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Abuse images rile Arab world

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Arab countries reacted with rage and revulsion Friday after images of U.S. soldiers abusing Iraqi prisoners were broadcast around the world.

Bush administration and U.S. military officials scrambled to contain the furor and to assuage concerns among allies. The photos showed U.S. troops

President Bush vows punishment for abusers

celebrating as prisoners were sexually humiliated and otherwise abused.

"I shared a deep disgust that those prisoners were treated the way they were treated," President Bush said in a Rose Garden appearance with Canadian Prime Minister Paul Martin. "Their treatment does not reflect the nature of the American people. That's not the way we do things in America. And so I didn't like it one bit." Bush said the abuses will be investigated and the perpetrators "will be taken care of."

Analysts said the strong response by Bush appeared directed less at an American audi-

Annan said he was "deeply disturbed" by the photos, and the British government called the matter appalling. Arab countries were more strident, with the Arab League calling the mistreatment "savagely acts" and Arab broadcast networks describing the incidents in similar terms. Arab newspapers and students and even a member of

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A NEW BRAND OF MANAGEMENT?



Some of Laird Noh's 2,400 sheep graze on Bureau of Land Management property northeast of Rogerson Thursday morning. The herd stopped at this area to rest before continuing to Shoshone Basin for spring grazing. A state-sponsored proposal could merge BLM and U.S. Forest Service land management in Twin Falls and Cassia counties if Congress approves.

Land plan in area draws mixed response

By Jennifer Sandmann Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Tradition still crosses southern Idaho, as bands of sheep on the move migrate this spring toward summer-high country.

Rancher and retiring state lawmaker Laird Noh of Kimberly, his son and a shepherd drove sheep across U.S. Highway 93 near Rogerson this week east toward the Sawtooth National Forest.

It doesn't take long for a band of more than 2,000 ewes

and lambs to cross the road, depending on the modern-day traffic.

For about 70 years, the Noh family has raised sheep in southern Idaho, beginning with the senator's grandfather. Today the operation falls under two sets of regulations — one on public rangeland managed by the Bureau of Land Management, and the

other on national forest managed by the U.S. Forest Service.

That means working with two sets of federal managers, two sets of rules, two sets of payments and other double-duty obligations.

"I frankly haven't over the years run into major difficulties," Noh said. "I wouldn't say they have been major hindrances to the management of the business."

But they're reasons cited by some ranchers for supporting consolidation of the two agen-

cies' policies into a single set of rules.

State-commissioned federal legislation has been proposed with the stated aim of simplifying land management and boosting local collaboration. The test of a new brand of public land management would occur on 1.3 million acres of BLM and national forest land in Twin Falls and Cassia counties.

"I'm not sure that the uncertainty and the administrative

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Pastor pleads guilty to poaching

Buhl minister says honest mistakes led to 'comedy of errors'

The Times-News

BUHL — A poaching incident in Wyoming will cost the pastor of a Buhl church his hunting privileges for 15 years, a hunting rifle and \$11,670 in fines and restitution.

Earl Jenkins, 50, pastor at the Buhl Free Will Baptist Church, pleaded guilty in Wyoming to trespassing, wanton destruction of a big game animal, misusing an antlered deer without a license and two counts of taking a deer without a license, according to a press release issued this week from the Wyoming Game and Fish Department.

Jenkins and a fellow pastor, William Phillips of West Jordan, Utah, were convicted in connection with an incident in October near Evanston, Wyo., in the southwest part of that state. In all, four deer were killed with just one license, and two of the deer were wasted, the press release said.

Jenkins said Friday that with one exception, he made honest mistakes.

"Basically, I did some things that was wrong, but I didn't intend to do it," he said. "It was just a comedy of errors that would have been funny if it was somebody else."

Jenkins said he remains pastor of the Buhl church, and his congregation knows about the poaching conviction. He plans to resign as state moderator of the Free Will Baptist Church, however.

Jenkins and Phillips were caught Oct. 1, 2003, trespassing on a private ranch south of Evanston, according to the Game and Fish press release. There were two four-point buck deer in the back of their pickup, and they weren't tagged. Phillips did have a license, but Jenkins didn't. Jenkins was cited for taking a game animal without a license, and the two deer were seized — along with two Ziploc bags containing deer hearts and livers.

Two days later, the owner of the land where the two men were caught trespassing reported to the game warden that he found a spike buck that had

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Exorcist: Devil revels in chaotic world

Vatican's point man is busier than ever, he says

Los Angeles Times

ROME — In a small room, well away from the street so that no one hears the screams, Father Gabriele Amorth, 79, does battle with Satan. He is a busy man.

As the Vatican's top exorcist, Amorth performs the mysterious, ancient ritual dozens of

times a week. A confused world engulfed in tragedy and chaos is turning increasingly to black magic, the occult and fortune-telling, he said, proof that the devil and his handmaidens are having a field day.

"These customs open the door to evil spirits and to demonic possessions," Amorth said. "Exorcism is God's true miracle."

The practice of exorcism — driving demons and evil spirits from people or places — has been experiencing a renaissance of late, from Europe to the Americas to Africa. In part,

the rite owes its popularity to the need of people to believe that the devil is real, philosophers say, and that it is possible to get rid of him.

In Italy, the number of exorcists has increased more than tenfold in the last decade to about 300 nationwide; this year, one of the country's largest archdioceses established a special task force to handle the growing demand for devil detox.

Amorth is arguably the world's most famous practitioner of exorcism and certainly its greatest promoter.

With little prompting, he whipped out his equipment, shrouded in a weathered leather bag that is always at his side: a silver and wooden crucifix, an aspergillum for sprinkling holy water and a container of baptismal oil. He acted out simple steps from the ritual, wrapping his purple priest's stole around the shoulders of a visitor and making the sign of the cross on her forehead. (All clear, he pronounced.)

In an exorcism, that opening is followed by prayers, antiphones

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Marines end Fallujah siege, turn over task to Iraqi forces

By Carol Rosenberg Knight Ridder News Service

FALLUJAH, Iraq — Blowing up earth berms and emptying sandbags, thousands of Marines abandoned 3-week-old positions in the embattled city of Fallujah on Friday, leaving behind hundreds of Iraqi troops who once served in Saddam Hussein's army to subdue an anti-American insurgency.

The effort failed to bring immediate peace. A suicide bomber attacked American armor providing safe passage for the U.S. forces, killing two Marines outside the city.

Sill, the general in charge of U.S. operations in the Middle East characterized the experiment of rearming an old foe as a proxy force as "a possible break-

through in the battle to tame this Sunni Triangle city.

"Yes, there is room for optimism," said Central Command Gen. John Abizaid from Doha, Qatar. He hailed the alliance as a way to drive foreign fighters from this city, which for a year has defied U.S. military efforts to control and rebuild it.

Marines seemed pleased to be leaving the city, but weren't confident that the unusual arrangement would work.

Within hours, the Marines' 200 newest

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The commander of the 1st Marine Regiment, Col. John Toolan, greets the leader of the Fallujah Protective Army, Maj. Gen. Jassim Mohammed Saleh, a veteran of Saddam Hussein's Republican Guard, Friday on the outskirts of Fallujah.

TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Today: Mild with sunny skies. Highs in the lower to mid 70s. Tonight: Fair to clear skies and dry. Lows in the mid to the upper 30s. Tomorrow: Continued sunny, with near record temperatures. Highs in the upper 70s to near 80.

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NORTHERN UTAH Snow to mostly sunny, with clear skies and a significant warming trend will move in over the weekend as a ridge of high pressure fronts its way west.



Yesterday's State Extremes: High 77 at Arden & Hayden. Low: 19 at Starkey. Weather: Clear, with high, partly cloudy, mostly cloudy & clear, thin clouds, showers & light to heavy rain, heavy rain, heavy rain.

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

NATIONAL FORECAST

National forecast table for major US cities including New York, Los Angeles, and Chicago.

Yesterday's Weather

Table of yesterday's weather for various cities including Boise, Pocatello, and others.

WORLD FORECAST

World forecast table for major international cities including London, Paris, and Tokyo.

TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP



Iraq partners put on a victory-style show, shouting 'Allah is great, or 'God is great,' and waving a Saddam-era Iraqi flag in a gathering of Fallujians who were returning to the city after the bloodiest clashes of the U.S. invasion of Iraq.

Exorcist Pastor

ment with the holy water and oil, and then a demand to the devil that he state his name and go. Anything can happen if the person is possessed, and that's a rarity, he or she will often turn violent and fight the intervention. Amorth said, 'I've never been afraid of the devil.' Amorth said, 'In fact, I can say he is often scared of me.'

A case in point is Lucia, a 44-year-old mother of two. She had been undergoing exorcisms for 13 years, until her priest finally took her to Amorth.

The symptoms were typical: the possessed experience a visceral, utter repulsion of all things holy. Each time the priest initiated the ritual, she would enter a trance, rant in languages she didn't know and show violent, superhuman strength.

Jenkins said he assumed Phillips had thought a deer license for him, because he had given him a copy of his driver's license and his Social Security number. It was only after he shot the spike that he learned that his friend hadn't done so.

linked to the U.S. command in adjacent Camp Fallujah, allowing Marines to call in airstrikes to support the Iraqis, if they need to do battle in the heavily armed city, said Col. John Coleman, Conway's chief of staff.

U.S. commanders expect the Sunni Muslim force to grow, perhaps to 1,100, as they move to help disarm anti-American Sunni insurgents and, in some instances, put them on a trial.

Jenkins said he and Phillips didn't realize they were on private land.

Jenkins said he decided to plead guilty to the charges because it was getting too expensive to travel back and forth to Wyoming for court appearances, and because it was a way to ensure that he wouldn't get jail time.

Jenkins' hunting privileges were revoked for 15 years not only in the state of Idaho, but in all states that are part of the Wildlife Violator Compact.

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A new management approach

Here are details of a state-sponsored public land management proposal for federal lands in Twin Falls and Cassia counties.

Proposed federal legislation at a glance

- Project area: About 1.3 million acres span the test project area in Twin Falls and Cassia counties, with 630,000 acres falling under U.S. Forest Service management and 630,000 under Bureau of Land Management oversight.

Land

confusion would be worth the potential benefits," Mohr said.

But other public land users say they don't see the proposal making much of a difference.

one office, one set of rules

Around the country, the BLM and Forest Service are moving toward more resource sharing. The two agencies eventually plan to share the same office in Twin Falls. But this would be the first time the rules of one agency would be applied to the other for specific land uses.

With the input of a local advisory committee, the agencies would decide which rules to use, although the proposal states that BLM rules shall be applied to livestock grazing programs.

Becke likes that the agency has local resource advisory councils to provide public

est could opt not to participate in the pilot project and stick with the same old sets of rules.

Pilot project: The test in new land management would run for 10 years, with the ability to continue it in five-year intervals.

Resource Advisory Team: The two agencies would jointly appoint a committee to provide public input on land use issues, but decision-making authority would continue to rest with the agencies.

Environmental - National environmental organizations, regional or local environmental organizations, dispersed recreational activities; ar-

chaeological and historical interests; and national or regional fish and wildlife interest groups.

Local interests - A local elected official represents a state elected local management agencies, Indian tribes with land in or next to the affected areas; academics of natural resource management or natural sciences; and the public at large.

Monitoring: The two agencies would monitor and report to Congress each year on progress in meeting project goals of stewardship and consolidated management. A state university would be used as a third party to monitor the project area and provide reports every five years. A specific university is not named in the proposal.

Find that state legislation online at <http://www2.state.id.us/lanis>. Click on "Federal Lands Task Force Update." The Web site includes information on the project and related activities. Reach consultants Bob Maynard at 208-243-3434 and Buzz Frazier at 202-434-1636.

Sent written comments to Bob Maynard at Perkins Coe LLP 251 E. Front St., Suite 400, Boise, 83702.

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The proposal's origin. The merged management proposal does not come from the two federal agencies, which so far have not publicly weighed in on the idea.

NATION

Bush abandons Iraq blueprint

Knight Ridder News Service

WASHINGTON — More than a year after President Bush took the nation to war to make Iraq a model for democracy for the entire Middle East, his administration's plans have collided with reality.

After previous efforts failed to stabilize Iraq, Bush has been forced to make a series of sharp policy reversals, ditching or modifying the initial blueprint for remaking the country.

In quick succession, the White House has handed the United Nations the lead in selecting an interim government, moved more tanks and heavy armor into the country, and softened a harsh policy of excluding members of Saddam Hussein's Baathist regime from the new Iraq.

In Fallujah, the administration has turned to a former general in Saddam's army to suppress a violent uprising against the U.S.-led military occupation. The general, wise to the symbols of power in Iraq, showed up in his old uniform. In the Shiite south, the administration has been unable to crush a ragtag militia led by renegade cleric Muqtada al-Sadr.

That restoring order, reviving a ravaged economy and replacing a brutal dictatorship with a

democracy is proving to be much harder and costlier than Bush and many of his advisers thought it would be is testimony to how little they thought — and planned for — what might go wrong.



President George W. Bush Looks to stabilize Iraq

"There was no debate about the wisdom of going to war," said one senior administration official, who spoke only on the condition of anonymity. "No discussion of pros and cons, of what might happen, no planning for the unexpected. It was just something we were going to do."

White House spokesmen portray the changes as prudent course corrections as they grapple with mounting U.S. casualties and persistent instability in Iraq.

Critics say they represent a grudging acknowledgment that the administration's strate-

gy and planning were flawed and its tactics have been riddled with errors that have boxed Bush in and left him few good options.

The mistakes and oversights have also left American troops in Iraq fighting to defeat an armed insurgency with only a shaky political strategy, although the nation's counterinsurgency doctrine says that guerrillas can't be defeated by military means alone. It didn't have to be the war critics inside and outside the administration say.

Top Bush administration officials ignored and even disparaged pre-invasion warnings from their military, intelligence and foreign policy professionals — warnings that proved prescient.

They instead pursued a course urged by Iraqi exiles and their neoconservative allies in Washington, which envisioned a joyous and free Iraq, the creation of a pro-American government.

"The administration's plan today is exactly what they rejected in the fall of 2002 because it wasn't ideologically compatible," said David Phillips, who was an adviser to an intensive State Department-led planning effort called "The Future of Iraq Project."

U.S., Canada leaders talk trade

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush expressed gratitude Friday for Canada's nonmilitary help in Iraq as he and new Prime Minister Paul Martin worked through differences over the war and import restrictions on Canadian beef.

Canada should do what it feels comfortable doing in Iraq, Bush told reporters during Martin's first official visit to the United States. The Canadian prime minister "shares my deep desire for there to be peace in the world," Bush said.

Martin also said "the president was very encouraging" on the issue of import restrictions on Canadian beef that stemmed from the mad cow disease scare almost a year ago.

When Canada reported identifying a case of the brain-wasting disease a year ago, the United States responded by banning Canadian cattle and beef.

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Inmate gets life in guard kidnapping case

PHOENIX (AP) — An inmate who took part in a 15-day prison standoff, holding two guards hostage and raping one of them, was sentenced Friday to seven life terms.

Steven Coy, who was already serving several life terms before seizing the watch tower with another inmate in January, also received other sentences ranging from six to 35 years.

Coy pleaded guilty in March to 14 charges, including sexual

assault, escape, kidnapping, assault and promoting prison contraband.

The admitted raping a female guard, who was held hostage for 15 days, and a female kitchen worker.

British officials probe abuse case

LONDON (AP) — British military officials confirmed Friday that they are investigating new allegations that their soldiers abused a prisoner in Iraq.

The report followed confirmation from the Ministry of Defense in a separate case that military authorities are considering whether to prosecute eight soldiers for allegedly abusing prisoners.

The new charges came as the Daily Mirror newspaper published photos of a hooded prisoner who reportedly was beaten and had teeth broken at the hands of British troops.

"All allegations are already under investigation," Gen. Michael Jackson, chief of the General Staff, told a late night news conference.

"If proven, the perpetrators are not fit to wear the queen's uniform. They have been stripped the good name of the army and its honor."

Images

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the U.S.-appointed Iraqi Governing Council said the images could be pivotal in turning Iraqis against the United States.

"This is the logic and modus operandi of imperialist conquest and colonial occupation," the *Tehran Times* wrote. "The pictures of torture, brutality and sexual sadism are representative of the entire criminal operation being conducted in Iraq."

The photos, first broadcast Wednesday on CBS' "60 Minutes II," showed hooded prisoners piled in a human pyramid and simulating sex acts as U.S. soldiers celebrated. One photo showed a hooded prisoner standing on a box with wires attached to his hands; the prisoner was told, falsely, that he would be electrocuted if he fell off the box.

"It provides a graphic portrayal of many of the worst impressions that much of the world has about America," said Andrew Kohut, who, as director of the Pew Research Center, has polled extensively in Arab and European countries. "It's not meant to large numbers of people all around the world who are increasingly anti-American

and don't think we represent the things Americans pride themselves on."

Foreign policy experts said the photos could cause lasting damage to U.S. efforts. "It is a disaster," said Michael Rubin, a resident scholar at the American Enterprise Institute and until earlier this year a political adviser to the U.S.-led Coalition Provisional Authority. "Five or six people have managed to soil the reputation of American soldiers worldwide."

Arab commentators said the images were particularly damaging because of Muslim restrictions on nudity. The photos also invited parallels to Saddam Hussein's regime because the abuse occurred in Abu Ghariib, a prison used by Saddam for torture.

Without detailing the abuses, the military brought criminal charges in March against six soldiers over incidents, allegedly the ones in the photos, at the prison in November and December 2003.

The commander of the Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, detention facility, Maj. Gen. Geoffrey Miller, is being sent to Iraq to take over the coalition detention facilities.

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Bush lacks straight talk while discussing draft

Vietnam it's not, but let's not kid ourselves. It was inevitable the draft would come up again as an important next step in the war on terror.

Sen. Chuck Hagel, a Republican from Nebraska, floated the trial balloon recently, calling for a discussion about reinstating the draft, which ended in the early 1970s. A decorated Vietnam veteran, Hagel holds the higher moral ground in this debate.

Hagel is worried that the war in Iraq is taking its toll on enlisted troops and the reservists, particularly after the Pentagon announced plans to extend the missions of 20,000 of the 135,000 U.S. troops in Iraq. The war has been particularly hard on the families of older reservists who have seen their household incomes drop because their spouses have been called to service.

"I think some mandatory service for this country for all our citizens, for the privileged, the rich, all those who have a lot, should be something we need to seriously here," Hagel has said.

The Democrats are giddy at the political possibilities. The military draft would hit home for many Iraq war supporters who years ago received their own letters to go to duty in Vietnam, beginning with Vice

MYRIAM MARQUEZ

President Dick Cheney. What if their sons and daughters had to go today? The Congressional Budget Office already warned last September that "the Army lacks sufficient active-duty forces to maintain its current level beyond next spring. The Army does not have enough active-duty component forces to simultaneously maintain the occupation at its current size, limit deployments to one year and sustain all of its other commitments."

Well, spring is here, and still the White House maintains that the draft isn't necessary. If the mayhem in Iraq drags on and the U.S. death toll escalates, what happens then? Already as many as 40,000 soldiers and Guard troops have faced a "stop-loss" status, forced to stay when their tour of duty should have ended.

Meanwhile, Spain and others that form part of President Bush's "coalition of the willing" no longer are willing to stick it out in Iraq.

As they pull out and sections of Iraq fall into the hands of U.S. troops who are there will need all the help our leaders can

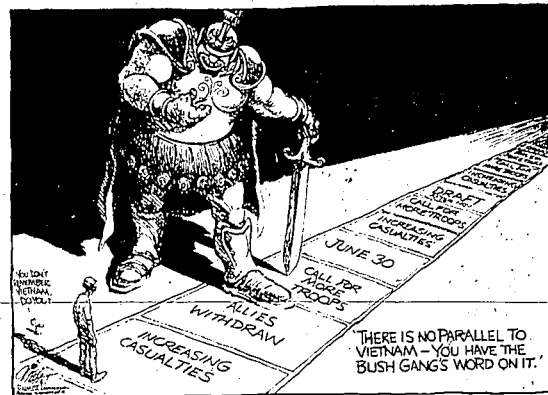
offer them. We got two sons, one about to enter college and the other only four years away from military age. So this is not an academic exercise for me. This is an issue that we need to discuss, dissect and debate thoroughly. Because any new draft attempt should not be one in which the well-off get a free pass, as happened in Vietnam.

If we're going to win the war on terror, then we have to be clear about who our enemies are and how long we're willing to go at this virtually alone. After all, the number of troops from Great Britain (7,500) and the other coalition forces is minuscule compared to a U.S. force.

Well, Bush charts a course for the United Nations, with strong U.S. participation, to secure Iraq so that its people can begin to craft a democratic system, the U.S. options will dry up.

We'll either have to pull out of Iraq too soon, leaving more terrorists in the Middle East than when Bush started this war, or the president will have to talk up the draft.

Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld maintains that the solution is to dip deeper into the ranks of existing forces. He figures the nations' 2.3 million volunteer military, including



the reserves and Guard forces, will do. I pray I'm right, but my gut tells me otherwise. Hagel grips the reality of a war that the president has proclaimed open-ended. The Nebraska senator believes it will take a whole generation — about 25 years — to do the job. As body bags continue to come home, politicians will feel the pressure. Afghanistan was

an easy call — the connection between the murderers Taliban regime and Osama bin Laden's al Qaeda was in dispute.

The reasons for occupying Iraq and removing dictator Saddam Hussein aren't as clear. The so-called evidence used to argue for the invasion has now been exposed as flawed, at worst, manipulated to suit Bush's aims, at worst.

This explains why a growing number of Americans are uneasy about the war in Iraq. In this war without end, we need straight talk from the president, not political double-speak in an election year.

Myriam Marquez is an editorial page columnist for the Orlando Sentinel. Readers may write to her at mm Marquez@orlandosentinel.com.

Deputes made their own choice for campaigns

After reading a couple of the articles in the paper about the way that Sheriff Wayne Tousey handled deputies Stubblefield and Martinez, I decided to research the matter a little deeper and find facts for me sending in my letter to give my opinion about the situation.

The first fact is before both of these two had made the announcement to run for the office of sheriff, they were told that the options were and still made the choice they did. Is it the sheriff's fault that they made the choice? No, they had the right to make the choice they did, knowing fully well the options were before they made them. You cannot hold the sheriff accountable for these two people's right to make an informed decision. Simply put, it was their decision.

The second fact is that Sheriff Wayne Tousey made the proper decision based upon legal cases presented around the nation dealing with this very same thing. Feel free to research it yourself in cases such as Hankins and vs. New Mexico State Police, Nicodem vs. Pennsylvania State Police, Norton vs. Schmecker, Vincent vs. Maeras and Wilburn vs. Malian.

These are all cases where the courts ruled that a law enforcement officer could properly be placed on unpaid leave after announcing their intention to run against the incumbent sheriff in the upcoming election.

I guess if all comes down to choices and, in this case, our sheriff made the proper choice. Stubblefield and Martinez, make their choice and, on election day, I will make my choice and that will be Wayne Tousey for sheriff of Twin Falls County. DOUGLAS HUGHES Twin Falls

Law enforcement came through to protect home

We would like to express our appreciation to Officer John Darnall of the Filer Police Department and Officer Morgan Case, Cammie Unit, Twin Falls County Sheriff's Department.

One night last week two men trespassed on our property while we were asleep in our home. Officer Darnall noticed suspicious behavior of a vehicle and followed it to our house. Unbeknownst to us, the vehicle parked in our driveway. One man got out of the car and was

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Thank you, Officers Darnall and Case, and your dog for the very fine work you do.

JOHN AND CHRISTY CARMICHAEL Filer

Are social groups encouraging teen sex?

The following is in regard to the incarceration of Toby LaPray (nmate in the Twin Falls County jail) and other young men who are faced with this as result of Idaho's ridiculously strict age-related "sex offender" laws.

It's time to take a look at how our own state government contributes to the immoral acts of these particular offenders, beginning with our own school systems. Throughout high school, does this not say to our young people that it's OK for them to inebriate and socialize?

They go to know one another and have conversations which lead to friendship. They are encouraged to attend prom — a major dance that is very important to young people. Prom is not age restricted. A recent phone call to Mindokua County High School confirmed a 19-year-old boy could take a 16-year-old girl to prom and it's completely encouraged.

The next example involves religious involvement. The LDS Church promotes the interaction of their young people as well as their well-known "teen dances." Teens of any age are encouraged to talk, interact, relate, converse, dance (physical interaction), and have a great time with one another. Are the Mormons at fault for a portion of the immoral conduct of our young people?

The third culprit on the list of contributors is the radio station "99.9 The Buzz." Club dances are becoming the rave among

the children of the Magic Valley. As many as 150 to 400 teens attend these at a time. The buzz raves about how awesome these are and there are many advertisements on the radio station trying to get our teens to attend. These dances are for teens ages 15 plus. Encouraging 15- to 17-year-olds to be mixed in with the "predatory" 18- to 19-year-olds?

