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U.S. base attack kills 22



Strike ranks most deadly since start of Iraq war

The Associated Press

BAGHDAD, Iraq — A 122 mm rocket shammed into a mess tent Thesday at a military base near the northern city of Mosul, ripping through the ceiling and spraying shrapmel as U.S. soldiers sat down to lunch. Officials said 22 people were killed in the deadlest single attack against Americans in Tarq since the start of the war.

The dead included 20 Americans — 15 servicemembers and two Iraqi soldiers. Skty-six people were wounded, including 42 U.S. troops, Capt. Brian Lucas, a military spokesman in Bighdad, said carly Wednesday.

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dad, said carry Weetnesday.
Halliburton Co., a Houston-based company whose substidiary Kellogg Brown & Root supplies food service and other support activities for U.S. troops in Mosul, said seven of its workers were Killed. Halliburton did not give the nationalities of the dead but they aparently included the five American civilians. The two other deaths, if correct, would boost the overall toll to 24.

Inside the tent, U.S. soldlers

reacted quickly. With people screaming and thick smoke his lowing, soldlers turned her inner, tables upside down, placed the woninted on them and gently carried them into the parking lot, said Jerony Redmont, a reporter for the Richmond (Va.). Times-Dispatch embedded with the troops in Mosul.

Mosul.

A rudical Sunni Muslim group, the Ansar d-Sunnai Army, claimed responsibility for the attack—the latest in a week of deadly strikes across Iraq that highlighted the unwavering power of the insurgents in the run-up to the Jan. 30 national elections.

obections.

President Bush said the explosion should not derail the elections and that he hoped relatives of those killed know that their loved ones died in avital mission for peace.

"In confident democracy will prevail in Iraq, he said.

Portland (Mainte) Press Her-aid photographer Gregory Rec, who was sleeping about a quarter-mile from the mess hall when he was awakened by the loud explosion, said he rished to the scene, where a soldier

116th 100 miles away from blast

Local soldlers with the 116th Brigade Comba? Team were nowhere near Mosul where an explosion killed at least 20 people. 19 of them soldlers, and injured at least 60.

"There is no indication any soldlers from the 116th were involved." Said Lt. Col. Tim Marsano, a public affairs office for the 116th stationed in Bolse. "The majority of our sold."

Bolse. "The majority of our sol-diers are located south of

Oters with the 116th recently arrived at forward operating bases in and arcund Kirkok, which is about 100 miles south of Mosul. For stories about their activities, see page 81. It was unknown tuesday

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whether any Idaho soldiers
from other units were killed in

.rom.otter.units were killed.in the insurgent attack on the military base near Mosul. 'Marsano-said-families-would-first-have-to enotified and it would be at least two days before the Pentagon would release any names.

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ror." White House spokesman Scutt McClellan, responding to a question about how lrughs will be able to safely get to some 9,000 polling places if U.S. troops can secure their own bases, said there was "security."

Accident claims -8-year-old

Times-News writer

BUILL — A girl was killed-after being struck by a car Tuesday morning. The 8-year-old after being struck by a car Tuesday morning. The 8-year-old was on the rway to the bus stop on the last day of school before Christmas vacation. Ciera Livia of Buhi was crossing U.S. Highway 30 when she ran into the path of an oncoming vehical according to the twin Falls County Sheriff's Department. Donald file, 61, of Buhi was driving westbournd in a 1993 Thyota Passe ovest of Buhi when he struck the third-grader. Clera was flown to Magic Valley Regional Medical Center where she was pronounced dead.

No citations were issued at the scene, said Nancy Howell, spokeswoman for the sheriff.

The accident—temained—under investigation Tuesday evening. Clindy Peterson, president of

cindy Peterson, president of Popplewell Parent-Teacher Net-work, has set up a fund at Farm-ers National Bank for Ciera's family Donations may be made

family. Donations may be made at any branch.

"We just thought we needed with the something for the family." Peterson said. "We wanted to help. You hate to go through it any time of year. It is so hard, especially around Christmas."

The school organization has given the family a gift certificate to a local grocery store. Other donations to the family will help defray expenses related to the accident.
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help defray expenses related to the accident.
"It's expensive to put a funer-at together." Feterson said. "We just want to do whatever we can do to help."
Grief counselors were on hand at the school Tuesday. Children will not return to school until after the Christmas break.

Anyone who has questions or wants to help the Livia family may call Peterson at 543-4678.

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THE BIRDS CONVERGE Countless crows roost in downtown trees

By Julie Pence Times-News writer

Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — As dusk descends upon downtown twin Falls each day; so do the crows — thousands of them.

It's a real-life Aifred Hitchcock movie, the remo of which begins at about 5:30 and goes into late evening. By midnight the trees in the parking lots along Second Avenue West look like solid black halls, said Kard Williams. downtown business district director.

They even make that clicking sound," said Magic Valley Bank employee Kay Cablea, alluding to the scene from "The Birds" when actress Tipp it ledfern harricades herself in her home while outside the sky becomes omi-

nously black before birds begin-slamming into the house with full force.

It's been about a month since downtown workers began coping with their own bird-blackened sky. In the past week various ageniesh have begin marshaling forces to bring to some order back to downtown. It's none too soon for people who are downtown over-day. People who have been downtown or exceeded with the work of the property of the prope

Most mad cow reforms remain unfulfilled in U.S.

Chad Johnson, left, and Jared Rands use a laser to discourage crows from loi-tering in the trees of the Magic Valley Bank parking lot Tuesday night in down

WICHIIA, Kansas - After the first U.S. case of mad cow disease was discovered, government regulators and Industry officials worked quickly to reassure consumers it was safe to eat a steak. A year later, you'd never guess there was any concern at all — Americans' appetite for beef has remained strong.

But consumer advocates say-

But consumer advocates say there's a problem with that lack of reaction from the public — it might have distinguished the im-

pact of the mad cow case on improving food safety. Aside from several steps taken shortly after a single cow in Washington state was found infected with the disease, reforms that were promised remain unfulfilled. Federal regulators: trying to reassure U.S. consumers. promised to strengthen the country's food safety rules, For the most part, it didn't happen, said Caroline Smith DeWaal, director of food safety for the Center of Science in the Public Interest.

Simplot donates \$2.8M property

The Associated Press

BOISE -- Potato magnate J.R. implot and his wife, Esther,

Idaho gains governor's mansion Iron Simplot and his family, is valued at about \$2.8 million.

"You know, when you get right down to the facts of it, Idaho has been awful been awful been awful to the facts of it. I built this flouse), with this flag and I how it. When you get the facts of it. I built this flower is the facts of it. I built this flower it flower is the facts of it. I built this flower it flower is the facts of it. I built this flower it flower is the world of I daho, and I'm pleased to let somebody have it like the governor. As governor.

ernor's go and come, they'llenjoy it. Hope. They won't have
any trouble from me, that's for
sure. "Simplot said, to the crowd
of family members, guests and
dawmakers assembled for the
amouncement.

The signature feature of the
home is the 40-foot by 30-foot
American Bag that flies on a
pole at least 80 feet high.

Gov. Dirk Kempthorne said
the gift of the property came
with only one condition — that
a flag of that size must always be
flown over the home.

"That's a-promise we will be
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"That's a promise we will be proud to make and keep," the governor told the Simplots and others gathered at Tuesday's an-nouncement.

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Crows' adaptability presents puzzling problem

TWIN FALLS — Crow season open until the end of January.

is open until the end of January, but that doesn't do much for crow control in Iven Falls, where shouting sin allowed. Thousands of crows are coming to roost in the parking lots on along Second Arenue West each evening. But to clear them out, the best that merchants and city officials can hope for its ocare then off with lasers and noise. Even then, they wom the next block bloogsts say. In the next block bloogsts say. In the next block bloogsts say. In the rest block bloogsts say.

said Gary Hompland, a regional conservation officer for the dalto Department of Fish and Game. "They will go into Dumpsters, landfills, fields. They eat grain, mice, garbage, carrion, insects, the young of other birds."

Seventeen to 21 inches in length and weighing about a pound, the average adult crow needs about 11 ounces of food

needs about 11 ounce each day.
The recent phenomenon of thousands descending upon downtown livin Falls is not unusual for other areas. Hompiscal

and said.
"They're very common in the Midwest." he said.
And once the crows have landed in a region, chances are

they've landed forever.

"They're one of the hardest birds to get rid of," Hompland said. "Without some sort of large eradication project. I would imagine you'll always have crows here."

The crow comes from the corvidae family, which also includes ravens, magpies and blackbirds. They are considered by many to be the most intelligent of North American birds. So, if you think they're communicating with each other, they just might be. Downtown merchants say the noise the birds make gabing anong each other at night is almost deadening.

I lightly social, they trevel in groups.

groups.

If a crow is not allowed to as-

sociate with other crows when it is small, particularly with its immediate family, it might never be accepted into 'crow society'. Being excluded from a family, or cooperative group, is the worst thing that can happen to a crow. If a crow is allowed to live its normal life span, it can survive to 10 to 15 years. Under federal law, it is illegal to keep a crow-without a special permit. Downtown merchant . Leto Stantin said he's concerned about the possibility that the thousands of crows that have taken over his area of town might spread diseases, such as West Nile virus.
But Hompland said that like-

West Nile virus.

But Hompland said that like-lihood is remote. Crows seem to be susceptible to West Nile, he

said, but it takes a mosquito to spread the disease, and they aren't around during winter.

Why did the crows choose downtown? Hompland said its hard to say other than the trees appear to be an especially attractive place to roost. Plus. crows are like most humans, they tend to return to the same places over and over.

places over and over.
So, why not chop down the trees to discourage the birds?
"Absolutely not. Those trees are not going for anything," said Karla Williams, director of the downtown business district.

Times-News writer Julie Pence can be reached at 735-3241 or by e-mail at jpence@magicvalley. com.

Birds

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could hear the bird splats," she said—said—said—thousands of large birds can turn-parkingloi-into-necorratin, only one night.
That's one reason Ernie Bengoechea, also of Magic Valley Bank, said heis hired a young man to stand out behind the bank from 6 to 9 p.m., every evening to make noises to scar off the creatures. Merchants are helping with the noise cambelling with the noise cambelling the said of the creatures.

by whistling clan

ping their hands, blowing horns and setting off car alarms.—The-bird-mess, Bengoechea said, is beyond anything he has ever-seen-downtown. And-hesspent almost 30 years in the building on the corner of Shoshone Street and Main Av-

enne.
The city street department has begun washing the green, and white globs from the side-walks and pavement. But at this time of year that's a challenge.

streets supervisor Bob Hildreth

streets supervisor Bob Hildreth suid.

"You have to wait until it quits-freezing." Hildreth-suid. There's another problem, too. "With the cold weather, the droppings have kind of frozen, and then they turn into powder when people drive on them or walk on them." Williams said.

That's why when the Twist William's said.

That's why when the Twist Palls County Sheriff's Department put its work-release inmates on the clean-up detail

last weekend, they were wearing face masks while they
scrapped and scrubbed.

The U.S. Fish- and Wildlife
Service has been helping, too,
Williams said. Every evening
federal workers arrive in the
late hours armed with laser devices to scare the crows elsewhere.

where.
But therein arises yet another problem. The birds only move on to the next block. So, while most had been roosting behind Magic Valley Bank and

other nearby businesses, they've moved eastward one

adher neaver they've moved eastward one block.

"Well-you can't discharge firearms in the city," Williams said. "Were using more politically correct ways to get rid. Them, but if! Take a while! They are just going to go on around are just going to go on around the blocks."

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Cow

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"Consumers didn't react very much, so they don't feel the need to take action, and I think that is unfortunate." Smith De-

that is unfortunate. Smith Devial said.
Certainly, significant charges
were made to strengthen existing safeguards already in place.
Some consumer groups say
the most important was the
banning of so-called downer
cattle—animals too sick to
stand—Irom slaughter for
human consumption. Begulators at the U.S. Department of
Agriculture believe new rules
that forbid potentially infectious
material, such as spinal
cords, from being incorporated
into food are the most significant reform.

cant reform.

The government's testing program for mad cow — formally known as bovine spongi-

lraq form encephalopathy, or BSE, was expanded to include mo

form encephalopathy, or BSI;—was expanded to include more than 221,000 animals. 10 times the number tested in 2003, by the time it is done. The surveillance program went into effect line 1 and is to be completed in a year to 18 months. As of Monday, the agency had tested 152,984 animals.

But animals feed rules designed opposed to the surveillance of the surveilla

CORRECTION

Employee hearings aren't open to the general public

open to the general public
A story Thesday about the
suspension of a Rupert city em-ployee contained incorrect in-formation about city policy.
Hearings held to appeal em-ployment actions taken against city employees are not open to the public.

The Times-News regrets the

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mitz said was supposed to have been ready for Christmas.

"There is a level of vulnerability when you go in there and you don't feel like there's a ... hard roof over your head," Hastings told CNN.

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Earlier, Brig. Gen. Carter Ham, commander of flask force Olympia, said U.S. milltary personnel, American and foreign nationals and Iraqi soldiers were among the dead. 'It is indeed a very very said day.' Ham said.

Redmon, said the dead included two soldiers from the

said.

Redmon, said the dead in-cluded two soldiers from the Richmond-based 276th Engl-neer Battallon, which had just sat down to eat. The force knocked soldiers off their feet and out of their seats as a fer-ball enveloped the top of the tent and sharped sprayed into the area. Redimon.said.

the area, recumon said.

Scores of troops crammed into concrete bomb shelters, while others wandered around in a daze and collapsed, he said.

"I can't hear! I can't hear!" one

female soldier cried as a friend hugged her.
A huge hole was blown in the roof of the terft, and puddles of blood, lunch trays and overturned tables and chairs covered the floor, Redmon reported.

None the foor a second

ed.

Near the front entrance, troops tended a soldier with a serious head wound, but within minutes, they zipped him into a black body bag, he said. Three more bodies were in the parking lot. i. Near the front

more bodiles were in the parking lot.

"It was very hard to watch and very chaotic but at the same time what amazed me was that within 20 minutes the worst of the wounded, the ones wito needed the most attention, were out of there. It was just a remarkable effort by all the soldiers involved. From what I could see they performed flawlessly," Redmon said.

In addition to the two soldiers in the Richmond unit, two soldiers from Maine National Guard's 133rd Engineer Battalion were killed and 12 were wounded, the Portland Press Herald reported.

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Redmon and photographer Dean Hoffineyer are embedded width the 276th Engineer Battalion.

a Richmond National Country of the Priss Virgina Regiment of Volunteers formed in 1652. Grouge Mashington and Patrick Henry were two of its early commanders. Henry created the units motto, "Liberty or Death."

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Tax plan may call for small changes | Study finds drop

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush's campaign to make the tax code simpler, fairer and more pre-growth is fikely to involve incremental changes to the current system rather than a sweeping effort to scrap the venerable income tax for a radically new, approach, such as a national sales tax.

But the changes Bush will propose are still expected to generate buge opposition, especially if he suggests scrapping lavored tax breaks such as the deduction for state income tax payments.

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Tax experts in close contact with the administration say signs are pointing toward a plan that will seek to improve the income tax code, rather than

tax with no deductions, a national sales tax or Value Added Tax, all ideas that gained prominence among conservative Republicans in the 1990s.

"Our members think the current tax code is way too complicated but given the realities of the budget deficit and the embedded interests in the current tax code. It is very hard to make major changes, said to make major changes. Said to said to make major changes, said to sa

The president has said he wants to look at all the options that would make the code fairer, less complex and more growth oriented. Treasury Secretary John Snow said in an interview. But tax analysts noted the administration did not showcas only radical tax reforms at last weeks two-day White House economic conference, preferring instead to review incremental changes.

Analysts seeking insight into Bush's timing have seized on a November 2002 internal Treasury secretary for tax policy. Itee faith option, described as the less and the less radical, could serve as a blueprint for Bush's tax re-

form push, analysts say.

While retaining the current income tax system, this option would eliminate the Alternative Minimum Tax, which was designed to make sure the rich paid their fair share of taxes but is now ensnaring more middle-income taxpayers. The proposal also would significantly expand opportunities for people to set up savings accounts where their investment earnings would be tax-free, something the administration has been pushing for two years.

Eliminating the AMT, which covered 3 million mostly wealthy taxpayers in 2004 but will raise the taxes of 23 million taxpayers by 2008, would cost the government an estimated \$600 billion over 10 years.

in teen drug use

Inhalants rise in popularity, however

WASHINGTON (AP) — Fewer teenagers are smoking eigarettes or using illegal drugs, but a survey released Tuesday shows a troubling increase in the use of inhalants' by younger adoles-

a troubling increase in the use of inhalants by younger adolescents.

The smoking rate among younger teens is half what it was in the mid-1990s, and drug use by that group is down by one-third, according to the University of Michigan study, done for the National Institute on Drug Abuse. Less dramatic strides have been made among older teens.

Itealth experts and government officials called the amoust acreed a survey of eighth, 10th and 12th graders a sign of continued graders a sign of continued graders as in the continued property of the continued graders.

The continued graders are the consequence of drug abuse.

Overall, illicit drug use among teens declined by 7 percent over the past year, and 17 percent over the past year, and 17 percent over the fast four years. There are now 600,000 fewer teens using drugs than there were in 2001.

"These are sustained, broad

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pularity, however and deep declines," national drug policy director John Walters said at a news enference. The challenge before us is to follow through.

Altogether, gains in 2004 over 2003 were modest. Researchers are troubled by increases—specially among eighth-graders—in the use of inhalants such as glue and acrosols, and a rise in the use of the pain-control narcotic OxyContin. Use of most other drugs declined or held steady.

Itealth officials said they are concerned that use of inhalants, which are easily accessible to children, may rebound unless children are warned about the rave dangers they pose, inhalant use had been declining since 1985, when the Partnership for a Drug-Free American begun an anti-inhalant media campaigneth has found that even a single session of repeated inhalant abuse can disrupt learn thythms and cause death from cardiac arrest or lower oxygen levels enough to cause suffocation," said Nora Volkow, director of the National Institute on Drug Abuse.

Lottery jackpot winner's

An autopsy was planned for Tuesday, and police said Tuesday morning there was nothing new to report.

Bruggs body was found Monday bethind a junked van several hundred feet from the home of Steve Crosler, whose son Brandon was Braugs's boyfriend, said Trooper S.L. Wolfe.

A preliminary investigation indicated that Braug may have died in the Crosler's house and her body was later moved.

Wolfe said Monday's discovery was based on interviews with Brandon Crosler and others. "We are focused on him but I wouldn't call him a suspect yet," he said.

granddaughter found dead

SCOIT DEPOI, WA. (AP) —
The 17-year-old granddaughter of the nation's largest lottery winner was found dead near her boyfriend's home, her body wrapped in a sheet and plastic tarp.

Brandi Bragg, who lived in the nearby town of Hurricane, was last seen alive Doc. 4. She was reported missing five days later by Jack Whittaker, who won a \$314.9 million jackpot on Christmas Day 2002 but has battled legal and other problems since then.

The cause of death was under investigation. Authorities said there were no obvious signs of wiolence.

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Sixth Potter book arrives this summer

News gives readers a reason to celebrate

NEW YORK (AP) — Ger roady for publishings ultimate block-buster sequel: Harry Potter VI.
Settling the stage for another round of midnight bookstore parties and marathon readings into the morning, the penultimate novel in J.K. Rowlings mega-settling series, "Harry Potter and the Harry Potter (Harry Potter (Har

Fans of the Harry Potter books, from left, Jennifer Sanett, 13. Stephanle Denin, 3.3, Calif (Cennor, 11, Lindsey Michel, 1.3, and Meghan Sanett, 1.0, look at their copies of Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire Immediately after buying it at the Barñes, and Noble in Califabasas, Calif., July 7, 2000. The sixth novel in J.K. Rowling's blockbuster Harry Potter series, 'Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince,' will go on sale in Britain and the United States on July 16, 2005, publishers said Tuesday.

2005, publishers said Tuesday.

Australia. New Zealand and South Africa. With the previous works available in 62 languages, many, many other countries are sure to follow.

"J.K. Rowling has written a brilliant story that will dazzle her fans in a marvelous book that takes the series to yet greater heights," said a joint announcement by Nigel Newton, chief executive of Bloomsbury Publishing Ple in England, and Barbarn Marcus, presidem of Scholastic Children's Books in the United States.

The 2005 publishing date means the world will be spared the seemingly interminable three-year walt between Potter IV, "Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire," and Potter V, "Harry Potter and Potter V, "Harry Pott

CHICAGO (AP) — Death takes no holiday, according to a study that challenges the widely held notion that dying people can somehow-hold on until unter Christmas or other important events in their lives.

Donn Young, a biostatistician at Ohio State University's Comprehensive Cancer Center who studied more than 300,000 cancer patients, said the supposed phenomenon is mostly based on wishful thalking and selective memories.

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pnenomenous is mostly on wishful thinking and sejective memories.

"The mind does play a role in illness," he said. But the idea that death is something that an individual patient can control by sheer force of will — just from looking at the data, this doesn't appear to be so."

Some doctors and nuises who work with gravely ill people are not convinced by the findings, arguing that the statistics do not tell the human side of the story. Young and statistician Erinning the cooked at Ohio death can be and the statistics of the control of the story of the findings of the story of the story of the story of the statistics and the statistics are not convenient to the statistics and the statistics are not convenient to the statistics are not convenient to the statistics and the statistics are not convenient to the statistics at the statistics are not convenient to the statistics a

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Potter and the Order of the Phoenix," which came out in summer 2003.

The news should be celebrated by Rowling's millions of fans and by the struggling publishing industry, Competition for sales began almost immediately, with Amazon.com and the superstore chains Barnes & Noble, inc. announcing 40 perent discounts on the books \$29,99 suggested retail price. By Tuesday, "Italf-Blood Prince" was already No. 1 on Barnes & Noble.com's best seller list and was in the top 10 on Amazon.com.
"Sales from the last Harry Potter book grossed as much as a maint Hollwood movie in its

2.000 deaths

Study: Death doesn't wait for holidays to pass

ter book grossed as much as a major Hollywood movie in its

first week of release." Steve Riggio, chief executive officer of Barnes & Noble, Inc., said in a statement Tuesday.

"We expect this next book in the series to make publishing history once again. We've already collected 500,000 e-mail requests from our customers waiting to be notified of the date of the next book so this announcement is very welcome news for readers everywhere.

The cetall price is the same as for Potter V. even though Rowling has strongly hinted she will not approach the Industrial-sized B70 pages of Order of the Phoenix." In an earlier message on her web site, she stated, "According to the plan for book six, in which we will be quite a bit shorter it will be guite a bit shorter it will be guite a bit shorter it will be quite a bit shorter it will be guite a bit shorter it will be guite a bit shorter it will be guite be the case, but I am 99% certain of it."

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About 260 million copies of the fantasy series, which debuted in 1997, have sold worldwide, and "Order of the Phoenis" sold an astonishing 5 million copies in the U.S. alone within 24 hours of publication, generating as much money as the top Hollywood release of that weekend. "The Hulk."

Sales have remained phenomenal even as Rowlings books have grown longer and darker, reflecting the boy wizard's maturation into adolescence. The first three Potter books have been made into hit modes, and inspired countless. Potter p paraphernalia, including candy, cakes, capes and toys. About 260 million copies of the fantasy series, which de-

icant difference in the propor-tion of cancer patients dying before an event and those dying after.



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Photo may show victim with suspect

KANSAS CITY Kan. (AP).

Bobble lo Stimnett and the woman accused of strangling her and cutting her baby from her womb were photographed together at a dog show months before last week's attack, a woman who attended the show said.



tors used tips from other rat terrier enthusiasts and data from Stinnett's computer before arresting Lisa M. Montgomery, of Melvern, 36, who claimed to have given birth to a gift the previous day, is charged with kidnapping resulting in death.

A photo gallery on Stinnett's own Web site — whitp://www.imagevent.com/happyhaven — Includes pictures labeled as being from an April 2004 dog show in Abilene, Kan. One of the photos shows seven people holding rat terriers: Stinnett at the right, with a purple ribbon, and a woman who resembles Montgomery at the left. There is no caption identifying the people.

But dog trainer Nancy

Montgomery at the left. There is no capition identifying the people.

But dog trainer Nancy Strudi, of Omaina, Neb., said Tuesday she was at the dog show. She said both Montgomery and Stinnett, as well as Stinnett's husband, Zeb, and one of Montgomery's daughters, are among the seven people in the picture.

The dying cannot postpone death

Areview of 1.3 million death certificates in Onio from 1989 to 2000 falled to confirm previous reports that dying people can intentionally postpone death to survive personally significant events.

Average deaths Cancer-related

1,000 500

analyzed how many deaths oc-curred before and after three dates — Christmas, Thanksgiv-ing and the person's birthday. "If there was an effect, you'd see a dip before ... and an in-crease after." Young said. But there was no dip, and no signif-



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Thieves get away with \$39 million



A security guard carries a strongbox out of the Belfast headquarters of Northern Bank on Tuesday in Belfast, Northern Ireland. Thieves stole more than \$39 million from the Belfast headquarters of the bank, making the heist the biggest robbery in Northern Ireland history.

Sam Kinkaid, the police officer leading the investigation, said his detectives didn't yet know whether a particular group was responsible for what he called a "clearly well organized" raid. In the neighboring Irish Re-public, Justice Minister Michael

McDowell said peacemaking ef-forts could be hurt if police linked the raid to the IRA, which is known to have robbed banks in the past to finance opera-tions.

Just the facts

THE ROBERTY Gang takes the families of two bank executives no stage and forces the basses to help them steal more than \$39 million from Northern Bank in Beffast. THE PLANT ROLLES — particularly hostage-taking — suggested: _a lövel of spohlisteation most; _a lövel of spohlisteation most, a lövel of spohlisteation most, and was the spohlisteation most, a lövel of spohlisteation most, and was the spohlisteation most per little spo

LAST BIG HEIST: In 1987, thieves made off with about \$65 million in cash and valuables from the Knightsbridge Safe Deposit Center in London.

- The Associated Press

running criminal rackets such as smuggling fuel and cigarenes. Diplomatic efforts to revive a power-sharing government in Northern Ireland involving Sinn Fein, the IRA-linked party backed by most Roman Catholics, have repeatedly stumbled over other groups' demands that the IRA disarm and disband.

Putin says he could work with Yushchenko presidency

KIEW Ukraine (AP) — Itussian President Vladimir Putin, who openly backed Viktor Yushchenko's rival for pesident of the Ukraine, said Tuesday he could work with an administra-tion headed by the pro-Western candidate.

candidate.
"We have worked with him already and the cooperation was not bad." Putin said during a visit to Germany. "If he wins, I don't see any problems."
"Yushicheiko was asimus."

Yushchenko was prime minis-ter from 1999 to 2001, and before that he headed the Central Bank for six years.

Putin irritated the West by quickly congratulating Prime Minister Viktor Yanukovych, the Moscow-backed candidate, after last month's presidential runoff against Yushchenko, only to see his purported victory canceled because of vote-figging. A new runoff will take place Sunday. In eastern Ukraine, a pro-Yushchenko convoy of about 50 vehicles — dubbed the "friendship journey" was sturred ship journey was sturred of defounds only after it reached the outskirts of Donetsk, a city that is the prime minister's base.



