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Militants behead American

The Associated Press

BAGHDAD, Iraq — The militant group led by al-Qaida ally Abu Musab al-Zarqawi posted a gruesome video on a Web site Monday showing the decapitation of a man identified as American civil engineer Eugene Armstrong and said a second hostage — either an American or a Briton — would be killed in 24 hours.

The grisly beheading was the latest killing in a particularly violent month in Iraq, with more than 300 people dead in insurgent attacks and U.S. military strikes over the past seven days.

Earlier Monday, gunmen in Baghdad assassinated two clerics from a powerful Sunni Muslim group that has served as a mediator to release hostages.

The video of the beheading of the man said to be Armstrong, whose age was not known, surfaced soon after the expiration of a 48-hour deadline set earlier by al-Zarqawi's "lawful and jihad group for the beheading of the three civil engineers. The men — Armstrong, American Jack Hensley and Briton Kenneth Bigley — were abducted Thursday from their home in a wealthy Baghdad neighborhood.

A militant whose voice resembled al-Zarqawi read a statement in the video saying the next hostage would be killed in 24 hours unless all Muslims see Iraq, Page A2



Eugene Armstrong

Proposal could exempt dairies

By Julie Ponce Times-News writer

GOODING — U.S. Sen. Larry Craig, R-Idaho, is planning to introduce legislation that would exempt livestock operations from certain state and federal air quality regulations.

This comes at the same time as K&W Dairy heads to court today in Boise to face off with the Idaho Conservation League in a test case intended to bring large-scale dairies under those very regulations.

The Conservation League contends that the manure and urine from large-scale dairy operations emit sufficient amounts of ammonia and hydrogen sulfide into the atmosphere as to require a permit.

K&W has faced numerous obstacles from environmentalists for more than five years since Gooding County approved a site for construction of a 6,000-cow dairy.

Last year the Conservation League had threatened to sue Desert Rose Farms dairy operator Hank Halliger of Filer to get him to report air emissions released at his dairy that operates with more than 8,000 cows.

Desert Rose became the first dairy in the country to report toxic emissions in a federal registry that gives communities access to local pollutant emissions, the Conservation League said.

At issue are laws called the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act, known as CERCLA, and the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act. The laws require polluters only to report their air emissions, not to modify them.

Craig contends the laws, which were passed in the 1970s, were never intended to include livestock operations. Craig spokesman Mike Tracy said on Monday.

"There are those in the environmental community who would like to use every federal law that is out there to regulate agricultural livestock operations with so many layers of rules and laws that they put them out of business," Tracy said.

Bob Naerebout, director of the Idaho Dairymen Association, said the laws were meant to address smoke-stack polluters, not livestock operations.

But the Conservation League in a press release said that recent studies have raised questions regarding the health effects of large livestock operations. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is currently negotiating a consent agreement with certain confined animal feeding operations across the nation to learn more about the impact of the emissions coming from them. Craig's amendments would undermine those efforts, the Conservation League said.

"The amendment's proposed wording to exclude emissions 'produced through biological process' could have broader implications beyond just CAFOs, the Conservation League said.

Chris Gunn, who lives near the Halliger Dairy, said, "For years my family and our neigh-

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COMING HOME A HERO

Soldier returns from Afghanistan with Bronze Star

By Sandra Wisecaver Times-News correspondent

HAGERMAN — Along a route decorated with yellow ribbons and red, white and blue flags, Army Staff Sgt. Brandon Thompson returned home with a bronze-colored star.

"When he left he was a dad and a husband," said his wife, Ardonna. "He came back a hero."

Thompson, 30, arrived back in the United States on Aug. 8 and returned to Hagerman where his wife and kids have been living shortly thereafter.

Thompson served with Bravo Battery, 377th Parachute Field Artillery Regiment for 10 months in Afghanistan. As an eight-year veteran of the airborne artillery unit, he "jumps out of planes and shoots big bullets," he said. Those big guns fire 50-pound shells.

He came home with a Bronze Star and an Army Commendation Medal for valor. He's been credited for saving the lives of 85 Afghan soldiers.

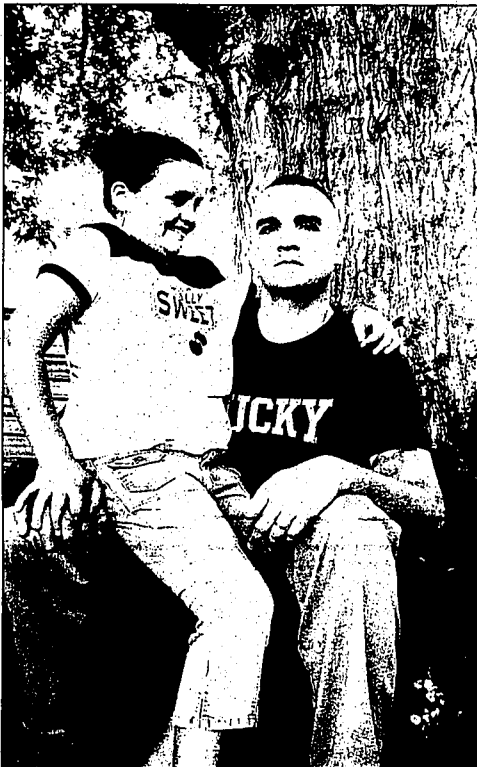
"I can tell you we were getting rocketed, but that's pretty much all I can tell you," Thompson said. "We stopped that. The Bronze Star was pretty much for doing my job."

And Thompson may be in line for a second Bronze Star — but he said that's "pretty much" all he can say about that.

Leaving the family behind

Thompson had served at Fort Campbell, Ky., and in Italy before shipping out to Afghanistan in October 2003.

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Darylan Thompson, a fifth-grader at Hagerman Elementary School, shares a moment with her father, Staff Sgt. Brandon Thompson. The elder Thompson recently returned from a 10-month deployment in Afghanistan with a Bronze Star. 'My dad went to save the world,' Darylan says.

SANDRA WISECAVER The Times-News

'WE MADE A MISTAKE IN JUDGMENT'

CBS apologizes for document use

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — CBS News apologized Monday for a "mistake in judgment" in its story questioning President Bush's National Guard service, claiming it was misled by the source of documents that several experts have dismissed as fakes.

The network said it would appoint an independent panel to look at its reporting about the memos. The story has mushroomed into a major media scandal, threatening the reputations of CBS News and chief anchor Dan Rather.

It also has become an issue in the presidential campaign. The White House said the affair raises questions about the connections between CBS's source, retired Texas National Guard officer Bill Burkett, and Democrat John Kerry's campaign.



CBS News anchor Dan Rather is shown at a 2001 news conference in New York.

Rather joined CBS News President Andrew Heyward in issuing an apology Monday.

"We made a mistake in judgment, and for that I am sorry," Rather said.

"It was an error that was made, however, in good faith and in the spirit of trying to carry on a CBS News tradition of investigative reporting without fear or favoritism."

Almost immediately after the story aired Sept. 8, document experts questioned memos purportedly written by Bush's late squadron leader, Lt. Col. Jerry B. Killian, saying they appeared to have been created on a computer and not on the kind of typewriter in use during the 1970s.

CBS strongly defended its story. It wasn't until a week later that Killian's former secretary said she believed the memos were fake — that the news division admitted they were questionable.

Once half a ton but dropping fast

South Dakota man loses weight, seeks gastric bypass surgery

The Associated Press

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. — Patrick Deuel is on a diet. He's down to about 700 pounds now. He hopes to lose 400 more.

When he entered the hospital in Sioux Falls, he weighed more than half a ton — a disaster Deuel blames on bad genes and his early years in the restaurant business.

He kept eating until he hit 1,072, a weight that could only be determined when he was put on a scale used to weigh trucks loaded with grain. To get

him to the scale, a wall had to be knocked out of his home in Valentine, Neb.

From the truck scales, Deuel was taken by specially equipped ambulance to Avera McKennan Hospital about 300 miles away in Sioux Falls on June 4.

"When Patrick came in, he was dying," says Dr. Frederick Harris, who leads a nine-person team caring for the 42-year-old man.

Deuel suffered from heart disease, diabetes, high blood pressure and other obesity-related problems, says

Harris. He had trouble breathing and was malnourished because so many of his calories came from foods high in fat and carbohydrates.

Now on a 1,200-calorie-a-day diet, Deuel hopes to hit the 300-pound mark and be healthy enough to have stomach-stapling surgery, which can be risky.

Deuel's weight loss is about eight months ahead of schedule, his doctor says. Recently, Deuel took his first steps in months. He now can walk on

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Patrick Deuel talks Aug. 9 at Avera McKennan Hospital in Sioux Falls, S.D., about how he has lost 321 pounds since June after checking in at 1,072.

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Officials tighten Bush security due to possible armed assassin

NEW YORK — The Secret Service came down on midtown Monday night to protect President Bush from a possible assassin armed with a hunting rifle. Lawrence Ward, 59, left his upstairs New York home Wednesday with a 30-30 lever-action hunting rifle in the trunk of his car, telling a neighbor, "I'm not coming back."

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He met Ardonna at Blue Mountain Community College in Pendleton, Ore., where he enrolled after graduating from high school in Orofino. Ardonna and the children have been staying with her parents Dale and Penny Turner in Hagaman. Ardonna has been teaching school as a substitute while her husbands been away.

Interacting with Afghans

Thompson said about 45 combat missions while in Afghanistan. Although he and his fellow soldiers thought they would be fighting the enemy every day, they weren't. "It was going out and looking for them and not being able to find them — 5 percent excitement and 95 percent boredom," he said.

Dairies Continued from A1

horns have been asking to know how much toxic pollution were forced to breathe from the mega-dairies nearby. By law we have a right to know this. We're finally getting information and now Sen. Craig wants to take away our rights.

Iraq Continued from A1

the CIA is still it to be sure, the official said. The 9-minute tape, posted on a Web site used by Islamic militants, shows a man seated on the floor, blindfolded and wearing an orange jumpsuit — similar to the orange uniform worn by prisoners at the U.S. naval base in Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

Correction

Castleford announces homecoming candidates An article regarding candidates for Castleford High School homecoming royals contained incorrect information. The freshman prince candidates include Jose Rodriguez, Zach Kline and Jose Rodriguez.

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"Swimming for me has always been a good way for me to lose weight. But they can't let me in the pool until they can get me out." Harris — who used to be obese himself and had gastric bypass surgery a few years ago — mounted a vigorous effort to get his hospital to admit Deuel.

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NATION

Kerry offers Iraq plan

NEW YORK (AP) — Sen. John Kerry said Monday that mistakes by President Bush in invading Iraq could lead to unending war and that no responsible commander in chief would have begun the war knowing Saddam Hussein didn't possess weapons of mass destruction and wasn't an imminent threat to the United States.

"Yet today, President Bush tells us that he would do everything all over again the same way. How can he possibly be serious?" the Democratic presidential candidate said at New York University.

Kerry, a fourth-term Massachusetts senator, voted to give Bush authority to wage the war and he said in August he still would have voted that way had he known there were no weapons of mass destruction in Iraq.

The Democrat makes a distinction between his voting to grant a president war-making authority as a member of the Senate and Bush, as commander in chief, actually taking that fateful step. Republicans have accused Kerry of wavering on the war.

Kerry said Monday, "Is he really saying to Americans that if we had known there were no imminent threat, no weapons of mass destruction, no ties to al-Qaida, the United States should have invaded Iraq? My answer is resoundingly no because a commander in chief's first responsibility is to make a wise and responsible decision to keep America safe."



AP photo.

Democratic presidential candidate Sen. John Kerry, D-Mass, greets the crowd after delivering a speech on foreign policy at New York University in New York, on Monday.

Bush campaign spokesman Steve Schmidt said Kerry's goal of pulling U.S. troops out of Iraq in his first term sends "a clear signal of defeat and retreat to America's enemies that will make the world a far more dangerous place."

Kerry said Monday that Bush's invasion of Iraq has created a crisis that could lead to unending war and has raised questions about whether Bush's judgment is up to presidential standards. He offered his own four-point plan starting with pressing other nations for help.

- Get more help from other nations.
- Provide better training for Iraqi security forces.

- Provide benefits to the Iraqi people.
- Ensure that democratic elections can be held next year as promised.

"If the president would move in this direction ... we could begin to withdraw U.S. forces starting next summer and realistically aim to bring all our troops home within the next four years," Kerry said.

Bush's mistakes, Kerry said, "were not the equivalent of accounting errors. They were colossal failures of judgment — and judgment is what we look for in a president."

Kerry contended that Bush has not been honest about the war's rationale or costs.

Bush, Kerry teams agree on debates

DERRY, N.H. (AP) — Negotiators for President Bush and Democratic Sen. John Kerry reached agreement Monday on three presidential debates that both sides hope will give them an edge in the final weeks of the campaign.

A Republican source close to the negotiations, speaking on condition of anonymity, said the two campaigns had worked out the details on the three debates. A formal announcement was expected later in the day Monday.

Details of the debates were being negotiated by former Secretary of State James A. Baker III for Bush and attorney Vernon Jordan for Kerry.

The nonpartisan Commission on Presidential Debates had selected Sept. 30 at the University of Miami in Coral Gables, Fla.; Oct. 8 at Washington University in St. Louis; and Oct. 13 at Arizona State University in Tempe, Ariz.

One vice presidential debate has been slated for Oct. 5 between Vice President Dick Cheney and Sen. John Edwards, Kerry's running mate.

With a guaranteed television audience of tens of millions of people, the debates could have a major impact because of the closeness of the race and the voters who still count themselves as undecided.

In 2000, Bush and Democratic nominee Al Gore debated three times in October.

Bush defends Iraq policy amid criticism

DERRY, N.H. (AP) — Buffeted by criticism from Democratic Sen. John Kerry on Iraq, President Bush accused his Democratic rival Monday of a "pattern of twisting in the wind" and leaving behind a thicket of contradictory positions on the war.

Bush struck back shortly after Kerry delivered a stinging critique in New York of the president's handling of the war. Kerry said the steps the commander in chief took "were colossal failures of judgment." The Democrat said Bush had not been honest about the reasons for the war or the cost of the fighting.

"Today my opponent continued his pattern of twisting in the wind," Bush said at a rally. "He apparently woke up this morning and has now decided, no, we should not have invaded Iraq, after just last month saying he would have voted for force even knowing everything we know today."

"Incredibly, he now believes our national security would be



President Bush

stronger with Saddam Hussein in power and not in prison," Bush said. "He's saying he prefers the stability of a dictatorship to the hope and security of democracy."

"I couldn't disagree more, and not so long ago, so did my opponent," Bush told an audience of supporters. Bush quoted Kerry as saying recently, "Those who believe we are not satisfied with his capture don't have the judgment to be president or the credibility to be elected president."

Bush also charged that Kerry had appropriated his administration's plan for postwar Iraq.

"Twenty-three days before the election, my opponent has now settled on a proposal for what to do next, and it's exactly what we're currently doing," the president said.

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Watchdog: 40 nations can make nukes

Head of U.N. nuclear agency urges Iran to heed demands

VIENNA, Austria (AP) — More than 40 countries with peaceful nuclear programs could retrofit them to make weapons, the head of the U.N. atomic watchdog agency said Monday amid new U.S. and European demands that Iran give up technology capable of producing such arms.

Mohamed ElBaradei, director general of the International Atomic Energy Agency, suggested in a keynote address to the IAEA general conference that it was time to tighten world policing of nuclear activities and to



Mohamed ElBaradei

stop relying on information volunteered by countries.

Beyond the declared nuclear arms-holding countries, "some estimates indicate that 40 countries or more now have the know-how to produce nuclear weapons," ElBaradei said. "We are relying primarily on the continued good intentions of these countries, intentions, which ... could ... be subject to rapid change."

His comments appeared prompted by a series of revela-

tions of proliferation of suspected illicit nuclear activities over the past two years.

Libya last year revealed a clandestine nuclear arms program and announced it would scrap its North Korea is threatening to activate a weapons program; Iran is being investigated for what the United States says is evidence it was trying to make nuclear arms; and South Korea recently said it conducted secret experiments with plutonium and enriched uranium, both possible components of weapons programs.

ElBaradei linked the need for strengthened controls to concerns about the international nuclear black market, which supplied both Iran and Libya

and whose existence was proven last year.

ElBaradei did not name the countries capable of quickly turning peaceful nuclear activities into weapons programs. But more than a dozen European countries with either power-producing nuclear reactors or large-scale research reactors are among them, as well as Canada, and countries in Asia, Africa and Latin America.

Most peaceful nuclear programs use enriched uranium — a substance that when processed to levels of enrichment above 90 percent can be used to make nuclear warheads as a power source. Most countries also could extract plutonium from spent fuel for nuclear weapons use.

Bush lifts Libya sanctions

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush on Monday removed a ban on commercial air service to Libya and released \$1.3 billion in frozen Libyan assets in recognition of "significant" steps to eliminate its deadliest weapons programs.

In response, Libya is expected to disburse \$1 billion in compensation payments to 269 families of the victims of the 1988 Pan Am 103 bombing.

Libya, which has acknowledged responsibility for the

bombing, had conditioned release of the money on an end to the two sets of U.S. sanctions. It had established a Wednesday deadline for Bush to act.

White House press secretary Scott McClellan said Bush lifted the sanctions by signing an executive order.

He credited Libya with having taken significant actions over the past nine months to eliminate its chemical, biological and nuclear weapons programs.