What kind of mixed signals are we sending our young people if it's such a crime for teenagers to interact, why promote it? Should we start enforcing segregation? Banning 18- to 19-year-old teens from interacting with those younger at these public dances and parties? Toby LaPray, from personal interaction, is not a menace to society but is labeled one because he attempted to live the American dream, to begin a life with a girl he cared for and live "happily ever after." Since Idaho's laws are so strict, do we need to warn our young people to stay away from one another and forget about dating?

JEREMY C. AMEN Rupert

Edmunds has the knack for fixing broken things

I'm writing in support of Ken Edmunds as he seeks office in the Idaho State Senate.

Ken is a long-time Twin Falls resident and has been active in the community. As his boys have been active in soccer, he's been very involved as a coach and organizer and has taken an active role in the soccer support groups. Educated as an accountant, Ken has worked mainly in business and construction development. In doing this, he has developed a keen sense of the costs involved in each project. He knows how much something should cost and if it is getting value for the money spent. I think this is very important for someone who is going to spend each of our tax dollars. That is one reason I feel Ken would be good in the state Senate.

Ken has built several professional buildings for me and was very concerned about the money being spent the best way possible. He kept track of the funds accurately and in a timely fashion so I understood where I was and how the project was progressing. During and after the construction, he listened to my concerns and corrected any problems. On occasion, I would come home in the evening and complain to

my wife about things I didn't think were right and she would reply, "Don't worry, Ken will fix it." She was right. Ken did fix concerns. As a senator, Ken will listen to the citizens and work wholeheartedly to represent the needs and views of Magic Valley citizens.

GARY AND MARGIE DIXON Twin Falls

Bedke has shown great skills in short time

I wish to express my support for Rep. Scott Bedke in the upcoming legislative election. I have had the opportunity to serve as a colleague with Rep. Bedke in the Idaho Legislature. He is seen as a man of integrity, a leader. Scott is respected by his fellow legislators and looked to for leadership on a variety of issues.

It is interesting to watch the dynamics of an organization such as the Idaho Legislature. As the population of Idaho grows in a few select areas of the state, these in the rural areas still have the opportunity to elect strong representatives, who are not career politicians. It is refreshing to observe the respect paid to leaders such as Mr. Bedke. He is a leader in his own community and is well-respected as someone who has a definite future in the halls of the Capitol.

Scott is someone who tries to be fair to all constituencies while never forgetting his own electorate. The needs of his legislative district remain paramount in his mind as he joins others in the pursuit of equity and impartiality for all of the people of Idaho.

As a 30-year veteran educator and a former fellow member of the House Education Committee, it took me only a few days to see that Scott knows and understands the needs of education and is truly a man of his word. He is first and foremost a man who believes in the children of Idaho and the need to properly educate all children. He is also one who is cognizant of the taxpayer and the importance of accountability on the part of all who use tax dollars. Scott is knowledgeable of the details of a variety of issues and leads in almost every area.

In a very short period of time, Scott was assigned to a key legislative committee — Joint Finance and Appropriations. It is also important and remarkable to note that it took very

little time for Scott to be seen as a leader on that committee.

The people in Scott's legislative district should be proud to call him a native son and should recognize that he is perceived as an up-and-coming leader in the state of Idaho. JANET AKELE Moore

School disenfranchises students' write-in votes

All started when two good fun boys running for a class office took their shirts off during a campaign assembly. They were disqualified for violation of the dress code. Was this fair? The high school administration thought it was fair, but hundreds of students didn't. Many of the students used their right to free speech by voting their displeasure on the ballots. They simply wrote in the two boys' names.

So what happened when it came time to tally the votes? According to the TPIIS Constitution, "Write-in candidates will be discounted in all elections." Plainly, the write-in votes should not have been counted. But the administrators took it one step further — they discounted the entire ballots that had any writing on them. All ballots containing write-in votes were immediately pulled out, torn up and destroyed.

The TPIIS students were not aware they were throwing away all of their votes if they wrote in a vote. This was never communicated to them, and it was not a written rule in their constitution. No wonder the students held a protest the following day, because the writing for candidates in the other races was tainted.

Just how many ballots were tossed? That remains a mystery. The administrators say 80 ballots were thrown away. The students who helped with the voting say there were more. Considering the number of students who are now signing petitions and saying they write-in names, the actual number could be the actual 200.

Regardless of the number of

tossed-out ballots, the administrators say those ballots wouldn't have affected the results of the other races. But how do they know? All ballots with write-in votes were destroyed before they were counted.

When we as U.S. citizens vote, our ballots are not contaminated if we choose to write-in a name. Our votes still count. On the other hand, people may be thrown in jail for tearing up and destroying ballots.

When students are caught making mistakes, they are expected to face the consequences and are expected to try to make things right. So I need to ask why some high school administrators are not willing to admit they didn't follow the rules. Now it's their turn to consider how to make this right.

I would just like to ask, what are we teaching our youth? Investigate. TARA CARPENTER Twin Falls

Bush's ties to Saudis merits closer inspection

Bob Woodward has raised a number of disturbing questions about the president's relationship with the Saudi royal family. We now know that Bush has a secret deal with the Saudis to influence the November elections by manipulating gas prices — a deal that is costing Americans at the pump.

If President Bush can make deals with OPEC nations to lower gas prices, why isn't he doing it now, while Americans face record prices at the pump, instead of using that influence to manipulate the election?

President Bush needs to answer other questions about his relationship with Saudi Arabia too, including why he revealed secret war plans to Saudi Prince Bandar before he showed Colin Powell.

It's time for President Bush to step the stonewall and come clean about his relationship with the Saudi royal family and their plan to manipulate the elections. LYNN BROWN Twin Falls

Doonesbury



By Garry Trudeau



Mallard Fillmore



By Bruce Tinsley



WORLD

Sharon warns of new elections if his party rejects withdrawal plan

JERUSALEM — With polls forecasting defeat, Prime Minister Ariel Sharon warned Likud Party members Friday that they will force new elections if they reject his proposed withdrawal from the Gaza Strip.

Sharon spoke as surveys confirmed a dramatic shift among the 193,000 eligible Likud voters before Sunday's referendum. In recent weeks, supporters of the plan had maintained a significant edge, but new polls indicated a clear advantage for the opponents.

"We are worried," Sharon adviser Eyal Karmon said.

Sharon has been pressing his case in a series of television interviews in recent days.

"If the disengagement plan is not approved, I believe it will lead to new elections, which would be very costly and utterly superfluous, considering our economic situation," Sharon told Israel TV's Channel Two on Friday.

U.N. clears Haiti mission with thousands of troops

UNITED NATIONS — The Security Council authorized a wide-ranging U.N. mission in Haiti Friday with more than 8,000 troops and police, as well as political and human rights experts to help stabilize the troubled Caribbean nation.

The U.N. mission will start on June 1 for an initial period of six months but the council said it intends to renew the mandate, a signal of its agreement with Secretary-General Kofi Annan that a long-term U.N. commitment is essential to turn Haiti into "a functioning democracy."

Bosnian Serbs find six more mass graves

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina — Bosnian Serb authorities offered details of six previously undisclosed mass graves in the town of Srebrenica on Friday, their first step in cooperating with a commission investigating the worst civilian massacre in Europe since World War II.

Bosnian-Serb military and police officials submitted details of the graves to the chairman of the commission studying the massacre of up to

World in brief

8,000 Muslim men and boys in 1993.

Law banning religious apparel allows leeway

PARIS — France's public schools will have considerable leeway in applying a new law banning conspicuous religious apparel, a government document said Friday, meaning bandanas favored by some Muslims could be prohibited by some schools but allowed by others.

Bandanas are seen by some Muslims as a substitute for the Islamic head scarves prohibited by the new law, which takes effect in September.

The Education Ministry released a document aimed at guiding schools on how to apply the law, which bans the Islamic skull cap and large Christian crosses but is chiefly aimed at keeping Islamic head scarves out of the classroom.

S. Korean plane lands in N. Korea with aid

SEOUL, South Korea — A South Korean plane landed in North Korea on Friday with first-aid kits, blankets and other relief for victims of a deadly train explosion, the first cargo flight between the two countries.

The Korean Air Boeing 747-400F flew from Incheon Airport outside Seoul and crossed the western sea border in an hour-long flight. It arrived at the airport in Pyongyang, the North's capital, with \$170,000 worth of aid, according to the South's Unification Ministry.

Soyuz spacecraft makes flawless landing

ARKALYK, Kazakhstan — A Russian-U.S.-Dutch crew returned to Earth from the international space station on Friday in "an almost bulls-eye landing" in the steppes of Kazakhstan.

NASA hailed the successful mission as another sign of American-Russian cooperation more than a year after the U.S. shuttle program was grounded because of the Columbia disaster.

'Sesame Street' comes to Afghanistan

KABUL, Afghanistan — The

famous puppets of "Sesame Street" will help Afghanistans children overcome their country's traumatic past, starting in videos to be shown in schools recovering from Taliban rule and decades of war.

The first of 400 education kits, with specially adapted programs featuring Big Bird and other characters, have been given to Afghan authorities, officials said.

"We need our children to have their eyes and their minds opened to new ideas," said Sekander Ghyani, an adviser to the Afghan minister of education.

The kits also will help Afghan teachers "move into a new century of education," Ghyani said in a statement released late Thursday.

Each kit contains 10 20-minute episodes made from material developed for Alam Simsim, an Egyptian adaptation of Sesame Street funded by the U.S. government.

For Afghanistan, the program has been dubbed in Dari, one of the country's two main languages, and renamed "Koché Sesame."

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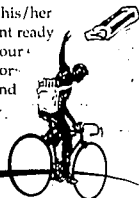
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Thousands celebrate as E.U. nears a historic expansion

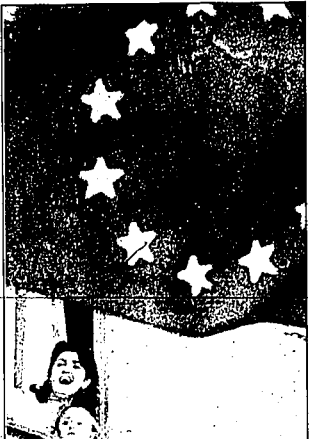
PRAGUE, Czech Republic (AP) - Hundreds of thousands of people across the "new Europe" celebrated with street festivals in a jubilant countdown Friday to the European Union's historic enlargement. Dozens of events were to culminate with spectacular fireworks displays in the 10 new member nations at midnight - 6 p.m. EDT - when the EU becomes a potential economic and political powerhouse of 25 nations and 450 million citizens.

The mood was festive in the Czech Republic and the other nine mostly ex-communist countries, whose accession after decades of Cold War-era isolation was praised by EU leaders as "the end of the artificial divisions of the last century."

The EU's "big bang" expansion brings in the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Slovakia and Slovenia, along with Cyprus and Malta, which were never in the Soviet orbit.

EU heads of state were gathering in Ireland, which is wrapping up its EU presidency for a formal "Day of Welcomes" in Dublin on Saturday.

In a landmark speech to Poland's parliament, German President Johannes Rau said expansion signaled a new era in



A Polish woman and a child look out a window under the European flag in the city of Slubice, Friday.

the two countries' histories, which were blackened by the Nazi occupation.

"A completely new chapter in our relationship as neighbors is beginning, a new epoch with great possibilities and wide-

reaching perspectives," Rau said, adding that the newcomers would keep Europe vibrant.

Engagement fulfills a vision "for Europe, free and united," said Denmark's prime minister, Anders Fogh Rasmussen.

Macedonia: Police faked attack

SKOPIE, Macedonia (AP) - Macedonian police granted seven innocent immigrants, then claimed they were terrorists, in a killing staged to impress the United States, authorities said Friday.

Speaking after a two-year investigation, a police

spokeswoman, Mirjana Konteska told reporters that six people, including three former police commanders, two special police officers and a businessman, have been charged by police with murder.

"That was an act of a sick mind," Konteska said. "They ...

ordered the brutal murder of the seven Pakistani men."

Konteska said the killings were an attempt to "present themselves as participants in the war against terrorism and demonstrate Macedonia's commitment to the war on terror."

Thailand: Attackers were separatists

BANGKOK, Thailand (AP) - Surging violence in Thailand's Muslim south is the work of a growing but still shadowy movement that wants to carve a separate Islamic homeland out of the mainly Buddhist nation, officials said Friday.

Gen. Kitti Rattanchaya, the south's top security adviser, said the movement has enlisted hundreds of fighters ready to sacrifice themselves.

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Vietnamese general gives warning on Iraq

HANOI, Vietnam (AP) - The frail and tiny man who defeated two superpowers returned to the spotlight Friday to talk of triumphs past and deliver words of warning to the Americans at war in Iraq.

"Any forces that would impose their will on other nations will certainly face defeat," said Vo Nguyen Giap, the legendary general whose strategies won the French colonial regime and then the U.S. Army.

Giap is 92 now, the last of Vietnam's giants in a 30-year war to shake off colonial rule and unite the country under communism.

What brought him to a rare meeting with journalists was two landmark anniversaries: The fall of Saigon on April 30, 1975, and the defeat of French colonial forces at the epic siege of Dien Bien Phu, 50 years ago

next Friday.

With critics of the Iraq war likening it to America's Vietnam experience, Giap's opinion was eagerly sought, but the man considered one of history's foremost military strategists prefaced his reply with caution, saying he didn't know the specifics of the Iraq situation.

He offered this: "All nations fighting for their legitimate interests and sovereignty will surely win."

Giap emphasized the powers of today shouldn't underestimate weaker countries' desire for independence.

"Vietnam" proves that if a nation is determined to stand up, it is very strong," he said. "We are very proud that Vietnam was the first colony that could stand up and gain independence on its own with the victory of Dien Bien Phu."

Iraqi cleric denounces U.S.

NAJAF, Iraq (AP) - Tribal chiefs and police tried to find a negotiated solution Friday to the U.S. standoff with radical Shiite cleric Muqtada al-Sadr, who defiantly vowed the "America is the enemy of Islam."

There were signs, however, that al-Sadr was ready to compromise if he can avoid arrest.

Despite hundreds of U.S. troops outside Najaf, al-Sadr

was able to move from his office in the holy city to the main mosque in the neighboring city of Kufa to deliver the weekly Friday sermon to his followers.

He has tried freely between Najaf and Kufa every Friday for noon prayers for the past three weeks, and a U.S. commander suggested his troops are holding off capturing al-Sadr to avoid provocations while negotiations continue.

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Section B

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When he came here, he couldn't lift Kleenex. Now he's one of the strongest guys we've got.

— Dallas Cowboys coach **Bill Parcells** on second-year linebacker **Bradle James**

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

- College baseball**
 CSI at Southern Nevada, 1 p.m. MDT
- Semi-Pro Football**
 Layton, Utah Patriots at Magic Valley Bulldogs, Minico 11:50 p.m.
- High school track**
 Hanson, Holt River, Hagerman at Horseshoe Bend Invitational, 10 a.m.
 Wendell at Outback Championships, BSU, TBA
- High school baseball**
 Skyline at Twin Falls, 2 p.m.
 Minico JV at Wood River, 2:11 p.m.
- High school basketball**
 Fannett at Buhl, 2:11 p.m.
 Glenns Ferry at Malak tonnezy, TBA
 Wood River at Preston tournament, TBA
- High school softball**
 Burley at Madison, 2:11 a.m.
 Idaho Falls at Minico, 2:11 a.m.
- High school tennis**
 Buhl at Wood River, TBA
- High school rodeo**
 Sixth district, Burley, 1 p.m.
 Fifth district, Gooding, 1 p.m.

IN BRIEF

Filer High holds soccer meeting

FILER — A meeting to discuss the future of the Filer High School soccer program, coaches and the 2004 schedule will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, May 5 at FHS.

The meeting is for parents and students currently in grades 10-11 interested in playing soccer in the fall who wish to discuss the aforementioned issues.

Burley boosters meet Monday

BURLEY — The Burley Booster Club will hold its next meeting Monday, May 3 at 7 p.m. in the Burley High School conference room. All parents of athletes grades 9-12 are strongly encouraged to attend, as parental support is much needed. For any questions, please call 677-4345.

Athletic physicals set for Minico High

RUPERT — Mini-Cassia Occupational Health at 1218 9th St., Suite 13 in Rupert, Girls Physicals will be held Tuesday, May 4 from 5:30-7:30 p.m., and boys physicals will be held Wednesday, May 5 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. The fee for the service is \$10 or an appropriate signature on a Community Service Coupon. Forms will not be available at Occupational Health, and must be picked up in the Minico High School office or from the athletic director. Students must bring a completed form to their physical with a parent's signature and name of a family physician.

Filer High School will dedicate new track

FILER — A dedication for the new track at Filer High School will be held Thursday, May 6 at the FHS track.

Both parties who helped make the track possible will be acknowledged. A ribbon cutting is set for 2:30 p.m. to be followed by the Filer Invitational track meet.

Compiled from staff reports

Bruins claim Minico invite

Twin Falls boys, girls each come out in first place

By Eric Larsen
 Times-News writer

RUPERT — The Twin Falls Bruins came into Friday afternoon's Minico-Burley Invitational track meet at Minico High Schools Spartan Field and did what they usually do. They dominated.

Both the Bruin boys and girls took first place team finishes with the boys scoring 124 and the girls coming in with 126 points. The Bruin boys were especially dominant, finishing 45 points ahead of second-place Century of Pocatello.

The Bruin girls took first by sweeping the relay events, taking gold in all four. Orla Walsh and Britany Wardlow finished one-two in the 200-meter dash for the Bruins, with times of 26.2 and 26.3 seconds, respectively.

The girls' competition was especially tough, with 15 teams in attendance. The team from tiny IA Oakley and senior Ali Cranney made the trip to Minico to run with Idaho's high schools.

"Fluke it," Cranney said. "This changes things up a bit. It's a little different than what we're used to with prelims and everything."

Cranney had a solid day, taking the bronze in the 100-meter dash and placing in four other events.

"Our times have been good and our (4x100-meter) relay was the best we've had all year," Cranney said.

Cranney, who will attend Idaho State University next year and try to walk onto the track, hopes she can continue to improve her times heading into state.

"We haven't been able to



Minico's Jason Barfuss strains to clear 5-foot-10 inches in the high jump during Friday's Minico-Burley Invitational track meet.

practice that much with the way the weather has been," Cranney said. "But that's how it is when you live in Idaho."

Minico finished ninth on the boys side and 14th in the girls standings.

Track boys — 100-meter: 1. Orla Walsh, Twin Falls, 26.2; 200-meter: 1. Britany Wardlow, Twin Falls, 26.3; 400-meter: 1. Orla Walsh, Twin Falls, 1:00.5; 800-meter: 1. Orla Walsh, Twin Falls, 2:05.0; 1,600-meter: 1. Orla Walsh, Twin Falls, 4:15.0; 3,200-meter: 1. Orla Walsh, Twin Falls, 8:30.0; 5,000-meter: 1. Orla Walsh, Twin Falls, 13:45.0; 10,000-meter: 1. Orla Walsh, Twin Falls, 28:00.0; 15,000-meter: 1. Orla Walsh, Twin Falls, 41:00.0; 20,000-meter: 1. Orla Walsh, Twin Falls, 54:00.0; 30,000-meter: 1. Orla Walsh, Twin Falls, 81:00.0; 40,000-meter: 1. Orla Walsh, Twin Falls, 108:00.0; 50,000-meter: 1. Orla Walsh, Twin Falls, 135:00.0; 60,000-meter: 1. Orla Walsh, Twin Falls, 162:00.0; 70,000-meter: 1. Orla Walsh, Twin Falls, 189:00.0; 80,000-meter: 1. Orla Walsh, Twin Falls, 216:00.0; 90,000-meter: 1. Orla Walsh, Twin Falls, 243:00.0; 100,000-meter: 1. Orla Walsh, Twin Falls, 270:00.0.

Declo makes most of its opportunities

By Kevin Colbert
 Times-News writer

KIMBERLY — Where there was a will for the Declo softball team, there was a way.

The Lady Hornets didn't overpitch Kimberly with untimable pitching or pepper the outfield fence with line drives, but they did just enough to defeat their Sawtooth Central Idaho Conference rivals, 5-2 and 7-4 in a Friday doubleheader.

The victories improve Declo to 11-1 overall and 3-1 in the SIC. Only the first game of the doubleheader counts towards the conference standings.

"We came out with one goal in mind and that was to beat Kimberly," Declo coach Kurt Murdock said. "And this is the first time we've beaten Kimberly. It feels good."

The Hornets managed just five hits off Kimberly starter Ashley Carlin in Game 1, but most of those were timely.

Declo grabbed a 1-0 lead in the second inning when Kim Liljenquist scored from second base on Chelsea Christensen's double to right field.

The Hornets tucked on two more runs in the top of the fourth. Liljenquist crossed home life on all runners reached base safely on an infielder's choice. Chelsea Christensen crossed home later in the inning when Heather Harper drew a bases-loaded walk to make it 3-2.

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Wet, wild and wide open Derby looms

By Richard Rosenblatt
 Associated Press writer

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — Wide open. Probably wet. Definitely wild.

That's how the Kentucky Derby is shaping up, even though Wimbledon and St. Award were scratched with injuries Friday and trainer Bob Baffert, a three-time winner, won't be around for all the fun.

"This is part of the business and you never get it," said Baffert, who hasn't missed a race since sending out his first starter in 1996.

The latest twists in this wacky Derby revolved a full field of 20 to 18, altered nearly half the

fielder's choice. Chelsea Christensen crossed home later in the inning when

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Derby trainer willing to change riders.

"It's disappointing," Bailey said. "Guess I'll have to hang around another year."

So will 11 Wayne Lukas, a five-time Derby winner, who doesn't have a starter in the race.

His absence and Baffert's is itself a Derby footnote. Not since 1910 has a Derby been run without a horse trained by either.

However, there is no shortage of story lines for this race perhaps because it's been such a confusing prep season. Nothing illustrated that better than the fate of trainer Nick Zito's two entries.

Krumm gets reins at TFHS

Board approves coach's contract

By Joe Paisley
 Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — You can take the man out of office. Fresh off the first state 5A football playoffs appearance since 1999, the Twin Falls School Board recently approved a two-year, \$60,000 contract for Gary Krumm as head coach of the Bruins program.



District human resources director and spokesman Linda Baird confirmed the decision, which was voted on under a consent agenda in the board's April 22 meeting. The vote was unanimous.

"It was a relief. It feels very good," Krumm said Friday night.

Dave Slotton will return as defensive coordinator while Krumm will handle the offensive duties. Eight other assistants will be on the staff.

"A lot of the staff that was here will be back," Krumm said. "I hope to add a couple key components to make us even better. I'm really excited about the staff and the future."

The Bruins went 0-2 in their first year under Krumm, a long-time coach at 3A Buhl. Twin Falls was the Region Four-Five-Six's top seed, but lost 24-21 to Eagle Grove in the first round, a dramatic moment from the season was when Twin Falls upset Highland 38-36 on the road with a 14th yard touchdown pass as time expired from Jay Martin to Mitch Smith, ending Highlands' 19-game winning streak.

Krumm was appointed to take over as a one-year interim head coach at Twin Falls High on June 28, 2003. The 1991 Bruins, graduate took over for former coach Mark Schell.

Krumm went 52-37 with four district titles and two runner-up titles at Buhl.

Krumm previously coached at Wendell High School after holding assistant coaching positions at Burley and Kimberly high schools.

Tillman gets Silver Star

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Former Arizona's 4th Infantry Lt. Pat Tillman was posthumously awarded the Silver Star for leading his Army Rangers unit to the rescue of comrades caught in an ambush.

Tillman was shot and killed in one legend for his personal bravery.

The Army said Friday in announcing the award.

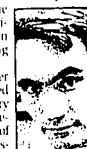
The Silver Star, awarded for gallantry on the battlefield, is one of the most distinguished military honors.

On Thursday the Army promoted Tillman from specialist to corporal. He was assigned to A Company, 2nd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, based in Fort Leavenworth, Kan.

In announcing the Silver Star award, the Army Special Operations Command provided the most specific description of what happened to Tillman on April 22.

The platoon was split into two sections for what officials called a ground assault exercise. Tillman was leader of the lead group. The trailing group received mortar fire as the leading group came under fire. The survivors remain the group had no room to maneuver out of the "kill zone."

Tillman's group was already safely out of the area, but when the trailing group came under fire he ordered his men to get out of their vehicles and move up a hill toward the enemy.



Pat Tillman

In tune: Song leads at midway point of Chick-fil-A

STOCKBRIDGE, Ga. (AP) — On his last day as a 17-year-old, Arc Song hardly played like a teenager.

Then again, she's never really acted her age. Song surged into position to become the youngest winner ever on the PGA Tour, shooting a 6-under 66 Friday for a share of the lead at the midway point of the Chick-fil-A Charity Championship.

Song was tied with Lorie Kane, who made birdies on three of her last five holes in a 68, at 9-under 135 after two rounds.

