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# Man's wife sought divorce

## Court received filing on same day as fire destroyed their home

By Rebecca Maany Times-News writer



Joseph Henry

EDEN - The wife of an Eden man reported missing on Nov. 16 filed for divorce a day later, court records show. The papers were received in Twin Falls County just hours after the couple's home was destroyed in a fire, the cause of which is yet to be determined.

Charred human remains were discovered in the rubble of Joseph and Rawnie Henry's home last Thursday. An autopsy performed on the remains has revealed that the deceased was a large person, the Jerome

County Sheriff's Department announced Monday.

The sex and identity have not been determined. Joseph Henry, 27, is described as 6-foot-4, weighing 230 pounds.

His parents reported their son missing last week. They told authorities they had not seen him since late September. Jerome County Sheriff Jim

Weaver has described Rawnie Henry, 25, as "uncooperative" in the fire and "missing person" investigations.

In the court papers filed by Rawnie Henry, she cites "irreconcilable differences" as the reason for seeking a divorce. The documents also say that Rawnie Henry is seeking sole legal custody of their children and that their primary residence should be with her. She would grant reasonable visitation rights to her husband, the divorce papers say.

The couple was married in July 1996. Meanwhile, a Burley woman

is attempting to press theft charges against Rawnie Henry, according to a police report dated Nov. 19 and filed with the Cassia County Sheriff's Department. The report says Rawnie Henry sold some household items to Charmen Espinosa at the Cassia County Fair in August. Espinosa told police she paid for the goods but they have never been delivered to her.

Espinosa told police she contacted a representative of Home and Garden Party's corporate office about the missing goods, but the representative told her that Rawnie Henry never submitted. Please see DIVORCE, Page A2

# Deficit demands attention, critics say

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - How bad is the government's deficit problem? The just-passed \$348 billion bill financing almost every federal agency in 2005 could be eliminated and there would still be red ink.

The massive measure that Congress approved Saturday held the growth of domestic programs to about 1 percent - one of the sparest increases in years - falling below the rate of inflation. But the legislation did not touch the largest and fastest-growing side of the budget, about one-third will be spent on federal programs that Congress must approve every year. These run the gamut from food armor for U.S. troops to body inspectors' salaries.

These programs will total about \$822 billion this year - not including another \$100 billion that may be provided for wars in Iraq and Afghanistan and worldwide efforts against terrorism.

More than half of this part of the budget is for defense and domestic security, areas that are largely untouchable.

The rest of this part - essentially the contents of the bill approved Saturday - represents about one-sixth of the overall budget. Year-in-year, it gets most of the scrutiny from lawmakers looking for ways to save money, pressures that were heightened when the government ran a record \$113 billion deficit last year.

"We intend to make sure we're going to have any wild spending spree like we've had in the past," Rep. Pete Sessions, R-Texas, said during Saturday's debate.

Despite such talk, this session of Congress is ending without slowing the growth of spending for entitlement programs, benefits the government pays automatically to anyone who qualifies.

Led by Medicare and Social Security, these programs are projected to total about \$1.5 trillion this year and start growing even faster than they have in the past. The nonpartisan Con-

gress Budget Office said last year that the deficit would reach \$160 billion by 2012. Please see DEFICIT, Page A2

# SPIRIT OF THANKSGIVING



ASHLEY SMITH/The Times-News

Dallas Stoller of Rupert built a wooden replica of the Mayflower ship, which is now displayed at Immanuel Lutheran School in Twin Falls. It took Stoller five weeks to complete the replica of the original ship that brought the pilgrims to America.

# Mayflower replica gives kids a lesson in history

By Lorraine Cavener Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS - For Cindy Fulcher, the Mayflower symbolizes the meaning of Thanksgiving.

"That's one reason why Fulcher, who is the principal of Immanuel Lutheran School, has a model of the ship on display for her young students.

"It's having that visual of what the Mayflower actually looks like - to actually see it will help

them tie in the meaning of Thanksgiving," Fulcher said.

Fulcher said she wants the children to know that Thanksgiving is a time to give thanks to the Lord.

"The Mayflower is a symbol of that," she said.

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# Panel bickers over odor rules

By Julie Pence Times-News writer

FILER - Len and Karen Miracle have lived with the strong odors of nearby Desert Rose Farms dairy since it began operating almost five years ago.

The couple admits dairy owner Hank Halliger's efforts to reduce the stench have paid off. But the situation is far from perfect, they say. On Monday evening a strong acid smell permeated the Miracle property, which is just one-quarter mile north of the dairy, Karen Miracle said.

But overall, the odor plague has dissipated from the first year the dairy of 4,000 milkers was up and running, they said. Mary Patten, the Idaho state bureau chief for the Idaho State Department of Agriculture, said Halliger has made huge strides in reducing the smell. Department records back up Patten's comments in 2001. 153 people called the Ag Department 925 times about Halliger's odor problems. He quickly became the poster child for Idaho's growing problem of dairy odors associated with a new phenomenon known to the state as concentrated animal feeding operations, or dairies with more than 1,000 animals.

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penation Act. While residents living in specific counties of Nevada, Utah and Arizona during testing at the Nevada Test Site qualify for federal compensation, Idahoans do not. Please see DOWNWIND, Page A2

## Odor complaints

The Idaho State Department of Agriculture has received the following number of odor complaints during the past four years:

Dairy	2001	2002	2003	2004
Deer	1,295	1,316	967	565
Beef	52	36	29	39
Portlands	10	0	2	4
Mika	5	0	1	2
Pigs	4	4	8	3
Cheese	4	0	1	1
Horses	1	1	2	2
• Smoke	64	2	0	0
Onions	1	2	0	0
Fish	1	0	0	0
Chickens	1	0	0	0
Unknown	19	7	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,457</b>	<b>1,368</b>	<b>1,015</b>	<b>616</b>

If you have a complaint about agricultural odors, you can call the odor hotline at 1-866-435-0490.

\* Complaints on smoke were referred to the Department of Environmental Quality starting in 2002.

Source: Idaho State Department of Agriculture.

date, only 16 people have called the Ag Department to complain

## NewsTracker

■ **Last we knew:** An agricultural committee was hung up on whether or not the smell of manure should be associated with accepted agricultural practices.

■ **The latest:** The committee met again Monday but stalled on the feasibility of using a tool called the Nasal Ranger in measuring the intensity of strong odors.

■ **What's next:** Committee members who are questioning the Nasal Ranger are expected to look for remedies for their objections.

117 times about Halliger's odors, Patten said.

He made his comments to a special odor advisory committee that met at the Ag Department in Boise on Monday to discuss rules to flesh out 2002 odor legislation. The legislation is directed at forcing ag producers to register in odors that go beyond what is usually associated with accepted agricultural prac-

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# Downwinders to AG: Sue the government

By Michelle Dunlop Times-News writer

BOISE - The federal government targeted Idahoans while testing nuclear weapons and should compensate state residents downwinders in a letter to the attorney general on Monday.

"I'd like to have the attorney general get involved," said House Minority Leader Wendy Jaquet, signed a letter addressed to Idaho Attorney General Lawrence Wasden requesting that Wasden file a class action lawsuit against the federal government and private corporations for the detrimental health effects caused by nuclear testing during the 1950s and 1960s. The iodine-131 component of nuclear fallout has been linked to cancer.

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## NewsTracker

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■ **The latest:** A group of Idaho downwinders and one state representative sent a letter requesting that the attorney general consider filing a class action suit against the federal government on their behalf.

■ **What's next:** The attorney general will respond directly to the downwinders on their request. The Academy of Sciences will file their recommendations in March.

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TWIN FALLS FORECAST

Today: Partly to mostly cloudy, breezy at times and cool. Highs near 40.
Tonight: Mostly cloudy and continued breezy. Lows in the middle 20s.
Tomorrow: More clouds with a chance for a rain or snow shower by late in the day. Highs in the middle 40s.

BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST

Today: Periods of clouds and breezy at times. Highs in the low 40s.
Tonight: Mostly cloudy and continued breezy. Lows in the middle 20s.
Tomorrow: Mostly cloudy with showers possible late. Highs in the middle 40s.

IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS.
Periods of clouds and snow showers are expected over the next few days. The best accumulating snow will be late Wednesday into Thursday.

BOISE: Partly to mostly cloudy, breezy and seasonably cool temperatures are expected over the next few days. Isolated rain and snow showers will be possible on Wednesday and Thursday.

NORTHERN UTAH
Periods of clouds and chilly temperatures are expected. Snow showers will be on the increase.

Weather key: su-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, mc-mostly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, sr-snow, r-rain, sn-snow, b-buffet, w-wind, m-mist.

TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Table with 5 columns: Today, Tonight, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday. Includes weather icons and temperature ranges (High 40, Low 28).

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Table with 4 columns: Temperature, Precipitation, Humidity, Barometric. Includes sunrise and sunset times.

MOON PHASES

Table showing moon phases for Nov 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, Dec 1.

REGIONAL FORECAST

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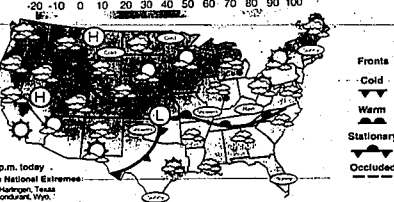
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TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP



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Mayflower

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Two babies were born on the way. When the weather got bad they put you below deck so you wouldn't get washed over, he said.

happened to the Mayflower after it returned, Stoller said. The ship was possibly sunk or burned. The original Mayflower was built with oak, but Stoller's replica was built with pine and stained to look like oak.

Divorce

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The representative also told Espinosa that Rawnie Henry had been confronted by her in-laws in front of her husband about not delivering on the goods they had bought, too, the report says.

Downwind

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The Radiation Exposure Compensation Act allows downwinders to receive \$50,000 in federal compensation; it recognizes 20 types of cancer including thyroid, breast and stomach cancers.

Odor

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The committee has met several times so far, and the ranch members displayed at the Monday meeting indicated there will be several more before they finalize rules.

Deficit

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The Congressional Budget Office projected in September that these programs will cost \$2.5 trillion annually by 2014, with no prospects for slowing down unless lawmakers do something.

percent of the complaints made statewide against dairies were on only regarding 10 percent of them. But a larger dispute among members broke out when a dairy representative, a beef cattle lobbyist along with lobbyists for the state's largest business group—the Idaho Association of Commerce and Industry—said they aren't happy with a tool the committee had settled on earlier to quantify the intensity of strong odors.

might begin using the tool to regulate all industrial odors throughout the state, not just those associated with agricultural operations. In addition, Rugh said he doesn't believe the Nasal Ranger is based upon scientific studies. In particular, his group is opposed to the Nasal Ranger being used to exact monetary penalties, Rugh said.

the odor legislation, said when the advisory committee finally settles on some numerical standards and language for compliance to them, the governor has the authority to implement a temporary set of rules until the 2006 Legislature takes a look at them. It is anticipated that would happen before the warm weather sets in next spring when dairy odors get stronger.

with the job—\$150,000. The letter suggests a higher level of compensation for downwinders. "We were innocent bystanders hundreds of miles away. So \$250,000 appears appropriate," Jaquet said.

Jaquet would also like to see the government consider compensation for autoimmune disease, such as Multiple Sclerosis. One of Jaquet's constituents, Fred Trinkle of Shoshone, has conducted studies on the high concentration of autoimmune disease cases near Shoshone. Trinkle also signed the letter to Wassen.

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NATION

# Bush promises U.S. aid to Colombia in war on drugs

CARTAGENA, Colombia (AP) — Under a security web of warplanes, battleships and 15,000 troops, President Bush praised Colombia's battle against drugs and Marxist guerrillas Monday and pledged to keep U.S. aid flowing so "this courageous nation can win its war against narcoterrorists."

In a country that is the world's largest producer of cocaine and a major supplier of heroin, Bush said President Alvaro Uribe is achieving results with a massive aerial fumigation program against coca — the main ingredient in cocaine — and an aggressive military buildup against insurgents, who have thrived through drug trafficking, kidnapping and extortion.

"The number of acres under cultivation are down significantly," Bush said, standing with Uribe in short sleeves at a news conference. "The number of arrests is up. The number of murders is down. In other words, this man's plan is working."



U.S. President Bush, left, shakes hands with Colombian President Alvaro Uribe, after their joint press conference at the Naval Academy Monday in Cartagena, Colombia.

Uribe said Colombia is winning the fight, but has not yet won. "We have made progress but the serpent is still alive," Uribe said. Bush's pledge reaffirms U.S. commitments to a \$3.3 billion, five-year military aid program known as Plan Colombia. Bush said the plan launched in August 2000 enjoys widespread support in Congress and that the

country would work with lawmakers to keep it funded. Without mentioning a specific figure, Bush said he would seek enough funds to make the plan effective.

## Study: Older Americans not exercising, eating well

WASHINGTON (AP) — Two-thirds of older Americans take part in leisure-time physical activities, but most who do not remains a problem, especially when it comes to fruit and vegetables, according to the latest snapshot of aging.

Doctors and communities must encourage older Americans to adopt "healthier lifestyles, according to a study Monday by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Merck Institute of Aging & Health.

"They are not doing all they can, not only to enjoy more years in their lives but also more life in their years," said Dr. Terrie

Fox-Wetle, president of the Gerontological Society of America, which released the survey at its annual meeting.

Among the study's findings:

- One-third of Americans older than 65 are not getting any leisure-time physical activity, such as gardening, walking or golf. Among all Americans, that figure is 24.5 percent.

- Two-thirds of older Americans do not eat five servings of fruits and vegetables a day, the government recommended amount. But they're doing a better job than Americans on the whole, where about 73 percent do not meet the daily guidelines.

## Private jet crashes in fog

HOUSTON (AP) — A private jet that was en route to Houston to pick up former President Bush clipped a light pole and crashed Monday as it approached in thick fog, killing all three people aboard.

The Gulfstream G-1159A jet, coming into Houston, went down about 6:15 a.m. in an undeveloped area 1.5 miles south of the airport, officials said. The former president had been scheduled to travel to Ecuador for a conference.

"I was deeply saddened to learn of the plane crash this morning," Bush said through spokesman Tom Frechette. "I'd flown with this group before and know them well. I join in sending heartfelt condolences to each and every member of their families."

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WORLD



United States Secretary of State Colin Powell, right, is greeted by Palestinian Foreign Minister Nabil Snaath on Monday in the West Bank town of Jericho.

## Powell: U.S. wants to bring peace to Mideast

JERUSALEM (AP) — Secretary of State Colin Powell made a new push for Mideast peace Monday, promising Palestinians full-American support for elections to replace Yasser Arafat and receiving Israeli assurances of a smooth path to the ballot box, including eased travel restrictions and letting Palestinians in east Jerusalem vote by absentee ballot.

In one of his last overseas trips as the top U.S. diplomat, Powell sat down with both Israeli and Palestinian leaders, seeking to capitalize on new realities created by Arafat's death.

"I have come to bring a message of peace and commitment from President Bush that he wants to move forward on the path of peace, to take advantage of the new opportunities that are before us," Powell said in a meeting with Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon.

Much of the discussions with the leaders focused on the Jan. 9 elections for Palestinian Authority president. Powell also

visited a voter registration center in the West Bank town of Jericho, listening to Palestinians' pleas for a state of their own.

Though they mourn Arafat, many Palestinians feel a sense of excitement and possibility at the end of his one-man rule, and saying the election that could help give them the first real democracy in the Arab world.

"Now the father is dead and everyone in the family has the right to express his own views," said Moanis Abu Imran, a shopkeeper in the West Bank city of Ramallah.

Nevertheless, extremists on both sides pose a threat, and it's far from clear if Palestinian and Israeli leaders will have enough confidence and credibility to make the painful concessions required for any peace deal.

Israeli leaders assured Powell they will do their utmost to allow the vote to take place, including easing travel restrictions in the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

## Arafat's nephew: Records don't show cause of death

PARIS (AP) — Yasser Arafat's medical records show no sign he was poisoned but are inconclusive as to the cause of his death, his nephew said Monday.

At a news conference in Paris, Nasser al-Kidwa played some of the blame for the Palestinian leader's death on his long confinement to his West Bank compound.

"I believe the Israeli authorities are largely responsible for what happened," he said shortly after taking possession of the medical files from French authorities.

Al-Kidwa said toxicology tests were conducted but "no poisons known to doctors were found."

But he did not rule out poisoning categorically, saying "we don't have proof" it wasn't a cause.

"I am not asserting anything but we are not in a position to

exclude anything given the facts," said al-Kidwa.

He also said that the files gave no clear diagnosis for the reasons of Arafat's death on Nov. 11 in a Paris-area military hospital after two weeks of treatment.

The medical dossier consists of more than 500 pages, plus X-rays, he said.

The lack of solid information about the cause of Arafat's death has provided fertile ground for rumors in the Arab world that he was poisoned, despite earlier official denials.

French officials have said that judicial authorities here would have acted had they suspected wrongdoing — as far as officials are concerned without violating medical privacy laws, toward saying that poisoning was not a cause.

Al-Kidwa took possession of the records Monday morning — despite objections from the late Palestinian leader's widow, Suha.

## Allawi says only a few will boycott January vote

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — Iraq's interim prime minister said Monday he's confident only a small number of people will boycott the Jan. 30 elections despite anger among many

Sunni Muslims over the Fallujah offensive and a deadly U.S. Iraq raid on a Baghdad mosque.

"The forces of darkness and terrorism will not benefit from this democratic experience and will fight it," Ayad Allawi told The Associated Press. "But we are determined that this experiment succeeds."

Allawi spoke as violence raged in the capital and other cities, and U.S. officials said a bomb was discovered on a commercial flight inside Iraq. Gunmen in the north assassinated a prominent election opponent, and five decapitated bodies were discovered south of the capital. Insurgents ambushed a U.S. convoy in western Baghdad, but there were no reports of casualties.

A U.S. soldier died Monday of wounds suffered in an attack in Baghdad the night before. The Pentagon also announced Monday that three Marines wounded in Fallujah have died, raising the U.S. death toll in the offensive to at least 54. At least 1,227 members of the U.S. military have died since the beginning of the Iraq war in March 2003, according to an AP count.



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# Ivory Coast economy languishes

ABIDIJAN, Ivory Coast (AP) — Burned, looted shops dot the commercial capital. European airlines have suspended flights. And only a few ships remain in what was one of West Africa's busiest ports.

The latest outburst of violence in Ivory Coast has dealt a serious — and some say irreparable — blow to the world's top cocoa producer and regional economic powerhouse, chasing away many of the foreign business owners and managers critical to its development and stability.

Business leaders were still adding up the damage Monday, but said millions of dollars worth of infrastructure and merchandise were destroyed and tens of thousands of jobs lost in clashes unleashed by an unprecedented showdown between France and its former star colony.

Ivory Coast accounts for 40 percent of economic production in French-speaking West Africa and is the site of two key ports. Its cocoa and coffee plantations provide employment to at least 4 million workers from impoverished neighboring countries; other sectors employ as many as 4 million more immigrants.

A week of looting in cities and towns and the government's resumption of hostilities in a 2-year-old civil war have inflicted "incalculable damage" to West Africa, said Ahmedou Ould-Abdallah, the U.N. special representative for the region.