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Ohio mosque leader Damra gets two months in prison

AKRON, Ohio — The leader of Ohio's largest mosque was sentenced Monday to two months in federal prison and four months of house arrest for lying about his connections to terrorist groups when he applied for U.S. citizenship.

Palestinian-born Fawaz Damra, imam of the Islamic Center of Cleveland, could have received up to five years in prison on the charge of obtaining U.S. citizenship in 1994 by providing false information.

Prosecutors had requested the maximum sentence, but U.S. District Judge James S. Gwin said he did not view the citizenship application offense as a terrorism issue the way prosecutors had tried to suggest.

Prosecutors also urged Gwin to immediately revoke Damra's citizenship, but Damra's attorneys asked Jim Gwin not to take such a step until after the appeal, which could take years. Gwin did not immediately rule on the matter.

Gunman shoots security guard at Illinois Capitol

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. — An unarmed security guard was shot to death inside the state Capitol on Monday by a gunman who then fled the scene in a car, authorities said.

The officer was killed with one gunshot to the chest, said Col. Larry Schmidt, chief deputy director of the Secretary of State Police. Authorities did not immediately provide a motive.

Springfield police said they were investigating another shooting about an hour earlier at a military surplus store about 2 miles from the Capitol involving a man who matched the description of the shooter.

The Capitol was locked down for about an hour after the shooting, following an announcement over the intercom ordering everyone to stay in their offices.

Gov. Rod Blagojevich was not in the Capitol at the time, and the Legislature is not in session.

Nation in brief

The shooter entered the north entrance and shot the guard at about 1:45 p.m. before fleeing, said Randy Nieht, a spokesman for the Secretary of State's Office, which has law enforcement jurisdiction over the building.

NRC says damage posed 'significant' risk

WASHINGTON — Damage to the reactor head of the Davis-Besse power plant in Ohio ranks among the top five most serious nuclear plant accidents or near-accidents since 1979, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission said Monday.

Davis-Besse, along Lake Erie in northwest Ohio, was closed for two years after inspectors found corrosion on the reactor head in March 2002. Leaking borate acid almost had broken through a 6-inch-thick steel cap; repairs cost \$600 million.

While the plant was shut down, engineers found that its undersized sump could have become clogged with debris during an accident, which choked off the flow of water to cooling pumps, said an NRC analysis released Monday.

Ivan's remnants spread misery to mid-Atlantic

A town in Ohio brought out snowplows Monday to clear the muck away. In New Jersey, the Statehouse was closed after its parking garage was flooded by the Delaware River.

In Wheeling, W.Va., the riverfront park and amphitheater were under water, with only the tips of light poles visible. And parts of downtown Port Deposit, Md., went off limits after the Susquehanna River spilled into city streets.

The remnants of Hurricane Ivan brought ruinous flooding to the mid-Atlantic states after causing misery across the South. On Monday, officials worked to clear streets of water and debris, return people to their homes and search for the missing.

"There's no doubt that the bulk of the work is yet to be done," said Brig. Gen. Jessica L. Wright, head of the Pennsylvania National Guard.

— compiled from wire reports

Study finds air worse in smoky bars

TRENTON, N.J. (AP) — Which is more harmful to your health — a smoky bar or a city street filled with diesel truck fumes? Well, you might want to skip your next happy hour.

Smoky bars and casinos have up to 50 times more cancer-causing particles in the air than highways, and city streets clogged with diesel trucks at rush hour, according to a study that also shows indoor air pollution virtually disappears once smoking is banned.

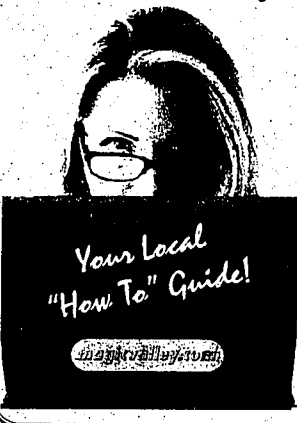
Conducted by the researcher who first showed secondhand smoke causes thousands of U.S. lung cancer deaths each year, the study found casino and bar workers are exposed to particulate pollution at far greater levels than the government allows outdoors.

"This paper will help localities pass smoking bans," predicted the author, James Repace, a biophysicist who works as a secondhand-smoke consultant after spending 30 years as a federal researcher. "It shows how beneficial smoking bans are for hospitality workers and patrons."

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EDITORIAL

The future is now with Twin Falls' water crisis

Funny how Mother Nature trumps the most careful plans we humans devise.

In 1999, Twin Falls city planners figured they had adequate water supplies to see the community through another 30 years, despite anticipated rapid growth.

Now they're pretty sure they don't.

A four-year drought and its effects on groundwater supplies have gotten the attention of everyone who depends on water for a living on the Snake River Plain and shaken long-held assumptions about where it will come from the future.

The Snake River Plain Aquifer is being drawn down at a rapid rate, leaving some groundwater pumpers wondering how long they can say in business. And it's forcing the City of Twin Falls to consider options it wouldn't have given a second thought in the past, such as tapping Vineyard Creek in the rugged Devil's Corral area east of town, and recycling wastewater.

None of these alternatives is cheap and some, like transforming sewage effluent into water for human consumption, won't be politically popular.

But all the easy solutions have been tried. When it comes to water, Twin Falls in 2025 will have to get by on its wits, with efficiency and conservation.

In the meantime, there are some nearer-term solutions that merit a closer look.

One is already happening on the campus of the College of Southern Idaho, where the college is converting 44 acres of its 125 acres from city water to irrigation water

from the Twin Falls Canal Co. CSI transformed 38 acres on the northwest side of campus to be watered by canals three years ago.

The new conversion depends on a pumping station that the city is building at the corner of Falls Avenue and Fillmore Street. To hook itself up to the canal water system, the college is spending about \$130,000, and the Idaho Department of Public Works is contributing \$80,000 to the project.

The system has the potential for irrigating 20 more acres than the 44-acre estimate, so quite soon CSI could have almost 100 acres irrigated by canal water.

Although that cost is significant, it's pennies on the dollar against the tab for reprocessing wastewater, building long-distance pipelines or buying up senior water rights.

And there's more urgency to all this than most people realize. Had this summer been as hot as the summer of 2003 and had the city not imposed watering restrictions last spring, Twin Falls would already be using up other people's water rights just by continuing to pump from the Blue Lakes, its primary source.

Water has been a front-burner issue for Magic Valley farmers ever since the area was settled, but now it's an A-list problem for city-dwellers as well.

Four years into a drought, potable water is at a premium. We're going to be paying more for it — and very soon.

The future of our community depends on finding innovative solutions to chronic water shortage.

And for all our sakes, the future must start now.

Our view: It's time to think outside of the box about solutions to Twin Falls' water-supply problems. What do you think? We welcome viewpoints from our readers on this and other issues.

Call this one Rathergate

It's the last stand of Gunga Dan. But like other messianic types — George Clooney comes to mind — Dan Rather is not going down alone. He seems hellbent on taking CBS News with him and damaging the press everywhere.

Memogate is now Rathergate. Journalists not yet born will one day hear the story of how the highest flyer in TV news flamed out while chasing a "gotcha" story.

MICHAEL GOODWIN

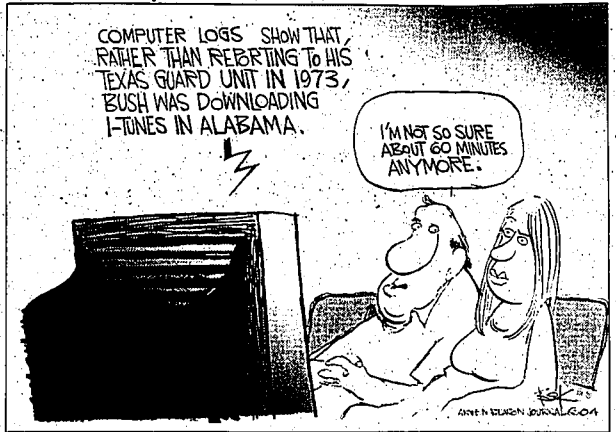
Rather, 72, always saw himself as a role model for journalists. But instead of being the Elder Statesman, he's sealing his fate as Exhibit A on how not to handle a hot story and the fallout. How sad. Suicide always is, even the professional kind.

The man who succeeded Uncle Walter Cronkite in 1981 is wound tighter than a tick in a yo-yo, but Rather's oddball quirks have peacefully coexisted with his talent.

He's got train-wreck charisma, faintly captured by the stranger who portrayed him, demanding, "What's the frequency, Kenneth?" But rather often used it to stand up for news values in a business dominated by cheap entertainment tricks.

That's what makes his performance on the Bush National Guard story such a personal disaster. But that's his problem. Ours is making sure we learn the dangers of coming too hot for a story in an election where the media's credibility is taking a beating.

CBS's document mess is the biggest whopper of them all.



for Rather was the Pied Piper for a long list of press followers. More than 50 newspapers across the United States, including The New York Times and the New York Daily News, published articles citing the now-questionable CBS documents as proof Bush got favored treatment 30 years ago.

That total counts just Sept. 9, the day after Rather's initial report on "60 Minutes." CBS touted the show in a press release on Sept. 8 and posted the memos on its Web site.

"The scoop" was huge, and so is the stain, which is why Rather has an obligation to stop defending the indefensible. Here are the three blunders he and CBS made:

- They never should have gone with the story in the first

place. Since it aired, three of the "experts" the network said authenticated the documents have cast doubts on them. Two said they warned CBS it needed more proof.

• When questions surfaced, CBS first trotted out the tired "we stand by our story" defense while desperately searching for people who would back it up. Rather and network backs are still making the astonishing claim that the "heart" of the story is true even if the documents are fake. Yeah, the operation was a success, but the patient died.

• The third blunder is Rather's alone, and it is the most shameful. In interviews, he has sounded like a crooked pol caught with his hand in the cookie jar. He told The Wall

Street Journal that critics are "raising questions about the documents because they can't deny the fundamental truths of the analysis."

To The Washington Post, he played macho man: "I don't care when the pressure gets too great from these partisan political ideological forces."

Such comments are unforgivable sinners. As Bernard Goldberg, a former CBS correspondent and now critic, put it, "Dan Rather is acting like Richard Nixon."

As legacies go, that's not one Rather wanted. But he earned it.

Michael Goodwin is a Pulitzer Prize-winning columnist for the New York Daily News.

LETTERS

Officials encourage illegal immigration

In World War II when I went into the Army, I took an oath to protect and to defend the Constitution against all enemies both foreign and domestic. Politicians take the same oath. But our elected officials have not kept their oath. They have supported and encouraged the invasion of millions of illegal Mexican immigrants to invade our country.

And to add insult to injury, they make us pay \$50 billion a year welfare also.

This is treason of the worst kind. A traitor rots the very soul of a nation.

Bush said he was willing to trade white votes for brown votes.

The General Accounting Office in Washington, D.C. claims the 80 percent of Democrats and Republicans favor mass immigration and open borders.

WAYNE WHITEKIEND
Wendell

Caravan not the only speeders on the road

My name is James Tucker, and this letter is a rebuttal to a letter printed "Business 7," in regard to a letter by Michael Tautz, Kerry's Ketchum caravan needs to hit the brakes.

I feel the only point this letter makes is another dig at John Kerry. You see, Michael, you didn't need to be rich and famous. You say you travel that highway very often. If this is true, then you should have noticed how everybody travels that highway above the speed limit. I mean, it seems you can't drive a highway in Idaho at less than 70 without having somebody pass you, stare at you or, in some cases, show you their hind.

So again I will say all this letter proves is another dig at

John Kerry, albeit a cheap one. It doesn't matter, it could have been Bush's caravan and they would have driven the same way.

Now you see, I'm not trying to start anything. I am not a Democrat or Republican. I could care less. As long as they are improving our great nation. Right now, there are some things going on that make me a non-believer in our government. I feel they are all crooks in one way or another. So good luck and may the best man win.

JAMES TUCKER
Twin Falls

Trade agreement must be stopped

National security and jobs will be greatly reduced if Congress passes the Free Trade Area of the Americas agreement which likely will be voted on after the November elections.

We already import nearly 50 percent of our food and 60 percent of our oil. These have increased with previous trade agreements and the FTAA will make us more dependent on unsafe, unreliable sources of food.

The FTAA will expand the exportation of jobs and imported labor. A major study at the University of California Berkeley's Fisher Center reported last October that as many as 14 million U.S. jobs are at risk. It will impact laborers and professionals, including accountants, doctors, dentists and engineers.

The FTAA is a power grab to create a regional government with a huge, unelected socialist bureaucracy of agencies to regulate us out of existence as the United States would have only one vote out of the 34 nations. Congress will be forced to change our laws to conform to FTAA decrees.

Past trade agreements have proven that we most export our capital, factories, technology and jobs! Our trade deficit has mushroomed to more than \$500 billion.

FTAA will erase our borders and destroy our middle class as we are flooded with aliens.

FTAA will happen if we don't stop it. Get informed by visiting www.stopftaa.org and help save freedom, our jobs and independence by contacting your senators and congressmen to vigorously oppose FTAA to stop this regional government plot which will lead us to world government under the totalitarian United Nations! Do it today!

ADRIAN L. ARP
Twin Falls

Pence will make education a top priority

As a trustee of Richfield School District, I attended the education budget presentation Tuesday night at O'Leary Junior High School in Twin Falls. Marilyn Howard, Idaho's superintendent of public instruction, outlined the important needs of our educational system, including funding state mandates, increasing the technology budget to assist districts in installing computers and bandwidth capable of handling the new required reporting, providing for remediation to help students pass the Idaho Standard Achievement Tests, and providing dedicated educational

employees with a raise in wages — the first in three years. All of these requests are essential to maintain Idaho's excellent schools. Yet, realistically, the education community knows that Idaho's Legislature as now structured will be unwilling to fund schools as they should be funded. This is why it is so important to move toward balancing our Legislature in this year's election.

Donna Pence, running for representative from District 25, will be an excellent legislator. As an former teacher, she understands the needs of education. She maintains close contacts with teachers all over the state of Idaho and has extensive leadership experience in educational organizations. She will vote to keep Idaho's schools quality schools.

In addition, Donna has wide experience in other areas which are important to Idaho's needs such as farming and running a business. She is willing and able to spend the time necessary to do the necessary research and contacts which will make her so valuable to her constituents in Blaine, Gooding, Lincoln and Camas counties.

If you are looking for a legislator who will make public education a priority and who will always work for the best for her constituents, vote for Donna Pence for representative, District 25.

SANDRA CALKINS
Richfield

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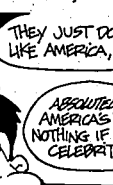
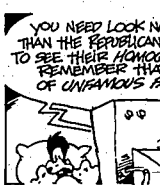
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The monster in our backyard

Bill Clinton famously proclaimed that "the era of big government is over." He was wrong; it just moved to the suburbs. State and local governments now dwarf the national government. Fully 86 percent of civilian government employees work for state and local entities. That translates into 46 million Americans who either work for local governments or depend on someone who does.

By longstanding tradition, Americans prefer their government to be close to home, where ostensibly we can control it. We've got local, but it is out of control. Local governments are multiplying like rabbits, at a rate of one new entity added each day. They operate the schools our children attend, determine the uses of our property, and tax us at a higher rate than the national government.

It wasn't supposed to be this way. The Founding Fathers, fearing all governments created federalism not to aggrandize state governments but to protect individual liberty, presuming that government closer to the people could be trusted to guard those rights. As tyrannical state leaders violate liberty in the name of "states' rights," we discover that those who coined that term had it wrong. States do not have rights. People have rights. And the purpose of federalism is to protect those rights.

CLINT BOLICK

Grass-roots tyranny usually afflicts the proverbial little guy. In Mesa, Ariz., Edward Salib owns a Winchell's Donut franchise and posts the company's signs in his store windows. But Mesa ordered him to cease the advertising, citing an ordinance declaring that signs could only cover a certain percentage of a window (to protect the city's "aesthetics"). But the standard Winchell's advertising signs covered more than the allowed space. Salib asked if he could comply by leaving one window empty of signs. Not enough, the city responded. Salib turned to the judicial system. Federal courts often strike down local laws when they violate freedom of speech — except when the speech is commercial. Although many people highly value commercial speech, the courts do not. Salib's challenge to Mesa's ordinance failed in the trial court and is now on appeal.

There are thousands of such stories. The typical person lacks the resources to take on local governments. The odds are further stacked by the politicians' ability to use their citizens' tax dollars against them. Even when people can stand up for themselves, they often encounter court systems that include every presumption in

favor of local government power.

What can we do to fight the local government? First, we should pay attention. The school board member or zoning commissioner often has more impact on the lives of ordinary people than does the president of the United States. We should get to know local officials and expand as much effort on local politics, as we do on national politics.

We also need to rediscover federalism. We must remember that the object of American constitutional government is the preservation of individual liberty and that government at every level is a constant threat to that liberty.

In terms of fighting grass-roots tyranny, we should look to state constitutions. Many state constitutions provide greater protections of liberty than does their national counterpart.

Most important, we can fight back. Washington remains an object of contempt for those who value freedom. But the more dangerous bully may live closer than we think. Only by standing up against it can we hope to vindicate our own freedom and cause government officials to care for those public servants they are meant to be.