While 14-year-old Michelle Wie is usually billed as the future of women's golf, Song is clearly the more accomplished

player at this point.

Fleisher takes two-stroke lead at Bruno's Memorial

HOOPER, Ala. — Bruce Fleisher shot an 8-under 64 Friday and held a two-stroke lead over Lonnie Nielsen after the first round of the Bruno's Memorial Classic.

Nielsen's 66 at Greystone Golf & Country Club in suburban Birmingham included four straight birdies and a 45-foot eagle putt on the par-13th.

Fleisher, the runner-up to Tom Jenkins last year, was worried about the weather, but the heavy rains held off until after the round. Nielsen, a former club pro from Buffalo, N.Y., is in

Golf

his first full year on the Champions Tour. He birdied 10 put in two shots of the lead.

Golfers find shelter from New Orleans weather

NEW ORLEANS — As a steady rain fell, Kent Jones' golf bag stood on a soggy rug by the door of his RV.

It was another rain delay for the tour veteran — as well as the rest of the field at the HP Classic on Friday.

While Jones waited in all the comforts of home, most of the golfers huddled around the locker

room hoping to get back on the course.

With the first round still not complete, officials held out hope of getting in some golf until mid-afternoon.

A total of 75 golfers failed to complete their first round on Thursday because of rain. The weather also left Gene Sauers and Paul Azinger atop the leaderboard with 6-under 66. Play is scheduled to resume early Saturday. After the opening round is completed, officials hope to begin the second round at about 8:15 a.m., leaving open the possibility of playing 36 holes Sunday or the tournament running over into Monday.

SPORTS IN BRIEF

Jury convicts Williams of tampering count

SOMERVILLE, N.J. — Former NBA All-Star Jayson Williams was acquitted Friday of aggravated manslaughter, the most serious charge against him, but was convicted of trying to conceal the 2002 shooting death of a limousine driver at Williams' mansion.

Williams was convicted on four of the six lesser charges, related to tampering with evidence in the death of Costas "Gus" Christof, 55, who was killed by a shotgun blast as Williams handled the weapon. Collectively, the charges carry a maximum penalty of 13 years in prison.

But Williams, 36, would probably receive a sentence of less than five years, the maximum for the most serious count. No date was set for sentencing.

The jury said it could not agree on the charge of reckless manslaughter. A scheduling conference is to determine a trial date on that charge was set for May 21.

The defense argued that the shooting was accidental, saying a malfunction in the gun's firing mechanism caused the weapon to go off. Prosecutors contended Williams was handling the shotgun so recklessly that it amounted to a crime.

The shooting happened Feb. 14, 2002, while Williams gave friends and members of the Harlem Globetrotters a tour of his mansion in Alexandria Township.

MLB begins drug testing program in Dominican

NEW YORK — Major League Baseball will begin a drug testing program for the Dominican Summer League, checking players for steroids and other banned substances this year.

The Dominican league is made up mostly of 17- and 18-year-old prospects. Games begin in June.

Of the players on major league and minor league rosters born outside the United States, more of them came from the Dominican than anywhere else.

Selig said MLB had worked with Fernando Mateo, president of HLBs Across America, to address the topic of steroids and drugs. New York Gov. George Pataki worked with MLB in the last year on the issue.

Laffer wins first Busch pole in nearly four years

PONTIAC, Calif. — Jason Laffer won his first Busch Series pole in nearly four years Friday, taking the top qualifying spot for the NASCAR Busch Series race at California Speedway.

The last time the Long Beach, Calif., native won a Busch pole was in Phoenix in November 2000, the last of three he won that year as a series rookie. The former U.S. Auto Club Midget and Silver Crown champion also won a pole in NASCAR's top series in 2001 at Kansas Speedway and led the Craftsman Truck Series in 2002 with eight poles.

Laffer, driving a Chevrolet, turned a lap of 182.233 mph Friday to beat out Martin Truex Jr., who was coming off a victory in NASCAR's Busch race at Talladega.

Truex, driving for Dale Earnhardt Jr.'s Chance 2 Motorsports team, will start from the outside of the front row in Saturday's California 300 after qualifying at 181.565.

Kevin Harvick, third at 181.456 and was followed by Jeremy Mayfield, Kenny Wallace, Tony Stewart, Casey Kahne, Robby Gordon, Michael Waltrip and Ashton Lewis.

Davydenko upsets top-seeded Schettler

MUNICH, Germany — Top-seeded Nikolai Pietrangeli was upset by Nikolai Davydenko 6-1, 6-4 Friday in the BMW Open quarterfinal.

Davydenko's semifinal opponent at the clay-court tournament will be Luis Horna, who edged Radek Stjepanec 7-6 (6), 7-6 (2).

Martin Verkerk, at No. 4 the only seeded player left, beat Michael Kratochvil 6-3, 7-6 (1) to reach the semifinals. Verkerk, last year's French Open runner-up, next faces Olivier Rochus, a 3-6, 6-3, 6-4 winner over qualifier Alexander Waske.

Sucha, Benesova reach Budapest semifinals

BUDAPEST, Hungary — Martina Sucha beat second-seeded Petra Mandula 5-7, 6-2, 6-3 Friday to reach the semifinals of the Budapest Grand Prix.

Sucha now faces sixth-seeded Iveta Benesova, who ousted third-seeded Aniko Kapros 6-2, 6-1. Benesova, a finalist at the Open Opus two weeks ago, kept Kapros on the baseline with deep shots.

In the other quarterfinals, Flavia Pennetta defeated Sandra Mamic 6-6, 6-2, while eighth-seeded Jelena Jankovic beat Lidmila Ceranova 6-0, 6-0.

Jaguars backup QB diagnosed with disease

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. — Doctors have diagnosed Jaguars quarterback David Garrard with Crohn's disease, an intestinal ailment that sent him to the hospital last week and left him sidelined Friday for the start of the team's minicamp.

It is the latest in a series of ailments in the intestine. The cause of the illness is unknown and there is no known cure. Crohn's disease causes chronic diarrhea, abdominal pain, fever and weight loss. It affects more than 500,000 people in the United States.

Garrard, a third-year veteran, said he started feeling sick in January. After a battery of tests, he was diagnosed with Crohn's on March 23.

He has since lost about 10 pounds. Last week medicine he had been taking to combat the illness lost effectiveness and he had to be hospitalized. He opted against surgery to alleviate the blockage and instead went on a relatively new medicine, Remicade, that removes a type of protein from the bloodstream that can cause the inflammation.

While not considered life-threatening, Crohn's can stay in a person's system for years, and patients can relapse at any time. Doctors have assured Garrard that playing football would put him at any risk because of the disease.

Mauresmo ousted, Williams wins in Warsaw

WARSAW, Poland — Defending champion Amelie Mauresmo lost to Francesca Schiavone 3-6, 7-6 (2), 6-1 Friday on a relatively new medicine, Remicade, that removes a type of protein from the bloodstream that can cause the inflammation.

Williams, who quit during last year's final against Mauresmo after straining a stomach muscle, next plays Verna Zvonareva, who upset Williams in the fourth round of the French Open a year ago. Zvonareva eliminated eighth-seeded Anna Smolinova-Pistulescu 6-3, 7-5.

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Maradona plays golf a day after leaving hospital

BUENOS AIRES, Argentina — Diego Maradona played golf on a secluded country estate Friday, a day after ending a 12-day hospital stay for heart and lung problems.

Less than 24 hours after leaving intensive care, Maradona drew a golf cart on a nine-hole course and walked for stretches at the mansion northwest of Honeca, who edged Radek Stjepanec 7-6 (6), 7-6 (2).

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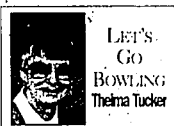
'3 Wrongs' lead in Division I

Last week we gave you the dollar amounts in each division of the Idaho State Women's Bowling Tournament. After the fourth week end, how do you stand? Division I Team is now led by "3 Wrongs 2 Rights" at 3,208 from Rupert. The lowest score currently, as they say, "in the money" is 3,826. The top 10 teams are from many towns; Bliss, Ontario, Nampa, Preston, Boise (2), Mountain Home, Rigby and Green creek.

Division II Team is led by "Lamb Lunch" at 3,276 from Salmon. Here low "in the money" is 3,105. Other towns in the top 10 are Mountain Home (2), Nampa, Grangeville (2), Idaho Falls, Boise, and 2 others from Salmon.

Division I Doubles is still led by Lisa Hasterber and Kystal Kelly from Gooding at 2,983. Low in the money is 1,277. Other towns represented are Salmon, Preston, Meridian (2), Rigby, Nampa, Pocatello, Boise and Mountain Home. Division II Doubles is 1,451 rolled by Lindsay O'Haley and Elizabeth Olson from Salmon. Low to cash is 1,284 rolled by teams from Malad, Montpelier (2), Cottonwood, Donnelly, Fairdale and 3 more from Salmon.

Division I Singles is still Sandy Wade from Caldwell with



LET'S GO BOWLING Thelma Tucker

her 774. Low to cash is 645. Towns represented in the top 10 are Soda Springs, Blackfoot (2), Boise (2), Meridian, Hailley, Montpelier and Pocatello.

Division II Singles is Tiffini Bullock-Biggs at 702. The lowest score to cash is 667. Other towns represented are Nampa, Grangeville, Mountain Home, Twin Falls, Rockland, Pocatello, Bliss, Drayton, and Salmon. That Twin Falls lady is Lisa Burton in 5th place with 735.

All Events Handicap Division is Sandy Wade still holding on with 2,197. Caldwell, Low to cash is 1,300. Towns are Montpelier, Cassia, Soda Springs, Blackfoot (2), Pocatello, Mountain Home, Meridian and another from Caldwell.

Division II All Events Handicap is Sabrina Davis from Bliss with 1,210. Low in the money is 1,018. Blackfoot, Rockland, Montpelier, Grangeville (2), Salmon (2), Pocatello and Kuna are the towns. Here we have a tie for

10th place at 2,073.

All Events Division I is Angie Murphy from Meridian at 1,944. 1,504 is low in the money. Towns are Boise (3), Caldwell, Blackfoot (2), Nampa, Soda Springs and Rigby.

All Events Scratch Division I is Cindy Bender from Emmett at 1,520. The lowest score to cash is 1,359. From Mountain Home (2), Salmon, Idaho Falls, Jerome, Montpelier, Green creek, Bliss and Twin Falls, Bonnie McGraw is the lady from Jerome setting in 5th place with 1,167 and Marilee Watkins-Mink is in 10th place from Twin Falls at 1,136.

Congratulations to Tammy Carter, Jerome, for her 703 series. Games were 207, 652 and 214. Terrific bowling, Tammy!

Well, the leagues are winding down the 2003-04 season, and sign-ups are being taken for the 2004 summer season.

Each of your local bowling centers have sign up sheets and terrific bowling. Tammy, you come down, sign up and let's go bowling!

These events will be starting in May so don't wait too long. Thelma writes an article for YourSports. You can contact her at 733-4357, or e-mail at tuckeremagink.com or fax (208) 733-3197.

Gymnasts garner medals

BOISE — The Magic Valley Gymnastics team girls levels 4-7 competed recently in the Idaho State Gymnastics Championships recently in Boise. Eighteen members qualified and several came home with medals.

Two gymnasts won individual event titles. Hailey Bluechild won the Level 4, ages 9-10 vault with a score of 9.500 while Ashley Geist won the Level 5, age 10 floor routine with a score of 9.500.

Cierra Hawkins received all-star honors by scoring above 35 points in all-around scoring. She recorded 36.125 points, good for second all-around in Level 5, age 12.

Individual results follow:

Level Four (age 8-9) All-around: Ashley Geist, 36.125; Hailey Bluechild, 35.875; Cierra Hawkins, 35.625; Kaitlyn Smith, 35.375; Kaitlyn Smith, 35.125; Kaitlyn Smith, 34.875; Kaitlyn Smith, 34.625; Kaitlyn Smith, 34.375; Kaitlyn Smith, 34.125; Kaitlyn Smith, 33.875.

Level Four (age 10) All-around: Cierra Hawkins, 36.125; Hailey Bluechild, 35.875; Ashley Geist, 35.625; Kaitlyn Smith, 35.375; Kaitlyn Smith, 35.125; Kaitlyn Smith, 34.875; Kaitlyn Smith, 34.625; Kaitlyn Smith, 34.375; Kaitlyn Smith, 34.125; Kaitlyn Smith, 33.875.

Level Five (age 11) All-around: Cierra Hawkins, 36.125; Hailey Bluechild, 35.875; Ashley Geist, 35.625; Kaitlyn Smith, 35.375; Kaitlyn Smith, 35.125; Kaitlyn Smith, 34.875; Kaitlyn Smith, 34.625; Kaitlyn Smith, 34.375; Kaitlyn Smith, 34.125; Kaitlyn Smith, 33.875.



The Magic Valley gymnastics team is pictured above.

In the front row from left to right is Anna Priddy, Chample Shelton and Haley Ackerman. In the second row is Krista Glodowski, Alycia Williams and Rachael Glaze. In the third row is Cierra Hawkins, Nellie Makings, Alex Ackerman, Erica Farnsworth and Brooke Wagner. In the top row is Courtney Ellis, Morgan Stanger, Ashley Geist, McKenzy Martinez, Samantha Drollinger and Taylor Maca. Not pictured is Blanca Hite, Hailey Rheinschild and Abby Sauer.

Level Six (age 12) All-around: Cierra Hawkins, 36.125; Hailey Bluechild, 35.875; Ashley Geist, 35.625; Kaitlyn Smith, 35.375; Kaitlyn Smith, 35.125; Kaitlyn Smith, 34.875; Kaitlyn Smith, 34.625; Kaitlyn Smith, 34.375; Kaitlyn Smith, 34.125; Kaitlyn Smith, 33.875.

Level Seven (age 13) All-around: Cierra Hawkins, 36.125; Hailey Bluechild, 35.875; Ashley Geist, 35.625; Kaitlyn Smith, 35.375; Kaitlyn Smith, 35.125; Kaitlyn Smith, 34.875; Kaitlyn Smith, 34.625; Kaitlyn Smith, 34.375; Kaitlyn Smith, 34.125; Kaitlyn Smith, 33.875.

FOUR SCORES AND STATS

BOWLING

INDIVIDUAL TITLES

Level 4 (ages 9-10) Vault: Hailey Bluechild, 9.500; Level 5 (age 10) Floor: Ashley Geist, 9.500; Level 5 (age 12) All-around: Cierra Hawkins, 36.125; Level 6 (age 13) All-around: Cierra Hawkins, 36.125; Level 7 (age 14) All-around: Cierra Hawkins, 36.125.

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Tourney raises money for law officer

BURLEY — The Mini-Cassia 10th Annual Benefit Volleyball Tournament raised more than \$3,500 to help defray medical expenses for Rupert Police patrol officer Travis Wages.

Wages was injured in early November by gunfire from his .58 caliber black powder rifle. His thumb and three fingers were blown off his left hand, and he suffered facial injuries. The facial injuries is hardly noticeable after plastic surgery.

Wages said the community support was "just amazing" and said he was very grateful for what the area has done for himself and his family. He visited with many of the players between games of what is a grueling two day tournament that brings out the best in players.

Tournament director Scott Beck and friends also held a raffle midway through the games with many area merchants, friends and even people just caught up in the spirit of giving to the cause.

Previous benefit recipients include Skyler Bennett, Brandon Tracy, Andrew Shurtz, Dennis Hanks, Samuel Darrington, Spencer Christenson, Jessica Boehler, Issiah Gomez and Kayla Winnill.

The second place team consisted of Kirk Carpenter, Krishna Haynie, Kyle Carpenter, Keri Wilson, Blair Wilson,



Overall winner of the 16-team tournament was the Lezami Dalry team. From left are Donna Peterson, Nile Bohon, Amber Carter, Fred Carter, Janee Carter, Levi Bohon and Brooks Bohon. They never lost a match throughout the tournament.

Tanya Moyes and championship game substitute Matt Anderson of the Pruit Team. The Carpenter's were the only team able to win even one game from Lezami Dalry at a meeting of the unbeaten earlier in the tournament, but let the match get away in the third and decisive set.

The Christenson Team consisted of Kirk Carpenter, Krishna Haynie, Kyle Carpenter, Keri Wilson, Blair Wilson,

Terry Andrew, David Joyce, Stacey Joyce, Nick Telleria and Gaylyn Telleria. Their title, after two days of play, came down to a missed serve on championship game point from the Howard team.

The second place B division Howard team was made up of Amy Spindling, Cole Meisner, Heather Howard, Tyler Heaward, Matt Ramsey and Carla Rowcut.

2004 NASCAR Dodge Weekly Racing Series advertisement for Magic Valley Speedway. Includes details about the event on Saturday, May 1, and sponsors like Mountain Dew Modifieds and NAPA Auto Parts.

Hats off to our Grads! advertisement for the 4th Annual Graduation Section. Promotes a feature in the Times-News celebrating graduates, with contact information for Tammy at 735-3311 or Debi at 735-3291.

YOUR WEEKEND



Celebrate Cinco

- **What:** Burley will celebrate Cinco de Mayo with a Fiesta Grande.
- **Where:** Outside the Snake River Plaza shopping center (if weather is bad, the celebration will move inside the mall).
- **When:** Today and Sunday. Today's events include a car sound-off at 3:15 p.m., a yelling contest at 4:20 p.m. and a lowrider competition at 4:25 p.m. Sunday's highlights will include the Miss Chiquita Contest at 3:20 p.m., a salsa contest at 3:40 p.m. and the Miss Cinco de Mayo Contest at 5:15 p.m.
- **How much:** It's free.



Rock on with Jett

- **What:** Joan Jett will do two shows in Jackpot.
- **Where:** Cactus Petes Resort Casino.
- **When:** 8 and 10 p.m. today.
- **How much:** Tickets, which are \$25, \$30 and \$35, can be reserved by phoning (800) 821-1103.

Dancing feat

- **What:** The fourth annual Canyon Rim Dance Classic, "Dancers for Cancer," continues today, raising money for the American Cancer Society.
- **Where:** College of Southern Idaho gymnasium, Twin Falls.
- **When:** 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. today.
- **How much:** Tickets are \$4 for adults, \$3 for senior citizens and \$2 for students with activity cards. Kids under 5 get in free.

Spring sing

- **What:** The College of Southern Idaho's Chamber Choir, Madrigal Ensemble and Women's and Men's Choir will present their annual spring concert.
- **Where:** College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium, Twin Falls.
- **When:** 3 p.m. Sunday.
- **How much:** Admission is by suggested \$5 donation.

Senior swing

- **What:** The Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center will sponsor a dance, with music by the Melody Masters.
- **Where:** Twin Falls Senior Center, 530 Shoshone S.W.
- **When:** 2-5 p.m. Sunday.
- **How much:** Tickets are \$.

Jerome voters will decide levy

Residents will vote on more money for schools

By Karin Kowalski
Times-News writer

JEROME — Rising enrollment, dwindling state money and increasing demands for students to perform on standardized tests have led Jerome School District officials to ask voters to renew a \$650,000 supplemental property tax levy.

The election is Monday from noon to 9 p.m., and polls will be open at schools in the district.

"We really debate this," School Board Vice Chair-

woman Connie Bernsen said. "This isn't an easy decision for us."

Business Manager Mike Gibson said the money wouldn't go to any specific program, but would enable the schools to maintain their current programs. The main consequences of the levy not passing would be hard decisions including staff cuts, larger class sizes and tighter budgets, he said.

"We don't have any new money from the state," Gibson said.

Superintendent Jim Cobble said the district is reluctant to determine which programs would be cut because people might vote on the levy on the basis of whether they like a particular program.

He said the district needed last year's levy to keep running at a bare minimum and the next year, there will be less money from the state.

"If we were trying to break even, this levy would be larger yet," Cobble said.

Gibson said the levy would not increase taxes — it would just continue them at their current levels for one year.

With the levy, Gibson said, the owner of a \$75,000-assessed-value house with a homeowner's exemption

When and where to vote

Jerome School District residents can vote from noon to 9 p.m. Monday at the following locations:

- Horizon Elementary School 934 10th Ave. E.
- Jefferson Elementary School 600 N. Fillmore

- Jerome High School 104 Tiger Dr.
- Chris Gibson's residence 3012 S. 2400 E.
- Central Elementary School 311 N. Lincoln
- Jerome Middle School 116 W. Third St.

would pay about \$42 a year for the levy. The owner of a business assessed at \$150,000 would pay about \$150 a year. The levy rate is \$1 per every \$1,000 of assessed value.

The district has several other levies on the books, including a plant facilities levy that is about 30 years old and a bond issue

for Horizon Elementary School that the district has been paying off since 1991.

This year the owner of a \$75,000 house with a homeowner's exemption is paying about \$208 a year in school-related taxes, and that is projected to decrease by 30. Please see LEVY, Page C3

ROBOT PAL



Aubli Stacey, 7, plays with a Sony Albo dog robot during the 'Explore Herrett Science Camp-in' at the Herrett Center for Arts and Science in Twin Falls Friday night. Learning about robots was one of many science activities children from around the valley participated in.

Kids pack love of science for 'camp-in'

By Karin Kowalski
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Amazed children crowded to see the small robotic dog with floppy basket ears kick a hot pink ball across the floor in the Herrett Center for Arts and Science.

The center became a children's kingdom Friday evening when about 120 youngsters from around the Magic Valley and as far away as Boise gathered for the sixth annual "Explore Herrett: Science Camp-in" at the museum.

At the beginning of the evening, children in third, fourth and fifth grades pressed their faces to a glass case looking for an iguana in the Mayan jungle exhibit while the film "FernGully: The Last Rainfor-

est" played on a screen overhead.

Near the entrance, one boy was sending coins down the donation well only to catch them before they spun into the bottom and out of his reach.

Two other boys shared the video-game-like controller for a tiny silver four-wheeled robot and drove it around a wooden box.

Gaelan Kozma, 10, of Twin Falls was waiting in line to check in.

He had never been to a camp-in before, but science is his favorite subject.

"I like learning about the dinosaurs and the planets," Gaelan said.

He was ready to camp with a blue and yellow sleeping bag in hand that was bigger than he was.

Ariana Wilson, 10, of Jerome is a camp-in veteran. Last year she participated in the "birds, beaks and bottles" group.

"We got to make a bird feeder," Ariana said.

Paula Cox of Jerome brought her son, Blair, after she read about the event in the newspaper.

"It sounded like a fun time," Cox said.

Blair, 10, pointed out one of the robots.

"It looks like the Mars rover," he said.

Children got a crash course in robotics before splitting up to interact with several different robots and presenters from the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory.

After the robots, children split into smaller groups and participated in workshops on a

variety of topics, such as chemistry, physics, photography, reptiles and nursing.

They also saw a planetarium show and did some star gazing at the observatory.

The program provides a healthy balance of learning and fun, said Darcy Thornborrow, the center's education facilitator.

"They're here to play as much as to learn," Thornborrow said.

Children were to spend the night in the museum's galleries with the reptile cages and American Indian artifacts.

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Heyburn group moves to build amphitheater

The Times-News

HEYBURN — Volunteers continue to raise money as construction has started on a new community amphitheater in Riverfront Park.

Heyburn residents and city leaders want to have the new facility built in time for the city's centennial celebration, set for July 17.

The amphitheater is expected to cost \$44,000. The city of Heyburn and the Heyburn Eco-

nomic Development Committee contributed \$14,000 toward the project. Grants and fund-raisers are expected to pay for the rest.

A primary fund-raiser is the sale of blocks that will be used in the construction of the structure.

An accompanying display wall will be built nearby, listing all the sponsors. Blocks sell for \$50 for a standard block or \$100 for a star donor. People can buy blocks at City Hall, and vol-

unteers are going door to door in Heyburn selling the blocks.

Ralph Butters is spearheading the block sales promotion. Some materials and labor have also been donated toward the project, Heyburn Grant Coordinator Earl Andrews said.

Andrew said the amphitheater will be 45 feet wide at the stage front. The overall length is 37 feet from front to back, and at the back the structure will be 25 feet wide.

It will feature a metal roof,

concrete floor and brick walls. Dressing rooms are included in the floor plan.

City employees will do the landscaping work around the amphitheater, Andrew said.

Andrew and other city officials say the amphitheater is a crowning touch of sorts for the park, which already has restrooms, an asphalt walking path along the Snake River, a tree display, covered picnic areas, a volleyball court and boat slips.

Auto dealership hosts Arthritis Walk, fair today

The Times-News

JEROME — People will walk to raise money in the fight against arthritis today.

The Arthritis Walk at Con Pauls Chevrolet at 11 a.m. will follow a health fair — for folks 50 and older — also at the auto

dealership, offering free screenings for physical therapy, blood pressure, lung capacity, hearing and vision, height and weight, bone density and diabetic foot care.

An athletic shoe fitting is also planned, and there will be merchant exhibits.

The health fair runs from 8 to 11 a.m. and includes a presentation by Dr. Mark Wright, an orthopedic surgeon, about arthritis and how to manage it from 9:45 to 10:30 a.m.