"How can we hope to attract foreign investment, essential for creating the jobs that so many millions of West African youths desperately need, if some of our leaders continue to pursue the logic of war and vendetta year after year?" Ould-Abdallah asked.

# Iran freezes uranium enrichment

VIENNA, Austria (AP) — Iran said Monday it has frozen all uranium enrichment programs — a claim welcomed by Europe even as it weakened a U.S. push to refer Tehran's suspect nuclear activities to the U.N. Security Council. President Bush said he hoped the statement is true but "there must be verification."

Even if verified by the International Atomic Energy Agency — the U.N. nuclear monitor — such a freeze falls short of European and U.S. hopes of an Iranian commitment to scrap enrichment ambitions.

Iran said suspension will be only temporary and insists that it has the ultimate right to enrich uranium. It dismisses U.S. assertions that it wants to use the technology to make weapons, saying it is interested only in generating nuclear power.

And Tehran's announcement of a start to suspension came only after it had already converted a few tons of raw uranium into the gas used as feedstock for enrichment. While prohibited from doing so until Monday — when the freeze took effect — conversion continued until shortly before the deadline, raising doubts about Iran's interest in dispelling international concerns.

# Violence flares in west Sudan

KHARTOUM, Sudan (AP) — Helicopters rescued more than 40 aid workers who fled into the bush to escape fighting in Darfur on Monday as renewed violence flared in the crisis-plagued region of western Sudan.

Fighting in Darfur, including the aerial bombardment of a town, overshadowed progress in ending Sudan's other, longer-running civil war in the south. The United Nations announced plans to deploy 7,000 peacekeeping troops to southern Sudan where rebels and the government reached a peace agreement last week to end their 21-year conflict.

In Darfur, African Union peacekeepers airlifted 45 people who had spent several hours hiding in the bush outside the town of Jawila during clashes between rebels and Arab militiamen, U.N. spokesman George Somerville said.

Kate Hault, Sudan country director for Save The Children, UK, said more than 30 Sudanese workers for her organization and some other people were airlifted to the North Darfur capital of El Fasher.

# Kiev crowd denounces election

KIEV, Ukraine (AP) — Tens of thousands of demonstrators jammed downtown Kiev in freezing temperatures Monday night, denouncing Ukraine's presidential runoff election as fraudulent and chanting the name of their reformist candidate who authorities said was trailing in the vote count.

Viktor Yushchenko stood beaming on a platform with campaign aides and flashed a victory sign — even though the Central Election Commission

said earlier that with nearly all the votes counted, he was losing to Kremlin-backed Prime Minister Viktor Yanukovich.

"Yushchenko — our president" chanted the crowd, many of whom waved orange scarves — his campaign color. Others had set up a tent camp and organizers were inundated with piles of winter clothes donated for protesters expected to arrive from other cities.

The election commission's announcement galvanized dis-

may and anger among the former Soviet republic's 48 million people. "It really is crucial and several other municipal governments rejected the official results and a major chocolate factory closed plants in protest. Russian President Vladimir Putin sent a statement to Yanukovich to congratulate him on the result, Russian news agencies reported, but a group of international observers described Sunday's balloting as severely flawed."



Viktor Yushchenko, Ukraine's Western-leaning opposition leader, right, waves to the crowd at central Independence Square in Kiev on Monday. AP photo

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## EDITORIAL

### Congress delivers on key water legislation for Idaho

What a difference a month makes in Washington. Idaho's congressional delegation worked overtime this past weekend to pass the state's water agreement with the Nez Perce Tribe. Their efforts paid off as the pact, now labeled as the Snake River Water Rights Act of 2004, passed through both chambers as part of a must-pass spending bill.

The quick results in Washington were a jolting surprise based on some dour predictions a month ago. It was then that the deal was stuck in uncertainty, due to a hold placed on the bill by Sens. Tom Daschle, D-S.D., and Maria Cantwell, D-Wash. Both Craig and Crapo mentioned its chances were slim for the coming year — and virtually nil for the remaining 2004 session.

#### Our view: Idaho's congressional delegation lives up to its billing by passing the Nez Perce water deal.

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

Once the plan passed through the Senate, Idaho Reps. Simpson and Butch Otter defended the bill effectively enough for it to sail through the House. Now it awaits approval from the state and the tribe, before going to the president's desk.

Idaho's congressional representatives came through impressively on this deal. They dashed through the skepticism that they couldn't live up to their side of the bargain, and knocked it over the fence. Now that Congress has done the heavy lifting, Idaho legislators can do their part and get this deal approved fast.

It shouldn't take them long at all. Idaho's ability to protect water faces much better odds with this proposal than it would in a federal courtroom. Any Idaho legislator or lobbyist who thinks differently is seriously lacking in vision.

One of the Legislature's first actions in January should be a vote to approve the deal. Then it can start worrying about other water problems that will need much more attention this winter.

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## The hooligans hit the NBA

I began with Ron Artest, a player who has undergone anger-management counseling and who last season was suspended six times. He went into the stands looking for blood Friday night, looking for the fan who threw the cup of beer at his head.

MIKE WISE

Already miffed they're paying more to see Ben Wallace than Isiah Thomas, these men came to the Palace of Auburn Hills to denigrate Artest and the Indiana Pacers more than celebrate their NBA champion Detroit Pistons.

There are more than 100 of them at every arena in every city for every game now, many seated next to children.

During the madness, Stephen Jackson and Jermaine O'Neal attempted to cold-cock fans, displaying the most warped sense of loyalty to a teammate imaginable. A former NBA player reached by telephone called it the "being-down-for-your-boy mentality."

He fears it is now part of the culture for many young NBA players who feel more insulted from fans who skewer them on the Internet and on talk radio.

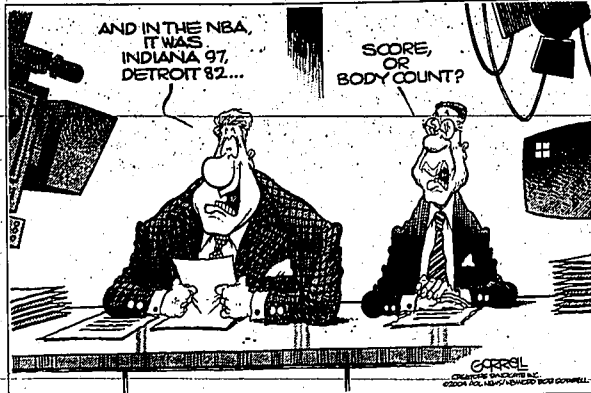
After their family, their teammates and agents, these young men have no idea whom to trust.

All converged to create the perfect storm Friday night in Detroit.

The league's reigning hot-head, Artest.

The marginalized, angry fan, able to purchase alcohol in the fourth quarter.

And a bunker-down mentality, fostered by coaches who quote Winston Churchill and defend their fans' foul behavior most nights of the week.



sell, broadcast executives find someone to fit their suits, Crossfire-style.

They hire people who will take sides on sports issues the way people take sides on Roe vs. Wade.

Fans, in turn, love their teams more and hate their enemies more. And Friday night in Auburn Hills, their enemy was Ron Artest.

"They say it is about scarring the NBA, but part of it is where society is heading," said Greg Anthony, the former NBA guard and now an ESPN analyst.

"This whole talk radio and killing guys all the time on the airwaves spurs some of this emotion.

The next thing you know, you got something so ugly and despicable, it's almost like some footage from rioting soccer stadiums in Europe."

Indeed, hooliganism has come to our shores.

Walk onto the court or enter a stadium at your own risk.

Anthony was one of the more mature, thoughtful players of his generation.

He also admitted last year that he carried a handgun to games during his time in New York.

He said he did it for protection, because he could not be certain that all the unseemly people he had heard about would not harm him or his family.

And, whatever one thinks of such judgment, that was 10 years ago.

Today, guns are accessories to some NBA players, like a CD collection or wardrobe. These players are coached by men who make war analogies, and that mindset becomes a culture of sport.

What happened Friday night was not just about a frightening, new NBA world.

It was about changing American sports landscape, a collision course between people who have nothing in common, who come to an arena where people now root against the bad guys more than they cheer the good guys, where the word "enemy" means something more than just a player who can beat the home team.

Pray that this one frightening night at the Palace of Auburn Hills isn't viewed years from now as a turning point from which we never recovered.

Mike Wise is a columnist for the Washington Post.

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## Time to clean up the pork barrel

The just concluded "lame duck" session of Congress should have been labeled the "goose that laid the golden egg session" for the federal goodies it dispensed.

Sen. Mitch McConnell, Kentucky Republican, told me he is pleased that Congress has reduced the "rate of the increase in spending."

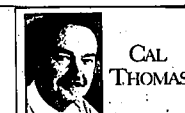
Is this why we have a Republican congressional majority so that they can increase spending less than Democrats?

While it is true that the massive \$388 billion spending bill reduces spending increases for some things, like education and the environment, there is still too much pork for healthy fiscal living.

The bill will be finetuned further early next month before going to the president for his signature, but no one expects any of the wasteful spending to be curtailed.

Rep. Jeff Flake, Arizona Republican, compared the lame duck session to the movie "Groundhog Day" where the events of one day are repeated the next day and for days after that.

Every year, it's the same thing," said Flake. "Congress passes spending bills loaded with pork projects. In fact, this year... Congress spent \$100,000 for the Punxsutawney Weather Museum in Pennsylvania."



CAL THOMAS

Other "golden eggs" laid by the Congressional goose include \$450,000 for the Baseball Hall of Fame, \$200,000 for the Dennison Railroad Depot Museum in Ohio, \$350,000 for the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame, \$1.5 million for the Anchorage Museum/Transit Intermodal depot in Alaska, \$250,000 for the Country Music Hall of Fame, \$100,000 for the Municipal Swimming Pool in Ottawa, Kan., \$35,000 for the Alabama Sports Hall of Fame, \$300,000 to build the Great Falls parking garage in Auburn, Maine, and \$1.5 million for departing Congressman Richard Gephardt's archive at the Missouri Historical Society.

There is no mandate in the Constitution, or anywhere else, for unnecessary and wasteful spending at any time, much less in a time of record deficits and debt.

President Bush has promised to spend some of the political capital he believes he's earned following the election.

He should work to save some of the real capital forked

over to government by taxpayers. Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan caused the stock market to take a dive last week when he warned that foreign investors might be reluctant to continue financing American debt and the widening trade gap.

Citizens Against Government Waste (www.cagw.org) has compiled a list of nearly \$23 billion in pork projects it found in appropriations bills for fiscal 2004.

CAGW has also recommended 592 ways to reduce spending it estimates could save taxpayers \$217 billion in fiscal 2005 and \$1.65 trillion over the next five years.

Among the recommendations are limiting the terms of committee chairpersons, passing a Taxpayer Bill of Rights, enforcing procedural rules and passing a line-item veto.

CAGW believes the tax cuts should be made permanent and the Internal Revenue Service and indecipherable tax code scrapped and replaced with a national sales or flat tax, thus closing large numbers of loopholes and ridding the system of unfairness.

Reforms in Social Security and health care, along with tort reform, would also reduce the cost and size of the federal government.

The Bush Administration should make reform a hallmark of its second term,

saving taxpayers billions. It might resurrect former Sen. William Proxmire's "Golden Fleece Award," embarrassing members who waste our money.

One place to start might be the Sikorsky Aircraft Corporation.

Sikorsky is bidding for a \$1.6 billion Pentagon contract to replace the president's aging helicopter fleet.

Sikorsky is the company that promised, but failed to deliver, a previous fleet of helicopters known as the Comanche.

After taking 21 years and spending \$8 billion on an airless that never took off, Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld finally axed it last February — Sikorsky wants to make another run. It makes you pine for the days of \$600 toilet seats and \$171 hammers from former Pentagon budgets.

If it was their own money they were spending, not ours, perhaps Congress would be more frugal.

The president should use his veto and shame the Republican Congress into spending less and guarding the taxpayer's purse.

As the president said during the 2000 campaign, it isn't the government's money, it's your money.

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

## LETTERS

### Solutions needed now to clean the valley

I am on a serious mission to help get this valley back to a level that would make it somewhat like 30 years ago before the valley was inundated with 7,500-cow plus dairies. Cattle farms are springing up as well, and the water level in our wells keeps going further and further down.

Now comes the coal power-generating plant. It could stop now.

I propose a group of determined people that have a desire to keep our valley's air and water clean for our future generations can win. We can move mountains if we work together on the first stone. Please call me and listen to what I want to do. Please do not dismiss me as some nut case because you know we need to clean this home of ours for future generations.

This will be a non-partisan group. I don't care if you voted for K.C. and the Sunshine Band. Magic Valley concerns us all.

Please join the fight. JIM HYDER Buhl

(Editor's note: Jim Hyder is the owner of The Bungalow Club in Buhl.)

### City goes over the limits with street tickets

I am writing this letter in regard to the downtown parking areas on Main Street.

I was a student of D&L Academy from Sept. 13 to Nov. 17. On Nov. 17 at 1:30 a.m., I parked my car in a parking spot and put money in the meter. At 12:50 p.m., I went in to return my parking pass.

When I came out, there was a ticket on my car.

I went back in to ask why and was told that I, being an employee of downtown, was not allowed to park out front. I told them that I was leaving town and I had money in the meter. She said fine but said not to park out front.

When I went back to school, I informed my adviser as to the way I was treated and she said that was wrong. She called over there and asked that I be apologized to and they would not.

She informed them that she thought they had overstepped their bounds, but they said they hadn't.

Being an out-of-state person, I was appalled by the way your city employees treat people. CARRIE ANN BEASLEY Elko, Nev.

### Doonesbury



### By Garry Trudeau

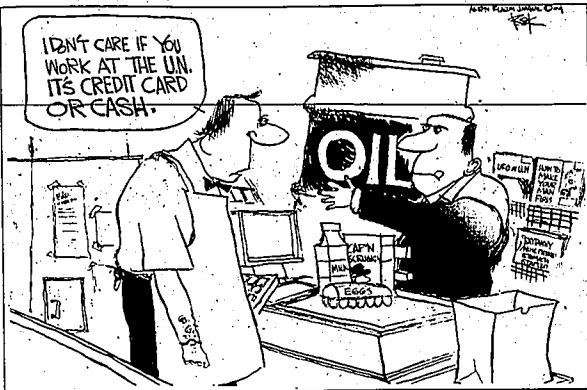


### Mallard Fillmore



### By Bruce Tinsley





**Why does U.N. get free ride in scandal?**

If the United Nations were a democratic country under the rule of law, Secretary General Kofi Annan would have resigned in disgrace, and might well be under criminal investigation for, at the least, tolerating massive corruption.



**PETER BROWN**

If that idea surprises readers it is only because the mainstream U.S. news media have done an abysmal job reporting on what is undoubtedly the largest bribery and embezzlement scandal in world history. So far says a U.S. Senate investigation — one of five under way across the globe — Saddam Hussein is alleged to have skimmed \$21.3 billion from a U.N. humanitarian-aid program.

The betting is that when the investigative work is done, that amount will grow even more. Even so, \$21.3 billion is more than twice the \$10 billion estimate from the top U.S. arms inspector a few months ago that made the scandal the largest in world history.

Whether Annan himself is caught is unclear, but he is acting like the politician whose friends' hands have been caught in the cookie jar and is worried he will be implicated, too. And there are allegations — this one was on the take also. Ann has done everything possible to impede serious efforts to get to the bottom of the scandal, which has implicated Benon Sevan, who was in charge of the U.N. Oil for Food program, the humanitarian effort at the scandal's center.

After the U.S.-led campaign to evict Saddam's troops from Kuwait in 1991, the United Nations slapped an embargo on its oil exports to weaken Saddam and encourage efforts to overthrow him. The only Iraqi oil that was to be sold went through the U.N. program, and the proceeds were then to buy humanitarian goods for the Iraqi people.

with Saddam. Also, among those who allegedly got payoffs from Saddam in the scandal were prominent officials and businessmen from France and Russia, nations that also sought to stop the American effort to oust Saddam.

Even Americans who disagree with President Bush about the Iraq war should not give the United Nations a pass on corruption because of its political stand. And those American politicians who insist on defending the United Nations in this matter, such as Sen. Carl Levin of Michigan, need to think again.

An American politician who presided over a minor bribery and embezzlement scandal, much less one of this mammoth dimension, would be long gone by now.

The American news media have given this story short shrift — it hardly makes the network evening-news shows and is buried inside most newspapers, when mentioned at all. It is a worthwhile question.

The United Nations has long enjoyed a magical image in much of the United States. The idea of all nations getting together to solve problems is a warm and fuzzy one that makes many Americans tingle.

Giving the United Nations a free ride in the news media may well be a function of the red America/blue America divide. The elites along the coasts and in the major news media may see this as a minor issue. My guess, however, is that the resulting public outrage when this story gets its day in the sunshine will be as much a revelation to many of those same folks as Bush's re-election.

There are many reasons why Americans should be outraged, not the least of which is that U.S. taxpayers fund more than 20 percent of the U.N. budget. Remember, U.N. officials' whose job was overseeing the Oil for Food program allegedly took payoffs from Saddam to look the other way. And, according to investigators, some of the money Saddam skimmed went to the families of Palestinian suicide bombers.

Think of the \$21.3 billion as more than two-thirds of the budget for the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, or three times the annual spending by the Environmental Protection Agency — serious folding money, even in Washington.

Common sense requires one to question whether U.N. efforts to stop the U.S. intervention in Iraq were tied to its under-the-table relationship

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**LETTER**

**Prepay opponents should blame the stations**

I sympathize with the letters upset about the prepay ordinance, but read the article again and point your finger at the owners, not the council. It was the owner who went to

the City Council and complained about the drive-off thefts and asked that something be done about it. The article said that the owners themselves would not force prepay for fear of "rogue stations" that would not require it.

I do believe that the City Council should have stayed out of this problem and left it up to the owners to force their customers to prepay. I would have gladly given my cash to a rogue station. MIKE STANTIANNI Twin Falls

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# Tool makes authenticating art a numbers game

WASHINGTON (AP) — True art would never be mistaken for a crude, pain-by-the-numbers copy. But a researcher has developed a statistical tool for determining whether a purported masterpiece is only a skilled imitation; suggesting that art may be a numbers game after all.

Using high-resolution digital images and complex mathematical formulas, associate professor Hany Farid of Dartmouth College analyzed works by Renaissance artists to determine their authenticity.

His computer program was able to accurately separate eight drawings by 16th century Flemish artist Pieter Bruegel the Elder from five drawings by imitators. It also found that portions of a painting by Italian artist Pietro di Cristoforo Vannucci, known as Perugino, were probably done by Perugino's apprentices.

Farid described his work presented Monday in the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, as "simply another tool that is contributing to the dialogue of art authenticating" and said work is needed before digital analysis of art



Image released by the Hood Museum of Art, Dartmouth College, showing Perugino's 1505 oil and tempera on panel: Madonna and Child with Saints Anthony Abbot, James, Francis, and Benedict.

could be done on a wider scale. Art experts reacted warily to

the prospect that a masterpiece could be reduced to the sum of

its digital parts.

"I'm highly skeptical of using the computer for this kind of approach," said Laurence Kanter, curator in charge of the Robert Lehman collection at the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York City. "It's very possible that a program like that could be exploited to great advantage, but I still need to be persuaded."