Residents celebrate Stalin's 125th birthday

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my pension,"

He said it was about \$6 a month.

month.
Yevgeny Dzhugashvili came
to the Gori celebration to mark
the birthday of his grandfather—
whose real name was Josef
Vissarionovich Dzhugashvili.
"People remember how
everything used to be. There



Considered a brutal tyrant for political purges in which more than 10 mil-lion are believed to

Josef Stalts have died and for forced collectivization that whiped out the peasantry. Stalin continues to be admired in the former Soviet Union — even by many non-Communists — for leading the country to wictory in World War II and pulling it into the industrial age.

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Fie died in 1953.

In Russia, hundreds of people laid flowers and a wreath at a granite bust of Stalin just off of Red Square, along the Kremlins coll.

Red Square, mong unsulant walls.
"In the years after the war, Stalin managed to mobilize the economy and resurrected 1,700 towns, to rid the country of rationing and turn the country into nuclear power that for 50 years was a reliable shield." Communist Party leader Gennady Zyugunov said.

tions: The IRA has observed a truce since 1997 but remains active, Get up to 4 FREE Camera Phones-when-you-buy-one for only **\$.4**-**0**

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Godzilla may fade from screen

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160KYO — Could Tokyo finally be safe?
Goddilla, the movie monster that terrorized the city in a series of ilins over 50 years, is set to stomp off into the sunset for what may be the last time. After the release this month of Godzilla Final Wars, Thot Pictures has decided to mothball the great green one, uncertain when, if ever, it'll return to the big Screen.

Iapan's largest film star has disappeared before — going into inhermation for a decade in the mid-1970s, only to come back with a vengeance after a grass-roots movement by fans mudged Toho into reviving the celebrity city smasher. But after

28, films over a half-century, even Godzillak niakers concede that one-of-the longest-running film franchiese in history appears to be losing steam. In recent years, the aging lizard's movies have drawn about half the audiences they used to, barely covering production costs. Even the big-budget Hollywood version of "Godzilla" in 1994 was a monstrous box of-fice bomb, "The choices for kids are more varied now and they are watching the cuter monsters, like the ones from 'Pokemon. Innented Toho Pictures President Shogo Tomiyama. "If Godzilla does come back, it will be in the bands of another generation of movie directors."



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West attracts urban escapees

WASHINGTON (AP) - Nevada, New Mexico, idaho, Utah and other states blessed with wide-open spaces are seeing steady population growth as increasingly cramped Americans look for ways to spread out. The Census Bureau's annual population estimates showed the United States added another 3 million people in the last year for an overall population of just under 294 million: The top 10 list under 294 million: The top 10 list of fastest-growing states was for an occur.
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and South, with Newada leading the way for the 18th consecutive year.

While favorable weather and jobs continue to be primary burse, people also are looking for places that offer space, affordability and the great outdoors. That helped place idadto fourth on the list of fastest-growing states. Utah was seventh and New Mexico tenth.

Robert Lang, a demographer with the Metropolitan Institute at Virginia Tech, said those states are appealing to people who want to escape the urban sprawl of big cities like Los Angeles and Denwer.

"This is part of a long diffusion of population of the country because of the interstates, airports and the Internet," Lang said, "We use the whole country now." Fem Bull, 74, moved from Colorado to Layton, Utah, about 25 miles north of Sait Lake City, to

West and South lead in population growth

The Census Bureau's annual population estimates showed the fastest-growing states were dominated by those in the West and



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be near her-two young grand-daughters. In the five years since
arriving, a Wal-Mart, a small
shopping mall and two new fastfood restaurants have been built
no nonce-empty parcels of land
near her home, she said.
Utali's population is 2.4 million, up 1.5 percent over the pasy
year and up 7 percent since
2000. Buil, who is involved in a
social group that welcomes new
residents, said local officials are
trying to keep infrastructure on a
pace with the influx.
"We're lust trying to get highways and transportation," she

aid. "As more people keep mov-ng in, we need more."

said. As more people keep moving in, we need more."
Idahoks population rose 2 percent over the last year to nearly 1.4 million. There is growth around the capital of Boise and in Kootenal County in northern Idaho. That is where the shoreline of Lake Coeur d'Alene has been increasingly fenced by million-dollar homes, and subdivisions are climbing higher up the county's hillsides, said Rand Wichman. the county's planning and zoning director. "Were struggling to keep the Infrastructure up with the

growth, and schools and roads and all dose kinds of things are perpetually behind the curve, he sald. The question is how long we can keep this a great place to live before the pressure overwhelms us. Newada, spurred in iarge part by the sprawling growth around Las Vegas, grew by 4.1 percent to 2.3 million, people. Retired utility worker Lloyd Wiellif, 58, moyed from the Los Angeles area to North Las Vegas, alast year. Your money goes a little further here, he said. 'A nice house in Southern California can be a nicer home in southern Newada.'

can be a nicer home in southern Newada.

Arizona had the second-largest growth, up 3 percent to 5.7 million, while Florida was hird with a 2.3 percent increase to 17.4 million. Georgia. Texas, Delaware and North Carolina also were in the top 10. Massachusets was the only state that had a population decline—albeit down a slight 3.800 people, or 0.1 percent, to 6.41 million. Demographers speculated it could have been caused by an exodus of people teaving to escape rising costs in the Boston area.

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The bureau estimated North Dakota gained population for the first time since at least 2000.

Also, Frey said, with low housing prices and warm climates, don't expect the popularity of Arizona or Nevada to wane soon.

Aquifer probably contaminated by fuel

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) - Fuel

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) – Fuel spilled from a broken pipe at a railroad depot has seeped into the regions water of Environmental Ouality officials said.

Though little is known about the extent of the leak site mendiation manager Marc Kalbaugh said he believes water from the Spokame Valley-Rathdrum Arulifer reunains said to drink "Based on the information I inave. I don't think there's a risk." he said.

The diesel fuel and motor oil

he said.

The diesel fuel and motor oil spilled at Hauser Mainline Fueling Facility, which was built atop the water supply for Spokane and Kootenai counties. The brak in the pipe was found Dec. 10. but officials with Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Co. sald they believe it had been

leaking since the depot opened Sept. I. Kalbaugh based his assess-ment on field observations, but he stressed that little is known about the true extent of the leak. "We don't have any hard and last data in our hands right now," he said.

-fast data in our hands right now, he said.

Officials have drilled nine soil.

Officials have drilled nine soil uses sites and four wells to assess the spill. Gus Melonas, spokesman for railway company, said officials were able to smell petroleum at the groundwater interface of one soil sample.

Local leaders are pushing for more information from the railroad and Department of Environmental Quality.

Despite prodding, both the state and the railroad initially refused to share preliminary results from soil and water sampling.

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Work ends at Indian burial site

SEATTLE (AP) — The state on Tuesday ended all work at the Hood Canal bridge construction yard in Port Angeles where tundreds of Indian remains have been discovered at the site of a centuries-old village.

In a written statement, the state Department of Transportation said it would look for a new site for making bridge pontoons and anchors needed to rebuild much of the existing floating bridge across 'Hood Canal, 50 miles away.

The state already has spent \$56 million on a project initially slated to cost \$283 million to widen and improve the bridge, the major link between the Olympic Peninsula and the Puget Sound region. Transportation department spokeswoman Linda Mullen said the costs will climb higher although it's not yet clear how much more will need to be spent to move the project elsewhere.

where.

Mullen said the state simply couldn't find a way to get the bridge rebuilt in a reasonable time. and, without huge, overturns while respecting the needs of the Lower Elwha Kallam Tribe to find and honor their ancestors.

ancestors.
"I think the sheer scale and uncertainty of what is yet in the ground pointed us in the direction of leaving," she said.

Bush increases Hispanic support

Hispanic support

WASHINGTON (AP) - President Bush made increasing his support among Hispanic voters a leading goal in 2004 and he upharendy achieved that aim largely because of gains among Hispanic matching poll suggests on the support of the support of the support of the very largely support of the overall voter including the property of the very largely and the property of the very largely and the property of the very largely and very largely and the very largely

polls of voters indicated a similar stift.

Bushis stronger performance
with Hispanics helped him fend
off Kerry in several states, but especially in New Mexico where
bush narrowly won this time.
Democrat Al Gore won New
Mexico in 2000.

The Annenberg study found
Bushis support among Hispanic
men nationally grew from 34
percent in 2000 to 46 percent
this year.

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new business strategies into motion until after the New Yor.
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GEMIN (May 21-June 20): Decisions seem easier to make with Mercury heading forward again. Significant others may be tranceutrating on I un and games instead of business. Let sometime else take the lead in making holiday plans.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Generosity is your middle name today but don't forget to put those checks in the mail to pay the bills or get so caught up in exciting happenings that you neglect regular management of the pay of the control of the contr

the merrier" might be your mono. You are eager to demonstrate friendliness with people from varied walks of life. Indulge your passion for entertainments and pleasure; socialize to your heart's content.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): The love of your life may prefer to mingle with friends rather than sit by the fire holding your hand. Leave the door open and warmer sangeles will be yours when that special someone returns to, the toost.

front.
SACHTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) A restless need for excitement hight have you in search of holiday thrills and you are likely to find a new partner who shares your views. Short-term friend-ships and romances can blossom under these stars.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-fan. 19): It is casy to let social alfairs disrupt your normal spending habits. Don't neglect obligations to partners or jatures business duties to the general public. Be kind and picasan to everyone.

AQUARITIS (Jan. 20-ebs. 10): Your AQUARITIS (Jan. 20-ebs. 10): Your Discour holds and foundary, so don't be bashful about accepting invitations that pour in. Be sure to appear where the latest crowds are gathering and bask in the limelight.

—JISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Today and-tomorrow it might he best to concentrate on making the rotinds and touching base with your network of frieads. Pull in favors while people are in a generous mood, in the game of life you may be picked as it.

Americans drink more diet soda

The Associated Press

Still think the cola wars are about Coke vs. Pepsi?

These days the carbonated beverage battleground is diet vs. regular, and it's hooking in-creasingly as though the lightweight could flatten its full-caloric coustn.

Though the highly competitive \$64 billion soft drink industry still is dominated by regular soda, sales of diet are surging and some industry analysts say low-cal eventually could take the lead.

That's because while regular soda sales have sagged, diet's share of the market has grown steadily since the mid-1990s. Bottled water, tea, sports and fruits drinks also are up, further sphoning regular soda sales. In an obsess nation obsessed with calories and earbs, it probably shouldn't come as a surprise that people are swiffing to diet, and beverage companies are rushing to give them more choices. In many ways the soft drink industry is better prepared in the proper of the companies of the soft of the contents of prependid det.

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the soft drink industry already has these huge powerful brands of diet drinks.

Last year, regular soda accounted for nearly 73 percent of sales, but that was down nearly 2 percent from the year before. Sicher said. Meamwhile, diet was up more than 6 percent from 2002.

Sicher thinks that trend will continue and even accelerate enough that in a decade diet could outself regular. It also thinks diet sales will spur overall growth in the soder industry, which slumped at less than 1 percent last year.

In fact, John Crawen, editor of the online beverage industry newsletter Bevnet, com. says soft drink consumption was down nearly a percent last year. If not for the growth in diet soda, that would have been closer to 10 percent.

Coca-Cola Co. spokesman Scott Williamson said Sicher makes sense assuming sales trends continue as they have. And last week Coca-Cola Enterprises Inc., the world's largest bortler, told analysis that the diet category is one of the company's best chances for gowth.

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So what's behind diet's strong performance?
Caloric consciousness is a buge — and olwious — par of it. Prompted by a growing awareness of their growing waistlines, more people want low andro-calorie soft drinks, said Sicher, who has followed the industry for 10 years.
That awareness also extends in retailers, who hope to attract or retailers, who hope to attract

That awareness also extends to retailers, who hope to attract dieters' business by giving more — and more prominen — space to low-cal beverages, said Dan Dillon, vice president of marketing for Coke's diet sodas.





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Site of Jesus' first miracle found, archeologists believe

CANA. Israel (AP) — Among the roots of ancient olive trees, archaeologists have found pieces of large stone jars of the type the Gospel says Jesus used when he turned water into wine at a Jewish wedding in the Galilee village of Cana.

They believe these could have been the same kind of vessels the Bible says Jesus used in his first miracle, and that the site where they were found could be the location of biblical Cana. But Bible scholars caution it? I be hard to obtain conclusive proof — especially since experts disagree on exactly where Cana was located.

Christian theologians attach great significance to the water-to-wine miracle at Cana. The act was not only Jesus first miracle, but it also came at a crucial point in the early days of his public ministry — when his reputation was growing, he had just selected his disciples and was under pressure to demonstrate his divinity.

The shards were found during a salvage dig in modern-day.

The shards were found during a salvage dig in modern-day Cana, botween Nazareth and Capernaum. Israeli archaeologist Yardena Alexander believes the Anb town was built near the ancient village. The judices date to the Roman period, when Josus traveled in the Galilice.

od, when Josus traveled in the Galilee.
"All indications from the ar-chaeological excavations chaeological excavations suggest that the site of the wed-ding was (modern-day) Cana, the site that we have been in-vestigating," said Alexander, as she cleaned the site of mud



The Wedding Churches, foreground, named affer the wedding where Jesus performed his first miracle in the Book of John, sit alongs mosque in the Arab town of Cana in northern Israel on Monday. mosque in the Arab town of Cana in no

from winter rains.

However, American archaeologists excavating a rival site several miles to the north have also found pieces of stone jars from the time of Jesus, and believe they have found biblical Cana.

Cana.

Another expert, archaeologist
Shimon Gibson, cast doubt on
the find at modern Cana, since
such vessels are not rare and it
would be impossible to link a
particular set of vessels to the
initiacle.

"Just the existence of stone,
vessels is not enough to prove
that this is a biblical site," and
more excavations are needed,
he said.

Based on the shards, Alexander believes the vessels found an
er site were 12 to 16 inches in
diameter — or large enough to

northern Israel on Monday.

be the same type of jars described in the Gospel of John.

Other evidence that might link the site to the biblical account includes the presence of a fewish ritual bath at the house, which shows it was a fewish community. Locally produced pottery was used at the simple house, showing it could have been from the poor village described in the Scriptures.

Stephen Pfann, a Bible schol ar in Jerusalem, said that while the American dig has generally been accepted by scholars as the true site, the shards found in modern-day. Cana raise new—questions.

"I think there is annule evi-

modern-day Cana Taise next questions.

I think there is ample evi-dence that both sites are from the first century, and we need more information to correctly identify either site." Pfann said.

World Bank head calls for reforms, lifting Israeli travel restrictions

JERUSALEM (NP) - The president of the World Bank pushed Tuesday for Palestinian econonic reforms and the lifting of Israeli travel restrictions in the West Bank in exchange for an additional \$500 million in desperately needed aid to, the Palestinians.

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The visit by James Wolfen-sohn, his first since the outbreak of Ismeli-Palestinian violence in 2000, came as Pritish Prime Minister Tony, Blair varived in Jerusalem for talks: Wednesday with Israeli and Palestinian officials: Blair was the most senior in a stream of international officials

traveling here in recent weeks to loster new peace efforts following the death of Yasser Arafat last month. The diplomass also hoped to build on
Israeli Prime Minister Ariel
Sharon's plans to pull out of the
Gata Strip next year.

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Mideast conference to promote
peace prospects. However, no
tate has been set, and Israel has
said it will not atterid.

Palestinians want the confernece to deal with the toughest
issues that have strangled previous peace efforts: Palestinian
refugees, Jewish settlements.



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Militants release hostages _

PARIS (AP) - Joy swept France with the release Tuesday in Iraq of two French reporters held hostage for four months. The government said Christian Chesnot and Georges Mal-brunot should be home—for-

Journot, should, be, home, for, Christmus,
France's upper house of parlament crupted with applause when Prime Minister Jean-Pierre Raiffart told the senators, the militant. Islamic Army in Imaq had freed the reporters.

"It's the best Christmas present we could get," said Chesnot's brother, Thierry, adding that the two men were in good health.
"Until now, our life was murky, Ididn't stop crying," and my hutsband, too," Maibriunot's monther, Andree, India The Assoniated Press." I am really happy, 'she added, sobbing.

Iraq tribunal pledges fair trial for Saddam

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — A special imqi tribunal investigating Saddam Ilussein and his 11 henchmen on Tuesday promised free and fair trials for the former regime members, rejecting accusations that the proceedings of a regime members, rejecting accusations that the proceeding so lar have not been transparent.

The Iraq! special tribunal said independent court and that it has its integrity, neutrally and transparency. The tribunal said in a statement received by the Associated Press.

Associated Press.

The Trip and theire bastice for langi people." It added. Interin Prime Minister Ayad Allawi suprised many by announcing the trials of several of Saddam's former regime members would begin sooner than had been expected, although no date was ever set. Then, a judge made similarly unexpected mews—announcing without notice last Saturday that the lawyer who has been chosen by the accused themselves, the content of the property of the regime of the revery coperative, during the investigation session and they may appear again according to the investigation session and they may appear again according to the investigation session and they investigation session and they may appear again according to the investigation reds."

The tribunal did not say when Saddam's trial will start.

"For the former Iraqi President Saddam Husseln, the investigation procedures are continuing," the statement sald.

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EDITORIAL

County's pursuit of fines may need to be tightened

cite grate-dul—that jolly old St, Nick does-n't go back and check to see who's been aughty and nice with the naughty and nice with me sort of retroactive zeal being demonstrated by Twin Falls

demonstrated by Twin Falls County.

The county is following up on a new state law that allows counties to contract with collection agencies to collect outstanding debts. It appears the county is push-ing the law for all its worth, seeking unadd fines universely to

collect outstanding.
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collect outstanding the law for all its worth, seeking unpaid fines going back to 1899.
County Clerk Kristina Glascock says the county has turned more than 5342,288 in fines over to collection agencies. So far \$28,266 has been paid back. But a major problem is that many residents claim they did pay their fines. Odds are, you distinctively remember paying a fine at the courthouse for breaking the law. It's not like paying the power bill.
It's important to be fair here. County officials remain confident in their computer records, which show no payment history. And obviously there are unpaid fines put there in the community. Officials wel-

come those who argue that they in fact did pay, to bring proof of payment and discuss the case.

But again, most people: don't keep canceled checks or records going back 15 years. The Internal Revenue Service says records only need to be kept for seven years. Many hanks counsel customers to follow the IRS time frame with personal checking information. And even the county's public defender keeps records for just 10 years.

So why, then, is the county expecting people to keep fine receipts and records that go beyond that?

We can't blame the county and Glascock for hursuling the funds that

We can't blame the coun-ty and Glascock for pursuing the funds that should have been paid. Every year the county is jili-ed by people who ignore citations and fines. That lost revenue ends up costing all county taxpayers in the long run.

county taxpayers in the long run.

But the county either needs to reassess the veracity of its computer archives, or be more realistic in pursuing fines from long ago. Until then, don't throw away any receipts if they involve county government. You may end up regretting it come Christmas of 2019.

More taxes for bereaved

hile we're on the topic of county fees. Twin Falls County seems intent on redefining the idea of 'death tax."

A. This month Twin Falls This month Twin Falls County became the first in the state to require a new \$40 fee for coroner services, such as responding to a death scene, signing, a death scene, signing, a death certificate, or examining a body before cremation.

Commissioners also approved a \$100 fee, for

Commissioners also approved a \$100 fee for "decedent removal," for those occasions when the coroner instead of a mortulary must-pick-up a body. Taxpayers can understand—how—the—coroners workload has jumped in the past year with an additional 20 to 25 cases. But most will probably see the fees as a questionable charge. The county wants additional revenue for the

coroner's \$97,000 annual budget, which feels the strains of personnel, safety and training costs. But it's hardly comforting

to know that services mest axpayers assume are covered by their tax dollars will soon be mailed as a bill to the bereaved. It's also questionable whether the body removal fee will produce much of the desired revenue. The county has a number of morticians that have rarely, if ever, failed to do the job. to know that services most

do the job The most troubling sign, The most troubling sign however, is adding fees to services that normally are paid—for—with—tax—dollars. The commissioners took—the—right—approach—in—assigning new fees for those who attend "moral reconalion" therapy and anger management classes. After all, they use those services all, they use those services as a result of personal ac-tions.

The Times-News

The members of the editorial board and writers of editorials are Brad Hurd, Chris Steinbach, Steve Crump and David Cooper.

LETTER -

Drive off with gas?

Drive orr with gas?

Expect to lose a license
There is another way of handling drivers who drive of at gas stations.

In Montana, they just take your license plate number and if you don't pay, then they take your driver's license away.

In the past week I have heard of several people who are driving to Kimberly or filling up in lerome. They are going out of their way because

of the prepay. What is hard for me to un-What is hard for me to un-derstand is why the city had to become involved? The owners of the gas stations have the power to order prepay at their own stations. Were they afraid to go it alone, in fear that the other owners won't follow suit and do the same? It is a real inconvenience to those of us regular customers! CORENE BUHLER Twin Falls

Take no offense at 'Merry Christmas'

MERRY

CHRISTMAS

YOUNG FELLA!

et me begin by saving.
"Merry Christmas." And.
by the way. "Merry Christmas." Oh, and did I mention,
"Merry Christmis."?
Let's just say the "Merry.
Christmas." backlash has offi-

Christmas, backlash has offi-cially begun. After years of politically correct "Happy Holi-days," and the annual assault on all things Christian in the public square, many Ameri-cans are declining to turn the other cheek.



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The MC backlash isn't only for by or about Christians. It is a quintessemially American revolt against absurdly, the inevitable result of narcissistic nitilist annies pushing too far. By now the list of compilatins, against Christians and Christian symbols is familiar, from prohibitions against nativity scenes on public property to the bauning of Christians carols in public schools. The nation's Capitol doesart even have a Christians tree anymore; it's a "holiday tree."

Of course, certain religious expressions are line. If a rithe of Aqualishes wants to boil rhino horns in frog saliva on the National Mall to honor their deity, we'd have a commemorative possage stamp ready by next

well have a commemorative postage stamp ready by next December, But let a Christian mention the baby lesus to a kindergarten class and the ACLU wants an exoreism: "Merry Christmas" means different things to different people, obviously. To devout Christians, the greeting conveys a profound spiritual connection to the seminal event in Western civilization. The one-Christians, the words at worst cooke a season of music decorations, shopping and giff decorations, shopping and giff decorations, shopping and giff decorations, shopping and giff

worst evoke a season of music, decorations, shopping and gift giving: at best, they bespeak a vacation day. Absent religious content, Merry Christmas otherwise is a universal expression of our be-stuff charity, forgiveness, gen-erosity and hope. What's to

complain about?

Oh, you know, people acting goofy under mistletoe, those interminable Christmas carols, All those beautiful tacky trees and fat Santas. Salvation Army ball risuses collecting coins for and Iat Santas, Salvation Army bell ringers collecting coins for the poor. Reindeer, snowmen, elves, nuterackers, wreaths, col-ored lights, parades, happy children, pariles, Å regular nightmare if you're an Ebenez-

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er.

Like perennially adolescent
adults who rob teens of their
right to rebellion, the antichristmas brigands have even
taken the fun out of "Bah,
humbug" Who wants to be a
curmudgeon when everybodys
a Scrooze?

humbug" Who wants to be a cumudgeon when everybody's a Scroope? Glearly not lews, an increasing number of whom are leading the charge to defend Christmas, in the past few days, two prominent lewish commentators — Jeff Jacoby and Dennis Prager — have written columns defending the straditions and spirit of Christmas, Jacoby, a columnist for the Boston Globe, wrote that he finds the sights and sounds of Christmas reassuring: "They reaffirm the importance of the Judeo-Christian culture that has made America so exceptional — and such a safe and tolerant haven for a religious minority like mine."

Excuse me while I mumble,

In a piece now circulating on the Internet, Irwin N. Graulich, a lewish ethicist and child of Holocaust survivors, wrote for the Web site Israel Insider that

holochast sai works. Whose in heavies site is rear linsider that public creches are beautiful sights that mean 'people have gone to the trouble of sharing lovely visuals with all of America, expressing the beauty of their horfisge and its spiritual message to humanity. If not for the marketing of the works, "Canaulich words, "Canaulich vords, "Canaulich etwish canaulich in every significant levels in oppular Caralin of the significant levels in demander of the state of the significant levels in Canaulich words, "Canaulich words," "This spiele of mutual present."

celebrate because there is no popular Christian holiday surrounding it."
This spirit of mutual respect and generosity is also finding expression among Muslims. Walked Aly, a lawyer in Melbourne, Australia, and member of the Islamic Council of Victoria, has written that he is more offended by efforts to restrain religious expression than he is by hardwity scenes.
"This is where political correctness loses the plot." he wrote. "What purports to inspire tolerance instead inspires hostility and intolerance... Denying the Christians or, worse, doing away with it altogether helps no one. This is not multicultur-

alism, It is anti-culturalism.

alism. It is anti-culturalism."
Perhaps this yuletide backlash helps explain why I've
been heuring "Merry Chrisimas" more in the past two
weeks than I have the past 10
years. Suddenly everybody's
saying it, and yes, I'm a perp.
In Waishington earlier this
month. I made a point of saying "Merry Christmas" to
everyone, heluding calb drivers
who were more often than not
Muslim or Ilindu. Without exception, they swiveled around,
smiled and said, "Merry Christmas to you, too!"
Maybe it was just sugarplums doing the runba in
ny head, bu I could swear I
detected appreciation and re-

my head, but I could swear I detected appreciation and re-lief in these exchanges. Appreciation for the freedom that permits such expression and relief that somethody said it without apology. Christmas may not be for everyone, but the spirit of Christmas is a nor discrimi-nating, equal-opportunity messenger of goodwill. So Merry Christmas, everybody, and don't smile.

Kathleen Parker, a syndicated columnist for the Orlando Sentinel, welcomes comments via e-mail at kparker@kparker

- Letters -

Divine laws run deep within the Constitution

within the Constitution
Why do you suppose it is unlawful to kill, steal, lie, commitadultery, heartupy our parents.
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try, city, state and territory,
continent or village on earth, it
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mankind has in common.
I don't believe an infant is
born with a conseience, knowing the difference between
right and wrong. That's why
most young children tell "little
white lies, cheat at checkers
and often put shiny objects in
their peckets that don't belong
to them. Morals are a learned
behavior.

navior. A conscience is something to

behavior.

A conscience is something to develop over time. But why? Wily do all of us— every person on earth—strive to be a good person? Even atheists want to be "good" person? Even atheists want to be "good" person? Even atheists want to be "good" person. Be their at the answer has got to be the Ten Commandments. Most children are introduced to them at an early age, so by the time they are old enough to rob a bank, they already know it's wrong without even reading the law.

Have you ever noticed out laws are remarkably akin to the Ten Commandments? Do you get it yet—cut you imagine the chaos and ansarchy our world would suffer if we didn't have our God's laws? We would be no better than a pack of jackals.

And now the bis shors on the

jackals.