If your screening involves blood work, it requires a 12-hour fast.

If you haven't fasted before-

hand, coupons will be available to have the screening done later.

In addition, cardiac risk tests will be offered for \$15, prostate cancer screenings for \$10 and thyroid function tests for \$15. The arthritis walk starts will include 5-kilometer (3.1-mile) and 1-mile events.

Ruling favors Jerome dairyman

The Times-News

JEROME — Fifth District Judge John Butler ruled this week that dairyman Adrian Boer's request for a water right transfer was executed correctly by the Idaho Department of Water Resources.

The ruling was in response to a mid-April hearing at which two Magic Valley environmental activists asked the court to reverse the transfer approved by Water Resources.

Boer has tried for five years to construct a dairy in southern Gooding County. But he has always been blocked by activists Bill Chisholm and Lee Halper as they protested his proposed 6,500-cow dairy.

The activists' strategy for stopping the dairy was to try to block the transfer of water rights through an Idaho law that once allowed people to protest transfers because they believe the project is not in the public's interest.

Chisholm and Halper said 6,500 more cows in a five-mile area that already has 72,000 dairy cows would add to the dairy odors on the scenic Hagerman Valley.

After Boer altered his proposal in order to mitigate odors, Water Resources ruled he could have the transfer. In response, Chisholm and Halper asked for judicial review.

Boer's attorney, Bob Williams, said Friday, "We think (the boers') efforts to demonstrate they have and will comply with all relevant regulations have been vindicated. We're not surprised at the ruling."

But construction might not start up right away, Chisholm said Friday he intends to go to the Idaho Supreme Court. In order to stop construction from going forward, Chisholm and Halper will have to ask the high court for a stay on construction, and then they will have to be granted the stay, Williams said.

He also said Chisholm has 42 days in which to file papers with the high court. But when the case is actually heard for the final time, Williams said he doesn't know.

Chisholm contends that Butler did not address any of his arguments.

WANTED in the Magic Valley

Name: Jeremy Daniel Ward.
Age: 30.
Description: 5-foot-11, 150 pounds, brown hair, brown eyes.

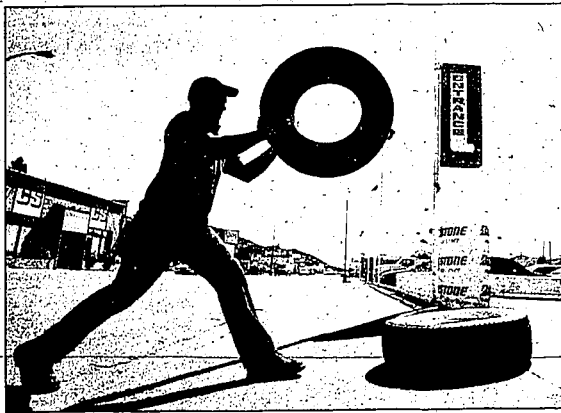


Wanted for: Probation violation. Original charge: Injury to a child.

The Twin Falls County Sheriff's Department asks anyone with information about Ward's whereabouts to call 736-4100 or Crime Stoppers at 732-5387, or write them. They can remain anonymous and might be eligible for a cash reward.

MAGIC VALLEY/WEST

NEED A SPARE?



Horizon Service Department technician Ralph Emerson unloads one of 115 tires from a truck Thursday at Timerland Tire in Roseburg, Ore.

Crews clean up large diesel spill in marsh near SF Bay

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Work crews scrambled Friday to clean up as much as 60,000 gallons of diesel fuel that spilled from a ruptured pipeline into an ecologically sensitive marsh near San Francisco Bay.

State wildlife officials and local volunteers rushed to rescue birds and other animals sickened by the accident in Suisun Marsh, about 30 miles northeast of San Francisco.

Meanwhile, government officials investigated why it took so long for Kinder Morgan Energy Partners, the Houston firm that operates the petroleum pipeline, to notify them about the problem.

The ruptured pipe was discovered Tuesday evening but not reported until Wednesday afternoon.

Kinder Morgan employees and contractors worked Friday to replace the damaged section of the 14-inch-wide pipeline, which pumps petroleum from San Francisco Bay area refineries to cities in northern California and Nevada, said spokesman Jerry Engelhardt.

The company expected the pipeline to be operating again by Saturday.

"We expect little, if any, disruption," Engelhardt said. "There is sufficient fuel to fill needs for a few days."

Kinder Morgan estimated that between 40,000 and 60,000 gallons of fuel leaked into the marsh, but wouldn't know the exact amount until the pipeline was repaired and refilled.

to send the damaged pipe to a laboratory to determine why it ruptured.

The cleanup effort was being led by the U.S. Coast Guard, Kinder Morgan and the company's contractors.

Over the past two days, emergency response workers used booms and absorbent pads to contain and soak up the leaked fuel. Officials said the leak had been completely contained.

State wildlife workers and volunteers searched for sick and injured animals Friday. Several birds and small mammals were found dead Thursday, and more were expected in the next few days, said Patrick Foy, a spokesman for the state Department of Fish and Game.

Another DFG team used noisemakers to prevent healthy birds from landing in contaminated areas, Foy said.

Suisun Marsh, an undeveloped wetlands region miles from populated areas, is an important stopping point for migrating birds.

Coast Guard and DFG officials said they were investigating the incident and how it could have been prevented.

Kinder Morgan estimated that between 40,000 and 60,000 gallons of fuel leaked into the marsh, but wouldn't know the exact amount until the pipeline was repaired and refilled.

"We're trying to find out at what point they discovered the spill itself and at what time did they file the report," Foy said.

Kinder Morgan said its employees noticed a reduction in pipeline pressure around 6 p.m. Thursday and immediately shut it down.

They didn't locate the damaged section until about noon Wednesday when the spill was spotted by helicopter.

In July last year, a Kinder Morgan underground pipeline in Tucson, Ariz., spilled an estimated 19,000 gallons of gasoline, which contaminated groundwater and led to gasoline shortages.

OBITUARIES

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

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.

She was born April 1, 1938, in Tennessee, Okla., the daughter of Raymond and Josephine McCullough Bebe. Peggy lived a short life full of tragedy and hardship. However, that is not how she would want her life to be remembered.

Nom would want all of us to remember her pride in her family and the comfort she received from her lifetime friends. She would desire each of us to tell each other we love unconditionally, that we live life to the fullest and to heal our broken hearts with forgiveness. But she would also want us to take responsibility for our



enjoyment to be found in the simple things of life.

Survivors include her husband, Charles Gossett of Burley, a daughter, Peg Richards Montpeter, a son, Jerry (Marie) DeMain of Boise; and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; two daughters, Gwendolyn Mae Stuart and Christina Pearl DeMain; a son, Clayton Earl DeMain; and a granddaughter, Brittany Nicole DeMain.

Memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Monday, May 3, 2004, at the Burley First Baptist Church, 226 Highland Ave. in Burley with Pastor Chris Costa officiating.

Arrangements are under the direction of Payne Mortuary, 221 W. Main St. in Burley.

Louis Vernon Rivers - Gooding

Louis Vernon Rivers, 80, a resident of Gooding, Idaho, passed away quietly at his home on Thursday, April 29, 2004.

Louis was born Aug. 29, 1923, in Hampton, S.C., to Dewey and Pearl Rivers, the third of nine children. He joined the military in 1940 and served during World War II.

Coming back from the war, after an honorable discharge, he became a cab driver in New York City, where he met and married his first wife, Kathleen. She preceded him in death in 1979 after which he moved back to South Carolina to be near his siblings. In 1989 he married Delorne Burton and joined the band of Barton Midgetts east of Gooding. He readily accepted the duties of dad and grandpa to seven girls, 19 grandchildren and 26 great-grandchildren. (27th on



he is survived by his wife, Delorne; six stepdaughters, Kay Schmek of Ft. Worth, Texas; Barbara Barton of Eagle River, Alaska; Vonnie (Ade) Calhoun of Twin Falls, Idaho; Cheryl (Bundy) Suter of Jerome; Cyndi (Russell) Best of Wendell, Idaho, and Tracie (Myrtle) Warwick of Boise, Idaho; two brothers, Donald and Carmel; and one sister, Martha of South Carolina.

He was preceded in death by his mother and father, five of his siblings and one step-daughter, Joye Lynch.

Service will be held at 3 p.m. Tuesday, May 4, 2004, at First Christian Church in Gooding, Idaho, the Rev. Andy Morris officiating. Burial will follow at the Elmwood Cemetery in Gooding, Idaho. Family and friends may call from 5 to 7 p.m. on Monday, May 3, 2004, at Demary's Gooding Chapel.

the way). His favorite pastimes were jigsaw, dining out and telling jokes.

He was best known for not telling the same joke twice, but laughing just as hard as he made you laugh.

Arlie Marzette Dayley Olsen Harris - Oakley

Arlie Marzette Dayley Olsen Harris, 94-year-old Oakley resident, died Thursday, April 29, 2004, at Rosetta Assisted Living Center in Twin Falls.

She was born March 4, 1910, in the Basin near Oakley, the daughter of Portious Donald and Birdie Estella Fairchild Dayley. She attended elementary school in the Basin and high school in Oakley. She married Earl Otto Olsen in 1928, in Brigham City, Utah. Their marriage was later solemnized in the Logan Temple in 1937. Earl passed away in 1944. Arlie married Irvin H. Harris in 1949, and he passed away in 1963. Arlie was a

beautician in Rupert for several years and operated the Ponderosa Golf Course in Burley for 15 years. She was active in the Burley Music Club, serving as president. She was loved by all who knew her.

Survivors include a son, Norman E. (Irene) Olsen of Jerome; five grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

Graveside service will be held at 1 p.m. Monday, May 3, 2004, at the Mountain View Cemetery in Pocatello. Friends may call from 9:30 to 11 a.m. on Monday at the Payne Mortuary, 221 W. Main St. in Burley.



Leslie Allen Cross - Hagerman

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

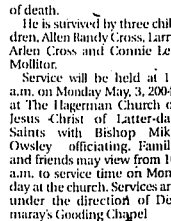
Leslie was born Aug. 13, 1923, in Alexandria, S.D., one of 13 children, the son of Lloyd Arley and Lorraine Minnie Lamb Cross. At the Basin and death on Oct. 15, 2002.

Leslie was baptized in 1952 to The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, and has been an active member and held various offices and responsibilities until the time

of death.

He is survived by three children, Allen and Nancy Cross, Larry Arlen Cross and Connie Lee Mollitor.

Service will be held at 11 a.m. on Monday, May 3, 2004, at the Hagerman Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints with Bishop Mike Owsley officiating. Family and friends may view from 10 a.m. to service time on Monday at the church. Services are under the direction of Demary's Gooding Chapel.



The U.S. Coast Guard's oil spill specialists were assessing environmental damage on about 240 acres of the 55,000-acre Suisun Marsh, just north of Suisun Bay in the Sacramento River Delta, said Coast Guard spokeswoman Lexia Littlejohn.

Littlejohn said diesel fuel is lighter than most oils and quickly evaporates in the sun. Still, it could take weeks before the spill is completely

SERVICES

Dorothy Rutherford of Twin Falls and formerly of Jerome, graveside service at 2 p.m. today at the Wendell Cemetery. Friends may call shortly before the service at the cemetery (Love Robertson Funeral Chapel).

Jayce Zackery Gauthier funeral at 11 a.m. today at White Mortuary.

Donna Rae Sullivan (Gupton) memorial service at 1 p.m. today at St. Edward the Confessor Catholic Church. (Reynolds Funeral Chapel).

Roger William Flala of Jerome, funeral at 11 a.m. today in The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Christ of Latter-day Saints Jerome 6th Ward chapel, 26 N. 100 E. (north of Jerome High School). Jerome visitation one hour before the service at the church (Farnsworth Mortuary).

Catherine "Marie" Farnsworth of Filer, graveside service at 2:30 p.m. today at Filer Cemetery (White Mortuary).

Vivian J. Metzner of Buhl, private family graveside service at 10 a.m. today at West End Cemetery in Buhl. Memorial

service at 11 a.m. today at St. John's Lutheran Church, 1128 Poplar in Buhl (White Mortuary).

Donald "Don" Edward Walter of Glenns Ferry, family and friends will gather at 1 p.m. today at Dolores and Jerry Goody home in Hammett (Surratt Funeral Homes, McMurry Chapel in Mountain Home).

Newell Morgan of Twin Falls and formerly of Boise, memorial service at 3 p.m. today at

University Christian Church in Boise (Alden-Waggoner Funeral Chapel, Boise).

Shawn Austin Smith of Twin Falls; formerly of Caldwell, graveside memorial service at 10:30 a.m. today at the Lower Boise Valley Cemetery in Parma, Idaho (Parker's Magic Valley Funeral Home).

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

DEATH NOTICES

Rosemary Jan' Reynolds

TWIN FALLS — Rosemary "Jan" Reynolds, 99, of Twin Falls, died Thursday evening, April 29, 2004, at Cedar Draw Living Center in Filer.

Arrangements will be made by Reynolds Funeral Chapel of Twin Falls.

Paul S. Hainline

TWIN FALLS — Paul S. Hainline, 93, died Friday, April 30, 2004, at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls.

Arrangements will be made by Parker's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls.

Mildred M. Lloyd

TWIN FALLS — Mildred M. Lloyd, 100, of Twin Falls, died Friday morning, April 30, 2004, at Mountain View Care Center in Kimberly.

Graveside service will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, May 3, 2004, at Twin Falls Cemetery. There will be no visitation.

Arrangements are under the direction of Reynolds Funeral Chapel of Twin Falls.

Bush signs order to improve education of American Indians

WASHINGTON (AP) — Tribal leaders were at the White House on Friday to watch President Bush sign an executive order aimed at improving the education of all American Indian and Alaska native children.

The executive order creates a federal working group, co-chaired by Interior Secretary Gale Norton and Education Secretary Rod Paige, which is charged with helping American Indian and Alaska Native children meet the standards set by the No Child Left Behind Act.

Bush quoted the late Sam Alkenah, former chairman of the Navajo Nation Council, who once said: "We must encourage our young people to go into education. We need thousands of young lawyers and doctors and dentists and accountants and nurses and secretaries."

The commission will consult with tribal leaders and meet with members of a National Advisory Council on Indian Education.

They were sworn in on Friday by Paige, who, under the order, is to develop recommendations to improve the teaching of reading.

"Our kids have got to learn to read," Bush said.

"I want to improve preparation for college and the work force. We want there to be high school graduation rates."

"In other words, we're going to raise the standards. That's what this commission is going to do. It's going to work with the (tribal) leadership to say, 'How can we work together to raise the standards and expect the best?'"

Under the order, Norton said Paige will organize a national conference to discuss ways to meet these goals, while maintaining a tradition of cultural learning, he said.

Bush was joined at the Eisenhower Executive Office Building by the tribal leaders, teachers, high school students who were in Washington competing in a science bowl; Republican Sens. Ted Stevens of Alaska and Craig Thomas of Wyoming, who is a member of the Senate Indian Affairs Committee; and Republican members of the House Education Committee, Reps. Dennis Rehberg of Montana and Kay Calvert and Richard Pombo, both of California.

Retirement Plan



If you had purchased \$1,000 of a mutual fund one year ago, it would be worth \$12.

With Enron, you would have \$16.50 left of the original \$1,000.

With WorldCom, you would have less than \$5 left.

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Senator seeks feds' help in blocking mine

KALISPELL, Mont. (AP) — Sen. Max Baucus, who opposed plans two decades ago for a coal mine just north of Glacier National Park, said Friday he will oppose renewed efforts by another Canadian company to dig for coal in the same area.

Baucus, D-Mont., said he has asked the U.S. State Department to review a 1980 decision by the International Joint Commission that led to the original coal mine being shelved because of environmental concerns.

He said he wants to know if the Canadian government has provided any information suggesting the concerns noted by that commission have been addressed.

He says you agree that such a demonstration by the Canadian government is essential before this mine is allowed to go forward," Baucus wrote in a letter to Secretary of State Colin Powell.

Cline Mining Corp. of Toronto purchased coal leases along Cabin Creek and Howell Creek, just a few miles north of the Canadian border, in February. The company's president, Ken Bates, said Cline Mining intends to go into full production within the next two years, producing "hard-coking" coal for use in steel production.

The British Columbia mine that Cline wants to develop is the same one that another Canadian company first proposed opening in the 1970s and 1980s.

That plan ran into strong resistance on the U.S. side of the border because of concerns that it could jeopardize water quality in the North Fork of the Flathead River. Cabin Creek drains into the North Fork, which forms the western boundary of Glacier National Park, before eventually draining into Flathead Lake.

The International Joint Commission, made up of Canadian and U.S. representatives, was asked to review the plan and concluded unanimously that the mine would violate the 1909 Boundary Waters Treaty because of the strong potential for damage to water quality. The company behind the mine eventually withdrew its plans.

Baucus said he will oppose the mine for the same reasons he did originally, saying it threatens water quality.

Hollywood stunt pilot practices with probe

PROVING GROUND, Utah (AP) — A Hollywood stunt pilot practiced his catch-a-falling-space-probe act over Utah's west desert, with the real event scheduled Sept. 8.

"That is when the NASA Genesis probe is to drop a capsule carrying solar wind particles.

On Thursday, one helicopter dropped a 420-pound test capsule from 15,000 feet.

The capsule deployed a red, white and blue parafoil parachute, slowing its fall over the salt flats.

Dan Rudert, flying a second helicopter, dragging an 18-foot pole, was guided by Hill Air Force Base radar to the capsule and a hook on the pole snagged the parafoil at about 7,800 feet.

Rudert gently lowered the capsule to close to the ground, where a crew removed the parafoil. The helicopter then carried the capsule to Dagway's Michael Army Air Field.

Rudert, a Salt Lake City native and a stunt pilot whose films in-

cluded "The Hulk" and "SWAT," said he wasn't sure what to think when he first heard about the idea of catching a 400-pound object dropped from space.

"No picture frames coming off of it, as it's coming," he told The Salt Lake Tribune.

The Genesis spacecraft, launched in 2001, spent more than two years at one of Earth's Lagrange points where small objects can maintain a stable solar orbit.

There the probe's collector arrays caught charged particles as they shot off the sun, said Don Sevilla, an engineer at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, Calif.

The midair catch is designed to make the capsule's landing as soft as possible. The Genesis' collector plates are fragile and could break if the capsule hits the ground too hard. Even if the helicopter misses, the parafoil should help create a reasonable landing.

members and school officials to discuss the possibility. The next step would be to hire an architect and make realistic plans and decisions about what could actually be built and when. School officials haven't discussed any possible bond issues, amounts and what it would cost taxpayers.

The district has had difficulty getting the two-thirds majority vote necessary to pass bond issues for years, but district administrators say they are willing to try again.

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cents next year if the levy is passed, Gibson said.

The district is also researching a possible bond issue that would allow it to replace the aging Central Elementary School, do miscellaneous repairs and expand the middle school, build an additional gym for the high school and provide new offices for its administrators.

The district has formed a committee with community

Dilettantes will elect officers Monday

TWIN FALLS — The Dilettantes of the Magic Valley will elect officers at their annual meeting Monday night.

Candidates to lead the musical theater troupe include Richard Deaton and Terry J. Rowe for presidents; Shelly Crook and Jackle Howell for secretary and Kayla Tolman and Lessie Williams for three-year board members.

Morgan Williams is opposed for vice president. Ola Cannon has no opposition for treasurer, and Helen Lee in unopposed for historian.

Nominations may be made from the floor at the meeting, scheduled for 7 p.m. at the Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center.

Annual membership of \$2 may be paid at the door and is required to be eligible to vote.

Mountain Home hosts Hispanic festival today
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Magic Valley in brief

esta Cinco de Mayo" will be held from noon to 5 p.m. today at Carl Miller Park in Mountain Home. The event is sponsored by the Elmore County Hispanic Organization in conjunction with other local civil and military organizations.

The annual fiesta includes live music and entertainment provided by local band Revolution del Norte and folkloric dancing by the 13110 Dancers and a new community children's group called El Dia de los Niños. Other scheduled activities include a jalapeno eating contest, a Mexican yelling contest and a presentation of the story of Cinco de Mayo.

Participating dignitaries include state Rep. Lesé Berrain, a blessing by a local Catholic priest and a presentation by the wing commander from Mountain Home Air Force Base.

Admission is free, and the public is invited.

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Tires collected during Tire Amnesty Day will be recycled into fill material for civil engineering projects and/or industrial furnace fuels by Tire Disposal and Recycling of Clackamas, Ore.

For more information, call Southern Idaho Solid Waste at 432-9002 or visit the Web site at www.sisw.org.

Fund-raiser will benefit Boys and Girls Club

TWIN FALLS — Children from the Boys and Girls Club of Magic Valley will serve food at 9 Beans and A Burrito today.

Children will collect donations at the restaurant to buy athletic equipment for the organization.

The Twin Falls County Sheriff's Department will be on hand with a race car that is part of its Beat the Heat Program, which works to bring together youngsters with law enforcement officers.

Money will be collected at the restaurant at 799 Chubey Drive from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. — compiled from staff reports

Critics debate how LDS status helps college

New president of University of Utah says his background can improve relations

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — A descendant of Brigham Young, a self-described committed member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, said Sunday that another Brigham Young University undergraduate degree.

Those are seemingly credentials that would help Michael Young, dean of the George Washington Law School, mesh seamlessly with the status residents value he begins this summer as president of the University of Utah.

Supporters say Young's background and strong convictions to The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints faith could improve the university's sometimes rocky relationships with the Legislature, whose members are predominantly Mormon.

But not all are sold on the choice, and some critics say that's exactly why Young wasn't the right pick to become the 14th president — and 12th LDS church member — in the

schools 154-year history.

Richard Andrews, a member of Utah Atheists, called the decision "a step back."

Young described himself Thursday after being introduced as the new president as "a committed, active member of the LDS church," but said that's never hurt him in management roles.

"I don't imagine it would be a problem here," he said. Nearly 70 percent of the state's 2.2 million residents are nominally Mormon.

Regent James Jardine, who chaired the presidential search committee, said Young's LDS church background was never mentioned by the search committee.

"It certainly wasn't discussed as a factor," he said. "The process was open until he was selected."

Jardine said it was mentioned by regents only because they "noted that some people might think it was a factor."

He didn't think it was fair to criticize the hiring of a devoutly religious man to head a secular school, and that Young wouldn't bring any bias to the position.

"That would be true of a lot of very distinguished people around the country," Jardine said. "I would be surprised if anybody felt that."

Young had the strongest Utah ties of the three finalists selected by a search committee. He beat out 147 total candidates, including finalists Loren Crabtree, chancellor at the University of Tennessee in Knoxville, and Susan Westberg-Prager, a law professor at University of California, Los Angeles.

"Not only is he Mormon, but he's also a male," said Andrews

when noting there has never been a female president at the university.

"I just wonder whether he's been appointed because they want to get more funds from the Legislature," he said.

Jardine says Young's ties might not matter at the state-house, where the school is constantly scrapping for funds and has ranked lawmakers by defying a law preventing an on-campus handgun ban.

"People tend to overrate that factor and underrate personal relationships," he said.

Instead, Jardine said regents chose Young because he was an accomplished scholar and a proven leader who could elevate the school's national profile.

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Randy Hansen Commits for the Long Run.

Recently Randy Hansen, candidate for Senate Seat District 24, was asked, "You left the House of Representatives and the Republican Party previously to pursue other things. What is your commitment this time if elected to the State Senate?" Randy answered, "I never really left the first time. True, I withdrew my name from the House of Representatives for many reasons that have been previously stated, but I have remained active in state and local politics. As a precinct committeeman, I flipped burgers, worked at the fair booth, and went door-to-door delivering sacks of pamphlets to support Republican candidates. On the state level I recruited candidates statewide and raised money for the State Republican Party. As far as this election, let there be no question where I stand. Short of a family or a personal crisis, I am committed to serve as long

as the people of the Magic Valley want me! It is my goal to bring to the Senate the family values and standards that Magic Valley is known for. During the legislative session, there may be some issues we do not agree on, but I will respect all opinions and will listen to any point of view. I will commit that no one will work harder at protecting the family values and high standards we have here in Idaho, and my past history in the House shows that."

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Feds ask for extension on salmon plan

WASHINGTON (AP) — A federal agency that is rewriting a salmon recovery plan for the Pacific Northwest has asked for a six-month extension that would delay a final decision until after the presidential election.

A federal judge ordered NOAA Fisheries to rewrite its recovery plan, known as a biological opinion, last May, after ruling that the existing blueprint violates the Endangered Species Act.

U.S. District Judge James Redden set a June 2 deadline for the new plan. The previous plan, adopted in late 2000 by the Clinton administration, remains in effect while the rewrite is completed.

But in court papers filed this week, the fisheries agency, formerly known as the National Marine Fisheries Service, said it needs another six months to do the job.