Farid, a professor of applied mathematics and computer science, said his computer program was similar to digital analysis of photographs, in which digital compression converts the photograph or image to an accessible, lower-resolution format like JPEG.

In this case, high-resolution photographs of the painting and drawings were digitally compressed so the art image could be broken down into simpler, varying elements — called "wavelets."

With the Perugino painting, "Madonna with Child" — which depicts the madonna, baby Jesus and two saints on either side of the pair — characteristics like the distance between faces and the orientation of horizontal, vertical and diagonal elements were subjected to statistical analysis

based in part from what was known about the style of the Italian master.

Before the analysis could be done, however, the painting was first converted to a grayscale that eliminated the painting's color. That, combined with the fact that the analysis was conducted on a photographic image of the painting and not the painting itself, were obvious limitations of the tool, Farid acknowledged.

Science has previously attempted to quantify art, with varying degrees of success. Researchers have used complex mathematical relationships derived from chaos theory to study Jackson Pollack's drip paintings. Other empirical methods have looked at the crack lines that appear over time in older paintings. And art historians and scientists often use forensic methods like X-ray analysis and surface analysis of painting materials to help authenticate old paintings.

# Trump casino business files for bankruptcy

NEWARK, N.J. (AP) — Donald Trump, who has made prime-time entertainment out of firing people, proved that the real world of business can be just as ruthless when he sought Chapter 11 bankruptcy for his casino empire because of a crushing \$1.6 billion in debt.

Trump Hotels & Casino Resorts filed for bankruptcy Sunday after months of negotiations with bondholders. Chapter 11 enables a business to hold off its creditors and continue operating as it tries to put its finances in order.

"I don't think it's a failure; it's a success," Trump said in a telephone interview Monday. "In this case, it was just something that worked better than other alternatives. It's really just a technical thing."

# Peterson case judge won't pick a new jury for penalty phase

REDWOOD CITY, Calif. (AP) — The judge in the Scott Peterson trial Monday rejected a defense request to move the case to another community and pick a whole new jury to decide whether Peterson should get the death penalty for killing his pregnant wife.

Judge Alfred A. Delucci also delayed the start of the penalty phase, which had been set for Monday, until Nov. 30 to allow the two sides time to exchange evidence.

Peterson was found guilty Nov. 12 of murdering his wife.

Laci, and the fetus she was carrying. He could get the death penalty or life in prison without parole.

Defense attorney Mark Geraeos asked that a new jury be seated either here or somewhere else such as Los Angeles County, contending that the jurors who convicted Peterson were tainted by the public reaction after they were released into the community.

He noted that a cheer went up from the more than 1,000 people outside the courthouse when the guilty verdicts were read.

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Section B

## AROUND THE VALLEY

### Skunk confirmed to have had rabies

**GOODING** — Bat rabies has been confirmed in tests of a skunk that recently bit a rural Gooding girl, the Idaho Department of Fish and Game reported Monday.

Because the bite came from a test of an animal rather than a bat, Idaho health officials were concerned that the terrestrial form of the disease might show up in the state. The terrestrial form of the dangerous disease can be passed among wild and domestic animals, representing a serious risk to humans as well.

Wildlife veterinarian Dr. Mark Drew said the bat form of rabies is well known in Idaho and usually turns up in as many as two dozen cases, each year, though only seven cases have been reported in 2004. Bat rabies is considered less limiting and rarely affects humans.

The Gooding girl was treated immediately. Her brother was not to be shot at the skunk that occurred near her house and triple bagged the animal for transport to a local vet. Tests were confirmed by federal health authorities.

### Grinch steals holiday decorations from yard

**TWIN FALLS** — Christmas will be a little brighter for someone this year, just not the right someone.

A thief made off with \$500 worth of Christmas decorations, a snowmobile, a lawnmower and some tools from a Twin Falls residence, according to a Twin Falls Police Department report.

The anti-Santa did his deeds sometime between 6:30 p.m. Nov. 10 and 4 p.m. the next day. The incident was reported to the police department Friday.

The missing 1996 Ski-Doo Summit snowmobile was valued at \$3,000, the Craftsman lawnmower was listed as \$100, and missing wedding decorations were valued at \$500, according to the report.

If anyone has information on the whereabouts of the missing items, they are asked to call the police department at 311.

### DJs collect more than 2,000 turkeys

**TWIN FALLS** — Mix 103 disk jockeys Brandon Rathert and Karla Cunha brought in 2,011 turkeys during their annual 60 Hours for Hunger marathon food drive.

The DJs set up camp at Con Paulos in a motor home from Gary's Freeway RV along with a Falls Brand-Independent Meat Co. freezer trailer, which was used to collect the turkeys. The turkeys and other food donations were turned over to the South Central Community Action Partnership, which distributes to people in need.

The DJs said their goal was to raise 2,000 turkeys.

The Mix 103 duo has been holding the event for five years. The first year they received more than 500 turkeys, the next year 575 turkeys came in. The third year 1,600 turkeys were donated.

### Searchers find missing hunters on Monday

**MINIDOKA** — Two hunters and two relatives who went to look for them Sunday night were located by rescue personnel at Fern Mountain near Minidoka.

Randy Fernau, 48, and his wife Debbie, of Rupert, were hunting in the desert north of Minidoka Sunday when their vehicles broke down, said Detective Randy White of the Minidoka County Sheriff's Department.

Fernau called a relative, Dustin Staker, 28, of Rupert, to come get them and Staker left just before dark with his 5-year-old son. White said Staker's vehicle got a flat tire before reaching Fernau.

A search involving 16 Mini-Cassia Search and Rescue responders was initiated about 2 a.m. Monday and both parties were located after spending the night separately in their vehicles.

White said Staker and his son were 7 miles to the main route in Minidoka and that all four were found safe, though cold and hungry.

— compiled from staff reports

## Commission settles claim

Three small energy producers say Idaho Power's contract didn't fit federal guidelines

The Times-News

**BOISE** — State utility regulators on Monday settled a complaint brought by three small-power producers against Idaho Power over the terms of electricity sales.

"Overall, it looks like it's workable for all parties," said Dennis Lopez, a spokesman for Idaho Power.

However, Lopez said, the company is still reviewing the Idaho Public Utilities Commission's order.

In March, U.S. Geothermal, a Boise-based company, filed a complaint claiming that Idaho Power required contract terms contrary to federal guidelines. U.S. Geothermal intends to construct a geothermal power plant near Raft River.

Similar complaints were brought by Bob Lewandowski,

who operates a 325-kilowatt wind farm east of Boise, and Mark Schroeder, who plans to build a 900-kilowatt wind project near Bliss.

During the energy crisis of the late 1970s, Congress passed legislation meant to encourage the development of renewable energy sources as opposed to burning fossil fuels.

The act requires large electric providers like Idaho Power to purchase power from small renewable energy producers at a rate set by the state commission.

The rate small producers receive should be equal to what Idaho Power would have paid to another source or what it would have cost the company to generate that power itself.

The commission issued its order in three parts:

- The commission agreed with Idaho Power's request to

pay an alternate rate when a small-power project generates less than 90 percent or more than 110 percent of the electricity it commits to produce.

The commission took steps, however, to make it easier for small-power producers to stay within that range.

"The regulators determined that a 10-megawatt capacity limit for small-power producers should remain in place. However, the commission revised the way Idaho Power calculates that 10-megawatt limit."

The commission clarified termination guidelines that Idaho Power must follow when dealing with small-power producers. Idaho Power cannot terminate contracts with these producers unless the producers default on their agreements, the commission said.

The electricity generated by small-power producers amounts to a very small percentage of Idaho Power's overall portfolio, said Gene Fadness, a

### NewsTracker

■ **Last we knew:** Three small-power producers questioned the legality of Idaho Power Co. sales contracts and asked the Idaho Public Utilities Commission to review their complaint.

■ **The latest:** The commission handed down a three-part order on Monday that appears "workable for all parties," an Idaho Power spokesman said.

■ **What's next:** The parties have until Dec. 20 to petition the commission's decision.

spokesman for the commission.

However, the commission has seen an increase in the number of small-power producers seeking to qualify for the avoided cost rate.

All of the parties have until Dec. 20 to petition the commission to reconsider its ruling.

## Cassia mulls changes to courthouse

By Chip Thompson  
Times-News writer

**BURLEY** — Several changes may be in store for the Cassia County Courthouse in order to increase efficiency and maximize space.

Commissioners discussed three possible changes during their Monday meeting, including converting the former assessor's office into a large room for public meetings, swapping the District Judge Monte Carlson's office with the current jury room and upgrading light fixtures in all county buildings.

Since the assessor's office and jury room department were moved to another building in January, a large portion of the courthouse has remained vacant and at least two officials have eyed the space.

County Administrator Kerry McMurray said he would like to see the office converted into a room that could accommodate as many as 90 people for county commission meetings, planning and zoning meetings.

County Clerk Larry Mickelsen has other ideas. He said he hopes to move the auditor's office, which currently shares space with the records vault, into the empty office.

Due to the cramped conditions, the records vault must store documents on high shelves. Employees and the public have to climb ladders to retrieve certain records, which Mickelsen said is dangerous.

"That certainly is a safety hazard," Mickelsen said. "If we got the big, heavy binders, he told the commissioners, 'We have a real need to do something with that vault in the records office.'"

Mickelsen also said the move would allow him to increase the size of his office, which he described as a "cubby hole." The current office makes it impossible for Mickelsen to hold consultations with his staff because there is no way to sit more than a few inches apart and any conversation is easily heard outside the office walls.

McMurray said that moving the auditor's office would increase traffic and decrease security in the courthouse. He said these issues were why the two previous occupants were moved to another building.

The meeting room would allow the building department to occupy the current commissioners' chambers in the basement of the courthouse, McMurray said.

With increased staffing for mapping projects, more space will soon be needed by the department.

Another benefit of the large meeting hall is that it could be used as an additional courtroom, McMurray said. The hall that had to be moved to the Minidoka County Courthouse because there weren't enough courtrooms available. Commissioners discussed how to rearrange the jury room, but the jury room is too small.

One suggestion was to swap the larger judge's chambers with the jury room. The move would allow the judge to allow jurors to pass to and from the courtroom without encountering those involved in the case.

Jurors must now walk through a public hallway to the courtroom, McMurray said. Comments on evaluation forms indicate that the possibility of facing defendants, plaintiffs or their families in the hall makes some jurors uncomfortable.

Regarding which offices occupy which spaces, upgraded lighting fixtures will likely shine a new light in the courthouse and other county buildings.

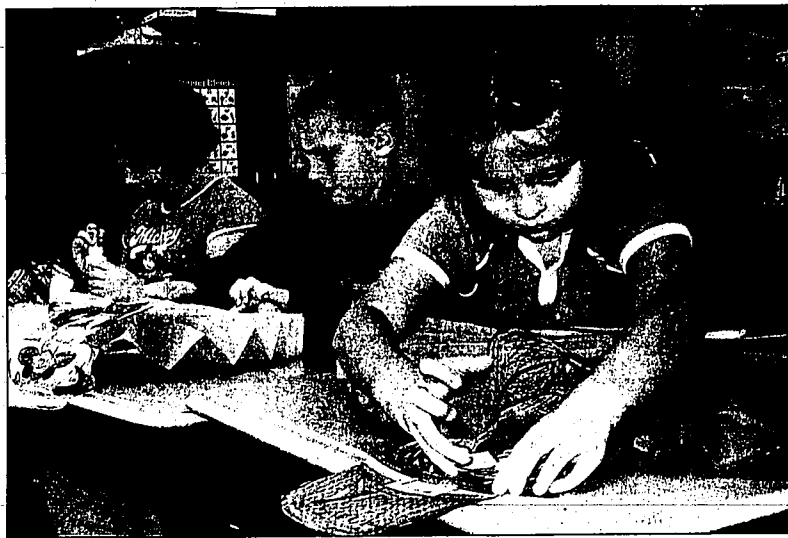
Cliff Hamilton, Cascade Lighting Representatives, and Dan Bush, of Magic Valley Electric Supply, met with commissioners to discuss replacing old, energy-consuming, obsolete lighting fixtures. The fixtures use lamps that are hard to find and will no longer be available after 2010, Bush said.

"Unfortunately, you guys are going to be forced to upgrade," Hamilton said.

Hamilton estimated new fixtures would save the county \$1,700 in energy costs annually and provide higher light quality. The cost for the courthouse, law enforcement building and annex would be around \$28,000, not including labor, and could be paid over several years.

The Mini-Cassia Criminal Justice Center would receive a ballast and lamp retrofit to existing fixtures because that would be more economical, Bush said.

## GOBBLE, GOBBLE



DeLoe Elementary School second grader Kaitlin Rushton, right, intently glues a hat onto her Thanksgiving turkey art project Monday morning. Kaitlin, 7, is flanked by Bradley Knowles, 8, and Macy Vall, 7.

## Robbers hit convenience store again

By Rebecca Meany  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** — For the third time in a little over a month, a convenience store on Washington Street South was robbed, according to the Twin Falls Police Department.

Police were called to the Oasis Stop 'N Go at 890 Washington St. S. around 9:30 p.m. Saturday for a report of a robbery, said Detective

Scott Smith.

Store employees said a man had come in, displayed a knife and demanded money, Smith said. The perpetrator was wearing a gray sweatshirt with a hood and had a bandanna or cloth wrapped around his face.

The man left on foot, going southbound on Washington Street.

With use of a canine, officers followed a trail of blood to 1122 Washington St. S., but were not able

to locate a suspect.

"On Nov. 10, a male perpetrator entered the same store, displayed a knife and demanded money, Smith said.

The man was described as possibly Hispanic, with a light complexion, brown eyes and very short hair or bald. He was wearing a dark blue hooded sweatshirt, faded blue jeans, white tennis shoes and white gloves. He wore a red bandanna that covered the lower portion

of his face.

A man of similar description robbed the same store at approximately 4 a.m. Oct. 24. He demanded money but did not show a weapon, according to police.

"We believe it's the same person," Smith said.

If anyone has information about these crimes, they are asked to call the Twin Falls Police Department at 735-HELP (4357) or 311.

## Redistribution makes more flu shots available

The Times-News

**TWIN FALLS** — A nationwide redistribution of the influenza vaccine by the Center for Disease Control and a private manufacturer has made it possible for more Magic Valley residents to receive shots this winter.

South Central District Health is scheduling additional influenza vaccination clinics in each of its offices beginning next week.

Each office has a limited supply of adult vaccine that will be given by appointment only. Pediatric vaccinations also have arrived, so appointments can be made for 6- to 23-month-old infants. In addition, 2 to 18 years olds who meet the high-risk guidelines — chronic illness or those who live with children under 6 months of age — may also receive a vaccination.

The health district has already received and distributed 6,000 doses of vaccine to people at high risk of complications from the flu. The nationwide redistribution is an attempt by the CDC and Aventis Pasteur, a flu vaccine manufacturer, to equal-

### Make a vaccination appointment

- **Twin Falls:** 8:30 a.m. to noon and 1 to 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 30, and from 8:30 a.m. to noon Friday, Dec. 5, at the South Central District Health office, located at 1020 Washington St. N. on the CSI campus. Contact: 734-5900.
- **Jerome:** 8:30 to 11 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 2, at the South Central District Health office, located at 951 E. Ave. H. Contact: 324-8838.
- **Burley:** 8:30 to 11 a.m. and 1 to 4 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 2, at the South Central District Health office, located at 2311 Parke Ave., unit 4. Contact: 678-8221.
- **Rupert:** 8:30 to 11 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 30, and from 8:30 to 11 a.m. Monday, Dec. 6, at the South Central District Health office, located at 1218 Ninth St., Suite 15. Contact: 436-7185.
- **Gooding:** 8:30 to 11 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 30, at the South Central District Health office, located at 134 Seventh Ave. E. Contact: 934-4477.
- **Shoshone:** 8:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 2, at the Christ Episcopal Church, located at 104 W. B St. Contact: 934-4477.
- **Fairfield:** 10 a.m. to noon Tuesday, Dec. 21, at the Camas Medical Clinic. Contact: 934-4477.
- **Bellevue:** 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 2, at the South Central District Health office, located at 117 East Ash St. Contact: 788-4335.

### Who's the most at risk

- **People age 65 and over.**
- **Those in long-term care facilities.**
- **Those with chronic long-term health problems including chronic lung disease, congestive heart failure or congenital heart disease, diabetes or kidney dysfunction, sickle cell disease, or HIV.**
- **Women who will be at least three months pregnant during influenza season.**
- **Bedside health care providers.**

ize the amount of vaccine sent to each state. Some of the additional vaccine also includes redistribution of vaccine from Minidoka Memorial Hospital and Cassia Regional Medical Center.

The first time children receive influenza vaccine they need two shots, given one month apart, to develop full immunity. The

second shot may not always be available because of the vaccine shortage, but children who receive an initial dose should experience some immunity from the flu.

Influenza viruses are spread primarily through the coughing and sneezing of infected persons. Influenza is characterized by the abrupt onset of fever,

headache, severe discomfort, muscle tenderness or pain, nonproductive cough, sore throat, and a very runny nose.

The peak influenza season in south-central Idaho is late December through early March. Adults develop antibody protection against influenza infection about seven days after vaccination.

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OBITUARIES

For obituary rates and information, call 735-3278 Monday through Saturday. Deadline is 4 p.m. for next publication. The e-mail address for obituaries is [obituaries@magicvalley.com](mailto:obituaries@magicvalley.com). To view or submit obituaries online, or to place a message in an individual online guestbook, go to [www.magicvalley.com](http://www.magicvalley.com) and click on "Obituaries."

**Dorothy Marie (Braga) Howsden - Wendell**

Dorothy Marie (Braga) Howsden, beloved wife, mother, grandmother, aunt, and friend, passed away Saturday, Nov. 20, 2004.

Marie was born to Antonio C. and Mariana (Silva) Braga on March 27, 1917. Marie was born into a family of 14 children: (11 survived), 88 grandchildren and 31 cousins. She graduated from Gooding High School in 1936, was married to Marshall Howsden, Nov. 30, 1939.



Howsden, one brother, Earl (Glenda) Braga of Twin Falls; son, Barry (Charlene) Howsden and their family, Rocky (Veronica) Howsden and

Heidi (Bob) Emery and three great-granddaughters, Kira, Brooke and Sharlene Emery; son, John (Erlynn) Howsden and their family, Nedra (Rick) Reznas and Dusty (Christa) Howsden and great-grandchildren, JD and Emma.

She was preceded in death by four brothers and five sisters.

A funeral will be conducted at 2 p.m. Monday, Nov. 29, 2004, at the Wendell United Methodist Church with burial following in Wendell Cemetery. A viewing will be from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday, Nov. 29th, at Demaray's Wendell Chapel.

For those who desire, contributions may be made to the Wendell United Methodist Church.

**Bonnie Jean Head - Buhl**

Bonnie Jean Head, 94, of Buhl, died Saturday, Nov. 20, 2004, at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center.

She was born Dec. 8, 1909, in Marble, Ark., the daughter of William and Sarah McCoullough. She was married and educated in Arkansas.



Church, enjoyed crocheting, flowers, gardening and quilting with the quilting group at the Buhl Senior Citizens' Center.