And now the big shots on the "hill" think we can banish the Ten Commandments from

public places and not suffer the consequences. They have already thrown God out of the schools and now the kids are killing each other, except for parachial schools wither the children are taught about God. There are efforts to remove "God" from the Pledge of Allegiance on solon.

There are efforts to remove "God" from the Pledge of Allegiance ongoing.

Out Constitution is saturated with references to God and now they want to kick him out of there too. That piece of paper is a sacred document dedicated to all Americans, and the three is should ever be a constitution of the paper is a sacred document of the country was built by man's laws and God's laws and the two are compatible because they are one and the same. If you separate one from the other — throw one of them away — you weaken what's left immeasurably. A country without God is a hopeless, dismal place. Unless, of course, the people on the "hill" decide to amend the Ten Commandments.

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Don't let thieves drive you to outside pumps

you to outside pumps
Since the beginning of time,
people have been paying for
the wrongdoings of others. Out
taxes pay to house and feed
murderers, drunk drivers, drug
addicts and thieves. We pay
higher prices for food and
clothing due to theft, and we
pay higher premiums on our
instrance because of fraud.
Now we are joining other states
in prepaying for fuel because of

drive-offs.

Did you know that convenience store clerks have been paying for drive-offs out of their own pockets for years?

Because of a few dishonest

Because of a rew distronest people, we all have to pay. It is not that retailers don't trust you, they do not intend to treat everyone as being distronest.

Convenience store clerks don't-like manay coming out of their

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Traffic solutions start at the education level

At last! An article addressing one of my two pet peeves! That's the traffic law violators who make an almost unbeliev-able number of illegal left turns routingly. routinely.

The worst offender I witnessed had pulled into my

north-bound, left-turn lane at Blue Lakes Boulevard and Caswell and, facing me, blocked my vehicle from the intersection while he waited for a chance to lurch across two lanes of oncoming traffic topull into a fast-food outlet.

A close second for worst of ender made a stop without end waited for a chance to turn bound on Blue Lakes during rush hour traffic. This woman held up traffic for blocks while she waited for a chance to turn into an establishment on the cast side of the street. That's when I knew what it was like to experience road rage. I wanted the word was the compensation of the street of the particular that the compensation of the street of the particular that the compensation of the street of the particular that the control of the particular that the particular

keep my cool.

The Twin Falls Police Department may have a worthwhite approach to educating volators with a four-hour class in addition to stepped-up enforcement, However, those-remedies would take place after the violation. I suggest including questions about crossing a double yellow line criticaling questions about crossing a double yellow line to the driver's license test. I don't believe that issue is emphasized at all. Also, to what extent is it discussed in a driver's education class?

Now if we would only pass an and-noise ordinance, we would address my other pet peeve — those vehicles with speakers going full blust that pull up next to me at an intersection. If Kimberly has such an ordinance, why can't we?

BETTY PETITI

Twin Falls

By Bruce Tinsley

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By Garry Trudeau

Mallard Fillmore





The battle for female soldiers

BUT I ONLY SIGNED UP FOR A YEAR !!!

power to set policy, is a bad idea that is not in the ultimate interest of women, men or the strength of our armed forces.

ar more serious than the short-term consequences of some poorly armored vehicles in Iraq are the potential long-term consequences of putting female soldiers in ground combat units.

soldiers in ground combai units.
Critics of placing women in combat units say the Army is manipulating language in rules governing such placement to achieve a social objective that would substantially and significantly change the way America fights wars and possibly put all soldiers—meth and women—at greater risk.



THOMAS

What has raised concerns is a Nov 29 briefing by a senior Army officer responsible for Army personnel sastes at the Pentagon along with a a villian. The briefing by these two people was for L. Gen. Farmy staff. It included a brinsa. "The way staff. It included a brinsa." The way shadart revertive climinate the Army colliciation policy." Collocation is military speak for deploying mixed-sex non-combat units alongside of the properties of the sex of the properties of the proper

The official Army written on Jan. 13, 1994, by then-Secpolicy prohibits retary of Defense Les Aspin. After "restrict(ing) women from female soldiers in units specifically designated as comdirect combat on the bat units. But some on the ground," Aspin wrote: "The Services may propose additional ex-Army officers think they see a loophole large enough to drive through their social agenda.

additional exceptions, large en
together with
the justification to the
Assistant Secretary of
Defense (Personnel and Readiness)."
(emphasis mine)
What the briefers at the Nov.
29 meeting sugested is that
those who wish to place
women in combat units alongside men may do so without
authorization from the secretary of defense or the White
flouse.
One of the slides used at the

tary of defense or the White House.

One of the slides used at the briefing suggested the Army under Department of Defense policy 'may' include service restrictions based on collocation. cost and other factors, and the Army would have to notify the secretary of defense in order to add restrictions. It also sald the policy is silent ordropping restrictions.

The language choice is significant. In Aspin's 1994 memo, the word "may" appears after the four restrictions on women in combat. The word "propose" follows "may." Aspin did not say the Army has the power to act unilaterally, as the Nov. 29 briefers apparently contended when

they claimed Army policy is "silent on dropping restrictions on women in combat." Adding weight to Aspins memo is a July 28, 1994, letter from Aspins successor. William Perry, who said he "approves" of the Army's "proposal."
With National Guard enlistments down and with order

With National Guard enlistments down and with orders to extend currently serving guardsmen and other service personnel beyond one year of duty in Iraq, there are some who apparently want to use the need for more personnel to ram through their social objective of placing women in combat.

For all of the reasons argued against such a policy in the past, including unit cohesion, increases in sexual harassment. Tape and

ment, rape and ment, rape and pregnancy, and the social re-vulsion most feel about see-ing women wounded or killed in comgnancy, and social re killed in com-bat (or tortured or beheaded by the enemy) — not to mention that these are policies that should be set at should be set at the top and not by lower rank-ing military and civilian au-thorities — overturning re-strictions on women in combat will

combat will weaken our - military-and-weaken-lis-effectiveness in fighting and winning wars.
When Congress returns, the House and Senate Armed Services Committees should held-return to the house and Senate Armed Services Committees should held-hearings on this issue and call the briefers and Lt. Gen.
Campbell fand any others who were at the briefing to testify about whether a change in the rule governing women in combat is being contemplated. If necessary, Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld-should be asked whether he and the president plan to continue the policy approved during the Clinton administration, or whether they will permit the policy to be altered by people without the authority to do so.
There are enough challenges.

There are enough challenges to our military at the moment. Changing such a significant policy banning women from direct combat, especially during a time of war and with no input from those who have the

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planned.
Indge Rothey, S. Melville also
refused to dismiss the case for
what his defense lawyers had argued was "middelive
prosecution and outrageous
government conduct."

Jackson attorney Robert

Sanger had asked Melville to postpone the trial for three months, allowing attorneys time to sort through 14,000 pages of evidence filed by prosecutors. The request stalled at Monday's pre-trial hearing for Jackson, who was not required to attend. Melville said a trial delay would be 'a huge step backward... If I continued the case three months, well have 90 more search warrants and 90 more motions.

The trial was scheduled to

begin Jan. 31. Both sides esti-mated it could last four to five months.

Prosecutors had been expect-ed to argue that they be allowed to present evidence during the trial of alleged wrongdoing in the entertainer's past. That mat-uer, however, was rescheduled to be heard Jan. 12.

Jackson, 46, is charged with molesting a boy, conspiracy and administering an intoxicating agent, alcolot, to-his alleged vic-tim. He has pleaded not guilty.

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Around THE VALLEY

Audubon chapter seeks volunteers

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iAtAGERMAN — The Caristmas Bird Count — a social sporting and competitive annual event — will be held on New Year's Day in the Hagerman area. The local Audubon Society Chapter is looking for regulars and new volunteers to help count the species of birds that either winter over in Magic Valley or are passing through on their way to southern climes.

The group will assemble at 8 a.m. Jan. 1 at the U.S. Highway 30 rest area west of the Hagerman Wildlife Management Area. chapter spokeswoman Sarah Harris said. Groups of volunteers will observe and countries will observe and countries will observe and countries will observe and the wildlife management area. Local volunteers will be among the more than 50,000 people who take part throughout the Americas this winter. Harris said volunteers will be among the more than 50,000 people who take part throughout the Americas this winter. Harris said volunteers will be among the more than 50,000 people who take part throughout the Americas this winter. Harris said volunteers should be prepared for cold weather. Harris and volunteers should be prepared for cold weather. Wolunteers and will be affected that of the day and the will be arrived the account of the following the class of the following the foll

Newcomb joins Otter campaign in 2004

BURLEY — Idaho House Speaker Bruce Newcomb, R-Burley, has aligned himself with Congressman C.L. "Butch" Otter, R-Idaho, who announced last week he will run for gover-nor in 2006. or in 2006. Newcomb will be a campaign

nor in 2006.

Newcomb will be a campaign manager, along with Congressman Mike Simpson, R-Idaho.

Newcomb said Thesday.

Buth is engaged. If you run into him anywhere, he'll always cheer you up and leave with you feeling better about everything.

In addition, Newcomb said he respects Otter's business sense and record in government.

It's widely speculated that the 2006 Republican primary for governor will be between Otter and Lt. Gov. Jim Risch, who lives in the Boise area. Newcomb said Otter will have an extra challenge in his campaign because the cam only campaign in tidition the, weekends while he is serving in Congress.

Bliss creates school facility committee

facility committee

BLISS — After losing two bond Issue elections, the Bliss School District plans new tactics to get input on its facility needs. The Bliss School Board decided this week to create a committee of about 15 community members to research how the district can meet the needs of its changing student popular libro, said Taluresa Schoessier, the boards vice chairvornam. The district lost two bond issues to replace the approximately 75-year-old building. "Obviously, the full school bond is a no," Schoessier said. The district night be able to get more support for some kind of building improvement if the community were more involved in the research and decision making. Schoessier said. Other possibilities include a kinding or a kindergarten-to-grade-sight building. "A lot of people seem to be willing to do some sort of im-

at kindergattern by sale on the building.

"A lot of people seem to be willing to do some sort of improvement," Schoessler said.
The committee has several positions open and will have its itst meeting in january.

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Big Lost	80%	28%		
Little Lost	78%	27%		
Henrys Fork/Teton		28%		
Upper Snake Basi	n 74%	28%		
Oskley	111%	33%.		
Salmon Falls	100%	32%		
	As of	As of Dec. 21		

SEASONAL MEASUREMENT



O'Leary Junior High ninth-grader Jiancheng Wu uses his hands to measure how far the sun is from the horizon during an earth science class at the school Tuesday. Wu, along with other classmates, are mapping the movement of the sun throughout the year by taking the measurements.

Sun sinks, but brighter days lie ahead

Soldiers from 116th get settled in Iraq

TWIN FALLS — Laura Corder's ninth-grade students took a break from studying vol-canoes to ponder the suns position in the sky Tuesday. Most of the students neglected to wear their coats to stand on the lawn at O'Leary Junior High School and sketch the sun as it made its southernmost path across the sky. Winter was on their minds and in their shivers.

on their minds and in their shivers.

The solstice, at 5:42 a.m. Thesday, marked the beginning of winter. The sun rose at 8:05 a.m. and set at 5:08 p.m., making for nine hours and three

minutes of daylight.

Corder's students track the sun's movements all year for their earth science class. They stand in the same spot and draw the sun's position on different days, to better consideration of the control of the carbinage. Chief Anderson, observatory manager at the Herrett Center for Arts and Science, said the solstice is caused by the tilt of the earth's axis.

When the northern-hemisphere points the furthest away from the sun, days here are at their shortest.

It's all uptill from here, The days get longer and the nights get shorter until June 21.

as long as the weather is clear—because of the long night.

"We get to spend the most time stargazing." Anderson said.

and sangazing. Anderson said. Anderson said he obstice was a time of concern for ancient peoples because of a fear that the sun would keep heading south and never come back. That led to rituals to coax the sun morthward. Those pagan eclebrations were later supplanted Anderson said.

The term solstice refers to the

Although the winter solstice marks the shortest day, it does not have the earliest sunset or the latest sunrise. Anderson said. These two days occur near the solstice but not on it, because the earth's orbit is not exactly circular and the planet changes speed along its course. On Tuesday aftermoon, some of Corder's students reveled in the cold. Others looked forward to sunnier days. "I hate winter," said Jessie Cooper, a freshman. "I'm a California bay, I'm used to warm."

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

youth gets stabbed JEROME — A 14-year-old as stabbed Tuesday afternoon

Section B

JEROME — A 14-year-old was stabbed Tuesday afternoon in the course of a fight with a 12-year-old, said Jerome Police, Chief Dan Hall.

Police were called about 3:05 p.m. to the 200 block of Third Avenue East where two boys were fightling after school.

The location is about two blocks cast of Jerome Middle School Principal Eric Andlerson said the boy who was stabbed and back to the school to seek help for the injury to his midsection.

Hall said the 14-year-old was taken to St. Benedicts Family Mcdical Center where he was treated and released.

Anderson said the doesn't know whether the other boywas from his school.

However, if a student did bring a weapon to the school, he would seek expulsion in line with the district's zero-toler-ance policy for weapons.

Anderson said the silver lining in the incident is that his student left the school was asafe place to go for help.

Tolice had a juvenile suspect in custody in connection with the incident, Hall said Tuesday evening.

They were investigating it as a case of aggravated battery, although charges had yet to be filed.

Police did not release any names.

Police did not release any

Dog takes fudge from doorstep

BURLEY — Straight from the pages of the Dr. Seuss classic, "The Grinch Who Stole Christmas," a dog absconded with a Burley man's holiday cheer. The dog with the apparent sweet tooth earned its owner a citation when it snatched some fudge Friday from the man's doorstep.

HUSSEL SHILLI, 79, went to his back door around noon to re-

doorstep.

Russell Smillt, 79, went to his back door around noon to re-trieve-some-fudge a friend had-left attached to the door knob, according to a police report.

But before Smilth could get to the ussty holiday treat, the dog rabbed the bag of fudge and ran off, the report said.

The dog, described only as black and white, then proceed to eat at least some of the-fudge and destroy the rest.

Russell told police that the dog belongs to his neighbor and that he had already contacted animal control.

The animal control officer gave the dogs owner a warning but Russell is slid he wanted her cited for allowing her dog to run free so he called the cops, the report said.

Officers went to the neighbor's home and issued her a citation.

Fines and court costs for dogs and large citation.

Fines and court costs for dog-at-large citations typically cost violators a total of \$48.

Soldiers from 116th review Rumsfeld's visit



NEAR KUWAIT CITY, Kuwait.
— When U.S. Secretary of Defense
Donald Rumsfeld visited Kuwait earlier this month, local Idahoans soldiers with the in Iraq 116th Brigade Combat Team were sitting in the audience.
— "Our soldiers weren't afraid to ask some tough questions, and all that I interviewed the day after the event had nothing but good to say about the experience." said Capt. Monte Ilibbert, deputy public affairs officer for the 116th, in a Tuesday e-mail to The Times-News.

Please see RUMSFELD, Page R3

KIRKUK, Iraq — Soldiers with the 116th Brigade Combat — Team can consumered—a different kind of traffic jam on their convoy from Kuwait to Iraq. — We man Into a multicolored herd of camels and it took 20 minutes to get them out of the way, sald Spc. Bryann Andersen of Buhl. It was a long 400-mile journey through the desert to forward operating bases in northern Iraq, but Idaho soldiers reached their destinations safely.

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"We were worded about hitching improvised explosive devices," Andersen told Capting to the fall of the fall o

Please see CONVOY, Page B3



Spc. Sean Crandall, a soldler with the 116th Brigade Combat Team who halls from The Dalles, Ore, cleans and oils his M-50 'Ma Ducce' machine gan before his departure by convoy to Iraq Dec. 11.

Views from the convoy

"It was good getting to see a little bit of the country and people as a driven by improvised explosive or driven by improvised explosive or driven by improvised explosive or week or biggest considerable in making sure everybody made it invough, Iraq is poof Rubble and trash are everywhere like a gnetto. Drivers and pecter strains stood clear as we reflect through: I got about nine hours of sleep in three days. Idahoans

"A guy standing on an overpass with

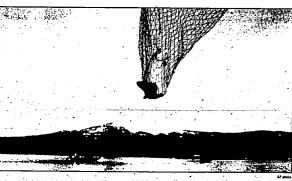
Lewison, 116th BCT

When the flares started popping off, it got real exciting. Our biggest concern was getting to the forward operations base alive. I guess the Great Spirit was watching out for us. It is hard to believe a country with so much oil could have a people who ince the way they do. The tirsel drivers got out of the way culcival if was impossible to believe the poverty these people live in. They pop a tent in the back of a truck and where they stop is where they live.

"Spy. Clares Deville of Mew Bloomfield. Mo., 116th BCT

Walting to be engaged by the ene was nerve-wracking. We were con-

"I was driving a truck, and my five-tion trailer flipped over. It stopped the convoy, and a Manne convoy passed ús. Teenty miles later, they hit an IED and took crossfire, then the convoy and the convoyance of the ground the flipped trailer. Ag we cannot be flipped trailer. Ag the state to be convoyance of the con-trailer of the of the c Spc. Nelson-Gespedes of Elizabeth, N.J., B Company, 250th Signal Battalion



A rainbow trout is netted at Diamond Lake, east of Roseburg, Ore., in this 2002 file photo. The U.S. Fore rvice has approved a plan to draw down the mountain resort lake and poison small non-native fish that have triggered massive algae blooms and hurt trout fishing.

Forest Service will poison Oregon lake

GIONIS PASS, Ore. (AP) —
The U.S. Forest Service has approved a plan to draw down blamond Lake and poison small nonnative fish that have triggered massive algoe blooms and hurt trout fishing.

After years of study. Umpqua National Forest Supervisor flim Caplan on Monday signed a record of decision, the last step In an environmental impact study examining the problem at the high Cascade Range resort lake cast of Roseburg.

The Forest Service, which manages the land where the 3,000-acre lake is located, and the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, which stocks the estimated cost of about \$3.5 million over the next three years, said Umpqua National Forest spokesyoman Sharon Johnson.

Located at the crest of the

Johnson.

Löcated at the crest of the Cascades near Cruter Lake National Park. Diamond Lake did not have trout until they were stocked in the early 20th centu-

ry.

The plan calls for starting

Johnette Braga
GOODING — Johnette
Braga, 86, a long-time resident
of Gooding, died Tuesday, Dec.
21, 2004, at the Magic Valley
Manor Assisted Living Center
in Wendell.
A memorial service will be
held at 2 p.m. on Thursday,
Dec. 23, 2004, at Demarays
Gooding Chapel. Gremation
arrangements will are under
the direction of Demaray Funeral Service.

TWIN FALLS — Victor Noian, 81, of Iwin Falls, died Tuesday, Dec. 21, 2004, at Magic Valley Regional Medical

Center, Arrangements will be made by White Mortuary.

Johnette Braga

Victor-Nolan

work next summer on rebuilding an old canal to draw down the lake level, and starring to lower the water level by 8 feet in the fall or winter to concentrate the fish into a smaller pool. In the fall of 2006, the poison

In the fall of 2006, the poison rotenone will be spread in the lake to kill tut chuth, a small fish native to Upper Klamath Lake that were apparently introduced as live bait in the late 1890s or early 1890s. The chub cat tiny animats called-zouplankton, which allows algae normally eaten by the zooplankton to bloom out of control.

Sumetimes the algae blooms

or control.

Sometimes the algae blooms are toxic, forcing closures of the lake to swimming. The chub also compete with trout for food.

food.

The chemical treatment will kill all fish, amphibians and large invertebrates in the lake, it is commonly used around the country to control unwanted

lish:
Once the food chain starts to rebuild, the lake will be refilled and restocked with trout, probably in 2007.

- DEATH NOTICES

Ciera Michelle Livia

BUHL — Ciera Michelle Livia, 8. a resident of Buhl, Idaho, and daughter of Lora Johnson of Buhl and Cesar Livia of Wendell, died Tuesday, Dec. 21. 2004, an Magle Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls, Idaho, sa a result of an auto accident.

Environmentalists have objected to the plan, preferring long-term program of metting the tui club every year rather than resorting to poison, but have yet to decide whether to formally appeal the Forest Service decision, sald Francis Eatherington of Umpqua Watersheds.

tersheds.
With virtually every Oregon

With virtually every virses and a containinated with tuichulb, which can hitchlike laketo-lake by eggs clinging toboats: it is unreasonable tothink that the money spent on
chemical treatment will fix the
lake for long, Eatherington said.
Diamond Lake Resort generalmanager Steve Koch said he
was looking forward to seeing
the project completed, because
the declining rainbow, trout
fishing and aligne blooms have
caused the number of visitors to
drop in recent years.

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—It—hus—taken—a—long—time—to make a decision since the prob-lem was identified in 1992, but the result is a good one, backed by good scientific information and plentiful public participa-tion, Koch said.

Arrangements will be made by Demaray's Wendell Chapel.

Thursday in the Jerome LDS 7th Ward Chapel, 50 E. 100 S.

Julianna Kudrna WENDELL — Julianna Kudrna, 68, a resident of Wendell, died Tuesday, Dec. 21, 2004. Arrangements will be made by Demaray's Wendell Chapel.

- SERVICES -

Bus drivers may carry cell phones on Hansen school routes

Times-News correspondent

HANSEN — Hansen-school bus drivers may carry their cell phones on bus foures, the School Board decided by the service of the servi

are not allowed on the route. In other Hansen school ne

in other Hausen school news:

• Donated flag — The school
will see a new hanging flag in
the gymnasium soon. The
School Board woted to accept
the flag from Farmers National
Bank. It will be displayed at
games and other gym activities.

• Seeking stage:

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games and other grym activities.

Seeking space — With 33 kinderpartners in one coom, the School Board is looking for more space for kindergarten students. The children go to full-day sessions, and Elementary Principal Ton Standley argued against cutting class time to half a day saying students wouldn't be properly prepared for first grade.

Combined team — Sec-

ondary Principal Rick Abel said Murtaugh Junior High School had inquired about the possi-bility of combining the two ugh School and the possibility of combining the two schools players for a junior high football team, as neither school has enough players for a team. The Hansen board agreed to the co-op.

• New in-

team. The Hansen board agreed to the co-op.

• New Janitor — Trustees agreed to hire Koni Bourn as a part-time janitor for the elementary buildings.

• Book donation — Standley said Dell Inc. is buying 45 books to replace popular books that are worn out and to add new til-

Class is out — Christmas
 break will run from today until
lan, 3.

Man gets probation in break-in

The Times-News

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TWIN FALLS — A Boise man will serve two years supervised probation after being sentenced for a May incident near Murtaugh.

Fifth District Magistrate Judge Randy Stoker gave Rod-ney Lee Andressen 180 days of jail for each of two counts — unawful entry and malicious injury to property — to run consecutively, — but — Stoker suspended that sentence in fawer of probation.

secutively, but Moker suspended that sentence in favor of probation.

During the sentencing hear-ing Tuesday, the judge also ordered that Andersen, 45, not consume alcohol during his probationary period and that he say in Alcoholies Anony-mous, Andersen is also to enroll

in and complete, a mental health program.

If Andersen doesn't violate probation, he will not have to serve jall time.

During a court trial Nov. 2, wherein Andersen refused representation and served as his own counsel, the court found the defendant guilty of the two charges. Andersen was found innocent of a misdemeanor charge of assault.

"On May. 5, denuties with the

innocent of a muscure-charge of assauli.

On May 5, deputies with the Chointy Sherfff De-partment were called to a house at 3445 N. 4500 E. to respond to a burglary in progress, accord-ing to an affication written by Deputy Jose Duch.

Toryi Dutt, who was inside the home, called dispatchers after she heard someone out-

side demanding to be let in, the affidavit says. She told dispatchers she recognized the voice to be Andersens.

While she was on the phone with dispatchers, she heard glass breaking, the affidavit says, then she heard someone banging on the door of the room she had locked herself in. Upon arrival, sheriffs cheutes, joined by Idaho State Police, surrounded the adjacent home, believing that Andersen might be inside. Seven members of the sheriffs crist response team and a patrol dog entered the house but found only a dog Inside.

Andersen was taken Into custody after he showed up at the

Andersen was taken into cus-tody after he showed up at the Twin Falls County Courthouse the next day.

Warm Springs Ranch debate opens today

The Wood River Journal

KETCHUM—The public can comment as the Ketchum Plan-ning and Zoning Commission meers with Warm Springs Ranch developers at noon today in City Jest development ever proposed for Ketchum, the property on Warm Springs Road has arracted audiences of public officials and private residents at previous meetings.

of public officials and private residents at previous neeeings. Developers seek to build a small hotel, upscale cabins, a parking garage, affordable housing and condominiums. Part of the project includes re-moving the existing Warm Springs Golf Course, a nine-hole course built in the 1950s, and Warm Springs Tennis, where children and adults take lessons and play in tourna-mients.

ients. City officials and some of the

public question whether creat-ing a residential community out of recreation property is the

out of recreation property is the way to go.

Warm Springs Ranch devel-oper Sun Valley Ventures has agreed to deed more than 30 acres to the Wood River Land Trust as a preserve where residents will be allowed to bi-cycle, hike, skt. watch birds and "Its going to take \$2 million to \$3 million to create this pre-serve, with restored chaptan

"It's going to take \$2 million to \$3 million to create this preserve with restored riparian habitat at Warm Springs Creek, project manager Henry Dean said. Dean said his studies indicate the golf course and tennis courts are not heavily used by the community.

Last week, a social research study by Clearivater Research in Boise showed 95 percent of Ketchum residents walked for esservies, while 77 percent bicycled, 72 percent said they liked

to view wildlife and 57 percent said they jogged.
Out of the 141 people surveyed, less than half said they played golf and 35 percent of those said they preferred Sur Valley Golf Course.
Ketchum Recreation, and Parks director Kirk Mason said the survey did not include the survey did not include.

Parks director Kirk Mason said the survey did not include youth and was therefore missing a large segment of the recreating public.

In addition to changes in recreation, Warm Springs Ranch has asked the city to annex more than 60 acres presently in Blaine County.

City Planning Director Harold Moniz said the city receives no particular benefit from the annexation but plans to negotiate to find out what developers will offer the city in return for city services.

"We aren't going to do it if we don't ger something. Moniz said.

Land service at noon today at the Rock Crock Community. Jaurch. 131 Grandview Habili Funeral Chapel. Linda Marie Abbott King of erome, funeral at 11 a.m. the church. **OBITUARIES**

Charles L Johnson, memorial service at noon today at the Rock Creek Community Church. 131 Grandview (Flahiff Funeral Chapel).

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Duane Edward Hanson

Duane Edward Hanson, at age 62, of Twin Falls, passed away on Dec. 19, 2004, at his home following a long nine-year battle with cancer.

Duane was, born July, 11, 1942, in Miles City, Mont, the son of Edward C, and Iva K, Sharrah Hanson, Duane moved to Kimberly, Idaho, in, 1951 from Miles City, Mont, and became a member of the Kimberly Christian Church, He graduated from Kimberly Christian Church, He graduated from Kimberly High School in 1960.

Duane married his high school weether, Carolyn Faye Murri, on March 18, 1961.