The agency said the comprehensive nature of the recovery plan, and the extensive work it has done with the four affected states — Washington, Oregon, Montana and Idaho — as well as Indian tribes and conservation groups in the region, make delay unavoidable.

Some environmentalists are skeptical, saying the fish administration wants to postpone the politically sensitive decision until after the Nov. 2 election.

"Our view is that they are asking for much more of an extension than is practically necessary or legally warranted," said Todd True, an attorney for Earthjustice, an advocacy group that filed a lawsuit challenging the original biological opinion on behalf of environmental groups.

True and other conservationists say they would not object to



Chinook salmon swim in a tank April 22 at the Issaquah Salmon Hatchery in Issaquah, Wash. The Bush administration intends to count the hundreds of millions of fish produced in the hatcheries when deciding whether salmon deserve federal Endangered Species Act protection.

The main reason for the delay is simply to allow the government more time to work with the states, Indian tribes and others in hopes of finding common ground, Gorman said.

The judge has made it clear all along that he wants us to work more closely with the states and tribes on this, and we are happy to do that," Gorman said.

"It just means it's likely we will need an extension of time," Gorman scoffed at the idea that the delay was political.

"Obviously we know when the election is," he said. "There are so many things that will happen between now and November that it's sort of silly to assume this one thing would make a difference" in the election results in any of the four states.

The extension request comes

as the Bush administration considers a major policy shift on salmon protection.

A final plan being considered by NOAA Fisheries would add hatchery-bred salmon to any decision about protecting wild fish runs under the Endangered Species Act.

Bob Lohm, the agency's regional administrator, said the policy change was required by a recent federal appeals court ruling that forces officials to count all fish that are genetically related.

Conservation groups have criticized the plan, saying it would let the federal government off the hook for its responsibility to recover salmon throughout the West Coast.

Lohm said the language may change, and a final policy may be ready by June.

Study: Burning some fields produces stronger irritants

COEUR D'ALENE, Idaho (AP) — A Washington State University study shows smoke from burning bluegrass fields in northern Idaho produces far more dangerous pollution than torching wheat fields.

Research indicates bluegrass stubble in the Panhandle generates up to eight times more lung-aggravating small particles than burning wheat stubble or forest fires.

But the research has not proven conclusively that baling and removing the bluegrass stubble before the fields are ignited reduces the smoke that chokes the air on a yearly basis.

"This is information we didn't have before. There was more variability in the fields than we'd realized," said Dan Redline of the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality.

The new information will help Idaho officials decide how many fields can be burned on a given day, Redline said.

"Tiny particles in field smoke, called PM 2.5 because they are 2.5 microns or less in diameter, are considered a health risk because they can be inhaled deep into the lungs."

The study, headed by Washington State University researcher William J. Johnson, made comparative measurements of PM 2.5 at 10 four-acre test plots burned in August 2001 on the Rathdrum Prairie, the Coeur d'Alene Indian Reservation and a field near Connell, Wash.

It showed that burning bluegrass fields produced far more particles than wheat stubble or wildfires.

Farmers burn the bluegrass

stubble to shock the plants into producing more seed to sell.

The study found that baling bluegrass stubble on Idaho's famed Rathdrum Prairie before torching the fields did not reduce smoke.

But the same process cut smoke by two-thirds on test sites on the Coeur d'Alene Indian Reservation, the study indicated.

Linda Clovis with the North Idaho Farmers Association, a bluegrass industry group, denied that the smoke is all toxic chemicals, saying that the study showed the smoke contains a substantial amount of water vapor.

The study suggests "smoke management should be based on emissions rather than acres burned, a position held by the grass seed growers."

"That conclusion concerns Patti Gora of Safe Air For Everyone, a Sandpoint clean-air group that sued the farmers to halt field burning."

Emissions-based rules do not address the main problem on the Rathdrum Prairie, where bluegrass fields are located near housing developments and schools, she said.

"The single largest problem on the Rathdrum Prairie is its proximity to people. I don't know that an emissions-based solution will reduce injuries," Gora said.

A new state law passed last year shields farmers from lawsuits if they burn legally.

The constitutionality of that provision is under attack in a class-action lawsuit brought by people exposed to field smoke.

Idaho race track gambling initiative won't see ballot

BOISE (AP) — A group promoting an initiative to extend electronic gambling machines to small race tracks around the state has failed to gather enough signatures needed to put the issue on the ballot.

Officials with Idaho Racing Enterprises LLC said they did not have enough time to educate voters about the initiative.

"The reaction from business leaders and citizens from across the state has been positive, and we will renew our efforts to place the initiative on the next available ballot," said Debbie Bishop, the general manager for Idaho Gaming Enterprises.

Group spokesman Paul Morand said they were still trying to count the number of signatures the group had gathered so far, and probably would not have an estimate until next week. But, he said, it was far less than the required 102,772 signatures from registered voters needed to gain a place on the November ballot.

"It was disappointing. I'm

hoping that they end up with at least half of what they were looking for," Morand said.

"There needed to be a better understanding of the issue."

But in January, Attorney General Lawrence Wasden said the initiative violated the state constitutional prohibitions against special laws and slot machines because it makes legal in some places that which is illegal in other places.

But failure to heed the attorney general's evaluation does not preclude the initiative from being circulated.

Backers of the initiative said voters have already approved the state lottery and the 2002 initiative to legalize electronic gambling machines in tribal reservation casinos.

Adding the gambling machines to race tracks — with a 20 percent tax on profits — would support the local economy by creating jobs and increasing revenues to state and local government, Bishop said.

Sterling brings Sunshine Mine back to life

KELLOGG (AP) — Mining engineers are working to reopen the level shaft of the Sunshine Mine following three years of inactivity.

Crews from the Sterling Mining Co. have been bringing the level shaft and its hoist back to operating standards for several months.

This week, crews went underground to begin inspecting the internal workings of the mine, so far, they like what they see.

"We were surprised and very

pleased with what we found," said Brian Higdon, maintenance manager at the Sunshine Mine. "The 3,400 level was dry. The drifts are in good shape. This has all been the big unknown up to this point."

Higdon said crews will focus on re-establishing communication and electrical systems.

Assessing the condition of the underground workings was critical in bringing the mine back into production, said Sterling President Ray DeMotte.

"Until now, all of our projected economic costs have been based on assumptions," DeMotte said. "Now we can actually see what is down there."

Sterling took over the Sunshine in June. While the work is moving along as planned, DeMotte said the company will proceed cautiously during the next phases.

"We don't want to open up, and a year later have to lay everybody off because we

were not able to sustain production," he said. "We moved slower in the initial months to make sure we picked the right site for this project, and now we feel very confident that we have done that."

Surface exploration has moved more rapidly than anticipated, DeMotte said.

He added that Sterling has also been purchasing other properties throughout the valley and now owns more than 10,000 acres in the area.

Base-jumper gets ticket after jumping off 270-foot building

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — A Salt Lake County man was ticketed for purchasing off a 270-foot downtown building after his cohorts left him hanging — literally.

Three men base-jumped from the American Towers condominiums in downtown Salt Lake City on Thursday, Carson Douglas Klein's friends made it down safely, but his parachute got tangled on a light pole, leaving him stranded about 15 feet in the air.

Security officers from the American Towers and nearby Hilton Hotel helped the 27-year-old Klein down and detained him.

He was cited by Salt Lake City police for trespassing, said Detective Kevin Joiner. A court date was set for Joiner, said Klein would likely make an appearance within two weeks.

He faces up to six months in jail and a \$1,000 fine for the misdemeanor ticket, Joiner said.

The stunt took place on the north building of the 270 foot twin towers.

"One of the residents saw them flying past their window and called security," said Joe Toranzo, a manager at the towers.

The other two jumpers left in a vehicle and the parking garage manager caught the license plate number, Toranzo said. There is also an investigation into how the jumpers were able to get into the secure building and up to the roof, he said.

Apparently the taller downtown buildings are a popular jumping off point for the thrill-seeking base jumpers.

"We usually get about one a year, maybe two," said Joiner.

Judge denies reprieve to polygamist police officer

ST. GEORGE, Utah (AP) — A judge on Friday denied a request for early release from prison by a former police officer convicted of bigamy and illegal sex with a girl.

A jury in August found 37-year-old John guilty of bigamy and two counts of unlawful sexual conduct with a minor 10 to 17 years old, all third-degree felonies.

He was sentenced last October to a year in prison.

The charges stemmed from Holm's union with a third wife, Ruth Stubbis, who was 16 at the

time of the plural marriage performed by leaders of the Fundamentalist Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints.

Holm, who was 32 at the time, also is married to Stubbis' older sister, Suzie, and a second wife, Wendy.

Holm is on work release, but argued that his prison term was a hardship on his family.

He was an officer in the polygamists' border town of Hildale, Utah, and Colorado City, Ariz., until losing his certification in August.

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Work speeds up on visitor center

Work accelerates on biggest, most expensive Capitol construction project.

WASHINGTON (AP) — There's a hole the size of the federal deficit on the east side of the Capitol as work accelerates on a new visitor center, the largest, most expensive construction project in the 200-year history of the building.

The project has expanded in scope nearly as fast as the 53,000 truckloads of dirt could be removed, driving its cost up from an estimated \$265 million to \$521 million.

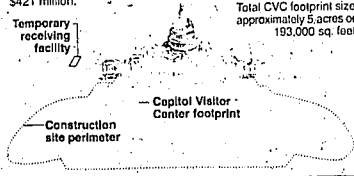
The three-story underground facility is now scheduled to open in the spring of 2006, delayed some four or five months from the original December 2005 goal because of bad weather, design changes and security enhancements following the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks and a Capitol anthrax scare.

"We're at a very delicate point," Architect of the Capitol Alan Hanftman said at a recent Senate hearing. First-phase workers involved in excavation, foundation walls and completing the roof slab are overlapping with second-phase contractors installing electric lines and plumbing and handling some 3,000 other interior tasks. About 300 to 350 workers are on site every day.

Hanftman has promised that the roof will be in place by next

Capitol construction project under way

The Capitol Visitor Center project is the largest, most expensive construction project in the Capitol's history. The three-story underground facility is expected to open in spring 2006, with an estimated cost of \$265 million a few years ago increasing to \$421 million.



SOURCES: The Architect of the Capitol; Associated Press. Slobhan Dooley / AP

January, in time for the presidential inauguration ceremony that will be held on the east front of the Capitol for the first time since 1977.

"I look at it almost every day, once or twice," said Sen. Ben Nighthorse Campbell, R-Colo. He said that while it was making progress, "I wish it were faster."

Many tourists to the Capitol, who now have to line up outside a makeshift tent every morning to get entry tickets, share that wish.

Standing in a cold rain outside the Capitol, Nancy Dawes, a special education teacher from Newbury Park, Calif., said

she would consider coming back for a second trip with her class once the visitor center is open. Kids would learn how the government works — they need that," she said.

Even in the pre-Sept. 11 days, when the Capitol was more open to the public, the building was hardly visitor-friendly.

Tourists still had to endure long lines outside, with little or no access to restrooms, food or information that might enrich their visits.

Senior citizens and those with disabilities, particularly had a hard time, said House Administration Committee Chairman

Bob Ney, R-Ohio, a member of the planning board. "It's no way to treat people who come from around the world and from all over our own country."

That will all change when the center opens: It will include a great hall where some 12,000 visitors a day can look up on the Capitol Dome through skylights, an exhibition gallery twice the size of the Rotunda, a dining area with a capacity for 600, two orientation theaters, gift shops and lots of restrooms.

Above ground, builders will restore the park-like grounds envisioned in 1874 by landscape architect Frederick Law Olmsted, who also designed Central Park in New York City.

"It's the most ambitious construction project in the history of the Capitol, larger than the addition of the House and Senate wings in the 1850s.

"The Capitol is the front door to our nation," said Thomas Fontana, a spokesman for the project. It's expensive, he said; but "we didn't want to cut corners, we didn't want to sacrifice quality."

Hanftman's office has taken a lot of political heat about the ever-expanding price tag, which is partly offset by about \$65 million in private contributions and the sale of commemorative coins. But a large part of the cost increase has been at the behest of lawmakers.

Students can't share food, snacks

SHARPLAND, Texas (AP) — Sharpshand school officials have taken the buzz out of sharing home-baked snacks with classmates.

Students in the Sharpshand Independent School District can't share their snack lunches or any other food from home with others without school permission after a student was arrested for giving marijuana-laced brownies to friends.

"We do not permit a parent (or anyone else) to bring in food for students other than their own children without getting permission from the building administration," district Superintendent Sandra Reed said in a letter to parents Wednesday.

Mission police charged the 17-year-old student with felony delivery of marijuana following the incident last week. He allegedly shared the brownies with five students, one of whom got sick and was treated by the school nurse.

School vice principal faces murder charges

BAKERSFIELD, Calif. (AP) — A school vice principal long suspected in the deaths of his wife, three children and mother-in-law last July was arrested Friday on five counts of murder, police said.

Vincent Brothers was arrested without incident near his home, police spokeswoman Mary DeGare said.

Brothers' estranged 39-year-old wife, Joanie Harper; their children, Marques, 4; Lyndsey, 2; and Marshall, 6 weeks; and his mother-in-law, Earneestine Harper, 70, were found shot and stabbed in their home last July. They had last been seen in church two days earlier.

9/11 fund denies third of claims

WASHINGTON — A third of the injury claims to the government's Sept. 11 victim compensation fund have been turned down, mainly for lack of medical proof or because ailments had cleared up.

The fund has received 4,419 injury claims, significantly more than administrators expected when the application period ended late last year. Almost 1,600 have been rejected, fund officials said.

The 2,321 people granted compensation, almost all from injuries sustained at the World Trade Center Twin Towers cleanup sites, received between \$500 and \$7.9 million. Decisions on the remaining roughly 500 claims will be made by June 15.

Jury convicts wife of murdering her husband

HARLAN, Iowa — A woman who said she shot her abusive husband in self-defense more than a year before his decomposing body was found in their home was convicted Friday of second-degree murder.

Dixie Shanahan, 36, had been charged with first-degree murder in the death of Scott Shanahan, 39, but was convicted of the lesser charge after jurors deliberated about seven hours over two days.

Shanahan claimed she acted in self-defense when she killed her husband with a shotgun as he moved toward her at the end of three days of beatings. She said she was angry because she was pregnant with their third child and refused to get an abortion.

Prosecutors said Scott

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Shanahan had gone back to bed and was not an immediate threat when Dixie Shanahan killed him.

California court overturns molestation convictions

BAKERSFIELD, Calif. — A judge Friday threw out the conviction of a man imprisoned 20 years for molesting children, concluding that the testimony of the alleged victims was unreliable. Most of the children now say the assaults never happened.

John Stoll, now 60, will remain in custody until a May 1 hearing to determine a release date.

Four of Stoll's accusers, now adults, recently testified they were manipulated by investigators who dogged them for hours until they fabricated the stories. A fifth witness testified he has no memories from that part of his childhood.

Suspected serial killer admits to two slayings

BATON ROUGE, La. — A suspected serial killer has confessed to killing two women, bringing to five the number of slayings in the case, police said Friday.

Sean Vincent Gillis confessed to slitting the throat of elderly nursing home patient Ann Bryan and to hitting Hardee Moseley Schmidt with his car as she jugged, then strangling her with a wire, authorities said.

The confession came the day after Gillis, 41, was arrested on murder charges in the slaying of three other women since 1993.

He is the second man accused in serial killings in less than a year in this state capital of 227,000.

Alabama court rejects chief justice's appeal

MONTGOMERY, Ala. — A stand-in state Supreme Court on Friday unanimously rejected Roy Moore's bid to be reinstated as Alabama's chief justice, the latest legal chapter in the saga surrounding his Ten Commandments monument.

The court upheld his ouster 7-0. A written opinion was to be released later Friday and details were not immediately available.

Moore was expelled from office by an ethics panel for refusing to obey a federal court order to move his 5,300-pound Ten Commandments monument from the rotunda of the Alabama Judicial Building.

— compiled from wire reports

New crime-fighting cameras divide city

CHICAGO (AP) — Ilene Singletary has noticed a big change since police mounted a conspicuous video camera near the West Side barber shop where she has worked for a decade.

"It's so much quieter now," said Singletary, 42. "Before, there were kids hanging out doing whatever. It was unsafe to walk around."

The camera is one of 30 installed last summer by Chicago police as high-tech scarecrows to chase off gangs and street thugs.

The remote-controlled cameras — mounted on lamp posts high above intersections in rough neighborhoods — can rotate 360 degrees and zoom in tight enough to read a license plate, feeding video directly to squad-car laptops.

Fifty upgraded cameras to be installed later this year will have sensors to detect air bullets whizzing through the air, halting the precise location of gunfire to dispatchers.

But as Chicago police expand their \$3.5 million "Operation Disruption" — one of the nation's most aggressive uses of surveillance cameras to curb violent crime — residents and lawmakers are divided over whether the cameras are effective or an invasion of privacy that brands their neighborhoods as ghettos.

"It seems prejudiced to me," said Abdul Buckley, 40, who works at Deal Beauty Supply and General Merchandise, within sight of another camera in the East

Garfield Park neighborhood, about five miles west of downtown. "Why did they put them in all the neighborhoods?"

State Sen. Rickey Hendon has sponsored legislation to limit how many devices police install and to get rid of the cameras' attention-getting blue-strobe lights, then in all the neighborhoods.

"I think they're a violation of people's civil liberties," said Hendon, who said he has received complaints from residents who fear the cameras can zoom into their windows. "People going about their everyday lives shouldn't be spied on by Big Brother."

City officials said the cameras are not used to peer into private homes. Officers are reminded that using the system for anything beyond viewing public places would violate the Fourth Amendment, a police spokesman said.

But some critics say basic discretion in life-and-death situations, and using these pods is no different," Camden said. "If an officer violates department policy, he would be disciplined."

The American Civil Liberties Union in Illinois said it considers the cameras constitutional as long as police use them only to monitor street crime, though a spokesman said privacy questions likely will mount as more cameras are installed.

Jackson pleads not guilty to molestation charges

SANTA MARIA, Calif. (AP) — With a quiet nod to the judge, Michael Jackson pleaded not guilty Friday to charges of child molestation and conspiracy involving child abduction and extortion.

The grand jury indictment, read in court just before the plea, also alleged lewd acts and attempted lewd acts involving a child, as well as administering an intoxicating agent to a child. The acts allegedly happened between Feb. 1 and March 31, 2003.

Jackson, who had been sequestered by the judge for showing up late to his last hearing, had arrived 40 minutes early Friday, smiling and waving to fans as he entered the courtroom under an umbrella. He wore a dark jacket with a red armband and red tie.

In court, the pop star was calm as his lawyer entered the plea of not guilty. Superior Court Judge Rodney Melville

asked Jackson if that was correct, and he nodded.

In brief comments afterward, Jackson's new defense attorney Thomas Mesereau Jr. said the case should not be about lawyers or celebrity.

"This case is about one thing only: It's about the dignity, the integrity, the decency, the honor, the charity, the innocence and the complete vindication about a wonderful human being named Michael Jackson," said Mesereau, who

took over the case last weekend after Jackson decided to remove the high-profile team of Mark Geragos and Benjamin Brafman.

The indictment, issued in secret earlier this month, replaces charges filed by prosecutors that alleged seven counts of lewd or lascivious conduct involving a child under 14 and two counts of administering an intoxicant to a child under 14.

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Faith in America: A mile wide and an inch deep

We are a nation of religious people. Churches are as common as fast-food restaurants. But our faith is a mile wide and an inch deep. More style than substance.

That's how David Yount describes it in "The Future of Christian Faith in America." His hard-hitting analysis is one that should make Christians stop, look, listen and ask: Is it time to change our spiritual ways?

With Yount at the wheel, get ready for a rocky ride across the religious terrain.

As people of faith, we talk a lot about religion but don't live as though it makes much difference in our lives. Many are upset about removing such symbolic images as the Ten Commandments from courthouses and the phrase "One Nation Under God" from the Pledge of Allegiance, yet ignore faith's precepts that make personal demands on us to sacrifice, to forgive, to love unconditionally.



TOM SCHAEFFER

Most of us enjoy an unbelievably high standard of living compared to the rest of the world but rarely consider sacrificing to help those less fortunate.

At our churches, the alarm has sounded for decades about membership losses. Yet few have done anything to address the problem. Of those who still belong, little is demanded or expected.

No wonder a broadly defined concept of spirituality has emerged both inside and outside organized religion. Faith poorly tended will go to seed, where flowers and weeds sprout together.

George Barna, a pollster and evangelical Christian, calls spirituality "a personalized, customized form of faith views" that meet personal needs, minimize rules and absolutes, and bear little resemblance to the pure form of any of the world's major religions. Rather than stressing, as religion does, the importance of joining a faith community that acknowledges dependence on God and calls for discipleship, spirituality declares that the individual is god and can make whatever rules and travel whichever paths that suit.

Is it any wonder that human life has been degraded to the point that any behavior is acceptable? Or that for many people greed is more rewarding than generosity, self-fulfillment more important than self-giving and consumption more satisfying than self-denial?

As it is, one's own philosophy reigns supreme and is free from religion's so-called stifling rules and regulations.

The loss of commonly held values - honesty, fairness, compassion, civility - affects society, too. Without communities of faith connected to such values, we no longer have a vision of how we are to live together. The result is a society in free fall, with its members tossed about by every wind of change.

How will we react? Yount offers some suggestions for reversing faith:

- Exchange spirituality for religion. Instead of buying into spirituality's "free-floating sentiment," seek out religion that defines the true human relation to the Divine: subordinate, dependent, flawed, tested, redeemed and hopeful.
- Acknowledge faults and forgive. It is only by acknowledging our faults that we can accept God's forgiveness, which then leaves us free to forgive others.
- Exchange love for resentment. "Love is not a feeling but a devoted doing."
- Become inclusive. Seek out those of other ethnicities and economic classes. "Jesus pronounced the poor to be blessed, but impoverished Americans are disproportionately unchurched because they are uninvited."
- Learn the faith. "I believe is meaningless unless one can specify the content of one's faith."

Tom Schaeffer writes about religion and ethics for the Wichita (Kan.) Eagle.

'It's all about COMMUNICATION'



Left to right, Elaino Proost, Chris Hinton and Judi Mellon meet for prayer in the rose garden at Magle Valley Regional Medical Center. They are members of the events committee for the National Day of Prayer observance in Twin Falls.

Twin Falls joins National Day of Prayer

By John E. Swayze
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS - The time that Judi Mellon spends in daily prayer gives her a sense of comfort that nothing else in life can match.

"It's all about communication," said Mellon, who's busy planning an upcoming prayer gathering in Twin Falls. "I talk to God about the smallest things, and seeing his hand move keeps me going day by day."

Several months ago, Mellon began

National Day of Prayer

Where: 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Thursday at the Twin Falls City Park bandshell; noon Thursday at the old courthouse in Hailey

working with a volunteer committee of people from several churches to organize a community-wide event to celebrate the 53rd National Day of Prayer.

"It's a time for people to get together in groups and pray for our govern-

ment, media, families, schools and churches," committee member Chris Hinton said.

The first Continental Congress called for a National Day of Prayer in 1775, but it was not officially established by an act of Congress until 1952, when President Harry Truman signed it into law. The Reagan administration amended the law in 1980, designating the first Thursday in May as the official day of observance.

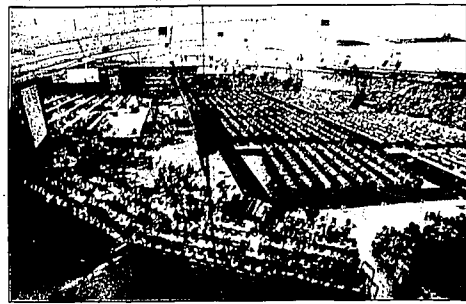
Centered around the theme of "Let Freedom Ring," more than 40,000 events are expected to take place

across the country this year.

"We did not know of any event in the Twin Falls area last year, and we didn't want this year to go by without providing an opportunity for people to come and pray together," Mellon said.

This year, everyone is invited to come pray in city park. A nondenominational service will feature music by "3:16," a band from Lighthouse Christian Fellowship.

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United Methodists gather in one of the exhibition halls at the Pittsburgh Convention Center to open their 2004 General Conference on Tuesday.

Methodists' conference addresses hot-button issues

By David Crumm
Detroit Free Press

DETROIT - In the midst of a controversial war and a hotly contested election year, the global leaders of President George W. Bush's church gathered in Pittsburgh on Tuesday for their first legislative conference in four years.

Delegates to the United Methodist General Conference say they are determined to send a strong message about terrorism and the war in Iraq to their church's most famous member before they adjourn May 7. The White House has been negotiating with church leaders on whether the president or first lady Laura Bush will make an appearance.

Interviews with United Methodists reveal a denomination as deeply divided as the voting public on issues from homosexuality to Iraq.

The Methodists are fasci-

nating to watch because they have the whole diversity of American opinion - left, right and center," said political scientist John Green, who teaches at the University of Akron in Ohio.