She is survived by four daughters, Jean (Don) Eter of Mountain Home, Idaho, Vivian (Gene) Fox of Peoria, Ariz., Judy (Gary) Baggert of Buhl and Caren Hosack; eight grandchildren, and 16 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband in 1965, by one great-granddaughter, three sisters and two brothers.

A funeral will be conducted at 11 a.m. Friday, Nov. 26, 2004, at the Buhl Baptist Church, by Pastor Ken Baker. Interment will follow at West End Cemetery in Buhl. Friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday at White Mortuary.

The family suggests memorials to the American Cancer Society c/o Hazel Wilcox, 359 Orchard Ave., Twin Falls, ID 83301.

**William Everett Conrad - Gooding**

William Everett Conrad, age 82, of Gooding, died Sunday, Nov. 21, 2004, at Gooding County Memorial Hospital.



at Malad, Idaho.

Surviving Everett are his wife and four children, James Everett (Jackie) Conrad of Omak, Wash., Carolyn (Richard) Baierman of Bonners Ferry, Idaho, Janet (Tim) Smith of Alta Loma, Calif., and William Bert (Cathy) Conrad of Loveland, Colo.; 19 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren; sisters, Mary (Gene) Feldheger of Seattle, Wash., and Jean (Cliff) Harris of Wendell; along with many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents and an older brother, Charles Cleo.

He was and will forever be honored and beloved by his family, friends and all that knew him.

Nadine and Everett recently celebrated their 56th wedding anniversary.

A funeral will be conducted at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 24, 2004, at the Gooding L.D.S. Church. Burial will be at 2 p.m. at West End Cemetery in Buhl.

A viewing will be from 10 to 11 a.m. Wednesday at the church.

He was born Feb. 26, 1922, on a farm south of Buhl, Idaho, the second child born to Charles Bert and Hazel Amanda (Frazier) Conrad. He began school at North View, north of Buhl. At the age of 14 the family moved to a farm south of Castleford. He graduated from Castleford High School in 1941.

Everett entered into the U.S. Navy during World War II and was trained as a radar and radio technician.

He was assigned to the USS Brown and the USS Bennian, where he was in harm's way for over one-half years. While on the destroyer, the USS Bennian, the ship survived many kamikaze hits. After the end of the war he returned to Castleford to farm with his father and brother.

Not long after returning home he met Nadine Williams from Malad, Idaho, and they were married on Nov. 5, 1948.

Their marriage was solemnized in the Idaho Falls Temple on April 11, 1961. They farmed in Castleford for five years and then moved to Gooding in 1955 where they bought their own farm.

Everett started working as a propane serviceman to support his real love, farming.

He retired with 30 years of service from the propane company.

**Harold Francis Vogt - Burley**

Harold Francis Vogt passed away in the early morning hours on Nov. 22, 2004, at Cassia Regional Medical Center in Burley, Idaho of natural causes.



Ruth Baseball and women ASA softball. He was the greatest fan for all his children and grandchildren.

Harold was born on Aug. 18, 1920, in Bates County, Mo., to C. Fred Vogt and Frances Nea Hupp. He was the second born son.

He was baptized at Zion Lutheran Church in Prairie City, Mo., in 1920. He was confirmed into the Lutheran body of Zion Lutheran Church of the Missouri Synod on April 9, 1933.

He attended Zion Lutheran Parochial School through the eighth grade, Bates County High School in 1934-35, then the family moved to Heyburn, Idaho, in 1935, and he graduated from Heyburn High School in the Class of 1937.

Harold loved all sports especially baseball and was always a St. Louis Cardinals fan. He played American Legion Baseball in Burley and was a member of 1937 Burley American Legion State Championship team that qualified for the Northwest Regional Championship Tournament in Yakima, Wash. He also played semi-pro ball for several years.

Harold coached in the Heyburn Recreation Department Little League Baseball, Babe

Garcia, Chris (Jackie) Colvin, Patrick (Connie) Colvin, Wendy Earven, Angela (Kenneth) Buchanan, Adam John Vogt and Cody James Vogt; one 10 great-grandchildren; one sister-in-law, Margaret Veloz Arcadia, Calif.; and numerous cousins.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Frances; father, Fred; and brother, Alvin.

Our father had a great sense of humor. He will continue to make our hearts smile. We are truly proud of our father, husband, grandfather and great-grandfather and he will remain in our hearts forever.

The family appreciates a special thank you to all the doctors and nurses at Cassia Regional Medical Center for their kindness and gratefulness in their treatment and care for him.

A funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, Nov. 26, 2004, at Zion Lutheran Church in Burley, Idaho, with Pastor Michael Donnan officiating.

Burial will follow at the Rupert Cemetery. Friends may call on our prior to the service at the church.

In lieu of flowers the family suggests memorials a charitable contribution to the American Diabetes Association or Zion Lutheran Church in Burley, Idaho, or charity of choice.

OBITUARY

**Matt McCurry - Twin Falls**

Matt McCurry, a 39-year-old Twin Falls resident, died Nov. 21, 2004, at Twin Falls, Idaho.

He was born June 3, 1965, in Pocatello, Idaho, the son of Mark and Dolly McCurry.

He married Stephanie Asher,

they were later divorced.

He is survived by his parents and siblings, Rob Combe, Idaho Falls, Idaho, Steve Coates, Pocatello, Idaho, Ace McCurry, Burley, Idaho, Zari McCurry, Bend, Ore., Cindy James, Boise, Idaho, Vicky

Fleming, Ariz., and Ronald McCurry, Alaska.

A gathering for family and friends will be held from 11 a.m. until noon, Wednesday, Nov. 24, 2004, at Hansen Mortuary Burley Chapel, 321 E. Main St.

SERVICES

Dwain William French of Buhl, service at 11 a.m. Tuesday at White Mortuary; friends may call from 9 a.m. until time of the service Tuesday at the mortuary.

James E. Kevan of Glens Ferry, funeral at 10 a.m. Wednesday at the American Legion Hall in Glens Ferry; viewing from 9 a.m. until time of the service at the Legion Hall; graveside service at 2 p.m. Wednesday at the Manard Cemetery southeast of Fairfield, followed by a get-together at the Senior Citizens' Center in Fairfield (Demaray Funeral Home).

Idella Gold Cowmover of Belton, Texas, and formerly of Wendell, funeral at 2 p.m. Wednesday at the Wendell LDS Third Ward Chapel, 605 N. Idaho St.; visitation from noon until time of the service Wednesday at the church (Farnsworth Mortuary, Jerome).

Robert Lee Martin of Twin Falls, funeral at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Twin Falls 6th Ward LDS Chapel; friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. today at White Mortuary and from 12:15 to 1:15 p.m. Tuesday at the church.

Mildred Mable Borchardt of Rupert, funeral at 2 p.m. Tuesday at the Rupert Assembly of God Church, corner of Fourth and 11 streets; friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. today at Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel and one hour before the service Tuesday at the church.

Larry Warnstaff, 64, of Jerome, died Sunday, Nov. 21, 2004, at Hospice House in Jerome.

Arrangements will be made by Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home.

DEATH NOTICES

Juan Carlos Espinoza of Burley, vigil service with recitation of the rosary at 7 p.m. Tuesday at Little Flower Catholic Church, 1601 Oakley Ave., Burley. The funeral Mass at 11 a.m. Wednesday at the church; friends may call from 6 p.m. until the time of the rosary Tuesday, and one hour before the funeral Mass Wednesday at the church (Hass-

side Cemetery for a memorial graveside service.

Martha Martha OAKLEY - Martha Martin, an 87-year-old resident of Oakley, died Monday, Nov. 22, 2004, at her home.

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

Clara Still - BURLEY - Clara Still, a 92-year-old Burley resident, died Friday, Nov. 19, 2004, at Rosetta Assisted Living.

There will be a gathering for family and friends at 1 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 27, 2004, at Hansen Mortuary Burley Chapel, 321 E. Main. At 2 p.m. the family will travel to River-

side Cemetery for a memorial graveside service.

Elizabeth Luft TWIN FALLS - Elizabeth Luft, 90, of Twin Falls, died early Sunday morning, Nov. 21, 2004, at her home in Twin Falls.

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

AG asks court to reinstate Idaho parental consent laws

BOISE (AP) — The U.S. District Court here on Monday to reinstate Idaho's parental consent abortion law.

Attorney General Lawrence Wasden filed the petition with the high court after the full 9th Circuit Court of Appeals refused to reconsider the decision by one of its three-judge panels to throw the 2000 law out.

The bulk of the law had been in effect until Sept. 7, when the appellate court ruling was finalized.

The appellate panel in July ruled that the law's provisions for emergency abortions on minor girls without consent were "constitutionally inadequate. While the state has a legitimate interest in regulating those types of abortions, the panel ruled that it did so improperly."

The decision reversed the December 2001 order by U.S. Magistrate Mikel Williams, who upheld key provisions of the law.

Anti-abortion forces had anticipated the appellate ruling and had pressed the state to take the case to the Supreme Court, where they believed the law stood a better chance of approval.

The dispute has created a rift within the anti-abortion movement in Idaho that undermined attempts to pass corrective legislation last winter.

In the original lower court decision, Williams only threw out the law's restrictions on the courts where minors can go to secure judicial consent when parental consent was not possible.

He also threw out the requirement that parents be notified within 24 hours of an abortion performed under the medical emergency provisions.

But he upheld the law's medical emergency scheme, ruling that the definition of medical emergency was broad enough to protect constitutional rights. Williams also said that criminal sanctions against doctors were restricted sufficiently to avoid infringing on their constitutional protections.

But the appellate panel disagreed.

It said there was no reasonable explanation for limiting medical emergency abortions to "sudden and unexpected" in-

stances of physical complications. Doctors are permitted to perform other procedures on minors in emergencies that do not fit in the category of "sudden and unexpected," suggesting that the life of a pregnant woman requires a lesser level of protection in case of abortion.

Since medical emergency provisions were integral to the entire law, the court said there was no way to salvage any part of the statute.

Abortions in Idaho have decreased significantly since 1980, when 2,553 were performed. In 1990 the rate was down to 1,390 and it recently hit zero again by 2001, when there were 738, according to statistics compiled by the Department of Health and Welfare.

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# Summer lake levels drown wetlands

ST. MARIES (AP) — Maintaining the comparatively high water level of Lake Coeur d'Alene for the area's tourism economy in recent decades has undermined the ecology of the lower St. Joe River, wetlands advocates warn.

And industry plans to keep the lake level higher even longer could destroy what little remains, they say.

Frank Werner, a nationally known duck decoy carver, has made preservation of what is left of the seasonal wetlands along the lower St. Joe his cause, but he concedes at best the losses will only be slowed.

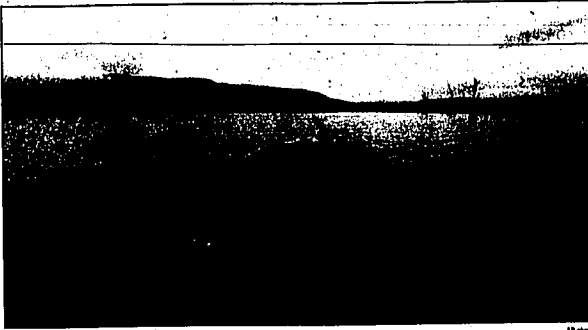
The hundreds of cottonwoods that once lined the banks along the lower river have disappeared, fallen from constant flooding, he said.

Natural levees that had been created over centuries to provide seasonal wetlands have been submerged, reducing the chance for native fowl to take root in late summer and giving way to invasive weeds like milk thistle, which crowds out native plants and has little value for fish and wildlife.

But efforts to extend the higher lake level into late September for commercial and tourism benefit, Werner predicts, will likely win out despite the evidence of the environmental losses.

"Money talks and merit walks," Werner said. "We're going to have to settle for the best we can get. There's economic realities to keeping the summer level high."

Ayette Utilities, which regu-



Frank Werner, of St. Maries, boats along lower St. Joe River near the southern end of Lake Coeur d'Alene on Nov. 16. Werner, a nationally known duck decoy carver, has made preservation of what is left of the seasonal wetlands along the lower St. Joe his cause, but he concedes that, at best, the losses will only be slowed.

lates the lake level with its Post Falls dam, has applied for another long-term renewal of its operating license for the dam, and negotiations over the past two years have resulted in the petition that the higher level be maintained even longer.

Regardless, the utility has proposed measures to slow the erosion, including spending \$150,000 each year for the first 15 years of its new license to build wedge-shaped rock weirs. The structures are meant to absorb energy from wakes and waves.

The Coeur d'Alene Tribe, which owns the southern third of the lake, has yet to take a stand on the extended summer level, but its lake resources manager, Robert Matt, said the undermining of the natural levee system is serious.

"The whole history of the river corridor originates from the beauty of those levees," Matt said. "There's a lot of ecological trouble now for those levees. They may not be recoverable."

Without the Post Falls dam, Lake Coeur d'Alene would typi-

cally cover about 26,000 acres during dry months of summer, Matt said.

Now, the lake covers 48,000 acres and the high pool extends more than 20 miles up the St. Joe River. Much of the flooded area was seasonal wetlands.

"The loss is profound," Matt said. "We want to protect what's left. We're hoping to find some good, reasonable compromise. We understand the importance to the local economy of the lake level. We're rooted in the service and hospitality business also."

# Officials take issue with gang violence publicity

NAMPA (AP) — Local officials are taking issue with the publicity Canyon County has been getting over escalating gang violence even as a gang-related shootout outside a theater left at least one person wounded.

Officials were also investigating a second shooting early Sunday — a drive-by in another Nampa neighborhood that police said may not have been gang-related but was linked to drugs and stolen items that county investigators have said are used to finance gang activities.

The latest incidents continued pushing the number of shooting reports in the county since July toward 200.

Well over half of them and most of the injuries have occurred in Caldwell, a heavily agricultural community in the county of about 150,000 just west of the state capital.

Two Caldwell men have been killed and others wounded in the past five months.

Nampa city spokesman Dale Dixon maintained that despite the weekend shootings in his city the impression that violence has escalated there this summer and fall is faulty, and the city is launching an information campaign to prove it.

"The reality is that we are lowering the gang violence," Dixon said. "This is the real story that we want people to know. They are living in a safe community, and we are actively and aggressively addressing the situation."

Some gang members and their parents were scheduled to meet with Mayor Tom Dale and local police officials Monday

evening in a further attempt to curb violence.

Dixon downplayed the increased number of shooting reports as including "everything from a kid shooting somebody in a backyard to somebody reporting a car backfiring in the night."

But county officials and Caldwell leaders acknowledged at a community meeting last month that gang violence is on the rise and much of it is gang-related.

Prosecutor Dave Young set up a Public Safety League to merge community and police initiatives on finding those behind the violence and getting them off the street, and the city of Caldwell is seeking federal funds to increase resources to fight street violence and provide young people with alternatives to gang involvement.

Dixon said the Nampa police have had highly trained officers specializing in gang identification and intervention since the 1990s, and combined with a wide-ranging, intensive education initiative and a zero-tolerance policy for gangs they have had a positive effect.

"At the same time, the mayor recently said there was no reason to fear that publicity over gang violence would affect economic development."

"We have told the story in the past and want to remind people of Nampa's efforts in this important area," Dale said. "We're proud of the good job our police department is doing and grateful for our community members who partner with us to address the gang situation."

# Church members buy phone cards for troops

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — Members of a Coeur d'Alene church have organized a series of breakfasts to raise money to buy phone cards for Idaho troops calling home from Iraq.

The First Presbyterian Church congregation raised \$1,100 at the first of three scheduled morning events, called Project Home Calling Cards.

"The church is working with the Idaho National Guard and phone companies for the best rates — and assurances the cards will make it to the troops. The next breakfast is set for Dec. 12."

Donna Schwandt, a volunteer who helped scramble about 20 dozen eggs at one breakfast, said she wanted to participate in what she termed a "worthy cause." "I want to get those cards, it's one way to help," she said.

This is just one of several fund-raising events in Idaho to help support troops.

In Twin Falls, for instance, members of the National Guard members have worked to raise money to pay for plane tickets bring their family members home between combat training and deployment to Iraq.

**Boy Scouts almost make goal in food collection**

POCATELLO (AP) — Boy Scout troops from across the region fell just short of a goal to collect 500,000 food items in a drive to benefit local agencies

# Former legislator General is finally confirmed for judgeship

MERIDIAN (AP) — Al Lance, the former Republican state legislator and two-term attorney general who served as national commander of the American Legion, has finally been confirmed as a judge on the U.S. Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims.

Lance's nomination, rumored in 2001, came in the second year of a Bush more than two years ago, was unanimously approved by the Senate early Sunday in what were supposed to be the final moments of the lame-duck session. But lawmakers may return next month now to work out a new deal on overhauling the intelligence community.

# Governor prepares to apply tribal water rights

BOISE (AP) — With federal approval in hand, Gov. Dirk Kempthorne on Monday signed the state end of the argument in one of the largest water rights disputes in the West will be ready for lawmakers in January.

"I will have a package of bills drafted and ready to be introduced in the Idaho Legislature," the governor said in a statement issued as he prepared for his return to Louisiana on Tuesday to spend the holiday with Idaho National Guard

## Idaho in brief

Including the Salvation Army, the Idaho Food Bank and St. Vincent DePaul's.

About 437,450 food items were collected by The Grand Teton Council of Boy Scouts. The Teton Council encompasses most of southeast Idaho, Salmon and Jackson Hole, Wyo.

More than 12,600 scouts participated in the food drive, including 2,200 from Bannock County.

Bannock County scouts collected 105,425 items.

Spokesman David Jones said even though donations fell short of the goal, collections were up from last year.

"We were hoping to hit 500,000 items and we almost did," Jones said. "We had good response this year from the media and we're still getting calls to pick up donations."

## Plane makes emergency landing on Highway 20

IDAHO FALLS (AP) — A twin-engine airplane en route from Portland, Ore., to Idaho Falls made an emergency landing late Sunday afternoon on U.S. Highway 20.

The pilot and three passengers landed safely on the two-lane Highway 15 miles west of Idaho Falls. Mechanical problems caused the plane to run out of fuel, said Bret Kessinger, an Idaho State

## Police trooper

Kessinger said dispatchers notified him at about 10 p.m. that the plane would land on the highway. By the time troopers arrived, the four-seat Piper Aztec had landed and taxied onto the north side of the road.

"U.S. 20 at the site of the landing is flat, with sagebrush growing on both sides of the roadway. The geography of the site doesn't include lava rock outcrops that dot the desert in other places."

Police, who don't plan to issue a citation to the pilot, did not release the pilot's name.

## Potato Expo remodeling nears completion

BLACKFOOT (AP) — A \$81,000 remodeling job at the Blackfoot Potato Expo is nearly complete, providing additional space for an outdoor exhibit of antique farming equipment.

Improvements of the expo, one of Blackfoot's signature attractions, include adding 13 trees, sod and light poles. The farming equipment to be displayed on the revamped space was donated by longtime Bingham County farmer Wendell "Walquist."

It takes unimproved areas and makes them better-looking," said Brandon Bird, a member of the Blackfoot Urban Renewal Agency. "It's a real beautiful display that will draw people into the Blackfoot Potato Expo."

The project is the latest in a

series of downtown revitalization projects that began three years ago.

## Coeur d'Alene officer wins Bronze Star

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — A U.S. Air Force commander from Coeur d'Alene who saw action during the first days of the Iraq war has been awarded the Bronze Star, the military's fourth-highest honor.

