April through June, the economy is expected to expand at a rate in the range of 4.5 percent to 5 percent, according to some analysts. Growth in the second half of this year should clock in at around a 4 percent

pace, some economists said.

In other economic news, the Labor Department reported that new filings for jobless benefits fell last week by 18,000 to 338,000, another sign that layoffs are easing. The cost of workers' wages and benefits grew by 1.1 percent in the first quarter, the biggest increase in a year, the department also said.

Economists are hopeful that recent improvements in the labor market will be built upon in the coming months. The economy, after months of sluggish payroll plans, added 308,000 jobs in March, the most in four years. Still, analysts said it will take time for the economy to recoup the net 1.84 million jobs lost since Bush took office.

Many points to those losses as evidence that the president's economic policies are flawed. Please see GROWTH, Page E3

Google files its IPO plans

The Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Internet search engine leader Google Inc. filed its long-awaited IPO plans Thursday, setting the stage for the company to make its stock market debut — a move that could still be months away.

Without specifying a price per share, Google said it hopes to raise \$2.7 billion with an initial public offering that's created the biggest high-tech buzz since the dot-com bubble burst four years ago.

As expected, Google said the price of its IPO will be determined through an auction designed to give the general public a better chance to buy its stock before the shares begin trading, most likely in late summer or early autumn.

IPO shares traditionally have been restricted to an elite group picked by the investment bankers handling the deal.

Google picked two long-established investment bankers — Morgan Stanley and Credit Suisse First Boston — to manage its unconventional IPO approach.

Although Google's stock won't be sold for several more months, the filing represents a significant milestone in the 5.5-year company's evolution from a Silicon Valley startup to a corporate adolescent that will be held more accountable for how it manages its money.

The documents filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission gave the public its first look at the privately held company's finances.

The Mountain View-based company earned \$105.6 million, or 41 cents per share, on revenue of \$962 million last year.

Google got off to a fast start this year, with a first-quarter profit of \$64 million, or 24 cents per share — more than doubling its earnings of \$25.8 million, or 10 cents per share, at the same time last year.

By going public, Google will be under greater pressure to produce steady earnings growth — an expectation that some executives say leads to short-sighted management decisions.

But Google vowed to be different, "trying to be the iconoclastic values that it has fostered since former Stanford University graduate students Larry Page and Sergey Brin founded the company in 1998. In one of its first rebellious steps, Google will refuse to open letter that Page and Brin attached to the IPO filing.

"A management team distracted by a series of short-term gains is as pointless as a dieter stepping on a scale every half hour," they wrote.

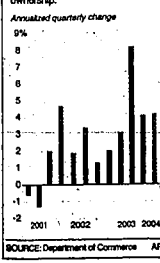
Following in the footsteps of stock market sage Warren Buffett, Page and Brin intend to take turns writing annual shareholder letters to provide their view of the world.

The letter also emphasized that both Page, 31, and Brin, 30, intend to remain Google's hands-on leaders, making all key decisions with CEO Eric Schmidt, a former top executive at Sun Microsystems Inc. and Novell Inc. who joined the company in 2001.

"We run Google as a triumvirate," Page wrote. "The structure is unconventional, but we have worked successfully in this way."

GDP

Here is a look at the gross domestic product, which measures all goods and services produced by workers and capital located in the United States, regardless of ownership.

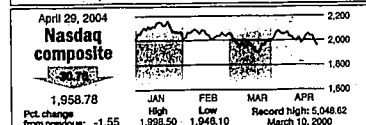
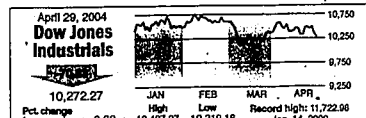


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MONEY

Stocks drop after latest GDP reading

NEW YORK (AP) - Stocks took a late afternoon tumble Thursday after a lower-than-expected gross domestic product figure failed to ease investor concerns about interest rates. The Dow Jones Industrial fell 70 points, giving them a two-day drop of more than 200, and all three major indexes fell to their lowest levels in more than a month.