Clint Bolick is a research fellow at the Hoover Institution and the author of "Leviathan: The Growth of Local Government and the Erosion of Liberty."

LETTERS

Destruction of Bible offenses

I am shocked, saddened, appalled and deeply offended by the tearing up of God's holy word.

In this age of being politically correct, no one would even think of destroying a Koran, the sacred book of the Muslims; the writings of Mohammed or the Dalai Lama. Why is it acceptable to attack Christians?

America was founded on biblical precepts, and our justice system on God's commandments. How have we come so far as to destroy the Bible in front of our children? What have we done? Each of us has a responsibility to see that this doesn't happen again.

DIANA BERG
Rupert

Leaders spread the message at festival

It was like a breath of fresh air to read the comments made by community leaders during the Jerome Heritage Festival.

I thank God for people like

Jim Cobble, Andy Prescott, Elizabeth Thomas, Sergio Gutierrez, Barry O'Dell, Dan Hall, Wandy Sidano, Ralph Peters and Travis Rothweiler. Please keep spreading the message.
AUDREY BOLDT
Glenns Ferry

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Nader deserves place on Florida ballot

That a curmudgeon like Ralph Nader could get so many Democrats all huffed up about his getting on the ballot in Florida shows how political games trump decency, honesty and fair play.

Nader, the Reform Party candidate, should be on the ballot in his quietest quest for the presidency. Nominees from virtually every other political persuasion — from the Green Party, Libertarian Party, Socialist Workers' Party, Socialist Party of Florida and Constitution Party of Florida — got in without a Democratic Party-inspired lawsuit popping up.

Sure, the Democrats blame him for robbing Al Gore of the presidency in a hanging, preg-

MYRIAM MARQUEZ

nant and otherwise messed-up chad squeaker of 537 votes. Sure, George W. Bush wouldn't be president had Nader gone up in smoke in 2000.

Both parties are playing dirty with Nader's candidacy, and he's exploiting it. Nader's getting plenty of money from big-wig Republicans who want the environmentalist and consumer do-gooders of the Democratic Party to turn against John Kerry, and deliver for Bush by throwing away their vote to Nader.

And that's their right. In a democratic republic like ours, voters have the right to vote

their conscience and stick it to the rest of the people. They have a right to stay home because none of the candidates is up to their standards. And judging from the lousy voter turnout of the past few decades, dirty politics have given us a lot of stay-at-home non-voters.

And here's the truth that hurts Democrats the most if they're honest enough to admit it: If Kerry weren't such a weak candidate, Nader wouldn't be such a threat.

No, the problem is John Kerry's numby-paimby campaign.

Myriam Marquez is an editorial page columnist for the Orlando Sentinel.

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Pentagon sets up new HQ to defend capital

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Pentagon has established a new military headquarters whose mission is to defend the nation's capital and to assist civil authorities in responding to a terrorist attack here.

The Joint Forces Headquarters for the National Capital Region is based at Fort McNair, a small Army post in Washington on the banks of the Anacostia

River whose fortifications did not stop the British from invading in 1814 and burning the White House and Capitol.

The idea of the new Joint Forces Headquarters is not to fend off foreign armies but to prevent if possible — and respond to, if not — surprise attack by terrorists using nuclear, chemical, biological or other unconventional means.

Army Maj. Gen. Galen B. Jackson said Monday.

"There are vulnerabilities in the nation's capital," he said without being specific.

One of those vulnerabilities is the proximity of the White House, the Capitol and other government buildings to commercial air traffic, as shown by the Sept. 11, 2001 attack on the Pentagon.

Jackson is commander of the new headquarters. The deputy commander is Rear Adm. Jan Gaudio, who also is commander of the Naval District of Washington, which provides support services to naval installations within a 100 mile radius of the Pentagon.

The new outfit also has a mobile command center, a \$3.2 million truck checked full of

computer, telephone, TV and other communications to enable Jackson or others to travel to the scene of an emergency and remain in touch with the secretary of defense as well as other agencies.

Before Sept. 11, 2001, the military organizations in Washington focused largely on ceremonial activities like a presidential inauguration.

What Happens When "The Apple Of Your Eye" Is An Actual Apple?

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after you've contemplated all the troubling implications of having an apple as the ultimate object of your affections, visit Swensen's to stock up on some of the cheapest and tastiest apples in town. Even if they don't become the "Apples of Your Eye", at least you'll have something good to snack on.

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AROUND THE VALLEY

Cattle associations will meet today

FILER - Leaders of the Idaho Cattle Association and National Cattlemen's Beef Association will hold town hall meetings across the state this week so the two organizations can hear from local producers on issues important to them.

The meeting will be held at 7 p.m. today at the Twin Falls County Fairgrounds.

Cevin Jones, ICA president and a third-generation feedlot operator from Eden, and Jan Lyons, NCBA president and a cow-calf producer from Manhattan, Kan., will attend.

"We are excited to be able to meet with producers to hear their concerns about the many issues affecting the industry," Jones said.

"It is vitally important to the development of our policies and positions as an industry to hear these concerns."

"We have been looking forward to having Jan visit Idaho for quite some time," said Ernie Robinson, ICA president-elect and a cow-calf producer from Whitford.

Dinner and refreshments will be served, and time will be allowed for comments and questions from participants.

For questions about the meetings, call 343-1615.

Searchers find wreckage of plane

MOUNTAIN HOME - Elmore County Search and Rescue crews found the wreckage of a missing 172 Cessna and confirmed late Monday night that the pilot was dead at the scene.

Searchers were activated Monday to locate the overdue plane from the Mountain Home Airport.

County Sheriff's Capt. Mike Barclay said the pilot was David Chittwood, 51, of Mountain Home. He left between 3 and 5 p.m. on Sunday in his fixed-wing craft and was expected back by Monday. The plane only had about half a tank of gas, Barclay said.

The Civil Air Patrol had three planes in the air during the search. The wrecked plane was spotted in a remote area of Bennett Mountain, near Teapot Dome.

The investigation into the cause of the crash will be turned over to the Federal Aviation Administration and the National Transportation Safety Board.

Two-vehicle crash sends man to hospital

SHOSHONE - One man was flown by LifeFlight helicopter to Boise for medical treatment after a two-vehicle accident Monday evening, Idaho State Police dispatchers said.

The crash happened at about 5:50 p.m. on Idaho Highway 75 at the Big Wood River Bridge north of Shoshone at milepost 77.

The crash was under investigation and no other information was available Monday.

Coalition organizers will hold share group

TWIN FALLS - The Magic Valley Palliative Care Coalition will hold a share group for professional caregivers in our community who deal with end-of-life issues.

Organizers hope to provide an opportunity for sharing of ideas, experiences and approaches, offer support for each other and improve skills and comfort levels for working with and talking about end-of-life concerns.

The first meeting will be held from 9 to 5 p.m. today at the Bridgeview Estates Great Room in Twin Falls.

For more information, call Sheryl at 733-2274, Jamie at 737-2501 or Liah at 324-1122. Ext. 3321.

Buhl School Board cancels meeting

BUHL - The Buhl School Board's regular meeting scheduled for tonight has been canceled.

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be Tuesday, Oct. 19.

- compiled from staff reports

Bond issues might crowd ballots

By Julie Pence
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Within two to three years city residents could be deciding upon as many as three bond issues or override levies at the same time.

The Twin Falls Public Library Board is looking at a possible expansion in a couple of years. The city's Strategic Planning Committee might be asking citizens to pay for more development of the trail sys-

tem on the canyon that is planned to eventually circle the entire city. And the City Council might find itself in the position of having to ask residents to pay for improvements to the water system to lower the arsenic levels in the drinking water.

The problem of competing bond issues came to light at the regular City Council meeting on Monday. Library board Chairman Tori Korshaw had asked the City Council to approve \$35,000 left over from

a previous library bond issue that would be used to study and draw up plans for another expansion. It has been 15 years since the last library expansion, Korshaw said.

But Vice Mayor Lance Clow expressed some doubt about the timing of an expansion. He said if a bond issue was needed for improvements to the city's water system, then both could wind up failing.

"I would hate to see the momentum of your efforts disrupted," Clow said.

But Korshaw said the library board is firm on its decision to move forward.

"I would hope the needs of each request will stand on their merits," he said. "There are no figures available on how much either project could cost. City Manager Tom Courtney said the city is applying with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for a three-year extension on the agency's standards for Twin Falls."

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GIVING BLOOD



Donor Specialist Holly Anderson prepares to draw blood from Grant Allen, 61, of Rupert, on Monday during an American Red Cross blood drive at the civic building. Allen is no novice, having donated more than eight gallons of blood, or 63 pints, during the last 25 years. Organizers estimated about 225 donors participated Monday.

Bar fight leads to bites and charges

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS - A Twin Falls woman was arraigned and charged with two counts of battery Monday in connection with an incident in which two people were bitten during a bar fight.

Police were dispatched just after midnight Sunday to Lucky's Night Club at 156 Main Ave. N., where a fight was in progress, according to an affidavit written by

David Weig of the Twin Falls Police Department.

According to the affidavit, Lora Reyes, 25, of Twin Falls, got into a fight with Helena Martinez, another patron at the club.

When Armando Silva, the club's owner, tried to break up the fight, Reyes bit him on the arm and wouldn't let go until Silva fell to the floor, according to the affidavit. Christina Silva, the

club's security officer, also tried to break up the fight and was bitten on a finger. Both had injuries that broke through the skin and caused bruises, according to the affidavit.

Reyes and three other patrons left the club and she was subsequently arrested and charged with two counts of battery. Reyes had scrapes on her upper arms and knuckles, as well as a small amount of blood on the corner

of her mouth, according to the affidavit. She was transported to the Twin Falls County Jail.

Martinez told officers that Reyes had been giving her dirty looks before the conflict started. Reyes said she was defending herself and didn't bite anyone, according to the affidavit.

Reyes was arraigned Monday pleaded innocent to the charges. A pretrial conference is scheduled for Oct. 12.

CSI raises rental fees

By Karin Kowalski
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - The College of Southern Idaho's board approved increasing its facility rental fees for the first time in five years.

The 25 percent increases are part of an effort by the college to recoup its costs in renting rooms.

Mike Mason, the college's vice president of finance, said CSI is not making a profit on room rentals because of the staff needed to schedule events and help with setup. Last fiscal year the college brought in about \$16,000 in facility rental fees, but spent most of it on the salary for a scheduler, Mason said during Monday's board meeting.

President Jerry Meyerhoeffer said renting rooms is a lot more complicated these days, with groups needing audio-visual help and technical support during meetings.

The fee for the largest combined room in the Taylor Building will go up to a minimum charge of \$225 and a maximum of \$300. The fine arts auditorium fee will go up to \$375 when admission is charged and \$250 when no admission is charged. The fee for the gymnasium will go up to \$875 when admission is charged and \$500 when events are free. The Expo Center fee will go up to \$2,500 for the first day and \$1,250 for each additional day.

Mason said the college is not trying to compete with private enterprise or make a profit. It will continue to give free rentals of many facilities to its affiliated organizations and nonprofit groups as part of its community

service mission.

Other CSI board business included:

- **Gymnasium scoreboards** - The board approved the single bid it received from Lyde Signs for \$32,685 to replace two scoreboards in the gymnasium. The price includes user training and a five-year warranty for parts and electronics. The money is from the college's plant facility fund.

- **Enrollment report** - As of the 10th day of classes, the college has about 7,122 students this fall and a full-time equivalency of about 4,100, which is the total number of credits divided by 12, said John Martin, CSI's registrar. Ron Shoppelt, who directs dual-credit classes, said the college has about 500 dual-enrollment high school students from the eight Magic Valley counties.

- **Student recruitment** - Kody Ketterling, the coordinator of high school relations, and Eric Studebaker, the student information coordinator, gave a presentation on their efforts to recruit students. Studebaker said the college has been able to create more than 30 special events to attract potential students.

Last year, the college gave 1,612 tours to prospective students and about a fourth of those now attend CSI, Studebaker said.


"If we can get one out of four, we're pretty happy," Studebaker said.

Ketterling said the bus they use to bring students to campus also has helped.

Times-News writer Karin Kowalski can be reached at 735-3231 or kkowalski@magicvalley.com.


Serving their country

Profiles of servicemen and women with local ties deployed to Iraq or Afghanistan. Information supplied by their families.



Justin Michael Long

- Age: 20.
- Hometown: Heyburn.
- Local family: Parents, Leslie and Clinton Kerr of Heyburn; sister, Crystal (Weston) Herbst; nephew, Cameron Tyler Herbst of Heyburn.
- Service, date of enlistment: U.S. Army, July 2003.
- Bank assignment: Private 1st class, First Battalion (M) 9th Infantry Regiment.
- Task Force: Task Force to provide a secure and stable environment in Iraq.
- Additional information: Currently serving in central Iraq, west of Fallujah. He had been at Camp Casey in Korea for six months before his deployment. Write to Private Long at Pfc. Long, Justin; 4HC 1/9 INF, Unit No. 15154; APO, AE 09395-5154.



Casey Pence

- Age: 22.
- Hometown: Murtaugh.
- Local family: Parents, Steve and Julie Pence of Murtaugh; brother, Regan Pence, San Diego, Calif.; grandmother, Maxine Pence of Buhl; grandfather, Paul Sullivan of Hagerman; and grandmother, Iris Jankov of Hagerman.
- Service, date of enlistment: Marines, November 2001.
- Rank: assignment: Sergeant, First Marine Expeditionary Force.
- Task: Intelligence.
- Additional information: Deployed to Fallujah, Iraq, on Sept. 3, 2004. Write to him at Sgt. Casey Pence; 1st BSG HQ SVE; BN HQ CO G-2; UIC 42095; FPO AP 96426-2095.

Tracker

- **Last we knew:** Sawtooth National Forest officials announced a travel plan that restricts off-road vehicle use to a designated trail system and requests public feedback on which trails should be available to use.
- **The latest:** Hailey residents responded at a public meeting Monday night to restrictions near their area in the Ketchum Ranger District.
- **What's next:** Public comment continues through Nov. 15. After reviewing feedback, Forest Service officials will present a proposal to the public for additional comment.

MAGIC VALLEY/WEST

DEATH NOTICES

Megan Makenzie Burkhalter

FILNER - Megan Makenzie Burkhalter, infant daughter of Clay and Kimberly Burkhalter of Filer, Idaho, died Thursday, Sept. 16, 2004, of injuries sustained in an automobile accident.

A funeral for Megan will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 23, 2004, at the Clover Lutheran Church with the Rev. Mark Christ officiating.

Interment will be held following the services at the Clover Cemetery. Friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 22, 2004, at the Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls, Idaho.

Rita Kay Winn O'Toole

HEROME - Rita Kay Winn O'Toole, 44, of Jerome, died Sunday in Paducah, Ky.

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

Linda Lee Tracy

HEROME - Linda Lee Tracy, 58, of Jerome, died Monday, Sept. 20, 2004, at the Stony Creek Living Center of

Twin Falls. A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 22, 2004, in the Hope Robertson Funeral Chapel by Bishop Chuck Hansen. No viewing is planned.

Valentine Raugust

HEROME - Valentine Raugust, 94, of Jerome, died Sunday, Sept. 19, 2004.

Arrangement will be made by the Hope Robertson Funeral Chapel.

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Donald L. Freeman BURLEY

Freeman - Donald Lester Freeman, a 74-year-old resident of Shoshone, formerly of Burley, died Monday, Sept. 20, 2004, at Rosetta Assisted Living in Burley.

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

SERVICES

Ruth Idona Parish of Twin Falls, celebration of life at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

Merrill J. Glenn of Kimberly, funeral at 1 p.m. Wednesday at the Kimberly Stake Center, 3857 N. 3500 E., Kimberly.

A viewing will be held from 5-8 p.m. Tuesday at White Mortuary, Kimberly Funeral Chapel, 712 Center St. W. in Kimberly, and one hour prior to the services on Wednesday at the church.

Venna Pearl McMurdie of Buhl, funeral at 11 a.m. Wednesday at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day

Saints on Fair Street in Buhl. A visitation will be held one hour prior to the service at the church (Farmer Funeral Chapel).

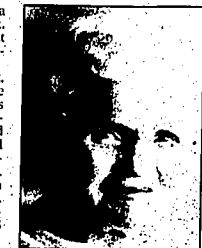
Thaddene Osborn of Rupert, memorial service at 11 a.m. Thursday at the Rupert First Christian Church, 1110 Eighth St.

Friends may call one hour before the service at the church (Rasmussen Funeral Home, Burley).

Edward Cecil Seal of Ashton and formerly of the Wood River Valley, funeral at 1 p.m. Thursday at the Hailey LDS Chapel (Wood River Chapel, Hailey).

OBITUARIES

Leona F. Jamison - Rupert



Leona Fay Dayley Jamison, a 91-year-old Rupert resident, died Saturday, Sept. 18, 2004, at Cassia Regional Medical Center.

She was born Sept. 29, 1912, in the Basin, east of Oakley. She was the daughter of Charles Frederick and Elizabeth Chapman and was graduated from Oakley High School and received an award for her outstanding penmanship skills. She married Robert Jamison on March 21, 1931, in Paul. Their marriage was later solemnized in the Salt Lake LDS Temple.

Leona was a dedicated wife and mother. She insisted on being a stay-at-home mom until her children were raised. She was a wonderful homemaker and used her talents in beautifying their home. She enjoyed working in her yard and loved doing landscaping and growing beautiful flowers in their picturesque gardens.