Col. Gregory P. Cook got the medal for helping open airfields for U.S. forces during Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Before the Americans arrived, Iraqis had sabotaged their usable airfields, obstructing them with discarded equipment and debris.

Cook first went into action on March 21, 2003, two days after the war began. He helped lead teams that gathered information on potential airfields to be used by U.S. forces.

"The exemplary leadership, personal endeavor and devotion to duty displayed by Colonel Cook in this responsible position reflect great credit upon himself and the United States Air Force," according to the citation accompanying the Bronze Star that Cook received last week.

The Bronze Star was authorized on Feb. 4, 1944, during World War II. It honors heroic or meritorious achievement in combat.

— compiled from wire reports

# Driver dies in accident

BURLEY — A Burley man was killed late Saturday night when his truck left the road and rolled over twice, ejecting the driver.

Carlos Espinoza, 29, of Burley, apparently lost control of the truck when he veered into the oncoming lane and over corrected, causing the truck to slide out of control, according to the police report.

Espinoza was transported to Cassia Regional Medical Center and then taken by LifeFlight to St. Luke's Regional Medical Center where he was pronounced dead at 5:28 a.m. Saturday.

The report indicates that alcohol may have contributed to the accident.

## Magic Valley in brief

### Burley man gets two years of probation

BURLEY — A man originally charged with aggravated assault with enhancement for use of a deadly weapon was sentenced Tuesday to two years of supervised probation.

Dennis Pickett, 54, pleaded guilty to reduced charges of brandishing a firearm and disturbing the peace Sept. 24, 2003, at misdemeanor. He was ordered to pay \$363.50 in fines and court costs and given a suspended jail sentence of 180 days.

The assault charges stem from a Sept. 11 incident when Pickett reportedly threatened a neighbor with a pistol and later argued with police while holding the gun at his side.

— compiled from staff reports

# Meridian officials consider creating new magnet schools

MERIDIAN (AP) — The state's largest school district plans to launch a new magnet school program, expanding on the philosophy of offering different academic programs to different kinds of learners.

Meridian's Joint School District No. 2 has formed a committee to study the idea of creating new magnet programs should open, where to put them and what courses will be offered.

The district started experimenting with specialized schools more than 10 years ago, and currently has 13 magnet programs or schools.

Adding more magnet schools would be good for students and could alleviate some of Meridian's overcrowded classes, Superintendent Linda Clark said.

Like charter schools, magnet schools are also public schools that offer specialized curriculum. The key difference, state education officials say, is that charter schools are initiated by parents, whereas magnet schools are started by the district itself.

Donna Szathmari lives in Meridian and has two children at the Christine Donnell School of the Arts, which follows an arts-based curriculum.

"In theory," said Szathmari, "magnet schools like Donnell should be necessary." All kids should be able to study band, orchestra, foreign language and dance as part of the normal school day. But that's not the case, she said.

The Donnell School, which opened in fall, is nearly full. There are only a few slots left in the fifth and sixth grades and a

waiting list of 75 for kindergarten through fourth grade.

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# Former legislator dies at 60

BOISE (AP) — Dan Hawley, the former Republican state House member who made an unsuccessful bid for the U.S. Congress and abandoned a run for attorney general, died at a hospital of natural causes. He was 60.

Services were scheduled for Wednesday morning in Boise. He died on Saturday.

Hawley mounted his congressional campaign for the 2nd District seat in 1990, finishing third in a four-way GOP primary.

Two years later, however, he won a seat in the state House of Representatives and served for one term.

The former assistant U.S. At-

torney flirted with a bid for state attorney general in 2002, before abandoning that race.

He had earlier served as the special prosecutor in the high profile case of an eastern Idaho doctor, who ultimately admitted sexually molesting female patients.

But in October 2002, the state Supreme Court suspended his license to practice law for allegedly filing frivolous lawsuits in divorce and property title cases.

He disputed the findings, claiming he was being punished for taking on an establishment, and declared at the time that he would never practice law again.

# Church announces location of new Utah LDS temple

## The Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY — The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints announced Monday that it will build a new temple in the Corner Canyon area of Draper, church leaders announced Monday.

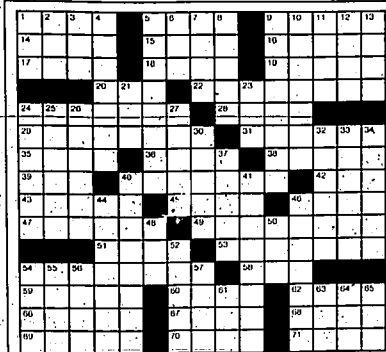
The temple will be built in the Salt Lake Valley and in Twin Falls were announced at the October conference of the church.

governments also pledged tens of millions of dollars for fish habitat and other environmental improvements.

The bill would protect irrigators in the Upper Snake River Basin and some loggers and landowners in the Clearwater and Salmon river basins from endangered species-based lawsuits.

The plan also would be approved from the Nez Perce Tribe. Kempthorne said the deal will ensure the state's sovereignty over its water.

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# Readers square off over rings

**DEAR ABBY:** "Deb in Knoxville" asked you should buy the ring if the woman proposes. I think the groom should buy the ring for the bride, and the bride should buy the ring for the groom, no matter who proposes. It should be their gift to each other.

-JOYFUL

**IN ALPHARETTA, GA.**  
**DEAR JOYFUL:** My ears are "ringing" from the many comments I've received regarding that letter. Read on:

**DEAR ABBY:** Your answer to "Deb in Knoxville" was right on. You advised her that if the man is a gentleman, he should buy it. And if he refuses, she should enter the marriage with her eyes wide open and no illusions about what her future will be. Even though my husband popped the question to me, he never bought me a ring. It was an indication of what was to come. He is the world's worst cheapskate.

I can count on one hand the number of gifts he has given me over the years. He is equally



**DEAR ABBY:**  
Jeanne Phillips

withholding emotionally. When I was single, I never thought that such things were important in a relationship. I was wrong. It's been a lonely life.

**-LONELY IN DIXIE**  
**DEAR LONELY:** In your case, the lack of gifts is less important than the absence of what they stand for. You have my sympathy.

**DEAR ABBY:** My girlfriend tells me that it is tradition that the man buy the woman a ring, and the woman buys the man a watch. What a great tradition! Have you heard of this?

**-BOB IN CHICAGO**  
**DEAR BOB:** No, so I called Dawn Moore, the West Coast regional director of Chopard Jewelers. She informed me that a

wristwatch is the "traditional offering" from the woman to the man at the time of the engagement or the wedding. (What a clever way of ensuring he makes it to the church on time!)

**DEAR ABBY:** "Deb in Knoxville" asked you should buy the ring if the woman proposes. You replied that you're old-fashioned, and the man should buy it if he's a gentleman. I disagree if the woman asks, she should buy the ring. Not only that, but she should present that ring to him. What's good for the goose is good for the gander.

**-EQUAL OPPORTUNITY ENGAGER**  
**DEAR ENGAGER:** Thank you for stating the opposing point of view.

**DEAR ABBY:** I proposed to my longtime boyfriend and bought him an engagement ring. I didn't care if I received one or not. He asked if I wanted one as well, and I declined. Because of pressure from family and friends, he finally insisted. Abby, there is so much old-

fashioned peer pressure on the man. When we announced our engagement, I made the mistake of saying that I had been the one to propose. People would gawk at him as though he had been the one holding up the shopping bag. And I had to someone get the ball rolling by proposing to him. It was like they thought less of him somehow. I think it embarrassed him, which was stupid because he was ready to be married long before I was. (I was divorced and afraid of making another mistake.)

When I felt ready, I decided to surprise him and propose. He was loving and patient with me - and it's unfair that people regard him as someone who had to be poked and prodded into making a commitment.

I think that if a woman proposes, the same rules should apply as if the situation were reversed. It's up to both of them to decide about the rings. The responsibility should be shared because they are both equals in the relationship.

-SMILING IN CANADA

## A language vanishes every two weeks

According to UNESCO, one of the world's languages disappears every two weeks.

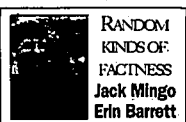
This day in history: It's a day of sight and sound. On Nov. 23, 1895, San Francisco's Palais Royal became the home of the first coin-operated jukebox. And on Nov. 23, 1936, the first issue of photo-heavy "Life" magazine hit the stands.

Lyndon Johnson was the first U.S. president to be administered his oath of office by a woman judge, Sarah Hughes. Did we say the first? You can also add that he was the only president to take the oath from a woman.

No frog lives in salt water. In 1921, the state of Louisiana passed a law forbidding any teacher from speaking "Calun French" in a public school.

Tobacco companies liked the idea of cigarette filters - not for any added protection for the smoker but because the filter material was cheaper than tobacco it replaced. The filter also screened some of the harshness out of the smoke so the companies could also use a cheaper grade of tobacco.

The first successful artificial heart valve was in use in the 1950s. It was a little ball that shut off and opened blood flow in the heart. When patients



**RANDOM KINDS OF FACTNESS**  
Jack Mingo  
Erin Barrett

opened their mouths, its clicking noise was distinctly audible.

Richard Nixon's very, first legal case as a lawyer was terribly mishandled and cost him thousands of dollars. From all appearances, it looked as though Nixon had tried to financially gain from the case, and he was severely reprimanded by the judge. Nixon soon after decided politics might be a less-demanding career.

Gyromancy is fortune-telling by spinning a person in a circle until they're too dizzy to stand up. Whose and how they fall down helps the gyromancer tell the future.

The broiler chicken industry began in Sussex County, Del., and to this day, more broiler chickens call Sussex County home than any other county in the United States.

Yes, you can overdose on caffeine. Ten grams could kill you. That's the equivalent of about 100 average cups of coffee drunk within four hours.

## Birthday today? Strive for serenity

**IF NOVEMBER 23 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY ...** You may be holding your breath and waiting for the other shoe to drop, but dramatic changes are in the past. You can be confident that major upsets will not topple the plans you will put in motion at the end of this month. Strive for long-term security and serenity in the year ahead and you will get your birthday wish.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19):** An undercurrent of eldritch may tempt you to take actions that you might regret later. In business, be patient and abide by the rules, as restrictive conditions will change soon.

**Taurus (April 20-May 20):** What's that quote about paying unto Caesar what is due to Caesar? To the line on the career front, but keep one foot in the door where new relationships are involved. Although - not last long - they can provide you with valuable ideas.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** You may watch from the sidelines as push comes to shove. Using common sense and tact will prevent you from becoming embroiled in arguments. It is a good time for you to appear in public and extend your network of business contacts.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22):** Be practical and strive for harmony if a judgmental atmosphere threatens to place you in an unpleasant situation. Obsessing over the past can only lead people down a dismal road.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** Remember that people who live in glass houses shouldn't throw stones. The pendulum is likely to swing in the opposite direction in the next several days, so avoid making uncompromising business decisions.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** Solid financial strides can be made before the month is out, but today is not the time to put your ideas into motion. Listen to the voice of authority and shoulder responsibilities to gain approval.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** Don't neglect exacting requirements at the workplace or ignore the boss. Once work is completed you will be free to play. You chairman and personal magnetism can draw others towards you indiscriminately, so be prepared to pick and choose from a bevy of admirers.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** A fixation on policy and convention can cause some tense moments and a frosty reception from others. Be open-minded and delight in those who arrive on your doorstep from vastly different backgrounds.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** Don't give in to selfish desires or follow bad examples. When you stand to your own personal philosophy and perform acts of generosity, the universe is likely to assist you in mysterious ways.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** Adhering to policy might provide approval from those on

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Jeralaine Saunders

high, but could demonstrate inherent flaws in the system, as well. It may be time to overhaul stale methods.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** The world is full of contradictions this week. Heavy-handed individuals may come down hard on suspected infractions of the rules, but remember that rules are made to be broken. Concentrate on a surge in your popularity.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):** If the world seems harsh and cruel today, escape to an oasis of love built for two. You and a trusted partner have your own support system in place that can instantly buoy your spirits with a quick phone call.

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## It's getting easier to eat healthy at airports

ROMULUS, Mich. (AP) — For many who travel for the holidays, the eating begins at the airport.

It's always been easy to find high-calorie, fat-filled and fried foods at Detroit Metropolitan Airport and a growing number of airports nationwide, more options for the health-conscious are on the menu.

It was a pilot's complaint that helped launch the improvement in Detroit. Now "Heart Smart" options marked with a red logo are on many menus — and a recent survey shows the airport continues to make strides in healthy offerings.

"When I'm at an airport, the last thing I want is a cheeseburger," said Anthony Struzziero, who grabbed a chicken breast sandwich during a recent voyage. He decided to eat at Mediterranean Grill after spotting healthy options on its menu.

Struzziero, 18, of Portland, Maine, was on his way to Phoenix to visit a friend and said healthy options like those at Mediterranean Grill are something he's seeing more often at other airports too.

"A lot more have sandwich shops and healthy food places," he said. "I think a lot of places are trying to get away from fast food."

Last year a pilot looking for healthy food stopped in to see the Detroit airports chief executive, Ed Robinson. He has made improving food options a top priority.

Soon after, the airport formed a partnership with a Detroit-based network of hospitals and clinics, the Heart for Health System. The network's experts evaluated the menus of 13 restaurants at its McNamara Terminal, one of Northwest Airlines' nationwide hubs.

Heart Smart designations, the health experts worked with restaurants on improving their food. Now more of the estimated 50 airport restaurants are getting items certified as heart-healthy.

Mediterranean Grill's list of healthy offerings include tabbouleh, vegetarian grape leaves and chicken stir fry. Administrative manager Ric Frievald said one of the changes was to bake instead of deep-frying it so it would qualify as "Heart Smart."

"It's something that travelers at many airports haven't seen," Frievald said of the program. "We think about it only for travelers, but you also have people who work there," said Darlene Zimmerman, a registered dietician at Henry Ford.

Recently, the Physicians Committee for Responsible Medicine, which promotes vegetarian diets, cited Detroit's airport as No. 2 in offering healthy vegetarian fare among 12 of the busiest U.S. airports.

The group said 83 percent of restaurants offer such food. Claiming the top spot was Miami International Airport with 85 percent of restaurants offering food low in fat, calories and sodium.

Trulle Ankerberg-Nobis, clinical research coordinator for the Physicians Committee, said the rankings come as airline passengers look for more carry-on food options.

"More restaurants are stepping up to the plate... because fewer people are getting that on board," Ankerberg-Nobis said.

"They have to take it from home or they are going to buy it from the airport themselves." The rankings are based on the percentage of restaurants offering at least one entrée that fits the requirements. Although airport food is getting healthier, the Physicians Committee said 36 percent of airport restaurants surveyed still don't offer one qualifying entrée.

"There still is lots more improvement to do," Ankerberg-Nobis said.

In Detroit, airport employees have taken notice of the options. "They've always had salads available," said Judith Wegner, 49, of Taylor, who works at the Northwest Airlines WorldClub. "They've always had some of these, but the restaurants have gotten better."

## Police probe shooting deaths of hunters

BIRCHWOOD, Wis. (AP) — As several deer hunters made their way through the woods of northern Wisconsin, they were startled to come upon a stranger in their tree stand. But what happened next was even more astonishing.

Asked to leave, the trespasser, wearing blaze-orange and carrying a semiautomatic assault rifle, opened fire on the hunters and didn't stop until his 20-round clip was empty, leaving five people dead and three wounded, authorities said.

The shooter was eventually captured.

The killings baffled authorities and stunned residents in a state where deer hunting is a rite of autumn — a sport practiced by thousands of people who scour the woods for nine days each November with hopes of bagging a trophy buck.

"This is an incredible tragedy, one in which a great family tradition like a deer hunt has turned into such a great loss," Gov. Jim Doyle said Monday. Police identified the shooter as Chal Vang, 36, a hunter from St. Paul, Minn., who is a member of the Twin Cities Hmong community. While authorities do not know why he allegedly opened fire, there have been previous clashes between Southeast Asian and white hunters in the region.

Locals have complained that the Hmong, refugees from Laos, do not understand the



A police officer interviews witnesses near the scene where a dispute among deer hunters over a tree stand in northwestern Wisconsin erupted in a series of shootings that left five people dead and three injured Sunday near Hayward, Wis.

concept of private property and hunt wherever they see fit. In Minnesota, a fistfight once broke out after Hmong hunters crossed onto private land, said Dean Her, director of the St. Paul-based Council on Asian Pacific Minnesotans.

The five killed and three wounded were part of a group of 14 or 15 who made their opening-weekend trip to Robert Crotteau's 400-acre property an annual tradition.

The visit was like any other until around noon Sunday. When two or three hunters spotted a man in their hunting platform in a tree on Crotteau's land, they radioed back to the rest of the party at a cabin nearby, and asked who should be there.

"The answer was nobody should be in the deer stand,"

Sheriff James Meier said. One of the men approached the intruder and asked him to leave, as Crotteau and the others in the cabin hopped on their all-terrain vehicles and headed to the scene.

"The suspect got down from the deer stand, walked 40 yards, fiddled with his rifle. He took the scope off his rifle, he turned and he opened fire on the group," Meier said.

One of the men who was shot called for help on his radio, but it was too late. The gunman fired again, hitting the people who had just arrived on ATVs.

"The gunman was 'chasing after them and killing them,' Deputy Tim Zeigle said. 'He hunted them down.'"

It is unclear whether anyone returned fire. The members of

the hunting party had only one gun among them.

The scene Meier described was one of carnage, the bodies strewn around 100 feet apart. Rescuers from the cabin pulled the living onto their vehicles and headed out of the thick woods.

"They grabbed who they could grab and got out of there because they were still under fire," Meier said.

The shooter took off into the woods and eventually came upon two other hunters who had not heard about the shootings. Vang told them he was lost, and they offered him a ride to a ward's truck. Meier said. He was then arrested; authorities plan to bring charges against him later this week.

Vang was carrying an SKS 7.62-mm caliber rifle, a cheap but powerful semiautomatic weapon, authorities said.

Killed were Crotteau, 42; his son Joey, 20; Al Laski, 43; Mark Roidt, 28; and Jessica Willers, 27.

Her said she has heard from some people in St. Paul's Hmong community who said they knew Vang, though not the highest 24,000 Hmong (pronounced "hmoong") live in St. Paul, the largest concentration of any U.S. city.

"They said he loves to hunt," Her said. "He is a hunting zealot."

Meier said Vang was on the wrong tree stand because he had become lost and wandered unknowingly onto private property. The county has thousands of acres of public hunting land.

Vang spoke good English and investigators said he was cooperating. The sheriff said he was "extremely calm."

## Rain pounds Texas; motorist's death is blamed on high water

HOUSTON (AP) — Heavy rain Monday in the San Antonio and Austin areas flooded streets, stranded cars and closed roads. Rising creeks and streams also threatened some homes, forcing residents to move to higher ground.

San Antonio police reported one death, after a vehicle was swept from a roadway.

In New Braunfels, rescue

crews evacuated 24 children from a day care center. Flooding also shut down a large section of the city's downtown.

Gov. Rick Perry authorized use of three Texas National Guard UH-60 helicopters for search and rescue operations. "We hope Texans will take all possible precautions during severe weather to keep them from dangerous situations," he said.