In Kimberly, Idaho, Of this union three hoys were born. Ferry Edward, Jerrey Duane and County Market as grocery clerk and meat cutter. Mask Clover Farm in Filer as a meat cutter and later for Town and Country Bakery as a Retail Salesman, In 1975 he went to Longview Fiber in maintenance until 1987 when he went to Idaho Fabrication in Burley.

Later that same year he

went to Idano range.

Burley.

Later that same year he went to work for Smith Electric where he traveled to Nevada for four years. In 1991, he moved to Portland, Orc., moved to Portland, Ore., where he worked for Johnson Control, Battery Division, in



Carby, Ore. In 1996, he moved

ness.

He enjoyed the outdoors and belonged to the Magic Valley Trail Machine Association for 10 years. He loved to ride his trail bike and helped clean trails in the North and South Illils. He loved camping and hunting with his wife and boys.

Harming wan in the boys.

He enjoyed fishing and boating at Magic Reservoir and Salmon Dam, his favorite places. In 1979, he bought a 600cc Yamaha Road Bike and Salmon Dam, 1980, he bought a focus of the boys o started riding. In 1980, he joined the Idaho Motorcycle Club and was a member of the

Buld Chapter for 11 years.
Duane is survived by his
wife, Carelyn of Twin Falls,
twife, Carelyn of Twin
twin Falls, Idaho, two sisters, Brever
y (Bud) Hatcking, both of
Twin Falls, Idaho, 14 grandchildren and several nieces
and nephews.
His parents, Edward C. and
ya K. Hanson of Kimberly,
Idaho, preceded him in death
Friends may call from 5 to
7 p.m. Monday, Dec. 27, 2004, at
Parkes Magic Valley Funeral
Home, 2551 Kimberly Road,
funeral will be held at 11 a.
Tuesday, Dec. 28, 2004, at
Parkes Magic Valley Funeral
Home, 2551 Kimberly Road,
Twin Falls, Idaho.
Burial will follow at Sunset
Memorial Park Cemetery, Twin
Falls, Idaho.
Burial will follow at Sunset

Municipal Park Cemetery, Iwin Falls, Idaho.
In Ileu of flowers, donations can be made in his memory to the American Cancer Society.
The centure family wishes to proceed the control family wishes to proceed the control family wishes from Idaho Home Health and Hospite that took care of Duane during his fliness.
Words cannot be spoken on how much we appreciated him.

how much we appreciated their loving care towards him.

Bill would tighten rules for divorce

SAIT LAKE CITY (AP) — The legislative session hasn't even started yet, but 2005 may shape up to be year of the marriage bill at the Utali Legislature. State Rep. Peggy Wallace. R-West Jordan, says she will introduce legislation that would climinate most no-fault divorces in Utali. saying most divorce should involve a bit of 'shame.' There are some geople who should never marry. And there are some situations that are terrible.' Wallace says. That that's what the divorce should be about - diose other causes - not hat you aren't gerting along. Hat you aren't gerting along.

"There should be some shame."
Republican Hep. Ben Ferry of shame."
Republican Hep. Ben Ferry of Cortinue also has danked at bill requiring couples to go into making the shame of the shame

time."
Last week, state Sen. Greg Bell
drafted a bill that would allow

drafted a bill that would allow some umarried adults who hive logether but can't married undits who hive logether but can't married the some rights marriage provides. Wallace believes divorce should not be easy for couples with young children.

Under her proposal, couples with young children.

Under her proposal, couples who have been married for more than 10 years, who have minor children together, and where one partner protests he divorce could not split for "Irreconcilable differences."

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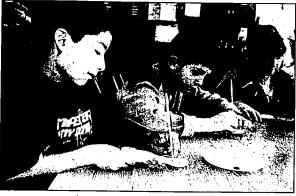


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HOLIDAY CREATIVITY



orshak Elementary School third-graders Seth Woodbury, Brandon Baldwin and Brittni Searle paint metal hfield's art class. The students took the ornaments home to

Sun Valley lodge opens with party

By Karen Bossick The Wood River Journal

The Wood River Journal

SUN VALLEY — Forget the Millennium bashes.

The Party of the century took place Monday night of the new-Carol's Dollar Mountain Lodge. Hundreds of Sun Valley-area residents and visitors — many dressed in their finest Norwegian sweaters — crowded past ce carvings of bears and elk and eagles to get their first glimps cot the new 26,000-square-foot two-story lodge. Problem was, you couldn't see the lodge for all the people who stretched from once end of the building to the other, out onto the patio and down the stails.

"We got stuck in a traffic jam trying to get here. Then we went to the lam parking lot and took a shuttle and got stuck in a nother."

By Karen Bossick The Wood River Journal

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SUN VALLEY — Actress Jamie Lee Curtis breezed into Carols Dollar Mountain Lodge, her specia-old son in tow, and stopped in her tracks as she noticed an old black-and-white picture hanging on the wall.

She hiurst into tears as she saw her mother, actress Janet Leigh, who died in October, smilling down at her.

"It's such an honor that they included a picture of her in this lodge," she said.

"I remember how much she loved there, it was the perfect place for a family and she loved there and loving it. And now there and loving it. And now the card of the card of the card woon derful time there, as well."

Dollar Mountain — a place to see and be seen in the carly days

BLACKFOOT (AP) — FBI agents gave eight people in Blackfoot lie detector tests in a bid to capture the person who tampered with a natural gas line at the local wastewater treatment plant.

Law enforcement agents said the late November crime — somebody opened the natural gas line — could have led to an explosion. An employee

traffic jam. But it was worth it for the pastries," said Sandy Mauro of Hailey. Carol Holding, who built the \$10 million lodge with her husband. Earl, waltzed into the lobby shortly after 6 p.m. and was instantly besieged by well-wishers.

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Wishers.

Govern! Manager Wally Huffman handed Gore! Holding the
rope to a big brass bell—one of
22 forged in Innsbruck, Austria,
for the lodge.

"We're so appreciative of
those of you who begged us 14
years for a new lodge," she said.
"We love you all."
Ivan Swaner, long considered
the resident historian of the valley, marveled at the new

ley, marveled at the new children's ski school, which had been emptied of its tiny tables for the opening celebration.

"I never thought I would ever see anything as elegant as this," he said, adding that the old 3.500-square-foot Dollar Cabin was considered pretty special in its day. aay. It was a place to sit down and

"It was a place to sit down and take off your skis, and that was a big deal in those days," he said.
Said Linda Tracy of Sun Valley: "I learned to ski in '82, so I can really appreciate this new lodge. I wish we'd had the Magic Carpets they do today to ferry the. beginners up the hill. It beats the old rope tow."

One man was overheard joking that he still planned on calling the new lodge Dollar Cabin.

But Don Mayer of Halley.

Cabin.
But Don Mauro of Hailey, begged to differ: "After tonight, there's no way you can continue to call this Dollar Cabin."

Glamour comes back to Dollar Mountain when all of Hollywood flocked to Sun Valley — regained its shine Monday with the opening of the new multimillion dollar Carol's Dollar Mountain Lodge.

Moms and children alike passed from the parking lot through automate sliding doors chanting "wow" in unison as they walked down the allowy of the walked work of the walked work in unison as they walked down the national control of the walked of the walked walked

The building set a new record for construction with nearly 200 workers often working more than eight hours a day to finish the lodge in 71/2 months.

The set of the

Owners Earl and Carol Hold-ing tossted their accomplishment in the middle of the lodges dining room by sharing a hunch of salud, pizza and roast chicken. They were loined by general manager Wally Huffman —"Ed-ujset-hoped-for-more space and this is much better than 1 ever hoped for." Carol Holding said. "Just to see the faces of the children make it all worthwhile."

taking pictures.
"This is fabulous." John
Wawrzyniak of Phoenix said as
he stared at wooden chandellers
adorned with carved stag heads.
"We brought our kids to the old
Dollar Lodge three years ago and
this is much more comfortable,
elegant. I'd say." Employees take lie detector test Administrators took the lie detector tests were current and former employees of the facility, said Blackfoot Po-lice Chief David Moore. will resign in Nampa, Vallivue

of the lacuny, saud brackboot rolice Chief David Moore.
"In this case, we had no
choice but to go through everybody there," Moore said.
The FBI and detectives from
the Blackfoot Police Department and the Bingham County
Sheriff's Office are working together on the investigation.
The FBI will analyze the tests
and send the information to
local authorities, Moore said.
Police expect to hear from the
FBI after Christmas.

CANYON COUNTY (AP) —
There will be a hole at the top of Varian and Nampa school district and the county of the cou

Allen warsalesman in early 200s, amy years in Nampa. Mur and Heinrich say they plan to resign after a combined 37 years with the district when the school year ends next June. The districts asy they hope to hire replacements during the course of the year.

Rumsfeld

schedule did take its toll on the soliders.

As soon as they arrived at their destinations, most were eager to find their quarters and get some rest.

1 think the movement went smooth and very well, said 116th Bigade Combat Team Cmdr. Brig Gen. Alan Gayhart.
The convoys were very well planned and protected.

By the end of the third day, all tunits arrived safely to their various posts in the 1st Infantry Divisions area of responsibility in northeastern Iraq.

The 116th BCT will remain under operational control of the 1st Infantry Division under the official transfer of authority over the area occurs sometime after the planned January elections.

soldiers. We need good soldiers."
Rumsfeld pledged to do all he could to eliminate barriers to enlistment. Hibbert said.
Spc. David Mackowiak, a 1-148th Field Artillery headquarters company soldier from Idaho Falls, wasn't shy in asking about Rumsfeld's plans for updating "antiquated" equipment in National Guard units. Rumsfeld explained that equipment was allocated to where Penragon officials think the need is the greatest and that, to his knowledge, there is no favoritism between active

and Guard and Reserve units.

Lt. Col. Alan Conilogue of Boise, who serves as the I 16th's inspector general, took advantage of the meeting to ask directly for help in getting travel claims paid for some of his soldiers, which Rumsfeld immediately tasked one of his aides to do.

Hibbert said the atmosphere was friendly and most believed Rumsfeld was sincere in wanting to answer their questions and resolve their concerns. "He tried to take as many pictures with soldiers as he could. With his coliforst trying to drag him out of the building." Saif Sgt. Bryan Middleton of Billings, Mont., a soldier with

Ermesto Ozuna who is believed to have been abducted by his noncustodial father. Jose Ozuna, according to Idaho State Police.

The pair may be traveling to Boise, Phoenix or Mexico in a stolen tan Toyota Cammy. The car's California license plate number, is SK-WW43. The vehicle. has a badly. cracked windshield and damage to its right front parking light.

Ermesto is 4 feet 6 inches, 70 pounds, and has black hair and toxom eyes. He was last seen wearing a black cap, a black Oakland Raiders jacket and black pants. on Interstate 84
MALTA — A single-vehicle,
rollower accident on Interstate
84 near milepost 236 Tuesday
killed one person, Cassia Counry Sherfil Jim Filgens said.
The accident took place
around 315 p.m. and no other
vehicles were involved. Higens
said. An Investigation was
under way Tuesday aftermoon,
and no other details were available.

Oakland Raiders jacket and black pants. Jose is 38 years old, 5 feet 7 inches, and weighs 160 pounds. He has brown hair, brown eyes and numerous tattoos, includ-ing "Brianda" on his upper left

Jose Ozuna's prior convic-tions are domestic abuse and child abduction, according to

child abduction, according to ISP.

If anyone has seen Ernesto, they are asked to call the Hayward Police Department at (510) 293-5016 or Idaho State Police at 736-3060.

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Agent for teenage boy HMWARD, Calif. — An Amber Alert was issued on a 13year-old Hispanic boy who was last seen Tuesday afternoon in Hayward, Calif., and may be headed for Boise. Authorities are looking for has had brain surgery and has no insurance. The ride will wrap up at the Castleford Fire Department. For information, call Jerry Morton at 423-5214 or Mike Blankenship at 432-5495. Rupert mulls buying gas station

TWIN FALLS — Counterfeit checks that look like Magic Val-ley Regional Medical Center payroll checks are being passed around Magic Valley, according to the Twin Falls Area Chamber

or Commerce.
If anyone receives a MVRMC check, they are asked to request identification and call the hospital's Matt Cox at 732-3463 for clearance.

Bear Ride to help kids
TWIN FALLS — The Idaho
Motorcycle Club will hold its
annual Polar Bear Ridel Jan. 8.
The day will begin with registration at noon at Be T Truck
Priving School at 1300 Kimberly Road. The registration fee is
\$10 and a stuffed animal.
Stuffed animals will go to the
castelord Quick Response Unit
to distribute to children, and
the \$10 will go to a rider who
has had brain surgery and has
no Insurance.

Club will hold Polar Bear Ride to help kids

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RUPERT — The city has been offered a sweet deal on prime commercial property, and it appears the City Council will jump at it.

Mawerik Country Stores Inc. is considering relocating its gas station and convenience store at the intersection of Scott Avenue and F Street and has offered to sell the building to the city for less than half its appraised value.

City Attorney Kelly Anthon explained the details of the offer to the City Council during its meeting Tuesday night. He said the move isn't final yet, but appears to be "pretty certain."

The city owns the property that the building sits on, and under the lense agreement for the land, Maverik must return

and no other usua-able.

The streich of I-84 between the junction with Interstate 86 and the Utah state line is notori-ously dangerous during winter due to high winds and drifting snow. Higens said.

Agency issues Amber

Chamber warns of fake checks

Magic Valley in brief Rollover kills one on Interstate 84

the lot to its original state when it vacates, meaning that the building would need to be torn-down, Anthon said.

Instead of razing the building, the company has offered to sell it to the city for \$15,000 — well below the appraised value of \$40,000, Anthon said.

Because the city doesn't have \$15,000 in its budget to buy the building, it could be purchased by foregoing lease payments of \$550 per month until the company relocates. Anthon said. The city could also issue electric utility credits during the same period as a form of payment.

Mound fuel tanks a part of the city could be said to the city could be label for any contamination resulting from leakage or removal of the tanks. Anthon said. The

canopy over the fuel pumps would also be removed, so the city would only take possession of the convenience store.

The purchase agreement includes a non-competitive clause under which the city would agree not to allow a Maverik competitor to occupy the building for a period of four years. Other language, stipulates that Maverik would relocate the station inside the city of Rupert.

"I have no impression that they want to leave Rupert," Anthon said, adding that the stipulation was simply a safeguard.

guard.
Council members agreed to have Anthon continue negotiations with the company under the terms he described and will revisit the issue when a final agreement is drafted.

Campus restoration will move forward Foundation members re-cently toured the buildings with engineers who will com-plete an architectural assessment of the structures. Hondo said. "We were amazed what good shape they were in." Hondo said.

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RUPERT - The dream

RUPERT — The dream of restoring the campus of the for-mer Albion State Normal School is Inching toward really. Kristine Hondo, of the Albion Campus Foundation, gave a presentation during the City Council meeting Tuesday in an effort to solicit cooperation for what she called her son's dream of seeing the campus become a vacation destination. —Members of the small-grass-roots foundation envision the campus being transformed

roots foundation envision the campus being transformed into a family friendly resort destination along the lines of Branson, Mo. The foundation has received

The foundation has received tentative permission from the city of Albion, which owns the campus, to begin repairs to the roofs of two buildings in order to prevent further weather damage to the interiors, Hondo

said.

The foundation has also established a Web site, www.playidalo.com, that promotes southern Idaho as a tourist destination. The site is in its infame, but Hondo said information will be added as it becomes with the control of the said information will be added as it.

information will be added as it becomes available, including calendars of events for each will-case accommunity and the foundation itself. Honde explained that the ultimate goal of the foundation is promote Mini-Cassia as a tourist destination. There ought to be hundreds of people coming to look at this city. Hondo, told the council after complimenting the city

for its Christmas lighting. "Were only limited by our imagination." Specifically, the foundation hopes to restore one building as a hotel, two others to host historical events and classes and the auditorium to be used for emertainment. Eventually, the foundation could promote vacation packages that would include historical walking tours of cities, pheasant hunting, bird watching and the opportunity to visit and work on a ranch. "You could have City Silckers. S up there." Councilman steve Barras said, "But, really, a lot of people don't get to see a rodeo or those kinds of events" available in Mini-Cassia.

A kite flying festival is tentatively scheduled for June 18-19, 2005, but Hondo said there are more events in the works....."I think what we need to do is think even bigger," she said.

Parking violators donate toys to cover fines

VANCOUVER, British Columbia (AP) — Parking violators lined up before dawn, some bringing lawn chairs, eager for a chance to pay their fines with teddy bears, dolls and other toys.

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The stringing lawn chairs, eager for a chance to pay their fines with teddy bears, dolls and other toys.

Mike Deverra, a waiter, said Monday he made his first toy store shopping spree to cover \$800 (US\$652) in fines in Impark's holiday drive, People who lailed to pay or didn't pay enough for parking could pay the value of the fine in childrens gifts to the Salvation Army.

"Iworked at a restaurant in an office tower and would always park in the lot below The meter would run out before my shift was up I moved and the collections."

ton notices were being sent to my old address. It really added up. Deverra said.

Imparks effort to help disadvantaged children may have earned the parking lot opentor some new friends but not all were won over.

"I absolutely loathe Impark I'd rather have a child have a toy than give any more money to Impark, said Stephanie lowell, slamming a toy down on the donation table. They are not a community-based organization, and they're generally a royal pain in the neck.
"You are guilty until proven innocent, which really annoys me, You can never get through to anyone in customer service. If

you make a mistake with one of their parking machines, you're considered in the wrong, even though its their machine. Still, workers on the receiving end were happy. "These are all people who sit on the phone all day and listen to customer complaints," said concy Medgyesl, Imparks' manager of parking enforcement and collections. "They've all got bigger smiles on their faces today then they usually do at work."

work"
Also participating were Impark offices in Kelowna, Kamloops and Prince George, all in partnership with the Salvation Army, which will distribute the toys.

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Members of the 116th recently arrived at their forward operating base in northern raq, and Hilbbert finally got a chance to tell The Times-News about Rumsfeld's wist with them Dec. 8 at their staging camp in Kuwait. The highly publicized event, which included over 900 Iraq-bound soldiers from the 116th, allowed soldiers the opportunity to ask questions directly of Rumsfeld in a town-hall meeting format.

Soc. Robert Anderson of the 2-116 asked the secretary why he as a single patent, was able of enlist in and be deployed with the National Guiard, yet was not allowed to enlist in the

the 1-163rd Mechanized In-fantry Battalion.

the 1-163rd Mechantzed Infantry Battalion.
Spc. Robert Wilson. a 1-111th Mechantzed Infantry Battalion soldier from Upper Darby, Pa, said the meeting was "somewhat informative, but was more of a morale booster — a go-get-em-troops event." Soldiers appreciated that someone as high up the millary ladder as Rumsfeld would take time to talk to them one-on-one.

n-one. "I think there's an impression that people at that level are in-accessible, and for him to stand there in front of soldlers and there in front of somers and lield questions—I think it says a lot," said Maj. Bill Knight of Pocatello.

gas line — could have let to an explosion. An employee smelled the gas and promptly shut it off, averting a potential crisis that could have cut off the city's water supply. Included among those who Convoy.

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armed did get the attention of
other drivers.
"A big truck, came up close
and wouldn't get over," said
Staff Sg. Kenneth King, a soldier with the 1-148th Field
Artillery Battalion who halis
from Pocate

after that."

The convoys traveled long hours in order to reach their destinations in a timely manner and minimize the chance of enemy attacks.

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The nute took them past some of Iraq's major cities. "I really didn't like Baghada at night. It's kind of spocky," said Sgr. Ist Class Ray Katus of Rathdrum. "I saw squad of Inantry doing patrols as we went through Baghdad. They had mag lites on their M-16s. It was, kind of comforting. King was also impressed by how different the country was

from home.
"You could sure tell it's a dif-"You could sure tell it's a dif-ferent country." King said. "The kids would run to the side of the road as we drove by." The long drive and harsh schedule did take its toll on the soldiers.

regular Army.
"Golly, I don't know," Rums-feld said, "We want good soldiers. We need good sol-diers."

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Man survives giant leap this day in 1977

This day in history: Has anyone ever jumped off the
Empire State Building and surviced? Yes. On Dec. 22, 1977. a
despondent Thomas Helms
jumped off the observation
deck at the 190 of the Empire
State Building, intending to kill
himself. However, a gusty wind
bew him back toward the
building and he-landed on a
ledge a few-stories helow.
Knocked unconscious, but
otherwise untinjured, he laid
there limply until an emergency crew brought him safely
inside.



RANDOM KINDSOF FACINESS Jack Mingo Erin Barrett

On a figsaw puzzle piece, the sticky-out things are called nubs. The indentations that nubs fill are called voids. A general rule of thumb you can use before venturing out of a warm bed; the tighter your cat is curied around itself as it sleeps, the colder it is. Grover Cleveland was the only president to marry in the White House. Ite was 49; his new wife was his 21-year-old ward, the daugher of his deceased law partner. William Moulton Marston invented both the systolic North and the detector. But that's not all puring his experiments, he became convinced that women were more titeless. became convinced that women were more tirdess and honest than men. Seeing how few strong role models there were for girls in the 1940s, be came up with the comic character, Wonder Woman.

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Gift brightens town residents

-- ANTHON, Inwa (AP) —
Home and business owners in
this northwes lawa town of
650 people were alittle sheeked
at the Christmas gift they
for retired farmer Richard
Hamann and his wife, Donna.
The Hamanns doled out
\$25,000 to pay the town's electricity bills — all due on Dec.
25.

25.
Hamann, 75, sees the gift as returning a good deed.
"The Lord has been very good to us and so have the peo-

ple of this community, so I always thought we ought to be doing something in return if we could," he said Monday. Residents said they were surprised and grateful.

"I just thought it was great," said Beulah Sands, 64, a clerk at a local convenience store. "I haven't talked to anyone who didn't appreciate it. It was a wonderful thing for him to do."

Sands said the Hamanns gift saved her more than \$50.

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Holiday greetings give cheer to U.S. troops behind in your work, so tell her—especially if you are doing something that might be time-sensitive. Explain that you are conscientious and don't want to let her down—and if she wants to talk, suggest you do it over hunch. Then cross your fin-gers and hope she takes you up on it.

CONFIDENTIAL TO MY READERS: Although I know you're busy beyond helief preparing for the holidays. please take a minute to go to your computers and send greetings to our troops. This is the loneliest time of the year for these brave young men and women, many of whom are away from their families for the Brst time. Type in www.CoperationDearAbbyanet and let them know we care.

DEAR ABBY: I have been married for 10 years. I have always had fantasies about exposing my wife naked to other men. 'Itazet' is a deep sleeper, and in college, I exposed her countless times for yroonmates to see. (I pretended to be asleep.) From the time we were married. I took tended to be asleen). From the time we were married, I took pictures of her while she slept, including many extremely graphic close-ups. I posted a good number of them (including the close-ups) on hiementons-tiess-making no attempt to blur her face, which would have ruined it for me. The thought of countless men seeing her excited me. I looked forward to reading the comments about her pictures. I saved each porn site photo spread of her into a file on my computer and viewed them often.

often.
Well, my wife found the file.
We are now in marriage coun-



sching, but I still have the fan-tasies. I know what I did was wrong, but I did it anyway I don't want to lose my wife. Please help. — ASHAMED IN VIGGINIA DEAR ASHAMED: You need more help than I can give you in a letter. You violated your wifes, trust, treated ther like an object, and while I applaud the fact— that you—are getting—marriage— counseling, counseling of a dif-ferent sort is also in order. Please-ask-your doctor for arre-ferral to a psychiatrist ASAB and pray your wife can forgive you.

DEAR ABBY: My co-worker has planned his own retirement dinner party at \$45 a head, in-cluding tax and gratuity. That night not be much to manmight not be much to man-agers and supervisors who receive large salaries, but for those of us who don't, that's a lot of money. What's ironic is he has let us know he expects an additional \$10 from each of us for a gift.

A luncheon date with 90 per-cent of the staff had already been confirmed, However, yes-terday a Bier was distributed

announcing a dinner on the same date the luncheon was scheduled. Our lunch date was canceled without consulting us. I suspect it was a maneuver to force us to attend the dinner

we asked him to reschedule the lunch, told him the dinner party was too expensive, and asked if he would make the \$10 gift optional. Are we unreason-able, or is he?

DIE, or is he?

—WONDERING
IN SAN FRANCISCO
DEAR WONDERING: Wonder no more. He is. Please don't der no more. He is, Please don't allow yourselves to be manip-ulated into spending more than you can afford, on this anything but shy and retiring co-worker.

-DEAR-ABBY: How do I tell m DEARABBY:How do I tell my boss that her incessant talking keeps me from getting my job done? I am currently a week be-hind because I was out sick for several days last week, and my boss won't stop talking and let me Catch up. She isn't married and doesn't have many felow's see I becau-

She isn't married and doesn't have many friends, so I know her need for friendship carries over to work — but it's starting to make me very stressed. Then again, she's my boss. How do I doal with this? again, she's n deal with this

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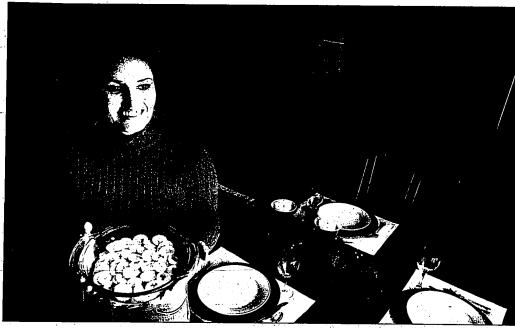
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Section C



Teri Winterholler, whose husband is diabetic, substituted marshmallo of her leftovers home with her guests. bananas as a topping for her yam dish to cut down on the amount of sugar. Winterholler says she will send most

By Loretta Burkhart Times-News writer

with Falls — For a skilled cook, putting on the spread — with a lite trimming — is a piece of cake. And in this fand of plenty, leftovers are the second-best reason for lixing the lavish holiday full-meal deal. For the rest of us, putting a meal together is work — and even the idea of dealing with uneaten entrees can prove problematic. But it doesn't have to be that way says Hollster's Rhea Laming. While cooking is a learned art — and experience is the teacher — Landing offers a simple recipe for taking care of leftover food. And speaking from experience. Its the safety thing first." Laming said.

For Lanting, the food-protec-

ing said; thing inst. Lanting said.
For Lanting, the food-protection factor is paramount, and sheputs it to practice.
After preparing enough to satisfy 14 guests at her Thanksgiving dinner, she was careful to reserve

asy 74 guess at ner transsgrong linner, she was careful to reserve enough energy to put away left-overs "immediately" after the meal was over.

But what to do with those carefully stored leftovers?

"As an educator, I always get asked 'Can I reheat the food?"

Depends how. the leftovers-were stored, and "when" the food was removed from the table and counters. Even when foods are carefully relicated, the safety remains an issue. Under some circumstances, "certain types of bacteria can form a heat-resistant toxin that cooking can't destroy," she said.