She was an accomplished artist and was known for her oil and water color paintings.

After her children were raised, she worked at J. R. Simplot Company and in the lab at Amalgamated Sugar Company until retirement.

She was an active member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints where she served faithfully in various capacities. She loved most serving as the ward librarian and especially enjoying being a visiting teacher in the Relief Society.

She was also a charter member of the Springa Camp of the Daughters of Utah Pioneers.

She is survived by her loving and dedicated daughter, Helen A. (Paul) Paoli of Gooding; her daughter-in-law, Betty Jamison of Rupert; seven grandchildren, Shiela (Andy) Bosler, Ron (Kim) Paoli, Robert Scott (Wendy) Jamison, Bryan Jamison, Jeannette Suzanne Paoli (Greg) Watson, Brenda (Glade) Chandler and Heidi (Scott) Smith; and 25 great-grandchildren.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, Sept. 24, 2004, at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley. Burial will be in Pleasant View Cemetery. Friends may call from 6 until 9 p.m. Thursday and from 10 until 10:45 a.m. Friday at Rasmussen Funeral Home.

Barbara Jean Mabey - Oakley



Barbara Jean Mabey, 86-year-old Oakley resident, died Saturday, Sept. 18, 2004, in Idaho Falls.

She was born Sept. 8, 1918, in Salt Lake City, Utah, the daughter of Adell Leon and Ella Lorraine Pettit. She spent her early life in Mammoth, Utah, and graduated from Juab High School. Barbara served a mission for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in the Western States Mission, where she met Donald L. Mabey. They were married on June 5, 1941, in the Salt Lake Temple.

Throughout her life she was an active church member and served in many capacities. She avidly pursued crafts, sewing and gardening. She made dolls and stuffed animals for her grandchildren. Her most recent dolls were shown at doll shows. She was a charter member of the riding group, the Lady Vigilantes.

Yet, above all she was a homemaker and loving mother. Joy in her life came from her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Survivors include a son, Larry (Donna) Mabey of Oakley; two daughters, Charie

(Ron) Hulise of Idaho Falls and Debbie (Dave) Mayne of Weatherly, Mo.; a daughter-in-law, Sherry Oldfield of Aberdeen; a brother, Leon Petty of West Covina, Calif.; a sister, Patricia Armstrong of Salem, Ore.; 10 grandchildren; and 27 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Donald, on April 21, 2001; and a son, Barry, on Aug. 7, 1999.

A funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 22, 2004, at the Oakley Stake Center of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 301 N. Center, with Bishop Randy Harty officiating. Burial will be in the Marion Cemetery. Friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. on Tuesday at the Payne Mortuary, 221 W. Main St. in Burley and from 10 to 10:45 a.m. prior to the funeral on Wednesday at the church.

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."

Thaddene W. Osborn - Rupert

Thaddene W. Jennings Osborn, long-time Rupert resident, died Thursday, Sept. 16, 2004, at the Minidoka Memorial Hospital in Rupert.

He was born in Buffalo, Wyo., to James Ellis and Emma Marshall Wolfe Jennings. Thaddene was reared primarily in Montana and Canada, graduating from high school in Harlem, Mont., and she received her business education at Links Business College in Nampa, Idaho. She was the office manager for Morgan Real Estate and Insurance Company in Nyssa, Ore., when a local farmer named Bert Osborn came in to pay his insurance premium one day. Their mutual interests went beyond business and Bert and Thaddene were married on June 18, 1941 in Weiser, Idaho, at the Baptist Church.

Bert and Thaddene farmed in the Homedale and Marsing areas for several years. During this time they were very active in the Marsing Saddle Club and their first daughter was born. A move to Quincy, Wash., added square dancing as a hobby as well as a son. The return to Fruitland added a second daughter to complete their family.

Her focus was her family and outside interests were placed on hold until all three children were in school. She



lived in Washington and Idaho, during the time her children were maturing. In Washington, she taught stencil painting and was active in home extension programs. In Idaho, she was the dispatcher and sold driver's licenses for the Gem County Sheriff.

The Osborns moved to Rupert in 1963. Thaddene was employed by the Minidoka County School Food Association, serving as president of the State Association and, in 1983, retired as supervisor of the Minidoka program. She was a member of the Rupert First Christian Church, RFCC Christian Women's Fellowship, National Federation of Business and Professional Women and Rupert #30 Order

of the Eastern Star. Her hobbies included trying new recipes, embroidery and doing things for her family. Her greatest stress reliever was to go to the kitchen and cook.

Thaddene is survived by her husband of 63 years, Bert Osborn of Rupert; a daughter, Linda I. Osborn of Palm Coast, Fla.; a son, Bert L. (Sue) Osborn of Payette, Idaho; a daughter, Helen R. (Bill) Marsh of Burley; four granddaughters, Shannon Rae Osborn of Payette, Candida Lynn (Rich) Miller of Twin Falls and Billie Alicia Marsh of Charleston, S.C.; and Jacqueline Suzanne Osborn of Bozeman, Mont.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her brother, Marshall Lee Jennings.

A private family burial will take place Wednesday, Sept. 22, 2004, at the Evergreen Cemetery in Ontario, Ore. A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 23, 2004, at the Rupert First Christian Church, 1110 Eighth St., with the Rev. John Meyer officiating. The family suggests in lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Rupert First Christian Church.

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

Janece' Lorraine Cristler - Twin Falls

Janece' was born March 20, 1954, the second of two children born to Roy (Dede) and Lorraine Small. She passed away Saturday, Sept. 18, 2004, at St. Alphonsus' Hospital in Boise, Idaho. There are no words to express how much she was loved or how much her family will miss her.

Janece was employed at K-Mart in Twin Falls where she met Art Cristler. They were married on Feb. 11, 1977, in Twin Falls and they spent the remainder of her life together. She raised two children, Jeffrey and Jennifer Cristler.

In 1993, Janece' decided to pursue a dream of a career in nursing. She enrolled in the Licenses - Practical Nursing Program at the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls, Idaho. After successfully completing that program and receiving her LPN license, she was employed at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center.

In 2002, Janece' decided to continue her education with the goal of becoming a Regis-



tered Nurse. While still working full-time at MVRMC, she successfully completed her studies and, on April 16, 2004, Janece' received her Associate of Science (Nursing) degree. She continued her career at MVRMC until her death. Janece' loved her work and her co-workers. Everyone enjoyed her sense of humor and her sharp wit.

During her leisure time,

Janece' enjoyed her flower garden, crafting and collecting. Mosty, she cherished the time she could spend with her family including her two dogs, Austin and Cassie.

Surviving Janece' is her husband, Art Cristler; two children, Jennifer Cristler (Nathan Raff) and Jeffrey Cristler (Sarah Sledge); one grandson, Nicholas Raff; her mother, Lorraine Small; her brother, Dave (Joann Small); and nieces and nephews on both sides of the family.

Her father, Roy (Dede) Small, preceded her in death.

A celebration of Janece's life will be held at 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 24, 2004, at the Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls, Idaho. Cremation and private inurnment are under the direction of the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorials be sent in c/o Life Flight, St. Alphonsus' Hospital, 2055 N. Curtis Road, Boise, ID 83704.

Rockhaven Retirement Home in Oakley, and the Burley Care Center for the loving care provided to Lorraine Small. Arrangements have been entrusted to the care of Rasmussen Funeral Home in Burley.

Idaho girl who foiled reported bomb plot will speak at school

CLINTON TOWNSHIP, Mich. (AP) - A 16-year-old girl from Idaho who police credit with speaking up and preventing a teenager from carrying out violent threats against his Detroit-area high school will come to Michigan to be honored.

Celia McGinty met Andrew Osantowski, 17, one in a music chat room three weeks ago, said her father, George McGinty.

In a series of disturbing chats and e-mails, police say Osantowski talked of his plans for revenge at Chippewa Valley High School, where he started school Aug. 31.

"She realized when the conversation turned bad, it was time to pass that information on," McGinty, who heads the cyber crime unit for the Washington State University police, told The Detroit News for a story Monday.

Osantowski is being held in the Macomb County jail on more than 51 million bond, charged with 10 felonies, including threatening an act of terrorism.

Also charged in the case was Osantowski's father, Marvin Osantowski, and a family acquaintance, Dominic Quentery.

"He started getting really specific about what he was going to do and what he had," Celia

McGinty said during an appearance Monday on ABC's "Good Morning America." He told me where he had his weapons. ... He gave me his name and address. Who would do that?"

As a gesture of thanks, Warren real estate agent Ralph Roberts said he plans to fly McGinty and his daughter to Michigan and bring them to the high school.

"In my opinion, she's a hero because she's being raised by a

hero," Roberts, whose daughter attends Chippewa Valley, told The Detroit Free Press.

It all started in mid-August with online chats between Osantowski and McGinty's daughter, who lives with her mother in Moscow, Idaho, police said. When the messages became increasingly violent, she alerted her father, who lives 45 minutes away in Washington, and he notified Michigan authorities.

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NASA picks Idaho for observatory

CHALLIS (AP) — The dark skies over a minimally developed central Idaho has made it the choice of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration for a new observatory.

Eastern County Economic Development Director Craig Gilliam has secured a grant and a lease on Bureau of Land Management land just west of town for the Challis Rapid Reaction Observatory.

Gilliam expects the unmanned research facility to be

constructed next spring, featuring 14-inch and 16-inch telescopes that NASA scientists can program remotely. When a satellite detects gamma ray bursts, such as a supernova, the Challis telescopes will gather images and automatically relay them to NASA.

Other telescopes on the east and west coasts are observing the area at the same time. But Gilliam said the agency believes the Challis observatory can provide the clearest images and data.

"They say we have ideal viewing conditions with low light pollution, high altitude, low cloud cover and dry climate," Gilliam said. "The wilderness behind us isn't going anywhere so our viewing conditions are never going to change."

NASA is furnishing the telescopes and computer equipment while \$45,000 in grants from the state's Gem Community program and the Steele-Reese Foundation, which supports educational

projects, will underwrite construction, which is being offset by labor and material donations from the community.

Boise State University is a partner in the project, Gilliam said, and a dozen Challis teachers have received training in the telescopes' software so they can use it with their students. Idaho also has observatories at Albion College of Idaho in Caldwell, the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls and the Bruneau Dunes Observatory in Bruneau.

Post-mad cow beef deal nears

U.S. officials hope to resume exports

WASHINGTON (AP) — In a break from its steadfast ban on U.S. beef because of mad cow disease, Japan is moving toward allowing a resumption of imports if American officials can guarantee it comes from cattle no older than 20 months at slaughter.

American beef industry officials expect President Bush and Japanese Prime Minister Junichiro Koizumi to discuss the Japanese ban, today when both leaders will be in New York for the U.N. General Assembly's annual meeting.

A Japanese food safety panel opened the way for a shift in government policy earlier this month. It said mad cow tests on animals younger than 20 months could be eliminated without raising the risk of giving people a fatal disease, variant Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease.

U.S. agriculture officials refused to predict where the change in Japanese policy might lead but beef industry leaders said they consider it a step toward reopening the Japanese market to exports from the United States.

"Hopefully, we will end up at a point where we offer something we can verify, and they accept something that is equivalent to their system," said Lynn Helzlsouer, a spokesman for the U.S. Meat Export Federation, a Denver-based trade group.

There are still hurdles to be cleared before the United States can ship meat to its former top-dollar export customer. Japan led the world in U.S. beef purchases, at \$1.2 billion, before the discovery in December 2003 of mad cow disease in a Holstein cow in Washington state, Japan had accounted for



A supermarket employee removes packaged U.S. beef imports from shelves on Dec. 24, 2003, in Kyoto, Japan. American beef industry officials expect President Bush and Japanese Prime Minister Koizumi to discuss Japan's ban on U.S. beef imports today in New York.

37 percent of the total value of U.S. beef exports, said Dave Wheeler, director of research at CattleFax, a research and market analysis firm in Centennial, Colo.

Upon discovery of the first U.S. case of mad cow, Tokyo immediately cut off U.S. exports and demanded that every American head of cattle destined for Japanese consumption be tested for the disease. Japan has used that standard for its domestic slaughter and since 2001 has confirmed 12 cases of mad cow disease, also known as bovine spongiform encephalopathy, or BSE.

U.S. officials have balked at blanket testing of all cattle, saying it's too expensive and unnecessary. In addition, they say the tests are reliable only on cattle 30 months old or older. Japan, however, has reported finding BSE in two younger animals — one 21 months old and the other 23 months old.

Most U.S. fed cattle are slaughtered before they reach 24 months, according to indus-

try officials. They acknowledge that for exports to Japan to resume, the two governments would have to agree on measures to assure that beef bound for Japan is from cattle no older than 20 months.

The Agriculture Department's beef grading system is focused on meat quality, not age, said William Sessions, deputy administrator of the department's Agricultural Marketing Service.

Age is one factor in beef quality — younger animals have more tender meat — but inspectors generally judge age by indirect measures, such as the shape of development of teeth and skeletal bones.

"It's quite different in Japan," said Tadashi Sato, agricultural attaché at the Japanese embassy in Washington. "We know the exact age of all cattle."

Tracking cattle from birth is easier in Japan, which has about 4.5 million head in the meat and dairy industries, Sato said. The United States has about 96 million head.

Family says woman died from virus

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — A Montana woman who died in Salt Lake City of complications from West Nile virus contracted the disease a year ago in her home state, her family said Monday.

Linda Louise Colledge Larson, 60, of Conrad, Mont., died Saturday, her Sunday obituary noted, which appeared in both Salt Lake City daily newspapers, cited the virus as her cause of death and prompted speculation that the woman was the first to die from the mosquito-borne disease.

But Larson's daughter, Lisa Delley, says her mother was bitten by a mosquito Aug. 25, 2003, in Conrad. She immediately began showing flu-like symptoms: a rash, body aches and confusion.

Her mother developed encephalitis, a neurological disease caused by the virus, and Delley said the Montana state health department confirmed that she had contracted West Nile.

"In all, her health debilitated greatly and progressively," Delley said.

"People say, 'Well it's just a mosquito,' well, that one mosquito made her suffer tremendously over the past year," she said.

EPA hopes for Yucca radiation standard in 2005

WASHINGTON (AP) — Trying to overcome a possibly crippling court decision, the Environmental Protection Agency hopes to have a proposal by early next year on new radiation exposure limits at a proposed nuclear waste site in Nevada.

Jeffrey Holmstead, chief of EPA's air and radiation programs, told a panel of scientists Monday that a wide range of options is being considered that would not require Congress to intervene in the politically charged issue.

The future of the waste project at Yucca Mountain in the Nevada desert was put into jeopardy when a federal appeals court rejected an EPA radiation exposure standard in July that was tied to 10,000 years into the future, even though some of the waste will be at its most dangerous thousands of years later.

The court said EPA failed to take into account a 1995 National Academy of Sciences recommendation that the standard be set at periods of peak radiation, although Congress required that the recommendations be followed. Opponents of the project have argued that the design of the waste site as it is now contemplated cannot meet a standard set that far into the future.

At a meeting Monday, members of the Board of Radioactive Waste Management, a part of the National Academy of Sciences, examined implications of the court case and possible options for future action. The board frequently offers a forum to examine waste management issues.

Robert Fri, chairman of the National Academy panel that wrote the 1995 report cited by

the court, suggested the EPA satisfy the court's objections only by significantly altering its standard, more in line with what his group had recommended.

That would involve going well beyond 10,000 years, but not necessarily so far into the future that risk modeling, or even the proposed Yucca design, might be useless, Fri suggested.

EPA would have to adopt a less conservative approach to determining public risks from exposure, said Fri, a scholar at the environmental think tank Resources for the Future.

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Saturday, September 25, 2004
Located: Twin Falls, Idaho - 1976 Desert View Drive
Desert View Drive is north off of Falls Ave. East

Sale Time: 11:00 a.m. Lunch served by Kathy

PIANO - APPLIANCES
Freyer & Clark parlor piano and bench - G.E. 1971 cut in refrigerator freezer - Hoover self propelled vacuum - Westinghouse 21 cu ft upright freezer - several small electrical appliances - Paramount opt. size electric stove

BEDROOM FURNITURE
King size 4 piece bedroom suite with box springs, mattress, his and hers dresser, chest of drawers and night stand - 1 piece double bed room suite with box springs, mattress, bookcase head board, his and hers dresser and night stand - several king size bed ding items

OTHER FURNITURE
Parlor drop leaf dining table with 4 chairs and benches - 2 piece sectional that makes into a youth bed - Daniel darkwood coffee table and end table - 91 x 121 oval rug - metal file cabinet safe - 2 book cases - typewriter stand - entertainment center

LAWN, GARDEN & SHOP ITEMS
Redwood patio picnic table with 4 benches - 2 piece redwood patio set with pads, including rocker and easy chair - 18ft x 6ft building (shop) formerly an enclosed trailer, all electrical w/vent - leaf blower - several nice folding directors lawn chairs - X-raying bench - full aluminum extension ladder - step ladder - Habaclit cooler - electric scroll saw - roll around wood - bench grinder - draw knife - electric drills - organ - law boxes - hose and hose - G change and belt - 2000 trimmer - tow bar for "auto behind RV" - weed sprayer - lawn and garden tools - drop cards - level - horse wagon yard decorations - other yard decorations - smokers - some lawn and garden - 2000 trimmer - 2000 trimmer - used 30ft x approx 4ft used motor home cover - computer unit

HOUSEHOLD MISCELLANEOUS
Christmas decorations and lights - pressure cooker - fruit jars - pots and pans - assorted dishes - lamps - organizers - salad bowls - records - serving trays - fans - many containers of assorted beans - several new gift boxes, complete - new glassware - craft and ceramic items - tapestry - telephones - 4000 - 4000 - cactus plants - potted plants - many other miscellaneous items too numerous to mention

NOTE: Liz has down sized to a much smaller home. She is a school Idaho State Dept Inspector and has been affiliated with the P. Lottano Group and the Top Hat Toppers. Come see what else she finds as she gets thru her many years of ownership.