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## Oldest known bank robber dies

DALLAS (AP) — J.L. Hunter "Red" Rountree, the nation's oldest known bank robber, who turned to crime in his 80s and said the robberies made him feel good for days afterward, died in a prison hospital. He was 92.

A spokesman for the U.S. Medical Center for Federal Prisoners in Springfield, Mo., said Rountree was transferred there shortly after his sentencing in January for a bank holdup in Abilene when he was 91.

He died Oct. 12, two months shy of his 93rd birthday. The Abilene job was the last of three bank robberies Rountree began in 1998, when he was 86.

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# 3-year-old boy will receive transplant for rare disorder

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — A 3-year-old Idaho boy is preparing for a bone marrow transplant for a procedure doctors hope will kill off an extremely rare blood disorder that forces him to avoid sunlight, which is deadly to his tender skin.

Nicholas Ashby, of Orofino, has congenital erythropoietic porphyria, a condition that weakens the immune system and the skin, causing scarring, discoloration and lesions. Sufferers must stay out of direct sunlight because its ultraviolet rays can trigger severe blistering, infection and, eventually, heart failure.

Nicholas and his parents were in Salt Lake City Monday, preparing for this week's expected start of chemotherapy to prepare for the transplant. The new marrow would help produce new blood, giving Nicholas his best shot at a long-normal life, doctors said.

"My greatest hope for him is that he can go out in the sun and play," said Dr. Michael Wolfinger, who will lead the boy's surgery at Primary Children's Medical Center.

The condition, believed to be genetic, results from low levels of the enzyme responsible for producing hemoglobin, the molecule that carries oxygen in the blood. Symptoms, including anemia, usually appear in infancy but can start later in childhood or during adult years.

Nicholas, who has endured sores on his hands and face for most of his life, is one of less than 200 known cases worldwide. He is the eighth patient known to be treated in recent years.

His case has grabbed attention because of an odd safety mechanism built into the disorder: the overproduction of hair to protect the skin from lesions.

That has led some to refer to Nicholas as having "werewolf syndrome," a label his divorced parents despise. The toddler appeared fairly normal Monday, aside from some light facial scarring and discoloration on his nose that worsens in direct sunlight.

"You can't even buy a sunblock that will protect his skin," said his father, Robert Ashby, 40. "We take every precaution we can to keep him healthy."

That includes tinting the windows on the couple's cars, making sure all shades in the house are drawn tight and avoiding the outdoors — even



Mary Ann Mattson gets a hug from her 3-year-old son, Nicholas Ashby, on Sept. 15, in Orofino. Nicholas suffers from congenital erythropoietic porphyria, a rare blood disorder which causes the body to produce hair to protect the skin from lesions.

on overcast days. The most adventurous Nicholas gets is when, dressed in long pants and long-sleeved shirts, he joins his mother for evening jaunts down the driveway to pick up the mail.

Left untreated, his disfigurement could worsen to include darkening of his teeth, thickening of his forehead, jaws and cheeks and the extreme hair growth.

# Nevada senator's aide will move to Nuclear Regulatory Commission

WASHINGTON (AP) — In a deal to let 175 of President Bush's nominees take office, an adviser to new Democratic leader Harry Reid, the Senate's staunchest opponent of a nuclear waste dump in Nevada, will be named to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Gregory Jaczko, Reid's adviser, in turn, Reid, who pledged to try to kill the Yucca Mountain nuclear waste project 90 miles northwest of Las Vegas, had blocked the Bush nominations. In negotiations before Congress recessed for the weekend, an agreement was reached: The White House promised Jaczko would be appointed to a two-year term while Congress was in recess, and Reid lifted his hold on the Bush nominations which slipped through the Senate.

Also, a Republican nominee to the NRC, retired Navy Vice Adm. Albert H. Kometz, would be put on the commission and probably become its chairman late next year.

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## Senator seeks GAO review of cleanup

DENVER (AP) — Sen. Wayne Allard asked for another government review of the cleanup at the former Rocky Flats nuclear weapons plant Monday after critics said the project overlooks sites where radioactive waste was secretly dumped.

"We need independent assurance that the cleanup is on time, on budget, and that the site meets the stringent environmental standards outlined for the contractor when the project began," Allard, R-Colo., said in a letter to the Government Accountability Office.

It would be the GAO's third review of the \$7 billion cleanup at the site, owned by the Department of Energy.

The DOE and the cleanup contractor, Kaiser Hill Inc., have insisted the work is sound. "We welcome the review. We have periodic reviews all the time," said DOE spokeswoman Karen Lutz.

Lutz said the cleanup is on track to finish on schedule in December 2006.

She said the DOE would cooperate fully with the GAO.

The Rocky Mountain Peace and Justice Center, which raised new questions about the cleanup last summer, also welcomed the review.

"The group has suggested the cleanup plans do not include places where waste was secretly dumped or buried. I would personally prefer a review by an independent group without any ties to government, but this is an improvement," said Leroy Moore, a founder of the Boulder-based group, which has been highly critical of the cleanup.

"One of the things the GAO needs to do is get their hands on the files of the Rocky Flats grand jury investigation and see what they can learn that the public has never known," said Moore.

An update on the CSI women's basketball team.

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MORNING LINE

SPORTSQUOTE

Those of us in politically red states must, by law, be against anything that is racy, steamy and crude, not counting NASCAR, of course.

Columist Bernie Lincolme of the Rocky Mountain News on the reaction to last week's Monday Night Football scandal

TRIVIA

QUESTION: Who is the only running back in NCAA Division I play to gain at least 100 yards in every game this season?

answer below

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

HS Girls Basketball
Minico at Irwin Falls, 6 p.m.
Pocahontas at Jerome, 6 p.m.
Century at Burley, 6 p.m.
Wood River at Skyline, 6 p.m.
Camas County at Richfield, 6 p.m.
Dietrich at Hagerman, 6 p.m.
Gooding at Shoshone, 6 p.m.
Murtaugh at Lighthouse Christian, 6 p.m.
Nampa Christian at Glens Ferry, 6 p.m.
Rockland at Raft River, 7:30 p.m.
Wendell at Buhl, 7:30 p.m.

IN BRIEF

Filer boosters meet tonight

FILER - The Filer Wildcats Booster Club will meet at 7 tonight in the forum at the high school.

Wake Forest is No. 1 for the first time

NEW YORK - Wake Forest reached No. 1 for the first time, switching places with Kansas atop The Associated Press men's basketball poll Monday - even though the Jayhawks didn't lose.

The Demon Deacons (2-0) didn't have to wait long to play their first game leading the rankings, hosting Yale on Monday night.

Kansas won its only game of the season but trailed most of the way before beating visiting Vermont 68-61.

Wake Forest opened with Preseason NIT home wins over George Washington (97-76) and Virginia Commonwealth (61-67).

The Demon Deacons were No. 1 on 25 ballots and received 1,658 points from the national media panel. Kansas had 26 first-place votes and 1,637 points.

Only 70 of the 72 voters participated this week. Last week, Kansas led 26-23 in first-place votes and had 18 more points than Wake Forest.

Wake Forest is the sixth Atlantic Coast Conference school to be ranked No. 1, joining Duke, North Carolina, North Carolina State, Virginia and Georgia Tech.

Georgia Tech (2-0), which received 11 first-place votes, remained third, while Syracuse (4-0) moved up a spot to fourth and was No. 1 on four ballots.

The Orange Bowl Mississippi State and Memphis in winning the Coaches vs. Cancer Classic.

Illinois, Oklahoma State, Connecticut and Kentucky each moved up one spot to be fifth through eighth, while Duke moved from 11th to ninth, and Michigan State went from 13th to No. 10.

Compiled from staff reports

TRIVIA ANSWER:

California's J.J. Arrington, who ran for Harvard, led the Golden Bears' 41-6 victory over Stanford on Saturday, his 10th 100-yard game this season.

Throwing to victory

Brady leads Patriots past Chiefs, 27-19

The Associated Press

KANSAS CITY - A half dozen New England Patriots made big plays. None made as many as Tom Brady.

Brady threw for 315 yards, including a touchdown pass to Delon Branch, and the Patriots beat the Kansas City Chiefs 27-19 on Monday night for their 24th win in 25 games.

The victory was New England's third straight after its NFL-record 21-game winning streak was snapped in Pittsburgh last month.

The Patriots (9-1) took advantage of the absence of Priest Holmes, out with a knee injury, by shutting down the Kansas City running game for most of the night.

But Trent Green also took advantage of injuries in the New England secondary, throwing for 381 yards, including TD passes of 65 and 26 yards to Eddie Kennison. The Patriots played without starting cornerbacks Ty Law and Tyrone Poole.

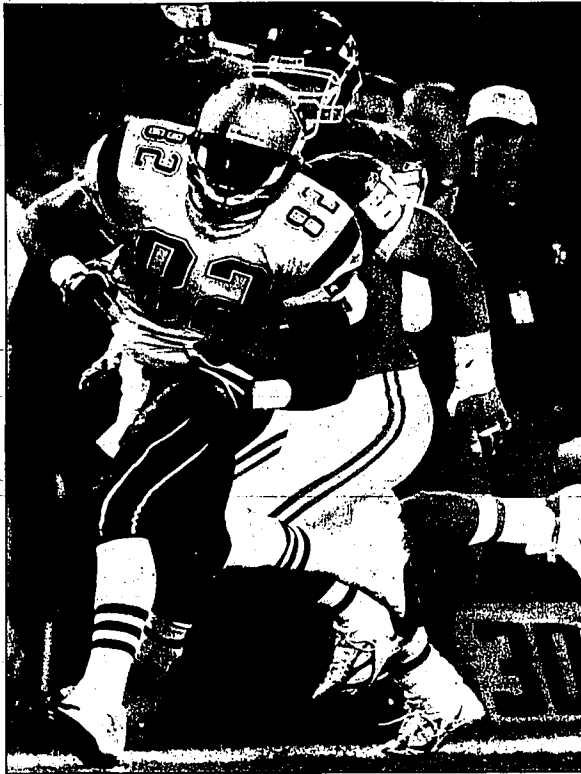
The second score to Kennison came after Corey Dillon, who had two short touchdown runs, fumbled at the Kansas City 3 as the Patriots seemed set to take a 31-13 lead. Instead, Green drove the Chiefs the length of the field to cut their deficit to 24-19 with 8:13 left - a 2-point conversion attempt failed.

The Chiefs, however, couldn't stop the Patriots, who killed nearly 4.5 minutes on a drive that ended with Adam Vinatieri's 28-yard field goal. That almost guaranteed that the Chiefs (3-7) will miss the playoffs after going 13-3 last season.

Dillon, who carried 26 times for 98 yards, had two runs for one first down, then Brady, who completed 17-of-26 passes, hit Christian Fauria for 14 yards and Branch for 9 yards more. Branch finished with six catches for 105 yards.

He was one of just many Patriots to make big plays.

Rodney Harrison stopped a Kansas City threat with an end zone interception in the last minute of the first half. Tedy Bruschi forced a field goal by stuffing Derrick Bylock on a third-and-1 after a long Chiefs



New England Patriots tight end Daniel Graham (82) gets past Kansas City Chiefs defenders Scott Fujita (51) and Kawika Mitchell (50) at Arrowhead Stadium Monday in Kansas City, Mo. Graham gained 48 yards on the Tom Brady pass.

drive in the third quarter. Tight end Daniel Graham had two big catches; and David Patten's only reception was a 46-yarder that set up a touchdown.

Dillon's touchdown runs of 5- and 1-yard and Vinatieri's 37-yard field goal gave the Patriots a 17-10 halftime lead. It was preserved by Harrison's interception in the end zone.

Dillon's 5-yard score came at the end of a 71-yard, 10 play drive on the opening series of

the game. It featured a 27-yard third-down pass to Daniel Graham on a short flip by Brady over a blitzing linebacker.

A 44-yard field goal by Lawrence Tyne cut the lead to 7-3, then Green found Kennison behind career Earthwind Moses' land for a 65-yard touchdown.

Dillon's second score came at the end of a 75-yard drive that featured passes of 22 yards to Troy Brown and 14 to Branch.

Tyne's 24-yard field goal on the first drive of the third quarter cut it to 17-13 after Bruschi stopped Bylock on third down.

But it took less than two minutes for the Patriots to score on Brady's 26-yard TD - a short dump over the middle that Branch took to the end zone by weaving through the Chiefs' secondary. It came a play after Patten's 46-yard catch.

Stern rules out drastic measures

The Associated Press

NEW YORK - David Stern would not want to be in charge of a league that needs barriers to separate fans from players. Nor would he follow the lead of European soccer and order games to be played in empty arenas.

The NBA commissioner is searching for more practical remedies to keep things civil in a sport where the intimate setting - the highest-paying customers sit so close to the action they can smell the players' sweat - is part of its appeal.

"The reality is that our society and our arenas exist based on a social contract," Stern said. "Everyone knows that if 20,000 fans decided to go on a rampage, we'd have a serious problem on our hands, no matter what we did."

Moving the NBA forward after the ugly brawl that spilled into the stands at Friday night's Indiana-Detroit game, Stern's

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challenge in the days and weeks ahead will be to re-establish the invisible barrier dividing players and fans.

He said the NBA will re-examine policies ranging from arena security to alcohol sales in response to one of the worst brawls in the league's history.

"No matter what security Please see STERN, Page C2

There's a disconnect between players, fans

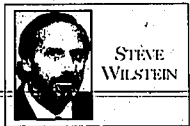
The NBA's problems cut deeper than the fighting in Detroit, and can't be solved simply by suspensions.

Commissioner David Stern made a starkly swift distinction - strong punishment to all the players involved in the worst brawl with fans in league history.

Those suspensions were right on target, even if the players' association and Indiana Pacers disagree and succeed in shortening them.

It would be easy to dismiss this incident as an aberration, to point to the thousands of other games that have been played without similar problems. But to do that would be to ignore the steady ratcheting up of player-fan hostility in all sports and the underlying issues that are particular to the NBA.

The NBA can trot out figures that would dispute any notion of its decline: solid attendance, steady TV ratings, lucrative



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sponsorships and advertising deals, strong licensing revenues, broader interest worldwide.

Yet it would be a mistake for Stern to take smug satisfaction in that and try to patch over the current flare-up with the suspensions and some beefed-up security.

There is a growing disconnect between many fans and the NBA, whose American players, perhaps more than those in any other sport, are perceived as arrogant, selfish and overpaid. Those images were reinforced this summer by the U.S. team at the Athens Olympics.

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Expos will become Nationals if baseball owners approve

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - The Montreal Expos would be renamed the Washington Nationals if the proposed move of the franchise is approved by baseball owners.

The team's new colors would be red, white and blue, club president Tony Taveras said Monday during a news confer-

ence at Union Station to announce the name change. Caps will have a script "W" and the team's secondary logo will feature an interlocking "DC."

"This is a thrilling and important step in returning the national pastime to the nation's capital," Taveras said. "The team name and colors not only represent our new home, but symbolize the joining together

of Washington's baseball past and its future."

Just before the news conference began, a member of the D.C. Statehood Green Party went on the stage with a sign reading "Stop the \$614 million stadium giveaway!" The protester, Adam Eldinger, opposes the plan by District of Columbia Mayor Anthony A. Williams to finance a ballpark for the

team, saying it will cost far more than the estimated \$435 million.

Several men, including former Washington Senators announcer Charlie Brotman, jumped Eldinger. A tussle ensued, and the podium nearly fell over before security managed to drag the protester off stage. Eldinger said detained briefly and then released.



Boise State's Quinton Jones (23) breaks the tackle of Louisiana Tech's T.J. Jackson for a first-down run during the first half Saturday at the BSU Stadium in Boise.

Could Boise State bowl in Memphis?

The Associated Press

BOISE - Now that Utah has all but busted the Bowl Championship Series, No. 10 Boise State could spend its holiday season hanging with Elvis.

With the Utah most likely headed to the Fiesta Bowl, officials with the Liberty Bowl in Memphis, Tenn., have started discussions with the Western Athletic Conference and Boise State to have the Broncos (10-0, 7-0 WAC) take Utah's place.

The matchup Liberty Bowl officials are drooling over is an undefeated Boise State taking on No. 7 Louisville, whose only loss came at Miami. Both could be ranked in the top 10 of the BCS headed into the contest, and it might be the only matchup of top 10 BCS teams outside the national championship game, in the Orange Bowl.

Not bad for a non-BCS bowl.

Broncos' BCS hopes remain, alive.

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ESPN to carry Boise State at Nevada football Saturday

RENO, Nev. - Kickoff for the regular season football finale between No. 10 Boise State and Nevada has been moved back to 5:45 p.m. MST to accommodate a national television audience, school officials said Monday.

"If it happens, we think that we would have the most compelling, exciting bowl game outside of the national championship game. There is no doubt about that," Liberty Bowl associate executive director Harold Greuter said before Boise State's 55-14 win over Louisiana Tech Saturday.

"Both of these teams play an entertaining style of football and that's what we're looking for."

By beating Louisiana Tech, the Broncos clinched at least a share of their third straight WAC title.

The Broncos still need to finish out their regular season Saturday at Nevada. Louisville has two games remaining, versus Cincinnati Saturday and at Tulane on Dec. 4.

A win next week will wrap up the Conference USA title for Louisville and a spot in the Liberty Bowl.

Even if they make it, there's still the matter of Boise State sneaking into the BCS.

"That's one reason the Fiesta Bowl's Steve Horrell was spending Saturday in Boise. Four of the top six in the BCS still have games remaining."

SPORTS

No. 15 Texas too much for Silverswords

LAHAINA, Hawaii (AP) — Texas was having trouble with fouls and Chris Reeves' 3-point shooting.

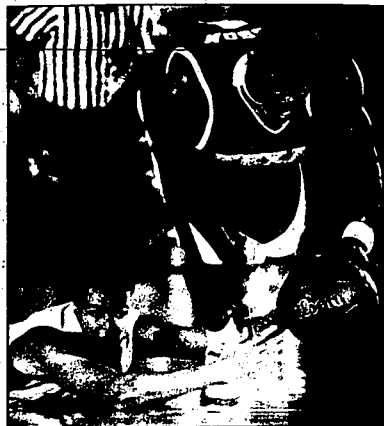
losing streak in the event last year with a 52-49 win over Villanova in the opening round.

Iowa 76, No. 12 Louisville 71

LAHAINA, Hawaii — Jeff Horner scored 11 points in a 45-minute span of the second half.

lows (2-0) will play No. 15 Texas in the semifinals on Tuesday.

The Longhorns led 39-29 at halftime, but Reeves opened the second half with two 3-pointers.



Texas guard Daniel Gibson, right, grabs a loose ball in front of Chamaine's Chris Nelsson in the second half in the opening round of the Maui Invitational in Lahaina, Hawaii, Monday.

Shoshone holds off Kimberly, 54-40

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pointer, Jennica Meacham added 11 points including two three-pointers and Lacy Miller had 10.

"Filer just executed well," Valley coach Brian Hardy said.

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Community School 48, TFCA 26

RAMP INVAL — Jackie Godard pumped in 17 points to lead the Community School past The Twin Falls Christian Academy 48-26 Monday night.

Jamie Wilson scored 13 for the Warriors (0-2).