The Dow dropped 70.3, or 0.7 percent, to 10,272.77, its lowest Wednesday, and was at its lowest point since March 24.

"There was no real news here, and volume really didn't pick up," said Bill Greenwald, head trader for Renaissance Investments. "I think this was purely a technical move that sent everything lower. There's a definite downtrend here, but there's nothing solid behind it."

"That downward trend and increased volatility may remain until the Fed meets to discuss rates on Tuesday. Fed Chairman Alan Greenspan has already hinted that higher rates will be

needed to keep the economy from growing too fast. "We've changed paradigms. It's a shift from worrying about a slow economy. Now we're gringing over the interest rates," Greenwald said.

"We got good earnings, good economic data, but it's too good not to grow enough? We're right in the middle of a very high-growth market, and we're going to be in for some volatile sessions."

The GDP rose 4.2 percent for the first three months of the year, according to the Commerce Department, up slightly from the 4.1 percent gain in the final quarter of 2003. This was lower than the 5 percent rise expected by economists, however.

Gateway will eliminate another 1,500 jobs

SAN DIEGO (AP) - Struggling computer seller Gateways is cutting another 1,500 jobs, or about 40 percent of its remaining work force, only a month after a similar cut.

Gateway posted a preliminary loss of \$165.5 million, or 49 cents a share, in the first quarter, compared with a loss of \$200.5 million, or 62 cents a share, in the same period last year. The latest period included charges of \$81 million for store closures and \$23 million in other restructuring expenses, related primarily to outsourcing.

Gateway announced privately last month for \$290 million, but former eMachines managers had been directing the acquirer. Inouye, who engineered a turnaround at eMachines, was named CEO, replacing founder Ted Walt.

Wife of former Enron chief strikes plea deal

HOUSTON (AP) - The wife of former Enron Corp. finance chief Andrew Fastow has a new proposed plea deal, and she would spend more than a year in prison.

She thought she was going to get all federal prosecutor and an expert on federal sentencing guidelines.

Federal prosecutors on Thursday wiped out a previous indictment charging Lee Fastow with six felonies - four counts of filing false tax forms and two counts of conspiracy - and replaced it with a single misdemeanor charge of filing a false tax form.

Lee Fastow pleaded guilty the same day to a single felony conspiracy, admitting that he helped her husband hide ill-gotten gains from the government and their accountants.

The new deal will let her avoid a trial scheduled June 2 on the six felony counts, and get around U.S. District Judge David Hittner's rejection of a previous plea deal that would have bound him to sentence her to five months in prison and five months confined at home.

Prosecutors didn't need Lee Fastow's cooperation, but supported the proposed sentence because they said she played an "integral role" in securing her husband's guilty plea and cooperation more than a year after his initial indictment.

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Union says furloughed pilots should be recalled

ATLANTA (AP) - Delta Air Lines' pilots union says increased passenger volume means the company should recall 1,600 furloughed pilots, a move that could cost the struggling carrier millions of dollars.

shows the company has returned to pre-attacks volume levels. Union spokesman Chris Renkel said Thursday the union has asked for a response from the company. No meeting was immediately scheduled.

An arbitrator's ruling last year requires the Atlanta-based airline to recall the pilots once the company returns to passenger volumes similar to before the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks.

Neither Delta, which has a hub in Salt Lake City, nor the union would release the data publicly.

The pilots were furloughed amid the industry downturn following the attacks.

A Delta spokesman did not return several calls seeking comment on the company's interpretation of the data and whether the furloughed pilots would be recalled in a small response, spokeswoman Peggy Ezzes said Delta would review the data.

Growth

Continued from E1. "We all know that America is at its best when it's at work," Kerry said Thursday.

Spending by the federal government contributed to GDP growth in the first quarter, with defense spending rising at a rate of 15.1 percent, compared with a 3 percent growth rate in the previous quarter. The first quarter figure marked the biggest increase since the second quarter of 2003.