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Thursday, September 23, 2004

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Sale Time: 1:00 PM Lunch served by Kathy

BEDROOM FURNITURE
Single Twin bed (extra long) with box springs, mattress, two 4 drawer chest of drawers, dresser and night stand - modern brass day bed with trundle bed - large blonde dresser (no mirror) - blonde 4 drawer chest of drawers

OTHER FURNITURE - APPLIANCES
Solid maple round dining table - 2 leaves, 6 chairs including 2 captain's chairs - large flowered sofa - Paps Bear dark blue leather recliner - large storage credenza - early american bookcase - small china closet - early american end table - rocking swing recliner - end tables - 2 drawer file cabinet - dough box end table - pole and hanging lamps - wooden 2 drawer file cabinet - RCA 25 color TV and remote - Frigidaire microwave - Zenith radio stereo console - Hoover upright vacuum - Hoover Carpet 1 Vacuum - Kitchen Aid mixer - Sunbeam mini Sunbeam pie maker - 2 electric skillets - Farber Ware roaster - 2 step stool - battery wall clock - 4 new vinyl folding chairs

HOUSEHOLD MISCELLANEOUS
Nice 40 piece set of Correll's - 9 piece set of stainless steel utensils - pots and pans - records - cutlery set - old bibles - tapeplayer - canning supplies - mixing bowls - pitchers - baking items - Pyrex cantaloupe dishes - card table - wall mirror - serving cart

LAWN & GARDEN ITEMS
Nice oblong patio table with 4 matching padded chairs and serving cart - 2 swivel captain's patio chairs - 6 stack chairs - patio swing - 5ft aluminum step ladder - electric leaf blower - Struco barbecue - flower pots - rakes - hoses - shovels - garden tool

SHOP - MISCELLANEOUS
2 nice camp coolers - pipe wrenches - hammers - hand saws - play-her chest of drawers, dresser and night stand - 1 piece double bed room suite with box springs, mattress, bookcase head board, his and hers dresser and night stand - several king size bed ding items - other miscellaneous items too numerous to mention

NOTE: Mrs Hoffman has sold her home and is moving to Nevada to be near family. Nice clean sale!

OWNER: FRIEDA HOFFMAN

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Pollution's snowflake

Tiny pollution particles in storm clouds contribute to lowering the moisture levels in snow that is used for water supplies, according to a University of Nevada Desert Research Institute study. Here are some of its findings.

KEY ■ Suspended particles ■ Water

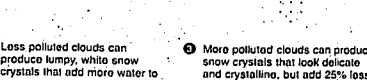
Less polluted
Water vapor collects on a few particles to produce large cloud droplets. Some freeze, forming snow crystals.



More polluted
Water vapor collects on many particles and forms small cloud droplets. Some freeze, forming snow crystals.



Loss of moisture to snowpack
Snow crystals descend, hitting and collecting many droplets.



Loss of moisture to snowpack
More polluted clouds can produce lumpy, white snow crystals that add more water to snowpacks.



Sources: University of Nevada's Desert Research Institute and SnowCrystals.com. Graphics: Courtesy of Cheryl Brownstein-Santiago

Airliner water falls below EPA standards

WASHINGTON (AP)— Nearly one of every eight passenger airliners flying in the United States carries drinking water that fails Environmental Protection Agency standards because it contains coliform bacteria, the agency said Monday.

EPA enforcement chief Tom Skinner said passengers whose immune systems are compromised may want to avoid drinking water from airplane galleys or lavatories, although he noted that test results were preliminary. "This is something that needs further analysis, but also immediate action," Skinner said, adding that the EPA will begin further testing in a few weeks.

Air Transport Association spokesman Doug Willis said the airlines are confident their drinking water is safe, saying, "No one has gotten sick from airplane drinking water." His group represents major airlines in the United States. 30 percent of municipal drinking water systems meet EPA standards. The agency's testing showed airline water was only slightly worse: 87.4 percent of the planes tested had water that met EPA standards.

Official blames bolts for church fair fatality

BOSTON (AP)— A pair of improper bolts caused an amusement park ride to break apart at a church fair, killing one person and injuring two others, the state's commissioner of public safety said Monday.

The accident happened Sunday on the Sizzler ride at St. Mary's Church and parochial school in Shrewsbury, 40 miles west of Boston. Andrew R. Póhlin, 38, died after he was thrown from the ride and hit his head on the pavement. Two others were injured. All three were residents of a nearby state-run home for the mentally retarded.

Commissioner Thomas Gatzanis said the car in which Póhlin was seated was attached with two bolts — one was too small and the other had been altered.

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Researchers: Pollution diminishes precipitation

Los Angeles Times

STEAMBOAT SPRINGS, Colo.— Every snowflake tells a story to the scientists who sift for clues among the ice crystals. And the one being told by the flakes that fall each winter near the summit of Mount Werner here sounds ominous for the future of water in the drought-ravaged West. Along the western slope of the Rockies, in a laboratory 10,500 feet above sea level, a team of atmospheric researchers has spent the past decade deciphering a deeper meaning from the billiards that blanket the Steamboat ski resort in its famously pillowy "champagne powder."

"The difference can be as much as 50 percent in the mass of a snowflake," — Douglas Lowenthal, researcher

other and coalesce into larger drops, or in winter tires, ice crystals. Repeated collisions result in drops so heavy that gravity pulls them to the ground. Along the way, they bump into other drops, forming larger raindrops and snowflakes. In polluted clouds, there are more particles, and as condensation occurs, smaller droplets form. Even in cold winter skies, much of the moisture evaporates before reaching the ground as snow. The snowflakes that do fall to earth tend to be scrappier, with less moisture content.

Digital photographs from the two storms the Desert Research Institute scientists studied show clear differences in the shape and size of the snowflakes. The pollution-laden storm produced the stereotypically pretty snowflakes one is likely to see on a Christmas card, clear and thin, with intricate geometric patterns. The clean storm produced the kind of snowflakes that in reality are far more common: opaque and lumpy, less dainty because they are more waterlogged.

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BRIEFLY IN MONEY

Public can prioritize community needs

TWIN FALLS — Idahoans may comment on local housing and community development priorities using a new online survey developed by the Idaho Housing and Finance Association and the Idaho Department of Commerce and Labor.

The results will inform statewide planning efforts involving about \$400 million in federal block-grant funds during the five years beginning April 1, 2005.

The survey can be accessed via Idaho Housing's Web site, www.idaho.org/research/development.asp. The association and Commerce and Labor administer federal housing and community development funds primarily in Idaho's communities with populations of less than 50,000 — but they encourage residents of every city and county to respond.

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development requires the state to submit a plan that identifies needs and prescribes strategies. Activities eligible for HUD block grants include affordable multifamily housing, community infrastructure, public facilities and other resources that benefit communities and their low- to moderate-income residents.

A draft of the plan will be available for public review and comment from Dec. 23 through Feb. 7, with the final plan submitted to HUD by Feb. 15. For information or to request help accessing or completing the survey, send an e-mail to hifa.org or call project coordinator Erik Kingston toll-free at 1-877-438-4472.

Bruneau company gets federal contract

WASHINGTON — A \$41.520 federal contract was awarded to a Bruneau company.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture awarded the contract to Skyline Construction Inc. of Bruneau for a float control system in the Sawtooth National Forest. The contract was awarded by the USDA's Forest Service, regional acquisition office in Boise.

Company buys Shelley shopping center

SHELLEY — A commercial development company has bought and plans to expand a Shelley shopping mall.

Phillips Edison and Co. has purchased Shelley Station. The company says it plans to expand the store of the largest tenant, Bruehl's Grocery Store, and will also build new shop space at the center.

"The acquisition and development of Shelley Station is part of our westward expansion," said Roy Williams, Phillips Edison's vice president of the western region. "It's an excellent location and Shelley is a growing area."

The company, with offices in Cincinnati, Baltimore and Salt Lake City, already owns 80 retail properties in 21 states, Phillips Edison and Co. specializes in buying and redeveloping underperforming shopping centers, officials said.

Blue chips slide on cloudy earnings report

NEW YORK — A grim combination of earnings reports and lowered outlooks from companies including Colgate-Palmolive Co., Unilever PLC and The New York Times Co. sent stocks sliding Monday. Blue chips were the main sellers.

The negative news from Colgate-Palmolive, its first profit warning in nearly a decade, and a brokerage downgrade of Citigroup Inc. pressured the Dow Jones industrials. Trading was light, as many investors stuck to the sidelines ahead of a key meeting of the Federal Reserve. But analysts noted unusually strong performance among semiconductor shares despite forecasts of slower growth from chipmakers. The Philadelphia semiconductor index surged 2.9 percent.

"It seems a contrarian view is developing in the tech sector. It's feeling like the market is probably oversold, and as a result we're seeing investors having second thoughts about unloading them," said Peter Cardillo, chief strategist with S.W. Bach & Co.

— compiled from staff and wire reports

Still in step 100 years later

Buster Brown Shoes reaches century mark

The Associated Press

ST. LOUIS — While looking antique in his Little Lord Fauntleroy duds and the Dutch-boy haircut, well-to-do Buster Brown of the comics world had a devilish streak prone to land him smarting swats on his back side.

But for a century now, the tyke has had little trouble helping the bottom line of \$1.8-billion-a-year Brown Shoe Co. — and the lineup of children's footwear bearing his name.

Among the biggest merchandising phenoms in the history of comics, the winking little dickens — with his sicklekick pooch, Tige — agelessly endures as a former prince of all media, once found in everything from comic books to radio, TV and thespianry.

"It's been just the right fit for Brown Shoe.

"Few brands ever make it to 100 years," says Beth Fagan, a spokeswoman for St. Louis-based Brown Shoe, which operates a Famous Footwear store in Twin Falls.

"So when you have a cherished brand like Buster Brown that can say it's been putting shoes on the feet of children for 100 years, it's a real milestone."

Buster Brown debuted in Richard Outcault's comic strip in the New York Herald on May 4, 1902, nearly a quarter century after shoemaking Bryan Brown & Co. got its start here, then changed its name to Brown Shoe Co.

The Buster Brown comic found spots in newspapers nationwide, just as mischievous as the Katzenjammer Kids who followed. Readers knew that Buster Brown — despite each comic strip's explicit ban, where Buster pledged to walk the straight and narrow — soon would be at it again.

"I will be as good as I can, until temptation comes," he intoned, only to pull such pranks as putting extra spice in food or taking his mom's shampoo with honey.

At the 1904 World's Fair here, Outcault licensed the character to several dozen companies



Buster Brown items are shown Sept. 10 at the headquarters of Brown Shoe Co. in Clayton, Mo. The boy has been the mascot of Buster Brown shoes for 100 years.

at a time when copyrights to comic characters didn't exist, said Richard Olson, an expert on Outcault and his works.

As a rising young Brown Shoe sales executive, John Bush reportedly saw the value of the Buster Brown name as a trademark for youth shoes and persuaded the company to buy the rights to the name.

Brown Shoe did just that, reportedly for a mere \$200. The investment proved wise.

An army of dwarves, along with trained dogs such as Tige, soon dotted America's landscape, portraying Buster Brown while pitching the shoes at theaters, department stores and shoe shops. In many areas, entire towns turned out to watch.

On Sunday, *The Times-News* will publish a reprint of Varley's account of a 1907 mascot visit to Twin Falls.

In 1910, Brown Shoe published "Buster Brown's Jokes and Fingles," a booklet that kids got with a purchase of the shoes. A year later, Buster Brown starred in the company's first national ads in "The Saturday Evening Post." With the dawn of movie theaters na-

tional, Brown Shoe by 1913 was making Buster Brown a star of short films.

Four years later, a sweeping advertising campaign in that time's most popular magazines made Buster Brown shoes a national brand.

Though Outcault drew Buster Brown until about 1920, the comic kid and his canine never faded. In the mid-1920s, the rascal and his dog spent an hour each Monday and Friday entertaining on the Buster Brown Radio Club.

While the nation was at war in 1943, an advertising campaign — on behalf of the shoe brand — launched "The Buster Brown Gang," a children's radio show with Smilin' Ed McConnell.

Seven years later, the program crossed over onto television as a Saturday morning fixture that paid off for Brown Shoe, which saw its shoe sales rocket from \$6 million in 1945 to \$30 million in 1954.

"I'm not quite sure why Buster Brown (the character) became so popular," Olson said. "If I did, I'd probably make a lot of money."

Coming Sunday

Watch for the tale of Buster Brown's visit to the fledgling city of Twin Falls, on Sunday's Centennial page.

By 1950, Buster Brown shoes were the world's best seller for children. By then versed in the well-worn tag line: "That's my dog, Tige. He lives in a shoe. I'm Buster Brown. Look for me in there, too."

Decades since, Brown Shoe's portfolio has grown to include the 915-store Famous Footwear chain of family shoe stores and the 380-store Naturalizer chain selling women's shoes in the United States and Canada.

Fagan said Brown Shoe doesn't divulge the Buster Brown line's sales for a company that in recent years has restructured, closing underperforming stores, paring staff and making inventory changes.

"The fact that the brand survived is proof of the emotional connection children have with their shoes," Fagan says.

Fed likely will boost rates for third hike

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Federal Reserve, wanting to keep inflation in check, is expected to boost short-term interest rates for a third time this year today, a move that would come in the final stretch of the presidential campaign.

Private economists have been predicting when the Fed would raise its rate, working through or has already emerged from its late spring blues, but most believe the economy is in good enough shape for the Fed to raise the rates again.

Inflation isn't currently threatening the economy, but the Fed wants to make sure it doesn't become a problem, which is why economists antici-

rate Fed policy-makers will increase the target for the federal funds rate from 1.50 percent to 1.75 percent. That rate is the interest banks charge on short-term overnight loans and is the Fed's primary tool for influencing the economy.

Such an increase would mean that commercial banks' prime lending rate, a benchmark for many short-term consumer and business loans, would climb from 4.50 percent to 4.75 percent.

The expected Fed rate increase would come with Election Day just six weeks away. President Bush and his Democratic rival, John Kerry, hold widely divergent views about how the economy and the nation's job market are far-

ing. Incumbent politicians normally are unhappy if the Fed raises rates close to an election.

Yet, some economists said that by doing so, the Fed could appear comfortable about the pace of the economy's expansion, which might be seen as good for the Bush campaign.

Even with the expected increases, both the funds rate and the prime rate would still be low by historical standards, analysts said. Before the Fed ordered its first rate increase this year in June, the funds rate for a year had been kept at 1 percent, a 40-year low, to help support the economy.

A series of 13 rate reductions that began in January 2001 and ended in June 2003 dropped the funds rate to 1 percent as the Fed fought to help an econ-

omy staggered by a series of blows — a plunging stock market, the 2001 recession, terrorist attacks and two wars.

"Now that the economy is out of the crisis zone and no longer needs a bracing tonic, analysts said, the funds rate must be moved up from what economists call "emergency" levels of liquidity.

"Fed members are concerned that if they don't raise rates at least modestly now, they'll have an inflation problem down the road," said Mark Zandi, chief economist at Economy.com. "The economy is improving enough for the Fed to continue on its path of small rate increases."

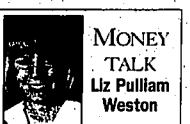
Analysts believe the funds rate will rise to 2 percent by the end of 2004.

Parents, think twice before adding children's names to deed

Question: My parents have been told they have cancer. When their medical bills started mounting, they put all their assets in a trust. They added my name to the deed in an effort to prevent creditors from taking their home.

Unfortunately, now my husband and I are filing for Chapter 7 bankruptcy. We have no equity in our home, no savings and a retirement account that was drained to pay education costs for our four children.

"What's more, my husband has taken a 27 percent pay cut at work and our expenses exceed our income by at least \$1,000 a month, which doesn't include the payments we're supposed to be making on our credit cards. We're being turned down for credit counseling and don't see an alternative to bankruptcy, but our attorney has told us that the bankruptcy trustee can force



the sale of my parents' property. Answer: There is yet another reason parents should think twice, and then three or four times more, before adding children's names to a real estate

deed. Such an action typically fails to protect the property from the parents' creditors and can make it vulnerable to the creditors' claims. You can't even get out of this situation by getting off the deed, said Los Angeles bankruptcy attorney Scott Bovitz. If you made this transfer within one year of filing, the trustee, or even one of your creditors, could ask the bankruptcy judge to block your ability to discharge your debts. In other words, you couldn't get them erased in U.S. Bankruptcy Court.

Even if you waited longer after the transfer, Bovitz said, you could face problems. If the bankruptcy Court decided that the transfer was meant to defraud your creditors, they could come after you for the value of the property.