Turkey, agai

Holiday leftovers don't have to be dull, but play it safe

One such example is Staphylo-coccus aureus — commonly referred to as staph. As many as 76 million cases of foodborne lilness occur in the U.S. each year, and the primary cause is improperly handled-food.

cause is improperly handled food.

And while other factors come into play by and large, the food safety depends on timing.

Lantings' rule-of-thumb:—Two-hours is the maximum time that room temperature "including the time the meal is on the table."

To be on the safe side," it's best to begin refrigerating leftovers as soon as the feast is over.

And should there be any doubt about the food, her standard advice is simple.

"When in doubt, throw it out."

"When in doubt, throw it out."
Lanting said.
And more, "never" taste food
that looks or smells strange to see
if it's fit for consumption. "lust
discard it," Lanting said.
And she's not alone with such
food-safety ideas.

Health-conscience holiday hosts Mike and Teri Winterholler, agree that leftovers are only a treat

Try these recipes for the holidays.

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"when they've been taken care
of in a timely manner.

And with three grown children,
they too speak from experience.
And at the Winterholler residence, the leftover issue following
thate. Chekunna, dinner, "with

And at the Winterholler residence, the leftower size to following their Christmas dinner "with about 10 guests will be about the same as it was at their Thanksgiving get-together.

As then, "most of the food" will be sent home with guests.

Nevertheless, sending the balk of the leftover dinner "out the door" was not always the norm for the couple. Meals changed for the Winterholler family earlier—this year when they attended a health-fair clinic held at the College of Southern Idaho. While there, Mike — an audio/flighting technician in CSIs Theater Department — was alterted to the potential risk of diabetes.

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potential risk of diabetes.

Since that time, the kinds of goodies he still enjoys on special occasions are no longer tolerated

on a regular basis. "Basically, we're watching what we eat" said Teri, a massage ther-

we cat state tensor of the spirit.

The changed includes a switch form white to whole-grain bread for her traditional stuffing since it doesn't spike his glucose levels. For favorite dish that has seen a change is baked yams. She now subs the long-standing marsi-mallow topping with oranges.

And "portion-control" is also in operation.

"We've always: eaten pretty healthy - but now were watching the amounts."

And to eliminate tempiations, she implements a perfect remety. With the exception of turkey, when there's something he shouldn't have — I send it home with family and friends. Teri said. "It ry to keep what we can use for sandwiches," she added. Winterholler keeps a close watch on the amount of time the turkey is felt without refrigeration. Although it's fun to continue snacking long after the sic-down part of those counter-top pickings.

"I try to keep the turkey out less than 45 minutes after we're fin-ished," she said. Be that as it may, for another area cook, leftover turkey — for a sundwich or snack — fails to suf-fice.

fice.

And in a recent quest to bypass
the bread, Linda Boyd devised
what she considers to be the ultimate method for using up the
leftovers.

Man began as way to "avoid time in the kitchen," and to make more room in the refrigerator, rather than filling a lot of different small containers. Boyd turns her leftovers into a large casserole, an action she performs "immediate-pl", "after the holiday meal is finished.

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In a deep glass pan, Boyd layers the finished potatoes spread on top. And that's only the beginning.

After cutting up, the leftover-bird, she adds the bire-sized pittees on top of the potatoes and then warms the gravy before pouring it on. Next she begins adding the yams, the cooked veggies, and whatever's left of the green-bean casserole.

For a finishing touch — before its baked—she adds a layer of French onions.

When she serves her masterpiece, she serves it "with the efforer cranberry sauce," Boyd says.

"It's hust a great way to clean up

leftover cramberry sauce," Boyd says.
"It's just a great way to clean up everything," said Boyd, who con-fesses she "really" doesn't like to cook.

Times-News writer Loretta Burkhart can be reached at 735-3243. or write to her at lburkhart@magicvalley.com.

Mexican growers produce poinsettia crop worth millions

MEXICO CITY — Its almost Christmas, so Angel Mendoza is an accordance of the control of the cont

art.

Polinectias are the pride of Xochimilco, a district of meandering canals and tiny islands on the southern edge of the capital. It is one of Mexicos most picture seque tourist spids. Built on an
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a multimillion-dollar industry. In the 1950s, perhaps 20 famillies to Xochimilco grew poinsettilas; now more than 1,000 famillies operate greenhouses nearly year-round. Other flowers are grown here, too, but beginning in August, nearly 250 acres of greenhouses are taken over by poinsettilas, according to city officials.

The peak of poinsettila season is, Tiberpeak of poinsettila flowers are called "nochebuenas," a reference to the informal Spanish term for Christmas Eve, and more homes are deconted for the holl-days with poinsettilas than Christmas trees.

They have become a symbol of Christmas; Mendoza said.

In early December, hundreds of thousands of plants are taken from their Island hothouses of the control of the control distance down the National Canal and then loaded for the control of the control of the control of the point of the point



Angel Mendoza grows poinsettias in Xochimilco, a district of canals and tiny islands on the southern edge of

Gifts for the gardener? No worries

You've still got 60 hours or so belone you need a gill for your favorite gardener. No rish Here's a list of things het'she would most like, Ok, they're things. I'd like to find in my stocking hut we digress.

• Gloves. Tough as they are gloves wear out, I specially trying to garden in the rocks. No matter how carefures each aligneteners wear reviewes this the first flinger they making.

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Goarskin glove can't be beat for working to though enough to deep thorns from stabiling me. For sloppy, wer work. I like the roboryed ploves with tight bandled culfs to keep thorn on and the yark out.

• Clogs, Rubber garden clogs are available in just about every price range and color. Birkenstork makes excellent clogs with makes excellent clogs with the prinsed with a hose.

• Giff certificates. When you don't know which size color or just eacify which garden doodad will do. Any garden store will write one out for you, and



they slip right into a stocking. Or make your own. Good for X-number of holes dug, or a season of leaf-raking or two flats of petunias and the help to plant them come soring.

of perunias and the help to plant them come spring.

• Vacation. The best garden-er's vacation you can dream up happens in Seattle in February. The Northwest Flower & Garden Show, which will feature 26 full-sized gardens, is scheduled for Feb. 9-13, 2005 at the Washing-ton State Convention Center in downtown Seattle, Call 1-800-229-6311 or on the web at www.gardenshow.com for more information.

• Garden sculpture Awy size

• Garden sculpture Awy size

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bring elegance.

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• Music to mulch by, Get the CD player that, says it's tought equoid for joggers to bounce around. It's buttery operated and doesn't skip when you'n move. Great for riding the lawn fractor, weeding, whatever, in-clude a few of his/her favorite recordings with this gift.

Those should get you moving in the right direction. However you celebrate this holiday season, I wish you peace, love, joy and hope now and throughout the coming year.

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Seed Saver Kit may brighten a gardener's day

By Joel Lerner , The Washington Post

Here is a gift suggestion for your gardening friends and fam-ily. The holiday season is a great reason to get a gift for yourself, too:

ily. The honday season is a generatesion to get a glif for yourself, 100.

* Quite'a practical item for the avid gardener is the Seed Saver Kit. There are thousands of flowers that are excellent candidates to coffect seed for sowing, or trading next year—short lived peromials and blemials such as gallardia, black-eyed-Susan, verbena and collumbine annuals such as zinal, impatient annuals merce and collumbine annuals trees specification and calculation of the state of the season of

aluminum case, less than an inch thick. Available through Sects of Change, vww.seed. softmange.com. 800-762-7333. Cost \$25.

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Taste the evolving New England cuisine

It is ever-evolving, sometimes misunderstood, often romanti-cized, even ridiculed. But New England cuisine is as enduring and storied as Plymouth Rock. If it is not always in style, it is never-out of style, kind of always simmering on America's back burner.

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In the pantheon of American culsine, New England cookery is-first-order iconic.

Boston is baked beans; Maine is lobster; Vermont is maple syrun.

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Boston is baked beans; Maine is lobster: Vermont is maple syrup.

If there were such a thing as New England guacomole: it would be made with pumpkin, cod. corumeal, cranherites, turkey, oysters and molasses; You-could add the land and, an apple, or not.

But first: Are dishes like brown bread, Indian puddling and turkey with stuffing a cuisine?

"Oh definitely: said Kathleen Fitzgerald, who with her husband, Keith Stavely, has written 'America's Founding Pood: The Story of New England Cooking (University of North Carolina Press, S34.95), a history of the regions cooking from the days of last European settlement.

"Obviously that is something evolving and changing," she said. "We say in the book it is both an adaptation of English cuisine and of not only native foodstuffs and native agriculture, but actually in a number of instances, of Native American culinary practices."

Like all of American cuisine today, New England cookery evolved from what ingredients were at hand, from culinary heritage and from remain in print for long periods, in 1985, the Mystle Seaport Museum Stores in Mystle published the 'Christman Memories Cookbook' (\$16.95), one of a half-dazen cookbook's but it a New England cooker).

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The holiday book is not solely a New England cookbook, but it has a strong few lingland presence, as evidenced by four pumpkin-pie recipes and, of course, roast turkey with stuffing. It is in it It in printing. It is in it It in printing to it in the printing it is in the printing. It is in it is it in the printing it is in th

Indians.
—Sandra-Oliver-of-Islesboro;
Maine, publisher of the newsletter Food History News, said the
early settlers adopted some of
the Indian dishes they encountered, like succotash, but did so largely because those dishes looked like familiar English

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chowder, comparatuvey sungdishes with long-ago roots.
It was in Hartford, Conn., that
the first American cookbook
was published — "American
Cookery" by Amelia Simmons
— and it stands today as a kind
of I-beam of simple New England cookery, if not always
relevant to modern times. Most
people will not need a recipte to
make bacon from a pig carcass.
Nor is the recipe for pigeon necsessary. The passenger pigeon
has been extinct for a century.
New England cooking never
has been static, and today it is
spiced by myriad ethine and
cultural influences. Stavely and
fluggradt note that eels were
eaten eagerly two centuries ago
but since have vanished from tables, although the eels still are
found in New England rivers.
Baked beans are sometimes
eredited to Native Americans,
but the authors say the dish cookery.
Still, they say Indian origins or
Influence should not be ruled

out. In any event, the bean have changed.

SPICED CRANBERRIES IN SHERRY

Alukes 2 pints
2 1/2 cups sugar
1/2 cups water
2 sticks whole cinnamon
1 teaspoon ground cloves
Juice and grated rind of 1

lemon.

16 ounces fresh crimberries
173 cup cream sherry
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in a medium pan, combine all
ingredients except cramberries
and sherry Simmer 5 minutes.
Add cramberries and cook
slowly until most of the skins
pop, Remove from heat and stir
in sherry, Coof and store in the
refrigerator.

AUNT THELMA'S CORN PUDDING

Makes 6 servings 2 tablespoons butter 3 tablespoons flour 3/4 teaspoon salt 1/8 teaspoon pepper I cup milk 1 16-ounce can cream-style

1 16-ounce can cream-style corn
3 eggs, well beaten
Probeat oven to 350 degrees.
In a sattegnan over low hear, melt batter, Blend in flour and salt and pepper, and cook, strings for 1 minute, Gradually stir Cook over medium heat, stirring frequently, until sauce thickens. Remove, from heat, and blend in corn. Mix in eggs. Turn into a greased 1-quart bak, lang dish, Bake for 1 hour, Serve hot.

INDIAN PUDDING

Makes 8 servings 3 cups milk 1/2 cup commeal

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2 tablespoons butter
1/4 cup brown sugar
1/4 cup brown sugar
1/4 cup brown sugar
1/2 teaspoon each: salt, cinnamon, ginger
2 cegs, beaten
1/2 cup raisins
Scald milk in a heavy
saucepan, Add comment all at
once and heat vigorously with a
whisk until smooth. Raise heat
and, stirring constantly, boil for
1 minute. Reduce heat to low
and cook for 10 minutes, stirring
frequently to prevent scorching.
Remove from heat, Stir in butter until melted, then stir in
molasses, sugar, nutmeg, salt,
chnaamon and ginger. Stir in eggs and raisins.
Pour into a buttered baking
dish, Set dish into a large pan
filled with 1 inch of water, Bake
in a 300-degree oven for 2 hours.
Serve warm with vanilla ice
cream, at room temperature
with whilpped cream or cold

cream, at room temperature with whipped cream or cold with heavy cream.

CREAM-OF-MUSSEL (BILLY BI) SOUP

Gernings
2 fresh thyme sprigs
1 small bunch of parsley
1 bay leaf
3 pounds small cultivated
sussels (about 60)
2 cups dry white wine
3 shallots, finely chopped
1 cup heavy cream
4 egg yolks, optional (see
ote)

e) tablespoons finely chopped

Freshly ground white pepper French bread

French bread
French bread
Place the thyme, parsley and
bay leaf on a square of cheesecloth tie together the corners of
the cheese-cloth to make a bou-

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clam shack and the Joseph Ship in the background, a bowl of tasty New England Clam Chowder from the

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Disguise – er, turn – deli dishes into 'homemade'

Some people rough up the trosting on bakery cakes and try to pass them oil as humemade, sheesh. What amateurs, With a smidgeon of creativity, as midgeon of creativity the whole deli case can look like it came from your kitchen.

"Not that you'd want to lie to your samily and Triends this close to Christmas, Santa is watching.

close to Christmas, Santa is watching.

But if the elves forgot to make a politick dish for you to take to the office party, the family bash or a New War's Eve blowout, we have some lightning-fast solutions 'straight' from the supermarker deli and bakery cases. Whether you claim them as yours is between you and the bie my.

cases. Whether you count or as yours is between you and the big gay.

When dressing up store-bought food, the goal is to make it not only look better, hut also taste fresher. Green herbs are the most obvious flavor additive, but don't overlook flavored oils, in the pasts said a recipe that follows, a small amount of sessing oil completely crases the yucky store-bought taste of the original failing dressing.

The bland beige color of the pasts salad vess of simproved by the addition of a handful of snow peas, sliced green onions, halved grape tomatoes and chopped fresh parsley la less other five minutes, the superstant of the property of the sale of the past of the past

snow peas, sliced green onions, halved grape tomatoes and chopped fresh parsley. In less than five minutes, the super-market salad went-from dull to delicious.

The broccoli-raisin salad sold

delicious.

The broccoli-raisin salad sold in most supermarket delis is fine as it is, but if you want to make a little go a long way — and dispussed the fact, that you purchased your contribution to the party — toes the salad in a food processor. About one quart of broccoli salad can be uined into a bot dip similar to the ubiquitions artichoke-crib dip, initius the work and expense.

The salad is processed until minced but still slightly chunly, mixed with mayonnaise and Parmesan choses, and baked for 20 minutes. President Bush Senior may not like it, but we bet everyone cles will.

Antipasto shrimp skewers are allowed. Bush senior may not like it, but we bet everyone cles will.

Antipasto shrimp skewers are consulted and the proceeds shrimp and thread them on skewers with the ingredlens, in a deli antipasto salad. Wup a

Silinip of a more consistency will do it. Miniature corn muffins are an hors d'ocuvre waiting to happen. The tiny muffins are sold in many supermarket bakeries. Split them in half, sandwich them with han's and a fancy mustard or chutney, and your work is done.

work is done.

Bakery desserts are an easy target for makeovers. The two we're suggesting both look gor-

tanget for makeovers. The two were suggesting both look gorgeons.

For the first, cut as bakery cheesecake into 1-inch squares, nestle the squares in min foil baking cups, and top each one with a dollop of nondairy whipped tropping and a dab of canned pie filling, Dont use real whipped cream, because it will will. The fake topping sold in the freezer case will hold up on a builet table for hours.

Our second dessert is for those in a freal hurry. Arrange store-bought Christmas cookies on a tray in the shape of a wreath, and place a bow at the bottom of the circle. You won't fool friends into thinking you made the cookies, but the arrangement.is, so clever-that, they'll forgive you.

Here are directions for our six foolers, And remember, only Santa knows if you're naughty or ince. It's no one cles's business.

BETTER PASTA SALAD

Makes 8 servings 1 quart deli pasta salad with-

1 quart uen pasia santa vini. out mayonnaise 1 1/2 cups snow peas 3 green onions, silced 1/3 cup -chopped flat-leaf

arsley
10 grape tomatoes, halved
1/2 teaspoon sesame oil
Combine all ingredients in a
owl and stir well.

HOT BROCCOLI DIP I quart deli broccoli-raisin

salad
I teaspoon cider vinegar
I cup grated Parmesan cheese
I cup mayonnaise
In a food processor, pulse
broccoli salad until finely
chopped but not pureed, Sonie
lumps are OK. Transfer to a bowl
and stir in remaining ingredients. Scrape into an ungreased
casserole dish: Bake at 350 de-

grees until brown and bubbly, about 20 minutes. Serve with crackers.

SHRIMP ANTIPASTOSKEWERS

12 medium-large cooked and eeled shrimp 12 fresh basil leaves

12 fresh basil leaves
1 pint deli antipasto salad
Wap a basil leaf around a
shrikewa, alaernating with four
or five tibbits from the antipasto
salad — olives, peppers, cibbes
of cheese, etc. Use one shrinp
per skewer, ending each one
with an olive.

HAM AND CORN BREAD BITES

Makes 12 hors d'ocueres 12 miniature commeal

1/2 pound good sliced deli

Sweet and hot brown mustard Cut muffins in half horizon-tally. Stack the ham slices. Using the hottom half of one muffin as a guide, cut circles from the a gulde, cut circles from the ham. Layer the ham between the corn-muffins and spread with mustard.

MINIATURE CHEESECAKES

Makis about 2 dozen 1 (9-inch) bakery cheesecake Mini foil muffin cups Nondairy whipped topping Canned strawberry or cherry pie filling

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COOKIE WREATH

An assortment of bakery Christmas cookies

Christmas cookies 1 (12-inch) round tray 1 large red bow with streamers Arrange cookies in the shape of a wreath on the tray stacking at least two deep and varying the shape and size of the cookies throughout the wreath. Place tray on buffet table and needs bow at the bottom of the wreath.

New England

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through them and throw out any dead ones. Combine the wine, shallots and bindinger with the continue the

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the mussels to the pot; let them heat through. Add chopped chives; grind in fresh white pepper, then serve with slices of crusty French broad.

SEAFOOD CASSEROLE

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I tablespoon butter

-t-tablespoor-unbleached-allpurpose flour
2/3 cup fish stock or bottled
clam juice
2 tablespoons heavy cream
I pound shrimp, peeled
1/2 pound sea scallops,
halved
1/2 pound haddock or cod,
cut into 1-inch cubes
6 to 8 ounces lobster meat, cut
into serving pieces
1/3 cup freshly grated Montercy lack cheese
1/2 cup Cracker Crumb Mixture (see recipe)
Preheat dhe oven to 400 degreese. In a small, nonreactive

saucejain, melt the butter over low heat, Remove from the heat; whisk in the flour. Return the pain to the stove and cook for 2 minutes over medium heat, stirring constantly, until the flour is cooked through. Remove from the heat; pour in the fish stock, Return the pain to the stove and cook over medium heat, whisking constantly, until a light sauce-forms, 2 to 3 minutes, Stir in the cream; cook over medium heat, stirring frequently, until the sauce is the thickness you prefer. (This is a light, thin sauce, designed to baste the fish as it bakes,) Set the sauce aside. Place shrimp, scallops and haddock in a buttered baking dish just large enough to hold them. Pour the sauce over the fish, Bake for 8 to 10 minutes. Remove the dish from the overn; tilt the dish so that you can spoon up the cooking juices, and use them to baste the fish. Please see RECIPES, Page CS

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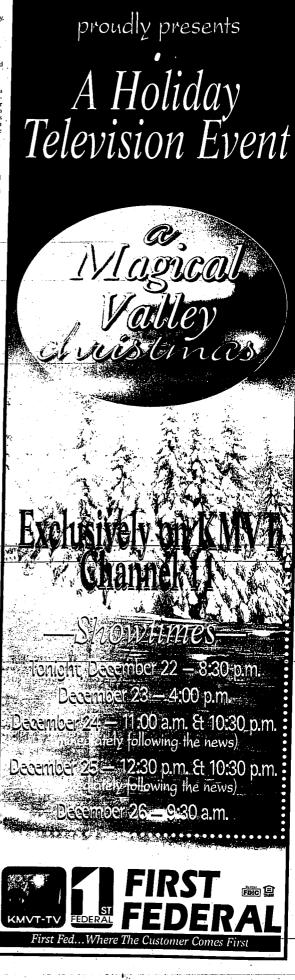
Bear butter and 3 ounces cream cheese at medium speed with an electr
mixer until creamy; gradually add sugars, bearing until light and filefty. Add eggs,
at a time, bearing until banded after each addition:

Combine flour, banded after each addition:

Combine flour product, and salt; add to butter mixture, beating
well. Str in varilla and pecana powder, and salt; add to butter mixture, beating
Drop dough by rounded toblespoonfiels or grant antis impressed baking
sheats. Bake at 350° for 10 to 12 minutes or until edges are spoider. Coal 2 minute
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Survive your holiday party

Planning a big party? Don't ress — it's not as hard as it

looks.
To throw an affair that's fur and affordable, and distinctive in food and decor, consider the advice of three party experts who dished with us recently. New York-based event designer and TV personality Bryan Rafanelli says it's all about "mini-madness," or turnite full-

"mini-madness," or turning full-sized food into handheld delicacies.

sized food into handheid delicacies.
"Jazz up an everyday concept, like a holiday plenie with hamburgers and hot dogs," suggests Mary Bethwinkworth, owner of festivities party planning store in Birmingham. Mich.
When all else fails, fake them out, says home entertaining guru Korey Provencher, who says dressing up prepared, instant or restaurant foods with your own ingredients is both creative and quick.
Above all, all three say: Keep it simple.
Read further for more advice.

Think ahead

Think ahead

Choose foods, like a pork or beef tenderloin, that can be cooked ahead of time yet taste good at room temperature.

Choose foods that can he prepared days or weeks in advance and frozen.

Think Provencher's fake-out food: Thy steamed broccoli or green bears from a Chinese restaurant. At home add scallons and horseradish to the broccoli or candied muts and dried cranberries to the green beans. Add truffles and champagne to microwaveable or instant mashed potatoes.

Have groceries delivered.

Don't turn down offers of help, Let guests bring something. Yand 1 don't mean ice. Provencher says.

Delegate responsibilities to family members. Let children pass or refill food trays.

Serve appetizers rather than a sit-down meal.

On decor

"Take the time to bring out the fine china no matter what you're serving, It gives a festive feel.

"Mix and match dishes and serving ware. Think of it as celectic, not incomplete."

Buy monogrammed silver-ware from flea markets. It's

Recipes

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Add the lobster. Sprinkle with
the cheese, then top with the
crumb mixture. Bake again until
the crumbs are lightly browned,
5 to 8 minutes.

CRACKER CRUMB-MIXTURE

About 2 cups 4 ounces oyster crackers or

altines
2 tablespoons chopped onion
8 tablespoons (1 stick) butter,
nelted, divided
2 tablespoons minced fresh

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S. (caspoon mincea mean hyme leaves
Whirl the crackers in a food processor or blender until they are evenly ground but retain some texture. Transfer to a bowl.
Sante onion until softened in I hablespoon butter; add to the crumbs. Add the remaining 7 to be to

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cheap and unusual

* Use wide-mouthed mixing bowls as vases. Float the tops of flowers in water. If y surrounding them with cloves or herbs.

* Use baskets and other containers to serve food or hold napklus and silverware.

* Place fresh fruit such as oranges, apples, lemons and limes around the house. It's a cheap-and edible way to decorate.

* Buy candles from the dollar store. Be sure they re driplets a formation of the flower of the containers. That's where you get the most bang for your buck.*

What's in

What's in

Pomegranates, in food and drink.
Mini foods and mini drinks.

Ethnic foods, especially Latin. Asian and Mediterranean.

Guide for party hosts

No party liost wants to run out of libations and look like a scrooge. But why overbuy? On average, 20 people con-sume 10 drinks at a cocktail party and 40 drinks at a full din-ner party. Here are some rules of

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thumb to remember before stocking a bar at home:
• For liquor-based drinks
A 750 ml bottle will make about 16 cocktalls.
A liter bottle will make about 22 cocktalls.

A liter bottle will make about 22 cocktails. A 1.5- liter bottle will make about 39 cocktails. • For wine drinkers Plan on five 750 ml bottles per 10 people (about 5 servings per bottle).

• For beer drinkers

• For beer drinkers
Plan to have 5 stx-packs containing 12-ounce cans for every
10 people:
• For a full har
If you're splunging on a full
bar, have wolka, rum, gin,
Scotch, bourhon, blended
whiskey, teguida and mixers
such as orange juice, grapefuil
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4 cups flour
12 tup each: golden raisins,
dark raisins
14 cup each: chopped candied citron or other candied
citron peel, chopped pecans
2 packages (25 ounce each)
active dry yeast
172 cup hakewarm water
1 stick (172 cup) butter, softened, plas 2 slabespoons butter,
melted
1 eggs, beaten

4 eggs, beaten 173 cup sugar

1 ergs, beaten
1/3 curs sugar
1 teaspoon each: salt, vanilla
2 Zest of half a lemon
1 - Combine flour, ralsins, curs
died clirus and pecans: set saide.
Dissolve yeast in warm water in
bowl of electric mixer. Sir in the
butter, ergs, sugar, salt, vanilla
and zest. Add flour mixture; mix
with a dough hook on medlum
speed to make a stiff dough,
about 3 minutes. Knead dough
on medium speed until smooth
and clastic, about 5 minutes.
2. Divide dough among three
clean, well-greased empty 28curice cans. Brush the load tops
with molted butter. Cover, let rise
in warm place until impressions
remain when you poke dough,
about 11/2 hours.

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3. Heat oven to 375 degrees. Bake until golden, 30-40 min-nies. Remove from oven; cool-bread in cans 15 minutes re-move from -cans. Cool-completely on wire rack.

LUCIA BUNS

Preparation time: 45 min-utes/Rising, time: 1 hour. 10 minutes/Cooking time: 1-10 min-ntes/Yield: 30 rolls 1/2 stick (1/4 cup) plus [jable-soom better]

1/2 stick (1/4 cup) pus 1 raoc-spoon butter 2 cups milk 1 1/2 small envelopes (3 1/2 teaspoons total) active dry yeast 1/4 teaspoon salfron threads 2 oets

2 eggs 5 1/2- 6 cups flour 3/4 cup sugar 1 1/2 teaspoons salt Raisins

11/2 Gaspaons son Basisis and 1 Liesspoon water in a pan over medium heat. Add milk; heat mill takewarm. Stirl nyeast mill completely dissolved. Pour into lowed of electric mixer set aside. 2. Crush the salfron into a small bowl mix in 2 tablespoons of the milk mixture. Pour the saf-fron mixture into remaining milk mixture in the mixing bowl. Add 1 of the eggs. 3 cups of the flour, sugar and salt; knead with the mixer litted with dough hook

until dough comes together, about 5 minutes, Add enough of the remaining flour. 1/2 cup at a time, to make a smooth dough, knead with mker until smooth and elastic, about 8 minutes. Transfer the dough to a greased bowle cover with doth, Set aside to rise until almost double in size, about 40 minutes.