Federal Reserve policy-makers, at their meeting Tuesday, are expected to have a key short-term interest rate at a point, the lowest since 1958.

Some economists believe the Fed will begin to raise rates later this year. Greenspan last week said he expects a low rate at some point to keep inflation in check, but he did not say when that might happen.

An inflation gauge tied to GDP and favored by Greenspan showed that core prices - excluding food and energy - rose at a 2 percent rate in the first quarter, compared with a 1.2 percent growth in the previous quarter.

Even with the pickup, "I don't think there is an imminent inflation problem," said Tim O'Neill, chief economist at BMO Financial Group.

Higher prices did not stop consumers from spending from January through March grew at an annual rate of 3.8 percent, following a 3.2 percent pace in the fourth quarter.

Consumers boosted spending on food, clothing and other nondurable items, and on services, but cut back on big-ticket goods such as cars and appliances.

Businesses increased spending on food, clothing and software at a 11.5 percent rate in the first quarter, a 1.9 percent drop from the last quarter of 2003.

Spending on new plants and office buildings remained flat, falling for the third straight quarter.

Retirement Plan advertisement featuring a photo of a man and text about professional services.

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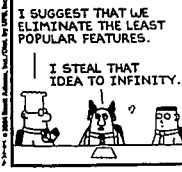
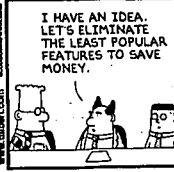
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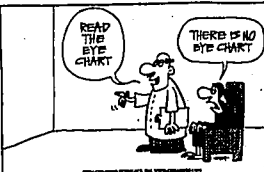
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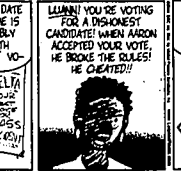
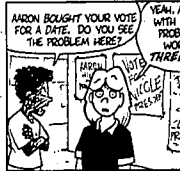
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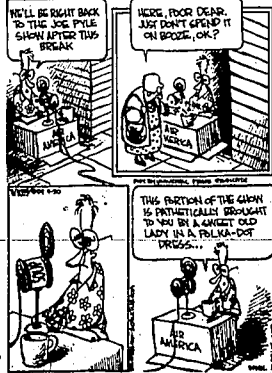
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CALL FOR BIDS
The Hillside Highway District hereby calls for bids for approximately Five Thousand (5,000) Gallons of gasoline. Also, for approximately Fifty thousand gallons of Diesel fuel to be delivered in 1,000 gallons of lots as needed, to the District Yard in Hazelton, Idaho.

The beginning delivery date is in May, 2004. Sealed bids must state net fuel, super fuel charge, State transfer fee, freight charge and jobbers commission. Sealed bids will be opened at 8:00 P.M., on May 13, 2004, at the District Yard in Hazelton. The Highway District reserves the right to refuse any or all bids, and accept the bid which is in the best interest of the Highway District. Katherine T. Fife, Secretary

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

Case No. CV 03 3204
SUSAN FITZPATRICK, Plaintiff,
vs.
SHAWN CHANDLER, Defendant.

To: Shawn Chandler, Plaintiff, in the Magistrate Court of the County of Idaho, Case No. CV 03 3204. The claim against you is for property damage arising from an automobile accident on or about June 15, 2002, in front of 1642 Highland Avenue in the County of Twin Falls, State of Idaho. Any time after 30 days following the service of this summons, you must appear in court with your attorney, or you may be held in contempt of court. If you have filed a written response in the proper form, including the Case No. and paid any fees to the Clerk of the Court at PO Box 128, Twin Falls, Idaho 83403 and send a copy of your response to the Plaintiff's attorney, Stephen T. Woychik, Attorney at Law, P.O. Box 2815, Boise, Idaho 83701. If you wish legal assistance, you should immediately retain an attorney to advise you in this matter.

On this 1st day of April, 2004, Clerk of the Court By gdw, Deputy Clerk

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Case No. CV 04-1960
NOTICE OF PETITION AND HEARING
In the Matter of the Adoption of:
CHASE CAYA, and CHASE CAYA, minor children.