It's true that the trustee might

decide that your partial interest isn't worth enough to bother selling it, as the cases your daughter found seem to show. But the trustee also could decide to seize and sell the whole property under certain circumstances.

The trustee's decision ultimately will be based on the financial issues involved, not pity for your parents' predicament. "The trustee does not really care about the parents' difficulties," Bovitz said.

Your lawyer should be the one explaining all this to you and reviewing your options. If you can't get his or her attention, consider hiring someone else or seeking help from your local legal aid society.

It may well be that the best course is not to proceed with your bankruptcy. This means you could continue to be harassed by creditors for debts

COURT FILINGS

The Times-News

BOISE — Recent activity in U.S. Bankruptcy Court included these Magic Valley filings:

Chapter 7, nonbusiness, under \$50,000

Sarah Jane Wigner, also known as Sarah McDavin, 130 E. Ave. D, Jerome, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000, Case no. 04-11938.

Jeff W. Stanger, also known as Jeffrey W. Stansrose, and Michelle Annette Stranger, also known as Michelle A. Simpson, Michelle A. Fischer and Mizz Stanger, 249 N. 250 W., Jerome, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000, Case no. 04-11939.

Land, Sue Hizzard, 391 S. 300 E., Jerome, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000, Case no. 04-11947.

Bryant Ronald Heatt, also known as Ron Heatt, and Mickey Heatt, also known as Mickey Roberts, 938 Blake St. N., Twin Falls, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000, Case no. 04-11949.

John Edward Braden and Pauline Fay Braden, 1450 Oriental Ave., Burley, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000, Case no. 04-11976.

Willis Moore, also known as Bill Moore, and Dorothy Moore, also known as Buffy Moore, 1710 W. 22 Poplar St., Burley, joint, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000, Case no. 04-11979.

Jammy M. Marinande, also known as Jammy Ryce, 219 W. 25th St., Burley, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$100,000, liabilities under \$50,000, Case no. 04-11977.

Chapter 7, nonbusiness, \$50,000 to \$100,000

Donetta H. Stephens, 515 Kimberly Road, No. 25, Twin Falls, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities \$50,000 to \$100,000, Case no. 04-11950.

Mark Steven Nelson, 238 Seventy Ave. N., Twin Falls, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities \$50,000 to \$100,000, Case no. 04-11951.

John E. Eschenburg, 165 Crestview Drive, Twin Falls, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities \$50,000 to \$100,000, Case no. 04-11953.

Angelique Marie Short, 131 W. Pine St., Arcturum, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities \$50,000 to \$100,000, Case no. 04-11954.

Pamela Jean Hankins, also known as Pamela Jean Koberla, 220 E. Second St., Shoshone, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets \$50,000 to \$100,000, liabilities \$50,000 to \$100,000, Case no. 04-11958.

Aloha B. Freeman, 595 N. Blake St., No. 10, Richfield, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities \$50,000 to \$100,000, Case no. 04-11959.

Ray Misko and Michelle Kathleen Misko, 2238 Hansen Drive, No. 21, Burley, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 50-89 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities \$50,000 to \$100,000, Case no. 04-11960.

Donald Cole, 1811 O. St., Heyburn, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets \$50,000 to \$100,000, liabilities \$50,000 to \$100,000, Case no. 04-11961.

Timothy Ivan Miller, 983 W. 45 N., Burley, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 50-89 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities \$50,000 to \$100,000, Case no. 04-11978.

Chapter 7, nonbusiness, \$100,000 to \$500,000

Mikkel Sherry, 611 S. Fir, Jerome, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$100,000, liabilities under \$500,000, Case no. 04-11978.

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Parents, think twice before adding children's names to deed

you can't pay, but it could help protect your parents' property.

Besides, filing for bankruptcy would solve your cash flow problems, because even without debt payments you're spending more than you earn. You need to look hard at all your options, including selling your house and finding something cheaper, taking on a second job (or going back to work if you're not employed), and perhaps even asking your children for financial help if they are able.

No, it's not the life you envisioned for yourself as you near retirement. But it's the life you have and the sooner you take action, the better.

Liz Pulliam Weston is a contributor to the Los Angeles Times and a graduate of the personal finance planning certificate program at the University of California, Irvine.

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COMPUTERS AND TECHNOLOGY

THE Power OF THE print



Microsoft's new PC Fingerprint Reader is shown in this photo Sept. 7, in Los Angeles. The new fingerprint reader is designed to do away with the drudgery of typing user names and passwords.

New Microsoft fingerprint reader does away with passwords

By Alex Velga
Associated Press writer

LOS ANGELES — Spend time online and odds are you'll have to type a username and password to check your e-mail, access your bank account or read a newspaper story.

Enter Microsoft Corp.'s new fingerprint-recognition technology for personal computers running its Windows XP operating system. The device promises to relieve the drudgery of keeping track of passwords and having to retype them again and again. Your fingerprints serve as a shortcut.

To a large degree, the Microsoft Fingerprint Reader worked as promised, making quick work of signing into most of the Web sites and software applications I tried.

Like other devices based on biometrics — the use of technology to recognize physical traits — the Microsoft reader scans the unique skin patterns on a finger. The device's software keeps the image as a reference and bars others from triggering the automated passwords needed to access Web sites and computer programs.

Microsoft says that the Fingerprint Reader should not be trusted to secure access to corporate networks or to protect sensitive data, such as financial information.

Basically, the company says it's about convenience, not security. That seems to rule out password-protected Web sites for credit cards, utilities, banking and others for which I might want to be

spared having to remember and type a litany of passwords.

For whatever is left, the fingerprint Reader appears to deliver reasonably well, and, despite Microsoft's security caveat, it thwarted my colleagues' attempts to access my accounts using their fingerprints. It also thwarted attempts to forge them with such TV spy imitations as Silly Putty and Scotch tape.

To get started, though, I had to run through a lengthy setup. The unit, slightly bigger than a "fat" floppy disk, has a small port lined with clear plastic through which it scans fingerprints. The device connects to the computer through a USB port and comes with recognition software.

One can choose any or all fingers on both hands to record, but the scanning procedure can be sketchy. You must scan one finger four times, and it took 14 attempts to do so. Subsequent attempts with a different finger were completed without problems, however.

A password manager program directs you to enter usernames and passwords for Web sites or computer programs you'd like to use with Fingerprint Reader. That requires going to every Web site and launching every program one at a time.

Once you go through all that, though, the program was simple to use — when it works. Encounter a Web site or program that requires a password, and simply tap on the reader to fill it in automatically. Or launch

specific programs or sites by clicking on a small icon on the system tray at the bottom right corner of the screen.

In about three seconds, one dab of the finger launched the Yahoo Web site and got me straight to the mail log page. The user name and password (as asterisks) popped in and then the page opened to the mailbox.

Similar attempts to check e-mail using Netscape's software and the Web-based interface for America Online worked without a hitch. I also did an attempt to read news on The New York Times Web site.

But the Web sites for Sprint and Bank of America didn't immediately launch like the others. Instead, a pop-up window kept asking me to reenter the password, even though the software manager already had it. I was able to launch the sites using the system tray icon, but that required the extra step of using the mouse to click on the link.

The Fingerprint Reader supports multiple users, but each must be logged in separately through Windows XP. The device, with a retail price of \$54.95, hits stores in mid-November. The company is also incorporating the device in a \$109 keyboard and in a \$84 wireless mouse.

It's hard to say whether I would run out and buy the Fingerprint Reader after only a few uses. While I could definitely see myself becoming accustomed to not having to type in passwords, it remains a minor convenience for the price.

WHAT'S HOT, WHAT'S NEW IN TECHNOLOGY

Sleek and skinny

Apple's new iMac is thinnest yet

By Craig Crossman
Knight Ridder News Service

Losing weight has become a national obsession. This is in and it's not just with the human form. Some of the most desirable technology products of today are thin and the thinner the better.

New digital cameras are thin enough to slip into a shirt pocket. Portable mp3 players and even the latest stereo components are losing weight. And let's not forget those wonderful flat plasma TV sets that hang on a wall, and who doesn't want a flat-panel computer screen on their computer these days?

Unless the computer is the flat screen. Well, that's exactly what Apple has done to its newest generation of iMac computer.

Looking at the new iMac is like looking at a computer monitor without the computer. Apple has managed to cram the entire computer into a beautifully sculpted display that comes in a wide-screen format.

In fact, the new iMac form looks pretty much like Apple's recently introduced line of 20-, 23- and 30-inch screens. The brushed aluminum base allows the screen to seemingly float above the desk. A touch of the finger lets you pivot the screen to an ideal viewing angle. The base is also part of the iMac's cable management system that guides all the cables that plug into a vertical array of five USB ports (three USB 2.0), two FireWire 400 ports, a 10/100BASE-T Ethernet and a 56K V.92 modem port on the left side of the reversed screen.

The new iMacs come in three different models. The first two come with 17-inch cinema displays while the top of the line sports a 20-inch cinema wide screen. All of them use the newest 64-bit G5 processors ranging from 1.6 to 1.8 gigahertz.

All use the NVIDIA GeForce FX 5200 Ultra graphics processor with 64 megabytes of video memory. All this ensures you will be able to play the latest games and those becoming available in time for the holidays.

The optical drive is a small slit in the upper right side of the screen where the disc is vertically inserted. The iMac models come with an 80- or 160-gigabyte hard drive spinning at 7200 rpm. All of these numbers and specifications hold down to the simple fact that these are the fastest iMacs Apple has ever made. And they are also some of the least expensive. The two 17-inch versions sell for \$1,299 and \$1,499, which adds a SuperDrive that can read and write CD and DVD discs. The 20-inch screen model goes for \$1,899.

If that weren't enough, all the

iMacs include built-in stereo speakers and microphones. On the software front, all include Apple's latest OS X Panther, plus iLife, AppleWorks, Quicken 2004 for Mac, WorldBook Encyclopedia 2004 Edition, Nanosour 2 and MarbleBlast Gold. So there's plenty for you to do right out of the box.

It would have been nice to include Bluetooth and an Airport wireless access but you can optionally add them inside if you so desire. Still the lower price combined with the faster performance speeds that comes with the G5 technology is a solid plus in Apple's favor. I recommend that you add on Apple's wireless keyboard and mouse for that extra special touch. Did I mention that it just looks so very cool?

While I will miss the last generation of iMac with its hemisphere base and balanced arm that let you glide the attached screen with the touch of a finger, this newest, thinnest generation of iMac just might be Apple's best-looking computer yet. Of course, beauty is always in the eye of the beholder, so go and behold one at an Apple dealer near you.

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Price cut on Microsoft's XP Starter Edition may be just the beginning

Knight Ridder News Service

SAN JOSE, Calif. — A tiny yet important crack has opened, with little notice, in the great Windows monopoly that surrounds personal computing.

Microsoft for the first time is lowering the price that manufacturers pay for the Windows operating system.

It's happening with a new version of the OS called Windows XP Starter Edition that's only being sold on the other side of the world in languages other than English.

But this crack could quickly widen. I expect more and more nations to demand their own low-cost version of Windows. I can even imagine a day, not too distant, when an economic colossus bigger than any nation — Wall-Arat — demands Starter Edition for PCs on sale in the United States.

One characteristic of a monopoly is the ability to sell the identical product at a fixed price in all markets. Somewhat like the old joke attributed to Henry Ford: "You can have a Model T in any color you want, as long as it's black."

Windows XP Home Edition, the standard consumer version of the OS, costs just under \$99 when purchased individually for a PC running an older version of Windows.

PC makers pay less, although the exact amount is a closely guarded secret. The best guess by outside analysts is \$50 to \$75. After including overhead, Windows probably adds about \$100 to the retail cost of a new computer.

It doesn't matter if it's Dell or HP selling PCs in the United States, or some struggling small

manufacturer in the Third World. Every PC maker pays the same for XP Home. Fancier versions, such as XP Professional and XP Media Center Edition, cost more.

Unlike just about every other part of the computing universe, where prices keep coming down, Microsoft hasn't budged on the price PC makers pay for Windows in years.

Enter the penguin, Linux, the open-source operating system first developed and maintained by a global army of volunteers, has become big enough to threaten Microsoft.

Governments in the Third World are seriously considering Linux, because it's free and can be customized without requiring anyone's prior approval, for low-cost PCs aimed at first-time users on very tight budgets.

Microsoft already backed down in a small way last year, offering some limited cut-rate pricing in Thailand, when that country's government started a program offering subsidized Linux systems.

But Microsoft didn't take its first comprehensive step until last month, when it officially announced Starter Edition.

It will be sold only to PC makers, not to the public, and once again the price is secret.

I called Rob Enderle, a computing analyst in San Jose, and asked for his estimate. He said Starter Edition could sell for as little as \$20.

Trying to keep the genie in the bottle, Microsoft is hedging in every way possible. Starter Edition will only be available at first in three countries — Indonesia, Malaysia and Thailand — in local languages. Two more countries, not yet named, will be added soon.

Microsoft also emphasized that Starter Edition, which begins shipping in October, is a yearlong "pilot program" rather than a permanent product offering.

To prevent Starter Edition from jumping the fence from families to small business, where Microsoft still wants a big market-up, Microsoft has yanked out several features.

Starter Edition PCs won't connect to any kind of home or office network, although they'll be able to access the Internet. The machines also won't be able to run more than three programs at a time.

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SPORTSQUOTE

What is this, a psychology test?

— Pedro Martinez, who was asked by the New York Post's Steve Serby prior to this past weekend's Red Sox-Yankees series if he pitched in a controlled rage

TRIVIA

QUESTION: Who holds the University of Southern California single-game records for most rushing yards and most touchdowns?
...answer below

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

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Burley at Twin Falls, 4:30 p.m.
Wood River at Pocatello, 4:30 p.m.

Century at Jerome, 5 p.m.

Girls Soccer

Minico at Preston, 4:30 p.m.
Twin Falls at Burley, 4:30 p.m.

Pocatello at Wood River, 4:30 p.m.

Jerome at Century, 5 p.m.

Girls Volleyball

Murtaugh/Vally at Hagerman, 5 p.m.

Wendell/Shoshone at Carey, 5 p.m.

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Gooding at Kimberly, 6 p.m.

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Eagles, McNabb win battle of stars

By Barry Wilner, Associated Press writer

PHILADELPHIA — Donovan McNabb didn't need much of Turrell Owens on Monday night. Daunte Culpepper could have used a lot more of Randy Moss. In a strange game featuring lots of long drives but not many points, the Philadelphia Eagles rode the running and passing of McNabb past the Minnesota Vikings 27-16. Of the four big offensive stars, only McNabb glittered, and Culpepper hurt his team badly with a fumble inside the Philadelphia 1-yard line.

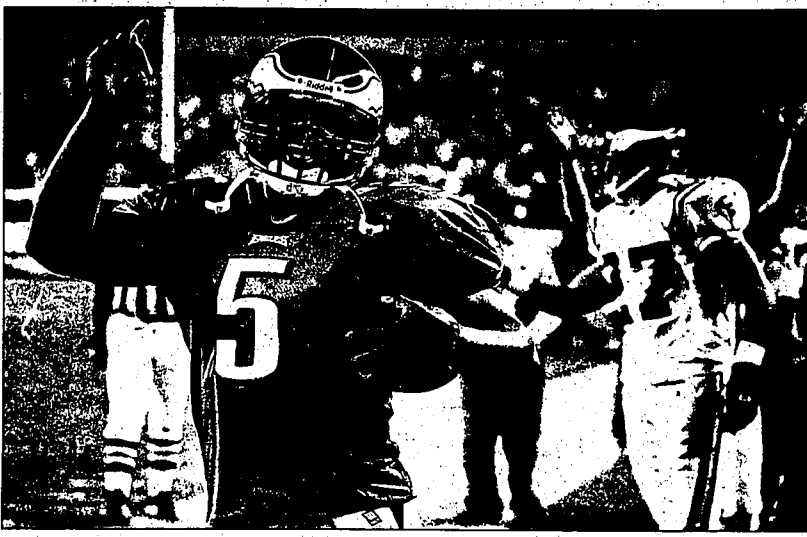
The Eagles' 2-0 start at the line is a switch from last season when they lost the first two games at their new home. The Vikings (1-1) have lost 16 of their last 17 outdoor regular-season games.

McNabb made several big plays in throwing for 245 yards. He passed for only 30 yards, including the clincher to Owens for 45 yards with 7:40 remaining, and ran for another.

Otherwise, Owens, who had three TD receptions in his Eagles debut last week, didn't have a big impact with four catches for 73 yards.

Moss, whose costly offensive pass interference penalty was his most noteworthy play until a 4-yard TD catch in the final minute.

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Philadelphia Eagles quarterback Donovan McNabb celebrates his 20-yard touchdown run against the Minnesota Vikings in the third quarter, on Monday, in Philadelphia.

Police arrest two in death of Idaho player

The Associated Press

MOSCOW — A University of Idaho football player died of a gunshot wound Monday morning, a few hours after police arrested two Seattle men in connection with the slaying after a high-speed chase across half the state of Washington. Eric McMillan, 19, was pronounced dead at 4 a.m. Monday at Grifman Memorial Hospital of a single gunshot wound to the chest struck Sunday afternoon, Moscow Police Capt. Cam Hershaw said. McMillan was a starting cornerback for the Vandals.

The two men were arrested Sunday night on Interstate 90 near Vantage, in central Wash-

ington, about 150 miles west of Moscow.