3. Punch down the dought as greased bowle cover with reloft, about 2 minutes. Divide dought into three pieces? Roll path one of the pieces; cut it into 10 sections, Roll each section into a 10-inch rope; stape into the letter 'S.' Placinga, raisin in the middle of each swith. Repeat with remaining 5 pieces of dough. Place-the buns on a greased baking sheet cover with a cloth, Let rise until almost double in size, about 30 minutes.

4. Heat oven to 450 degrees. Whisk remaining egg with 1 traspoon water; brush over tops of buns. Bake until golden brown, 8-10 minutes.

POLISH SWEET BREAD WITH NUT FILLING

Preparation time: 50 min-utes/Rising time: 1 1/2 hours/Cooking time: 40 min-ntes/Yield: 3 loaves, about 20 slices per loaf

4 cups flour 2 teaspoons sail 1 stick (1/2 cup) butter 2 small cakes (1 ounce each) fresh yeast or 1 large cake (2 ounces) fresh yeast 1/2 cup sugar 3/4 cup each, tukewarm; water milk 2 eggs, beaten, at room tem-perature

Filling:
2 bags (8 ounces each)
chopped wahnus, ground
1 jar (12 ounces) pineapple

4 ptr (12 nunces) pineapple preserves 3/4 cup sugar 1/2 cup honey 1/2 stick butter, melted 1. Combine flour and salt in bowl of electric mixer. Cut butter into mixture until crumbly, using hands or a pastry blender; set aside.

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2. Cruthble yeast into sugar in a small bowl; add to flour mixture. Add water milk and eggs to histore. Karead with a dougle on the sure of the sugar and the sugar and the sugar are sugar as a sugar and the sugar as a sugar as

blended in a large bowl.
4. Heat oven to 350 degrees.
Divide the dough into thirds. Roll out one third of the dough until very thin, about 20 inches square. Spread one-third of the filling over the dough. Roll tight-

ly: place loaf seam-side down of a lightly greased baking sheet. Repeat with remaining thirds of dough and filling, Let loaves rise until puffy, about 1 hour. Bake loaves until golden, about 40 minutes.

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TURKEY WALDORF SANDWICH

1 cup cooked turkey, a 2-inch cubes

1/2-inch cubes
1/2 cup celery, diced
1 small Red Delicious apple,
cored and cut into small cubes
2 tablespoons walnuts,
chopped
1 tablespoon reduce-calorie mayoungle

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 I tablespoon nonfat yogurt
 I/8 teaspoon nitumeg
 I/8 teaspoon cinnamon
 4 lettuce leaves
 8 silces reduced-calorie raisin
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hread in medium-stae bind com-in medium-stae bind com-bine turkey celery, apples, walnuts, mayonnaise, ogurt, nutineg, and cimparinot, and refrigerate at least 1 hour or overnight to allow flavors to blend. "To serve, arrange a let-tuce leaf on a bread slice, Spoon 3/4 cup turkey misture over let-tuce leaf and top with another

bread slice. Repeat with remaining ingredients.
*NOTE: Turkey mixture will keep up to four days in the refrigerator

ONE POT GOULASH

2 pounds turkey highs (or netted boneless nurkey roast) 1 large onlon, chopped, 1 can (10 1/3 ounces) con-densed beef broth 1/2 teaspoon minced garlie 1 can (8-ounces) tomato sauce

2 tablespoons paprika 1 teaspoon earaway seeds 1/4 teaspoon pepper 2 cups uncooked medium oodles

2 cups throused measurements oddes 1 cup plain yogurt or sour cream Remove skin and bone from turkey, discard. Cut meat into 3/4-inch cubes. Put onton into a 3-quan round casserole. Cover with lid or plastic wrap. Microwave on high 2 to 3 minutes. Or use 2 cups cooked turkey. Add meat, broth and garfic to onlons re-cover Microwave on high for 5 minutes. Stir and re-

cover. Microwave on high for 5

unutes. Add tomato sauce, paprika, Add tomato sauce, paprika, caraway seeds and pepper, sir well, Sir uncooked noodles into casserole so that all noodles are below the surface of the liquid. Re-cover and microwave on high for 6 minutes. Sit, re-cover, Microwave on high for 6 to 7 minutes. Sit in yogurt or sour cream. Cover and Jet stand 5 minutes before serving.

TURKEY AND WILD RICE BAKE

WILD RICE BAKE

A prackage (6 ounces) wild and
white sice mix unronked

2-1/3 cups waiter

1 can-14 ounces) sliced mushrooms, drained,

1 can (14 ounces) whole artichoke hearts, drained and
quantered

1 jar (2 ounces) chopped pimento, drained

2 cups cooked turkey cut into

2 cups cooked turkey cut into

1 can (14 ounces)

1 cup Swiss cheese, shredded

In 2-quart casserole combine

fice, with seasoning packet,

tourists, he said, never see the tranquil part of Xochimileo, where the age-old practice of raising flowers on islands continues. "Here, the tradition has not been lost," he said, Mendoza, who started work-

water, mustrooms, artichokes, pimento and turkey. Cover and bake in 350 degree F. Oven 1 hour and 15 minutes or until liq-uid is absorbed. Top casserole with cheese and bake, uncov-ered, 5 to 10 minutes or until cheese is melted and golden brown.

EAST COAST

TURKEY CHOWDER

ing with poinsettlas when he was 7 years old, said he has al-ready taught his young soms how to stay in contact with na-fure. "Ilke my job," he said. "If I didn't, I wouldn't produce such pretty flowers."

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Add broth, potatoes, salt, pep-per and cayenne pepper; bring to boll.

Reduce heat to low, cover and simmer 10 to 15 minutes or until potatoes are tender. Stir in

turkey.
In medium bowl, combine cornstarch and milk. Stir into soup and cook until thickened

TURKEY CRANBERRY CROISSANT

Series 4

1/2 cup chopped onion
1 cup (1/4-linch) celery slices
1 tablespoon margarihe
2 cups turkey broth or lovsodium chicken bouillon
2-1/2 cups peeled, (3/4-inch)
cubed potatoes
1/2 Teaspoon salt
1/4 Teaspoon white pepper
Dash cayenne pepper
2 cups (1/2-linch) cubed
cooked turkey
1/4 cup cornstarch
2 cups skim milk
in 3-quart saucepan, over
medium-high heat, saute onion
and celery in margarine until
vegetables are tender-crisp. 1 package (8 ounces) cream heese, soltened 1/4 cup orange marmalade 1/2 cup chopped pecans 6 croissants, split 1 pound cooked turkey, thinly sliced 3/4 cup whole berry cranber-ry sance

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6 red leaf lettuce leaves,
washed and chilled
1 small bood combine softened cream cheese, marmalade
and pecans.
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on both balkes of crobssants.
Layer turkey, cranherry sauce
and lettuce on bottom half of
croissant.
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To serve, top with other half of croissant.



Notice of Request for Public Comment on Little Wood River Subbasin Assessment and Total Maximum Daily Load

The Idaho Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) is seeking public comment on a draft assessment of water quality in the Little Wood River Subbasin.

Under the Clean Water Act, DEQ is required to analyze state waters to determine whether they meet state water quality standards and if additional pollution controls are needed.

Based on a recent study of the physical, chemical, and biological conditions of the Little Wood River Subbasin. DEO is proposing in develop water quality improvement plans to control excessive sediment, nutrients, bacteria, and temperature in various impaired water

Public comment on the document will be accepted through 5 p.m. MST. Friday, January 21: 2004.

The draft assessment is available for review at DEQ's Twin Falls Regional Office, Gooding Public Library, Shoshone Public Library, Little Wood River District Library (Carey), Richfield District Library, and on DEO; Sweb site in PDF format at www.deq.ldaho.gov/public/comment.cfm.

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Poinsettias

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narrow waterway.
Originally from Mexico, poinsettias were introduced to the United States in the 1820s by loe! Roberts Poinsett, who served as U.S. ambassador here. Poinsett was also America's secretary of war and a key reason the Smithsonian became the nadon's museum. But in Mexico lie is best known for taking a pretty but little-noticed roadside plant to the United States and spreading its farme.
Nearly two centuries later, poinsettias are the most popular to the Mexico of the National States. Even the United States. Even the United States. Even the United States of longtime U.S. restrictions on soil imports from the Vinited States, cutting it off from an enormous potential market. Last year, American growers produced 68 million poinsettias. But florists here note that the poinsettia's risk popularity in poinsettias sising popularity in poinsettias is sing popularity in poinsettias is sing popularity in

growers produced 68 million poinsettias.
But florists here note that the poinsettia's rising popularity in the United States has been a boon to sales in its native land.
Growers in Xochimilco produce L'amilion poinsettias a year—the largest concentration in the nation, according to federal agricultural officials. Uriel Gonzalex Monzon, chief of economic—development—formation of the control of

Gonzalez said the poinsettia trade took off in the 1980s when growers found a way to mini-

mize the risk of financial rain, which a single freezing night can bring to the delicate flowers. Taking a leaf from California, where large numbers of Mexicans work growing poinsettas in generaliouses, Medcan growers started building them, too. Mendoza, whose extended family owns and staffs 50 green houses, said his poinsettas are especially stury because of Xochimilcos' perfect altitude' — 7,000 feet above sea level. Even in December, when the temperature swings from 40 degrees at hight to 70 during the day, the poinsetta doesn't wilt or shrivel, be said. It usually survives for three months, and does not appear in curbside trash until February. "What flower lasts that long?" asked Mendoza, who rings up \$40,000 in annual poinsettia sales.

Every day in December, thou-

asked Mendoza, who ings up \$40,000 in annual poinsettia sales.

Every day in December, thousands of buyers descend, on Xochimilcos central outdoor market—which is on land—to buy poinsettias Scores of vendors, including Mendozas mother, sit behind a sea of red blossoms. Mendoza, whose family sells as many as a 1,000 plants a day, said he aims for "incense color" and worries about "sad leaves."

With its colorful floating tableaux, Xochimilco is "spectacular this time of year," said Ciro Caraballo, a planning and preservation expert-from-the-U.N. Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, which declared Xochimilico a World Heritage site in 1987.

Urban sprawł and pollution are threatening the system of canals, but Caraballo is working on a project to protect it. Most

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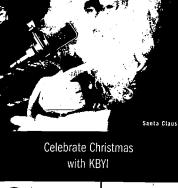
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Inside: the plan blends elements of the traditional with the modern. Irradition is seen in the modern. Tradition is seen in the modern. Tradition is seen in the plan bedrooms. The did in the plan bedrooms of the plan is separated formal gathering separated formal gathering separated the front of the house, and all three bedrooms are upstairs.

The rest of the floor plan is totally in syare, with present-day needs and preferences. One spacious informal living space spans the entire rear. The family room, where high windows flank agas fireplace, merges seamless-ly with the bayed nook and generously sized kitchen. High windows flank the gas fireplace, and more natural light washes in through wide windows that fill much of the rear wall.

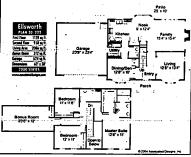
In the kitchen, lazy Susan shelving provides easy access to a corner cabinet, and plenty of extra storage space is available in the panity and broom is more steps away, as are laundry applicances, located in a pass-hrough space that links with the garage. "This room is outflieted with a counter, cabinets, and a deep sink.

Upstairs, the Ellsworthk masser suite fills the right is die.



Amenities include: a large bath room with dual vanity, privately enclosed shower and toilet, plus a buse walk in a large bath

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tion-detection device that senses a per proviling nearby and activates a burst of compressed air and a one-second warning screech. Animals m for their lives, hopefully never to return, according to Karen Schindelhauer, of the Canadian company, whose motto is "promoting harmony between

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MORNING LINE **SPORTSQUOTE**

If you've got a Corvette that runs into a brick wall, you know what's gonnahappen. He's a corvette. I'm à brick wall. So you know what's gonna happen.

— Shaquille O'Neal's advice for former teammate Kobe Bryant

TRIVIA **OUESTION:**

Name the oldest NFL player to rush for 1,500 yards in a season. ...answer below

TODAY'S SCHEDULE **HS Boys Basketball**

Idaho Falls at Twin Falls, I p.m Jerome at Burley, 4:15 p.m. HS Girls Baskethall

Filer at Jerome, 4:15 p.m. HS Wrestling

Blackfoot at Minico, 7 p.m.

IN BRIEF

Holiday basketball open gym schedule

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TWN FALIS — The City of
Twin Falls Parks and Recreation
Department and the Twin Falls
School District are sponsoring a
free open gym over the holiday
break at Robert Stuart Junior
High School. There will be no
open gym on Sunday, Dec. 26.
The hours for Dec. 27-30 are 69 p.m. On Jan. 3. only the back
gym will be open those hours.
For more information call Twin
Falls Parks and Recreation at
736-2263.

CSI offers Junior Eagles hoops camp

Eagles hoops camp
TWIN FALLS—The College
of Southern Idaho men's baskethall team will host the Junior
tagles Baskethall Camp on
Wednesday Dec. 29 and Thursday Dec. 30 at CSI Gynnasium.
The clinics will run-from 9
a.m.-noon-on-both-days. Thecamp is open to boys and girls
in grades K-8. The cost is \$80
per person. with each additionalf family member costing \$40.
The clinics will cover shooting, ball handling, passing,
defense and rebounding, and
will be taught by CSI coaches
and players.
For more information, call
Barriet Peery at (208) 732-6496.
Christi Ure at (208) 732-6496.

Burley basketball will play before Jazz game

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BURLEY—The Burley-HighSchool Bobcars boys basketbalt
team will play Jordan High
School of Jordan, Utah before
the Monday, Dec. 27 Utah Jazschool of Jordan, Utah before
the Monday, Dec. 27 Utah Jazthe Delta Center in Salt Lake
City The Bobcats will play at
2:30 p.m., with the Jazz-set to tip
off at 7 p.m. Admission for the
two games is \$20 per person.
Tickets are available through
Burley coach Jack Bagley, who
can be contacted at 878-6606 or
677-9925.

Minico Boosters will meet on Monday

RUPERT — The Minico Boost-er Club will meet at 630 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 3 in the Minico High School Library Parents with students in grades 9-12 are urged to attend. Call (208) 436-5670 for more information.

Jerome Rec needs youth hoops coaches

JEROME — The Jerome Recreation District is in need of coaches for all levels of its youth basketball program, which be-gins in January. ins in January. If interested, call 324-3389.

Compiled from staff reports

TRIVIA ANSWER:

The New York Jets' 31-year-old Curtis Martin, who gained -134 yards on the ground Sunday against the Seattle Seahawks to reach 1,511 for the season.

Bruins breeze past Minico

RUPERT — Nothing good ver comes of meeting a girl on

ever comes of meeting a girl on the rebound.

The Minico Spartans girls basketball team learned that lesson 14 times over Tuesday night when the Twin Falls Bru-ins came to town and downed Minico 53-38 in nonconference

ins came to town and downedMinico 53-38 in nonconference, play,
The 11-1 Bruins bounced back from last-week's defeat to highland thanks to their stifling full-court press and a 20-point performance from senior for-wardAmy Bratvold.
"We were hoping they'd come in a bit angry after their first loss," Bruins head coach Joe D. Shepard said. "But you never know. I thought the girls responded well."
Twin Falls jumped out to an early?-1 lead on the strength of a Hannah Fietdenrelch bucket followed by Bratvolld's first five points of the game. The 10-2 Spartans charged back thanks to eight first-quarter points from senior forward Meghan Boetteher, but still found themselves down 14-9 after the first quarter. "We didn't play very well," Spartans coach Clint Straatman said. 'I think these girls thought that since they were playing Twin, maybe they had to come up big, Maybe they load to come up big, Maybe they load to me the spartans, but was the

up big, Maybe they tried a little too hard."

Boeticher poured in 18 points for the Spartans, but was the only Minico player to score more than four points in the game. "Meghan is the only girl who hasn't grown up here." Straatman said. "The other girls have been playing Twin for a long time, but for Meghan, it's just another game."

Be it a mental block or the Bruins press, Minico committed 25 turnovers in the game, as compared to Twin Falls 12.

"I thought our press did a good job in getting them in a hurry and taking them out of their offense a bit," Shepard said.

Remedy had the big game.

said.
Bratvold had the big game, but senior guard Jamie Edwards cume up with a few key second-quarter baskets on her way to seven points on the night. Carla Marin added nine, while both Held Reitsma and Heldenreich scored six.



Minico senior Amanda Otuman managed four points while no other Spartans player scored more than three. "I think that sometimes when you want to do something.

you want more than a you want to do something, more than anything, you start to make mistakes." Straatman said. "It was just an off night." Minico will look to bounce back when they host Madison Thursday. Twin Falls will wait until Jan. 4 to travel to Burley.

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Twin Falls 53, Minico 38

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Wolves edge **Pirates**

senior forw Amy Bratvold is fouled by

Minico se

Meghan Boettcher

during the Bruins' 53-38 nonconfer-ence road win

Tuesday night in Rupert.

IIAGERMAN — Castleford had a chance to ice it. Hagerman had a chance to win it. While the Wolves missed their free throw attempts late in the game, the Pirates turned the ball over twice in the final 16 seconds as Castleford defeated Hagerman 35-33 in Southside Conference hoys basketball action Tuesday night.

Southside Conference boys hasketball action Tuesday night. The cold weather from outside made its way into the gym as both tearns struggled from the field. The Wolves hit just 22 percent from the field while-the Pirates finished hitting 30 percent. It wasn't much better from the free throw line. Liagerman went 2-of-27 while Castleford was 11-of-27. "We played good defense, but we couldn't run anything on offense. We were tentative and 1 don't know why." said Castleford coach Tyler Gaston. The win keeps the Wolves undefeated in conference play while the Pirates dropped their second straight close conference game, having fallen to flaft River Friday by two points. "It feels really good. We are playing well as a team," said Nathan Pryor, who paced the Wolves with 11 points. Both teams started slowly Hagerman's Ryan Gester grabbed the steaf and converted the layup for the 3-2 lead midway through the first period.

The Wolves got it going as Prover started an 8-0 run. Drew

The Wolves got it going as Pryor started an 8-0 run. Drew Tverdy came off the bench and chipped in a pair of putbacks in the paint as Casteford led 10-3 after one quarter.

"We have confidence in each other. We have a good bench and when they come in we don't drop off." said Tverdy, who finished with nine points. "We knew we had to play tough defense and Please see WillyES Page 102

ease see WOLVES, Page D2

Georgia Tech romps over Syracuse By Mark Long Associated Press writer

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ORLANDO, Fla. — Maybe
Georgia-Fich conchr Chan Galley
will ease up on Reggie Ball now.
Ball threw two touchdown
passes, ran for another score
and led the Vellow Jackess to a
51-14 victory over Syracuse in
the Champs Sports Bowl on
Tuescalay night.
Calley has been critical of his
sophomore quarterback all
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Bail certainly stated his case against the Orange, Inishing 12-of-19 for 207 yards with an interception, and had 38 yards rushing.

He also got plenty of help.

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The loss was the worst in a bowl game for Syracuse (6-6)



Georgia Tech's P.J. Daniels dives in to the end zone for a touchdown against Syracuse during the third quarter of the Champs Sports Bowl on Tuesday, in Orlando, Fla. Georgia Tech defeated Syracuse 51-14.

on Tuesday, in Orlando, Fla. Georgia Tech defeated Syracuse 51-24.
since the 1953 Orange Bowl, a
fil-6 drubbling by Alabama. It
also means more questions
about the future of embatted
coach Paul Pasqualoni.
Syracuse chancellor Nancy
Cantor gave Pasqualoni a vote
of confidence earlier this
month, saying he would be retained for a 15th season. But
the school also named longtime Southern California
administrator Daryl Gross the
new athletic director last week.
Syracuse was making its first
postseason, appearance, since
beating Kansas State in the In-

Buhl rallies to defeat Kimberly in SCIC play Bv-Diane-Philbln

By-Diane-Philbin
Times-News writer
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XIMBERLY — "Never give up"
would summarize the play of the
Bubl boys basketball team Tuesday night as they defeated
Kimberly 53-46 and now stand
2-0-in the Sawtooth Central
klaho Conforence.

The indians led 19-12 at the
end of the first quarter as senior
guard Perry Limilton nailed
three 3s and ended the quarter
with 11 points.
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quarter. He also made an ESPN
highlight-caliber block as he
raided a Bull player on a fast
break and blocked the attempted
layup from behind.

At the four minute mark in the
final quarter, the Indians tied the
score at 43 on a basket by Judd
Spencer. With 3:38 remaining,
Bull scored on a breakaway fastbreak by "sophomore" will
Chivers, making it 45-43. Buln
never relinquished the lead
again. They outscored Kimberly
His-5 in the final quarter.

"This was a fun game," sald Buhl coach Ryan Böwman. The kids will remember it.

Hamilton ended the game with 18 points, including four 3s. Chivers chipped in 11 for Buhl.

"We just didn't execute the second half," said Kimberty coach Roger Keller." Our defense was good the second quarter, as buhl only scored seven points. Kimberly (2-4, 1-1 conference) only scored five points in the fourth quarter as the Bull dogs made one field goal and were 3-01-7 from the charity strip.

Senior IJ Shawver of Kimberly scored 13 points but was only 1-01-6 from the free throw line. Three of list misses came in the fourt quarter.

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Kimberly hosts Valley on Jan. 4 also in nonconference play.

Buhl 53, Kimberty 46

Council decision revives Expos' move

WASHINGTON — The proposed move of the Montreal Expos to Wash-Ington passed its biggest hurdle Tuesday when the District of Columbia Council reversed course and approved a ballpark financing law that eliminated a provision that threatened to scuttle the detal.

the deal.

Major League Baseball, which had threatened to scuttle the move last week, said the revised legislation was

acceptable.
For the Expos' move to Washington to become final, the law must be signed by Mayor Anthony A. Williams, a prominent backer of returning baseball to the

capital, and baseball commissioner Bud Sellg must declare arrangements to use RFR Stadium next year are 'satisfactory'. Baseball had put the move on hold last week after the council inserted a provision that mandated private financing to cover at least half of the cost of the project, estimated at \$435 million or more. If private financing was not found, according to last weeks amendment, the law would have been voided. After an amendment was passed Tuesday calling for Washington and baseball to share the cost for insurance limiting the city's liability on cost over-runs and completion delays. The council voted 16-3 to repeal the so-Piesse see EKPOS, Page D2



Rasehall fans Kathy Chamberlain, center, and Bob Bush, right, wear caps with tionals in the chambers of the District of Columbia Council at the Wilson Building In Washington,

lowa's Pierre Pierce (3) shoots over the top of Texas Tech's Jarrius Jackson, right, during the first half Tuesday at the United Center in

Alford gets best of former coach

College basketball

Manhattan 75

TUCSON. ArIz: — Salim. Stoudamire. matched bis. career-best atilis seeven 3-points. Career-best atilis seeven 3-points. Stoudamire. Manhattan 19 of the seeven 3-points. Stoudamire. Was suspended for Saturdays win at Marquette because of his pouring in the previous game against Utah, when he was held scoreless for the third time in his 101 college games and took a career-low one shot. Channing Frye added 18 points and 11 rebounds for devideats (8-2), who won their fifth straight in their highest-soring game of the season. Preshman C.J. Anderson scored 22 points on 7-for-9 shooting for Manhattan (4-3).

No. 16 NC St. 72:

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BYU 6.1

PROVO, Utah — Julius Hodge scored 22 points and Tony Bethel added 15 as the Wolf-pack hounced back from their irst loss of the season. North Cardina State 19-110s (1988-81 at No. 12 Washington on Sunday. Mike Hall had 18 points for BYU (2-8), which drew within 66-57 with 2-11 to play, but Hodge made four free throws over the final 2 minutes to seaf the with.

nover the final 2 minutes to seal the win. North Carolina State domi-nated inside but was just 5-of-28 from 3-point range.

10UISVILLE, Ky. — Freshman Juan Palacios had career-highs of 25 points and 10 rebounds and the Cardinals

rebounds and the Cardinals overcame two key injuries in the first round of the Billy Minardi Classic.

Taquan Dean added 20 points and Larry O'Barmon had id for the Cardinals (7-2), who played without Bills Myles and Discourage, Lorent work leading the Cardinals of the Cardinal Cardinals of the Cardinals of the Cardinals (7-2), who was a considerable of the Cardinals (7-2), which was the Cardinals (7-2), which was the Cardinals (7-2) to the first pane on Wednesday night.

No. 23 Michigan St. 76,

UCLA 64

BAST LANSING, Mich. —
Paul Davis scored 18 points and
the Spartans (7-2) had a hig run
in each half in winning their
fourth-straight-Michigen-StatesChris Hill scored 15 points,
three Spartans had nine and
freshman Drew Netzet Ited a
season-high with eight points.
Freshman Josh Shipp scores
a career-high 18 points for the
Brulius (6-2), who were off to
their best start since the 199798 season.

No. 18 Louisville 80,

IUPUI 60

UCLA 64

No. 14 Arizona 105. Manhattan 75

CHICAGO — Adam Haluska matched his career-high with 21 points and Pierre Pierce added 15 for the Hawkey's in lowa's 83-53 win over Texas Tech at the United Center in Chicago.

Chicago. lowa coach Sieve Alford won for the first time in four games against Bob Knight; his college

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No. 3 Oklahoma State 92, NW Okla. State 35

92, NW Okla. State 35
STILLIAVATER. Okla. — John
Lucas and Joey Graham each
'scored 21 points and No. 3 Okinhoma State set a school
record with 153-pointers.
The Cowtoys, (9-0) scored
their first 21 points of the second half on 3-pointers,
James Oh Curry scored eight
straight points in a 129 Tu m hau
pur Oklahoma State ahead 97Curry was 4-for-6 from 3point-range and-fiffished-with14 points. The Cowtoys were
15-for-23 on 38 for the game, including 10-for-15 in the second

Tramain Davis scored 12 points to lead Northwestern Oklahoma State (5-4), an NAIA

No. 4 North Carolina 93,

No. 4 North Carolina 93, Vermont 65
CHAPPEL HIBL, N.C. — Sean May scored 20 points and Bashad McCants bounced back from a brief benching to add 19 points for the Tar felsels (9-1), who have won nine straight since an opening loss at Santa Clara.

After arriving late, McCants told coach Roy Williams that he got stack in traffic. His punishment was not starting for the first time this season, but he only missed about 4.5 minutes before he left file beinch.

Taylor Coppenrath had 13 points, half his average, for the Catamounts (3-3).

No. 13 Gonzaga 83, E. Washington 70

E. Washington 10
SPOKANE, Wash. — Adam
Morrison scored 25 points and
the Bulldogs beat Eastern
Washington
Straight line.
Ronny Turiaf added 17 points
and seven rebounds for Gonzaga (9-1), which won its sixth
straight un-

straight.
Marc Axton led Eastern
Washington (2-8) with 33
points, including a school
record-tying seven 3-pointers.

Expos

Continued from D1

called "sunset" provision. The council then voted 7-6 to ap-

council then voted 7-5 to ap-prove the revised law.