This is a church that embraces U.S. Sens. Hillary Rodham Clinton, D-N.Y., and Elizabeth Dole, R-N.C., as well as Vice President Dick Cheney. A post-election study in 2000 of voting patterns among United Methodist clergy showed them evenly split between Bush and Al Gore.

In Pittsburgh, American delegates are hearing a broad array of international viewpoints. The seats in the conference, 500 for clergy and 500 for lay delegates, include 188 men and women from Africa, Asia and Europe. Delegates from Asia and Africa are expected to play a major role in defending their church's existing bans on gay clergy and on

blissing gay unions.

About 8.3 million United Methodists live in the United States.

Bush remains active in his home congregation, Tarrytown United Methodist Church in Austin, Texas. When it comes to church membership, Bush has a huge advantage over his chief opponent in November, Green said. Unlike U.S. Sen. John Kerry, D-Mass., who has been dogged by complaints that a practicing Catholic is forbidden to publicly support abortion rights, Bush's church practices a nearly wide-open policy on taking communion.

Bush has been free to disagree with his church's teachings and, at the moment, is at odds with United Methodist positions that call for sharply limiting handguns, keeping abortion legal and opposing the death penalty.

All these positions are up for review in Pittsburgh.

Changing churches - in T.F. and nationwide

Idaho bishop faces shortage of priests

The Associated Press and The Times-News

As a boy, Michael Patrick Driscoll spent hours playing "church." He made his own vestments, dreamt up his own homilies and pretended to consecrate the Sacra Caudy wafers he gave as communion to his younger siblings.

Now, as the bishop of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Boise, Driscoll says too few are drawn to a life of the cloth. The shortage of priests, he says, is becoming dire. Along with the rest of the country, Idaho - and even Twin Falls - will feel the effects.

"We don't know yet what will happen in Twin Falls," diocese communications director Colette Cowman said on Thursday. "We are studying the whole issue, all around the diocese, trying to meet the needs with priests, deacons and laity."

Locally, St. Edward the Confessor Church just began a campaign to raise money to build a new church and school on land that the diocese owns near the Lady of Guadalupe on Falls Avenue. In the past, various numbers of priests and assistants have served at the two facilities, but the diocese has not yet made a decision about future personnel.

"But now, we are holding deacon meetings, trying to plan," Cowman explained. "It's very challenging."

Some Idaho priests must drive as many as 500 miles a weekend to perform Mass at Catholic churches in the state. Several parishes are likely to be

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- Colette Cowman, communications director for Boise diocese

consolidated soon, Driscoll said, and his office is working to find lay people interested in leading abbreviated church services when priests aren't available.

The tradition of weekly Communion central to the Catholic faith - may end, he said. Only priests may consecrate the Communion, which is known as the Eucharist to Catholics and represents Christ's sacrifice on the cross.

Driscoll attended seminary in the early 1980s and was assigned to the Los Angeles parish in 1985 - the same year the Second Vatican Council concluded, bringing a host of changes designed to get churchgoers more involved in their religion.

"In seminary, they didn't talk much about the Vatican Council. But the theology, once we started reading and studying, made a whole lot of sense and it was to involve more of the laity in the church," Driscoll said. "But what was hard was

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Religion and politics

Some American Muslims might put aside their anger at Bush

By Rachel Zoll
Associated Press writer

It was just a throwaway line, an aside in a speech to some low American Muslims that Muqtadar Khan considered a stoutheart crowd-pleaser. But when he criticized President Bush over the war on Iraq, Khan was surprised by the response.

"I was bombed," said Khan, a political scientist at Eastern Michigan University. "A man came and told me, 'If you think the war in Iraq is not moral then I'm sorry to say you have no idea what morality is.'"

As Khan saw, the president still enjoys pockets of strong support among American Muslims, despite resentment over scrutiny of their community following the Sept. 11, 2001 terrorist attacks. And while Democrats outnumber Republicans among U.S. Muslims, there is a sense that presumptive Democratic nominee John Kerry has done relatively little to reach out to the community.

Among Bush's supporters are Iraqi-Americans and others grateful that Saddam Hussein was ousted, giving their fellow Shiites a chance to govern in that country after decades of oppression. Others are wealthy, immigrant businessmen loyal to the Republican Party. They can be found among the Bush



President Bush, with Muslim leaders at the Islamic Center of Washington, has tried to put an end to rising anti-Muslim sentiment in the wake of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

campaign's *Pioneers* and *Invaders*, who have raised tens of thousands of dollars for his re-election. More votes could come from socially conservative Muslims, drawn into the Republican camp because of its opposition to gay marriage.

No one expects Bush to win a majority of the Muslim vote. Surveys have found that American Muslims identify themselves as Democrats at a ratio of about 2-to-1. Anger at Bush's policies has grown with each mosque raided and Muslim charity shut down on suspicion of ties with terrorists.

And the leading Muslim organizations have been so outraged over the USA Patriot Act that they have banded together as the American Muslim Backforce to make civil rights their top issue in the presidential race.

Yet Bush has been able to maintain ties in their community. That's significant, especially with Muslim votes concentrated in such battleground states as Florida and Michigan.

Salam Al-Marayati, executive director of the Muslim Public Affairs Council, said the Bush administration has received con-

tact with his group after "a long drought." John Kerry's campaign has been less aggressive in reaching out to Muslims, said Al-Marayati, and other leaders in the community.

Even Muslims who oppose Bush are aware he has done some positive things, such as calling Islam a religion of peace, visiting a Washington-area mosque and saying Islam is compatible with democracy, Khan said.

Estimates of the number of registered Muslim voters nationally varies widely - from 1 million to 3 million.

Casual services attract youth

By Lella Fadel
Fort Worth Star-Telegram

ARLINGTON, Texas - It's Sunday and about 20 people are mingling in the Coffee Haus in Arlington, Texas. Some pick up a doughnut and coffee; others leave their children in a makeshift nursery. A hodgepodge of furniture is arrayed in front of a band with an acoustic guitar and a conga. People sit, some tucking a Bible beneath their chairs, and bow their heads in prayer.

The worship service has begun at Access, one of hundreds of small emerging churches sprinkled throughout the United States and other Western nations. Many of these church communities meet in bars, coffee shops and other places frequented by young adults. Many members are in their 20s and 30s.

Most are disillusioned with traditional churches.

"These Christians are trying to recapture some of the dynamism of the early church, and members stress the importance of community and faith," said Bill Leonard, a professor at Wake Forest University in Winston-Salem, N.C. "It reflects the 'Friends' motif for organizing the church, where the atmosphere is more like the coffeehouse than the huge auditorium of the mega-church or the colonial architecture of the traditional church."

Access started as a young adult ministry at Pantego Bible Church in Fort Worth, and branched off in 2002.

Because such churches are unstructured, it's difficult to gauge membership. An online presence helps draw followers.

Web sites such as www.emergentvillage.com are described as a network of friends.

Access has sponsored art nights, during which members present short films, write short stories or recite poetry. Each week a type of bread, such as a bagel or a dinner roll, and a goblet of juice are placed on a low table. Members kneel and take communion when they feel moved.

Other emerging worship services forge their own traditions. At Journey in Dallas, people write their sins in sand and brush them away. The group uses the liturgy from the Book of Common Prayer.

The movement dismisses much of Christian history between the time of Jesus and the present, said Mark G. Toulouse, a professor at Bible Divinity School at Texas Christian University.

"The churches, which use terms such as 'ancient future' or 'intentional' to describe themselves, attempt to recover what they believe are true Christian practices and adapt them to the contemporary world."

"It's rather ahistorical, even an anti-historical movement," he said.

Larger churches offer their support because they recognize that some people feel disconnected from the modern mega-church or the traditional church, said Bill Leonard.

"The Emerging Church," Only three of 10 people in their 20s and four of 10 in their 30s attend church in a typical week, compared with nearly half of those 40 and older, according to a 2003 study by the Barna Research Group.

'PROPHECY' FULFILLED

Fans of New Age book get movie version

By Roger Moore
The Orlando Sentinel

OCALA, Fla. - "Synchronicity," Psychologist Carl Jung's term for coincidences in which unrelated events occur with a purpose, has become author James Redfield's favorite word. It was synchronicity that led Redfield to write "The Celestine Prophecy," his self-help adventure novel, once labeled "Indiana Jones takes a Road Less Traveled." He sold 100,000 copies out of his car trunk before Warner Books signed him in 1994.

And after years of overtures from Hollywood, it is synchronicity that makes now the right time to make a film of the

book. In a long-abandoned rock quarry north of Ocala, dressed to look like Peruvian ruins, that's just what is happening.

"The Celestine Prophecy," an international publishing phenomenon and guide to the New Age, is becoming a motion picture.

Since writing the book Redfield calls a "parable about a quest for ancient Peruvian scrolls containing the 'true insights' to human happiness and spiritual potential, many studies and books - Demi Moore was one - have made a run at Redfield over the rights. But the critics have not always taken to the book - Time magazine once went so far as to refer to the drawing Alabama writer as "Gump-ish."

Redfield's world view combines religions and philosophies, including Zen, Buddhism, the teachings of Carl Jung, metaphysics and nature-loving ecology.

In late January, as the buzz over "The Passion of the Christ" was reaching a crescendo, "The Celestine Prophecy" got the green light. Like Mel Gibson's film, it's being made outside of the studio system, by Celestine Films and Barner Film Films, with an eye toward studio distribution once it is done.

Redfield was once quoted as holding out for an all-star production, maybe with Kevin Costner or William Hurt as his mystic adventurer, John Wood. The film being made is

more modest (under \$25 million in budget), with Matthew Settle of "Band of Brothers" starring as Woodson.

Meanwhile, Redfield is writing a follow-up novel at his beachfront home in the Florida Panhandle.

"The world's shaky right now; a lot of conflict and strife," Redfield says. "This is a book with a lot of hope in it, about getting in touch with your spiritual side. 'The Passion' coming out when it did was synchronicity, because it shows how hungry people are for something meaningful."

"And now Hollywood won't laugh at you when you use words like 'inspirational' and 'a calling.'"

Dissenters in gay bishop's diocese form breakaway parish

CONCORD, N.H. - Conservatism in the diocese led by the Episcopal Church's first openly gay bishop have left to form a breakaway parish. About 40 parishioners of the new Anglican Church of the Resurrection are using facilities of the Episcopal Church.

The new parish has joined the national Network of Anglican Communion Dioceses and Parishes, formed by conservatives who remain within the

Episcopal Church but oppose homosexual ordination. Two other New Hampshire parishes have taken steps to affiliate with the conservative network.

Woman named to highest position yet in Vatican

VATICAN CITY - Pope John Paul II named Sister Erica Rosato to the highest position ever held by a woman in the Vatican, the No. 3 post in the congregation that governs religious orders worldwide.

In addition, three women have been named to Vatican consultative bodies since March. Harvard Law School professor Mary Ann Gleason

heads the Pontifical Academy of Social Sciences. Sister Sara Butler of the University of St. Mary of the Lake in Illinois and Barbara Hallenleben of Germany are new members of the International Theological Commission.

Women's groups have repeatedly asked for more prominent Vatican appointments and Pope John Paul has said women should have more say in the church.

Borough tries to skirt Ten Commandments lawsuit

HANOVER, Pa. - To avoid a lawsuit, York County's Hanover borough hopes to sell a 15-foot-square plot in a municipal park under a Ten Commandments monument to a nonprofit group.

Hanover officials will petition York County courts to approve the sale. A sign would be posted indicating the monument stands on private land. The monument has been in place for about 50 years, a borough attorney said.

"If there is a way to keep it at the same location, we want to do it."

Americans United for Separation of Church and State, which threatened the lawsuit, is unsatisfied and may continue its legal challenge, the York Daily Record reported.

A private group agreed to pay \$930 for the land, and the Hanover Area Heritage Association has raised half of its \$75,000 goal to fight the potential lawsuit. - compiled from wire reports

diocesan demands on the few available priests.

"The church is growing here, and we had 500 or 600 people added on Holy Saturday through baptism, confirmation or just coming back to Catholicism."

Much of the growth comes from Idaho's Hispanic community, the fastest growing segment of the state's population. Hispanics are largely Catholic.

A report presented to the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops in June 2000 showed that the Catholic population is growing fastest in the West, increasing by about 261 percent in the past 40 years. But across the nation, the number of priests has not kept up with the growth. Eighty-two percent of dioc-

eses said they had fewer priests for their needs compared to 10 years earlier, and the shortage was greatest in the West and Midwest.

"We could probably use five or six new priests a year, if we could get them," Driscoll said.

With 53 parishes, five hospitals, and 14 schools, Idaho expects to have 41 active priests serving next year, plus 10 on loan from other areas. That leaves nearly 2,400 registered Catholic churchgoers per priest.

Driscoll is encouraging more lay people to take on leadership roles. "We're looking for people who will serve as parish life directors, taking some of the burden off of priests who are handling more than one parish."

Priests will become more like mini-bishops, pastors of an area, Driscoll predicted. "We have one in Soda Springs now who also has parishes in Lava Hot Springs, Montpelier, Malad and Preston."

That priest, Rev. John Worster, is also a major in the Idaho National Guard, 148th Field Artillery Unit and on alert for mobilization overseas. He could soon leave Idaho parishioners; behind to minister to soldiers in Iraq.

Driscoll doesn't know how he'd fill Worster's place.

MISSIONARY

BURLEY - Elder Scott R. Bowen, son of Bruce and Valerie Bowen of Burley, has been a Mission for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in the Ukraine Kiev Mission.



Scott Bowen

The Times-News welcomes news of church members who are published free. Send to Ellen Thomason, The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303, or Trena Tegan, The Times-News Burley Bureau, 1263 Overland Ave., Burley, ID 83318. Deadline is noon Thursday for publication on Saturday.

United Methodist Women will hold spring luncheon

WENDELL - The United Methodist Women will hold a spring luncheon, with salad bar and hot scores, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday at Wendell United Methodist Church.

Cost is a freewill offering, with proceeds going to church expenses and appointments.

Church news

Christian educators might establish school

HEYBURN - A group of Christian educators and parents may establish an accredited Christian school for sixth through 12th grades in the Mini-Cassia area.

Certified teachers would teach from a Christian perspective in a Christlike atmosphere. The school would feature strong academics, with fine arts and athletic programs, said Cindy Fulcher, principal of Innanual Elementary School in Twin Falls and organizer of the group. Surveys measuring financial support and interest will be collected. \$500 tuition would be about \$3,500 per year.

For more information or to receive a survey, call 678-4845.

Wendell resident receives Young Womanhood award

WENDELL - Kara Ormond recently received an LDS Young Womanhood Recognition Award.

Ormond, the daughter of Raeburn and Sue Ormond, of Wendell, planned church activities and learned to play the piano. Her leader is Laurie Lancaster.

Burley resident gets Young Womanhood award

BURLEY - Sierra Fenstermaker recently received an LDS Young Womanhood Recognition Award.

Fenstermaker, the daughter of



Sierra Fenstermaker

Don and Mania Fenstermaker of Burley, is in the Springdale 2nd Ward and has been a cabin leader at girl's camp. She is a sophomore at Declo High School, where she is in JFA, golf and basketball.

She participated in Afghans for Angels, a nursery toy shower and baby-sitting contest. She received a temple photo during the program.

Church gives free guitar lessons on Wednesdays

TWIN FALLS - Free guitar lessons for adults, teens and children will be held from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Wednesdays, beginning May 12, at Community Christian Church.

Teachers will be the instructor. Students will learn to play rhythm and lead guitar; bass guitar also will be covered. Emphasis will be on learning songs for worship, but opportunities to learn other styles of music will be available.

Students will be encouraged to write songs and will purchase music books. Previous skills are not required. A few guitars are available for loan.

For more information, call 733-1079.

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RELIGION



Jarred Wise, left, and Taylor Davidson, both 12, play video football at the Oneighty ministry in Tulsa, Okla. Each Wednesday, 2,000 to 3,000 teens pour into what looks like a suburban multiplex and spend an hour in 'fellowship' and an hour in an X-Game styled worship service.

God, games mix irks some

By Kelly Hurt
The Associated Press

TULSA, Okla. — It's Wednesday night, and the hottest teen hangout around is packed and throbbing with what seems an unholy beat. A DJ spins dance tunes upstairs, sending boys in sagging pants into convulsions.

Downstairs, girls surf the Internet from rows of iMacs flanking a glassed-in basketball court. Hundreds of new arrivals flow under a neon sign reading, "Oneighty," slowed only by a weapons check at the door.

Church night Bible study, it's not. But the music is Christian, and the surfing monitored.

With a worship style that's both hugely popular and way over the top — this service features live motocross stunts — the youth ministry of Tulsa's Oneighty church has become a national phenomenon. More than 100 unrelated youth groups have franchised the trademarked Oneighty name, despite critics who find its approach big on show and short on spirituality.

Are we creating in teenagers a view of church that is scored by what we do entertainment-wise like the 'American Idol' panel, rather than on Jesus?

— Dan Kimball, pastor of Vintage Faith Church in Santa Cruz, Calif.

The night Westside Church in Bend, Ore., launched its Oneighty ministry; more than 800 kids showed up — about 10 percent of the city's population.

When New Harvest Christian Fellowship's version of Oneighty brought a skate park, video arcade and DJ concerts to the Los Angeles suburb of Norwalk, the youth group went from 40 teens to about 600.

In Tulsa each Wednesday, 2,000 to 3,000 teens pour into what looks like a

suburban multiplex. They spend an hour in fellowship — playing free video games, dancing, watching other teens from the flavored water bar — and an hour in an X-Game styled worship service.

The ministry started about eight years ago when the Rev. Willie George gave up his midweek pulpit at Church on the Move, a charismatic Christian megachurch drawing as many as 10,000 weekend worshippers.

He wanted to focus on the ailing Youth group, says Blaine Bartel, Oneighty's national director. And so the youth group scrapped its hokey sing-alongs, adopted a name that suggested the 180-degree turn of repentance and, in 2002, moved into its multimillion-dollar, 92,000-square-foot building.

But not all ministers think Oneighty's popularity equals success. Dan Kimball, pastor of Vintage Faith Church in Santa Cruz, Calif., says he lost his faith in the concept after years of leading a similarly styled youth ministry because teens had started asking him, "Where's the spirituality?" He asks, "Are we creating in teenagers a view of church that is scored by what we do entertainment-wise like the 'American Idol' panel, rather than on Jesus?"

Bartel says teens searching for something more sublime find it in Oneighty "unplugged." Monday night small-group gatherings that include a Bible study.

Officials hope religion will help rehabilitate convicts

By Alan Cooperman
The Washington Post

LAWTEY, Fla. — Sterling Ivey, spokesman for the state Department of Corrections, said it is too early to tell whether religious instruction will help reduce a startling figure: 40 percent of Florida's ex-convicts, and 47 percent of ex-convicts nationally, are convicted of a new crime within three years of release. But he said state officials are so optimistic that they converted a 300-bed women's prison in Hillsborough into a second faith-based prison this month.

"If this is successful, we'll consider converting other prisons," he said.

Thomas P. O'Connor, who holds a doctorate in religion from Catholic University and is administrator of religious services for the Oregon Department of Corrections, this year reviewed 10 studies of religious programs in prisons across the country. Four found no impact on inmates' behavior, either in prison or after release. Six found a modest positive effect, and none found a negative impact.

The studies show "very encouraging but not yet conclusive evidence" that religious programming is effective, O'Connor said.

The error that some states are making, in O'Connor's opinion, is thinking that religion can supplant, rather than accompany, other rehabilitation programs such as job training, psychological counseling and addiction treatment. For many years, he said, criminologists paid too little attention to religion.

Now, he argued, some prison officials and religious groups are ignoring criminology.

From the "what works" literature — hundreds of studies worldwide — it is clear that to have the most impact on recidivism, rehabilitation programs must focus on the hardest criminals and try to change whom they associate with and how they think, O'Connor said. But religious groups often focus on the easy cases and do not know much about criminal psychology, he said.

"The argument is, let the churches do this for us," he said. "That's a big mistake."

Todd R. Clear, professor of community justice and corrections at John Jay College of Criminal Justice in New York, is particularly critical of Florida's approach.

The state has "systematically over the last decade made prison time nastier time," he said. But then they say private individuals can set up other types of facilities with amenities that make them much more comfortable places to do time, and all you have to do is give your life to Jesus Christ, said Lord and Saylor. That doesn't feel to me like it's a constitutional arrangement.

Florida officials insist that volunteers are not allowed to proselytize. But restrictions do not apply to inmates, including those who are being taught how to evangelize.

"We don't stop the folk talk that takes place among inmates," said Alex Taylor, the state's chief prison chaplain. "That's a constitutional right."

'Bizarre Bible Stories' delves into Scripture's moral tales

By Bruce Tomaso
The Dallas Morning News

"Bizarre Bible Stories: Flying Pigs, Walking Bones, and 24 Other Things That Really Happened" by Don Cooley (Baker Books, 154 pages, \$10.95)

This book does its best to convince young Christians that the Good Book really is a good book, filled with fascinating tales of talking donkeys, invisible armies, wicked kings and clever queens. Each chapter has a moral lesson spelled out: Don't lie to God, friendship is worth the risk, that sort of thing. The biblical citation for each weird tale is given and each chapter ends with sugges-

ions for further Scripture reading. Young readers will be comfortable with the conversational tone. ("Absalom's army was having a rotten day.") There are bracketed notes for parents: A caution: There's lots of violence, albeit highly sanitized. Assassinations, bloody battles, the wrath of an angry God. In a couple of spots the author, pastor of a Bible church in Winnipeg, Canada, takes theological license, rather awkwardly introducing Jesus into explanations of Old Testament tales.

'The Passion' puts some believers on the outside

By Genevieve Abdo and Lou Carlozo
Chicago Tribune

CHICAGO — Velma Dority managed to tune out the chaotic religious radio stations calling on all Christians to see "The Passion of the Christ." She ignored her virtuous friends who bragged about seeing the film countless times. But when her five sisters told her she must see "The Passion" — that watching Jesus suffer would make her a better Christian — she called her doctor and obtained a written excuse saying the movie would be harmful to her health.

"Once I told my family the doctor said not to see it, they said OK," said Dority, 64, of Chicago.

With Mel Gibson's blockbuster earning more than \$355 million at the box office and energizing evangelicals and conservative Catholics across the United States, some devout Christians have found themselves facing a dilemma. They prefer not to view the film, because of its violent and gory nature or its traditionalist orientation, but feel pressure from pastors and other Christians to go. Some even say they are made to feel anti-Christian for not joining in the "buzz" surrounding the film at their Sunday services.

Since the debut of "The Passion" on Feb. 27, churches of

many denominations have virtually made viewing it an act of religious faith. Study groups have been organized, while "Passion" Web sites flourish.

But for some Christians the violence in the film, which depicts in gruesome detail Christ being beaten with nail-studded whips until his skin is caked in blood, is too much to tolerate. Many fear the visceral images could leave them more traumatized than spiritually transformed.

Calls to conform and see the film are especially common among evangelical Christians.

"We were approached by a sister church in our neighborhood that is also Baptist and offering a large number of tickets together," said Keith Herron, senior pastor at Holmewood Baptist Church in Kansas City, Mo. The idea was clear, Herron said — the theater could be turned into a stage for saving lost souls.

"We just thought that was manipulative and the wrong approach to sharing the love of Christ," he said. "Half our staff has not seen it, and many have chosen not to see it because of the violence. We honored that; we told people that if you don't want to see it, don't go. But not every evangelical church wants to offer people choices on issues like this. It's so surprised at so many churches pushing their people to see this."

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BRIEFLY IN MONEY

ADM easily beats earnings estimates

DECATUR, Ill. — Agribusiness giant Archer-Daniels-Midland Co. — which has operations in 49 countries — reported a 94 percent increase in third-quarter earnings Friday on the strength of significant improvements in all of its major product segments.

Net income for the three months that ended March 30 was \$227 million, or 55 cents per share, compared with \$117 million, or 18 cents per share, a year ago. The results easily beat the consensus estimate of 27 cents per share from analysts surveyed by Thomson First Call.

Sales and other operating income totaled \$9.3 billion for the quarter, an 18 percent jump over the previous year, the company said.

For the first nine months of its fiscal year, ADM reported net earnings of \$280 million, or 62 cents per share, compared with \$356 million, or 55 cents per share, in the third quarter a year ago.

Sonic announces stock split Friday

OKLAHOMA CITY — Sonic Corp. — which operates stores in Magee Valley — announced Friday that its board of directors has approved a three-for-two stock split that will be distributed in the form of a 50% stock dividend.

Sonic's stockholders of record at the close of business on May 10 will receive one additional share for every two shares of common stock held on that date. The new shares will be distributed on May 21 and Sonic's stock will begin trading ex-dividend on May 24, 2004. The stock split will increase the number of shares of common stock outstanding from about 39.7 million to about 59.6 million.

"We believe this stock split will place the market price of Sonic's common stock in a more attractive range for investors," said Clifford Hudson, Sonic's chairman and chief executive officer. "By increasing the number of shares available for sale to the public, we also believe this action will help increase the liquidity of the company's common stock."