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USC and Oklahoma are one-and-two, BSU is seventh

NEW YORK (AP) — Southern California and Oklahoma in the Orange Bowl appears to be three victories away — two by USC and one by the Sooners.

ers still have to play the Big 12 title game against either Iowa State or Colorado.

their lowest of the season. Their lead on Oklahoma is down to .0147.

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USC and Oklahoma held the top two spots in the Bowl Championship Series standings on Monday, leaving little doubt that they are in control of the national title race.

Only an unexpected loss or a dramatic shift in the polls, where USC is a solid No. 1 and Oklahoma has a slight advantage over Auburn for second, could derail a Trojans-Sooners matchup.

USC was idle last week while Oklahoma was shutting out Baylor, 35-0, on Saturday. Auburn trailed the half before beating Alabama 21-13.

Boise State would need to make a big jump and get some help in the form of losses by Texas or California. The Longhorns play Texas A&M on Friday and Cal plays at Southern Mississippi on Dec. 4, making up a game postponed by a hurricane in September.

Unbeaten Auburn is stuck in third place between the first-place Trojans and second-place Sooners. The tigers look as if they'll be the team left out of the Orange Bowl no matter how they do in the Southeastern Conference championship game on Dec. 4 against Tennessee.

"I think it will all work itself out," Auburn coach Tommy Tuberville said. "Hopefully, everyone is fair about it. All the teams will make their final statement next week."

California (.8304) is in fourth place. Texas (.8172) sixth.

But if Boise State was to crack the top six, the Broncos and Utes would get the two BCS at-large bids no matter where California and Texas end up in the standings.

Not only did Oklahoma, with a Big 6 grade of .6642, slightly increase its lead over Auburn (.9356) from last week to .0286, but the Sooners also made a big gain on USC.

Teams from outside the BCS conferences need to finish in the top six of the final BCS standings to guarantee a spot in one of the four big-money bowl games.

Boise State is seventh, keeping alive the possibility that the BCS could have two mid-major teams in it this season. The unbeaten Broncos (10-0) of the Western Athletic Conference have a grade of .639 and one game left against Nevada.

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Though there are surely many players, perhaps the majority, who don't fit that characterization, the attention drawn by the likes of Latrell Sprewell, Allen Iverson, Ron Artest and, during the past year, Kobe Bryant, have weighed heavily on the league.

The NBA should study those figures without drawing the wrong conclusions. They don't suggest any resentment by whites against the league simply because the majority of players are black. Nor do they suggest that the league would have fewer problems if more players were white.

What the numbers suggest is that many white fans have been turned off by some high-profile players. There's a sense that too many are jumping strait from high school, tattooed and bejeweled, and that they have an attitude of entitlement along with huge egos. As salaries, ticket prices and cable/satellite charges rise, the resentment is growing.

Stern needs to make all the players understand what's at stake — the league's integrity. The issue now is no less critical to the NBA than the cocaine problems of the 1980s.

The subject no one wants to talk about, the one that makes everyone edgy, is race and its relevance to the NBA's problem.

Larry Bird took some heat last season when he said that a few more white superstars would be "good for a fan base because ... the majority of the fans are white America." He was probably right, though Stern disagreed.

That, in part, is why so many Americans were glad to see the U.S. basketball team get its compaign in Athens. It is also, in part, what drives fans to scream epithets at players at games.

If NBA teams can't restrain themselves from drafting players out of high school, they should at least make an effort to give them extra counseling and encourage them to continue their education in the offseason.

In the past decade, the NBA has fallen sharply in popularity among white fans and surged among black fans, according to research by the Sports Marketing Group in Atlanta.

In 1993, the NBA was coming off the success of the original Dream Team at the Barcelona Olympics.

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Five NBA owners ought to consider changing the way it plays the game by adopting international rules. That alone would encourage more of a team game, improve outside shooting skills, cut down on end-of-game fouls, and help U.S. players compete better in the Olympics.

In a nationwide study of Americans in 1993, 62 percent of whites said they loved or liked the NBA. In 2003, that dropped to 50 percent. Viewed a different way, whites who said they hated or disliked the NBA rose from 21 percent in 1993 to 30 percent in 2003.

By contrast, the percentage of black Americans who loved or liked the NBA rose from 62 percent in 1993 to 92 percent a

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Stern can't afford to ignore any idea that will take the NBA off its self-destructive path.

The close proximity of hecklers, whose comments often strike a nerve and sometimes cross a line, add a measure of volatility.

Magie Johnson and Michael Jordan were as popular among whites as blacks. Charles Barkley, for all the controversy he stirred and the elbows he threw, was a likable player with a sense of humor. Race wasn't a

something stupid, and he hit the absolute wrong player, and all heck broke out.

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players, cooler heads almost always prevailed and kept events from spiraling dangerously out of control as they did at the now infamous Pacers-Pistons game.

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Stern also was asked if he thought some sort of barrier could be constructed between the stands and the court.

No other major professional sport has customers sitting so close to its athletes, providing an atmosphere that's cozy on most nights but combustible on others.

Normally in those situations, you have officials say, 'You and you are gone. Get off the floor right now' and the thing goes away," Pistons CEO Tom Wilson said. "For whatever reason, that didn't happen, and the league will look into that. Then you had one guy do

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Fox lands deal for Bowl Championship Series

NEW YORK (AP) - Fox is adding the Bowl Championship Series to its high-priced sports lineup.

The network and the BCS announced a four-year deal worth \$320 million Monday that gives Fox the broadcast rights to the Fiesta, Orange and Sugar bowls from 2007-10 and the national title game from 2007-09.

In scooping up the BCS, Fox is sticking with a strategy of banking on big-time sporting events that started when it landed the NFL 11 years ago.

Star game from 2001-06 for \$2.5 billion.

"If you look at the landscape of television... it's a very shaky quagmire," Fox Sports chairman David Hill said.

ABC has held the broadcast rights to the BCS since college football's major conferences implemented the system to crown a national champion in 1998.

ABC withdrew from the bidding last week. Network officials said they were unhappy with the new BCS structure, which added a fifth game.

Orange, Sugar or Rose Bowls the week after those games.

"I think we were concerned as we went into the process whether there would be market support for the extra bowls," BCS coordinator and Big 12 commissioner Kevin Welberg said.

"We had good interest on the part of multiple networks."

The deal with Fox increases the new setup, which means the number of teams in the BCS from eight to 10.

The BCS considered making the fifth game a championship game with two teams advancing from the first four bowls.

concept - although there still was speculation that a TV network would persuade the BCS to adopt that mini-playoff.

Now that possibly playing out, appears to be dead, at least until 2010.

The national title game will rotate among the four bowl games, ABC still holds the rights to the Rose Bowl through 2014, including the rights to the national title game when it is played in Pasadena.

ABC paid about \$305 million for four years in its expiring BCS deal.

BCS games have been paying out \$14-\$17 million to the participants. Welberg said the BCS projects those payouts to increase during the Fox contract.

SPORTS IN BRIEF

Area standouts lead Sheridan to 5-1 record

SHERIDAN, Wyo. - Twin Falls High graduate Danielle Mallory, Butley alum Liz Brice and other area standouts led the nifer Pond all week and five weekends for Sheridan College of Wyoming.

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After leaving South Bend, Ind., in 1996 and thinking he would never coach again, the then 61-year-old Holtz was hired by Columbia to replace Fred Bilezikian.

Holtz suffered through a miserable first season in 1999. His three-year record was 11-21. He was hospitalized by his mother, Anne Marie, died right before the Florida game; and a university plane carrying Holtz on a recruiting trip crashed after hitting a tree on the way to the pilot.

This team went 0-11, the worst season of Holtz's career. So when South Carolina stunned then No. 6 Georgia in the second game of the 2000 season, it was a remarkable accomplishment. The Gamecocks continued their resurgence the next two years, going 17-7 and twice defeating Ohio State in the Outback Bowl.

Holtz is the only coach in South Carolina history to win two bowl victories. He finished his six-year stint with the Gamecocks 33-37.

San Jose State coach Hill resigns after losses

SAN JOSE, Calif. - San Jose State coach Pat Hill resigned Monday with one game left in his fourth straight losing season with the Spartans.

Hill, one of five bowl head coaches in Division I-A, had a record of 11-27 in four seasons with the Spartans. He resigned after Saturday's loss to Fresno State, the Spartans are 2-8 this season and 14-23 under Hill.

Frustrated with a lack of support from fans, students and the school, he is leaving to become an instructor at Central Florida. The Spartans have fallen short in several big games during the tenure of Hill, who has a record of 10-18 in seven seasons.

This season's highlight was a 70-63 victory over Rice, with the teams setting the Division I record for scoring.

NFL suspends Seattle receiver over drugs

KIRKLAND, Wash. - Seattle Seahawks receiver Koren Robinson was suspended without pay Monday for the next four games for violating the NFL's substance-abuse policy.

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After leaving South Bend, Ind., in 1996 and thinking he would never coach again, the then 61-year-old Holtz was hired by Columbia to replace Fred Bilezikian.

Holtz suffered through a miserable first season in 1999. His three-year record was 11-21. He was hospitalized by his mother, Anne Marie, died right before the Florida game; and a university plane carrying Holtz on a recruiting trip crashed after hitting a tree on the way to the pilot.

This team went 0-11, the worst season of Holtz's career. So when South Carolina stunned then No. 6 Georgia in the second game of the 2000 season, it was a remarkable accomplishment. The Gamecocks continued their resurgence the next two years, going 17-7 and twice defeating Ohio State in the Outback Bowl.

Holtz is the only coach in South Carolina history to win two bowl victories. He finished his six-year stint with the Gamecocks 33-37.

San Jose State coach Hill resigns after losses

SAN JOSE, Calif. - San Jose State coach Pat Hill resigned Monday with one game left in his fourth straight losing season with the Spartans.

Hill, one of five bowl head coaches in Division I-A, had a record of 11-27 in four seasons with the Spartans. He resigned after Saturday's loss to Fresno State, the Spartans are 2-8 this season and 14-23 under Hill.

Frustrated with a lack of support from fans, students and the school, he is leaving to become an instructor at Central Florida. The Spartans have fallen short in several big games during the tenure of Hill, who has a record of 10-18 in seven seasons.

SCORES AND STATS

WHAT'S ON T.V.

Table listing sports events including Basketball (NBA, NHL), Golf (PGA Tour), Soccer (UEFA Champions League), Football (Bowling Green at Toledo), and Wrestling (NCAA Division I).

Area ski reports

Idaho - Resolute - Plus to Open 12/21, 12/22, 12/23. Sun Valley - Plus to Open 12/21, 12/22, 12/23.

For sports reports check out the sports page at newspaper.com and click on Snow Connect.

High School Basketball

Madison County - 41 vs 37 vs 34. Canyon County - 44 vs 38 vs 34.

NBA Boxes

Orlando 93, Spurs 90. Phoenix 109, Nets 84. Detroit 104, Bulls 82.

Minor League Baseball

San Antonio 10, Astros 4. Houston 9, Rangers 7. Texas 10, Rangers 7.

Division I-AA Football

North Carolina 33, Wake Forest 30. Virginia Tech 34, NC State 27.

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### SUMMARY OF RESIDENTIAL: ANTI-DISPLACEMENT AND RELOCATION ASSISTANCE PLAN

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**Section 4:** Sets forth the steps that will be taken to minimize the displacement of persons from their homes.

The full text of said Plan is available at City Hall, Twin Falls, Idaho to any citizen upon personal request to Jody Hall at (208) 733-7287, or at City Hall 212 Second Avenue East Twin Falls, Idaho 83301.

**Mayor** City of Twin Falls

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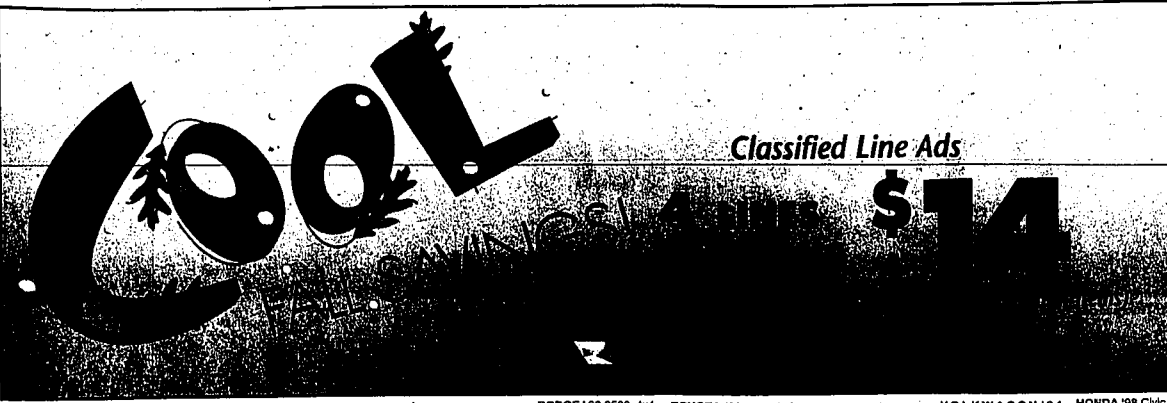
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Tuesday, Nov. 23, 2004

# THE ACES ON BRIDGE

Bobby Wolff

"If you're counting my eyebrows, I can help you. There are two."  
— Billy Wilder and Charles Brackett

On this deal from a pairs game at the New Orleans Nationals last November, Rose Meltzer as South found a nice play for most of the matchpoints.

She was declaring three spades, after rejecting a game invitation. On a diamond lead to East's ace and the club-queen shift, followed by a club to West's ace and a club to East's king, Rose ruffed and drew two rounds of trumps.

When West discarded on the second trump, Rose could infer that West had started life with one spade, five diamonds, and therefore, from the earlier opening bid and negative double, four hearts and three clubs.

Since West had doubled one spade, he could have one or both of the king and jack of hearts, but either way East was marked with a singleton.

Whatever the lie of the cards though, Rose seemed to have the bases covered when she ran the heart queen from her hand. Even if this lost to a singleton king in East's hand, declarer would still have been in position to take the rest of the tricks. In any event, if that was the lie of the cards, whatever line she had followed in hearts would have led to her losing a heart trick.

As it was, though, West did his best by ducking his heart king, but when the heart jack put in an appearance, Rose could draw the last trump and repeat the finesse in hearts for an overtrick.

**NORTH** 11-23-A  
 ♠ Q 8 6 3  
 ♥ A 10 9 8 3  
 ♦ K  
 ♣ J 7 6

**EAST** 7 5 4  
 ♠ A 9 8 6  
 ♥ K Q 8 5 2

**SOUTH**  
 ♠ A K J 10 9  
 ♥ Q 7 4  
 ♦ J 7 5  
 ♣ 9 3

Vulnerable: Neither  
 Dealer: West  
 The bidding:  
 1♠ South West North East  
 1♥ Pass Pass Pass  
 2♦ 1♥ Dbl. 2NT\* Pass  
 \*Limit All pass  
 3♦ Limit raise in spades.

## BID WITH THE ACES

South holds:  
 ♠ 7 5 4  
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## BRIEFLY IN MONEY

### Hastings narrows net loss in Q3

**TWIN FALLS** - Entertainment retailer Hastings Entertainment Co., which has a Twin Falls store, reported a smaller net loss for the third quarter Monday.

Hastings said its net loss narrowed to \$1.8 million, or 15 cents per share, from \$3.8 million, or 34 cents per share, during the same period last year. The Amarillo, Texas-based company reported total revenue of \$119.5 million, up 6 percent from \$112.8 million in the third quarter of 2003, as same-store sales increased by 5.3 percent.

"Retail revenues continue to reflect weaker sales industry-wide, and the high television viewership of the Summer Olympics had a greater impact than we had forecasted internally," John H. Marmaduke, Hastings chairman and chief executive, said in a statement.

Looking ahead, Hastings raised its earnings forecast to 55 to 58 cents per share for the current fiscal year. The previous forecast was 50 to 53 cents per share.

### Ameristar Casinos declares dividend

**JACKPOT, Nev.** - Las Vegas-based Ameristar Casinos Inc. on Monday declared a quarterly cash dividend of 12.5 cents per share, payable Dec. 15 to stockholders of record on Nov. 10.

The gaming and entertainment company is a major Magic Valley employer at its pair of Jackpot, Nev. casino properties, just over the Idaho border.

### Edge Wireless offers free cell phone use

**TWIN FALLS** - Edge Wireless is offering free cell phone use for a few hours during lunch this week to patrons of the Helping Hands Mission in Burley and The Salvation Army in Twin Falls.

Patrons and their families can use the local wireless provider's phones and service to call friends and family members in the area. The program is in its second year. Store supervisors and other Edge Wireless employees assist with the calls.

Store supervisor Jamie Gorgen and other employees will assist patrons from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday at The Salvation Army, 348 Fourth Ave. N. in Twin Falls. The company's session at Helping Hands in Burley was Monday.

Edge Wireless is in Burley, Ore., and is a member of the AT&T Wireless Network.

### Buck Knives on track to open new factory

**POST FALLS** - Buck Knives is on track to open its new factory in January in Post Falls, Idaho. The 10-year-old sport and utility knife maker will employ 150 workers.

President C.J. Buck, owner of the privately held company, recently told the board of directors of North Idaho College that so-called "lean manufacturing" will be at the center of the factory, as the company tries to boost efficiency to compete with low-cost Chinese imports.

"The biggest challenge in our industry right now is Chinese manufacturing," Buck said. "It used to be very inexpensive junk but now we're getting product that's halfway decent. American manufacturers have to become more competitive."

Plant workers will get a crash course in lean manufacturing next month at NIC's Workforce Training Center. The state is chipping in \$500,000 to help train the workers. The money was offered as an incentive to help bring Buck Knives to north Idaho from San Diego, Calif.

After revamping its San Diego production line to make it more efficient, Buck Knives wound up with extra space at its 200,000-square-foot factory. That's when it began looking for a new home.

# Take your number with you

## Small phone companies meet deadline extension

By Megan Hinds  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** - The deadline for small telephone service providers to make number portability available to their customers is a day away and Magic Valley companies are prepared.

Number portability allows both landline and wireless customers to switch to a wireless phone, to a different wireless provider or to a different landline provider without changing phone numbers.

Last year, the Federal Communications Commission ordered that all local-exchange telephone companies have number portability in place by May 24. But the federal agency

also said carriers with fewer than 2 percent of the nation's subscriber lines - which include 16 member companies of the Idaho Telephone Association - could petition their state commission for a six-month extension to allow time to implement the necessary technology.

That extension ends Wednesday and all the small companies in Magic Valley - Albion Telephone Co., Filer Mutual Telephone Co. and Project Mutual Telephone Co. - will be ready to go, said Doug Cooley, telecom analyst for the Idaho

Public Utilities Commission. "Everything is pointing in that direction," Cooley said Monday.

Telephone companies need to upgrade their systems in order to be able to provide number portability. That was a costly and complicated process, said Charlie Crason, general manager of Project Mutual in Burley.

PMT spent about \$100,000 to install the technology that allows for the switching processes and access to regional and national databases of phone numbers, Crason said.

Since Filer Mutual provides service to customers in northern Nevada as well as in southern Idaho, the company already was in compliance with the FCC's rules in its general manager John Gunn.

"We weren't really part of the six-month extension," Gunn said. "Since we had jackpot properties, we had to go by the federal guidelines from the beginning."