As part of the deal, baseball waived lis right to compensa-tory damages for the first year if-the-41,000-sent ballpark is finished late. Instead, the re-named Washington Nationals would not have to pay rent for

HFK Stadium in 2008.
Council Chair Linda W.
Cropp said the changes could
save the city more than \$193
million. Others on the body
disagreed.
"No one has answered why
Major League. Baseball. earl.
pay, 'said Councilman Adrian
Fenty, who called it a 'horrible'
deal.

Raft River slides past Hansen

HANNEN — Braden Barren scored 31 points as Balt River exceed 31 points as Balt River exceed and Balt Balt Balt Magic Valley Stuthside Confer-ence play Tuesday night in Hansen. Thes and the Balt Balt Balt Balt and we couldn't stop him tonight with our lack of themsi-y! Hansen coach Mikes Pielfer

said.

Hansen (4-3 overall, 2-2 conference) pulled to within 55-53 with eight seconds remaining on Bryan Caresias 3-pointer, but that shot concluded the

but that shot concluded the secoring.

C.J. Tuckett added by points for Ital River.

Kyle King made four 3-point-ers on his way to leading Hausen with 26 points. Caresia chipped in with 10 points.

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Oakley at home 58-57 Thusday
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the half and survived an Oakley
rally thanks in part to better
performance at the foul line.
MVCA shot 71 percent from the
charly stripe while the Hornets
managed 50 percent.
Magic Valley Christian senior
Cody Griffith led all scorres with
24 points while shooting 9-of10 on free throws. Griffith was
honored at halftime for scoring
1,000 points during his high
school career.
"Guys played tough and kept
ther beads," said Conquerors
coach Kevin Bickel.

ach Kevin Bickel. n McBride paced the Hor-

nets with 14 points.

MYCA (6-3) visits Raft River Jan. 6. Oakely (1-5) visits Baft River Jan. 5.

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Carey 70, Dietrich 58

DHTRICH — Behind 26 points from Tad Green, Carey topped Dietrich 70-58 on the road Tuesday night in Northside

conference play.

Brad Hunt and Allen Peck also had large nights for the

Local sports

Panthers, scoring 17 and 15 points, respectively. Green also grabbed 10 boards for a double-double. "It was a fast-paried more."

double.
"It was a fast-paced game,"
said Dietrich Coach Wayne Dill,
"We couldn't stop Tad Green in-side."

side."

Jackson Hill led the Blue
Devils with 17 points and
Bryant Pitman had 16.

Carey (6-3, 3-0) goes to Bliss
on Jan. 4. Dietrich (2-8, 1-3) visits the Community School on
Jan. 4.

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Mountain Home 51

JEROME — Jerome defeated Mountain Home 55-51 at home Tuesday night in nonconfer-

Tuesday night in nonconfer-ence play.

Brett Boesiger led the Tigers with 12 points and Chance Craig put up nine.

"Overall we played pretty well tonight," said Jérome cóach Houston Him. "Offensively, we executed well."

Jerome (3.-5) visits Burley tonight at 6 p.m.

Jerome 55, Mountain Home 51

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Declo 61, Kimberly 20

DECLO — Declo put together a balanced team effort in downing Kimberly, 61-20.

"We played good defense and just executed fairly well." Declo coach. Val. Christensen said.
"We've been struggling a little bit but were learning a lot as we've gone. We've had good in-dividual efforts but tonight was astrong team effort."
Kayla Poulton paced Declo (2-10 overall, 2-2 Sawtooth Central Idaho Conference) with 19 points. Emily Ramsey added 12 points while Holly, Hurst chipped in with 11.

Whitiney Funk scored seven—points to-load-Kimberly.

Declo, hosts American Falls on Jan. 65

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MIAMI — Dayane Wade had
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tounds, and Miani even offel its
winning streak to nine games.

The Heat improved to an
Eastern Conference-heest 20-9,
despite not having Shaquille
O'Neal — who missed his first
game of the season because of a
left calf bruise sustained in Sunday's win over Orlando.
Eddie lones added 17 points,
and Damon Jones scored 12
for Miami, which has won all
1-15-games-this-season-in-whichit eclipsed the 100-point mark.
Paul Pierce had 25 points for
Boston (11-13), which missed a

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MAITA — An Oakley 3-point attempt at the buzzer rimmed out as host Baft River escaped with a 25-23 Magic Valley Southside Conference win. "It was just back and forth the whole game," Baft River coach feremy Quall's said.
Lisa Lee scored seven points, to leaf Raft-River [9-3 overall, 5-1 conference."

Jenna Peterson paced Oakley with eight points. Raft River hosts Lighthouse Christian Jan. 4.

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POCATELLO — Burley won its fourth game in a row with a 41-40 victory at Century.
Burley's Amber Funk stole a Century inbound pass with 1.8 seconds to seal the victory.
"That was the biggest steel of her career right, there." Burley coach Gordon Kerbs said.
Burley took advantage of Century in transition in the fourth quarter, breaking their opponent's press for layuns.
Funk and Kandace Dalton each scored II points to lead the Bobcats (7-4 overall).
Burley hosts Twin Falls on Jan. 4.

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AINJENTON — Shoshone remained undefeated on the sesson with a 55-36 nonconference road victory over Valley. Megan Sorensen led the Indians with 15 points while going 5-fo-6a the line. "It was a well-played game," think we got a little tired at the end."

Viking Lindsy Wood led all

Shoshone 55, Valley 36

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BUII. — American Falls recovered from an early defleit to
down Buhl 33-24 in nonconference girls basketball play.

Buhl held an B-4 lead after the
first quarter, but the Beavers responded in the second with a
14-4 effort to take an 1B-12 lead,
into the half.

'Very tough-fought game by
both teams, said Buhl coach
Mitch 'Oparnico. 'We just
faded.'

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Tipton led the Indians with
eight points each.
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Wrestling Kimberly sweeps tri-match

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BURLEY — The Class 3A Kinberly Bulldogs showed their toughness Tuesday night, dominating Class 4A Burley and Wood River in a tri-match at Burley ligh School.

The Bulldogs downed Burley 51-24 and Wood River 68-6 thanks to strong performances from loey and Sonny Silva. Both Silvas downed ranked opponents. Sonny beat Wood River's Murdock - Miller 8-2 at 130 pounds while loey downed Wolverines 171-pounder Greg Lyons 5-1.

Burley heavyweight Eric Floyd had a solid night, taking only a combined 46 seconds to pin Wood River's Christian Aguire and Kimberly's Jordan Eyring.

Results Burley 42, Wood River 35

Kimberly 51, Burley 24

Kimberly 68, Wood River 6

LeBron, Cavs beat K.G., Timberwolves

CLEVILAND (AP) — LeBron lames had 26 points with 12 as-sists, and the Cleveland Cavaliers answered every time-Minnesota-threatened-in-the-fourth quarter in a 107-97 win over the l'imberwolves on Tues-day night.

Zydrunas ilgauskas added 25

Igauskas added 25 points, and Jeff McInnis had 21 for the Cavaliers, who kept their poise down the stretch against one of the West-ern Conference's top teams one game after they blew a 15-point lead in the fourth quarter and lost

NBA to Boston.
Kevin Garnett had 26 points.
Kevin Garnett had 26 points.
13 rebounds and six assists for
the Timbervolves. Sam Cassell
added 19 points, and Troy Hudson 15 — 10 in a 2:24 span of the

fourth — as Minnesota stormed back. The Timberwolves played without forward Latreli Sprewell-who sprained-his-left-foot last week.

chance to reach .500 for the first time this season. Mavericks 123,

Knicks 94

NEW YORK — Josh Howard had career highs of 26 points and 16 rebounds, and Dallas opened a 39-point halftime lead in a demolition victory over New

in a demonutor, very very vort.

Dirk Nowitzki scored 23 points, all in the first half, and Michael Finley added 21 for the Mawericks. In what was easily their most lopsified victory of the season.

New York allowed Dallas to repeatedly score with ease on the inside, surrendering 100 points before the third quarter ended.

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The Mavs eventually went ahead by as many as 46 in defeat-ing the Knicks for the seventh straight time and securing their lifth consecutive road win.

Nets 94. Bobcats 91

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Richard Jefferson scored 26 points and lifted the New Jersey Nets past the Charlo

Nets past the Charlotte Bobcats, snapping the Bobcats' five-snapping the Bobcats' five-game, home-winning streak, lefterson scored II of New Ju-sey's final 14 points as the Nets won for the first time in four games. Vince Carter, recently ac-quired by the Nets in a trade with Toronto, still hasn't played for New Jersey because of a som Achillies' tendon. Nets center Nemad Krate had 13 metries and 13 metries in Net.

Nets center Nemad Krste had 13 points and 12 rebounds in his first NBA start but was ejected midway through the third quar-ter for hitting Gerald Wallace in the face with an elbow while clearing room after a rebound. Krstle was averaging 11 minutes and_four_points_not_game_butand four points per game, but was the game's leading scorer and rebounder when he was

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stow things down.
The Pirates took over in the
second. Dusty Vader nailed a 3pointer and Cory Potter
completed a drive in the lane.
Tim lay, who pacced lagerman
with a game-high 13 points,
scored in the paint as lagerman regained the lead, 11late in the half.
Pryor hit the only Wolves

man regamed the lead, 11-10 late in the half.
Pryor hit the only Wolves basket of the quarter, a 3-pointer, and Castleford led the low-scoring first half 13-11.
The teams traded baskets early in the third, Tverdy hit a

pair of free throws while Miguel Maya scored on the fast break for the 22-17 lead.

Kyle Vader hit one of his two long bombs to start the fourth and the score was tied. Pryor answered with a trey, but Vader came right back for another and the Pirates led 29-28 with five minutes left on the clock.

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second mark. Twice in final secsecond mark. Twice in final sec-onds the Pirates fouled Castuford and each time the Wolves were unable to connect. On the offensive end turnovers sunk Hagerman with one pass going out of bounds and the other into Tverdy's hands. Gaston said a key for his team was rebounding. "We got the rebounds tonight and we really needed them," said Gaston, who's team Inishled-with-a-37-31-edge-on-the boards.

Hagerman coach Kevin Cato said the game showed where

his team can improve

his team can improve.
"It was a pretty disappointing loss for our kids," said Cato.
"It showed weaknesses in our
individual games. We need to
get better at the little things."

Castleford 35, Hagerman 33

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Shanahan may have worn out welcome

By Eddie Pells Associated Press writer

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DENVER — Just like many of DENVER — Just like shanahan has reached that point with the Denver Broncos. But saddy for the franchise, the city and, yes, even Shanahan himself, there is no not to give him the push. That would be the job of the owner, Pal Bowlen, who is out of touch with reality. He's got four texpletively years to go on his contract, and firm not firing him. Bowlen said recently, standing firm on a stance he took many months ago.

Howlen is loval to Shanahan

Bowlen is loyal to Shanahan Bowlen is loyal to Shanahan largely because of the two Super Bowl titles the coach brought to Denver, a city that long yearned

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for a championship. That loyalty is to be commended.

But the NFI. is a business—a
business about winning—and
that last Super Bowl victory
cartie, six seasons ago. Since
then, 20 of the NFIs 32 teams
have won playoff games, and
Denver is not one of them.

In total command of the
coaching and personnel fronts.
Shanathan put together a record
over the past six seasons that
would cost many coaches without Super Bowl rings their jobs.
Since they won the Super
Bowl and John Elway retired,
the Bönnoss are 52-42,0-2 lin the
playoffs. They start fast — 13-3
over the first quarter of the last
four seasons—and finish poorju—22-24 over the final three
quarters of those years, with
two games still to go in 2004.

Their 45-17 loss to Kansas City on Sunday, an embarrass-ment-for—which Shanahan righty took the blame, dropped Denver to 8-6 and left the Bro-cos in jeopardy of missing the playoffs. Not that it would matter much. A trip to Indianapolis for a first-round playoff game anight be worse than just ending the season. Jan. 2 at home, against Peyton Manning and the Coles in the regular-season finale.

finale.
Shanahan's faults have been debated around rigorously debated around Denver over the past few

weeks.

Conclusions: As a coach, he is known as "The Mastermind." known as "The MastermInd." but without the talent to put his game plans into action, he looks like a C student.

The quick starts and stagger-ing finishes each season reveal a coach who comes out with

great schemes, then does little to counter the adjustments opposing coaches make. As a personnel man, Shanahan looked brilliant picking up Terrell Davis in the sixth round, turning Shannon Sharpe into a star and bringing out the brilliance in Rod Smith.

But the more recent record has been nowhere near as flat-

has been howhere near as flat-tering.

The decision to trade for Champ Bailey might have been the right one, but the team isn't better because of it.

Meanwhile, the lake Plum-mer signing looks worse with every interception. It is the sign of a coach with a big ego—one steeped in the misguided belief that he can turn a mediocre quarterback into something more.

more.
It's time for Shanny to go.
What he lacks is someone to
push him out.

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Women's Top 25

SPORTS IN BRIEF

Dodgers pull out

Dodgers pull out
of Randy Johnson deal
NEWYORK—The Los Angeles Dodgers withdrew Tuesday
from the proposed three-team.
10-player trade that would
have sent Randy Johnson from
the Arizona Diamondbacks to
the New York Yankees.
"As we sit here right now, the
deal is no more." Dodgers geneal manager Paul Del'Podlesta
said during a conference call.
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we weren't going to do the deal
unless it made sense for this

said during a conterence can. The been saying all along that wewerent going to do the deal unless it made sense for this club in 2005; and that was not the case."

Earlier in the day, an official of one of the teams and a person close to one of the players involved in the trade said the deal had been submitted early tuesday to baseball commissioner Bud Selig for approval. The two spoke on condition of anonymity.

But Pat Courtney, a spokesman in the commissioner's office, said in the afternoon that more documentation had to be submitted before Selig could consider the complex transaction.

Los Angeles would have received right-hander lavier Vazquez from the Yankees along with two top prospects, catcher Dioner Navarro and half baseman Eric Duncan. The Dodgers also would have gotten pitcher Mike Koplove from Arizona. Arizona would have gotten pitcher Mike Koplove from Arizona would have gotten pitcher Mike Koplove from Arizona. Arizona would have gotten pitcher Mike Koplove from Arizona. Arizona would have gotten pitcher Mike Koplove from Arizona. Arizona would have gotten pitcher Mike Koplove from Arizona. He Dodgers Along with Johnson, the Vankees would have gotten pitcher Kaz Ishil from Los Angeles.

AP tells BCS to stop using its poil

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NEW YORK — The Associated Press has told the Bowl Championship Series to stop using its college football poil to determine which teams play for the national title and in the most prestigious bowl games. The BCS has used the AP poil of 65 writers and broadcasters as a component in its rankings since the system was implemented by officials from the Big East, Big 12. Big Fen. Atlantic Coast Conference, and Notro Dame in 1998. The AP said such use was never sanctioned and had reached the point where it threatened to undermine the independence and integrity of the poil.

The AP sent BCS coordinator Kevin Weiberg a cease-and-desist letter, dated Dec. 21, studing that use of the poil is unlawful and harms the AP's reputation.

UNIV for the NFL
The 41-year-old Cunningham, a pastor, was awarded a
degree in leisure studies after
returning to complete the necessary college credits.
Cumingham played for the
Philadelphia Engles, Minnesota Vikings, Dallas Cowboys and
Baltimore Ravens before retiring in 2002.
He-played three seasons at
UNIV. and left for the NFL in
1984.

Petrino will now earn \$1, million a year

Petrino Will now earn \$5.1 million a year LOUISVILLE, Ky. Louisville coach Bobby Petrino signed a new contract Tuesday that will pay him \$1 million a year and a \$100.000 bonus if the Cardinals win the national championship. The \$13-year-old Petrino was making \$550.000 a year under his old contract. The new deal adds a \$50.000 bonus if the Cardinals reach the Bowl the Cardinals reach the Bowl the Cardinals win it. Louisville will join the Big East next season. The Cardinals were not eligible automatically qualify for the BCS as members of Conference USA.

The No. 7 Cardinals went 10-1 his season, earned the highest ranking in school his tory and led'the nation in points and yards a game. Petrino has been mentioned as a candidate for several major olaulist plays in the was never going anywhere.

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The Cardinals play No. 10
Boise State (11-0) in the Liberty
Bowl on Dec. 31.

Memphis gives West contract extension

contract extension

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — Memphis coach Tommy West agreed to a one-year contract extension after leading the Tigers to back-to-back bowl games for the first time in the programs history.

West received the extension Monday while in Mobile, Ala, where the Tigers (8-3) play Bowling Green in the GMAC Bowl on Wednesday.

West's new contract runs through 2009 and raises his income to \$800,000 a year. The \$200,000 rise comes primarily from pay for radio and TV shows featuring the Tigers (coach.

shows featuring the figers coach.
Under West, who came to Memphis in 2001, the Tigers went 9-4 last year and played in the postseason for the first time in 32 years, beating North Texas in the New Orleans Bowl.

GMAC Bowl foes enjoying revivals

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MOBILE. Ala. — When
DeAngelo Williams arrived at
Memphis, the Tigers had just
completed their seventh consecutive losing season and
were about to endure No. 8.

The GMAC Bowl between
Memphis and Bowling Green
on Wednesday night is a
chance for two once downand-out programs to offer
further evidence of impressive
turnarounds — and to showcase two of the nations too
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case two of the nations top offenses.

Memphis, which ended a 32-year bowl exide last season, is in the postseason two years in a row for the first time.

Bowling Green, meanwhile, is bowling, for green — a \$750,000 payout — back-top-back years for only the second time and first since the 1991-92 seasons. The Falcons are also trying to continue the Mid-American Conference's necent winning postseason ways.

MAC teams have won eight of their last nine bowl games.

Here's your chance: 450 Flesta tickets released

Flesta tickets released
SALT LAKE CITY — The
Mountain West Conference
and the Flesta Bowl delivered
an early Christmas present to
Utain fans Tuesday, releasing,
450 tickets to the New Year's
night game against Pittsburgh.
The tickets can be bought by
calling the Utah Ticket Office at
801-581-UTIX (8849) or visiting a Web site set up to sell the
tickets www.utahtickets.com.
Game and plane tickets have
been hard to come by since it
was announced that Utah
would play in the Flesta, marking the first time a non-major
conference team had played in.
Bowl Championship Series
game.

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Eagles must face playoffs without Owens

playoffs without Owens
—PHILADELPHIA—The parade is on hold. Those plane tickets to the Super Bowl are being double-checked to see if they te refundable.

Move over Boston. Quit crylif Chicago. Want to talk about hexes and curses? Move to Philadelphia, Subvibating and game-breaking wide receiver for the Eagles, is out for the rest of the regular season, the playoffs and probably the Super Bowl—If they get that far—with a sprained ankle.

TO has been TKOU for they are and suddenly fains and players in Minnesota. Green Bay and Atlanta are smilling.

The news hit the Eagles (13—10) on Monday like a sucker punch to the gair — Owens is likely finished and needs surgery a crippling blow to a team that has lost three straight NFC tide games.

Owens, who has 77 catches

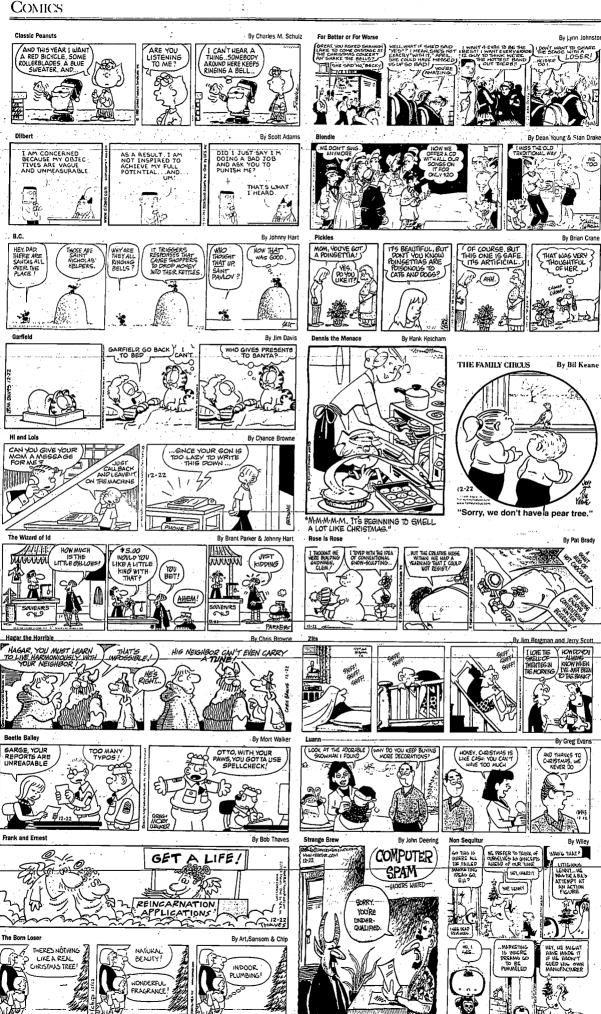
title games.
Owens, who has 77 catches for 1,200 yards and a team-record 14 touchdowns, also has a fracture a few inches record 14 touchdowns, also, has a fracture, a few inches below his knee. Head trainer Rick Burkholder said the frac-ture is not as serious, and will be allowed to head on its own. Owens will have surgery Wednesday and stands only an outside shot at being able to play in the NPIs. champi-onship game on Feb. 6.

Cunningham graduates

Cunningham graduates from UNLV after 20 years LS VEGAS — Randall Cunningham figured one day his children would ask whicher he graduated from college. The former NFL quarterback wanted to make sure he had the right answer. — Cunningham—roceived—his bachelor's degree Monday, more, than, two, decades, after, the star quarterback left the

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Section E

BRIEFLY IN MONEY

Parents can make payments online

TWIN FALLS — Parents ca now make their child suppo

payments online

TWIN FALLS — Parents can
now make their child'support
payments, online through the
felatio Department of Health
and Welfare's Web site.

The new payment process is
designed to reduce payment
processing times and could reduce the state's risk of receiving
bad checks, the state said in a
statement Tuesday.

The system is available in
both langlish and Spanish, and
felatio Child Support Services
customers can make credit
card or debit card payments —
for a nominal fee — though a
secure payment server. The system records transactions
automatically and also provides a payment history for the
last five transactions.

"We are ulways looking for
vays to make child support
payments easier on parents.
says Vicke Vanderwerff, who
headed the project for the Departicularly, helpful, for, parents who work long futurs or
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parents with options, we can
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JEROME — Seattle-based
Washington Federal Inc. — parent of Washington Federal
Savings — on Tuesday announced a quarterly cash
dividend of 21 cents per share.

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The dividend will be payable
famuary 1-1 to common stockholders of record on December
31. This is Washington Federal's
180th consecutive quarterly cash
dividend.

Washington Federal Savings
provides residential real estate
loans, checking, money market
accounts and certificates of deposit through 120 offices in
eight states: The company reported 57.2 billion in assets and
\$4.6 billion in deposits as of
Sept. 30.

Top execs at Fannie Mae are forced out

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WASHINGTION — The chief
executive and top financial officer at mortgage giant. Earnic
Mae have been forced, out,
congressional and industry
sources saff hesday, as the nation's second largest financial
institution struggles with revelations of auditing
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lations of auditing improprieties. Chief executive Franklin Raines and chief financial offi-cer Timothy Howard were forced to resign, according to congressional and industry sources who spoke on condi-tion of amounting as furbral tion of anonymity, as federal officials intensified their inves-tigations into revelations that the company will probably be forced to restate \$9 billion or

forced to tessues — more in carnings over the past four years. — A review by the Securities and Eschange Commission determined last week that Paunie Mae must restate earnings back to 2001 because it violated accounting rules for derivatives — financial instruments used to hedge against interest-rate swings — and for some prepaid leans.

Microsoft sells mag to Washington Post

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Washington — Microsoft Corp. sold its popular
slate online magazine Itesday to The Washington Post
Co., a move that makes States
political commentary and
quirky feature articles more
throadly available across the
Internet.

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Terms of the deal were not disclosed, though Slate cellior Jacob Welsberg said the amount was a very respectable, impressive price. Microsoft has said Slate, with roughly 6 million readers monthly breaks even financially but lant consistently profitable. Microsoft had sought-a-buyer-since-the-summer.

Shepard moves to chamber

BURLEY — Bob Shepard doesn't want to be seen by the community as a one-trick

community as a one-trick pony.

Shepard, Mini-Cassia's economic development director, is moving his olifice to the Mini-Cassia Chamber of Commerce building after looking his to relocating the office at the Barley-Heyburn Industrial Park.

With development underway at the park, Shepard said he helieves he needs to be near the facility to assist the city of Burley and The Boyer Company, the Salt Lake (Jity-based company that has taken over



incubator at-the facility prompted his, desire to be on site, but he told members

Bob Shejard to did members of the Mini-Cassia Economic Development Commission this week there is also a need for him to have some distance from the park. "There are pros and cons to my being located at the site." Shepard said. "One con is that there is a perception in the community that I am there to

of the site.

She pard
said plans to
incorporate a
small business

benefit the industrial park and such is not the case, lobs alsuch is not the case, lobs alsusys have been and still are, the number one priority.

By locating his office at the chamber building, Shepard said he will be close enough for the site to work with the Small Business Development Center when an incubator is established. The location will also mean that business entities not associated with the industrial site may be more confortable working with him.

Shepard initially set up his office at the College of Southern Idaho's Mint-Cassia Center when he was lined in February to take the local in the area's economic development efforts.

The business incubator will

be located at the industrial park in the former cafeteria park in the former cafeteria park in the former cafeteria building. At least two others will have offices in that building as well including the onsign of the company of the company of the company of the park capable of the company of the park capable of the company of the comp

Shepard encouraged local community leaders to consider urban renewal districts and asked Minidoka County Comissioner Marvin Bingham to discuss his view of the districts.

Bingham told the commission he and his colleagues are concerned that urban renewal districts would take taxable property off the tax rolls and create public-owned businesses that would compete with private enterprise.

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Bingham said the comis-sioners favor the idea of intermodal commerce authori-ties over urban renewal districts but have not made up their minds and will look at all outlook.

Dollar's fall a mixed bag in U.S.

Los Angeles Times

GJENDALE: Calif. — Walter Schreber should be as sour as his kraut. Thanks to the dollar's long side against Europe's currency, the Glentalet. Calif., deli owner is continually forced to raise prices on his imported ignus, dumplings and pickled cabbage. — That ought to put a crimp in business. Bitt Schreiner says sales havent slowed. "People accept higher prices, 'If it's an lient they definitely want,' he said.

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'Doug Youngdabl, who rums a cooperative of 4,000 California almond grovers, should be thrilled that the dollar is expected to keep falling. That will make the nuts more competitive in foreign markets.

Instead, he's worried. There's a finite supply of almonds, which means Increased demand overseas will boost the price paid by U.S. consumers. That might permanently slake their appetite.

"You can win in Germany and lose in San Francisco." Youngdahl said.