TO: DOUGLAS CAYA
A Petition to terminate the parental rights and for the adoption of Derek Caya, born April 4, 1991, and Chase Caya, born February 16, 1994, has been filed in the above Court, and shall be heard in such Court in the city of Twin Falls, Idaho, on Monday, June 7, 2004, at 9:00 o'clock a.m.

Any objections to same must be made no later than twenty (20) days following the last publication of this Notice by filing in writing and paying any required filing fee to the Clerk of the Court at P.O. Box 128, Twin Falls, ID 83403-0128, and mailing a copy to the Petitioner's attorney, Paula Brown Sinclair, P.O. Box 2322, Twin Falls, ID 83403-0128, and the Clerk of the Court at P.O. Box 2322, Twin Falls, ID 83403-0128.

DATED this 20th day of April, 2004.
Krisina Glascock
Clerk of the Court
/s/Robyn Kline
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AMENDED TRUSTEE NOTICE OF SALE
Reference is made to that certain trust deed made by HENRIETTA H. MARION, AN UNMARRIED INDIVIDUAL, as grantor (to the FIRST AMERICAN TITLE COMPANY OF IDAHO, INC., as trustee, of that certain TRUST CORPORATION as beneficiary, recorded February 24, 1999 as no. 1999-030359 in book XX, page XX, in the official records of TWIN FALLS County, Idaho, covering the description of real property situated in said county and state, to-wit: LOT B, BLOCK 2, HIGHLAND ACRES SUBDIVISION, TWIN FALLS COUNTY, IDAHO. A CORRECTED OFFICIAL PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN BOOK 9 OF PLATS, PAGE 3. RECORDS OF TWIN FALLS COUNTY, IDAHO.

Notwithstanding to-wit: 3128 HIGHLAND DRIVE TWIN FALLS, ID 83301

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE
Trustee's Sale No. 02-WG-93338
Notice is hereby given that, Real Trustee Services Corporation, the duly appointed Successor Trustee, will on August 16, 2004, at 10:00 A.M., of said day, at the main entrance to Alliance Title & Escrow, 311 Second Street North, Twin Falls, ID, sell at public auction the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all property at the time of sale, the following described real and personal property (hereinafter referred to collectively as the "Property"), situated in the County of Twin Falls, State of Idaho, to-wit: Township 10 South, Range 18 East, Bolse Meridian, Twin Falls County, Idaho, Section 21: A parcel of land lying in the SE 1/4NE1/4, more particularly described as follows: Beginning at the Northeast corner of the SE 1/4NE1/4 of said Township 10 South, Range 18 East, Bolse Meridian, which is the point of beginning; thence South 0 degrees 19'00" West along the East line of said SE 1/4NE1/4 a distance of 250 feet to a point; thence North 13 degrees 00' 00" West a distance of 260 feet to a point; thence East a distance of 200 feet to the true point of beginning. Except the East 40 feet thereof for public road. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above-referenced Property but, for purposes of compliance with Section 13-1101 (Idaho Code), said trustee has been informed that the address of 4028 93, Filer, ID 83328, is sometimes associated with said real property.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
In the Matter of the Estate of: BETTYE HINTON, Deceased.

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

Claims must be presented to the undersigned at the law office of Paula Brown Sinclair, 321 Fourth Avenue North, P.O. Box 2322, Twin Falls, ID 83303-2322, and filed with the Clerk of the Court.

LOST AND FOUND

FOUND Lab, black, old, female. Very sweet. Found 1 mile west of Coalgate and 1 mile North. 208-735-9872.

FOUND Ladies ring in Shoppo. Call to identify. 209-212-7414.

FOUND Pomeranian X dog female. Call 734-9633.

FOUND Rottweiler black Lab female, very friendly, approx. 11 months old. Found near Milner Recreation area. 212-3879.