Matthew H. Wells II, 27, and his brother, James I. Wells, 25, both of Seattle, were booked into the Whitman County, Wash., jail Sunday afternoon, Hershaw said.

Whitman County Prosecutor Dennis Tracy said the two made an initial appearance in county Superior Court on Monday. They were being held for investigation of felony attempted eluding on bail of \$75,000 each. Tracy said. Formal charges are expected to be filed Wednesday, he said.

Tracy said he will consult with Latah County Prosecutor Bill Thompson to coordinate extradition on possible murder

charges in Idaho. McMillan, a redshirt freshman from Murietta, Calif., had three tackles in Idaho's 39-8 loss to Washington State on Saturday.

"We'll deal with this as a football family and get through this together," Idaho coach Nick Holt said before a Monday meeting with his players.

Officers went to McMillan's residence following a report of gunshots about 5:24 p.m. Sunday, and found that McMillan had been taken to the hospital in a private vehicle, Hershaw said.

Witnesses gave police a description and license plate number of a late model white BMW car with two men inside

seen speeding away from the scene.

Whitman County Sheriff's deputies later spotted the vehicle, between Pullman and Colfax, Wash., and gave chase, joined by Colfax police officials said.

A road block was set up outside of Colfax, but the car did not stop, police said. Officers from the Whitman County Sheriff's Department followed the vehicle to Obello, where Washington State Patrol troopers continued the chase along Highway 26.

The car was finally stopped at about 8:30 p.m. Sunday after officers laid a spike strip on Interstate 90 near Vantage, Hershaw said.

"It's an unfortunate situation and our heart goes out to the family involved," Idaho athletic director Bob Spear said. "Our first priority is to take care of the family and help them through this very difficult time. Until we gather more facts, we are not going to comment any further."

McMillan's former coach at Murietta Valley High School in California, Wally Clark, said McMillan was both a scholar who carried a 3.5 grade point average and popular athlete after moving to Murietta Valley from Alabama to live with an aunt.

"If you wanted a son, you'd pick Eric McMillan. He affected everybody he was around," Clark said.

Winning the turnover battle decides outcome

By Dave Goldberg, Associated Press writer

Joe Gibbs had seen it before, although he didn't remember. On Dec. 7, 1986, his Washington Redskins turned the ball over seven times and lost to the New York Giants.

They equaled that figure at the Meadowlands on Sunday, where the Giants got seven more and beat Gibbs and Washington 20-14.

"I think back and I don't know that I have seen that many mistakes," Gibbs said. "Give them all the credit, but we just can't do what we did either."

Sunday was a perfect example of why turnover differential is the most important statistic in the game.

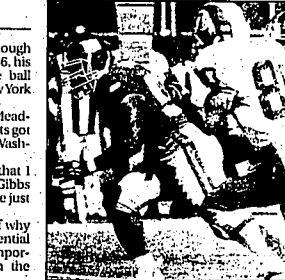
In 12 of the 15 games, the winners had more takeaways than the teams they beat and in seven of those games, turnovers were clearly the deciding factor:

• The Giants got 17 of their 20 points directly off turnovers, including a 16-yard touchdown on a fumble return by linebacker Barrett Green. Three of their four interceptions came deep in their own territory, preventing Washington scores.

• Chicago's upset win in Green Bay was the result of a 14-point swing just inside the 2-minute warning in the first half. On first down from the 2, Brian Urlacher stripped Adam Green of the ball and Mike Brown scooped it up and ran 95 yards for a touchdown, making it 14-3 Chicago instead of 10-7 Green Bay.

• Jacksonville, which is 2-0 despite just 20 points in two wins, was the beneficiary of a fumble by Denver's Quentin Griffin at their 23-yard line with 37 seconds left in their 7-6 win. Had Griffin held on to the ball, the Broncos were within easy range of a game-winning field goal by the reliable Jason Elam.

• Indianapolis and Tennessee were tied 17-7 when Steve McNair threw what looked like a go-ahead touchdown pass to Derrick Mason early in the fourth



New York Giants linebacker Barrett Green, left, heads for the end zone for a touchdown after picking up a fumble as Washington Redskins' Lavarious Coles pursues in the second quarter Sunday, at Giants Stadium in East Rutherford, N.J. The Giants won 20-14.

quarter. But the Colts' Nick Harper pulled it away from Mason in the end zone and Indy then went 80 yards for the go-ahead score in a 31-17 win.

• In Cincinnati, the Bengals' only touchdown in their 16-13 win over the Dolphins came on Brian Simmons' 50-yard interception return.

• The difference in Oakland's 13-10 win over Buffalo was Ray Buchanan's interception and 27-yard return that set up a field goal.

• Seattle's 10-6 win in Tampa stemmed directly from two interceptions, the first by Marcus Trufant to set up the game's only touchdown, the second by Michael Bowware to stop the Bucs' final drive. The first came off Brad Johnson, the second off Chris Simms, making his first regular-season appearance after replacing an ineffective Johnson.

The Giants' seven takeaways were almost a third of the 22 they had all of last



European Ryder Cup player Colin Montgomerie drops his putter after sinking his final putt on the 18th hole as Europe retained the Ryder Cup at Oakland Hills Country Club, Bloomfield Township, Michigan, on Sunday.

American players need attitude adjustment regarding Ryder Cup

By Doug Ferguson, Associated Press writer

BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP, Mich. — The Americans have run out of explanations, but not excuses.

It should no longer be a mystery — nor an upset, for that matter — when the Europeans go home with the Ryder Cup, because that's what they have done seven times of the last 10 matches. Just never like this.

For the first time, Europe won every format over three days at Oakland Hills — alternate shot (4.5-3.5), better ball (6.5-1.5) and singles (7.5-4.5) — and wound up handing the Americans their worst loss (18.5-9.5) since this friendly tie exhibition began in 1927.

The United States was gracious in defeat until someone mentioned the Presidents Cup.

"It's harder on us, playing it every year," Davis Love III said.

"It does take a lot out of you," Tiger Woods added. "As the Europeans said, if they had to do this every year, it would be very difficult."

come a convenient excuse for them to complain about playing in these team events every year — against Europe in the Ryder Cup, then against everyone but Europe in the Presidents Cup.

And maybe there is some truth to that. The arrival of the Presidents Cup coincided with the Americans' slump in the Ryder Cup; they are 1-4 since 1994. Against a stronger international team, they are 3-1-1 in the Presidents Cup.

They can handle Vijay Singh, Ernie Els, Mike Weir and Retief Goosen, four of the top seven players in the world with nine major championships among them. They get badly beaten by Lee Westwood and Sergio Garcia.

Does anyone really think doing away with the Presidents Cup will help the Americans in the Ryder Cup?

If anything, they should see the Presidents Cup as a solution. It is more like a working vacation. The Americans are far more relaxed, and it brings out the best in their golf.

Woods is 8-7-0 in the Presidents Cup, while he has never had a winning record in any of the four Ryder Cup matches he has played. Maybe the Americans simply care too much.

TRIVIA ANSWER:

Ricky Bell, who ran for 347 yards in a school-record 51 carries against Washington State in 1976, and Anthony Davis, who scored six touchdowns against Notre Dame in 1972.

SPORTS

Cubs trail Giants in wild-card race

MIAMI (AP) — David Weathers made sure the Chicago Cubs stay on top of the National League wild-card standings was brief.

The journeyman right-hander, making his first start in six years, limited Chicago to two hits and one run in five innings, and the Florida Marlins won 5-2 for a split of their doubleheader Monday.

Mark Prior allowed just five hits in 7 2-3 innings and outpitched Carl Pavano (11-7) in the opener to help the Cubs win 5-1.

With the victory in Game 1, Chicago climbed one percentage point ahead of San Francisco in the wild-card race. But the Cubs ended the day where they started: a half-game behind the idle Giants.

The Marlins remained 4.5 games behind San Francisco.

In the first game, Corey Patterson's two-run double put the Cubs ahead to stay, and Prior (6-4) allowed one run in the first. He threw a season-high 129 pitches.

In the second game, Damian Easley hit three-run shot off Matt Clement (9-13). Michael Barrett hit his 19th home run for the Cubs.

Cardinals 7, Brewers 4

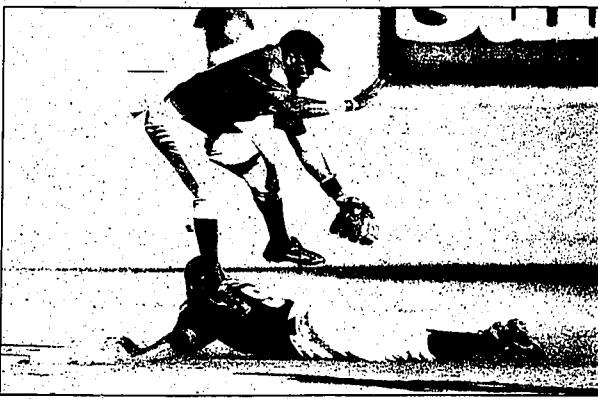
MILWAUKEE — Albert Pujols hit a tiebreaking single in the ninth inning, and St. Louis beat Milwaukee for its major league-leading 99th victory.

St. Louis ensured its third division title in five seasons on Saturday when the Cardinals beat Arizona 7-0, and San Francisco and the Chicago Cubs both lost.

St. Louis capitalized on Luis Vizcaino's wildness to tie it at 4 in the eighth, then went ahead with three runs in the ninth for their 44th comeback win.

Dan Kelly (0-4) took the loss. Julian Favarez (7-4) got the win out in the eighth for the final.

Jason Isringhausen pitched a perfect ninth for his 33rd save in 50 chances.



Chicago Cubs shortstop Neftali Perez leaps over Florida Marlins' Juan Pierre as Pierre steals second base during the fourth inning of the second game of a double header, on Monday, in Miami.

American League

Twins 8, White Sox 2

CHICAGO — Torii Hunter and Corey Koskie each hit a two-run homer in the first inning, and Minnesota clinched its third straight division crown on their main rivals' home turf, beating Chicago.

Henry Blanco and Luis Rivas also homered. Alvin Escobar popped out to shortstop Cristian Guzman for the final out. The Twins rushed onto the field for hugs and handshakes at second base.

Orioles 9, Red Sox 6

BOSTON — B.J. Surhoff hit a grand slam, and the Baltimore Orioles capitalized on the third straight poor start by a Boston pitcher.

The Red Sox failed to make advantage of the Yankees' 6-3 loss to Toronto and remained 4.5 games behind AL East-leading New York. Boston lost in New York 11-1 and 14-4 on Saturday and Sunday.

Blue Jays 6, Yankees 3

NEW YORK — First livery Chacin became the gusty starter to win his major league debut against the Yankees in the Joe Torre era.

Chacin (1-0) held the AL East leaders to a mere four hits before leaving in the eighth inning.

Javier Vazquez (14-10) took the loss, just the Yankees' fourth defeat in 15 games. He allowed four runs and nine hits in 6-2 3 innings.

Royals 6, Devil Rays 3

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — Calvin Pickering hit a tiebreaking two-run homer in the

eighth inning. Brian Anderson (5-11) allowed three runs and seven hits over 7 2-3 innings to win his third straight decision. Jeremy Affeldt pitched the ninth for his 12th save in 15 opportunities.

Aubrey Huff and Carl Crawford homered for Tampa Bay, which has lost 17 of 21.

Tigers 3, Indians 1

DETROIT — Mike Maroth pitched splendidly into the seventh, and Dmitri Young and Brandon Inge homered for Detroit.

Maroth (11-11) pitched 6 2-3 scoreless innings, allowing six hits while striking out three.

Esteban Yan got the last four outs for his fifth save in 14 chances.

Scott Elarton (3-5) allowed three runs and seven hits in five innings. He walked two and struck out four.

Craig Monroe went 3-for-4 for Detroit.

Wendell boys show firepower in win

The Times-News

Local sports

WENDELL — Damian Diaz scored three goals and Jose Salazar added two more to help the host Wendell Trojans to a 6-0 boys soccer victory over Filer on Monday.

Diaz scored the first goal of the game on an assist from Giovanni Leon. The duo then hooked up again at the start of the second half before Diaz went unassisted to score the final goal of the match.

Salazar made it 2-0 in the first half on a penalty kick and later scored unassisted to increase the Trojans' lead to 3-0 at halftime.

Leon also got into the scoring act with a second-half goal.

"They've just been working really hard in practice and in the games," Wendell coach Robert Orloski said. "I think they're beginning to understand the game a little bit more now."

Wendell (4-1-1) hosts Declo on Monday.

Girls Soccer

Wood River JV 5, Wendell 0

WENDELL — Wendell struggled offensively in a 5-0 loss to the Wood River junior varsity squad.

"They just outplayed us today," Wendell coach Jon Goss said. "We just couldn't get our attack going."

Wendell (1-3-2) hosts the Minico junior varsity at 4:30 p.m. Wednesday.

Girls Volleyball

Shoshone 3, Hagerman 0

SHOSHONE — Shoshone

improved to 12-0 on the season with a 25-10, 25-22, 25-20 victory over Hagerman.

"It wasn't a real pretty match," Shoshone coach Larry Messick said. "We came out and took the first one pretty easily. But then Hagerman came out and played us toe-to-toe the rest of the way."

Meghan Sorenson had 17 service points for the Indians. Talley Harris led Shoshone with 15 kills and Katie Strunk added 12.

Shoshone will travel to Wendell for a triangular with the Trojans and Carey tonight at 5.

The Shoshone junior varsity won 2-0.

Camas County 3, The Community School 2

FAIRFIELD — Camas County used dominant serving in rallying to a 26-28, 22-25, 25-6, 25-10, 15-6 win over The Community School.

Camas County fell behind by two games before the Musters' strong serving took effect.

"It was our serves that won it for us," Camas County coach Becky Skinner said.

Samantha Sisman served up 15 straight Musters points in the fourth game and 20 overall. She also finished with eight kills. Kristin Weatherly led Camas County with 23 service points.

Both McLain led the Musters with nine kills.

Camas County (4-6 overall, 3-5 Magic Valley Northside Conference) plays at Bliss tonight at 6 p.m.

Huskies try to regroup after being run over by UCLA

The Associated Press

SEATTLE — Two days later, UCLA's Maurice Drew is still impressing Washington coach Keith Gilchrist.

"I don't want to take anything away from what he did, but I don't think we played worth a darn defensively," Gilbertson said on Monday, after spending the last 48 hours digesting Drew's record-setting 32 yard rushing performance in Saturday's 37-31 UCLA win.

"I think that guy is special," Drew's game just added to a mountain of questions already surrounding the 0-2 Huskies, who led 24-7 before the Bruins rattled off the next 27 points.

The schedule doesn't give any immediate reprieve, as Washington travels to South Bend, Ind., this week for a matchup with 2-1 Notre Dame.

In their season opening loss to Fresno State, it was the Huskies' passing offense that was cause for concern, but the defense was strong, holding the Bulldogs to just 252 yards of total offense and only two defensive touchdowns.

Struggling Titans must fix their problems quickly

The Associated Press

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — All the talk of payback for being swept by Indianapolis in 2003 has been shelved. The chance to take a big step up in the AFC South? Gone for now.

The Tennessee Titans must

deal with issues that suddenly have become problems, especially with the division's new leader — the Jacksonville Jaguars — coming to town Sunday.

"The Titans suddenly can't even gain a yard or two when needed, and the defense is hav-

ing trouble reaching the quarterback while giving up 21 points in the fourth quarter.

"It is very unusual and not characteristic of us," coach Jeff Fisher said Monday, a day after the Titans (1-1) did just that in a 31-17 loss to Indianapolis. "We had a good plan, and we didn't

make any plays."

"That's not completely true. Chris Brown has become only the third back in franchise history to rush for at least 100 yards in each of his first two NFL starts. His 252 yards rank third in the NFL, and he is averaging 6 yards per carry.

Eagles

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... did have eight receptions for 69 yards. But the Vikings kept bogging down in or near the red zone, in part because Moss was hiked and Calpepper was sacked four times.

Calpepper finished 37-for-47 for 333 yards.

Morten Andersen appeared in his 34th NFL game, tying George Blanda's record. The 23-year veteran's left leg looked plenty strong as he made three field goals, including a 42-yarder to open the scoring. But he was short on a 44-yarder with 9:11 remaining.

Breesbrook dominated the Eagles' 72-yard march to a 7-3 lead on their first series. He was involved in six of the 11 plays, gaining 44 yards. L.J. Smith beat rookie linebacker Dontarrious Thomas over the middle for an 11-yard touchdown catch.

Minnesota didn't blinch, driving 65 yards in 14 plays before flopping on three runs from the Eagles 2. Brian Dawkins' hard hit on Calpepper's third-down quarterback draw stopped him

short of the end zone, and Andersen added a 19-yard field goal. Calpepper outweighs Dawkins by about 50 pounds.

"Then it was Philadelphia's turn to score again, this time on David Akers' 37-yard field goal. He had a 47-yarder with 1:11 to go in the game.

Dawkins' fumble recovery after Nate Wayne stripped the ball from Calpepper inside the Philadelphia 1 finished a wide-open, yet low-scoring first half. There were few points, but also only one punt as neither defense could stop time-consuming drives. The

teams combined to gain 357 yards in the half that ended 10-6.

Philadelphia got 43 more on the opening drive of the second half, which began at the Vikings 43 after rookie J.R. Reed's 46-yard kickoff return. McNabb avoided a strong rush and got a great downfield block by tailback Reno Mahe on his 20-6 lead.