As the almond executive and deli proprietor illustrate in their different ways, the falling dollar might not benefit the economy as much as the Bush administration has permeter the supplied of the strong dollar but is widely described as quiedy urging its fall. Its apparent hope: that an orderly economy by boosting expore

devaluation will stimulate the economy by boosting exports and trimming imports. But Schreiner Youngdahl and others on the front lines of im-porting and exporting say-the dollars influence is often over-

dona's anneces are the dollar has been declining for several years, with an especially pronounced drop of more than 50 percent against the ours.

than 50 percent against un-cum.
Vet imports are still rising faster than exports. Many things Americans cover, such as com-puters. It's sets and name-brand clothing, aren't made in the United States anymore. If the factories have fied, the farms remain. But even Ameri-ca's agricultural exports, which have made a positive contribu-



Walter Schreiner, a dell owner in Glandale, Calif. Walter Schreiner, a dell owner in Glendale, Calif., says sales haven't slowed despit ported products. 'People accept higher prices, if it's an item they definitely want.' ed despite rising prices for Im-

ported products. People accept a tion to its balance of trade for decades, will be roughly equal to its imports in 2005, thanks in part to a sanging appetite for ex-olic foods, the government recently calculated. For a weak follar to be a silver bullet, to fix our deficits and make all of our businesses competitive again.

our deficits and make all of our businesses competitive again, we'll end up no better off than we'll end up no better off than we were when the dollar was strong," said Al Lubrano, presi-dent of Technical Materials Inc., a Rhode Island specialty metals manufacture. Its possible of course, that the latest dollar decline simply larger laster lown groups of

me latest dollar decline simply hasn't lasted long emough to have much effect, likalist possible that it is already making a chifference—and-that the trade-deficit, monstrous as it is, would be even more out of whack without the 3-year-old decline.
But economists the source

But economists cite several reasons the effect will be muted, even if the greenback continues to fall

to fall.

Trade, they point oft, is not nearly as simple as it once was. Many U.S. manufacturers import materials to make the products they intend to export, so a dollar fall helps and hurts, so a dollar fall helps and hurts. Furthermore, foreign economies from lapan to lait open are relatively feethe, so it an open question how many

Muted impact

While the dollar has fallen about 16% on a trade-weighted basis in the last three years, the price of imports excluding fuel has risen only about 3.5%

Trade-weighted dollar index and index of import prices, excluding fuel, monthly data /¹²⁵ Jan 2002 120 128.8 115

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more American imports they can take. an take.

As for the U.S. market, it's such a cruckal one for many foreign companies that they will shave their profit margins rather than raise prices to stay competitive.

Moreover, the dollar's decline hassit been consistent against all currencies. Although it's been hammered against the curo, the greenback is fixed

against the Chinese yuan. And China is the trading partner that counts the most these days, the one with the best products for the lowest prices. "The decline of the dollar will

"The decline of the donar wan have more effect on who we im-port from than the amount we import," said Charles W. McMil-lion, chief economist at MBG Information Services in Wash-ington, "Instead of importing Please see FALL, Page E2

Experts list ways to make

your gain Knight Ridder News Service

dollar's loss

DALIAS — Falling dollar, weak dollar, eroding dollar — even casual investors have probably noticed that they are hearing these phrases a lot late-

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The U.S. dollar is down about 30 percent against the euro since, early 2002, and many comomists believe it could droup even further. Small investors may be wondering if any of this affects their pocketbook — it does — and more specifically how they should play the currency issue to their advantage — evry carefully.

"Some people think they can predict currency swings, but it's just like trying to guess the direction of the stock market. It is very difficult," said Ray Mills, portfolio manager of the 'I. Rowe Price International Growth and Income fund in Baltimore.

A falling dollar, like falling rain, can be a mixed blessing, If the pace of the fall is slow and measured, a cheaper dollar can benefit the economy, Otherwise, a weak currency could signatura approaching egonomic week.

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The first and most obvious impact of a weaker dollar is that it lowers the prite of what we sell overseas (exports) and raises the price of what we buy from other countries (imports). Say a product made in the United States costs \$100 and in Japan sells for 10,000 yen, if the dollar weakens, that same \$100 product can be jurchased for say 8,000 yen, it's cheaper for the Japanese consumer.

Conversely, foreign-made products are inner expensive to Americans. An American shopper eventually will pay more for grapes from Chile, for example, if the dollar continues to fall.

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Debit cards can have hidden pitfalls

Knight Ridder News Service

PHHADELPHIA — Debit cards are everywhere this holiday season — more popular for shoppers even than cash or credit cards, according to the National Retail Federation.

National Retail Federation.
One reason consumers say
they prefer debit to credit is that
they re-spending their own
funds, not money lent by a
bank. With debit cards, they say,
they can't get into a hole, and
don't have to pay extra for interest, late fees, or other annoying
charges.

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As some consumers have
learned the hard way, debit
earls come with their own pitfalls, just ask loe! Spiller of
Churchville, Pa, about his recent
dispute with Wachovia Bank
over his son jeremy's account.
In one month this fall, Jeremy
spiller used his Vlsa Check eard
for 10 purchases and eight withdrawals, totaling less than \$250.
En route, he generated nearly
\$140 in fees—almost all to Wachovia, and almost all for
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\$12, in one case, Spiller apparently was charged \$31 for an \$12. In one case, Spiller apparently was charged \$31 for an

11-cent overdraft.

11-vent overdraft, a debit-card account?

One answer is that Wachovia, like mainy banks, routinely lets debit transactions go through even if you don't have enough money in your account.

Though consumer advocates compilant that such practices generate steep fees—and suspect they're designed with that purpose in mind — Wachovia says it allows overdrafts as a courtesy.

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"Most people don't want to be "most people don't want to be a start of the says of the sa "Most people don't want a membarrassed when they're in the checkout line with a week's worth of groceries," says spokeswoman Barbara Nate. worth a spokeswoman Barbara Nate. "They don't want to have to go home widhout them," or come up with another way to pay. Nor do they want important checks, such as mortgage or rent payments to bounce.

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Wachovia and other banks
offer ways to avoid its \$31 over-draft fee, though each carries its
own complications.
One is to sign up for overdraft or-protection, which Wachovia of-iers through links ror a savings
account or to a credit card.

Under either plan, overdrafts

are still paid — you're still able to get your groceries, or with-draw beyond your available funds at a bank machine — and

to get your groceries, or withdraw beyond your available
funds at a bank machine—and
your overdrafts will still generate fees, But the cost drops from
\$31 per overdraft to \$5 apiece.
Another approach is to ask
the bank to set your overdraft
Jimit to Zero. II you do that,
you'll never have to face a \$31
overdraft charge for buying a \$4
hoagic, as Spiller was.
But be careful about a side-effect of that choice, at -least-atWachovia: The bank also won't
yay any checks If you don't have
adequate available funds. As a
result, your rent or mortgage
payment could bounce.

Is there a middle ground—
say, allowing overdrafts on
checks but blocking them on
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Growing rural economy hinges on retaining small businesses number of jobs still may slump. But the jobs offered by small-local businesses are more sta-ble, noted Doug Tweedy, north-central Idahos regional labor economist for Idaho Commerce and Labor. Tamployers are really conser-

The Associated Press

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LEWISTON — Economic development can conjure ideas of 500-employee call centers and 000-employee manufacturers moving to rural Idaho from fast-paced California cines.

In reality, a slight growth in bushesses in the five counties of north-central Idaho is the result of a quieter form of economic development.

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Strail Dusinesson, regional director of the Idaho Small Business Development Center at Lewis-Clark State College.

Small businesses are living one or two employees that, without the glitter of a large enterprise moving in, have helped create jobs in the five-county region.

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create Jobs in the twe-coursy re-gion.

That doesn't necessarily equate to more Jobs in the area, Last spring, Idaho Commerce, and Labor reported Nez Perce County had Jost more than 1-300 Jobs in the previous year. If a larger business closes and two small ones open, the total

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sation when they are small," he said.

They don't hire new employees without a plan and without confidence. Tweedy said-mud-the they have been they be it is usually with the intent that the positions will be permanent. The growth of businesses on the Camas Prairie and the Clearwater Valley can be partly credited to economic development specialists, he said.

"To fill in the gaps, these economic development specialists, he said businesses, but have the small businesses, but have helped build buildings," Tweedy said.

Specialists hired with money.

said.
Specialists hired with money allocated by Commerce and Labor have been involved in the business incubators being builtr at Elk City and the Orofino Please see ECONOMY, Page E3

Dow rises to 3.5-year high

NEWYORK (AP) — The stock market barreled higher Thessiday, sending the Dow Jones, industrials to a new 3-1/2 yearing a series of the property of the property

posture producting investors of further returns.
The Dow rose 97.83, or 0.92 percent, to 10.759.43, It was the best close for the Dow since lune 13; 2001, surpassing the previous 2001 high of 10.737.70 set on Feb. 11.
Broader stock indicators also made substantial gains. The Standard & Poor's 500 index was up 10.78, or 0.9 percent, at 1,205.43, just below the 3.5-year high of 1.205.72 set on Wednesday. The Nasdaq composite index gained 23.06, or 1.08 percent, to 2.150.91, less



than 12 points shy of last Wednesday's multiyear high. Barry Berman, head-trader for Robert W. Baird & Co. in Milwaukee, said the market was being driven by an overall positive outlook for the econo-my, lower oil prices, hisorically low interest rates as well as sen-sonal buying that tends to lift shares in the last weeks of the year.

"There's a lot of positives going on right now," Berman said, "Even on the days where there has been bad news, the market has rebounded really werl!"

market has rebounded really well."
While brokerage stocks remained volatile, the 2005 outlooks from Morgan Stanley and Bear Stearns Companies, line, renewed investors' hopes that the first half of the new year will see continued economic and earnings growth.

Bear Stearns reported a 22 percent jump in profits, well above analysts' forceasts, but its shares were off \$1.80 at \$102.70 as a possible sale of the company was seen as less likely, Morgan, Stanley also beat expectations and gained 85 cents at \$54.50 despite missing

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

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BOISE — As many as 400 new jobs will be added to the IPS Corp. call center in Boise, the company announced.
The jobs — with starting pay of between \$12 and \$15 per hour — are expected to inject nearly 100 million a year into the United States Navy Marine Corps. The intranet consolidates more than 1,000 independent Navy and Marine Corps computer networks at bases in the United States and oversens into one network. Call center employees will provide technical support for those using the site.

Boise was chosen for the expansion because of its skilled work force and because EDS already has an office in the area.

Boise call center will add 400 jobs

ny's enterprise client executives.

LEDS already employs about 500 people at its Boise call center.

About 7.500 people are employed by business transaction centers in the Boise area, Boise Metro Chamber of Commerce vice president Shirl Boyce said. The centers provide services including technical Support, billing and processing and credit card services.

"These are not outbound cold-calling centers," he said. Idaho's chief economist, Mike Ferguson, said although the \$10 million payroll figure may seem relatively small when compared to the state's, total personal income of \$36, billion, its still an important addition to the area.

"It's all good from an 'eco-

dition to the area.

"It's all good from an eco-nomic standpoint," Ferguson said.

Although it can vary by in-dustry. Ferguson said that when companies like EDS add new jobs to an area, the same number of jobs are created to support the basic daily needs of

support the basic daily needs of those new employees. Businesses such as barber shops, supermarkets, flower shops and more all profit from new job explansion, Ferguson, said. Koehler said the Boise opera-tion will be the third EDS call center set up to support the Navy-Marine Corps intranet. "Our Norfolk and San Diego facilities are operating at capac-facilities are operating at capac-

"Our Norfolk and San Diego facilities are operating at capacity and cannot house the additional personnel needed to support - the 4 ever-growing NMC1 network." Kochier said. Carrently, about 250,000 people use the network. That could grow to up to 455,000 users, he said.

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televisions or blue jeans from the mid-range developed coun-tries, we'll import it all from China."

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In theory, a sustained drop in the "dollar will introduce a much-needed period of solriety after years in which the federal government and consumers have spent money in a carefree and even careless fash-

ion, economists say.
As exports-rise and imports

slump, the trade deficit will shrink. Confronted with higher prices, consumers will save instead of spend. That will help finance the governments massive budget deficit.

The Bush administration is counting on the dollar to fall because, its critics say, it has no other means to get the deficits under control.

"If you don't want to raise taxes or cut government

taxes or cut government spending or benefits, what do

you do? You talk about the doliar and hope it goes down," said William Reinsch, president of the National Foreign Trade Council, a Washington lobbying group whose members are multinational corporations.

But "unless there's an overwhelming change in the value of the dollar versus the whole world, the net effect is a to less than you would think, and lo' less than it used to be," he said,

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For investors, there are op-portunities—but also pitfalls.
The United States imports considerably more than it ex-ports, and the result is that Europe and Asia are now awash in U.S. coin.

Whether it's dollars or doughnuts, the price drops whentheres too much of it. That's why
the dollar has gotten weaker
compared to other currencies.
"If you increase the supply of
anything—in this case it's dollars — relative to foreign

currencies, that pushes down the value, said John Lonski, chief economist at Moody's In-vestors Service in New York. That's the basis for under-standing, as an investor, possible ways to benefit from the falling dollar.

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When Grangeville residents started looking at economic development 20 years ago recruitment was done by volunteers, said leff Kutner, chairman of the Ida-Lew Economic Development Council at Grangeville.

After years of working with little gain, it became apparent a staff person was needed to work on economic development full time.

In 2001. Gov. Dirk Kempthorne backed a plan to set aside \$500,000 to the pic conminimities hire economic development specialists and innoncertural development. The level of the picture of the

in those counties participate as partners, contributing money for office space, travel and other expenses.

Three years into the program, the specialist for Idaho and Lewis counties and another in Clearwater County deal not so much with recruitment of big businesses, but with nutruring small local businesses, said Chris Kuykendall, economic development specialist for the Orofino-based Clearwater County Economic Development Association.

As a result, she headed the first "boot camp" recently for about 20 aspiring entrepreneurs and small business sowners.

Shaun Maxey is the Grangeville-based economic development specialist for Idaho and Lewis counties.

"It's easy to fall into the trap of recruiting business and ignore existing businesses that Justneed a little help," Maxey said.

By helping those businesses, when said, all business benefits.

"We might not do anything for you, but the two Jobs we saved in the next town may shop at your store," said IdaLewis chairman Kutner.

Other areas represented by specialists around the state — like Magic Valley — have had bigger Job growth than north-central Idaho has had, says Doug Thompson, business de

velopment specialist for Idaho Commerce and Labor. But north-central Idaho has some "unique obstacles" that pose challenges for area eco-nomic development leaders. Thompson said, Those obsta-cles include rebuilding the economy of a resource-depen-dent region with inadequate transportation and technology infrastructure.

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ago.

The initial cost was hard to anticipate and it ended up costing more. Anderson said.

As a result, it took longer to see profits increase. But that's happening now Anderson said, and profits are only part of the upside of moving to kalon. The state's low crime rate, recreation opportunities, housing prices and an overall cost of living are some major benefits, he said.

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COMMUNITY EVENTS -

M.V. Duplicate Bridge Club announces winners

TWIN FALLS — The Magic Valley Duplicate Bridge Club has announced its weekly-win-

s: Dec. 9 Christmas party. Dec. 9 Christmas party, club championship: first, Rifey Burton and Bobette Plankey, second, Jessie Lingnaw and Sam Smutny; third, Mike Noss and Max Thoripson; and fourth, Betty Sabo and Rueben Technologies.

fourth, Betty Subo and masses. Tschaekofske.

Dec, 11 'Christmas jarty, club championship, first, Wilma Driscoll and lessie Linguage second, Nathan and Kay Higer third, Riley Burton and Peggy Hackley, fourth, foye Astorquia and Betty Grant; and hight B, Dorothy Nenzel and Vecta Balvers.

• Dec. 12: Seventeen tables attended the Twin Falls Unit's Dec. 12: sevenes
 attended the Twin Falls Units
 annual Christmas parry starting
 with a cattered dinner followed
 by the unit championship. Flight
 A winners for north/south: first,
 Enid Cook and Norma Prestdige
 ided for second and third over all: second, Craig and Lynda
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 for fourth and fifth. Riley Burton
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 Dec. 13 Christmas party, club championship: first, Mary Tucker and Leona Watson; sec-

ond, Milo Pearson and Duane Schneberger; and third, Doug Strand and Tom Wagner.

• Dee, 14 Christmas party, club championshigh; first, Patti-Cooper and Sue Skinners second, Berty Grant and Maxine Walkins; third, Dottle Miller and Mary Lee Pfefferic and fourth, Betry Sabo and Madcline Sawaya.

• Dee, 15 for north/south: first, Rubly Grimes and Doris Watts; second, Harold Bucher and Riley Burns and Bobette Plankey, EastAwest: first, lau Fitzhush, and Holly Mulliner; second, Dorothy-Nenzel and Peverly Reed; and third, tope Astorquia and Jessie Lingnaw.

The club meets at 7 p.m. every Monday and Thursday and at 1 p.m. every Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday at the Magic Valley Bridge Center, 246 Falls Ave, Refreshments are served.

For a partner, call 324-2000.

Rancher celebrates 80 years on Christmas

ROSEITE, Utah — Dee Kun-er of Rosette, Utah, will turn 80 n Christmas Day and celebrate on Christmas Day and celebrate with his family on Jan. I and at an open house in Park Valley at



which is family on Jan. I and at an open house in Park Valley at a later date.

Ite has family in the Mini-Cassia area, where he also has several acquaintances.

Several acquaintances.

Kunzler was born Dec. 25, 1924 in Brigham Cily.

Utah, grew up in Rosette and served in World War II.

Upon returning-time his high school sweetheart. Melva Tracy, on July 10, 1946, and they settled on the family ranch in Rosette. Where they have lived for the last 58 years.

Ite has four children: Cheryl (Glen) Leak, Marilyn (Sian) Moneur. Tracy Kunzler (deceased), and Del Dec (Keilie) Kunzler: 13 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Birthday greetings can be sent at HC 001, Park Valley, Utah 194329.

Heyburn Scout will receive Eagle award

PAUL - Keyan Blacker, 14.

son of Wallace and Lisa Blacker of Heyburn, will receive his Eagle Scout Award at a Court of Honor at 7 p.m. Sunday at the Ennerson 1st Ward of The Church of Jesus Christ of Lan-ter-day Saints, 127 S. 950 W., Paul.

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Paul.
He has 33 merit badges. For his Eagle Property of the last 34 merit badges. For his Eagle Property of the last 34 merit badges. For his Eagle Property of the last 34 merit badges. He collected and recorded data from the Paul Cemetery to be placed on a web's site for family history research. Keyan, his family and several members from his troop took pictures of each headstone, and several other people in his church typed in the data. The project took more than 153 hours to complete. He is a member of Troop 47 and in ninth grade at Minico High School.

Zion Lutheran schedules holiday services

holiday services
BURLEY — Zion Lutheran
Church, 2410 Miller Ave. has
several Christmas week services
scheduled.
The last Wednesday night Adent service will be held at 7
p.m. tonight. A Christmas Eve
candlelight service will begin at
8 p.m. and the Christmas Day
service at Il ogen at service at 10 a.m.
The services are open to the

community.

For more information, call the church office at 678-9621.

Christmas Eve services

Christmas Eve services
Will be in Burley
BURLEY — A Christmas Eve
candlelight service will be held
at 7 p.m. Friday at the First
Presbyterian Church, 2100
Burton Ave. with lots of Christ
mass music and the lighting of
the Christ candle. Those who
attend are asked to bring
canned food to donate to the
Itelping flands Mission in Burley. There will also be an
offering dedicated to the Itelping I lands Mission and the
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Friday at 678-5131.

Kimberly Public Library

adds new books

KIMBERLY — The Kimbe
Public Library, 120 Madison
has added several new books
its shelves.

s snewes. Christian fiction: "Home-Christian fiction: "Home-ward My, Heart," by Judith Pella, "Cowboy Christmas" by Catherine, Falmer, "Keeping Christmas" by Wanda Luttrell. "Sarah's Song," by Asren Kingsbury, "Prairie Christmas" by Pamela Griffin and Maryn Langer, "Room at the Inn" by Kristy Dykes, "Without A Trace" by Colleen Coble and "A Light To My Path" by Lynn N. Austin.

Hate by Lynn N. Austin.
Light To My Path" by Lynn N. Austin.
Adult nonfletion: "Gobs and Gobs of Free Stuff" by Matthew Lesko. "On Holy Ground" by Patholy Common Matthew Lesko. "On Holy Ground" by Patholy Common Matthew Light Could be a light of the Light County of Ronald Reagan" by Peggy Noonan, and "Then and Now in Southern Idaho" by Virginia Ricketts.

For more information, call the library at 423-4122.

CSI offers two judo

classes next month
TWIN FALLS — The College
of Southern Idaho is offering
non-credit Judo classes.

of Southern Idaho is offering non-credit Judo classes.
"Introduction to Judo", designed for students age 8 and older, will cover basic judo fundamentals, traditions and history. The course will be held from 630 to 730 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays, Jan. 4 through May 26 in gymnasium room 236 at CSI, 315 Fails Ave. E. The cost is \$40 plus a \$15 rental fee.

fee. "Advanced Judo," designed for advancing judo students, will enable students to contin-ue their studies and cumulative learning of tech-niques, kata and lifestyle. This class requires students to also iniques, kata and lifestyle. This class requires students to also be registered in the United States Judo Federation. The course will be held from 7:30 to 9 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays, Jan. 4 to May 26. in gymnosium room 256 at CSI. The cost is \$30 plus a \$50 federation registration fee.

The cost of the control of the cost of the cost information or to register, call 732-6290 or 732-6288.

WEDNESDAY'S CHILD

Meet children who need spe-cial parenting abilities and love. These children are of Native American.heritage.

- Nicole (16)

Ti want to be in a home with all my brothers and sisters. That's important because when, you're not with them, you're all asd and missing them. We need each other to be happy... It describe a loving family as someone who will love you back, having someone who can give you attention. I don't want people who look down on us. That's not what we need.

*That's not what we need.**

* Sara (13)

"I would like to live with a family that respects you for what you do, for your actions and doesn't look down on you. When I'm a mon I will take care of my kids, hang out with them, talk to them, love them. My brothers and sisters are funny, exciting and active. Us older this storing and active. Us older doing something wrong. They don't really get in trouble that much, but when they do, we talk to them and tell them it's not cool to get in trouble."

* Melanie (12)

Melanie (12)
 Melanie is-a-sweet-natured girl who loves to smile. She has an Individual Educational Plan

Left to right: Christopher, Sara, Melanie, Alize, Dakota, April.

at school that addresses mild mental delays. She will need ed-ucational allies who will maximize her learning poten-tial and support her ability to learn in the least restrictive en-vironment.

April (11)
 April (11)
 Still waters run deep is a saying that describes April's personality. Though she doesn't say much, she is an intelligent girl who just gets lost in the middle. She will need parents who spend individual time with her and listen when she is ready to be heard.

For more information, call the Idaho Carelline at 1-800-282-2838. Inside Idaho you can dial 2-1-1. You may need to the following reference numbers 30141-30148.

Lyle Morton, left, adjutant of Post No. 17 of

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APPRECIATION -



Prote courtery of American Lagran Post No. 17 Morton's ef-mbership chairman in recruiting new members, Post No. eded its quota for the past year. Grant also reported that proceeds from the Idaho Veterans license plates are going to help support the veterans cemetery in Bolse. A total of \$15 from each new vetorans plate and \$5 from each renewal goes to the cemetry operation and maintenance fund. Idaho has also minted a sliver medallion coln series in limited edition numbers with a depiction of a ione bugler with the Idaho State Veterans Cemetery in the back

CLUB CALENDAR

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Twin Falls - Noon Thursdays at Man-darin House on Blue Lakes Boulevard North: 733-2278. Jerome - 6-30 p.m. Wednesdays, Oop's Market, 156 E. Main Sc. call Julie at 324-569.

endell - 7:15 p m. Tuesdays at the City wendell: 536-6477.

Soroptimist International

Burley - noon second, third and fourth-Wednesday-ut-Syrluga-Planz Apartments, 265 Elba Ave., call Arlene at 438-8956. Twin Falls - noon first third and fourth Tuesdays at the China buffet. call 734-9466 or 736-3900 for summer schedule. Rupert - noon on first and third Thurs-

Fire-08d or 670-5400.

EIKS

Snake River Elks Lodge -6 p.m. second and lourth Thursdays at lodge at 93 Goff Ranchon Highway \$1, call 324 F200-640y at Elks Lodge, 83 Goff Banchon Highway 93, call Mary Ann at 733-3241.

Moose
Loyal Order of the Moose, Lodge 612 - B
pm. second and fourth Riveday at 835
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at 733-6457 (days) or 733-6951 (evenings).
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Mugle Vulley Toastmasters - 12:10 p.m. second and foorth Thesdays at the Golden Corral Restaurant on like Lakes Boulevard North in Twin Falls, call 7:33-5408 or 543-8400.

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Chapter 48 - 10 a.m. Thursdays at the ome Public Library; 324-7426 or 324chapter ID 3 - noon Mondays at St. Ed-wards Parish Hall, 260 Seventh Ave. E. in Twin Falls. Call 734-6087. - Chapter 256 - 5:15 p.m. Thursdays in

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Buth - 630 pm. daily except Sunday at the Bungalow Club, 119 Broadway S., call Sunday at Carpervine meeting - 6-20 pm. Wednesdays at 119 Broadway S.
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Jerome - Priory Group open meeting, 2:30 p.m. Mondays at Monastery of the As-cension, 100 S, 541 E. Jerome, call Selby at 324-4237. Non-smoking, Depot Bunch Group - at noon Monday and Tuesday at the Jerome Senior Center,

212 First Ave. E. (except first Tuesday meets at El Shaddal Fellowship at 125 First Ave. E. Jand Wednesday through Friday at the ferome Library, 100 First Ave. E. All open. non-moking groups. Narcotics Anonymous For Information, call 1-866-738-6224 toll free.

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call Patricla at 539-1985; and 7 p.m. Fridays in the High Council Room at the
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organization, please send in a notice with: Name of the organization or club. Time, day and week (s) of the meeting: Place of meeting; and Telephone number of a group contact per-son.

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Veterans of Foreign Wars hl - Post 3604, Thurston Pence Post, second Tuesday at Lincoln Courts;

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Trustee'S Sale No. 02-PR-3855

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Owner(s) on Record At County RPB0049029001AA James Yetzer

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Combined Statement of Revenues & Expenditures with changes in Fund Balance - All Funds

Budget Salary

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REVENUE RECEIPTS	Budget	& Benefits	Actual	& Benefits
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County Sources	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •		\$8,975,949.60	
State Sources	26,451,240.00		26.461,636.18	
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Other Sources	14.976.00		14.976.00	
TOTAL REVENUES			\$40,196,050.95	
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TOTAL REVENUE & TRANSFERS			\$40,750,905.78	
EXPENDITURES				
Instructional Services			\$22,760,631,03	
Support Services	14,675,200.00	8,078,628.00	13,450,875,44	\$22,259,610.59
Non-Instructional Services	2.021.517.00	915.208.00	1,975,422.46	7,932,773,13
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The following license conditions are part of the Federal Energy Regulatory Communision items for the Shoshone Falls hydroelectric project owned and operated by Idaho Power Communision items for the Shoshone Falls hydroelectric project owned and operated by Idaho Power Company.

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