FOUND baseball mitt, left handed. Has pro-wear Mag. name and phone number on it. Reward for return. 734-5778 after 5pm.

LOST Italian charm bracelet, little girls. Some of the charms include: ballerina, the letter H, lighthouse & butterfly. Lost at Shoshone Falls. 423-5613

LOST Cell phone & 2 sets of keys. In the vicinity of North Twin Falls. Call 208-735-1157 leave message.

LOST cell phone, No-link, black case. Lost 423-208-734-1688.

LOST Cocker spaniel, gray and white, female. Lost on Monroe St. Call 539-2421 or 734-9215 or 731-0669

LOST English Bulldog, 12 week old female. Fawn with white markings. Reward 208-734-2790 or 404-4868.

LOST English Short Hair Pointer, brown & blue. Wearing white and blue flea collar. Lost in Flor. 328-5638

LOST Pit Bull, 2 yr. old, male, lost in 2000 block of Tyler St. color Brindle, 1 blue eye. Please call 208-948-0343

There is a default by the grantor(s) or either party to this obligation, the performance of which is secured by said trust deed, or by their successor in interest. The default is: Failure to pay the monthly payments due November 1, 2002 of principal, interest and impounds and subsequent installments due thereafter plus late charges, together with all other charges and costs, together with the amount of the principal and conditions of said deed of trust. Monthly Payment \$659.57. Date of last payment May 11, 2004 at the time of said default.

By reason of said default, the beneficiary or the beneficiary's successor in interest has declared all obligations secured by said deed of trust, together with any and all sums being the following: \$106,483.49, with interest thereon at the rate of 8.75% per annum, from 10/01/2002, until paid, plus monthly late charges of \$42.36 each, beginning 11/01/2002 until paid; together with title expenses, costs, trustee's fees and attorneys fees incurred herein by reason of said default and all other sums advanced by the beneficiary or the beneficiary's successor in interest for protection of the above-described real property and its interest in said property.

PUBLIC NOTICE
Actions planned and taken by your government are continued in public notices. They are:

LOST AND FOUND

LOST cat, long hair, gray, with white nose, chest and feet. In area of Green Acres Vot. If you see him please call 730-REWARD. 208-733-6165 or 539-6600.

LOST Lab black female with purple collar, has a steel hip, no longer hunts. Answers to Bailey. Family misses her. Please call 208-733-0445 or 420-8005.

The beneficiary and trustee or their successors in interest, have elected and do hereby elect to cause the property to be sold at public auction to the highest bidder for cash to satisfy the obligations secured by said trust deed and the expenses of the sale, including the compensation of the trustee or successor trustee and the reasonable attorneys fees incurred.

The Original Notice of Sale given pursuant thereto is that the property was to be sold on 07/16/2003 at the hour of 11:00 AM, Standard of Time, at the FRONT ENTRANCE OF FIRST AMERICAN TITLE COMPANY, 260 THIRD NORTH, in the City of TWIN FALLS County of TWIN FALLS, State of Idaho; however, subsequent to the recording of said Notice of Sale the original proceedings were stayed by order of the Court or by proceedings under the National Bankruptcy Act or for other lawful reasons.

The beneficiary did not participate in obtaining such stay. Said stay was terminated on 02/28/2004.

WHEREFORE, notice hereby is given that the property shall be sold at public auction to the highest bidder for cash to satisfy the obligations secured by said trust deed and the expenses of the sale, including the compensation of the trustee or successor trustee and the reasonable attorneys fees incurred.

The principal balance of all delinquencies are now due, together with unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee's fees, attorney's fees, costs and advances made to protect the security associated with this foreclosure. The principal balance is \$1,028,311.76, together with interest thereon at 10.75% per annum from 10/12/2003 to 2/1/2004, 10.75% per annum from 2/1/2004, until paid. The Beneficiary elects to sell or cause to be sold the property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. Anyone having any objection to the sale on any grounds whatsoever will be afforded an opportunity to be heard as to those objections if they bring it lawsuit to restrain the same. Dated: March 25, 2004. Real Trustee Services Corporation, Trustee

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Phone: (206) 340-2560 Fax Information: http://www.trustee.com ASAP88215

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THE ACES ON BRIDGE

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"Don't confuse hypothesis and theory. The former is a possible explanation; the latter, the correct one. The establishment of theory is the very purpose of science."