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## ON THE ROAD AGAIN

### Thanksgiving travel forecast to be back to pre-9/11 level

The Associated Press

Consider these journeys: Dallas to Santa Fe, N.M.; Salt Lake City to Las Vegas; and Daytona Beach, Fla., to Washington, D.C. - in a car. These are the kinds of road trips some Americans are gearing up for as Thanksgiving approaches.

Even with gasoline prices almost a third higher than a year ago, 30.6 million people, or 3 percent more than in 2003, are expected to hit the road for a turkey dinner before the week is up. Another 6.6 million are likely to travel by plane, train or bus, adding up to what will be the busiest Thanksgiving for the transportation sector since 2000, according to a telephone survey conducted for AAA by the Travel Industry Association of America.

Thanksgiving is traditionally the peak business period for the airline industry, but passenger traffic fell sharply after the Sept. 11, 2001 attacks, accounting for the overall decline in holiday travel in 2001 and 2002. Auto travel fell slightly in 2002 but, along with air traffic, has risen steadily since then.

Guillermo Font will drive his Lincoln LS 1,600 miles from Debary, Fla., near Daytona Beach, to the nation's capital and back, to spend the holiday with his daughter.

"I like to drive," said Font, a 71-year-old architect, who likes to "fool around" with his GPS system while listening to Latin ballads and classical music on the road. He figures on spending \$300 round trip for gasoline (premium), food and an overnight stay in Lumberton, N.C.

Paula Silsby of Portland, Maine, said as long as there isn't a snowstorm she looks forward to the annual three-hour pilgrimage north to her parents' home in Ellsworth. The 53-year-old justice Department lawyer said she finds comfort in the ritual.

"There's usually very little traffic," said Silsby. "I like my



Suzy Eisinger is shown in Dallas, Friday. For Thanksgiving she is flying to Fairfax, Va., and says she is dreading the crowded airports and jammed security checkpoints. But she's doing what she can to minimize the stress.

mug of tea and a bottle of water. It's a very Zen thing going home for Thanksgiving.

Not everybody has such a calm attitude.

Suzy Eisinger, a health care consultant from Dallas who is flying to Fairfax, Va., said she is dreading the crowded airports and jammed security checkpoints. But she's doing what she can to minimize the stress.

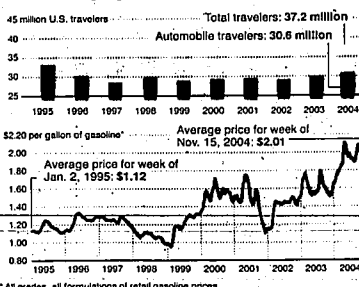
"I'm going to get there early. I'll probably check in online to speed things up, and I'm getting dropped off at the airport so I don't have to deal with parking," Eisinger said.

That's probably a good idea, since airport parking lots are expected to fill up quickly and preflight screening lines are likely to be longer than usual, industry officials said. The steep drop-off in air travel that followed the 2001 terror attacks has gradually been reversed and AAA says this will be the

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### Possible pre-Sept. 11 level for travel

With 30.6 million expected to hit the road before week's end, and 6.6 million likely to travel by other means, this year may be the busiest Thanksgiving for the transportation sector since 2000.



SOURCES: Department of Energy; AAA; Travel Industry Association of America

## Idaho Power tries to beat customer record

The Associated Press

**BOISE** - Idaho Power, the state's biggest utility, is on track this year to beat a decade-old record in signing up new customers.

The company said it had gained 9,776 new customers by the end of the third quarter, bringing its total number of

clients in all categories to 436,376. That includes commercial, industrial and agricultural clients in Idaho and Oregon.

Idaho Power posted its record for a one-year increase in new subscribers in 1994, when it added 12,536 customers.

"It certainly looks like we are on course for a record year,"

said Tom Noll, who heads up forecasting at Idaho Power. He said the company had anticipated a spike in customers in its planning.

The utility is building up power-generation capacity to meet demands of its growing subscriber list, including constructing a new gas turbine, building the Bennett Mountain

Power Plant and accepting proposals for 200 megawatts of wind-power generation.

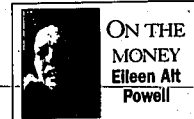
Idaho ranks 13th in the U.S. among states most suited for wind power, according to the Montana Greenpower Web site. Idaho Power, whose service territory includes most of Magic Valley, has 418,484 customers in Idaho and 17,892 in Oregon.

## Planning is key to saving

The Associated Press

**NEW YORK** - Comedian Ben Stein is making the rounds in his trademark business suit and sneakers with a not-so-funny message for Americans: "People aren't saving anywhere near enough for a comfortable retirement."

Stein, who serves as spokesman for the annual National Retirement Planning Week, says he's worried that many people won't be able to retire or will have saved so little



that they'll outlive their money. He scoffs at the excuses people come up with for not saving. "People tell me, 'I have to buy a new coat' or 'I have to have a

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Comedian Ben Stein gestures during an interview Nov. 17. Stein, who serves as spokesman for the annual National Retirement Planning Week, says he's worried that many people won't be able to retire or will have saved so little that they'll outlive their money.

## COURT FILINGS

The Times-News

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

### Chapter 7, nonbusiness, under \$50,000

Jaime Torrez, also known as J.T. Torrez, and Andrea C. Torrez, 104 S. A St., Rupert, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 04-42389.

Treva Davley, also known as Treva Paskett, 450 W. 55 N., Burley, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 04-42399.

Rose J. Padilla, 411 Third Ave. W., Twin Falls, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 04-42411.

Gustavo Caldera, 901 Yale Ave., Burley, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 04-42413.

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

Karl G. Jones and Cynthia L. Jones, 239 Fifth St., Hazelton, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets \$50,000 to \$100,000, liabilities \$50,000 to \$100,000. Case no. 04-42401.

Timothy Vaughan, also known as Tim Vaughan, 717 E. St., Rupert, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities \$50,000 to \$100,000. Case no. 04-42431.

Tony A. Jacks and Shellie Jacks, 2125 E. Eden, Heystum, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets \$100,000 to \$500,000, liabilities \$50,000 to \$100,000. Case no. 04-42432.

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

Hans F. Jacobs and Mary L. Jacobs, doing business as Designs West, 624 Eastland Park Drive, Twin Falls, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets \$100,000 to \$500,000, liabilities \$100,000 to \$500,000. Case no. 04-42387.

Lucas Villalobos, 610 Burton Ave., Burley, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets \$50,000 to \$100,000, liabilities \$100,000 to \$500,000. Case no. 04-42388.

Daryl J. Bugge and Gay L. Bugge, 2125 E. Eden, Heystum, individual, joint, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities \$100,000 to \$500,000. Case no. 04-42400.

Israel Yanez and Catalina Yanez, 717 D St., Rupert, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets \$100,000 to \$500,000, liabilities \$100,000 to \$500,000. Case no. 04-42424.

Gene Jennings, also known as Eugene Jennings, and Dee Jennings, also known as Dee Ann Jennings, First and Park, Dietrich, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets not indicated, liabilities \$100,000 to \$500,000. Case no. 04-42425.

Gary Lynn Cook, 26 River Inn Estates, Burley, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities \$100,000 to \$500,000. Case no. 04-42436.

### Chapter 7, business, \$100,000 to \$500,000

Thomas Allen Stevenson and Kim M. Stevenson, 1102 Montann St., Gooding, joint, business, individual, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets \$100,000 to \$500,000, liabilities \$100,000 to \$500,000. Case no. 04-42412.

### Chapter 13, nonbusiness, \$100,000 to \$500,000

Jacob Ryan Carrick, also known as J.R. Carrick, and Deenan B. Carrick, 400 W. 57 N., Burley, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 13, 1-15 creditors, assets \$100,000 to \$500,000, liabilities \$100,000 to \$500,000. Case no. 04-42435.





CLOSING FUTURES

Table of closing futures prices for various commodities including Corn, Soybeans, Wheat, and Oil. Columns include contract name, price, and change.

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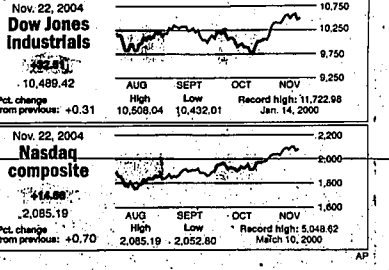
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FOSSIL FUELS

Table of fossil fuel prices including Oil, Gasoline, and Heating Oil, with columns for contract name, price, and change.



Stocks rise as oil prices fall

NEW YORK (AP) - An afternoon rally spurred by a drop in oil prices pushed stocks higher Monday, bringing investors back into the market despite lingering concerns over the strength of the dollar and the nation's trade deficit.

BEANS

Table of bean prices including Soybean, Soybean Meal, and Soybean Oil, with columns for contract name, price, and change.

CHEESE

Table of cheese prices including Cheddar, Swiss, and Mozzarella, with columns for contract name, price, and change.

METALS/MONEY

Table of metals and money prices including Gold, Silver, and Platinum, with columns for contract name, price, and change.

POTATOES

Table of potato prices including Russet Burbank and Red Skin, with columns for contract name, price, and change.

STOCKS

Table of stock prices for major companies including Apple, Microsoft, and Amazon, with columns for company name, price, and change.

GRAINS

Table of grain prices including Wheat, Corn, and Soybeans, with columns for contract name, price, and change.

SUGAR

Table of sugar prices including Raw Sugar and White Sugar, with columns for contract name, price, and change.

LIVESTOCK

Table of livestock prices including Cattle, Hogs, and Poultry, with columns for contract name, price, and change.

MONEY

Table of money market rates including Treasury Bills, Notes, and Bonds, with columns for instrument name, rate, and change.

TRAVEL

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# COMPUTERS AND TECHNOLOGY

## The \$70 portable video player, not for the hi-fidelity connoisseur

By Peter Svensson  
AP Technology Writer

**NEW YORK**—Most American kids get enough technology, but just in case yours don't here's a good way to keep them pacified while away from the real thing: a new portable video player from Mattel.

Portable video players have been around for a while. What's remarkable about Mattel's Juicebox is its list price—\$69.99. That's less than half of what the cheapest portable DVD players cost. Players that store movies on internal hard drives, sort of like iPods for video, cost around \$500.

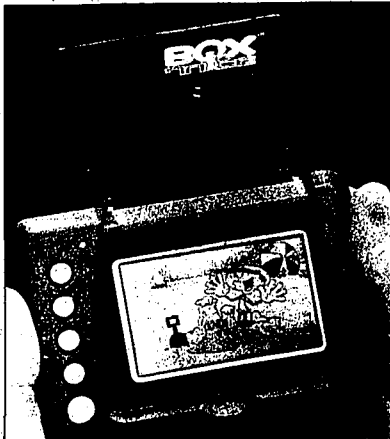
The Juicebox's price means the day has come a bit closer when it will be as easy and cheap to carry around a video player as it is now to tote around an MP3 player or a book.

But the Juicebox, which is the size of a Walkman, is quite limited. It only accepts prerecorded video cartridges and won't play DVDs or downloaded movies.

A chip with two cartoon episodes costs \$9.99, while a chip with a full-length feature costs \$24.99. Out of stock for release are Cartoon Network shows like "Code Name: Kids Next Door" and "Yu-Gi-Oh," music-video collections and skateboarding and wrestling shows.

Mattel is aiming the gadget at kids 8 to 12 years old but somewhat younger kids may be comfortable using it. The controls are simple and there are very few moving parts that can be damaged.

You might think Mattel subsidizes the cost of the player, hoping to earn the money back selling cartridges but the company insists that's not the case.



Mattel Inc.'s Juicebox portable video player is photographed in New York, Tuesday. Aimed at kids, it lists for just \$69.99, bringing the day a bit closer when video players will be as cheap and ubiquitous as MP3 players and books.

It says it simply kept the manufacturing cost low, and that's quite believable, if you look at the screen. It's a color LCD of about an inch and a half by two inches; there are cell phones with bigger screens.

The image quality is blocky and jerky, with weird colors, sort of like WebTV for dial-up users. But it looks cool in a raw sort of way. Wouldn't work for a raw show documentary, but it works for skateboarding com-

putations. Cartoons, where the line detail usually isn't very important, look the best.

The Juicebox's strongest point is its battery life. The manufacturer claims 5 hours of play from three AA batteries, but I got 10 hours out of it with the brightness at maximum and the sound turned off. There may be no other portable video player that can match that. It's a good thing you don't need to change batteries often,

because a screwdriver is needed to remove the battery cover—a strange design decision for a device you'll want to take on trips.

The worst part of the viewing experience is the sound quality. The audio sounds like a cheap transistor radio in a tin can, even with headphones, and the music videos are really hard to enjoy.

That's not because there's anything wrong with the sound circuits in the player—the audio quality is low because of the compression needed to fit the sound data on the chips. There's an MP3 player accessory (which plugs into the cartridge slot) for \$44.99 that sounds just fine, at least with headphones. The built-in speaker sounds as good as can be expected from a small device.

Interestingly, the MP3 player attachment allows you to play any music files you transfer from your PC, but the same isn't possible for movies.

Clearly, Mattel knows that charging for prerecorded music on a chip isn't possible in a day when many consumers are comfortable converting their CDs to MP3s, but sees an opportunity for a new video format.

You have to wonder how long that opportunity will remain, as consumers learn more about handling digital video and TiVo-type personal video recorders become must-haves.

The Juicebox isn't a bad gadget, but I wouldn't be wary of building a collection of movies that will be obsolete if the player goes off the market. Then again, your kids will probably tire of the shows after a few months anyway.

If your kid is slightly more sophisticated and has a Nintendo Game Boy Advance (which costs \$80), consider the GBA Movie Player for around \$30.

### Tech gifts: No bit players

Portable, secure, vivid and instant—they're catchwords of the digital lifestyle and in an increasingly multimedia world they're what consumers demand in electronics.

Apple iMac  
Top model 20-inch screen \$1,899

All-in-one design, 17- to 20-inch widescreen display; burns CDs and DVDs (with superdrive); comes with Apple's iLife suite of software



Prismiq MediaPlayer \$169.99

Stream digital audio, video, and photos from a PC to the TV or stereo, via an Ethernet connection or wirelessly with an extra wireless network card



Victorinox SwissMemory USB \$159 for the \$12MB

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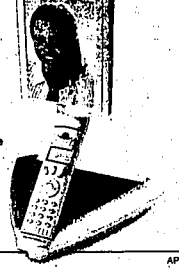
Microsoft fingerprint reader \$40 to \$50

Stores user profiles, passwords; place finger on the reader when prompted for a password



Toshiba Qosmio Top model G15 is \$2,999

Built-in TV tuner allows you to watch TV, a DVD, or play a CD without booting up the Windows operating system. 17-inch screen and runs XP Media Center Edition 2005 (G15)



Motorola and WorldGate Ojo personal videophone \$799

Make video calls over broadband

SOURCES: Apple Computer Inc.; Microsoft; Prismiq Inc.; Toshiba; Victorinox; WorldGate Communications

## Google's new search software valuable, yet slightly creepy

Knight Rider News Service

Google's new Desktop Search software is a mixed bag among search engines, racing through personal data stored inside your computer to instantly find things you can't easily locate.

But it's also capable of skidding off the road, finding files without the appropriate degree of caution.

Introduced in October as free download, Google Desktop Search (<http://desktop.google.com>) keeps track of files on your computer's hard drive in much the same way that regular Google finds information you want on the Internet.

When you go to the Google search page in your browser, after installing Desktop Search, the first results you see are your own files.

If you're searching for information about Sunnyvale, Calif., for example, you get a list of e-mails, Word documents and plain-text documents on your computer that contain the word "Sunnyvale."

On my home PC, the first hit was an e-mail message from a friend about local politics, including a reference to that city. Below the Desktop Search results were the Web search results, starting with the city's official home page.

Suddenly, I no longer have to ponder where I saw some piece of information; in an e-mail? On a Web page? In a document? A single Google query now covers everything I've seen on my computer since installing Desktop Search, as well as whatever is available on the Web.

This is hugely valuable, yet occasionally creepy. Desktop Search does three things in particular that could compromise your privacy when someone else uses your computer.

First, the software keeps a copy of all your AOL Instant Messenger conversations. AIM, for many users, is like talking over the water cooler at work—you say things you don't want preserved for posterity. Until now, AIM conversations with your buddies disappeared from your computer the moment you closed the discussion window. Desktop Search, however, makes a copy of AIM conversations and keeps them forever.

Second, the software keeps its own copy of all your Outlook

### Product review

and Outlook Express e-mail messages—even after you delete them from within Outlook or Outlook Express. A confidential-company-memo, in other words, will still pop up during Google searches after you've emptied the Deleted Items folder in Outlook.

Third, the software keeps a copy of every Web page you visit and lists those pages in search results with the date and time of your visit. This even includes Web pages that are supposed to be secure from prying eyes, such as those run by online banking sites.

That means if someone else uses your PC and enters the word "bank" or "brokerage" in Desktop Search, they could uncover your confidential financial information. There are controls within Desktop Search to block each of these three search features, but it's not immediately obvious how to find them and many users will never bother to learn.

On the other hand, many users will find these same features very useful. If you're getting important work or school information through IM, not just gossiping, the Desktop Search archive could be a lifesaver. Similarly, we've all had the experience of accidentally deleting an important e-mail, or being unable to find our way back

to a crucial Web page.

I called several experts on Internet security and privacy to see if the far-reaching power of Desktop Search would stir up controversy. The consensus, for now at least, is no.

My bottom line: I wouldn't recommend installing Desktop Search on any computer you don't own, such as PCs at work or school. If you think there's a risk of strangers using a machine you do own, disable the part of Desktop Search that keeps copies of secure Web pages—but keep the other parts.

Desktop Search is officially a "beta," or unfinished pre-release program. Usually, software stays in beta for only a few weeks, but Google routinely runs beta programs for months or years. That gives the company room to make improvements, and Google has already said it's working on password protection—so only you or anyone you give your password could search your personal files.

Despite the beta status, I would recommend Desktop Search now to anyone who's having a hard time keeping track of the many types of information that accumulate on a computer. You'll need a PC running Windows XP or Windows 2000 with 500 megabytes of free space on the hard drive. Desktop Search doesn't work with older versions of Windows or the Macintosh.

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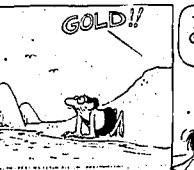
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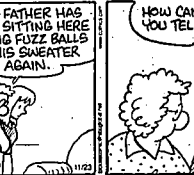
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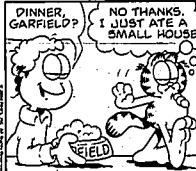
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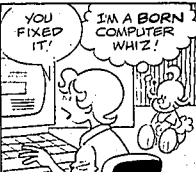
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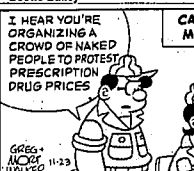
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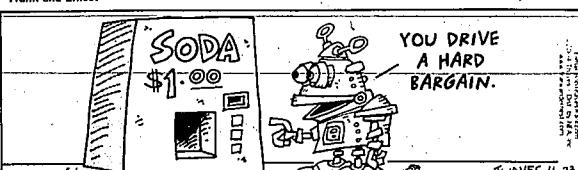
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