Albertsons completes acquisition of Shaw's

BOISE — Albertsons Inc. has completed the acquisition of IS USA Holdings Inc., which operates 204 Shaw's and Star Markets stores in 16 states.

With the addition of Shaw's, Albertsons will have more than 2,500 stores in 37 states and about 240,000 associates.

Paul Gannon will remain CEO and president of Shaw's and will report directly to Larry Johnson, Albertsons' chairman, CEO and president. Shaw's and Star Markets stores will continue to operate under their current banners and the headquarters will remain in New Bridgewater, Mass.

Delta loses another boss, names CFO

ATLANTA — Delta Air Lines announced the departure of another executive on Friday, saying human resources chief Robert Coleman will retire in June.

Coleman, who was in charge of cutting staffing costs after the Sept. 11 attacks, is the third top executive to resign from the airline in the last two months.

In March, Virgin USA hired Delta president Fred Reid to lead the formation of a new budget carrier in the United States.

And earlier this month, current CFO Michele Burns said she was leaving Delta for another Atlanta-based company, the bankrupt energy supplier Mirant Co.

Delta's former chief executive, Leo Mullin, stepped down from that position at the end of last year and was replaced by Gerald Grinstein. Delta also has lost its lead labor negotiator, Terry Eskine, who recently announced he is retiring.

The nation's third-largest airline announced a new CEO to replace Burns on Friday. Michael Palmateer, an airline industry consultant in New York, will start May 11.

— compiled from staff and wire reports

Variables send milk prices soaring

Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES — Shocked by the price of milk last week, Jose Batista joked that he should just buy a cow for his two children as he filled a shopping cart at a Food 4 Less in Hollywood.

Batista had better get the barn ready. Starting Saturday, the minimum retail price of milk, which has been climbing steadily this year, will rise to its highest level since the state started regulating prices in 1935.

A gallon of whole milk will

cost at least \$2.90 — 50 percent more than a year ago. And in major supermarkets, a gallon could command more than \$4. Some people blame the "pizza factor." The improving economy has apparently unleashed pent-up demand for pizza and other items dependent on cheese, and a surge in cheese buying by food processing companies and restaurants has sent the value of most dairy commodities soaring on the futures market. California's regulated milk prices are tied to the futures prices of those com-

modities, especially cheddar cheese and butter, traded in Chicago.

But there's more behind the fortification of milk prices. For starters, there's something of a dairy-cow deficit. Because droughts have made for poor grazing, many dairy farmers have balked at paying for extra feed and have instead sold some animals for slaughter, lured by record prices for beef, made popular recently by the high-protein diet craze.

What's more, "the discovery last year of a case of mad cow

disease in Canada closed off the United States' biggest source of replacement dairy cows, doubling the price of milk calves. And because of manufacturing glitches, there's a shortage of the genetically engineered growth hormone that enables cows to make more milk; that alone is expected to reduce the nation's total milk output by 2 percent to 3 percent this year.

Taken together, all these factors will trigger Saturday's milk-price hike. In Southern California, the minimum so-called farm-gate price for a

gallon of whole milk a farmer sells to a processor will rise by 47 cents, jumping to \$1.85 from April's \$1.38, according to the California Department of Food and Agriculture.

In a one-of-a-kind system, regulators at the agency set both the farm-gate and retail prices for milk, the latter after factoring in the estimated costs of processing and marketing. The system was established during the Great Depression to keep farmers solvent and ensure a steady, year-round supply of milk.

HIGH FASHION



A mannequin wearing Anno Klein clothing is seen on a window display at Lord & Taylor department store along New York's Fifth Avenue Monday. In an effort to increase business, Lord & Taylor has edited down its existing stock and has embraced products that are higher-end and more youthful.

Stylishness boosts department stores

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — That stylish atmosphere that once defined America's department stores is making a comeback.

Trucks of marked-down clothes that turned the big stores into Wal-Mart imitators are disappearing, replaced by trendier styles and new affordable fashions from designers such as Calvin Klein and Michael Kors. Stores that looked worn and tired are now brighter and less cluttered.

The changes are evident at Lord & Taylor's flagship Manhattan store, where women's clothes are displayed in a more airy, open layout.

There are fewer "20 percent off" signs. And there's a new restaurant run by well-known New York chef Lutz Fergaue.

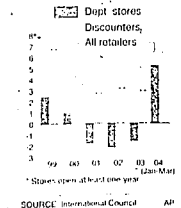
A similar transformation at retailers across the country has given the department store industry — which includes merchants such as Bloomingdale's and Nordstrom — its best sales performance since 1997, a relief after several years of declining business.

"They seem to be turning a corner," said Carl Steidtmann, chief economist at Deloitte Research, who only a year ago was pessimistic about the depart-

Comparative shopping

Major department stores that have revamped their look and offered new fashion twists to win back shoppers have seen improvement this year.

Comparable-store sales*, year-over-year percent change



* Stores open at least one year. SOURCE: International Council of Shopping Centers. AP

ment store sector's prospects.

A big part of the retailer's strategy has been differentiating themselves from one another — shoppers are less likely this season to find the same Liz Claiborne or Tommy Hilf fashions in every department.

On Wall Street, stocks were rebounding more on their own exclusive private labels.

The merchants are also getting help from some external factors, including consumers' renewed interest in the dressy clothes that department stores have long been known for, and an improving job market that has made the retailers' core middle-class customers feel better about shopping.

Still, as Arnold Aronson, managing director of retail strategies at Kurt Salmon Associates, cautions, "it's too premature to declare victory." He said department stores need to maintain their sales momentum through the fourth quarter.

The big stores have struggled in recent years because they effectively abandoned their market niche.

They tried to compete with discounters on price and ended up losing their fashionable edge.

They also moved away from unique, stylish clothes and often in merchandise that often was identical to what their competitors sold. Service and store appearance became less of a priority.

Shopper Jacquelyn Muller said she longs for the "hudson days of department store shopping, when there was an aura of glamour and intrigue and the

feeling that you were somewhere special."

Now, despite some improvement in merchandise selection, the Pittsburgh resident dismisses department stores' atmosphere as stilted, stale and not very customer-friendly.

"You find sales associates who will typically say 'whatever is on the rack is what we have,'" said Muller, who prefers to shop at Donna Karan or Calvin Klein stores.

Candace Corlette, a principal at the retail consultancy WSL Strategic Ltd., says department stores are doing better at creating a distinctive fashion look.

"That's raising customers' expectations, but when you get into the stores, there are more closed registers than open, and sales help is scarce," she said.

For the first three months of the year, the department store sector averaged a sales increase of 5.1 percent, compared with a 4.9 percent decline in the year-ago period, according to the International Council of Shopping Centers-IBS sales tally.

Consumer spending rises modestly in March

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Consumers, an important force shaping the economic recovery, spent modestly in March, helping the economy log solid growth in the last quarter.

The Commerce Department reported Friday that consumers' retail spending in 0.4 percent last month. That followed another 0.4 percent increase in February, according to revised figures. February's increase was double the 0.2 percent advance reported a month ago.

Americans' incomes, meanwhile, also rose solidly in March, increasing by 0.4 per-

cent. That came on top of a 0.5 percent gain in February. The increase was encouraging because income growth is a main factor in people's willingness to spend in the future, economists said.

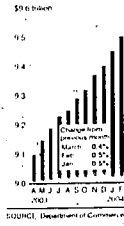
"With the March rise in personal income, there is a solid base of ready cash to fuel spending increases," said Ken Mayland, president of ClearView Economics.

The income and spending figures are not adjusted for price changes.

On Wall Street, stocks were mixed. The Dow Jones industrials gained 33 points, while the Nasdaq was down 3 points in

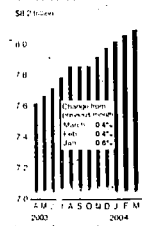
Personal income

Here is a look at Americans' personal income



Personal spending

Here is a look at the nation's personal spending



SOURCE: Department of Commerce. AP

Wal-Mart tests radio frequency label tags

The Dallas Morning News

LICKHOBY CREEK, Texas — Wal-Mart Stores Inc. and eight of its suppliers turned North Texas into their laboratory Friday.

The world's largest retailer is beginning its long-awaited test of radio-frequency identification, or RFID, tags in seven area Wal-Mart Supercenters.

Retailers say the tags will eventually replace bar codes on packaging. Each tag contains a chip that stores a unique identification number for inventory tracking purposes.

Wal-Mart and major consumer products companies are spearheading the industry's charge to adopt the technology.

Privacy advocates have raised concerns about the technology's potential to monitor consumer behavior, but Wal-Mart says it can't and won't use its RFID equipment to spy on customers.

The retailer has installed tagging equipment in five Texas stores that are supplied by a local distribution center. The tags will initially be attached to the bulk shipping containers of 21 products, and most will stay in the back of the store, never reaching the shelves.

By January, Wal-Mart hopes to equip two other Dallas-area distribution centers and about 150 area stores.

That's when nearly all of its top 100 suppliers must be ready to send products with the tags, says Wal-Mart chief information officer Linda Dillon. The tags will help Wal-Mart know where a store is running out of a product.

"We believe this technology is going to solve several issues, including having company store shelves at peak demand periods," said Dillon, speaking to news media Thursday at a Lickoby Creek Supercenter.

Companies are placing tags on product shipments ranging from cat food and shampoo to printers and scanners.

The Hickory Creek Supercenter's back room was equipped with RFID readers on each side of its bay doors. When a tag passed by the readers, they lit up, showing that they had "seen" the item and had updated Wal-Mart's database with information about the product's whereabouts.

Executives also demonstrated a gun-shaped device that helps employees search for items stocked in the back of the store.

While most of the test's 21 products will have tags on their shipping containers, three will have the tags attached to individual product packages. Two printers and a digital scanner will have clearly labeled tags that consumers can peel off, Wal-Mart said.

As the cost of the technology declines, more individual products will carry the tags.

Some consumer advocates say the technology will be more of a privacy threat when tagged items are on store shelves. With item-level tagging, as it's known, readers could install RFID readers in the store to monitor where individuals tagged products go, said privacy advocate Katherine Albrecht.

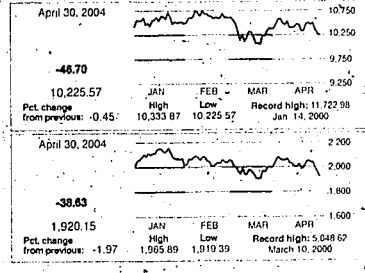
But Wal-Mart suppliers say the technology is only about eight years old.

"There's a lot of bad information out there," said Stephen N. David, Procter & Gamble's chief information officer. "It's absolutely imperative that we respect the privacy of all consumers."

MONEY

Technology stocks take a dive

NEW YORK (AP) — The plunging technology sector pulled the rest of Wall Street down Friday, giving the stock market a dismal end to a difficult week and the Nasdaq composite index its biggest weekly decline in 12 years.



Blue chip stocks surrendered moderate gains as fears of higher interest rates again prompted investors to overlook strong earnings — this time from Chevron-Texaco Corp. and Procter & Gamble Co.

Both Dickey, managing director of technical analysis at RBC-Dain Rauscher in Minneapolis, said the market, following a more familiar trading pattern, was moving in fits and starts.

The Nasdaq suffered its fifth consecutive loss, tumbling 36.63, or 2 percent, to 1,920.15. The drop gave the Nasdaq a 6.4 percent decline for the week, its worst performance in nearly a year.

The Dow Jones industrials closed down 46.70, or 0.5 percent, to 10,225.57, while the Standard & Poor 500 index finished down 5.59, or 0.6 percent, to 1,107.30.

For the week, the Dow lost 2.4 percent and the S&P slipped 2.9 percent.

Uphat economic news was again little comfort to investors worried that the data will give the Federal Reserve more of an impetus to raise interest rates.

The Commerce Department reported that consumers boosted their spending by 0.4 percent last month. That followed a 0.1 percent increase in February, according to revised figures.

The market has been dropping on upbeat economic reports from the Commerce Dept. Thursday, it fell after the government reported that the gross domestic product grew at a 4.2 percent annual rate in the first quarter, a slight improvement from 4.0 percent in the fourth quarter.

Russell, the Fifth-Third Asset Management analyst, said fear of higher rates and slowing earnings momentum — as well as concerns about the impact of

expanding stock options — appeared to be prompting some investors to take profits from such companies as Yahoo! and Amazon.

Yahoo Inc. slid \$4.18, or 7.6 percent, to \$50.53 and Amazon.com the loss \$2.59, or 5.6 percent, to \$45.60. Other tech stocks also fell, including Cisco Systems, down \$1.00, or 1.6 percent, to \$62.91.

A disappointing earnings report prompted investors to send Gateway Inc. shares down 85 cents to \$3.60. Gateway's stock also fell, including Cisco Systems, down \$1.00, or 1.6 percent, to \$62.91.

The rash of data over the last week suggests that at least some market participants are not as nervous as the market gets nervous, Caron said. "But ultimately it is the earnings that drive stock prices, not what the Fed does.

PKG shares closed down 22 cents at \$105.75, despite earnings that came in a penny ahead of expectations.

Websites undercut some discounts for new Medicare drug cards

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — The federal government's new Medicare drug benefit will encourage Medicare recipients to try it out, he said.

Some patient advocacy groups say the Medicare Web site is doing a disservice to seniors by not posting prices covered by major internet and mail-order pharmacies.

The government promised savings of up to 25 percent on brand name medications and 50 percent on more generics.

Government officials described the discount card system that goes into effect June 1 as a "revolutionary first step in the multi-billion Medicare prescription drug benefit program."

The program will sign up for a card at a cost of up to \$30, with enrollment beginning Monday. The card program will disappear on Jan. 1, 2006 when a more comprehensive drug benefit will be rolled out.

The program will cost the government "tens of millions of dollars" to run, said Mark B. McClellan, who heads the fed-

eral agency that manages \$18 billion on a multi-year program that will encourage Medicare recipients to try it out, he said.

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"Anything that helps someone get a prescription filled is better than nothing," said Robert M. Hayes, president of the Medicare Rights Center, a New York-based senior consumer counseling group.

Hayes' organization lists more than a dozen options on its www.medicarecard.com site.

With the rollout of the new program, seniors will still need to check prices carefully for the best deal. Take Celebra, a popular drug to treat depression.

The price of the 100-tablet supply of Celebra available in the Washington region was \$73.03 for 30 tablets, according to data released Thursday on the www.Medicare.gov Web site.

And Internet-based Grandville Pharmacy of Vancouver, British Columbia, had a substantially lower price:

\$46.52. The Food and Drug Administration warns consumers that drugs sold from outside the United States may not "conform with the manufacturing and quality assurance procedures mandated by U.S. laws and regulations."

Some state governments have begun steering patients to Canadian pharmacies that state officials have inspected.

But the Medicare program had a remarkably better price for Nexium, a heartburn medication. One discount card offered a 30-day supply for \$95.31, more than 20 percent lower than the prices charged by drugstore.com (\$120.99) and Costco.com (\$125.47).

Granville Pharmacy, however, sold a 28-capsule package for \$66.66.

Jan D. Spatz, a vice president of drug manufacturer Merck & Co., said some discounts are "showing up because we're only now beginning to sign contracts with these discount card plans."

"You are going to be seeing very transparent price competition."

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Alaskan cruise season brings new passengers

Seattle's cruise season kicks off next week, sending tons of new passengers on their first tours of Alaska's wilderness...

Seattle is enjoying an increasing share of that business, thanks to port upgrades and a sense that Seattle is more convenient for travelers...

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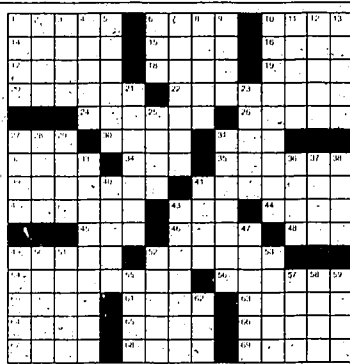
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Dad's career could be dangerous

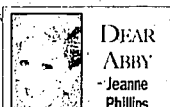
DEAR ABBY: I am a 30-year-old, struggling single mother. My 10-year-old daughter's father, "Lenny," was in prison for the first eight years of her life. He's a career criminal. You name it, he's done it.

Lenny's out now, but he hasn't changed. He wants to spend time with his daughter, but every time I let her go with him, she comes home with another story.

"The world is a scary place, and I feel the need to protect her. I'm not being overprotective to the wrong things. I also think he 'works' while she's around. As far as I know, Lenny is still being punished by the law and bounty hunters."

Sometimes it seems crystal clear to me that I think Lenny is her father. He loves her. He's just not smart enough to be part of her life.

Legally, he has no rights. His name isn't on her birth certifi-



DEAR ABBY
Jeanne Phillips

cate. There are no court orders for visitation or child support. Abby, what should I do?

—**TORN IN TWO**

DEAR TORN: Your first priority must be your daughter's safety. Ask yourself what could happen if the bounty hunters or the police were to catch up with Lenny and your daughter were on the premises. Are you already know what you have to do. Now do it.

DEAR ABBY: I have been dating Eric for almost six months. He's everything I do want.

ed. There's just one problem—I am 26; he's 50.

Eric doesn't realize that I know how old he is, and I'm not sure how to tell him. We haven't met each other's families yet, but I have discussed the age difference with mine. They have accepted my choice because I am happy.

Eric is a successful businessman and in our community. Although I shouldn't care what others think, I can't help worrying that this relationship could damage our reputations.

Eric has a 13-year-old daughter. I know I'll introduce us when the time is right, but his ex-wife has given him problems in the past regarding custody and visitation, and I'm scared our relationship could affect that as well.

I am prepared to accept Eric's baggage because I care deeply for him, but I'm unsure how to handle some of these issues.

Any ideas?
—**YOUNG AND IN LOVE IN TORONTO**

DEAR YOUNG AND IN LOVE: You handle your issues by talking them through with Eric. However, you may be jumping the gun a little—your relationship is still fairly new. I have some questions for you:

(1) Why haven't you introduced Eric to your folks?

(2) Although there is a large age difference, you are both adults; why do you think your relationship could harm you (or his reputation)?

(3) If the relationship pans out, and you reach the age of 55, Eric will be pushing 80. Will you still love him when you're in the prime of life and he's doddering?

I urge you to discuss these issues openly. The solution to your dilemma lies in the way these questions are answered.

Beware Aries: It could be a wild weekend

IF MAY 1 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY—you are free to make a birthday wish for whatever warns your heart now that poisonous conditions have receded. You can make permanent improvements in your life in the next few months. You may prefer your presents in plain brown wrappers today, but your secret hidden desires are not really significant. Your transitory wishes may not be satisfied, but your long-term goals will succeed.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 19): It could be a wild weekend if strong emotions get out of hand. You should resist the urge to chase that latest gleam in your eye. Relationships begin under these stars, but they rarely last.

Taurus (Apr. 20-May 20): Possiveness or jealousy could cause spats. Tensions could mar the whole weekend. It is better to avoid gambling with your heart or your cash until the stars are

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Jeraldine Saunders

more congenial.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You may be able to balance and mediate difficult situations that require finesse. Just because you understand something does not mean you necessarily should do something about it.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Emotions could run high this weekend, and desires might flounder in a sea of turmoil. Today is better than tomorrow for mingling or getting out and about. Keep your piggy bank under lock and key.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): It is possible to clash with mates or friends about weekend plans. Passions could be intense, but someone could end up skew-

ered by the compass point of a magnetic attraction.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You could cash in by being the middleman in some type of transaction. However, it is not a good time to make agreements or play fast and loose with your own hard-earned profits.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Whatever you want passionately could prove disappointing. The weekend might be fraught with resentful shipping or judicious temper tantrums. It is a poor time to spend money or emotions.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): This is a time when lust and love are like oil and water. Feelings and desires could be misinterpreted and trouble could erupt. Take it easy where sensitive feelings or financial matters are concerned.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): That come-hither look may mask a baracuda. It is better to

pass up tempting invitations or involvement in mysterious intrigues. Discuss conflicts with mates, but don't expect kiss-and-make-up time.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Today is best for socializing, as tomorrow you may prefer your own cave. The entire weekend is poor for romance or for investing the contents of your piggy bank. What you desire will be available some other time.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): If you act on your burning desires, you could get scalded. Kindness could be misunderstood under these difficult stars. People are possessive and envious, so tread carefully.

PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20): Obsessive fixations could lead to sneaky situations. Putting your money or your heart on the line could prove detrimental. You can achieve mental harmony, but the physical side could be out of sync.

Venus comes out, but never seen at midnight

You can never see Venus at midnight.

Some animals are said to exude a natural body odor that females of their species find irresistible. Some men are interested in current research on the subject. According to one technical writer, scientists say they've found the odor particularly strong in male hogs. "I wouldn't mind smelling like a pig," said that writer. "If it works," Don't believe he realized what kind of females he'd attract.

Note the actor Nick Nolte has been described in print as "case hardened." An exact term, that, it means "hardened so the surface layer is harder than the interior."

When China first imported fortune cookies from the original California makers is not in the record at hand, it is reported, though, that China etiquette calls for the diner to break open the cookie to read the fortune, but not to eat said cookie.

"Archerries of blue whale case so big a leopard could crawl through them. Q. You said "latronidia" is



L.M. BOYD

the desire of some women to expose themselves to the dangers on the pretext of being sick. Do men do anything like that?

A. No exact counterpart has been identified among the various weird compulsions exhibited by men. Nor in the record at hand is any word for a male version.

Old British law prohibited surgeons from dissecting human bodies, as you know. Except bodies of executed criminals. Capital crimes were hard to come by, so, as you also know, aspiring surgeons bought remains from grave robbers. Eventually left over were illegal skeletons, usually hidden in closets, and they were what you saw so useful a metaphor.

WHAT A CROC!

Elusive reptile appears to be no lounge lizard.

HONG KONG (AP) — The hunt is back on for a stray crocodile — and local celebrity — that gained fame by managing for months to elude capture by trap, dart and harpoon, fending even the clutches of a wannabe "Crocodile Dundee."

Nicknamed "Croc," the salt-water croc has outwitted the people of Hong Kong, more accustomed to seeing such creatures on TV nature shows or the outside of haulboats. Soon after the reptile was up in November, radio callers elected it "personality of the year."

The reptile dropped out of sight for a while during the cold weather, but now it's back in the same polluted creek, hared by the warmer temperatures.

"It's the best time to capture it," predicted mainland Chinese crocodile expert He Zhazhao. "He may have spoken too soon."

Each time someone has gotten close, the croc has plunged to safety in the murky waters of the rural Yuen Lung district. It's walked in and out of traps, and even snatched on top of them.

Further embarrassing Hong Kong officials, the local news media have had plenty of luck capturing the crocodile — on film. The wide-open jaws have appeared in every newspaper in town, encouraging people to flock to the countryside in hopes of a glimpse.

Long Kong has no native crocodile species, and it's unclear where this one came from. Two theories: It's an abandoned pet, or an escapee from a mainland Chinese crocodile farm that swam to freedom.

Though the croc is relatively small — just 5 feet long — Hong Kong officials worry it could be a threat to the public. Thus, the big effort to catch it.

Dorming helmets and packing tranquilizer guns, Hong Kong officials went after it small boats, but the croc saw them coming and got away.

FETCH



Montgomery, a 5-year-old British Bull Terrier, chases a ball thrown by his owner, Geoff Gotthmann, Thursday at Lake Meridian Park in Kent, Wash. Gotthmann said Montgomery's two favorite things are chasing balls and swimming. With the temperature in the 70s, he got to do both.

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Filer H.S. releases quarter honor roll

FILER — Filer High School has released its third quarter honor roll students.

Ninth grade: Leigh Anderson, Hanna Mack, Erica Serrano, Megan Alexander, Shamie Asle, Ashley Aston, Tyler Bartog, Britney Beale, Jennifer D'Antonio, Katherine DeLain, Heather Dossy, Sara Hamman, McKenzie Thibke, Tyler Kixey, Jared Lassen, Christine Locker, Chris Malberg, Nathan McGregor, Sydney Miller, Gady Morris, Kelsey Newton, Jose Rosas, Amanda Russell, Andy Schneider, Brinley Stuts, Camille Aguilar, Victoria Cortes, Paul Egner, Seralina Barney, Jeffrey Hite, Emily Hughes, Courtney Kissel, Kendra Koyle, Ashley Lane, Camelia Marsden, Erica Nunes, Lauren Peterson, Chantelle Petersen, Clemente Ramirez, Rebekah Ray, Francisco Sanchez, Cassia Vierastra and Kelsi Vincent.