—Martin H. Fischer

King-jack guesses often reduce to having to make assumptions about the full hand. Consider this deal, and let us assume, first, that South has finished up in three spades.

When West starts with the heart king and continues with the jack to East's ace, the low club shift puts South to an early guess. Nonetheless, there is a subtle reason why South should go up with his club king. So long as he does not lose two tricks in clubs, he can afford to find the diamond king offside. He should therefore build up a picture of the hand on the assumption that this card is badly placed. West is already marked with the K-Q-J of hearts. Give him the king-jack of hearts as well, and then it becomes impossible for him to hold the club ace, or he would have opened. That is why the club king is the right play in three spades.

Now let us assume that South has overreached to four spades. Again, West leads the heart king, then the heart jack to his partner's ace, and East switches to a low club. Now the situation is reversed. With two tricks lost in hearts and at least one certain loser in clubs, South must assume that the diamond king is right. That marks East with the heart ace and (hypothetically) the diamond king. Give him the club ace as well, and he might have opened, third in hand. Accordingly, in four spades, South should finess the club jack.

NORTH 04-30-A
♠ A Q 5 3 2
♥ 10 7 4
♦ Q J 6
♣ 6 2

WEST
♠ 9 8
♥ K Q J 5
♦ K 7 2
♣ K 7 8 3

EAST
♠ A 7
♥ A 9 6 2
♦ 10 9 6 5 3
♣ A 9 4

SOUTH
♠ K 10 6 4
♥ 8 3
♦ A 4
♣ K J 7 5

Vulnerable: North-South
Deal: West

The bidding:

South West North East
1 ♠ Pass 3 ♠ All pass

Opening lead: Heart king

BID WITH THE ACES

04-30-B

South holds:

♠ A Q 5 3 2
♥ 10 7 4
♦ K Q 8
♣ 6 2

South West North East

1 ♠ 1 ♥ Pass

ANSWER: Bid one spade. Your plan is to raise hearts next, showing a constructive raise with spade values. The only danger with a direct raise of hearts is that partner may expect better hearts and be worried about the opponent's spade fit. Your bid will put his mind at rest on the latter score.

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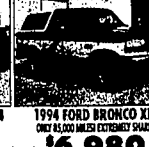
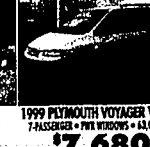
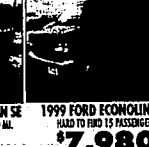



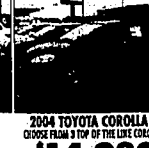

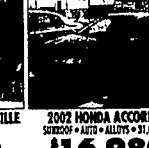

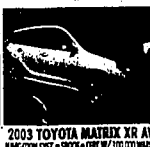


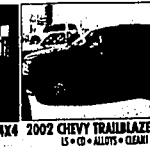


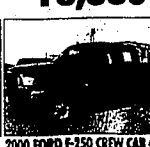
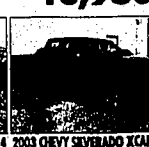

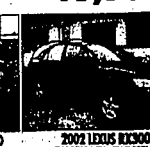

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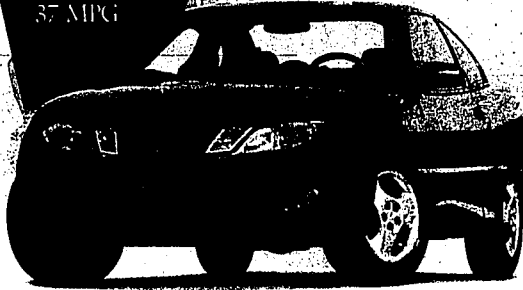
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