Calpepper returned the favor by scoring on an 11-yard run on the next series, only to see it negated by center Matt Birk's holding penalty. Andersen kicked his third field goal, from 39 yards,

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Turnover

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... season, when they tied for last in the NFL with Buffalo with a minus-16 turnover differential. After two games this season, they are tied for first with Detroit and the Jets at plus-5.

The game-turning play in Green Bay also came from a team with a new coach, Lovie Smith, the former defensive coordinator of the Bears. The last two times he faced the Packers with St. Louis, Smith's team forced 10 turnovers.

When he was hired by the Bears eight months ago, Smith identified Green Bay as the team he wanted to beat the most and implied that he knew how.

"I've never been in a fight where some guy told me he was going to beat me up and he beat me up," Green Bay linebacker Nick Barnett said.

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A letter of application, resume of experience and three letters of recommendation can be sent to District Secretary Len Penner at Box 475, Glennis Ferry, ID 83623, or faxed to (209) 366-3018, or e-mailed to kfishan@fso.com.

Idaho State WR

wins Big Sky award

OGDEN, Utah — Players from Sacramento State, Idaho State, and Eastern Washington are winners of player-of-the-week honors in Big Sky Conference football.

League officials Monday announced the award on offense went to wide receiver Fred Amey of Sacramento State and Akliah Lacey of Idaho State.

Los Angeles registered eight solo tackles and one assisted tackle in his first career start for the Hornets. The 6-3, 235-pound junior from Sanger, Calif., had four tackles for losses and tied a Sacramento State single-game record with three sacks.

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RB Duce McAllister

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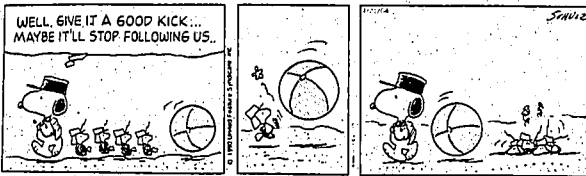
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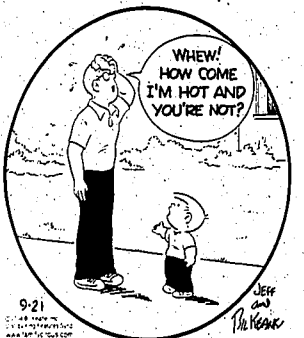
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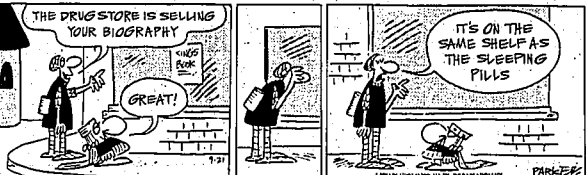
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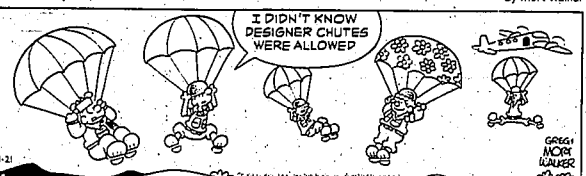
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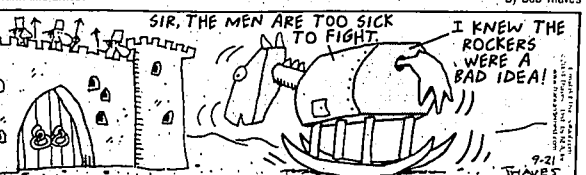
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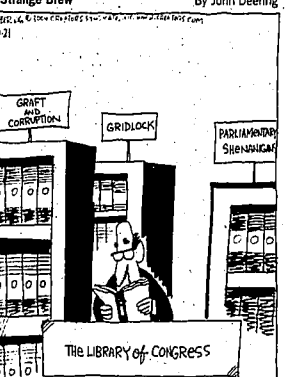
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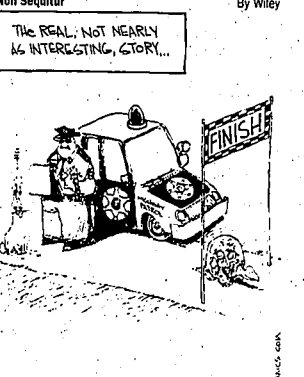
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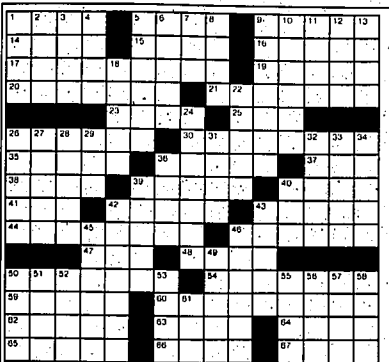


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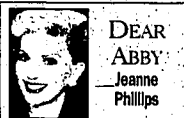
Husband's obsession takes toll on wife

DEAR ABBY: I have been married for 13 years. During that time, my husband, "Newton," has had several affairs, but I forgave him and we managed to patch things up.

Around 1995, I noticed a change in Newton's sex behavior. Porno magazines began arriving and charges showed up on our credit card for sexual sites on the Internet. I thought about leaving, but by then we had two daughters.

I recently went to visit my parents in another state for a weekend. It was the first time since our marriage that I went alone. While I was gone, Newton bought some kind of sexual-enhancer vitamins for women. We've always had an active sex life, and I didn't think I needed enhancers.

One morning, I drove our girls to school, and when I returned home to do the breakfast dishes, I found "stuff"



DEAR ABBY
—Joanne Phillips

floating in the coffee pot. I confronted Newton. At first he denied it, but eventually he admitted that he had crushed two of the vitamins and put them in the coffee — after convincing me getting himself a cup first.

I have lost 17 pounds since then without trying. My doctor can find nothing wrong with me. I now wonder what Newton will do next, but honestly, nothing would surprise me anymore. My world revolved around him. I love him, but I know I am no longer "in" love with him.

Abby, I came from a broken home. I never wanted that for my children. Newton knows

this, and I think he uses it to his advantage. I am only here because of our children and because I'm not sure I have the confidence to start over.

—TIREDD OF PLAYING THE FOOL IN COLORADO
DEAR TIREDD: For the sake of your health and sanity, it's time to separate and get some counseling.

The coffee in your house isn't the only thing that's toxic. The alternative to finding the confidence to start over appears to be hiring a food taster.

It's a toss-up whether your husband is so hooked on pornography that he is out of touch with reality — and therefore expects you to perform with the abandon of a porn star — or whether he is totally without empathy for others. Either way, you and the girls will be safer away from him.

DEAR ABBY: Do you think it

is possible to lead a happy, fulfilled life if you never fall in love with someone and have a loving relationship? I have a good job, own my own home, have many wonderful friends, and I know I should not feel empty because I don't have a relationship — but I do.

—LONELY IN TEXAS
DEAR LONELY: Of course it's possible. But not if the person is preoccupied with what he or she "might" be missing. What comes to mind are people who dedicate their lives to animals, various causes, and those who enter religious orders.

Since you would like to have a relationship, it's time to expand your circle of friends and activities and go online to see if you can find someone compatible.

But please bear in mind that there are worse things than being alone, and one of them is being married to the wrong person.

Sagittarius' carefree ways get thumbs up from boss

IF SEPTEMBER 21 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY... you are basking in the warm rays of sunny celestial weather, and all your dreams can come true. Because you beam with optimism and have great faith in others; they will offer you their trust. It is time to knock on doors and watch them open to you. Utilize the help that falls in your lap, and work hard to deserve the trust given to you. Next July when an accounting must be made, so you have plenty of time to forge ahead and make your future bright.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 19): Opportunities may appear that ease your work situation. Take pride in something that is important to you, and put your best foot forward with loved ones. A change in routine could require you to adjust your schedule.

TAURUS (Apr. 20-May 20): A chance opening may manifest in an area that gives you great pleasure, so enjoy it while you can. You may be a bit contrary, but those in control should overlook minor transgressions now.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Partnerships could be in the spotlight, but if you are trying to get someone's signature on the dotted line there might be a charge of heart. Distractions could put plans into limbo for the moment.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): You can be so concerned about doing the right thing that you go overboard. There is a tendency to exaggerate your abilities as well as your importance. Only make promises you are sure to keep.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): You could appear a bit self-centered today and tomorrow. Optimism will, however, be rewarded where your love life is concerned. Take unexpected shifts in relationships in stride.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Get advice from family members, even if they stand

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completely outside your realm of business. Avoid impulsive shopping sprees.
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Put cupid's arrows aside for now. Those who are suddenly attracted to you are moths to the flame, and the flame of popularity might be temporary. Think things through and keep an eye toward the future.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Unpredictability where others are concerned could be exasperating if you are in a serious mood. Wise actions taken today where money is at stake will protect the future of your piggy bank.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Your breezy, carefree ways receive approval from those in authority. It is your enthusiasm and generosity of spirit that gets the attention now. Others may elude your attempts to stabilize commitments.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Something you purchase now could prove surprising. Agreements could take an unpredictable turn where joint finances are concerned. Seek educated opinions and remain generous with both time and money.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You could be tempted to indulge your whims and wallow in pampering. Refuse to let that distract you from moneymaking activities. Helpful people could open doors where business is concerned.

PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20): You can receive a solid boost to your reputation now, and should pay attention to the guidance of those in charge. Stick to promises you make today, even if someone tries to sway your opinion in the next day or two.

An acre measures a little larger than football field

Most civilized folk have no idea how big an acre really is. Maybe this will help: It's 4,840 square yards or slightly larger than a football field.

"This Day in History: On Sept. 21, 1897, the New York Sun published what would become a holiday classic — editor Frank Church's unseasonable but poetic response to an 8-year-old girl's letter: "Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus."

If a cat cleans itself after you've touched it, don't be offended. It's just overpurring instincts to get any scent off, so as to not tip off prey.

Cat tongues may seem dry, but cats use a lot of saliva while bathing. Some estimates have it that cats' spit baths each day use nearly the same amount of fluid lost in urination.

Only seven states — California, New Jersey, Colorado, Oregon, Massachusetts, Washington and Pennsylvania — recognize a constitutional right of free speech within shopping malls. Other states allow mall owners to bar picketers, prevent the distribution of flyers and even (as happened not long ago in New York) ban anti-war T-shirts.

During the Middle Ages in Europe, university professors



RANDOM KINDS OF FACINESS
Jack Mingo
Erin Barrett

taught their lessons orally so literacy was not a college prerequisite. In fact, many students decided it was best to put off learning to read and write until after they'd gotten college out of the way.

In "Jailhouse Rock," Elvis Presley is Prisoner No. 6240 or Prisoner No. 6239, depending on which scene he's in.

The Chinese call firecrackers "pao chuk," meaning "exploding bamboo."

The longest unhyphenated English surname, according to Guinness Book of Records, is Featherstonehaugh. It's pronounced "Fanshaw."

The longest and most complicated surname may very well be borne by the Basque family Irturberrigorrigokeroaktoaketa. If you're having trouble pronouncing it, you're not alone. Someone on the Internet has helpfully provided a sound file at <http://www.dania-jai-alai.com/lang.htm>.

Michael searches out basketball's Jordan in 'My Wife and Kids'

Tribune Media Services

Today

"My Wife and Kids" — Michael can't concentrate on anything else after he learns he is going to sports legend Michael Jordan's fantasy basketball camp in Las Vegas; once he gets there a scheduling mix-up forces him to get creative to be able to play with his idol. (CC) (TVPG) ABC 7 p.m.

"According to Jim" — Cheryl wants Jim to give up all his vices so they can try to have a baby. (CC) ABC 8 p.m.

"Amish in the City" — Young Amish adults leave their devout, rural communities to experience life in the big city. (CC) FOX 10 p.m.

Wednesday

"Lost" — The 48 survivors scavenging what they can from the wreckage of their plane; a frightful creature appears to live in the jungle; the survivors' pasts threaten their ability to survive as a group. (CC) ABC 7 p.m.

"American Talent" — Teens excel in dance, music, writing, acting. (CC) (TVG) PBS 7

TV Best Bets

p.m.

"That '70s Show" — Eric tries his hand at vandalism; Red buys a local muffler shop; Kelso's daughter gives him a newfound respect for women. (CC) (TV14) FOX 7 p.m.

Thursday

"Extreme Makeover" — Sisters Becky and Stacy, both born with cleft palates, receive makeovers; Tim wants a new look and a reversal of his vasectomy; Sam gets a mini-makeover and a walk-on role on "General Hospital." (CC) (TV14) ABC 7 p.m.

"Welcome to the O.C.: A Day in the Life" — The making of the show; previously unaired scenes and bloopers; interviews with the cast; a preview of the season premiere. (CC) (TVG) FOX 7 p.m.

Friday

"The Rose Tattoo" — Based on the play by Tennessee Williams. A lonely widow rediscovers her earthy side with a robust tricker. TURNER CLASSIC MOVIES 6 p.m.

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50 LEGALS
CALL FOR BIDS

SEALED BIDS will be received by the Wendell Highway District, Planning Commission, in the office of the Wendell Highway District, 7:00 P.M., Thursday, October 1, 2004, at which time the same shall be publicly opened and read. The BIDS shall be for the following: First bid will be for one (1) new bridge to exist white with truck with 10' dump body. Second bid for two (2) 12' one way snowblows. All bids must be accompanied by a concise statement marked on the outside identifying expenditures to which said bid pertains.

FOUND 2 labrador retrievers, near Castleford on Saturday. Call to identify 734-3276 fmsg.

FOUND beautiful big friendly grey cat. Found in area of Thompson Park. Call 208-732-6680.

FOUND Black Labs(2) males healthy, happy and ready to go. Call 208-436-8935.

FOUND possible Brittany Spaniel x male, no white on chest with spotted head. 324-2542 or 539-5540.

FOUND puppy black & tan, 4 months old, 2 dogs, call 208-324-3588.

FOUND White/Black dog, male. Call 208-436-8987.

FOUND, golden retriever x near Hazelton, female, no collar, white colored, approx 9 mo. to 1 year old. Call 208-829-4157.

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FOUND gold retriever, 3-4 months old. Call 208-732-6680.

FOUND Golden Lab, medium sized female, just West of Fruit. Her name is Maggie, 2 collar tags, 543-5245 evens, 543-0979 days.

FOUND Pomeranian, Pups, reddish bronze Lab in Hazelton, Woodside Area, 9:08 Beloved family pet. Call 721-0813.

FOUND Yorkie, 2 mos. silver and black, legs brown. Lost to Puppy Lovers. Call 208-655-4311.

FOUND puppy, female, 3 mos. Found on South East of Twin Falls. 208-324-2473.

REQUEST FOR BIDS The Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by Twin Falls School District No. 1 for the purchase of one (1) new construction modular structure to include two (2) classrooms and two (2) restrooms. Sealed bids will be received until 11:00 a.m. prevailing time, Tuesday, October 5, 2004. Bids should be delivered or mailed to Dr. John S. Miller, Twin Falls School District No. 1, 201 Main Avenue West, Twin Falls, ID 83301. Bid envelope must be identified on outside as "Modular Bldg." and include information on unit, delivery and set up to a Twin Falls School District site. Bid unit must meet or exceed all Idaho modular unit specifications and meet ADA requirements. For more information contact Dr. John S. Miller at the above address; phone 208-333-5900 (3724); e-mail miller@tsfd.k12.id.us or 208-333-5900.

Bidders are required to furnish bid security in the form of a cashiers check, or bidders bond executed by a qualified surety company made payable to Twin Falls School District No. 1 in the amount of not less than 5% of the total contract amount. This security will be allowed on bidders security. This security shall be forfeited by the bidder in the event of failure to fulfill provisions of the award.

The Board of Trustees for School District No. 1 reserves the right to reject any, or all bids and to waive all conditions of the Board.

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NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF FEDERAL BLOCK GRANT PLAN FOR PUBLIC REVIEW
SUBJECT: Proposed use of two federally funded Block Grant Plans. Availability of Plan for public review.
PURPOSE: The purpose is to receive comment on the proposed use of funds during Federal Fiscal Year 2005. The Block Grant Plans being reviewed will be:

The Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant
The Special Access Block Grant
PUBLIC HEARING SCHEDULE: A public hearing will be held on Tuesday, September 21, 2004 at 9:00 a.m. in the conference room on the 5th floor of the State Office Center, 500 West State Street, Boise, Idaho.
AVAILABILITY OF PLANS: The Plans will be available for public review at:

The Department of Health and Welfare Central Office located in the State Office Building, 5th Floor, 450 West State Street, Boise, Idaho.
SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS: Any person submitting comments regarding the proposed use of funds for these two Block Grants, Forms for this purpose or a copy of the Plans may be obtained from the Central Office, 450 West State Street, 5th Floor, Boise, Idaho (208) 334-4944. For more information, contact Pharis Stanger at (208) 334-4944, or Lynn Stanger at (208) 334-6006. Department of Health and Welfare, 450 West State Street, 5th Floor, PO Box 83720, Boise, Idaho 83720-0036. Written comments regarding the plans must be submitted on or before, 9:00 a.m., DATED This 2nd day of September 2004.

Dated Butler, Deputy Director
Division of Management Services
Department of Health and Welfare
450 West State Street, 9th Floor
PO Box 83720
Boise, Idaho 83720-0036
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