Tenth grade: Anthony DeCenzo, Jared Denton, Sarah Haney, Austin Hollingshead, Sarah Holey, Nicole Huddleston, Chelsea Kack, Ashley McClain, Colby Vance, Cole Barham, James Barry, Brent Barnes, Angela Brown, Jacob Dyrton, Traun Givens, Amanda Jensen, Nicole Miller, Janice Necker, Will Nussbaum, Kristin Peters, Joanna Plaza, Hil-

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Eleventh grade: Cole Blizenberg, Paul Gerish, Diana Hallinger, Cameron Knigge, Kelly Madden, Jennica Mecham, Larry Moore, Daniel Ramseyer, Jason Allen, Seth Chadwick, Chandler Chapin, Sam Cortes, Robin Griffith, Alicia Fernandez, Taid Gill, Brad Griffin, Emily Haunman, Dani Hansing, Lindsay James, Amy Huddleston, Rachel Jaynes, Ryan Jordan, Lyle Miller, Scott Ortbell, Bradley Breder, Casey Scheer, Lara Schmidt, Alex Serrano, Bradley Sylvester, Dennis Winterholler, Sara Wright, Elizabeth Benge, Nick Brown, Rebecca Corwin, Michelle Deitch, Irene Egner, Carey Farnsworth, Corey Farrisworth, Nephthi Hammon, Teresa Jones, Danielle Lem-

mons, Jess Malagon, Spencer Marsh, Jessica McLean, Sarah Mills, Sarah Mousel, Kayla Olinog, Jeffrey Pusey, Armiida Ramirez, Quincy Shull, Kristina Stevens, Candice Talbot, Andrea Tapia, Ezekiel Turner, Sarah Wondley and Roxana York.

Twelfth grade: Kyle Crawford, Letitia Henkley, Whitney Hurler, Abbie Knight, Tyler Lassen, Megan Lewis, Lisa McLain, Ashley Scliger, Robbinson, Shanna Roehm, Ashley Riley, Dani Thaeet, Jessica Alexander, Christopher Behunika, Krystal Demoney, Heather Duckstader, Cody Ehrmannat, Meghlin Elliott, Jeremy Fechner, Hannah Golay, Tara Loughmiller, Adam Mostrom, Kaysha Peterson, Britney Pigmore, Brooke Ramsdon, Tiffany Ridley, Chelsea Stutzman, Christopher Truong, Katie White, Nicholas Barry, Krista Chandler, Shauna Coates, Patrick Cullen, Loreta Drake, Matthew Dyson, Shelly Herstock, Caleb Holloway, Justyn Leonard, Fabiola Mejia, Johanna Osterhout, Joshua Paxton, Lance Peterson, Brittainy Ramsdon, Shauna Romans, Lisa Roudenbush, Andrea Sparks and John Walker.

BIKES FOR KIDS



Lance Whitehead and sons, Kevin and Justin, and Leigh McClain are part of the Bikes for Kids program, which gives refurbished bikes to needy children. The program, founded by Lance, has given away 17 bikes to youngsters. They fix up donated bikes and have been helped by the South Central Community Action Partnership. Bikes for Kids is accepting donations of bikes and parts, which can be dropped off at 420 Fifth Ave. E., or pick up can be arranged. For more information, call Lance Whitehead at 735-5356 or e-mail him at david@whitehead@yahoo.com. Monetary donations may also be made to the Bikes for Kids account at Pioneer Federal Credit Union in Twin Falls.

Gooding Middle School releases honor roll

GOODING — Gooding Middle School has released its latest honor roll.

Sixth grade: Joshua Bullock, Jordan Inaker, Kyle Bryant, Derek Green, Jessica Hernandez, Kyle Lamm, Bernay Mamani, Tiffany Wagner, JaNel Wolfe, Timothy Arkosch, Justin Dalton, Danielle Ervin, Samantha Gonzales, Kimberly Norris, Kayla Rodriguez, David VanKlee, Allison Bigler, Naydon Eden, Jesus Alvarez, Austin Bastercheva, Deedra Batuman, Anstin Gallente, Rene Gonzalez, Nikolas Larentea, Devan McCoil, Shelby Haney, Kody Schiemmer, Stephanie Stockham, Fallon Turner, Britany Wirth, Miguel Williams, Alex Garcia, Amanda Beutler, Raymond Ellis, Vanja Kamenek, Pulkan, Iram Salas, Tommy Shobe, Krista Sims, Colton Summers, Matthew Traubolt, Cody Young,

Adrian Bernal, Jesse Campo, Neely Cavanna-Lopez, Elysanne Gil, Leonardo Leija, Shaina Ortega, Caitlin Dickens, Mackenzie Stevens and Shuley Theardley.

Seventh grade: Kendra Cockerham, Colton Knapp, Mekala Koyle, Jessica McLean, Lara Nelson, Justin Parke, Miguel Sarrabia, Jessica Thatcher, Christine Anderson, Cy Entus, Katie Holby, Chance Amundson, Renee Howells, Kasper Peterson, Kash Wilson, Alma Cabrera, April Campos, Reilinda Gomez, Zahara Juarez, Chloessea Quails, Rosagay Hurtado-Gomez, Jared Hutchison, Tommy McMillin, Renee Price, Ryan F. Wolfe, Eldon Brown, Eric Chaney, Chad Thomas, Tyler Rex, Crystal McLean, Seaman Cassidy, Katie Griffin and Daniel Ritter.

Eighth grade: Mary Arkosch, Jacob Bow, Blair Gettratt, Nannie Jolley, Gentry Kayle, Melissa Lockwood, Megan Peterson, Ailsa Reed, Heather Barth, Jessica Burnett, Cheyanna Robinson, Zachary Childs, Justin Postma, Mauro Zarate, Ashley Burnett, Justine Jensen, Danielle Shubert, David Bauman, Breann Durfee, Tyson Strickland, Grace White, Rosa Saucedo, Cambria Bigler, Eric Hernandez, Jordan Braga, Bolando Gutierrez, Jeremy Edin, Nicole Vincent, Zachary Chase McLeod, Madan Metcalf, KayDee Newman, Austin Anderson, Misti Jessup, Millicent Zarate, Nicole Abramowski, Marlyne Roehler, Britany Fuqua, Lindsay Hill, Cory Huntsman, Sandra Magana, Kimberly Newman, Christopher Norris, Samuel Rodriguez, Fabiola Torres and Ivan Turner.

A STROLL DOWN MEMORY LANE



Photo courtesy of Clover Lutheran School

Students, from left, Cam Kaster, Katie Shelter, Stephen Parrott and Kenny Kestle of Clover Trinity Lutheran School near Buhl performed in the school spring musical, "A Stroll Down Memory Lane." Students in preschool through eighth grade performed the program April 15-16, which depicted senior citizens visiting in a park and reminiscing about the "good old days." The advance choir, Travis Clelland, Sara Kaster, Priscilla Sonner, Amylthy Kruse, Whitney Amoth, Saffron Kruse, Lindsey Schroeder and Jessica DeKruif also performed. The younger students reenacted the memories through skits and songs. The audience enjoyed familiar songs, such as "How Much Is That Doggie in the Window" and "Singing in the Rain." Also performing were the Clover Lutheran Chime Choir and Clover Band. The evening concluded with refreshments and the annual Christian Book Fair.

M.V. Duplicate Bridge Club announces winners

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

April 15: first, Gladys Hartluft and Bobette Plankey; second, Billy Burton and Peggy Backley; third, Herb Burgess and Max Thompson; fourth, Harold and Renee Bulcher; and fifth, Jim Holden and Ruben Tschackeski.

and Sue Skinner; and third, Renee Bulcher and Peggy Backley. East/west: first, Barbara Burk and Lonnie Burns; second, Beverly Burns and Bobette Plankey; and third, Ian Fitzhugh and Polly Mulliner.

The club meets at 7 p.m. Mondays and Thursdays and 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Saturdays at the Magic Valley Bridge Center, 246 Falls Ave. in Twin Falls. Refreshments are served.

For a partner, call 324-2000.

B.J. Duplicate Bridge Club announces results

RUPERT — Results for the B.J. Duplicate Bridge Club for April 27 were, north/south: first, Billy Burton and Joe Blackford; second, Ella Amund and Lola Shorman; third, Howard and Mary Tucker; and fourth, David and Gwen Stoker. East/west: first, Bill and Norma Goodman; second, Trudy Carver and Nancy Gilbreath; third, Shirley Harris and Marlene Temple; and fourth, De Keicher and Leo Moore.

Play continues at 1 p.m. each Tuesday at the Rupert Elks. The public is invited.

Burley Music Club holds board meeting Monday

BURLEY — The Burley Music Club will hold its monthly board meeting at 6:30 p.m. Monday at the Burley Library, 1300 Miller Ave., Burley.

Mindoka Fair Board seeks theme for event

RUPERT — The Mindoka Fair Board is looking for a theme for the 2004 county fair.

The theme must be in black ink no larger than seven-by-

Kimberly Boosters meet Monday at high school

KIMBERLY — A Kimberly Booster meeting will be held at 7 p.m. Monday in the media center of the high school, 805 Center St. W.

The awards ceremony plans will be finalized and activities will be planned for the coming year.

For more information, call George Flew at 423-4987.

Learn Irish step dance at workshop May 22

TWIN FALLS — Valerie Finnigan will teach Irish step dancing. An introductory workshop, "Brianna na hEasna," will be held at 1 p.m. May 22 at the Dance Center, 434 Main Ave. S. in Twin Falls with classes at 5:30 p.m. every other Friday.

The cost is \$35 per month.

Woman celebrates birthday today in Jerome

JEROME — A woman will celebrate her 100th birthday today from 2-4 p.m. today at the Creekside Residential Center, 222 Sixth Ave. W. in Jerome. Be a 100!

Family Medical Center.

Wendell church serves salad bar luncheon

WENDELL — The Wendell United Methodist Church will serve a salad bar luncheon with hot soups and honey from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday at the church, 175 E. Main St.

The luncheon is open to the public and there will be a free-will offering.

For more information, call Mary Lou Eney at 536-6593.

Eight Street Center offers rage workshop

BUIH — Luah King will offer a few introductory discussion of rage and its potential at 7 p.m. Thursday at the Eighth Street Center, 200 N. Eighth.

A Taste of Rage workshop will be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

SOMEBODY NEEDS YOU

Exercise equipment — Twin Falls Head Start Center is in need of exercise equipment to help increase the health of staff and family members. Donations can be dropped off at 296 Falls Ave. W. or call Talina or Shavna at 734-5550 to have equipment picked up.

This public service column is designed to match requests in the communities of the eight counties in the Magic Valley with volunteer help. If you need a volunteer, call the Revised Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP), at 736-2122. Ext. 300. RSVP is a United Way-sponsored agency at the College of Southern Idaho.

Please submit your request before 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday for Saturday participation. Call weekly to learn how.

Hospice volunteers — Idaho Home Health and Hospice is having extended hospice training at 1 p.m. starting Monday in Twin Falls. Volunteers can visit patients, relieve caregivers, run errands or "just be there" for families. Online help is also needed. For more information, call Susan at 734-6841 or stop by the office at 826 Eastland Drive.

Yard sale driver — An elderly woman seeks a volunteer driver who enjoys going to Friday yard sales and would like to take her along. Volunteer should be friendly, patient and not mind cigarette smoke. For more information call Volunteer Caregivers/Health Action at 733-6333.

Yard work — Volunteers are needed to help the elderly chronically ill and disabled with summer lawn care and yard

work. For more information, call 733-6333.

Clothing — The College of Southern Idaho Refugee Center needs clothing for men, women and children, blankets and bikes. To donate items drop them off between 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday to Friday at the Refugee Center, 1525 Addison Ave. E. The center is closed from noon to 1 p.m. Call Aleksandra at 736-2166.

Yard work build ramp — Hospice Visits needs volunteers to help clients with minimal yard work and help a client build a wheelchair ramp. For more information, call Flo Slater at 735-0121.

Mother's Day dinner takes place at temple

JEROME — The second annual community Mother's Day dinner will be held from 4-8 p.m. May 1 at the Jerome Masonic Temple, 225 First Ave. E.

The cost is \$5 per person and \$2 for children under age 12. Proceeds go to the Snake River Chapter DeMolay general fund to help the chapter attend all annual leadership conferences.

The menu will include lasagna, salad, garlic bread, cake, ice cream and drinks.

To purchase tickets, call Dyan Beorchia at 324-0164 or Greg Nutsch at 424-7362. Tickets will also be available at the door.

Dance preschool schedules visitors' day

TWIN FALLS — Mouthier's Dancing preschool will hold a visitors' day from 9-11:30 a.m. Wednesday at the school, 361 Third Ave. N.

Children who will be age 4 this fall and their parents are invited to observe and participate in activities.

For more information, call 733-4346 or 733-1147.

M.V. square dancers hold workshop

TWIN FALLS — The Magic Valley Singles Square Dance Club will have a workshop at 7 p.m. Tuesday at the American Legion Hall at the corner of Lincoln and Seventh streets.

Car wash benefits Relay for Life today

TWIN FALLS — BridgeView Estates will hold a team car wash and fundraiser today for the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life.

The car wash will be held from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. at its south parking lot at 1028 BridgeView Blvd., across from the Magic Valley Mall.

There is a \$5 donation per car. For more information, call Camille at 200-0033.

Buhl Community Education offers courses

RUPERT — The Buhl Community Education and Recreation Association Inc. is offering spring classes.

"Rural Mailboxes" will be held from 7-10 p.m. for two weeks on Tuesdays, starting May 11 in the Buhl High School art room at 525 Sawtooth Ave. The cost is \$12 plus \$20 for a mailbox and materials. Participants will paint and decorate mailboxes for donation to the back of rural mail delivery.

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"Lightbulb Ornaments" will be held from 6-7 p.m. May 17 in the Buhl High School art room. The cost is \$5. Participants will learn how to use burned out lightbulbs to get a head start on Christmas for next year's showman or other ornaments. They should bring lightbulbs and brushes if available.

For information on other courses, call Connie Glauder at 513-6553.

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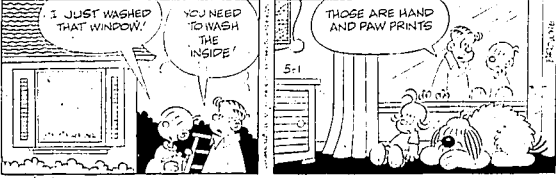
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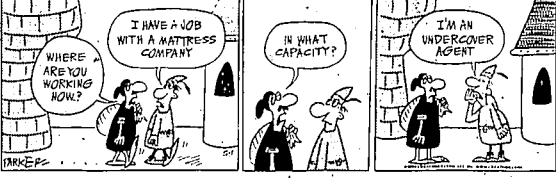
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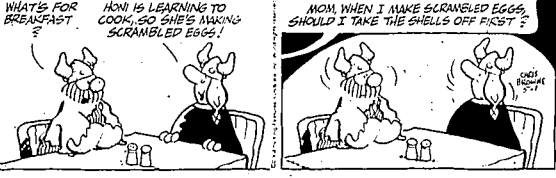
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Shape up to a different 'tune'

Punk Rock Aerobics says work-out class doesn't have to be a fashion show

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. (AP) — It's three o'clock on a Saturday afternoon and the small crowd gathered in the dimly lit nightclub is pumped and sweaty.

But these clubgoers aren't in a mood for a rock concert; they're working out, sweating to oldies that don't quite meet Richard Simmons' standards.

In Punk Rock Aerobics, exercisers jump, head-bang, kick and punch to hits by the Ramones. Sex Pistols and other indie-rock favorites. There's no gym, no mirrors, no dress code, and, "No more sucky classes full of brain-dead bimboes in spandex thongs," according to the Web site.

"At first I was skeptical," said Amy Monaghan of Boston. "But then you get moving and it's really fun."

"Having fun while getting a workout is what Punk Rock Aerobics is all about, according to its creators.

"If you're having a hard time, that's OK, just keep moving. Who cares what you look like," co-founder Maura Jasper said.

The routines and moves, including "You Be the Star Air Guitar" (arms swing like a windmill) and "the skank" (marching aggressively in place), are loosely based on the punk ethic of simplicity and intensity.

"A lot of the songs have three chords, so we keep the routines to three moves per song," Jasper said. "It's easy casey."

Jasper, a graphics designer and nanny, thought up Punk Rock Aerobics with friend and singer Hilken Mancini three years ago. Together, the women, both thirtysomethings from Boston and certified aerobics instructors, published a 208-page illustrated book outlining the program earlier this year.



Instructor Hilken Mancini leads her Punk Rock Aerobics class in a move called "You Be the Star Air Guitar" at the Middle East nightclub in Cambridge, Mass. Exercisers jump, head-bang, kick and punch to hits by The Ramones, Sex Pistols and other indie-rock favorites.

"We realized we weren't looking for feeling great. We needed to get our heart rates up, have fun, not turn into blobs," Mancini said.

But their mental picture of aerobics classes — gym-bunny types, mirror-wrapped rooms and bouncy pop music — wasn't appealing.

"I just couldn't imagine going to one of those classes," Jasper said.

The women knew they weren't alone.

"I wouldn't say there is any one person we're trying to attract. It's the woman intimidated by a gym or the man who was the kid last picked

Asian population surges across America

FALLS CHURCH, Va. (AP) — The scents of herbs and spices waft out of a Vietnamese medicine store, down a hall and past a restaurant where diners sip tea and eat bowls of pho. Pungent Vietnamese music plays in the background.

It's a scene out of Hanoi — but it's really a suburban Washington strip mall that has become a hub for the burgeoning Vietnamese community and an example of what's happening elsewhere in the country.

Asians are projected to be the fastest-growing major population category over the next half-century, outpacing blacks, whites and Hispanics. Recent Census Bureau projections show the Asian population could grow by a third, to 14 million, by 2010 and more than triple to 33 million in 2050.

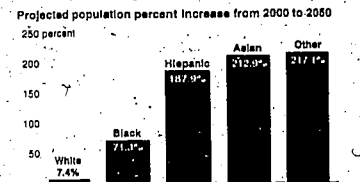
Immigrants from India and Vietnam contributed to the population surge during the 1990s.

That's when the Eden Center strip mall took hold in Falls Church, Va., about nine miles west of the nation's capital.

On a recent weekday afternoon, shoppers strolled down the corridors and sidewalks of the 120-shop mall with bags and children in hand. A group of older men huddled around a table watching two others play a game of Chinese chess, while some visitors perused displays at a rental store. The yellow-and-red striped flag of the former South Vietnam fluttered high above the parking lot, next to an American flag.

A good bit of it reminds me of home," Nguyen Ngoc Binh, 67, says as he strolls past the shops. Binh, a former Vietnamese diplomat who settled in the United States as a refugee in 1975 after the Vietnam War, was one of the mall's original investors.

The smallest minority groups in the United States are expected to have the most dramatic growth over the next 50 years.



Source: U.S. Census Bureau

"Just close your eyes and all you hear around is Vietnamese being spoken. It's all the familiar sounds of home," he said.

Like previous immigrant groups, many Asians come to America looking for a better job, more education or to reunite with relatives and friends.

Asians in America still concentrate in urban areas, but as with other minorities, are increasing in number in the suburbs and rural areas. A place like Eden Center serves as a gathering place similar to New York's Chinatown neighborhood, says Min Zhou, chair of the Asian American Studies program at the University of California at Los Angeles.

"It's a cultural hub and some sort of buffer" for those immigrants who live or work in mainly white areas, Zhou said. "You don't need it, but if you have it, it makes your life much more richer."

Asians with a Chinese background are the largest single group, with 2.4 million. But the population of Indian-Americans grew the most during the 1990s — 106 percent to 1.7 million. Vietnamese were next at 63

percent and grew to 1.1 million in 2000.

The technology boom of the 1990s lured many immigrants from India. Large numbers settled in California's Silicon Valley and other high-tech hotbeds like the Dulles Corridor outside Washington.

A catch-all category of "other Asians" had 1.3 million people in 2000. This included groups like the Hmong, whose population nearly doubled to 650,000. The Hmong are an ethnic group from the highlands of Laos who fought the communists alongside the CIA during the Vietnam War.

Many of the Vietnamese and Hmong came to America as political refugees. And a large number are children of U.S. soldiers stationed in southeast Asia during the Vietnam War.

Growth has occurred beyond traditional gateways like New York and California. Towns along the Gulf of Mexico have for years attracted immigrant fishermen from Vietnam and Cambodia, and resettlement programs have created large Asian refugee communities in Minnesota and Wisconsin.

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Saturday, May 1, 2004

THE ACES ON BRIDGE

Bobby Wolff

"A fool too late becares when all the peril is past."
— Queen Elizabeth I

The defensive play necessary to defeat today's contract was spotted only a long time after the chance for the coup had gone by.

Four hearts was the normal spot here, and West led a diamond to the king and ace. East returned the spade queen, won by South's ace. Declarer (who was known to both defenders to be an expert player) drew trumps in three rounds, on which East could do nothing but discard diamonds. Then South played king and another spade, putting East back on lead. East continued with the diamond queen, which South ruffed in hand, while discarding a club from dummy. All that remained was to guess the clubs correctly, which declarer did by, running the jack. Contract made.

But see the difference if East assumes declarer has this precise shape. South's failure to ruff a diamond before playing off the spades argues quite strongly that he has only a singleton diamond, does it not? If East can trust declarer, he should return a low club away from the ace, rather than give declarer the ruff and discard. South inserts the jack, and if West plays the queen, again, it is all over. Dummy's king wins, and a club toward the 10 holds the losers in the suit to one.

But what if West finds the inspired play of withholding the club queen? Although the jack wins, there is now no way that South can avoid losing two further tricks in the club suit, and the contract fails.

- NORTH** 65-1-A
 ♠ 9 6 5 2
 ♥ A Q 9 3 2
 ♦ K
 ♣ K 6 3
- WEST**
 ♠ 8 7 4
 ♥ J 6 4
 ♦ 10 9 8 4
 ♣ Q 9 4
- EAST**
 ♠ Q J 10
 ♥ A Q J 7 6 3 2
 ♦ A 9 7
 ♣ A 3
- SOUTH**
 ♠ A K 3
 ♥ K 10 8 7 5
 ♦ 5
 ♣ J 10 5 2

Vulnerable: Both
Dealer: East

The bidding:
South West North East

1♥ Pass 4♥ All pass

Opening lead: Diamond 10

BID WITH THE ACES

South holds:

- ♠ A K 3
 ♥ K 10 8 7 5
 ♦ 5
 ♣ J 10 5 2

South West North East
1♥ Pass 1♠ Pass

ANSWER: Raise to two spades. Although you normally require four trumps to raise responder's major, opener should raise when holding three trumps in a minimum unbalanced hand. If you bid two clubs and then support spades, you will show this pattern but at least a king more than you actually have.

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300-500 E Ave K

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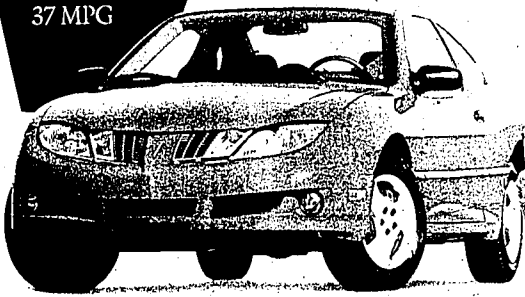
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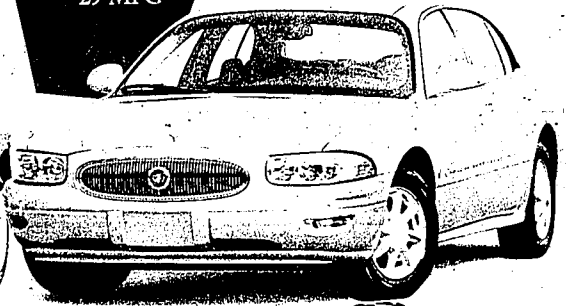
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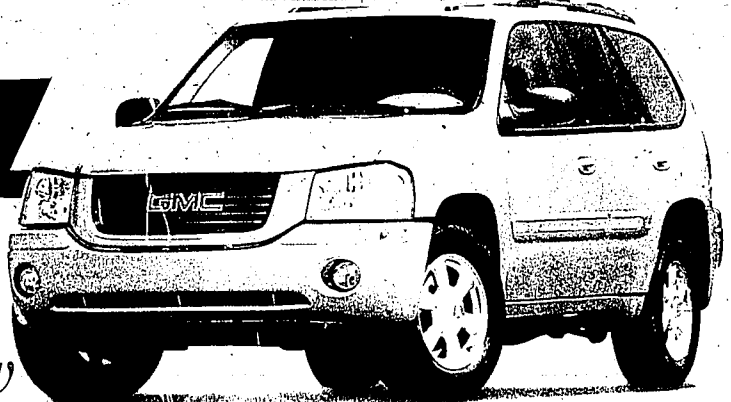
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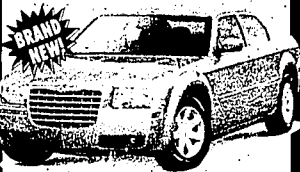
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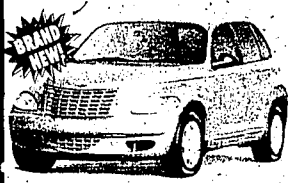
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